

Centering of the ternary balance color scale

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Setup

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# Init -----

library(scales)
library(ggtern)

# Ternary grid -----

# coordinates and labels for the centered gridlines of a ternary diagram
TernaryCentroidGrid <- function (centroid) {

  # centroid percent difference labels
  labels = seq(-1, 1, 0.1)
  labels = data.frame(
    L = labels[labels >= -centroid[1]] [1:10],
    T = labels[labels >= -centroid[2]] [1:10],
    R = labels[labels >= -centroid[3]] [1:10]
  )

  # breaks of uncentered grid
  breaks = data.frame(
    L = labels$L + centroid[1],
    T = labels$T + centroid[2],
    R = labels$R + centroid[3]
  )

  # grid L
  gridL =
    data.frame(
      scale = 'L',
      centroid = ifelse(breaks$L == centroid[1], TRUE, FALSE),
      L_from = breaks$L,
      T_from = 1-breaks$L,
      R_from = 0,
      L_to = breaks$L,
      T_to = 0,
      R_to = 1-breaks$L
    )
}
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# grid T
gridT =
  data.frame(
    scale = 'T',
    centroid = ifelse(breaks$T == centroid[2], TRUE, FALSE),
    L_from = 0,
    T_from = breaks$T,
    R_from = 1-breaks$T,
    L_to = 1-breaks$T,
    T_to = breaks$T,
    R_to = 0
  )

# grid R
gridR =
  data.frame(
    scale = 'R',
    centroid = ifelse(breaks$R == centroid[3], TRUE, FALSE),
    L_from = 1-breaks$R,
    T_from = 0,
    R_from = breaks$R,
    L_to = 0,
    T_to = 1-breaks$R,
    R_to = breaks$R
  )

# grid line coordinates of uncentered grid
grid = rbind(gridL, gridT, gridR)

# grid line coordinates of centered grid
cgrid = data.frame(
  grid[,1:2],
  prop.table(t(t(grid[,3:5])*(1/centroid)), margin = 1),
  prop.table(t(t(grid[,6:8])*(1/centroid)), margin = 1)
)

# breaks of centered grid
cbreaks = data.frame(L = cgrid[cgrid$scale == 'L', 'L_from'],
                     T = cgrid[cgrid$scale == 'T', 'T_from'],
                     R = cgrid[cgrid$scale == 'R', 'R_from'])

list(grid = grid, cgrid = cgrid,
     breaks = breaks, cbreaks = cbreaks, labels = labels)
}

# Color Mixture -----

# color mixture of 3 polar vectors
GetMixture <- function (P, h_, c_, l_, contrast, color_space) {

  # generate primary colours starting with a hue value in [0, 360) and then
  # picking two equidistant points on the circumference of the colour wheel.
  # input hue in degrees, all further calculations in radians.

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phi = (h_*0.0174 + c(0, 2.09, 4.19)) %% 6.28

# calculate the chroma matrix C by scaling the row proportions
# of the input matrix P by the maximum chroma parameter.
C = P*c_

# the complex matrix Z represents each case (i) and group (j=1,2,3) specific
# color in complex polar form with hue as angle and chroma as radius.
Z = matrix(complex(argument = phi, modulus = c(t(C))), ncol = 3, byrow = TRUE)

# adding up the rows gives the CIE-Lab (cartesian) coordinates
# of the convex color mixture in complex form.
z = rowSums(Z)
# convert the cartesian CIE-Lab coordinates to polar CIE-Luv coordinates
# and add lightness level.
M = cbind(h = (Arg(z)*57.3)%%360, c = Mod(z), l = 1_)

# boost lightness and chroma contrast of balanced to unbalanced mixtures
cfactor = rescale(M[,2], from = c(0, c_), to = c(1-contrast, 1))
M[,3] = cfactor*M[,3]
M[,2] = cfactor*M[,2]

