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**Abstract:** In the last decade, formal methods have proved their interest when analyzing security protocols. Security protocols require in particular to reason about the attacker knowledge. Two standard notions are often considered in formal approaches: deducibility and indistinguishability relations. The first notion states whether an attacker can learn the value of a secret, while the latter states whether an attacker can notice some difference between protocol runs with different values of the secret.

Several decision procedures have been developed so far for both notions but none of them can be applied in the context of e-voting protocols, which require dedicated cryptographic primitives. In this work, we show that both deduction and indistinguishability are decidable in polynomial time for two theories modeling the primitives of e-voting protocols.

**Key-words:** security protocols, formal methods, decidability, e-voting, equational theory, knowledge, deduction, statique équivalence

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# Décision de la connaissance dans les protocoles de sécurité pour des théories liées au vote électronique

**Résumé :** Les méthodes formelles se sont révélées très utiles dans l'analyse des protocoles de sécurité. Les protocoles de sécurité demandent en particulier de pouvoir raisonner finement sur la connaissance d'un attaquant. Deux notions classiques sont souvent utilisées: la déduction et l'indistinguabilité. La première notion assure qu'un attaquant ne peut connaître la valeur du secret tandis que la deuxième assure qu'un attaquant ne peut pas faire la différence entre deux exécutions du protocole avec des valeurs différentes pour le secret.

Plusieurs procédures de décision ont été développées pour les deux notions mais aucune d'entre elles ne peut s'appliquer au contexte particulier des protocoles de vote, qui utilisent des primitives cryptographiques inhabituelles. Dans cet article, nous montrons que les relations de déduction et d'indistinguabilité sont toutes deux décidables en temps polynomial, pour deux théories équationnelles modélisant les primitives cryptographiques utilisées dans le vote électronique.

**Mots-clés :** protocoles de sécurité, méthodes formelles, décidabilité, vote électronique, théorie équationnelle, connaissance, deduction, équivalence statique

# 1 Introduction

Security protocols aim at securing communication over public networks. They achieve various goals such as secrecy, authenticity or anonymity, using cryptographic primitives like encryption and signatures. In the last decade, several decision procedures have been developed to check the security of cryptographic protocols. For example, secrecy is NP-complete when limiting the number of sessions [RT01]. Several tools have been developed for automatically analyzing security protocols (see e.g. [Bla01, ABB<sup>+</sup>05]).

In formal approaches, messages sent over a network are modeled by terms that can be seen as trees labeled by function symbols (like *encryption*, *decryption*, etc.), and whose leaves are data. The cryptographic functions properties are described by axioms that define an equational theory. The analysis of protocols then requires precise formulations of the knowledge (capability) of protocol participants and attackers. Many formal definitions explain the knowledge of an attacker in terms of message deducibility. Intuitively, deducibility focuses on the following question: given a set of messages  $\phi$  and a secret  $s$ , can an attacker compute  $s$  from  $\phi$ ?

However, this concept of deducibility is not always suitable for expressing the knowledge of an attacker. For instance, consider an e-voting protocol that transmits an encrypted choice value of a vote. In this case, it is not sufficient to ask whether an attacker can deduce the value, since he knows all possible values of a vote. A more powerful notion of indistinguishability has been introduced in the framework of applied pi calculus [AF01]: a secret is preserved if an attacker can never distinguish between protocol runs with different values of the secret. This notion is called static equivalence. The term static reflects the fact that this notion applies only to messages transmitted and ignores the protocol behavior. Decidability of both deduction and static equivalence have been studied (e.g. [AC06, Del06, CD07, CLS03]) for several equational theories including for instance exclusive or, homomorphic operators, blind signatures or subterm theories.

In this paper, we focus on e-voting protocols, a recent family of protocols. Such protocols should ensure in particular anonymity of the vote, receipt-freeness and possibly coercion-resistance [DKR09]. They make use of special cryptographic primitives such as re-encryption or trapdoor commitment. However none of the previous decidability results can be applied in the context of e-voting protocols, even for the two key notions of deduction and static equivalence.

We consider two particular equational theories used when modeling e-voting protocols. The first equational theory, denoted by  $E_{Lee}$  models the properties of re-encryption, particularly important in the Lee *et al* protocol [LBD<sup>+</sup>03]. The second equational theory, denoted by  $E_{Oka}$  models the properties of blind signatures schemes and trapdoor bit commitment scheme, particularly important in the Okamoto protocol [Oka96]. Our main contribution is to show that both deducibility and static equivalence are decidable in polynomial time for any of these two theories. This is a first (and necessary) step towards a decidability result in the active case. One ingredient of our proof is the locality property [McA93], for which we design an appropriate notion of *subterms*. For static equivalence, our proofs are also inspired from the technique developed in [AC06] for convergent subterm theories.

Detailed proof are provided in appendix for the reviewer convenience. They will appear in a technical report.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we present some basic notions and notations. We suppose the reader familiar with rewriting systems [DP01].

### 2.1 Syntax

A signature  $\Sigma$  consists of a finite set of function symbols, each with an arity. We write  $ar(f)$  for the arity of a function symbol  $f$ . A function symbol with arity 0 is a constant symbol. Given a signature  $\Sigma$ , an infinite set of names  $\mathcal{N}$ , and an infinite set of variables, the set of terms is defined by the grammar:

$L, M, N, T, U, V ::=$	terms
$k, \dots, n, \dots, s$	names
$x, y, z$	variables
$f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$	function application

where  $f$  ranges over the function symbols of  $\Sigma$  and  $k$  matches the arity of  $f$ . A term is closed when it does not have free variables (but it may contain names and constant symbols). We write  $fn(M)$  for the set of names that occur in the term  $M$ .

Given a signature  $\Sigma$ , an infinite set of names  $\mathcal{N}$  and an infinite set of variables  $\mathcal{X}$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{T}(\Sigma)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{T}(\Sigma, \mathcal{X})$ ) the set of terms over  $\Sigma \cup \mathcal{N}$  (resp.  $\Sigma \cup \mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{X}$ ). The former is called the set of *closed* terms over  $\Sigma$ , while the latter is called the set of terms over  $\Sigma$ . We denote by  $\Sigma_0$  the set of the constant symbols of  $\Sigma$ . The size  $|T|$  of a term  $T$  is defined by  $|T| = 1$  if  $T \in \mathcal{X} \cup \mathcal{N} \cup \Sigma_0$  and  $|f(T_1, \dots, T_k)| = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^k |T_i|$ . A substitution is a function that maps variables to terms  $\sigma : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\Sigma, \mathcal{X})$ . We write  $\sigma = \{T_1/x_1, \dots, T_n/x_n\}$  to say that  $x_i\sigma = T_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $x\sigma = x$  for  $x \neq x_i$ . We define the domain of  $\sigma$ , denoted by  $dom(\sigma)$ , to be the set  $\{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid x\sigma \neq x\}$ .

A theory  $(\Sigma, E)$  is defined by a signature  $\Sigma$  and a set of equations  $E$  given by  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{M_i = N_i\}$  with  $M_i, N_i \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma, \mathcal{X})$ . The size of  $E$ , is given by  $c_E = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} (|M_i|, |N_i|, ar(\Sigma) + 1)$ , where  $ar(\Sigma)$  is the maximal arity of a function symbol in  $\Sigma$ . We simply write  $E$  for the theory  $(\Sigma, E)$ . The relation  $=_E$  denotes the equational theory generated by  $(\Sigma, E)$  on  $\mathcal{T}(\Sigma, \mathcal{X})$ , that is an equivalence relation on terms closed under application of contexts and substitutions. We use the symbol  $==$  to denote syntactic equality between terms.

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a rewrite system. We write  $U \rightarrow V$  if  $U$  and  $V$  are terms and  $U$  may be rewritten to  $V$  (in one step) using a rule of  $\mathcal{R}$ . As usual, if  $\mathcal{R}$  is convergent then  $U \downarrow$  denoted the normal form of  $U$ . We write  $\rightarrow_{\mathcal{R}}$  instead of  $\rightarrow$  when the rewrite system is not clear from the context. If there exists a rule  $l \rightarrow r$  of the rewriting system  $\mathcal{R}$  and some substitution  $\theta$  such that there exist terms  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $U = l\theta$  and  $V = r\theta$ , then we say that the reduction  $U \rightarrow V$  occurs *in head*, and we write  $U \xrightarrow{h} V$ .

A context  $C$  is a term with holes, or (more formally) a term with distinguished variables such that each of them occurs at most once in the context. When  $C$  is a context, with  $n$  distinguished variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ , we may write  $C[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  instead of  $C$  in order to show the variables, and when  $T_1, \dots, T_n$

are terms we may also write  $C[T_1, \dots, T_n]$  for the result of replacing each variable  $x_i$  with the corresponding term  $T_i$ .

## 2.2 Frames

In the applied pi calculus [AF01], a message sequence is organized into a frame  $\nu\tilde{n}\sigma$ , where  $\tilde{n}$  is a finite set of names (intuitively, the fresh names),  $\nu$  is the restriction operator from the pi calculus, which intuitively introduces fresh names, and  $\sigma$  is a substitution of the form:  $\{M_1/x_1, \dots, M_k/x_k\}$  where  $\text{dom}(\sigma) = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  and  $M_1, \dots, M_k$  are closed terms representing transmitted messages. If the  $M_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$  are in normal form, then we say that  $\phi$  is in normal form. The variables enable us to refer to each  $M_i$ , for example for keeping track of their order of transmission. The free names, denoted  $\text{fn}(\phi)$ , is defined to be the set  $\{n \mid n \in \bigcup_{i=1}^k \text{fn}(M_i) \text{ and } n \notin \tilde{n}\}$ .

## 2.3 Deduction

Given a theory  $E$  and a frame  $\phi$  that represents the information available to an attacker, we may ask whether a given closed term  $M$  may be deduced from  $\phi$ . This relation is written  $\phi \vdash_E M$  (or shortly  $\phi \vdash M$  when  $E$  is clear from the context). It is axiomatized by the following rules:

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{}{\nu\tilde{n}.\sigma \vdash M} \text{ if } \exists x \in \text{dom}(\sigma) \text{ s.t. } x\sigma = M \\ \frac{\phi \vdash M_1 \quad \phi \vdash M_k}{\phi \vdash f(M_1, \dots, M_k)} \text{ if } f \in \Sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \frac{}{\nu\tilde{n}.\sigma \vdash s} \text{ if } s \notin \tilde{n} \\ \frac{\phi \vdash M \quad M =_E M'}{\phi \vdash M'} \end{array}$$

Intuitively, the deducible messages are the messages of  $\phi$  and the names that are not protected in  $\phi$ , closed by equality in  $E$  and closed by application of functions. The following proposition provides a characterization of deduction [AC06].

**Proposition 1** *Let  $M$  be a closed term and  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame. Then  $\phi \vdash_E M$  if and only if there exists a term  $\zeta$  such that  $\text{fn}(\zeta) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$  and  $\zeta\sigma =_E M$ .*

Such a term  $\zeta$  is a *recipe* of  $M$ . It represents the attacker actions in order to obtain  $M$ . As an example, consider the equational theory  $E_{\text{enc}}$  of pairing and symmetric encryption. This signature is  $\Sigma_{\text{enc}} = \{\text{pair}, \text{enc}, \text{fst}, \text{snd}, \text{dec}\}$ . The function  $\text{enc}(x, y)$  allows to encrypt a message  $x$  by the key  $y$ , while  $\text{dec}(\text{enc}(x, y), y)$  extracts the message  $x$  from the ciphertext message  $\text{enc}(x, y)$  by using the same key  $y$ . The theory  $E_{\text{enc}}$  is defined by the axioms :

$$\text{fst}(\text{pair}(x, y)) = x \quad \text{snd}(\text{pair}(x, y)) = y \quad \text{dec}(\text{enc}(x, y), y) = x$$

Let  $\phi = \nu k, s. \{ \text{enc}(s, k)/x, k/y \}$ . Then  $\phi \vdash k$  and  $\phi \vdash s$ . Furthermore, we have  $k =_{E_{\text{enc}}} y\phi$  and  $s =_{E_{\text{enc}}} \text{dec}(x, y)\phi$ . In this case, a possible recipe for obtaining  $k$  is  $y$  and a possible recipe for obtaining  $s$  is  $\text{dec}(x, y)$ .

