Hands-on with CoAP

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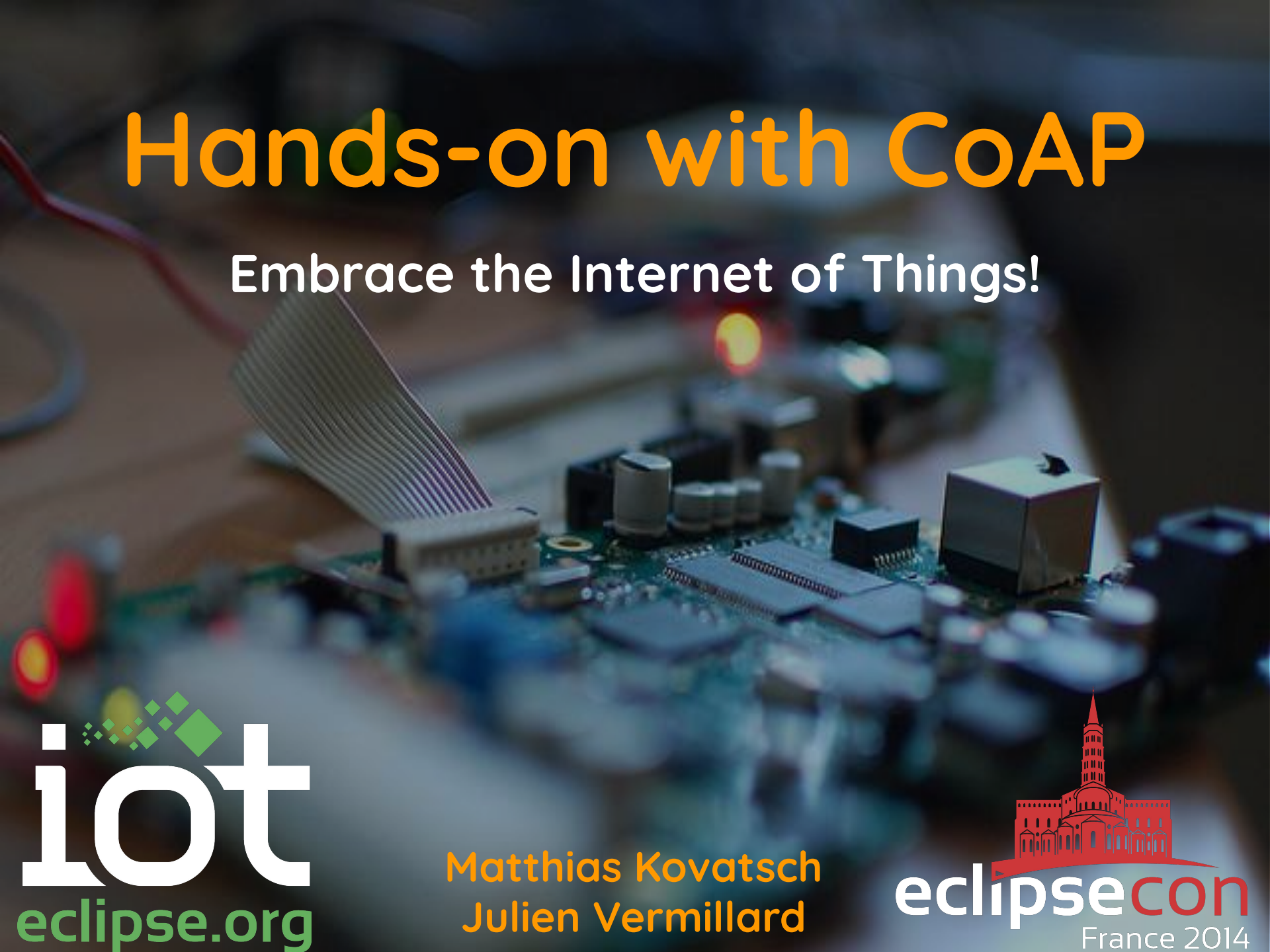

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Agenda

Internet of things 101

What protocols should I use?

CoAP

- What is CoAP?

CoAP live!

Californium

HANDS-ON!

More CoAP goodies

What you will need

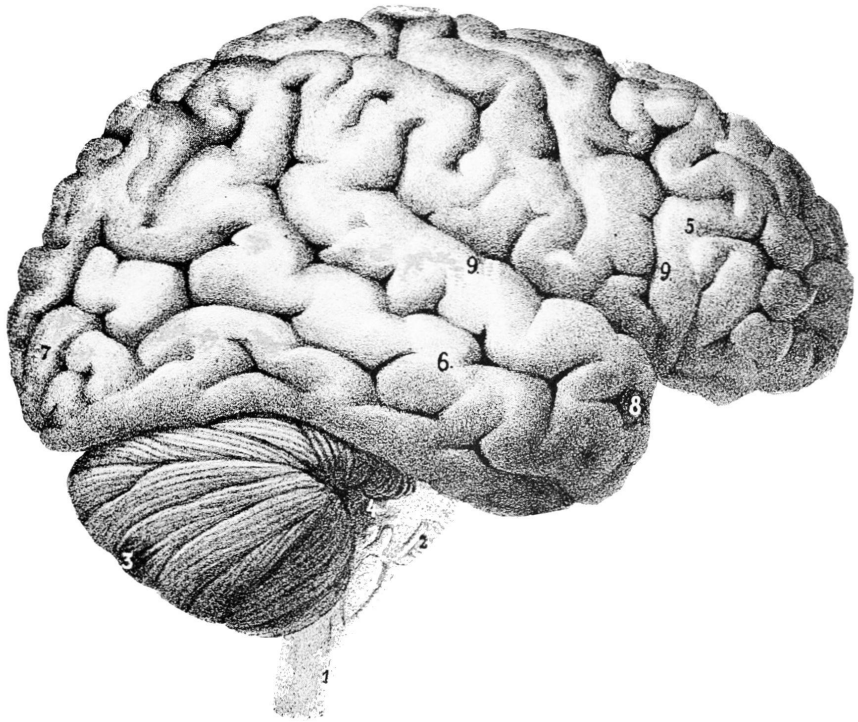
Eclipse IDE

Basic Java knowledge

Californium JARs

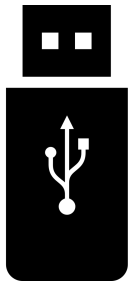
Firefox + Copper

Your brainzzz



Content of the USB stick

- Eclipse IDE for Windows, Linux and Mac
- Firefox and Copper .xpi
- Sample projects to be imported in your workspace
  + Californium JAR file
- Completed projects



Machine to machine?

Machine to machine?
Internet of things?

Technology that supports wired or wireless communication between devices

Different needs, different protocols

Device Management

Radio statistics, device configuration, ...

OMA-DM, TR-069, LWM2M...

Local sensor networks

Transmit sensor data, usually over RF or PLC

Zigbee, X10, Bluetooth Smart, ...

End-user applications

Display sensor data on mobile app, dashboards,

HTTP, Websockets, ...