# convert the complex representation of the color mixture to
# hex-srgb representation via the hcl (CIE-Luv) color space
# or the hsv (polar RGB) color space
if (color_space == 'hcl') {
  # expects h = [0, 360], c = [0, 200], l = c[0, 100]
  hexsrgb = hcl(h = M[,1], c = M[,2], l = M[,3],
               alpha = 1, fixup = TRUE)
}
if (color_space == 'hsv') {
  # expects h = [0, 1], c = s = [0, 1], l = v = c[0, 1]
  hexsrgb = hsv(h = M[,1]/360, s = M[,2]/200, v = M[,3]/100,
               alpha = 1)
}

# (centered) compositions, hcl values of mixtures and hexsrgb code
result = data.frame(P, M[,1], M[,2], M[,3], hexsrgb,
                    row.names = NULL, check.rows = FALSE,
                    check.names = FALSE, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
colnames(result) = c('p1', 'p2', 'p3', 'h', 'c', 'l', 'hexsrgb')
return(result)
}

# Data -----

# color space parameters
h_ = 0; c_ = 130; l_ = 70; contrast = 0

# the center of the data
center = c(0.7, 0.1, 0.2)

# centroid coordinates of legend surface

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C <- tricolore::GetCentroids(100)
# centered centroid coordinates of legend surface
cC <- data.frame(id = C[,1],
                 prop.table(t(t(C[,2:4])*1/center), 1))
# vertex coordinates of legend surface
V <- tricolore::GetVertices(C)
# centered vertex coordinates of legend surface
cV <- data.frame(id = V[,1],
                 vertex = V[,2],
                 prop.table(t(t(V[,3:5])*1/center), 1))
# grid lines, breaks and labels
grids <- TernaryCentroidGrid(center)

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Non-balanced centered color scale

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# Non-balanced -----

# mixed colors and associated polar coordinates
colC <- GetMixture(C[,-1], h_ = h_, c_ = c_, l_ = l_,
                  contrast = contrast, color_space = 'hcl')

ggplot(colC, aes(x = h, y = c)) +
  geom_point(aes(color = hexsrgb), show.legend = FALSE) +
  coord_polar(start = -2*pi/3, direction=1) +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks=seq(0, 360, by = 30),
                    expand=c(0, 0), lim=c(0, 360)) +
  scale_color_identity() +
  theme_minimal()

ggtern(data.frame()) +
  geom_polygon(aes(x = p1, y = p2, z = p3, group = id,
                 fill = rep(colC$hexsrgb, 3), color = rep(colC$hexsrgb, 3)),
             data = as.data.frame(V), show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
                 y = T_from, yend = T_to,
                 z = R_from, zend = R_to),
             color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
             data = subset(grids$cgrid, centroid == FALSE)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
                 y = T_from, yend = T_to,
                 z = R_from, zend = R_to, group = scale),
             lwd = 1.5, color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
             data = subset(grids$cgrid, centroid == TRUE)) +
  scale_L_continuous(breaks = grids$cbreaks$L,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$L, 2)) +
  scale_T_continuous(breaks = grids$cbreaks$T,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$T, 2)) +
  scale_R_continuous(breaks = grids$cbreaks$R,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$R, 2)) +
  scale_fill_identity() +
  scale_color_identity() +
  labs(x = 'Pri.', y = 'Sec.', z = 'Ter.') +

