

SharkFest '17 US

Practical Tracewangling

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1. **Tracewrangler?!**
2. **File and Task Concepts**
3. **Editing PCAP(ng)s**
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TraceWrangler

- **Trace („pcap“) file manipulation toolkit**
- **Decodes protocol layers and performs tasks like**
 - Sanitization / Anonymization
 - Layer removal/manipulation
 - Packet/Flow extractions
 - Merging
- **Runs on Windows (and Linux via WINE)**
 - That's because it's written in Delphi VCL, not C
- **Open Source**

Wireshark and TraceWrangler

Wireshark	Tracewrangler
Has a Gazillion of protocol dissectors	34 protocols parsed as of Sharkfest 2017
Displays decoded protocols	Doesn't show protocol decodes
One file displayed/opened at a time	Filelist can hold hundreds or thousands of files
Supports powerful filters for everything	Only very basic filtering (Addresses, Ports)
Conversation statistics for the current file	Conversation statistics for all scanned files
No/very manual packet manipulation features	Fully automatic packet manipulation

File and Task Concepts

- List of files, to be processed by tasks
- List of tasks, containing parameters for file processing
- File details pane
 - Shows file scan results, if available

The screenshot shows the TraceWrangler x64 interface. The main window displays a table of files with columns for No., Filename, Size (Bytes), Type, First Frame Time, Duration, Frames, and Status. The selected file is TWDemo_00010_20140706192321.pcapng.

No.	Filename	Size (Bytes)	Type	First Frame Time	Duration	Frames	Status
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11	TWDemo_00011_20140706193055.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 19:30:55	00:07:24.634570000	398,430	No task assigned
12	TWDemo_00012_20140706193819.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 19:38:20	00:07:31.874371000	398,381	No task assigned
13	TWDemo_00013_20140706194551.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 19:45:52	00:07:21.019581000	391,353	No task assigned
14	TWDemo_00014_20140706195312.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 19:53:13	00:07:27.485911000	401,217	No task assigned
15	TWDemo_00015_20140706200040.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 20:00:40	00:07:12.805103000	396,024	No task assigned
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17	TWDemo_00017_20140706201515.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 20:15:16	00:08:04.771088000	399,704	No task assigned
18	TWDemo_00018_20140706202320.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 20:23:20	00:08:10.048139000	393,876	No task assigned
19	TWDemo_00019_20140706203130.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 20:31:30	00:07:54.859490000	397,635	No task assigned
20	TWDemo_00020_20140706203925.pcapng	250,000 M	PCAPng	06.07.2014 20:39:25	00:05:37.607047000	381,281	No task assigned

The File Details pane shows the following information for the selected file:

- Filename: C:\Traces\Interesting\Gigatrace2\TWDemo_00010_20140706192321.pcapng
- Frame Count: 401,006
- First Frame: 06.07.2014 19:23:22
- Data Size: 248,696,599 bytes
- Scan Status: all packets scanned for general statistics and PCAPng structure
- Frame Comments: 0
- File Comment: n/a

The Taskname pane shows options: Anonymize Files, Extract from Files, Edit Files, and Merge Files.

At the bottom, the status bar shows: Status: idle, Files: 20, Total Frames: 7,876,385, Total Bytes: 4,978,516,886.

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File names,
without path,
sorted by timestamp
of first frame in file

