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Description The encoding of colour can be handled in many different ways,
using different colour spaces. As different colour spaces have
different uses, efficient conversion between these representations are
important. The 'farver' package provides a set of functions that gives
access to very fast colour space conversion and comparisons
implemented in C++, and offers speed improvements over the
'convertColor' function in the 'grDevices' package.

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compare_colour   *Calculate the distance between colours*

Description

There are many ways to measure the distance between colours. `farver` provides 5 different algorithms, ranging from simple euclidean distance in RGB space, to different perceptual measures such as CIE2000.

Usage

```
compare_colour(
  from,
  to = NULL,
  from_space,
  to_space = from_space,
  method = ″euclidean″,
  white_from = ″D65″,
  white_to = white_from
)
```

Arguments

from, to   Numeric matrices with colours to compare - the format is the same as that for
                    [convert_colour()](). If to is not set from will be compared with itself and only
                    the upper triangle will get calculated

from_space, to_space
                    The colour space of from and to respectively. to_space defaults to be the same
                    as from_space.

method   The method to use for comparison. Either 'euclidean', 'cie1976', 'cie94',
                    'cie2000', or 'cmc'

white_from, white_to
                    The white reference of the from and to colour space. Will only have an effect for relative colour spaces such as Lab and luv. Any value accepted by
                    [as_white_ref()]() allowed.

Value

A numeric matrix with the same number of rows as colours in `from` and the same number of columns as colours in `to`. If `to` is not given, only the upper triangle will be returned.

Handling of non-finite and out of bounds values

`NA`, `NaN`, `-Inf`, and `Inf` are treated as invalid input and will result in `NA` values for the colour. If a given colourspace has finite bounds in some of their channels, the input will be capped before conversion, and the output will be capped before returning, so that both input and output colours are valid colours in their respective space. This means that converting back and forth between two colourspaces may result in a change in the colour if the gamut of one of the spaces is less than the other.

Examples

```
r <- decode_colour(rainbow(10))
h <- decode_colour(heat.colors(15))

# Compare two sets of colours
compare_colour(r, h, 'rgb', method = 'cie2000')

# Compare a set of colours with itself
compare_colour(r, from_space = 'rgb', method = 'cmc')

# Compare colours from different colour spaces
h_luv <- convert_colour(h, 'rgb', 'luv')
compare_colour(r, h_luv, 'rgb', 'luv')
```

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convert_colour   *Convert between colour spaces*

Description

This function lets you convert between different representations of colours. The API is reminiscent of [grDevices::convertColor()](), but the performance is much better. It is not assured that grDevices::convertColor() and convert_colour() provide numerically equivalent conversion at 16bit level as the formula used are potentially slightly different. For all intend and purpose, the resulting colours will be equivalent though.

Usage

```
convert_colour(colour, from, to, white_from = "D65", white_to = white_from)
```

Arguments

colour   A numeric matrix (or an object coercible to one) with colours encoded in the
                rows and the different colour space values in the columns. For all colourspaces
                except 'cmyk' this will mean a matrix with three columns - for 'cmyk' it means
                four columns.

from, to   The input and output colour space. Allowed values are: "cmy", "cmyk", "hsl",
                "hsb", "hsv", "lab" (CIE L*ab), "hunterlab" (Hunter Lab), "oklab", "lch"
                (CIE Lch(ab) / polarLAB), "luv", "rgb" (sRGB), "xyz", "yxy" (CIE xyY),
                "hcl" (CIE Lch(uv) / polarLuv), or "oklch" (Polar form of oklab)

white_from, white_to
                The white reference of the from and to colour space. Will only have an ef-
                fect for relative colour spaces such as Lab and luv. Any value accepted by
                as_white_ref() allowed.

Value

A numeric matrix with the same number of rows as colour and either 3 or 4 columns depending
on the value of to. If colour is given as a data.frame the output will be a data.frame as well

Handling of non-finite and out of bounds values

NA, NaN, -Inf, and Inf are treated as invalid input and will result in NA values for the colour. If
a given colourspace has finite bounds in some of their channels, the input will be capped before
conversion, and the output will be capped before returning, so that both input and output colours
are valid colours in their respective space. This means that converting back and forth between two
colourspaces may result in a change in the colour if the gamut of one of the spaces is less than the
other.

Note

This function and convertColor() are not numerically equivalent due to rounding errors, but for
all intend and purpose they give the same results.