The Web of Things

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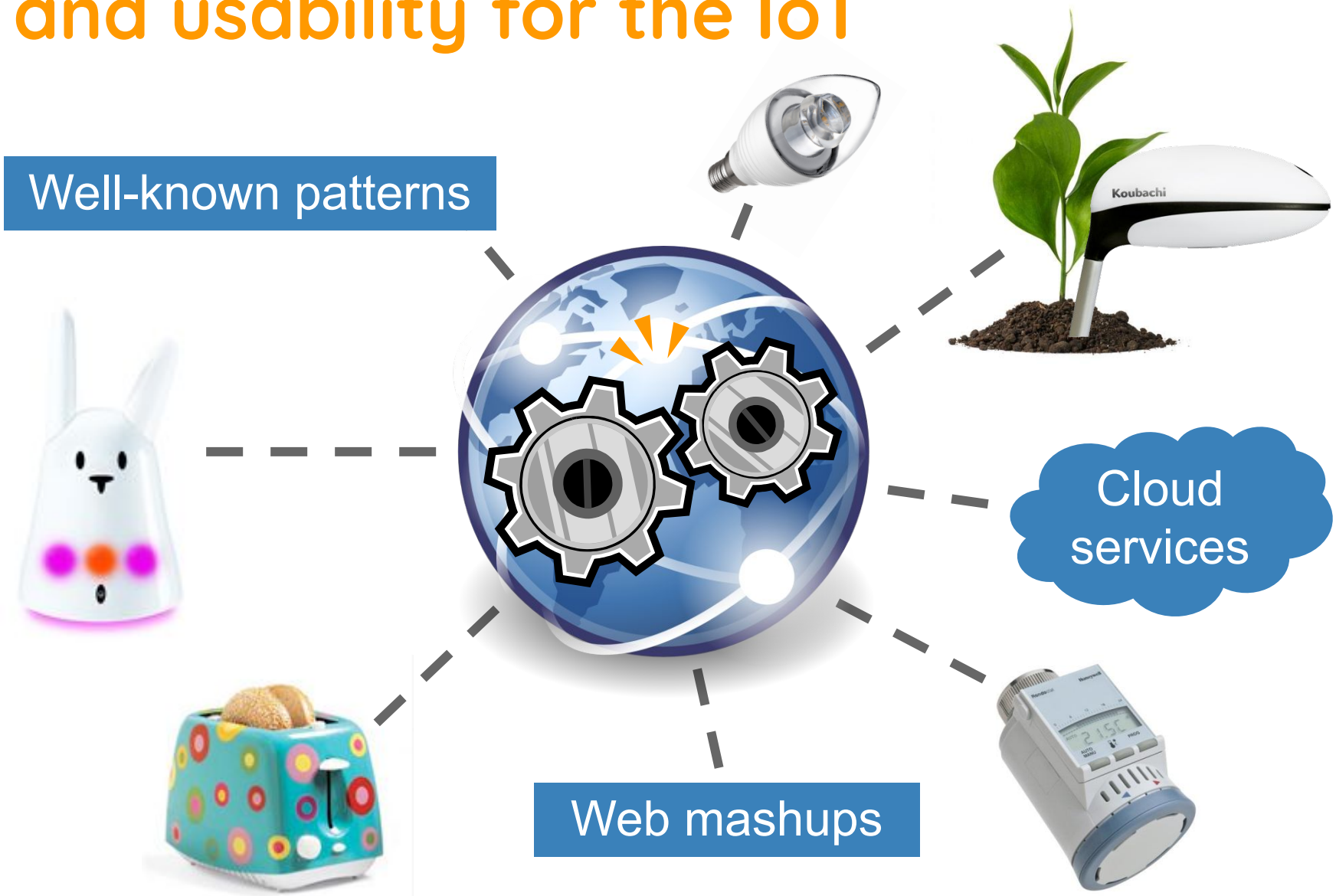
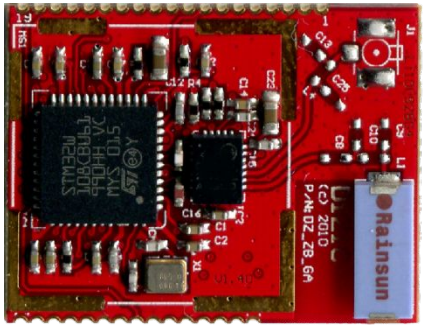
Application-layer interoperability and usability for the IoT



Tiny Resource-constrained devices

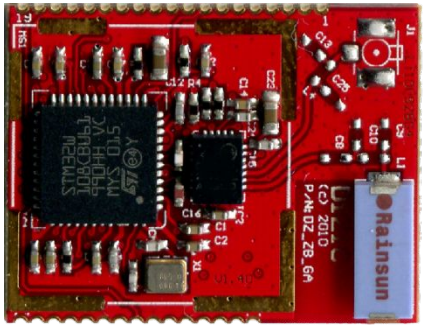
Class 1 devices
~100KiB Flash
~10KiB RAM



Low-power networks

Tiny Resource-constrained devices

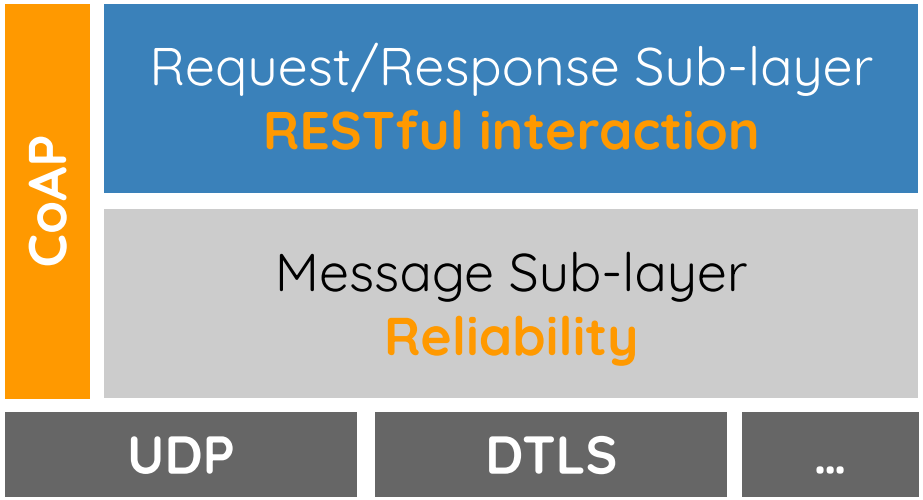
Target
of less than $1
for IoT SoC



TCP and HTTP
are not a good fit

Constrained Application Protocol

RESTful protocol designed from scratch
Transparent mapping to HTTP
Additional features for M2M scenarios



GET, **POST**, **PUT**, **DELETE**
URIs and Internet Media Types

Deduplication
Optional retransmissions
(Confirmables “CON”)

