

Converting Virtual Box virtual machine to Parallels Desktop

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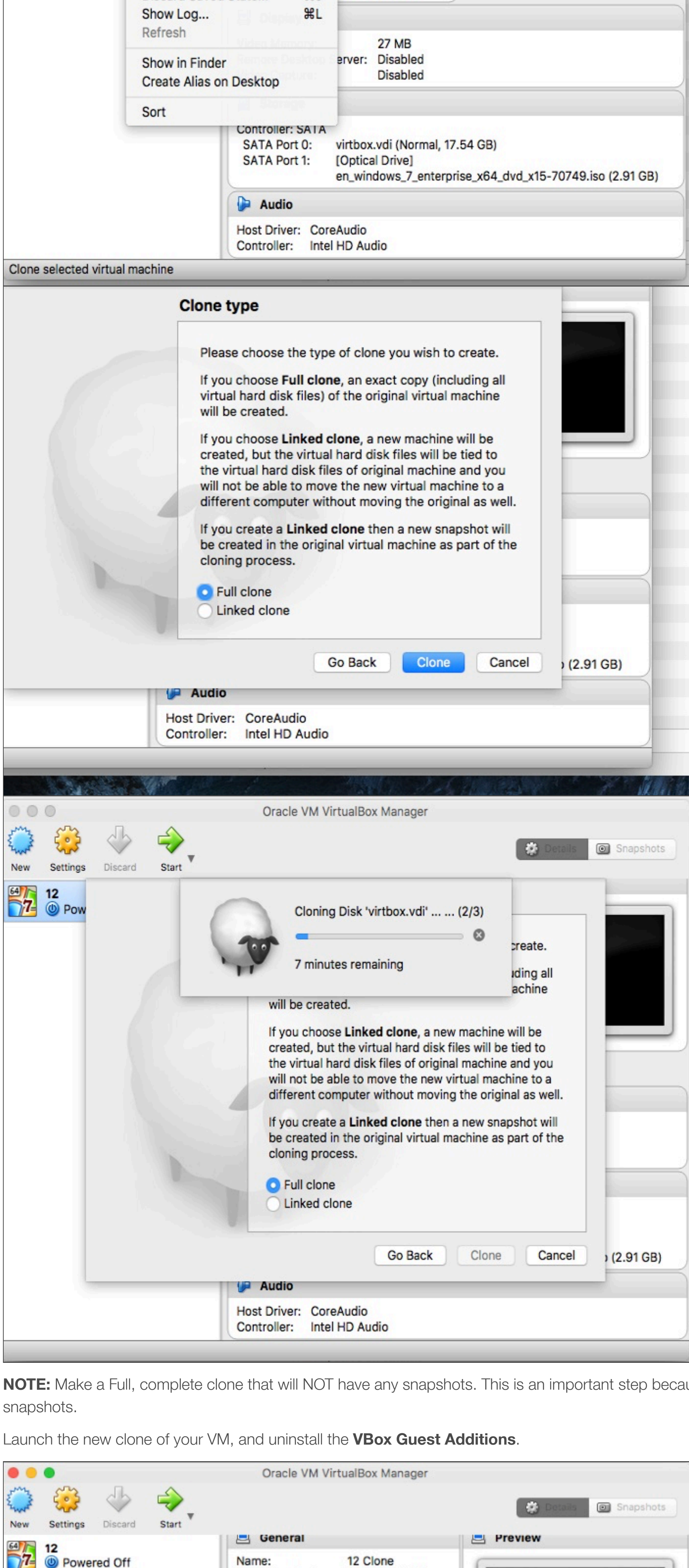
I am trying to convert **VirtualBox** **.vdi** file to Parallels virtual machine but unable to do so.

Cause

In some cases conversion from **vdi** is not supported by Parallels Desktop.

