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Railway Reservation System (ADO.NET C#)

Overview

This project is a console-based Railway Reservation System built in C# using ADO.NET for database operations. It supports both Admin and User functionalities, with ticket booking, cancellation, refund, and availability tracking.

Features

Admin

- View all bookings and reports.
- Delete bookings and process refunds.
- Add/modify trains and class seat availability.

User

- View trains and available seats.
- Book tickets by selecting train number, class type (Sleeper, 3rd AC, 2nd AC), and number of passengers.
- View current booking status using PNR.
- Get a detailed PDF ticket with all booking information.

Database Structure

- **Admins**: Stores admin login credentials.
- **Customers**: Stores customer details.
- **TrainMaster**: Stores train details.
- **TrainClasses**: Stores class types for each train with available seats and prices (composite key: TrainNumber, ClassType).
- **Reservations**: Stores booking details including number of passengers and total amount.
- **Cancellations**: Stores cancellation records.
- **Refunds**: Stores refund records.

How to Run

- 1. **Setup the database**:
 - Open SQL Server Management Studio.
 - Run the `SQL/seed_full.sql` script to create and populate the database.
- 2. **Configure the connection**:
 - Open `DatabaseConnection.cs`.
 - Set your SQL Server connection string.
- 3. **Build the project**:
 - Open the solution in Visual Studio.
 - Build the solution (`Ctrl+Shift+B`).
- 4. **Run the application**:
 - Execute the program.
 - Choose Admin or User mode.

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- Follow on-screen instructions.

Booking Flow

- 1. User logs in or registers.
- 2. User selects train by number and enters class type ('sl', '3a', '2a').
- 3. User specifies travel date and number of passengers.
- 4. System checks seat availability and calculates total amount.
- 5. On confirmation, the booking is saved, seats reduced, and PDF ticket generated.

Exception Handling

- Custom exceptions ('InvalidInputException', 'BookingNotFoundException', 'DataAccessException') ensure robust error handling.
- System exceptions like `SqlException` and `IOException` are caught and handled gracefully.

Example Ticket Details

- PNR (Booking ID)
- Passenger name
- Train name & number
- Source & destination
- Travel date
- Class type
- Number of passengers
- Total amount
- Booking date