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Countdown Timer

#### **Description**

Creates a countdown timer using HTML, CSS, and vanilla JavaScript, suitable for use in web-based presentations, such as those created by xaringan::infinite\_moon\_reader().

#### Usage

```
countdown(
  minutes = 1L,
  seconds = 0L,
  . . . ,
  id = NULL,
  class = NULL,
  style = NULL,
  play_sound = FALSE,
  bottom = if (is.null(top)) "0",
  right = if (is.null(left)) "0",
  top = NULL,
  left = NULL,
  warn_when = 0L,
  update_every = 1L,
  blink_colon = update_every > 1L,
  start_immediately = FALSE,
  font_size = NULL,
  margin = NULL,
  padding = NULL,
  box_shadow = NULL,
  border_width = NULL,
  border_radius = NULL,
  line_height = NULL,
  color_border = NULL,
  color_background = NULL,
  color_text = NULL,
  color_running_background = NULL,
  color_running_border = NULL,
  color_running_text = NULL,
  color_finished_background = NULL,
  color_finished_border = NULL,
  color_finished_text = NULL,
  color_warning_background = NULL,
  color_warning_border = NULL,
  color_warning_text = NULL
)
```

```
countdown_fullscreen(
 minutes = 1,
  seconds = 0,
  . . . ,
  class = NULL,
  start_immediately = FALSE,
  font_size = "30vw",
  border_width = "0"
 border_radius = "0",
 margin = "0",
  padding = "0",
  top = 0,
  right = 0,
 bottom = 0,
  left = 0
)
countdown_style(
  font_size = "3rem",
 margin = "0.6em",
 padding = "10px 15px",
  box_shadow = "0px 4px 10px 0px rgba(50, 50, 50, 0.4)",
  border_width = "0.1875 rem",
  border_radius = "0.9rem",
  line_height = "1",
  color_border = "#ddd",
  color_background = "inherit",
  color_text = "inherit",
  color_running_background = "#43AC6A",
  color_running_border = prismatic::clr_darken(color_running_background, 0.1),
  color_running_text = NULL,
  color_finished_background = "#F04124",
 color_finished_border = prismatic::clr_darken(color_finished_background, 0.1),
  color_finished_text = NULL,
  color_warning_background = "#E6C229",
  color_warning_border = prismatic::clr_darken(color_warning_background, 0.1),
 color_warning_text = NULL,
  .selector = ":root"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

minutes The number of minutes for which the timer should run. This value is added to seconds.

seconds The number of seconds for which the timer should run. This value is added to minutes.

... Ignored by countdown(). In countdown\_fullscreen(), additional arguments

are passed on to countdown().

id

A optional unique ID for the <div> containing the timer. A unique ID will be created if none is specified. All of the timers in a single document need to have unique IDs to function properly. Unless you have a specific reason, it would probably be best to leave this unset.

class

Optional additional classes to be added to the <div> containing the timer. The "countdown" class is added automatically. If you want to modify the style of the timer, you can modify the "countdown" class or specify additional styles here that extend the base CSS.

countdown() provides two built-in classes:

- Use "inline" to create an inline, rather than absolutely-positioned, timer. This is useful for timers in prose or documents.
- Use "no-controls" for a timer without the up/down controls.

style

CSS rules to be applied inline to the timer. Use style to override any global CSS rules for the timer. For example, to display the timer relative to the position where it is called (rather than positioned absolutely, as in the default), set style = "position: relative; width: min-content;".

play\_sound

Play a sound at the end of the timer? If TRUE, plays the "stage complete" sound courtesy of beepr. Alternatively, play\_sound can be a relative or absolute URL to a sound file, such as an mp3, way, ogg, or other audio file type. Custom sounds are only played when countdown is used on a webpage or Shiny app; however, they do not work in an interactive context (creating a countdown in console) due to JavaScript limitations in accessing local files.

bottom

Position of the timer within its container. By default the timer is bottom-aligned using bottom = "0". If top is set, bottom defaults to NULL.

right

Position of the timer within its container. By default the timer is right-aligned using right = "0". If left is set, right defaults to NULL.

top left Position of the timer within its container. By default top is unset (NULL). Position of the timer within its container. By default left is unset (NULL).

warn\_when

Change the countdown to "warning" state when warn\_when seconds remain. This is achieved by adding the warning class to the timer when warn\_when seconds or less remain. Only applied when greater than 0.

update\_every

Update interval for the timer, in seconds. When this argument is greater than 1, the timer run but the display will only update, once every update\_every seconds. The timer will switch to normal second-by-second updating for the last two update\_every periods.

blink\_colon

Adds an animation to the blink the colon of the digital timer at each second. Because the blink animation is handled via CSS and not by the JavaScript process that decrements the timer, so the animation may fall out of sync with the timer. For this reason, the blink animation is only shown, by default, when update\_every is greater than 1, i.e. when the countdown time is updated periodically rather than each second.

start\_immediately

If TRUE, the countdown timer starts as soon as its created (or as soon as the slides, document or Shiny app are loaded).

font\_size The font size of the time displayed in the timer.

margin The margin applied to the timer container, default is "0.5em".

padding The padding within the timer container, default is "10px 15px".

box\_shadow Shadow specification for the timer, set to NULL to remove the shadow.

border\_width Width of the timer border (all states).

border\_radius Radius of timer border corners (all states).

line\_height Line height of timer digits text. Use this value to nudge the timer digits up or

down vertically. The best value generally depends on the fonts used in your

slides or document. The default value is 1.

color\_border Color of the timer border when not yet activated.

color\_background

Color of the timer background when not yet activated.

color\_text Color of the timer text when not yet activated.

color\_running\_background

Color of the timer background when running. Colors are automatically chosen

for the running timer border and text (color\_running\_border and color\_running\_text,

respectively) from the running background color.

color\_running\_border

Color of the timer border when running.

color\_running\_text

Color of the timer text when running.

color\_finished\_background

Color of the timer background when finished. Colors are automatically chosen

for the finished timer border and text (color\_finished\_border and color\_finished\_text,

respectively) from the finished background color.

color\_finished\_border

Color of the timer border when finished.

color\_finished\_text

Color of the timer text when finished.

color\_warning\_background

Color of the timer background when the timer is below warn\_when seconds.

Colors are automatically chosen for the warning timer border and text (color\_warning\_border

and color\_warning\_text, respectively) from the warning background color.

color\_warning\_border

Color of the timer border when the timer is below warn\_when seconds.

color\_warning\_text

Color of the timer text when the timer is below warn\_when seconds.

. selector In countdown\_style(): the CSS selector to which the styles should be applied.

The default is : root for global styles, but you can also provide a custom class

name to create styles for a particular class.

#### Value

A vanilla JavaScript countdown timer as HTML, with dependencies.

#### **Functions**

- countdown(): Create a countdown timer for use in presentations and HTML documents.
- countdown\_fullscreen(): A full-screen timer that takes up the entire view port and uses the largest reasonable font size.
- countdown\_style(): Set global default countdown timer styles using CSS. Use this function to globally style all countdown timers in a document or app. Individual timers can still be customized.

#### See Also

