

# Package ‘butcher’

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| axe-bart | <i>Axing a bart model.</i> |
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**Description**

Axing a bart model.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bart'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bart'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- x                   A model object.
- verbose            Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE.
- ...                Any additional arguments related to axing.

**Value**

Axed bart object.

**Examples**

```
library(dbarts)
x <- dbarts::bart(mtcars[,2:5], mtcars[,1], verbose = FALSE, keeptrees = TRUE)
res <- butcher(x, verbose = TRUE)
```

axe-C5.0

*Axing a C5.0.***Description**

C5.0 objects are created from the C50 package, which provides an interface to the C5.0 classification model. The models that can be generated include basic tree-based models as well as rule-based models.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'C5.0'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'C5.0'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'C5.0'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed C5.0 object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(rsample)
library(rpart)

# Load data
set.seed(1234)
split <- initial_split(kyphosis, prop = 9/10)
spine_train <- training(split)

# Create model and fit
c5_fit <- decision_tree(mode = "classification") %>%
  set_engine("C5.0") %>%
  fit(Kyphosis ~ ., data = spine_train)
```

```

out <- butcher(c5_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Try another model from parsnip
c5_fit2 <- boost_tree(mode = "classification", trees = 100) %>%
  set_engine("C5.0") %>%
  fit(Kyphosis ~ ., data = spine_train)
out <- butcher(c5_fit2, verbose = TRUE)

# Create model object from original library
library(C50)
library(modeldata)
data(mlc_churn)
c5_fit3 <- C5.0(x = mlc_churn[, -20], y = mlc_churn$churn)
out <- butcher(c5_fit3, verbose = TRUE)

```

axe-coxph

*Axing a coxph.***Description**

Axing a coxph.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'coxph'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'coxph'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Details**

The `survival::coxph()` model is unique in how it uses environments in its components, and butchering such an object can behave in surprising ways in any environment other than the **global environment** (such as when wrapped in a function). We do not recommend that you use `butcher()` with a `coxph` object anywhere other than the global environment.

Do this:

```
my_coxph_func <- function(df) {
  coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ x + strata(covar), df)
}
## in global environment only:
butcher(my_coxph_func(df))
```

Do *not* do this:

```
my_coxph_func <- function(df) {
  res <- coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ x + strata(covar), df)
  ## no:
  butcher(res)
}

## will not work correctly:
my_coxph_func(df)
```

## Value

Axed coxph object.

## Examples

```
library(survival)

example_data <-
  tibble::tibble(
    time = rpois(1000, 2) + 1,
    status = rbinom(1000, 1, .5),
    x = rpois(1000, .5),
    covar = rbinom(1000, 1, .5)
  )

example_data

make_big_model <- function() {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ x + strata(covar), example_data)
}

res <- make_big_model()

weigh(res)
weigh(butcher(res))
```

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| axe-earth | <i>Axing an earth object.</i> |
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## Description

earth objects are created from the **earth** package, which is leveraged to do multivariate adaptive regression splines.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'earth'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'earth'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'earth'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed earth object.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)

# Create model and fit
earth_fit <- mars(mode = "regression") %>%
  set_engine("earth") %>%
  fit(Volume ~ ., data = trees)

out <- butcher(earth_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another earth model object
suppressWarnings(suppressMessages(library(earth)))
earth_mod <- earth(Volume ~ ., data = trees)
out <- butcher(earth_mod, verbose = TRUE)
```

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axe-elnnet

*Axing an elnnet.*

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## Description

elnnet objects are created from the **glmnet** package, leveraged to fit generalized linear models via penalized maximum likelihood.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'elnnet'  
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed model object.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries  
library(parsnip)  
library(rsample)  
  
