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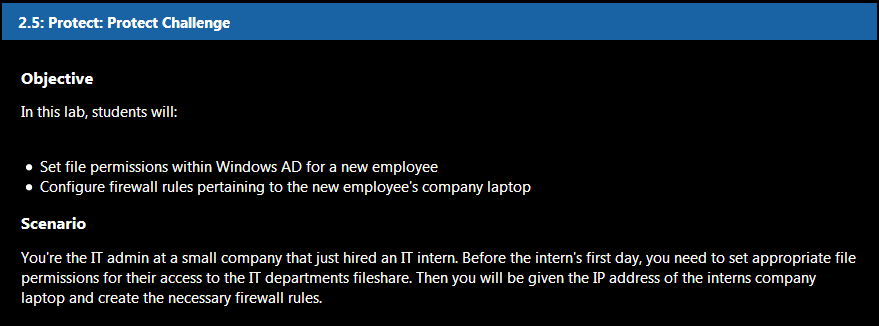
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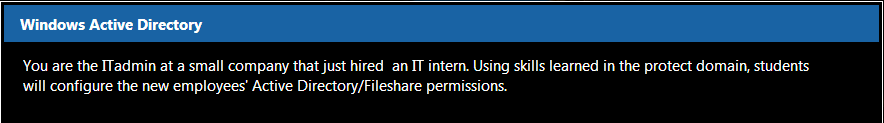
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# 04 PROTECT CHALLENGE

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| TASK | KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS |
| Set ITadmin's permissions correctly for Orientation Share | **S0067**: Skill in identifying, modifying, and manipulating applicable system components within Windows, Unix, or Linux (e.g., passwords, user accounts, files).  **S0097**: Skill in applying security controls.  **S0121**: Skill in system, network, and OS hardening techniques. (e.g., remove unnecessary services, password policies, network segmentation, enable logging, least privilege, etc.).  **T0358**: Design and develop system administration and management functionality for privileged access users.  **K0167**: Knowledge of system administration, network, and operating system hardening techniques |
| Set ITintern's permissions correctly for Orientation Share | **K0167**: Knowledge of system administration, network, and operating system hardening techniques.  **T0358**: Design and develop system administration and management functionality for privileged access users.  **S0121**: Skill in system, network, and OS hardening techniques. (e.g., remove unnecessary services, password policies, network segmentation, enable logging, least privilege, etc.) |
| Created IT Projects Share | **S0121:** Skill in system, network, and OS hardening techniques. (e.g., remove unnecessary services, password policies, network segmentation, enable logging, least privilege, etc.).  **T0358:** Design and develop system administration and management functionality for privileged access users.  **K0167:** Knowledge of system administration, network, and operating system hardening techniques |
| Created FW Rule for SMTP to Intern | **K0049:** Knowledge of information technology (IT) security principles and methods (e.g., firewalls, demilitarized zones, encryption).  **K0202:** Knowledge of the application firewall concepts and functions (e.g., Single point of authentication/audit/policy enforcement, message scanning for malicious content, data anonymization for PCI and PII compliance, data loss protection scanning, accelerated cryptographic operations, SSL security, REST/JSON processing).  **K0487:** Knowledge of network security (e.g., encryption, firewalls, authentication, honey pots, perimeter protection).  **K0516:** Knowledge of physical and logical network devices and infrastructure to include hubs, switches, routers, firewalls, etc. |
| Created FW Rule for Intern Web Browsing | **K0516:** Knowledge of physical and logical network devices and infrastructure to include hubs, switches, routers, firewalls, etc.  **S0076:** Skill in configuring and utilizing software-based computer protection tools (e.g., software firewalls, antivirus software, anti-spyware).  **S0084:** Skill in configuring and utilizing network protection components (e.g., Firewalls, VPNs, network intrusion detection systems).  **S0170:** Skill in configuring and utilizing computer protection components (e.g., hardware firewalls, servers, routers, as appropriate) |





## 4.1 Windows Active Directory

### 4.1.1 Login to Windows

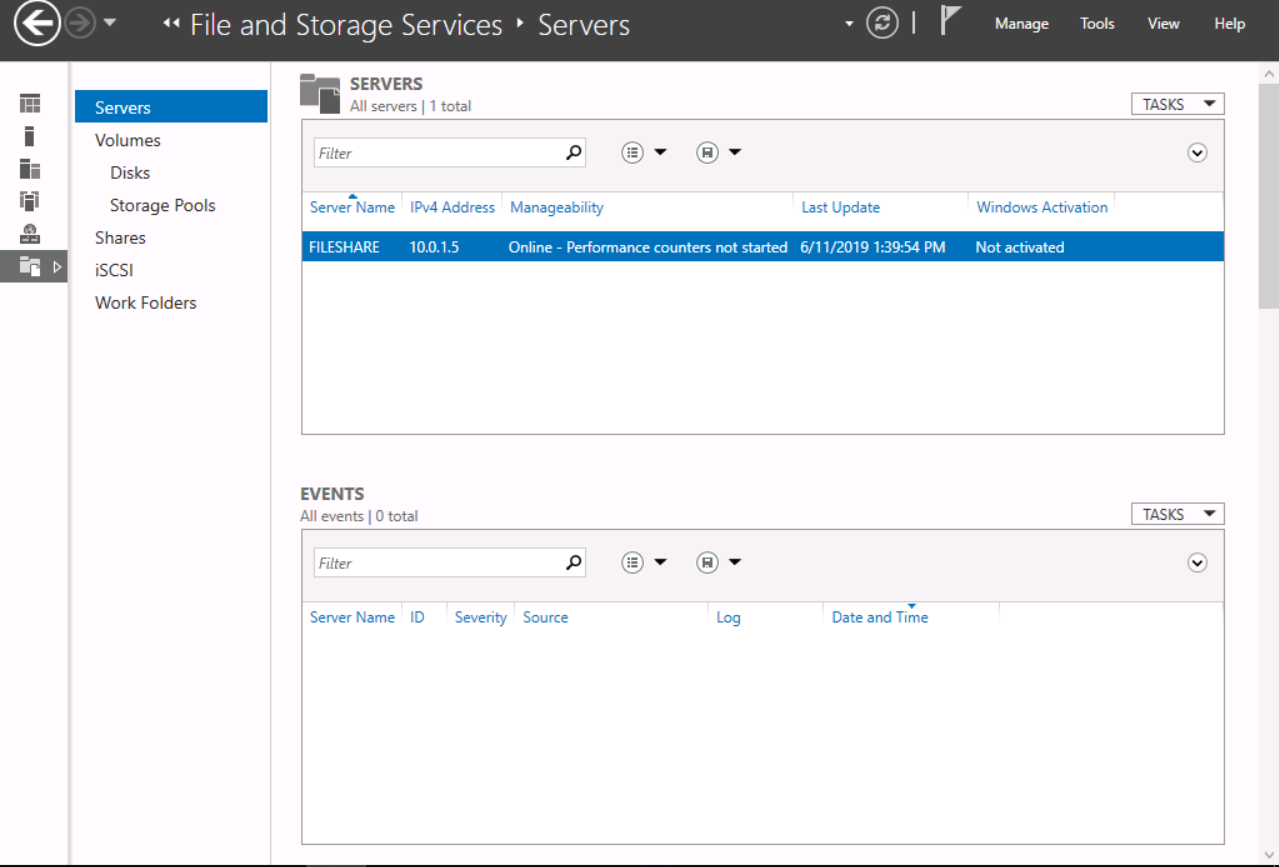
Log in to the Windows Server. User: **itadmin** Password: **IamanIT!**

### 4.1.2 Server Manager

Open **Server Manager** (If it doesn't open upon login). Click on **File and Storage Services**.

