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INSTRUCTIONS

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- d) Pelajar dapat memberikan senarai rujukan untuk rujukan tambahan.
- e) Laporan makmal mesti dihantar dalam masa yang diberikan menggunakan pautan yang disediakan di platform eLearning.

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Please follow step by step as described in the manual.

Lab report instructions:

- a) Students need to prepare lab report for lab activities.
- b) The contents of the lab report must consist of several screenshots for all successful setting of the virtual security lab with some explanation.
- c) Answer all the reflection questions for every lab sessions.
- d) Student can provide the list of references for extra references.
- e) The lab report must be submitted within the time given using the provided link in the eLearning platform.

TASK 1: RUNNING GREEN BONE SECURITY MANAGER (GSM)

OBJECTIVE

To download and run the commercial trial version of OpenVAS known as Green Bone Security Manager (GSM) virtual machine.

TASK DESCRIPTION

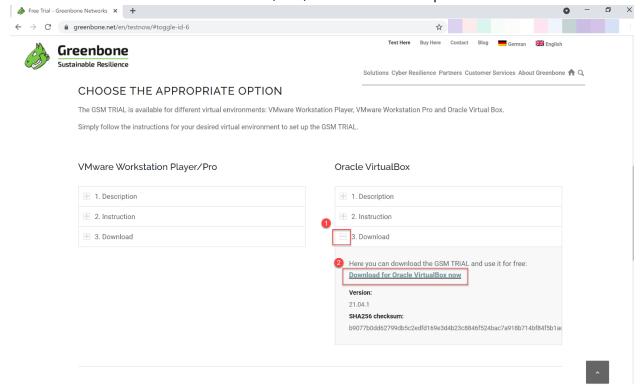
For this task, the student needs to download GSM virtual machine from the given link and run it on the Virtual Box. GSM later will be used to scan the vulnerabilities of the Metasploitable virtual machine.

ESTIMATED TIME

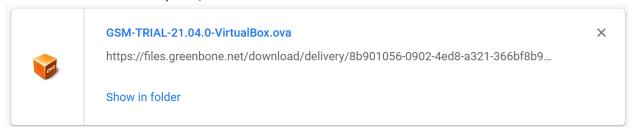
60 Minutes

STEPS:

- 1. Open a browser, then go to https://www.greenbone.net/en/testnow/#toggle-id-6
- 2. Download the GSM virtual machine file (.ova). Remember to keep the location of the file.



3. After the download complete, double-click on the icon of the file.

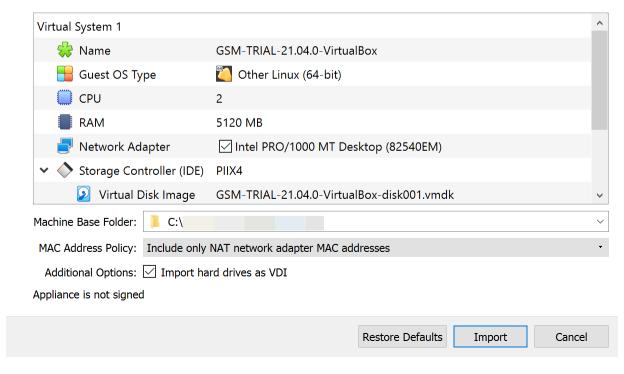


4. You will see the appliance settings for the GSM virtual machine. Keep the configuration as it is and click **Import**.