File size, in byte,
Kbyte, Mbyte or
GByte

File format,
detected by
File Magic

Absolute
time of the
first frame
in the file

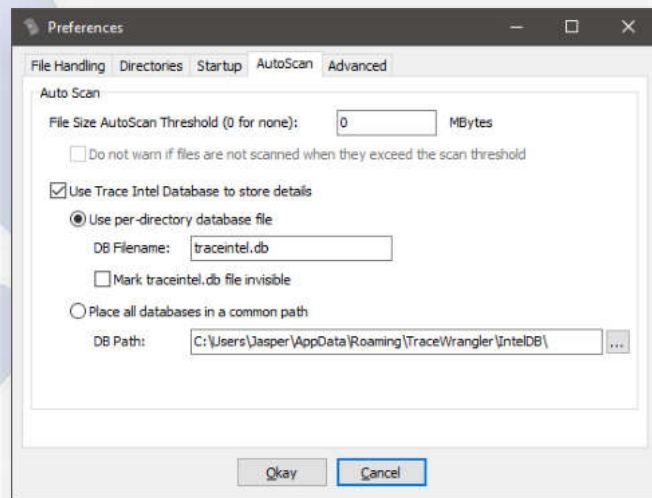
Current
Task Status

Step 1 - Adding files

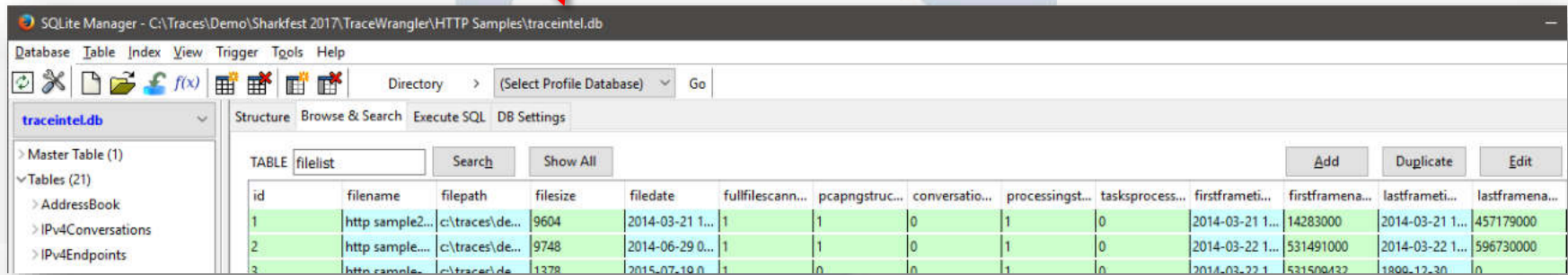
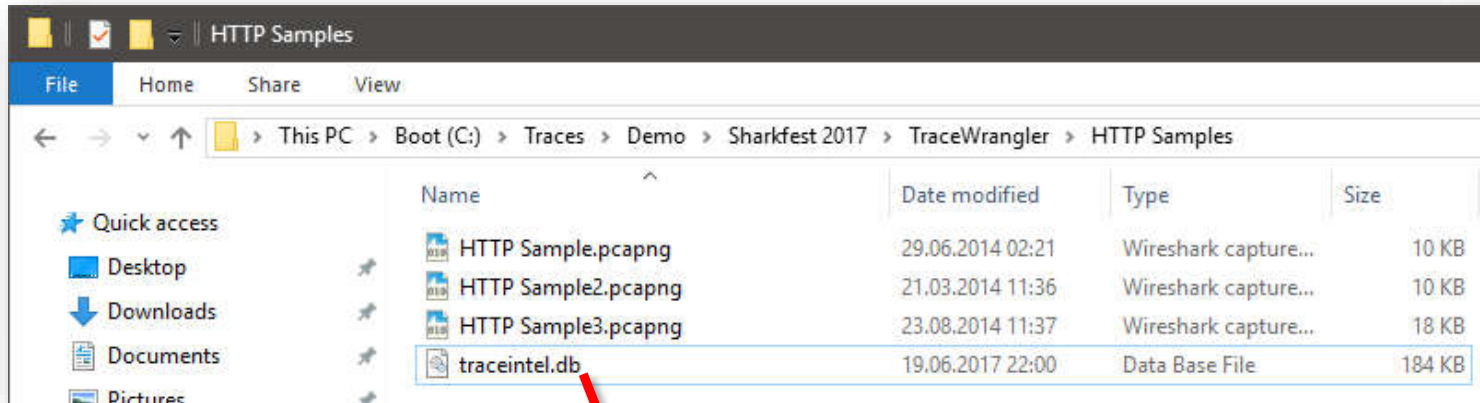
- Use the „Add Files“ button to add single or multiple files via file dialog
- „Add directory“ to add all capture files found in a directory (plus subdirectories by default)
- Drag & drop
- Via command line parameter (just specify the filename with path)
- Via pop-up menu

