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Installation and Configuration of Any Wifi Traffic Analyser Tool.

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Install, configure and demonstrate any one Wi-Fi traffic analyzer using sniffing tools such as Wireshark, AirCrack, AirSnort, etc.

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2. To capture packets using Wireshark.
3. To analyse the captured packets.

3 Theory

3.1 Wireshark

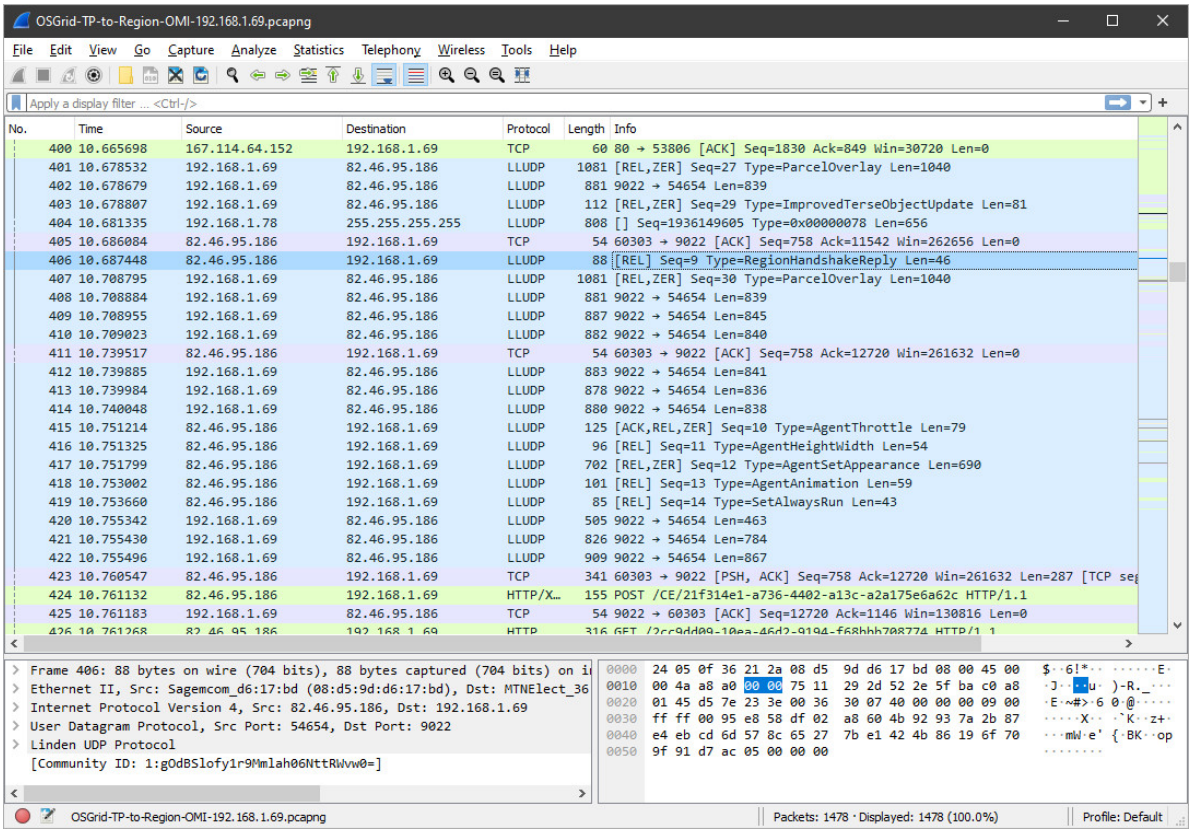

Figure 1: Wireshark GUI

3.1.1 Installation

- **Procedure:** Wireshark can be installed on various operating systems, including Windows, macOS, and Linux. Visit the official Wireshark website (https://www.wireshark.org/) and follow the installation instructions for your specific platform.

- **Dependencies:** Wireshark may require the installation of WinPcap (Windows), libpcap (Linux), or npcap (Windows) for packet capture.

3.1.2 Working

- Wireshark captures and analyzes packets on a network in real-time.
- Users can apply various filters to focus on specific types of traffic.
- The captured data can be displayed in different formats, facilitating detailed protocol analysis.

3.1.3 Pros

- User-friendly interface with powerful features.
- Extensive protocol support for in-depth analysis.
- Active community and regular updates.

3.1.4 Cons

- May consume significant system resources during packet capture.
- Beginners might find the wealth of features overwhelming.
- Limited to the capabilities of the network interface card (NIC).