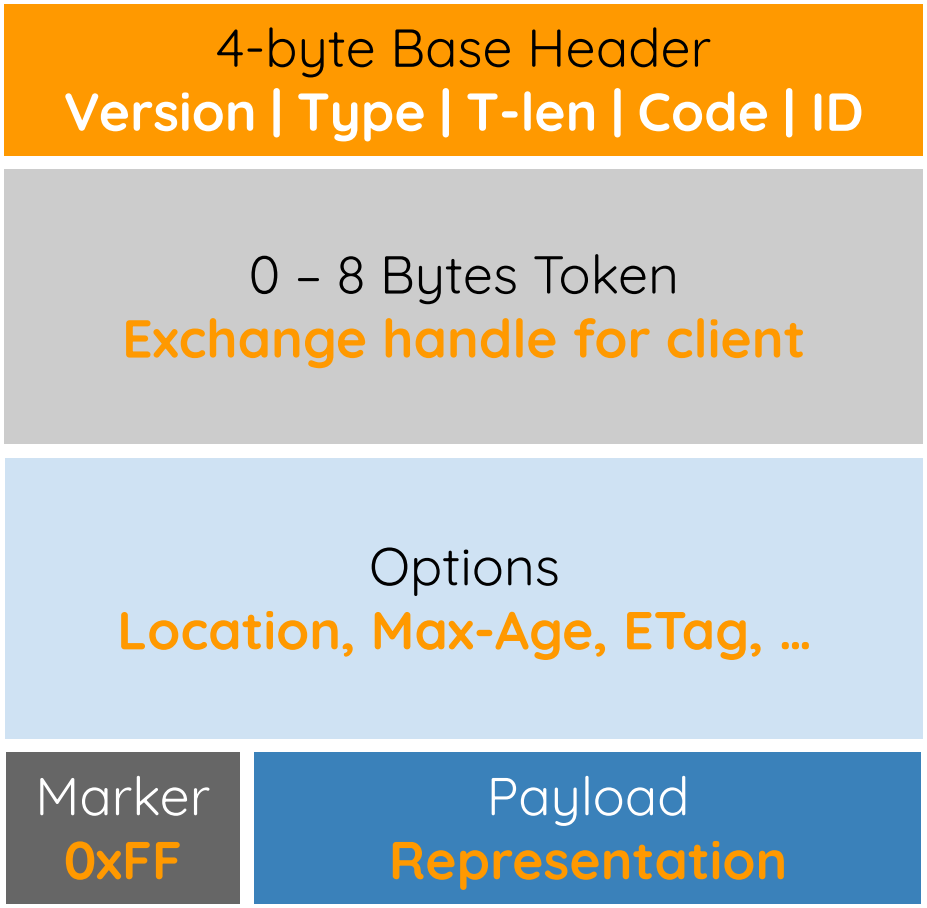
Constrained Application Protocol

Binary protocol

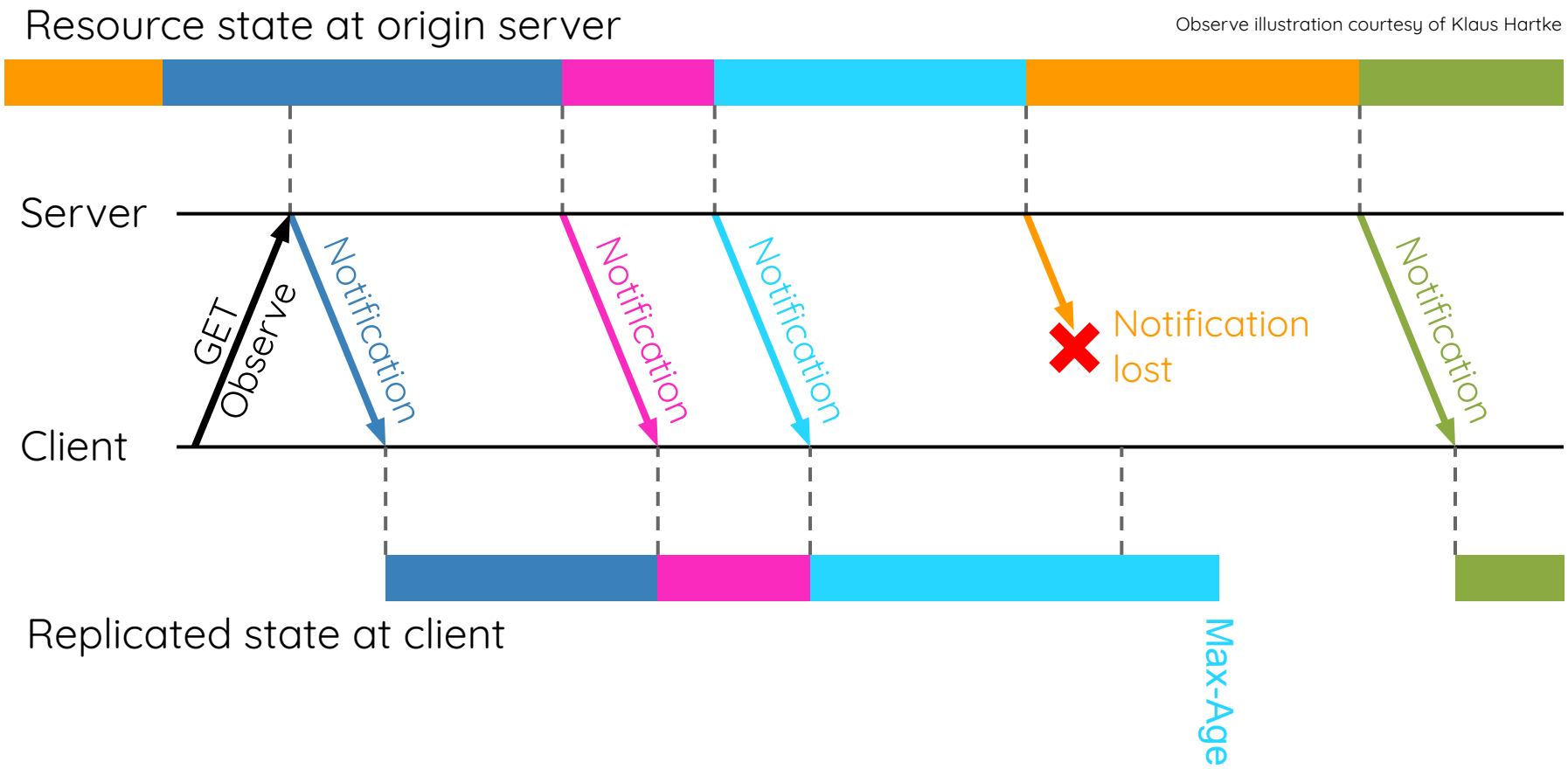
- Low parsing complexity
- Small message size

Options

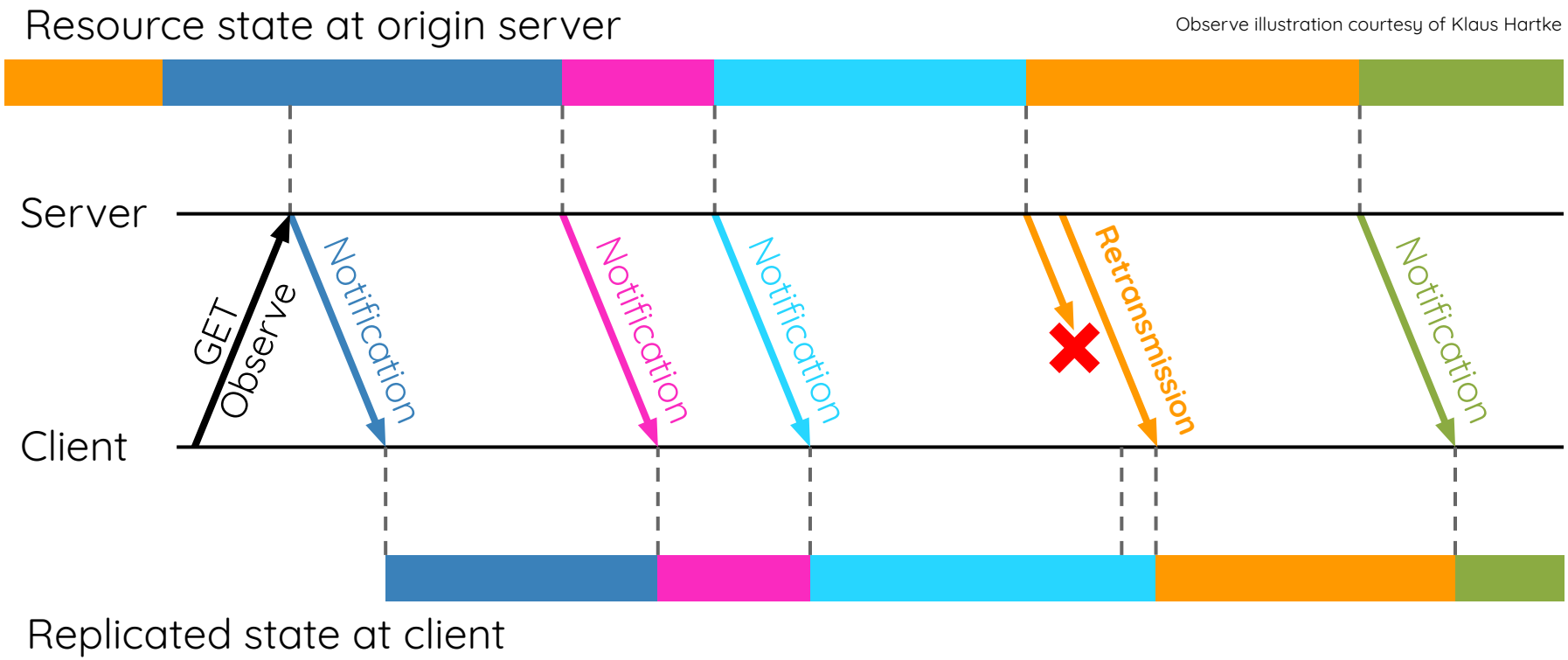
- Numbers in IANA registry
- Type-Length-Value
- Special option header marks payload if present