The file scan process

- **By default, Tracewrangler scans all files up to 50MB once**
 - Main purpose is to extract meta data about conversations and other details
 - Results are written to a database file
- **Scan threshold can be configured in preferences**
 - A setting of „0“ scans all files, regardless of size
 - Database name and location can be configured
 - Per default it's put into the same path as the files scanned



The meta data SQLite database



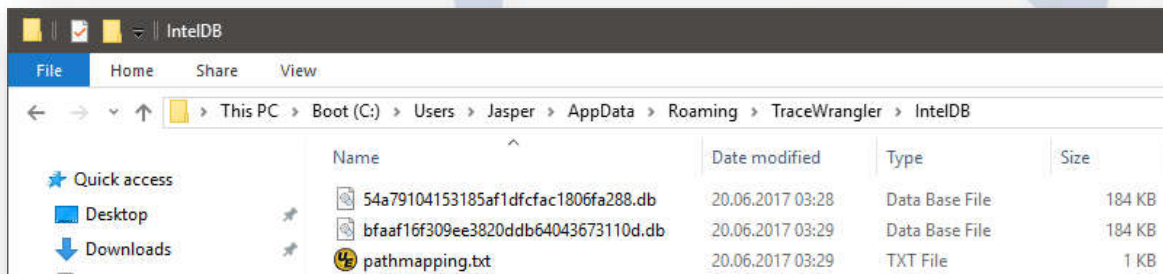
Local vs. central meta database

- **Local database**

- Lives in the same directory as the capture files
- can „travel“: just copy the .db file together with the capture files

- **Central database path**

- Still one database per path, but all in a central directory
- Mostly used for slow or write protected capture file storage devices




Step 2 - Doing something with files

- **Add a task to tell Tracewrangler what it should do:**

- Sanitize/Anonymize
- Extract
- Edit
- Merge

- **Or use the tools:**

- Conversation summary
- Renaming files
- Updating file timestamps



→ Anonymize Files
Remove sensitive details

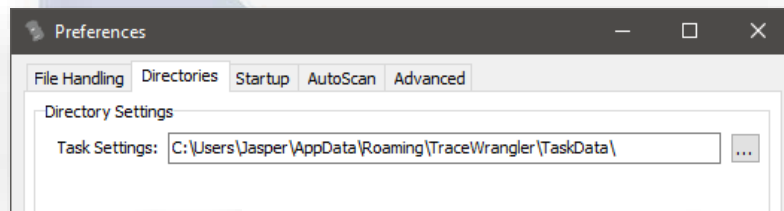
→ Extract from Files
Extract specific packets

→ Edit Files
Edit/remove layers

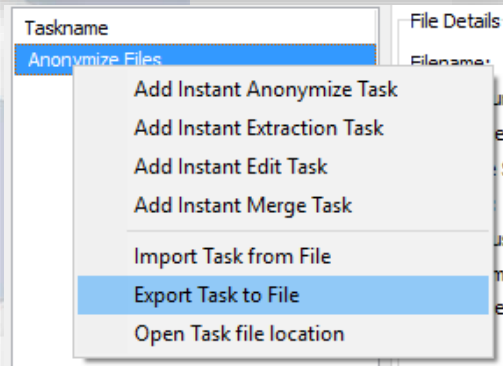
→ Merge Files
Merge and filter packets

Task Hints

- Task settings are stored in SQLite files
- Per default they are put in a sub path of the user folder, which you can reconfigure:



- To keep tasks:
 - export and import them from the task list
 - Copy the task file to a safe place from the settings path

