

# Bounded memory Dolev-Yao adversaries in collaborative systems

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## Abstract

This paper extends existing models for collaborative systems. We investigate how much damage can be done by insiders alone, without collusion with an outside adversary. In contrast to traditional intruder models, such as in protocol security, all the players inside our system, including potential adversaries, have similar capabilities. They have bounded storage capacity, that is, they can only remember at any moment a bounded number of symbols. This is technically imposed by only allowing balanced actions, that is, actions that have the same number of facts in their pre and post conditions, and bounding the size of facts, that is, the number of symbols they contain. On the other hand, the adversaries inside our system have many capabilities of the standard Dolev-Yao intruder, namely, they are able, within their bounded storage capacity, to compose, decompose, overhear, and intercept messages as well as create fresh values. We investigate the complexity of

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the decision problem of whether or not an adversary is able to discover secret data. We show that this problem is PSPACE-complete when the size of messages is an input bound and when all actions are balanced and can possibly create fresh values. As an application we turn to security protocol analysis and demonstrate that many protocol anomalies, such as the Lowe anomaly in the Needham-Schroeder public key exchange protocol, can also occur when the intruder is one of the insiders with bounded memory.

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## 1. Introduction

A major concern in any system where agents do not trust each other completely is whether or not the system is secure, that is, whether or not any confidential information or secret of any agent can be leaked to a malicious agent. This paper investigates the complexity of such problem in the context of collaborative system with confidentiality policies [23, 24].

Following [24], we assume here that all actions in our system are *balanced*, that is, they have the same number of facts in their pre and post conditions. If we additionally bound the size of facts, that is, the maximum number of function and constant symbols a fact can contain, then all players inside our system, including adversaries, have a bounded storage capacity. That is, they can only remember at any moment a bounded number of symbols. This contrasts with traditional intruder models, which normally include a powerful Dolev-Yao intruder [14] that has an unbounded memory. On the other hand, our adversaries and the standard Dolev-Yao intruder [14] share many capabilities, namely, they are able, within their bounded storage capacity, to compose, decompose, overhear, and intercept messages as well as create fresh values.

This paper shows that the secrecy problem of whether or not an adversary can discover a secret is PSPACE-complete when the size of messages is an input bound and when actions are balanced and can create fresh values. This contrasts with previous results in protocol security literature [15], where it is shown that the same problem is undecidable even when the size of messages is fixed. However, there they allowed the intruder to have unbalanced actions, or in other words, they assumed that the intruder's memory is not necessarily bounded.

In order to obtain a secret, an adversary might need to perform exponentially many actions. Since actions might create fresh values, there might be an exponential number of fresh constants involved in an anomaly, which in principle

28 precludes PSPACE membership. To cope with this problem, we show in Section  
29 4 how to reuse obsolete constants instead of creating new constant names.

30 Besides the secrecy problem, this paper also investigates the complexity of the  
31 three compliance problems introduced in the context of collaborative systems [24,  
32 23], called *weak plan compliance*, *plan compliance*, and *system compliance*. We  
33 show that all three problems are also PSPACE-complete when the size of facts is  
34 an input bound and when systems contain only balanced actions that can possibly  
35 create fresh values.

36 Although our initial efforts were in collaborative systems, we realized that  
37 our results have important consequences for the domain of protocol security. In  
38 particular, we demonstrate that when our adversary has *enough* storage capacity,  
39 then many protocol anomalies, such as the Lowe anomaly [27] in the Needham-  
40 Schroeder public key exchange protocol [30], can also occur in the presence of a  
41 bounded memory intruder. We believe that this is one reason for the successful  
42 use in the past years of model checkers in protocol verification. Moreover, we  
43 also provide some *quantitative measures* for the security of protocols, namely,  
44 the smallest amount of memory needed by the intruder to carry out anomalies  
45 for a number of protocols, such as Needham-Schroeder [30, 27], Yahalom [11],  
46 Otway-Reese [11, 36], Woo-Lam [11], and Kerberos 5 [6, 7].

47 In the first part of this paper, we introduce the complexity results obtained and  
48 in the second part of the paper we demonstrate how our theoretical results can  
49 be applied to protocol security. We now summarize our main contributions. After  
50 introducing the main vocabulary and the decision problems in Section 2, we show:

- 51 • Plans constructed using balanced actions can be exponentially long (Sec-  
52 tion 3);
- 53 • We show that when we bound the size of facts, one needs a set with a few  
54 nonce names for systems with balanced actions that can create fresh values.  
55 The idea is that instead of creating new names, one reuses names (Section  
56 4);
- 57 • We prove the complexity results for the decision problems introduced in  
58 Section 2 when bounding the size of facts and using balanced systems that  
59 can create fresh values (Section 5);

60 After we investigating the complexity of the decision problems introduced in  
61 Section 2, we apply our results in the domain of protocol security.

- 62 • We introduce a balanced protocol theory and a balanced intruder theory  
63 (Section 6). Then we demonstrate that many protocol anomalies can also be  
64 carried out by a bounded memory intruder, namely, Needham-Schroeder [30,  
65 27], Yahalom [11], Otway-Reese [11, 36], Woo-Lam [11], and Kerberos  
66 5 [6, 7]. The detailed encoding of the Lowe anomaly for the Needham-  
67 Schroeder protocol is shown in Section 6.3, while the encoding of anoma-  
68 lies for the other protocols appear in the Appendix.
- 69 • We prove the complexity results for the secrecy problem when bounding the  
70 size of messages and using balanced systems specifying protocol theories  
71 with a bounded memory intruder (Section 7);

72 Finally, we end by discussing related work and concluding by pointing out  
73 some future work in Sections 8 and 9.

74 This paper extends the paper [20].

## 75 2. Preliminaries

76 In this section we review the main vocabulary and concepts introduced in [23,  
77 24] and also extend their definitions to accommodate actions that can create fresh  
78 values and introduce an adversary.

79 *Multiset Rewriting.* At the lowest level, we have a first-order alphabet  $\Sigma$  (also  
80 called signature in formal verification papers) that consists of a set of sorts to-  
81 gether with the predicate symbols  $P_1, P_2, \dots$ , function symbols  $f_1, f_2, \dots$ , and  
82 constant symbols  $c_1, c_2, \dots$  all with specific sorts (or types). The multi-sorted  
83 terms over the alphabet are expressions formed by applying functions to argu-  
84 ments of the correct sort. Since terms may contain variables, all variables must  
85 have associated sorts. A *fact* is a ground, atomic predicate over multi-sorted terms.  
86 Facts have the form  $P(\vec{t})$  where  $P$  is an  $n$ -ary predicate symbol and  $\vec{t}$  is an  $n$ -tuple  
87 of terms, each with its own sort.

88 **Definition 2.1.** The *size of a fact* is the number of term and predicate symbols it  
89 contains. We count one for each predicate and function name, and one for each  
90 constant symbol. We use  $|P|$  to denote the size of a fact  $P$ .

91 For example,  $|P(b, c)| = 3$  and  $|P(f(b, n), z)| = 5$ . We will normally assume in  
92 this paper an upper bound on the size of facts, as in [15].

93       A *state*, or *configuration* of the system is a finite multiset  $W$  of facts. We use  
 94 both  $WV$  and  $W, V$  to denote the multiset resulting from the multiset union of  $W$   
 95 and  $V$ . A multiset rewriting system (MSR) is a set of multiset rewrite rules, which  
 96 are used to change configurations. Rules have the form  $W \rightarrow W'$ . All free vari-  
 97 ables appearing in the rule are assumed to be universally quantified. By applying a  
 98 rule for a ground substitution ( $\sigma$ ), the multiset  $W$  applied to this substitution ( $W\sigma$ )  
 99 is replaced with the multiset  $W'$  applied to the same substitution ( $W'\sigma$ ). Hence,  
 100 this rule can be applied to the configuration  $V, W\sigma$ , called *enabling configuration*,  
 101 to obtain the configuration  $V, W'\sigma$ .

102 **Definition 2.2.** The size of a configuration  $\mathcal{S}$  is the total number of facts in  $\mathcal{S}$ .

103       Intuitively, a configuration specifies a snapshot of the state of the world, while  
 104 rules specify operations that change the state of the world. One is often interested  
 105 in determining whether some configuration is reachable from another configu-  
 106 ration using a multiset rewrite system. This problem is called the *reachability*  
 107 *problem*. Formally, given a set  $\mathcal{R}$  of multiset rewrite rules, if there is a sequence  
 108 of (0 or more) rules from  $\mathcal{R}$  which transforms  $W$  into  $Z$ , then we say that  $Z$  is  
 109 *reachable* from  $W$  using  $\mathcal{R}$ .

110 *Rules that can create Fresh Values.* The rewrite rules of the above form have  
 111 an important limitation, namely, one cannot specify the creation of *fresh values*.  
 112 These values are often called *nonces* in protocol security literature. Fresh values  
 113 are often used in administrative processes. For example, when one opens a new  
 114 bank account, the number assigned to the account has to be fresh, that is, it has  
 115 to be different from all other existing bank account numbers. Similarly, whenever  
 116 a bank transaction is initiated, a fresh number is assigned to the transaction, so  
 117 that it can be uniquely identified. Fresh values are also used in the execution of  
 118 protocols. At some moment in a protocol run an agent might need to create a  
 119 fresh value, or *nonce*, that is not known to any other agent in the network. This  
 120 nonce, when encrypted in a message, is then usually used to establish a secure  
 121 communication among agents.

122       As in [15], we borrow the same notion of freshness from proof theory to  
 123 specify rules that can create fresh values. In particular, in natural deduction sys-  
 124 tems [17, 31] the elimination rule for the existential quantifier introduces a fresh

125 value, also called *eigenvariable*. This rule is often written in the following way

$$\frac{\exists x.\phi \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi[c/x] \\ \vdots \\ \psi \end{array}}{\psi} \exists_E$$

126 with the side condition that *the constant  $c$  does not appear in any other hypoth-*  
 127 *esis*. The rule above states that if we have proved the formula  $\exists x.\phi$  and that we  
 128 have a proof of  $\psi$  using the hypothesis  $\phi[c/x]$  then we have a proof of  $\psi$ . The  
 129 side condition means that the only hypothesis in the proof of  $\psi$  that contains  $c$  is  
 130  $\phi[c/x]$ . That is, the constant  $c$  is a fresh constant introduced in the premises of the  
 131 elimination rule.

132 Following the notion of freshness above, we can specify rewrite rules that can  
 133 create fresh values. These rules have the form  $W \rightarrow \exists \bar{z}.W'$  and specify that  
 134 the existentially quantified variables,  $\bar{z}$ , are to be replaced by fresh values, that  
 135 is, by values that do not appear in the enabling configuration nor in the ground  
 136 terms replacing the free variables in the rule. For example, we can apply the rule  
 137  $P(x) Q(y) \rightarrow_A \exists z.R(x, z) Q(y)$  to the global configuration  $V P(t) Q(s)$  to get  
 138 the global configuration  $V R(t, c) Q(s)$ , where the constant  $c$  must be fresh.

139 As we will illustrate later in this Section, rules that can create fresh values  
 140 play an important role in the specification of collaborative systems and security  
 141 protocols. For example, whenever a bank transaction is initiated, one can specify  
 142 that a fresh number is to be assigned to the transaction by using a rule of the form:

$$Transaction(\text{noID}, user) \rightarrow \exists id.Transaction(id, user)$$

143 where `noID` is a constant denoting that a transaction has no identification number.  
 144 When this rule is applied, its semantics ensures that the value replacing variable  
 145 `id` is fresh. Therefore, each transaction can be uniquely identified using the trans-  
 146 actions identification number created.

147 Finally, we would also like to point out that [8, 21] provides a precise connec-  
 148 tion between the operational semantics of MSR rules that can possibly  
 149 create fresh values and linear logic derivations [18].

150 *Applications of MSRs.* Multiset rewriting systems have been used in several do-  
 151 mains. For instance, it has been shown that a wide range of algorithms [3], Arti-  
 152 ficial Intelligence problems [25, 24], security protocols [15] as well collaborative  
 153 systems [24, 21] can be specified by MSRs. In Section 3, we show a MSR speci-  
 154 fication of the well-known Towers of Hanoi puzzle and in Section 6 we show how  
 155 protocol theories can be specified by using MSRs.

156 *Local State Transition Systems.* In a collaborative system, agents collaborate to  
 157 achieve a common goal, but they do not completely trust each other. Therefore,  
 158 while collaborating, an agent might be willing to share some of his private in-  
 159 formation to some agents, such as when a patient shares his medical history to a  
 160 doctor, but not willing to share some other information, such as his bank account  
 161 PIN number.

162 In order to specify private and shared information, [23, 24] introduced Local  
 163 State Transition Systems (LSTS). In LSTSes the global configuration is parti-  
 164 tioned into different local configurations each of which is accessible only to one  
 165 agent. There is also a public configuration, which is accessible to all agents. In-  
 166 tuitively, local configurations contain the data that are private to the agents of  
 167 the system, while the global configuration contains the data that are public to all  
 168 agents. This separation of the global configuration is done by partitioning the set  
 169 of predicate symbols in the alphabet and it will be usually clear from the context.  
 170 Predicate symbols are typically annotated with the name of the agent that owns  
 171 it or with *pub* if it is public. For instance, the fact  $P_A(\vec{t})$  belongs to the agent  $A$ ,  
 172 while the fact  $P_{pub}(\vec{t})$  is public. This paper adopts the same approach above to  
 173 specify private and shared information. However, to formally specify the secrecy  
 174 problem later in this Section, we also assume that among the agents in the system,  
 175 there is an adversary  $M$ . We also assume the existence of a special constant  $s$  in  
 176 the alphabet  $\Sigma$  denoting the secret that should not be discovered by the adversary.

177 As in [23, 24], each agent has a finite set of *actions* or *rules*, which transform  
 178 the global configuration. Here, as in [15, 21, 8], we allow agents to have more  
 179 general actions that can create fresh values. Following the intuition above, an  
 180 agent can only have access to his own local configuration, containing his private  
 181 data, and the public configuration, containing data that are available to all agents.  
 182 This is formalized by restricting the facts that can be mentioned in a rule. In  
 183 particular, actions that belong to an agent  $A$  have the form:

$$W_A W_{pub} \rightarrow_A \exists \vec{z}. W'_A W'_{pub}.$$

184 The multisets  $W_A$  and  $W'_A$  contain facts belonging to the agent  $A$  and the mul-  
 185 tisets  $W_{pub}$  and  $W'_{pub}$  contain only public facts. The multiset  $W_A W_{pub}$  is the  
 186 pre-condition of the action and the multiset  $W'_A W'_{pub}$  is the post-condition of the  
 187 action. Actions work as multiset rewrite rules, where all free variables in a rule  
 188 are treated as universally quantified. The main novelty of this paper in comparison  
 189 with [23, 24] is that we allow rules to create fresh values, specified by the existen-  
 190 tially quantified variables  $\vec{z}$  appearing in the rule. As in MSRs, they denote that  
 191 the variables  $\vec{z}$  appearing in the postcondition have to be replaced by *fresh values*.

192 Rules of the form above impose the restriction that any fresh value created by  
 193 an agent appears only in facts belonging to the agent and/or in public facts. Since  
 194 an agent does not have access to the facts belonging to the other agents, if he wants  
 195 to share some fresh value, then he needs to publish it in the public configuration.  
 196 This can be done in an atomic step by using a single instance of an action, such as  
 197 the one below:

$$Q_A(x) R_{pub}(x) \rightarrow_A \exists z. Q_A(z) R_{pub}(z)$$

198 where the values in the private and public facts  $Q_A$  and  $R_{pub}$  are updated by a  
 199 fresh value. If an agent does not want to share a fresh value, but only store the  
 200 fresh value in his local configuration, then this can also be specified by using  
 201 existentially quantified variables only in private facts. This is illustrated by the  
 202 following action, which does not contain public facts:

$$Q_A(x) \rightarrow_A \exists z. Q_A(z)$$

203 Since the variable  $z$  does not appear in any public fact, the fresh value created  
 204 is not shared to the public. Finally, agents can learn fresh values that have been  
 205 shared by copying them into private facts, such as in

$$R_{pub}(x) \rightarrow_A Q_A(x) R_{pub}(x).$$

206 When this action is applied, the agent  $A$  learns  $x$  as it is copied to his own local  
 207 configuration.

208 For simplicity, we often omit the name of agents from actions and predicates  
 209 when the agent is clear from the context.

210 **Definition 2.3.** A *local state transition system* (LSTS)  $T$  is a tuple  $\langle \Sigma, I, M, R_T, s \rangle$ ,  
 211 where  $\Sigma$  is the alphabet of the language,  $I$  is a set of agents,  $M \in I$  is the adver-  
 212 sary,  $R_T$  is the set of actions owned the agents in  $I$ , and  $s$  is the secret.

213 We use the notation  $W \triangleright_T U$  or  $W \triangleright_r U$  to mean that there is an action in  $T$   
 214 which can be applied to the configuration  $W$  to transform it into the configuration  
 215  $U$ . We let  $\triangleright_T^+$  and  $\triangleright_T^*$  denote the transitive closure and the reflexive, transitive  
 216 closure of  $\triangleright_T$  respectively. Usually, however, agents do not care about the entire  
 217 configuration of the system, but only whether a configuration contains some par-  
 218 ticular facts. Therefore we use the notion of partial goals. We write  $W \rightsquigarrow_T Z$  or  
 219  $W \rightsquigarrow_r Z$  to mean that  $W \triangleright_r ZU$  for some multiset of facts  $U$ . For example with  
 220 the action  $r : X \rightarrow_A Y$ , we find that  $WX \rightsquigarrow_r Y$ , since  $WX \triangleright_r WY$ . We define  
 221  $\rightsquigarrow_T^+$  and  $\rightsquigarrow_T^*$  to be the transitive closure and the reflexive, transitive closure of  $\rightsquigarrow_T$



222 respectively. We say that the partial configuration  $Z$  is reachable from configura-  
 223 tion  $W$  using  $T$  if  $W \rightsquigarrow_T^* Z$ . We also consider configurations which are reachable  
 224 using the actions from all agents except for one. Thus we write  $X \triangleright_{-A_i}^* Y$  to  
 225 indicate that  $Y$  can be reached exactly from  $X$  without using the actions of agent  
 226  $A_i$ . Finally, given an initial configuration  $W$  and a partial configuration  $Z$ , we call  
 227 a *plan* any sequence of actions that leads from configuration  $W$  to a configuration  
 228 containing  $Z$ .

229 *Example.* As an illustrative example, consider the scenario adapted from [24]  
 230 where a patient needs a medical test, *e.g.*, a blood test, to be performed in order  
 231 for a doctor to correctly diagnose the patient’s health. This process may involve  
 232 several agents, such as a patient, a nurse, and a lab technician. Each of these  
 233 agents have their own set of tasks. For instance, the patients initial task could be  
 234 to make an appointment and go to the hospital. Then, the secretary would send  
 235 the patient to the nurse who would collect the patients blood sample and send it  
 236 to the lab technician, who would finally perform the required test. This scenario  
 237 can be specified as a LSTS. The following rules specify some of the actions of the  
 238 agents  $N$  (nurse) and  $L$  (lab technician) from this scenario:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{Nurse}(\text{blank}, \text{blank}, \text{blank}) \text{ Pat}(\text{name}, \text{test}) & \\
 \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \rightarrow_N \text{ Nurse}(\text{name}, \text{blank}, \text{test}) \text{ Pat}(\text{name}, \text{test}) & \\
 \text{Nurse}(x, \text{blank}, \text{blood}) \rightarrow_N \exists id. \text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}) & \\
 \text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}) \rightarrow_N \text{Lab}(id, \text{blood}) \text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}) & \\
 \text{Lab}(id, \text{blood}) \rightarrow_L \text{TestResult}(id, \text{result}) &
 \end{array}$$

239 The predicates  $Pat$ ,  $Lab$  and  $TestResult$  are public, while the predicate  $Nurse$   
 240 belongs to the nurse. Here “blank” is the constant denoting an unknown value,  
 241 “blood” is the constant denoting the type of test that is a blood test, “result” is  
 242 one of the constants from the set denoting the possible test outcomes, while  $test$ ,  
 243  $name$ ,  $x$  and  $id$  are all variables. The most interesting action is the second ac-  
 244 tion which generates a fresh value. This fresh value is an identification number  
 245 assigned to the test required by the patient. Then in the third action, when the  
 246 nurse sends a request the lab technician to perform a blood test, the nurse does  
 247 not provide the name of the patient, but instead only the identification number  
 248 generated in order to anonymize the patient. Finally in the last action, the lab  
 249 technician makes available the test results attached with the corresponding iden-  
 250 tification number. In order not to mix up the test result of one patient with test  
 251 result of another patient, each patient (sample) should have a different identifica-

252 tion number assigned. This is enforced by the specification above by the second  
253 rule since a fresh value is created.

254 In this particular example, there is no secret involved. However, there are  
255 undesirable situations that have to be avoided. In particular, the test results of a  
256 patient should not be publicly leaked with the patient's name. These situations  
257 will be specified by using *critical configurations* introduced later in this section.

258 *Balanced Actions.* A central assumption in this paper is that of balanced actions.  
259 We classify an action as *balanced* if the number of facts in its pre-condition is  
260 the same as the number of facts in its post-condition. As discussed in [24], bal-  
261 anced actions have the special property that when applied they preserve the size  
262 of configurations, *i.e.*, the number of facts in configurations. This is because when  
263 applying a balanced action the same number of facts deleted from a configuration  
264 is also inserted into the configuration. Hence, if an LSTS has only balanced ac-  
265 tions, then all configurations in a plan have the same number of facts. The sizes  
266 of all configurations is the same as the size of the initial configuration.

267 On the one hand, when using unbalanced actions it is possible to create a  
268 fact without consuming a fact in the process. For example, the following action  
269 creates a fact:  $\rightarrow_A Q_A(x)$ . By using this action, one could for instance expand  
270 a configuration by creating new facts an unbounded number of times. Hence, the  
271 size of configurations appearing in a plan obtained using unbalanced actions may  
272 be unbounded. This seems to be a cause for the undecidability of many problems  
273 that we consider in this paper, such as the secrecy problem. On the other hand,  
274 to create a new fact using a balanced action, one needs to replace it with a fact  
275 appearing in the enabling configuration. In order to support the creation of new  
276 facts in balanced systems, we use *empty facts*,  $P(*)$ . An empty fact intuitively  
277 denotes a slot available that could be filled by non-empty facts. For instance, the  
278 following balanced action creates a new non-empty fact by consuming an empty  
279 fact:

$$P(*) \rightarrow_A Q_A(x).$$

280 That is, this action specifies that a free slot can be filled by the fact  $Q_A(x)$ . More-  
281 over, if an agent does not need to remember some fact, he could free up a slot by  
282 this fact by an empty fact, such as specified by the following rule:

$$Q_A(x) \rightarrow_A P(*)$$

283 The empty fact created by this rule could then be reused by another rule that  
284 requires an empty fact.

285 By using empty facts,  $P(*)$ , one can also transform unbalanced system into  
 286 balanced systems. For instance, in the medical example shown above, all actions  
 287 are balanced, except the action:

$$\text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}) \rightarrow_N \text{Lab}(id, \text{blood}) \text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}).$$

288 In particular, its precondition has less facts than its postcondition. We can modify  
 289 this action so that it is transformed into a balanced action by adding an empty fact  
 290 to its precondition, thereby obtaining the following balanced action:

$$P(*) \text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}) \rightarrow_N \text{Lab}(id, \text{blood}) \text{Nurse}(x, id, \text{blood}).$$

291 In order for the Nurse to ask the lab for more tests, she needs to check whether  
 292 there is an empty fact available. One could interpret this as the nurse checking  
 293 whether the lab has enough capacity to perform another test. Otherwise, the nurse  
 294 will have to wait until a  $P(*)$  is made available. This could happen, for instance,  
 295 when a patient received his test results from the nurse and therefore no longer  
 296 requires a test to be carried out.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Nurse}(\text{name}, id, \text{blood}), \text{TestResult}(id, \text{result}), \text{Pat}(\text{name}, \text{blood}) \\ &\rightarrow_N \text{Nurse}(\text{name}, id, \text{blood}) \text{Rec}(\text{name}, \text{result}) P(*) \end{aligned}$$

297 Once the test result of a patient is available and delivered to the patient, the Nurse  
 298 can use the  $P(*)$  fact created to request a new test for another patient to be carried  
 299 by the lab technician. Notice that the test results are still stored in the patient's  
 300 medical records, specified by the private fact  $Rec$  belonging to the Nurse.

301 As illustrated above, the use of balanced actions bounds the number of facts  
 302 an agent can remember, but this condition alone does not bound the memory of  
 303 an agent, that is, the number of symbols he can remember. To bound the mem-  
 304 ory of the agents of a system, one needs to additionally assume that facts have a  
 305 bounded size. That is, there is a maximum number of symbols a fact can contain.  
 306 Otherwise, if we do not impose a bound to the size of facts, agents could use for  
 307 instance a pairing function,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , and facts with unbounded depth to remember  
 308 as many constants (or data) they need. For example, instead of using  $n$  facts,  
 309  $Q(c_1), \dots, Q(c_n)$ , to store  $n$  constants,  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  for some  $n$ , an agent could store  
 310 all of these constants by using the single fact  $Q(\langle c_1, \langle c_2, \langle \dots, \langle c_{n-1}, c_n \rangle \dots \rangle \rangle)$ .  
 311 Intuitively, by using balanced systems and assuming such an bound on the size of  
 312 facts, we obtain a bound on the number of slots available for predicate, function,  
 313 and constant symbols in any configuration of a run. As we will discuss in Sec-  
 314 tion 4, this bound will be key to obtain the decidability of the decision problems  
 315 that we investigate in this paper, such as the secrecy problem.

316 Notice as well that such upper bound on the size of facts was also assumed in  
317 previous work [15], while [24, 23] assumed fixed the bound on the size of facts.

318 *Critical Configurations.* In order to achieve a final goal, it is often necessary for  
319 an agent to share some private knowledge with another agent. However, although  
320 agents might be willing to share some private information with some agents, they  
321 might not be willing to do the same with other agents. For example, a patient  
322 might be willing to share his test results with the nurse, but not with all agents,  
323 such as the lab technician. One is, therefore, interested in determining if a system  
324 complies with some *confidentiality policies*, such as a patient’s test result should  
325 not be publicly available together with his name. A confidentiality policy of an  
326 agent is a set of partial configurations that this agent considers undesirable or  
327 bad. A configuration is called *critical for an agent* if it contains one of the partial  
328 configurations from his policy, and it is simply called *critical* if it is critical for  
329 some agent of the system. We classify any plan that does not reach any critical  
330 configuration as *compliant*.

331 In this paper, we make an additional assumption that critical configurations  
332 are closed under renaming of nonce names, that is, if  $W$  is a critical configuration  
333 and  $W\sigma = W'$  where  $\sigma$  is substitution renaming the nonces in  $W$ , then  $W'$  is  
334 also critical. This is a reasonable assumption since critical configurations are nor-  
335 mally defined without taking into account the names of nonces used in a particular  
336 plan, but only how they relate in a configuration to the initial set of symbols in  $\Sigma$   
337 and amongst themselves. For instance, in the medical example above consider  
338 the following configuration  $\{TestResult(n_1, result), Tec(n_1, paul)\}$ , where  $Tec$   
339 is fact belonging to the lab technician. This configuration is critical because the  
340 lab technician knows Paul’s test results,  $result$ , since she knows his identity num-  
341 ber, denoted by the nonce  $n_1$ , and the name that is associated to this identifier.  
342 Using the same reasoning, one can easily check that the configuration resulting  
343 from renaming the nonce  $n_1$  is also critical. In [26] it is pointed out that in the  
344 scenarios involving the privacy of medical data what matters are the categories of  
345 participants (*e.g.*, physicians, nurses, or patients) other than the actual individuals  
346 in these categories.

347 *Definition of Problems.* We review the three policy compliances introduced in  
348 [23, 24] and the secrecy problem related to protocol security. This paper makes  
349 the additional assumption that initial and the goal configurations are closed under  
350 renaming of nonces.

351 • (System compliance) Given a local state transition system  $T$ , an initial con-

352       figuration  $W$ , a (partial) goal configuration  $Z$ , and a set of critical config-  
353       urations, is no critical state reachable, and does there exist a plan leading  
354       from  $W$  to  $Z$ ?

355       • (Weak plan compliance) Given a local state transition system  $T$ , an initial  
356       configuration  $W$ , a (partial) goal configuration  $Z$ , and a set of critical con-  
357       figurations, is there a compliant plan which leads from  $W$  to  $Z$ ?

358       • (Plan compliance) Given a local state transition system  $T$ , an initial config-  
359       uration  $W$ , a (partial) goal configuration  $Z$ , and a set of critical configura-  
360       tions, is there a compliant plan which leads from  $W$  to  $Z$  such that for each  
361       agent  $A_i$  and for each configuration  $Y$  along the plan, whenever  $Y \triangleright_{-A_i}^* V$ ,  
362       then  $V$  is not critical for  $A_i$ ?

363       • (Secrecy problem) Is there a plan from the initial configuration to a config-  
364       uration in which the adversary  $M$  owns the fact  $M(s)$ ,<sup>1</sup> where  $s$  is a secret  
365       originally owned by another participant?

366       Intuitively, a system is system compliant if whatever actions the agents per-  
367       form, no undesired state for any agent is reached and if there is a compliant plan  
368       where the agents reach a common goal. On the other hand, a weak plan compli-  
369       ant system is a system that has a compliant plan. However, if some agent of the  
370       system does not follow the compliant plan, then it can happen that an undesired  
371       state for some agent is reached. Finally, a plan compliant system is such that there  
372       is a compliant plan and moreover if an agent  $A_i$  wants to stop collaborating, then  
373       it is guaranteed that the remaining agents are not able reach any of  $A_i$ 's undesired  
374       states.

375       The type of compliance, *i.e.*, weak plan, system, or plan compliance, required  
376       will depend on the type of collaborative system in question. In some cases, such  
377       as in the medical scenario above, one might require system compliance: according  
378       to hospital policies, it should never be possible that, for example, the lab techni-  
379       cian gets to know the test results of the patient. In other cases, however, such as  
380       when researchers are collaborating to write a paper before a deadline, weak plan  
381       compliance might be more appropriate. The collaborating researchers are just in-  
382       terested to know whether there is a compliant plan where the goal of writing the  
383       paper before the deadline is achieved. [23] provides other illustrative examples.

