Package 'shinyscholar'

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Title A Template for Creating Reproducible 'shiny' Applications

Description Create a skeleton 'shiny' application with create_template() that is
reproducible, can be saved and meets academic standards for attribution.
Forked from 'wallace'. Code is split into modules that are loaded and linked
together automatically and each call one function. Guidance pages explain
modules to users and flexible logging informs them of any errors. Options
enable asynchronous operations, viewing of source code, interactive maps and
data tables. Use to create complex analytical applications, following best
practices in open science and software development. Includes functions for
automating repetitive development tasks and an example application at
run_shinyscholar() that requires
install.packages(``shinyscholar'', dependencies = TRUE). A guide to developing
applications can be found on the package website.

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tions*

Description

shinyscholar is a template for creating reproducible `shiny` applications to academic standards. shinyscholar is forked from 'wallace' and provides a template for producing applications that are interactive, reproducible, adaptable and built to high standards. It was created to ease the process of creating complex workflows in a single, streamlined GUI interface. In addition, executable session code (R Markdown format) can be downloaded to share with others or use as supplementary information for scientific papers and reports. An example application is run via the function run_shinyscholar and requires install.packages("shinyscholar", dependencies = TRUE).

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create_module	*Create a shinyscholar module*

Description

Create the template of a new shinyscholar module.

Usage

```
create_module(
  id,
  dir,
  map = FALSE,
  result = FALSE,
  rmd = FALSE,
  save = FALSE,
  async = FALSE,
  init = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

id	character. The id of the module.
dir	character. A directory where the new module should be created.
map	logical. Whether or not the module should support modifying the map.
result	logical. Whether or not the module should support showing information in the Result tab.
rmd	logical. Whether or not the module should add Rmd code to the Session Code download.
save	logical. Whether or not the module has some custom data to save when the user saves the current session.
async	logical. Whether or not the module will operate asynchronously.
init	logical. Whether or not the function is being used inside of the init function

Value

No return value, called for side effects

See Also

register_module

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create_template | *Create a skeleton application containing empty modules*

Description

Creates a skeleton app containing empty modules with options controlling objects in common and whether to include a map, code and tables

Usage

```
create_template(
  path,
  name,
  common_objects,
  modules,
  author,
  include_map = TRUE,
  include_table = TRUE,
  include_code = TRUE,
  install = FALSE,
  logger = NULL
)
```

Arguments

path	character. Path to where the app should be created
name	character. Name of the app which will be used as the package name. Must be only characters and numbers and not start with a number.
common_objects	character vector. Names of objects which will be shared between modules. The objects meta, logger and state are included by default and if include_map is TRUE, the object poly is included to store polygons drawn on the map.
modules	dataframe. Containing one row for each module in the order to be included and with the following column names:

- component character. Single word descriptor for the component used to name files
- long_component character. Full component name displayed to the user, formatted appropriately
- module character. Single word descriptor for the module used to name files
- long_module character. Full module name displayed to the user, formatted appropriately
- map logical. Whether or not the module interacts with the map
- result logical. Whether or not the module produces results |

- rmd logical. Whether or not the module is included in the markdown
- save logical. Whether or not the input values of the model should be saved
- async logical. Whether or not the module will run asynchronously

author	character. Name of the author(s)
include_map	logical. Whether to include a leaflet map. Default TRUE
include_table	logical. Whether to include a table tab. Default TRUE
include_code	logical. Whether to include a tab for viewing module code. Default TRUE
install	logical. Whether to install the package. Default FALSE
logger	Stores all notification messages to be displayed in the Log Window. Insert the logger reactive list here for running in shiny, otherwise leave the default NULL

Value

No return value, called for side effects

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Examples

```
td <- tempfile()
dir.create(td, recursive = TRUE)

modules <- data.frame(
"component" = c("data", "data", "plot", "plot"),
"long_component" = c("Load data", "Load data", "Plot data", "Plot data"),
"module" = c("user", "database", "histogram", "scatter"),
"long_module" = c("Upload your own data", "Query a database to obtain data",
"Plot the data as a histogram", "Plot the data as a scatterplot"),
"map" = c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE),
"result" = c(FALSE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE),
"rmd" = c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE),
"save" = c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE),
"async" = c(TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE))

common_objects = c("raster", "histogram", "scatter")

create_template(path = td, name = "demo",
common_objects = common_objects, modules = modules,
author = "Simon E. H. Smart", include_map = TRUE, include_table = TRUE,
include_code = TRUE, install = FALSE)
```

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get_nasa_token   *Fetch a token from the NASA Earthdata API*

Description

Uses the Earthdata API to fetch a token using the user's username and password

Usage

