WPA2 Handshake Capture and Analysis

Objective: Capture the WPA2 handshake from a wireless network, which is the first step in testing the security of a wireless network. Analyze the captured handshake using packet analysis tools.

1. Capture WPA2 Handshake:

• Use airodump-ng to focus on a specific target network:

2. Deauthentication Attack:

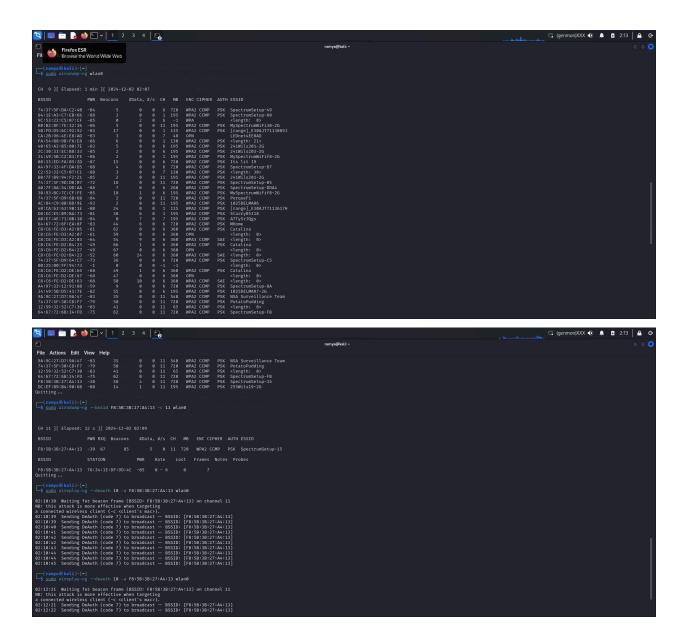
• To force a handshake capture, send a deauth attack to disconnect clients and capture their reconnection:

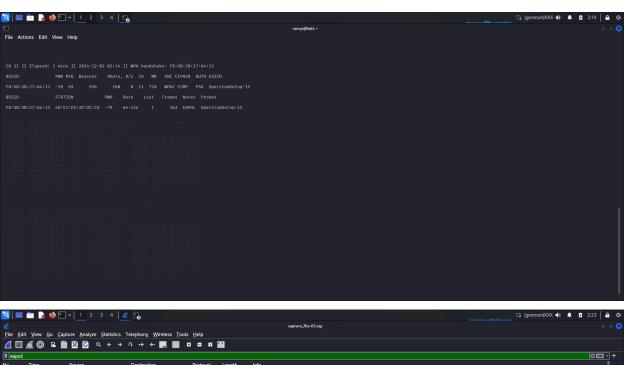
3. Confirm Handshake Capture:

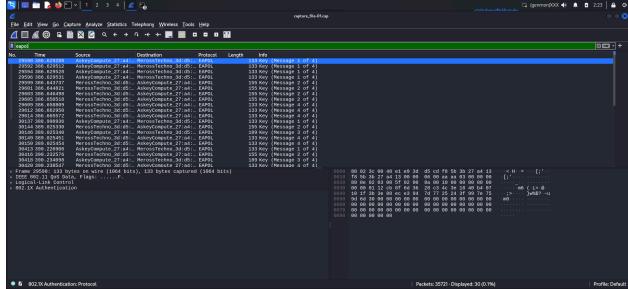
 Look for the message "[WPA handshake: <MAC>]" in the airodump-ng terminal window to verify capture.

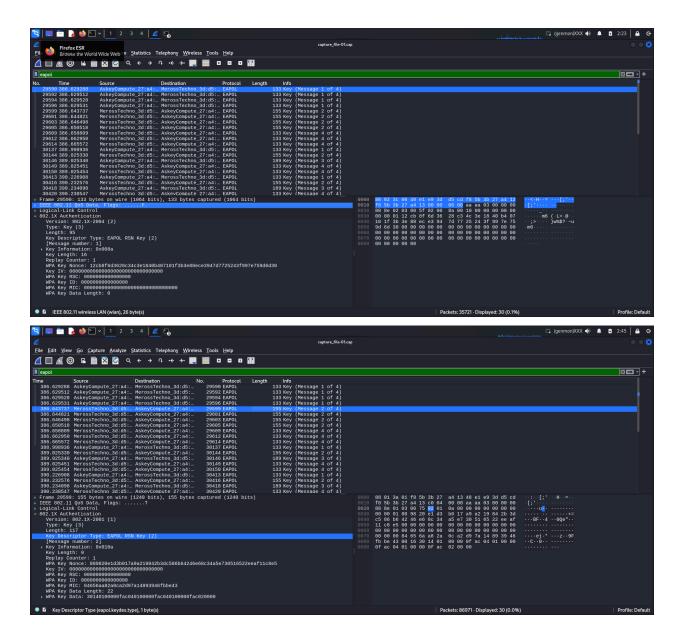
4. Packet Analysis (Optional):

