

# NetBSD Wifi Browser

## Software Requirements Specification

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# **1 Introduction**

## **1.1 Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to introduce the core features of our API. Moreover, we will demonstrate the efficiency of having a streamlined process for connecting to Wi-Fi through NetBSD. Additionally, functional and non-functional features of our API, security and performance aspects, as well as product design and implementation.

## **1.2 Document Conventions**

## **1.3 Intended Audience and Reading Suggestions**

Intended audience includes developers, customers / stakeholders, quality control and documentation.

## **1.4 Project Scope**

Vision and scope adheres to the requirements of our API. We plan to implement each core feature over the course of five milestones. Deliverables for our project include the API, command line interface and terminal user interface. Each milestone envelops a specific goal. Milestone one we expect to complete within the first five weeks of development, in which a skeleton of our project will be implemented. Milestone two and three will consist of the correct implementation of our product. Including the CLI and TUI features. Milestone four and five will consist of security testing, in addition to meeting with stakeholders and customers as needed. We expect each milestone to be equally distributed in the amount of time it takes to complete. Individual responsibilities are equally distributed among team members. Project scope is only defined by the time it takes for each milestone to be completed. Resources are minimal, API development will be handled directly on NetBSD operating system.

## 1.5 References

# 2 Overall Description

## 2.1 Product Perspective

## 2.2 Product Features

## 2.3 User Classes and Characteristics

## 2.4 Operating Environment

## 2.5 Design and Implementation Constraints

## 2.6 Assumptions and Dependencies

# 3 Features

1. The API shall interface with `wpa_supplicant` and `IOCTL`
2. The API shall hash passkeys and passwords provided to it
3. The API shall provide a manual process for connecting to a wifi network
4. The API shall provide a semi-automatic process for connection to a wifi network
5. The API shall provide a way to remove known/configured networks
6. The CLI/TUI shall provide an interface to the API for the user

## 3.1 The API shall interface with `wpa_supplicant` and `IOCTL`

### 3.1.1 Description

In NetBSD, `wpa_supplicant` and `IOCTL` are utilized to determine available wifi networks and the specific details of a particular wifi network. The information from these are used to construct a `wpa_supplicant` configuration file, with which the `wpa_supplicant` daemon is then run, connecting the wifi interface to the wifi network. The API would streamline this process, grabbing all of the necessary information from `wpa_supplicant` and `IOCTL` and putting it into a configuration file upon a network selection, requiring minimal intervention from the user.

### 3.1.2 Priority

The feature is of high priority as it is the core of the purpose of the existence of this product.

### 3.1.3 Stimulus and Response

This feature will be utilized every time a user needs to connect to a new network. Upon it's use, the API will present the available (visible) networks and a network will then need to be selected from that list. The API will then handle the configuration file and restarting `wpa_supplicant` for the connection to take affect.

### 3.1.4 Functional Requirements

- The API shall require a call to it to gather available network information
- The API shall provide a list of available networks to connect to
- The API shall handle `wpa_supplicant` configuration
- The API shall restart the `wpa_supplicant` service (to read in new/appended
- The API shall not require root privileges from the user config file)

## 3.2 The API shall hash passkeys and passwords

### 3.2.1 Description

When using `wpa_supplicant`, the default method of providing a passkey (to connect to a network) or a password (for connecting to a network with a specific user account) is be storing them in plain text in the configuration file. However, `wpa_supplicant` supports hashed passkeys and passwords in the configuration file, providing a small additional layer to security. For passkeys, the `wpa_supplicant` package provides a hasher program. For passwords, piping a password through `iconv` and `openssl` provides a hashed password.

### 3.2.2 Priority

This feature is important as it further protects a user's personal data and prevents potentially malicious actors from having an easier entrance into a network.

### 3.2.3 Stimulus and Response

This feature will be triggered any time the user inputs a passkey or a password. Upon receiving a passkey, the API will run the passkey through the provided `wpa_supplicant` hashing program before storing it in the configuration file. For passwords, `wpa_supplicant` will pipe the provided password through `iconv` and `openssl` before storing the password in the configuration file.

### 3.2.4 Functional Requirements

- The API shall hash passkeys and passwords before storage in the configuration file

### **3.3 The API shall provide a manual process for connecting to a network**

#### **3.3.1 Description**

In using this product, there may be a time that a user will want to manually configure a network connection. Instead of writing a separate `wpa_supplicant` configuration file, the user will be able to provide the network information to the API and the API will handle the actual interfacing with `wpa_supplicant` and append it to the API's configuration file.

#### **3.3.2 Priority**

This feature is not of the highest priority as it does not actively work towards streamlining the interaction with `wpa_supplicant` and IOCTL in a significant way, but should be easily implementable with the existing infrastructure since the user will be providing the same information that might be provided by `wpa_supplicant` and IOCTL, and thus can be processed similarly.