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<sup>1</sup> $M$  is a predicate name belonging to the intruder.

384 The secrecy problem is basically an instantiation of the weak plan compliance  
385 problem with no critical configurations. It is interesting to note that this problem  
386 can also be seen as a kind of a dual to the weak plan compliance problem; is  
387 there is a plan from the initial configuration to a *critical configuration* where the  
388 adversary  $M$  owns the secret  $s$ , originally owned by another participant? What  
389 we mean by owning a secret  $s$ , or any constant  $c$  in general, is that the agent has a  
390 private fact  $Q(c')$  such that  $c$  is a subterm of  $c'$ .

### 391 3. Examples of exponentially long plans

392 In this section, we illustrate that plans can, in principle, be exponentially  
393 long. In particular, we discuss an encoding of the well-known puzzle the Tow-  
394 ers of Hanoi. Such plans seem to preclude PSPACE membership, especially when  
395 nonces are involved, since there can be *a priori* an exponential number of nonces  
396 in such plans. We will later show, in Section 4, how to we circumvent this problem  
397 by reusing obsolete constants instead of creating new names for fresh values. We  
398 show that one only requires a small number of nonces in a plan.

#### 399 3.1. Towers of Hanoi

400 Towers of Hanoi is a well-known mathematical puzzle. It consists of three  
401 pegs  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  and a number of disks  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  of different sizes which can  
402 slide onto any peg. The puzzle starts with the disks neatly stacked in ascending  
403 order of size on one peg, the smallest disk at the top. The objective is to move the  
404 entire stack stacked on one peg to another peg, obeying the following rules:

- 405 (a) Only one disk may be moved at a time.
- 406 (b) Each move consists of taking the upper disk from one of the pegs and sliding  
407 it onto another peg, on top of the other disks that may already be present on  
408 that peg.
- 409 (c) No disk may be placed on top of a smaller disk.

410 The puzzle can be played with any number of disks and it is known that the mini-  
411 mal number of moves required to solve a Tower of Hanoi puzzle is  $2^n - 1$ , where  
412  $n$  is the number of disks.

413 The problem can be represented by an LSTS. We introduce the type *disk* for  
414 the disks, type *diskp* for either disks or pegs, with *disk* being a subtype of *diskp*.  
415 The constants  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  are of type *disk* and  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  of type *diskp*. We  
416 use facts of the form  $On(x, y)$ , where  $x$  is of type *disk* and  $y$  is of type *diskp*,

417 to denote that the disk  $x$  is either on top of the disk or on the peg  $y$ , and facts of  
418 the form  $Clear(x)$ , where  $x$  is of type  $diskp$ , to denote that the top of the disk  
419  $x$  is clear, *i.e.*, no disk is on the top of or on  $x$ , or that no disk is on the peg  $x$ .  
420 Since disks need to be placed according to their size, we also use facts of the form  
421  $S(x, y)$ , where  $x$  is of type  $disk$  and  $y$  is of type  $diskp$ , to denote that the disk  $x$   
422 can be put on top of  $y$ . In our encoding, we make sure that one is only allowed to  
423 put a disk on top of a larger disk or on an empty peg, *i.e.*, that  $x$  is smaller than  $y$   
424 in the case of  $y$  being a disk. This is encoded by the following facts in the initial  
425 configuration:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
S(a_1, a_2) & S(a_1, a_3) & S(a_1, a_4) & \dots & S(a_1, a_n) & S(a_1, b_1) & S(a_1, b_2) & S(a_1, b_3) \\
& S(a_2, a_3) & S(a_2, a_4) & \dots & S(a_2, a_n) & S(a_2, b_1) & S(a_2, b_2) & S(a_2, b_3) \\
& & & & \vdots & & & \\
& & & & S(a_{n-1}, a_n) & S(a_{n-1}, a_n) & S(a_{n-1}, b_1) & S(a_{n-1}, b_2) & S(a_{n-1}, b_3)
\end{array}$$

426 The initial configuration also contains the facts that describe the initial placing of  
427 the disks:

$$\begin{array}{c}
On(a_1, a_2) \ On(a_2, a_3) \dots On(a_{n-1}, a_n) \ On(a_n, b_1) \\
Clear(a_1) \ Clear(b_2) \ Clear(b_3) ,
\end{array}$$

428 The goal configuration consists of the following facts and encodes the state where  
429 all the disks are stacked on the peg  $b_3$ :

$$\begin{array}{c}
On(a_1, a_2) \ On(a_2, a_3) \dots On(a_{n-1}, a_n) \ On(a_n, b_3) \\
Clear(a_1) \ Clear(b_1) \ Clear(b_2)
\end{array}$$

430 Finally, the only action in our system is:

$$Clear(x) \ On(x, y) \ Clear(z) \ S(x, z) \rightarrow Clear(x) \ Clear(y) \ On(x, z) \ S(x, z)$$

431 where  $x$  has type  $disk$ , while  $y$  and  $z$  have type  $diskp$ . Notice that the action  
432 above is balanced. This action specifies that if there is a disk,  $x$ , that has no disk  
433 on top, it can be either moved to the top of another disk,  $z$ , that also has no disk  
434 on top, provided that  $x$  is smaller than  $y$ , specified by predicate  $S(x, z)$ , or onto a  
435 clear peg.

436 The Towers of Hanoi puzzle representation with LSTSeS above can be suitably  
437 modified so that each move in this game is identified/accompanied by replacing a

438 previous “ticket” with a fresh ticket.<sup>2</sup> This is accomplished, for example, by the  
 439 following two rules.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &T(t) \text{ Clear}(x) \text{ On}(x, y) \text{ Clear}(z) \text{ S}(x, z) \rightarrow \\
 &P(*) \text{ Clear}(x) \text{ Clear}(y) \text{ On}(x, z) \text{ S}(x, z) \\
 &P(*) \rightarrow \exists z.T(z)
 \end{aligned}$$

440 The first rule replaces the old ticket  $T(t)$  by the empty fact  $P(*)$ . Then the second  
 441 rule specifies that a new ticket can be created in exchange of a  $P(*)$  fact. If we  
 442 include a single  $P(*)$  fact in the initial configuration above, then it is easy to check  
 443 that for every move performed in the game, a new fresh value could in principle  
 444 be created. As before, given  $n$  disks, all plans must be of the exponential length  
 445  $2^n - 1$ , at least. Consequently, within the modified version, a plan which creates  
 446 a different fresh value for every move would contain an exponential number of  
 447 different fresh values.

448 However, one does not necessarily need to use an exponential number of dif-  
 449 ferent tickets. In fact, since the ticket used in a move is forgotten in the first rule,  
 450 the same ticket name can be reused as the fresh value in the second rule to enable  
 451 the next move. Therefore, one can show that there is a plan where the problem is  
 452 solved with only one ticket.

453 Although in this particular problem one just needs a single fresh value, for  
 454 LSTSse in general, more fresh values may be required. We show in the next  
 455 section, however, that only a few fresh values are needed when we assume a bound  
 456 on the size of facts and when all actions are balanced.

#### 457 **4. Polynomial Bound for the Number of Fresh Values**

458 As illustrated by the example given in the previous section, plans can be expo-  
 459 nentially long and involve an exponential number of fresh values. The use of an  
 460 exponential number of fresh values seems to prelude PSPACE membership of all  
 461 the compliance problems given at the end of Section 2, *e.g.*, the secrecy and the  
 462 weak plan compliance problems. We circumvent this problem by showing how to  
 463 reuse obsolete constants instead of creating new values.

464 Consider as an intuitive example the scenario where customers are waiting at  
 465 a counter. Whenever a new customer arrives, he picks a number and waits until

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<sup>2</sup>Although the use of tickets is not necessary for solving the Towers of Hanoi problem, it is an illustrative example that in principle one may require an exponential number of fresh values.



466 his number is called. Since only one person is called at a time, usually in a first  
 467 come first serve fashion, a number that is picked has to be a fresh value, that is, it  
 468 should not belong to any other customer in the waiting room. Furthermore, since  
 469 only a bounded number of customers wait at the counter in a period of time, one  
 470 only needs a bounded number of tickets: once a customer is finished, his number  
 471 can be in fact reused and assigned to another customer.

472 We can generalize the idea illustrated by the example above to systems with  
 473 balanced actions. Since in such systems all configurations have the same number  
 474 of facts and the size of facts is bounded, in practice we do not need an unbounded  
 475 number of new constants in order to reach a goal, but just a small number of them.  
 476 We call actions that pick fresh values from a small set of nonces as *guarded nonce*  
 477 *generation*. Consequently, in a given planning problem we only need to consider a  
 478 small number of nonces names, which can be fixed in advance. This is formalized  
 479 by the following theorem.

480 **Theorem 4.1.** *Given an LSTS with balanced actions that can create nonces, any*  
 481 *plan leading from an initial configuration  $W$  to a partial goal  $Z$  can be trans-*  
 482 *formed into another plan also leading from  $W$  to  $Z$  that uses only a polynomial*  
 483 *number of nonces,  $2mk$ , with respect to the number of facts,  $m$ , in  $W$  and an*  
 484 *upper bound on the size of facts,  $k$ .*

485 The proof of Theorem 4.1 relies on the observation that from the perspective of  
 486 an insider of the system two configurations can be considered the same whenever  
 487 they only differ on the names of the nonces used.

488 Consider for example the following two configurations, where the  $n_i$ s are  
 489 nonces and  $t_i$ s are constants in the initial alphabet:

$$\{F_A(t_1, n_1), G_B(n_2, n_1), H_{pub}(n_3, t_2)\} \text{ and } \{F_A(t_1, n_4), G_B(n_5, n_4), H_{pub}(n_6, t_2)\}$$

490 Since these configurations only differ on the nonce's names used, they can be  
 491 regarded as equivalent: the same fresh value,  $n_1$  in the former configuration and  
 492  $n_4$  in the latter, is shared by the agents  $A$  and  $B$ , and similarly, for the new values  
 493  $n_2$  and  $n_5$ , and  $n_3$  and  $n_6$ . Inspired by a similar notion in  $\lambda$ -calculus [10], we say  
 494 that these configurations above are  $\alpha$ -equivalent.

495 **Definition 4.2.** Two configurations  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$  are  $\alpha$ -equivalent, denoted by  $\mathcal{S}_1 =_\alpha$   
 496  $\mathcal{S}_2$ , if there is a bijection  $\sigma$  that maps the set of all nonces appearing in one confi-  
 497 guration to the set of all nonces appearing in the other configuration, such that the  
 498 set  $\mathcal{S}_1\sigma = \mathcal{S}_2$ .

499 The two configurations given above are  $\alpha$ -equivalent because of the following  
500 the bijection  $\{(n_1, n_4), (n_2, n_5), (n_3, n_6)\}$ . It is easy to show that the relation  $=_\alpha$   
501 is indeed an equivalence, that is, it is symmetric, transitive, and reflexive.

502 The following lemma formalizes the intuition described above that from the  
503 point of view of an insider two  $\alpha$ -equivalent configurations are the same, that is,  
504 one can apply the same action to one or the other and the resulting configura-  
505 tions are also equivalent. This is similar to the notion of bisimulation in process  
506 calculi [28].

507 **Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $m$  be the number of facts in a configuration  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $k$  be an upper*  
508 *bound on the size of facts. Let  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$  be a fixed set of  $2mk$  nonce names. Suppose*  
509 *that the configuration  $\mathcal{S}_1$  is  $\alpha$ -equivalent to a configuration  $\mathcal{S}'_1$  and, in addition,*  
510 *each of the nonce names occurring in  $\mathcal{S}'_1$  belongs to  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ . Let an instance of the*  
511 *action  $r$  transform the configuration  $\mathcal{S}_1$  into the configuration  $\mathcal{S}_2$ . Then there is a*  
512 *configuration  $\mathcal{S}'_2$  such that: (1) an instance of action  $r$  transforms  $\mathcal{S}'_1$  into  $\mathcal{S}'_2$ ; (2)*  
513  *$\mathcal{S}'_2$  is  $\alpha$ -equivalent to  $\mathcal{S}_2$ ; and (3) each of the nonce names occurring in  $\mathcal{S}'_2$  belongs*  
514 *to  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ .*

515 **Proof** We transform the given transformation  $\mathcal{S}_1 \rightarrow_r \mathcal{S}_2$ , which can in princi-  
516 ple include nonce creation, into  $\mathcal{S}'_1 \rightarrow_{r'} \mathcal{S}'_2$  so that the action  $r'$  does not create  
517 new values, instead chooses nonce names from a fixed set given in advance, in  
518 such a way that the chosen nonce names differ from any values in the enabling  
519 configuration  $\mathcal{S}'_1$ . Although these names have been fixed in advance, they can be  
520 considered fresh. We say that  $r'$  is an action of *guarded nonce generation*.

521 Let  $r$  be a balanced action that does not create nonces. Let  $r$ 's instance used to  
522 transform  $\mathcal{S}_1$  to  $\mathcal{S}_2$  contain nonces  $\vec{n}$  that are in  $\mathcal{S}_1$ . Let  $\sigma$  be a bijection between  
523 the nonces of  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}'_1$ . Then an instance of  $r$  where the nonces  $n$  are replaced  
524 by  $(\vec{n}\sigma)$  transforms the configuration  $\mathcal{S}'_1$  into  $\mathcal{S}'_2$ . Configurations  $\mathcal{S}'_2$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$  are  $\alpha$ -  
525 equivalent since these configurations differ only in nonce names, as per bijection  
526  $\sigma$ .

527 The most interesting case is when a rule  $r$  creates nonces  $\vec{n}_2$  resulting in  $\mathcal{S}_2$ .  
528 Since the number of all places (slots for values) in a configuration is bounded  
529 by  $mk$ , we can find enough elements  $\vec{n}'_2$  (at most  $mk$  in the extreme case where  
530 all nonces are supposed to be created simultaneously) in the set of  $2mk$  nonce  
531 names,  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ , that do not occur in  $\mathcal{S}'_1$ . Values  $\vec{n}'_2$  can therefore be considered  
532 fresh and used instead of  $\vec{n}_2$ . Let  $\delta$  be the bijection between nonce names  $\vec{n}_2$  and  
533  $\vec{n}'_2$  and let  $\sigma$  be a bijection between the nonces of  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}'_1$ . Then the action  
534  $r' = r\delta\sigma$  of guarded nonce creation is an instance of action  $r$  which is enabled

535 in configuration  $S'_1$  resulting in configuration  $S'_2$ . Configurations  $S_2$  and  $S'_2$  are  
 536  $\alpha$ -equivalent because of the bijection  $\delta\sigma$ .

537 Moreover, from the assumption that critical configurations are closed under  
 538 renaming of nonces, if  $S_2$  is not critical, the configuration  $S'_2$  is also not critical.  
 539  $\square$

540 We are now ready to prove Theorem 4.1:

541 **Proof (of Theorem 4.1).** The proof is by induction on the length of a plan and  
 542 it is based on Lemma 4.3. Let  $T$  be an LSTS with balanced actions that can create  
 543 nonces,  $m$  the number of facts in the initial configuration, and  $k$  the bound on size  
 544 of each fact. Let  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$  be a fixed set of  $2mk$  nonce names. Given a plan  $P$  leading  
 545 from the initial configuration  $W$  to a partial goal  $Z$  we adjust it so that all nonces  
 546 along the plan  $P'$  are taken from  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ . Notice that since all actions are balanced,  
 547 the size of all configurations in  $P$  are the same as the size of  $W$ , namely  $m$ .

548 For the base case, assume that the plan is of the length 0, that is, the configu-  
 549 ration  $W$  already contains  $Z$ . Since we assume that goal and initial configurations  
 550 are closed under renaming of nonces, we can rename the nonces in  $W$  by nonces  
 551 from  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ .

552 Assume that any plan of length  $n$  can be transformed in a plan that uses the  
 553 fixed set of nonce names. Let a plan  $P$  of the length  $n + 1$  be such that  $W \triangleright_T^* ZU$ .  
 554 Let  $r$  be the last action in  $P$  and  $Z_1 \rightarrow_r ZU$ . By induction hypothesis we can  
 555 transform the plan  $W \rightarrow_T^* Z_1$  into a plan  $W' \rightarrow_T^* Z'_1$ , with all configurations  
 556  $\alpha$ -equivalent to corresponding configurations in the original plan, such that it only  
 557 contains nonces from the set  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ .

558 We can then apply Lemma 4.3 to the configuration  $Z_1$  and conclude that there  
 559 is a configuration  $Z'U'$  that is  $\alpha$ -equivalent to configuration  $ZU$  such that all  
 560 nonces in the configuration  $Z'U'$  belong to  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ . Therefore, all nonces contained  
 561 in the transformed plan  $P'$ , *i.e.* in the plan  $W' \rightarrow_T^* Z'U'$  are taken from  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$ .

562 Notice that no critical configuration is reached in this process because we as-  
 563 sume that critical configurations are closed under renaming of nonce names.  $\square$

564 **Corollary 4.4.** *For LSTSes with balanced actions that can create nonces, we only*  
 565 *need to consider the reachability problem with a polynomial number of fresh*  
 566 *values, which can be fixed in advance, with respect to the number of facts in the*  
 567 *initial configuration and the upper bound on the size of facts.*

568 Notice that, since plans can be of exponential length, a nonce name from  $\mathcal{N}_{m,k}$   
 569 can, in principal, be used in guarded nonce creation an exponential number of

Table 1: Summary of the complexity results for the secrecy, weak plan, system, and plan compliance problems. We mark the new results appearing here with a  $\star$ . We also show here that the complexity for the system compliance problem when actions are possibly unbalanced and can create fresh values is undecidable.

Compliance Problems	Balanced Actions		Possibly unbalanced actions and no nonces
	No fresh values	Possible nonces	
Secrecy	PSPACE-complete [24]	PSPACE-complete $\star$	Undecidable [15]
Weak Plan	PSPACE-complete [24]	PSPACE-complete $\star$	Undecidable [23]
System	PSPACE-complete [24]	PSPACE-complete $\star$	EXPSPACE-complete [23]; Undecidable with nonces [15]
Plan	PSPACE-complete [24, 33]	PSPACE-complete $\star$	Undecidable [23]

570 times. However, every time it is used, it appears fresh in the enabling configura-  
571 tion.

## 572 5. Complexity Results

573 In this Section we discuss complexity results for the different problems intro-  
574 duced in Section 2, namely, the weak plan compliance problem, the plan compli-  
575 ance problem, the system compliance problem and the secrecy problem.

576 Table 1 summarizes the complexity results for the compliance problems dis-  
577 cussed in Section 2.

578 We start, mainly for completeness, with the simplest form of systems, namely,  
579 those that contain only actions of the form  $a \rightarrow a'$ , called *context-free monadic*  
580 *actions*, which only change a single fact from a configuration. The following  
581 result can be inferred from [15, Proposition 5.4].

582 **Theorem 5.1.** *Given an LSTS with only actions of the form  $a \rightarrow a'$ , the weak plan*  
583 *compliance, the plan compliance problem, and the secrecy problems are in P.*

584 Our next result improves the result in [24, Theorem 6.1] since any type of  
585 balanced actions was allowed in that encoding. Here, on the other hand, we allow  
586 only *monadic actions*, that is actions of the form  $ab \rightarrow a'b$ , *i.e.*, balanced actions

587 that can modify at most a single fact and in the process check whether a fact  
588 is present in the configuration. We tighten the lower bound by showing that all  
589 the decision problems described in Section 2 for LSTs with monadic actions  
590 are also PSPACE-hard. The main challenge here is to simulate operations over a  
591 non-commutative structure by using a commutative one, namely, to simulate the  
592 behavior of a Turing machine that uses a sequential, non-commutative tape in our  
593 formalism that uses commutative multisets.

594 **Theorem 5.2.** *Given an LST,  $\mathcal{T}$ , with only actions of the form  $ab \rightarrow a'b$ , then*  
595 *the problems of weak plan compliance, plan compliance, system compliance and*  
596 *the secrecy problem are PSPACE-hard in the size of  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

597 The PSPACE upper bound for this problem can be inferred directly from [24].

598 **Proof** We start the proof with the weak plan compliance problem. In order to  
599 prove the lower bound, we encode a non-deterministic Turing machine  $\mathcal{M}$  that  
600 accepts in space  $n$  within actions of the form  $ab \rightarrow a'b$ , whenever each of these  
601 actions is allowed any number of times. In our proof, we do not use critical  
602 configurations and need just one agent  $A$ . Without loss of generality, we assume  
603 the following:

- 604 (a)  $\mathcal{M}$  has only one tape, which is one-way infinite to the right. The leftmost cell  
605 (numbered by 0) contains the marker \$ unerased.
- 606 (b) Initially, an *input* string, say  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ , is written in cells 1, 2, ...,  $n$  on the  
607 tape. In addition, a special marker # is written in the  $(n+1)$ -th cell.

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\$	$x_1$	$x_2$	·	·	·	$x_n$	#					...
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- 609 (c) The program of  $\mathcal{M}$  contains no instruction that could erase either \$ or #.  
610 There is no instruction that could move the head of  $\mathcal{M}$  either to the right  
611 when  $\mathcal{M}$  scans symbol #, or to the left when  $\mathcal{M}$  scans symbol \$. As a result,  
612  $\mathcal{M}$  acts in the space between the two unerased markers.
- 613 (d) Finally,  $\mathcal{M}$  has only one *accepting* state  $q_f$ , and, moreover, all *accepting* con-  
614 figurations in space  $n$  are of one and the same form.

615 For each  $n$ , we design a local state transition system  $T_n$  as follows:

616 First, we introduce the following propositions:  $R_{i,\xi}$  which denotes that “*the  $i$ -th*  
617 *cell contains symbol  $\xi$ ”, where  $i=0, 1, \dots, n+1$ ,  $\xi$  is a symbol of the tape alphabet*

618 of  $\mathcal{M}$ , and  $S_{j,q}$  which denotes that “the  $j$ -th cell is scanned by  $\mathcal{M}$  in state  $q$ ”,  
619 where  $j=0, 1, \dots, n+1$ ,  $q$  is a state of  $\mathcal{M}$ .  
620 Given a *machine configuration* of  $\mathcal{M}$  in space  $n$  - that  $\mathcal{M}$  scans  $j$ -th cell in state  $q$ ,  
621 when a string  $\xi_0\xi_1\xi_2 \dots \xi_i \dots \xi_n\xi_{n+1}$  is written left-justified on the otherwise blank  
622 tape, we will represent it by a configuration of  $T_n$  of the form (here  $\xi_0$  and  $\xi_{n+1}$  are  
623 the end markers):

$$S_{j,q}R_{0,\xi_0}R_{1,\xi_1}R_{2,\xi_2} \cdots R_{n,\xi_n}R_{n+1,\xi_{n+1}}. \quad (1)$$

624 Second, each instruction  $\gamma$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  of the form  $q\xi \rightarrow q'\eta D$ , denoting “if in state  $q$   
625 looking at symbol  $\xi$ , replace it by  $\eta$ , move the tape head one cell in direction  $D$   
626 along the tape, and go into state  $q'$ ”, is specified by the set of  $5(n+2)$  actions of  
627 the form:

$$\begin{array}{lll} S_{i,q}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\xi}, & F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma}, & F_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma} \rightarrow_A G_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma}, \\ G_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma} \rightarrow_A G_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\eta}, & G_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\eta} \rightarrow_A S_{i_D,q'}R_{i,\eta}, & \end{array} \quad (2)$$

628 where  $i=0, 1, \dots, n+1$ ,  $F_{i,\gamma}$ ,  $G_{i,\gamma}$ ,  $H_{i,\gamma}$  are auxiliary atomic propositions,  $i_D := i+1$   
629 if  $D$  is *right*,  $i_D := i-1$  if  $D$  is *left*, and  $i_D := i$ , otherwise.

630 The idea behind this encoding is that by means of such five monadic rules,  
631 applied in succession, we can simulate any successful non-deterministic compu-  
632 tation in space  $n$  that leads from the initial configuration,  $W_n$ , with a given input  
633 string  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ , to the accepting configuration,  $Z_n$ .

634 The *faithfulness* of our encoding heavily relies on the fact that any machine  
635 configuration includes exactly one machine state  $q$ . Because of the specific form  
636 of our actions in (2), any configuration reached by using a plan  $\mathcal{P}$ , leading from  $W_n$   
637 to  $Z_n$ , has exactly one occurrence of either  $S_{i,q}$  or  $F_{i,\gamma}$  or  $G_{i,\gamma}$ . Therefore the ac-  
638 tions in (2) are necessarily used one after another as below:

$$S_{i,q}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma} \rightarrow_A G_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma} \rightarrow_A G_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\eta} \rightarrow_A S_{i_D,q'}R_{i,\eta}.$$

639 Moreover, any configuration reached by using the plan  $\mathcal{P}$  is of the form similar  
640 to (6), and, hence, represents a configuration of  $\mathcal{M}$  in space  $n$ .

641 Passing through this plan  $\mathcal{P}$  from its last action to its first  $v_0$ , we prove that what-  
642 ever intermediate action  $v$  we take, there is a successful non-deterministic compu-  
643 tation performed by  $\mathcal{M}$  leading from the configuration reached to the *accepting*  
644 configuration represented by  $Z_n$ . In particular, since the first configuration reached  
645 by  $\mathcal{P}$  is  $W_n$ , we can conclude that the given input string  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$  is accepted  
646 by  $\mathcal{M}$ .

647 By the above encoding we reduce the problem of a Turing machine acceptance  
 648 in  $n$ -space to a weak plan compliance problem with no critical configurations and  
 649 conclude that the weak plan compliance problem is PSPACE-hard.

650 The secrecy problem is a special case of the weak plan compliance problem  
 651 with no critical configurations and with the goal configuration having a negative  
 652 connotation of intruder learning the secret. To the above encoding we add the  
 653 action  $S_{i,q_f} \rightarrow M_s(s)$ , for the accepting state  $q_f$  and the constant  $s$  denoting the  
 654 secret. This action reveals the secret to the intruder. Consequently, the secrecy  
 655 problem is also PSPACE-hard.

656 Finally, since the encoding involves no critical configurations both the plan  
 657 compliance and the system compliance problem are also PSPACE-hard.  $\square$

658 In order to obtain a faithful encoding, one must be careful, specially, with  
 659 commutativity. If we attempt to encode these actions by using, for example, the  
 660 following four monadic actions

$$661 \begin{array}{ll} S_{i,q}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\xi}, & F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma}, \\ F_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\eta}, & F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\eta} \rightarrow_A S_{i_D,q'}R_{i,\eta}, \end{array}$$

then such encoding would not be faithful because of the following conflict:

$$(F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\xi} \rightarrow_A F_{i,\gamma}H_{i,\gamma}) \quad \text{and} \quad (F_{i,\gamma}R_{i,\eta} \rightarrow_A S_{i_D,q'}R_{i,\eta}).$$

662 Also notice that one cannot always use a set of five monadic actions similar to  
 663 those in (2) to faithfully simulate non-monadic actions of the form  $ab \rightarrow cd$ .  
 664 Specifically, one cannot always guarantee that a goal is reached after all five  
 665 monadic actions are used, and not before. For example, if our goal is to reach  
 666 a state with  $c$  and we consider a state containing both  $c$  and  $d$  as critical, then with  
 667 the monadic rules it would be possible to reach a goal without reaching a critical  
 668 state, whereas, when using the non-monadic action, one would not be able to do  
 669 so. This is because, after applying the action  $ab \rightarrow cd$ , one necessarily reaches  
 670 a critical state. In the encoding of Turing machines above, however, this is not a  
 671 problem since all propositions of the form  $S_{i,q}$  do not appear in the intermediate  
 672 steps, as illustrated above.

673 *LSTSeS that can create nonces.* We turn our attention to the case when actions can  
 674 create nonces. We show that the problems of the weak plan compliance, plan com-  
 675 pliance and system compliance as well as the secrecy problem for LSTSeS with  
 676 balanced actions that can create nonces are in PSPACE. Combining this upper  
 677 bound with the lower bound given in Theorem 5.2, we can infer that this problem  
 678 is indeed PSPACE-complete.

679 Recall that, in Section 4 we introduce a formalization of freshness in balanced  
680 systems. Instead of (proper) nonce creation, in balanced systems we consider  
681 *guarded nonce creation*, see Lemma 4.3. We are then able to simulate plans that  
682 include actions of nonce creation with plans containing  $\alpha$ -equivalent configura-  
683 tions such that the whole plan only includes a small number of nonce names,  
684 polynomial in the size of the configurations and in the bound on size of facts.  
685 This is an important assumption in all of the results in the next sections related to  
686 balanced systems.

687 To determine the existence of a plan we only need to consider plans that never  
688 reach  $\alpha$ -equivalent configurations more than once. If a plan loops back to a pre-  
689 viously reached configuration, there is a cycle of actions which could have been  
690 avoided. Thus, at worst, a plan must visit each of the  $L_T(m, k)$  configurations,  
691 where  $m$  is the number of facts in the initial configuration and  $k$  an upper bound  
692 on the size of facts. The following lemma imposes an upper bound on the number  
693 of different configurations given an initial finite alphabet.

694 **Lemma 5.3.** *Given an LSTS  $T$  under a finite alphabet  $\Sigma$ , then the number of*  
695 *configurations,  $L_T(m, k)$ , that are pairwise not  $\alpha$ -equivalent and whose number*  
696 *of facts (counting repetitions) is exactly  $m$  is such that  $L_T(m, k) \leq J^m(D +$   
697  $2mk)^{mk}$ , where  $J$  and  $D$  are, respectively, the number of predicate symbols and*  
698 *the number of constant and function symbols in the initial alphabet  $\Sigma$ , and  $k$  is an*  
699 *upper bound on the size of facts.*

700 **Proof** Since a configuration contains  $m$  facts and each fact can contain only one  
701 predicate symbol, there are  $m$  slots for predicate names. Moreover, since the size  
702 of facts is bounded by  $k$ , there are at most  $mk$  slots in a configuration for constants  
703 and function symbols. Constants can be either constants in the initial alphabet  $\Sigma$   
704 or nonce names. However, following Theorem 4.1, we need to consider only  $2mk$   
705 nonces. Hence, there at most  $J^m(D + 2mk)^{mk}$  configurations that are not  $\alpha$ -  
706 equivalent, where  $J$  and  $D$  are, respectively, the number of predicate symbols and  
707 the number of constant and function symbols in the initial alphabet  $\Sigma$ .  $\square$

708 Clearly, the upper bound above on the number of configurations is an overesti-  
709 mate. It does not take into account, for example, the equivalence of configurations  
710 that only differ on the order of the facts. For our purposes, however, it will be  
711 enough to assume such a bound.