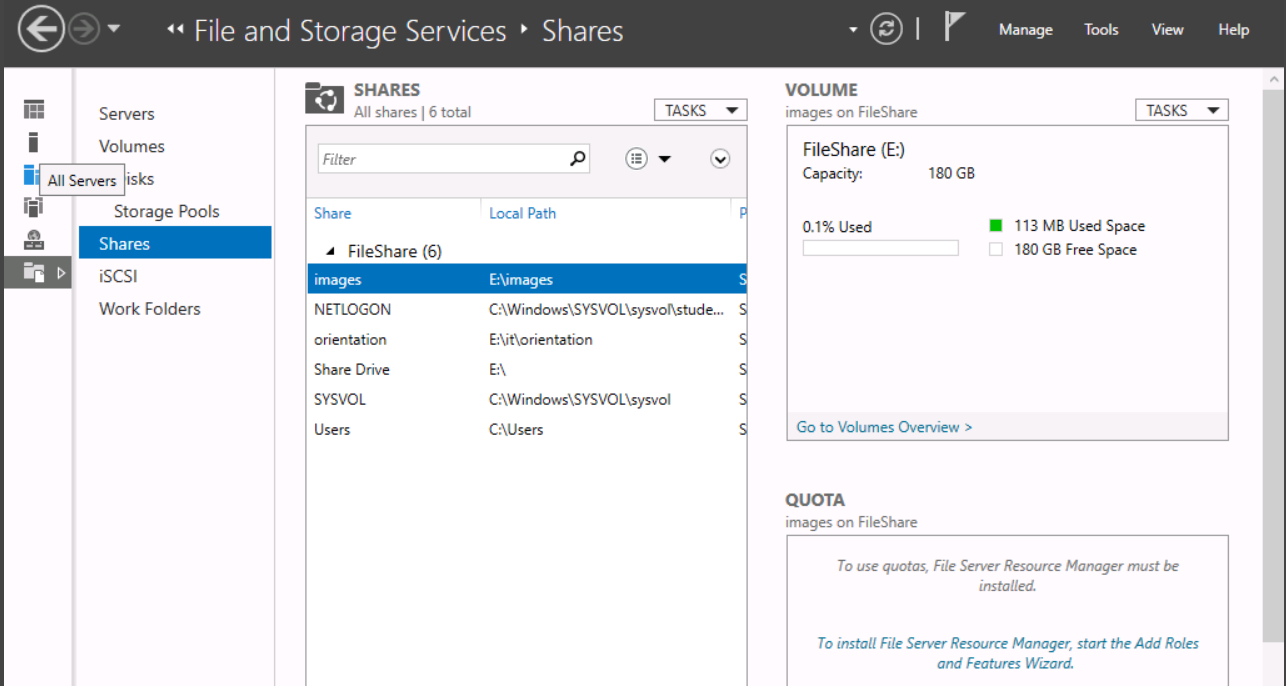
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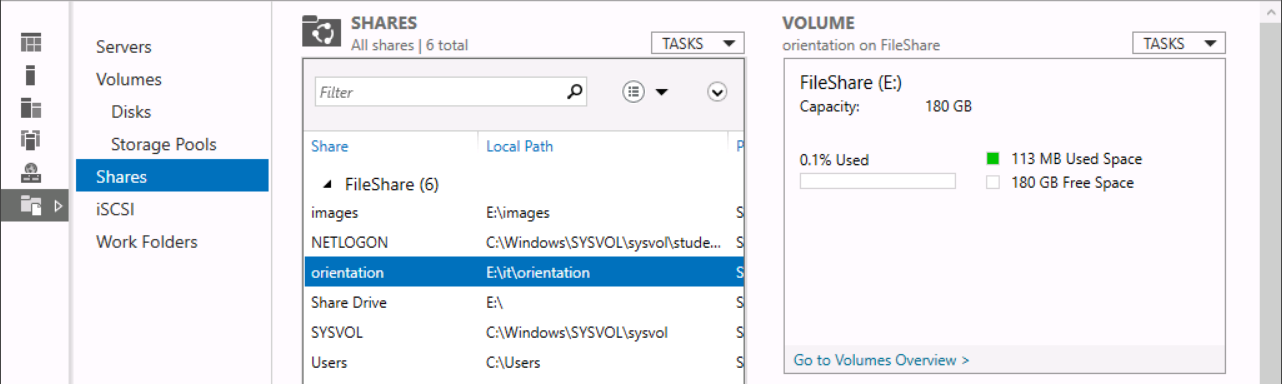
### 4.1.3 Orientation Fileshare

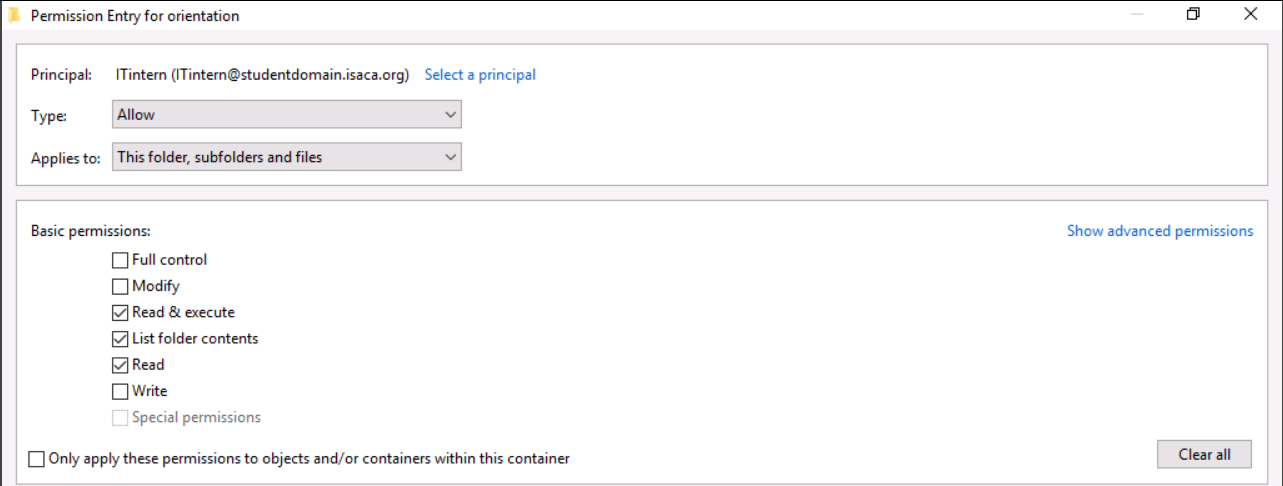
In preparation for their newest team member, the IT team shared an Orientation folder which will contain important documents for their intern's first week. Click **Shares**.

