

# Package ‘xyz’

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**Type** Package

**Title** The 'xyz' Algorithm for Fast Interaction Search in  
High-Dimensional Data

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**Description** High dimensional interaction search by brute force requires a quadratic computational cost in the number of variables. The xyz algorithm provably finds strong interactions in almost linear time.  
For details of the algorithm see: G. Thanei, N. Meinshausen and R. Shah (2016). The xyz algorithm for fast interaction search in high-dimensional data <<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.05108v1.pdf>>.

**License** GPL

**LazyData** TRUE

**Imports** stats, Rcpp (>= 0.12.6)

**LinkingTo** Rcpp

**RoxygenNote** 6.0.1

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**VignetteBuilder** knitr

**SystemRequirements** C++11

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**Description**

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**xyz functions**

xyz\_search, xyz\_regression

**References**

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xyz_regression	<i>Elasticnet with interactions (glmnet)</i>
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**Description**

Elasticnet with interactions (glmnet)

**Usage**

```
xyz_regression(X, Y, lambdas = NULL, n_lambda = 10, alpha = 0.9, L = 10,
               standardize = TRUE, standardize_response = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

X	A matrix.
Y	A vector.
lambdas	A vector of decreasing real numbers containing user specified values of lambda.
n_lambda	A natural number indicating how long the path of lambdas should be.
alpha	A real number between 0 and 1 (the elastic net parameter)
L	An integer indicating how many projection steps are performed.
standardize	A boolean indicating if X should be scaled and centered.
standardize_response	A boolean indicating if Y should be scaled and centered.

**Value**

N strongest interactions (of type type) between X and Y after L projections.

## References

G. Thanei, N. Meinshausen and R. Shah (2016). The xyz algorithm for fast interaction search in high-dimensional data. <<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.05108v1.pdf>>

## Examples

```
n<-300
p<-1000
#build matrix of predictors
X<-matrix(rnorm(n*p),n,p)
#build a main effect and an interaction into Y
Y<-4*X[,1]*X[,2]-5*X[,4]+rnorm(n)
result<-xyz_regression(X,Y,n_lambda=10,alpha=0.9,L=10)
#print the result
print(result)
#plot the result
plot(result)
```

**xyz\_search**

*Interaction search*

## Description

Interaction search

## Usage

```
xyz_search(X, Y, L = 10, N = 100, binary = TRUE, negative = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

X	A matrix.
Y	A vector.
L	An integer indicating how many projection steps are performed.
N	A integer, controlling the number of pairs that will be returned in the end.
binary	A logical indicating if X is binary or continuous.
negative	A logical indicating if also negative interactions should be searched for.

## Value

N strongest interactions between X and Y after L projections.

## References

G. Thanei, N. Meinshausen and R. Shah (2016). The xyz algorithm for fast interaction search in high-dimensional data. <<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.05108v1.pdf>>

**Examples**

```
n<-300
p<-1000
#construct a binary matrix
X<-matrix(sample(c(-1,1),replace=TRUE,n*p),n,p)
#set an interaction of the pair (1,2)
Y<-X[,1]*X[,2]+rnorm(n)
#run the interaction search
result<-xyz_search(X,Y,L=10,N=10,binary=TRUE,negative=TRUE)
#print the result
print(result)
```

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