712 Although the secrecy problem as well as the weak plan compliance, plan com-  
713 pliance and system compliance problems are stated as decision problems, we  
714 prove more than just PSPACE decidability. Ideally we would also be able to



715 generate a plan in PSPACE when there is a solution. Unfortunately, as we have  
 716 illustrated in Section 3, the number of actions in the plan may already be exponen-  
 717 tial in the size of the inputs precluding PSPACE membership of plan generation.  
 718 These plans could, in principle, also involve an exponential number of nonces, as  
 719 discussed at the end of Section 4. For the reason above we follow [24] and use the  
 720 notion of “scheduling” a plan in which an algorithm will also take an input  $i$  and  
 721 output the  $i$ -th step of the plan.

722 **Definition 5.4.** An algorithm is said to *schedule* a plan if it (1) finds a plan if one  
 723 exists, and (2) on input  $i$ , if the plan contains at least  $i$  actions, then it outputs the  
 724  $i^{\text{th}}$  action of the plan, otherwise it outputs *no*.

725 Following [24], we assume that when given an LSTS, there are three programs,  
 726  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$ , such that they return the value 1 in polynomial space when given as  
 727 input, respectively, a configuration that is critical, a configuration that contains  
 728 the goal configuration, and a transition that is valid, that is, an instance of an  
 729 action in the LSTS, and return 0 otherwise. For the secrecy problem, we need to  
 730 additionally assume the program  $\mathcal{M}$  that returns the value 1 in polynomial space  
 731 when given as input a rule from the intruder’s theory, and return 0 otherwise. Later  
 732 on, in Section 6 we give an example of the intruder theory.

733 **Theorem 5.5.** *Given an LSTS  $T$  with balanced actions that can create nonces  
 734 and an intruder theory  $M$ , then then the weak plan compliance problem and the  
 735 secrecy problem are in PSPACE in the following parameters:*

- 736 - the size,  $m$ , of the initial configuration  $W$ ,
- 737 - bound on the size of facts,  $k$ ,
- 738 - the size of the programs  $\mathcal{G}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}$ , and  $\mathcal{M}$ , described above, and
- 739 - a natural number  $0 \leq i \leq L_T(m, k)$ .

740 **Proof** For both decision problems, we rely on the fact that NPSpace, PSPACE,  
 741 and co-PSPACE are all the same complexity class Savitch. We first prove that the  
 742 weak plan compliance problem is in PSPACE. We modify the algorithm proposed  
 743 in [24] in order to accommodate the creation of nonces. The algorithm must return  
 744 “yes” whenever there is compliant plan from the initial configuration  $W$  to a goal  
 745 configuration. In order to do so, we construct an algorithm that searches non-  
 746 deterministically whether such configuration *is reachable*, that is, a configuration

747  $S$  such that  $\mathcal{G}(S) = 1$ . Then we apply Savitch's Theorem [35] to determinize this  
 748 algorithm.

749 The algorithm begins with  $W_0 := W$ . For any  $t \geq 0$ , we first check if  
 750  $\mathcal{C}(W_t) = 1$ . If this is the case, then the algorithm outputs "no". We also check  
 751 whether the configuration  $W_t$  is a goal configuration, that is, if  $\mathcal{G}(W_t) = 1$ . If  
 752 so, we end the algorithm by returning "yes." Otherwise, we guess a transition  $r$   
 753 such that  $\mathcal{T}(r) = 1$  and that is applicable using the configuration  $W_t$ . If no such  
 754 action exists, then the algorithm outputs "no." Otherwise, we replace  $W_t$  by the  
 755 configuration  $W_{t+1}$  resulting from applying the action  $r$  to  $W_t$ . Following Lemma  
 756 5.3 we know that a goal configuration is reached if and only if it is reached in  
 757  $L_T(m, k)$  steps. We use a global counter, called step-counter, to keep track of the  
 758 number of actions used in a partial plan constructed by this algorithm.

759 As pointed out in Section 3, plans can, in principle, use an exponential number  
 760 of fresh values. However, as we have shown before in Section 4, it is enough to use  
 761 a set with only  $2mk$  nonce names. This set of nonce names is not related to any  
 762 particular plan, but is fixed in advance. Then whenever an action creates a fresh  
 763 value, we can search for names in this set that are different from any constants  
 764 in the enabling configuration, that is, a fresh value. This process is shown in the  
 765 proof of Theorem 4.1.

766 We now show that this algorithm runs in polynomial space. We start with the  
 767 step-counter: The greatest number reached by this counter is  $L_T(m, k)$ . When  
 768 stored in binary encoding, this number takes only space polynomial to the given  
 769 inputs:

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2(L_T(m, k)) &\leq \log_2(J^m(D + 2mk)^{mk}) = \log_2(J^m) + \log_2((D + 2mk)^{mk}) \\ &= m \log_2(J) + mk \log_2(D + 2mk). \end{aligned}$$

770 Therefore, one only needs polynomial space to store the values in the step-counter.  
 771 Following Theorem 4.1 there are at most polynomially many nonces used in a run,  
 772 namely at most  $2mk$ . Hence nonces can also be stored in polynomial space.

773 We must also be careful to check that any configuration,  $W_t$ , can also be stored  
 774 in polynomial space with respect to the given inputs. Since our system is balanced  
 775 and we assume that the size of facts is bounded, the size of a configuration re-  
 776 mains the same throughout the run. Finally, the algorithm needs to keep track of  
 777 the action  $r$  guessed when moving from one configuration to another and for the  
 778 scheduling of a plan. It has to store the action that has been used at the  $i^{\text{th}}$  step.  
 779 Since any action can be stored by remembering two configurations, one can also  
 780 store these actions in space polynomial to the inputs.

781 A similar algorithm can be used for the secrecy problem. The only modifi-  
 782 cation to the previous algorithm is that one does not need to check for critical  
 783 configurations as in the secrecy problem there are no such configurations.  $\square$

784 **Theorem 5.6.** *Given an LSTS with balanced actions that can create nonces, then*  
 785 *the system compliance problem is in PSPACE in the following parameters:*

- 786 - the size,  $m$ , of the initial configuration  $W$ ,
- 787 - bound on the size of facts,  $k$ ,
- 788 - the size of the programs  $\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{C}$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$  and
- 789 - a natural number  $0 \leq i \leq L_T(m, k)$ .

790 **Proof** In order to show that the system compliance problem is in PSPACE we  
 791 modify the algorithm proposed in [24] to accommodate the nonce creation. Again  
 792 we rely on the fact that NPSpace, PSPACE, and co-PSPACE are all the same  
 793 complexity class [35]. We use the same notation from the proof of Theorem 5.5  
 794 and make the same assumptions.

795 Following Theorem 4.1 we can accommodate nonce creation by replacing the  
 796 relevant nonce occurrence(s) with nonces from a fixed set, so that they are dif-  
 797 ferent from any of the nonces in the enabling configuration. As before, this set  
 798 of  $2mk$  nonce names is not related to a particular plan, but fixed in advance for  
 799 a given LSTS, where  $m$  is the number of facts in the configuration of the system  
 800 and  $k$  is the bound on the size of the facts.

801 We first need to check that none of the critical configurations are reachable  
 802 from  $W$ . To do this we provide a non-deterministic algorithm which returns “yes”  
 803 exactly when a critical configuration is reachable. The algorithm starts with  $W_0 :=$   
 804  $W$ . For any  $t \geq 0$ , we first check if  $\mathcal{C}(W_t) = 1$ . If this is the case, then the  
 805 algorithm outputs “yes”. Otherwise, we guess an action  $r$  such that  $\mathcal{T}(r) = 1$   
 806 and that it is applicable in the configuration  $W_t$ . If no such action exists, then  
 807 the algorithm outputs “no”. Otherwise, we replace  $W_t$  by the configuration  $W_{t+1}$   
 808 resulting from applying the action  $r$  to  $W_t$ . Following Lemma 5.3 we know that  
 809 at most  $L_T(m, k)$  guesses are required, and therefore we use a global step-counter  
 810 to keep track of the number of actions. As shown in the proof of Theorem 5.5, the  
 811 value of this counter can be stored in PSPACE.

812 Next we apply Savitch’s Theorem to determinize the algorithm. Then we swap  
 813 the accept and fail conditions to get a deterministic algorithm which accepts ex-  
 814 actly when all critical configurations are unreachable.

815 Finally, we have to check for the existence of a compliant plan. For that we  
 816 apply the same algorithm as for the weak plan compliance problem from Theorem  
 817 5.5, skipping the checking of critical states since we have already checked that  
 818 none of the critical configurations are reachable from  $W$ . From what has been  
 819 shown above we conclude that the algorithm runs in polynomial space. Therefore  
 820 the system compliance problem is in PSPACE.  $\square$

821 Next we turn to the plan compliance problem for systems with balanced ac-  
 822 tions that can create nonces. In addition to avoiding critical configurations, a  
 823 compliant plan also guarantees to every agent that, as long as he follows the plan,  
 824 the other agents cannot collude to reach a configuration critical for him. Agents  
 825 are therefore assured that in case they drop from the collaboration for any reason,  
 826 others cannot violate their confidentiality policies. As soon as one agent deviates  
 827 from the plan, the other agents may choose to stop their participation. They can  
 828 do so with the assurance that the remaining agents will never be able to reach a  
 829 configuration critical for those agents that quit the collaboration.

830 The plan compliance problem can be re-stated as a weak plan compliance  
 831 problem with a larger set of configurations, called *semi-critical*. Intuitively, a  
 832 semi-critical configuration for an agent  $A$  is a configuration from which a critical  
 833 configuration for  $A$  could be reached by the other participants of the system with-  
 834 out the participation of  $A$ . Therefore in the plan compliance problem, a compliant  
 835 plan not only avoids critical configurations, but also avoids configurations that are  
 836 semi-critical. Hence, the plan compliance problem is the same as the weak plan  
 837 compliance problem when considering critical both the original critical configu-  
 838 rations of the system as well as the semi-critical configurations of any agent.

839 **Definition 5.7.** A configuration  $X$  is *semi-critical for an agent  $A$*  if a configura-  
 840 tion  $Y$  that is critical for  $A$  is reachable using the actions belonging to all agents  
 841 except to  $A$ , i.e., if  $X \triangleright_{-A}^* Y$ . A configuration is simply called *semi-critical* if it  
 842 is semi-critical for some agent of the system.

843 We will follow this intuition and construct an algorithm for the plan compli-  
 844 ance problem similar to the one used for the weak plan compliance problem, that  
 845 will include a sub-procedure that checks if a configuration is semi-critical for an  
 846 agent.

847 **Theorem 5.8.** *Given an LSTS with balanced actions that can create nonces, then*  
 848 *the plan compliance problem is in PSPACE in the following parameters:*

849 - the size,  $m$ , of the initial configuration  $W$ ,

- 850 - bound on the size of facts,  $k$ ,
- 851 - the size of the programs  $\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{C}$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$  and
- 852 - a natural number  $0 \leq i \leq L_T(m, k)$ .

853 **Proof** The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 5.5 and the proof of the  
 854 PSPACE result of the plan compliance for balanced systems in [33]. Again we rely  
 855 on the fact that NPSPACE, PSPACE, and co-PSPACE are all the same complexity  
 856 class.

857 Assume as inputs an initial configuration  $W$  containing  $m$  facts, an upper  
 858 bound on the size of facts  $k$ , a natural number  $0 \leq i \leq L_T(m, k)$ , and programs  
 859  $\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{C}$ , and  $\mathcal{T}$  that run in polynomial space and that are slightly different to those  
 860 in Theorem 5.5. This is because for plan compliance it is important to know as  
 861 well to whom an action belongs to and similarly for which agent a configuration  
 862 is critical. Program  $\mathcal{T}$  recognizes actions of the system so that  $\mathcal{T}(j, r) = 1$  when  
 863  $r$  is an instance of an action belonging to agent  $A_j$  and  $\mathcal{T}(j, r) = 0$  otherwise.  
 864 Similarly, program  $\mathcal{C}$  recognizes critical configurations so that  $\mathcal{C}(j, Z) = 1$  when  
 865 configuration  $Z$  is critical for agent  $A_j$  and  $\mathcal{C}(j, Z) = 0$  otherwise. Program  $\mathcal{G}$  is  
 866 the same as described earlier, *i.e.*,  $\mathcal{G}(Z) = 1$  if  $Z$  contains a goal and  $\mathcal{G}(Z) = 0$   
 867 otherwise.

868 First we construct the algorithm  $\phi$  that checks if a configuration is semi-critical  
 869 for an agent. While guessing the actions of a compliant plan at each configuration  
 870  $Z$  reached along the plan we need to check whether for any agent  $A_j$  other agents  
 871 could reach a configuration critical for  $A_j$ . More precisely, at configuration  $Z$ ,  
 872 for an agent  $A_j$  and  $Z_0 = Z$ , the following nondeterministic algorithm looks for  
 873 configurations that are semi-critical for the agent  $A_j$ :

- 874 1. Check if  $\mathcal{C}(j, Z_t) = 1$ , then ACCEPT; otherwise continue;
- 875 2. Guess an action  $r$  and an agent  $A_l \neq A_j$  such that  $\mathcal{T}(l, r) = 1$  and that  $r$  is  
 876 enabled in configuration  $Z_t$ ; if no such action exists then FAIL;
- 877 3. Apply  $r$  to  $Z_t$  to get configuration  $Z_{t+1}$ .

878 After guessing  $L_T(m, k)$  actions, if the algorithm has not yet returned anything, it  
 879 returns FAIL. We can then reverse the accept and reject conditions and use Sav-  
 880 itch's Theorem to get a deterministic algorithm  $\phi(j, Z)$  which accepts if every  
 881 configuration  $V$  satisfying  $Z \triangleright_{-A_j}^* V$  also satisfies  $\mathcal{C}(j, V) = 0$ , and rejects other-  
 882 wise. In other words,  $\phi(j, Z)$  accepts only in the case when  $Z$  is not semi-critical  
 883 for agent  $A_j$ . Next we construct the deterministic algorithm  $\mathcal{C}'(Z)$  that accepts

884 only in the case when  $Z$  is not semi-critical simply by checking if  $\phi(j, Z)$  accepts  
885 for every  $j$ ; if that is the case  $C'(Z) = 1$ , otherwise  $C'(Z) = 0$ .

886 Now we basically approach the weak plan compliance problem considering  
887 all semi-critical configurations as critical by using the algorithm from the proof of  
888 Theorem 5.5 with the  $C'$  as the program that recognizes the critical configurations.

889 We now show that algorithm  $C'$  runs in polynomial space.

890 Following Theorem 4.1 we can accommodate nonce creation in polynomial  
891 space by replacing the relevant nonce occurrence(s) with nonces from a fixed set  
892 of  $2mk$  nonce names, so that they are different from any of the nonces in the  
893 enabling configuration.

894 The algorithm  $\phi$  stores at most two configurations at a time which are of the  
895 constant size, same size the initial configuration  $W$ . Also, the action  $r$  can be  
896 stored with two configurations. At most two agent names are stored at a time.  
897 Since the number of agents  $n$  is much less than the size of the configuration  $m$ ,  
898 simply by the nature of our system, we can store each agent in space  $\log n$ . As in  
899 the proof of Theorem 5.5 only a polynomial space is needed to store the values in  
900 the step-counter, even though the greatest number reached by the step counter is  
901  $L_T(m, k)$ , which is exponential in the given inputs. Since checking if  $\mathcal{C}(j, Z_t) = 1$   
902 and  $\mathcal{T}(l, r) = 1$  can be done in space polynomial to  $|W|$ ,  $|C|$  and  $|T|$ , algorithm  
903  $\phi$ , and consequently  $C'$ , work in space polynomial to the given inputs.

904 We combine that with Theorem 5.5 to conclude that the plan compliance prob-  
905 lem is in PSPACE.  $\square$

906 Given the PSPACE lower bound for the secrecy, weak plan compliance, sys-  
907 tem compliance, and the plan compliance problem in Theorem 5.2 and the PSPACE  
908 upper bound given in the theorems above, we can conclude that all these problems  
909 are PSPACE-complete.

910 *Discussion on related work.* This PSPACE-complete result contrast with results  
911 in [15], where the secrecy problem is shown to be undecidable. Although in [15]  
912 an upper bound on the size of facts was imposed, the actions were not restricted to  
913 be balanced. Therefore, it was possible for the intruder to remember an unbounded  
914 number of facts, while here the memory of all agents is bounded. Moreover, for  
915 the DEXP result in [15], a constant bound on the number of nonces that can be  
916 created was imposed, whereas such a bound is not imposed here.

917 We also point out that our PSPACE upper bounds improve the PSPACE upper  
918 bounds in [24, 22] by not only allowing actions that can create fresh values, but  
919 also in that we consider the size of facts as an input bound, whereas [24, 22]  
920 consider the size of facts a fixed bound.

921 *Complexity of possibly unbalanced LSTSeS.* For LSTSeS with possibly unbal-  
 922 anced actions that cannot create fresh values, it was shown in [23] that the com-  
 923 plexity of both the weak plan and the plan compliance problems are undecidable,  
 924 while the complexity of the system compliance problem is EXPSPACE-complete.  
 925 Given these results we can immediately infer that the complexity of the weak plan  
 926 and plan compliance are also undecidable when we also allow actions to create  
 927 fresh values. We show next that when actions are possibly unbalanced and can  
 928 create fresh values, then also the system compliance problem is undecidable.

929 **Theorem 5.9.** *The system compliance problem for general LSTSeS with actions*  
 930 *that can create values with fresh ones is undecidable.*

931 **Proof** The proof relies on undecidability of acceptance of Turing machines  
 932 with unbounded tape. The proof is similar to the undecidability proof of mul-  
 933 tiset rewrite rules with existential quantifiers in [15].

934 Without loss of generality, we assume the following:

- 935 (a)  $\mathcal{M}$  has only one tape, which is one-way infinite to the right. The leftmost cell  
 936 contains the marker \$.
- 937 (b) Initially, an input string, say  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ , is written in cells 1, 2, ...,  $n$  on the  
 938 tape. In addition, a special marker # is written in the  $(n+1)$ -th cell.

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\$	$x_1$	$x_2$	·	·	·	$x_n$	#					...
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- 940 (c) The program of  $\mathcal{M}$  contains no instruction that could erase \$. There is no  
 941 instruction that could move the head of  $\mathcal{M}$  to the left when  $\mathcal{M}$  scans symbol \$  
 942 and in case when  $\mathcal{M}$  scans symbol #, tape is adjusted, *i.e.* another cell is  
 943 inserted so that  $\mathcal{M}$  scans symbol  $a_0$  and the cell immediately to the right  
 944 contains the symbol #.
- 945 (d) Finally,  $\mathcal{M}$  has only one accepting state  $q_f$ .

946 Given a machine  $\mathcal{M}$  we construct an LSTS  $T_{\mathcal{M}}$  with actions that create fresh  
 947 values. The alphabet of  $T_{\mathcal{M}}$  has four sorts: *state* for the Turing machine states,  
 948 *cell* and *nonce* < *cell* for the cell names, and *symbol* for the cell contents.

949 We introduce constants  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m : symbol$  to represent symbols of the  
 950 tape alphabet with  $a_0$  denoting blank; constants  $q_0, q_1, \dots, q_f : state$  for the  
 951 machine states, where  $q_0$  is the initial state and  $q_f$  is the accepting state; and finally

952 constants  $\$, c_1, \dots, c_n, \# : cell$  for the names of the cells including the leftmost  
 953 cell  $\$$  denoting the beginning of the tape and the rightmost cell  $\#$  denoting end of  
 954 tape.

955 Predicates  $Curr : state \times cell$ ,  $Cont : cell \times symbol$  and  $Adj : cell \times cell$   
 956 denote, respectively, the current state and tape position, the contents of the cells,  
 957 and the adjacency between the cells.

958 The tape maintenance is formalized by the following action:

$$Adj(c, \#) \rightarrow \exists c'. Adj(c, c') Adj(c', \#) Cont(c', \#). \quad (3)$$

959 By using this actions, one is able to extend the tape by labeling the new cell with a  
 960 fresh value,  $c'$ . Notice that due to the rule above, one needs an unbounded number  
 961 of fresh values since an unbounded number of cells can be used. To each machine  
 962 instruction  $q_i a_s \rightarrow q_j a_t L$  denoting “if in state  $q_i$  looking at symbol  $a_s$ , replace it  
 963 by  $a_t$ , move the tape head one cell to the left and go into state  $q_j$ ” we associate  
 964 action:

$$Curr(q_i, c) Cont(c, a_s) Adj(c', c) \rightarrow Curr(q_j, c') Cont(c, a_t) Adj(c', c). \quad (4)$$

965 Notice that we move to the left by using the fact  $Adj(c', c)$  denoting that the cell  
 966  $c'$  is to the cell immediately to the left of the cell  $c$ . Similarly, to each machine  
 967 instruction  $q_i a_j \rightarrow q_s a_t R$  denoting “if in state  $q_i$  looking at symbol  $a_s$ , replace it  
 968 by  $a_t$ , move the tape head one cell to the right and go into state  $q_j$ ” we associate  
 969 action:

$$Curr(q_i, c) Cont(c, a_s) Adj(c, c') \rightarrow Curr(q_j, c') Cont(c, a_t) Adj(c, c'). \quad (5)$$

970 This action assumes that there is an available tape cell to the right of the tape head.  
 971 If this is not the case, one has to use the first which creates a new cell in the tape.

972 Given a machine configuration of  $\mathcal{M}$ , where  $\mathcal{M}$  scans cell  $c$  in state  $q$ , when  
 973 a string  $\$x_1x_2\dots x_k\#$  is written left-justified on the otherwise blank tape, we  
 974 represent it by the following initial configuration of  $T_{\mathcal{M}}$

$$\begin{aligned} &Cont(c_0, \$) Cont(c_1, x_1) \dots Cont(c_k, x_k) Cont(c_{k+1}, \#) \\ &Curr(q, c) Adj(c_0, c_1) \dots, Adj(c_k, c_{k+1}). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

975 The goal configuration is the one containing the fact  $Curr(q_f, c)$ .

976 The *faithfulness* of our encoding relies on the fact that any machine configura-  
 977 tion includes exactly one machine state  $q$ . This is because of the specific form



978 of actions (3), (4) and (5), which enforce that any reachable configuration has ex-  
979 actly one occurrence of  $Curr(q, c)$ . Moreover, any reachable configuration is of  
980 the form similar to (6), and, hence, represents a configuration of  $\mathcal{M}$ .  
981 Passing through the plan  $\mathcal{P}$  from the initial configuration  $W$  to the goal configu-  
982 ration  $Z$ , from its last action to its first  $r_0$ , we prove that whatever intermediate  
983 action  $r$  we take, there is a successful non-deterministic computation performed  
984 by  $\mathcal{M}$  leading from the configuration reached to the *accepting* configuration rep-  
985 resented by  $Z$ . In particular, since the first configuration reached by  $\mathcal{P}$  is  $W$ , we  
986 can conclude that the given input string  $x_1x_2 \dots x_n$  is accepted by  $\mathcal{M}$ .

987 Notice that the above encoding involves no critical configurations so we achieve  
988 undecidability already for that simplified case. Consequently we get undecidabil-  
989 ity of LSTSeS with actions that can create nonces for all three types of compli-  
990 ances.  $\square$

## 991 **6. Application: Protocol theories with bounded memory intruder**

992 This section enters into the details of whether malicious agents, or intruders,  
993 with the same capabilities of the other agents are able to discover some secret  
994 information. In particular, we modify the intruder theory in [15] to our setting  
995 where all agents, including the intruder, have a bounded storage capacity, that is,  
996 they can only remember, at any moment, a bounded number of symbols. As before  
997 this is technically imposed by considering LSTSeS with only balanced actions  
998 and by bounding the size of facts. If we restrict actions to be balanced, they  
999 neither increase nor decrease the number of facts in the system configuration and  
1000 therefore the size of the configurations in a run remains the same as in the initial  
1001 configuration. Since we assume facts to have a bounded size, the use of balanced  
1002 actions imposes a bound on the storage capacity of the agents in the system.

1003 As shown in [15], protocols and relevant security problems can be modeled by  
1004 using rewrite rules. In that scenario a set of rewrite rules, or a theory, was proposed  
1005 for modeling the standard Dolev-Yao intruder [14]. Here, we adapt that theory to  
1006 model instead an intruder that has a bounded memory, but that still shares many  
1007 capabilities of the Dolev-Yao intruder, such as the ability to compose, decompose,  
1008 intercept messages as well as to create fresh values. We will be interested in the  
1009 same secrecy problem as in [15], namely, in determining whether or not there is  
1010 a plan which the intruder can use to discover a secret. We also assume that in  
1011 the initial configuration some agent,  $A$ , owns a fact  $Q(s')$  with the secret  $s$  as the  
1012 subterm of  $s'$ .

1013 *Empty facts.* For our specifications it will be useful to distinguish the memory  
1014 storage capacity of the intruder from the memory used in protocol sessions. As  
1015 in [15], we distinguish some predicate names in the alphabet to belong only to  
1016 the intruder, among them the predicate names  $M$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$ . These are used,  
1017 respectively, when the intruder learns some data, *e.g.*, an encryption key  $M(k_e)$ ,  
1018 or when he is composing a new message or decomposing a message.

1019 We introduce two types of facts, called *empty facts*,  $R(*)$  and  $P(*)$  which  
1020 intuitively denote free memory slots: Empty facts  $R(*)$  belong to the intruder,  
1021 while the empty facts  $P(*)$  are used by protocol sessions. As we discuss in detail  
1022 in the next sections, empty facts  $R(*)$  are used by the intruder whenever he learns  
1023 new data, while empty facts  $P(*)$  are used by the participants of the system to  
1024 create new protocol sessions. As the memory of the intruder is bounded, there is  
1025 bound on the number of  $R(*)$  facts available. Therefore the intruder might have to  
1026 manage his memory capacity in order to discover a secret. For instance, whenever  
1027 the intruder needs to create a nonce or learn some data, he will have to check  
1028 whether there is some empty fact available. Similarly, the number of  $P(*)$  facts  
1029 available in a configuration bounds the number of protocol sessions that can be  
1030 executed concurrently. So a new protocol session can only be created if there are  
1031 enough  $P(*)$  facts available. The use of  $P(*)$  facts implicitly bounds the number  
1032 of protocol sessions that can be executed concurrently.

### 1033 6.1. *Balanced protocol theories*

1034 We modify the rules from [15] that specify the intruder and protocol theories  
1035 so that only balanced actions are used. In particular, we relax the protocol form  
1036 imposed in [15], called well-founded theories. In such theories, protocols execu-  
1037 tions runs are partitioned into three phases: The first phase, called the initialization  
1038 phase, distributes the shared information among agents, such as the agents' public  
1039 keys. Only after this phase ends, the second phase called role generation phase  
1040 starts, where all protocol roles used in the run are assigned to the participants of  
1041 the system. Finally, after these roles are distributed, the protocol instances run to  
1042 their completion. Hence, in [15], once protocol sessions start running no new pro-  
1043 tocol session is created. Here on the other hand, we will relax this assumption and  
1044 allow protocol sessions to be created and to be “forgotten” while other protocols  
1045 are running.

*Modeling Perfect Encryption.* Before we enter into the details of the balanced  
protocol theories, we introduce some more notation involving encryption taken  
from [15]. We introduce the alphabet that allows modeling of perfect encryption.

The encrypted message represents a “black box” or an opaque message which does not show its contents until it is decrypted with the right key. Consider the following sorts: *cipher* for ciphertext, *i.e.*, encrypted text, *ekey* for symmetric encryption keys, *dkey* for decryption keys, *nonce* for nonces, and a sort *msg* for any type of message. Here we use order-sorted alphabet and have *msg* as a super-sort and it is the type of the messages exchanged by the participants of the protocol. The following order relations hold among these sorts:

$$nonce < msg, \text{ cipher} < msg, \text{ dkey} < msg, \text{ ekey} < msg.$$

We also use two following functions symbols, the pairing function and the encryption function:

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : msg \times msg \rightarrow msg \quad \text{and} \quad enc : ekey \times msg \rightarrow cipher.$$

1046 As their names suggest, the pairing function is used to pair two messages and the  
 1047 encryption function is used to encrypt a message using an encryption key. Notice  
 1048 that there is no need for a decryption function, since we use pattern-matching  
 1049 (encryption on the left-hand-side of a rule) to express decryption as in [15]. For  
 1050 example, the following rule specifies that if an agent has the correct key then he  
 1051 can decrypt an encrypted message and learn its contents:

$$KP(k_e, k_d) A(k_d) A(enc(k_e, t)) \rightarrow KP(k_e, k_d) A(k_d) A(t).$$

1052 The fact  $KP(k_e, k_d)$  specifies that  $k_e$  and  $k_d$  are a pair of encryption and decryp-  
 1053 tion keys. Notice that the rule above is only applicable if the agent  $A$  has the right  
 1054 decomposition key,  $k_d$ . Otherwise, the rule is not applicable.

1055 Besides the predicate  $KP$ , we will use the following predicates to model per-  
 1056 fect encryption:

**Predicates:**

$GoodGuy(ekey, dkey) :$	keys belonging to an honest participant
$BadKey(ekey, dkey) :$	compromised keys known to the intruder
$KP(ekey, dkey) :$	encryption key pair
$AnnK(ekey) :$	published public key

1057 These predicates are basically the same as used in [15]. Keys that belong to the  
 1058 an honest participant are contained in  $GoodGuy$  facts, while compromised keys  
 1059 in  $BadKey$  facts. The  $AnnK$  predicate is used to specify public keys that have  
 1060 been published.

