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as_tibble.palettes_colour

Cast colour vectors and colour palettes to tibbles

Description

as_tibble() turns an existing colour vector or colour palette into a so-called tibble, a data frame with class tbl_df.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'palettes_colour'
```

```
as_tibble(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'palettes_palette'
```

```
as_tibble(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An object of class palettes_palette or palettes_colour.

... Not used.

Value

A [tibble](#). The output has the following properties:

- For objects of class palettes_colour: A tibble with column colour containing the colour vector.
- For objects of class palettes_palette: A tibble with columns palette and colour containing palette names and colour vectors.

Examples

```
x <- pal_colour(c("#663171", "#EA7428", "#0C7156"))
as_tibble(x)

y <- pal_palette(
  Egypt = c("#DD5129", "#0F7BA2", "#43B284", "#FAB255"),
  Java = c("#663171", "#CF3A36", "#EA7428", "#E2998A", "#0C7156")
)
as_tibble(y)
```

colour-mixing-arithmetic

Mix colour vectors with arithmetic operators

Description

These binary operators mix colour vectors with arithmetic operators.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'palettes_colour'
e1 + e2
```

Arguments

e1, e2 Colour vectors of class `palettes_colour`.

Value

The binary operators return colour vectors of class `palettes_colour` containing the result of the element by element operations. If involving a zero-length vector the result has length zero. Otherwise, the elements of shorter vectors are recycled as necessary. The `+` operator is for additive colour mixing.

Examples

```
x <- pal_colour("red")
y <- pal_colour("blue")
x + y
```

colour-mixing-math *Mix colour vectors with math functions*

Description

These functions mix colour vectors with math functions.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'palettes_colour'  
sum(..., na.rm = FALSE)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'palettes_colour'  
cumsum(x)
```

Arguments

...	Colour vectors of class <code>palettes_colour</code> .
<code>na.rm</code>	Whether to include missing values. Either TRUE or FALSE.
<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>palettes_colour</code> .

Value

These functions return colour vectors of class `palettes_colour`:

- `sum()` returns the sum of all the colours present in its arguments with additive colour mixing.
- `cumsum()` returns a vector whose elements are the cumulative sums of the elements of the argument with additive colour mixing.

Examples

```
x <- pal_colour(c("red", "blue"))  
sum(x)  
  
x <- pal_colour(c("red", "blue", "yellow"))  
cumsum(x)
```

`met_palettes`*Metropolitan Museum of Art palettes*

Description

Palettes inspired by works at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Pieces selected come from various time periods, regions, and mediums.

Usage

```
met_palettes
```

```
met_palettes_a11y
```

Format

```
met_palettes:
```

An object of class `palettes_palette` with 56 colour palettes. Use `names(met_palettes)` to return all palette names.

```
met_palettes_a11y:
```

An object of class `palettes_palette` limited to 24 colourblind accessible palettes. All colours in each palette are distinguishable with deuteranopia, protanopia, and tritanopia. Use `names(met_palettes_a11y)` to return all palette names.

Author(s)

[Blake Robert Mills](#)

Source

<https://github.com/BlakeRMills/MetBrewer>

See Also

[pal_palette\(\)](#), [pal_colour\(\)](#), [MetBrewer::met.brewer\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Get all palettes by name.  
names(met_palettes)
```

```
# Plot all palettes.  
plot(met_palettes)
```

nord_palettes	<i>Nord palettes</i>
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Description

Dimmed pastel palettes inspired by the Arctic and Canadian wilderness.

Usage

```
nord_palettes
```

Format

nord_palettes:

An object of class `palettes_palette` with 16 colour palettes. Use `names(nord_palettes)` to return all palette names.

Author(s)

[Jake Kaupp](#)

Source

<https://github.com/jkaupp/nord>

See Also

[pal_palette\(\)](#), [pal_colour\(\)](#), [nord::nord\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Get all palettes by name.  
names(nord_palettes)  
  
# Plot all palettes.  
plot(nord_palettes)
```

pal_colour

Colour vectors

Description

This creates a character vector that represents colours so when it is printed, colours will be formatted as hexadecimal strings.

Usage

```
pal_colour(x = character())  
  
is_colour(x)  
  
as_colour(x)  
  
## Default S3 method:  
as_colour(x)  
  
## S3 method for class 'palettes_palette'  
as_colour(x)
```

Arguments

- x
- For `pal_colour()`: A character vector of any of the three kinds of R colour specifications.
 - For `as_colour()`: An object to be coerced.
 - For `is_colour()`: An object to test.

Details

Colours can be specified using either:

- Hexadecimal strings of the form `"#RRGGBB"` or `"#RRGGBBAA"`
- Colour names from `grDevices::colors()`
- Positive integers `i` that index into `grDevices::palette()[i]`

Value

An S3 vector of class `palettes_colour`.

