

# Combining EDHOC and OSCORE

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# Recap

- › Optimization for combining EDHOC (run over CoAP) with OSCORE
  - Combines EDHOC message\_3 and the first subsequent OSCORE request
    - › In a single EDHOC + OSCORE request, transporting both
  - Reduces the number of round trips required
    - › To set up the OSCORE Security Context
    - › To complete the first OSCORE transaction with that Context
- › Detailed contribution
  - Method for signalling the combined message
  - Format and processing of the EDHOC + OSCORE request
  - Example of encoded EDHOC + OSCORE request

# Original way: EDHOC then OSCORE

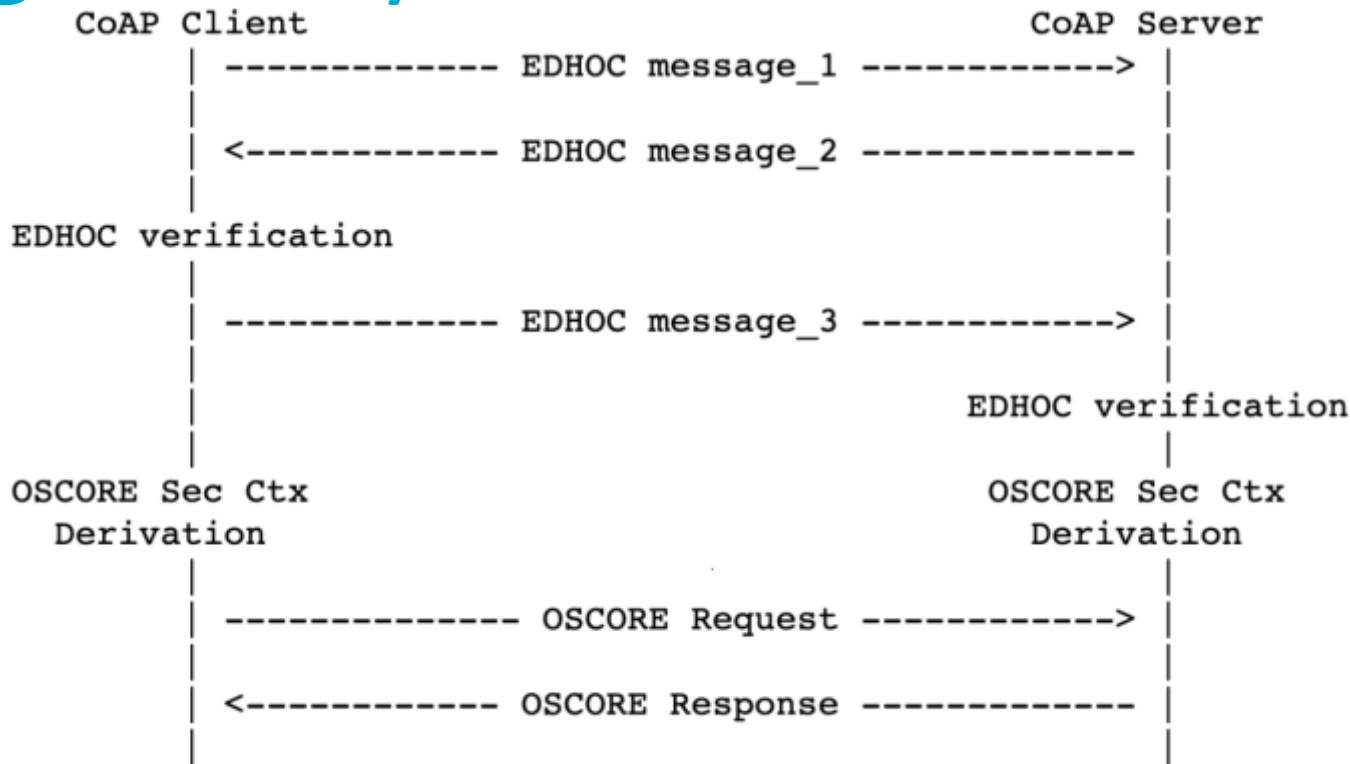


