Automated Security Scans

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Overview

In this lab, students will learn how to scan Docker images stored in Harbor for security vulnerabilities.

Estimated Time: 30 min

Setup needed:

Introduction to Harbor

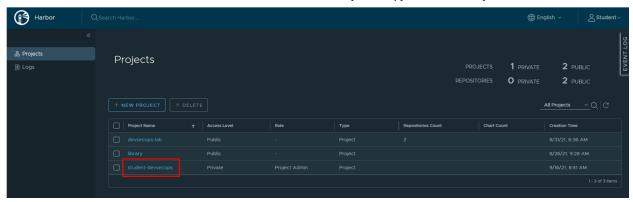
Learning Objectives

- 1. Manually Run a Harbor Scan
- 2. Automate Harbor Scanning
- 3. Understanding How to Fix Vulnerabilities

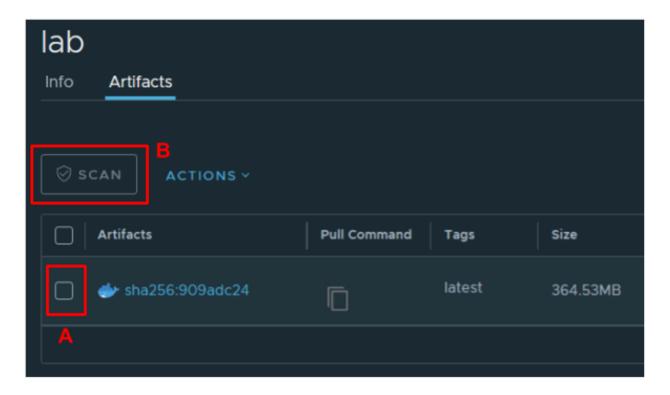
Instructions

Manually Run a Harbor Scan

- 1. In a browser, navigate to Harbor https://registry.dev.afsmtddso.com/ and log in to your account
- 2. Click on your project



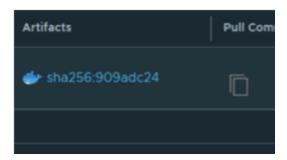
- 3. Select the repository with your application in it (it should be <your harbor project name>/app)
 - a. Once in the repository, click the checkmark next to your image; if you have multiple, check the most recent one at the top
 - b. Click the "Scan" button



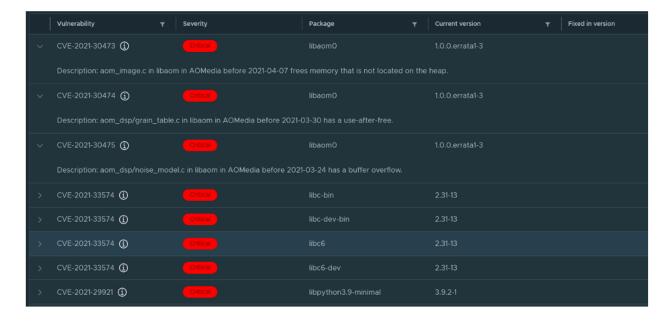
- 4. You will see your scan be queued, then the scan will occur
- 5. Once the scan is complete, you should now see information in the "Vulnerabilities" tab



6. Click on your image's SHA link and scroll down to see a more detailed report of vulnerabilities



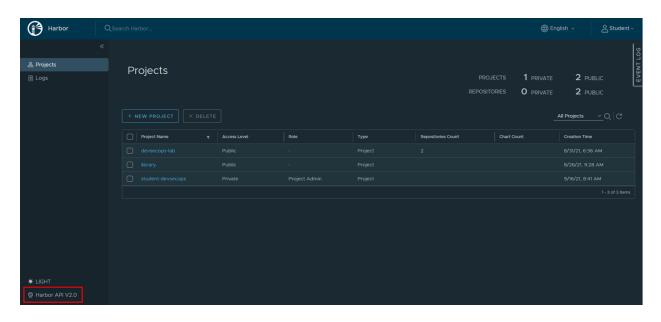
7. Expand some of the vulnerabilities from the list to see a description of what each issue is



Automate Harbor Scanning

1. To automate the scanning process, your pipeline script will run a Python program. The Python program will utilize Harbor API endpoints to scan the Docker images via HTTP protocol.