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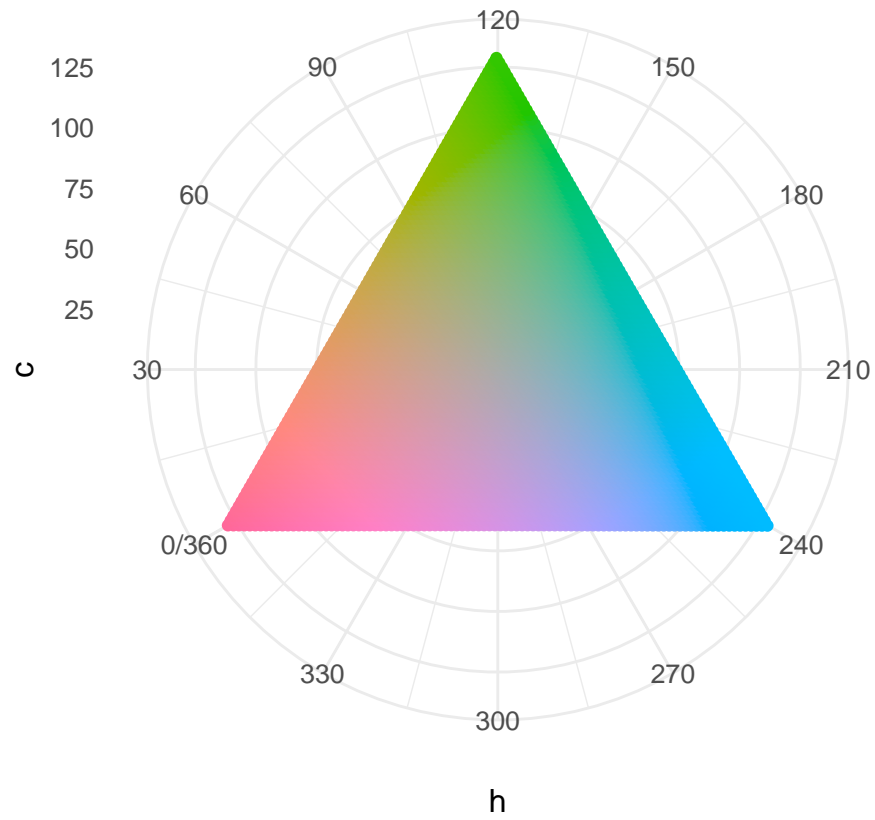
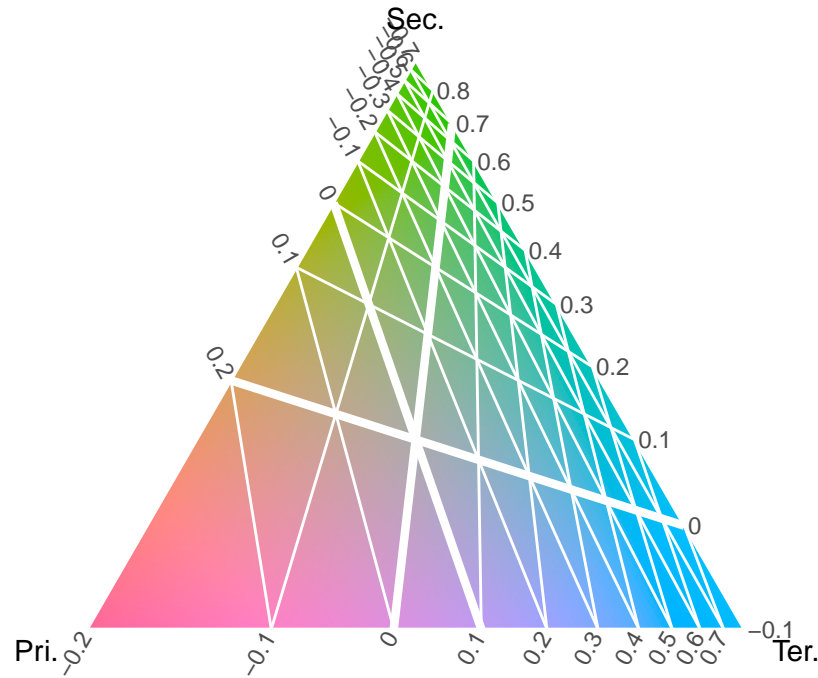


Figure 1: Sample space of the color mixtures for the non-balanced, centered color scale.