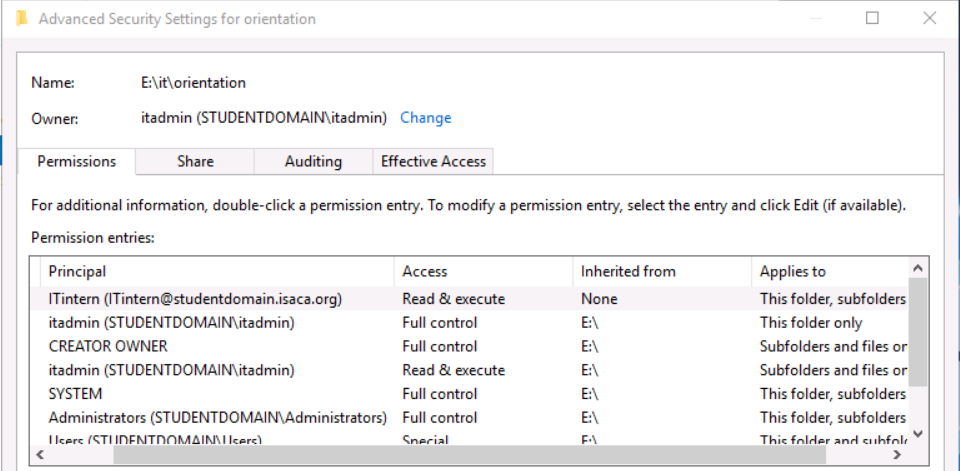


### 4.1.4 Configuring Permissions I

For the **E: --> IT --> Orientation** fileshare, give **ITintern Read** and **Execute** permissions. Give **ITadmin full control**.

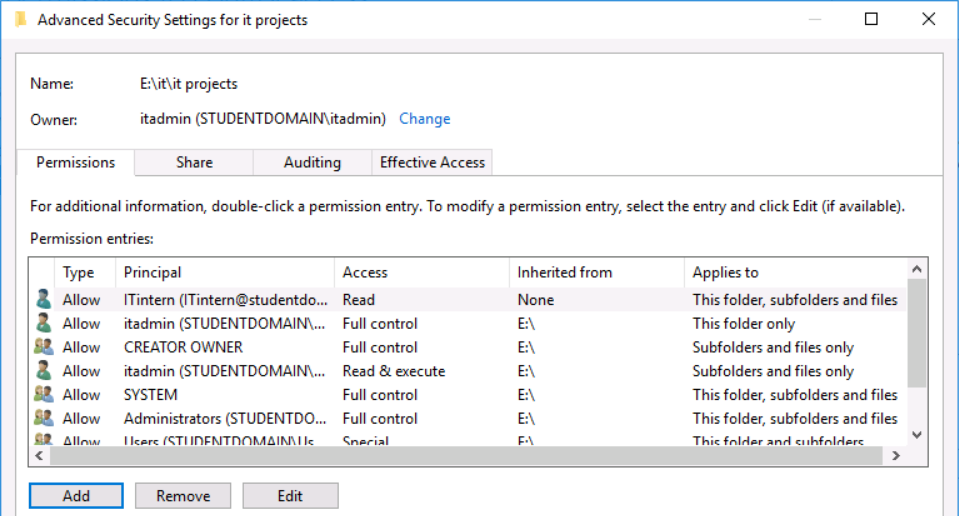


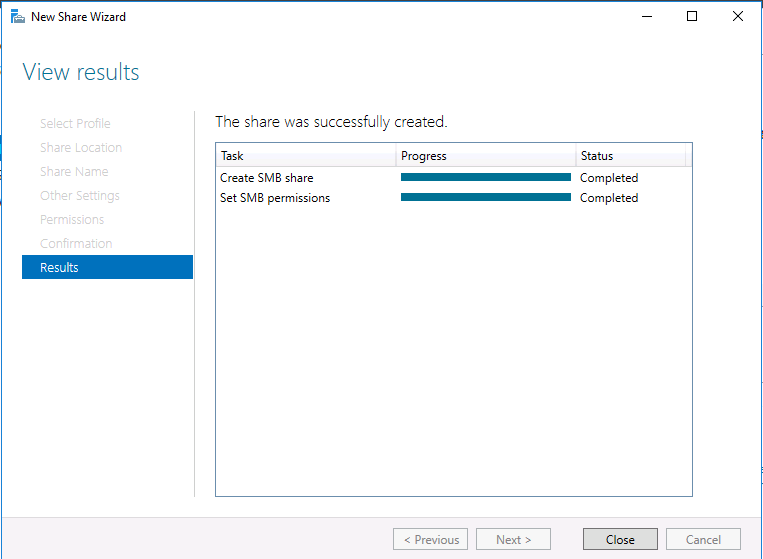


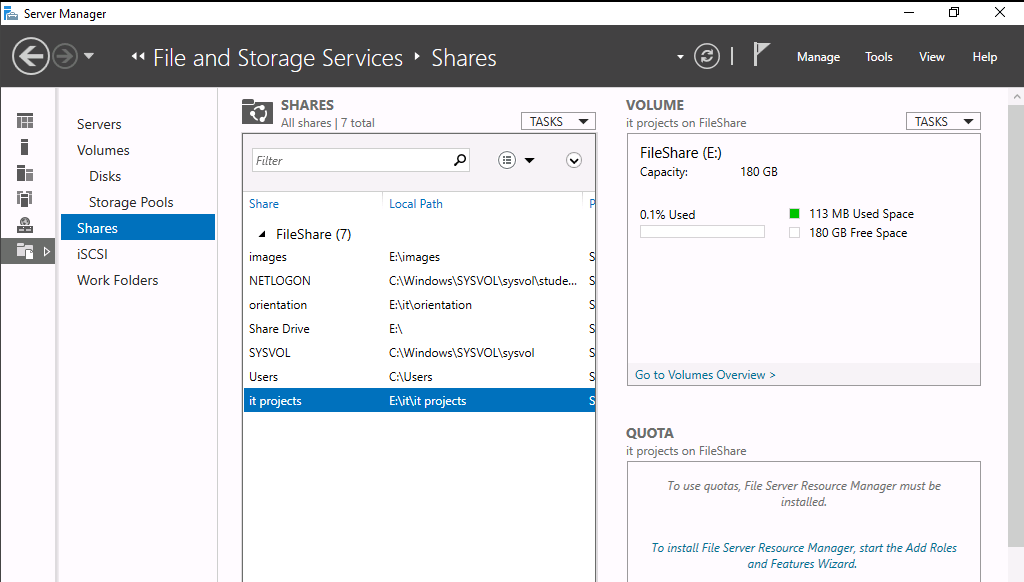


### 4.1.5 Configuring Permissions II

Create a share for the **IT projects folder** within the **IT directory**. Give **ITintern** **read-only** permissions.