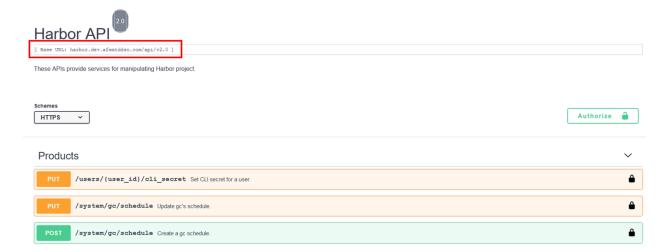
a. On the Harbor website, click on "Harbor API v2.0" on the bottom left to access the Swagger documentation



2. The Swagger documentation will provide you the base URL and a list of available URI endpoints to use for automation.

Note: The following steps 2a to 2c for the Swagger endpoints are for informational purposes.

a. The base URL will be used in your Python program



- b. Scroll down to the "artifact" section
 - i. Locate the URI to list artifacts

ii. This endpoint will list the images in your Harbor repository



- c. Scroll down to the "scan" section
 - i. Locate the URI to scan an artifact
 - ii. This endpoint will start an image scan



Note: Clicking on the URI endpoint will show useful information such as query parameters

- 3. Download the Python script that will be used to scan your images by running the following command in your VSCode terminal, within your devops-camp-pipeline folder:
- curl -0 'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/khaledAFS/sample-files/main/post_security_scan_1
 - 4. Please read the following explanations so that you can understand how the script automates the process of scanning your application and database images.
 - **IMPORTANT:** The following code snippets are in the script you just downloaded, so you don't have to copy and paste them again.

a. We want to configure the script to accept arguments and flags (in this case, your Harbor project name, docker image, registry hostname, and credentials). Later on, we'll add a command to our Jenkinsfile that calls/runs this script along with the aforementioned arguments.

```
import requests, time, sys, json, getopt

## Arguments needed from user ##
argList = sys.argv[1:]
options = 'c:i:p:r:'

arguments, values = getopt.getopt(argList, options)
for currentArgument, currentValue in arguments:
    if currentArgument in ("-c"):
        username, password = currentValue.split(':')
    elif currentArgument in ("-i"):
        imageName = currentValue
    elif currentArgument in ("-p"):
        projectName = currentValue
    elif currentArgument in ("-r"):
        registry = currentValue
```

b. In the following section of the code, we are using the base URL and artifact URI to create a GET request to the Harbor scanner. The request will grab the artifact reference associated with your repository.

```
## Grab sha256 digest from Harbor project repository ##
urlArtifact = 'https://' + registry + '/api/v2.0/projects/' + projectName + '/repositories/
digestResp = requests.get(urlArtifact, auth=(username, password))
artifactReference = digestResp.json()[0]['digest']
```

Note: The artifact reference is a URI parameter to target a specific image resource. In the code snippet above, the SHA256 digest will be used as the artifact reference.

c. Next, we are making a POST request to scan the docker image and checking to ensure the scan completes successfully

```
## Initialize image scanner ##
urlScanInit = urlArtifact + artifactReference + '/scan'
scanInitResp = requests.post(urlScanInit, data={}, auth=(username, password))
if scanInitResp.status_code != 202:
   print('Failed to scan image')
   print('Server response code:', scanInitResp.status_code)
   sys.exit(-1)
```

Note: Use exit codes to control your pipeline when something goes wrong. An exit code of -1 will fail the scanning stage of your pipeline.