```
get_nasa_token(username, password)
```

Arguments

username	character. NASA Earthdata username
password	character. NASA Earthdata password

Value

A character string containing the token

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metadata   *Add metadata lines to modules*

Description

Adds lines to modules and their associated rmarkdown files to semi-automate reproducibility. By default all the modules in the application are edited or you can specify a single module. If metadata lines are already present, the file will not be edited. This function is currently experimental and only semi-automates the process. To ensure that the code is functional complete the following steps:

- Check that any inputs created by packages other than 'shiny' are included
- Add any inputs created dynamically i.e. those without an explicit line of code to generate them, for example those created inside a loop in a renderUI or from a 'leaflet' or 'DT' object.
- Use the objects in each .Rmd file to call the module's function.

Usage

```
metadata(folder_path, module = NULL)
```

Arguments

folder_path	character. Path to the parent directory containing the application
module	character. (optional) Name of a single module to edit

Value

No return value, called for side effects

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Examples

```
td <- tempfile()
dir.create(td, recursive = TRUE)

modules <- data.frame(
  "component" = c("demo"),
  "long_component" = c("demo"),
  "module" = c("demo"),
  "long_module" = c("demo"),
  "map" = c(FALSE),
  "result" = c(TRUE),
  "rmd" = c(TRUE),
  "save" = c(TRUE),
  "async" = c(FALSE))

create_template(path = td, name = "demo",
                common_objects = c("demo"), modules = modules,
                author = "demo", include_map = FALSE,
                include_table = FALSE, include_code = FALSE, install = FALSE)

test_files <- list.files(
  system.file("extdata", package = "shinyscholar"),
  pattern = "test_test*", full.names = TRUE)

module_directory <- file.path(td, "demo", "inst", "shiny", "modules")
file.copy(test_files, module_directory, overwrite = TRUE)

metadata(file.path(td, "demo"), module = "test_test")
```

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plot_hist	*Extract values from a raster to produce a histogram*

Description

Called by the plot_hist module in the example app and extracts values from a raster image, returning a histogram of density

Usage

```
plot_hist(raster, bins, logger = NULL)
```

Arguments

`raster`	SpatRaster object
`bins`	The number of breaks in the histogram
`logger`	Stores all notification messages to be displayed in the Log Window. Insert the logger reactive list here for running in shiny, otherwise leave the default NULL

Value

a list of class histogram

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Examples

```
if (check_suggests(example = TRUE)) {
  raster <- terra::rast(ncol = 8, nrow = 8)
  raster[] <- sapply(1:terra::ncell(raster), function(x){
    rnorm(1, ifelse(x %% 8 != 0, x %% 8, 8), 3)})
  histogram <- plot_hist(raster, bins = 10)
} else {
  message('reinstall with install.packages("shinyscholar", dependencies = TRUE)
  to run this example')
}
```

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plot_scatter	*Extract values from a raster to produce a scatterplot*

Description

Called by the plot_scatter module in the example app and samples values from a raster along with either the x or y coordinates of the points sampled

Usage

```
plot_scatter(raster, sample, axis, logger = NULL)
```

Arguments

`raster`	SpatRaster. Raster to be sampled
`sample`	numeric. Number of points to sample
`axis`	character. Which axis coordinates of the raster to return
`logger`	Stores all notification messages to be displayed in the Log Window. Insert the logger reactive list here for running in shiny, otherwise leave the default NULL

Value

a dataframe containing the axis values and the cell values

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Examples

```
if (check_suggests(example = TRUE)) {
  raster <- terra::rast(ncol = 8, nrow = 8)
  raster[] <- sapply(1:terra::ncell(raster), function(x){
      rnorm(1, ifelse(x %% 8 != 0, x %% 8, 8), 3)})
  scatterplot <- plot_scatter(raster, sample = 10, axis = "y")
} else {
  message('reinstall with install.packages("shinyscholar", dependencies = TRUE)
  to run this example')
}
```

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register_module   *Register a shinyscholar module*

Description

Before running the shinyscholar application with run_shinyscholar(), you can register your own modules to be used in shinyscholar.

Usage

```
register_module(config_file)
```

Arguments

config_file   The path to a YAML file that contains the information about one or more modules.

Value

No return value, called for side effects

See Also

create_module

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run_shinyscholar   *Run* shinyscholar *Application*

Description

This function runs the *shinyscholar* application in the user's default web browser.

Usage

```
run_shinyscholar(
  launch.browser = TRUE,
  port = getOption("shiny.port"),
  load_file = NULL
)
```

Arguments

launch.browser	Whether or not to launch a new browser window.
port	The port for the shiny server to listen on. Defaults to a random available port.
load_file	Path to a saved session file which will be loaded when the app is opened

Value

No return value, called for side effects

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Examples