## 2.4 Static equivalence

We say that two terms  $M$  and  $N$  are equal in the frame  $\phi$  under a theory  $E$ , and write it  $(M =_E N)\phi$ , if and only if  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}.\sigma$ ,  $M\sigma =_E N\sigma$



, and  $\{\tilde{n}\} \cap (fn(M) \cup fn(N)) = \emptyset$  for some names  $\tilde{n}$  and substitution  $\sigma$ . Then we say that two frames  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are statically equivalent, and write  $\phi \approx_E \psi$ , when  $dom(\phi) = dom(\psi)$  and when, for all terms  $M$  and  $N$ , we have  $(M =_E N)\phi$  if and only if  $(M =_E N)\psi$ . For example, consider again the theory  $E_{enc}$ . Let  $\phi = \nu k. \{enc(s, k)/x, k/y\}$  and  $\psi = \nu k. \{enc(s', k)/x, k/y\}$ . We have  $(dec(x, y) =_{E_{enc}} s)\phi$  but not  $(dec(x, y) =_{E_{enc}} s)\psi$ . Therefore  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are not statically equivalent.

### 3 E-voting theories

In this section, we present two e-voting theories: the theory  $E_{Lee}$ , used for modeling the properties of the primitives used in the protocol proposed by Lee *et al* [LBD<sup>+</sup>03] and the theory  $E_{Oka}$ , used for modeling the properties of the primitives used in the protocol proposed by Okamoto [Oka96]. Their modeling has been taken from [DKR09].

#### 3.1 DVP and re-encryption

The protocol due to Lee *et al* relies on two less used cryptographic primitives: re-encryption and designated verifier proofs (DVP) of re-encryption. A re-encryption of a ciphertext (obtained using a randomized encryption scheme) changes the random coins, without changing or revealing the plaintext. A DVP of the re-encryption proves that the two ciphertexts contain indeed the same plaintext. However, a designated verifier proof only convinces one intended person, e.g., the voter, that the re-encrypted ciphertext contains the original plaintext. (see [DKR09] for more explanation).

The theory modeling the protocol due to Lee *et al*, denoted by  $E_{Lee}$ , is defined by:  $\Sigma_{Lee} = \{getpk, host, pk, checksign, sign, decrypt, reencrypt, penc, dvp, checkdvp, ok, f_0\}$  and the following equations :

- (1)  $getpk(host(x)) = x$
- (2)  $checksign(sign(x, y), pk(y)) = x$
- (3)  $decrypt(penc(x, pk(y), z), y) = x$
- (4)  $reencrypt(penc(x, pk(y), z), w) = penc(x, pk(y), f_0(z, w))$
- (5)  $checkdvp(dvp(x, reencrypt(x, y), y, pk(z)), x, reencrypt(x, y), pk(z)) = ok$
- (6)  $checkdvp(dvp(x, y, z, w), x, y, pk(w)) = ok$

The first equation models the fact that we can obtain the public key of each host (modeled by the functions  $getpk$  and  $host$ ). The second equation models digital signatures as being signatures with message recovery, it means that the signature (modeled by the term  $sign(x, y)$ ) of the message  $x$  by the key  $y$ , can be extracted using the  $checksign$  function and the public key corresponding to  $y$ . The third equation is used for modeling the asymmetric probabilistic encryption (modeled by the function  $penc$ ) using a random coin, while the fourth equation models the re-encryption (modeled by the function  $reencrypt$ ), that allows to obtain a different encryption of the same message with another random coin which is function of the original one and the one used during the re-encryption. In the equations (5) and (6), the  $dvp$  symbol allows to build a designated verifier proof of the fact that a message is a re-encryption of another one and  $checkdvp$  symbol allows the designated verifier to check that the proof is valid. Note that

*checkdvp* also succeeds for a fake *dvp* created using the designated verifier's private key.

We denote by  $\mathcal{R}_{E_{Lee}}$ , the convergent rewriting system associated to  $E_{Lee}$  (obtained by orienting the equations from left to right and applying the completion procedure [KB70]), it is defined by:

- (1)  $getpk(host(x)) \rightarrow x$
- (2)  $checksign(sign(x, y), pk(y)) \rightarrow x$
- (3)  $decrypt(penc(x, pk(y), z), y) \rightarrow x$
- (4)  $rencrypt(penc(x, pk(y), z), w) \rightarrow penc(x, pk(y), f_0(z, w))$
- (5)  $checkdvp(dvp(x, rencrypt(x, z), z, pk(y)), x, rencrypt(x, z), pk(y)) \rightarrow ok$
- (6)  $checkdvp(dvp(penc(x, pk(y), z), penc(x, pk(y), f_0(z, w))), w, pk(v)),$   
 $penc(x, pk(y), z), penc(x, pk(y), f_0(z, w)), pk(v)) \rightarrow ok$
- (7)  $checkdvp(dvp(x, y, z, w), x, y, pk(w)) \rightarrow ok$

### 3.2 Trapdoor bit-commitment

The protocol due to Okamoto is based on a trap-door bit commitment and blind signatures. A trap-door bit commitment scheme allows the agent who has performed the commitment to open it in many ways. Hence, trap-door bit commitment does not bind the voter to its vote. Blind signature schemes allow a person to get a message signed by another party without revealing any information about the message to the other party (see [DKR09] for more explanation).

The theory modeling the protocol due to Okamoto, denoted by  $E_{Oka}$ , is defined by:

$\Sigma_{Oka} = \{host, getpk, pk, open, sign, checksign, blind, unblind, tdcommit, f_1\}$  and the following axioms :

- (1)  $getpk(host(x)) = x$
- (2)  $checksign(sign(x, y), pk(y)) = x$
- (3)  $unblind(blind(x, y), y) = x$
- (4)  $unblind(sign(blind(x, y), z), y) = sign(x, y)$
- (5)  $open(tdcommit(x, y, z), y) = x$
- (6)  $tdcommit(x, f_1(y, z, w, x), w) = tdcommit(y, z, w)$

The equations (1) and (2) modeling public keys and digital signatures are the same as in previous section. The equations (3) and (4) model blind signatures [Cha82], allowing a person to get a message signed by another party without revealing any information about the message to the other party. The functions *blind* and *unblind* are similar to perfect symmetric key encryption. The fourth equation allows to extract a signature out of a blinded signature, when the blinding factor is known. Finally, the equations (5) and (6) model trap-door bit commitment, modeled by the functions *tdcommit* and *open*, that are again similar to perfect symmetric key encryption. The term  $tdcommit(x, y, z)$  models the commitment of the message  $x$  under the key  $y$  using the trap-door  $z$ . The sixth equation expresses that a commitment  $tdcommit(y, z, w)$  can be viewed as

a commitment of any value  $x$ . To open this commitment as  $x$  one has to know the key  $f(y, z, w, x)$ . Note that this is possible only if one knows the key  $z$  used to forge the commitment  $tdcommit(y, z, w)$  and the trap-door  $w$ .

The main result of [ACD07] ensures that whenever deducibility and static equivalence are decidable for two disjoint theories<sup>1</sup>, they are also decidable for their union. Thus, we decompose  $E_{Oka}$  into two disjoint sub-theories such that  $E_{Oka} = E_{Oka}^1 \cup E_{Oka}^2$ , where  $E_{Oka}^1$  is composed of the first four equations, and  $E_{Oka}^2$  is composed of the two last equations. We further notice that the first theory actually corresponds to the equational theory of blind signatures for which both deduction and static equivalence have been proved decidable in polynomial time [AC06]. Thus for proving that deduction and static equivalence are decidable in polynomial time for Okamoto theory, it is sufficient to prove that both deduction and static equivalence are decidable in polynomial time for  $E_{Oka}^2$  since the combining algorithm of [ACD07] is done in polynomial time.

In the next we simply write  $E_{Oka}$  instead of  $E_{Oka}^2$  when it is clear from context, which is defined by the five-th and sex-th equations. The rewriting system associated to  $E_{Oka}$ , obtained by orienting the equations from left to right is not convergent. For make it convergent we add the two next equations:

$$\begin{aligned} open(tdcommit(y, z, w), f_1(y, z, w, x)) &\rightarrow x \\ f_1(x0, f_1(x, y, z, x0), z, x1) &\rightarrow f_1(x, y, z, x1) \end{aligned}$$

The first rule is added by the completion algorithm [KB70], and the second equation models the property of transitivity of the key used in the commitment. The convergent rewriting system associated to  $E_{Oka}$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{R}_{E_{Oka}}$ , is defined by the following rewrite rules:

- (1)  $open(tdcommit(x, y, z), y) \rightarrow x$
- (2)  $tdcommit(x, f_1(y, z, w, x), w) \rightarrow tdcommit(y, z, w)$
- (3)  $open(tdcommit(y, z, w), f_1(y, z, w, x)) \rightarrow x$
- (4)  $f_1(x0, f_1(x, y, z, x0), z, x1) \rightarrow f_1(x, y, z, x1)$

## 4 Decidability of deduction

In this section we study the decidability of deduction for both theories. In the remaining of the paper,  $E$  denotes any of the two theories  $E_{Lee}$  or  $E_{Oka}$ . Omitted proofs (under each theory) are given separately in appendix.

Our starting point is the locality technique introduced by [McA93], and used in [CLS03, CKRT05, LLT05, Del06]. Given a frame  $\phi$ , a closed term  $M$  and a theory  $E$ , the proof of  $\phi \vdash_E M$  is local if it involves only terms in the set of subterms of  $\phi \cup \{M\}$  w.r.t an appropriate notion of subterms  $St_E$ . The set  $St_E(\phi \cup \{M\})$  is also denoted by  $St_E(\phi, M)$ . Thus, we define an appropriate notion of subterms for each theory, that we use for proving the locality property.

**Definition 1** *Let  $M_1, \dots, M_k \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma_{Lee}, \mathcal{X})$ . The appropriate notion of subterms for  $E_{Lee}$ , simply denoted by  $St_{Lee}$ , is defined as follows:*

- $St_{Lee}(u) = u$  when  $u$  is a variable or a name,

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<sup>1</sup>Two theories are disjoint if they do not have common function symbols.

- $St_{Lee}(penc(M_1, pk(M_2), f_0(M_3, M_4))) = \{penc(M_1, pk(M_2), f_0(M_3, M_4))\} \cup$   
 $St_{Lee}(M_1) \cup St_{Lee}(pk(M_2)) \cup St_{Lee}(f_0(M_3, M_4)) \cup \{penc(M_1, pk(M_2), M_3)\},$
- $St_{Lee}(sign(M_1, M_2)) = \{sign(M_1, M_2)\} \cup St_{Lee}(M_1) \cup St_{Lee}(pk(M_2)),$
- $St_{Lee}(f(M_1, \dots, M_k)) = \{f(M_1, \dots, M_k)\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^k St_{Lee}(M_i) \text{ otherwise}$

**Definition 2** Let  $M_1, \dots, M_k \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma_{Oka}, \mathcal{X})$ . The appropriate notion of subterms for  $E_{Oka}$ , simply denoted by  $St_{Oka}$ , is defined as follows:

- $St_{Oka}(u) = u$  when  $u$  is a variable or a name
- $St_{Oka}(f_1(M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4)) = \{f_1(M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4)\} \cup$   
 $\bigcup_{i=1}^4 St_{Oka}(M_i) \cup \{tdcommit(M_1, M_2, M_3)\}$
- $St_{Oka}(f(M_1, \dots, M_k)) = \{f(M_1, \dots, M_k)\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^k St_{Oka}(M_i) \text{ otherwise}$

The following lemma states the locality property for both theories.