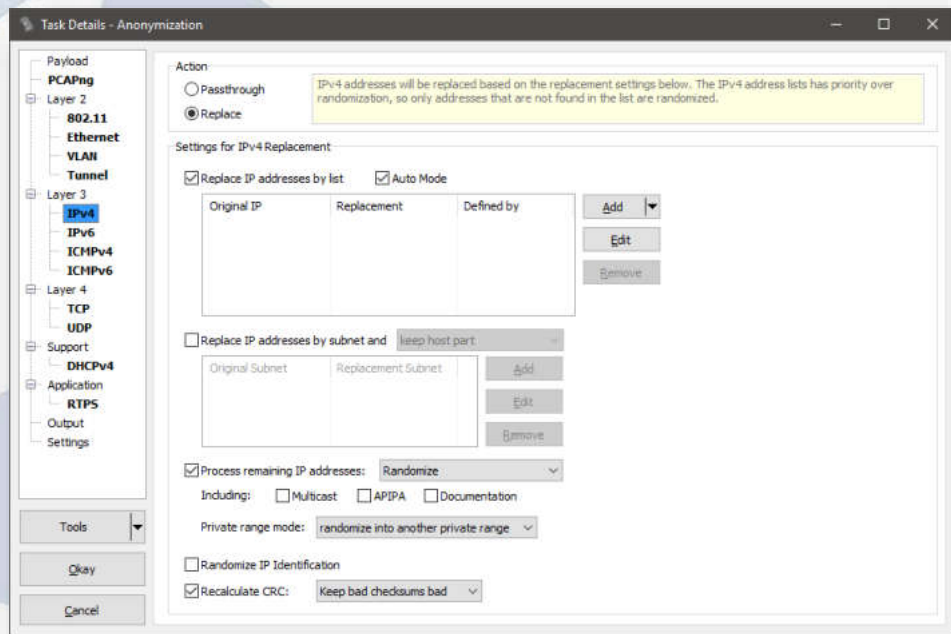




Tracewrangler Tasks: Anonymization

Task Overview: Anonymize/Sanitize

- **Removes/changes sensitive details from a capture file**
 - MAC Addresses, IP addresses, application payload and other things
- **Comes with a preset that should be fine in most situations**
 - Can be overridden with a modified preset
 - The „factory default“ can always be restored

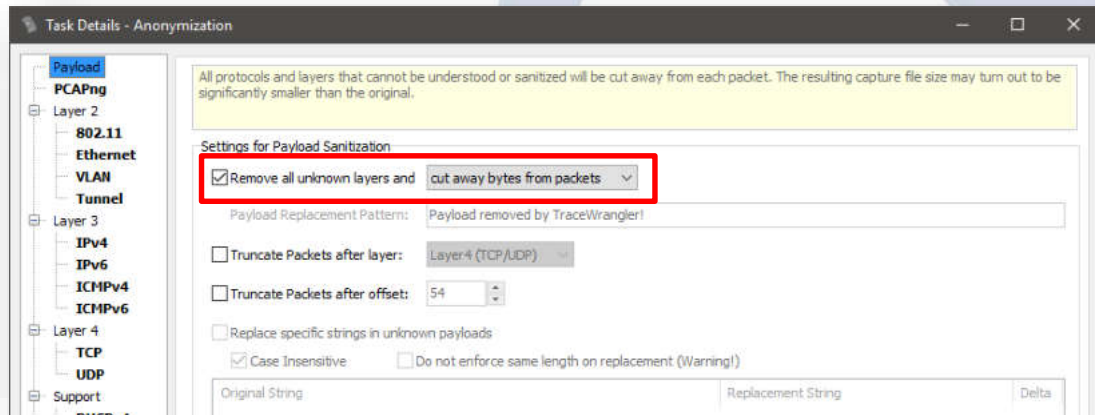
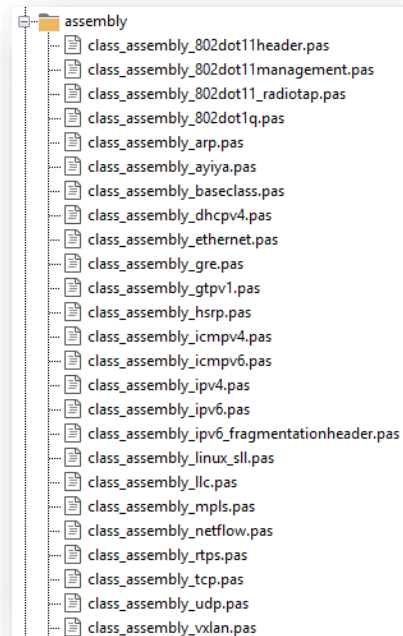