1061 For simplicity we will sometimes use  $\langle t_1, \dots, t_{n-1}, t_n \rangle$  for multiple pairing  
 1062 to denote  $\langle t_1, \langle \dots, \langle t_{n-1}, t_n \rangle \dots \rangle$ . Also, notice that, as in [15], with the use of  
 1063 the pairing function and the encryption function a protocol message is always  
 1064 represented by a single term of the sort  $msg$ .

1065 *Balanced Role Theories.* We now introduce some auxiliary definitions that are  
 1066 going to be used to specify the restrictions on the balanced role theories. These  
 1067 definitions are basically the same as in [15], but adapted to our setting, where all  
 1068 rules are balanced.

1069 **Definition 6.1.** Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a theory,  $Q$  be a predicate and  $r$  be a rule, where  $L$  is the  
 1070 multiset of facts  $F_1, \dots, F_k$  on the left hand side of  $r$  excluding empty facts  $R(*)$   
 1071 and  $P(*)$ , and  $R$  is the multiset of facts  $G_1, \dots, G_n$ , possibly with one or more  
 1072 existential quantifiers, on the right hand side of  $r$  excluding empty facts  $R(*)$  and  
 1073  $P(*)$ . A rule in a theory  $\mathcal{T}$  *creates*  $Q$  facts if some  $Q(\vec{t})$  occurs more times in  $R$   
 1074 than in  $L$ . A rule in a theory  $\mathcal{T}$  *preserves*  $Q$  facts if every  $P(\vec{t})$  occurs the same  
 1075 number of times in  $R$  and  $L$ . A rule in a theory  $\mathcal{T}$  *consumes*  $Q$  facts if some fact  
 1076  $Q(\vec{t})$  occurs more times in  $L$  than in  $R$ . A predicate  $Q$  in a theory  $\mathcal{T}$  is *persistent*  
 1077 if every rule in  $\mathcal{T}$  which contains  $Q$  either creates or preserves  $Q$  facts.

For example, the following rule consumes the predicate  $A$ , preserves the predicate  
 $B$ , and creates the predicate  $D$ :

$$A(x) B(y) \rightarrow \exists z. B(z) D(x).$$

1078 The definition above on the preservation, creation and consumption of facts ex-  
 1079 cludes empty facts,  $P(*)$  and  $R(*)$ , since they do not carry any information.  
 1080 Empty facts specify a empty slot that can be filled with some non-empty fact.

1081 **Definition 6.2.** A rule  $r = L \rightarrow R$  *enables* a rule  $r' = L' \rightarrow R'$  if there exist  
 1082 substitutions  $\sigma, \sigma'$  such that some fact  $P(\vec{t}) \in \sigma R$  created by rule  $r$ , is also in  
 1083  $\sigma' L'$ . A theory  $\mathcal{T}$  *precedes* a theory  $\mathcal{S}$  if no rule in  $\mathcal{S}$  enables a rule in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

1084 Intuitively, if a theory  $\mathcal{T}$  precedes a theory  $\mathcal{S}$ , then no facts that appear in the left  
 1085 hand side of rules in  $\mathcal{T}$  are created by rules that are in  $\mathcal{S}$ .

1086 As usual in protocol security literature, the intruder acts as the network, inter-  
 1087 cepting and sending messages between the honest participants. We use the public  
 1088 predicate  $N_S$  to denote a message that is sent by a participant and that is to be  
 1089 intercepted by the intruder and the public predicate  $N_R$  to denote a message that

1090 is sent by the intruder to an honest participant. We will explain how the intruder  
 1091 acts as the network later when we introduce the balanced intruder theory.

1092 As in [15] protocols are specified by using role theories containing role states,  
 1093 formally, defined below. However, differently from [15], we only allow role theo-  
 1094 ries to contain balanced actions.

1095 **Definition 6.3.** A theory  $\mathcal{A}$  is a *balanced role theory* if there is a finite list of  
 1096 predicates called the *role states*  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_k$  for some  $k$ , and such that all rules  
 1097 in  $\mathcal{A}$  are balanced and of one of the following forms:

$$\begin{aligned} S_0(\dots) P(*) W &\rightarrow_S \exists \vec{z}. S_l(\dots) N_S(\dots) W' \\ S_i(\dots) N_R(\dots) W &\rightarrow_S \exists \vec{z}. S_j(\dots) N_S(\dots) W' \\ S_h(\dots) N_R(\dots) W &\rightarrow_S \exists \vec{z}. S_k(\dots) P(*) W' \end{aligned}$$

1098 where  $l > 0, j > i, k > h, W$  and  $W'$  are multisets of facts not involving any role  
 1099 states nor  $N_S$  nor  $N_R$  facts. We call the first role state,  $S_0$ , *initial role state*, and  
 1100 the last role state  $S_k$  *final role state*.

1101 Defining roles in this way, ensures that each application of a rule in a balanced  
 1102 role theory  $\mathcal{A}$  advances the state forward. The first rule specifies the first step of  
 1103 a protocol session when an initial message is sent in the network, specified by the  
 1104 fact with predicate name  $N_S$ . Notice that in order to send this message a  $P(*)$  is  
 1105 consumed. If there are no such facts available, then the protocol cannot start. The  
 1106 second rule specifies actions where a participant of the protocol receives a fact  
 1107 in the network,  $N_R$ , and sends his reponse,  $N_S$ . In the process, his internal state  
 1108 advances from  $S_i$  to  $S_j$ , where  $j > i$ . The third rule specifies the end of the pro-  
 1109 tocol session when the last message is received by a participant and no response  
 1110 is returned. At this point, the participant moves to the last state of the protocol  $S_k$   
 1111 and since no message is sent in the network, a new  $P(*)$  fact is created.

1112 In order to allow for the existence of an unbounded number of protocol ses-  
 1113 sions in a trace, we allow protocol roles to be created at any time with the of cost of  
 1114 consuming empty facts  $P(*)$ . On the other hand, we also allow protocol sessions  
 1115 that have been completed to be forgotten. That is, once its final role state has been  
 1116 reached, it can be deleted, creating in the process new empty facts  $P(*)$ . These  
 1117 empty facts can then be used to create new protocol roles starting hence a new  
 1118 protocol session. These theories, called role regeneration theories, are specified in  
 1119 the following definition. Notice that all its actions are also balanced.

1120 **Definition 6.4.** If  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_k$  are balanced role theories, a *role regeneration theory*  
 1121 is a set of rules that either have the form

$$Q_1(\vec{x}_1) \cdots Q_n(\vec{x}_n)P(*) \rightarrow Q_1(\vec{x}_1) \cdots Q_n(\vec{x}_n)S_0(\vec{x})$$

1122 where  $Q_1(\vec{x}_1) \cdots Q_n(\vec{x}_n)$  is a finite list of persistent facts not involving any role  
 1123 states, and  $S_0$  is the initial role state for one of theories  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_k$ , or the form

$$S_k \rightarrow P(*)$$

1124 where  $S_k$  is the final state for one of theories  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_k$ .

1125 Notice that our balanced role theories may contain actions with more than  
 1126 two facts in their pre and postconditions. In contrast, the restricted role theories  
 1127 introduced in [15] and used to derive the complexity results in [15] only contain  
 1128 actions with exactly two facts in their pre and postconditions (one for the network  
 1129 and another for the role state). Moreover, although restricted role theories were  
 1130 balanced, role generation theories were not balanced in [15]. In well founded  
 1131 theories in [15] one creates all protocol sessions at the beginning of the trace  
 1132 before any protocol session starts executing. Hence, an unbounded number of  
 1133 protocol sessions can run concurrently. The use of un-balanced role generation  
 1134 theories seems to be one source for the undecidability of the secrecy problem. The  
 1135 explicit use of balanced actions in role theories and role regeneration theories is  
 1136 a technical novelty of this paper. It allows us to bound the number of concurrent  
 1137 protocol sessions without bounding the total number of protocol sessions in a  
 1138 trace. The number of protocol roles that can run concurrently is bounded by the  
 1139 number of  $P(*)$  facts available, since one needs at least one  $P(*)$  fact for every  
 1140 role in a protocol session.

1141 The following definition relaxes well-founded protocols theories in [15] in  
 1142 order to accommodate the creation of roles while protocols are running.

1143 **Definition 6.5.** A pair  $(\mathcal{P}, I)$  is a *semi-founded protocol theory* if  $I$  is a finite set  
 1144 facts (called *initial set*), and  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{R} \uplus \mathcal{A}_1 \uplus \cdots \uplus \mathcal{A}_n$  is a protocol theory where  $\mathcal{R}$   
 1145 is a role regeneration theory involving only facts from  $I$  and the initial and final  
 1146 roles states of the balanced role theories  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n$ . For role theories  $\mathcal{A}_i$  and  $\mathcal{A}_j$ ,  
 1147 with  $i \neq j$ , no role state predicate that occurs in  $\mathcal{A}_i$  can occur in  $\mathcal{A}_j$ .

1148 Intuitively, a semi-founded protocol theory specifies a particular scenario to be  
 1149 model-checked involving some given protocol(s). Besides empty facts,  $P(*)$  and  
 1150  $R(*)$ , the finite initial set facts contains all the persistent facts with the information  
 1151 necessary to start protocol sessions, for instance, shared and private keys, the  
 1152 names of the participants of the network, as well as any compromised keys.

1153 *Remark.* In well-founded protocol theories in [15] initialization was achieved by  
 1154 initialization theory  $\mathcal{I}$  that preceded role generation and protocol role theories. In  
 1155 that way all the rules from initialization theory were applied before any other rules.  
 1156 That could also be seen as initial creation of persistent facts that we call initial  
 1157 facts. For simplicity, we follow the assumption in [15, Section 5.1] and prefer the  
 1158 above definition of initialization consisting of a finite number of persistent facts.  
 1159 However, we are equally able to formulate our theories with a so called balanced  
 1160 sub-theory  $\mathcal{I}$  similar to [15]. We can then prove that every derivation in a semi-  
 1161 founded protocol theory can be transformed into a derivation where the rules from  
 1162 initialization theory are applied first. We include this alternative definition and the  
 1163 proof of this claim in Appendix A.

## 1164 6.2. *Balanced Intruder Theory*

1165 This section introduces a balanced intruder theory following the lines of [15]  
 1166 but for a memory bounded intruder. Similarly as the standard Dolev-Yao in-  
 1167 truder [14], he is able to intercept, compose, decompose, decrypt messages when-  
 1168 ever he has the decryption key, as well as create nonces. We assume that the  
 1169 intruder acts as the network, intercepting and sending messages between the hon-  
 1170 est participants. However, since his memory is bounded, he is constrained by how  
 1171 many free memory slots he has. A free memory slot for the intruder is denoted by  
 1172 empty facts  $R(*)$ . The intruder will only be able to, for example, learn new data if  
 1173 there are enough  $R(*)$  facts available. For instance, he might have to forget data  
 1174 already learned, freeing up his memory, before he can learn new data.

1175 *Predicates belonging to the Intruder.* Besides the empty fact  $R(*)$ , this paper  
 1176 assumes that the intruder owns the following three one arity predicates belong to  
 1177 the intruder:

$D(msg)$  : Decomposable messages known to the intruder.  
 $M(msg)$  : Information stored in intruder memory.  
 $C(msg)$  : Composable messages known to the intruder.  
 $A(msg)$  : Auxiliary fact for deferred decryption.

1178 However, as in [15], more complicated theories where the intruder also distin-  
 1179 guishes the sub-types of messages, that is *ekey*, *dkey*, and *nonce* can also be  
 1180 specified. We provide such a theory in Appendix B.

1181 *Balanced Intruder Theory.* Figure 1 contains an example of an intruder theory that  
 1182 uses the predicate names described above and consists of three parts. In Appendix

**I/O Rules:**

REC:  $N_S(x) R(*) \rightarrow D(x) P(*)$   
 SND:  $C(x) P(*) \rightarrow N_R(x) R(*)$

**Decomposition Rules:**

DCMP:  $D(\langle x, y \rangle) R(*) \rightarrow D(x) D(y)$   
 LRN:  $D(x) \rightarrow M(x)$   
 DEC:  $M(k_d) KP(k_e, k_d) D(enc(k_e, x)) R(*)$   
 $\rightarrow M(k_d) KP(k_e, k_d) D(x) M(enc(k_e, x))$   
 LRNA:  $D(enc(k_e, x)) R(*) \rightarrow M(enc(k_e, x)) A(enc(k_e, x))$   
 DECA:  $M(k_d) KP(k_e, k_d) A(enc(k_e, x)) \rightarrow M(k_d) KP(k_e, k_d) D(x)$

**Composition Rules:**

COMP:  $C(x) C(y) \rightarrow C(\langle x, y \rangle) R(*)$   
 USE:  $M(x) R(*) \rightarrow C(x) M(x)$   
 ENC:  $KP(k_d, k_e) M(k_e) C(x) \rightarrow KP(k_d, k_e) M(k_e) C(enc(k_e, x))$   
 GEN:  $R(*) \rightarrow \exists n. M(n)$

Figure 1: Balanced Intruder theory.

**Memory maintenance rules:**

DELM:  $M(x) \rightarrow R(*)$   
 DELA:  $A(x) \rightarrow R(*)$   
 DELD:  $D(x) \rightarrow R(*)$   
 DELC:  $C(x) \rightarrow R(*)$

Figure 2: Memory maintenance theory.

1183 B, the reader can also find a more refined theory similar to the one in [15] where  
 1184 the intruder also distinguishes the sub-types of messages. For the remainder of the  
 1185 paper, however, it will be enough to use the simple version depicted in Figure 1.

1186 The first part called I/O theory has two rules REC and SND. The former spec-  
 1187 ifies the intruder's action to intercept a message,  $N_S$ , sent by an agent, while the  
 1188 latter specifies when the intruder sends a message,  $N_R$ . Notice the role of the  
 1189 empty facts,  $R(*)$  and  $P(*)$ , in these rules. For instance, when he intercepts a  
 1190 message sent by an honest participants, the intruder consumes one of his empty  
 1191 facts,  $R(*)$ , and creates an empty fact  $P(*)$ , while the opposite happens when he  
 1192 sends a message.

1193 The second part of the intruder's theory is the decomposition rules, which con-



1194 tains the rules specifying the decomposition of messages as well as the learning of  
 1195 new data by the intruder. For instance, the DCMP rule decomposes a composed  
 1196 message,  $D(\langle x, y \rangle)$ , into smaller parts  $D(x)$  and  $D(y)$ , consuming an empty fact  
 1197  $R(*)$  in the process. Thus, if the intruder does not have any  $R(*)$  left, that is, no  
 1198 more free memory slots, then the intruder is not able to decompose a message.  
 1199 The rule LRN specifies when a message,  $D(x)$ , containing some data  $x$  is learned  
 1200 by the intruder, denoted by the fact  $M(x)$ . The rule DECA specifies that the in-  
 1201 truder can decrypt a message whenever he has the right key, while the rule LRNA  
 1202 specifies that when the intruder does not have the key, he can remember a message  
 1203 using the auxiliary predicate  $A$ , so that he can decrypt it later if he learns the right  
 1204 key using the rule DECA.

1205 The third part contains composition rules, which are symmetric to the de-  
 1206 composition rules. Composition rules specify the basic actions used to compose  
 1207 message, such as pairing two message in rule COMP, or using a learned data  
 1208 to compose a message in rule USE, or encrypting a message with a known en-  
 1209 cryption key in rule ENCS, or creating a nonce in rule GEN. Again, notice the  
 1210 role of the empty facts  $R(*)$ . For instance, when two messages are paired into  
 1211 one, an empty fact  $R(*)$  is created, while when creating a nonce an empty fact  
 1212 is consumed. Similarly, in the GEN rule, when the intruder creates a nonce, he  
 1213 consumes a  $R(*)$  fact.

1214 As previously mentioned, since our intruder has bounded memory, he might  
 1215 have to manage his memory in a more clever way than the standard Dolev-Yao  
 1216 intruder, which has unbounded memory. In particular, our intruder might need  
 1217 to forget data that he learned, so that he has enough space available in order to  
 1218 learn new information. This theory that allows the intruder to forget data is called  
 1219 *memory maintenance theory* and is defined below.

1220 **Definition 6.6.** A theory  $\mathcal{E}$  is a *memory maintenance theory* if all its rules are  
 1221 balanced and their post-conditions consist of the fact  $R(*)$ , *i.e.*, all the rules have  
 1222 the form  $F \rightarrow R(*)$ , where  $F$  is an arbitrary fact belonging to the intruder.

1223 Figure 2 contains the memory maintenance theory for the intruder theory de-  
 1224 picted in Figure 1. Since the intruder owns only four predicate names, the memory  
 1225 maintenance theory has only four rules. By using them, the intruder can forget any  
 1226 previously learned data, creating a new empty fact. This new empty fact, on the  
 1227 other hand, can be used by the intruder to learn new data by for instance intercept-  
 1228 ing another message (REC) or by decomposing some message (DCMP).

*Remark.* In [15], the notion of normalized derivations was introduced. In such derivations, decomposition rules always appear before composition rules. Although such a notion could be adapted to our balanced intruder, it might not be always possible to transform a non-normal derivation into a normalized derivation without providing the intruder with more space, that is, with more  $R(*)$  facts. The problem is when we attempt to permute an instance of a COMP rule over an instance of a DCMP rule, one might need an extra  $R(*)$  fact, as illustrated below:

$$C(a) C(b) D(c, d) \rightarrow_{COMP} C(a, b) R(*) D(c, d) \rightarrow_{DCMP} C(a, b) D(c) D(d).$$

When we try to switch DCMP and COMP rules, we cannot do that because there might be no empty fact in the configuration:

$$C(a) C(b) D(c, d) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \text{not enabled} \rightarrow_{COMP} .$$

1229 Pushing COMP rule to the right disabled a rule, since an empty fact is no longer  
 1230 there. We, therefore, need an extra memory slot to push the COMP rule to the  
 1231 right, as illustrated below:

$$C(a) C(b) D(c, d) R(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP} C(a) C(b) D(c) D(d) \rightarrow_{COMP} C(a, b) R(*) D(c) D(d).$$

1232 Therefore, if we provide the same number of  $R(*)$  facts as the number of de-  
 1233 composition rules in the non-normalized derivation, then one can show that the  
 1234 transformation to a normalized derivation is possible.

### 1235 6.3. Encoding Known Anomalies with a Bounded Memory Intruder

1236 We can show that many protocol anomalies, such as Lowe's anomaly [27],  
 1237 can also occur when using our bounded memory adversary. We assume that the  
 1238 reader is familiar with such anomalies, see [11, 15, 27, 6, 7]. In this Section, we  
 1239 only demonstrate Lowe's anomaly in detail. However, in the Appendix, encoding  
 1240 of anomalies for other protocols, such as Yahalom [11], Otway-Reese [11, 36],  
 1241 Woo-Lam [11], and Kerberos 5 [6, 7] are also shown in detail.

1242 Table 2 summarizes the number of  $P(*)$  and  $R(*)$  facts and the upper bound  
 1243 on the size of facts needed to encode normal runs, where no intruder is present,  
 1244 and to encode the anomalies where the bounded memory intruder is present. The  
 1245 *size modulo the intruder* is the number of facts in the configuration that do not  
 1246 belong to the intruder. For instance, to realize the Lowe anomaly to the Needham-  
 1247 Schroeder protocol, the intruder requires only seven  $R(*)$  facts. Notice that here

Table 2: The size of configurations ( $m$ ), the number of  $R(*)$  facts, the size of configurations modulo intruder ( $l$ ), and the upper-bound on the size of facts ( $k$ ) needed to encode protocol runs and known anomalies when using LSTSeS with balanced actions. The largest size of facts needed to encode an anomaly is the same as in the corresponding normal run of the protocol. In the cases for the Otway-Rees and the Kerberos 5 protocols, we encode different anomalies, which are identified by the numbering, as follows: <sup>(1)</sup> The type flaw anomaly in [11]; <sup>(2)</sup> The attack 5 in [36]; <sup>(3)</sup> The ticket anomaly and <sup>(4)</sup> the replay anomaly in [6]; <sup>(5)</sup> The PKINIT anomaly also for Kerberos 5 described in [7].

<b>Protocol</b>		Needham Schroeder	Yahalom	Otway Rees	Woo Lam	Kerberos 5	PKINIT <sup>(5)</sup>
<b>Normal</b>	Size of conf. ( $m$ )	9	8	8	7	15	18
<b>Anomaly</b>	Size of conf. ( $m$ )	19	15	11 <sup>(1)</sup> , 17 <sup>(2)</sup>	8	22 <sup>(3)</sup> , 20 <sup>(4)</sup>	31
	N <sup>o</sup> of $R(*)$	7	9	5 <sup>(1)</sup> , 9 <sup>(2)</sup>	2	9 <sup>(3)</sup> , 4 <sup>(4)</sup>	10
	Size mod. intruder ( $l$ )	12	6	6 <sup>(1)</sup> , 8 <sup>(2)</sup>	6	13 <sup>(3)</sup> , 16 <sup>(4)</sup>	21
Upper-bound on size of facts ( $k$ )		6	16	26	6	16	28

1248 we only encode standard anomalies described in the literature [6, 11, 36]. This  
1249 does not mean, however, that there are not any other anomalies that can be carried  
1250 out by an intruder with less memory, that is, with less  $R(*)$  facts.

1251 One can interpret the size of a configuration as an upper bound on how hard  
1252 is it for a protocol analysis tool to check whether a particular protocol is secure,  
1253 while the number of  $R(*)$  facts can be interpreted as an upper bound on how much  
1254 memory the intruder needs to carry out an anomaly. The size modulo the intruder  
1255 can be interpreted as the amount of memory available for protocol sessions. It  
1256 intuitively bounds the number of *concurrent protocol sessions*. This is because  
1257 for each protocol session, one needs some free memory slots to remember, for  
1258 instance, the internal states of the agents involved in the session. Therefore, if we  
1259 bound the size modulo the intruder of configurations, then the amount of  $P(*)$   
1260 facts is bounded. Furthermore, from Definitions 6.3 and 6.4 one  $P(*)$  fact is con-  
1261 sumed for every role states created and another  $P(*)$  fact is consumed in order to  
1262 compose the initial message. Therefore, the number of protocol sessions running  
1263 at the same time is bounded by the number of  $P(*)$  facts available, which on the  
1264 other hand is bounded by the size modulo the intruder of configurations. We be-  
1265 lieve that the values in Table 2 provides us with some quantitative information on

1266 how secure protocol are.

#### 1267 6.4. Lowe anomaly to the Needham-Schroeder protocol

1268 We formalize the well known Lowe anomaly of the Needham-Schroeder pro-  
 1269 tocol [27]. In particular, the intruder uses his memory maintenance theory to  
 1270 administer his memory adequately.

1271 The balanced role theory specifying the Needham-Schroeder protocol is de-  
 1272 picted in Figure 3. Predicates  $A_0, A_1, A_2, B_0, B_1$  and  $B_2$  are the role state predi-  
 1273 cates for initiator and responder roles. First the initiator  $A$  (commonly referred to  
 1274 as Alice) sends a message to the responder  $B$  (commonly referred to as Bob). The  
 1275 message contains Alice's name, and a freshly chosen nonce,  $n_a$  (typically a large  
 1276 random number) encrypted with Bob's public key. Assuming perfect encryption,  
 1277 only somebody with Bob's private key can decrypt that message and learn its con-  
 1278 tent. When Bob receives a message encrypted with his public key, he uses his  
 1279 private key to decrypt it. If it has the expected form (*i.e.*, a name and a nonce),  
 1280 then he replies with a nonce of his own,  $n_b$ , along with initiator's (Alice's) nonce,  
 1281 encrypted with Alice's public key. Alice receives the message encrypted with her  
 1282 public key, decrypts it, and if it contains her nonce, Alice replies by returning

Role Regeneration Theory :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ROLA} &: \text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d)P(*) \rightarrow \text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d)A_0(k_e) \\ \text{ROLB} &: \text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d)P(*) \rightarrow \text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d)B_0(k_e) \\ \text{ERASEA} &: A_2(k_e, k'_e, x, y) \rightarrow P(*) \\ \text{ERASEB} &: B_2(k_e, k'_e, x, y) \rightarrow P(*) \end{aligned}$$

Protocol Theories  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A1} &: \text{AnnK}(k'_e) A_0(k_e)P(*) \\ &\rightarrow \exists x. A_1(k_e, k'_e, x) N_S(\text{enc}(k'_e, \langle x, k_e \rangle)) \text{AnnK}(k'_e) \\ \text{A2} &: A_1(k_e, k'_e, x) N_R(\text{enc}(k_e, \langle x, y \rangle)) \rightarrow A_2(k_e, k'_e, x, y) N_S(\text{enc}(k'_e, y)) \\ \text{B1} &: B_0(k_e) N_R(\text{enc}(k_e, \langle x, k'_e \rangle)) \text{AnnK}(k'_e) \\ &\rightarrow \exists y. B_1(k_e, k'_e, x, y) N_S(\text{enc}(k'_e, \langle x, y \rangle)) \text{AnnK}(k'_e) \\ \text{B2} &: B_1(k_e, k'_e, x, y) N_R(\text{enc}(k_e, y)) \rightarrow B_2(k_e, k'_e, x, y) P(*) \end{aligned}$$

Figure 3: Balanced semi-founded protocol theory for the Needham-Schroeder Protocol.

1283 Bob's nonce, encrypted with his public key. At the end they believe that they are  
 1284 communicating with each other.

1285 The Lowe anomaly (for the other anomalies see Appendix) has 3 participants  
 1286 to the protocol: Alice, Bob (the beautiful brother) and Charlie (the ugly brother).  
 1287 Alice wants to talk to Bob. However, unfortunately, Bob's key is compromised,  
 1288 so the intruder who knows his decryption key can impersonate Bob, and play an  
 1289 unfair game of passing Alice's messages to Charlie. In particular, the intruder  
 1290 is capable of creating a situation where Alice is convinced that she's talking to  
 1291 Bob while at the same time Charlie is convinced that he's talking to Alice. In  
 1292 reality Alice is talking to Charlie. The informal description of Lowe's anomaly is  
 1293 depicted in Figure 4.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 A \xrightarrow{\{A, n_a\}_{K_B}} M(B) \xrightarrow{\{A, n_a\}_{K_C}} C \\
 A \xrightarrow{\{n_a, n_c\}_{K_A}} M(B) \xrightarrow{\{n_a, n_c\}_{K_A}} C \\
 A \xrightarrow{\{n_c\}_{K_B}} M(B) \xrightarrow{\{n_c\}_{K_C}} C
 \end{array}$$

Figure 4: Lowe attack to Needham-Schroeder Protocol

1294 This anomaly demonstrates two main points of insecurity for this protocol.  
 1295 First, the nonces  $n_a$  and  $n_c$  are not secret between participants who are commu-  
 1296 nicating, Alice and Charlie, because the intruder learns these nonces. The second  
 1297 point regards authentication. The participants in the protocol choose a particular  
 1298 person they want to talk to and at the end of the protocol run they are convinced  
 1299 to have completed a successful conversation with that person. In reality they talk  
 1300 to someone else.

1301 Let us take a closer look at the protocol trace with above anomaly. The ini-  
 1302 tial set of facts contains 9 facts for the protocol participants and 4 facts for the  
 1303 intruder's initial memory. We will call those initial facts  $W_I$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_I = & \text{GoodGuy}(k_{e1}, k_{d1}) \text{KP}(k_{e1}, k_{d1}) \text{AnnK}(k_{e1}) \\
 & \text{BadKey}(k_{e2}, k_{d2}) \text{KP}(k_{e2}, k_{d2}) \text{AnnK}(k_{e2}) \\
 & \text{GoodGuy}(k_{e3}, k_{d3}) \text{KP}(k_{e3}, k_{d3}) \text{AnnK}(k_{e3}) \\
 & M(k_{e1}) M(k_{e2}) M(k_{d2}) M(k_{e3})
 \end{aligned}$$

1304 A trace representing the anomaly is shown below. Alice starts the protocol by  
 1305 sending the message to Bob, but the intruder intercepts it.

$$\begin{aligned}
& W_I A_0(k_{e1}) B_0(k_{e3}) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{A1} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) N_S(enc(k_{e2}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{REC} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) D(enc(k_{e2}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1306 Intruder has Bob's private key and can therefore decrypt the message. He en-  
1307 crypts the contents with Charlie's public key, so he sends the message to Charlie  
1308 pretending to be Alice.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{DEC} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) D(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) M(enc(k_{e2}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRN} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) M(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) M(enc(k_{e2}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DEL} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) M(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) R(*) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USE} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) M(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) C(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{ENC} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) M(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) C(enc(k_{e3}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) M(\langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle) N_R(enc(k_{e3}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DEL} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_0(k_{e3}) N_R(enc(k_{e3}, \langle n_a, k_{e1} \rangle)) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1309 Additionally the intruder deletes some facts from his memory using rules from the  
1310 memory maintenance theory. Charlie receives the message and responds thinking  
1311 that he is responding to Alice.

$$\rightarrow_{B1} W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) N_S(enc(k_{e1}, \langle n_a, n_c \rangle)) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow$$

1312 The intruder forwards the message received to Alice, that is, decomposes the re-  
1313 ceived message and composes the same message.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{REC} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) D(enc(k_{e1}, \langle n_a, n_c \rangle)) R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRN} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) M(enc(k_{e1}, \langle n_a, n_c \rangle)) R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USE} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) C(enc(k_{e1}, \langle n_a, n_c \rangle)) R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& W_I A_1(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) N_R(enc(k_{e1}, \langle n_a, n_c \rangle)) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1314 Alice receives the message, responds (to Charlie) and goes to the final state think-

1315 ing that she has completed a successful run with Bob.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{A_2} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) N_S(enc(k_{e2}, n_c)) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{REC} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) D(enc(k_{e2}, n_c)) R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DEC} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) M(enc(k_{e2}, n_c)) D(n_c) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DEL} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) R(*) D(n_c) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRN} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) R(*) M(n_c) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USE} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) R(*) M(n_c) C(n_c) P(*) \rightarrow_{ENC} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) R(*) M(n_c) C(enc(k_{e3}, n_c)) P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) R(*) M(n_c) \\
& \quad N_R(enc(k_{e3}, n_c)) R(*) \rightarrow_{(DEL)} \\
& W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_1(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) N_R(enc(k_{e3}, n_c)) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1316 Intruder learns Charlie's nonce from Alice's message by decrypting it with the  
1317 key  $k_{d2}$ . He then sends the nonce encrypted with Charlie's public key.

$$\rightarrow_{B_2} W_I A_2(k_{e1}, k_{e2}, n_a, n_c) B_2(k_{e3}, k_{e1}, n_a, n_c) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)$$

1318 Charlie receives the message sent and goes to the final state thinking that he has  
1319 completed a successful run with Alice.