# Load data  
split <- initial_split(mtcars, prop = 9/10)  
car_train <- training(split)  
  
# Create model and fit  
elnnet_fit <- linear_reg(mixture = 0, penalty = 0.1) %>%  
  set_engine("glmnet") %>%  
  fit_xy(x = car_train[, 2:11], y = car_train[, 1, drop = FALSE])  
  
out <- butcher(elnnet_fit, verbose = TRUE)
```

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| axe-flexsurvreg | <i>Axing an flexsurvreg.</i> |
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## Description

flexsurvreg objects are created from the **flexsurv** package. They differ from survreg in that the fitted models are not limited to certain parametric distributions. Users can define their own distribution, or leverage distributions like the generalized gamma, generalized F, and the Royston-Parmar spline model.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'flexsurvreg'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'flexsurvreg'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed flexsurvreg object.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(flexsurv)

# Create model and fit
flexsurvreg_fit <- surv_reg(mode = "regression", dist = "gengamma") %>%
  set_engine("flexsurv") %>%
  fit(Surv(Tstart, Tstop, status) ~ trans, data = bosms3)

out <- butcher(flexsurvreg_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another flexsurvreg model object
wrapped_flexsurvreg <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- flexsurvreg(Surv(futime, fustat) ~ 1,
                    data = ovarian, dist = "weibull")
  return(fit)
```

```

}

out <- butcher(wrapped_flexsurvreg(), verbose = TRUE)

```

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axe-formula

*Axing formulas.*


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## Description

formulas might capture an environment from the modeling development process that carries objects that will not be used for any post- estimation activities.

## Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'formula'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed formula object.

## Examples

```

wrapped_formula <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  ex <- as.formula(paste("y ~", paste(LETTERS, collapse = "+")))
  return(ex)
}

lobstr::obj_size(wrapped_formula())
lobstr::obj_size(butcher(wrapped_formula()))

wrapped_quosure <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  out <- rlang::quo(x)
  return(out)
}
lobstr::obj_size(wrapped_quosure())
lobstr::obj_size(butcher(wrapped_quosure))

```

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| axe-function | <i>Axing functions.</i> |
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## Description

Functions stored in model objects often have heavy environments and bytecode attached. To avoid breaking any post-estimation functions on the model object, the `butchered_function` class is not appended.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class '`function`'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed function.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries
library(caret)

data(iris)
train_data <- iris[, 1:4]
train_classes <- iris[, 5]

train_fit <- train(train_data, train_classes,
  method = "knn",
  preProcess = c("center", "scale"),
  tuneLength = 10,
  trControl = trainControl(method = "cv"))

out <- axe_env(train_fit$modelInfo$prob, verbose = TRUE)
out <- axe_env(train_fit$modelInfo$levels, verbose = TRUE)
out <- axe_env(train_fit$modelInfo$predict, verbose = TRUE)
```

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axe-gam

*Axing a gam.*

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## Description

gam objects are created from the **mgcv** package.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'gam'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gam'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gam'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gam'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gam'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed gam object.

## Examples

```
cars_gam <- mgcv::gam(mpg ~ s(displ, k = 3) + s(wt), data = mtcars)
cleaned_gam <- butcher(cars_gam, verbose = TRUE)
```

axe-gausspr

*Axing a gausspr.***Description**

gausspr objects are created from **kernlab** package, which provides a means to do classification, regression, clustering, novelty detection, quantile regression and dimensionality reduction. Since fitted model objects from **kernlab** are S4, the butcher\_gausspr class is not appended.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'gausspr'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gausspr'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gausspr'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gausspr'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed gausspr object.

**Examples**

```
library(kernlab)

test <- gausspr(Species ~ ., data = iris, var = 2)

out <- butcher(test, verbose = TRUE)

# Example with simulated regression data
x <- seq(-20, 20, 0.1)
y <- sin(x)/x + rnorm(401, sd = 0.03)
test2 <- gausspr(x, y)
out <- butcher(test2, verbose = TRUE)
```

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| axe-glm | <i>Axing a glm.</i> |
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## Description

glm objects are created from the base **stats** package.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'glm'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'glm'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'glm'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'glm'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed glm object.

## Examples

```
cars_glm <- glm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
cleaned_glm <- butcher(cars_glm, verbose = TRUE)
```

axe-glmnet

*Axing a glmnet.***Description**

glmnet objects are created from the **glmnet** package, leveraged to fit generalized linear models via penalized maximum likelihood.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'glmnet'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed glmnet object.

**Examples**