Sanitization - How it works

- **Sanitization is a four step process:**
 1. Parse the packet bottom-up (e.g. Ethernet - IPv4 - TCP - Unknown)
 2. Extract all values (addresses, ports, flags, ...)
 3. Change/remove all sensitive details of parsed values
 4. Build new packet top-down (e.g. TCP - IPv4 - Ethernet)
- **Everything that isn't understood by Tracetrangler will **not** make it into the newly constructed packet!**

Sanitization - Handling „unknown“ Protocols

- Tracewrangler can sanitize 24 protocols as of Sharkfest 2017
- **All others** are considered unknown payload, and cut away by default!



Demo: Anonymization

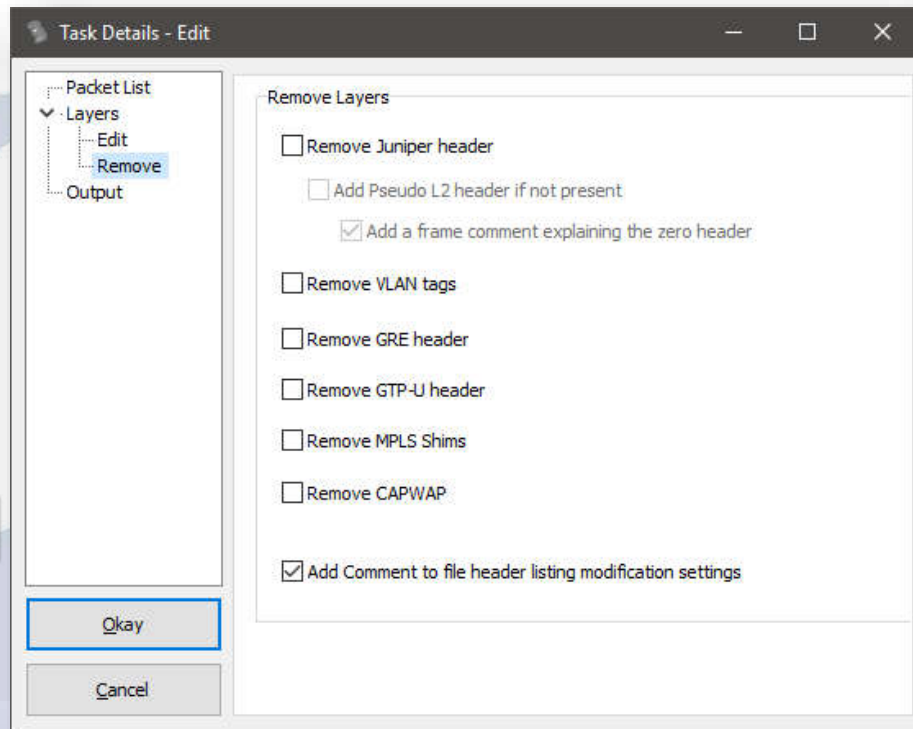


Tracewrangler Tasks: Editing



Task Overview: Editing Packets

- **Mostly used to**
 - remove unwanted packet layers
 - de-encapsulate protocols
 - convert link layer types
 - fix badly sliced packets
- **Some features are also available via Wireshark CLI tools, e.g. reordercap and editcap**