See Also

grDevices::convertColor(), grDevices::col2rgb()

Examples

```
spectrum <- decode_colour(rainbow(10))
spec_lab <- convert_colour(spectrum, 'rgb', 'lab')
spec_lab

# Convert between different white references
convert_colour(spec_lab, 'lab', 'lab', white_from = 'D65', white_to = 'F10')
```

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decode_colour *Decode RGB hex-strings into colour values*

Description

This is a version of grDevices::col2rgb() that returns the colour values in the standard form expected by farver (matrix with a row per colour). As with encode_colour() it can do colour conversion on the fly, meaning that you can decode a hex string directly into any of the supported colour spaces.

Usage

```
decode_colour(colour, alpha = FALSE, to = "rgb", white = "D65", na_value = NA)
```

Arguments

colour   A character vector of hex-encoded values or a valid colour name as given in
            grDevices::colours().

alpha   If TRUE the alpha channel will be returned as well (scaled between 0 and 1). If
            no alpha channel exists in the colour it will be assumed 1. If FALSE any alpha
            channel is ignored.

to   The output colour space. Allowed values are: "cmy", "cmyk", "hsl", "hsb",
            "hsv", "lab" (CIE L*ab), "hunterlab" (Hunter Lab), "oklab", "lch" (CIE
            Lch(ab) / polarLAB), "luv", "rgb" (sRGB), "xyz", "yxy" (CIE xyY), "hcl"
            (CIE Lch(uv) / polarLuv), or "oklch" (Polar form of oklab)

white   The white reference of the output colour space. Will only have an effect for rela-
            tive colour spaces such as Lab and luv. Any value accepted by as_white_ref()
            allowed.

na_value   A valid colour string or NA to use when colour contains NA elements. The gen-
            eral approach in farver is to carry NA values over, but if you want to mimick
            col2rgb() you should set na_value = 'transparent', i.e. treat NA as trans-
            parent white.

Value

A numeric matrix with a row for each element in colour and either 3, 4, or 5 columns depending on the value of alpha and to.

Handling of non-finite and out of bounds values

NA, NaN, -Inf, and Inf are treated as invalid input and will result in NA values for the colour. If a given colourspace has finite bounds in some of their channels, the input will be capped before conversion, and the output will be capped before returning, so that both input and output colours are valid colours in their respective space. This means that converting back and forth between two colourspaces may result in a change in the colour if the gamut of one of the spaces is less than the other.

See Also

Other encoding and decoding functions: `encode_colour`(), `manip_channel`

Examples

```
# basic use
decode_colour(c('#43e1f6', 'steelblue', '#67ce9fe4'))

# Return alpha as well (no alpha value is interpreted as 1)
decode_colour(c('#43e1f6', 'steelblue', '#67ce9fe4'), alpha = TRUE)

# Decode directly into specific colour space
decode_colour(c('#43e1f6', 'steelblue', '#67ce9fe4'), to = 'lch')
```

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encode_colour *Encode colours into RGB hex-strings*

Description

This is a version of `grDevices::rgb()` that works with the standard colour format used in farver (matrix or data.frame with colours in rows). It further support taking input from any colour space.

Usage

```
encode_colour(colour, alpha = NULL, from = "rgb", white = "D65")
```

Arguments

colour	A numeric matrix (or an object coercible to one) with colours encoded in the rows and the different colour space values in the columns. For all colourspaces except `'cmyk'` this will mean a matrix with three columns - for `'cmyk'` it means four columns.
alpha	A numeric vector between 0 and 1. Will be recycled to the number of rows in `colour`. If NULL or a single NA it will be ignored.
from	The input colour space. Allowed values are: "cmy", "cmyk", "hsl", "hsb", "hsv", "lab" (CIE L*ab), "hunterlab" (Hunter Lab), "oklab", "lch" (CIE Lch(ab) / polarLAB), "luv", "rgb" (sRGB), "xyz", "yxy" (CIE xyY), "hcl" (CIE Lch(uv) / polarLuv), or "oklch" (Polar form of oklab)
white	The white reference of the input colour space. Will only have an effect for relative colour spaces such as Lab and luv. Any value accepted by `as_white_ref()` allowed.

Value

A character vector with colours encoded as #RRGGBB(AA)

Handling of non-finite and out of bounds values

NA, NaN, -Inf, and Inf are treated as invalid input and will result in NA values for the colour. If a given colourspace has finite bounds in some of their channels, the input will be capped before conversion, and the output will be capped before returning, so that both input and output colours are valid colours in their respective space. This means that converting back and forth between two colourspaces may result in a change in the colour if the gamut of one of the spaces is less than the other.

Note

The output may differ slightly from that of grDevices::rgb() since rgb() doesn't round numeric values correctly.