3.2 AirCrack

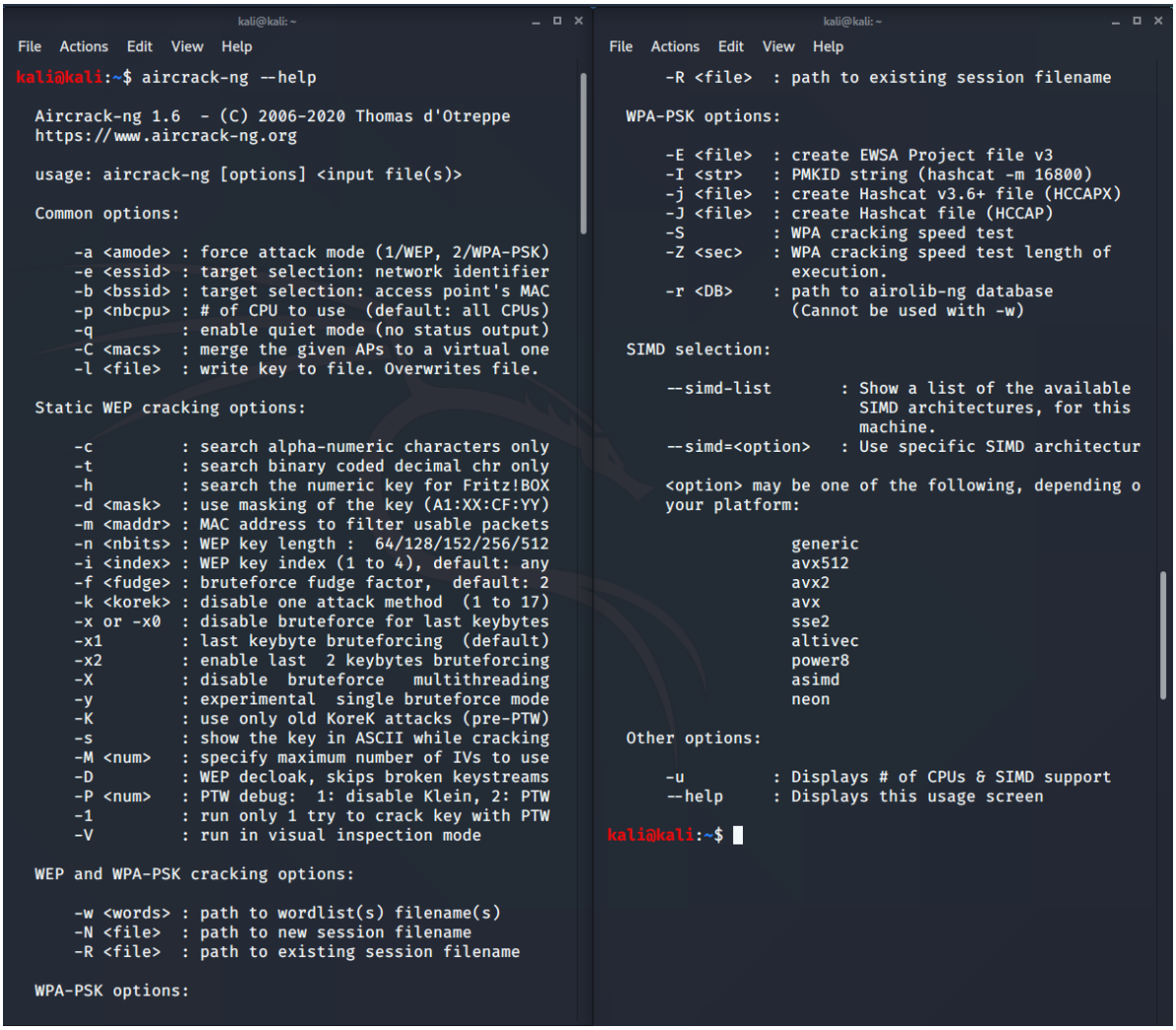

Figure 2: Aircrack

3.2.1 Installation

- **Procedure:** AirCrack-ng, a suite of wireless network security tools, can be installed on various platforms. Detailed installation instructions are available on the official website (https://www.aircrack-ng.org/).
- **Dependencies:** AirCrack-ng relies on libpcap and other libraries for packet capture and analysis.

3.2.2 Working

- AirCrack-ng is primarily used for assessing the security of Wi-Fi networks.
- It includes tools for capturing, analyzing, and cracking WEP and WPA/WPA2-PSK keys.

- Supports various attacks like packet injection and de-authentication to test network vulnerabilities.

3.2.3 Pros

- Comprehensive suite for wireless network security.
- Active development community and frequent updates.
- Capable of testing the security of WEP and WPA/WPA2-PSK.

3.2.4 Cons

- Requires a good understanding of wireless networks and security concepts.
- Use in unauthorized networks may violate ethical and legal standards.
- Effectiveness is dependent on the strength of encryption used.

