

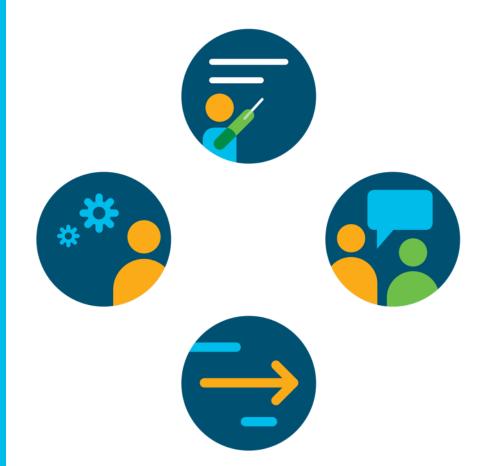
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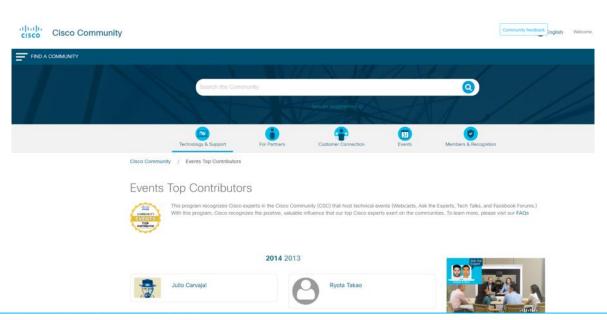


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Wireless Config

**Analyzer Express** 

(WCAE)

#### Access HERE:

https://cway.cisco.com/wireless-config-analyzer/



# What is the Wireless Config Analyzer Express?

# Wireless Config Analyzer Express

- Evolution from WLCCA
- Main Objective: Quick config analysis and RF state
- Checks in : General, RF, Mobility, Security, AP, Flex
- Only one WLC per set supported. No multi-WLC comparison
- Support for AireOS or 9800/EWC
- Cloud: Focus on Summaries not Details
- Mini-Desktop: XLS with full report

# Wireless Config Analyzer Express

- RF data summary
- RF Health
- Message summarization (msglog)
- AP model summary, and their operating mode
- TAC: same results are attached internally to TAC case every time you send a "sh run or show tech wireless"

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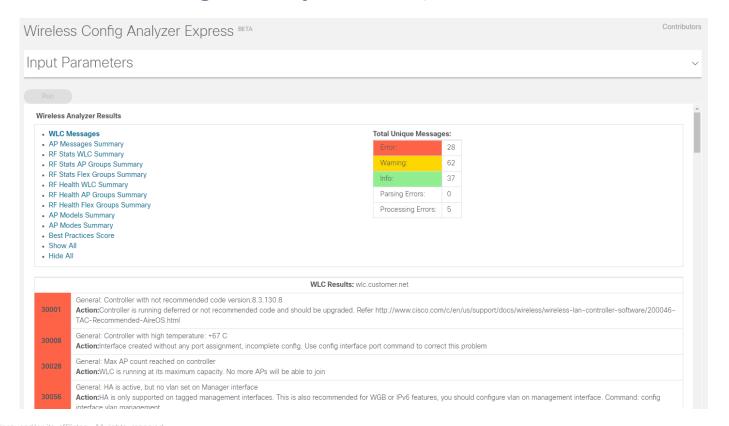
### Where?

https://cway.cisco.com/tools/WirelessAnalyzer/

https://developer.cisco.com/docs/wireless-troubleshooting-tools/

Alias: <u>ciscocom-apps-wlcconfiganalyzer@cisco.com</u>

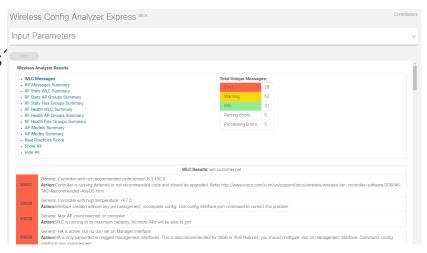
# Wireless Config Analyzer Express



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# Wireless Config Analyzer Express

- I got 5000 Aps... How do I find which ones have problems?
- How to find config errors?
- If my current code correct?
- How is my implementation of best practices'
- Where are my RF problems?



