

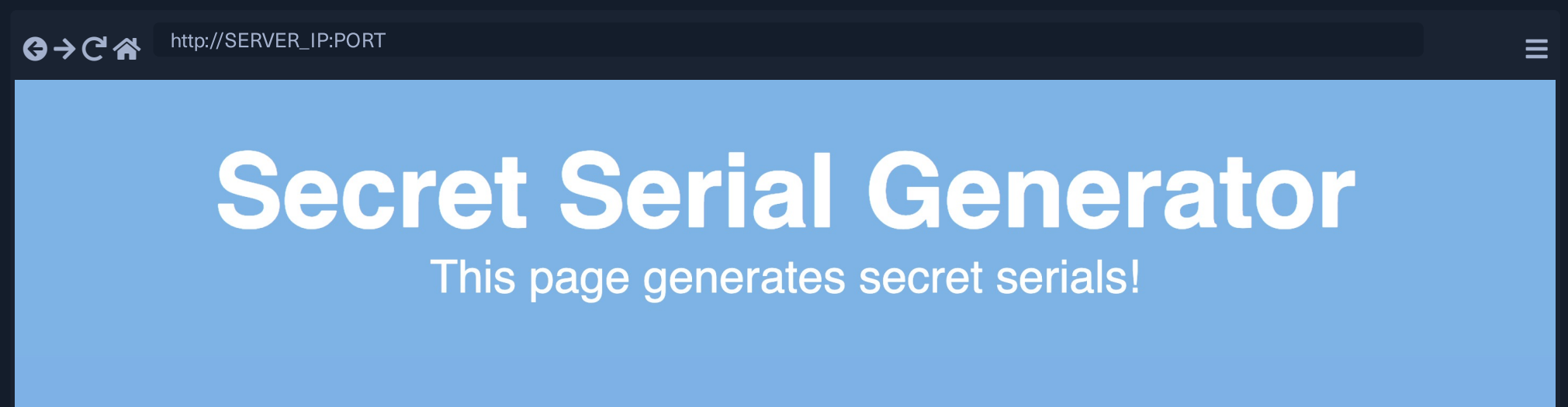
# Source Code

Most websites nowadays utilize JavaScript to perform their functions. While **HTML** is used to determine the website's main fields and parameters, and **CSS** is used to determine its design, **JavaScript** is used to perform any functions necessary to run the website. This happens in the background, and we only see the pretty front-end of the website and interact with it.

