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## 1 Introduction

This setup instructions for the research have been divided into components. This manual includes detailed description of the whole implementations. The following subsections have been organized for ease of understanding are listed below:

- Setting up of Virtual Machine
- Installation and Configuration of Docker.
- Setup of AIA (Automatic Image Analyzer)
  - Setup of Anchore Engine tool
  - Configuration of module for result management.
- Direct Privilege Escalation Assault

## 2 Configuring Virtual Machine

I have carried both investigations in this study on a virtual computer. The primary purpose for utilizing a virtual instance is to minimize the security concerns associated with experimenting. VMware Workstation 16 Pro is utilized to meet the requirements (Figure 1). The VM's operating system is Linux Ubuntu 20.04.1 LTS and 4 GB of memory is allocated to the virtual machine with 100 GB of hard disk.

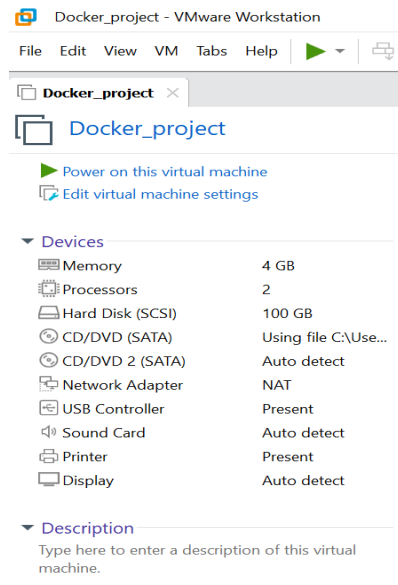


Figure 1- Virtual Machine

### 3 Configuration of Docker

The Docker Engine utilized for the configuration was configured with the default parameters. There are no additional plugins loaded for any value-added security objectives.

Please find the step below to install Docker in your local host

- 1- `$ sudo apt-get update`
- 2- `$ sudo apt-get install \ ca-certificates \ curl \ gnupg \ lsb-release`
- 3- `$ sudo apt-get -y install software-properties-common`
- 4- `$ curl -fsSL https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu/gpg |`
- 5- `$ sudo gpg --dearmor -o /usr/share/keyrings/docker-archive-keyring.gpg`

After completing the above-mentioned steps, the CLI for Docker is successfully installed. To verify the installation please check the given command below in your terminal example the latest docker version 20.10.11 is install the host VM for this project.

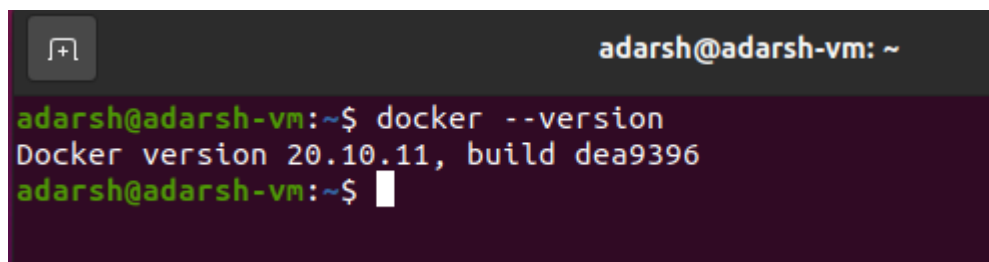


Figure 2 Installation of Docker

## 4 Setting up Automatic Image Analyzer

The AIA segment of the project is described in this section. All configuration records, as well as the stage process incorporation procedure, are discussed in the subcategories below. The whole module has being automated with Python; demonstrations of the code and results are provided in this part.

### - To setup Anchore Engine,

There is a setup guide gicen on the website of Anchore Engine which is mentioned in the reference below.