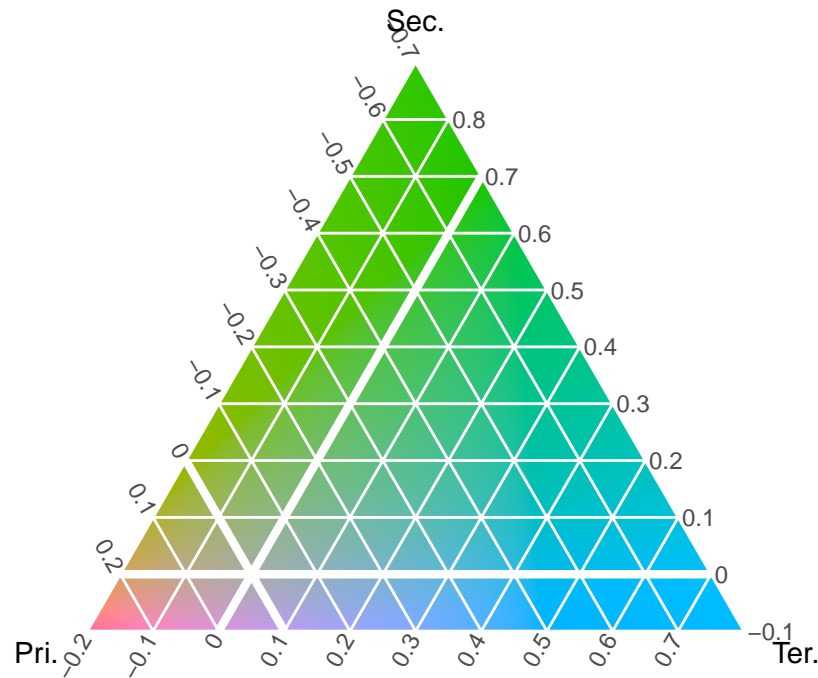
Compositional mean: 0.7, 0.1, 0.2

Figure 2: Color key for the non-balanced, centered color scale on a centered grid.

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labs(caption = paste0('Compositional mean: ',
                      paste0(round(center, 2), collapse = ', '))) +
theme_noticks()

# mixed colors and associated polar coordinates
colcC <- GetMixture(cC[,-1], h_ = 0, c_ = 130, l_ = 70,
                   contrast = 0, color_space = 'hcl')

ggtern(data.frame()) +
  geom_polygon(aes(x = p1, y = p2, z = p3, group = id,
                  fill = rep(colcC$hexsrrgb, 3), color = rep(colcC$hexsrrgb, 3)),
              data = as.data.frame(V), show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
                  y = T_from, yend = T_to,
                  z = R_from, zend = R_to),
              color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
              data = subset(grids$grid, centroid == FALSE)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
                  y = T_from, yend = T_to,
                  z = R_from, zend = R_to, group = scale),
              lwd = 1.5, color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
              data = subset(grids$grid, centroid == TRUE)) +
  scale_L_continuous(breaks = grids$breaks$L,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$L, 2)) +
  scale_T_continuous(breaks = grids$breaks$T,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$T, 2)) +
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Compositional mean: 0.7, 0.1, 0.2

Figure 3: Color key for the non-balanced, centered color scale on a non-centered grid.