Observing resources



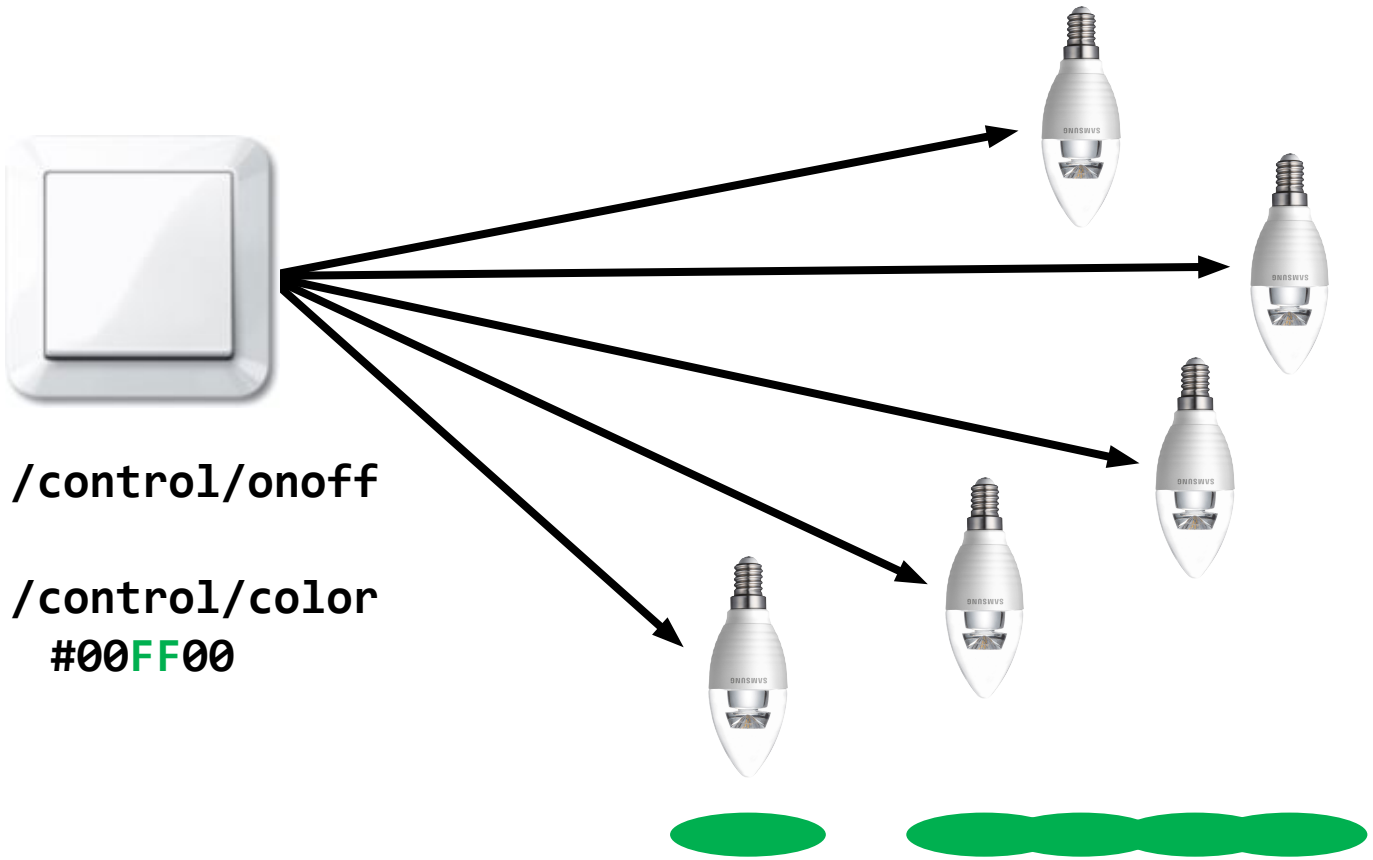
Observing resources - CON mode



RESTful group communication

```
GET /status/power
```

```
all-lights.floor-d.example.com
```



```
PUT /control/onoff
```

```
PUT /control/color
      #00FF00
```

Resource discovery

Based on **Web Linking** (RFC5988)

Extended to **Core Link Format** (RFC6690)

GET /.well-known/core

```
</config/groups>;rt="core.gp";ct=39,
</sensors/temp>;rt="ucum.Cel";ct="0 50";obs,
</large>;rt="block";sz=1280,
</device>;title="Device management"
```

Decentralized discovery **Multicast Discovery**

Infrastructure-based **Resource Directories**

Alternative transports

Short Message Service (SMS)

Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD)

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Addressable through URIs

```
coap+sms://+123456789/bananas/temp*
```

Could power up subsystems for IP connectivity after SMS signal

* illustration only, +123456789 unfortunately not allowed by URI

Security

Based on **DTLS** (TLS/SSL for Datagrams)
Focus on Elliptic Curve Cryptography (**ECC**)
Pre-shared secrets, certificates, or raw public keys

Hardware acceleration in IoT devices

e.g.,

IETF is currently working on

- Authentication/authorization (ACE)
- DTLS profiles (DICE)

Status of CoAP

Proposed Standard since 15 Jul 2013

RFC 7252

Next working group documents in the queue

- Observing Resources
- Group Communication
- Blockwise Transfers

- Resource Directory
- HTTP Mapping Guidelines

Status of CoAP

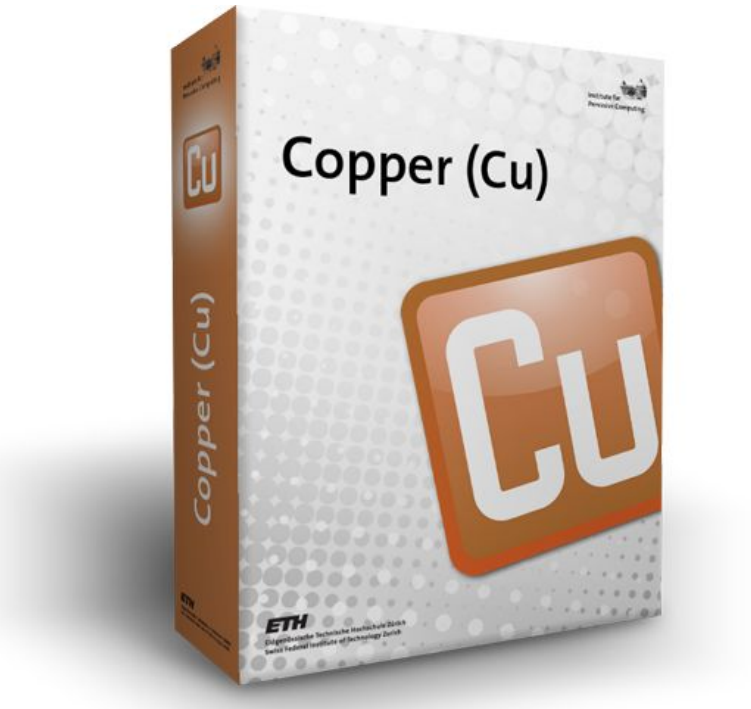
In use by

- OMA Lightweight M2M
- IPSO Alliance
- ETSI M2M / OneM2M

- Device management for network operators
- Lighting systems for smart cities

CoAP live with Copper!

CoAP protocol handler for Mozilla Firefox



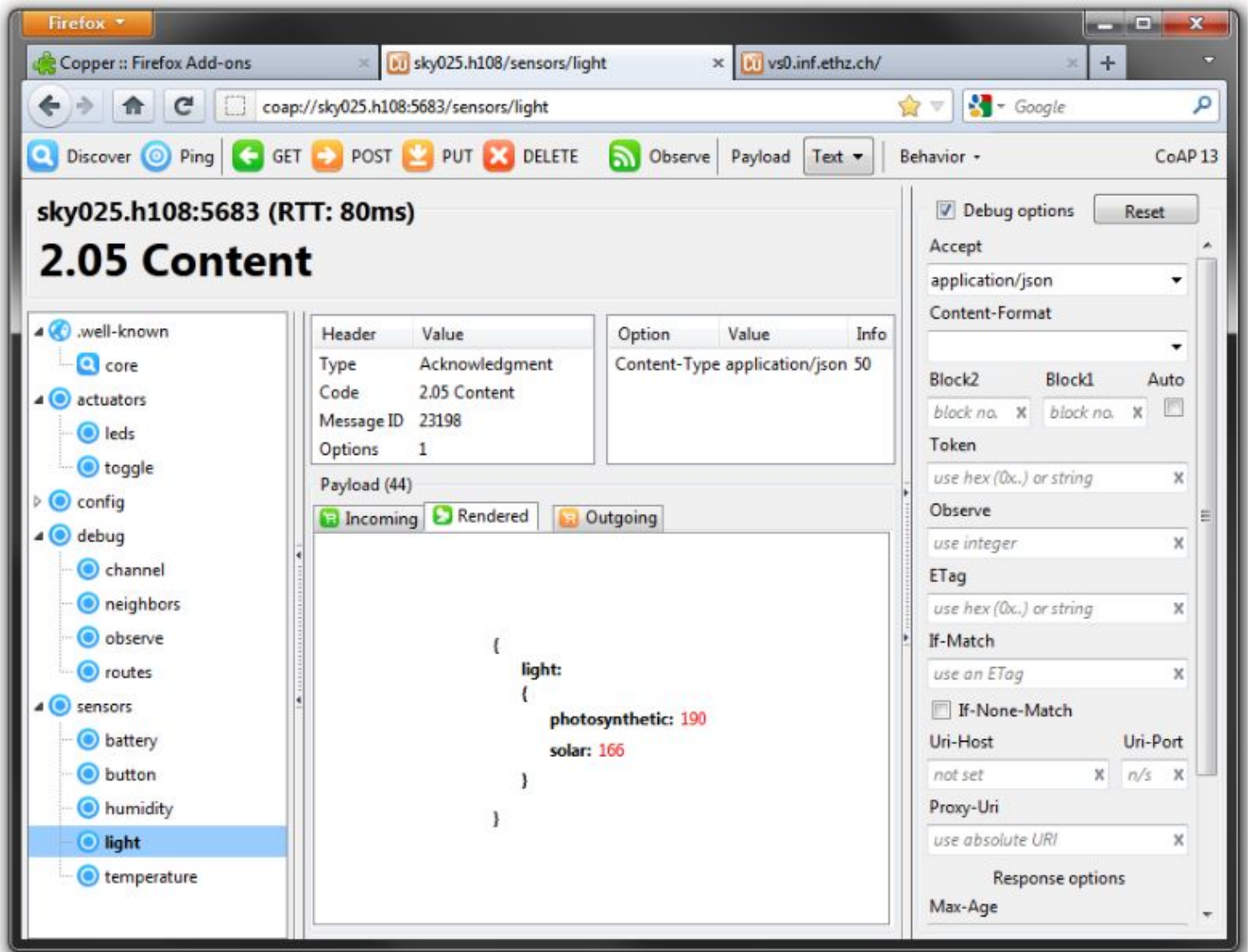
Browsing and bookmarking of CoAP URIs

Interaction with resource like RESTClient or Poster

Treat tiny devices like normal RESTful Web services

https://github.com/mkovatsc/Copper
https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/copper-270430/

Copper (Cu) CoAP user-agent



CoAP live with Copper!