Figure 1: EDHOC and OSCORE run sequentially

# New way: EDHOC + OSCORE Request

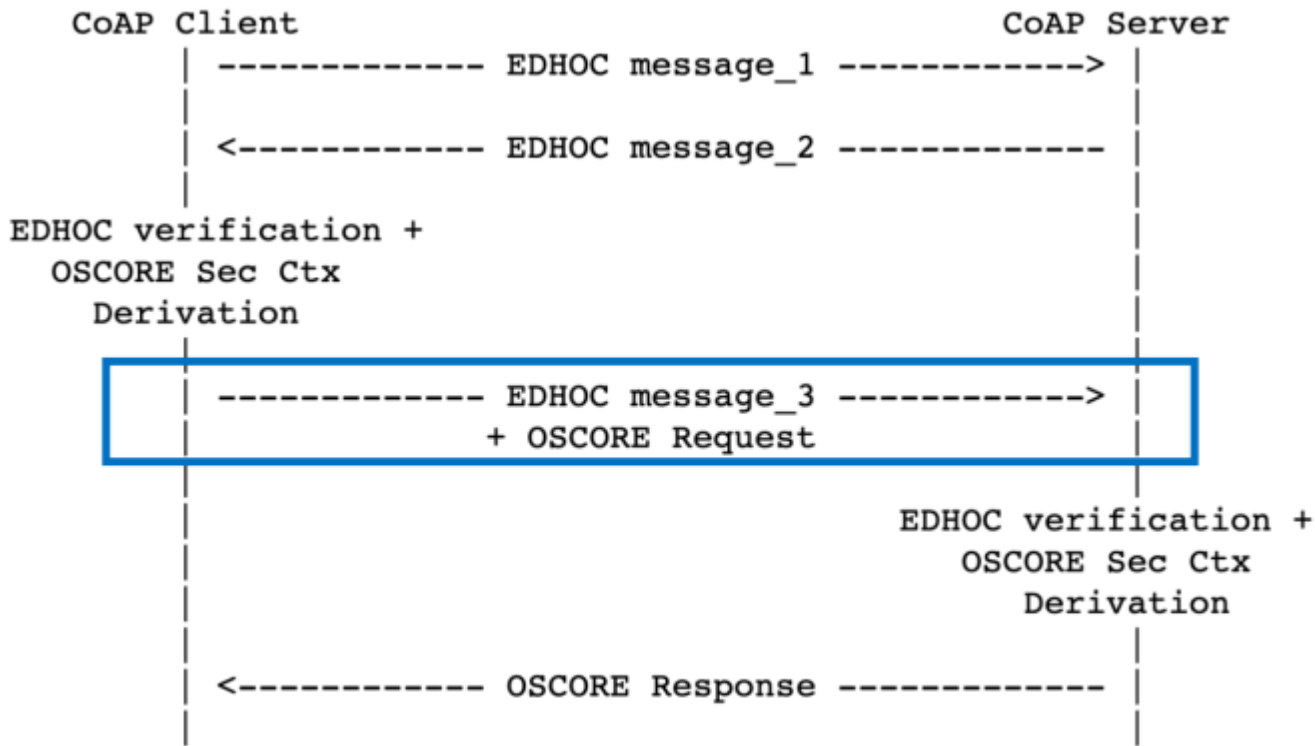


Figure 2: EDHOC and OSCORE combined

# Updates from -02

- › Single method for signalling the combined message
  - Use a new EDHOC option (zero-length); class U for OSCORE
  - Intended only for the EDHOC + OSCORE request
  - Based on preference from IETF 109, and feedback from implementers
- › Proposed suitable option number 13 to keep the overall option size of 1 byte
  - That's because the OSCORE option (9) is always present
  - Hence, the delta for the EDHOC option is less than 12
  - Note: option number 21 would work fine as well