d. Then, we are parsing the JSON results from the scan request to display relevant information about project vulnerabilities

```
## Checks scanner status ##
urlScanOverview = urlArtifact + artifactReference + '?with_scan_overview=true'
scanStatus = 'Pending'
maxApiCall = 5
while scanStatus != 'Success':
  scanOverviewResp = requests.get(urlScanOverview, auth=(username, password))
  scanOverviewResult = scanOverviewResp.json()['scan_overview']['application/vnd.security.v
  scanStatus = scanOverviewResult['scan_status']
  print(scanStatus)
  if scanStatus == 'Success':
    break
  elif maxApiCall <= 0:</pre>
    print('Reached maximum API calls')
    sys.exit(-1)
  else:
    maxApiCall -= 1
    time.sleep(4)
print(json.dumps(scanOverviewResult['summary'], indent=4))
```

Note: The ?with_scan_overview=true query parameter will provide information on the status and summary of the scan.

5. After adding your automation script to the devops-camp-pipeline directory, we need to add a "Security scanning" stage in devops-camp-jenkinsfile *after* the stage('Application docker build') {} block to scan the Docker images.

Note: Notice how the lines that begin with sh use the format explained in step 4a.

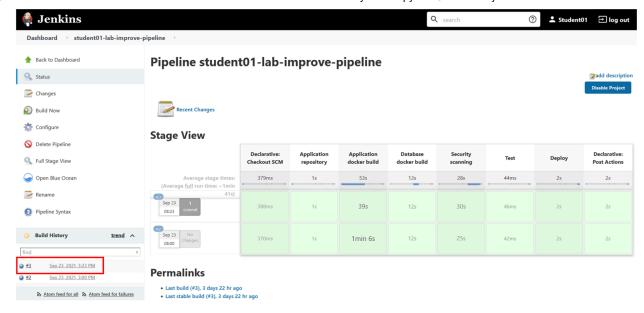
Tip: Replace <YOUR HARBOR CREDENTIAL ID> with your your credentials for Harbor (should be <first initial + last name>-harbor-auth) so that the pipeline has authorization to scan your Docker images.

- a. Add the same code snippet to your devops-camp-db-jenkinsfile, after the stage('Database docker build') {} block. Replace all instances of \$APP_IMAGE_NAME to \$DB_IMAGE_NAME
- 6. Make sure you're in the right directory in the terminal before adding, committing and pushing your changes to GitHub

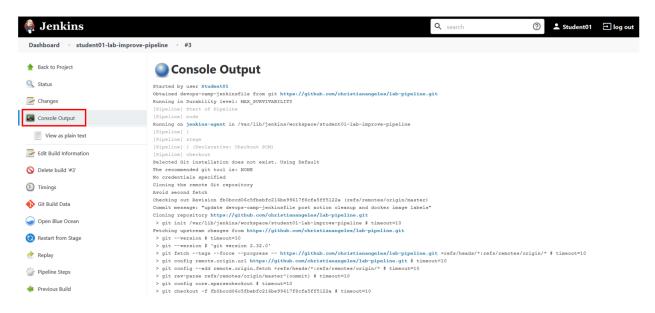
```
a. git add .b. git commit -m "adding harbor scan file"c. git push
```

You're done if...

- 1. Your application pipeline builds successfully; i.e., all the stages are green
- 2. Verify that your Python script completed the scan
 - a. Check the status of your application pipeline by clicking on the most recent build in the "Build History" section on the bottom left



b. Click on "Console Output" to view the output



c. Verify the summary of your image scan in the "Console Output" by holding down Ctrl+F and searching for "harbor_scanner.py":

```
Dashboard * student01-lab-improve-pipeline * #3

[Pipeline] {
    [Pipeline] echo
    Scanning lab image
    [Pipeline] sh
```

Note: You'll have to make a change to /afs-labs-

student/database/database.sql to see the scan's output in your DB pipeline.

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Understanding How to Fix Vulnerabilities

[Pipeline] echo

- 1. Choose any of your images in Harbor and look through the list of vulnerabilities produced by a scan
 - Note: You can find the steps for this in Section 1 of this handout
- 2. Do some research to determine what some of the issues are and how they would be addressed.
 - Pay attention to the dependencies that are a part of your image—why are vulnerabilities coming from there rather than from the code you wrote?

Appendix