```
library(parsnip)

# Wrap a parsnip glmnet model
wrapped_parsnip_glmnet <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  model <- logistic_reg(penalty = 10, mixture = 0.1) %>%
    set_engine("glmnet") %>%
    fit(as.factor(vs) ~ ., data = mtcars)
  return(model$fit)
}

out <- butcher(wrapped_parsnip_glmnet(), verbose = TRUE)
```

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axe-ipred*Axing a bagged tree.*

---

## Description

\*\_bagg objects are created from the **ipred** package, which is used for bagging classification, regression and survival trees.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'regbagg'  
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'classbagg'  
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'survbagg'  
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'regbagg'  
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'classbagg'  
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'survbagg'  
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'regbagg'  
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'classbagg'  
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'survbagg'  
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'regbagg'  
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'classbagg'  
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'survbagg'  
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed \*\_bagg object.

**Examples**

```
library(ipred)

fit_mod <- function() {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  bagging(y ~ x, data.frame(y = rnorm(1e4), x = rnorm(1e4)))
}

mod_fit <- fit_mod()
mod_res <- butcher(mod_fit)

weigh(mod_fit)
weigh(mod_res)
```

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axe-kknn

*Axing an kknn.*


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**Description**

kknn objects are created from the **kknn** package, which is utilized to do weighted k-Nearest Neighbors for classification, regression and clustering.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'kknn'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'kknn'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed kknn object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(rsample)
library(rpart)
library(kknn)

# Load data
set.seed(1234)
split <- initial_split(kyphosis, prop = 9/10)
spine_train <- training(split)

# Create model and fit
kknn_fit <- nearest_neighbor(mode = "classification",
                             neighbors = 3,
                             weight_func = "gaussian",
                             dist_power = 2) %>%
  set_engine("kknn") %>%
  fit(Kyphosis ~ ., data = spine_train)

out <- butcher(kknn_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another kknn model object
m <- dim(iris)[1]
val <- sample(1:m,
              size = round(m/3),
              replace = FALSE,
              prob = rep(1/m, m))
iris.learn <- iris[-val,]
iris.valid <- iris[val,]
kknn_fit <- kknn(Species ~ .,
                 iris.learn,
                 iris.valid,
                 distance = 1,
                 kernel = "triangular")
out <- butcher(kknn_fit, verbose = TRUE)
```

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axe-KMeansCluster

*Axing a KMeansCluster.*


---

**Description**

Axing a KMeansCluster.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'KMeansCluster'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'KMeansCluster'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed KMeansCluster object.

**Examples**

```
library(ClusterR)
data(dietary_survey_IBS)
dat <- scale(dietary_survey_IBS[, -ncol(dietary_survey_IBS)])
km <- KMeans_rcpp(dat, clusters = 2, num_init = 5)
out <- butcher(km, verbose = TRUE)
```

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axe-kproto

*Axing a kproto.*


---

**Description**

Axing a kproto.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'kproto'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'kproto'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed kproto object.

**Examples**

```
library(clustMixType)

kproto_fit <- kproto(
  ToothGrowth,
  k = 2,
  lambda = lambdaest(ToothGrowth),
  verbose = FALSE
)

out <- butcher(kproto_fit, verbose = TRUE)
```

---

axe-ksvm

*Axing a ksvm object.*


---

**Description**

ksvm objects are created from **kernlab** package, which provides a means to do classification, regression, clustering, novelty detection, quantile regression and dimensionality reduction. Since fitted model objects from **kernlab** are S4, the butcher\_ksvm class is not appended.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'ksvm'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ksvm'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ksvm'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed ksvm object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(kernlab)