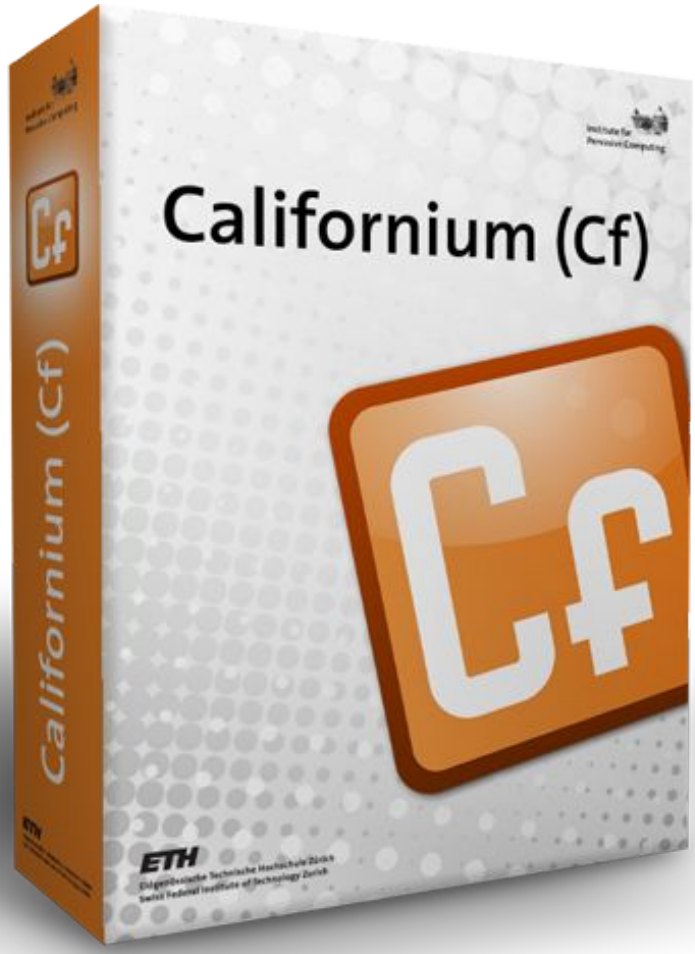
Available sandboxes:

coap://californium.eclipse.org:5683/

same as

coap://vs0.inf.ethz.ch:5683/

coap://coap.me:5683/


Californium (Cf)
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Californium (Cf) CoAP framework

Unconstrained CoAP implementation

- written in Java
- focus on scalability and usability

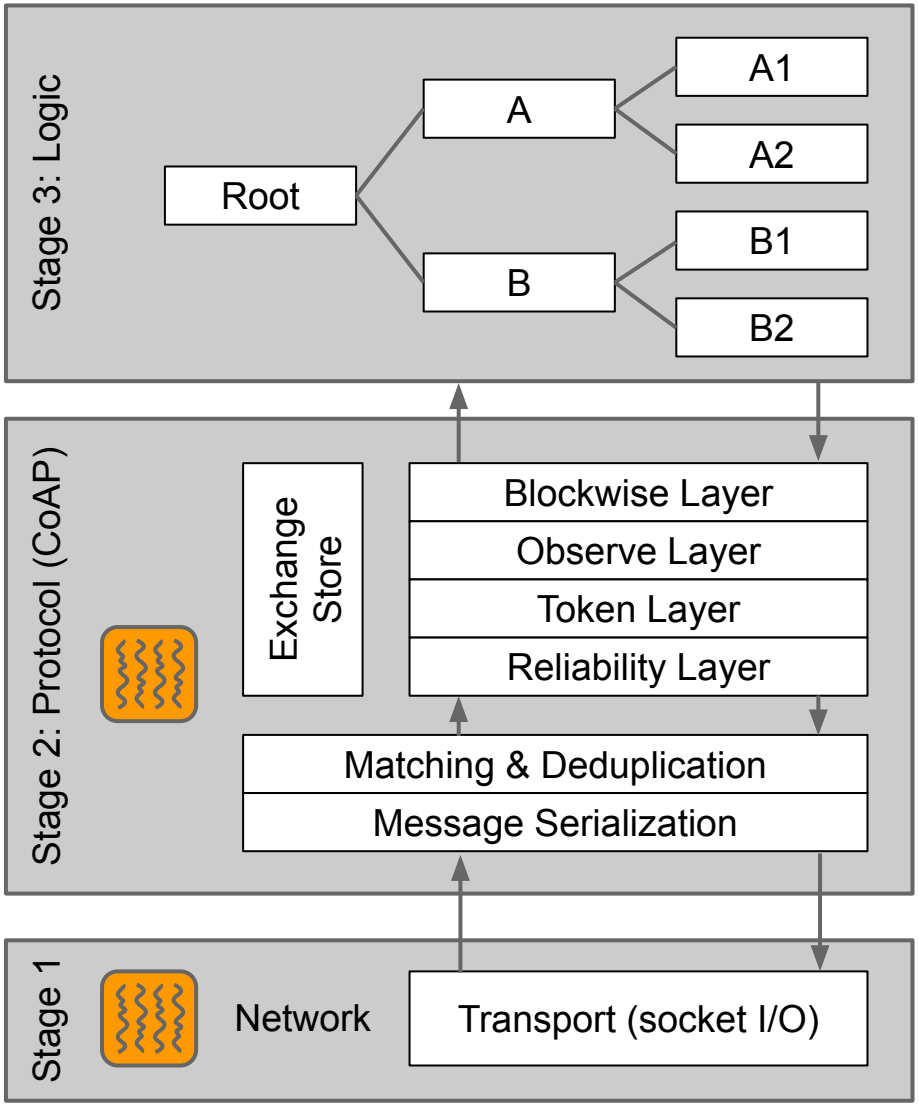
For

- IoT cloud services
- Stronger IoT devices
  (Java SE Embedded or special JVMs)

3-stage architecture

Stages

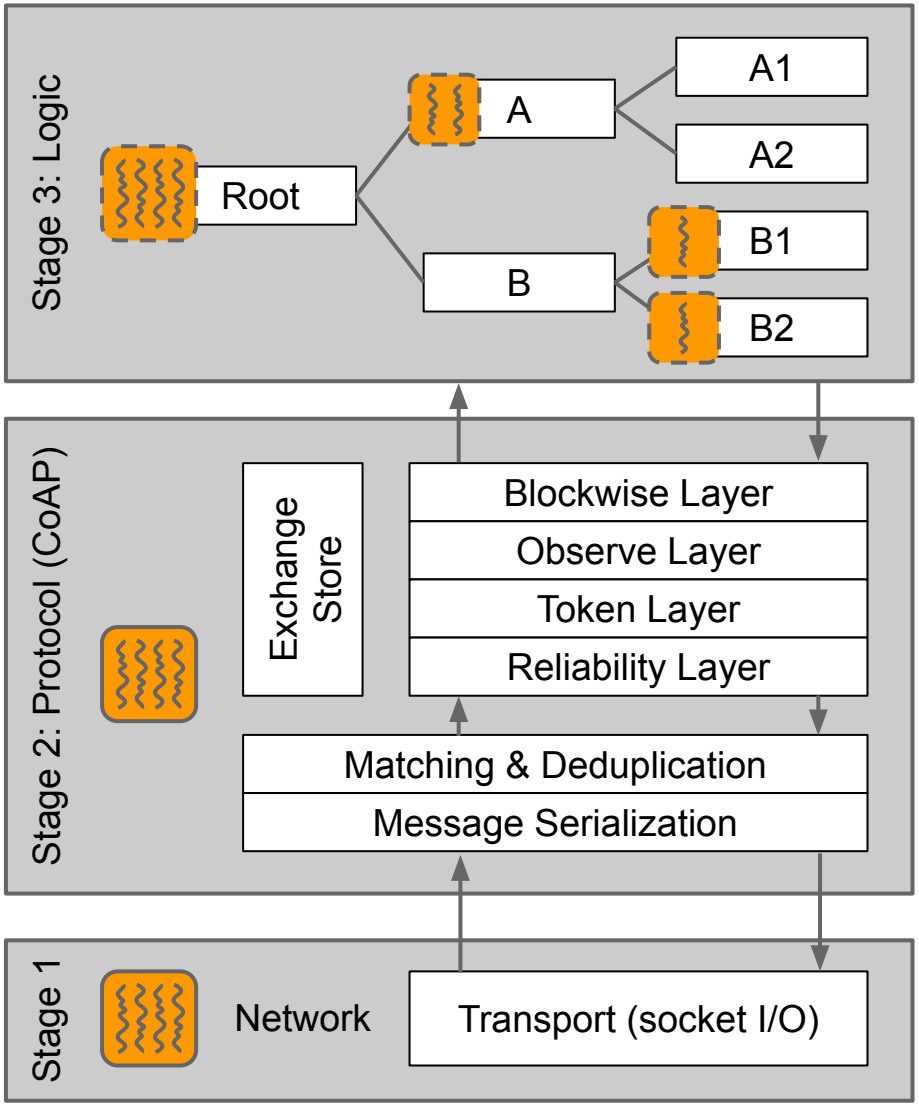
- Decoupled with message queues
- independent concurrency models
- Adjusted statically for platform/application
- Stage 1 depends on OS and transport
- Stage 2 usually one thread per core