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scale_R_continuous(breaks = grids$breaks$R,
                   labels = round(grids$labels$R, 2)) +
scale_fill_identity() +
scale_color_identity() +
labs(x = 'Pri.', y = 'Sec.', z = 'Ter.') +
labs(caption = paste0('Compositional mean: ',
                      paste0(round(center, 2), collapse = ', '))) +
theme_noticks()
```

Balanced centered color scale

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# Balanced -----

# inverse center weighted centroids
wC <- t(t(C[, -1]) * (1 - center))
# mixed colors and associated polar coordinates
colwC <- GetMixture(wC, h_ = h_, c_ = c_, l_ = l_,
                   contrast = contrast, color_space = 'hcl')

ggplot(colwC, aes(x = h, y = c)) +
  geom_point(aes(color = hexsrgb), show.legend = FALSE) +
  coord_polar(start = -2*pi/3, direction=1) +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks=seq(0, 360, by = 30), expand=c(0, 0), lim=c(0, 360)) +
  scale_color_identity() +
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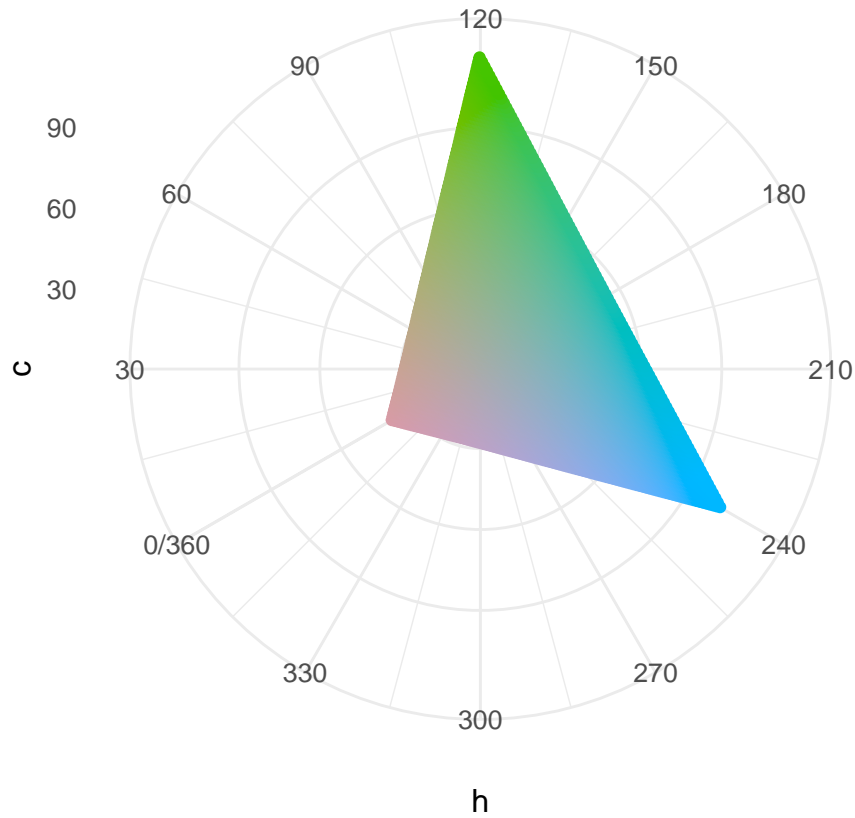
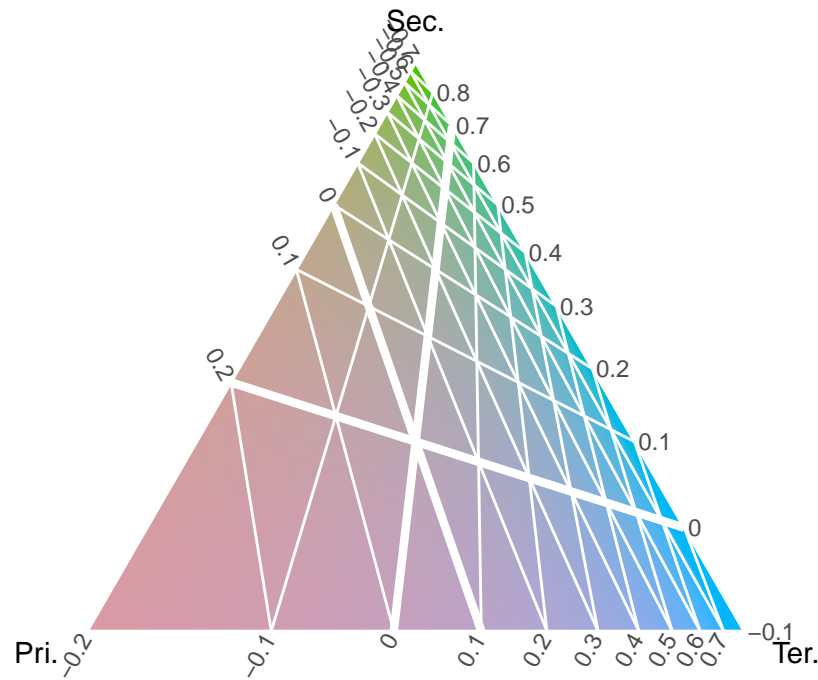


Figure 4: Sample space of the color mixtures for the balanced, centered color scale.