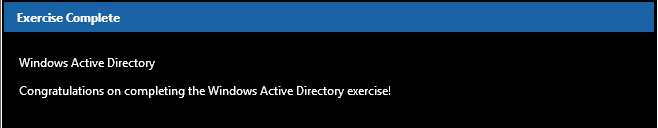




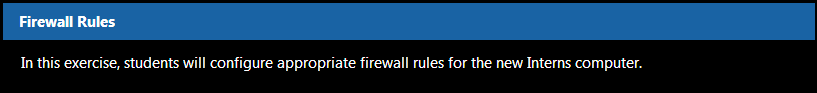


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## 4.2 Firewall Rules

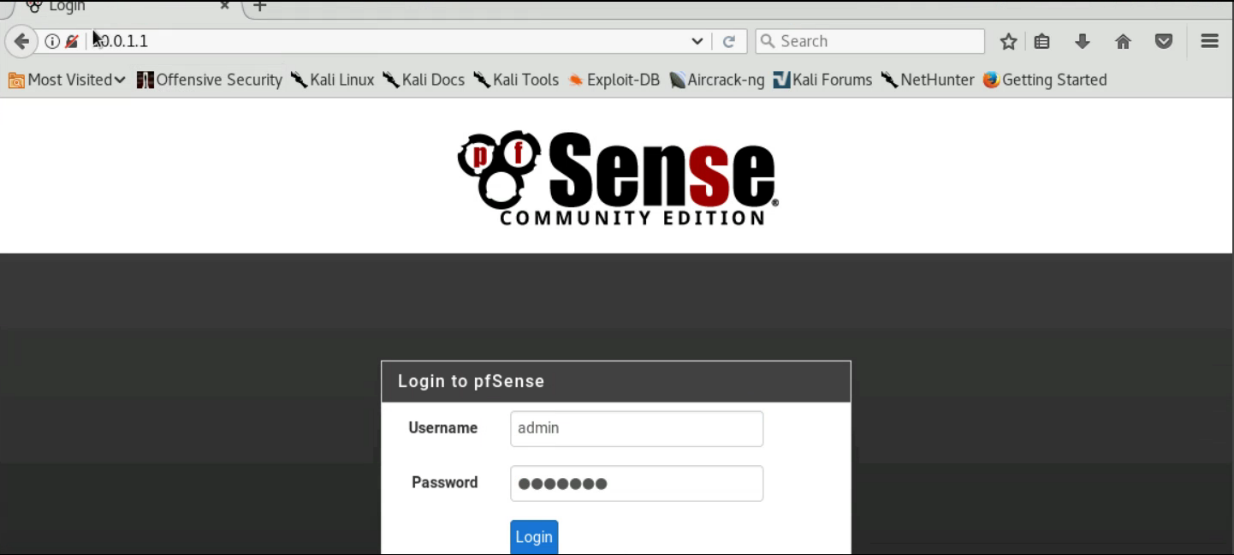


### 4.2.1 Login to Kali

Login to Kali with username **root** and password **isaca**., Then, open a browser and navigate to **http://10.0.1.1**

### 4.2.2 Login to Pfsense

Login to Pfsense with username **admin**, and password **pfsense**

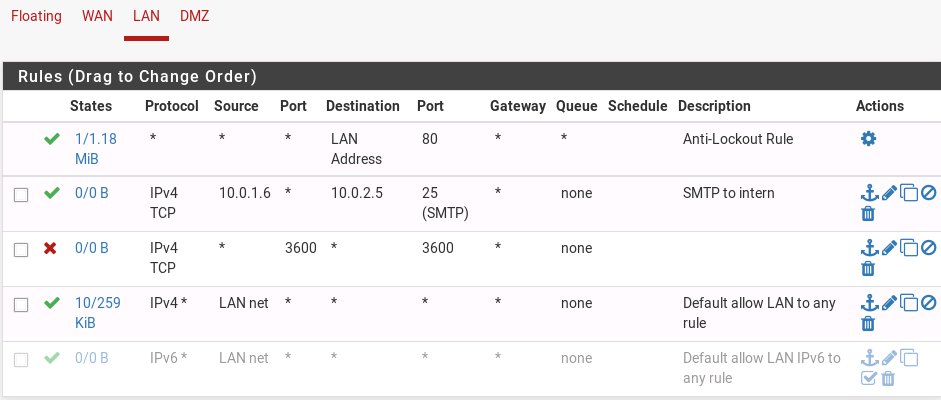


### 4.2.3 Mail Server Rule

Click **Firewall --> Rules**. Then create a LAN rule allowing the Interns computer to receive mail from our mail server. The mail server is on the **DMZ** with an IP of **10.0.2.5** and uses **SMTP (port 25)** to relay emails. The Intern's new computer has a static IP address of **10.0.1.6** and is on the **LAN**. Set the description as "**SMTP to Intern**".

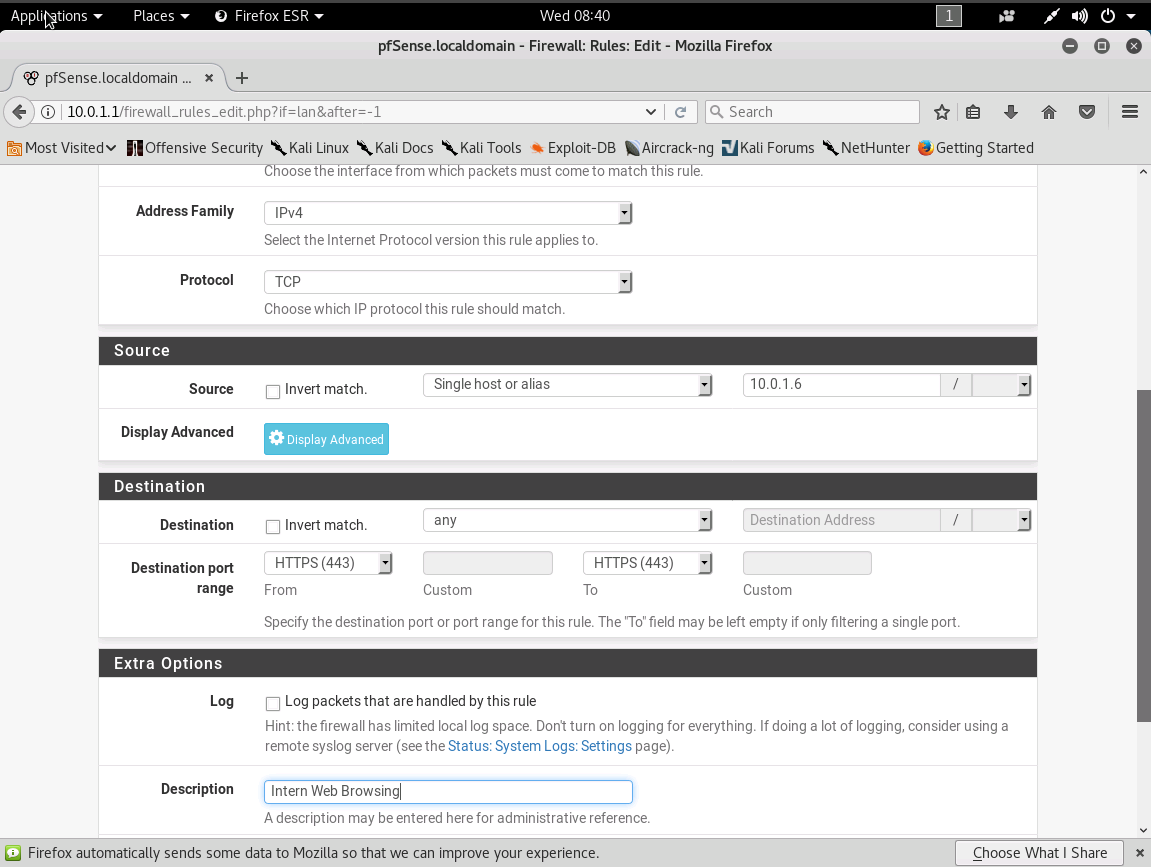
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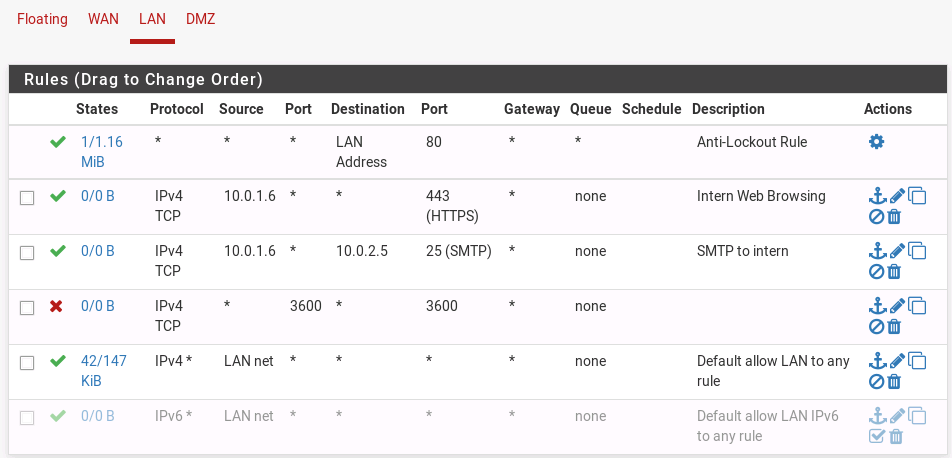
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### 4.2.4 Web Browsing Rule