See Also

`pal_palette()`

Examples

```
pal_colour(c("darkred", "#0F7BA2"))

is_colour("darkred")
is_colour(pal_colour("darkred"))

as_colour("#0F7BA2")
```

pal_numeric

Colour vector and colour palette mapping

Description

Conveniently maps data values (numeric or factor/character) to colours according to a given colour vector or colour palette.

Usage

```
pal_numeric(
  palette,
  domain,
  na.color = "#808080",
  alpha = FALSE,
  reverse = FALSE
)

pal_bin(
  palette,
  domain,
  bins = 7,
  pretty = TRUE,
  na.color = "#808080",
  alpha = FALSE,
  reverse = FALSE,
  right = FALSE
)

pal_quantile(
  palette,
  domain,
  n = 4,
  probs = seq(0, 1, length.out = n + 1),
  na.color = "#808080",
  alpha = FALSE,
  reverse = FALSE,
  right = FALSE
)
```



```

pal_factor(
  palette,
  domain,
  levels = NULL,
  ordered = FALSE,
  na.color = "#808080",
  alpha = FALSE,
  reverse = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

palette	An object of class <code>palettes_palette</code> or <code>palettes_colour</code> .
domain	The possible values that can be mapped. For <code>pal_numeric</code> and <code>pal_bin</code> , this can be a simple numeric range (e.g. <code>c(0, 100)</code>); <code>pal_quantile</code> needs representative numeric data; and <code>pal_factor</code> needs categorical data. If <code>NULL</code> , then whenever the resulting colour function is called, the <code>x</code> value will represent the domain. This implies that if the function is invoked multiple times, the encoding between values and colours may not be consistent; if consistency is needed, you must provide a non- <code>NULL</code> domain.
na.color	The colour to return for NA values. Note that <code>na.color = NA</code> is valid.
alpha	Whether alpha channels should be respected or ignored. If <code>TRUE</code> then colors without explicit alpha information will be treated as fully opaque.
reverse	Whether the colours in <code>palette</code> should be used in reverse order. For example, if the default order of a palette goes from blue to green, then <code>reverse = TRUE</code> will result in the colors going from green to blue.
bins	Either a numeric vector of two or more unique cut points or a single number (greater than or equal to 2) giving the number of intervals into which the domain values are to be cut.
pretty	Whether to use the function <code>pretty()</code> to generate the bins when the argument <code>bins</code> is a single number. When <code>pretty = TRUE</code> , the actual number of bins may not be the number of bins you specified. When <code>pretty = FALSE</code> , <code>seq()</code> is used to generate the bins and the breaks may not be "pretty".
right	parameter supplied to <code>base::cut()</code> . See Details
n	Number of equal-size quantiles desired. For more precise control, use the <code>probs</code> argument instead.
probs	See <code>stats::quantile()</code> . If provided, the <code>n</code> argument is ignored.
levels	An alternate way of specifying levels; if specified, <code>domain</code> is ignored
ordered	If <code>TRUE</code> and <code>domain</code> needs to be coerced to a factor, treat it as already in the correct order

Details

pal_numeric is a simple linear mapping from continuous numeric data to an interpolated palette. pal_bin also maps continuous numeric data, but performs binning based on value (see the `base::cut()` function). pal_bin defaults for the cut function are `include.lowest = TRUE` and `right = FALSE`. pal_quantile similarly bins numeric data, but via the `stats::quantile()` function. pal_factor maps factors to colours. If the palette is discrete and has a different number of colours than the number of factors, interpolation is used.

Value

A function that takes a single parameter `x`; when called with a vector of numbers (except for pal_factor, which expects factors/characters), #RRGGBB colour strings are returned (unless `alpha = TRUE` in which case #RRGGBBAA may also be possible).

See Also

`scales::col_numeric()`
`scales::col_bin()`
`scales::col_quantile()`
`scales::col_factor()`

Examples

```
pal <- pal_bin(met_palettes$Tam, domain = 0:100)
plot(as_colour(pal(sort(runif(16, 0, 100)))))

# Exponential distribution, mapped continuously
pal <- pal_numeric(met_palettes$Tam, domain = NULL)
plot(as_colour(pal(sort(rexp(16)))))

# Exponential distribution, mapped by interval
pal <- pal_bin(met_palettes$Tam, domain = NULL, bins = 4)
plot(as_colour(pal(sort(rexp(16)))))

# Exponential distribution, mapped by quantile
pal <- pal_quantile(met_palettes$Tam, domain = NULL)
plot(as_colour(pal(sort(rexp(16)))))

# Categorical data; by default, the values being coloured span the gamut...
pal <- pal_factor(met_palettes$Java, domain = NULL)
plot(as_colour(pal(LETTERS[1:5])))

