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## Advisory 105: Microsoft Windows Remote Code Execution Vulnerability

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**Impact:** HIGH / CRITICAL

**TLP:** CLEAR

The Department of Communication and Digital Transformation (DCDT through CERT Vanuatu (CERTVU), provides the following advisory.

This alert is relevant to Organizations and System/Network administrators that utilize the above products. This alert is intended to be understood by technical users and systems administrators.

### What is it?

**CVE-2011-3402:** is a remote code execution vulnerability in the **TrueType font parsing** engine (win32k.sys) that allows specially crafted font data in a web page or Office document to execute code in kernel mode

### What are the Systems affected?

Windows versions affected include:

- Windows XP (SP2/SP3),
- Windows Server 2003 (SP2),
- Windows Vista (SP2),
- Windows Server 2008 (SP2 / R2),
- Windows 7 (Gold / SP1) and
- corresponding server builds that were supported in 2011 — i.e., systems that did not receive the MS11-087 update are vulnerable.

## What does this mean?

Allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via crafted font data in a Word document or web page, as exploited in the wild in November 2011 by Duqu, aka “TrueType Font Parsing Vulnerability.”

## Mitigation process

CERTVU recommend:

Apply Microsoft patching updates immediately. Install Microsoft security update [MS11-087](#) (December 13, 2011) which addresses CVE-2011-3402.

## Reference

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