3.3 AirSnort

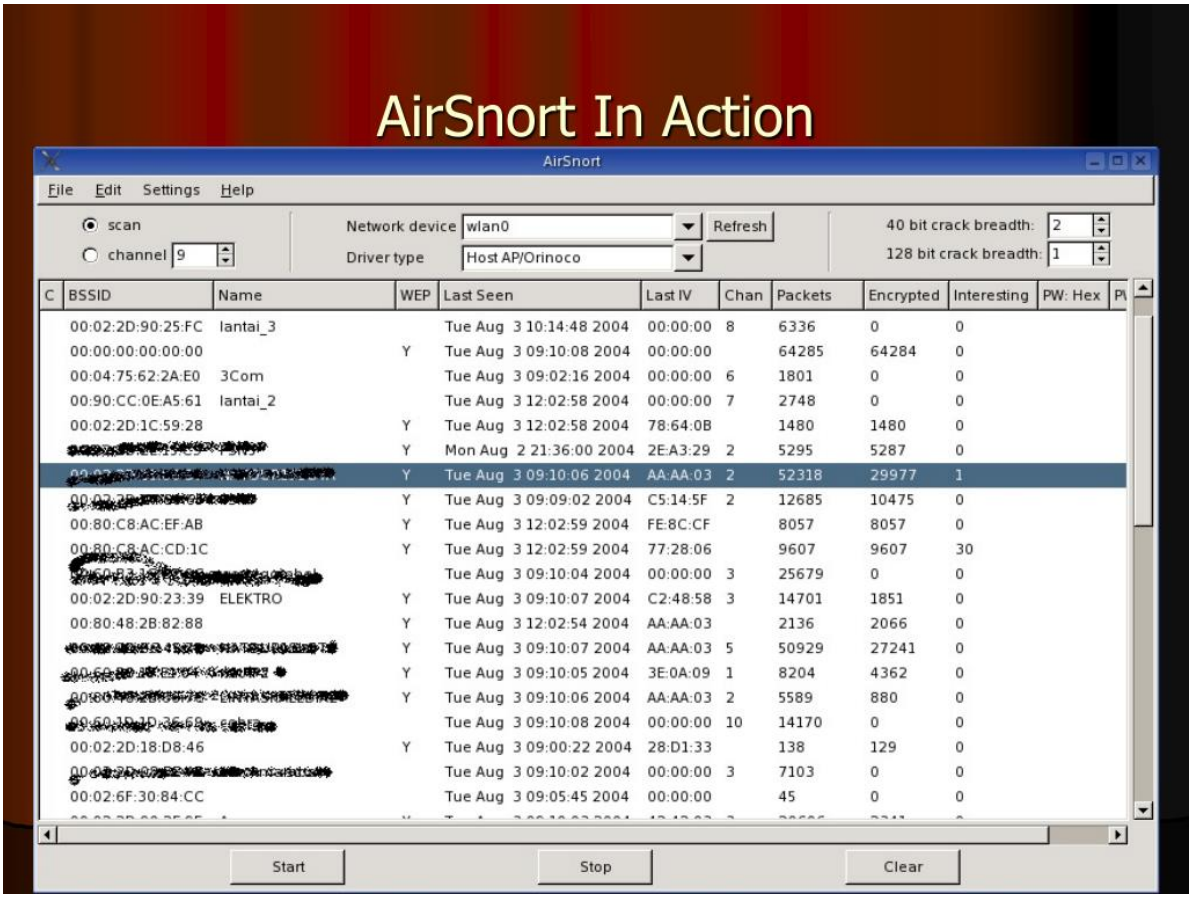

Figure 3: Airsnort

3.3.1 Installation

- **Procedure:** AirSnort, a wireless LAN (WLAN) tool, is no longer actively maintained. Installation may vary based on the available repositories or archived versions.
- **Dependencies:** Originally designed for Linux, it relies on libpcap and other libraries for packet capture.

3.3.2 Working

- AirSnort was designed to crack WEP encryption keys by capturing data packets and analyzing them.
- It focused on exploiting weaknesses in the WEP algorithm to recover network passwords.
- Due to its outdated nature, it may not be effective against modern, more secure encryption standards.

3.3.3 Pros

- Historically used for educational purposes to highlight WEP vulnerabilities.
- Provided insights into the weaknesses of early wireless encryption

3.3.4 Cons

- Outdated and no longer actively maintained.
- Limited effectiveness against modern and more secure Wi-Fi encryption.
- Not recommended for practical use in contemporary security assessments.