# ...unless the data is a factor, without droplevels...
pal <- pal_factor(met_palettes$Java, domain = NULL)
plot(as_colour(pal(factor(LETTERS[1:5], levels = LETTERS))))

# ...or the domain is stated explicitly.
pal <- pal_factor(met_palettes$Java, domain = NULL, levels = LETTERS)
plot(as_colour(pal(LETTERS[1:5])))
```

pal_palette	<i>Colour palettes</i>
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Description

This creates a list of colour vectors.

Usage

```
pal_palette(...)
```

```
is_palette(x)
```

```
as_palette(x)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-----|--|
| ... | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For pal_palette(): A named list of character vectors of any of the three kinds of R colour specifications, or a named list of colour vectors of class palettes_colour. |
| x | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For as_palette(): An object to be coerced.• For is_palette(): An object to test. |

Details

Colours can be specified using either:

- Hexadecimal strings of the form "#RRGGBB" or "#RRGGBBAA"
- Colour names from grDevices::colors()
- Positive integers i that index into grDevices::palette()[i]

Value

An S3 list of class palettes_palette.

See Also

```
pal_colour()
```

Examples

```
pal_palette(  
  Egypt = c("#DD5129", "#0F7BA2", "#43B284", "#FAB255"),  
  Java = c("#663171", "#CF3A36", "#EA7428", "#E2998A", "#0C7156")  
)  
  
x <- list(  
  Egypt = c("#DD5129", "#0F7BA2", "#43B284", "#FAB255"),
```

```

Java = c("#663171", "#CF3A36", "#EA7428", "#E2998A", "#0C7156")
)
as_palette(x)

```

pal_ramp

Colour vector and colour palette interpolation

Description

Interpolate the set of colours in palettes_palette or palettes_colour objects to create new colour palettes.

Usage

```

pal_ramp(
  palette,
  n = NULL,
  direction = 1,
  space = "lab",
  interpolate = c("linear", "spline")
)

## S3 method for class 'palettes_colour'
pal_ramp(
  palette,
  n = NULL,
  direction = 1,
  space = "lab",
  interpolate = c("linear", "spline")
)

## S3 method for class 'palettes_palette'
pal_ramp(
  palette,
  n = NULL,
  direction = 1,
  space = "lab",
  interpolate = c("linear", "spline")
)

```

Arguments

palette	An object of class palettes_palette or palettes_colour.
n	An integer specifying the number of colours to return.
direction	Sets the order of colours in the scale. If 1, the default, colours are ordered from first to last. If -1, the order of colours is reversed.

space	The colour space to interpolate in. One of: "cmy", "hsl", "hsb", "hsv", "lab" (CIE L*ab), "hunterlab" (Hunter Lab), "oklab", "lch" (CIE Lch(ab) / polar-LAB), "luv", "rgb" (sRGB), "xyz", "yxy" (CIE xyY), "hcl" (CIE Lch(uv) / polarLuv), or "oklch" (Polar form of oklab).
interpolate	The interpolation method. Either "linear" (default) or "spline".

Value

An object of the same type as palette. The output has the following properties:

- For objects of class palettes_colour: A colour vector with n colours.
- For objects of class palettes_palette: Colour palettes with n colours in each palette.

Examples

```
# The class returned after interpolation matches the input class.
x <- pal_colour(c("darkslateblue", "cornflowerblue", "slategray1"))
y <- pal_palette(blues = x)
class(pal_ramp(x))
class(pal_ramp(y))

# Choose between linear and spline interpolation.
pal_ramp(x, n = 7, interpolate = "linear")
pal_ramp(x, n = 7, interpolate = "spline")

# Palettes will have the same length after interpolation, regardless of the
# number of colours in the original palette.
z <- pal_palette(
  Egypt = c("#DD5129", "#0F7BA2", "#43B284", "#FAB255"),
  Java = c("#663171", "#CF3A36", "#EA7428", "#E2998A", "#0C7156")
)
pal_ramp(z, n = 5)
```

plot.palettes_colour *Plot colour vectors and colour palettes*

Description

Plots a colour palette object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'palettes_colour'
plot(
  x,
  n = NULL,
  direction = 1,
  space = "lab",
```

```

interpolate = c("linear", "spline"),
...
)