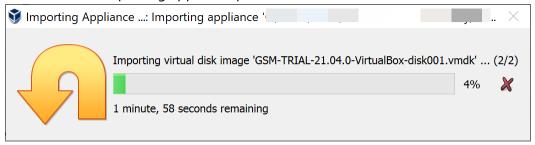


Appliance settings

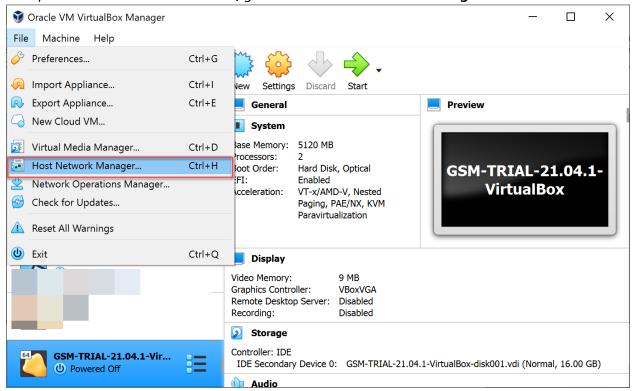
These are the virtual machines contained in the appliance and the suggested settings of the imported VirtualBox machines. You can change many of the properties shown by double-clicking on the items and disable others using the check boxes below.



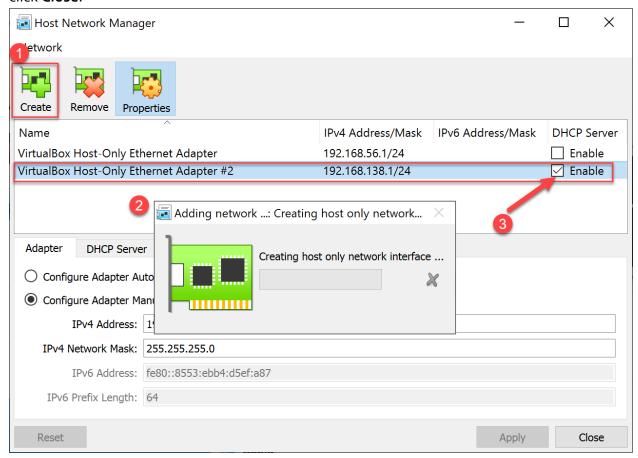
5. Wait until the importing appliance process finish.



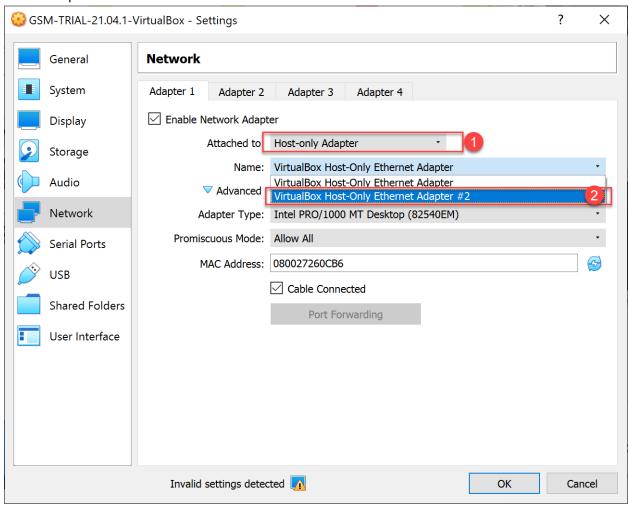
6. After the GSM virtual machine successfully imported to Virtual Box, now we are going to set up the network for it. First of all, go to **File > Host Network Manager**.



7. We will use an internal network with DHCP for our GSM virtual machine. Follow the following steps to create a new network interface with DHCP server enabled. In this manual, the name of the interface is VirtualBox Host-Only Ethernet Adapter #2. However, in your case, it might be slightly different. Wait until the process finishes, then click Close.