# Load data
data(spam)

# Create model and fit
ksvm_class <- svm_poly(mode = "classification") %>%
  set_engine("kernlab") %>%
  fit(type ~ ., data = spam)

out <- butcher(ksvm_class, verbose = TRUE)
```

axe-lm

*Axing an lm.***Description**

lm objects are created from the base **stats** package.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'lm'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'lm'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'lm'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed lm object.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(rsample)

# Load data
split <- initial_split(mtcars, prop = 9/10)
car_train <- training(split)

# Create model and fit
lm_fit <- linear_reg() %>%
  set_engine("lm") %>%
  fit(mpg ~ ., data = car_train)

out <- butcher(lm_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another lm object
wrapped_lm <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
  return(fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_lm <- axe_env(wrapped_lm(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_lm)

# Compare environment in terms component
lobstr::obj_size(attr(wrapped_lm()$terms, ".Environment"))
lobstr::obj_size(attr(cleaned_lm$terms, ".Environment"))
```

---

axe-mass

*Axing a MASS discriminant analysis object.*

---

## Description

lda and qda objects are created from the **MASS** package, leveraged to carry out linear discriminant analysis and quadratic discriminant analysis, respectively.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lda'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'qda'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed lda or qda object.

**Examples**

```
library(MASS)

fit_da <- function(fit_fn) {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  fit_fn(y ~ x, data.frame(y = rep(letters[1:4], 10000), x = rnorm(40000)))
}

lda_fit <- fit_da(lda)
qda_fit <- fit_da(qda)

lda_fit_b <- butcher(lda_fit)
qda_fit_b <- butcher(qda_fit)

weigh(lda_fit)
weigh(lda_fit_b)

weigh(qda_fit)
weigh(qda_fit_b)
```

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axe-mda

*Axing a mda.*


---

**Description**

mda and fda objects are created from the **mda** package, leveraged to carry out mixture discriminant analysis and flexible discriminat analysis, respectively.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'mda'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'fda'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'mda'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'fda'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mda'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'fda'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

### Value

Axed mda object.

### Examples

```
library(mda)

mtcars$cyl <- as.factor(mtcars$cyl)

fit <- mda(cyl ~ ., data = mtcars)
out <- butcher(fit, verbose = TRUE)

fit2 <- fda(cyl ~ ., data = mtcars)
out2 <- butcher(fit2, verbose = TRUE)

# Another mda object
data(glass)
wrapped_mda <- function(fit_fn) {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- fit_fn(Type ~ ., data = glass)
  return(fit)
}

lobstr::obj_size(wrapped_mda(mda))
lobstr::obj_size(butcher(wrapped_mda(mda)))

lobstr::obj_size(wrapped_mda(fda))
lobstr::obj_size(butcher(wrapped_mda(fda)))
```

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|               |                            |
|---------------|----------------------------|
| axe-model_fit | <i>Axing an model_fit.</i> |
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**Description**

model\_fit objects are created from the parsnip package.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'model_fit'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'model_fit'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'model_fit'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'model_fit'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'model_fit'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed model\_fit object.

**Examples**

```
library(parsnip)
library(rpart)

# Create model and fit
lm_fit <- linear_reg() %>%
  set_engine("lm") %>%
  fit(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)

out <- butcher(lm_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another parsnip model
```

```

rpart_fit <- decision_tree(mode = "regression") %>%
  set_engine("rpart") %>%
  fit(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars, minsplit = 5, cp = 0.1)

out <- butcher(rpart_fit, verbose = TRUE)

```

---

axe-multnet

*Axing an multnet.*


---

## Description

multnet objects are created from carrying out multinomial regression in the **glmnet** package.

## Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'multnet'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed multnet object.

## Examples

```

# Load libraries
library(parsnip)

# Load data
set.seed(1234)
predictrs <- matrix(rnorm(100*20), ncol = 20)
colnames(predictrs) <- paste0("a", seq_len(ncol(predictrs)))
response <- as.factor(sample(1:4, 100, replace = TRUE))

# Create model and fit
multnet_fit <- multinom_reg(penalty = 0.1) %>%
  set_engine("glmnet") %>%
  fit_xy(x = predictrs, y = response)

out <- butcher(multnet_fit, verbose = TRUE)

```

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|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| axe-NaiveBayes | <i>Axing a NaiveBayes.</i> |
|----------------|----------------------------|

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## Description

NaiveBayes objects are created from the **klaR** package, leveraged to fit a Naive Bayes Classifier.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'NaiveBayes'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'NaiveBayes'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed NaiveBayes object.