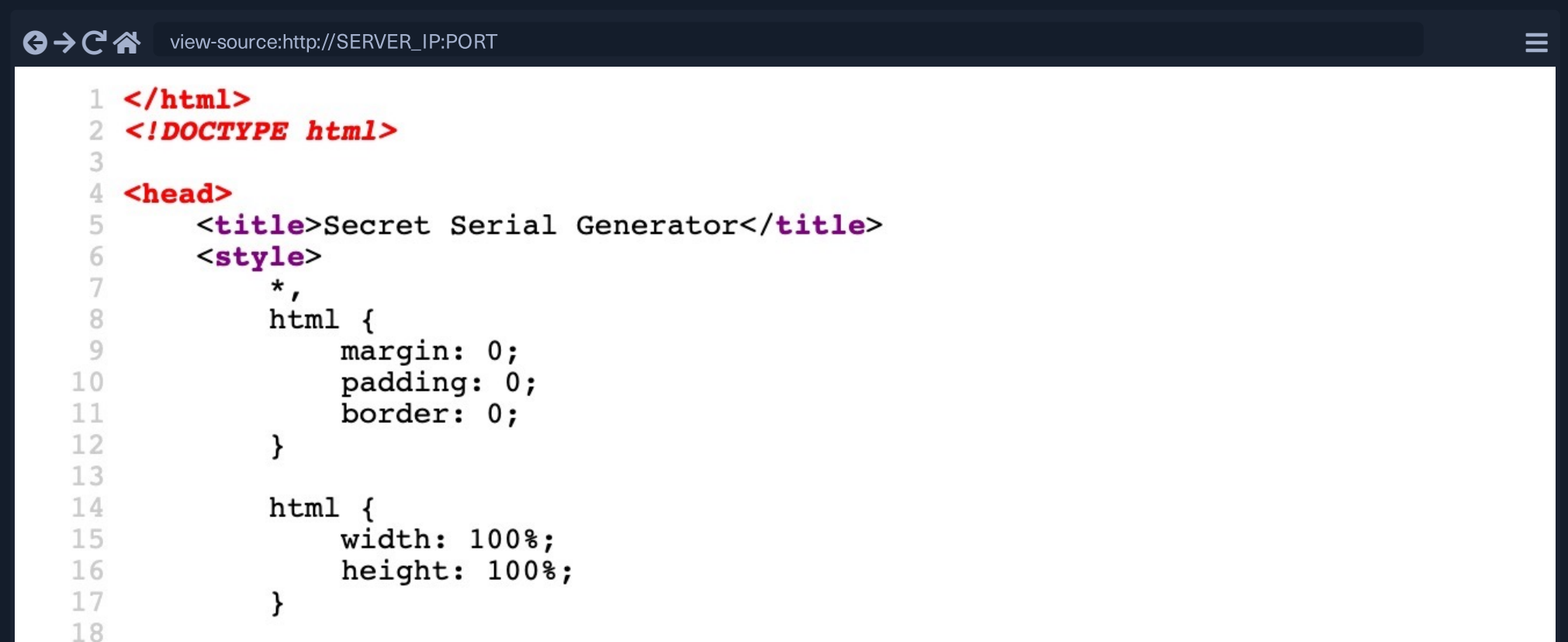
Even though all of this source code is available at the client-side, it is rendered by our browsers, so we do not often pay attention to the HTML source code. However, if we wanted to understand a certain page's client-side functionalities, we usually start by taking a look at the page's source code. This section will show how we can uncover the source code that contains all of this and understand its general usage.

## HTML

We will start by starting the exercise below, open Firefox in our PwnBox, and visit the url shown in the question:



As we can see, the website says **Secret Serial Generator**, without having any input fields or showing any clear functionality. So, our next step is to peak at its source code. We can do that by pressing **[CTRL + U]**, which should open the source view of the website:



As we can see, we can view the **HTML** source code of the website.

## CSS

**CSS** code is either defined **internally** within the same **HTML** file between **<style>** elements, or defined **externally** in a separate **.css** file and referenced within the **HTML** code.

In this case, we see that the **CSS** is internally defined, as seen in the code snippet below:

Code: **html**

```
<style>
  *,
  html {
    margin: 0;
    padding: 0;
    border: 0;
  }
  ...SNIP...
  h1 {
    font-size: 144px;
  }
  p {
    font-size: 64px;
  }
</style>
```

If a page **CSS** style is externally defined, the external **.css** file is referred to with the **<link>** tag within the HTML head, as follows:

Code: **html**

```
<head>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="style.css">
</head>
```

## JavaScript

The same concept applies to **JavaScript**. It can be internally written between **<script>** elements or written into a separate **.js** file and referenced within the **HTML** code.

We can see in our **HTML** source that the **.js** file is referenced externally:

Code: **html**

```
<script src="secret.js"></script>
```

We can check out the script by clicking on **secret.js**, which should take us directly into the script. When we visit it, we see that the code is very complicated and cannot be comprehended:

Code: **javascript**

```
eval(function (p, a, c, k, e, d) { e = function (c) { '...SNIP... |true|function'.split('|'), 0, {}))
```

The reason behind this is **code obfuscation**. What is it? How is it done? Where is it used?

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Target: Click here to spawn the target system!

+ 1 Repeat what you learned in this section, and you should find a secret flag, what is it?

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