1320 The anomaly requires a configuration of at least 19 facts in total: 12  $P(*)$  facts  
1321 for the honest participants, *i.e.*, the size of the configuration modulo the intruder,  
1322 and 7  $R(*)$  facts for the intruder. The size of facts has to be at least 6.

## 1323 7. Complexity Results for Protocol Theories

1324 In this section we prove a polynomial space complexity result for the secrecy  
1325 problem of balanced protocol theories with a bounded memory intruder. The *se-*  
1326 *crecy problem of a protocol theory* is the problem of determining wheather or not  
1327 a configuration containing the fact  $M(s)$  is reachable from a given initial config-  
1328 uration.

1329 **Theorem 7.1.** *The secrecy problem with respect to the memory bounded intruder*  
1330 *is PSPACE-complete in the size of the balanced semi-founded protocol theory,*  
1331 *( $\mathcal{P}, I$ ), the size of the balanced intruder theory,  $\mathcal{M}$ , and the bound,  $k$ , on the size*  
1332 *of facts.*

1333 *PSPACE-hardness.* In order to prove the lower bound, we encode a deterministic  
 1334 Turing machine  $\mathcal{T}$  that accepts in space  $n^2$  in terms of the secrecy problem.

1335 Without loss of generality, we assume the following:

1336 (a)  $\mathcal{T}$  has only one tape, which is one-way infinite to the right. The leftmost cell  
 1337 (numbered by 0) contains the marker \$.

1338 (b) Initially, an *input* string, say  $x_1x_2 \dots x_{n^2}$ , is written in cells 1, 2, ...,  $n^2$  on the  
 1339 tape. In addition, a special marker # is written in the  $(n^2 + 1)$ -th cell.

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\$	$x_1$	$x_2$	·	·	·	$x_{n^2}$	#				...
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1341 (c) The program of  $\mathcal{T}$  contains no instruction that could erase either \$ or #. There  
 1342 is no instruction that could move the head of  $\mathcal{T}$  either to the right when  
 1343  $\mathcal{T}$  scans symbol #, or to the left when  $\mathcal{T}$  scans symbol \$. As a result,  $\mathcal{T}$  acts  
 1344 in the space between the two unerased markers.

1345 (d) Finally,  $\mathcal{T}$  has only one *accepting* state, and, moreover, all *accepting* config-  
 1346 urations in space  $n$  are of one and the same form. Moreover, we assume that  
 1347 the accepting state is different from the initial state.

Given an *instantaneous description (configuration)* of  $\mathcal{T}$  in space  $n^2$  - that  $\mathcal{T}$  scans  
 $i^{th}$  cell in state  $q$ , where a string  $\xi_0\xi_1\xi_2 \dots \xi_i \dots \xi_n\xi_{n+1}$  is written left-justified on  
 the otherwise blank tape, will be represented by the message:

$$\langle \xi_0\xi_1\xi_2 \dots \xi_i \dots \xi_{n^2}\xi_{n^2+1}, q, i \rangle \quad \text{or} \quad \langle \tau, q, i \rangle$$

1348 where  $\tau$  marks the tape contents. For each machine and an arbitrary initial con-  
 1349 figuration, encoded by the message  $I = \langle \tau_1, q_1, i_1 \rangle$ , we build a semi-founded  
 1350 protocol theory  $(\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, I')$ . The initial set of facts is

$$I' = \{Guy(A, k), Guy(B, k), Init(I), Secret(s), 3 \times P(*), 6 \times R(*)\}.$$

1351 The set  $I'$  specifies that the agents  $A$  and  $B$  share the uncompromised key  $k$  and  
 1352 contains  $\mathcal{T}$ 's initial configuration encoded by the message  $I$ . Moreover, one needs  
 1353 three  $P(*)$  to execute a single protocol session, while the intruder needs at least  
 1354 six empty facts to carry an anomaly: two for storing encrypted messages and the  
 1355 remaining for decomposing and composing messages.



1356 The protocol theory  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is formalized by the following theories for the partic-  
 1357 ipants  $A$  and  $B$ :

**Theory for  $A$ :**

ROLA:  $Guy(G, k)Init(I)P(*) \rightarrow_A Guy(G, k)Init(I)A_0(I, k)$   
 UPDA:  $A_0(X, k)P(*) \rightarrow_A A_1(X, k)N_S(\langle update, enc(k, X) \rangle)$   
 CHKA:  $A_1(X, k)N_R(\langle done, enc(k, Y) \rangle) \rightarrow_A A_2(Y, k)N_S(\langle check, enc(k, Y) \rangle)$   
 RESA:  $A_2(X, k)N_R(Res) \rightarrow_A A_3(X, Res, k)P(*)$   
 ERASEA:  $A_3(X, Res, k) \rightarrow_A P(*)$

1358

**Theory for  $B$ :**

ROLB:  $Guy(G, k)Secret(s)P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k)Secret(s)B_0(k, s)$   
 UPDB:  $B_0(k, s)N_R(\langle update, enc(k, \langle x_0, \dots, x_{i-1}, \xi, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{n^2+1}, q, i \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $\rightarrow B_1(\langle x_0, \dots, x_{i-1}, \eta, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{n^2+1}, q', i' \rangle, k, s)$   
 $N_S(\langle done, enc(k, \langle x_0, \dots, x_{i-1}, \eta, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{n^2+1}, q', i' \rangle) \rangle)$   
 CHKB:  $B_1(X, k, s)N_R(\langle check, enc(k, X) \rangle) \rightarrow B_2(X, k, s)N_S(result)$   
 ERASEB:  $B_2(X, k, s) \rightarrow P(*)$

1359 For each instruction  $\gamma$  of the machine  $\mathcal{T}$  of the form  $q\xi \rightarrow q'\eta D$ , denoting “if  
 1360 in state  $q$  looking at symbol  $\xi$ , replace it by  $\eta$ , move the tape head one cell in  
 1361 direction  $D$  along the tape, and go into state  $q'$ ”, is specified by  $n^2$  UPDB rules  
 1362 of  $B$ ’s protocol theory, where  $1 \leq i \leq n^2$  is the position of the head of the  
 1363 machine. Hence the reduction is polynomial on  $n$  and the number of instructions  
 1364 in  $\mathcal{T}$ . Both theories for  $A$  and for  $B$  have the corresponding role generation rules  
 1365 ROLA and ROLB, which create new sessions, as well as ERASEA and ERASEB,  
 1366 which delete role state predicates of completed sessions. As previously discussed,  
 1367 this allows traces to have an unbounded number of protocol sessions.

1368 The informal description of the protocol involving  $A$  and  $B$  is given in Fig-  
 1369 ure 5. The participant  $A$  sends a message requesting  $B$  to update the encrypted  
 1370 message  $\{\langle \tau, q, i \rangle\}_k$  encoding  $\mathcal{T}$ ’s configuration, which includes the state of the  
 1371 machine, head position as well as the contents of the tape. The participant  $B$ , who  
 1372 is able to execute instructions of the machine  $\mathcal{T}$ , deterministically returns the en-  
 1373 crypted message  $\{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k$  encoding the configuration resulting from applying  
 1374 the single instruction to the configuration  $\{\langle \tau, q, i \rangle\}_k$ . Then the participant  $A$  just  
 1375 bounces this message back to  $B$ , so that he checks whether this is a final config-  
 1376 uration. If  $\{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k$  is the accepting configuration then it returns the secret  $s$   
 1377 unencrypted, otherwise if  $\{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k$  is not the accepting configuration, then it  
 1378 returns the message *no* also unencrypted.

$$\begin{aligned}
A &\longrightarrow B : \langle \text{update}, \{\langle \tau, q, i \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
B &\longrightarrow A : \langle \text{done}, \{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
A &\longrightarrow B : \langle \text{check}, \{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
B &\longrightarrow A : \text{result}
\end{aligned}$$

Figure 5: Normal session for the protocol encoding Turing machines.

1379 The informal description of the anomaly carried out by the intruder is depicted  
1380 in Figure 6. In the first session of the anomaly, the intruder acts as a man-in-the-  
1381 middle by only overhearing the messages transmitted, that is, he does not modify  
1382 any of the messages transmitted. In particular, he learns a message  $\{X'\}_k$  encod-  
1383 ing  $\mathcal{T}$ 's updated configuration. Notice that since he does not possess the key  $k$ ,  
1384 he cannot learn nor modify the message  $X'$ . Once the first session is completed,  
1385 the intruder starts a new session by acting as  $A$  and sending a message to  $B$  to  
1386 update the last configuration  $\{X\}_k$ . Then  $B$  returns the new configuration  $\{X'\}_k$   
1387 encoding the configuration resulting from applying the instruction of  $\mathcal{T}$ 's to the  
1388 sent configuration  $X$ . The intruder then deletes from his memory the learned fact  
1389  $M(\{X\}_k)$ , freeing his memory to learn the fact  $M(\{X'\}_k)$  containing the encod-  
1390 ing of the new configuration  $X'$ . He then proceeds with the protocol and request  
1391  $B$  to check  $\{X'\}_k$ . If  $B$  returns the secret, then  $X'$  is encoding the accepting state  
1392 and the intruder has learned the secret. Otherwise, the intruder starts a new session  
1393 again acting as  $A$ , but using  $\{X'\}_k$  as the initial message. The intruder repeats this  
1394 process until the secret is revealed, that is, an accepting state is reached. Notice  
1395 that we need to be careful with the memory of agents. In particular, intruder needs  
1396 to delete facts from his memory and the participant  $B$  needs to delete final role  
1397 state predicates of the previous session before starting a new one.

1398 **Lemma 7.2.** *Let  $(P_{\mathcal{T}}, I')$  be the balanced semi-founded protocol theory encoding*

#### First Session

$$\begin{aligned}
A &\longrightarrow M \longrightarrow B : \langle \text{update}, \{\langle \tau, q, i \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
B &\longrightarrow M \longrightarrow A : \langle \text{done}, \{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
A &\longrightarrow M \longrightarrow B : \langle \text{check}, \{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
B &\longrightarrow M \longrightarrow A : \text{result}
\end{aligned}$$

#### Later Sessions

$$\begin{aligned}
M(A) &\longrightarrow B : \langle \text{update}, \{\langle \tau, q, i \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
B &\longrightarrow M(A) : \langle \text{done}, \{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
M(A) &\longrightarrow B : \langle \text{check}, \{\langle \tau', q', i' \rangle\}_k \rangle \\
B &\longrightarrow M(A) : \text{result}
\end{aligned}$$

Figure 6: Sessions in the anomaly for the protocol encoding Turing machines.

1399 the Turing machine  $\mathcal{T}$  with the given initial configuration  $I$  as described above.  
 1400 Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a balanced two-phase intruder theory with the memory maintenance  
 1401 theory  $\mathcal{E}$ . A trace obtained from the theory  $(P_{\mathcal{T}}, I')$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  can lead to a configu-  
 1402 ration containing the fact  $M(s)$ , where  $s$  is the secret, if and only if the machine  
 1403  $\mathcal{T}$  can reach the accepting state  $q_f$  starting from  $I$ .

1404 **Proof** We now show that the secret is discovered by the intruder  $M$  if and only  
 1405 if the machine  $\mathcal{T}$  reaches the accepting state.

1406 For the forward direction, assume that there is a sequence of instructions  $\sigma$   
 1407 that leads the machine  $\mathcal{T}$  to the accepting state. Then by induction on the length  
 1408 of  $\sigma$  we can show how to construct a run leading to a state where the secret is  
 1409 revealed. If  $\sigma$  contains just one instruction  $\gamma$ , then the protocol session between  
 1410 agents  $A$  and  $B$  simulates the application of that instruction reaching the accepting  
 1411 state and exchanging the secret unencrypted, so the intruder can learn the secret  
 1412 simply by intercepting the last protocol message. For the inductive case assume  
 1413 that the sequence of instructions used to reach the accepting state is  $(\gamma_1, \sigma')$  and  
 1414 that the configuration reached by applying  $\gamma_1$  is  $K_2$ . Moreover, assume that there  
 1415 is an anomaly from the initial configuration containing the fact  $M(\{X_2\}_k)$  where  
 1416  $X_2$  encodes the configuration  $K_2$ . We show that there is also an anomaly from a  
 1417 configuration containing the fact  $M(\{X_1\}_k)$  encoding the  $\mathcal{M}$ 's initial configura-  
 1418 tion  $K_1$ . The intruder first sends a request to  $B$  to update the message  $\{X_1\}_k$ .  
 1419 The participant  $B$  then uses the action UPDB corresponding to the instruction  
 1420  $\gamma_1$ , sending the message containing  $\{X_2\}_k$ . The intruder then deletes the fact  
 1421  $M(\{X_1\}_k)$  and learns the fact  $M(\{X_2\}_k)$ . When the protocol session is over, the  
 1422 resulting configuration contains the fact  $M(\{X_2\}_k)$ , for which we can apply the  
 1423 inductive hypothesis ending the proof.

1424 For the reverse direction, we first need the following lemma.

1425 **Lemma 7.3.** *Let  $(P_{\mathcal{T}}, I')$  be the balanced semi-founded protocol theory encoding*  
 1426 *the deterministic Turing machine  $\mathcal{T}$  that accepts in space  $n^2$  and the given initial*  
 1427 *configuration  $I$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ , as described before. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a balanced intruder theory.*  
 1428 *Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be an arbitrary configuration reachable from  $I$  using  $P_{\mathcal{T}}$  and the balanced*  
 1429 *intruder theory. If the term  $\langle \tau, q, i \rangle$  appears in  $\mathcal{S}$ , then it encodes a configuration*  
 1430 *reachable from the initial configuration  $I$  using  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

1431 **Proof** We proceed by induction on the length of protocol run. For the base  
 1432 case, there are no encrypted messages in  $I'$ . For the inductive case, assume that  
 1433 all encrypted terms of the form  $\{X\}_k$  appearing in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  configuration,  $\mathcal{S}_i$ , in the

1434 run encode configurations  $K_j$  reachable from  $I$  by using  $\mathcal{T}$ . The only interesting  
 1435 cases are for the rules UPDB in  $\mathcal{P}$  and ENC in the intruder theory since they are  
 1436 the only rules that create new encrypted messages. The former follows from the  
 1437 definition of  $\mathcal{P}$  and the inductive hypothesis: since an application UPDB simulates  
 1438 one of  $\mathcal{T}$ 's instructions,  $\gamma$ , and the encrypted term  $\{X_j\}_k$  used by it encodes a  
 1439 reachable configuration  $K_j$ , the resulting encrypted term created  $\{X_{j+1}\}_k$  by this  
 1440 rule encrypts a configuration that is also reachable from  $I$  by using the sequence  
 1441 of instructions used to reach the configuration  $K_j$  followed by the instruction  $\gamma$ .  
 1442 Now for the latter rule, namely ENC, one can show also by induction on the length  
 1443 of run that the intruder will never acquire the key  $k$ . Therefore the rule ENC is  
 1444 never applicable, that is, the intruder cannot compose terms encrypted with the  
 1445 key  $k$ .  $\square$

1446 (Returning to the proof of Lemma 7.2). Assume that there is a trace for which  
 1447 the secret is revealed. From the definition of the protocol theory, this is only the  
 1448 case if a message containing the term  $\{X\}_k$ , where  $X$  is the accepting configura-  
 1449 tion, is received by the participant  $B$ . From the previous lemma it must be the case  
 1450 that the accepting configuration  $X$  is also reachable from the initial configuration  
 1451  $I$  by using the machine  $\mathcal{T}$ .  $\square$

1452 The upper bound algorithm provided in the proof of Theorem 5.5 for balanced  
 1453 systems in the context of collaborative systems can also be used to determine  
 1454 whether a memory bounded intruder can discover a secret. Following [24], we  
 1455 assume the existence of the function  $\mathcal{T}$  that returns, respectively, 1 when given  
 1456 as input a transition that is valid, that is, an instance of an action in the protocol  
 1457 theory or in the intruder theory, and return 0 otherwise. Notice that differently  
 1458 from [24], we do not need other functions that determine whether a configuration  
 1459 contains the fact  $M(s)$ , as this can be checked in polynomial time. We are now  
 1460 ready to prove the upper bound result.

1461 **Theorem 7.4.** *There is an algorithm that takes as input:*

- 1462 1. *a protocol theory  $(\mathcal{P}, I)$ ;*
  - 1463 2. *a balanced intruder theory  $\mathcal{M}$ ;*
  - 1464 3. *an upper bound,  $k$ , on the size of facts;*
  - 1465 4. *a program  $\mathcal{T}$  that recognizes (in PSPACE) actions of  $\mathcal{P}$  and of  $\mathcal{M}$ ;*
- 1466 *which behaves as follows:*
- 1467 (a) *If there is a trace leading from  $I$  to a configuration containing the fact  $M(s)$ ,*  
 1468 *then the algorithm outputs “yes” and schedules a trace; otherwise it returns*  
 1469 *“no;”*

1470 (b) *It runs in PSPACE with respect to  $|\mathcal{P}|$ ,  $|\mathcal{M}|$ ,  $|I|$ ,  $|k|$ , and  $|\mathcal{T}|$ .*

1471 **Proof** The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 5.5. We do not need any  
1472 critical configurations and moreover all actions in the theories  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  are bal-  
1473 anced. Therefore, the same algorithm used in the proof of Theorem 5.5 is also  
1474 applicable here.  $\square$

1475 *Remarks.* The decidability of the secrecy problem when the size of facts, the  
1476 memory available for protocol theories and the memory of the intruder are bounded  
1477 can have interesting consequences for protocol security. At the current state of af-  
1478 fairs, one is only able to decide whether an intruder can find a secret by providing  
1479 either a bound on the total number of protocol sessions in a trace [2, 34] or by  
1480 providing a bound on the total number of nonces created in a trace and a bound  
1481 on the size of facts [15].

1482 However, the bounds described above do not provide useful information on  
1483 how secure protocols are. For instance, when no anomaly is found for a given  
1484 protocol and for some given bounds, one can only make statements of the follow-  
1485 ing form: “the protocol is secure if it is used at most  $n$  times” or “the protocol  
1486 is secure if at most  $m$  nonces are created.” Unfortunately, such statements do  
1487 not provide tangible quantitative measures on the security of protocols. It is nor-  
1488 mally expected that agents establish secure channels using the same protocols an  
1489 unbounded number of times and creating an unbounded number of nonces. For  
1490 instance, a bank customer usually checks his online statement, accessing his per-  
1491 sonal online bank homepage and inserting his online PIN number, an unbounded  
1492 number times.

1493 On the other hand, when using our approach and when no anomaly is found  
1494 for a protocol given some bounds on the size of facts, the memory available for  
1495 protocols and the memory of the intruder, one can extract some tangible quanti-  
1496 tative information on how secure the protocols are. The size of facts corresponds  
1497 to the size of the messages exchanged. As discussed in Section 6, the bound  
1498 on the memory available for protocol sessions bounds the number of concurrent  
1499 protocol sessions in a trace. Many e-mail providers, online banking systems and  
1500 game servers disallow the same user to be logged-in more than once by using,  
1501 for example, different computers. Hence, the same user cannot participate in two  
1502 concurrent protocol sessions. Finally, the bound on the memory of the intruder  
1503 also provides a quantitative information on the power of the intruder. The more  
1504 memory he has, the more powerful he is. We do not require a bound on the length  
1505 of the trace.

1506 The quantitative use of the bounds mentioned above is left to future work.

## 1507 8. Related Work

1508 As previously discussed, we build on the framework described in [24, 23].  
1509 In particular, here we investigate the use of actions that can create values with  
1510 nonces, providing new complexity results for the partial reachability problem. In  
1511 [4, 5], a temporal logic formalism for modeling organizational processes is intro-  
1512 duced. In their framework, one relates the scope of privacy to the specific roles of  
1513 agents in the system. We believe that our system can be adapted or extended to  
1514 accommodate such roles depending on the scenario considered.

1515 In [32], Roscoe formalized the intuition of reusing nonces to model-check pro-  
1516 tocols where an unbounded number of nonces could be used, by using methods  
1517 from data independence . We confirm his initial intuition by providing tight com-  
1518 plexity results and demonstrating that many protocol anomalies can be specified  
1519 when using our model that reuses nonces.

1520 Harrison *et al.* present a formal approach to access control [19]. In their  
1521 proofs, they faithfully encode a Turing machine in their system. However, in con-  
1522 trast to our encoding, they use a non-commutative matrix to encode the sequential,  
1523 non-commutative tape of a Turing machine. We, on the other hand, encode Turing  
1524 machine tapes by using commutative multisets. Specifically, they show that if no  
1525 restrictions are imposed to the systems, the reachability problem is undecidable.  
1526 However, if actions are not allowed to create fresh values, then they show that the  
1527 same problem is PSPACE-complete. Furthermore, if actions can delete or insert  
1528 exactly one fact and in the process one can also check for the presence of other  
1529 facts and even create nonces, then they show the problem is NP-complete, but  
1530 in their proof they implicitly impose a bound on the number of nonces that can  
1531 be used. In their proofs, the non-commutative nature of their encoding plays an  
1532 important role.

1533 Our paper is closely related to frameworks based on multiset rewriting systems  
1534 used to specify and verify security properties of protocols [1, 2, 9, 12, 15, 34].  
1535 While here we are concerned with systems where agents are in a *closed room*  
1536 and collaborate, in those papers, the concern was with systems in an *open room*  
1537 where an intruder tries to attack the participants of the system by manipulating  
1538 the transmitted messages. This difference is reflected in the assumptions used by  
1539 the frameworks. In particular, the security research considers a powerful intruder  
1540 that has an unbounded memory and that can, for example, accumulate messages at  
1541 will. On the other hand, we assume here that each agent has a bounded memory,  
1542 technically imposed by the use of balanced actions.

1543 Much work on reachability related problems has been done within the Petri

1544 nets (PNs) community, see *e.g.*, [16]. Specifically, we are interested in the *cover-*  
1545 *ability problem* which is closely related to the partial goal reachability problem in  
1546 LSTSeS [23]. To our knowledge, no work that captures exactly the conditions in  
1547 this paper has yet been proposed. For instance, [16, 29] show that the coverabil-  
1548 ity problem is PSPACE-complete for 1-conservative PNs. While this type of PNs  
1549 is related to LSTSeS with balanced actions, it does not seem possible to provide  
1550 direct, *faithful* reductions between LSTSeS and PNs in this case.

## 1551 9. Conclusions and Future Work

1552 This paper extended existing models for collaborative systems with confiden-  
1553 tiality policies to include actions that can create fresh values. Then, given a sys-  
1554 tem with balanced actions, we showed that one only needs a polynomial number  
1555 of constants with respect to the number of facts in the initial configuration and  
1556 an upper bound on the size of facts to formalize the notion of fresh values. Fur-  
1557 thermore, we proved that the weak plan compliance, the plan compliance and the  
1558 system compliance problems as well as the secrecy problem for systems with bal-  
1559 anced actions that can create fresh values are PSPACE-complete. As an applica-  
1560 tion of our results, we showed that a number of anomalies for traditional protocols  
1561 can be carried out by a bounded memory intruder, whose actions are all balanced.

1562 There are many directions to follow from here, which we are currently work-  
1563 ing on. Here, we only prove the complexity results for the secrecy problem. We  
1564 would also like to understand better the impact of our work to existing protocol  
1565 analysis tools, in particular, our PSPACE upper-bound result. Moreover, we are  
1566 currently working on determining more precise bounds on the memory needed by  
1567 an intruder to find an attack on a given protocol. We are investigating the conse-  
1568 quences of increasing the expressiveness of the language by allowing actions to  
1569 have constraints, such as arithmetic constraints, as well as adding explicit time to  
1570 our model. Finally, despite of our idealized model, we believe that the numbers  
1571 appearing in Table 2 provide some measure on the security of protocols. Specif-  
1572 ically, the more space required by the intruder to carry an anomaly, the safer one  
1573 could consider a protocol to be. We are currently investigating how to enrich our  
1574 model in order to include new parameters, such as the number of active sessions  
1575 running at the same time required by the intruder to carry out an attack. In general,  
1576 we seek to provide further quantitative information on the security of protocols.  
1577 Some of these parameters appear in existing model checkers, such as Mur $\phi$  [13].  
1578 We are investigating precise connections to such tools.

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1692 **Appendix A. Alternative definition of semi-founded protocol theory**

1693 **Definition Appendix A.1.** A theory  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{T}$  is a *bounded sub-theory* of  $\mathcal{T}$  if all  
 1694 formulas on the right hand side of the rules  $R$  in  $\mathcal{S}$  either contain existentials or  
 1695 are persistent in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

1696 **Definition Appendix A.2.** A theory  $\mathcal{P}$  is a *semi-founded protocol theory* if  $\mathcal{P} =$   
 1697  $\mathcal{I} \uplus \mathcal{R} \uplus \mathcal{A}_1 \uplus \dots \uplus \mathcal{A}_n$  where  $\mathcal{I}$  is a bounded sub-theory (called the *initializa-*  
 1698 *tion theory*) not involving any role states,  $\mathcal{R}$  is a role regeneration theory involv-  
 1699 ing only facts created by  $\mathcal{I}$  and the initial and final roles states of  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n$ ,  
 1700 and  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n$  are bounded role theories, with  $\mathcal{I}$  preceding  $\mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  preceding  
 1701  $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_n$ . For role theories  $\mathcal{A}_i$  and  $\mathcal{A}_j$ , with  $i \neq j$ , no role state predicate that  
 1702 occurs in  $\mathcal{A}_i$  can occur in  $\mathcal{A}_j$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GOODGUY} &: P(*)P(*) \rightarrow \exists k_e.k_d. \text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d)KP(k_e, k_d) \\ \text{BADKEY} &: P(*)P(*) \rightarrow \exists k_e.k_d. \text{BadKey}(k_e, k_d)KP(k_e, k_d) \\ \text{ANNK} &: \text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d)P(*) \rightarrow \text{AnnK}(k_e)\text{GoodGuy}(k_e, k_d) \\ \text{ANNKB} &: \text{BadKey}(k_e, k_d)P(*) \rightarrow \text{AnnK}(k_e)\text{BadKey}(k_e, k_d) \end{aligned}$$

Figure A.7: Initialization theory for the Needham-Schroeder Protocol.

1703 The next proposition shows that semi-restricted protocol form allows deriva-  
 1704 tions in a protocol theory to be broken down into two stages: the initialization  
 1705 stage and the stage in which the rules from the role regeneration theory and the  
 1706 protocol role theories are interleaved to allow an unbounded number of roles.  
 1707 Also, from the point of view of the memory deleting final role states provides  
 1708 some free space for storage of any facts, not just for new initial role predicates.

**Lemma Appendix A.3.** *In a semi-founded protocol theory  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{I} \uplus \mathcal{R} \uplus \mathbf{A}$ ,  
 where  $\mathbf{A} = \mathcal{A}_1 \uplus \dots \uplus \mathcal{A}_p$ , for any derivation  $S \triangleright^* T$  with  $n$  participants there  
 exists such a derivation*

$$SP(*)^{3p \cdot n^2} \rightsquigarrow_{\mathcal{I}}^* S', S' \rightsquigarrow_{\mathcal{R} \uplus \mathbf{A}}^* T.$$

1709 *In other words, all rules from  $\mathcal{I}$  are applied before any rules from  $\mathcal{R}$  and any rules*  
 1710 *from  $\mathbf{A}$ .*

1711 **Proof** Since  $\mathcal{P}$  is a semi-founded protocol theory, no rules in  $\mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  can  
1712 enable rules in  $\mathcal{I}$ , therefore all rules from  $\mathcal{I}$  can be applied before any rules in  $\mathcal{R}$   
1713 and  $\mathbf{A}$ .

1714 Anyway, when the rules from the given derivations are rearranged in the above  
1715 way, the treatment of memory has to be considered. Initialization rules consume  
1716 empty facts and create persistent facts, so they do not free any memory slots.  
1717 Therefore the number of empty facts consumed by initialization rules is the same  
1718 regardless of the order in which the rules are applied. Since the given derivation  
1719  $S \triangleright^* T$  was possible, the required number of empty slots was available in  $S$  or  
1720 it was created by other rules that consume facts to leave free memory slots. One  
1721 such rule is the rule that deletes final role state: ERASE :  $S_k \rightarrow R(*)$  .

1722 Each time ERASE rule creates an empty fact, it is there in the configuration,  
1723 available for another session, *i.e.* for the rule that creates an initial state. Since  
1724 there are 2 ERASE rules per role theory and the roles are parameterized by key  
1725 pairs  $(k_e, k'_e)$ , there are at most  $2p \cdot n(n - 1)$  opportunities for initialization rules to  
1726 consume those empty fact (the number of possible combinations of initiator and  
1727 responder per role theory).

1728 Another rule that leaves empty fact is the rule from bounded role theories; the rule  
1729 that has the final role state together with an empty fact in the post-condition. In  
1730 bounded protocol role theories, other rules from role theories do not create empty  
1731 facts. Therefore we need additional  $n(n - 1)$  empty facts for these rules; one for  
1732 each combination of keys (*i.e.* participants) for the session, but only one of them  
1733 has the final rule with the empty fact. Therefore, in total, we need  $3p \cdot n(n - 1)$   
1734 additional empty facts required the transformation.  $\square$

1735 **Appendix B. Typed signature for Protocol and intruder theories**

1736 In our analysis, we consider several protocols, some of which require addi-  
1737 tional data types such as timestamps and certificates, and different types of en-  
1738 cryption to the private/public key encryption in the Needham-Schroeder protocol.  
1739 Figures B.8, B.9 and B.10 show the extended typed alphabet.