**Lemma 1 (locality)**

Let  $\phi = \nu \tilde{n} \sigma$  be a frame in normal form,  $M$  be a closed term in normal form. If  $\phi \vdash_E M$  then there exists a term  $\zeta_M$ , called local recipe, such that:

- $fn(\zeta_M) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$  and  $\zeta_M \sigma =_E M$ .
- for all  $\zeta' \in St_E(\zeta_M)$ , for all  $\zeta'' \in St_E(\zeta')$  we have  $\zeta'' \sigma \downarrow \in St_E(\phi, \zeta' \sigma \downarrow) \cup \{\Sigma_0\}$ . Moreover, if  $\zeta'' = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  and  $f(\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k \sigma \downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta'' \sigma \downarrow$  by applying a subterm rule <sup>2</sup> then we have  $\zeta'' \sigma \downarrow \in St_E(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_0\}$ .

The algorithm allowing to decide  $\phi \vdash_E M$  (Algorithm 1), is inspired from the frame saturation algorithm introduced in [AC06]. The idea is to compute by saturation all subterms of  $\phi$  and  $M$  that are deducible from  $\phi$ .

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**Algorithm 1:** Algorithm of Deduction

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**Input:**  $\phi = \nu \tilde{n}. \{M_1/x_1, \dots, M_k/x_k\}, M$   
**Output:** true/false  
 $S := St_E(\phi, M) \cup \Sigma_0 \cup fn(\phi)$   
1  $T := \{(M_i, x_i) \mid i \in \{1..k\}\} \cup \{(n, n) \mid n \in \Sigma_0 \cup fn(\phi)\}$   
 $T' := \emptyset$   
**while**  $T \neq T'$  **do**  
     $T' := T$   
    **for all**  $(t_1, \zeta_1) \dots, (t_n, \zeta_n) \in T'$  **and for every function symbol**  $f$  **do**  
2     **if**  $f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \xrightarrow{h} t$  **and**  $t \in S$  **and**  $t \notin \{t \mid (t, \zeta_t) \in T\}$  **then**  
        $\lfloor (t, f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)) \in T$   
3     **if**  $t = f(t_1, \dots, t_n) \in S$  **and**  $t \notin \{t \mid (t, \zeta_t) \in T\}$  **then**  
        $\lfloor (t, f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)) \in T$   
    **if**  $(M, \zeta_M) \in T$  **then**  
      **return true**  
    **else**  
      **return false**

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<sup>2</sup>A rule  $l \rightarrow r$  is called *subterm rule* if  $r \in St_E(l)$  or  $r$  is constant symbol.

This algorithm terminates since we add only subterms of  $\phi$  and  $M$ .

The next proposition shows correctness and completeness of the algorithm for the subterms of a frame  $\phi$  and a closed term  $M$ . Moreover, the recipes computed by the algorithm are minimal and local.

**Proposition 2** *Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame such that  $\sigma = \{M_1/x_1, \dots, M_k/x_k\}$  is in normal form,  $M$  be a term in normal form and  $T$  be the set computed by the Algorithm 1.*

1.  $\forall M' \in St_E(\phi, M)$  we have  $\phi \vdash_E M'$  iff there exists a pair  $(M', \zeta_{M'}) \in T$ .
2. Moreover, the recipe  $\zeta_{M'}$  computed by the algorithm is minimal and local.

**Corollary 1** *For every frame  $\phi$  in normal form and for every closed term  $M$  in normal form,  $\phi \vdash_E M$  is decidable.*

*Proof.* Trivial from proposition 2 (the first part) since  $M \in St_E(\phi, M)$ .  $\square$

The complexity results for deduction and static equivalence are usually given as functions of the DAG-size of the terms. Our notion of DAG-size does not correspond to the usual DAG-size of a term since our notion of subterms is an extension of syntactic subterms. Here, we define the DAG-size of a term  $M$ , denoted  $|M|_{dag}$ , to be the number of distinct subterms w.r.t  $St_E$ . Both deduction and static equivalence are decidable in polynomial time.

**Proposition 3** *Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form and  $M$  be a closed term in normal form.*

1.  $\phi \vdash_E M$  can be decided in time  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma)+2})$ .
2. If  $\phi \vdash_E M$ , then there exists a local recipe  $\zeta_M$  such that  $fn(\zeta_M) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ ,  $\zeta_M \sigma =_E M$  and  $|\zeta_M|_{dag} \leq |\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$ .

## 5 Decidability of static equivalence

This section is devoted to the proof of the decidability of static equivalence. Our approach is based on the result of [AC06] for convergent subterm theories. Intuitively, the idea consists in associating to each frame a finite set of equalities (modulo renaming) such that two frames are equivalent if and only if each frame satisfies the equalities of the other's set. Given a frame  $\phi$  and a theory  $E$ , the construction of the set of equalities that characterizes a frame is based on the recipes of elements of a special set  $sat_E(\phi)$  representing all deducible subterms of  $\phi$ . In our approach, we extend the set  $sat_E(\phi)$  by an additional finite set of terms called *critical* terms, denoted by  $I_E(\phi)$ . We call them critical terms because they can contribute to the distinction between two frames. Given a frame  $\phi$ , we simply write  $sat_{Lee}(\phi)$  and  $sat_{Oka}(\phi)$  (resp.  $I_{Lee}(\phi)$  and  $I_{Oka}(\phi)$ ) for the set  $sat_E(\phi)$  (resp.  $I_E(\phi)$ ) computed under  $E_{Lee}$  and  $E_{Oka}$  respectively. Our algorithm consists in three steps.

**Step 1: saturating frame** We compute the set  $sat_E(\phi)$  of deducible subterms of  $\phi$ .

**Definition 3** Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}.\{M_1/x_1, \dots, M_n/x_n\}$  be a frame in normal form. Let  $St_E(\phi)$  be the set of subterms of the terms  $M_i$ . The set  $sat_E(\phi)$  is defined by

$$sat_E(\phi) = \{M \mid \phi \vdash_E M \text{ and } M \in St_E(\phi) \cup \Sigma_0 \cup fn(\phi)\}$$

The set  $sat_E(\phi)$  can be computed using Algorithm 1.

**Step 2: adding critical terms** We define the set  $I_E(\phi)$  for each theory.

**Definition 4** Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}.\{M_1/x_1, \dots, M_n/x_n\}$  be a frame in normal form. The set  $I_{Lee}(\phi)$  is the minimal set such that: If  $M_1, M_2, M_3 \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ ,  $M$  is deducible from  $\phi$  and  $M \in St_{Lee}(penc(M_1, M_2, M_3))$  then  $M \in I_{Lee}(\phi)$ .

**Proposition 4** Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form.

1. The set  $sat_{Lee}(\phi) \cup I_{Lee}(\phi)$  can be computed in time  $\mathcal{O}(|\phi|_{dag}^{2c_{Lee}+3})$ .
2. For every  $M \in sat_{Lee}(\phi) \cup I_{Lee}(\phi)$ , there exists a term  $\zeta_M$  such that  $fn(\zeta_M) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ ,  $\zeta_M\sigma =_{Lee} M$ , and  $|\zeta_M|_{dag} \leq |\phi|_{dag}(c_{Lee} + 1)$ .

For the  $E_{Oka}$  theory, we do not need to add critical terms, that is, we consider  $I_{Oka}(\phi) = \emptyset$ .

In what follows, for each frame  $\phi$  we assume fixed the set of local recipes computed by Algorithm 1, denoted by  $\mathcal{L}(\phi)$ , that corresponds to the terms of  $sat_E(\phi) \cup I_E(\phi)$ .

**Step 3: introducing a finite set of equalities** We associate to each frame a finite number of equalities  $Eq_E(\phi)$ .

**Definition 5** Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form. The set  $Eq_E(\phi)$  is the set of equalities

$$C_1[\zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] = C_2[\zeta_{M'_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M'_l}]$$

such that  $(C_1[\zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_E C_2[\zeta_{M'_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M'_l}])\phi$ ,  $|C_1|, |C_2| \leq c_E$ ,  $M_i, M'_i \in sat_E(\phi) \cup I_E(\phi)$  and  $\zeta_{M_i}, \zeta_{M'_i} \in \mathcal{L}(\phi) \cup dom(\sigma)$ . If  $\phi'$  is a frame such that  $(M =_E N)\phi'$  for every  $(M = N) \in Eq_E(\phi)$ , we write  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$ .

**Decidability result:** Static equivalence is decidable in polynomial time under both theories. We show (proposition 5) that it is actually sufficient to check for the set of equalities  $Eq_E(\phi)$ , that is  $\phi \approx_E \phi'$  if and only if  $\phi \models Eq_E(\phi')$  and  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$ . The proof relies on the two following (key) lemmas.

**Lemma 2** Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form,  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$  be local recipes of some term  $T$ , i.e.  $\zeta_M\sigma \downarrow = \zeta_N\sigma \downarrow = T$ . For every frame  $\phi'$  such that  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$ , we have  $(\zeta_M =_E \zeta_N)\phi'$ .

**Lemma 3** Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form,  $M$  be a deducible term in normal form and  $\zeta_M$  a recipe of  $M$ . Then there exists a local recipe of  $M$ , denoted by  $\hat{\zeta}_M$ , such that for every frame  $\phi'$  such that  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$ , we have  $(\zeta_M =_E \hat{\zeta}_M)\phi'$ .

The two lemmas allow us to conclude that it is sufficient to check small equalities.

**Proposition 5** Let  $\phi$  and  $\phi'$  be two frames in normal form. We have  $\phi \approx_E \phi'$  if and only if  $\phi \models Eq_E(\phi')$  and  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$ .

*Proof.* ( $\rightarrow$ ) By Definition of static equivalence if  $\phi \approx_E \phi'$  then  $\phi \models Eq_E(\phi')$  and  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$ .

( $\leftarrow$ ) Assume that  $\phi' \models Eq_E(\phi)$  and consider  $M, N$  such that there exists  $\tilde{n}, \sigma$  such that  $\phi = \nu \tilde{n} \sigma$ ,  $(fn(M) \cup fn(N)) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$  and  $(M =_E N)\phi$ . Then  $M\sigma =_E N\sigma$ , so  $(M\sigma)\downarrow = (N\sigma)\downarrow$ . Let us show that  $(M =_E N)\phi'$ . Let  $T = (M\sigma)\downarrow$ . The terms  $M$  and  $N$  can be viewed as recipes of T. By lemma 3 there exists  $\widehat{M}, \widehat{N}$  such that  $(\widehat{M} =_E M)\phi'$  and  $(\widehat{N} =_E N)\phi'$ . Then, by lemma 2 we obtain that  $(\widehat{M} =_E \widehat{N})\phi'$ , thus we conclude by transitivity.