Create another LAN rule, this time allowing the intern to browse the web using **HTTPS**. Set the description as "**Intern Web Browsing**".



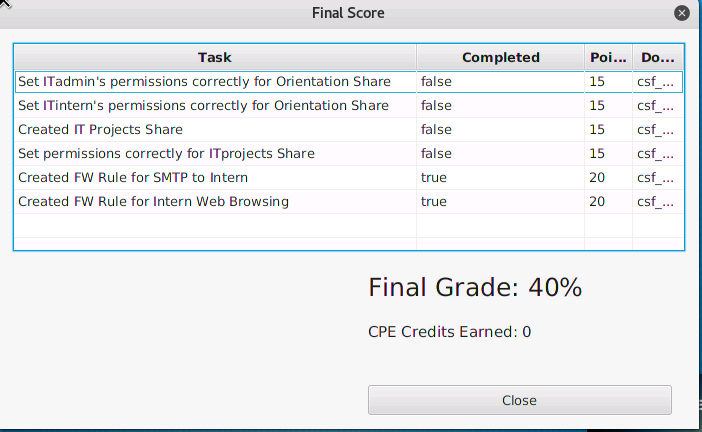


### 4.2.5 Download Configuration

Download your firewall configuration by clicking **Diagnostics --> Backup & Restore**. Then click "**Download configuration as XML**", and rename the file "**InternRules.xml**" and save it to your Desktop.

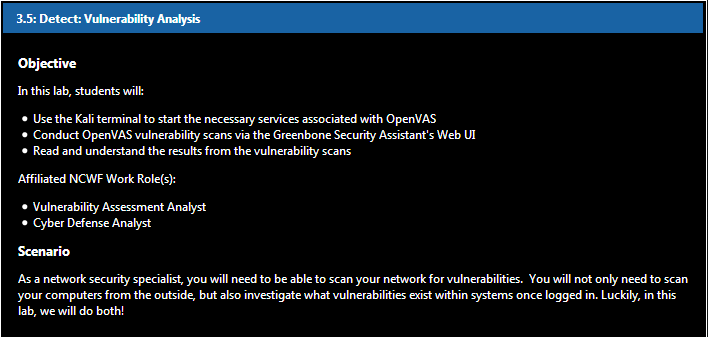
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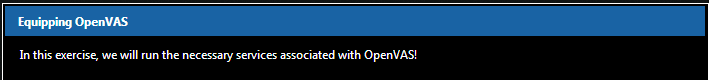


# 05 VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS

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## 5.1 Equipping OpenVAS



### 5.1.1 Logging in to Kali

Logging into our Kali virtual machine with the following credentials: Username: **root**, Password: **isaca**

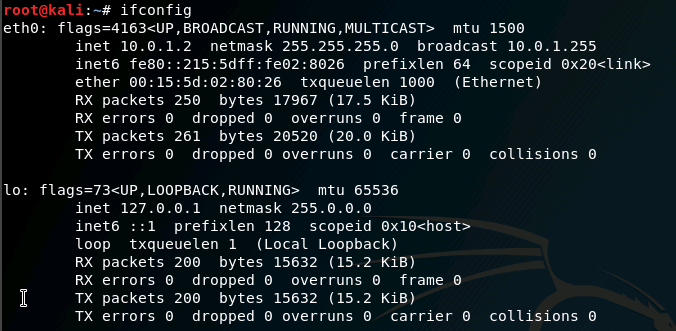
### 5.1.2 Opening a Terminal

Open a terminal session by clicking the icon on the left-hand taskbar.

### 5.1.3 Intergace Configuration

Before we begin our data flow identification, type **ifconfig** to take a look at our network interface card (NIC).

It looks like our eth0 interface's IP address is **10.0.1.2**.



### 5.1.4 Mapping the Network

In order to scan our network for vulnerabilities, we have to map it first. Type **nmap -sn 10.0.1.0/24 > Desktop/nmap.txt** to redirect the output to a new report on the Desktop.

### 5.1.5 Editing the Report

On the Desktop, double-click nmap.txt and delete everything in the file except for the live hosts on the LAN so that the file looks like this. Then save and close the new version of the report.

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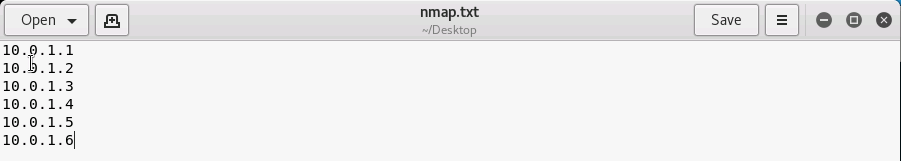
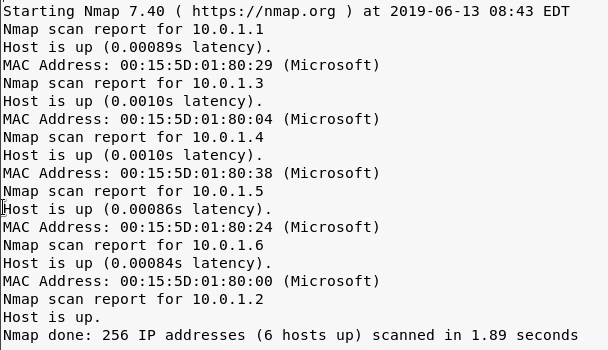
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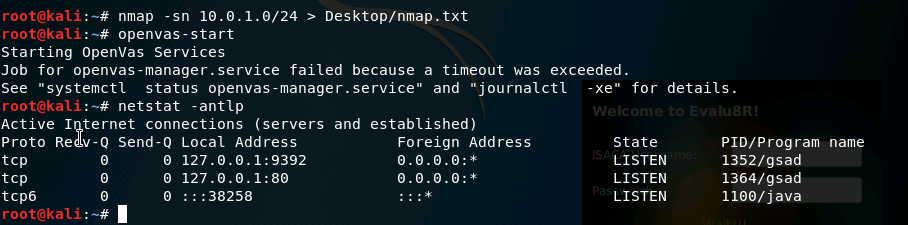


### 5.1.6 Starting OpenVAS

OpenVAS stands for **Open Vulnerability Assessment System**. It is free. Type **openvas-start** to run the services.