```
countdown_app()
```

# Examples

```
if (interactive()) {
 countdown(minutes = 0, seconds = 42)
 countdown(
   minutes = 1,
   seconds = 30,
   left = 0,
   right = 0,
   padding = "15px",
   margin = "5%",
   font_size = "6em"
 )
 # For a stand-alone full-screen countdown timer, use countdown_fullscreen()
 # with default parameters.
 countdown_fullscreen(1, 30)
 # For xaringan slides, use percentages for `margin` to set the distance from
 \mbox{\tt\#} the edge of the slide and use `font_size` to adjust the size of the digits.
 # If you need to nudge the text up or down vertically, increase or decrease
 # `line_height`.
 countdown_fullscreen(
   minutes = 0.
   seconds = 90.
   margin = "5%",
   font_size = "8em",
 # To position the timer "inline" in R Markdown documents,
 # use the `style` argument on each timer:
 countdown(1, 30, style = "position: relative; width: min-content;")
}
```

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countdown_action	Perform a Countdown Timer Action in a Shiny App

#### **Description**

Performs an action in a countdown timer dynamically in a Shiny app via server logic. You can start, stop, reset, or bump time time (when the timer is running) up or down. See countdown\_shiny\_example() for an example app demonstrating the usage of countdown\_action().

# Usage

```
countdown_action(
  id,
  action = c("start", "stop", "reset", "bumpUp", "bumpDown"),
  session = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

id	A character vector with one or more id values for timers created with countdown() or countdown_fullscreen(). Be sure to set the id value when creating the timer.
action	The action to perform, one of "start", "stop", "reset", "bumpUp", or "bumpDown".
session	The reactive session object for the current Shiny session. In general, only required for expert or unusual use cases.

#### Value

Invisibly returns the id of the updated countdown timer(s).