4 Platform

Operating System: Arch Linux x86-64
IDEs or Text Editors Used: Visual Studio Code
Compilers or Interpreters: Python 3.10.1

5 Working Screenshots

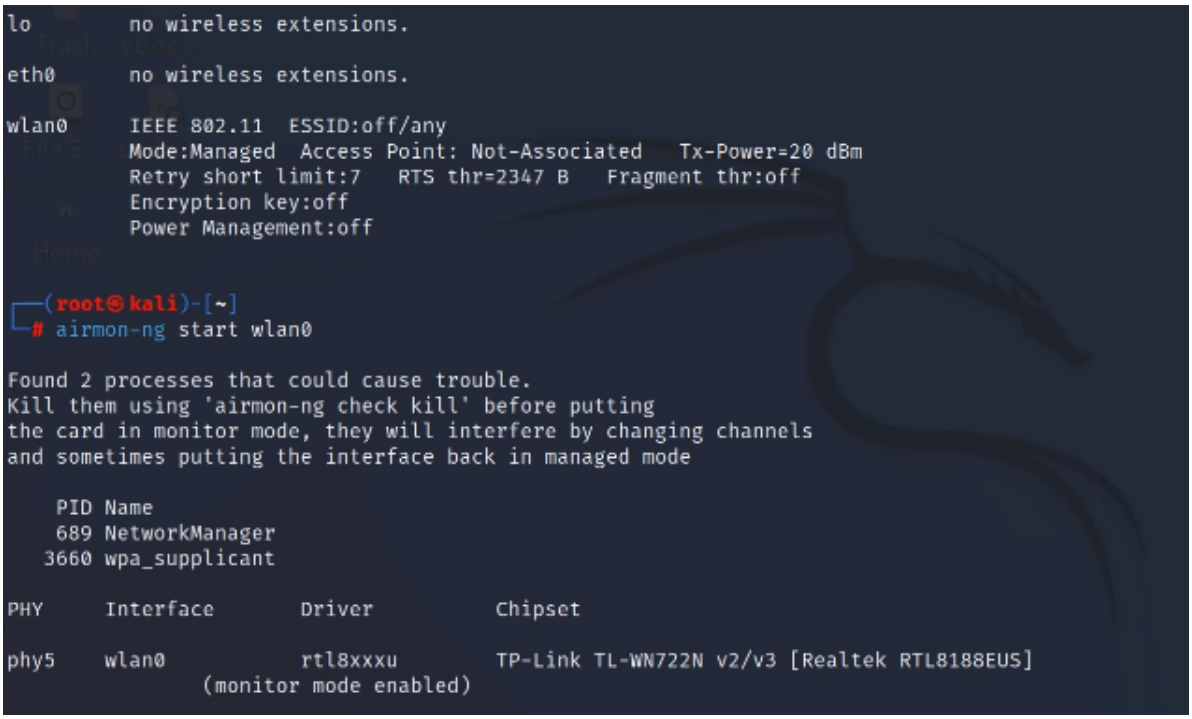

Figure 4: The command line window is showing that the wlane wireless interface has been put into monitor mode, and that two processes that could interfere with this mode have been killed.