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# Using it

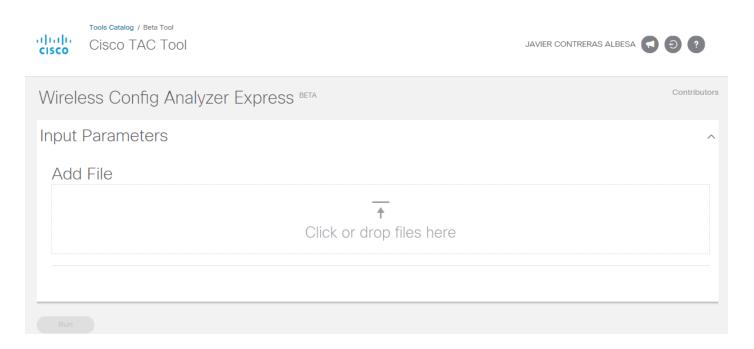
- Tool supports:

   "sh run-config"

   "sh tech wireless"
   9800/EWC
- Best way to capture it (AireOS):
  - ssh with config paging disabled
  - Use: transfer upload datatype run-config (max 32MB)
- TIP: you can upload the file zipped!

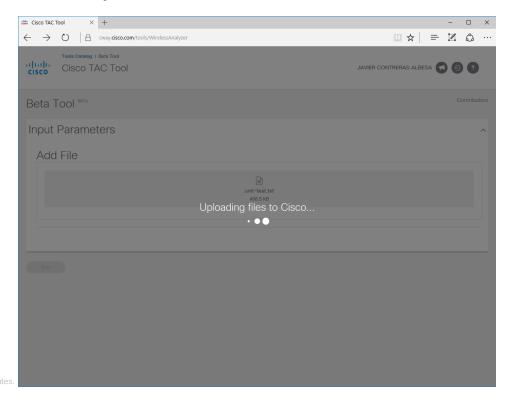
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Go to : <a href="https://cway.cisco.com/tools/WirelessAnalyzer/">https://cway.cisco.com/tools/WirelessAnalyzer/</a>

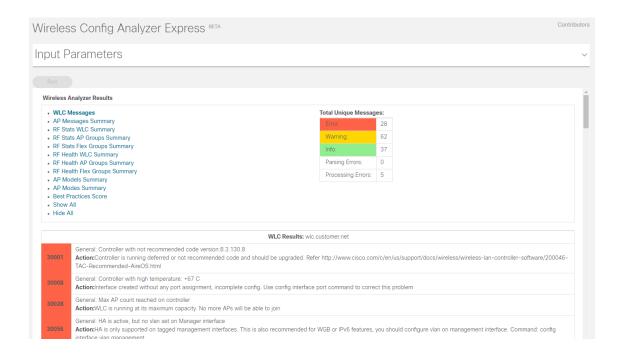


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• Upload file, analysis will start