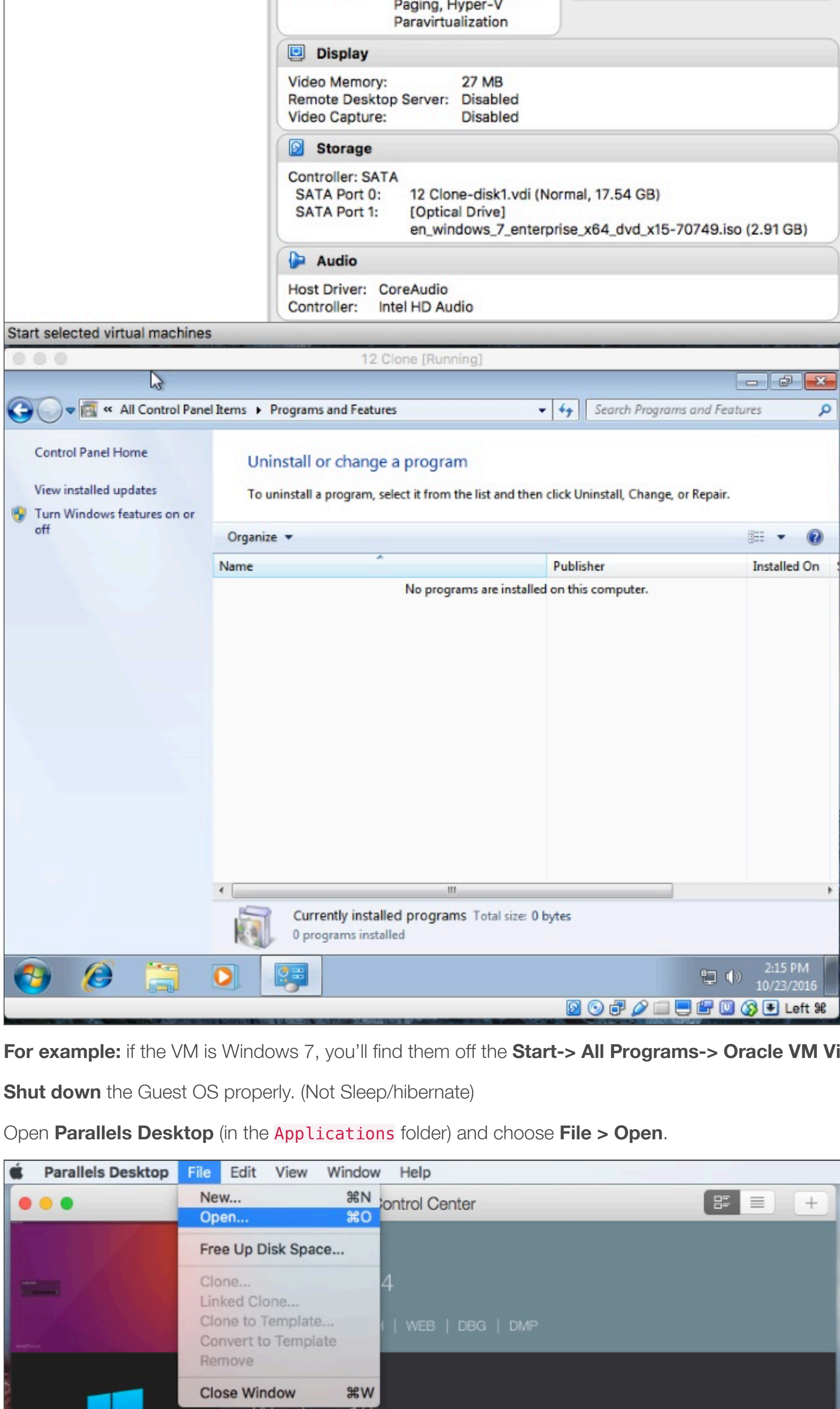
Resolution

1. In the **VirtualBox** Manager, right-click on VM > **Clone**.



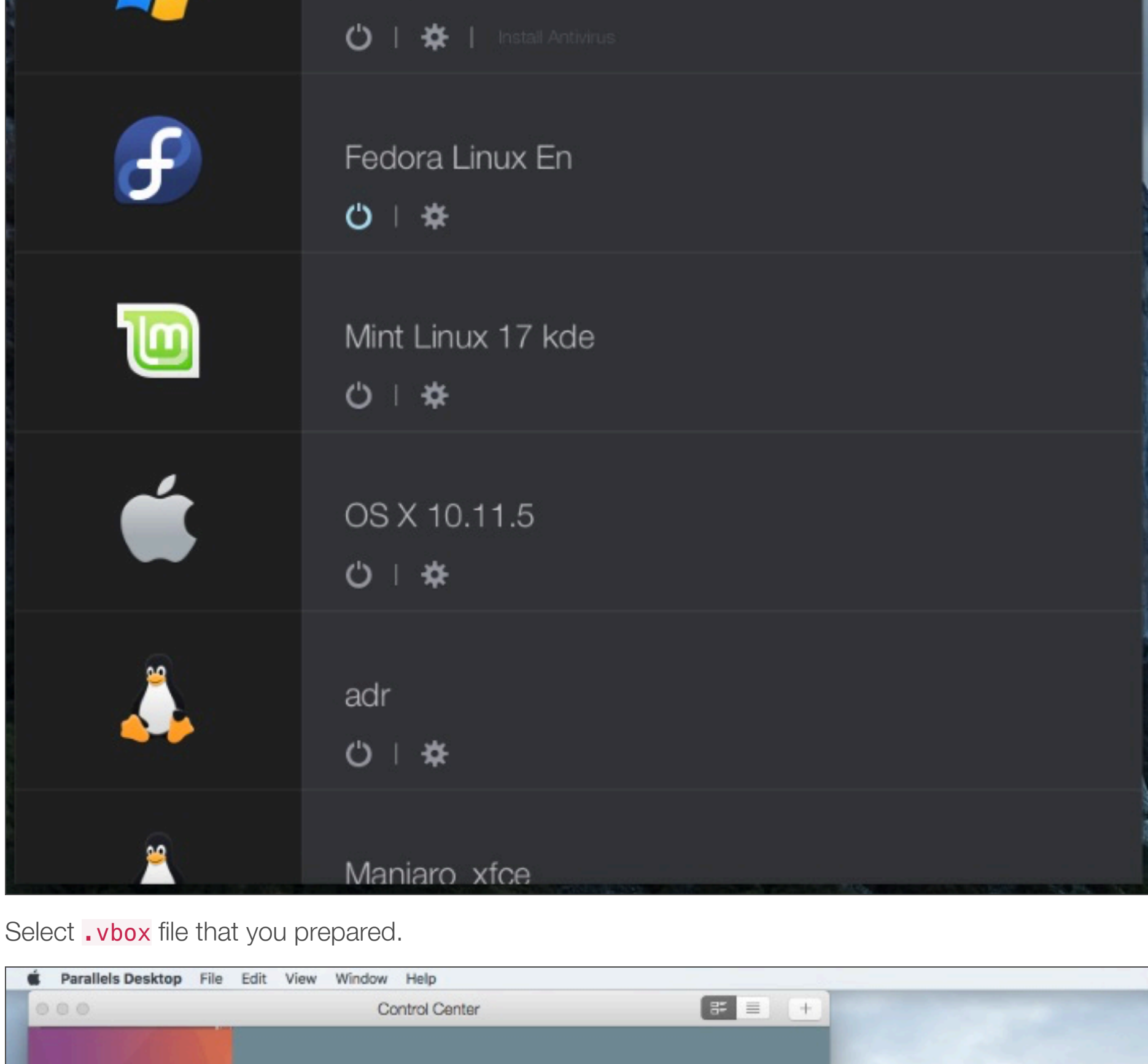
NOTE: Make a Full, complete clone that will NOT have any snapshots. This is an important step because Parallels Desktop can not import a VM that includes snapshots.