```
if(interactive()) {
run_shinyscholar()
}
```

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save_and_load *Adds lines to modules to save and load input values.*

Description

Converts 'shiny' *Input functions to lines of code required to store and reload the values when the app is saved or loaded. By default all the modules in the application are edited. Currently only input functions from 'shiny' and shinyWidgets::materialSwitch are supported.

Usage

```
save_and_load(folder_path, module = NULL)
```

Arguments

folder_path	character. Path to the parent directory containing the application
module	character. (optional) Name of a single module to edit

Value

No return value, called for side effects

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Examples

```
td <- tempfile()
dir.create(td, recursive = TRUE)

modules <- data.frame(
  "component" = c("demo"),
  "long_component" = c("demo"),
  "module" = c("demo"),
  "long_module" = c("demo"),
  "map" = c(FALSE),
  "result" = c(TRUE),
  "rmd" = c(TRUE),
  "save" = c(TRUE),
  "async" = c(FALSE))

create_template(path = td, name = "demo",
                common_objects = c("demo"), modules = modules,
                author = "demo", include_map = FALSE,
                include_table = FALSE, include_code = FALSE, install = FALSE)

test_files <- list.files(
  system.file("extdata", package = "shinyscholar"),
```

```
  pattern = "test_test*", full.names = TRUE)

module_directory <- file.path(td, "demo", "inst", "shiny", "modules")
file.copy(test_files, module_directory, overwrite = TRUE)

save_and_load(file.path(td, "demo"), module = "test_test")
```

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select_async   *Load FAPAR data from NASA asynchronously*

Description

Called by the select_async module in the example app and loads an FAPAR raster for the selected area via the Earthdata API. This function is identical to select_query but can be run asynchronously

Usage

```
select_async(poly, date, token, async = FALSE)
```

Arguments

poly	matrix. Coordinates of area to load
date	character. Date of image to load in YYYY-MM-DD format.
token	character. NASA Earthdata API token. Click here to register and then follow these instructions to obtain one. Alternatively supply your username and password to get_nasa_token()
async	logical. Whether the function is being run asynchronously

Value

A list containing:

raster	a SpatRaster object when async is FALSE or a PackedSpatRaster when async is TRUE
message	Information on the number of missing pixels

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Examples

```
## Not run:
 if (check_suggests(example = TRUE)) {
   poly <- matrix(c(0.5, 0.5, 1, 1, 0.5, 52, 52.5, 52.5, 52, 52), ncol = 2)
   colnames(poly) <- c("longitude", "latitude")
   date <- "2023-06-20"
   token <- get_nasa_token(username = "<username>", password = "<password>")
   ras <- select_async(poly, date, token)
 } else {
   message('reinstall with install.packages("shinyscholar", dependencies = TRUE)
   to run this example')
 }

## End(Not run)
```

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select_query   *Load FAPAR data from NASA*

Description

Called by the select_query module in the example app and loads an FAPAR raster for the selected area via the Earthdata API.

Usage

```
select_query(poly, date, token, logger = NULL)
```

Arguments

poly	matrix. Coordinates of area to load
date	character. Date of image to load in YYYY-MM-DD format.
token	character. NASA Earthdata API token. Click here to register and then follow these instructions to obtain one. Alternatively supply your username and password to get_nasa_token()
logger	Stores all notification messages to be displayed in the Log Window. Insert the logger reactive list here for running in shiny, otherwise leave the default NULL

Value

a SpatRaster object

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Examples

```
## Not run:
 if (check_suggests(example = TRUE)) {
   poly <- matrix(c(0.5, 0.5, 1, 1, 0.5, 52, 52.5, 52.5, 52, 52), ncol = 2)
   colnames(poly) <- c("longitude", "latitude")
   date <- "2023-06-20"
   token <- get_nasa_token(username = "<username>", password = "<password>")
   ras <- select_query(poly, date, token)
 } else {
   message('reinstall with install.packages("shinyscholar", dependencies = TRUE)
   to run this example')
 }

## End(Not run)
```

---

select_user   *Load a raster image*

Description

Called by the select_user module in the example app and loads a .tif file as a SpatRaster

Usage

```
select_user(raster_path, logger = NULL)
```

Arguments

raster_path	character. Path to file to be loaded
logger	Stores all notification messages to be displayed in the Log Window. Insert the logger reactive list here for running in shiny, otherwise leave the default NULL

Value

a SpatRaster object

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Examples

```
if (check_suggests(example = TRUE)) {
  raster_path <- list.files(system.file("extdata", "wc", package = "shinyscholar"),
  full.names = TRUE)
  raster <- select_user(raster_path)
} else {
  message('reinstall with install.packages("shinyscholar", dependencies = TRUE)
  to run this example')
}
```

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