Stage 3: server role

Web resources

- Optional thread pool for each Web resource
- Inherited by parent or transitive ancestor
- Protocol threads used if none defined

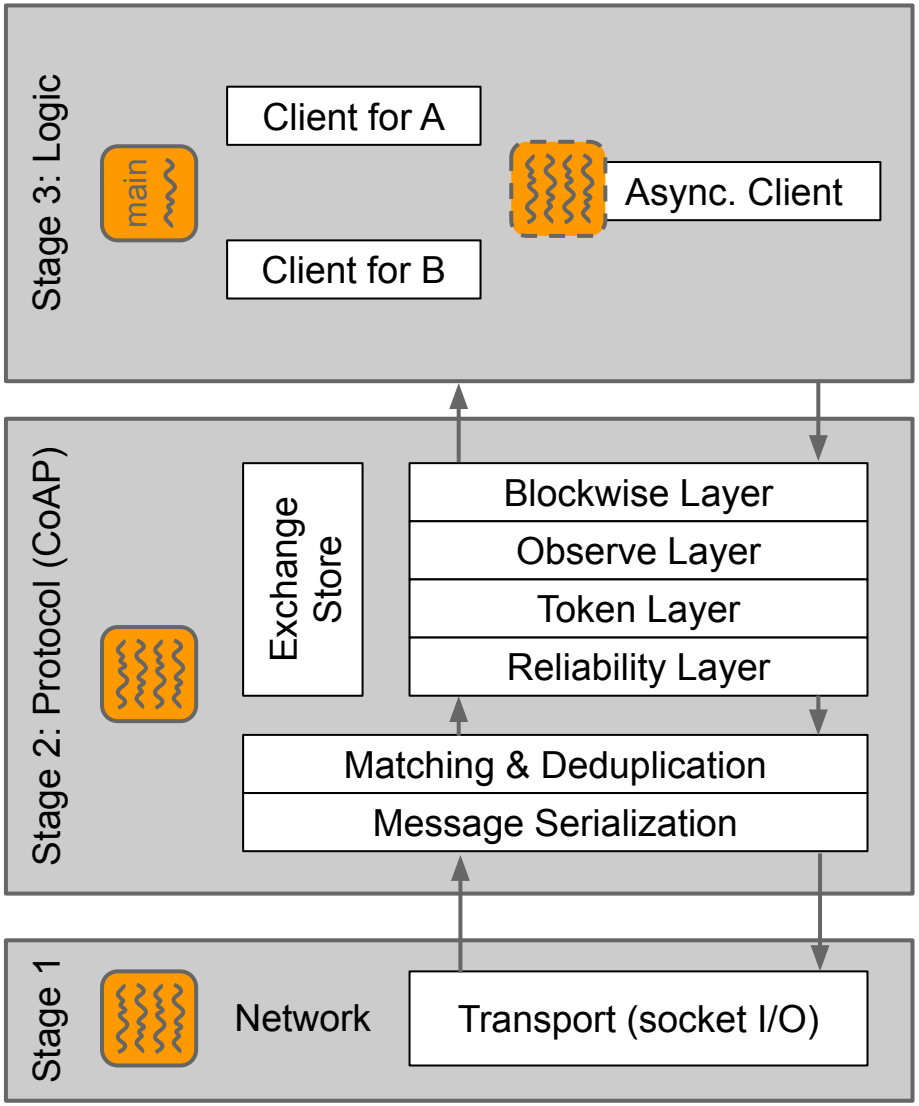


Stage 3: client role

Clients with

response handlers

- Object API called from main or user thread
- Synchronous: Protocol threads unblock API calls
- Asynchronous: Optional thread pools for response handling (e.g., when observing)



