

# Minimal security framework for 6TiSCH

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# Context

- Terminology
  - **JN**: Joining Node
  - **JCE**: Join coordinating entity
  - **JA**: Join assistant - radio neighbor of JN
- JN provisioned with a “join” credential
  - Pre-Shared Key (PSK)
  - raw public key (RPK)
  - Locally-valid certificate and a trust anchor
- Expects to be configured with
  - K2 from [ietf-6tisch-minimal]
  - short 802.15.4 address

# Goals

- Minimize number of exchanges -> single round trip with PSKs
- Minimize join-specific code -> reuse of existing protocols
- Security -> end-to-end AES-CCM

# Join protocol

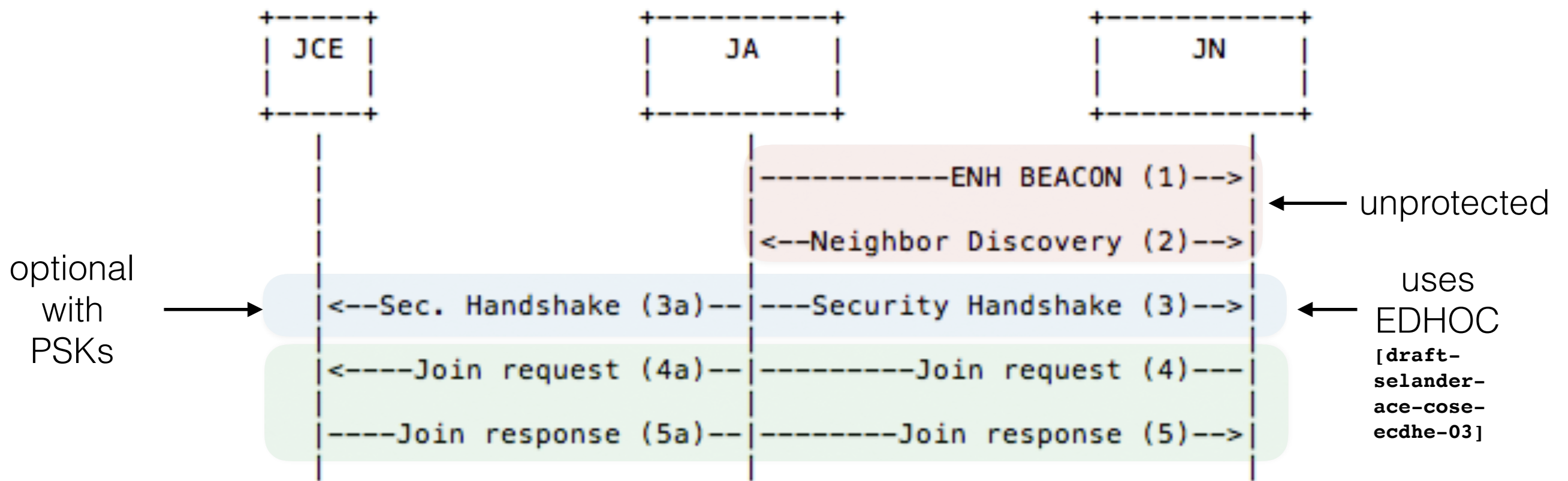
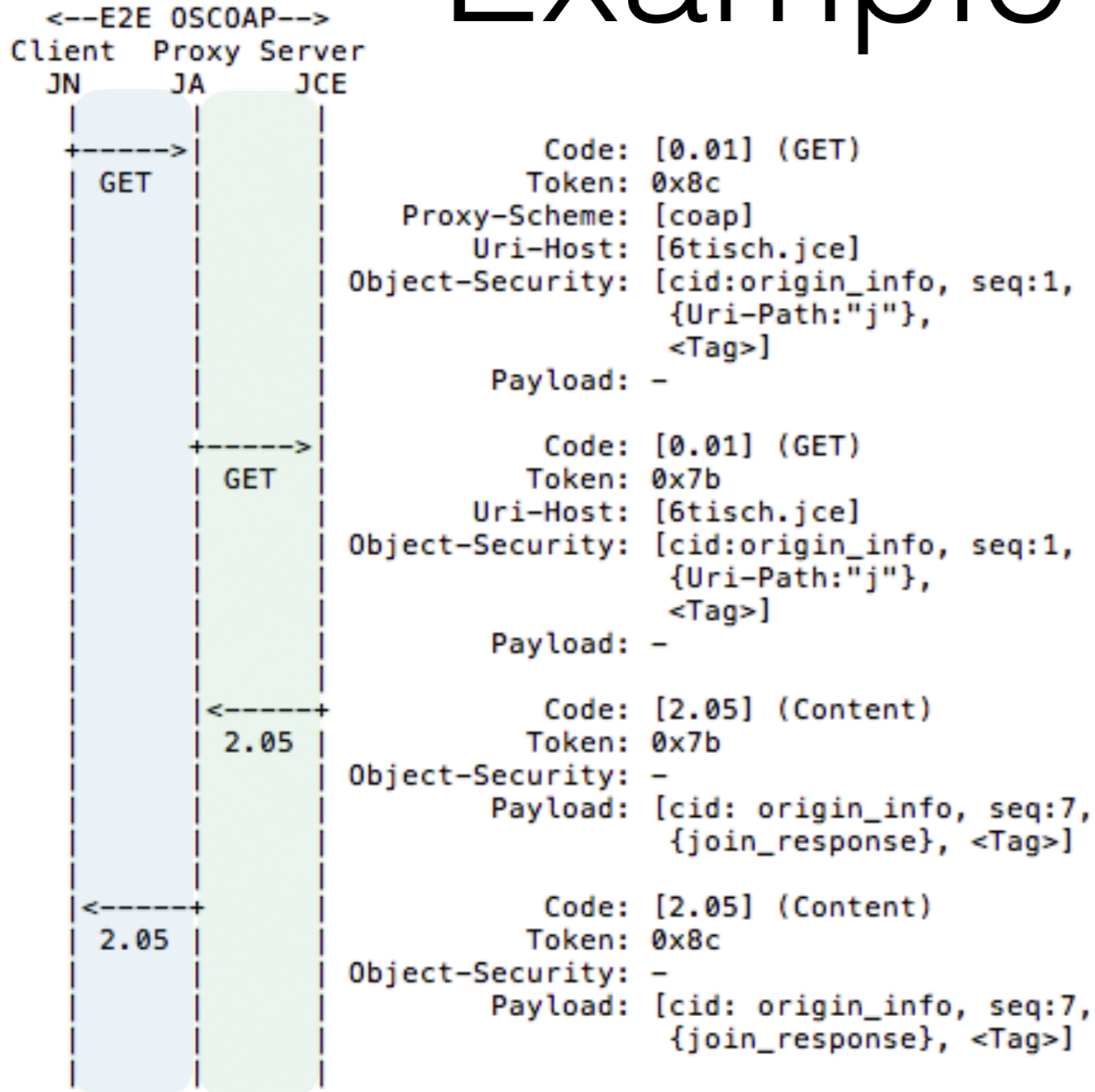


Figure 1: Message sequence for join protocol.

# Protocol Specification

- Implemented with CoAP
  - JN is a CoAP client, JCE a server
- JA is a CoAP proxy
  - Stateless using app-level info
- E2E encryption \*through JA\* using OSCOAP + COSE
- Actual “traffic keys” and nonces are derived from PSK

# Example (PSK)



```
origin_info:
[
  h'00170d00060d9f0e', / JN's EUI64 /
  49152, / JN's UDP source port /
  0x8c / JN's CoAP token /
]
```

Encodes to 15 bytes

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join_response:
[
  / COSE Key Set array with a single key /
  {
    1:4, / key type symmetric /
    -1:h'e6bf4287c2d7618d6a9687445ffd33e6' / key value /
  },
  h'af93' / assigned short address /
]
```

Encodes to 26 bytes

link local commun.    global comm. using pre-existing routes

[] - authenticated  
 {} - encrypted