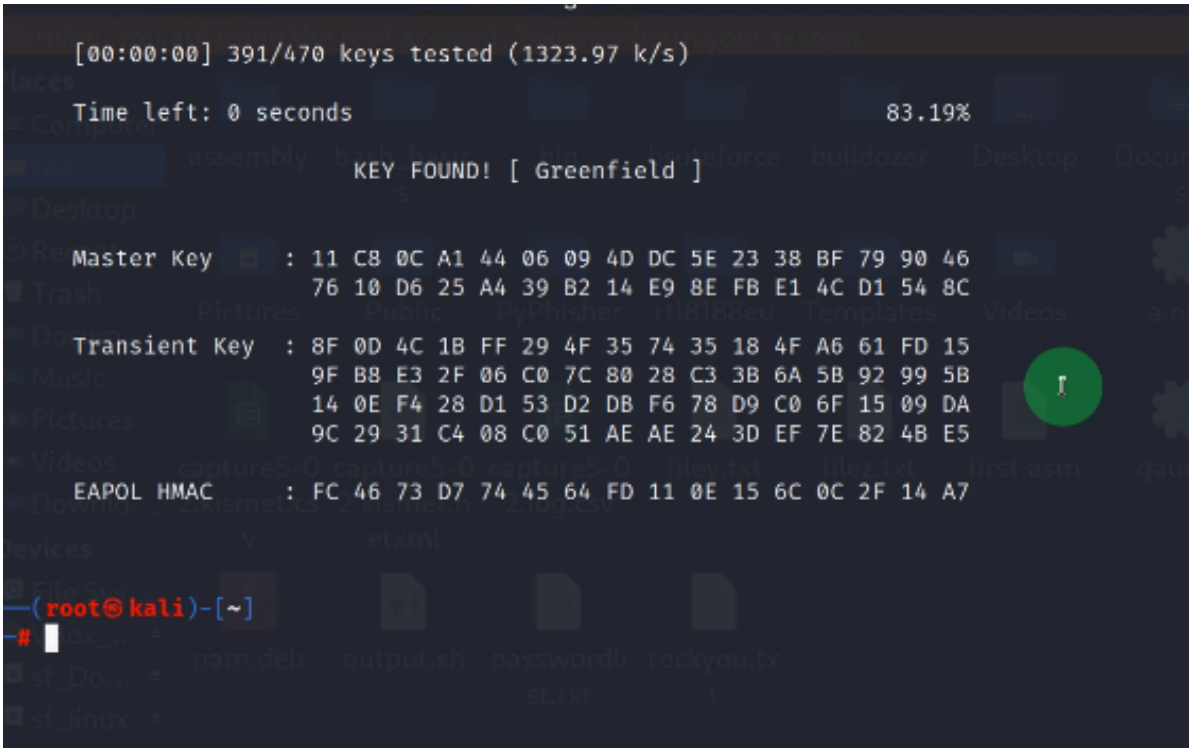

Figure 5: Wifi Password Key Found

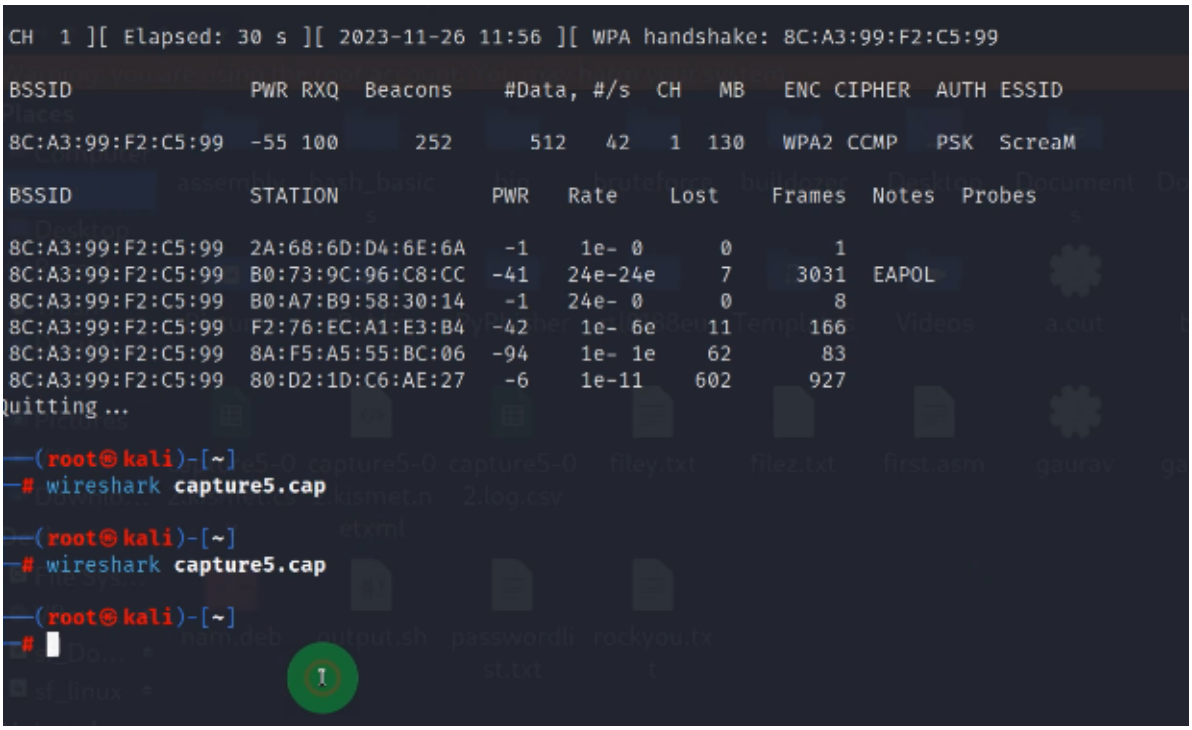

Figure 6: WPA handshake captured!

