

# CoRE: Problem Details

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[draft-ietf-core-problem-details](#)  
Disposition of WGLC comments

# branch wglc-processing

PR #18

~ 18 commits

directly taken from discussion in the mailing list

legend:

CPDdi =  concise Problem Details data item

SPDe =  Standard Problem Details entry (+ SPDk)

CPDe =  custom Problem Details entry (+ CPDk)

# editorial (11/18)

- Reference tweaks, terminology 3cffc3a
- consistently use CPDdi 0cf8599; + misc 2d26665
- Bring abstract closer to title 939184b
- 4a2e07e fbb939f ad9f3e4 1c130e3
- 84beee4 c5aa620 (Thanks, Ari 16dbf55)

# technical nits

- oltext (text / tag38) in registry 9c08121



tag38

- add explicit &(auto: null) 2836667
- explain that STRING-META is ongoing standardization  
3b4ba14
- point (informatively) to W3C group draft note  
**Strings on the Web: Language and Direction Metadata**  
<https://www.w3.org/TR/string-meta/>

# term: problem shape

- Problem shape: 8acbd7f
  - The shape of the data in the problem details
    - replaces "problem type" from RFC 7807
    - less pointy
    - often there is a dominating CPDe
    - often the "problem type" is the cross-product of CPDes
  - If needed, problem type can be imported from RFC 7807 { 7807: ... }

# add and explain base-uri

- problem details can contain relative URI references
  - These are relative to a base URI (RFC 3986 § 5.1)
  - usually comes implicit from request
  - not so for stored/relayed CPDdi
- → add base-uri SPDe (-5)
- 24091df

# explain response-code

- Why both
  - the response-code SPDe and
  - the CoAP response-code
- explain how they relate:
  - (approximately like in base-uri)
  - b50c416

# explain ignore unknown

- "ignore unknown": Common JSON pattern
  - extensibility allows adding members to a map
    - forward compatibility: **ignore unknown**
    - note: if that is not the Right Choice:
      - a new CPDe can be defined instead
      - prevent false interoperability
    - d8b2e6c

# **ignore unknown vs. domain extensions?**

- what if an existing map key needs different data?
  - "domain extension"
- is this an instance of "ignore unknown"
  - often yes (e.g., new enum)
  - sometimes just ignore domain restriction (20 for 0..10)
  - much more murky
  - do we need to spend text on this?

# **editorial/technical fix to 29112 example?**

example:

```
? &(invalidparms: 1) =>  
[ * [param: ~uri, ? reason: text ]]
```

more true to TS29112 JSON form:

```
? &(invalidparms: 1) =>  
{ * {param: ~uri, ? reason: text }}
```