# CoAP

Giacomo Tanganelli PhD student @ University of Pisa g.tanganelli@iet.unipi.it

#### CoAP



- CoAP is an application protocol similar to HTTP.
- Specifically designed for constrained environment.
- Works over UDP by default.
- In Contiki the CoAP app is called Erbium.

#### **Erbium**



- Erbium create a CoAP server on a mote:
  - A server statically defines its resources
  - Each resource has its allowed methods
  - Each resource must be implemented statically
- Erbium can be used also to deploy a CoAP client.

## Copper



- Copper is a Firefox extension.
- It is a CoAP client.
- Useful to debug CoAP servers
- Can work with different CoAP version.

https://addons.mozilla.org/it/firefox/addon/copper-270430/

#### Define a resource



```
void
get_handler(void* request, void* response, uint8_t *buffer, uint16_t
preferred_size, int32_t *offset){
/* Populat the buffer with the response payload*/
REST.set_header_content_type(response, REST.type.TEXT_PLAIN);
REST.set_header_etag(response, (uint8_t *) &length, 1);
REST.set_response_payload(response, buffer, length);
}
```

RESOURCE(resource\_example, "title=\"Resource\";rt=\"Text\"", get\_handler, post\_handler, put\_handler, delete\_handler);

 If the resource implements only some methods, the others must be set equal to NULL.

# Define a CoAP Server



```
#include "contiki.h"
#include "contiki-net.h"
#include "rest-engine.h"
/* Resource definition */
PROCESS(server, "CoAP Server");
AUTOSTART PROCESSES(&server);
PROCESS_THREAD(server, ev, data){
         PROCESS_BEGIN();
         rest init engine();
         rest_activate_resource(&resource_example, "resource_path");
         while(1) {
                   PROCESS_WAIT_EVENT();
         PROCESS_END();
```

#### Makefile



all: coap-server

SMALL=1

CONTIKI=/home/user/contiki-3.0

CFLAGS += -DPROJECT\_CONF\_H=\"project-conf.h\"

APPS += er-coap

APPS += rest-engine

CONTIKI\_WITH\_IPV6 = 1 include \$(CONTIKI)/Makefile.include

## Project-conf.h



```
#undef NETSTACK CONF RDC
#define NETSTACK CONF RDC
                            nullrdc driver
#undef NETSTACK_CONF_MAC
                            nullmac driver
#define NETSTACK_CONF_MAC
#undef UIP_CONF_TCP
#define UIP CONF TCP
#undef REST_MAX_CHUNK_SIZE
#define REST_MAX_CHUNK_SIZE
#undef COAP MAX OPEN TRANSACTIONS
#define COAP MAX OPEN TRANSACTIONS
#undef COAP_LINK_FORMAT_FILTERING
#define COAP_LINK_FORMAT_FILTERING 0
#undef COAP PROXY OPTION PROCESSING
#define COAP PROXY OPTION PROCESSING 0
/* Save some memory for the sky platform. */
#undef NBR_TABLE_CONF_MAX_NEIGHBORS
#define NBR_TABLE_CONF_MAX_NEIGHBORS 10
#undef UIP_CONF_MAX_ROUTES
#define UIP_CONF_MAX_ROUTES 10
#undef UIP CONF BUFFER SIZE
#define UIP CONF BUFFER SIZE 280
```

#### **Exercise 1**



- Deploy a CoAP server with only one resource.
- The resource must allow the GET method.
- Use Copper to interact with the CoAP server.
   Try CON and NON messages.

 NOTE: in order to interact between Copper (running on the host) and the CoAP server (running in Cooja) a border router is needed.

# Change a resource



- Define POST and/or PUT handler
- Get POST or QUERY variables:
  - const char \*value = NULL; int len =0;
  - len = REST.get\_post\_variable(request, "value", &value)
- Set response:
  - REST.set\_response\_status(response, REST.status.CREATED);

or

– REST.set\_response\_status(response, REST.status.CHANGED);

#### **Exercise 2**



- Write a CoAP server with an internal integer value that can be retrieved with a GET.
- Extend the resource and allow the update of the value through a POST message with a POST variable.
- If the variable is not set correctly by the client, reply with a BAD\_REQUEST response status.

#### **Exercise 3**



- Write a CoAP server with a resource which change the status of the leds depending on query and post parameters.
- Query parameter:
  - color=r|g|b
- Post parameter:
  - mode=on|off