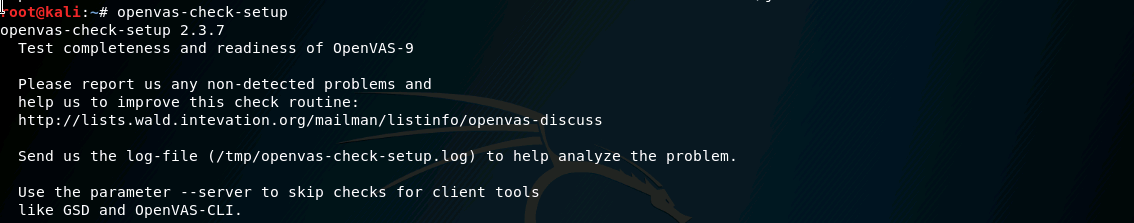
### 5.1.7 Printing Network Connections

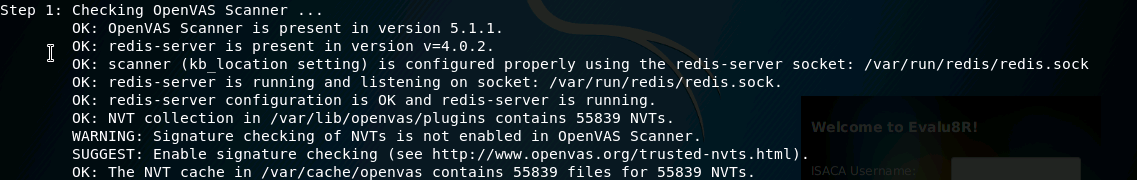
Make sure our OpenVAS services are listening. Type **netstat –antlp.** Check the **Greenbone Security Assistant Daemon (gsad)** and **OpenVAS Manager Daemon (openvasmd)** listening. Note **gsad's local IP address/port (127.0.0.1:9392).**

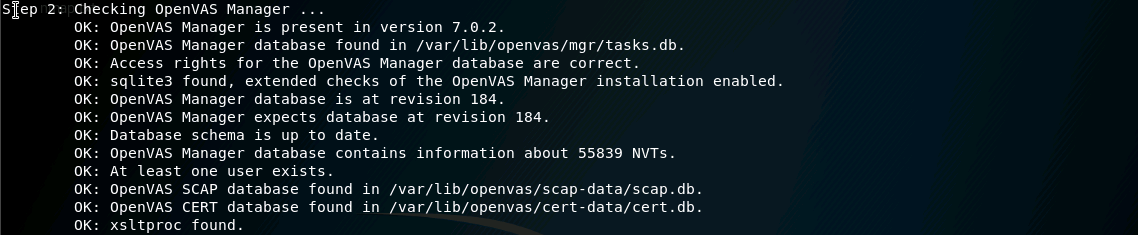


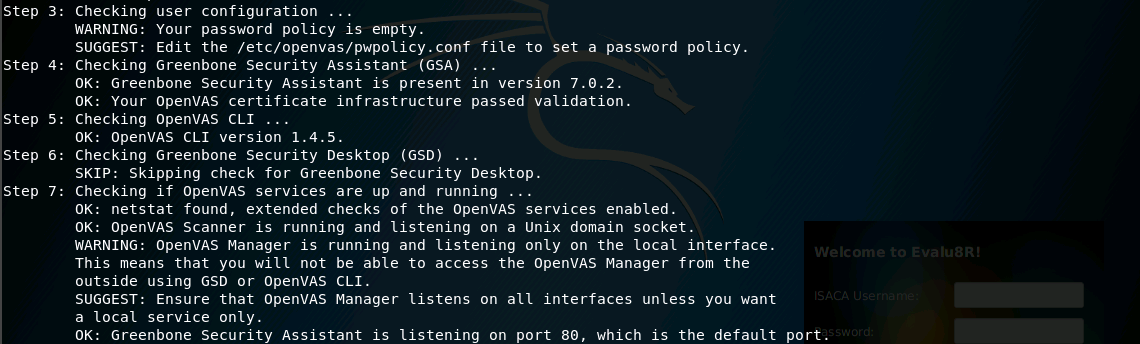
### 5.1.8 Checking Setup

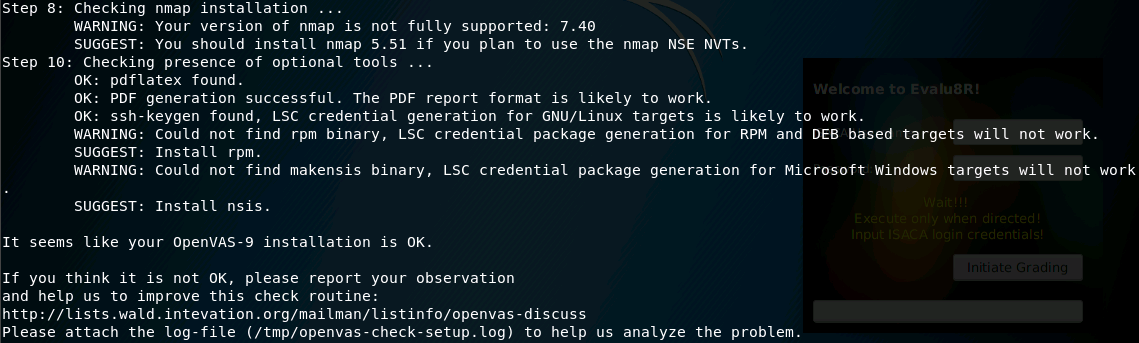
Finally, let's run the command **openvas-check-setup** to ensure that the OpenVAS installation and setup has been implemented correctly. The command's output says "It seems like your OpenVAS-9 installation is OK", so we are good to go! Type exit to close the terminal.