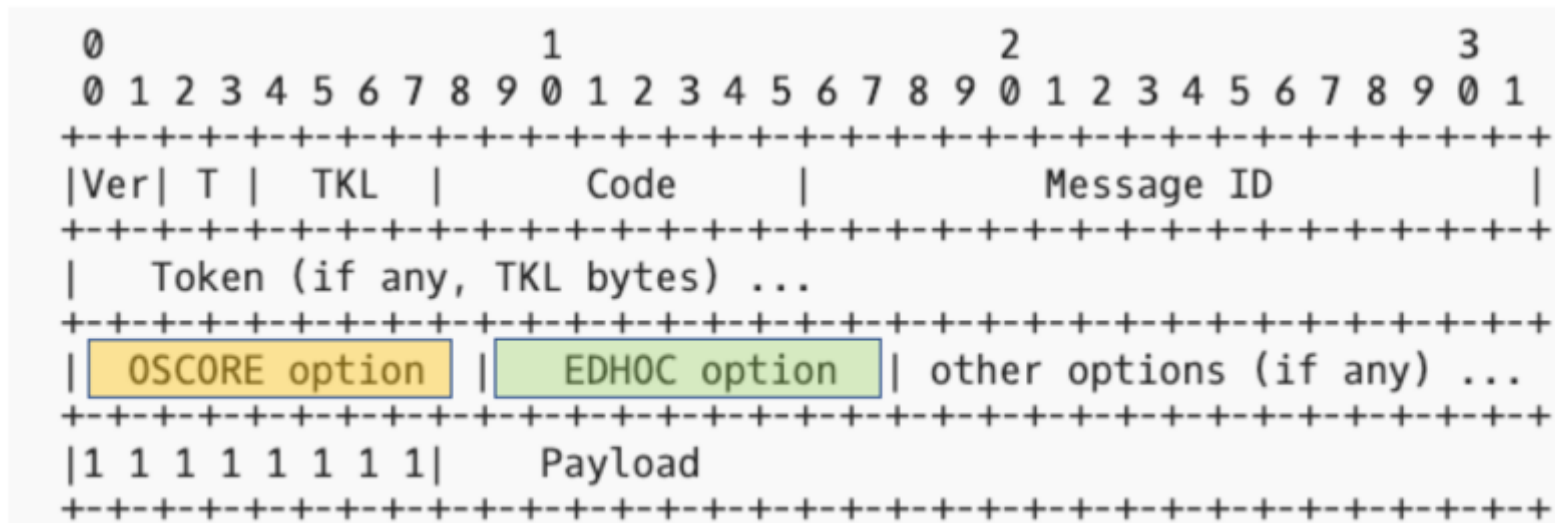
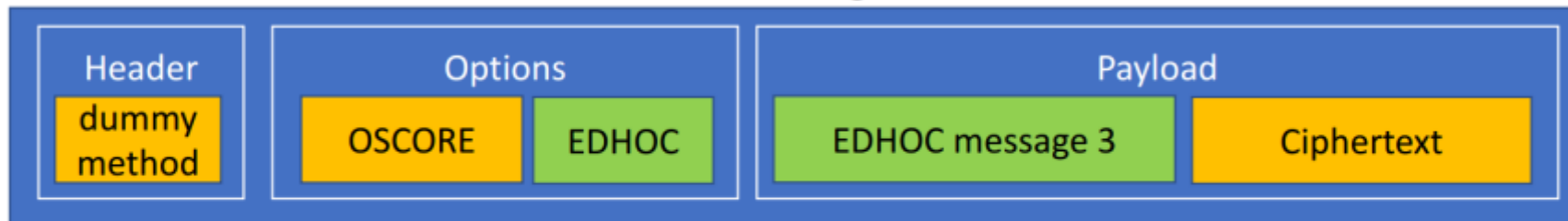
| No.   | C | U | N | R | Name  | Format | Length | Default |
|-------|---|---|---|---|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| TBD13 | x |   |   |   | EDHOC | Empty  | 0      | (none)  |

C=Critical, U=Unsafe, N=NoCacheKey, R=Repeatable

Figure 3: The EDHOC Option.

# EDHOC + OSCORE request

CoAP message



# Updates from -02

- › Section restructuring and editorial improvement
  - Consistent with the signalling using the EDHOC option
- › Improved step-by-step description of message processing
  - Detailed steps on client and server side
- › Client (EDHOC Initiator):
  - Prepare EDHOC message\_3 and OSCORE request; combine and send
- › Server (EDHOC Responder):
  - Receive combined request; extract and process EDHOC message\_3; derive OSCORE context; process the OSCORE request

# Updates from -02

- › Further optimization in the EDHOC + OSCORE request
  - Avoid the Sender ID of the Client to be redundant information!
    - › **C\_R** in the full EDHOC message\_3 (always present in this setup)
    - › 'kid' field in the OSCORE option (always present in a request)
- › The combined request has a partial EDHOC message\_3, that:
  - Does not include C\_R
  - Includes just CIPHERTEXT\_3 as a CBOR byte string
  - This saves at least 2-4 bytes on the wire
- › The server rebuilds the full EDHOC message\_3
  - Takes 'kid' from the OSCORE option
  - Encodes it as a bstr\_identifier, as per EDHOC
  - Rebuilds the CBOR Sequence [C\_R , CIPHERTEXT\_3]

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message_3 = (  
  data_3,  
  CIPHERTEXT_3 : bstr,  
)
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data_3 = (  
  ? C_R : bstr_identifier,  
)
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EDHOC Message\_3

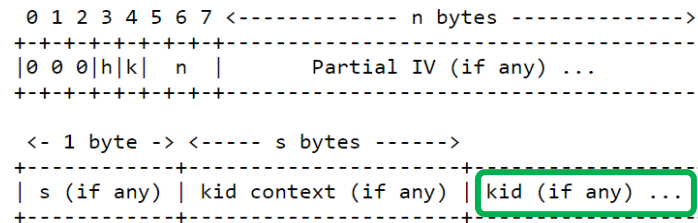


Figure 10: The OSCORE Option Value



# Updates from -02

- › Improved error handling on the server side
  - Details on behavior when EDHOC processing fails
  - Considerations on error code and content format to use
- › EDHOC processing failure
  - Return an EDHOC Error Message
  - This will be a non-protected response to an OSCORE protected request
  - Unlike in the EDHOC draft, need to use CoAP error codes, i.e. 4.00 or 5.00
  - Use content format application/edhoc, to distinguish from OSCORE errors
- › OSCORE processing failure
  - Same as in RFC 8613

# Next Steps

- › Keep in sync with the main EDHOC document
  - Specific points on CoAP and OSCORE may fit better in this draft
- › More feedback is welcome
- › WG adoption ?

Thank you!

Comments/questions?

<https://github.com/EricssonResearch/oscore-edhoc>