## Examples

```
library(klaR)

fit_mod <- function() {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  NaiveBayes(
    y ~ x,
    data = data.frame(y = as.factor(rep(letters[1:4], 1e4)), x = rnorm(4e4))
  )
}

mod_fit <- fit_mod()
mod_res <- butcher(mod_fit)

weigh(mod_fit)
weigh(mod_res)
```

axe-nnet

*Axing a nnet.***Description**

nnet objects are created from the **nnet** package, leveraged to fit multilayer perceptron models.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'nnet'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'nnet'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'nnet'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed nnet object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(nnet)

# Create and fit model
nnet_fit <- mlp("classification", hidden_units = 2) %>%
  set_engine("nnet") %>%
  fit(Species ~ ., data = iris)

out <- butcher(nnet_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another nnet object
targets <- class.ind(c(rep("setosa", 50),
                       rep("versicolor", 50),
                       rep("virginica", 50)))

fit <- nnet(iris[,1:4],
```

```

        targets,
        size = 2,
        rang = 0.1,
        decay = 5e-4,
        maxit = 20)

out <- butcher(fit, verbose = TRUE)

```

axe-pls

*Axing mixOmics models***Description**

`mixo_pls` (via `pls()`), `mixo_spls` (via `spls()`), and `mixo_plsda` (via `plsda()`) objects are created with the `mixOmics` package, leveraged to fit partial least squares models.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'mixo_pls'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mixo_spls'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mixo_pls'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mixo_spls'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mixo_pls'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mixo_spls'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Details**

The `mixOmics` package is not available on CRAN, but can be installed from the Bioconductor repository via `remotes::install_bioc("mixOmics")`.

**Value**

Axed mixo\_pls, mixo\_spls, or mixo\_plsda object.

**Examples**

```
library(butcher)
do.call(library, list(package = "mixOmics"))

# pls -----
fit_mod <- function() {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  pls(matrix(rnorm(2e4), ncol = 2), rnorm(1e4), mode = "classic")
}

mod_fit <- fit_mod()
mod_res <- butcher(mod_fit)

weigh(mod_fit)
weigh(mod_res)

new_data <- matrix(1:2, ncol = 2)
colnames(new_data) <- c("X1", "X2")
predict(mod_fit, new_data)
predict(mod_res, new_data)
```

---

axe-randomForest

*Axing an randomForest.*


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**Description**

randomForest objects are created from the randomForest package, which is used to train random forests based on Breiman's 2001 work. The package supports ensembles of classification and regression trees.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'randomForest'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'randomForest'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'randomForest'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed randomForest object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(rsample)
library(randomForest)
data(kyphosis, package = "rpart")

# Load data
set.seed(1234)
split <- initial_split(kyphosis, prop = 9/10)
spine_train <- training(split)

# Create model and fit
randomForest_fit <- rand_forest(mode = "classification",
                                mtry = 2,
                                trees = 2,
                                min_n = 3) %>%
  set_engine("randomForest") %>%
  fit_xy(x = spine_train[,2:4], y = spine_train$Kyphosis)

out <- butcher(randomForest_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another randomForest object
wrapped_rf <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  randomForest_fit <- randomForest(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
  return(randomForest_fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_rf <- axe_env(wrapped_rf(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_rf)
```

axe-ranger

*Axing an ranger.***Description**

ranger objects are created from the **ranger** package, which is used as a means to quickly train random forests. The package supports ensembles of classification, regression, survival and probability prediction trees. Given the reliance of post processing functions on the model object, like importance\_pvalues and treeInfo, on the first class listed, the butcher\_ranger class is not appended.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'ranger'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ranger'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed ranger object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(rsample)
library(ranger)

# Load data
set.seed(1234)
split <- initial_split(iris, prop = 9/10)
iris_train <- training(split)

# Create model and fit
ranger_fit <- rand_forest(mode = "classification",
                          mtry = 2,
                          trees = 20,
                          min_n = 3) %>%
  set_engine("ranger") %>%
```