Conversely, if  $(M =_E N)\phi'$  and  $\phi \models Eq_E(\phi')$ , we can prove that  $(M =_E N)\phi$ . We conclude  $\phi \approx_E \phi'$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1** *Let  $\phi, \phi'$  be two frames in normal form.  $\phi \approx_E \phi'$  is decidable in polynomial time.*

*Proof.* The deciding procedure of static equivalence proceeds in two steps. Firstly, we construct  $sat_E(\phi) \cup I_E(\phi)$  and  $sat_E(\phi') \cup I_E(\phi')$ . In the second step, we construct the sets  $Eq_{E_E}(\phi)$  and  $Eq_{E_E}(\phi')$ . Finally, and according to proposition 5, we test if each frame satisfy the equality from other's set. Moreover, according to the proposition 4, the construction of  $sat_E(\phi) \cup I_E(\phi)$  and  $sat_E(\phi') \cup I_E(\phi')$  can be done in polynomial time and for each term  $M$  of  $sat_E(\phi) \cup I_E(\phi)$  or  $sat_E(\phi') \cup I_E(\phi')$ , the term  $\zeta_M$  has a polynomial DAG-size. Thus, we can prove, like in [AC06], that this procedure can be done in polynomial time (in the DAG-size of inputs terms).  $\square$

## 6 Conclusion

In this paper, we have proved that deduction and static equivalence are both decidable in polynomial time for two important equational theories: Lee *et al* and Okamoto theories. Decidability of deduction relies on the existence of a locality property with respect to an appropriate notion of subterms that we have defined for each theory. Decidability of static equivalence relies on result of [AC06] for convergent subterms theories and a special set of critical terms that we have introduced. For Okamoto theory we have applied a modular approach by using the combining algorithm of [ACD07]. A further work is to generalize the construction of critical terms in order to deal with a wider class of e-voting theories. As emphasized in introduction, our work is dedicated to the passive case, where an attacker can simply eavesdrop the communication in order to get some information. An important (and involved) development of our work is to design a decision procedure in the active case, where the adversary can fully interact with the protocol.

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## Appendix

### A Proofs of Section 4

We introduce the definition of a term by *composition* and a term by *decomposition*.

**Definition 6** Let  $E$  be a theory,  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form, and  $t, t_i \in \mathcal{T}(\Sigma, \mathcal{X})$  for  $i = 1..k$  be non closed terms, we say that:

- $t$  is a term by decomposition if  $t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} f(t_1, \dots, t_k)$  and  $f(t_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, t_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h}_E t\sigma\downarrow$ ,
- $t$  is a term by composition if  $t$  is a variable or if  $t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} f(t_1, \dots, t_k)$  and  $f(t_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, t_k\sigma\downarrow) = t\sigma\downarrow$ .

Let  $M$  be a term,  $\text{head}(M)$  denotes the head function symbol of  $M$ .

#### A.1 Proofs under Lee *et al* theory

The next lemma will be used in the proof of locality lemma.

**Lemma 4** Let  $\mathcal{R}_{E_{Lee}}$  be the convergent rewriting system associated to  $E_{Lee}$ . Let  $M, M_1, \dots, M_k$  be terms in normal form. If  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$  is not in normal form, then we have  $M = f(M_1, \dots, M_k)\downarrow$  iff  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \xrightarrow{h}_E M$ .

*Proof.* ( $\rightarrow$ ) Let  $M_1, \dots, M_k$  are in normal form,  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$  is not in normal form, and  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \rightarrow^* M$ . Since  $M_1, \dots, M_k$  are in normal form, then the first step of reduction is in head. If the rule (1), (2), (3), (5), (6) or (7) is applied then it is clear that the term obtained is in normal form. If the rule (4) is applied, it is easy to verify that  $\text{penc}(M_1, pk(M_2), f_0(M_3, M_4))$  is in normal form whenever  $\text{penc}(M_1, pk(M_2), M_3)$  and  $M_4$  are in normal form. Then whatever the rule applied, we obtain always a term in normal form. Thus  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \xrightarrow{h}_E M'$  with  $M'$  in normal form. Since  $\mathcal{R}_{E_{Lee}}$  is convergent, we conclude that  $M = M'$ .

( $\leftarrow$ ) If  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \xrightarrow{h}_E M$ , then by definition of  $\downarrow$  we have  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)\downarrow = M$ . □ **Proof of lemma 1**

By proposition of characterization of deduction (proposition 1), there exists a term  $\zeta_M$  satisfying the first condition. We choose one whose size is minimal. The second condition is proved by induction on the size of  $\zeta_M$ .

**Base case :**  $\zeta_M$  is a variable or a name, then the second condition hold since  $St_{Lee}(\zeta_M) = \{\zeta_M\}$ .

**Induction step:** Let  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  with  $\zeta_i$  are the minimal recipes of  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow$ . By induction hypothesis we have for all  $\zeta' \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_i)_{i=1..k}$ , for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Lee}(\zeta')$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, \zeta'\sigma\downarrow) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ . To conclude that for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Lee}(\zeta')$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, \zeta'\sigma\downarrow) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$  for any  $\zeta' \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_M)$ , it is sufficient to show for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_M)$ , we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, M) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ . For this, it is sufficient to prove that for all  $i = 1..k$  we have  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, M) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , since if  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, M) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$  then

for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_i)$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, \zeta_i\sigma \downarrow) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\} \subseteq St_{Lee}(\phi, M) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ .

- If  $f(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma \downarrow)$  is in normal form, then for all  $i = 1..k$  we have  $\zeta_i\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(f(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma \downarrow))$  and we conclude.

- If  $f(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma \downarrow)$  is not in normal form. Since  $\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma \downarrow$  are in normal form then by lemma 4 we have  $f(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma \downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} M$ , in this case we distinguish five cases according to  $f$ :

- If  $f = checkdvp$ , this case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , indeed  $ok$  would be a recipe smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
- If  $f = getpk$ , this implies  $k=1$ , so we have  $\zeta_M = getpk(\zeta_1)$  and since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced then  $head(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) = host$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_1$ .
  - $\zeta_1$  is a variable, so we have  $\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) \subseteq St_{Lee}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma \downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma \downarrow$  by applying a rule different from (4). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) \subseteq St_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , thus we conclude. If the rule (4) is applied, this case cannot appear because this implies  $head(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) = penc$  and by equational theory  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma \downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq host$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
  - $\zeta_1 = host(\zeta'_1)$ , this case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , because we have always  $\zeta'_1$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
- $f = checksign$ , this implies  $k=2$ , so we have  $\zeta_M = checksign(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$  and since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced then  $head(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) = sign$  and  $\zeta_2\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow)$ . Thus it is sufficient to prove that  $\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi, M)$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_1$ .
  - $\zeta_1$  is a variable, so we have  $\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) \subseteq St_{Lee}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma \downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma \downarrow$  by applying a rule different from (4). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow \in St_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) \subseteq St_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , thus we conclude. If the rule (4) is applied, this case cannot appear because this implies  $head(\zeta_1\sigma \downarrow) = penc$  and by equational theory  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma \downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq sign$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.

- $\zeta_1 = \text{sign}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2)$ , this case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , because we have always  $\zeta'_1$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
- If  $f = \text{rencrypt}$ , this implies  $k=2$ , so we have  $\zeta_M = \text{rencrypt}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$  and since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced then  $\text{head}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) = \text{penc}$ . By Definition of subterms, we know that  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Lee}(M)$ , then we conclude.
- If  $f = \text{decrypt}$ , this implies  $k=2$ , so we have  $\zeta_M = \text{decrypt}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$  and since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced then  $\text{head}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) = \text{penc}$  and  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow)$ . Thus it is sufficient to prove that  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi, M)$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_1$ .
  - $\zeta_1$  is a variable, so we have  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow$  by applying a rule different from (4). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Lee}}\}$ , thus we conclude.
  - $\zeta_1 = \text{rencrypt}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2)$  and  $\text{rencrypt}(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \zeta'_2\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , because we have always  $\text{decrypt}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2)$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq \text{penc}$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
  - $\zeta_{M_1} = \text{penc}(\zeta'_1, \text{pk}(\zeta'_2), \zeta'_3)$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , because we have  $\zeta'_1$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .  $\square$

## A.2 Proofs under Okamoto theory

**Lemma 5** *Let  $\mathcal{R}_{E_{Oka}}$  be the convergent rewriting system associated to  $E_O$ . Let  $M, M_1, \dots, M_k$  be terms in normal form. If  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$  is not in normal form, then we have  $M = f(M_1, \dots, M_k)\downarrow$  iff  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \xrightarrow{h} M$ .*

*Proof.* ( $\rightarrow$ ) Let  $M_1, \dots, M_k$  are in normal form,  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$  is not in normal form, and  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \rightarrow^* M$ . Since  $M_1, \dots, M_k$  are in normal form, then the first step of reduction is in head. If the rule (1) or (3) is applied then it is clear that the term obtained is in normal form. It remains the cases of the rules (2) and (4). Let us examine these two cases:

- For the case when the rule (2) is applied. Let  $M'_1, M'_2$  be terms such that  $\text{tdcommit}(M_1, M_2, M_3) \xrightarrow{h} \text{tdcommit}(M'_1, M'_2, M_3)$  with  $M_2$  is of the form  $f_1(M'_1, M'_2, M_3, M_1)$ . The only case in which the term  $\text{tdcommit}(M'_1, M'_2, M_3)$  can be reduced is when  $M'_2$  is of the form  $f_1(M''_1, M''_2, M_3, M'_1)$  for some terms  $M''_1, M''_2$ . But in such case, we have  $M_2 = f_1(M'_1, f_1(M''_1, M''_2, M_3, M'_1), M_3, M)$  (for some term  $M$ ) is not in normal form, contradiction. Thus we conclude that  $\text{tdcommit}(M'_1, M'_2, M_3)$  is always in normal form.
- For the case when the rule (4) is applied. We have  $f_1(M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4) \xrightarrow{h} f_1(M'_1, M'_2, M_3, M_4)$  with  $M_2$  is of the form  $f_1(M'_1, M'_2, M_3, M_1)$ . The only

case in which  $f_1(M'_1, M'_2, M_3, M_4)$  not in normal form, is the case when  $M'_2$  is of the form  $f_1(M''_1, M''_2, M_3, M'_1)$  for some terms  $M''_1, M''_2$ . But in such case, we have  $M_2 = f_1(M'_1, f_1(M''_1, M''_2, M_3, M'_1), M_3, M_1)$  is not in normal form, contradiction. Thus we conclude that if we applied the rule (4) on the terms in normal form, we obtain always a term in normal form.

Then whatever the rule applied, we obtain always a term in normal form. Thus  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \xrightarrow{h} M'$  with  $M'$  in normal form. Since  $\mathcal{R}_{E_{Oka}}$  is convergent, we conclude that  $M = M'$ .

( $\leftarrow$ ) If  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k) \xrightarrow{h} M$ , then by definition of  $\downarrow$  we have  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)\downarrow = M$ .  $\square$

### Proof of lemma 1

By proposition 1, there exists a term  $\zeta_M$  satisfying the first condition. We choose one whose size is minimal. The second condition is proved by induction on the size of  $\zeta_M$ .

**Base case :**  $\zeta_M$  is a variable or a name, then the second condition hold since  $St_{Oka}(\zeta_M) = \{\zeta_M\}$ .

**Induction step:** Let  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  with  $\zeta_i$  are the minimal recipes of  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow$ . By induction hypothesis we have for all  $\zeta' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_i)_{i=1..k}$ , for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta')$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, \zeta'\sigma\downarrow)$ . To conclude that for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta')$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, \zeta'\sigma\downarrow)$  for any  $\zeta' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_M)$ , it is sufficient to show for all  $\zeta'' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_M)$ , we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ . For this, it is sufficient to prove that for all  $i = 1..k$  we have  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ , since if  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$  then for all  $\zeta' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_i)$  we have  $\zeta'\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, \zeta_i\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ .

- If  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form, so for all  $i = 1..k$  we have  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma\downarrow))$  and we conclude.