8. Next, go back to the Virtual Box main screen. Select the **GSM-TRIAL-21.04.1** virtual machine, then go to its settings. This time, we are going to associate the network with the previously created interface. Follow the steps as shown in the screenshot below. Click **OK** after completed.



g. Start the GSM virtual machine and you will see a welcome screen similar to the following. However, the IP Address might be different because it is randomly assigned by the DHCP server in the Virtual Box that we have set up before. Log in to the console using admin as the username and password.

```
Welcome to Greenbone OS 21.04.1 (tty1)

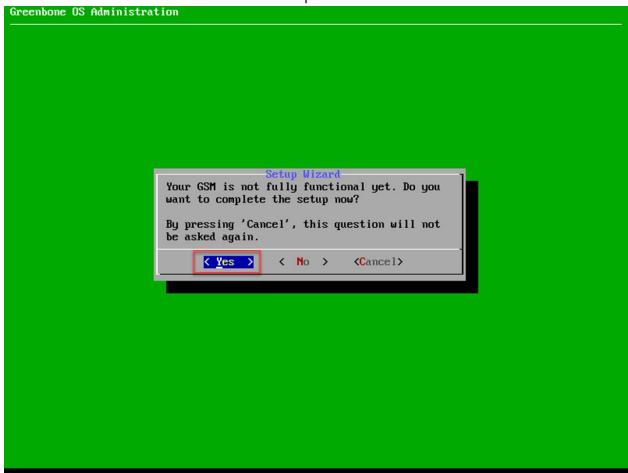
The web interface is available at:

http://192.168.138.3

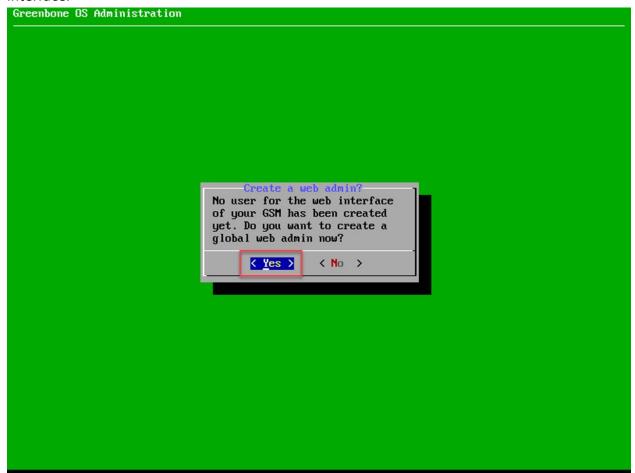
gsm login:
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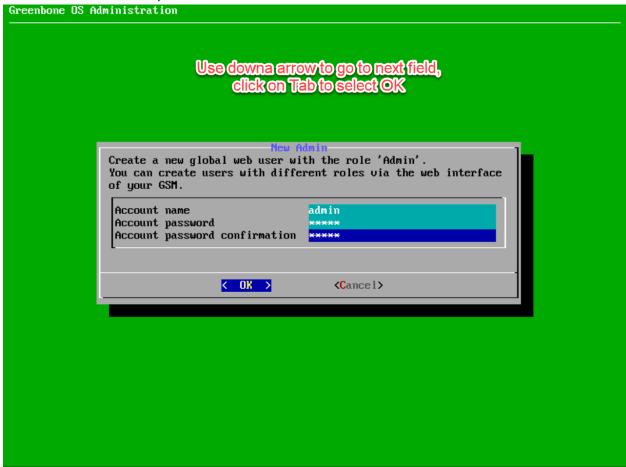
11. Select **Yes** then hit **Enter** to continue the setup.



12. First, we are going to create a web admin. This account will be used for login from the web interface.



13. Just for educational purposes, use **admin** as the account name and password. Select **OK**, and hit **Enter** after completed.

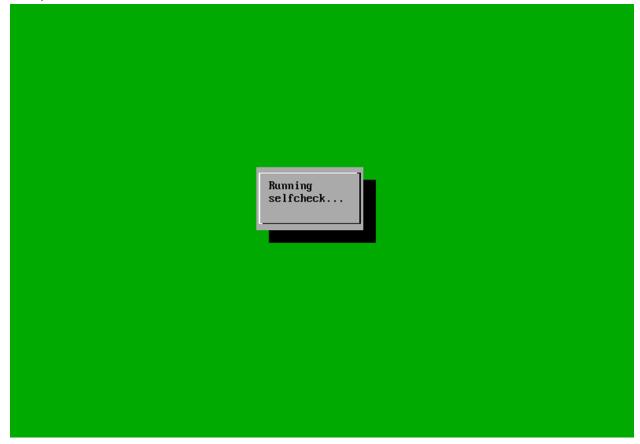




15. At this moment, we do not need to enter the subscription key, select **Skip** and hit **Enter**.