```

    fit(Species ~ ., data = iris_train)

out <- butcher(ranger_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another ranger object
wrapped_ranger <- function() {
  n <- 100
  p <- 400
  dat <- data.frame(y = factor(rbinom(n, 1, .5)), replicate(p, runif(n)))
  fit <- ranger(y ~ ., dat, importance = "impurity_corrected")
  return(fit)
}

cleaned_ranger <- axe_fitted(wrapped_ranger(), verbose = TRUE)

```

axe-rda

*Axing an rda.***Description**

rda objects are created from the **klaR** package, leveraged to carry out regularized discriminant analysis.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'rda'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rda'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed rda object.

## Examples

```
library(klaR)

fit_mod <- function() {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  rda(
    y ~ x,
    data = data.frame(y = rep(letters[1:4], 1e4), x = rnorm(4e4)),
    gamma = 0.05,
    lambda = 0.2
  )
}

mod_fit <- fit_mod()
mod_res <- butcher(mod_fit)

weigh(mod_fit)
weigh(mod_res)
```

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axe-recipe

*Axing a recipe object.*

---

## Description

recipe objects are created from the **recipes** package, which is leveraged for its set of data pre-processing tools. These recipes work by sequentially defining each pre-processing step. The implementation of each step, however, results its own class so we bundle all the axe methods related to recipe objects in general here. Note that the butchered class is only added to the recipe as a whole, and not to each pre-processing step.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'recipe'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_arrange'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_filter'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_mutate'
axe_env(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'step_slice'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_impute_bag'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_bagimpute'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_impute_knn'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_knnimpute'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_geodist'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_interact'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'step_ratio'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'quosure'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'recipe'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

### Value

Axed recipe object.

### Examples

```
library(recipes)
data(biomass, package = "modeldata")

biomass_tr <- biomass[biomass$dataset == "Training",]
rec <- recipe(HHV ~ carbon + hydrogen + oxygen + nitrogen + sulfur,
```

```

      data = biomass_tr) %>%
step_center(all_predictors()) %>%
step_scale(all_predictors()) %>%
step_spatialsign(all_predictors())

out <- butcher(rec, verbose = TRUE)

# Another recipe object
wrapped_recipes <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  return(
    recipe(mpg ~ cyl, data = mtcars) %>%
      step_center(all_predictors()) %>%
      step_scale(all_predictors()) %>%
      prep()
  )
}

# Remove junk in environment
cleaned1 <- axe_env(wrapped_recipes(), verbose = TRUE)
# Replace prepared training data with zero-row slice
cleaned2 <- axe_fitted(wrapped_recipes(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned1)
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned2)

```

axe-rpart

*Axing a rpart.***Description**

rpart objects are created from the **rpart** package, which is used for recursive partitioning for classification, regression and survival trees.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'rpart'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rpart'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rpart'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rpart'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed rpart object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(rsample)
library(rpart)

# Load data
set.seed(1234)
split <- initial_split(mtcars, prop = 9/10)
car_train <- training(split)

# Create model and fit
rpart_fit <- decision_tree(mode = "regression") %>%
  set_engine("rpart") %>%
  fit(mpg ~ ., data = car_train, minsplit = 5, cp = 0.1)

out <- butcher(rpart_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another rpart object
wrapped_rpart <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- rpart(Kyphosis ~ Age + Number + Start,
    data = kyphosis,
    x = TRUE, y = TRUE)
  return(fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_rpart <- axe_env(wrapped_rpart(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_rpart)
```

**Description**

sclass objects are byproducts of classbagg objects.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sclass'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'sclass'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed sclass object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(ipred)
library(rpart)
library(MASS)

# Load data
data("GlaucomaM", package = "TH.data")

classbagg_fit <- bagging(Class ~ ., data = GlaucomaM, coob = TRUE)

out <- butcher(classbagg_fit$mtrees[[1]], verbose = TRUE)

# Another classbagg object
wrapped_classbagg <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- bagging(Species ~ .,
                 data = iris,
                 nbagg = 10,
                 coob = TRUE)
  return(fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_classbagg <- butcher(wrapped_classbagg(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
```