#### **3.3.3 Stimulus and Response**

This feature will occur when the user invokes the call specifying there will be manual input from the user. The user will provide at minimum the necessary information, as well as any extra information for connecting to a network. If there is cause for more information to be provided in the configuration, the API will grab the remaining necessary information through a query with `wpa_supplicant` or IOCTL.

#### **3.3.4 Functional Requirements**

- The API will provide a library call for manual configuration
- The API will fill in any necessary information not provided by the user (the minimum provision being an SSID)
- The API will add the configuration information to its internal `wpa_supplicant` configuration file

### **3.4 The API will provide a semi-automatic process for connecting to a wifi network**

#### **3.4.1 Description**

In NetBSD, much of the time spent connecting to a wifi network is spent identifying the necessary information for the `wpa_supplicant` configuration file. The API can circumvent this by gathering the information automatically for the user and automatically updating the internal `wpa_supplicant` configuration file.

### 3.4.2 Priority

The priority of this high as this is the main feature that provides the streamlined experience of connecting to a wifi network in NetBSD.

### 3.4.3 Stimulus and Response

This feature will occur when the call for semi-automatic configuration is made on the API. Upon invocation, the API will gather the SSIDs of the available (visible) networks and return them. The API will then require a network to be selected from the list and the passkey or password associated with the connection before gathering all the necessary information of the network from `wpa_supplicant` and `IOCTL`, appending it into the API's internal `wpa_supplicant` configuration file.

### 3.4.4 Functional Requirements

- The API shall return a list of available (visible) networks when requested
- The API shall handle the configuration of a `wpa_supplicant` configuration file

## 3.5 The API shall provide a way to remove known/configured networks

### 3.5.1 Description

There are many situations in which it makes sense to remove a network from the list of known/configured networks: don't need it anymore, contains potentially sensitive information, or looking for minimal ways to save space. Whatever the reason is, if a configured network can be added to the configuration file, then a configured network can be removed.

### 3.5.2 Priority

This is of moderate priority, but is as simple as removing the lines that the network occupies in the configuration profile.

### 3.5.3 Stimulus and Response

Deletion of a network will be triggered when the user makes the call on the API. At that point, the API will locate the network configurations position in the configuration file and remove the lines that it occupies. When it is finished, it will pass the modified configuration file to `wpa_supplicant`.

### 3.5.4 Functional Requirements

- The API will have the ability to remove a network configuration from the configuration file.

## **3.6 The CLI/TUI shall provide an interface to the API for the user**

### **3.6.1 Description**

The API by itself is only useful if using as a library in source code of the same language. Thus, a CLI/TUI will be provided as a way for a user to actually interface with the API and its services. Through the interface, the user will be able to take advantage of the API's features.

### **3.6.2 Priority**

The priority of at least one of these interfaces is high as this will serve as the face of the product. Not many people will want to build their own interface on our API library, so providing one that supplies all the necessary functionality is a must.

### **3.6.3 Stimulus and Response**

The CLI/TUI will be used any time a user needs to manage their network connections, new or current. The interface will provide the tools necessary for interacting with those networks and manage (most of) the heavy lifting for the user.

### **3.6.4 Functional Requirements**

- The CLI/TUI will provide the user with the ability to directly interface with the API
- The CLI/TUI will provide formatted presentation of the user's options
- The CLI/TUI will present formatted output from the API

## **4 External Interface Requirements**

### **4.1 User Interfaces**

### **4.2 Hardware Interfaces**

### **4.3 Software Interfaces**

### **4.4 Communications Interfaces**

## **5 Other Nonfunctional Requirements**

**Location of Configuration File** The `wpa_supplicant` configuration file will be stored locally per user. This makes it so that root access is not required to modify the network configurations. With this, a central file will exist in conjunction containing "generic" versions of configured networks on the machine so that other users can utilize those

configured networks, potentially with their own information (like with a WPA-EAP network).

## 5.1 Performance Requirements

- In the API, automatic configuration should not take more than 1 second past the time it takes for the user to choose a network and enter the passkey or a username and password.
- After changing a configuration file, the configuration should not take more than 5-10 seconds to take effect in the `wpa_supplicant` process.

## 5.2 Security Requirements

**Hashing of Passkeys and Passwords** Passkeys will be hashed with the passkey hasher provided in the `wpa_supplicant` package, and passwords will be hashed via a pipe through `iconv` to change the encoding to utf16 and piped to `openssl` to encrypt in an md4 hash. The purpose of this is to prevent storing passkeys and password in plain text, and offer an extra (albeit extremely thin) layer of security.

## 5.3 Software Quality Attributes

- The API will accurately determine and place configuration information in the `wpa_supplicant` configuration file for a given network.
- The CLI/TUI will encapsulate all of the functionality that the API offers and way to easily interact with that functionality.

## A Glossary

`wpa_supplicant` `wpa_supplicant` is a program and daemon used for connecting to wifi networks. It utilizes a configuration profile containing information about networks to connect to, informing `wpa_supplicant` about how to connect to different networks.

## B Analysis Models

## C Issue List