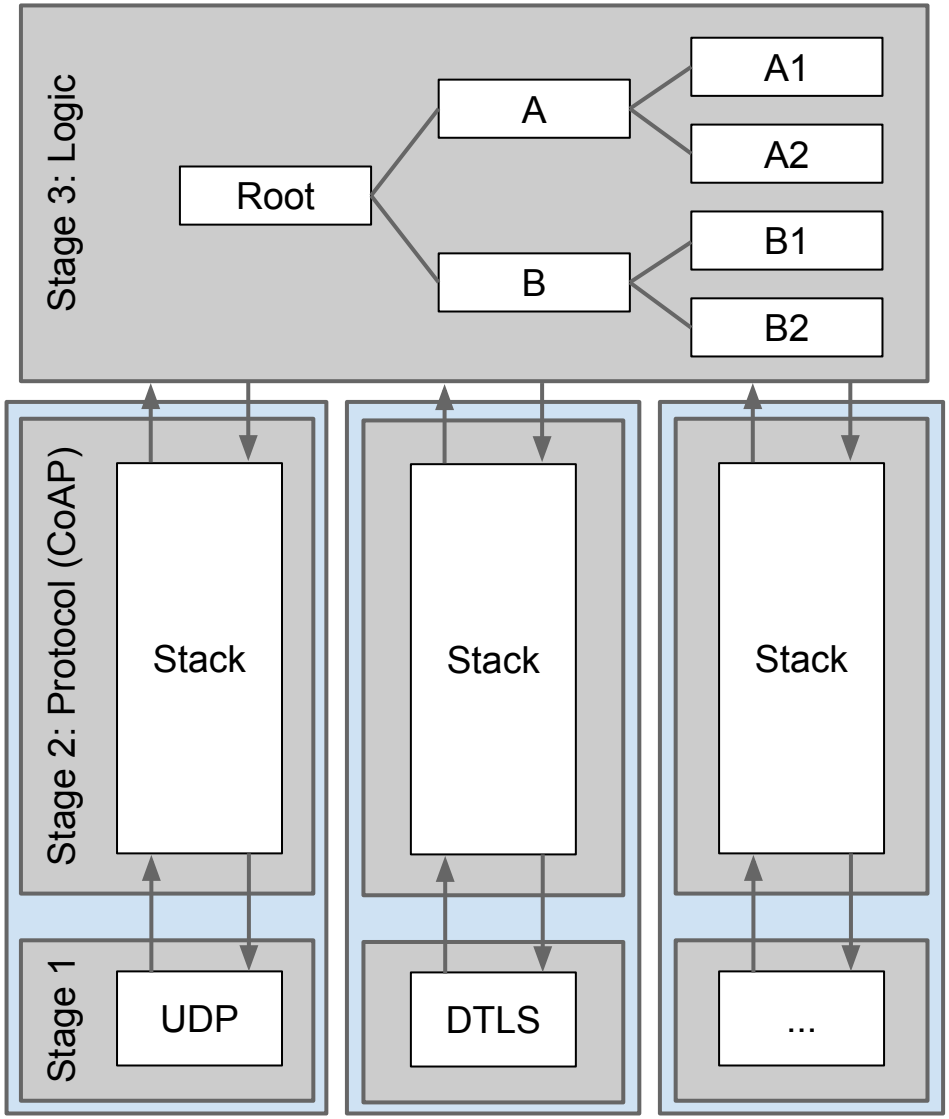
Endpoints

Encapsulate stages 1+2

Enable

- multiple channels
- stack variations for different transports

Individual concurrency models, e.g., for DTLS

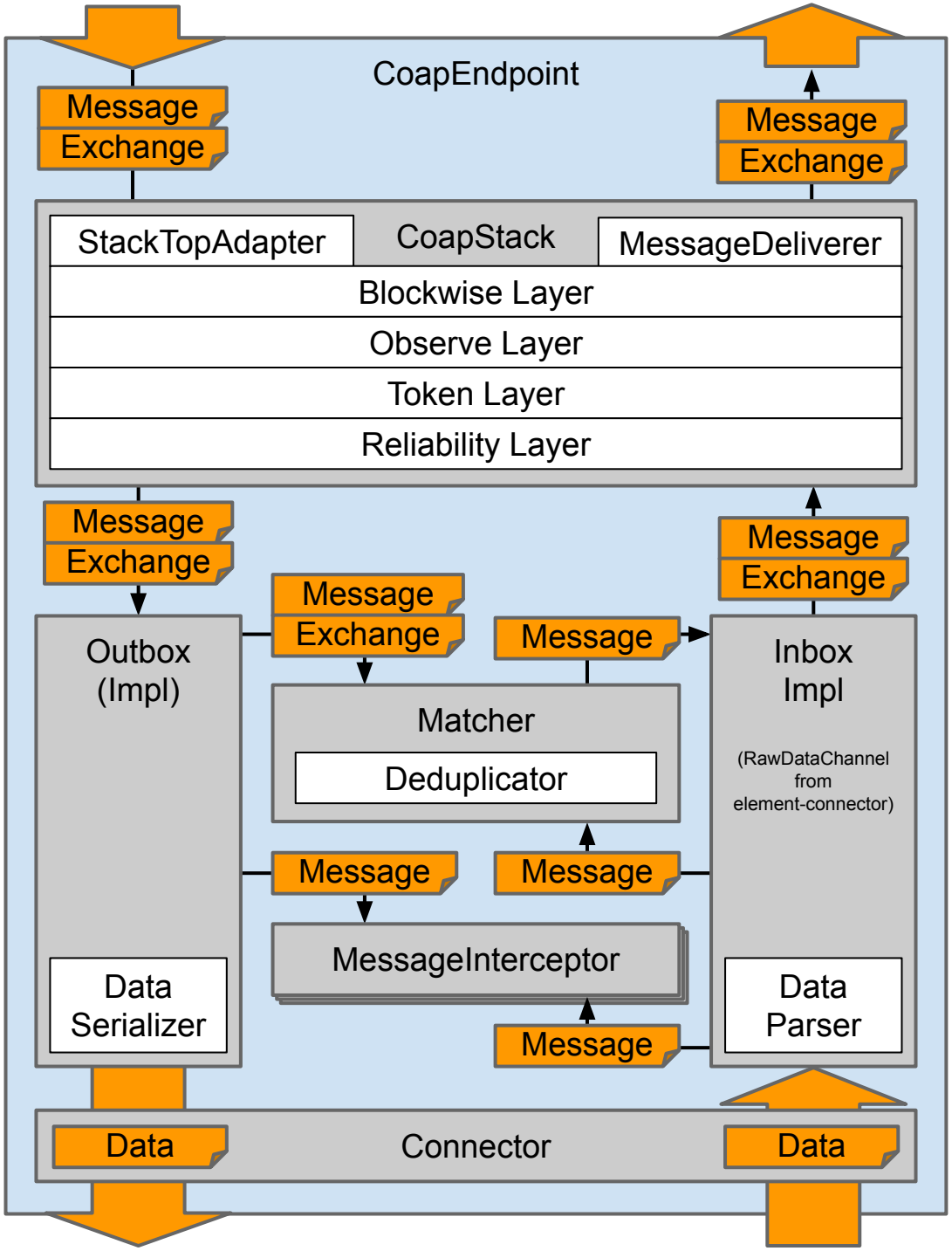


Endpoints

Implemented in **CoapEndpoint**

Separation of bookkeeping and processing

Exchanges carry state



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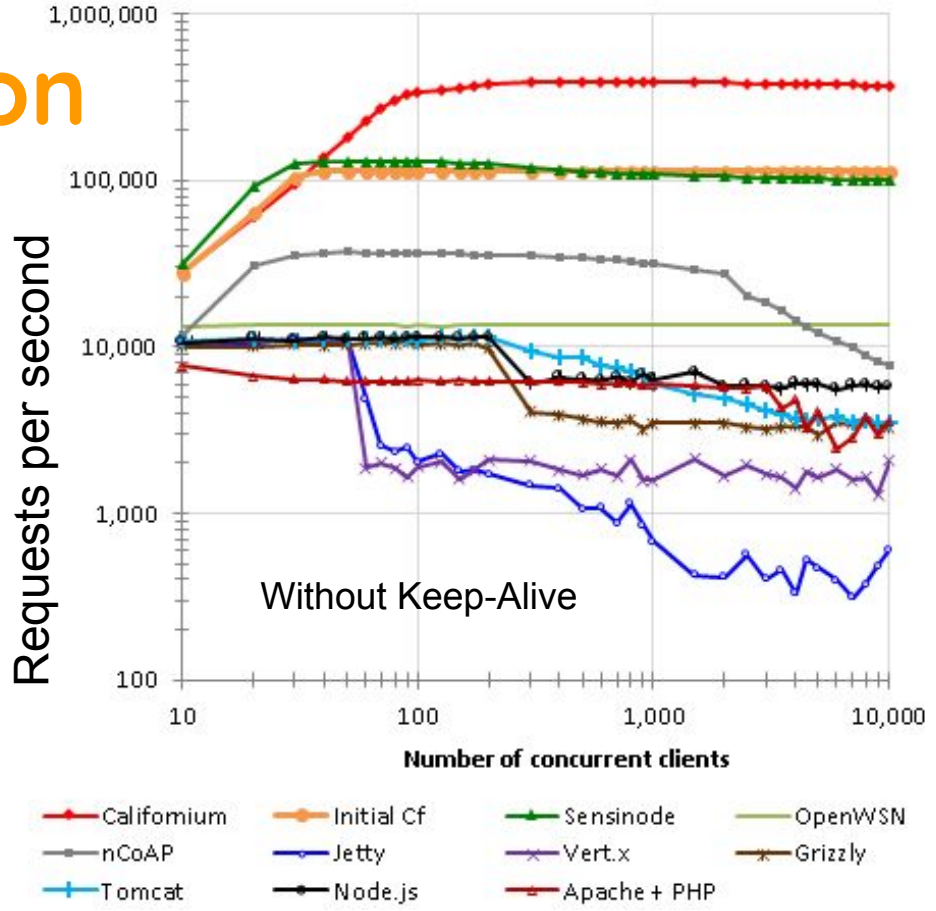

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Let’s get concrete!

Project structure

Six repositories on GitHub

- https://github.com/eclipse/californium
  Parent Maven POM with project metadata
- https://github.com/eclipse/californium.element-connector
  Abstraction for datagram-based transports (UDP, DTLS)
- https://github.com/eclipse/californium.scandium
  DTLS 1.2 implementation for network stage (DtlsConnector)
- https://github.com/eclipse/californium.core
  Core libraries and example projects including Plugtest client/server
- https://github.com/eclipse/californium.tools
  Stand-alone CoAP tools such as console client or RD
- https://github.com/eclipse/californium.actinium
  App server for IoT mashups with JavaScript

Maven

Maven artifacts are available at

https://repo.eclipse.org/content/repositories/californium-snapshots/
https://repo.eclipse.org/content/repositories/californium-releases/

and releases at Maven Central

http://search.maven.org/#search|ga|1|californium

Code structure

https://github.com/eclipse/californium.core

- Libraries (“californium-” prefix)
  - **californium-core** CoAP, client, server
  - **californium-osgi** OSGi wrapper
  - **californium-proxy** HTTP cross-proxy

- Example code
- Example projects (“cf-” prefix)

Code structure

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- Libraries
- Example code
  - **cf-android** Android Studio project
  - **cf-api-demo** API call snippets
- Example projects

Code structure

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- Libraries
- Example code
- Example projects
  - **cf-helloworld-client** basic GET client
  - **cf-helloworld-server** basic server
  - **cf-plugtest-checker** tests Plugtest servers
  - **cf-plugtest-client** tests client functionality
  - **cf-plugtest-server** tests server functionality
  - **cf-benchmark** performance tests
  - **cf-secure** imports Scandium (DTLS)
  - **cf-proxy** imports californium-proxy