Editing - How it works

- Editing packets (removing/convertng protocol layers) is not just „cut away x bytes at static offset y“
 - Protocol layers are parsed, determining protocol start and end offsets
 - When removing layers, „Next Protocol“ fields are adjusted to mend the remaining layers, e.g. Ethertypes:

```
> Frame 1: 64 bytes on wire (512 bits), 64 bytes captured (512 bits)
✓ Ethernet II, Src: ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c (ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c), Dst: Broadcast (ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff)
  > Destination: Broadcast (ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff)
  > Source: ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c (ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c)
    Type: 802.1Q Virtual LAN (0x8100)
✓ 802.1Q Virtual LAN, PRI: 0, CFI: 0, ID: 100
  000. .... = Priority: Best Effort (default) (0)
  ...0 .... = CFI: Canonical (0)
  ... 0000 0110 0100 = ID: 100
  Type: 802.1Q Virtual LAN (0x8100)
✓ 802.1Q Virtual LAN, PRI: 0, CFI: 0, ID: 200
  000. .... = Priority: Best Effort (default) (0)
  ...0 .... = CFI: Canonical (0)
  ... 0000 1100 1000 = ID: 200
  Type: ARP (0x0806)
  Padding: 00000000000000000000
  Trailer: 00000000
> Address Resolution Protocol (request)
```



```
> Frame 1: 56 bytes on wire (448 bits), 56 bytes captured (448 bits) on interface 0
✓ Ethernet II, Src: ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c (ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c), Dst: Broadcast (ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff)
  > Destination: Broadcast (ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff)
  > Source: ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c (ca:03:0d:b4:00:1c)
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Demo: Editing packets

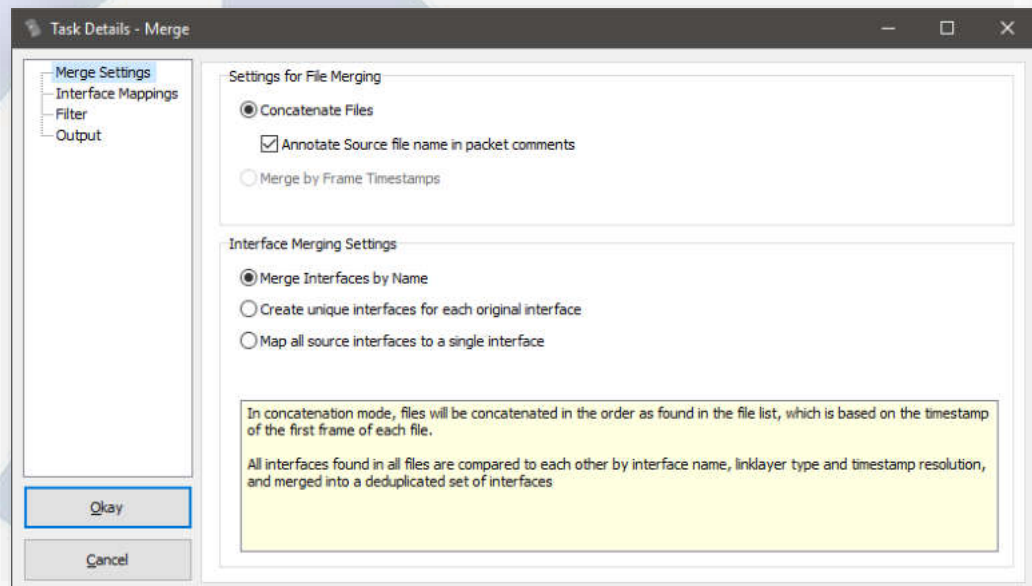


Tracewrangler Tasks: Merging



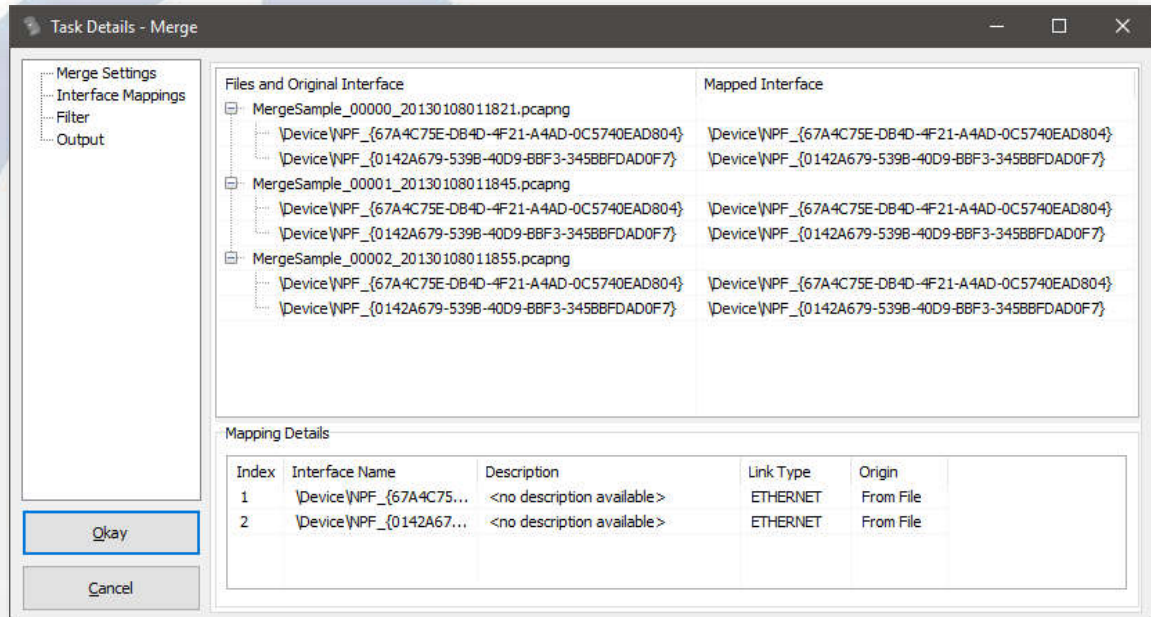
Task Overview: Merging Packets

- **Merging packets was added to allow merging capture files with finer control than mergecap**
 - **especially for capture files containing more than one interface**
 - **Interfaces can be merged, kept unique or mapped to a single new interface**



Merging - Interface mapping

