

Client A

Broadcast

Cisco AP 1

bridge\_uwgb\_wpa2psk\_wlan.pcapng

Probe Request (0x0004)

Dst	ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
Src	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
Seq	208

Probe Request – active scanning: client solicits responses from APs; directed (specific SSID) or wildcard (broadcast SSID); faster than passive scanning (beacon-only)

Probe Response (0x0005)

Dst	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
Src	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	2527
Capabilities Information	0x1431

Probe Response – AP replies with capabilities (SSID, rates, RSN, channel); client uses signal strength + capabilities to select best AP for association

Beacon frame (0x0008)

BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	2658
Beacon Interval	0.104448 [Seconds]
DTIM count	0

Beacon – AP announces its presence at Beacon Interval (usually 100 TU = 102.4ms); carries SSID, supported rates, DTIM count, RSN info; basis for passive scanning

Authentication (0x000b)

Dst	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Src	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	229
Auth	Open System (0)
Auth Seq	0x0001
Status	Successful (0x0000)

802.11 Authentication – Open System (2 frames) or SAE/WPA3 (multiple rounds); must succeed before Association

ACK (0x001d)

RA	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
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Seq	229
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Dst	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
Src	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	2660
Auth	Open System (0)
Auth Seq	0x0002
Status	Successful (0x0000)

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Association Request (0x0000)

Dst	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Src	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	230
Capabilities Information	0x0431
Listen Interval	0x00c8
AKM	PSK (2)

Association Request – client joins BSS; carries SSID, supported rates, RSN (WPA2/WPA3) capabilities; AP assigns AID in response

Association Response (0x0001)

Dst	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
Src	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	2661
Status	Successful (0x0000)

Association Response – AP accepts/rejects client; Status 0=Success; assigns AID (Association ID) used for PS-Poll and TIM bitmap addressing

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ID AID 0x0001

EAPOL Key

Dst	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
Src	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	2
Key Descriptor Type	EAPOL RSN Key (2)
Key Information	0x008a
Key Length	16
Replay Counter	0
WPA Key Nonce	6442d7b6bf4f711d39b1b701d2d93ee9f063c43b5e40f5029cec37c914ead2ae

EAPOL 4-Way Handshake – derives PTK from PMK; Msg 1: ANonce, Msg 2: SNonce+MIC, Msg 3: GTK, Msg 4: Confirm; completes encryption key installation

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Src	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	2
Key Descriptor Type	EAPOL RSN Key (2)
Key Information	0x010a
Key Length	16
Replay Counter	0
WPA Key Nonce	b9fc2f4c75e7dceae78aa905891ebba63dd8f199eb89356f49704ac137639043

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Dst	54:ee:75:49:f1:3e
Src	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
BSS	84:b2:61:24:a2:00
Seq	3
Key Descriptor Type	EAPOL RSN Key (2)
Key Information	0x13ca
Key Length	16
Replay Counter	1
WPA Key Nonce	6442d7b6bf4f711d39b1b701d2d93ee9f063c43b5e40f5029cec37c914ead2ae

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QoS Data (0x0028)

Dst	01:00:0c:cc:cc:cc
Src	fc:99:47:be:c0:66
Seq	2386
TID	0
Priority	Best Effort (Best Effort) (0)
Len	386

802.11 QoS Data – TID (Traffic Identifier) maps to WMM Access Category: TID 0-2=Best Effort (AC\_BE), 3=Background (AC\_BK), 4-5=Video (AC\_VI), 6-7=Voice (AC\_VO)