## 5.2 Scanning Vulnerabilities in GSA

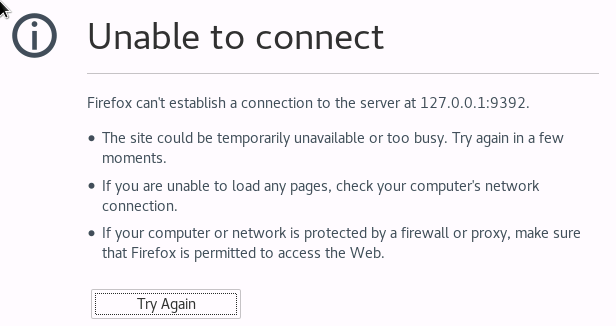


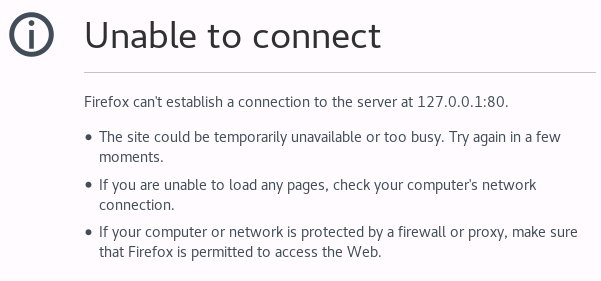
### 5.2.1 Opening a Web Browser

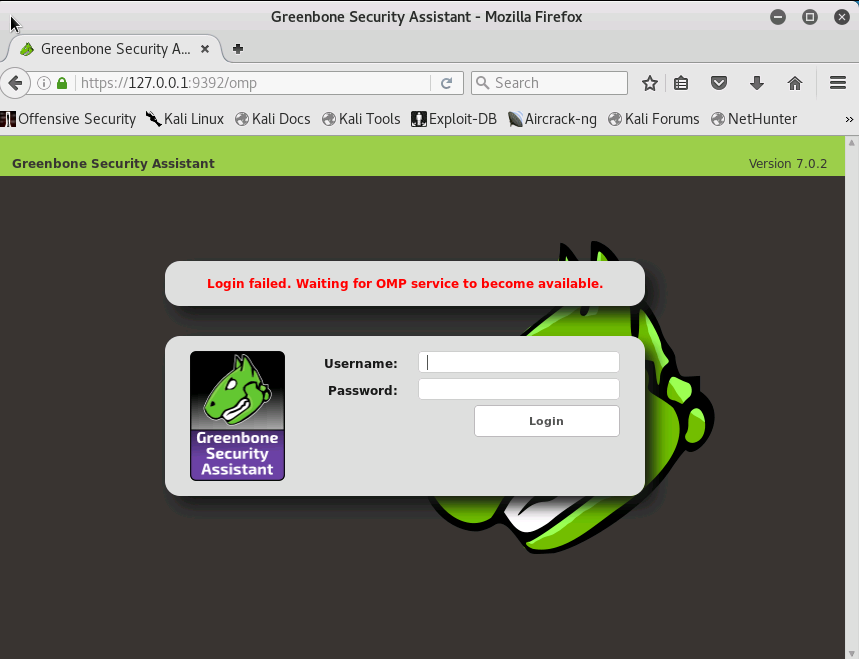
Open a new web browser by clicking on the **Firefox ESR** icon on the Favorites bar.

### 5.2.2 OpenVAS Web UI

Do you remember the IP address and the port number of Greenbone Security Assistant taken from the netstat command? Type **https://127.0.0.1:9392** to open the web user interface. If that doesn't work, use **https://127.0.0.1:80**, which should redirect you to the GSA landing page. Click "Advanced", "Add Exception", and "Confirm Security Exception". The credentials are: username: admin password: admin







### 5.2.3 Learning GSA

### 5.2.4 Creating a Target

### 5.2.5 Starting a Task 1

### 5.2.6 Starting a Task 2

### 5.2.7 Running the Scan

### 5.2.8 Adding Credentials 1

### 5.2.9 Adding Credentials 2

### 5.2.10 Creating Second target

### 5.2.11 Starting Second Task 1

### 5.2.12 Starting Second Task 2

### 5.2.13 Running the Second Scan

### 5.2.14 Saving Scans

## 5.3 Observing Scan Results

### 5.3.1 Noting LAN results 1

### 5.3.2 Noting LAN results 2

### 5.3.3 Noting LAN results 3

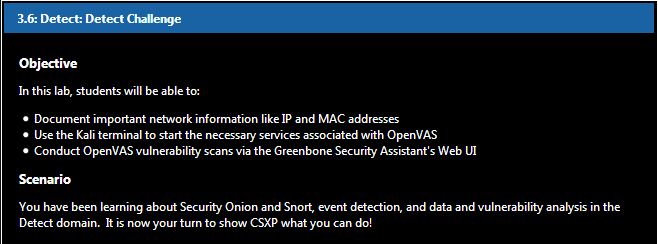
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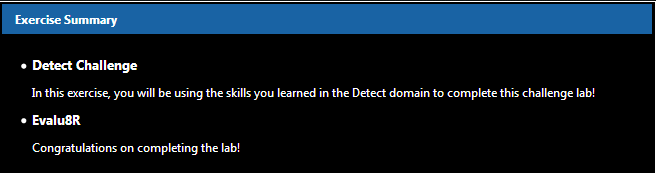
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### 5.3.6 Noting UBUNTU results 3

# 06 DETECT CHALLENGE

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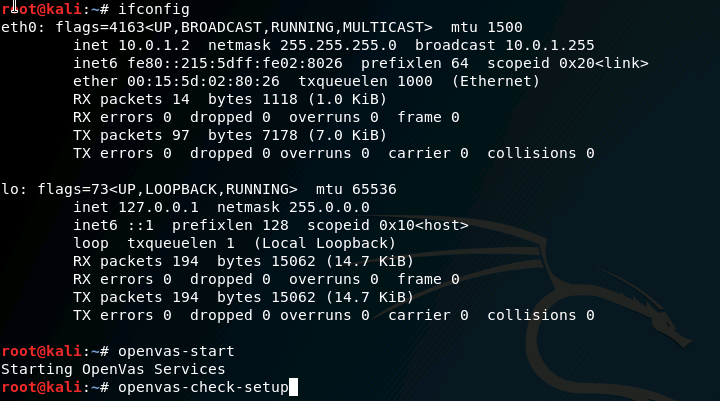


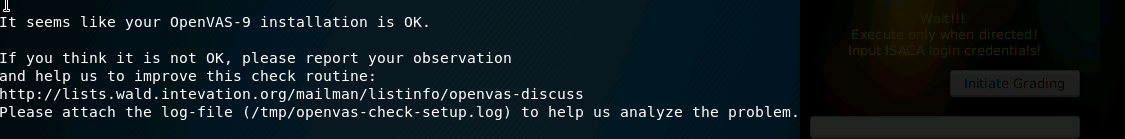


## 6.1 Detect Challenge

### 6.1.1 Starting Services

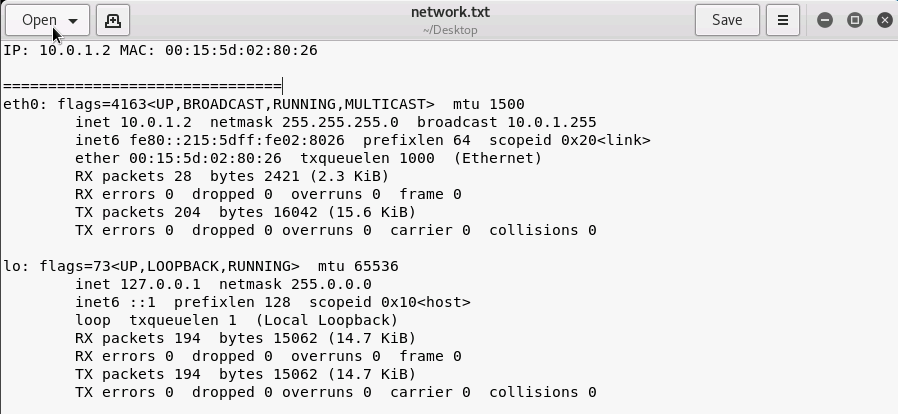
Log in to the Kali VM with the following credentials: username: **root** password: **isaca**. Start the challenge lab by running the OpenVAS essential services.