1740 Predicates used in the protocol theory will depend of the particular protocol  
1741 that is represented. For simplicity, with asymmetric encryption we identify the  
1742 principal with its public key (*i.e.*, we use the public key “ $k_a$ ” to indicate that  $A$  is  
1743 participating in the protocol and has the public key  $k_a$ )

**Sorts :**

<i>ekey</i> :	encryption key (and principal name)
<i>dkey</i> :	decryption key
<i>keys</i> :	key for symmetric encryption
<i>key</i> :	key for any encryption
<i>cipher</i> :	cipher text (encrypted)
<i>nonce</i> :	nonces
<i>msgaux</i> :	auxiliary type for generic message generation
<i>guy</i> :	participant in the protocol
<i>time</i> :	timestamp or lifetime
<i>cert</i> :	certificate in PKINIT
<i>msg</i> :	data of any type

**Subsorts :**

$nonce < msg$ ,  $cipher < msg$ ,  
 $ekey < key$ ,  $dkey < key$   
 $skey < key$ ,  $key < msg$   
 $msgaux < msg$   $guy < msg$   
 $time < msg$ ,  $cert < msg$

**Functions :**

$enc : key \times msg \rightarrow cipher$  : encryption  
 $\langle , \rangle : msg \times msg \rightarrow msg$  : pairing

Figure B.8: Types and functions for the protocol theories

### **Predicates :**

- $GoodGuy(ekey, dkey)$  : identity of an honest participant  
with private and public keys
- $Guy(guy, key)$  : identity of a participant with symmetric key
- $BadKey(ekey, dkey)$  : keys of a dishonest participant
- $KP(ekey, dkey)$  : encryption key pair
- $AnnK(ekey)$  : published public key
- $Server(guy)$  : name of a Server
- $ServerKey(guy, key)$  : identity of a Server with symmetric key
- $N(cipher)$  : encrypted message on the network (sent or received)
- $N_S(cipher)$  : encrypted message (sent)
- $N_R(cipher)$  : encrypted message (received)
- $A_i, B_i, \dots$  : role state predicates (types change per protocol)
- $R(*), B(*)$  : empty facts in intruder's memory
- $D(msg)$  : decomposable fact in intruder's memory
- $C(msg)$  : fact being composed by intruder in intruder's memory
- $A(msg)$  : auxiliary opaque fact in intruder's memory
- $M_{ek}(ekey)$  : agent's public key in intruder's memory
- $M_{dk}(dkey)$  : agent's private key in intruder's memory
- $M_k(key)$  : symmetric key in intruder's memory
- $M_n(nonce)$  : nonce in intruder's memory
- $M_g(guy)$  : participant's name in intruder's memory
- $M_m(msgaux)$  : generic message in intruder's memory
- $M_s(msg)$  : intercepted submessage in intruder's memory
- $M_t(time)$  : timestamp in intruder's memory
- $M_l(time)$  : lifetime in intruder's memory
- $M_p(cert)$  : certificate in intruder's memory

Figure B.9: Predicates for the Protocol theories

### Predicates in Kerberos 5 Protocol:

$KAS(guy)$  : name of a Kerberos Authentication Server  
 $TGS(guy)$  : name of a Ticket Granting Server  
 $TGSKey(guy, key)$  : identity of a TGS with symmetric key  
 $Auth_C(msg, guy, keys)$  : memory predicate for the ticket granting ticket  
 $Service_C(msg, guy, keys)$  : memory predicate for the service ticket  
 $Valid_K(guy, guy, nonce)$  : constraint for validity of request to KAS  
 $Valid_T(guy, guy, nonce)$  : constraint for validity of request to TGS  
 $Valid_S(guy, time)$  : constraint for validity of request to Server  
 $Clock_C(time)$  : constraint for time in Kerberos 5 and PKINIT  
 $Clock_K(time)$  : constraint for time in PKINIT  
 $DoneMut_C(guy, keys)$  : memory predicate for succesful mutual authentication  
 $Mem_S(guy, keys, time)$  : memory predicate for mutual authentication completed

Figure B.10: Predicates specific to the Kerberos Protocols

1744 While in the case of private/public encryption we can identify the participants  
1745 name with his public key, for protocols that use symmetric encryption, we identify  
1746 the set of participants owning symmetric keys by using the predicate  $Guy$ . For the  
1747 intruder we use the predicate  $M_g$  for storing participants' (guys') names and  $M_k$   
1748 for storing symmetric keys for encryption/decryption.

1749 In addition to symmetric encryption, we model the encryption with composed  
1750 keys to allow some type-flaw anomalies, such as the anomaly for the Otway-Reese  
1751 protocol described in [11]. Such attacks are prevented by typed alphabets such as  
1752 ours so we need to allow this kind of encryption to represent these attacks by  
1753 adding the new type  $msgaux$ .

1754 Finally, there are also protocols that use digital signatuires. We represent them  
1755 with encryptions with private keys whose public keys are announced and therefore  
1756 the signature can be checked by "decrypting with public keys." Notice that with  
1757 the use of subsorts the function  $enc$  has been extended to include other types of  
1758 encryption.

1759 Predicates  $Server$ ,  $ServerKey$ ,  $KAS$ ,  $TGS$ ,  $TGSKey$  shown in Figure  
1760 B.10 are related to Servers participating in protocols, including specific Kerberos  
1761 servers. There are additional predicates related to Kerberos protocol that rep-  
1762 resent tickets, authentication, clocks and validity constrains:  $Auth_C$ ,  $Service_C$ ,  
1763  $Valid_K$ ,  $Valid_T$ ,  $Valid_S$ .  $Clock_C$ ,  $Clock_K$ ,  $DoneMut_C$  and  $Mem_S$ .



1764 Other predicates private to the intruder include predicates  $R$  and  $B$  exclusively  
1765 denoting empty facts, *i.e.* intruder’s available memory. Predicate  $M_s$  stores any  
1766 submessage intruder intercepted, predicate  $M_t$  represents timestamps,  $M_l$  repre-  
1767 sents lifetimes,  $M_p$  represents certificates in Public key extension of Kerberos  
1768 PKINIT.

1769 Also notice that all the predicates private to the intruder, *e.g.*,  $D$ ,  $C$ ,  $A$  and  
1770 various  $M_?$  predicates, are unary predicates. This is because complex messages  
1771 are built by using the pair,  $\langle \cdot \rangle$ , and encryption function, *enc*. Therefore, in order  
1772 to interact with the other participants, the intruder does not require predicates with  
1773 greater arity, but only pattern match terms using these functions.

1774 As the Dolev-Yao intruder specified in [15], our bounded memory intruder is  
1775 still able, provided he has enough memory slots available, to intercept messages  
1776 from the network, send messages onto the network, compose and decompose, and  
1777 decrypt and encrypt messages with available keys. In addition to these capabilities  
1778 our intruder is able to use his memory as economically as possible and therefore  
1779 carry out anomalies using less memory space. This new, more clever intruder,  
1780 will digest only those messages and parts of the messages that contain data that is  
1781 useful for the attack.

1782 The balanced intruder theory with rules similar to those in [15] and similar to  
1783 the intruder theory described in Section 6 in Figure 1 plus the additional rules for  
1784 new sorts and types of encryption is depicted in Figure B.11. Additional rules that  
1785 enable the intruder to use his memory more cleverly are depicted in Figure B.13.  
1786 Finally, his memory maintenance theory is depicted in Figure B.12.

1787 Various LRN rules convert decomposable facts into intruder knowledge, and  
1788 USE rules convert intruder knowledge into a composable fact. These sets of rules  
1789 are typed, *i.e.*, USEN reads a nonce from the intruder memory and makes that  
1790 nonce available for composition of a message.

1791 Symmetric encryption is modeled by encryption and decryption rules, ENCS  
1792 and DECS, as well as the auxiliary rules LRNAS and DECAS. Encryption with  
1793 composed keys is represented by the ENCM rule. The rules SIG and DSIG repre-  
1794 sent signatures by encrypting with a private keys whose public key is announced  
1795 and by checking the signature “decrypting” with the matching public key.

1796 GENM rule generates a generic message to perform “ticket anomaly” in Ker-  
1797beros 5 shown in Appendix Appendix G.1. Intruder should be able to generate  
1798 a generic message of the type  $msgaux < msg$  in a separate memory predicate  
1799  $M_m$  representing a “false ticket”. Type  $msgaux$  is required to retain storing of  
1800 different subtypes of messages in separate memory facts. If the  $msg$  type was  
1801 used instead, any term could be stored in the memory fact  $M_m$ .

**I/O Rules:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{REC} &: N_S(x)R(*) \rightarrow D(x)P(*) \\ \text{SND} &: C(x)P(*) \rightarrow N_R(x)R(*) \end{aligned}$$

**Decomposition Rules:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DCMP} &: D(\langle x, y \rangle)R(*) \rightarrow D(x)D(y) \\ \text{LRNEK} &: D(k_e) \rightarrow M_{ek}(k_e) \\ \text{LRNDK} &: D(k_d) \rightarrow M_{dk}(k_d) \\ \text{LRNK} &: D(k_e) \rightarrow M_k(k) \\ \text{LRNN} &: D(n) \rightarrow M_n(n) \\ \text{LRNG} &: D(G) \rightarrow M_g(G) \\ \text{LRNT} &: D(t) \rightarrow M_t(t) \\ \text{LRNL} &: D(l) \rightarrow M_l(L) \\ \text{LRNP} &: D(x) \rightarrow M_p(x) \\ \text{LRNM} &: D(m) \rightarrow M_m(m) \\ \text{DEC} &: M_{dk}(k_d)KP(k_e, k_d)D(\text{enc}(k_e, x))R(*) \\ &\quad \rightarrow M_{dk}(k_d)KP(k_e, k_d)D(x)M_c(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) \\ \text{LRNA} &: D(\text{enc}(k_e, x))R(*) \rightarrow M_c(\text{enc}(k_e, x))A(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) \\ \text{DECA} &: M_{dkn}(k_d)KP(k_e, k_d)A(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) \rightarrow M_{dk}(k_d)KP(k_e, k_d)D(x) \\ \text{DECS} &: M_k(k)D(\text{enc}(k, x))R(*) \rightarrow M_k(k)M_c(\text{enc}(k, x))D(x) \\ \text{LRNAS} &: D(\text{enc}(k, x))R(*) \rightarrow M_c(\text{enc}(k, x))A(\text{enc}(k, x)) \\ \text{DECAS} &: M_k(k)A(\text{enc}(k, x)) \rightarrow M_k(k)D(x) \\ \text{DSIG} &: M_{ek}(k_e)KP(k_e, k_d)D(\text{enc}(k_d, x))R(*) \rightarrow \\ &\quad M_{ek}(k_e)KP(k_e, k_d)D(x)M_c(\text{enc}(k_d, x)) \end{aligned}$$

**Composition Rules:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{COMP} &: C(x)C(y) \rightarrow C(\langle x, y \rangle)R(*) \\ \text{USEEK} &: M_{ek}(k_e)R(*) \rightarrow C(k_e)M_{ek}(k_e) \\ \text{USEDK} &: M_{dk}(k_d)R(*) \rightarrow C(k_d)M_{dk}(k_d) \\ \text{USEK} &: M_k(k)R(*) \rightarrow C(k)M_k(k) \\ \text{USEN} &: M_n(n)R(*) \rightarrow C(n)M_n(n) \\ \text{USEC} &: M_c(c)R(*) \rightarrow C(c)M_c(c) \\ \text{USEG} &: M_g(c)R(*) \rightarrow C(c)M_g(c) \\ \text{USET} &: M_t(t)R(*) \rightarrow M_t(t)C(t) \\ \text{USEL} &: M_l(L)R(*) \rightarrow M_l(L)C(L) \\ \text{USEM} &: M_m(m)R(*) \rightarrow M_m(m)C(m) \\ \text{USEP} &: M_p(x)R(*) \rightarrow M_p(x)C(x) \\ \text{ENC} &: M_{ek}(k_e)C(x) \rightarrow C(\text{enc}(k_e, x))M_{ek}(k_e) \\ \text{ENCS} &: M_k(k)C(x) \rightarrow M_k(k)C(\text{enc}(k, x)), \\ \text{ENCM} &: C(x)C(y) \rightarrow M_k(x)C(\text{enc}(x, y)) \\ \text{SIG} &: M_{dk}(k_d)C(x) \rightarrow M_{dk}(k_d)C(\text{enc}(k_d, x)) \\ \text{GEN} &: R(*) \rightarrow \exists n. M_n(n) \\ \text{GENM} &: R(*) \rightarrow \exists m. M_m(m) \end{aligned}$$

Figure B.11: Two-phase Intruder theory.

**Memory maintenance rules:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{DELEK} &: M_{ek}(x) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELDK} &: M_{dk}(x) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELK} &: M_k(x) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELN} &: M_n(x) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELC} &: M_c(x) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELG} &: M_g(G) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELT} &: M_t(t) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELL} &: M_l(l) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELP} &: M_p(x) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELM} &: M_m(m) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELB} &: B(*) \rightarrow R(*)
\end{aligned}$$

Figure B.12: Memory maintenance theory.

**Decomposition Rules:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{DM} &: D(x) \rightarrow M_s(x) \\
\text{DELD} &: D(m) \rightarrow B(*) \\
\text{DELAB} &: A(m) \rightarrow B(*) \\
\text{DELMC} &: M_c(m) \rightarrow B(*) \\
\text{DCMPB} &: D(\langle x, y \rangle) B(*) \rightarrow D(x) D(y) \\
\text{DECB} &: M_{dk}(k_d) KP(k_e, k_d) D(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) B(*) \rightarrow \\
&\quad M_{dk}(k_d) KP(k_e, k_d) D(x) M_c(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) \\
\text{DSIGB} &: M_{ek}(k_e) KP(k_e, k_d) D(\text{enc}(k_d, x)) B(*) \rightarrow \\
&\quad M_{ek}(k_e) KP(k_e, k_d) D(x) M_c(\text{enc}(k_d, x)) \\
\text{LRNAB} &: D(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) B(*) \rightarrow M_c(\text{enc}(k_e, x)) A(\text{enc}(k_e, x))
\end{aligned}$$

**Composition Rules:**

$$\text{USES} : M_s(*) R(*) \rightarrow M_s(m) C(m)$$

**Memory maintenance rules:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{FWD} &: N_S(m) R(*) \rightarrow N_R(m) R(*) \\
\text{DELB} &: B(*) \rightarrow R(*) \\
\text{DELMS} &: M_s(*) \rightarrow R(*)
\end{aligned}$$

Figure B.13: Additional rules for the Two-phase Intruder theory.

1802 Since the intruder in our system has bounded memory, he should use it ratio-  
 1803 nally. In particular, he should delete facts that are not useful for an attack, freeing  
 1804 some of his storage capacity for more useful information. This is formalized by  
 1805 using the memory management rules depicted in Figure B.12. Using these rules  
 1806 intruder can forget any facts stored in his memory which are of the form  $M_?$ . This  
 1807 contrast with [15], where these predicates were persistent throughout a run, that  
 1808 is, they were always present in the intruder’s memory. Since in [15] intruder had  
 1809 unbounded memory, storing facts did not pose a problem.

1810 In order to attack a protocol intruder does not need to digest every message  
 1811 put on the network. Furthermore, ignoring some messages can save intruder’s  
 1812 memory. The FWD rule, for example, is a rule that is used to just forward sent  
 1813 messages to their destinations, and where the intruder does not learn any new data.  
 1814 That it, it just transforms a sent message  $N_R(m)$  into a message  $N_S(m)$  that can  
 1815 be received by other participants. Since this rule is not of the form of rules that  
 1816 belong to the memory maintenance theory, that is, its postcondition is not  $R(*)$ ,  
 1817 for simplicity, we adapt Definition 6.6 to include this rule. Alternatively, in a trace  
 1818 we could simulate this rule with the following derivation:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 N_S(m) R(*) & \rightarrow_{REC} & D(m) R(*) & \rightarrow_{DM} & M_s(m) R(*) & \rightarrow_{USES} & \\
 M_s(m) C(m) & \rightarrow_{SND} & M_s(m) N_R(m) & \rightarrow_{DELMS} & N_R(m) R(*) & & 
 \end{array}$$

1819 DM rule allows the intruder to remember complex sub-terms of a message being  
 1820 decomposed that might not be of interest at that moment, but that might be useful  
 1821 later. That can save memory when the intruder receives large submessages. It  
 1822 also is useful when intruder slightly modifies an intercepted messages, by using  
 1823 the USES rule, which allows the intruder to use complex terms in the composi-  
 1824 tion phase. The DELD rule, on the other hand, allows the intruder to delete any  
 1825 decomposition fact,  $D$ , whenever it contains a message that is not useful to the  
 1826 intruder, such as data that he already knows. Therefore, with this rule, he does not  
 1827 need to expend his memory to further decompose such messages. It also reduces  
 1828 the number of steps, *i.e.*, the number of rules intruder has to perform to carry  
 1829 out an anomaly. Finally, the rule DELAB deletes auxiliary  $A$  facts and the rule  
 1830 DELMB deletes any  $M_c$  fact, freeing the intruder’s memory.

1831 Notice that in some rules we use the auxiliary predicate  $B$ , instead of the fact  
 1832  $R(*)$ . This is a technicality in order to keep the intruder’s theory two-phased,  
 1833 which will become clear after the following definitions. Intuitively,  $B(*)$  facts  
 1834 represent “binned data” and can also be considered as empty facts. We therefore,  
 1835 from this point on, extend Definition 6.1 to consider the empty facts  $B(*)$  as well  
 1836 and extend the weighting function by  $\omega(B(*)) = 0$ .

1837 *Remark.* We restrict the type of facts the intruder is allowed to delete, *i.e.* we allow  
1838 only the deletion of intruder's memory facts including auxiliary memory facts. Al-  
1839 ternatively, we could also allow the intruder to delete public facts and in that way  
1840 obstruct the normal protocol exchange. For example, deleting facts representing  
1841 key distribution or participants' names or deleting role state predicates would ex-  
1842 clude a principal from participating further in the protocol exchange. Even with  
1843 above restrictions, we can still model such obstructions by the intruder, within his  
1844 memory bounds, simply by removing messages (coming to and from a particular  
1845 principal) from the network using REC rules.

1846 **Appendix C. Yahalom protocol**

1847 Yahalom is an authentication and secure key distribution protocol designed for  
 1848 use on an insecure network such as the internet. It involves a trusted server  $S$ . The  
 1849 protocol has been shown to be flawed by several authors.  
 1850 The informal description of the protocol is given in figure C.14.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &\longrightarrow B : A, n_a \\
 B &\longrightarrow S : B, \{A, n_a, n_b\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 S &\longrightarrow A : \{B, k_{AB}, n_a, n_b\}_{k_{AS}}, \{A, k_{AB}\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 A &\longrightarrow B : \{A, k_{AB}\}_{k_{BS}}, \{n_b\}_{k_{AB}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure C.14: Yahalom Protocol.

1851 Symmetric keys  $k_{AS}$  and  $k_{BS}$  are shared between the server  $S$  and agents  $A$   
 1852 and  $B$ , respectively. The server generates a fresh symmetric key  $k_{AB}$  which will  
 1853 be the session key to be shared between the two participants. Namely, the server  
 1854 sends to Alice a message containing the generated session key  $k_{AB}$  and a message  
 1855 to be forwarded to Bob.

1856 A semi-founded protocol theory for the Yahalom protocol is given in Figure  
 1857 C.15.

Initial set of facts represents key distribution and announcement; 2 facts with keys  
 for communication with the server and 2 facts for announcement of the partici-  
 pants' names:

$$W = \text{Guy}(A, k_{AS}) \text{Guy}(B, k_{BS}) \text{AnnN}(A) \text{AnnN}(B) .$$

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1859 There should be 3 additional facts for role states and another fact for the network  
 1860 predicate.

1861 Therefore, a protocol run between  $A$  and  $B$  with no intruder involved requires  
 1862 a configuration of at least **8 facts of the size of at least 16**. The message that the  
 1863 server  $S$  sends to  $A$  has 15 symbols.

Role Regeneration Theory :

ROLA :  $Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) A_0(k_{GS})$

ROLB :  $Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) P(*) \rightarrow Guy(g, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) B_0(k_{GS})$

ROLS :  $AnnN(G) P(*) \rightarrow AnnN(G) S_0()$

ERASEA :  $A_2(k, G, x) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASEB :  $B_3(k, G, x, y) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASES :  $S_1(G, G') \rightarrow P(*)$

Protocol Theories  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$ , and  $\mathcal{S}$  :

A1 :  $A_0(k_{GS}) AnnN(G') P(*) \rightarrow \exists x. A_1(k_{GS}, G', x) N_S(\langle G, x \rangle) AnnN(G')$

A2 :  $A_1(k_{GS}, G', x) N_R(\langle enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', \langle k_{G'G'}, \langle x, y \rangle \rangle), z \rangle) \rightarrow A_2(k_{GS}, G', x, y) N_S(\langle z, enc(k_{G'G'}, y) \rangle)$

B1 :  $B_0(k_{GS}) N_R(\langle G', x \rangle) AnnN(G') \rightarrow \exists y. B_1(k_{GS}, G', x, y) N_S(\langle G, enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', \langle x, y \rangle \rangle) \rangle) AnnN(G')$

B2 :  $B_1(k_{GS}, G', x, y) N_R(\langle enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', k_{G'G'} \rangle), enc(k_{G'G'}, y) \rangle) \rightarrow B_2(k_{GS}, G', x, y, k_{G'G'}) R(*)$

S1 :  $S_0() Guy(G, k_{GS}) Guy(G', k_{GS'}) N_R(\langle G, enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', \langle x, y \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow \exists k_{G'G'}. S_1(G', G) Guy(G, k_{GS}) Guy(G', k_{GS'}) N_S(\langle enc(k_{G'S}, \langle G, \langle k_{G'G'}, \langle x, y \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', k_{G'G'} \rangle) \rangle)$

Figure C.15: Semi-founded protocol theory for the Yahalom Protocol.

1864 *Appendix C.1. An attack on Yahalom Protocol*

1865 An anomaly on the Yahalom protocol is shown in Figure C.16.  
 1866 The attack assumes that the intruder knows the key  $k_{BS}$  shared between the server  
 1867  $S$  and Bob. Intruder pretends to be Alice. He initiates the protocol by generating  
 1868 a nonce and sending it together with Alice's name to Bob. Since it is assumed that  
 1869 the intruder has the symmetric key  $k_{BS}$  that Bob shares with the server, intruder  
 1870 will be able do learn the nonce  $n_b$ . He can then compose a message that has the  
 1871 expected format of the last protocol message exchanged, *i.e.* the first part of the  
 1872 message is encrypted with the key  $k_{BS}$  and contains the freshly generated session  
 1873 key  $k_{AB}$ , and the second part of the message is the nonce  $n_b$  encrypted with that  
 1874 session key. Therefore intruder is able to trick Bob into thinking he had performed  
 1875 a valid protocol run with Alice and the trusted server. In reality Bob has only  
 1876 received messages from the intruder. The server hasn't been involved at all.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 I(A) \longrightarrow B : A, n_a \\
 B \longrightarrow I(S) : B, \{A, n_a, n_b\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 \quad \longrightarrow : \text{omitted} \\
 I(A) \longrightarrow B : \{A, n_a, n_b\}_{k_{BS}}, \{n_b\}_{n_a, n_b}
 \end{array}$$

Figure C.16: An attack on Yahalom Protocol.

1877 Initial set of facts is:  $W = \text{Guy}(A, k_{AS}) \text{Guy}(B, k_{BS}) \text{AnnN}(A) \text{AnnN}(B)$  .  
 1878 For the symmetric encryption and decryption intruder uses rules ENCS and DECS.  
 1879 This attack requires encryption with a composed key so intruder needs ENCM rule  
 1880 for such encryption:  $\text{ENCM} : C(x)C(y) \rightarrow M_k(x)C(\text{enc}(x, y))$  .  
 1881 The attack requires a configuration of at least **15  $R(*)$  facts**; 6 for honest partici-  
 1882 pants and 9 for the intruder. The protocol role predicates for Alice and Server are  
 1883 not used so 2 facts less are needed for honest participants.  
 1884 The **size of the facts** should be at least **14** .  
 1885 The trace with the anomaly is shown below.



$$\begin{aligned}
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_g(A)M_k(k_{BS})R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEG} \\
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_g(A)M_k(k_{BS})C(A)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{GEN} \\
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_g(A)M_k(k_{BS})C(A)M_n(n_a)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_g(A)M_k(k_{BS})C(A)M_n(n_a)C(n_a)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_g(A)M_k(k_{BS}) \\
&\quad M_n(n_a)C(\langle A, n_a \rangle)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_g(A)M_k(k_{BS})M_n(n_a) \\
&\quad N_R(\langle A, n_a \rangle)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DEL^2} \\
&WB_0(k_{BS})M_k(k_{BS})N_R(\langle A, n_a \rangle)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1886 Bob receives the message intruder has sent and thinks it is a message from Alice,  
1887 therefore sends a message to Server containing Alice's name.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow_{B1} WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS}) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
&\quad N_S(\langle B, enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1888 Intruder intercepts the message intended for the server.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow_{REC} WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS}) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
&\quad D(\langle B, enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS}) D(B) \\
&\quad D(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRNG} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) \\
&\quad D(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1889 It is assumed that the intruder had previously learnt the key  $k_{BS}$  shared between  
1890 the server and Bob, so he's able to decompose the encrypted submessage.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow_{DECS} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) P(*) \\
&\quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))D(\langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) P(*) \\
&\quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))D(A)D(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) \\
&\quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))D(A)D(n_a)D(n_b)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRNG} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) \\
&\quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)D(n_a)D(n_b)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRNN} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) \\
&\quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)D(n_b)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{LRNN} \\
&WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) \\
&\quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1891 Intruder starts composing the message that Bob expects to receive from Alice.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)C(n_a) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)C(n_a)C(n_b) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)C(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEG} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)C(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle)C(A) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)C(\langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{ENCS} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) \\
& \quad C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b) R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)C(n_a) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)) R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))C(n_a)C(n_b)C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)) P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1892 Notice there are no  $R(*)$  facts in the configuration.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b) M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B) C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)) M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)C(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)C(n_b)C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))P(*) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)C(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1893 He uses the composed key for encryption to compose the message that matches  
1894 the format that Bob expects to receive.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{ENCM} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)M_k(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \\
& \quad M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b) \\
& \quad C(enc(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle, n_b))C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))P(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)M_g(A)M_k(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \\
& \quad M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(\langle enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle), enc(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle, n_b) \rangle)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{SND} \\
& WB_1(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)M_g(A)M_k(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \\
& \quad M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle), enc(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle, n_b) \rangle) R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1895 Bob receives what he believes is a message from Alice containing the session key  
1896 freshly generated by the server. Therefore he stores the false key and thinks he  
1897 had completed a successful protocol run with Alice.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{B2} \\
& WB_2(k_{BS}, A, n_a, n_b, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle)M_k(k_{BS})M_g(B)M_k(\langle n_a, n_b \rangle) \\
& \quad M_g(A)M_n(n_a)M_n(n_b)M_c(enc(K_{BS}, \langle A, \langle n_a, n_b \rangle \rangle))R(*)R(*)P(*)
\end{aligned}$$

1898 **Appendix D. Otway-Rees Protocol**

1899 The Otway-Rees Protocol is another well-known protocol that has been shown  
 1900 to be flawed. It's informal description is depicted in Figure D.17.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &\longrightarrow B : M, A, B, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}} \\
 B &\longrightarrow S : M, A, B, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, M, A, B\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 S &\longrightarrow B : M, \{n_a, k_{AB}\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, k_{AB}\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 B &\longrightarrow A : M, \{n_a, k_{AB}\}_{k_{AS}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure D.17: Otway-Rees Protocol.

1901 The protocol also involves a trusted server. Keys  $k_{AS}$  and  $k_{BS}$  are symmetric  
 1902 keys for communication of the participants with the server. In the above protocol  
 1903 specification  $M$  is a nonce (a run identifier). A semi-founded protocol theory for  
 1904 Otway-Rees protocol is given in Figure D.18.

1905 Initiator  $A$  sends to  $B$  the nonce  $M$  and names  $A$  and  $B$  unencrypted together  
 1906 with an encrypted message readable only by the server  $S$  of the form shown.  
 1907  $B$  forwards the message to  $S$  together with a similar encrypted component. The  
 1908 server  $S$  decrypts the message components and checks that the components match.  
 1909 If so, then it generates a key  $k_{A,B}$  and sends message to  $B$ , who then forwards part  
 1910 of this message to  $A$ .  $A$  and  $B$  will use the key  $k_{A,B}$  only if the message compo-  
 1911 nents generated by the server  $S$  contain the correct nonces  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  respectively.

1912 Initial set of facts represents key distribution and announcement; 2 facts with keys  
 1913 for communication with the server and 2 facts for announcement of the partici-  
 1914 pants' names:  $W = Guy(A, K_{AS}) Guy(B, k_{BS}) AnnN(A) AnnN(B)$  .

1915 There should be additional 3 facts for role states and another fact for the network  
 1916 predicate. Therefore, a protocol run between  $A$  and  $B$  with no intruder involved  
 1917 requires a configuration of at least **8 facts of the size of at least 26**. The fact rep-  
 1918 resenting the network message that the  $B$  sends to  $S$  has 25 symbols.

Role Regeneration Theory :

ROLA :  $Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) A_0(k_{GS})$   
 ROLB :  $Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G) B_0(k_{GS})$   
 ROLS :  $P(*) \rightarrow S_0()$   
 ERASEA :  $A_2(k, G, x, y, k') \rightarrow P(*)$   
 ERASEB :  $B_2(k, G, x, y, z, w, k') \rightarrow P(*)$   
 ERASES :  $S_1(G, G') \rightarrow P(*)$

Protocol Theories  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$ , and  $\mathcal{S}$  :

A1 :  $A_0(k_{GS}) AnnN(G') P(*) \rightarrow \exists x.y.A_1(k_{GS}, G', x, y) AnnN(G')$   
      $N_S(\langle x, \langle G, \langle G', enc(k_{GS}, \langle y, \langle x, \langle G, G' \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
 A2 :  $A_1(k_{GS}, G', x, y) N_R(\langle x, enc(k_{GS}, \langle y, \langle k_{GG'} \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle)$   
      $\rightarrow A_2(k_{GS}, G', x, y, k_{GG'}) P(*)$   
 B1 :  $B_0(k_{GS}) AnnN(G') N_R(\langle x, \langle G', \langle G, z \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
      $\rightarrow \exists w.B_1(k_{GS}, G', x, z, w) AnnN(G')$   
      $N_S(\langle x, \langle G', \langle G, \langle z, enc(k_{GS}, \langle w, \langle x, \langle G', G' \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
 B2 :  $B_1(k_{GS}, G', x, z, w) N_R(\langle x, \langle t, enc(k_{GS}, \langle w, k_{GG'} \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle)$   
      $\rightarrow B_2(k_{GS}, G', x, z, w, t, k_{GG'}) N(\langle x, t \rangle)$   
 S1 :  $S_0() Guy(G, k_{GS}) Guy(G', k_{GS'})$   
      $N_R(\langle x, \langle G, \langle G', \langle enc(k_{GS}, \langle y, \langle x, \langle G, G' \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle, enc(k_{GS'}, \langle w, \langle x, \langle G, G' \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
      $\rightarrow \exists k_{GG'}.S_1(G, G') Guy(G, k_{GS}) Guy(G', k_{GS'})$   
      $N_S(\langle x, \langle enc(k_{GS}, \langle y, k_{GG'} \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{GS'}, \langle w, k_{GG'} \rangle \rangle) \rangle)$

Figure D.18: Semi-founded protocol theory for the Otway-Rees Protocol.