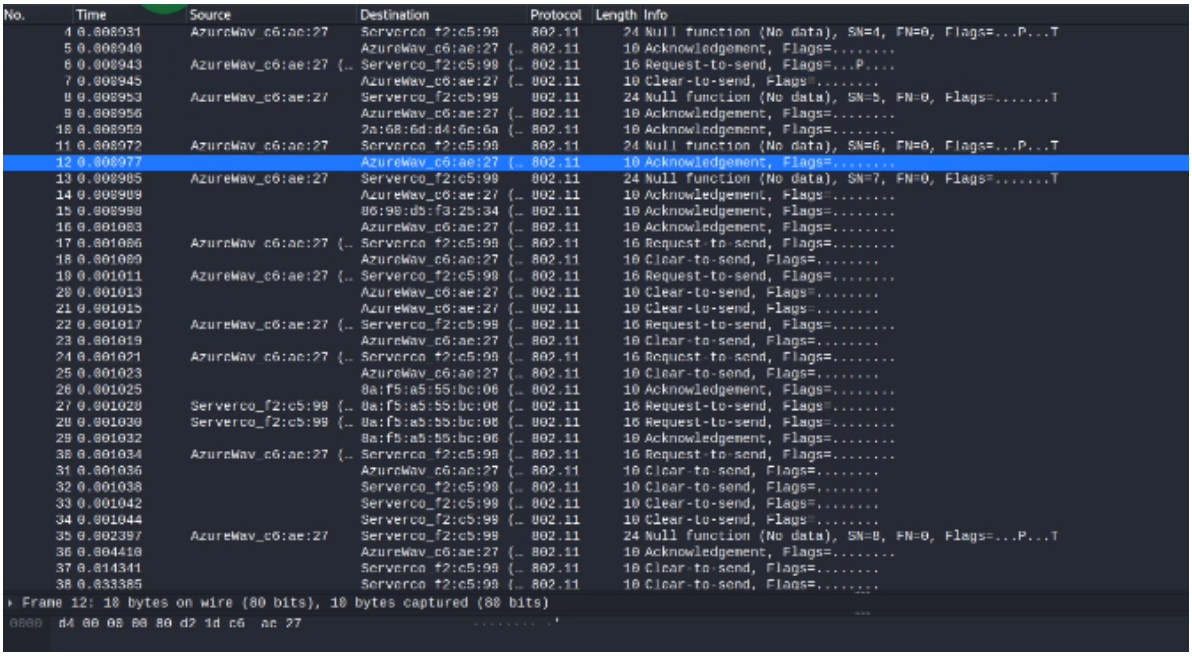

Figure 7: Wi-Fi traffic capturing using Wireshark.

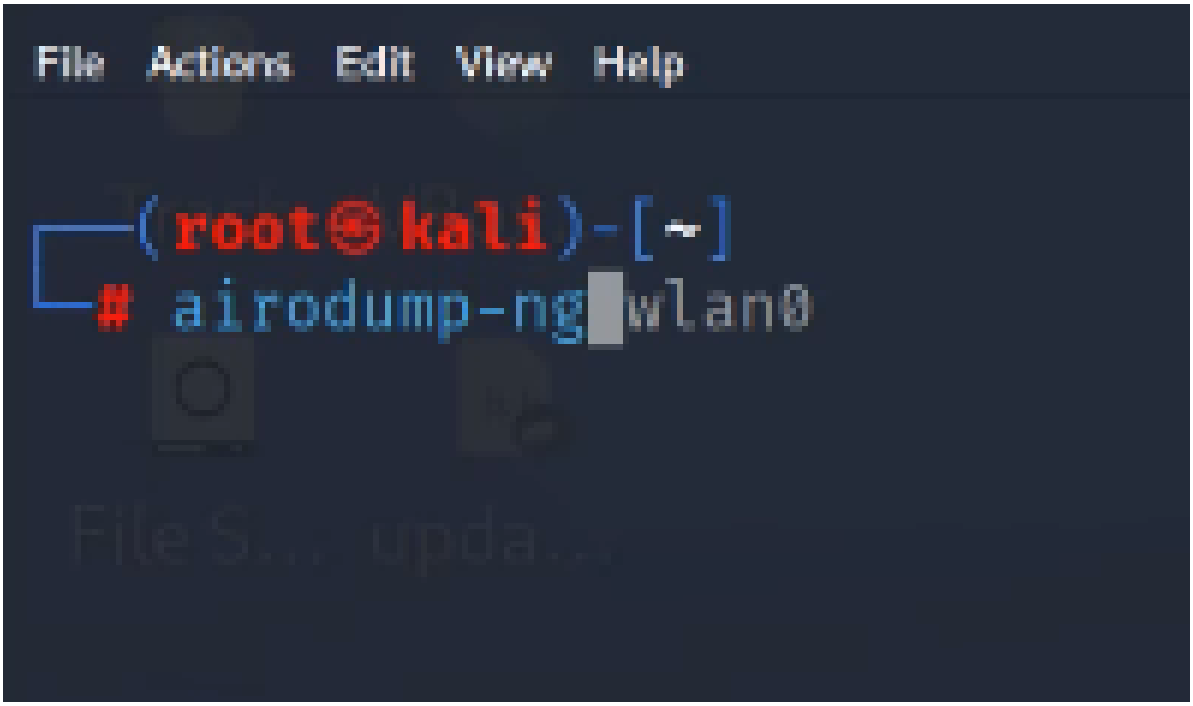

Figure 8: 802.11 frame capture in progress.