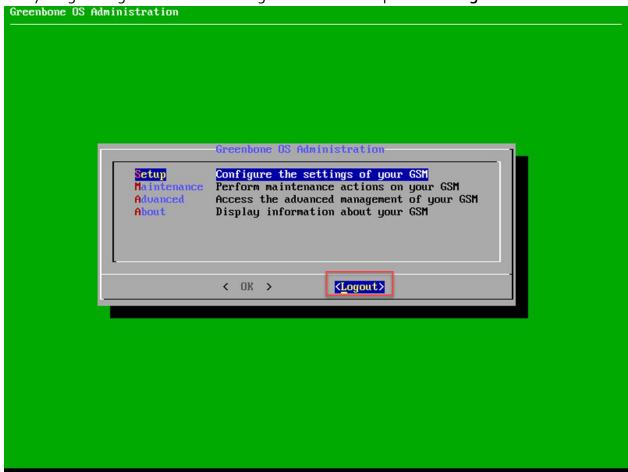
16. Now, the installer will run the self-check.



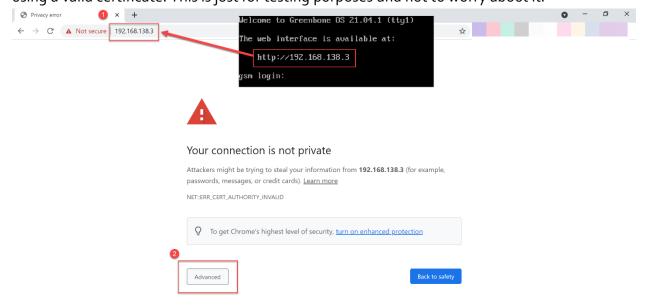
17. You might see a different screen than the one shown below. Just ignore the message by selecting **OK**.



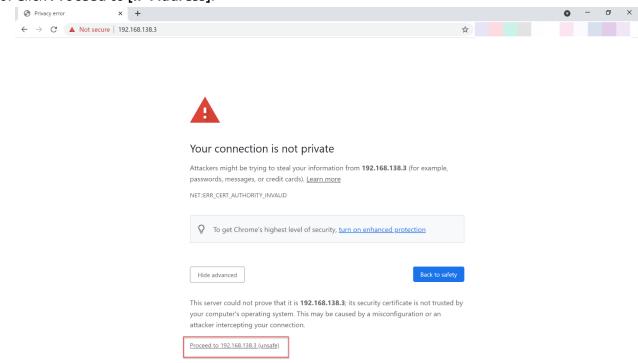
18. Everything looks good now and nothing more for the setup. Choose **Logout** and hit **Enter**.



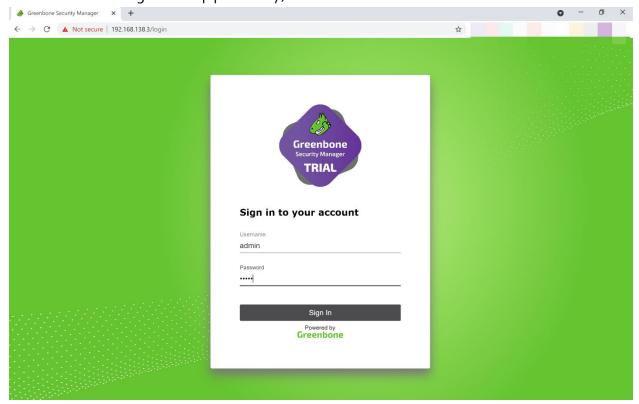
19. Now, let's access the web interface with the credentials we supplied during the setup before. Open a web browser, then type the IP address shown in the GSM virtual machine console. Click **Advanced** to skip the warning. This warning appears because we are not using a valid certificate. This is just for testing purposes and not to worry about it.



20. Click Proceed to [IP Address].



21. You will see the homepage of the GSM. Use **admin** as the username and password (we created these during the setup previously).

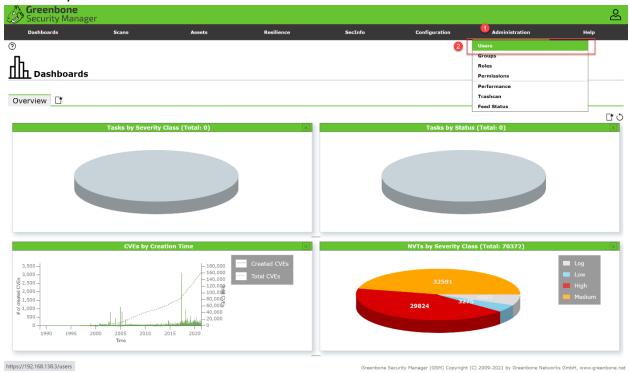


22. This is the dashboard that shows some important information. You can see bottom right a pie chart of Network Vulnerability Tests (NVTs) along with the severity such as Log, Low, High and Medium.