2. Launch the new clone of your VM, and uninstall the **VBox Guest Additions**.

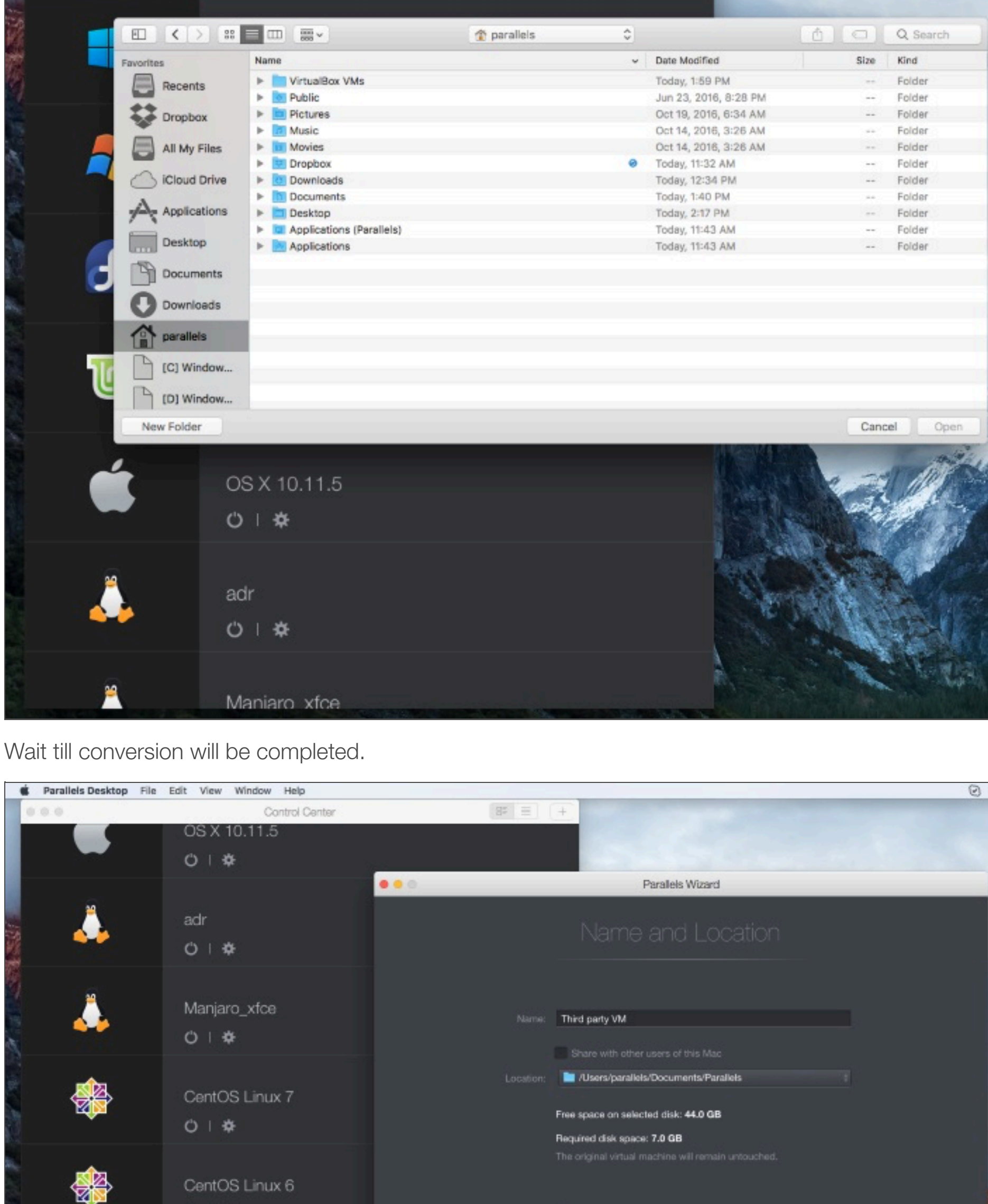


For example: if the VM is Windows 7, you'll find them off the **Start-> All Programs-> Oracle VM Virtual Guest Additions -> Uninstall**

