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<b>add_documents</b>	<i>Add Documents to a Collection</i>
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## Description

Add Documents to a Collection

## Usage

```
add_documents(
    client,
    collection_name,
    documents,
    ids,
    metadatas = NULL,
    embeddings = NULL,
    uris = NULL,
    tenant = "default_tenant",
    database = "default_database"
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
collection_name	Name of the collection
documents	List of documents to add
ids	Vector of unique IDs for the documents (required)
metadata	List of metadata for each document (optional)
embeddings	Optional pre-computed embeddings
uris	Optional vector of URIs associated with the documents
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

TRUE on success

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chroma\_connect      *ChromaDB Client*

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**Description**

Create a new ChromaDB client connection

**Usage**

```
chroma_connect(  
  host = "http://localhost",  
  port = 8000L,  
  api_path = "/api/v2",  
  verify = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

host	The host URL of the ChromaDB server. Default is "http://localhost".
port	The port number of the ChromaDB server. Default is 8000.
api_path	The API path. Default is "/api/v2".
verify	Whether to verify the connection. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A ChromaDB client object

<code>chroma_docker_run</code>	<i>Start ChromaDB Docker Container</i>
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### Description

This function uses Docker to start a ChromaDB server container in the background.

### Usage

```
chroma_docker_run(
  port = 8000,
  volume_host_dir = "./chroma",
  is_persistent = TRUE,
  anonymized telemetry = FALSE,
  version = "0.6.3",
  container_name = "chromadb"
)
```

### Arguments

port	The port for the ChromaDB container.
volume_host_dir	A string specifying the host directory to persist data.
is_persistent	Logical; whether to enable persistence. Defaults to TRUE.
anonymized telemetry	Logical; whether to enable anonymous telemetry. Defaults to FALSE.
version	A string specifying the version of the ChromaDB Docker image. Default is "0.6.3".
container_name	A string specifying the name for the Docker container. Default is "chromadb".

### Value

Invisibly returns TRUE if the container is already running or started successfully.

<code>chroma_docker_running</code>	<i>Check ChromaDB Docker Container Status</i>
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### Description

This function checks the status of the ChromaDB Docker container.

### Usage

```
chroma_docker_running(container_name = "chromadb")
```

**Arguments**

container\_name A string specifying the name of the Docker container to check.

**Value**

TRUE if container is running and FALSE otherwise.

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chroma\_docker\_stop      *Stop ChromaDB Docker Container*

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**Description**

This function stops the running ChromaDB Docker container. It uses the processx package to issue the Docker stop command.

**Usage**

```
chroma_docker_stop(container_name = "chromadb")
```

**Arguments**

container\_name A string specifying the name of the Docker container to stop.

**Value**

Invisibly returns TRUE if the container was stopped or is not running.

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count\_collections      *Count Collections in a Database*

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**Description**

Count Collections in a Database

**Usage**

```
count_collections(  
  client,  
  tenant = "default_tenant",  
  database = "default_database"  
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

Number of collections in the database

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`create_collection`      *Create a Collection in ChromaDB*

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**Description**

Create a Collection in ChromaDB

**Usage**

```
create_collection(  
    client,  
    name,  
    metadata = NULL,  
    configuration = NULL,  
    tenant = "default_tenant",  
    database = "default_database",  
    get_or_create = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>client</code>	A ChromaDB client object
<code>name</code>	The name of the collection
<code>metadata</code>	Optional metadata for the collection
<code>configuration</code>	Optional configuration for the collection. For HNSW configuration, use a list with <code>hnsw_space</code> (e.g., "cosine", "l2", "ip").
<code>tenant</code>	The tenant name (default: "default")
<code>database</code>	The database name (default: "default")
<code>get_or_create</code>	Whether to get the collection if it exists (default: FALSE)

**Value**

A collection object

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create_database	<i>Create a Database</i>
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**Description**

Create a Database

**Usage**

```
create_database(client, name, tenant = "default_tenant")
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
name	The name of the database
tenant	The tenant name

**Value**

NULL invisibly on success

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create_tenant	<i>Create a Tenant</i>
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**Description**

Create a Tenant

**Usage**

```
create_tenant(client, name)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
name	The name of the tenant

**Value**

A tenant object containing the tenant details

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**delete\_collection**      *Delete a Collection*

---

**Description**

Delete a Collection

**Usage**

```
delete_collection(  
    client,  
    name,  
    tenant = "default_tenant",  
    database = "default_database"  
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
name	The name of the collection
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

Invisible NULL on success

---

**delete\_documents**      *Delete Documents from a Collection*

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**Description**

Delete Documents from a Collection

**Usage**

```
delete_documents(  
    client,  
    collection_name,  
    ids = NULL,  
    where = NULL,  
    tenant = "default_tenant",  
    database = "default_database"  
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
collection_name	Name of the collection
ids	Vector of document IDs to delete
where	Optional filtering conditions
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

NULL invisibly on success

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`get_auth_identity`      *Get Authentication Identity*

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**Description**

Get Authentication Identity

**Usage**

```
get_auth_identity(client)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
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**Value**

Authentication identity information

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<code>get_collection</code>	<i>Get a Collection</i>
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**Description**

Get a Collection

**Usage**