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23. Next, let us create a new user. In a real scenario, usually, we will work in a team. So that, we need to create a user and assign them with proper privileges. Choose **Administration** from the menu, then choose **Users**.



24. On the following page, click on the icon to add a new user.



25. Fill in the form by replacing the Login name and password with your matric number. Take a screenshot of this activity and put it into your lab report.



26. If everything good, then you will see the new user in the list. Log out from the system after completed.



TASK 2: SETTING UP THE NETWORK FOR METASPLOITABLE

OBJECTIVE

To set up the network for Metasploitable virtual machine.

TASK DESCRIPTION

For this task, the student needs to set up the Host-only Adapter for the Metasploitable virtual machine. This setup will allow the GSM to scan the latter for its vulnerabilities.

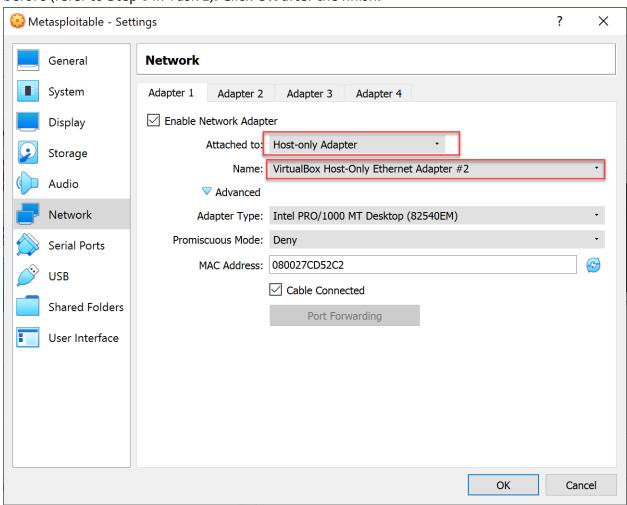
ESTIMATED TIME

15 Minutes

STEPS:

1. Select the Metasploitable virtual machine from the menu of Virtual Box. Then, go to its settings.

2. Choose Network from the menu on the left. Select **Host-only Adapter** and from the Name: dropdown, choose the same interface that has been chosen for GSM virtual machine before (refer to Step 8 in Task 1). Click **OK** after the finish.



3. Start the Metasploitable virtual machine and log in with **msfadmin** as the username and password.