1919 *Appendix D.1. A type flaw attack on Otway-Reese Protocol*

1920 In this anomaly, shown in Figure D.19, principal  $A$  is fooled into believing  
 1921 that the triple  $\langle M, A, B \rangle$  is in fact the new key. This triple is of course public  
 1922 knowledge. This is an example of a type flaw. It is also possible to wait until  
 1923  $B$  sends the second message of the original protocol and then reflect appropriate  
 1924 components back to both  $A$  and  $B$  and then monitor the conversation between  
 1925 them.

$$\begin{aligned} A &\longrightarrow I(B) : M, A, B, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}} \\ I(B) &\longrightarrow A : M, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}} \end{aligned}$$

Figure D.19: A type-flaw attack on Otway-Rees Protocol.

1926 Intruder intercepts Alice's message and replies with a message of the format Alice  
 1927 expects to receive from Bob containing the fresh key. She gets the "key"  
 1928  $\langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle$  that is the public knowledge, not a secret. Neither Bob nor the server  
 1929 get involved.

Initial set of facts is:

$$W = \text{Guy}(A, K_{AS}) \text{Guy}(B, k_{BS}) \text{AnnN}(A) \text{AnnN}(B) .$$

1930 The trace representing the anomaly is shown below.

$$\begin{aligned} &WA_0(k_{AS}) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{A1} \\ &WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\ &\quad N_S(\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, \text{enc}(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{REC} \\ &WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\ &\quad D(\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, \text{enc}(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\ &WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\ &\quad D(M) D(\langle A, \langle B, \text{enc}(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\ &WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)P(*) \\ &\quad D(M) D(A) D(\langle B, \text{enc}(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DELD} \\ &WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)P(*) \\ &\quad D(M) B(*) D(\langle B, \text{enc}(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMPB} \\ &WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)P(*) \\ &\quad D(M) D(B) D(\text{enc}(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{DELD} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad D(M) B(*) D(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow_{DM} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad D(M) B(*) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow_{LRNN} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) M_n(M) B(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow_{USEN} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) M_n(M) C(M) B(*)R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow_{USEC} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) M_n(M) C(M) B(*)P(*) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) C(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1931 Notice that there are no  $R(*)$  facts in the configuration.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(\langle M, enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle) B(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle M, enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle) B(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{A2} \\
& WA_2(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle) M_n(M) B(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))
\end{aligned}$$

1932 This attack requires a configuration of at least **11 facts** in total:  $6P(*)$  facts (for  
1933 the honest participants) and 5  $R(*)$  facts (for the intruder).

1934 The **size of facts has to be at least 15**.

1935 Although some protocol messages were not sent it could be reasonable to allow a  
1936 normal protocol execution. *i.e.* to require the facts to have size of at least 25 slots  
1937 for constant names. However, in the attack itself, the messages sent have the size  
1938 of at most 14 symbols. Additional 1 counts for the predicate name.

1939 This type of anomalies can be prevented by a typed alphabet. Since we allow only  
1940 atomic keys within our typed alphabet this attack is not possible. The tuple of  
1941 terms  $\langle M, A, B \rangle$  cannot be confused with a term of type "key".

1942 *Appendix D.2. Replay attack on Otway-Reese Protocol*

1943 This attack was presented by Wang and Qing (Two new attacks on Otway-  
1944 Rees Protocol, In: IFIP/SEC2000, Beijing: International Academic Publishers,  
1945 2000. 137-139.).

1946 It is a replay anomaly, that is, an intruder overhears a message in a protocol  
1947 session and can therefore replay this message or some of its parts to form messages  
1948 of the expected protocol form, later, in another protocol session and trick an honest  
1949 participant.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \longrightarrow B & : M, A, B, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}} \\
 B \longrightarrow S & : M, A, B, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, M, A, B\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 S \longrightarrow (B)I & : M, \{n_a, k_{AB}\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, k_{AB}\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 I(B) \longrightarrow S & : M, A, B, \{n_a, M, A, B\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, M, A, B\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 S \longrightarrow B(I) & : M, \{n_a, k'_{AB}\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, k'_{AB}\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 I(S) \longrightarrow B & : M, \{n_a, k_{AB}\}_{k_{AS}}, \{n_b, k'_{AB}\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 B \longrightarrow A & : M, \{n_a, k_{AB}\}_{k_{AS}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure D.20: Replay attack on Otway-Rees Protocol.

1950 As shown in figure D.20, intruder intercepts a request to the server and stores data  
1951 so he's able to replay the message. The server responds to a replayed request  
1952 generating a fresh session key. Intruder is able to modify the messages so that  
1953 Alice and Bob get different keys.

1954 Alice and Bob start the protocol. Intruder copies the message that Bob sends  
1955 to the server and then he replays it later. The attack is successful if the server  
1956 cannot recognize duplicate requests.

1957 When the attack run is over, Alice and Bob do get the session keys, but they  
1958 get two different ones; Alice gets  $k_{AB}$  and Bob gets  $k'_{AB}$ .

1959 This attack requires a configuration of at least **17 facts** in total:  $8P(*)$  facts (for  
1960 the honest participants) and  $9R(*)$  facts (for the intruder).

1961 The **size of facts has to be at least 26**.

1962 Initial set of facts is:  $W = \text{Guy}(A, K_{AS}) \text{Guy}(B, k_{BS}) \text{AnnN}(A) \text{AnnN}(B)$ .

1963 The trace representing the anomaly is shown below.



1964

Alice starts a protocol session by sending the first protocol message to Bob.

$$\begin{aligned}
&WA_0(k_{AS}) B_0(k_{BS}) S_0() R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{A1} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_0(k_{BS}) S_0() R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
&N_S(\langle\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)
\end{aligned}$$

1965

Intruder does not need data from this message, so he simply forwards it to Bob.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow_{FWD} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_0(k_{BS}) S_0() R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
&N_R(\langle\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{B1} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() \\
&N_S(\langle\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle, enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
&R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1966

Bob responds. This time intruder needs to intercept the message to store the mes-

1967

sage parts in order to replay this message to the server later on. Intruder performs

1968

a normalized derivation and deletes unnecessary data.

1969

For simplicity, we use  $z = (enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rightarrow_{REC} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() \\
&D(\langle\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle, enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
&R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP^4} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() \\
&D(M) D(A) D(B) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
&D(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) D(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
&\rightarrow_{(LRNN, LRNG, LRNG, DM^2)} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_n(M) M_g(A) M_g(B) \\
&M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
&M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) P(*) \rightarrow_{USES^2} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_n(M) M_g(A) M_g(B) \\
&M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) P(*) \\
&C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) C(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_n(M) M_g(A) M_g(B) P(*) \\
&M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*) \\
&C(\langle enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*) \rightarrow_{USEG} \\
&WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_n(M) M_g(A) M_g(B) \\
&M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) C(M) \\
&M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
&C(\langle enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow_{COMP}$   
 $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a)B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_n(M) M_g(A) M_g(B)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)$   
 $C(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{SND}$   
 $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a)B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_n(M) M_g(A) M_g(B)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $N_R(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow$

1970 Intruder has to be careful with deletion rules, since he will need some knowledge  
1971 for reproducing messages later in the protocol attack.

$\rightarrow_{DEL^3}$   
 $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $N_R(\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow$

1972 The server responds to the request and finishes the session by deleting its final role  
1973 state predicate and creating an initial role state for the new session.

$\rightarrow_{S1}$   $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_1(A, B) M_g(A)M_g(B)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle \rangle)$

$\rightarrow_{ERASES,ROLS}$   
 $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow$

1974 Intruder removes the message server has sent so Bob never receives it. He replays  
1975 Bob's request message using the data he had learnt from Bob's original request.

$\rightarrow_{REC}$   
 $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B)R(*)R(*)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)$   
 $D(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle \rangle) P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP}$   
 $WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle))$   
 $D(M)D(\langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle) P(*) \rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{LRNN} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B) R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad D(\langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle) P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B) R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad D(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) D(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k_{AB} \rangle)) P(*) \rightarrow_{DELD} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B) R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad D(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) B(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DM} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B) R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) B(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{(USES^2)} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_g(A)M_g(B) \\
& \quad M_n(M) M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) B(*)P(*) \\
& \quad C(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) C(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1976 Notice that at this point there are no  $R(*)$  facts in the configuration.  
1977 Intruder continues to compose the request message, sends it to the server and  
1978 deletes unnecessary data from his memory.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{(COMP,USEG,COMP,USEG,COMP,USEN,COMP,SND,DEL^5)} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_c(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle M, \langle A, \langle B, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, \langle M, \langle A, B \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1979 The Server does not detect the replay message and replies with a fresh message  
1980 containing a new key  $k'_{Ab}$ . Intruder intercepts second server's reply and sends a  
1981 modified message to Bob. That is an incorrect protocol message but Bob cannot  
1982 detect it.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{(S1,ERASES)} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k'_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k'_{AB} \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1983 Intruder intercepts the second reply from the Server, switches submessages and  
1984 sends the modified message to Bob.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{REC} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_s(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \\
& \quad D(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k'_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k'_{AB} \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP^2} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_c(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad D(M) D(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k'_{AB} \rangle)) D(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k'_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{(LRNN, DELD, LRNA)} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() M_c(enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad M_n(M) B(*) M_c(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k'_{AB} \rangle)) A(enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k'_{AB} \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{(USEC^2, COMP, USEN, COMP, SND, DEL^5)} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_1(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b) S_0() \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle M, \langle enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle), enc(k_{BS}, \langle n_b, k'_{AB} \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1985 Bob receives a message that looks like the normal server's reply and sends the  
1986 next message to Alice. For simplicity, we use  $t = enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{B2} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_2(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b, t, k'_{AB}) S_0() \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle M, enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

1987 Intruder simply forwards the message to Alice, who receives it and moves into  
1988 final state believing she and Bob now share a fresh session key.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& WA_1(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a) B_2(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b, t, k'_{AB}) S_0() \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle M, enc(k_{AS}, \langle n_a, k_{AB} \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{A2} \\
& WA_2(k_{AS}, B, M, n_a, k_{AB}) B_2(k_{BS}, A, M, z, n_b, t, k'_{AB}) S_0() \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)
\end{aligned}$$

1989 As a result both Alice and Bob do get the session key, but they get different keys;  
1990 Alice get  $k_{AB}$  while Bob gets  $k'_{AB}$ .

1991 **Appendix E. Woo-Lam protocol, simplified**

1992 The informal description of this one-way authentication protocol is shown in  
 1993 Figure E.21.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &\longrightarrow B : A \\
 B &\longrightarrow A : n_b \\
 A &\longrightarrow B : \{n_b\}_{k_{AS}} \\
 B &\longrightarrow S : \{A, \{n_b\}_{k_{AS}}\}_{k_{BS}} \\
 S &\longrightarrow B : \{A, n_b\}_{k_{BS}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure E.21: Simplified Woo-Lam Protocol.

1994 Woo and Lam presented this authentication protocol using symmetric cryptogra-  
 1995 phy in which Alice tries to prove her identity to Bob using a trusted third party, the  
 1996 server  $S$ . Firstly, Alice claims her identity. In response, Bob generates a nonce.  
 1997 Alice then returns this challenge encrypted with the secret symmetric key  $k_{AS}$  that  
 1998 she shares with the server. Bob passes this to server for translation and then the  
 1999 server returns the nonce received to Bob. Both bob and the server use the shared  
 2000 symmetric key  $k_{BS}$  for that communication. Finally, Bob verifies the nonce.

2001 The Woo-Lam protocol in its various versions appear to be subject to various  
 2002 attacks.

2003 A semi-founded protocol theory for the Woo-Lam protocol is given in Figure  
 2004 E.22.

Initial set of facts represents key distribution and announcement. It includes 2  
 facts with keys for communication with the server and 2 facts for announcement  
 of the participants' names:

$$W = \text{Guy}(A, K_{AS}) \text{Guy}(B, k_{BS}) \text{AnnN}(A) \text{AnnN}(B) .$$

2005 There should be additional 2 facts for role states and another fact for the network  
 2006 predicate. Therefore, a protocol run between  $A$  and  $B$  with no intruder involved  
 2007 requires a configuration of at least **7 facts of the size of at least 6**.

Role Regeneration Theory :

- ROLA :  $Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G)P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G)A_0(k_{GS})$   
 ROLB :  $Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G)P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k_{GS}) AnnN(G)B_0(k_{GS})$   
 ERASEA :  $A_2(k, G, x) \rightarrow P(*)$   
 ERASEB :  $B_3(k, G, x, y) \rightarrow P(*)$

Protocol Theories  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$ , and  $\mathcal{S}$  :

- A1 :  $A_0(k_{GS}) AnnN(G')P(*) \rightarrow A_1(k_{GS}, G') N_S(G) AnnN(G')$   
 A2 :  $A_1(k_{GS}, G') N_R(x) \rightarrow A_2(k_{GS}, G', x)N_S(enc(k_{GS}, x))$   
 B1 :  $B_0(k_{GS}) N_R(G') AnnN(G')$   
        $\rightarrow \exists x. B_1(k_{GS}, G', x) N_S(x) AnnN(G')$   
 B2 :  $B_1(k_{GS}, G', x) N_R(y) \rightarrow B_2(k_{GS}, G', x, y) N_S(enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', y \rangle))$   
 B3 :  $B_2(k_{GS}, G', x, y) N_R(enc(k_{GS}, x)) \rightarrow B_3(k_{GS}, G', x, y) P(*)$   
 S1 :  $N_R(enc(k_{GS}, \langle G', enc(K_{GS'}, x) \rangle)) Guy(G, k_{GS}) Guy(G', k_{GS'})$   
        $\rightarrow N_S(enc(k_{GS}, x)) Guy(G, k_{GS}) Guy(G', k_{GS'})$

Figure E.22: Semi-founded protocol theory for the simplified Woo-Lam Protocol.

2008 *Appendix E.1. An attack on simplified Woo-Lam protocol*

2009 An anomaly on Woo-Lam protocol in shown in Figure E.23.

$$\begin{aligned}
I(A) &\longrightarrow B : A \\
B &\longrightarrow I(A) : n_b \\
I(A) &\longrightarrow B : n_b \\
B &\longrightarrow I(S) : \{A, n_b\}_{k_{BS}} \\
I(S) &\longrightarrow B : \{A, n_b\}_{k_{BS}}
\end{aligned}$$

Figure E.23: An attack on simplified Woo-Lam Protocol.

2010 Intruder pretends to be Alice and sends Alice's name to Bob. Bob replies and  
2011 than receives a message that he believes comes from Alice therefore he encrypts it  
2012 with his key. Than the intruder send the message that looks like the valid server's  
2013 reply. Bob finishes the role thinking he had completed a successful protocol run  
2014 with Alice. Neither Alice nor the server were involved. Intruder initiates the  
2015 protocol impersonating Alice. Then he also impersonates the server and although  
2016 intruder does not know the keys shared between the server and Alice and Bob,  
2017 respectively, he is able to trick Bob into thinking that he had completed a proper  
2018 protocol exchange with Alice.

2019 Initial set of facts is  $W = Guy(A, K_{AS}) Guy(B, k_{BS}) AnnN(A) AnnN(B)$ .  
2020 This attack requires a configuration of at least **11 facts** (6 for the protocol and  
2021 additional 2 for the intruder) of the **size 6**. Notice that we did not need the role  
2022 state predicate for Alice, therefore the protocol did not require the usual 7 facts.

$$\begin{aligned}
W B_0(k_{BS}) M_g(A) R(*) P(*) &\rightarrow_{USEG} \\
W B_0(k_{BS}) M_g(A) C(A) P(*) &\rightarrow_{SND} \\
W B_0(k_{BS}) M_g(A) N_R(A) R(*) &\rightarrow_{B1} \\
W B_1(k_{BS}, A, n_b) M_g(A) N_S(n_b) R(*) &\rightarrow_{FWD} \\
W B_1(k_{BS}, A, n_b) M_g(A) N_R(n_b) R(*) &\rightarrow_{B2} \\
W B_2(k_{BS}, A, n_b, n_b) M_g(A) N_S(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, n_b \rangle)) R(*) &\rightarrow_{FWD} \\
W B_2(k_{BS}, A, n_b, n_b) M_g(A) N_R(enc(k_{BS}, \langle A, n_b \rangle)) R(*) &\rightarrow_{B3} \\
W B_3(k_{BS}, A, n_b, n_b) M_g(A) R(*) P(*) &
\end{aligned}$$

2023 This attack requires a configuration of at least **8 facts** (6 for the protocol and  
2024 additional 2 for the intruder) of the **size 6**.

2025 **Appendix F. An audited key distribution protocol from MSR**

2026 The following protocol was introduced in [15]. It is a fragment of an audited  
2027 key distribution protocol, for one key server and  $s$  clients. The protocol assumes  
2028 that a private symmetric key  $K$  is shared between the principals  $A, B_1, \dots, B_s$  and  
2029  $C$ . Here  $A$  is a key server,  $B_1; \dots, B_s$  are clients, and  $C$  is an audit process. There  
2030 are  $s$  Server/Client sub-protocols, one for each client. In these sub-protocols  $A$   
2031 sends a value which corresponds to a certain binary pattern, and  $B_i$  responds by  
2032 incrementing the pattern by one. We use the notation  $x_i$  to indicate the "don't  
2033 care" values in the messages in the Server/Client sub-protocols.

2034 We show the protocol for  $s = 4$ .

**Keys:**  $K$  - symmetric encryption key shared by  $A, B_i, C$

**Server / Client Protocols**

$A \longrightarrow B_1 : \{x_1, x_2, x_3, 0\}_K$   
 $B_1 \longrightarrow A : \{x_1, x_2, x_3, 1\}_K$

$A \longrightarrow B_2 : \{x_1, x_2, 0, 1\}_K$   
 $B_2 \longrightarrow A : \{x_1, x_2, 1, 0\}_K$

$A \longrightarrow B_3 : \{x_1, 0, 1, 1\}_K$   
 $B_3 \longrightarrow A : \{x_1, 1, 0, 0\}_K$

$A \longrightarrow B_4 : \{0, 1, 1, 1\}_K$   
 $B_4 \longrightarrow A : \{1, 0, 0, 0\}_K$

**Audit Protocols**

$A \longrightarrow C : \{0, 0, 0, 0\}_K$   
 $C \longrightarrow A : \text{OK}$

$A \longrightarrow C : \{1, 1, 1, 1\}_K$   
 $C \longrightarrow A : \text{SECRET}$

Figure F.24: Exponential Protocol



2035 The protocol also includes two audit sub-protocols. In the first audit protocol the  
2036 server  $A$  sends a message of all zero's to  $C$  to indicate that the protocol finished  
2037 correctly. In the second audit protocol,  $A$  sends a message of all one's to indicate  
2038 that there is an error. The second audit protocol has the side-effect of broadcasting  
2039 the SECRET if  $C$  receives the error message.

Role regeneration theory :

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\text{ROLA} : P(*) \rightarrow A_0(K) & \text{ERASEA} : A_4(K) \rightarrow P(*) \\
\text{ROLB1} : P(*) \rightarrow B1_0(K) & \text{ERASEB1} : B1_1(K) \rightarrow P(*) \\
\text{ROLB2} : P(*) \rightarrow B2_0(K) & \text{ERASEB2} : B2_1(K) \rightarrow P(*) \\
\text{ROLB3} : P(*) \rightarrow B3_0(K) & \text{ERASEB3} : B3_1(K) \rightarrow P(*) \\
\text{ROLB4} : P(*) \rightarrow B4_0(K) & \text{ERASEB4} : B4_1(K) \rightarrow P(*) \\
\text{ROLC} : P(*) \rightarrow C_0(K) & \text{ERASEC} : C_1(K) \rightarrow P(*)
\end{array}$$

Protocol rules :

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\text{A1} : P(*)A_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, x_3, 0)))A_1(K) \\
\text{A2} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, x_3, 1)))A_1(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, 0, 1)))A_2(K) \\
\text{A3} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, 1, 0)))A_2(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, 0, 1, 1)))A_3(K) \\
\text{A4} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, 1, 0, 0)))A_3(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (0, 1, 1, 1)))A_4(K) \\
\\
\text{B1} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, x_3, 0)))B1_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, x_3, 1)))B1_1(K) \\
\text{B2} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, 0, 1)))B2_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, 1, 0)))B2_1(K) \\
\text{B3} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, 0, 1, 1)))B3_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, 1, 0, 0)))B3_1(K) \\
\text{B4} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (0, 1, 1, 1)))B4_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (1, 0, 0, 0)))B4_1(K) \\
\\
\text{A5} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (1, 0, 0, 0)))A_4(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (0, 0, 0, 0)))A_5(K) \\
\text{C1} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (0, 0, 0, 0)))C_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{OK})C_1(K) \\
\\
\text{A6} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (0, x_1, x_2, x_3)))A_4(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (1, 1, 1, 1)))A_5(K) \\
\text{A7} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, 1, x_2, x_3)))A_4(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (1, 1, 1, 1)))A_5(K) \\
\text{A8} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, 1, x_3)))A_4(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (1, 1, 1, 1)))A_5(K) \\
\text{A9} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (x_1, x_2, x_3, 1)))A_4(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{enc}(K, (1, 1, 1, 1)))A_5(K) \\
\text{C2} : N_R(\text{enc}(K, (1, 1, 1, 1)))C_0(K) & \rightarrow N_S(\text{SECRET})C_1(K)
\end{array}$$

Figure F.25: Protocol theory rules in semi-founded form

2040 Initial set of facts represents key distribution for communication with the server  
2041 and includes 4 facts representing principals' names. There should be additional 2  
2042 facts for role states, one for the server state  $A_i$  and another for the principal cur-  
2043 rently having a session with the server  $A$ . Role regeneration theory optimizes the  
2044 number of facts required by deleting final role states with ERASE rules. Another  
2045 fact is required for the network predicate. Therefore, a protocol run between  $A$ ,  
2046  $B_1, \dots, B_4$  and  $C$  with no intruder involved requires a configuration of at least  
2047 **11 facts of the size of at least 10.**

2048 *Appendix F.1. An exponential attack on the protocol*

2049 It is argued in the [15] that this protocol, which was in the restricted well-  
2050 founded form, is secure against polynomial-time attack and insecure under Dolev-  
2051 Yao assumptions. There is an attack which requires an exponential number of  
2052 protocol sessions. Since in a well-founded protocol theory the initial role states  
2053 are created before protocol execution, this attack would no longer be possible  
2054 with a balanced well-founded protocol theory and a bounded memory intruder.  
2055 In a fixed configuration the number of roles would be bounded by the number of  
2056 facts in the configuration.

2057 In a semi-founded protocol theory there are rules from role regeneration theory  
2058 which delete final protocol state facts, so the protocols runs with even an expo-  
2059 nential number of roles are possible. Although there is only a bounded number  
2060 of parallel (concurrent) sessions, it is even possible to have an infinite number of  
2061 roles in a run.

2062 When a Dolev-Yao intruder is present, he can route an initial message  $(0, 0, 0, 0)$   
2063 encrypted by  $K$  from the server  $A$  through  $2^s - 1$  principals creating an exponen-  
2064 tial run of the protocol. The value of the encrypted binary number gets increased  
2065 and finally reaches all 1's which is then sent to  $C$  and causes broadcasting of the  
2066 SECRET.

2067 The intruder only forwards the messages without being able to decrypt them.  
2068 He uses the FWD rule which does not require any additional intruder's memory.  
2069 These actions are repeated for each of the  $2^s$  protocol sessions with principals  $B_i$ .  
2070 Finally he sends the last message consisting of all 1's encrypted by  $K$  to  $C$  who  
2071 then broadcasts the SECRET. Intruder learns the secret by using the rules REC,  
2072 DM and then forwards the message to  $A$  using USEC and SND rules. For that he  
2073 needs  $2 R(*)$  facts.

2074 Consequently, the exponential attack requires a configuration of at least **13 facts**  
2075 of the **size 10**, of which  $2 R(*)$  facts.

2076 **Appendix G. Symmetric Key Kerberos 5**

2077 Kerberos is a widely deployed protocol, designed to repeatedly authenticate a  
 2078 client to multiple application servers based on a single login. The protocol uses  
 2079 various credentials (tickets), encrypted under a servers key and thus opaque to  
 2080 the client, to authenticate the client to the server. This allows the client to obtain  
 2081 additional credentials or to request service from an application server.

2082 We follow the Kerberos 5 representation from Butler, Cervesato, Jaggard, Sce-  
 2083 drov "A Formal Analysis of Some Properties of Kerberos 5 Using MSR". We use  
 2084 the level "A" formalization of Kerberos 5 with mutual authentication which al-  
 2085 lows the ticket anomaly of the protocol. For simplicity we use  $t$  instead of  $t_{C,Sreq}$   
 2086 timestamp in the last two messages of the protocol shown in the Fig. G.26.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &\longrightarrow K : C, T, n_1 \\
 K &\longrightarrow C : C, \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{AKey, n_1, T\}_{k_C} \\
 C &\longrightarrow T : \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{C\}_{AKey}, C, S, n_2 \\
 T &\longrightarrow C : C, \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{SKey, n_2, S\}_{AKey} \\
 C &\longrightarrow S : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 S &\longrightarrow C : \{t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure G.26: Kerberos 5 Protocol.

2087 A run of Kerberos 5 consists of three successive phases which involve three  
 2088 different servers. It accomplishes a repeated authentication of a client to multiple  
 2089 servers while minimizing the use of the long-term secret key(s) shared between  
 2090 the client and the Kerberos infrastructure. The client  $C$  who wishes to authenti-  
 2091 cate herself to an application server  $S$  starts by obtaining a long-term credential,  
 2092 whose use requires her long term (shared) key, and then uses this to obtain short-  
 2093 term credentials for particular servers. In the first phase,  $C$  sends a message to  
 2094 the Kerberos Authentication Server (KAS)  $K$  requesting a ticket granting ticket  
 2095 (TGT) for use with a particular Ticket Granting Server (TGS)  $T$ .  $K$  is expected  
 2096 to reply with message consisting of the ticket TGT and an encrypted component  
 2097 containing a fresh authentication key  $AKey$  to be shared between  $C$  and  $T$ . In  
 2098 the second phase,  $C$  forwards TGT, along with an authenticator encrypted under  
 2099  $AKey$ , to the TGS  $T$  as a request for a service ticket for use with the server  $S$ .  
 2100 Server  $T$  is expected to respond with a message consisting of the service ticket  
 2101 (ST) and an encrypted component containing a fresh service key  $SKey$  to be  
 2102 shared between  $C$  and  $S$ . In the third phase,  $C$  forwards ST and a new authen-  
 2103 ticator encrypted with  $SKey$  to  $S$ . If all credentials are valid, this application

2104 server will authenticate  $C$  and provide the service. The last protocol message is  
 2105 an optional acknowledgment message.

2106 A single ticket-granting ticket can be used to obtain several service tickets,  
 2107 possibly from several application servers, while it is valid. Similarly, a single  
 2108 service ticket for the application server  $S$  can be used for repeated service from  $S$   
 2109 before it expires. In both cases, a fresh authenticator is required for each use of  
 2110 the ticket.

2111 A semi-founded protocol theory is given in Figure G.27. The additional pred-  
 2112 icates used in the theory were depicted in Figure B.10.

2113 Initial set of facts consists in facts representing participant's names and servers  
 2114 participating in the protocol, and facts representing secret keys distribution. We  
 2115 assume the secret key of the participant  $k_C$  has previously been stored in the key  
 2116 database accessible by the Kerberos Authentication Server  $K$ . Similarly we as-  
 2117 sume the secret key of the Ticket Granting Server  $T$  has been stored in the key  
 2118 database accessible by  $K$  and the secret key of the Server  $S$  has been stored in the  
 2119 key database accessible by the Ticket Granting Server  $T$ .

2120 Initial set of facts includes the following 7 facts:

$$W = AnnN(C) KAS(K) TGS(T) Server(S) \\ Guy(C, k_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) .$$

2121 There should be additional 4 facts for role state predicates and another fact for the  
 2122 network predicate.

2123 Rules marked with  $\rightarrow_{clock}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{constraint_K}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{constraint_T}$  and  $\rightarrow_{constraint_S}$  represent  
 2124 constraints related to timestamps and to validity of relevant Kerberos messages.  
 2125 They are determined by an external process and we represent them with separate  
 2126 rules:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{constraint}_K &: P(*) \rightarrow Valid_K(C, T, n_1) \\ \text{constraint}_T &: P(*) \rightarrow Valid_T(C, S, n_2) \\ \text{constraint}_S &: P(*) \rightarrow Valid_S(C, t) \\ \text{clock} &: P(*) \rightarrow Clock_C(t) \end{aligned}$$

2127 Additional facts representing memory, clock and validity constraints, *i.e.*  $Auth$ ,  
 2128  $Service$ ,  $DoneMut_C$ ,  $Mem_S$ ,  $Clock$ ,  $Valid_K$ ,  $Valid_T$ ,  $Valid_S$ , require 3 facts  
 2129 (not all are persistent so we don't need all 8 facts).

2130 Therefore, a protocol run between the client  $C$  and Kerberos servers  $K, T$  and  
 2131  $S$  with no intruder involved requires a configuration of at least **15 facts** of the  
 2132 **size of at least 16**.