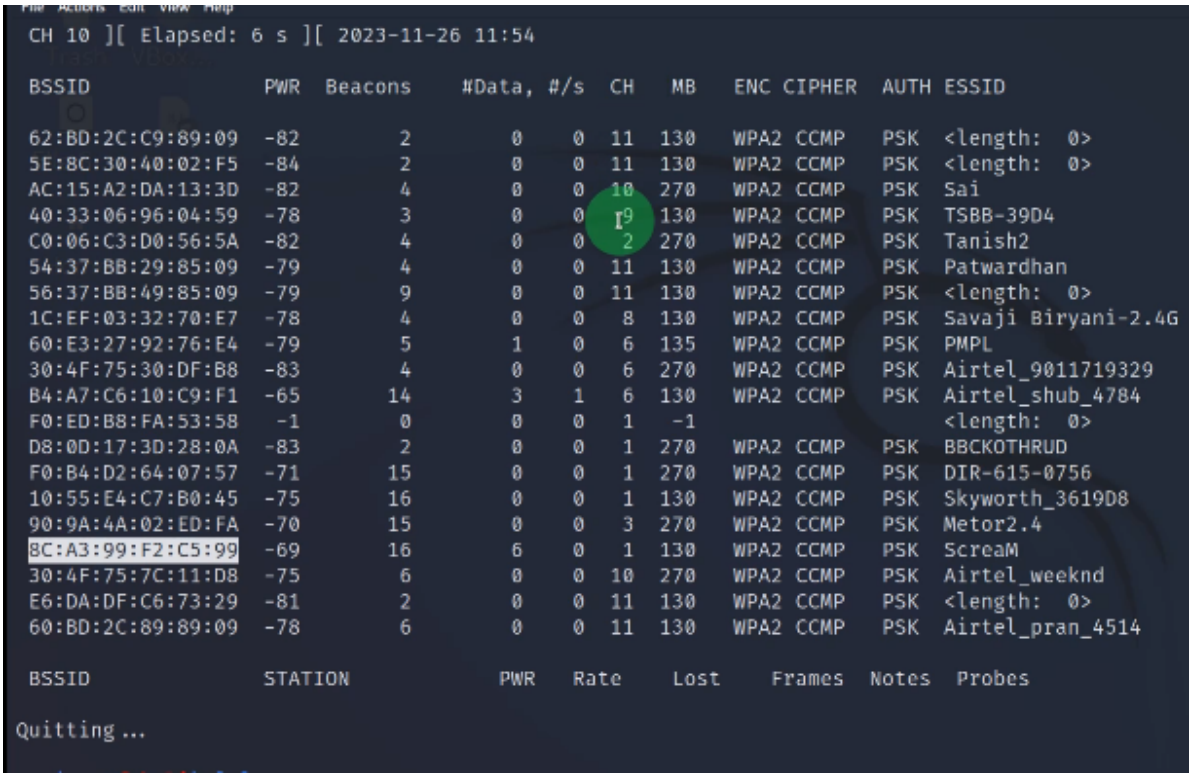

Figure 9: Wi-Fi network scan results.

Figure 10: Preparing to capture Wi-Fi traffic.

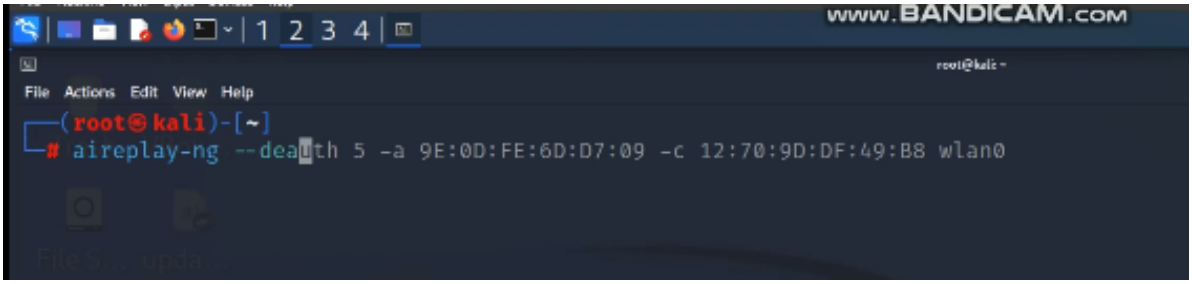

Figure 11: A command-line window executing the aireplay-ng-death tool to deauthenticate clients from a Wi-Fi network.