```
* Starting periodic command scheduler crond

* Starting Tomcat servlet engine tomcat5.5

* Starting web server apache2

* Running local boot scripts (/etc/rc.local)

mohup: appending output to `nohup.out'

nohup: appending output to `nohup.out'

[ OK ]

[ OK ]

* Starting web server apache2

* Running local boot scripts (/etc/rc.local)

mohup: appending output to `nohup.out'

[ OK ]

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```

4. Now, let's check the IP Address of the Metasploitable virtual machine assigned by the DHCP server. Type **ifconfig** command on the console and hit **Enter**. Again, for your case, this might be different from the one on the screenshot. Take note of the IP Address as we are going to set it as a target at the GSM web interface.

```
To access official Ubuntu documentation, please visit:
http://help.ubuntu.com/
No mail.
inet6 addr: 1ebu::auu:z7ff:fecd:52c2/64 Scope:Link
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
          RX packets:2 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:30 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:1188 (1.1 KB) TX bytes:3924 (3.8 KB)
          Base address:0xd020 Memory:f0200000-f0220000
          Link encap:Local Loopback
lo
          inet addr: 127.0.0.1 Mask: 255.0.0.0 inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope: Host UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU: 16436 Metric: 1
          RX packets:96 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0 TX packets:96 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
          RX bytes:21437 (20.9 KB) TX bytes:21437 (20.9 KB)
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$
```

TASK 3: SCANNING THE VULNERABILITIES IN METASPLOITABLE

OBJECTIVE

To scan the vulnerabilities in Metaspolitable using Greenbone Security Manager (GSM).

TASK DESCRIPTION

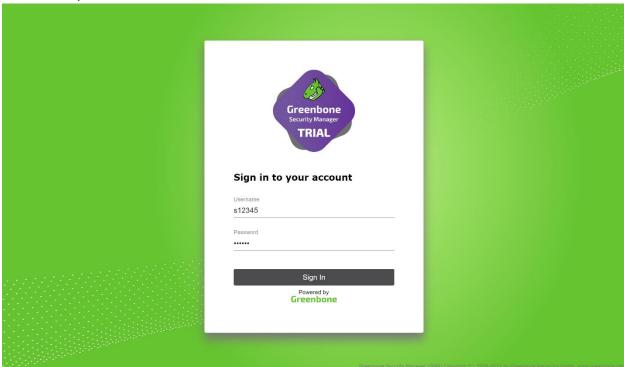
For this task, the student needs to run the GSM scanner to assess the vulnerabilities of the Metasploitable Virtual Machine.

ESTIMATED TIME

105 Minutes

STEPS:

- 1. After completing the network set up in the previous task, now we ready to start the vulnerability scanning process.
- 2. First of all, go back to the link in Task 1. But now, we are going to log in with the new user credential (your matric number).



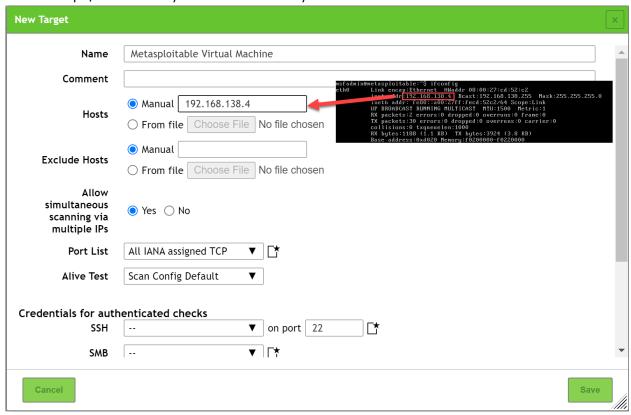
3. Next, go to **Configuration>Targets**.



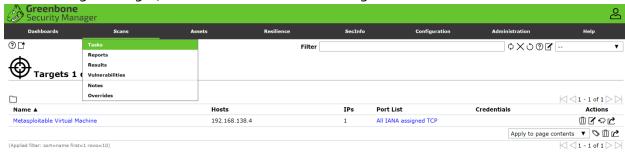
4. We are going to set the target. Our target is the Metasploitable virtual machine. Click on the icon to add a new target.