## S3 method for class 'palettes_palette'
plot(
  x,
  n = NULL,
  direction = 1,
  space = "lab",
  interpolate = c("linear", "spline"),
  ...
)

```

Arguments

x	An object of class <code>palettes_palette</code> or <code>palettes_colour</code> .
n	An integer specifying the number of colours to return.
direction	Sets the order of colours in the scale. If 1, the default, colours are ordered from first to last. If -1, the order of colours is reversed.
space	The colour space to interpolate in. One of: "cmy", "hsl", "hsb", "hsv", "lab" (CIE L*ab), "hunterlab" (Hunter Lab), "oklab", "lch" (CIE Lch(ab) / polar-LAB), "luv", "rgb" (sRGB), "xyz", "yxy" (CIE xyY), "hcl" (CIE Lch(uv) / polarLuv), or "oklch" (Polar form of oklab).
interpolate	The interpolation method. Either "linear" (default) or "spline".
...	Not used.

Value

A `ggplot2` object. The output has the following properties:

- For objects of class `palettes_colour`: A plot of colour swatches.
- For objects of class `palettes_palette` with one palette: A plot of colour swatches with the palette name spanned across the swatches.
- For objects of class `palettes_palette` with more than one palette: A faceted plot of colour swatches with palette names as facet titles.

See Also

`pal_ramp()`

Examples

```

# Objects of class `palettes_colour` are plotted as swatches.
x <- pal_colour(c("darkslateblue", "cornflowerblue", "slategray1"))
plot(x)

# Objects of class `palettes_palette` with one palette are plotted with

```

```
# the palette name spanned across the swatches.
y <- pal_palette(Egypt = c("#DD5129", "#0F7BA2", "#43B284", "#FAB255"))
plot(y)

# Objects of class `palettes_palette` with multiple palettes are faceted.
z <- pal_palette(
  Egypt = c("#DD5129", "#0F7BA2", "#43B284", "#FAB255"),
  Java = c("#663171", "#CF3A36", "#EA7428", "#E2998A", "#0C7156")
)
plot(z)

# Colours can also be interpolated.
plot(x, n = 5)
plot(y, n = 5)
plot(z, n = 5)
```

pnw_palettes

Pacific Northwest palettes

Description

Palettes inspired by Jake Lawlor's photos of the dreamiest, most colourful, PNW-iest places in Washington State.

Usage

```
pnw_palettes
```

Format

pnw_palettes:

An object of class `palettes_palette` with 14 colour palettes. Use `names(pnw_palettes)` to return all palette names.

Author(s)

Jake Lawlor

Source

<https://github.com/jakelawlor/PNWColors>

See Also

[pal_palette\(\)](#), [pal_colour\(\)](#), [PNWColors::pnw_palette\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Get all palettes by name.
names(pnw_palettes)

# Plot all palettes.
plot(pnw_palettes)
```

scale_colour_palette_d

Colour scales from colour vectors and colour palettes

Description

Colour scales from colour vectors and colour palettes

Usage

```
scale_colour_palette_d(palette, direction = 1, ...)
scale_fill_palette_d(palette, direction = 1, ...)
scale_colour_palette_c(palette, direction = 1, ...)
scale_fill_palette_c(palette, direction = 1, ...)
scale_colour_palette_b(palette, direction = 1, ...)
scale_fill_palette_b(palette, direction = 1, ...)
```

Arguments

palette	An object of class <code>palettes_palette</code> or <code>palettes_colour</code> .
direction	Sets the order of colours in the scale. If 1, the default, colours are ordered from first to last. If -1, the order of colours is reversed.
...	Other arguments passed on to <code>ggplot2::discrete_scale()</code> , <code>ggplot2::continuous_scale()</code> , or <code>ggplot2::binned_scale()</code> to control name, limits, breaks, labels and so forth.

Value

A scale function that controls the mapping between data and colour or fill aesthetics in a [ggplot2](#) plot.

Examples

```
library(ggplot2)

# Use palette_d with discrete data
discrete_pal <- pal_colour(c("#663171", "#EA7428", "#0C7156"))
ggplot(mtcars, aes(wt, mpg, colour = as.factor(cyl))) +
  geom_point(size = 3) +
  scale_colour_palette_d(discrete_pal)

# Use palette_c with continuous data
continuous_pal <- pal_colour(c("#3C0D03", "#E67424", "#F5C34D"))
ggplot(mtcars, aes(wt, mpg, colour = mpg)) +
  geom_point(size = 3) +
  scale_colour_palette_c(continuous_pal)

# Use palette_b to bin continuous data before mapping
ggplot(mtcars, aes(wt, mpg, colour = mpg)) +
  geom_point(size = 3) +
  scale_colour_palette_b(continuous_pal)
```

viridis_palettes

Viridis palettes

Description

Colourblind accessible palettes that are perceptually uniform in both colour and black-and-white.

Usage

```
viridis_palettes
```

Format

viridis_palettes:

An object of class `palettes_palette` with 8 colour palettes. All colours in each palette are distinguishable with deuteranopia, protanopia, and tritanopia. Use `names(viridis_palettes)` to return all palette names.

Author(s)

Simon Garnier

Source

<https://github.com/sjmgarnier/viridisLite>

See Also

[pal_palette\(\)](#), [pal_colour\(\)](#), [viridisLite::viridis\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Get all palettes by name.  
names(viridis_palettes)  
  
# Plot all palettes.  
plot(viridis_palettes, n = 256)
```

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