Server API

Important classes (see org.eclipse.californium.core)

- **CoapServer**
- **CoapResource**
- **CoapExchange**

- Implement custom resources
  by extending **CoapResource**
- Add resources to server
- Start server

Server API - resources

```
import static org.eclipse.californium.core.coap.CoAP.ResponseCode.*; // shortcuts

public class MyResource extends CoapResource {
    @Override
    public void handleGET(CoapExchange exchange) {
        exchange.respond("hello world"); // reply with 2.05 payload (text/plain)
    }
    @Override
    public void handlePOST(CoapExchange exchange) {
        exchange.accept(); // make it a separate response

        if (exchange.getRequestOptions()....) {
            // do something specific to the request options
        }
        exchange.respond(CREATED); // reply with response code only (shortcut)
    }
}
```

Server API - creation

```
public static void main(String[] args) {

    CoapServer server = new CoapServer();

    server.add(new MyResource("hello"));

    server.start(); // does all the magic
}
```

Client API

Important classes

- **CoapClient**
- **CoapHandler**
- **CoapResponse**
- **CoapObserveRelation**

- Instantiate **CoapClient** with target URI
- Use offered methods get(), put(), post(), delete(), observe(), validate(), discover(), or ping()
- Optionally define **CoapHandler** for asynchronous requests and observe

Client API - synchronous

```
public static void main(String[] args) {

        CoapClient client1 = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/multi-format");

        String text = client1.get().getResponseText(); // blocking call
        String xml = client1.get(APPLICATION_XML).getResponseText();

        CoapClient client2 = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/test");

        CoapResponse resp = client2.put("payload", TEXT_PLAIN); // for response details
        System.out.println( resp.isSuccess() );
        System.out.println( resp.getOptions() );

        client2.useNONs();  // use autocomplete to see more methods
        client2.delete();
        client2.useCONs().useEarlyNegotiation(32).get(); // it is a fluent API
}
```

Client API - asynchronous

```
public static void main(String[] args) {

        CoapClient client = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/separate");

        client.get(new CoapHandler() { // e.g., anonymous inner class

                @Override public void onLoad(CoapResponse response) { // also error resp.
                        System.out.println( response.getResponseText() );
                }

                @Override public void onError() { // I/O errors and timeouts
                        System.err.println("Failed");
                }
        });
}
```

Client API - observe

```
public static void main(String[] args) {

        CoapClient client = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/obs");

        CoapObserveRelation relation = client.observe(new CoapHandler() {

                @Override public void onLoad(CoapResponse response) {
                        System.out.println( response.getResponseText() );
                }

                @Override public void onError() {
                        System.err.println("Failed");
                }
        });

        relation.proactiveCancel();
}
```

Advanced API

Get access to internal objects with

advanced() on
CoapClient, **CoapResponse**, **CoapExchange**

Use clients in resource handlers with

createClient(uri);

Define your own concurrency models with

ConcurrentCoapResource and
CoapClient.useExecutor() / setExecutor(exe)

HANDS-ON!

Getting started

- Tutorial projects
  https://github.com/jvermillard/hands-on-coap

- Launch Eclipse
- Import projects contained on the USB stick
  - File > Import... > Existing projects into workspace

Step 1

The mandatory Hello world CoAP server!

1. Complete the code:
   Add “hello” resource with a custom message
   Run the CoAP server

2. Test with Copper

Step 2

Improve the server by adding:

1. A “subpath/another” hello world
2. Current time in milliseconds
3. A writable resource
4. A removable resource

Step 3

Hello world CoAP client

1. Complete the code for reading the previous “helloworld” values

2. Connect your client with your server

More fun

Connect with the LED strip

Read the sensors

Change the color

Have fun!

Where is the code?

Tutorial steps

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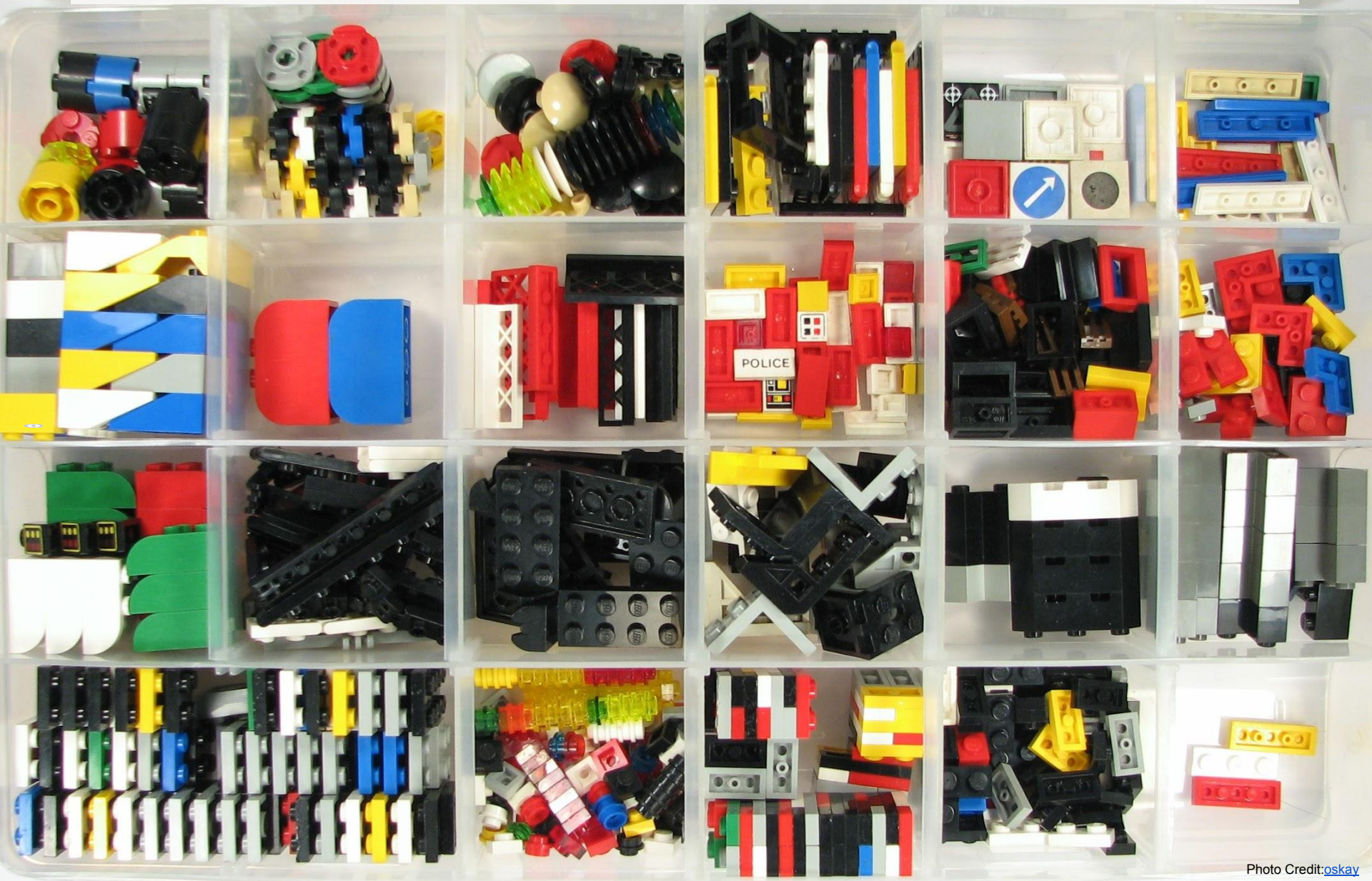
Californium

https://github.com/eclipse?query=californium

Hands-off

Questions?

Going further with CoAP



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Going further with CoAP

Scandium (Sc)
DTLS (TLS/SSL for UDP) for adding security

Californium (Cf) Proxy
HTTP/CoAP proxy

Californium (Cf) RD
CoAP resource directory

Going further

Contiki OS

Connects tiny, low-power MCU to the Internet

http://contiki-os.org

Microcoap

CoAP for arduino

https://github.com/1248/microcoap

OMA Lightweight M2M

An device management protocol

Created by the Open Mobile Alliance

Configure, monitor, upgrade your device using CoAP over UDP and SMS

In a RESTful way!

OMA Lightweight M2M

The specification

http://technical.openmobilealliance.org

C client library (future eclipse wakaama)

http://github.com/01org/liblwm2m

Java server implementation

http://github.com/jvermillard/leshan/

Thanks!

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