- Interface mapping allows defining what interface in the original file is mapped to
- Automatic mapping works best for Windows captures because of using GUIDs for NICs



Demo: Merging packets



Tracewrangler Tasks: Extraction

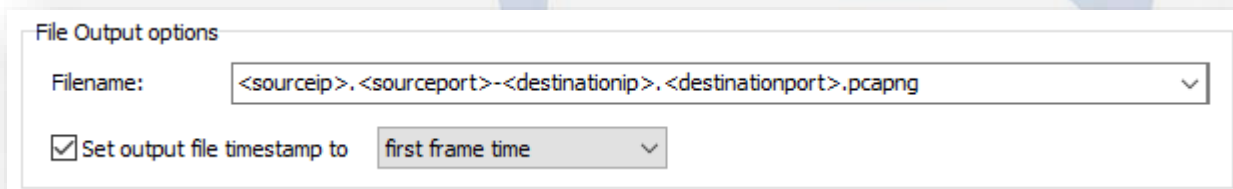
A light blue circular logo with three curved segments, resembling a stylized globe or a circular arrangement of three leaves. The segments are separated by white gaps, and the overall shape is a circle.

Task Overview: Extracting Packets

- **The goal is to extract packets of interest from a large number of packets**
 - This usually requires an idea what you want to have extracted
- **Most common use case: carving full TCP conversations from big files**
 - Especially for situations where you have one packet and need the rest of the same flow

Extracting packets - How it works

- **Tracewrangler uses the meta database to**
 - speed up the extraction process: positions of first and last packet to carve are well known
 - help the user looking up interesting flows
- **Extracted packets can be written to a single file, or to multiple files based on a file name pattern:**



The image shows a screenshot of a software dialog box titled "File Output options". It contains two main settings:

- A "Filename:" label followed by a text input field containing the pattern: `<sourceip>.<sourceport>--<destinationip>.<destinationport>.pcapng`. A small downward arrow is visible on the right side of the input field.
- A checked checkbox labeled "Set output file timestamp to" followed by a dropdown menu currently showing "first frame time".

Demo: Extracting Packets



Demo: Tools




Roadmap



Tracewrangler - Roadmap

- **Anonymization:**
 - Adjusting timestamps
 - Adding more protocols, especially DNS
- **File loading**
 - Rewriting loader class to allow files > 2GB
 - Add support for loading .ERF files
- **General:**
 - Implementing TCP reassembly
 - Improving processing speed

A close-up, low-angle shot of a shark's mouth, showing its sharp, white teeth and the texture of its skin. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the texture of the shark's skin and the sharp edges of its teeth. The background is dark, making the shark's mouth the central focus.

Q&A

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