5. Name the target as **Metasploitable Virtual Machine** and put the IP Address as obtained in Task 2 Step 4. Make sure you enter it correctly.



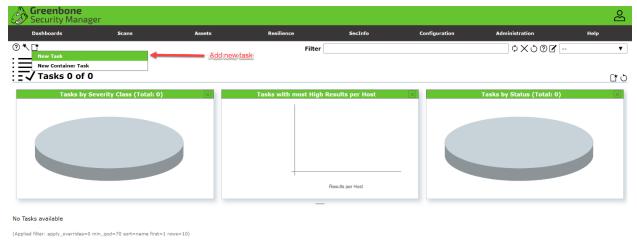
6. After setting the target, we need to create the scanning task. Go to **Scans>Tasks**.



https://192.168.138.3/tasks

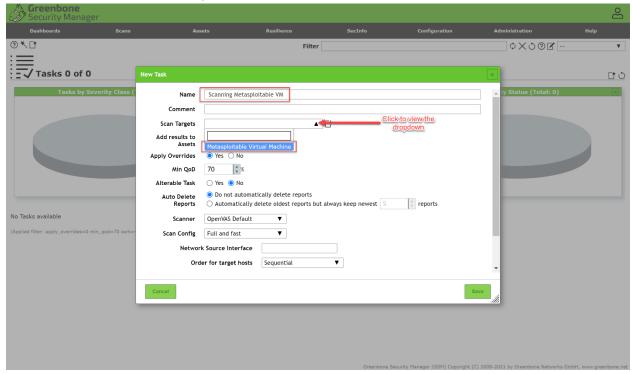
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7. Click on the icon to add a new task.

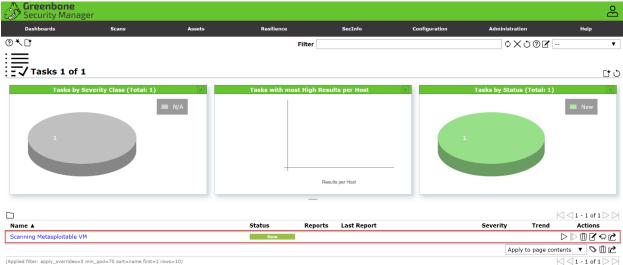


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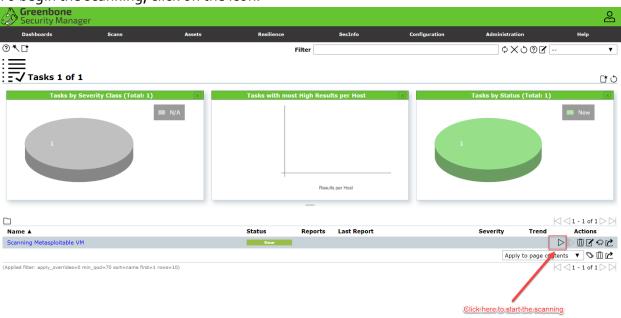
8. Name the task as **Scanning Metasploitable VM**. Set the **Scan Targets** as **Metasploitable Virtual Machine** from the dropdown list.