- If  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is not in normal form. Since  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma\downarrow$  are in normal form then by lemma 5 we have  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} M$ , in this case we distinguish some cases according to the rule applied:

- If the rule (1) is applied, then we have  $\zeta_M = open(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$ . Since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced to its normal form, then  $head(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) = tdcmit$  and  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow)$ . Thus it is sufficient to prove that  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_1$ :
  - $\zeta_1$  is a variable, then  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
  - $\zeta_1 = tdcmit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$  because we have always  $\zeta'_1$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq tdcmit$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot reduced, contradiction.
  - $\zeta_1 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow$  by applying a rule different from (4). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in$

$St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , thus we conclude. If the rule (4) is applied, this case cannot appear because this implies  $head(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow) = f_1$ , thus by equational theory  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.

- If the rule (2) is applied, then we have  $\zeta_M = tcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3)$ . Since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced to its normal form, then  $head(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) = f_1$  and  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \zeta_3\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow)$ . Thus it is sufficient to prove that  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_2$ :

- $\zeta_2$  is a variable, then  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
- $\zeta_2 = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$  because we have always  $tcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
- $\zeta_2 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq f_1$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
- $\zeta_2 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow$  by applying the rule (1) or (3). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , thus we conclude. If the rule (2) is applied, this case cannot appear because this implies  $head(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) = tcommit$ , thus by equational theory  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
- If  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow$  is obtained by the rule (4), i.e.  $\zeta_2 = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , because we have always  $tcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .

- If the rule (3) is applied, then we have  $\zeta_M = open(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$ . Since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced to its normal form then  $head(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) = f_1$  and  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow)$ . Thus it is sufficient to prove that  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_2$ :

- $\zeta_2$  is a variable, then  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
- $\zeta_2 = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$  because we have always  $\zeta'_4$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
- $\zeta_2 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq f_1$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
- $\zeta_2 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow$  by applying the rule (1) or (3). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , thus we conclude. If the rule (2) is applied, this case cannot appear because this implies  $head(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) = tcommit$ , thus by equational theory  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.

- If  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow$  is obtained by the rule (4), i.e.  $\zeta_2 = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ . This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , indeed  $\zeta'_4$  will be smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
- If the rule (4) is applied, then we have  $\zeta_M = f_1(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4)$ . Since  $\zeta_M\sigma$  is reduced to its normal form then  $head(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) = f_1$  and  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \zeta_3\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow)$  and since  $\zeta_4\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_M\sigma\downarrow)$ , thus it is sufficient to prove that  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, M)$ . We distinguish several cases for  $\zeta_2$ :
  - $\zeta_2$  is a variable, then  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi)$ , thus we conclude.
  - $\zeta_2 = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$  is by composition. This case cannot appear by minimality of  $\zeta_M$  because we have always  $f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .
  - $\zeta_2 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form with  $g \neq f_1$ , this case cannot appear because this implies that  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
  - $\zeta_2 = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_k)$  and  $g(\zeta'_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_k\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow$  by applying the rule (1) or (3). Then by induction hypothesis we have  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , and since the applied rule is a subterm rule then  $M \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi) \cup \{\Sigma_{0_{Oka}}\}$ , thus we conclude. If the rule (2) is applied, this case cannot appear because this implies  $head(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow) = t_{dcommit}$ , thus by equational theory  $\zeta_M\sigma$  cannot be reduced, contradiction.
  - If  $\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow$  is obtained by the rule (4), i.e.  $\zeta_2 = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ . This case is impossible by minimality of  $\zeta_M$ , because we have  $f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$  smaller than  $\zeta_M$ .  $\square$

### A.3 Decidability result for $\vdash_E$ under the two theories

#### Proof of proposition 2.

##### Proof of the first part:

( $\rightarrow$ ) Let  $M' \in St_E(\phi, M)$  and  $\phi \vdash_E M'$ , then by lemma 1 there exists a local recipe  $\zeta_{M'}$  of  $M'$  s.t for all  $\zeta' \in St_{Oka}(\zeta_M)$ , for all  $\zeta'' \in St_E(\zeta')$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_E(\phi, \zeta'\sigma\downarrow)$ . We prove by induction on the size of  $\zeta_{M'}$  that there exists  $(M', \bar{\zeta}_{M'}) \in T$  with  $\bar{\zeta}_{M'}$  is a recipe of  $M'$  computed by the algorithm.

**Base case:** If  $\zeta_{M'}$  is a variable or a name, then by instruction 1 we have  $(M', \bar{\zeta}_{M'}) \in T$  (with  $\bar{\zeta}_{M'}$  is the variable chosen by the algorithm).

**Inductive step:** Let  $\zeta_{M'} = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ . Since  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_E(\phi, M')$  (because  $\zeta_{M'}$  is local) and as consequence  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_E(\phi, M)$  because  $M' \in St_E(\phi, M)$ , then by induction hypothesis we have  $((\zeta_i\sigma)\downarrow, \bar{\zeta}_i) \in T$  for  $i = 1..n$ , with  $\bar{\zeta}_i$  are the recipes of  $(\zeta_i\sigma)\downarrow$  computed by the algorithm, thus:

- If  $\zeta_{M'}\sigma\downarrow == f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow)$ , then by the instruction 3 of the Algorithm 1 we have  $(M', \bar{\zeta}_{M'}) \in T$  (with  $\bar{\zeta}_{M'} = f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_n)$ ).

- If  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow)$  is not in normal form. Since  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow$  are in normal form then by lemma 4 (or lemma 5) we have  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} M'$ . Then by the instruction 2 of the Algorithm 1 we have  $(M', \bar{\zeta}_{M'}) \in T$  (with  $\bar{\zeta}_{M'} = f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_n)$ ).

( $\leftarrow$ ) If there exists a pair  $(M', \zeta_{M'}) \in T$ , then (by construction of  $T$ ) we have  $\zeta_{M'}\sigma =_E M'$  and  $fn(\zeta_{M'}) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ , thus by proposition 1 we have  $\phi \vdash_E M'$ .

**Proof of the second part:**

Let  $M' \in St_E(\phi, M)$  s.t  $\phi \vdash_E M'$ . Consider  $\zeta_{M'}$  a minimal local recipe of  $M'$ . We proceed by induction on the size of  $\zeta_{M'}$  that  $(M', \zeta_{M'})$  is computed by the algorithm, i.e  $(M', \zeta_{M'}) \in T$ . This will prove that recipes computed by the algorithm are local.

**Base case:** If  $\zeta_{M'}$  is a variable or a name, then by instruction 1 we have  $(M', \zeta_{M'}) \in T$ .

**Inductive step:** Let  $\zeta_{M'} = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ . Since  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_E(\phi, M')$  (because  $\zeta_{M'}$  is local) and as consequence  $\zeta_i\sigma\downarrow \in St_E(\phi, M)$  because  $M' \in St_E(\phi, M)$ , moreover by minimality of  $\zeta_{M'}$ , the  $\zeta_i$  are minimal local recipes. Then by induction hypothesis we have  $((\zeta_i\sigma)\downarrow, \zeta_i) \in T$  for  $i = 1..n$ , thus:

- If  $\zeta_{M'}\sigma\downarrow == f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow)$ , then by the instruction 3 of the Algorithm 1 we have  $(M', \zeta_{M'}) \in T$ .
- If  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow)$  is not in normal form. Since  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow$  are in normal form then by lemma 4 (or lemma 5) we have  $f(\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} M'$ . Then by the instruction 2 of the Algorithm 1 we have  $(M', \zeta_{M'}) \in T$ .

□

**Proof of Proposition 3.**

Let  $T$  be the set computed by the Algorithm 1. The set  $T$  is obtained in at most  $|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$  steps. At each step, we compute:

- Every closed term of the form  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$ , where  $(M_i, \zeta_i)$  are already in the set  $T$ . For each such term, we check whether it is an instance of some left-hand side of a rule. Thus we need at most  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma)+1})$  computations.
- Every closed term of the form  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$  that is also in  $St_E(\phi, M)$ , where  $(M_i, \zeta_i)$  are already in the set  $T$ . In other words, for every term of the form  $f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$  in  $St_E(\phi, M)$  (at most  $|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$  terms), we check whether each  $(M_i, \zeta_i)$  is already in the set  $T$ . Thus we need at most  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag})^2)$  computations.

Since  $1 \leq ar(\Sigma)$ , each step requires at most  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma)+1})$  computations and since there are at most  $|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$  steps, then  $T$  may be computed in time  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma)+2})$ . It remains to check if there exists a pair  $(M, \zeta_M) \in T$  (at most  $|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$  comparison), thus for deciding  $\phi \vdash_E M$  we need at most  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma)+2})$ .

For the second part of Proposition 3 we know by locality lemma that if  $\phi \vdash_E M$  then there exists a local recipe  $\zeta_M$  such that  $fn(\zeta_M) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ ,  $\zeta_M\sigma =_E M$  and for every  $\zeta'' \in St_E(\zeta_M)$  we have  $\zeta''\sigma\downarrow \in St_E(\phi, M)$ . Thus, the maximal DAG-size of  $\zeta_M$  is  $|\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$ . □



## B Proofs of Section 5

### B.1 Proofs under Lee *et al* theory

#### Proof of proposition 4.

The set  $\text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  is computed in at most  $|\phi|_{dag}$  steps. At each step we need at most (by proposition 3)  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + |\phi|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma_{Lee})+2})$ , then we conclude that  $\text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  is computed in time  $\mathcal{O}(|\phi|_{dag}^{ar(\Sigma_{Lee})+3})$ . The set  $I_{Lee}(\phi)$  is obtained as follows:

For each term of the form  $\text{penc}(M_1, M_2, M_3)$  with  $M_i \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  (at most  $|\text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)|_{dag}^{c_{E_{Lee}}} \leq |\phi|_{dag}^{c_{E_{Lee}}}$  terms), and for each subterm of a such term (at most  $c_{E_{Lee}}|\phi|_{dag}$  terms), we check whether it is deducible (by Proposition 3 we need at most  $\mathcal{O}((|\phi|_{dag} + c_{E_{Lee}}|\phi|_{dag})^{ar(\Sigma)+2})$ ). Thus we need at most  $\mathcal{O}(|\phi|_{dag}^{2c_{E_{Lee}}+3})$ . Then we conclude that the set  $\text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi) \cup I_{Lee}(\phi)$  can be computed in time  $\mathcal{O}(|\phi|_{dag}^{2c_{E_{Lee}}+3})$ .

For the second part of Proposition, we know by Proposition 3, that for each deducible term  $M$  there exists a term  $\zeta_M$  such that  $fn(\zeta_M) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ ,  $\zeta_M \sigma =_{E_{Lee}} M$  and  $|\zeta_M|_{dag} \leq |\phi|_{dag} + |M|_{dag}$ . Thus the maximal DAG-size of a term in  $\text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi) \cup I(\phi)$  is  $|\phi|_{dag}(c_{E_{Lee}} + 1)$ .  $\square$

For proving the decidability result for static equivalence, we need some additional results.

**Proposition 6** *Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form,  $M$  be a deducible term in normal form s.t  $M == f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$ ,  $f \neq \text{penc}$  and  $M \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ . For every local recipe  $\zeta_M$  of  $M$ , we have  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k})$  such that  $\zeta_M \sigma \downarrow == f(\zeta_{M_1} \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_{M_k} \sigma \downarrow)$  (i.e  $\zeta_M$  is by composition).*

*Proof.* Let  $\zeta_M$  be a local recipe of deducible term  $M$  in normal form such that  $M == f(M_1, \dots, M_k)$ ,  $f \neq \text{penc}$  and  $M \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ . We distinguish several cases according to  $\zeta_M$ . If  $\zeta_M$  is a variable, this case is impossible because this implies  $M \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , else :

Let  $\zeta_M = g(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  and  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow = N_i$ .

