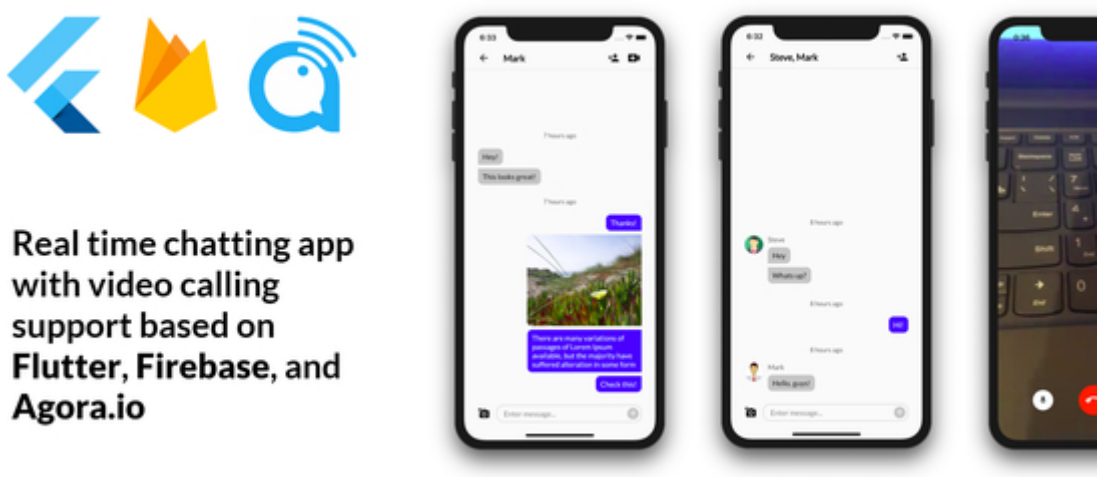
Flutter Firebase Chat Documentation

Flutter Firebase Chat is a real time chatting app with video calling support based on Flutter, Firebase, and Agora.io. You can run this app on both platforms: Android and iOS. Also you can easily customize and refine it for yourself, since it uses a BLoC pattern.



Main features

- One-to-one chatting
- Group chatting
- One-to-one video calling via Agora.io
- Image sharing
- Email authentication
- Implemented BLoC pattern

Flutter packages

- firebase_core
- firebase_auth
- cloud_firestore
- firebase_storage
- flutter_bloc
- agora_rtc_engine
- flutter_screenutil
- image_picker
- photo_view
- timeago
- email_validator
- adaptive_action_sheet
- flutter_slidable
- visibility_detector

- keyboard_dismisser
- permission_handler

Code Overview

The app is built using Flutter and uses Cloud Firestore as a database. The app also uses Agora.io to make one-to-one video calls and flutter_bloc in order to implement the BLoC pattern.

The app uses the following Project Structure:

Project Structure

```
...
   ├── models/              # This file contains the models used in the
project.
   ├── screens/             # This folder contains many different folders,
each of which corresponds to a different screen of the app.
   ├── services/            # This folder contains the services that
connect with the Cloud Firestore.
   ├── widgets/             # This folder contains the widgets which are
used in multiple different screens.
   ├── app_colors.dart      # This file contains the colors used in the
project.
   ├── app_constants.dart   # This file contains the constants used in the
project.
   └── app.dart             # This file contains the main StatelessWidget
(a MaterialApp wrapped in the necessary BlocProvider).
```

Also each screen folder contains the following files:

```
...
   ├── screen_bloc.dart     # This file contains BLoC implementation for
the current screen.
   ├── screen_event.dart    # This file contains BLoC's events for the
current screen.
   ├── screen_screen.dart   # This file contains the screen's internal
content.
   ├── screen_state.dart    # This file contains BLoC's states for the
current screen.
   └── screen.dart          # This file contains all exports for the
current screen.
```

Project Setup

In order to setup the project you need to follow 3 steps: setup Agora.io, setup Firebase, and setup your flutter project.

Agora.io setup

1. Create a developer account at https://www.agora.io/.
2. Create a project (using APP ID mode).
3. Copy the app ID and set the const agoraAppId in lib/src/app_constants.dart.

Firebase setup

1. Go to https://console.firebase.google.com and create a project.
2. Go to "Authentication/Sign-in method" and enable "Email/Password".
3. Go to "Firestore Database" and create a Cloud Firestore database.
4. Go to "Firestore Database/Rules" and publish this code:

```
rules_version = '2';
service cloud.firestore {
  match /databases/{database}/documents {
    match /{document=**} {
      allow read, write: if request.auth.uid != null;
    }
  }
}
```

5. Go to "Storage/Rules" and publish this code:

```
rules_version = '2';
service firebase.storage {
  match /b/{bucket}/o {
    match /{allPaths=**} {
      allow read, write: if request.auth != null;
    }
  }
}
```

6. Go to "Project Settings", add an Android app to your project. Follow the assistant, and download the generated google-services.json file and place it inside android/app.
7. Add an iOS app to your project. Follow the assistant, download the generated GoogleService-Info.plist file. Do NOT follow the steps named "Add Firebase SDK" and "Add initialization code" in the Firebase assistant. Open ios/Runner.xcworkspace with Xcode, and within Xcode place the GoogleService-Info.plist file inside ios/Runner.

Flutter setup

1. Install package dependencies:

```
flutter pub get
```

2. Use one of these commands to build the project:

```
flutter build ipa
flutter build apk
flutter build appbundle
```