### 6.1.2 Creating a File

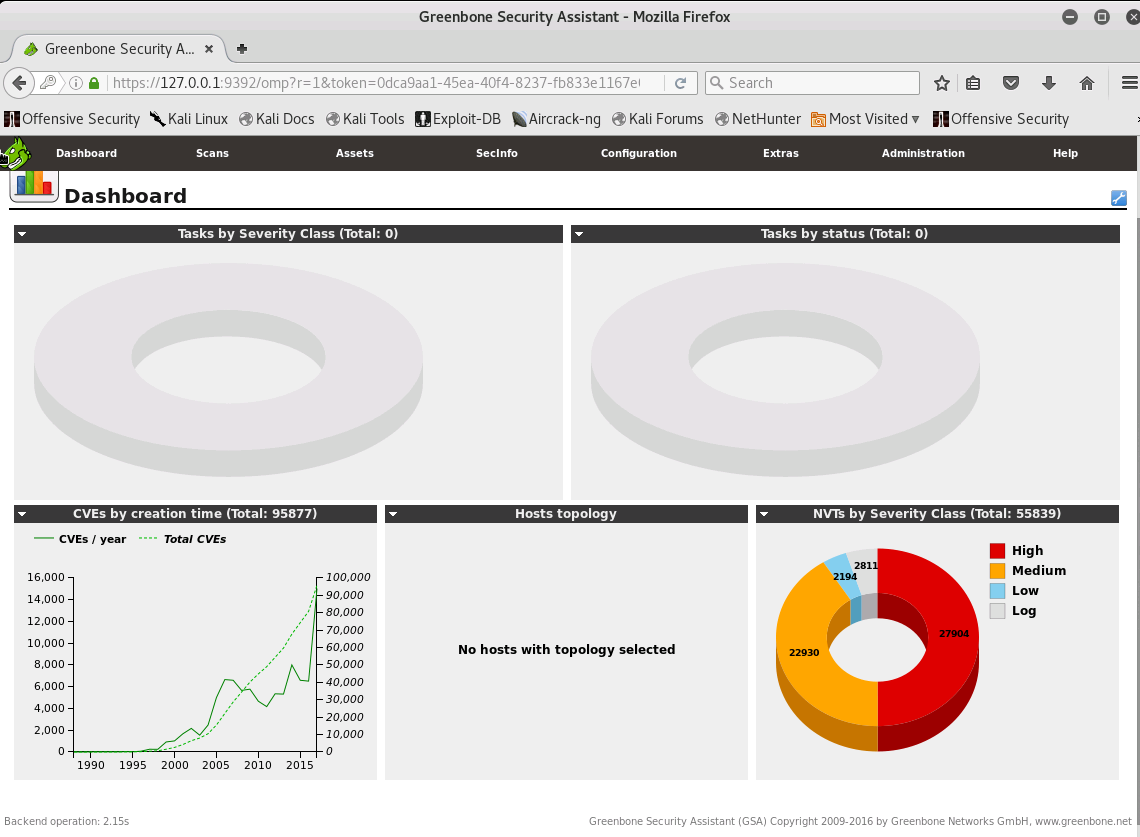
Open Leafpad and document your IP address and MAC address. Save the file as network.txt to your Desktop.



### 6.1.3 Opening the Web UI

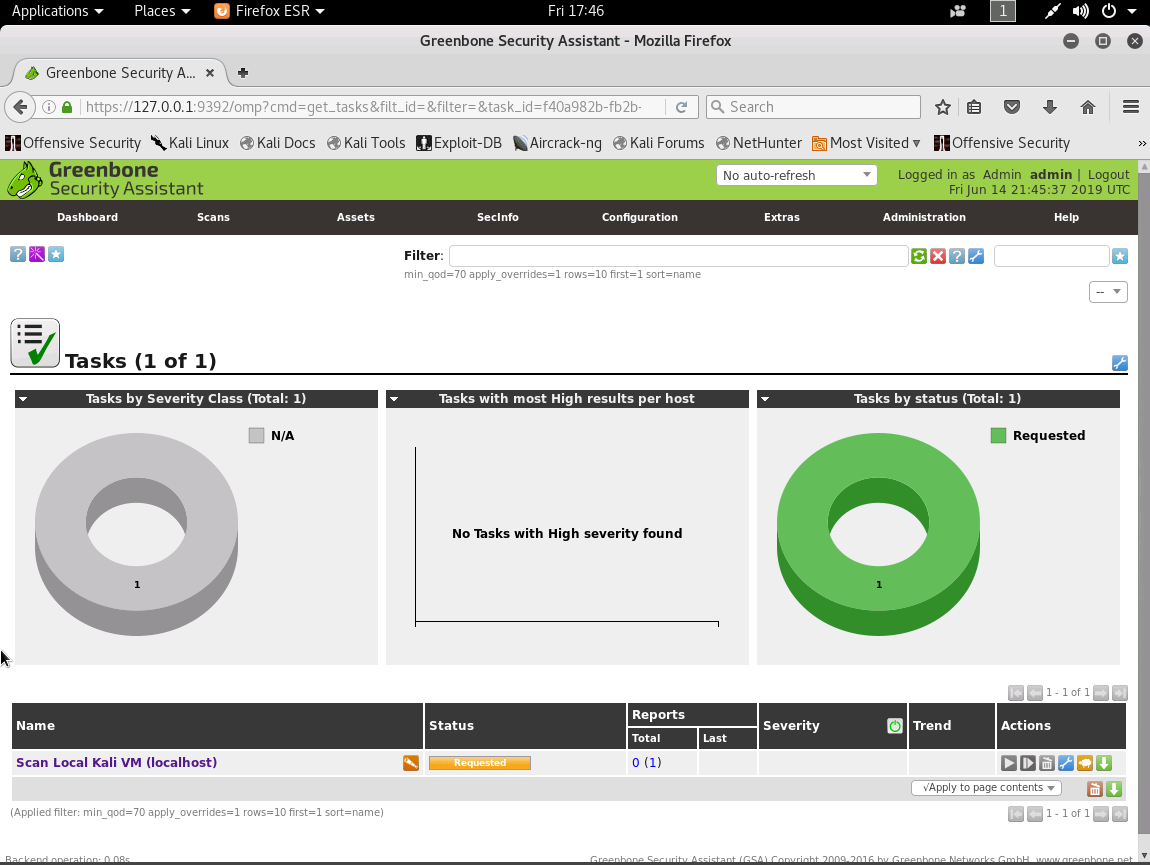
Navigate to the **Greenbone Security Assistant** at **https://127.0.0.1:9392** with the following credentials:

username: **admin** password: **admin**



### 6.1.4 Conducting a Scan

Scan the local Kali VM (localhost) for vulnerabilities. Export the scan to an XML document. Name the **scan.xml** and save it to the Desktop. Do not forget to lower the "**Maximum concurrently executed NVTs per hos**t" and "**... scanned hosts**" both to 1.



# 07 NOTIFICATION AND ESCALATION

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# 08 RESPOND CHALLENGE

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# 09 RE-IMAGING

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# 10 RESTORE POINTS AND PASSWORD RECOVERY

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# Appendix