- If  $g(N_1, \dots, N_k)$  is in normal form, thus  $g = f$ ,  $N_i = M_i$  and we conclude,
- If  $g(N_1, \dots, N_k)$  is not in normal form, since  $N_1, \dots, N_k$  are in normal form then by lemma 4 we have  $g(N_1, \dots, N_k) \xrightarrow{h} M$ . This case is impossible because this implies  $M \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ . Indeed, since it does not exist a rewrite rule  $L \rightarrow R$  such that  $\text{head}(R) = f$  (since we consider  $f \neq \text{penc}$ ), then  $M$  can only be obtained from subterm rule. So, by locality lemma we have  $M \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi)$  and by Definition 3 we have  $M \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  since  $M$  is deducible, contradiction.  $\square$

**Proposition 7** *Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form,  $\zeta_M = \text{rencrypt}(\zeta_{M_1}, \zeta_{M_2})$  be a local recipe of  $M == \text{penc}(N_1, N_2, N_3)$  s.t  $\zeta_M \sigma \downarrow = M$  and  $M \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , with  $(\zeta_{M_i})_{i=1,2}$  are the local recipes of some terms  $M_i$  s.t  $\zeta_{M_i} \sigma \downarrow = M_i$ . If  $N_i$  are deducible and  $N_i \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  for some  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , then there exists a deducible term  $N'_3$  such that  $N_3 = f_0(N'_3, M_2)$  and  $\text{penc}(\zeta_{N_1}, \zeta_{N_2}, f_0(\zeta_{N'_3}, \zeta_{M_2})) =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_M$ , with  $(\zeta_{N_i})_{i=1,2}, \zeta_{N'_3}$  are the local recipes of  $N_i, N'_3$  s.t  $\zeta_{N_i} \sigma \downarrow = N_i$  and  $\zeta_{N'_3} \sigma \downarrow = N'_3$ .*

*Proof.* We proceed by induction on the size of  $\zeta_M$ .

**Base case:**  $\zeta_M$  is a variable, then  $\zeta_M \sigma \in \phi$ , contradiction.

**Inductive step:** Since by equational theory we have  $M_1 = \text{penc}(N_1, N_2, N'_3)$  with  $N'_3 \in \text{St}_{Lee}(N_3)$ , and  $N_i \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  for some  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , thus  $M_1 \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , because if  $M_1 \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , and since  $N_i$  are deducible subterms of  $M_1$ , then  $N_i \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi)$  and by Definition 3 we have  $N_i \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  for every  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , contradiction. So, we distinguish several cases according to  $\zeta_{M_1}$ :

- $\zeta_{M_1}$  is a variable, this case is impossible because this implies  $M_1 \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , contradiction.
- $\zeta_{M_1} = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  and  $f(\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k \sigma \downarrow)$  is in normal form ( $\zeta_{M_1}$  is by composition). Thus  $\zeta_{M_1} = \text{penc}(\zeta_{N'_1}, \zeta_{N'_2}, \zeta_{N'_3})$  with  $\zeta_{N'_i}$  are the local recipes of some terms  $N'_i$  s.t  $\zeta_{N'_i} \sigma \downarrow = N'_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . By equational theory we have  $N'_i = N_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and we have  $N'_3 \in \text{St}_{Lee}(N_3)$ . Thus we have  
 $\text{rencrypt}(\text{penc}(\zeta_{N_1}, \zeta_{N_2}, \zeta_{N'_3}), \zeta_{M_2}) =_{E_{Lee}} \text{penc}(\zeta_{N_1}, \zeta_{N_2}, f_0(\zeta_{N'_3}, \zeta_{M_2}))$ .
- $\zeta_{M_1} = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  and  $f(\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k \sigma \downarrow)$  is not in normal form.  
 Since  $\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k \sigma \downarrow$  are in normal form then by lemma 4 we have  
 $f(\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_k \sigma \downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} M_1$ . If  $f \neq \text{rencrypt}$ , then  $M_1$  can only obtained by applying the rule (1), (2), (3), (5), (6) or (7), this case is impossible because by locality this implies  $M_1 \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{ok\}$ , and by Definition 3  $M_1 \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ . Else, in this case we have  $\zeta_{M_1} = \text{rencrypt}(\zeta_{M'_1}, \zeta_{M'_2})$  with  $\zeta_{M'_i}$  are the local recipes of some terms  $M'_i$  s.t  $\zeta_{M'_i} \sigma \downarrow = M'_i$ .  
 By induction hypothesis there exists a deducible term  $N''_3$  such that  $N'_3 = f_0(N''_3, M'_2)$  and  $\zeta_{M_1} =_{E_{Lee}} \text{penc}(\zeta_{N_1}, \zeta_{N_2}, f_0(\zeta_{N''_3}, \zeta_{M'_2}))$ , so we have  $\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \text{rencrypt}(\zeta_{M_1}, \zeta_{M_2}) = \text{penc}(\zeta_{N_1}, \zeta_{N_2}, f_0(f_0(\zeta_{N''_3}, \zeta_{M'_2}), \zeta_{M_2}))$  with  
 $\zeta_{N'_3} = f_0(\zeta_{N''_3}, \zeta_{M'_2})$ , thus we conclude.  $\square$

### Proof of Lemma 2.

Assume that  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$  and consider  $\zeta_M, \zeta_N$  such that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_N) \phi$  and  $(fn(\zeta_M) \cup fn(\zeta_N)) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ . Let us show that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_N) \phi'$ . Let  $T = \zeta_M \sigma \downarrow$ .

We show by induction on the max of the size of  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$ .

- **Base case:**  $\zeta_M, \zeta_N$  are variables, so  $(\zeta_M, \zeta_N) \in Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ , and we conclude by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ .

- **Inductive step:** We distinguish two cases:

**Case 1 :**  $T \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ :

- If neither  $\zeta_M$  nor  $\zeta_N$  is a variable, then we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_n)$ . Let  $\bar{\zeta}_i, \bar{\zeta}'_i$  be the local recipes of  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow, \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow$  that belong to  $Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ . By locality we have  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow, \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow \in \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi, T) \subseteq \text{St}_{Lee}(\phi)$  (since  $T \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ ), then by Definition 3 we have  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow, \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ .  
 Thus we have  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) = g(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}'_n)) \in Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ , and we deduce  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) =_{E_{Lee}} g(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}'_n)) \phi'$  by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ . Moreover, by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Lee}} \bar{\zeta}_i) \phi'$  and  $(\zeta'_i =_{E_{Lee}} \bar{\zeta}'_i) \phi'$ , then we have  $(f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) =_{E_{Lee}} f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k)) \phi'$  and  $(g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_n) =_{E_{Lee}} g(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}'_n)) \phi'$ . Thus we conclude by transitivity.
- If  $\zeta_M$  or  $\zeta_N$  is a variable, let us say  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  and  $\zeta_N = x$ . We rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = x$ . Let  $\bar{\zeta}_i$  be the local recipes

of  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow$  that belong to  $Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ . Thus we have  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) = x) \in Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ , and we deduce  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) =_{E_{Lee}} x) \phi'$  by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ . Moreover, by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Lee}} \bar{\zeta}_i) \phi'$ , then we have  $(f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) =_{E_{Lee}} f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k)) \phi'$ . Thus we conclude by transitivity.

**Case 2 :**  $T \notin sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ : This implies that neither  $\zeta_M$  or  $\zeta_N$  are variables. We distinguish several cases :

- If  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$  are terms by composition: We rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $g(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_n)$ . Since  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_N) \phi$  then we have  $g(\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n \sigma \downarrow) = g(\zeta'_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_n \sigma \downarrow)$ . So we have  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow = \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow$ , thus  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta'_i) \phi$ . Then by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta'_i) \phi'$ . Since  $=_{E_{Lee}}$  is closed by application of function symbol, we conclude that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_N) \phi'$ .
- If  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$  are terms by decomposition: we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_l)$ . If the rule (1), (2), (3), (5), (6) or (7) is applied, then by locality we have  $T \in St_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{ok\}$  and by Definition 3 we obtain  $T \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ , contradiction. Thus the interesting case is when the rule (4) is applied. So we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $rencrypt(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = rencrypt(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2)$ . Since  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_N) \phi$  then we have  $\zeta_M \sigma \downarrow = \zeta_N \sigma \downarrow = T$  with  $T$  of the form  $penc(T_1, T_2, f_0(T_3, T_4))$  where  $T_i$  are in normal form. By the equational theory we have  $\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow = penc(T_1, T_2, T_3)$  (i.1) and  $\zeta_2 \sigma \downarrow = T_4$  (i.2). Moreover, we have  $\zeta'_1 \sigma \downarrow = penc(T_1, T_2, T_3)$  (ii.1) and  $\zeta'_2 \sigma \downarrow = T_4$  (ii.2). By (i.1) and (ii.1) we have  $(\zeta_1 =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta'_1) \phi$  and by (i.2) and (ii.2) we have  $(\zeta_2 =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta'_2) \phi$ . Then by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_1 =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta'_1) \phi'$  and  $(\zeta_2 =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta'_2) \phi'$ . Since  $=_{E_{Lee}}$  is closed by application of function symbol, we conclude that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_N) \phi'$ .
- If  $\zeta_M$  is a term by decomposition and  $\zeta_N$  is a term by composition (or the inverse) : we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_l)$ . Like in previous case, if the rule (1), (2), (3), (5), (6) or (7) is applied, then by locality we have  $T \in St_{Lee}(\phi) \cup \{ok\}$  and by Definition 3 we obtain  $T \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ , contradiction. Thus the interesting case for the term by decomposition is when the rule (4) is applied. So we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $rencrypt(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = penc(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)$ . In what follows, let  $(\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow = M_i)_{i=1,2}$  and  $(\zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow = N_i)_{i=1,2,3}$ .
  - If  $N_i \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , since  $M_2$  is deducible and we have  $M_2 \in St_{Lee}(\phi)$  (because  $M_2 \in St_{Lee}(N_3)$  and  $N_3 \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ ) then by Definition 3  $M_2 \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ . Moreover, since  $M_1 \in St_{Lee}(penc(N_1, N_2, N_3))$  and it is deducible then by Definition 4  $M_1 \in I_{Lee}(\phi)$ . Let  $\bar{\zeta}_i, \bar{\zeta}'_i$  be the local recipes of  $M_i, N_i$  belonging to  $Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ , thus we have  $(rencrypt(\bar{\zeta}_1, \bar{\zeta}_2) = penc(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \bar{\zeta}'_2, \bar{\zeta}'_3)) \in Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ , and we deduce  $(rencrypt(\bar{\zeta}_1, \bar{\zeta}_2) =_{E_{Lee}} penc(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \bar{\zeta}'_2, \bar{\zeta}'_3)) \phi'$  by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Lee}}(\phi)$ . Moreover, by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Lee}} \bar{\zeta}_i) \phi'$  and  $(\zeta'_i =_{E_{Lee}} \bar{\zeta}'_i) \phi'$ . Thus, since  $=_{E_{Lee}}$  is stable by application of function symbol, we have  $(rencrypt(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) =_{E_{Lee}} rencrypt(\bar{\zeta}_1, \bar{\zeta}_2)) \phi'$  and  $(penc(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3) =_{E_{Lee}} penc(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \bar{\zeta}'_2, \bar{\zeta}'_3)) \phi'$ . Thus we conclude by transitivity.
  - Else, we distinguish two cases:

- If  $N_3 \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , since  $(\zeta_M =_{Lee} \zeta_N)\phi$  then by equational theory  $N_3$  is of the form  $f_0(N_4, N_5)$ , and as  $\zeta'_3$  is local, so by proposition 6  $\zeta_{N_3}$  can only be of the form  $f_0(\zeta'_4, \zeta'_5)$  (i.e it is by composition). So we can rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $\text{rencrypt}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \text{penc}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, f_0(\zeta'_4, \zeta'_5))$ . Since  $(\zeta_M =_{Lee} \zeta_N)\phi$ , then  $(\zeta_1 =_{Lee} \text{penc}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_4))\phi$  and  $(\zeta_2 =_{Lee} \zeta'_5)\phi$ . Then by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_1 =_{Lee} \text{penc}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_4))\phi'$  and  $(\zeta'_2 =_{Lee} \zeta'_5)\phi'$ , and we conclude.
- If  $N_i \notin \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$  for some  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , then by proposition 7, there exists deducible  $N'_3$  s.t  $N_3 = f_0(N'_3, M_2)$ ,  $\zeta_M =_{Lee} \text{penc}(\zeta_{N_1}, \zeta_{N_2}, f_0(\zeta_{N'_3}, \zeta_2))$  with  $\zeta_{N'_3}\sigma\downarrow = N'_3$  and  $\zeta_{N'_i}\sigma\downarrow = N_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . So it is sufficient to prove that  $(\text{penc}(\zeta_{N'_1}, \zeta_{N'_2}, f_0(\zeta_{N'_3}, \zeta_2)) =_{Lee} \text{penc}(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3))\phi'$ , and since  $\text{penc}(\zeta_{N'_1}\sigma\downarrow, \zeta_{N'_2}\sigma\downarrow, (f_0(\zeta_{N'_3}, \zeta_2))\sigma\downarrow)$  is in normal form (because by lemma 4 the reduction must be in head and moreover does not exists a rewrite rule  $L \rightarrow R$  s.t  $\text{head}(L) = \text{penc}$ ), thus we can proceed like in the first case where the two terms are by composition.  $\square$

The next lemma is adapted from the lemma 2 of [AC04].

