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**Description** Create interactive flow maps using 'FlowmapBlue' 'TypeScript'

tool for representing aggregated numbers of movements between geographic locations as flow maps. It is used to visualize urban

library <a href="mailto:library">https://github.com/FlowmapBlue/FlowmapBlue></a>, which is a free

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## Description

A dataset containing flow data between various locations in Switzerland. This data represents the flow counts between origin and destination locations, identified by their unique codes.

## Usage

ch\_flows

#### **Format**

ch\_flows:

A data frame with 676 rows and 3 columns:

**origin** A character vector representing the origin location identifier (must match the id in the ch\_locations dataset).

**dest** A character vector representing the destination location identifier (must match the id in the ch\_locations dataset).

**count** An integer vector representing the flow count between the origin and destination locations.

ch\_locations

Swiss Locations Dataset

## **Description**

A dataset containing geographic information about 26 locations in Switzerland. This data includes unique identifiers, names, and geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude) for each location.

## Usage

ch\_locations

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#### **Format**

ch\_locations:

A data frame with 26 rows and 4 columns:

id A character vector representing the unique identifier for each Swiss location (e.g., "JU", "LU")

name A character vector representing the name of each location (e.g., "Jura", "Luzern").

**lat** A numeric vector representing the latitude of each location in WGS84 (EPSG: 4326) coordinate reference system.

**lon** A numeric vector representing the longitude of each location in WGS84 (EPSG: 4326) coordinate reference system.

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Create an interactive flow map

## **Description**

Creates an interactive flow map visualizing flows between various locations and outputs it as an HTML widget. This function utilizes the FlowmapBlue library to create maps with customizable options such as clustering, animation, and dark mode. The widget can be rendered in R Markdown, Shiny, or viewed in a browser. It can also be saved to html file with htmlwidgets:saveWidget(). See examples for more details.

## Usage

```
flowmapblue(
  locations,
  flows,
  mapboxAccessToken = NULL,
  clustering = TRUE,
  animation = FALSE,
  darkMode = FALSE
)
```

#### Arguments

locations

A data.frame containing the location data. The data.frame should have the following columns:

id A character vector representing the unique identifier for each location (e.g., "JU", "LU").

**name** (Optional) A character vector representing the name of each location (e.g., "Jura", "Luzern").

**lat** A numeric vector representing the latitude of each location in WGS84 (EPSG: 4326) coordinate reference system.

**lon** A numeric vector representing the longitude of each location in WGS84 (EPSG: 4326) coordinate reference system.

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flows

A data.frame containing the flow data between locations. The data.frame should have the following columns:

**origin** A character vector representing the origin location identifier (must match the id in locations).

**dest** A character vector representing the destination location identifier (must match the id in locations).

**count** An integer vector representing the flow count between the origin and destination locations.

**time** (Optional) A vector of POSIXct or Date objects representing the date or date and time of the flow.

mapboxAccessToken

A character string representing the Mapbox access token. This is required to

render the map using Mapbox tiles. You can obtain a free token at https://account.mapbox.com/.

clustering A logical value indicating whether to enable clustering of locations on the

map. Defaults to TRUE.

animation A logical value indicating whether to enable animation of flows on the map.

Defaults to FALSE.

darkMode A logical value indicating whether to enable dark mode for the map. Defaults

to FALSE.

#### Value

An HTML widget of class flowmapblue and htmlwidget that can be rendered in R Markdown, Shiny, or viewed in a browser. It can also be saved to html file with htmlwidgets:saveWidget(). See examples for more details.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# example 1, normal flows
# set your Mapbox access token
Sys.setenv(MAPBOX_API_TOKEN = "YOUR_MAPBOX_ACCESS_TOKEN")
# load locations and flows for Switzerland
locations <- data(ch_locations)</pre>
flows <- data(ch_flows)</pre>
flowmap <- flowmapblue(</pre>
locations,
 flows,
 mapboxAccessToken = Sys.getenv('MAPBOX_API_TOKEN'),
 clustering = TRUE,
 darkMode = TRUE,
 animation = FALSE
# view the map
flowmap
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# or save it as an HTML file
htmlwidgets::saveWidget(flowmap, file = "flowmap.html")
# example 2, flows with date in time column
# set your Mapbox access token
Sys.setenv(MAPBOX_API_TOKEN = "YOUR_MAPBOX_ACCESS_TOKEN")
# load locations and flows for Switzerland
locations <- data(ch_locations)</pre>
flows <- data(ch_flows)</pre>
# generate fake datetime
flows$time <- seq(from =as.POSIXct("2020-01-01"),</pre>
  to = as.POSIXct("2020-01-05"), length.out = nrow(flows))
flowmap <- flowmapblue(</pre>
 locations,
 flows,
 mapboxAccessToken = Sys.getenv('MAPBOX_API_TOKEN'),
 clustering = TRUE,
 darkMode = TRUE,
 animation = FALSE
# view the map
flowmap
# example 3, flows with date in time column
# set your Mapbox access token
Sys.setenv(MAPBOX_API_TOKEN = "YOUR_MAPBOX_ACCESS_TOKEN")
# load locations and flows for Switzerland
locations <- data(ch_locations)</pre>
flows <- data(ch_flows)</pre>
# generate fake dates
flows$time <- seq(from = as.Date("2020-01-01"),
  to = as.Date("2020-06-01"), length.out = nrow(flows))
flowmap <- flowmapblue(</pre>
 locations,
 flows,
 mapboxAccessToken = Sys.getenv('MAPBOX_API_TOKEN'),
 clustering = TRUE,
 darkMode = TRUE,
 animation = FALSE
# view the map
flowmap
## End(Not run)
```

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## Description

Output and render functions for using flowmapblue within Shiny applications and interactive Rmd documents.

#### Usage

```
flowmapblueOutput(outputId, width = "100%", height = "400px")
renderFlowmapblue(expr, env = parent.frame(), quoted = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

outputId output variable to read from.

width, height Must be a valid CSS unit (like '100%', '400px', 'auto') or a number, which

will be coerced to a string and have 'px' appended.

expr An expression that generates a flowmapblue widget.

env The environment in which to evaluate expr.

quoted Is expr a quoted expression (with quote())? This is useful if you want to save

an expression in a variable.

#### Value

flowmapblueOutput Returns a shiny.tag.list object that can be included in a Shiny UI to display the flowmapblue widget.

renderFlowmapblue Returns a shiny.render.function that is used to generate the flowmapblue widget on the server side in a Shiny application.

## See Also

shinyWidgetOutput, shinyRenderWidget

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