- 1- mkdir anchore to create directory
- 2- In the Anchore Directory please make sub-directories of database and config  
cd anchore  
mkdir config  
mkdir db
- 3- Create a docker-compose.yaml

```
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~$ cd anchore/  
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ ls  
config db docker-compose.yaml  
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$
```

- 4- Refer the below mentioned for the recommended file.

```

version: '2'
services:
  anchore-engine:
    image: docker.io/anchore/anchore-engine:v0.3.4
    #privileged: true
    depends_on:
      - anchore-db
    ports:
      - "8228:8228"
      - "8338:8338"
    volumes:
      - ./config:/config:z
    logging:
      driver: "json-file"
      options:
        max-size: 100m
    environment:
      # NOTE: this should be set to the same name as this service (e.g. anchore-engine)
      - ANCHORE_HOST_ID=dockerhostid-anchore-engine
      - ANCHORE_ENDPOINT_HOSTNAME=anchore-engine
  anchore-db:
    image: "postgres:9"
    volumes:
      - ./db:/var/lib/postgresql/data/pgdata:z
    environment:
      - POSTGRES_PASSWORD=mysecretpassword
      - PGDATA=/var/lib/postgresql/data/pgdata/
    logging:
      driver: "json-file"
      options:
        max-size: 100m
    #uncomment to expose a port to allow direct/external access to the DB, for debugging
    #ports:
    # - "2345:5432"

```

- 5- Now Create one more config.yaml file in the config folder.
- 6- Snipshot of config file is shown in the below Figure. The complete file is shared in zip folder.

```

# otherwise anonymous access for feed sync is used

feeds:
  # If set to False, instruct anchore-engine to skip (all) feed sync operations
  sync_enabled: True
  ssl_verify: True
  selective_sync:
    # If enabled only sync specific feeds instead of all.
    enabled: True
  feeds:
    vulnerability: True
    # Warning: enabling the packages and nvd sync causes the service to require much
    # more memory to do process the significant data volume. We recommend at least 4GB available for the container
    packages: False
    nvd: False
    # Enabling snyk syncs snyk vulnerability data from an on-premise anchore enterprise feeds service. Please contact
    # anchore support for finding out more about this service
    snyk: False
  anonymous_user_username: anon@ancho.re
  anonymous_user_password: pblU2RYZ2XrNVQ
  url: 'https://ancho.re/v1/service/feeds'
  client_url: 'https://ancho.re/v1/account/users'
  token_url: 'https://ancho.re/oauth/token'
  connection_timeout_seconds: 3
  read_timeout_seconds: 60

# As of 0.3.0dev0 this section is used instead of the credentials.users section
# Can be omitted and will default to 'foobar' on db initialization
default_admin_password: 'foobar'

# Can be omitted and will default to 'admin@myanchore'
default_admin_email: 'admin@myanchore'

credentials:
  users:
    admn:
      password: 'foobar'
      email: 'admin@myemail.com'
      external_service_auths:
        # anchoreio:
        #   auth: 'myanchoreouser:myanchorelopass'
      #auto_policy_sync: True

database:
  db_connect: 'postgresql+pg8000://postgres:mysecretpassword@anchore-db:5432/postgres'

```

- 7- Now the Anchore Engine configuration is completed.
- 8- Use (docker-compose up -d) to start the Anchore Engine
- 9- To Verify the state use (docker-compose ps).

```

adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ ls
config db docker-compose.yaml
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ docker-compose up -d
Starting anchore_anchore-db_1 ...
Starting anchore_anchore-db_1 ... done
Starting anchore_anchore-engine_1 ...
Starting anchore_anchore-engine_1 ... done
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ docker-compose ps
-----

```

Name	Command	State	Ports
anchore_anchore-db_1	docker-entrypoint.sh postgres	Up	5432/tcp
anchore_anchore-engine_1	/docker-entrypoint.sh anch ...	Up	0.0.0.0:8228->8228/tcp, 0.0.0.0:8338->8338/tcp, :::8228->8228/tcp, :::8338->8338/tcp

```

adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ █

```

10- Now you need to Install anchore-cli by apt install.