**Lemma 6** *Let  $\phi = \nu\tilde{n}\sigma$  be a frame in normal form. For every context  $C$  s.t  $\text{fn}(C) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ , for every  $M_i \in \text{sat}_E(\phi)$ , if  $C[M_1, \dots, M_k] \xrightarrow{h} T$  by applying syntactic subterm rule<sup>3</sup>, then for every frame  $\phi' \models \text{Eq}_E(\phi)$  such that  $\phi' = \nu\tilde{n}'\sigma'$  and  $\text{fn}(C) \cap \tilde{n}' = \emptyset$ ,  $(C[\zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_E \zeta_T)\phi'$  with  $\zeta_{M_i}, \zeta_T$  are the local recipes of  $M_i, T$ .*

*Proof.* Since the reduction is in head, then  $C[M_1, \dots, M_k]$  is an instance  $L\theta$  of some term  $L$ , where  $L \rightarrow R$  is a syntactic subterm rule.

We rewrite  $L\theta$  in  $C''_0[C''_1[M_1, \dots, M_k], \dots, C''_n[M_1, \dots, M_k], M_1, \dots, M_k]$  such that  $L$  is an instance of  $C''_0[x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_l]$  and for every path  $p$  in  $C''_0$ , leading to a variable  $x_i$ ,  $L|_p = x_i$ , for every path  $p$  in  $C''_0$ , leading to a variable  $y_i$ ,  $L|_p = M_i \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ :  $C''_0$  is the maximal context such that  $L$  and  $C_4$  are instances of  $C''_0$ .

We transform again  $L\theta$  in order to obtain a context of terms of  $\text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ , such that the context is of the size smaller than  $c_{Lee}(E_{Lee})$ . For each variable  $x_i$  of  $C''_0$ :

- Either this variable is tested for equality under some  $y_j$ : there exists a path  $p = p_1.p_2$  such that  $C''_0|_{p_1} = y_j$  and  $L|_{p_1.p_2} = x_i$ . In this case, we defined  $M''_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} x_i\theta$ . Then  $M''_i = C''_i[M_1, \dots, M_k]$  and is a subterm of  $M_j$ , and since  $M''_i$  is deducible, thus by Definition 3, we have  $M''_i \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ .
- Either this variable is unconstrained in  $L$ : for every path  $p$  in  $L$  such that  $L|_p = x_i$ ,  $p$  is a path in  $C''_0$  and  $C''_0|_p = x_i$ .

By renaming the variables in  $L$  and  $C''_0$ , we may assume that  $x_1, \dots, x_r$ , are unconstrained in  $L$  and  $x_{r+1}, \dots, x_n$  are tested for equality under some variables. We obtain that:

$L\theta = C''_0[C''_1[M_1, \dots, M_k], \dots, C''_r[M_1, \dots, M_k], M''_{r+1}, \dots, M''_n, M_1, \dots, M_k]$ , with  $M_i, M''_i \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ .

<sup>3</sup>A rule  $l \rightarrow r$  is a syntactic subterm rule if  $r$  is a syntactic subterm of  $l$  or a constant symbol.

We have to consider three cases depending on the form of  $R\theta$ , which is a subterm of  $L\theta$  or a constant symbol.

- Either  $R\theta$  is of the form:

$$C_0'''[C_1^0[M_1, \dots, M_k], \dots, C_r^0[M_1, \dots, M_k], M_{r+1}'', \dots, M_n'', M_1, \dots, M_k]$$

for some context  $C_0'''$  of small size. Since  $L\theta \xrightarrow{h} R\theta$  and since the variables  $x_1, \dots, x_r$  are unconstrained, we also have

$$\begin{aligned} & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, M_{r+1}'', \dots, M_n'', M_1, \dots, M_k] \xrightarrow{h} \\ & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, M_{r+1}'', \dots, M_n'', M_1, \dots, M_k] \text{ where } a_i \text{'s a fresh names. Thus} \\ & (C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_{E_{Lee}} \\ & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}])\phi. \text{ Let } \bar{\zeta}_{M_i''}, \bar{\zeta}_{M_i} \text{ be the local} \\ & \text{recipes of } \zeta_{M_i''}\sigma \downarrow, \zeta_{M_i}\sigma \downarrow \text{ belonging to } Eq(\phi). \text{ By lemma 2, we have} \\ & (\bar{\zeta}_{M_i''} = \zeta_{M_i''})\phi' \text{ and } (\bar{\zeta}_{M_i} = \zeta_{M_i})\phi', \text{ thus we have} \\ & (C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_{E_{Lee}} \\ & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \bar{\zeta}_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_n''}, \bar{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_k}])\phi' \text{ and} \\ & (C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_{E_{Lee}} \\ & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \bar{\zeta}_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_n''}, \bar{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_k}])\phi'. \text{ Moreover we have,} \\ & (C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \bar{\zeta}_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_n''}, \bar{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_k}] =_{E_{Lee}} \\ & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \bar{\zeta}_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_n''}, \bar{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_{M_k}])\phi', \text{ because it belongs to } Eq(\phi) \\ & \text{(since } C_0''' \text{ and } C_0''' \text{ are small contexts), then, by transitivity we deduce} \\ & (C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_{E_{Lee}} \\ & C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}])\phi'. \text{ So we conclude by re-} \\ & \text{placing each } a_i \text{ by } C_i^0[\zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}]. \end{aligned}$$

- Either  $R\theta$  is a subterm  $M_0$  of one of the  $M_i$  or  $M_i''$ . Since the variables  $x_1, \dots, x_r$  are unconstrained, we also have

$$C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, M_{r+1}'', \dots, M_n'', M_1, \dots, M_k] \xrightarrow{h} M_0,$$

where  $a_i$ 's a fresh names. Since  $M_0$  is deducible, then by Definition 3, we have  $M_0 \in sat_{Lee}(\phi)$ . Thus

$$(C_0'''[a_1, \dots, a_r, \zeta_{M_{r+1}''}, \dots, \zeta_{M_n''}, \zeta_{M_1}, \dots, \zeta_{M_k}] =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_{M_0})\phi.$$

Thus, we conclude like the previous case.

- Either  $R\theta$  is a constant symbol. We conclude like the case above.  $\square$

### Proof of Lemma 3.

We proceed by induction on the size of  $\zeta_M$ .

- **Base case:** If  $\zeta_M$  is a variable, then we can choose  $\hat{\zeta}_M = \zeta_M$ , thus we have  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \hat{\zeta}_M)\phi'$ .

- **Inductive step:** Let  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ . Applying the induction hypothesis, there exists  $\hat{\zeta}_i$  local recipes of  $(\zeta_i)\sigma \downarrow$  such that  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Lee}} \hat{\zeta}_i)\phi'$ . Since  $=_{E_{Lee}}$  is closed by application of function symbol, then we have  $(f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n) =_{E_{Lee}} \zeta_M)\phi' (*)$ . We distinguish two cases:

**Case 1 :**  $\zeta_M$  is by composition. Then we have the term  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  is local

recipe of  $M$  (see proof of locality lemma). Then we can choose  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  for a local recipe of  $M$ .

**Case 2 :**  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$  is by decomposition : If  $f = \text{rencrypt}$ , in this case we have  $\text{rencrypt}(\hat{\zeta}_1, \hat{\zeta}_2)$  is local (see proof of locality lemma), thus we can proceed like in previous case, else (in this case  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  is not always local); we rewrite  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  in  $C[\hat{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_{M_k}]$  such that  $C[M_1, \dots, M_k] \xrightarrow{h} M'$  and  $M_i \in \text{sat}_{Lee}(\phi)$ . By lemma 6 we have  $(\hat{\zeta}_{M'} =_{E_{Lee}} C[\hat{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_{M_k}])\phi' (**)$ , with  $\hat{\zeta}_{M'}$  is local recipe of  $M$  because  $E_{Lee}$  is convergent. Thus we deduce by transitivity from (\*) and (\*\*) that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Lee}} \hat{\zeta}_{M'})\phi'$ . Then we can choose  $\hat{\zeta}_{M'}$  for a local recipe of  $M$ .  $\square$

## B.2 Proofs under Okamoto theory

### Proof of Lemma 2.

Assume that  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$  and consider  $\zeta_M, \zeta_N$  such that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi$  and  $(fn(\zeta_M) \cup fn(\zeta_N)) \cap \tilde{n} = \emptyset$ . Let us show that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi'$ . Let  $T = \zeta_M \sigma \downarrow$ .

We show by induction on the max of the size of  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$ .

- **Base case:**  $\zeta_M, \zeta_N$  are variables, so  $(\zeta_M, \zeta_N) \in Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ , and we conclude by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ .

- **Inductive step:** We distinguish two cases:

**Case 1 :**  $T \in \text{sat}_{Oka}(\phi)$ :

- If neither  $\zeta_M$  nor  $\zeta_N$  is a variable, then we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_n)$ . Let  $\bar{\zeta}_i, \bar{\zeta}'_i$  be the local recipes of  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow, \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow$  that belong to  $Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ . By locality we have  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow, \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow \in St_{Oka}(\phi, T) \subseteq St_{Oka}(\phi)$  (since  $T \in \text{sat}_{Oka}(\phi)$ ), then by Definition 3 we have  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow, \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow \in \text{sat}_{Oka}(\phi)$ . Thus we have  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) = g(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}'_n)) \in Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ , and we deduce  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) =_{E_{Oka}} g(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}'_n))\phi'$  by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ . Moreover, by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Oka}} \bar{\zeta}_i)\phi'$  and  $(\zeta'_i =_{E_{Oka}} \bar{\zeta}'_i)\phi'$ , then we have  $(f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) =_{E_{Oka}} f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k))\phi'$  and  $(g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_n) =_{E_{Oka}} g(\bar{\zeta}'_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}'_n))\phi'$ . Thus we conclude by transitivity.
- If  $\zeta_M$  or  $\zeta_N$  is a variable, let us say  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k)$  and  $\zeta_N = x$ . We rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = x$ . Let  $\bar{\zeta}_i$  be the local recipes of  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow$  that belong to  $Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ . Thus we have  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) = x) \in Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ , and we deduce  $(f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k) =_{E_{Oka}} x)\phi'$  by  $\phi' \models Eq_{E_{Oka}}(\phi)$ . Moreover, by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Oka}} \bar{\zeta}_i)\phi'$ , then we have  $(f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) =_{E_{Oka}} f(\bar{\zeta}_1, \dots, \bar{\zeta}_k))\phi'$ . Thus we conclude by transitivity.