#### Done!



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# Polling Question 1

# How many checks do you think WCAE can do?

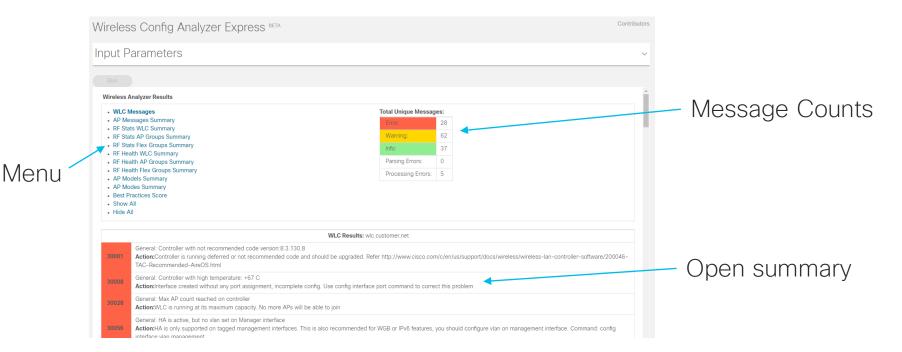
A. 50

B. 150

C. More than 200

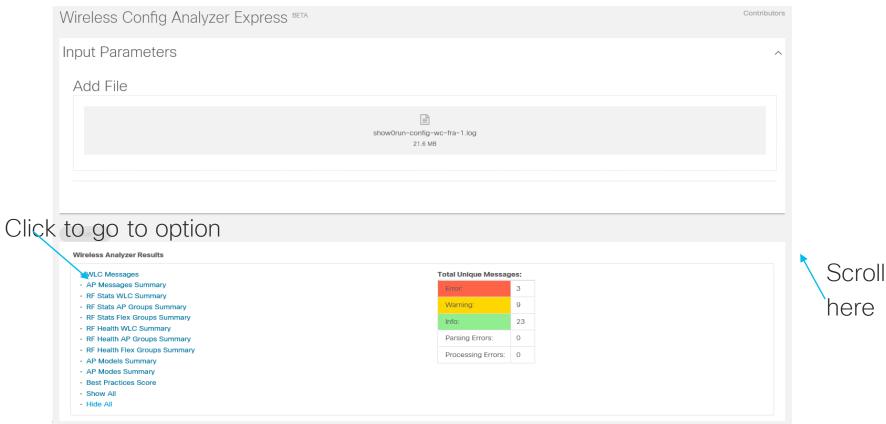
# Checking Results

## Interface

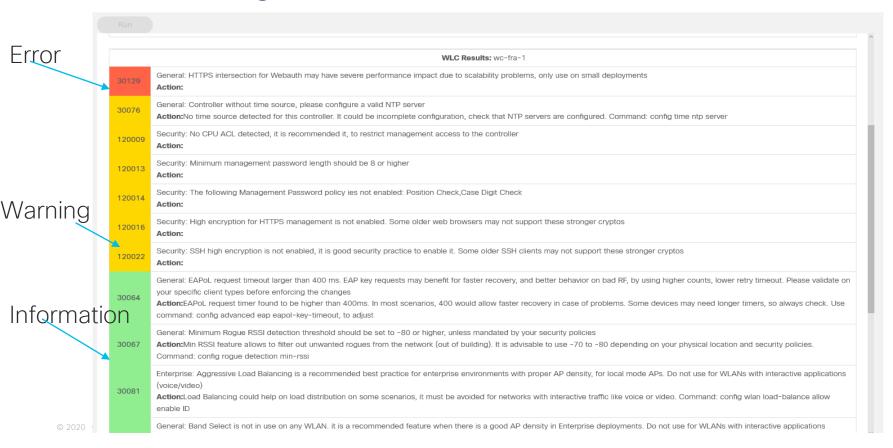


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# Initial View



# WLC Messages



# AP Messages

APs Message Summary		
60032	RF: AP has high channel count (more than 10) per day on radio slot1. Check RF conditions or RRM configuration .  APS: ap-lwb09a20-01  Action: Frequent channel changes can cause severe impact in client stability. This could be triggered due to bad RF, RRM issues, or incorrect RRM configuration	
60016	RF: CleanAir device with high duty cycle on channel.  APS: ap-lwb-1c25-01  Action:	
60028	RF: AP shows low coverage (all neighbors < -75 dBm) on 2.4GHz band. This could affect roaming and be indication of poor RF design or NDP issues.  APS: More than 10 APs affected, use standalone tool for more details  Action:	
60029	RF: AP shows low coverage (all neighbors < -75 dBm) on 5GHz band. This could affect roaming and be indication of poor RF design or NDP issues.  APS: More than 10 APs affected, use standalone tool for more details  Action:	
20012	Empty primary controller.  APS: AP00f2.8b89.6b78  Action: Primary controller name is not set, this is not recommended as it can lead to random AP join across controllers (salt and pepper scenario). Recommendation is to have it explicitly configured	
60011	RF: AP Cochannel interference above threshold, 2.4 GHz Band.  APS: More than 10 APs affected, use standalone tool for more details  Action:	
20010	Antenna gain set to zero.  APS: More than 10 APs affected, use standalone tool for more details  Action: Antenna gain may not be valid. If antenna gain was previously configured, then this may indicate an invalid template push from PI. This may lead to wrong TPC power calculation	
30050	RX-SOP in use.  APS: More than 10 APs affected, use standalone tool for more details  Action: This is informational message, no action required, if this was changed intentionally	

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# RF Stats WLC

- Summary per AP Group/Tag or Flex Group/Tag
- Reports if any AP is missing radios