## See Also

Other Shiny functions: countdown\_app(), countdown\_shiny\_example(), countdown\_update()

# **Description**

Launches a full screen, interactive countdown timer as a shiny-package app.

# Usage

```
countdown_app(...)
```

#### **Arguments**

... Arguments passed on to shiny::runApp

port The TCP port that the application should listen on. If the port is not specified, and the shiny.port option is set (with options(shiny.port = XX)), then that port will be used. Otherwise, use a random port between 3000:8000, excluding ports that are blocked by Google Chrome for being considered unsafe: 3659, 4045, 5060, 5061, 6000, 6566, 6665:6669 and 6697. Up to twenty random ports will be tried.

launch.browser If true, the system's default web browser will be launched automatically after the app is started. Defaults to true in interactive sessions only. The value of this parameter can also be a function to call with the application's URL.

host The IPv4 address that the application should listen on. Defaults to the shiny.host option, if set, or "127.0.0.1" if not. See Details.

workerId Can generally be ignored. Exists to help some editions of Shiny Server Pro route requests to the correct process.

quiet Should Shiny status messages be shown? Defaults to FALSE.

test.mode Should the application be launched in test mode? This is only used for recording or running automated tests. Defaults to the shiny.testmode option, or FALSE if the option is not set.

#### Value

Runs the countdown timer Shiny app in the current R session.

#### See Also

Other Shiny functions: countdown\_action(), countdown\_shiny\_example(), countdown\_update()

#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
  countdown_app()
}
```

countdown\_shiny\_example

Example Countdown Shiny App

## Description

An example app that demonstrates the ways that countdown timers can be integrated into Shiny apps.

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#### Usage

```
countdown_shiny_example(display.mode = c("showcase", "normal", "auto"))
```

#### Arguments

display.mode

The mode in which to display the application. If set to the value "showcase", shows application code and metadata from a DESCRIPTION file in the application directory alongside the application. If set to "normal", displays the application normally. Defaults to "auto", which displays the application in the mode given in its DESCRIPTION file, if any.

#### Value

Runs the example Shiny app in the current R session.

#### See Also

```
Other Shiny functions: countdown_action(), countdown_app(), countdown_update()
```

#### **Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
  countdown_shiny_example()
}
```

countdown\_update

Update a Countdown Timer in a Shiny App

#### **Description**

Updates the settings of a countdown timer dynamically in a Shiny app via server logic. See countdown\_shiny\_example() for an example app demonstrating the usage of countdown\_update().

# Usage

```
countdown_update(
  id,
  ...,
  minutes = NULL,
  seconds = NULL,
  warn_when = NULL,
  update_every = NULL,
  blink_colon = NULL,
  play_sound = NULL,
  session = NULL
```

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#### **Arguments**

id A character vector with one or more id values for timers created with countdown()

or countdown\_fullscreen(). Be sure to set the id value when creating the

timer.

... Ignored, but included for future compatibility.

minutes The number of minutes for which the timer should run. This value is added to

seconds.

seconds The number of seconds for which the timer should run. This value is added to

minutes.

warn\_when Change the countdown to "warning" state when warn\_when seconds remain.

This is achieved by adding the warning class to the timer when warn\_when

seconds or less remain. Only applied when greater than 0.

update\_every Update interval for the timer, in seconds. When this argument is greater than

1, the timer run but the display will only update, once every update\_every seconds. The timer will switch to normal second-by-second updating for the

last two update\_every periods.

blink\_colon Adds an animation to the blink the colon of the digital timer at each second.

Because the blink animation is handled via CSS and not by the JavaScript process that decrements the timer, so the animation may fall out of sync with the timer. For this reason, the blink animation is only shown, by default, when update\_every is greater than 1, i.e. when the countdown time is updated peri-

odically rather than each second.

play\_sound Play a sound at the end of the timer? If TRUE, plays the "stage complete" sound

courtesy of beepr. Alternatively, play\_sound can be a relative or absolute URL to a sound file, such as an mp3, wav, ogg, or other audio file type. Custom sounds are only played when countdown is used on a webpage or Shiny app; however, they do not work in an interactive context (creating a countdown in console) due

to JavaScript limitations in accessing local files.

session The reactive session object for the current Shiny session. In general, only

required for expert or unusual use cases.

#### Value

Invisibly returns the options sent to update the countdown timer(s).

# See Also

Other Shiny functions: countdown\_action(), countdown\_app(), countdown\_shiny\_example()

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