**Case 2 :**  $T \notin \text{sat}_{Oka}(\phi)$ : This implies that neither  $\zeta_M$  or  $\zeta_N$  are variables. We distinguish several cases: In what follows, we consider  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow = M_i$  and  $\zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow = N_i$ .

- If  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$  are terms by composition: We rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $g(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_n)$ . Since  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi$  then we have  $g(\zeta_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta_n \sigma \downarrow) = g(\zeta'_1 \sigma \downarrow, \dots, \zeta'_n \sigma \downarrow)$ . So we have  $\zeta_i \sigma \downarrow = \zeta'_i \sigma \downarrow$ , thus  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta'_i)\phi$ . Then by induction hypothesis we have  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta'_i)\phi'$ . Since  $=_{E_{Oka}}$  is closed by application of function symbol, we conclude that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi'$ .

- If  $\zeta_M$  is a term by decomposition and  $\zeta_N$  is a term by composition (or the inverse) : we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_l)$ . If the rule (1), (2) or (3) is applied, then by locality we have  $T \in St_{Oka}(\phi)$  and by Definition 3 we obtain  $T \in sat_{Oka}(\phi)$ . Thus the interesting case for the term by decomposition is when the rule (4) is applied. So we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f_1(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4) = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ .

Since  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi$ , then we have  $M_2 == f_1(N_1, N_2, N_3, M_1)$ . Moreover, by equational theory we have

$(tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3)\sigma)\downarrow == tdcommit(N_1, N_2, N_3)$  and  $\zeta_4\sigma\downarrow == \zeta'_4\sigma\downarrow$ , so we have  $(tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3) =_{E_{Oka}} tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3))\phi$  and  $(\zeta_4 =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta'_4)\phi$ . Applying induction hypothesis (since  $tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3)$  and  $\zeta_4$  (resp.  $tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)$  and  $\zeta'_4$ ) are subterms of  $\zeta_M$  (resp.  $\zeta_N$ )), we obtain

$(tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3) =_{E_{Oka}} tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3))\phi'$  and  $(\zeta_4 =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta'_4)\phi'$ , thus we conclude that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi'$ .

- If  $\zeta_M$  and  $\zeta_N$  are terms by decomposition: we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k) = g(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_l)$ . If the rule (1), (2) or (3) is applied, then by locality we have  $T \in St_{Oka}(\phi)$  and by Definition 3 we obtain  $T \in sat_{Oka}(\phi)$ . Thus the interesting case is when the rule (4) is applied. So we rewrite  $\zeta_M = \zeta_N$  in  $f_1(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4) = f_1(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3, \zeta'_4)$ .

Since  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi$ , then we have  $\zeta_M\sigma\downarrow == \zeta_N\sigma\downarrow == T$  with  $T$  of the form  $f_1(T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4)$  where  $T_i$  are in normal form. By equational theory we have  $(tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3)\sigma)\downarrow == tdcommit(T_1, T_2, T_3)$  (i.1) and  $\zeta_4\sigma\downarrow == T_4$  (i.2). Moreover, we have  $(tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)\sigma)\downarrow == tdcommit(T_1, T_2, T_3)$  (ii.1) and  $\zeta'_4\sigma\downarrow == T_4$  (ii.2). By (i.1) and (ii.1) we have

$(tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3) =_{E_{Oka}} tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3))\phi$ , and by (i.2) and (ii.2) we have  $(\zeta_4 =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta'_4)\phi$ . Applying induction hypothesis (since  $tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3)$  and  $\zeta_4$  (resp.  $tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3)$  and  $\zeta'_4$ ) are subterms of  $\zeta_M$  (resp.  $\zeta_N$ )), we obtain  $(tdcommit(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3) =_{E_{Oka}} tdcommit(\zeta'_1, \zeta'_2, \zeta'_3))\phi'$  and  $(\zeta_4 =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta'_4)\phi'$ , thus we conclude that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_N)\phi'$ .  $\square$

Also for this theory, the Lemma 6 holds. Its proof is identical under Lee *et al* theory.

### Proof of Lemma 3.

We proceed by induction on the size of  $\zeta_M$ .

- **Base case:** If  $\zeta_M$  is a variable, then we can choose  $\hat{\zeta}_M = \zeta_M$ , thus we have  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_M)\phi'$ .

- **Inductive step:** We distinguish two cases:

**Case 1 :**  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$  is by composition: Applying the induction hypothesis, there exist  $\hat{\zeta}_i$  local recipes of  $(\zeta_i)\sigma\downarrow$  s.t  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_i)\phi'$ . Then we have the term  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  is local recipe of  $M$  (see proof of locality lemma). Since  $=_{E_{Oka}}$  is closed by application of function symbol, then we have  $(f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n) =_{E_{Oka}} \zeta_M)\phi'$ . Then we can choose  $(f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n))$  for a local recipe of  $M$ .

**Case 2 :**  $\zeta_M = f(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$  is by decomposition: Applying the induction hypothesis, there exists  $\hat{\zeta}_i$  local recipes of  $(\zeta_i)\sigma\downarrow$  such that  $(\zeta_i =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_i)\phi'$ , thus we have  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n))\phi' (*)$  (because  $=_{E_{Oka}}$  is closed by application

of function symbol). If  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  is local then we can proceed like above case, else we distinguish several cases according to the applied rule:

- If the applied rule is the rule (1) or (3) (that is syntactic subterm rule), then we rewrite  $f(\hat{\zeta}_1, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_n)$  in  $C[\hat{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_{M_k}]$  such that  $C[M_1, \dots, M_k] \xrightarrow{h} M'$  and  $M_i \in \text{sat}_{Oka}(\phi)$ . By lemma 6 we have  $(\hat{\zeta}_{M'} =_{E_{Oka}} C[\hat{\zeta}_{M_1}, \dots, \hat{\zeta}_{M_k}])\phi'$ , with  $\hat{\zeta}_{M'}$  is local recipe of  $M$  because  $E_{Oka}$  is convergent. Then we deduce by transitivity from (\*) and the last equations that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_{M'})\phi'$ . Thus we can choose  $\hat{\zeta}_{M'}$  for a local recipe of  $M$ .
- If the applied rule is the rule (4), this implies  $n = 4$  and  $f = f_1$ . Since  $\zeta_M$  is by decomposition (i.e  $f_1(\hat{\zeta}_1\sigma\downarrow, \hat{\zeta}_2\sigma\downarrow, \hat{\zeta}_3\sigma\downarrow, \hat{\zeta}_4\sigma\downarrow) \xrightarrow{h} M$ ), then  $\text{head}((\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma)\downarrow) = f_1, \zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \zeta_3\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow)$  and  $\hat{\zeta}_4\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(M)$ . If  $\hat{\zeta}_2$  is a variable or  $\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma\downarrow$  is obtained by applying the rule (1) or (3) then by locality we have  $\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(\phi)$ , then we have  $\hat{\zeta}_i\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(\phi) \subseteq \text{St}_{Oka}(\phi, M)$  for  $i = 1..3$ , this implies that  $f_1(\hat{\zeta}_1, \hat{\zeta}_2, \hat{\zeta}_3, \hat{\zeta}_4)$  is local (since  $\hat{\zeta}_i$  are local), contradiction. The rule (2) cannot be applied because give us  $\text{head}((\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma)\downarrow) \neq f_1$ . Thus  $\hat{\zeta}_2$  is either by composition with  $\text{head}(\hat{\zeta}_2) = f_1$  or by decomposition by applying the rule (4). So, we have  $\hat{\zeta}_2$  of the form  $f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}'_4)$ , thus  $(f_1(\hat{\zeta}_1, f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}'_4), \hat{\zeta}_3, \hat{\zeta}_4) =_{E_{Oka}} f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}_4))\phi$  with  $(\hat{\zeta}_1 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_4)\phi$  and  $(\hat{\zeta}_3 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_3)\phi$ . By lemma 2 we have  $(\hat{\zeta}_1 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_4)\phi'$  and  $(\hat{\zeta}_3 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_3)\phi'$ , thus we deduce  $(f_1(\hat{\zeta}_1, f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}'_4), \hat{\zeta}_3, \hat{\zeta}_4) =_{E_{Oka}} f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}_4))\phi'(**)$ . Let  $\zeta_T = f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}_4)$ . By induction hypothesis there exists local recipe  $\hat{\zeta}_T$  of  $(\hat{\zeta}_T\sigma)\downarrow$  s.t  $(\zeta_T =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_T)\phi'(***)$ . Then we conclude by transitivity from (\*), (\*\*) and (\*\*\*) that  $(\zeta_M =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_T)\phi'$ . Thus we can choose  $\hat{\zeta}_T$  for a local recipe of  $M$ .
- If the applied rule is the rule (4), this implies  $n = 3$  and  $f = \text{tdcommit}$ . Since  $\zeta_M$  is by decomposition, then  $\text{head}((\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma)\downarrow) = f_1$  and  $\zeta_1\sigma\downarrow, \zeta_3\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(\zeta_2\sigma\downarrow)$ . If  $\hat{\zeta}_2$  is a variable or  $\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma\downarrow$  is obtained by applying the rule (1) or (3) then by locality we have  $\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(\phi)$ , then we have  $\hat{\zeta}_i\sigma\downarrow \in \text{St}_{Oka}(\phi) \subseteq \text{St}_{Oka}(\phi, M)$  for  $i = 1..3$ , this implies that  $\text{tdcommit}(\hat{\zeta}_1, \hat{\zeta}_2, \hat{\zeta}_3)$  is local (since  $\hat{\zeta}_i$  are local), contradiction. The rule (2) cannot be applied because give us  $\text{head}((\hat{\zeta}_2\sigma)\downarrow) \neq f_1$ . Thus,  $\hat{\zeta}_2$  is either by composition with  $\text{head}(\hat{\zeta}_2) = f_1$  or by decomposition by applying the rule (4). So, we have  $\hat{\zeta}_2$  of the form  $f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}'_4)$ , thus  $(\text{tdcommit}(\hat{\zeta}_1, f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}'_4), \hat{\zeta}_3) =_{E_{Oka}} \text{tdcommit}(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3))\phi$  with  $(\hat{\zeta}_1 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_4)\phi$  and  $(\hat{\zeta}_3 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_3)\phi$ . By lemma 2 we have  $(\hat{\zeta}_1 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_4)\phi'$  and  $(\hat{\zeta}_3 =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}'_3)\phi'$ , thus we deduce  $(\text{tdcommit}(\hat{\zeta}_1, f_1(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3, \hat{\zeta}'_4), \hat{\zeta}_3) =_{E_{Oka}} \text{tdcommit}(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3))\phi'(**)$ . Let  $\zeta_T = \text{tdcommit}(\hat{\zeta}'_1, \hat{\zeta}'_2, \hat{\zeta}'_3)$ . By induction hypothesis there exists local recipe  $\hat{\zeta}_T$  of  $(\hat{\zeta}_T\sigma)\downarrow$  s.t  $(\zeta_T =_{E_{Oka}} \hat{\zeta}_T)\phi'(***)$ . Then we conclude by transitivity from (\*), (\*\*) and (\*\*\*) that  $(\zeta_M = \hat{\zeta}_T)\phi'$ . Thus we can choose  $\hat{\zeta}_T$  for a local recipe of  $M$ .  $\square$





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