# RF Stats WLC



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# RF Health WLC/AP Groups/Flex Groups



Individual Metrics

# RF Health WLC/AP Groups/Flex Groups

- Co-Channel Neighbor Utilization
  - Summary of Nearby Aps on channel, activity vs distance
- Co-Channel Overlapping
  - Summary of Nearby Aps on channel, tx power vs distance
- Side Channel Overlapping
  - Summary AP on sides of current channel (channel distance for 2.4 GHz, 5GHz bonding options)
- Noise Same Channel
  - Noise level of current channel. -80 dBm is 0, 50 is 100%
- Noise Side Channel:
  - Noise levels of sides of adjacent channels

# RF Health WLC/AP Groups/Flex Groups

- Interference Same Channel
  - Interference (wifi) on same channel. -90 dBm is 0, -50 is 100%
- Interference Side Channel
  - Interference (wifi) on adjacent channels, including 5GHz bonding options
- Low SNR Clients
  - For Aps with >5 clients. Percentage of clients < 25 SNR</li>
- Radio Utilization
  - 60% utilization is 0% health
- Cleanair Interferers:
  - Relation of interferers for their RSSI vs Duty cycle

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# Mini-Desktop Version

# WCAE Mini Desktop

- Same engine as the cloud version, same checks
- A lot more details, specially on the RF analysis side
- Per AP detailed information.
- Several new reports included
- Supports Mac OS or Windows

#### Table of contents

Generated:2019-09-19 14:16

WCAE Version:0.3.9

#### Total Message Counts

Errors:	1
Warnings:	1
Informational:	10
Program Execution	
Parsing Errors:	3
Processing Errors:	0

Controller: wlc1

Data Summary
Checks Results
Log Summary
Tag/Policy Usage

## Interface

#### 2 - Selected file



# Results

- Excel or text results file on same location as source
- WLC and AP check results.
- Syslog summarization
- For 9800, Tag and Profile usage summarization
- RF Stats per band, Flex group, AP group/Tag
- RF Health per band
- Channel stats
- AP configuration summary
- Per AP RF health and stats
- Neighbor reports
- Flexconnect AP config verification

Wireless Troubleshooting Tools - 9800 Config Analysis

1	A	В	C D	Е	F	G	Н		J
	Tags/Policy usage for WLC:csg-k	gl18-00a-ewlc2							
	Combination: 1								
	Policy Tag:	PT_Banga_BGL18_7thFl_6cfbc	Site T	ag: BGL18-1st-floor-Site-tag		RF Tag:	BGI18-RF-5GHz		
	No WLan Profiles		Join F	r.: BGL18-1st-floor		RF Profile 2.4GHz:	Global Config		
						RF Profile 5GHz:	BGI18-RF-5GHz		
	AP List:	csg-bgl18-12a-cap37 csg-bgl18-12	a-cap35 csg-b	gl18-12a-cap39 csg-bgl18-12a-c	ap34 csg-bgl:	18-12a-cap42 csg-bg	l18-12a-cap36 csg-	bgl18-12a-	cap43 csg-bg
)	Combination: 2								
0	Policy Tag:	PT_Banga_BGL18_7thFl_6cfbc	Site T	ag: BGL18-5th-floor-Site-tag		RF Tag:	BGI18-RF-5GHz		
Ī	No WLan Profiles		Join F	r.: BGL18-5th-floor		RF Profile 2.4GHz:	Global Config		
2						RF Profile 5GHz:	BGI18-RF-5GHz		
3	AP List:	csg-bgl18-51a-cap07 csg-bgl18-51a	a-cap16 csg-b	gl18-51a-cap06 csg-bgl18-51a-c	ap18 csg-bgl:	18-51a-cap13 csg-bg	l18-51a-cap22 csg-	bgl18-51a-	cap03 csg-bg
4									
5	Combination: 3								
6	Policy Tag:	PT_Banga_BGL18_7thFl_6cfbc	Site T	ag: BGL18-2nd-floor-Site-tag		RF Tag:	BGI18-RF-5GHz		
7	No WLan Profiles		Join F	r.: BGL18-2nd-floor		RF Profile 2.4GHz:	Global Config		
8						RF Profile 5GHz:	BGI18-RF-5GHz		
9	AP List:	csg-bgl18-22a-cap36 csg-bgl18-22	a-cap28 csg-b	gl18-21a-cap09 csg-bgl18-21a-c	ap06 csg-bgl:	18-22a-cap31 csg-bg	l18-21a-cap11 csg-	bgl18-22a-	cap30 csg-bg
0									
1	Combination: 4								
2	Policy Tag:	default-policy-tag	Site T	ag: default-site-tag		RF Tag:	default-rf-tag		
3		· · · -	Join F	r.: default-ap-profile		RF Profile 2.4GHz:	Global Config		
4	Wlan:	flex-alpha				RF Profile 5GHz:	Global Config		
5	Policy:	default-policy-profile							
5									
7	AP List:	csg-testing							