11- To start Anchore CLI need the below mentioned commands

```

export ANCHORE_CLI_URL
export ANCHORE_CLI_USER
export ANCHORE_CLI_PASS

```

12- When the Anchore Engine is fully operational, the feeds list (CVE database) on the local system must be updated. The screenshot is shown below:

```

adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ anchore-cli --url http://localhost:8228/v1 --u admin --p foobar system feeds list
Feed          Group          LastSync          RecordCount
vulnerabilities alpine:3.10    2021-12-16T12:37:08.090123 2329
vulnerabilities alpine:3.11    2021-12-16T12:37:05.218541 2664
vulnerabilities alpine:3.12    2021-12-16T12:37:05.837922 3025
vulnerabilities alpine:3.13    2021-12-16T12:37:06.665675 3395
vulnerabilities alpine:3.14    2021-12-16T12:36:29.989727 3792
vulnerabilities alpine:3.15    2021-12-16T12:37:08.906162 3948
vulnerabilities alpine:3.2     2021-12-16T12:36:30.593466 306
vulnerabilities alpine:3.3     2021-12-16T12:36:31.634247 471
vulnerabilities alpine:3.4     2021-12-16T12:36:32.068321 683
vulnerabilities alpine:3.5     2021-12-16T12:36:32.887148 903
vulnerabilities alpine:3.6     2021-12-16T12:36:33.461296 1077
vulnerabilities alpine:3.7     2021-12-16T12:36:33.935423 1462
vulnerabilities alpine:3.8     2021-12-16T12:36:34.901602 1675
vulnerabilities alpine:3.9     2021-12-16T12:36:35.376898 1962
vulnerabilities amzn:2       2021-12-16T12:36:36.250039 737
vulnerabilities centos:5       2021-12-16T12:36:36.937150 1347
vulnerabilities centos:6       2021-12-16T12:36:37.399590 1453
vulnerabilities centos:7       2021-12-16T12:37:09.521243 1327
vulnerabilities centos:8       2021-12-16T12:36:38.515099 782
vulnerabilities debian:10      2021-12-16T12:36:39.585840 26640
vulnerabilities debian:11      2021-12-16T12:36:40.605535 24098
vulnerabilities debian:12      2021-12-16T12:36:41.355943 23157
vulnerabilities debian:7       2021-12-16T12:36:41.792525 20455
vulnerabilities debian:8       2021-12-16T12:36:42.286947 24058
vulnerabilities debian:9       2021-12-16T12:36:43.369502 26516
vulnerabilities debian:unstable 2021-12-16T12:36:44.755874 29046
vulnerabilities ol:5          2021-12-16T12:36:45.383647 1255
vulnerabilities ol:6          2021-12-16T12:36:45.966707 1644
vulnerabilities ol:7          2021-12-16T12:36:46.824218 1655
vulnerabilities ol:8          2021-12-16T12:36:47.404882 754
vulnerabilities rhel:5         2021-12-16T12:37:10.144362 7764
vulnerabilities rhel:6         2021-12-16T12:36:48.112199 7911
vulnerabilities rhel:7         2021-12-16T12:36:48.726905 7272
vulnerabilities rhel:8         2021-12-16T12:36:49.431171 3434
vulnerabilities sles:11        2021-12-16T12:36:50.070717 594
vulnerabilities sles:11.1      2021-12-16T12:36:50.680181 6008
vulnerabilities sles:11.2      2021-12-16T12:36:51.289129 3291
vulnerabilities sles:11.3      2021-12-16T12:36:51.912735 6897
vulnerabilities sles:11.4      2021-12-16T12:36:52.326484 6437
vulnerabilities sles:12        2021-12-16T12:36:52.934451 4244
vulnerabilities sles:12.1      2021-12-16T12:36:53.548290 5203

```

13- Now you are ready to manually adding the Images and checking their vulnerability status.

For adding image: - anchore-cli image add <openjdk:8-jre-alpine> (openjdk:8-jre-alpine is an example of image). In the screenshot below the added images showing analysis status.

