

# Package ‘makedummies’

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**Imports** tibble

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Create dummy variables from categorical data. This package can convert categorical data (factor and ordered) into dummy variables and handle multiple columns simultaneously. This package enables to select whether a dummy variable for base group is included (for principal component analysis/factor analysis) or excluded (for regression analysis) by an option. `makedummies` function accepts `data.frame`, `matrix`, and `tbl` (tibble) class (by tibble package). `matrix` class data is automatically converted to `data.frame` class.

## Usage

```
makedummies(dat, ...)

## Default S3 method:
makedummies(dat, basal_level = FALSE, col = NULL,
             numerical = NULL, as.is = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
makedummies(dat, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tbl'
makedummies(dat, basal_level = FALSE, col = NULL,
             numerical = NULL, as.is = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>dat</code>	data of <code>data.frame</code> , <code>matrix</code> , or <code>tbl</code> class
<code>...</code>	arguments to <code>makedummies.data.frame</code> ( <code>tbl</code> class)
<code>basal_level</code>	logical <b>TRUE</b> : include a dummy variable for base group <b>FALSE</b> (default) : exclude a dummy variable for base group
<code>col</code>	Columns vector (all columns are used if <code>NULL</code> is given)
<code>numerical</code>	Columns vector converting from factor/ordered to numeric (ignore if column is numeric)
<code>as.is</code>	Columns vector not converting

## Value

return as `data.frame` or `tbl` class

## Note

Pull Request #1 (add column name when columns has binary value) (<https://github.com/toshi-ara/makedummies/pull/1>). Thanks to Kohki YAMAGIWA for the contribution.

**Examples**

```
##### 'data.frame' class
## factor
dat <- data.frame(x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)))
dat$x
makedummies(dat)

## ordered
dat <- data.frame(x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)))
dat$x <- ordered(dat$x, levels = c("a", "c", "b"))
dat$x
makedummies(dat)

## numeric
dat <- data.frame(x = rep(1:3, each = 3))
makedummies(dat)

## factor and numeric
dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = rep(1:3, each = 3)
)
makedummies(dat)

## factors
dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = factor(rep(1:3, each = 3))
)
makedummies(dat)

## data including NA
dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = rep(1:3, each = 3)
)
dat$x[4] <- NA; dat$y[6] <- NA
makedummies(dat)

## "col" option
dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = factor(rep(1:3, each = 3))
)
makedummies(dat, col = "x")

## "numerical" option
dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = factor(rep(1:3, each = 3))
)
)
```

```

makedummies(dat, numeric = "x")

dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = rep(4:6, each = 3)
)
dat$x <- ordered(dat$x, levels = c("a", "c", "b"))
dat
dat$x
makedummies(dat, numeric = c("x", "y"))

## "as.is" option
dat <- data.frame(
  x = factor(rep(c("a", "b", "c"), each = 3)),
  y = factor(rep(1:3, each = 3))
)
dat
makedummies(dat, as.is = "x")
makedummies(dat, as.is = c("x", "y"))

#### 'tibble' class
if (require(tibble)) {
  dat <- as_tibble(iris)
  makedummies(dat[46:55,], col = "Species", basal_level = TRUE)

  # non-standard variable name
  dat2 <- tibble(
    `1` = factor(rep(c("c", "a", "b"), each = 3)),
    `@` = factor(rep(1:3, each = 3)),
    `&` = rep(4:6, each = 3)
  )
  dat2

  makedummies(dat2, basal_level = TRUE)
  makedummies(dat2, as.is = "@", basal_level = TRUE)
  makedummies(dat2, numerical = "1", basal_level = TRUE)
}

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