Chatting with Web Sockets

Lecture Question

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Due Sunday Night. Worth 20 points

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Chat Demo

- Live demo and walkthrough of the chat app code
  - week8.chat package in the examples repo

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