# Package 'dpkg'

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as\_dpkg

Use a data.frame and metadata to create a data package

# **Description**

Convert a data frame into a data package (dpkg) by providing specific metadata in the arguments.

# Usage

```
as_dpkg(
    x,
    name = deparse(substitute(x)),
    version = "0.0.0.9000",
    title = character(),
    homepage = character(),
    description = character())
```

# **Arguments**

x a tibble or data frame

name a lowercase character string consisting of only a-z, 0-9, -, \_, or . to be used as

a data package identifier

version a character string representing a semantic version (e.g., "0.2.1")

title a character string that is a title of the data package for humans

homepage a valid URL that links to a webpage with code or descriptions related to creation

of the data package

description a character string (markdown encouraged!) of more details about how the data

was created, including the data sources, references to code or packages used, relevant details for any specific columns, and notes about (mis)usage of the data

#### **Details**

name should be specified, but if is not will be departed from code defining x; this might not result in a valid name (e.g., when piping code to create a data frame)

#### Value

```
a dpkg object
```

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#### **Examples**

```
x \leftarrow as\_dpkg(mtcars, name = "mtcars", title = "Motor Trend Road Car Tests") attr(x, "description") <- "This is a data set all about characteristics of different cars" attr(x, "homepage") <- "https://github.com/cole-brokamp/dpkg" x
```

dpkg\_gh\_release

Use a dpkg to create a github release

#### **Description**

A GitHub release will be created based on the current commit, tagged and named according to the name and version of the dpkg. The dpkg description is used for the release body.

# Usage

```
dpkg_gh_release(x, draft = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
x a data package (dpkg) objectdraft logical; mark release as draft?
```

# Details

The GITHUB\_PAT environment variable must be set and the working directory must be inside of a git repository with a GitHub remote.

The GitHub release will *not* be set to the latest release in order to prevent problems with other automated actions that rely on the latest release, like R universe or remotes "\*release" syntax or other GitHub actions.

Release tags are required to be unique, so this will fail if a release with the same name and version already exists.

#### Value

```
the URL to the release (invisibly)
```

#### **Examples**

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```
collapse = "\n"
)
),
draft = FALSE
)

## End(Not run)
#> created release at: https://github.com/cole-brokamp/dpkg/releases/tag/mtcars-v0.0.0.9001
```

 ${\tt dpkg\_meta}$ 

get the metadata associated with a data package

# **Description**

get the metadata associated with a data package

# Usage

```
dpkg_meta(x)
```

# Arguments

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a dpkg object

#### Value

a list of metadata key value pairs

# **Examples**

```
x <- as_dpkg(mtcars, name = "mtcars", title = "Motor Trend Road Car Tests")
attr(x, "description") <- "This is a data set all about characteristics of different cars"
attr(x, "homepage") <- "https://github.com/cole-brokamp/dpkg"
x
dpkg_meta(x)</pre>
```

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read\_dpkg\_metadata

read (meta)data from dpkg on disk

# **Description**

read (meta)data from dpkg on disk

#### Usage

```
read_dpkg_metadata(x)
read_dpkg(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

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path to data package (.parquet file) on disk

#### Value

for read\_dpkg(), a dpkg object; for read\_dpkg\_metadata(), a list of metadata

# **Examples**

```
d <- as_dpkg(mtcars, version = "0.1.0", title = "Motor Trend Road Car Tests")</pre>
attr(d, "description") <- "This is a data set all about characteristics of different cars"
attr(d, "homepage") <- "https://github.com/cole-brokamp/dpkg"</pre>
write_dpkg(d, dir = tempdir()) |>
 read_dpkg()
# geo objects are supported via the `geoarrow_vctr` in the geoarrow package
library(geoarrow)
sf::read_sf(system.file("gpkg/nc.gpkg", package = "sf")) |>
 as_dpkg(name = "nc_data") |>
 write_dpkg(tempdir())
d <- read_dpkg(fs::path_temp("nc_data-v0.0.0.9000.parquet"))</pre>
# as a simple features collection
d$geom <- sf::st_as_sfc(d$geom)</pre>
sf::st_as_sf(d)
# read just the metadata
read_dpkg_metadata(fs::path_temp("nc_data-v0.0.0.9000.parquet"))
```

stow\_gh\_release

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download a github release asset to the stow R user directory

# **Description**

Use stow to abstract away the process of downloading a file or a GitHub release asset to a user's data directory, only downloading files that have not already been downloaded.