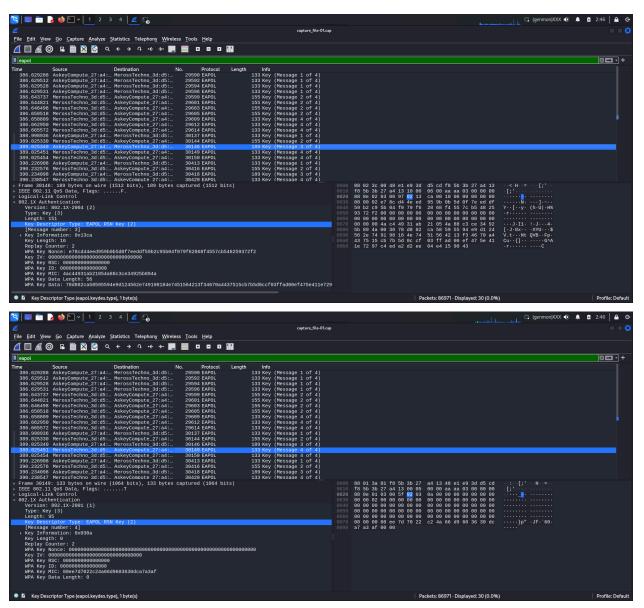
- Open Wireshark and load the . cap file:
- Filter traffic by the eapol protocol to analyze the handshake packets.











FROM the screenshots i have taken Message 1 of 4

- Source: AskeyCompute_27:a4
- **Destination**: MerossTechno_3d:d5
- Protocol: EAPOL(Extensible Authentication Protocol over LAN)
- Details:
 - Key Descriptor Type: EAPOL RSN Key (2)
 - O ANonce:

12cb8f8d3628c34e3814b0487101f3b3e88ece3947d7725243f997e759dd 6d30

- This is the Authenticator Nonce generated by the Access Point (AP) for the handshake.
- Key Length: 16 bytes (default length for WPA2 keys).

- Replay Counter: 1
- This packet starts the handshake by sending the ANonce to the Supplicant (client).

Message 2 of 4

• Source: MerossTechno_3d:d5

• **Destination**: AskeyCompute_27:a4

• Protocol: EAPOL

Details:

Key Descriptor Type: EAPOL RSN Key (2)

SNonce:

809820e1d3b017a9a219842b3d5c8b64246e68c34a5e730516522eeaf11c 8e5

- This is the Supplicant Nonce generated by the client in response to the ANonce from the AP.
- o MIC: 84668eaa2ca2d97a14893946fbbe43
 - This MIC proves the client knows the PMK (Pairwise Master Key).
- o Replay Counter: 1 (matches the one in Message 1, ensuring no replay attack).
- o Confirms the client is participating in the handshake and has the PMK.

Message 3 of 4

Source: AskeyCompute_27:a4

Destination: MerossTechno_3d:d5

• Protocol: EAPOL

Details:

Key Descriptor Type: EAPOL RSN Key (2)

• **GTK**: This packet contains the encrypted Group Temporal Key (GTK).

MIC: 800e77d0224a66d903063dc7a3af

- Generated by the AP using the PTK, it proves that the AP has successfully calculated the PTK and derived the GTK.
- Replay Counter: 2 (incremented from the previous messages).
- Confirms the AP is ready for secure communication.

Message 4 of 4

- **Source**: MerossTechno_3d:d5
- **Destination**: AskeyCompute_27:a4
- Protocol: EAPOL
- Details:
 - Key Descriptor Type: EAPOL RSN Key (2)
 - o MIC: 800e77d0224a66d903063dc7a3af
 - Confirms receipt of the GTK and successful handshake completion.
 - Replay Counter: 2 (matches the one in Message 3).
 - Finalizes the handshake, ensuring the client and AP are synchronized for encrypted communication.

Summary of the Process:

- 1. Message 1: AP sends ANonce.
- 2. Message 2: Client sends SNonce and its MIC.
- 3. **Message 3**: AP confirms PTK calculation, sends MIC and GTK.
- 4. **Message 4**: Client acknowledges and finalizes the handshake.