https://developer.cisco.com/docs/wireless-troubleshooting-tools/#lwireless-troubleshooting-tools/wireless-troubleshooting-tools

# Demo: WCAE



Wireless Config Converter



Access HERE:

# Polling Question 2

You can directly upload a converted config from an AireOS 5520 WLC to a Cat 9800 WLC using Wireless Config Converter?

- A. True
- B. False

# TAC Tool: Wireless Config Converter

Goal of this tool is to provide easy config migration between various wireless platforms. One tool can perform following operations:

- AireOS(2500/3500/5500/7500/8500/WIS M2) to Cat 9800 Wireless LAN Controller conversion
- AireOS to IOS-XE (Converged Access) conversion
- IOS-XE (Converged Access) to AireOS conversion
- AireOS to AireOS(5520/8540/3504) conversion
- AireOS(5520/8540/3504) to AireOS conversion

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## Inputs Required

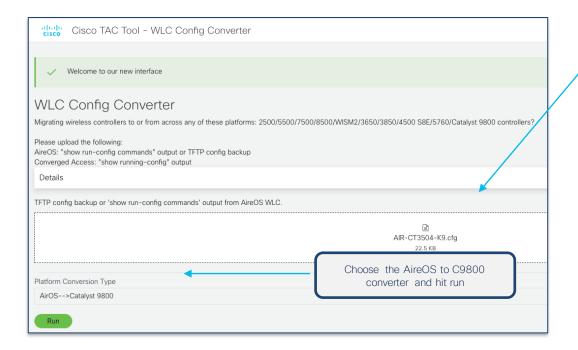
- From AireOS:
  - show run-config startup-commands
  - NOTE: Do not confuse wih "show run-config"
- From IOS-XE(converged access)
  - show running-config

Release Notes: <a href="https://community.cisco.com/t5/wireless/wlc-config-converter-aireos-ios-xe/td-p/2895495">https://community.cisco.com/t5/wireless/wlc-config-converter-aireos-ios-xe/td-p/2895495</a>

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# C9800 Configuration Migration Tool

- Import AireOS configuration to verify if there are any feature gap
- Migration tool managed by TAC: https://cway.cisco.com/wlc-config-converter/



Drop the AireOS config file:

• Upload it from directly from GUI:

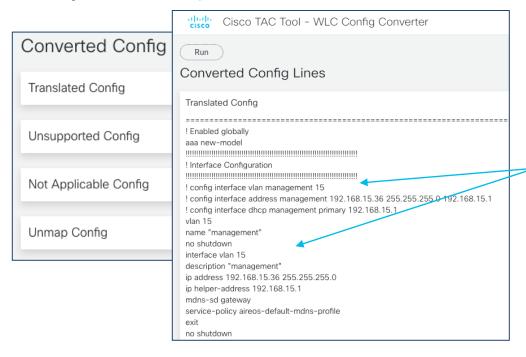


or

• use the "show run-config startupcommand" output and put it in a .txt file

# C9800 Configuration Migration Tool

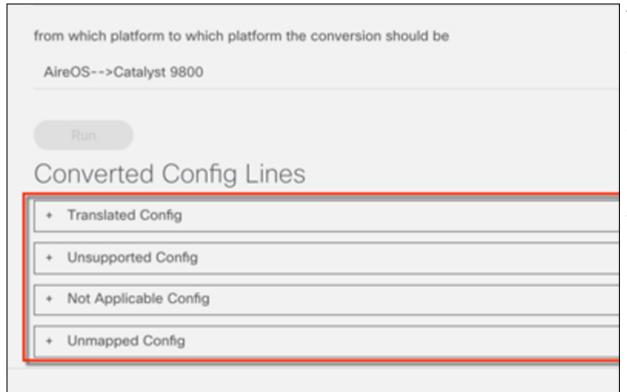
Analyze tool output



#### Tool provides following config:

- Translated (translated in IOS-XE)
- Unmapped (supported but not translated)
- Unsupported (not supported in C9800)
- Not Applicable (deprecated)
- AireOS CLIs and the correspondent translated IOS-XE commands
- Always recommended to analyze the translated config before pasting it