Role Regeneration Theory :

ROLC :  $Guy(G, k_G) AnnN(G) P(*) \rightarrow Guy(G, k_G) AnnN(G) C_0(C)$

ROLK :  $KAS(K) P(*) \rightarrow KAS(K) K_0(K)$

ROLT :  $TGS(T) P(*) \rightarrow TGS(T) T_0(T)$

ROLS :  $Server(S) P(*) \rightarrow Server(S) S_0(S)$

ERASEC :  $C_4(C, S, SKey, t, Y) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASEK :  $K_1(K) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASET :  $T_1(T) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASES :  $S_1(S) \rightarrow P(*)$

Protocol Theories  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{K}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  :

C1 :  $C_0(C) TGS(T) P(*) \rightarrow \exists n_1. C_1(C, T, n_1) TGS(T) N_S(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle)$

C2 :  $C_1(C, T, n_1) Server(S) N_R(\langle C, \langle X, enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) P(*)$

$\rightarrow \exists n_2. C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) Server(S) Auth(X, T, AKey)$

$N_S(\langle X, \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$

C3 :  $C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) Clock_C(t)$

$N_R(\langle C, \langle Y, enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle)$

$\rightarrow C_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) N_S(\langle Y, enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) Service(Y, S, SKey)$

C4 :  $C_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) N_R(enc(SKey, t))$

$\rightarrow C_4(C, S, SKey, t, Y) DoneMut_C(S, SKey)$

K1 :  $K_0(K) Guy(C, k_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) N_R(\langle \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle) Valid_K(C, T, n_1)$

$\rightarrow \exists AKey. K_1(K) Guy(C, k_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) P(*)$

$N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle)$

T1 :  $T_0(T) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) Valid_T(C, S, n_2)$

$N_R(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$

$\rightarrow \exists SKey. T_1(T) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) P(*)$

$N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle)$

S1 :  $S_0(S) ServerKey(S, k_S) Valid_S(C, t)$

$N_R(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle)$

$\rightarrow S_1(S) ServerKey(S, k_S) N_S(enc(SKey, t)) Mem_S(C, SKey, t)$

Figure G.27: Semi-founded protocol theory for the Kerberos 5 Protocol.

The trace representing the normal protocol run is given below:

$$\begin{aligned}
& W C_0(C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{C1} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) N(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{\text{constraint}_K} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) \text{Valid}_K(C, T, n_1) P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{K1} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{C2} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \langle \text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{\text{constraint}_T} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \text{Valid}_T(C, S, n_2) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \langle \text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{T1} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{\text{clock}} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) \text{Clock}_C(t) P(*) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{C3} \\
& W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad \text{Service}(\text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{\text{constraint}_S} \\
& W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad \text{Service}(\text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \text{Valid}_S(C, t) \\
& \quad N(\langle \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), \text{enc}(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{S1} \\
& W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) \\
& \quad \text{Service}(\text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \text{Mem}_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) N(\text{enc}(SKey, t)) \rightarrow_{C4} \\
& W C_4(C, S, SKey, t, \text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) \\
& \quad \text{Service}(\text{enc}(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \text{Mem}_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad \text{Auth}(\text{enc}(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \text{DoneMut}_C(S, SKey)
\end{aligned}$$

2134 *Appendix G.1. Ticket anomaly in Kerberos 5 protocol*

2135 The informal description of the ticket anomaly in Kerberos 5 protocol is given  
 2136 in Figure G.28. Intruder intercepts the message from  $K$  and replaces the ticket  
 2137 with a generic (dummy) message  $X$  and stores the actual ticket in his memory.  
 2138  $C$  cannot detect this as he aspects the opaque sub-message representing the ticket  
 2139 therefore just forwards the received meaningless  $X$ . Intruder intercepts this mes-  
 2140 sage and replaces  $X$  with the original ticket from  $K$ . He forwards the well-formed  
 2141 message to server  $T$  and rest of the protocol proceeds as normal.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &\longrightarrow K : C, T, n_1 \\
 K &\longrightarrow I(C) : C, \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{AKey, n_1, T\}_{k_C} \\
 I(K) &\longrightarrow C : C, X, \{AKey, n_1, T\}_{k_C} \\
 C &\longrightarrow I(T) : X, \{C\}_{AKey}, C, S, n_2 \\
 I(C) &\longrightarrow T : \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{C\}_{AKey}, C, S, n_2 \\
 T &\longrightarrow C : C, \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{SKey, n_2, S\}_{AKey} \\
 C &\longrightarrow S : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 S &\longrightarrow C : \{t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure G.28: Ticket anomaly in Kerberos 5 protocol

2142 As the result of the intruder's actions the server  $T$  has granted the client  $C$  a  
 2143 ticket for the server  $S$  even though  $C$  has never received nor sent a valid second  
 2144 Kerberos 5 message to  $T$  ( $C$  only thinks he has). Furthermore, since Kerberos 5  
 2145 allows multiple ticket use, subsequent attempts from  $C$  to get the ticket for the  
 2146 server  $S$  with a dummy ticket granting ticket  $X$  will fail for reasons unknown to  
 2147  $C$ .

2148 In order to perform this attack intruder should be able to generate a generic mes-  
 2149 sage of the type  $msgaux < msg$  representing a "false ticket". Later on he should  
 2150 store this type of data in a separate memory predicate  $M_m$ . Therefore we use rules  
 2151 GENM, LRNM and USEM from the intruder theory.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{GENM} &: R(*) \rightarrow \exists m. M_m(m) \\
 \text{LRNM} &: D(m) \rightarrow M_m(m) \\
 \text{USEM} &: M_m(m)R(*) \rightarrow M_m(m) C(m)
 \end{aligned}$$

2152 As in the normal run with no intruder present, initial set of 7 facts is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 W = & AnnN(C) KAS(K) TGS(T) Server(S) \\
 & Guy(C, k_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) .
 \end{aligned}$$

2153 A trace representing the anomaly is shown below.

$$\begin{aligned}
& WC_0(C)K_0(k_C, k_T)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{C1} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_0(k_C, k_T)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) N_S(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2154 Intruder forwards the message to the server  $K$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_0(k_C, k_T)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) N_R(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{constraint_K} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_0(k_C, k_T)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{K1} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2155 Intruder intercepts the reply from the server  $K$  and digests parts of its contents.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{REC} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad D(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad D(C)D(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad D(C)D(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) D(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow_{LRNG} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad M_g(C)D(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle))D(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2156 Intruder bins the part of the message he does not need since he will replace it later  
2157 with a fresh generic message that he generates.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{DM^2} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{GENM} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USES} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEM} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) C(X) \\
& \quad P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(\langle X, enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \\
& \quad P(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{USEG} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(\langle X, enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) C(C) \\
& \quad P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(\langle C, \langle X, enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_g(C)M_g(T)M_c(X) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle)) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle X, enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2158 Intruder uses memory maintenance rules to free the memory of unnecessary facts  
2159 including the  $B(*)$  facts. In order to perform the attack he needs to keep the ticket  
2160 granting ticket in his memory.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{DELA} \\
& WC_1(C, T, n_1)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S)M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle X, enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2161 Client  $C$  does not notice the faulty message since he expects to receive an opaque  
 2162 submessage representing a ticket granting ticket, therefore re replies as if the mes-  
 2163 sage was a valid message from  $K$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow_{C2} \\ & WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\ & \quad N_s(\langle X, \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

2164 Intruder intercepts the message and needs to replace the generic message  $X$  with  
 2165 the original ticket granting ticket. We use the notation  $X = enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow_{REC} \\ & WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\ & \quad D(\langle X, \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\ & WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\ & \quad D(X) D(\langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DELD} \\ & WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\ & \quad B * (*) D(\langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMPB} \\ & WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\ & \quad D(enc(AKey, C)) D(\langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DM^2} \\ & WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2)K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey)T_0(k_S)S_0(S) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(AKey, C)) M_s(\langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

2166 For the composition of the message intruder needs 2 additional  $R(*)$  facts.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{(USES^2, COMP, USES, COMP)} \\
& WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(AKey, C)) M_s(\langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\
& \quad C(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(AKey, C)) M_s(\langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle) Auth(X, T, AKey) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DEL_2} \\
& WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2167 In the rest of the protocol intruder only forwards the messages using FWD rule.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{constraint_T} \\
& WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Valid_T(C, S, n_2) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{T_1} WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) P(*) P(*) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2168 Intruder only forwards the remaining messages since it does not help him in any

2169 way to keep any data from the message in the memory.

2170 We use the notation  $Y = enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{FWD} \\
& WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) P(*) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{clock} \\
& WC_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Clock_C(t) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{C_3} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Service(Y, S, SKey) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle Y, enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Service(Y, S, SKey) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle Y, enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{constraints} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Service(Y, S, SKey) Valid_S(C, t) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle Y, enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{S_1} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Service(Y, S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad N_S(enc(SKey, t)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Service(Y, S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad N_R(enc(SKey, t)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{C_4} \\
& WC_4(C, S, SKey, t, Y) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0(S) \\
& \quad Auth(X, T, AKey) Service(Y, S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad DoneMut_C(S, SKey) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)
\end{aligned}$$

2171 With respect to memory, it does help the intruder to be "clever". The attack re-  
2172 quires a configuration of at least **22 facts** (15 for the protocol and additional 7  
2173 facts for the intruder) of the **size 16**.

2174 *Appendix G.2. Replay anomaly in Kerberos 5 protocol*

2175 "A" level formalization of Kerberos 5 does not include some nonces and  
 2176 timestamps of the protocol, so it precludes detection of replayed messages.  
 2177 Request messages that client sends to servers can therefore be stored in intruder's  
 2178 memory when he intercepts them. Later on he can put them on the network as  
 2179 additional requests. If the original requests were accepted by the servers, so may  
 2180 be the replayed ones as well. In that case the server generates fresh credentials  
 2181 based on replayed requests. Differently than in the case of ticket anomaly, fresh  
 2182 credentials are granted.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &\longrightarrow K : C, T, n_1 \\
 K &\longrightarrow C : C, \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{AKey, n_1, T\}_{k_C} \\
 C &\longrightarrow G : \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{C\}_{AKey}, C, S, n_2 \\
 G &\longrightarrow C : C, \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{SKey, n_2, S\}_{AKey} \\
 C &\longrightarrow I(S) : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 I(C) &\longrightarrow S : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 S &\longrightarrow C : \{t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 I(C) &\longrightarrow S : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 S &\longrightarrow I(C) : \{t_{c,Sreq}\}_{SKey}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure G.29: Replay anomaly of Kerberos 5 Protocol

2183 We will model the replay of the third request message from the protocol, as shown  
 2184 in Figure G.29.

2185 Intruder basically observes the protocol run remembering the request message  
 2186 to the Server. He only digests the network predicates, *i.e.* transforms the  $N_S$  to  $N_R$   
 2187 predicate. Some messages are only forwarded with all of the data learnt from them  
 2188 deleted, while the data from the request message is kept in intruder's memory for  
 2189 later replay. Differently from ticket anomaly, intruder does not generate any fresh  
 2190 data.

2191 As in the normal run with no intruder present, initial set of 7 facts is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 W = & AnnN(C) KAS(K) TGS(T) Server(S) \\
 & Guy(C, k_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) .
 \end{aligned}$$

2192 This attack requires a configuration of at least **20 facts** (16 for the protocol and  
 2193 additional 4 facts for the intruder ) of the **size 16**, as shows the trace of the anomaly  
 2194 given below.

$$\begin{aligned}
& WC_0(C)K_0(k_C, k_T)T_0(k_S)S_0() P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{C1} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) N_S(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2195 Intruder simply forwards the messages he's not interested in.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) N_R(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{constraint_K} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{K1} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2196 Intruder again forwards the message.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{C2} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{constraint_T} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Valid_T(C, S, n_2) \\
& \quad N_R(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{T1} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2197 Intruder only forwards the message.

$\rightarrow_{FWD}$

$W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey)$   
 $N_R(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle) \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{clock}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) Clock_C(t) P(*)P(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey)$   
 $N(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle) \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{C3}$   
 $WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0()$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey)$   
 $N_S(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow$

2198 Intruder needs data contained in this message therefore he intercepts the message  
2199 and stores its data.

$\rightarrow_{REC}$

$WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0()$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey)$   
 $D(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP}$   
 $WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0()$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey)$   
 $D(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) D(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle))$   
 $R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DM^2}$   
 $WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0()$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle))$   
 $R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow$

2200 Intruder starts composing the message.

$\rightarrow_{USES^2}$

$WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0()$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey)$   
 $M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) C(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle))$   
 $M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) C(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle))$   
 $P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow$

2201 Notice that there are no  $R(*)$  facts in the configuration.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0() \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad C(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0() \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad N_R(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{constraint_S} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0() \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \\
& \quad Valid_S(C, t) N_R(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{S_1} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_1() \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) N_S(enc(SKey, t)) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2202 Again intruder only forwards the message.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{FWD} \\
& WC_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_1() \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) N_R(enc(SKey, t)) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{C_4} \\
& WC_4(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_1() \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) DoneMut_C(S, SKey) \\
& \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\
& \quad R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2203 After this run has completed, intruder replays the request to the Server  $S$ .



2204 Role regeneration theory rules ROLS and ERASES allow another session with the  
 2205 Server.

$$\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow_{(ERASES,ROLS,USES^2,COMP,SND)} \\ & WC_4(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_0() \\ & \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\ & \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) DoneMut_C(S, SKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) \\ & \quad N_R(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{S1} \\ & WC_4(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(k_C, k_T, AKey) T_0(k_S) S_1() \\ & \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\ & \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) DoneMut_C(S, SKey) \\ & \quad M_s(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) M_s(enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle)) N_S(enc(SKey, t)) \\ & \quad R(*)R(*) \end{aligned}$$

2206 **Appendix H. Public Key extension of Kerberos 5 - PKINIT**

2207 The Public Key extension of Kerberos 5 differs from the symmetric version  
 2208 of Kerberos 5 in the initial round between the client and the KAS. Public key  
 2209 encryption is used instead of a shared key between the client and the KAS.

2210 In the PKINIT the client  $C$  and the KAS possess independent public and secret  
 2211 key pairs,  $(pk_C, sk_C)$  and  $(pk_K, sk_K)$ , respectively. Certificate sets  $Cert_C$  and  
 2212  $Cert_K$  testify the binding of the principal and her public key. The rest of the  
 2213 protocol remains unchanged, see Fig. H.30, where for simplicity we use  $t$  instead  
 2214 of  $t_{C,S_{req}}$  timestamp in the last two messages of the protocol. We keep a similar  
 2215 level of abstraction as in the previous section on Kerberos 5.

2216 A semi-founded protocol theory for the PKINIT protocol is given in Figure  
 2217 H.31.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &\longrightarrow K : Cert_C, \{t_C, n_2\}_{sk_C}, C, T, n_1 \\
 K &\longrightarrow C : \{Cert_K, \{k, n_2\}_{sk_K}\}_{pk_C}, C, \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{AKey, n_1, t_K, T\}_k \\
 C &\longrightarrow T : \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{C\}_{AKey}, C, S, n_3 \\
 T &\longrightarrow C : C, \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{SKey, n_3, S\}_{AKey} \\
 C &\longrightarrow S : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c,S_{req}}\}_{SKey} \\
 S &\longrightarrow C : \{t_{c,S_{req}}\}_{SKey}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure H.30: PKINIT Protocol.

2218 We show that a PKINIT protocol run between the client  $C$  and Kerberos servers  
 2219  $K, T$  and  $S$  with no intruder involved requires a configuration of at least **18 facts**  
 2220 of the **size of at least 28**.

2221 Initial set of facts consists of facts representing participant's names and servers  
 2222 participating in the protocol, and facts representing secret keys and public/private  
 2223 key distribution. We assume the secret key of the Ticket Granting Server  $T$  has  
 2224 been stored in the key database accessible by  $K$  and the secret key of the Server  
 2225  $S$  has been stored in the key database accessible by the Ticket Granting Server  $T$ .  
 2226 Initial set of facts has 10 facts:

$$\begin{aligned}
 W = & Client(C, pk_C) KP(pk_C, sk_C) AnnK(pk_C) \\
 & KAS(K) KP(pk_K, sk_K) AnnK(pk_K) \\
 & TGS(T) TGSKey(T, k_T) \\
 & Server(S) ServerKey(S, k_S) .
 \end{aligned} \tag{H.1}$$

Role Regeneration Theory :

ROLC :  $Client(C, pk_C) P(*) \rightarrow Client(C, pk_C) C_0(C)$

ROLK :  $KAS(K) P(*) \rightarrow KAS(K) K_0(K)$

ROLT :  $TGS(T) P(*) \rightarrow TGS(T) T_0(T)$

ROLS :  $Server(S) P(*) \rightarrow Server(S) S_0(S)$

ERASEC :  $C_4(C, S, SKey, t, Y) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASEK :  $K_1(K) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASET :  $T_1(T) \rightarrow P(*)$

ERASES :  $S_1(S) \rightarrow P(*)$

Protocol Theories  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{K}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  :

C1 :  $C_0(C) TGS(T) Clock_C(t_C) \rightarrow \exists n_1.n_2.C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) TGS(T)$   
 $N_S(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$

C2 :  $C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) Server(S) P(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle enc(pk_C, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle),$   
 $\langle C, \langle X, enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
 $\rightarrow \exists n_3.C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_3) Server(S) Auth(X, T, AKey)$   
 $N_S(\langle X, \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_3 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$

C3 :  $C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_3) N_R(\langle C, \langle Y, enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_3, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) Clock_C(t)$   
 $\rightarrow C_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) N_S(\langle Y, enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) Service(Y, S, SKey)$

C4 :  $C_3(C, S, SKey, t, Y) N_R(enc(SKey, t))$   
 $\rightarrow C_4(C, S, SKey, t, Y) DoneMut_C(S, SKey)$

K1 :  $K_0(K) Client(C, pk_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) Clock_K(t_K)$   
 $N_R(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
 $\rightarrow \exists k.AKey.K_1(K) Client(C, pk_C) TGSKey(T, k_T) P(*)P(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle enc(pk_C, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle),$   
 $\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$

T1 :  $T_0(T) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) Valid_T(C, S, n_2)$   
 $N_R(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), \langle enc(AKey, C), \langle C, \langle S, n_2 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle)$   
 $\rightarrow \exists SKey.T_1(T) TGSKey(T, k_T) ServerKey(S, k_S) P(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle)$

S1 :  $S_0(S) ServerKey(S, k_S) Valid_S(C, t)$   
 $N_R(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $\rightarrow S_1(S) ServerKey(S, k_S) N_S(enc(SKey, t)) Mem_S(C, SKey, t)$

Figure H.31: Semi-founded protocol theory for the PKINIT

2227 Same as with the symmetric Kerberos 5, rules that are marked with  $\rightarrow_{clock_C}$ ,  
 2228  $\rightarrow_{clock_K}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{constraint_K}$ ,  $\rightarrow_{constraint_T}$  and  $\rightarrow_{constraint_S}$  represent constraints related  
 2229 to timestamps and to validity of relevant Kerberos messages. They are determined  
 2230 by an external process and we represent them with separate rules:

$$\begin{aligned}
 constraint_K &: P(*) \rightarrow Valid_K(C, T, n_1) \\
 constraint_T &: P(*) \rightarrow Valid_T(C, S, n_2) \\
 constraint_S &: P(*) \rightarrow Valid_S(C, t) \\
 clock_C &: P(*) \rightarrow Clock_C(t) \\
 clock_K &: P(*) \rightarrow Clock_K(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

2231 There should be additional 4 facts for role state predicates and another fact for  
 2232 the network predicate. Additional facts representing memory, clock and validity  
 2233 constraints, *i.e.*  $Auth$ ,  $Service$ ,  $DoneMut_C$ ,  $Mem_S$ ,  $Clock_C$ ,  $Clock_K$ ,  $Valid_K$ ,  
 2234  $Valid_T$ ,  $Valid_S$ , require 3 facts (not all are persistent so we don't need all 8 facts).

2235 The trace representing the protocol run with no intruder present is shown below:

$$\begin{aligned}
& W C_0(C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{clock_C} \\
& W C_0(C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) Clock_C(t_C) P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{C1} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
& \quad N(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{constraint_K} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) \\
& \quad N(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{clock_K} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) Clock_K(t_K) \\
& \quad N(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) P(*) \rightarrow_{K1} \\
& W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad N(\langle enc(pk_C, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle \rangle) \rangle, \\
& \quad \quad \langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{C2} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{constraint_T} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Valid_T(C, S, n_2) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{T1} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{clock} \\
& W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) Clock_C(t)P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{C3} \\
& W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) P(*) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) \\
& \quad N(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{constraint_S} \\
& W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Valid_S(C, t) \\
& \quad N(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{S1} \\
& W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) N(enc(SKey, t)) \rightarrow_{C4} \\
& W C_4(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) \\
& \quad Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) \\
& \quad Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) DoneMut_C(S, SKey)
\end{aligned}$$

2236 *Appendix H.1. Man-In-The-Middle attack on PKINIT*

2237 A Man-in-the-middle attack on PKINIT is informally shown in Figure H.32.  
 2238 For this attack to succeed intruder has to be a legitimate Kerberos client so that  
 2239 the KAS server could grant him credentials. We model that by introducing a  
 2240 compromised client  $B$  whose keys and certificates are known to intruder.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &\longrightarrow I(K) : Cert_C, \{t_C, n_2\}_{sk_C}, C, T, n_1 \\
 I(C) &\longrightarrow K : Cert_B, \{t_C, n_2\}_{sk_B}, B, T, n_1 \\
 K &\longrightarrow I(C) : \{Cert_K, \{k, n_2\}_{sk_K}\}_{pk_B}, B, \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{AKey, n_1, t_K, T\}_k \\
 I(K) &\longrightarrow C : \{Cert_K, \{k, n_2\}_{sk_K}\}_{pk_C}, C, \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{AKey, n_1, t_K, T\}_k \\
 C &\longrightarrow G : \{AKey, C\}_{k_T}, \{C\}_{AKey}, C, S, n_3 \\
 G &\longrightarrow C : C, \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{SKey, n_3, S\}_{AKey} \\
 C &\longrightarrow S : \{SKey, C\}_{k_S}, \{C, t_{c, Sreq}\}_{SKey} \\
 S &\longrightarrow C : \{t_{c, Sreq}\}_{SKey}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure H.32: Man-in-the-middle attack on PKINIT Protocol.

2241 This flaw allows an attacker to impersonate Kerberos administrative principals  
 2242 and end-servers to a client, hence breaching the authentication guarantees of Ker-  
 2243 beros PKINIT. It also gives the attacker the keys that the server  $K$  would normally  
 2244 generate to encrypt the service requests of this client, hence defeating confiden-  
 2245 tiality as well. The consequences of this attack are quite serious. For example, the  
 2246 attacker could monitor communication between an honest client and a Kerberized  
 2247 network file server. This would allow the attacker to read the files that the client  
 2248 believes are being securely transferred to the file server.

2249 Initial set of facts has 17 facts:

$$\begin{aligned}
 W = & Client(C, pk_C) KP(pk_C, sk_C) AnnK(pk_C) \\
 & Client(B, pk_B) KP(pk_B, sk_B) AnnK(pk_B) \\
 & M_{ek}(pk_B) M_{dk}(sk_B) M_g(B) M_p(Cert_B) \\
 & KAS(K) KP(pk_K, sk_K) AnnK(pk_K) \\
 & TGS(T) TGSKey(T, k_T) Server(S) ServerKey(S, k_S) .
 \end{aligned}$$

2250 There should be additional 4 facts for role state predicates and another fact for the  
 2251 network predicate. Memory, clock and validity constraints, *i.e.*  $Auth$ ,  $Service$ ,  
 2252  $DoneMut_C$ ,  $Mem_S$ ,  $Clock_C$ ,  $Clock_K$ ,  $Valid_K$ ,  $Valid_T$ ,  $Valid_S$ , require 3 addi-  
 2253 tional facts.

2254 The attack requires a configuration of at least **31 facts** (21 for the protocol and  
 2255 additional 10 for the intruder) of the **size 28**, as shown by the following trace.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &W C_0(C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
 &P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{(clock_C, C_1)} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)R(*) \\
 &R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) N_S(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

2256 Intruder has to intercept and digest the message in order to modify it.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\rightarrow_{REC} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
 &D(\langle Cert_C, \langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
 &R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &D(Cert_C) D(\langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DELD} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &B(*) D(\langle enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DCMPB} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &D(enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle)) D(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DSIG} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &D(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) M_c(enc(sk_C, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle)) D(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DELMB} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &D(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) B(*) D(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DM} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &M_s(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) B(*) D(\langle C, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \rightarrow_{DCMPB} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
 &M_s(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) D(C) D(\langle T, n_1 \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{DM} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
 &M_s(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) D(C) M_s(\langle T, n_1 \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{(LRNG)} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
 &M_s(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) M_g(C) M_s(\langle T, n_1 \rangle) R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

2257 Intruder starts composing the modified message replacing  $Cert_C$ ,  $C$  and  $C$ 's sig-  
 2258 nature with  $Cert_B$ ,  $B$  and  $B$ 's signature. Since  $B$  is compromised intruder knows  
 2259 all the required data.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\rightarrow_{(USES, USEG, COMP, USES, SIG)} \\
 &W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
 &M_s(\langle t_C, n_2 \rangle) M_g(C) M_s(\langle T, n_1 \rangle) \\
 &C(\langle I, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle) C(enc(sk_B, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle)) \rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

2260 At this point intruder has no  $R(*)$  facts left.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{(COMP, USEP, COMP)} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
& M_t(t_C) M_n(n_2) M_g(C) M_g(T) M_n(n_1) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)R(*) \\
& C(\langle Cert_B, \langle enc(sk_B, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle B, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{SND} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) P(*)P(*)P(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& M_t(t_C) M_n(n_2) M_g(C) M_g(T) M_n(n_1) \\
& N_R(\langle Cert_B, \langle enc(sk_B, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle B, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DEL^4} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) TGS(T) \\
& M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& N_R(\langle Cert_B, \langle enc(sk_B, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle B, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2261 Intruder sends the modified message to K and deletes some of the data from the  
2262 memory, keeping the name of the client in the memory for later use.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{constraint_K} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) \\
& N_R(\langle Cert_B, \langle enc(sk_B, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle B, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
& R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{clock_K} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_0(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) Valid_K(C, T, n_1) Clock_K(t_K) \\
& N_R(\langle Cert_B, \langle enc(sk_B, \langle t_C, n_2 \rangle), \langle B, \langle T, n_1 \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \\
& R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*) \rightarrow_{K1} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) \\
& R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& N_S(\langle enc(pk_B, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle), \\
& \quad \langle B, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2263 Intruder intercepts the message intended for C and decomposes it cleverly, *i.e.* uses  
2264 the already existing submessages and only decomposes what's necessary for learn-  
2265 ing the information contained.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \xrightarrow{REC} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) \\
& R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& D(\langle enc(pk_B, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle), \\
& \quad \langle B, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMP} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& D(enc(pk_B, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle)) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& D(\langle B, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{DEC} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) \\
& R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_c(enc(pk_B, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle)) D(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) \\
& D(\langle B, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DELMCPB} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) \\
& R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)B(*) D(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) \\
& D(\langle B, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DCMPB} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& B(*) M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& D(\langle B, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{DM} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& D(B)D(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{DELD} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& B(*)D(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{DM} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*)R(*) \\
& B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

2266 Intruder starts composing the message form the parts of the intercepted message  
2267 and the data stored previously.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow_{USES} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*) \\
& B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \\
& C(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{USEG} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) \\
& B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \\
& C(C) C(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{COMP} \\
W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*) \\
& M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*) \\
& B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle) \\
& C(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow_{USES}$   
 $W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)$   
 $M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) C(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $C(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{SIG}$   
 $W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)$   
 $M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) C(enc(pk_C, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle))$   
 $B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $C(\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{COMP}$   
 $W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C) P(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)$   
 $M_s(\langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle) R(*)R(*)$   
 $B(*)M_s(\langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle)$   
 $C(\langle enc(pk_C, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle),$   
 $\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle)$   
 $\rightarrow_{SND,DEL^3} W C_1(C, T, n_1, n_2, t_C) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) M_g(C)$   
 $R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)P(*)P(*)$   
 $N_R(\langle enc(pk_C, \langle Cert_K, enc(sk_K, \langle k, n_2 \rangle) \rangle),$   
 $\langle C, \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, \langle t_K, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow$

2268 In the remaining part of protocol intruder only forwards the messages, *i.e.* plays  
2269 the role of the network.

$\rightarrow_{C_2}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) P(*)P(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{constraint_T}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Valid_T(C, S, n_2) P(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{FWD}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_0(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Valid_T(C, S, n_2) P(*)$   
 $N_R(\langle C, \langle \langle enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), enc(k_C, \langle AKey, \langle n_1, T \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{T_1}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) P(*)P(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{clock_C}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Clock_C(t) P(*)$   
 $N_S(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle \rangle) \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow$

$\rightarrow_{FWD}$   
 $W C_2(C, T, S, AKey, n_2) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) Clock_C(t) P(*)$   
 $N_R(\langle C, \langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(AKey, \langle SKey, \langle n_2, S \rangle) \rangle \rangle \rangle) \rightarrow_{C_3}$   
 $W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) R(*)R(*)R(*)P(*)$   
 $Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey)$   
 $N_S(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{constraints_S}$   
 $W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Valid_S(C, t)$   
 $N_S(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{FWD}$   
 $W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_0(S)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Valid_S(C, t)$   
 $N_R(\langle enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), enc(SKey, \langle C, t \rangle) \rangle) \rightarrow_{S_1}$   
 $W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) N_S(enc(SKey, t)) \rightarrow_{FWD}$   
 $W C_3(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) N_R(enc(SKey, t)) \rightarrow_{C_4}$   
 $W C_4(C, S, SKey, t, enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle)) K_1(K) T_1(T) S_1(S) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Service(enc(k_S, \langle SKey, C \rangle), S, SKey) Mem_S(C, SKey, t) R(*)R(*)R(*)$   
 $Auth(enc(k_T, \langle AKey, C \rangle), T, AKey) DoneMut_C(S, SKey)$