

Package ‘shinyChatR’

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chat_server	<i>A chat module for Shiny apps - server</i>
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Description

Creates the server logic for the chat module, which handles adding new messages to the database or RDS file, and retrieving messages to display

Usage

```
chat_server(  
  id,  
  chat_user,  
  db_connection = NULL,  
  db_table_name = "chat_data",  
  rds_path = NULL,  
  csv_path = NULL,  
  invalidateDSMillis = 1000,  
  pretty = TRUE,  
  nlast = 100  
)
```

Arguments

id	The id of the module.
chat_user	The user name that should be displayed next to the message.
db_connection	A database connection object, created using the DBI package. If provided, the chat messages will be stored in a database table.
db_table_name	he name of the database table to use for storing the chat messages. If db_connection is provided, this parameter is required.
rds_path	The path to an RDS file to use for storing the chat messages. If provided, the chat messages will be stored in an RDS file.
csv_path	The path to an csv file to use for storing the chat messages. If provided, the chat messages will be stored in an csv file.
invalidateDSMillis	The milliseconds to wait before the data source is read again. The default is 1 second.
pretty	Logical that determines if the date should be displayed in a pretty format
nlast	The number of last messages to be read in and displayed

Value

the reactive values chat_rv with all the chat information

chat_ui	<i>A chat module for Shiny apps - UI</i>
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Description

Creates the user interface for the chat module, which includes a chat message display area, a text input field for entering new messages, and a send button.

Usage

```
chat_ui(id, ui_title = "", height = "300px", width = "100%")
```

Arguments

id	The id of the module
ui_title	The title of the chat area.
height	The height of the chat display area. Default is 300px.
width	The width of the chat display area.

CSVConnection	<i>CSVConnection R6 Class</i>
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Description

CSVConnection R6 Class
CSVConnection R6 Class

Details

An R6 class representing a connection to a CSV file for the chat module.

Value

The full dataset
Save a message to data source

Public fields

csv_path The path to the CSV file.
nlast The number of messages to be read in and displayed.
Initialize the R6 Object

Methods

Public methods:

- `CSVConnection$new()`
- `CSVConnection$get_data()`
- `CSVConnection$insert_message()`
- `CSVConnection$clone()`

Method `new()`:

Usage:

`CSVConnection$new(csv_path, nlast = NULL)`

Arguments:

`csv_path` The path to the csv file.

`nlast` The number of messages to be read-in.

Method `get_data()`: Reads the full dataset

Usage:

`CSVConnection$get_data()`

Method `insert_message()`:

Usage:

`CSVConnection$insert_message(message, user, time)`

Arguments:

`message` The message to be stores

`user` The user who entered the message

`time` The time when message was submitted

Method `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

`CSVConnection$clone(deep = FALSE)`

Arguments:

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

DBConnection

DBConnection R6 Class

Description

DBConnection R6 Class

DBConnection R6 Class

Details

An R6 class representing a connection to a database for the chat module.

Value

The full dataset

Save a message to data source

Public fields

connection A database connection object, created using a package such as RSQLite.

table The table that contains the chat information.

Initialize the R6 Object

Methods**Public methods:**

- `DBConnection$new()`
- `DBConnection$get_data()`
- `DBConnection$insert_message()`
- `DBConnection$clone()`

Method new():

Usage:

```
DBConnection$new(connection, table = "chat_data")
```

Arguments:

connection DB connection

table Table name

Method get_data(): Reads the full dataset

Usage:

```
DBConnection$get_data()
```

Method insert_message():

Usage:

```
DBConnection$insert_message(message, user, time)
```

Arguments:

message The message to be stores

user The user who entered the message

time The time when message was submitted

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

```
DBConnection$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

Arguments:

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

RDSCConnection

RDSCConnection R6 Class

Description

RDSCConnection R6 Class

RDSCConnection R6 Class

Details

An R6 class representing a connection to a rds file for the chat module.

Value

The full dataset

Save a message to data source

Public fields

rds_path The path to the rds file.

Initialize the R6 Object

Methods**Public methods:**

- [RDSCConnection\\$new\(\)](#)
- [RDSCConnection\\$get_data\(\)](#)
- [RDSCConnection\\$insert_message\(\)](#)
- [RDSCConnection\\$clone\(\)](#)

Method new():*Usage:*

RDSCConnection\$new(rds_path)

Arguments:

rds_path The path to the rds file.

Method get_data(): Reads the full dataset*Usage:*

RDSCConnection\$get_data()

Method insert_message():*Usage:*

RDSCConnection\$insert_message(message, user, time)

Arguments:

message The message to be stores
user The user who entered the message
time The time when message was submitted

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

```
RDSConnection$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

Arguments:

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

render_msg_divs	<i>Render the messages for the chat</i>
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Description

Render the messages for the chat

Usage

```
render_msg_divs(texts, users, act_user)
```

Arguments

texts	a character vector with the texts
users	a character vector with the users
act_user	a character with the current user (that is using the app)

Value

The HTML code containing the chat messages

render_msg_divs2	<i>Render the messages for the chat</i>
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Description

Render the messages for the chat

Usage

```
render_msg_divs2(texts, users, act_user, time, pretty = TRUE)
```

Arguments

texts	a character vector with the texts
users	a character vector with the users
act_user	a character with the current user (that is using the app)
time	a datetime object
pretty	a logical that indicates if it should simplify the date

Value

The HTML code containing the chat messages

updateChatTextInput	<i>A function to update the chat textInput</i>
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Description

Updates the value of the chat textInput

Usage

```
updateChatTextInput(session = getDefaultReactiveDomain(), id, value)
```

Arguments

session	The shiny session.
id	The id of the module.
value	The new value that should be shown in the chat textInput.

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