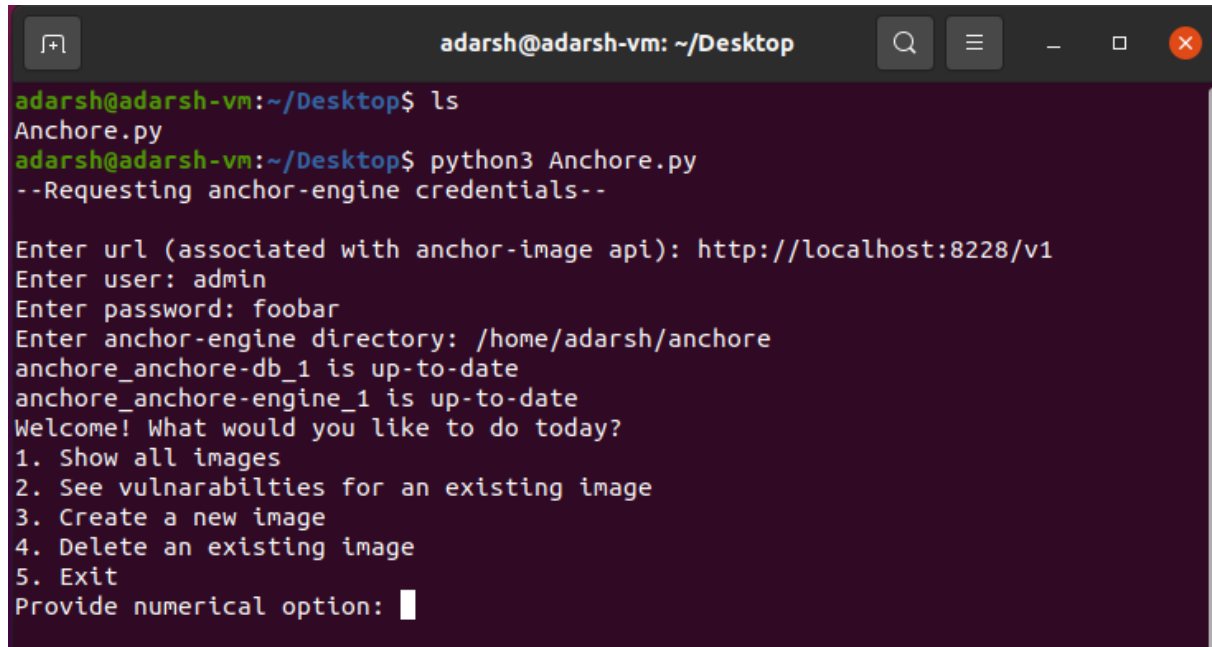
```

adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$ anchore-cli image list
Full Tag          Image Digest          Analysis Status
docker.io/couchbase:latest    sha256:f319e2e60eb1231197546238dfdfccaf7d98540fb62d0b716c400ba507dce28a    analysis_failed
docker.io/library/debian:latest    sha256:2fa1cd247c9a06849534902b6b227efd21dbb5c0fea11c75aeba1df18685f1b8    analyzed
docker.io/openjdk:10-jdk          sha256:923d074ef1f4f0dceef68d9bad8be19c918d9ca8180a26b037e00576f24c2cb4    analyzed
docker.io/openjdk:11-jdk          sha256:351cd469850de7ae1f820533ee18ef7ddbcc0d1dcb6a3c8746e564e445476442    analyzed
docker.io/openjdk:8-jre-alpine    sha256:b2ad93b079b1495488cc01375de799c402d45086015a120c105ea00e1be0fd52    analyzed
docker.io/vault:latest           sha256:b7ef561ec7465fb621972b53a0066ccc047b3795d65288b128d5d171d69241c9    analyzed
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/anchore$

```



14- Python language is used to automate the entire flow of Anchore Engine and using it user not need to go through with these much steps. The screenshot attached below is the User Interface.



```
adarsh@adarsh-vm: ~/Desktop
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/Desktop$ ls
Anchore.py
adarsh@adarsh-vm:~/Desktop$ python3 Anchore.py
--Requesting anchor-engine credentials--

Enter url (associated with anchor-image api): http://localhost:8228/v1
Enter user: admin
Enter password: foobar
Enter anchor-engine directory: /home/adarsh/anchore
anchore_anchore-db_1 is up-to-date
anchore_anchore-engine_1 is up-to-date
Welcome! What would you like to do today?
1. Show all images
2. See vulnerabilities for an existing image
3. Create a new image
4. Delete an existing image
5. Exit
Provide numerical option: █
```

