

# Package ‘VIF’

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**Title** VIF Regression: A Fast Regression Algorithm For Large Data

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**Description** This package implements a fast regression algorithm for building linear model for large data as defined in the paper “VIF-Regression: A Fast Regression Algorithm for Large Data (2011), Journal of the American Statistical Association, Vol. 106, No. 493: 232-247” by Dongyu Lin, Dean P. Foster, and Lyle H. Ungar.

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housingexp

*Boston Housing Data with 3-Way Interactions*

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### Description

This data set is developed based on the original Boston Housing Data. We use MEDV as the response  $y$ . In the matrix of variables  $x$ , we include all the other 13 variables, their second and third orders, their two-way and three-way interactions.

### Usage

```
data(housingexp)
```

### Source

<http://stat.wharton.upenn.edu/~buja/STAT-541/boston.dat>

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syn

*A Synthetic Data set For Testing VIF-Regression*

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### Description

This data set contains a data set that can be used to test the VIF-regression.

### Usage

```
data(syn)
```

### Format

A list contains:

$y$  a numeric vector giving the response, 1000 x 1

$x$  a numeric matrix of variables, containing 200 variables, 1000 x 200

true a vector of true variables that generate  $y$

**Description**

vif selects variables for a linear model. It returns a subset of variables for building a linear model.

**Usage**

```
vif(y, x, w0 = 0.05, dw = 0.05, subsize = 200, trace = TRUE, mode = c("dense", "sparse"))
```

**Arguments**

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| y       | the response.  |
| x       | an optional data frame or matrix containing the variables in the model.  |
| w0      | the initial wealth.  |
| dw      | the incremental wealth attained if a variable is included in the model.  |
| subsize | the size of the subsample to approximate the variance inflation factor.  |
| trace   | logical. if TRUE a list containing current wealth, current test level, absolute $t$ value and $p$ -value for the current variable will be printed out. |
| mode    | "dense" or "sparse", specifying one of the two alpha-investings that should be used. Default is "sparse".  |

**Value**

A list containing:

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| select      | the chosen subset of variable.                             |
| modelmatrix | the model matrix that is ready for fitting a linear model. |

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**References**

Dongyu Lin, Dean P. Foster, and Lyle H. Ungar. (2011). VIF-Regression: A Fast Regression Algorithm for Large Data. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, Vol. 106, No. 493: 232–247. [http://gosset.wharton.upenn.edu/~foster/research/vif\\_jasa\\_final.pdf](http://gosset.wharton.upenn.edu/~foster/research/vif_jasa_final.pdf)

The data sets used in the paper can be downloaded via following links:

Boston Housing Data: <http://gosset.wharton.upenn.edu/~foster/auction/boston.csv>

Bankruptcy Data: <http://gosset.wharton.upenn.edu/~foster/auction/bankruptcy.csv>

Call Center Data: <http://gosset.wharton.upenn.edu/~foster/auction/calldata.tar.gz>

Many others: <http://gosset.wharton.upenn.edu/~foster/auction/auction.html>.

**Examples**

```
data(syn);  
vif.sel <- vif(syn$y, syn$x, trace = FALSE);  
vif.sel$select;  
syn>true;
```

```
data(housingexp);  
colnames(housingexp$x);  
vif.sel <- vif(housingexp$y, housingexp$x, w0 = 0.0005, dw = 0.005, subsize = 300, trace = FALSE);
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