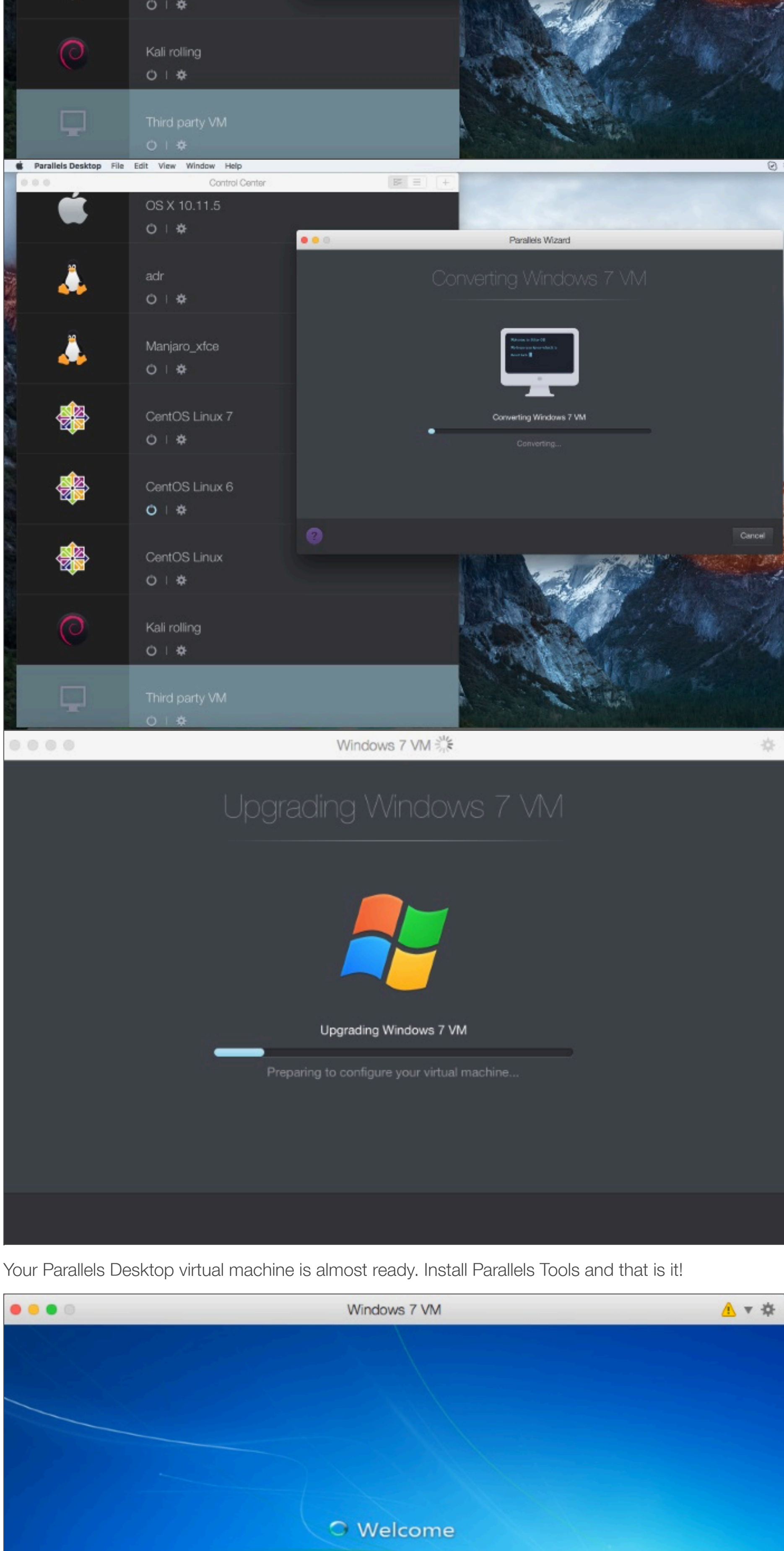
3. **Shut down** the Guest OS properly. (Not Sleep/Hibernate)
4. Open **Parallels Desktop** (in the **Applications** folder) and choose **File > Open**.