```
get_collection(  
    client,  
    name,  
    tenant = "default_tenant",  
    database = "default_database"  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>client</code>	A ChromaDB client object
<code>name</code>	The name of the collection
<code>tenant</code>	The tenant name (default: "default")
<code>database</code>	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

A collection object

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<code>get_database</code>	<i>Get a Database</i>
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**Description**

Get a Database

**Usage**

```
get_database(client, name, tenant = "default_tenant")
```

**Arguments**

<code>client</code>	A ChromaDB client object
<code>name</code>	The name of the database
<code>tenant</code>	The tenant name

**Value**

NULL invisibly on success

---

get\_tenant

*Get a Tenant*

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### Description

Get a Tenant

### Usage

```
get_tenant(client, name)
```

### Arguments

client	A ChromaDB client object
name	The name of the tenant

### Value

A tenant object containing the tenant details

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heartbeat

*Check ChromaDB Server Heartbeat*

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### Description

Check ChromaDB Server Heartbeat

### Usage

```
heartbeat(client)
```

### Arguments

client	A ChromaDB client object
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### Value

Server heartbeat response as a numeric value

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list\_collections      *List Collections in a Database*

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**Description**

List Collections in a Database

**Usage**

```
list_collections(  
    client,  
    tenant = "default_tenant",  
    database = "default_database",  
    limit = NULL,  
    offset = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")
limit	Maximum number of collections to return (optional)
offset	Number of collections to skip (optional)

**Value**

List of collections

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pre\_flight\_checks      *Get ChromaDB Server Information*

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**Description**

Returns server capabilities and settings.

**Usage**

```
pre_flight_checks(client)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
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**Value**

List containing server information

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query	<i>Query Documents in a Collection</i>
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## Description

Query Documents in a Collection

## Usage

```
query(  
  client,  
  collection_name,  
  query_embeddings,  
  n_results = 10L,  
  where = NULL,  
  where_document = NULL,  
  include = c("documents", "metadatas", "distances"),  
  tenant = "default_tenant",  
  database = "default_database"  
)
```

## Arguments

client	A ChromaDB client object
collection_name	Name of the collection
query_embeddings	List of query embeddings (must be a list of numeric vectors)
n_results	Number of results to return per query (default: 10)
where	Optional filtering conditions
where_document	Optional document-based filtering conditions
include	Optional vector of what to include in results. Possible values: "documents", "embeddings", "metadatas", "distances", "uris", "data" (default: c("documents", "metadatas", "distances"))
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

## Details

Note that ChromaDB's API only accepts embeddings for queries. If you want to query using text, you need to first convert your text to embeddings using an embedding model (e.g., using OpenAI's API, HuggingFace's API, or a local model).

Example:

```
# First convert text to embeddings using your preferred method
text_embedding <- your_embedding_function("your search text")
# Then query using the embedding
result <- query(client, "my_collection",
                 query_embeddings = list(text_embedding))
```

**Value**

A list containing the query results. Each element (documents, metadatas, distances) is a nested list, so use double brackets [[]] to access individual elements.

reset

*Reset ChromaDB***Description**

This function resets the entire ChromaDB instance. Use with caution as this will delete all data.  
Note: This function requires setting ALLOW\_RESET=TRUE in the environment variables or allow\_reset=True in the ChromaDB Settings.

**Usage**

```
reset(client)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
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**Value**

TRUE on success

update\_collection

*Update a Collection***Description**

Update a Collection

**Usage**

```
update_collection(
  client,
  name,
  new_name = NULL,
  new_metadata = NULL,
  tenant = "default_tenant",
  database = "default_database"
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
name	The name of the collection
new_name	Optional new name for the collection
new_metadata	Optional new metadata for the collection
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

NULL on success (invisibly)

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update\_documents

*Update Documents in a Collection*

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**Description**

Update Documents in a Collection

**Usage**

```
update_documents(  
    client,  
    collection_name,  
    ids,  
    documents = NULL,  
    metadatas = NULL,  
    embeddings = NULL,  
    tenant = "default_tenant",  
    database = "default_database"  
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
collection_name	Name of the collection
ids	Vector of document IDs to update
documents	List of new document contents
metadatas	List of new metadata
embeddings	Optional new pre-computed embeddings
tenant	The tenant name (default: "default")
database	The database name (default: "default")

**Value**

NULL invisibly on success

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**upsert\_documents**      *Upsert Documents to a Collection*

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**Description**

Upsert Documents to a Collection

**Usage**

```
upsert_documents(  
    client,  
    collection_name,  
    documents,  
    metadatas = NULL,  
    ids = NULL,  
    embeddings = NULL,  
    uris = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
collection_name	Name of the collection
documents	List of documents to upsert
metadatas	List of metadata for each document
ids	Vector of unique IDs for the documents
embeddings	Optional pre-computed embeddings
uris	Optional vector of URIs associated with the documents

**Value**

Response from the API

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version	<i>Get ChromaDB Server Version</i>
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**Description**

Get ChromaDB Server Version

**Usage**

```
version(client)
```

**Arguments**

client	A ChromaDB client object
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**Value**

Server version string

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