9. Now we can see that the newly created task is now on the list.

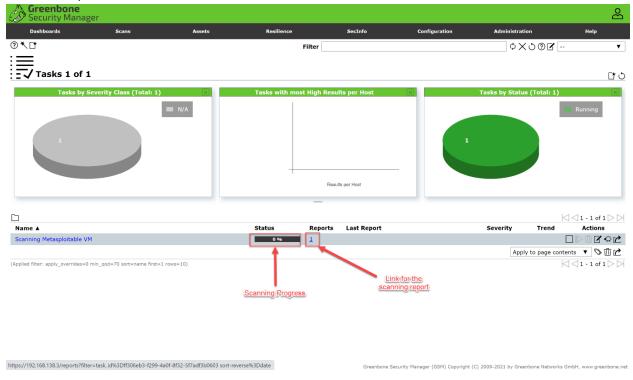


10. To begin the scanning, click on the icon.

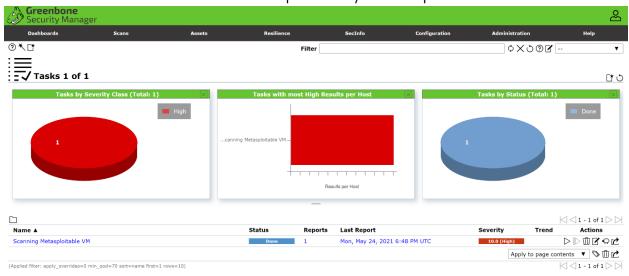


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11. You can see the progress and reports of the scanning on the screen. The scanning process could take more than half an hour to complete. While waiting, you may answer the reflection questions first.

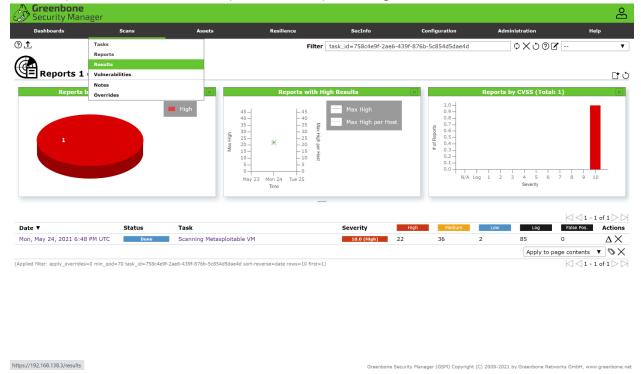


12. Below is the screenshot of a completed scan. You can see the status is now changed to **Done**. Please take a screenshot of this and put it into your lab report.

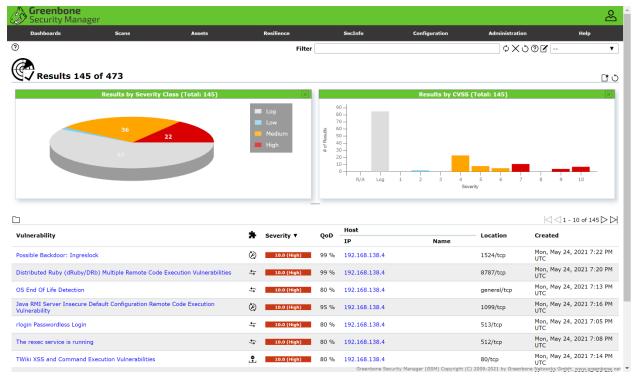


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13. You can click on the date and time link of the **Last Report** on the previous screen to see the summary. Next, let's see the complete results by choosing **Scans>Results** from the menu.



14. At the following screen, you will see a list of vulnerabilities found at the Metasploitable virtual machine.



- 15. You can find the details of each vulnerability by clicking on the link of the name.
- 16. Based on your findings, answer the following questions:
 - *a.* Referring to the result of the scanning, complete the table of the severity class below:

Severity	Total
High	
Medium	
Low	
Log	
Grand Tota	145

- b. What are vulnerabilities that have the highest severities? List them.
- c. What is the vulnerability for port 513/tcp?
- d. List three (3) vulnerabilities with medium severity.
- e. Based on the given information by GSM, how do we solve the "VNC Brute Force" vulnerability?

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- 1. In your own words, explain about Common Vulnerability Scanning System (CVSS) and Common Vulnerability Enumeration (CVE).
- 2. Explain the difference(s) between CVSS and CVE.
- 3. How many severity levels are there in the CVSS version 3.0?
- 4. Draw a table of CVSS3.0 severity levels and their base score range.
- 5. Observe the information provided at vuldb.com and answer the questions below:
 - a. List three (3) most recent vulnerabilities and their severities.
 - b. List three (3) latest available exploits.
 - c. List three (3) vulnerabilities in current CVSS Top 5.