# Secure Programming Lab: SEED Labs VM Setup in AT 6.06

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## Setting the storage location

We will use Virtual Box on DICE to run the SEED Labs Virtual Machine. First, make a directory on the workstation's local drive for Virtual Box to use (for performance and space reasons):

mkdir /disk/scratch/SEED/tmp/sXXXXXX

where sXXXXXXX is your student number. Then start Virtual Box and set the VM storage location to this directory:

File -> Preferences -> General -> Default Machine Folder -> /disk/scratch/SEED/tmp/sXXXXXX

### Creating SEED VM with existing virtual disk file

The VM image has been downloaded for you. In Virtual Box do:

**New** -> Type in a name (e.g., "SEED") -> Choose **Linux** for Type -> Choose **Ubuntu (64-bit)** for Version -> Click Next

Keep the default settings, Click Next.

Choose Use an existing virtual hard disk file -> Click the browse button -> Click Add -> Find the file: /disk/scratch/SEED/SEED-Ubuntu-20.04-64bit.vdi

Select this file and Click **Choose -> Create**.

#### Set the virtual drive to immutable

The drive file is owned by root so you can't change it.

File -> Virtual Media Manager -> Properties -> Hard disks

Choose SEED-Ubuntu-20.04-64it.vdi you just imported -> Attributes

(If Attributes does not appear, double click the virtual disk)

Attributes -> Type -> Choose Immutable for type -> Apply -> Release

Then close the dialogue box.

#### Configure the VM for usability and performance

Follow the SEED Lab VM manual from **Step 5**. The advice to take a snapshot after starting is useful.

**Important note:** the /disk/scratch/SEED/ directory is local to workshop you are sitting in front of and there is no guarantee the temporary space will be retained between labs. Please keep a copy of any files you want in your own home directory on the host DICE machine.

#### Now you are ready to start the VM and begin the lab exercises. SEED login password is: dees