```
theme_minimal()

ggtern(data.frame()) +
  geom_polygon(aes(x = p1, y = p2, z = p3, group = id,
    fill = rep(colwC$hexsrgb, 3), color = rep(colwC$hexsrgb, 3)),
    data = cV, show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
    y = T_from, yend = T_to,
    z = R_from, zend = R_to),
    color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
    data = subset(grids$cgrid, centroid == FALSE)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
    y = T_from, yend = T_to,
    z = R_from, zend = R_to, group = scale),
    lwd = 1.5, color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
    data = subset(grids$cgrid, centroid == TRUE)) +
  scale_L_continuous(breaks = grids$cbreaks$L,
    labels = round(grids$labels$L, 2)) +
  scale_T_continuous(breaks = grids$cbreaks$T,
    labels = round(grids$labels$T, 2)) +
  scale_R_continuous(breaks = grids$cbreaks$R,
    labels = round(grids$labels$R, 2)) +
  scale_fill_identity() +
  scale_color_identity() +
  labs(x = 'Pri.', y = 'Sec.', z = 'Ter.') +
```

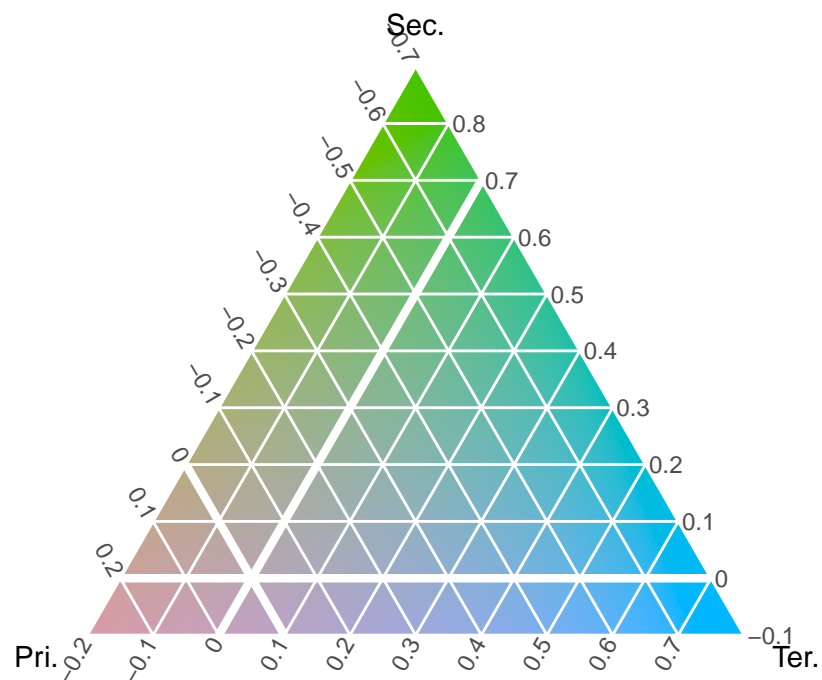



Compositional mean: 0.7, 0.1, 0.2

Figure 5: Color key for the balanced, centered color scale on a centered grid.

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labs(caption = paste0('Compositional mean: ',
                      paste0(round(center, 2), collapse = ', '))) +
theme_noticks()

ggtern(data.frame()) +
  geom_polygon(aes(x = p1, y = p2, z = p3, group = id,
                  fill = rep(colwC$hexsrgb, 3), color = rep(colwC$hexsrgb, 3)),
              data = as.data.frame(V), show.legend = FALSE) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
                  y = T_from, yend = T_to,
                  z = R_from, zend = R_to),
              color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
              data = subset(grids$grid, centroid == FALSE)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = L_from, xend = L_to,
                  y = T_from, yend = T_to,
                  z = R_from, zend = R_to, group = scale),
              lwd = 1.5, color = 'white', show.legend = FALSE,
              data = subset(grids$grid, centroid == TRUE)) +
  scale_L_continuous(breaks = grids$breaks$L,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$L, 2)) +
  scale_T_continuous(breaks = grids$breaks$T,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$T, 2)) +
  scale_R_continuous(breaks = grids$breaks$R,
                    labels = round(grids$labels$R, 2)) +
  scale_fill_identity() +
```



Compositional mean: 0.7, 0.1, 0.2

Figure 6: Color key for the balanced, centered color scale on a non-centered grid.

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scale_color_identity() +
labs(x = 'Pri.', y = 'Sec.', z = 'Ter.') +
labs(caption = paste0('Compositional mean: ',
                      paste0(round(center, 2), collapse = ', '))) +
theme_noticks()
```