# Usage

```
stow_gh_release(owner, repo, dpkg, overwrite = FALSE)
stow(uri, overwrite = FALSE)
stow_url(url, overwrite = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

owner	string of repo owner
repo	string of repo name
dpkg	string of gh release tag (will be the same as the filename without the $\mbox{.parquet}$ extension)
overwrite	logical; re-download the remote file even though a local file with the same name exists?
uri	character string universal resource identifier; currently, must begin with http://, https://, or gh://
url	a URL string starting with http:// or https://

#### **Details**

Supported URI prefixes include:

- https://, http://: download from a file
- gh://: download a github release asset, formatted as gh://owner/repo/name

Stow downloads files to the users data directory; see ?tools::R\_user\_dir. Specify an alternative download location by setting the R\_USER\_DATA\_DIR environment variable. The stow cache works by name only; that is, if a file with the same URI has already been downloaded once, it will not be re-downloaded again (unless overwrite = TRUE).

#### Value

path to the stowed file or url to github release

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#### **Examples**

stow\_info

get info about stowed files

# Description

```
get info about stowed files
get the path to a stowed file (or the stow directory)
test if a stowed file (or the stow directory) exists
get the size of a stowed file
remove a stowed file (or the stow entire directory)
```

#### Usage

```
stow_info(filename = NULL)
stow_path(filename = NULL)
stow_exists(filename = NULL)
stow_size(filename = NULL)
stow_remove(filename = NULL, .delete_stow_dir_confirm = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

filename

character filename of stowed file; if NULL, then information about *all* stowed files or the directory where files are stowed is returned

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```
.delete_stow_dir_confirm

set to TRUE in order to delete the entire stow directory without interactive user confirmation
```

#### Value

for stow\_info(), a tibble of file or folder information; for stow\_path(), a character path to the stowed file or stow directory; for stow\_exists(), a logical; for stow\_size(), a fs::

# **Examples**

```
Sys.setenv(R_USER_DATA_DIR = tempfile("stow"))
stow_path()
stow("https://github.com/geomarker-io/appc/releases/download/v0.1.0/nei_2020.rds")
stow_path("nei_2020.rds")
stow_exists("nei_2020.rds")
stow_size("nei_2020.rds")
stow("https://github.com/geomarker-io/appc/releases/download/v0.1.0/nei_2017.rds")
stow_info("nei_2017.rds")
stow_info()
stow_size()
stow_remove(.delete_stow_dir_confirm = TRUE)
```

use\_dpkg\_badge

Use a markdown badge for a dpkg's latest github release

# **Description**

The badge relies on shields.io for the images, which will always display to the most recently released version and will link to the releases specific to the dpkg name.

# Usage

```
use_dpkg_badge(x)
```

# **Arguments**

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a data package (dpkg) object

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# **Details**

Note that this relies on the structure of the release created with dpkg\_gh\_release(), but relies on a dpkg object *before* it is released. This will lead to broken release badges and links until an initial dpkg release is created with dpkg\_gh\_release().

#### Value

character string of markdown

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
as_dpkg(mtcars,
    version = "0.0.0.9000", title = "Foofy Cars",
homepage = "https://github.com/cole-brokamp/dpkg",
description =
    paste("# Foofy Cars\n",
        "This is a test for the [dpkg](https://github.com/cole-brokamp/dpkg) package.",
        collapse = "\n"
    )
) |>
    use_dpkg_badge()
## End(Not run)
```

write\_dpkg

write dpkg to disk

# **Description**

write dpkg to disk

# Usage

```
write_dpkg(x, dir)
```

#### Arguments

```
x a data package (dpkg) object
dir path to directory where dpkg parquet file will be written
```

#### Value

path to the written file, invisibly

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