

# Package ‘spam64’

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**Title** 64-Bit Extension of the SPARse Matrix R Package 'spam'

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**Description** Provides the Fortran code of the R package 'spam' with 64-bit integers. Loading this package together with the R package spam enables the sparse matrix class spam to handle huge sparse matrices with more than  $2^{31}-1$  non-zero elements. Documentation is provided in Gerber, Moesinger and Furrer (2017) <[doi:10.1016/j.cageo.2016.11.015](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cageo.2016.11.015)>.

**Suggests** spam (== 2.9-0)

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**URL** <https://git.math.uzh.ch/reinhard.furrer/spam>

**NeedsCompilation** yes

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### Description

Provides the Fortran code of the R package **spam** with 64-bit integers. Loading this package together with the R package **spam** enables the sparse matrix class `spam` to handle huge sparse matrices with more than  $2^{31}-1$  non-zero elements.

### Note

It is intended to use **spam64** together with **spam**. To avoid issues on 32-bit platforms we did not link the packages **spam** and **spam64** using dependencies.

Conversion between the structures happens when calling low-level functions and for some other selected operations.

Some **spam64** functions have been successfully tested with 64-bit matrices. However, we expect that some functions of **spam** do not work with 64-bit matrices (yet). Please do not hesitate to contact us via email or <https://git.math.uzh.ch/reinhard.furrer/spam> in case you would like to use a `spam` function with 64-bit matrices that is not working properly in the current version.

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### References

F. Gerber, K. Moesinger, R. Furrer (2017), Extending R packages to support 64-bit compiled code: An illustration with `spam64` and GIMMS NDVI3g data, *Computer & Geoscience* 104, 109-119, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cageo.2016.11.015>.

`spam64` uses the R package `dotCall64` to call compiled code: F. Gerber, K. Moesinger, R. Furrer (2018), `dotCall64`: An R package providing an efficient interface to compiled C, C++, and Fortran code supporting long vectors. *SoftwareX*, 7, 217-221, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.softx.2018.06.002>.

### Examples

```
library("spam")
library("spam64")

tiny <- spam(1)
pad(tiny) <- c(3,2^32)
tiny
```

```
str(tiny)      # tiny matrix big time

print(A <- spam_random(3))
options(spam.force64 = TRUE)  # forcing 64-bit structure
print( B <- spam_random(3))
A+B

options(spam.force64 = FALSE)
B      # No operations, structure is preserved
A+B    # Lowlevel operation, structure is adapted
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