See Also

Other encoding and decoding functions: decode_colour(), manip_channel

Examples

```
spectrum <- decode_colour(rainbow(10))

encode_colour(spectrum)

# Attach alpha values
encode_colour(spectrum, alpha = c(0.5, 1))

# Encode from a different colour space
spectrum_hcl <- convert_colour(spectrum, 'rgb', 'hcl')
encode_colour(spectrum_hcl, from = 'hcl')
```

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manip_channel   *Modify colour space channels in hex-encoded colour strings*

Description

This set of functions allows you to modify colours as given by strings, whithout first decoding them. For large vectors of colour values this should provide a considerable speedup.

Usage

```
set_channel(
  colour,
  channel,
  value,
  space = "rgb",
  white = "D65",
  na_value = NA
```

```
)

add_to_channel(
  colour,
  channel,
  value,
  space = "rgb",
  white = "D65",
  na_value = NA
)

multiply_channel(
  colour,
  channel,
  value,
  space = "rgb",
  white = "D65",
  na_value = NA
)

raise_channel(
  colour,
  channel,
  value,
  space = "rgb",
  white = "D65",
  na_value = NA
)

cap_channel(
  colour,
  channel,
  value,
  space = "rgb",
  white = "D65",
  na_value = NA
)

get_channel(colour, channel, space = "rgb", white = "D65", na_value = NA)
```

Arguments

colour	A character string giving colours, either as hexadecimal strings or accepted colour names.
channel	The channel to modify or extract as a single letter, or `'alpha'` for the alpha channel.
value	The value to modify with
space	The colour space the channel pertains to. Allowed values are: "cmy", "cmyk",

	”hsl”, ”hsb”, ”hsv”, ”lab” (CIE L*ab), ”hunterlab” (Hunter Lab), ”oklab” , ”lch” (CIE Lch(ab) / polarLAB), ”luv”, ”rgb” (sRGB), ”xyz”, ”yxy” (CIE xyY), ”hcl” (CIE Lch(uv) / polarLuv), or ”oklch” (Polar form of oklab)
white	The white reference of the channel colour space. Will only have an effect for relative colour spaces such as Lab and luv. Any value accepted by as_white_ref() allowed.
na_value	A valid colour string or NA to use when colour contains NA elements. The general approach in farver is to carry NA values over, but if you want to mimick col2rgb() you should set na_value = 'transparent', i.e. treat NA as transparent white.

Value

A character vector of the same length as colour (or a numeric vector in the case of get_channel())

See Also

Other encoding and decoding functions: decode_colour(), encode_colour()

Examples

```
spectrum <- rainbow(10)

# set a specific channel
set_channel(spectrum, 'r', c(10, 50))
set_channel(spectrum, 'l', 50, space = 'lab')
set_channel(spectrum, 'alpha', c(0.5, 1))

# Add value to channel
add_to_channel(spectrum, 'r', c(10, 50))
add_to_channel(spectrum, 'l', 50, space = 'lab')

# Multiply a channel
multiply_channel(spectrum, 'r', c(10, 50))
multiply_channel(spectrum, 'l', 50, space = 'lab')

# set a lower bound on a channel
raise_channel(spectrum, 'r', c(10, 50))
raise_channel(spectrum, 'l', 20, space = 'lab')

# set an upper bound on a channel
cap_channel(spectrum, 'r', c(100, 50))
cap_channel(spectrum, 'l', 20, space = 'lab')
```

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native-encoding   *Convert to and from the R native colour representation*

Description

Colours in R are internally encoded as integers when they are passed around to graphics devices. The encoding splits the 32 bit in the integer between red, green, blue, and alpha, so that each get 8 bit, equivalent to 256 values. It is very seldom that an R user is subjected to this representation, but it is present in the nativeRaster format which can be obtained from e.g. capturing the content of a graphic device (using dev.cap()) or reading in PNG files using png::readPNG(native = TRUE). It is very rare that you might need to convert back and forth between this format, but it is provided here for completeness.

Usage

```
encode_native(colour, ...)

decode_native(colour)
```

Arguments

colour   For encode_native either a vector of hex-encoded colours/colour names or a
             matrix encoding colours in any of the supported colour spaces. If the latter,
             the colours will be encoded to a hex string using [encode_colour()](encode_colour) first. For
             decode_native it is a vector of integers.

...   Arguments passed on to [encode_colour()](encode_colour)

Value

encode_native() returns an integer vector and decode_native() returns a character vector, both matching the length of the input.

Examples

```
# Get native representation of navyblue and #228B22
native_col <- encode_native(c('navyblue', '#228B22'))
native_col

# Convert back
decode_native(native_col)
```

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