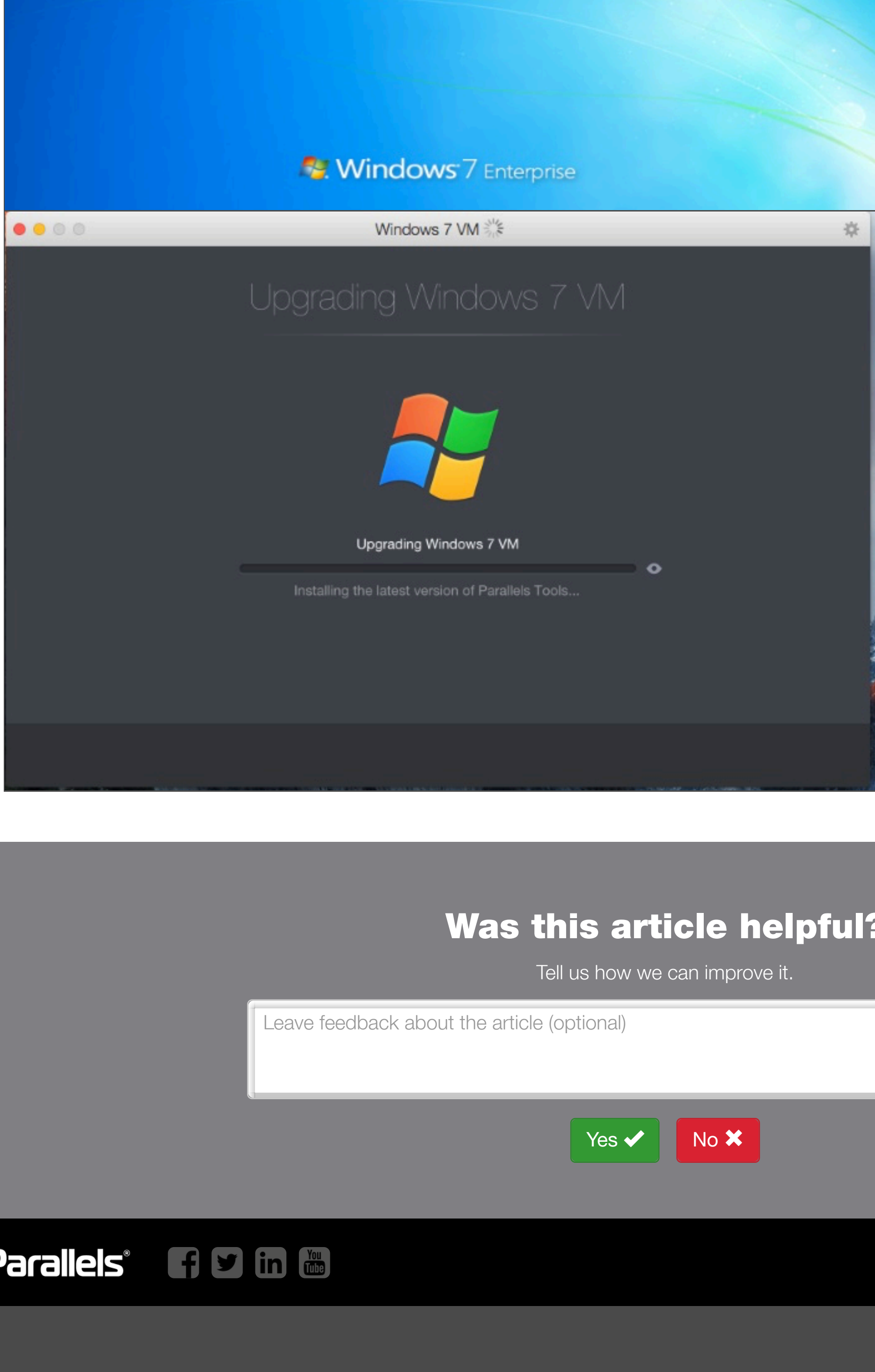
5. Select **.vbox** file that you prepared.



6. Wait till conversion will be completed.



7. Your Parallels Desktop virtual machine is almost ready. Install **Parallels Tools** and that is it!



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