### Understanding AireOS to 9800 Translation



Translated Config: AireOS configuration that has been successfully translated to Catalyst 9800 configuration.

Unsupported Config: AireOS configuration that is currently not supported on the Cisco Catalyst 9800 controllers.

Not Applicable Config: AireOS Configuration that is either deprecated, obsolete or irrelevant in the current context of the Cisco Catalyst 9800 controller.

Unmapped Config: Configuration that has not been translated because of configuration tool limitations. This category is expected to go away once the tool has been enhanced to cover translation of all AireOS configurations.

# TAC Tool Tips: AireOS to 9800 Migration

- Upload the AireOS TFTP backup config Wireless Config Converter <a href="https://cway.cisco.com/wlc-config-converter/">https://cway.cisco.com/wlc-config-converter/</a>
  - Recommended: The cloud tool has more fixes than the inbuilt tool inside 9800 WebUI
- Save the translated file as a <filename>.cfg file
  - The tool currently allows downloading the translated file as a .csv report which can in turn be saved as .cfg file.
- The recommended method to apply the config is via 9800 CLI
  - Upload the translated .cfg file to 9800 bootflash:
  - Execute: "copy bootflash:<file> running-config" for config to be migrated to running-config
    - This allows the all lines to be executed at one go preventing missed config issues while pasting in terminal
    - Also accommodates config line misalignment issues avoiding errors which would normally occur during copy-paste scenario.



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## Non-9800 Migrations Tips

- AireOS(Legacy) to AireOS (New) Platform Migrations
  - Always will require user review and intervention
  - Encrypt and port config cannot be mapped
- AireOS to IOS-XE(converged access) and vice versa:
  - Only WLAN config migration is supported.



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# Demo: Wireless Config Converter

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Wireless Debug Analyzer



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# TAC Tool: Wireless Debug Analyzer

#### WHAT?

Wireless Debug Analyzer Tool is designed to simplify parsing through debug client/aaa/mdns/web-auth etc logs from Aire-OS WLC for troubleshooting everyday wireless issues.

#### WHY?

Standard Wireless debugs produce tons of lines of information which takes a TAC engineer a long time to collect, analyze and eventually determine cause.

#### HOW?

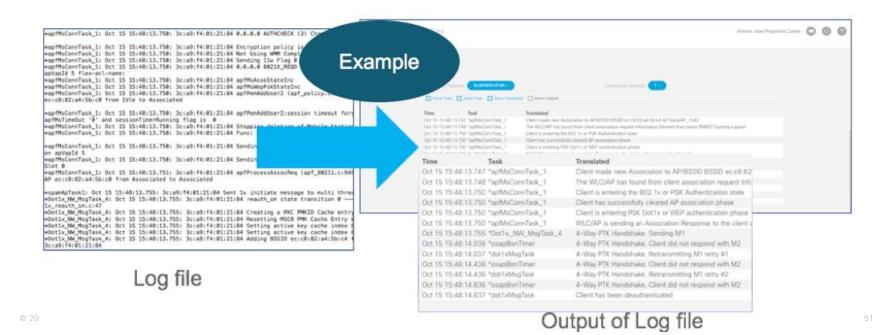
The Wireless Debug Analyzer quickly discovers cause and time of occurrence by eliminating unrelated data by log sequence matching against existing issues.

#### AND?

Coming soon.. Cat 9800 support .Q3FY21

## Sample Output

Input: debug client <mac1> <mac2>



# Demo: WDA

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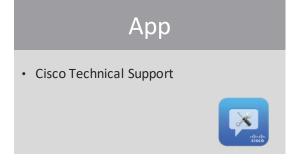
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