Name	WPA Supplicant: WPA3-SAE
URL	https://www.attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=1309
Туре	WiFi Pentesting : AP-Client Basics

Important Note: This document illustrates all the important steps required to complete this lab. This is by no means a comprehensive step-by-step solution for this exercise. This is only provided as a reference to various commands needed to complete this exercise and for your further research on this topic. Also, note that the IP addresses and domain names might be different in your lab.

Objective: Connect to the WPA3-SAE network using wpa_supplicant.

Solution:

Step 1: Check the list of available WiFi network interfaces on the machine

Command: iw dev.

```
root@attackdefense:~# iw dev
phy#1
        Interface wlan1
                ifindex 5
                wdev 0x100000001
                addr 02:00:00:00:01:00
                type managed
                txpower 0.00 dBm
phy#0
        Interface wlan0
                ifindex 4
                wdev 0x1
                addr 02:00:00:00:00:00
                type managed
                txpower 0.00 dBm
root@attackdefense:~#
```

wlan0 and wlan1 interfaces are present on the machine.

Step 2: Change interface wlan0 to monitor mode.

Command: iw dev wlan0 set monitor none

```
root@attackdefense:~# iw dev wlan0 set monitor none
```

Verify the same using iw dev command.

```
root@attackdefense:~# iw dev
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        Interface wlan1
                ifindex 5
                wdev 0x100000001
                addr 02:00:00:00:01:00
                type managed
                txpower 0.00 dBm
phy#0
        Interface wlan0
                ifindex 4
                wdev 0x1
                addr 02:00:00:00:00:00
                type monitor
                txpower 0.00 dBm
root@attackdefense:~#
```

Step 3: Run airodump-ng on wlan0 interface to view all networks present in the vicinity on 2.4 (b/g) Ghz band.

Command: airodump-ng wlan0

root@attackdefense:~# airodump-ng wlan0

```
CH 3 ][ Elapsed: 6 s ][ 2019-10-29 06:20
BSSID
                 PWR Beacons
                                #Data, #/s CH
                                                MB
                                                     ENC CIPHER AUTH ESSID
D2:E9:6A:D3:B3:52 -28
                           96
                                           1
                                                54
                                                     WPA3 CCMP
                                                                SAE NextGenNetwork
BSSID
                                   PWR
                                                               Notes Probes
                 STATION
                                         Rate
                                                Lost
                                                        Frames
```

There is a WPA3-SAE network "Secure-public-WiFi" in the vicinity.

Step 4: Create a WPA supplicant configuration file to connect to this network .

WPA Supplicant configuration

```
network={
    ssid="NextGenNetwork"
    psk="welcome1"
    key_mgmt=SAE
}
```

```
root@attackdefense:~# cat wpa_supplicant.conf
network={
    ssid="NextGenNetwork"
    psk="welcome1"
    key_mgmt=SAE
}
root@attackdefense:~#
```

Step 6: Start the wpa supplicant with above configuration.

Command: wpa supplicant -Dnl80211 -iwlan1 -c wpa supplicant.conf

```
root@attackdefense:~# wpa_supplicant -Dnl80211 -iwlan1 -c wpa_supplicant.conf
Successfully initialized wpa_supplicant
wlan1: SME: Trying to authenticate with d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52 (SSID='NextGenNetwork' freq=2412 MHz)
wlan1: SME: Trying to authenticate with d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52 (SSID='NextGenNetwork' freq=2412 MHz)
wlan1: PMKSA-CACHE-ADDED d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52 0
wlan1: Trying to associate with d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52 (SSID='NextGenNetwork' freq=2412 MHz)
wlan1: Associated with d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52
wlan1: CTRL-EVENT-SUBNET-STATUS-UPDATE status=0
wlan1: WPA: Key negotiation completed with d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52 [PTK=CCMP GTK=CCMP]
wlan1: CTRL-EVENT-CONNECTED - Connection to d2:e9:6a:d3:b3:52 completed [id=0 id_str=]
```

From the console logs of wpa_supplicant, it is clear that it connected to the network. The same can also be verified in Airodump-ng output

```
CH 10 ][ Elapsed: 3 mins ][ 2019-10-29 06:23 ][ WPA handshake: D2:E9:6A:D3:B3:52
BSSID
                        Beacons
                                   #Data, #/s CH
                                                          ENC CIPHER AUTH ESSID
D2:E9:6A:D3:B3:52
                   -28
                           2083
                                      24
                                                     54
                                                          WPA3 CCMP
                                                                      SAE
                                                                           NextGenNetwork
BSSID
                   STATION
                                      PWR
                                             Rate
                                                     Lost
                                                             Frames
                                                                     Notes
                                                                            Probes
D2:E9:6A:D3:B3:52 02:00:00:00:01:00
                                                                     PMKID NextGenNetwork
                                      -29
                                              1 - 1
                                                         0
                                                                 20
```

On observing it closely, one can observe that the WPA-handshake is also captured by the Airodump-ng. However, unlike WPA/WPA2-PSK, WPA3-SAE is not vulnerable to dictionary attack. So, there is nothing that one can do with captured handshake.