## - Management Module for Results

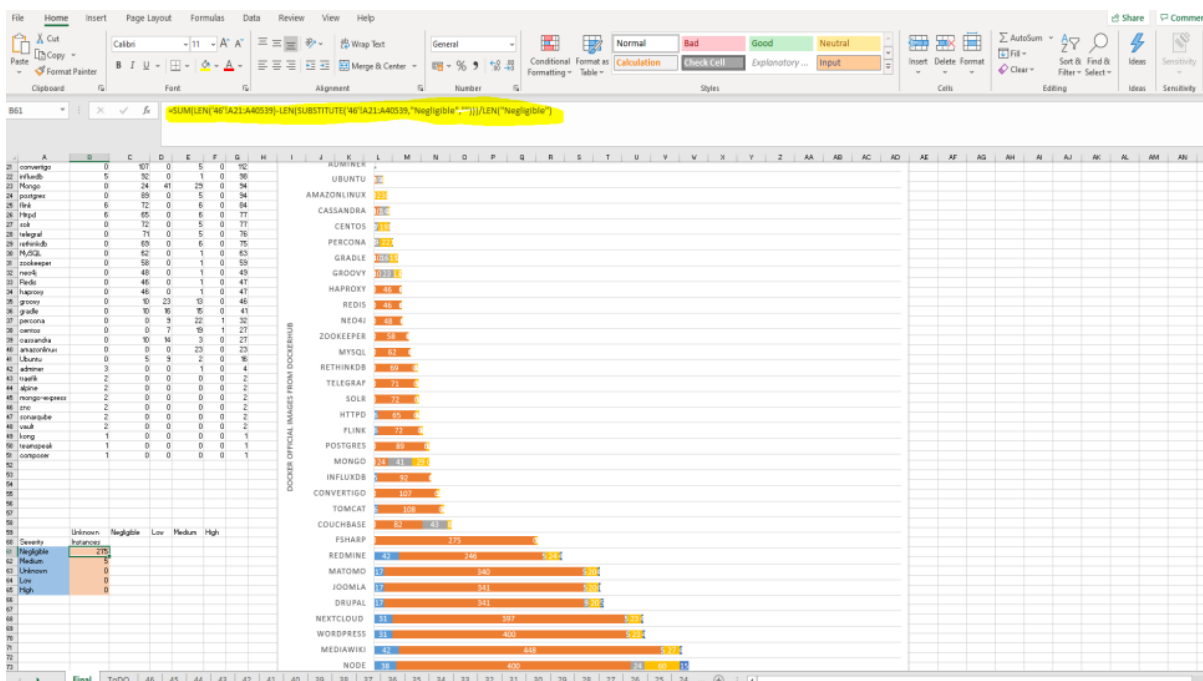
The AIA produces fairly long results. Figure below shows a sample result for one of the photos, which is around 12000 lines long. For analysis, the result management module incorporates macro scripts in Excel.

```

out33.txt - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
},
{
  "feed": "vulnerabilities",
  "feed_group": "debian:9",
  "fix": "6.0-21+deb9u1",
  "package": "unzip-6.0-21",
  "package_cpe": "None",
  "package_name": "unzip",
  "package_path": "None",
  "package_type": "dpkg",
  "package_version": "6.0-21",
  "severity": "Medium",
  "url": "https://security-tracker.debian.org/tracker/CVE-2018-100035",
  "vuln": "CVE-2018-100035"
},
{
  "feed": "vulnerabilities",
  "feed_group": "debian:9",
  "fix": "6.0-21+deb9u2",
  "package": "unzip-6.0-21",
  "package_cpe": "None",
  "package_name": "unzip",
  "package_path": "None",
  "package_type": "dpkg",
  "package_version": "6.0-21",
  "severity": "Low",
  "url": "https://security-tracker.debian.org/tracker/CVE-2019-13232",
  "vuln": "CVE-2019-13232"
}
},
"vulnerability_type": "all"
}
}

```

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## 5 References

<https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/ubuntu/>

<https://hub.docker.com/r/snyk/snyk-cli#:~:text=Snyk%20is%20a%20developer%2Dfirst,application%20code%20in%20real%20time>