Constrained Application Protocol

(draft-ietf-core-coap-12, draft-ietf-core-block-10, draft-ietf-core-observe-07)

The Constrained Application Protocol (CoAP) is a specialized web transfer protocol for use with constrained nodes and constrained (e.g., low-power, lossy) networks.

CoAP Message Format

0	1	2	3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	0 1 2 3 4 5	6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4	15678901
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Ver T OC	Code	Message	e ID
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Options (if any)			
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Payload (if any)			
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Ver: Version, T: Type, OC: Option Count

Method types

Type	Name
0 1 2 3	CONfirmable NON-confirmable ACKnowledgement ReSeT

Method codes

Co	de	İ	Name	İ
† 	1 2 3 4	+-	GET POST PUT DELETE	

Response codes

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 +-+-+-+-+-+-+ |class| detail | +-+-+-+-+-+-+

Class		
4.xx	Success Client Error Server Error	

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Code Description						
65	2.01 Created					
j 66	2.02 Deleted	i				
j 67	2.03 Valid	i				
68	2.04 Changed	İ				
69	2.05 Content	i				
128	4.00 Bad Request	i				
129	4.01 Unauthorized					
130	4.02 Bad Option					
i 131	4.03 Forbidden					

	132	4.04	Not Found	
İ	133	4.05	Method Not Allowed	
	134	4.06	Not Acceptable	
İ	140	4.12	Precondition Failed	
İ	141	4.13	Request Entity Too Large	
İ	143	4.15	Unsupported Content-Format	
İ	160	5.00	Internal Server Error	
İ	161	5.01	Not Implemented	
İ	162	5.02	Bad Gateway	
İ	163	5.03	Service Unavailable	
1	164	5.04	Gateway Timeout	
İ	165	5.05	Proxying Not Supported	
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Options

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No.	C	U	N	R	Name	Format	Length	Default
1	x			X	If-Match	opaque	0-8	(none)
3	x	x		ĺ	Uri-Host	string	1-255	(see
į i		i i	İ	i	İ	i	i i	below)
4		i i	İ	х	ETag	opaque	1-8	(none)
j 5	х	i i	İ	İ	If-None-Match	empty	0	(none)
7	x	x	İ	i	Uri-Port	uint	0-2	(see
İ		i i	İ	İ		į i	i i	below)
8		i i	İ	х	Location-Path	string	0-255	(none)
11	х	x	İ	х	Uri-Path	string	0-255	(none)
12		i i	İ	İ	Content-Format	uint	0-2	(none)
14		x	İ	İ	Max-Age	uint	0-4	60
15	х	x	İ	х	Uri-Query	string	1-255	(none)
16		i i	İ	х	Accept	uint	0-2	(none)
19	х	x	İ	İ	Token	opaque	1-8	(empty)
20		i i	İ	х	Location-Query	string	0-255	(none)
35	x	x	ĺ		Proxy-Uri	string	1-1034	(none)
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C=Critical, U=Unsafe, N=No-Cache-Key, R=Repeatable

Content-Formats

Media type	Id.
text/plain; charset=utf-8	0
application/	40
application/xml	41
octet-stream application/exi	47
application/json	50 j

URI schemes

Transmission parameters

name	default value
ACK_TIMEOUT ACK_RANDOM_FACTOR ANX_RETRANSMIT NSTART DEFAULT_LEISURE PROBING_RATE	2 seconds 1.5 4 1 5 seconds 1 Byte/second

Link Format .well-known/core

Link format can be used to describe hosted resources, their attributes, and other relationships between links.

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REQ: GET /.well-known/core
RES: 2.05 Content
</sensors>:ct=40:title="Sensor Index".
</sensors/temp>;rt="temperature-c";if="sensor",
</sensors/light>;rt="light-lux";if="sensor",
<http://www.example.com/sensors/t123>;anchor="/sensors/temp";rel="describedby",
</t>;anchor="/sensors/temp";rel="alternate"
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Block

In order to transfer larger payloads with CoAP — for instance, for firmware updates — the Block option can be used.

No. C U N R	Name	Format	Length	Default
23 x x	Block2	uint	0-3 B	(none)
	Block1	uint	0-3 B	(none)

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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
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| NUM |M| SZX |
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5
NUM |M| SZX |
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3
NUM
```

Observe

In order to follow state changes of CoAP resources the Observe option can be used.

No. C U	N R	Name	Format	Length	Default
6 x	x	Observe	empty/uint	0 B/0-2 B	(none)

References

This cheatsheet is based on and heavily stole from the following documents:

Link-format:

http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6690

CoAP:

http:

//tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-core-coap-12

Block:

http:

//tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-core-block-10 Observe:

http:

//tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-core-observe-07