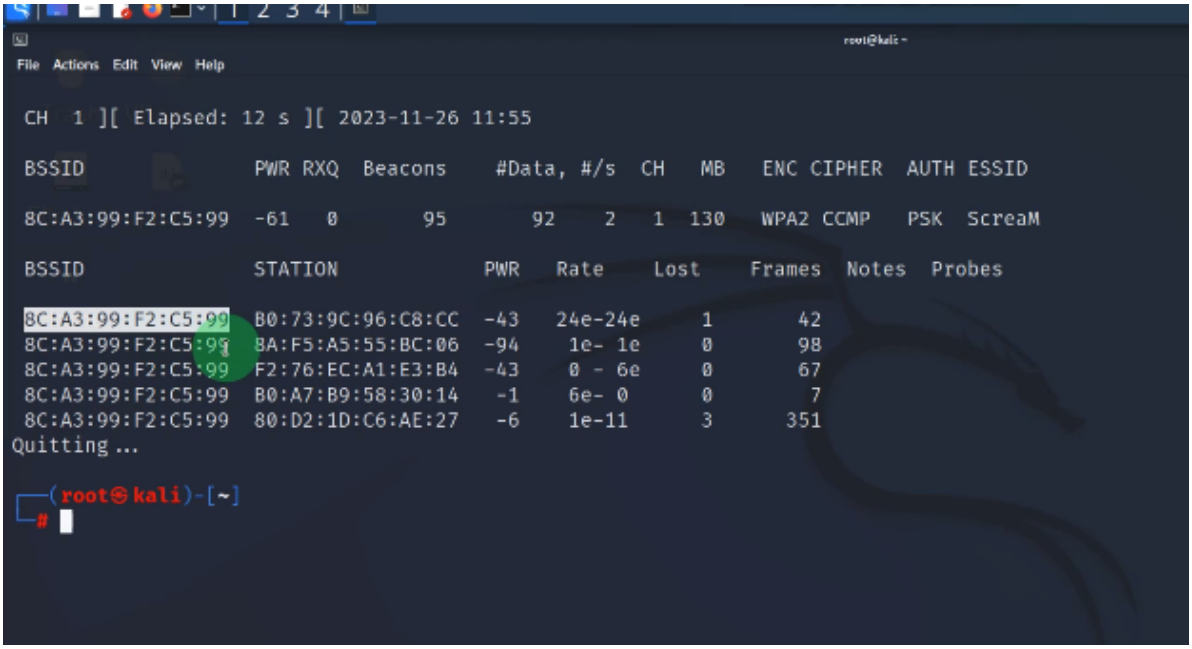

Figure 12: Wi-Fi network scan results on a Kali Linux system.

6 Conclusion

Thus, the installation and configuration of Any Wifi Traffic Analyser Tool was successfully done. We installed Wireshark, captured packets and analysed them.

7 FAQ

1. *List the different open source tool to capture packet. Also, write its features.*

   Packet Capture Tools:

   - *Wireshark:*
     - **Features:** Wireshark is a widely-used open-source packet analyzer. It allows real-time packet capture and display.
     - **Additional Features:** Protocol analysis, deep inspection of hundreds of protocols, live capture, and offline analysis.
     - **Reference:** [1]
   - *Tshark:*
     - **Features:** Tshark is the command-line version of Wireshark. It offers similar features for packet capture and analysis.
     - **Additional Features:** Scriptable using Lua, supports various capture file formats.
     - **Reference:** [2]
   - *Tcpdump:*
     - **Features:** Tcpdump is a command-line packet analyzer for Unix-like systems.
     - **Additional Features:** Filters for specific protocols, customizable output formats.

- **Reference:** [3]

2. *Which mode NIC uses for Ethereal / packet sniffing?*

   NIC Modes for Ethereal/Packet Sniffing: NIC primarily uses the *Promiscuous Mode* for Ethereal/packet sniffing. In this mode, the NIC captures all traffic on the network, regardless of the destination address.

3. *Which wireshark filter can be used to monitor outgoing packets from a specific system on the network?*

   Wireshark Filter for Monitoring Outgoing Packets: To monitor outgoing packets from a specific system on the network using Wireshark, you can use the following filter:

   ```
   ip.src == <source_IP_address>
   ```

   Replace `<source_IP_address>` with the actual IP address of the system you want to monitor.

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