```
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_classbagg)
```

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|-----------|------------------------------|
| axe-spark | <i>Axing a spark object.</i> |
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## Description

spark objects are created from the **sparklyr** package, a R interface for Apache Spark. The axe methods available for spark objects are designed such that interoperability is maintained. In other words, for a multilingual machine learning team, butchered spark objects instantiated from **sparklyr** can still be serialized to disk, work in Python, be deployed on Scala, etc. It is also worth noting here that spark objects created from **sparklyr** have a lot of metadata attached to it, including but not limited to the formula, dataset, model, index labels, etc. The axe functions provided are for parsing down the model object both prior saving to disk, or loading from disk. Traditional R save functions are not available for these objects, so functionality is provided in `sparklyr::ml_save`. This function gives the user the option to keep either the `pipeline_model` or the `pipeline`, so both of these objects are retained from butchering, yet removal of one or the other might be conducive to freeing up memory on disk.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ml_model'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ml_model'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ml_model'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ml_model'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed spark object.

**Examples**

```
library(sparklyr)

sc <- spark_connect(master = "local")

iris_tbls <- sdf_copy_to(sc, iris, overwrite = TRUE) %>%
  sdf_random_split(train = 2/3, validation = 2/3, seed = 2018)

train <- iris_tbls$train
spark_fit <- ml_logistic_regression(train, Species ~ .)

out <- butcher(spark_fit, verbose = TRUE)

spark_disconnect(sc)
```

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axe-survreg

*Axing an survreg.*


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**Description**

survreg objects are created from the **survival** package. They are returned from the survreg function, representing fitted parametric survival models.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'survreg'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'survreg'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'survreg'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed survreg object.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(survival)

# Create model and fit
survreg_fit <- surv_reg(mode = "regression", dist = "weibull") %>%
  set_engine("survival") %>%
  fit(Surv(futime, fustat) ~ 1, data = ovarian)

out <- butcher(survreg_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another survreg object
wrapped_survreg <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- survreg(Surv(time, status) ~ ph.ecog + age + strata(sex),
    data = lung)
  return(fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_survreg <- butcher(wrapped_survreg(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_survreg)
```

---

axe-survreg.penal

*Axing an survreg.penal*

---

## Description

survreg.penal objects are created from the **survival** package. They are returned from the survreg function, representing fitted parametric survival models.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'survreg.penal'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'survreg.penal'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'survreg.penal'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed survreg object.

**Examples**

```
# Load libraries
library(parsnip)
library(survival)

# Create model and fit
survreg_fit <- surv_reg(mode = "regression", dist = "weibull") %>%
  set_engine("survival") %>%
  fit(Surv(time, status) ~ rx, data = rats)

out <- butcher(survreg_fit, verbose = TRUE)

# Another survreg.penal object
wrapped_survreg.penal <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- survreg(Surv(time, status) ~ rx,
    data = rats, subset = (sex == "f"))
  return(fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_sp <- axe_env(wrapped_survreg.penal(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_sp)
```

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axe-terms

*Axing for terms inputs.*


---

**Description**

Generics related to axing objects of the term class.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'terms'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed terms object.

**Examples**

```
# Using lm
wrapped_lm <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
  return(fit)
}

# Remove junk
cleaned_lm <- axe_env(wrapped_lm(), verbose = TRUE)

# Check size
lobstr::obj_size(cleaned_lm)

# Compare environment in terms component
lobstr::obj_size(attr(wrapped_lm()$terms, ".Environment"))
lobstr::obj_size(attr(cleaned_lm$terms, ".Environment"))

# Using rpart
library(rpart)

wrapped_rpart <- function() {
  some_junk_in_environment <- runif(1e6)
  fit <- rpart(Kyphosis ~ Age + Number + Start,
               data = kyphosis,
               x = TRUE,
               y = TRUE)
  return(fit)
}

lobstr::obj_size(wrapped_rpart())
lobstr::obj_size(axe_env(wrapped_rpart()))
```

## Description

train objects are created from the **caret** package.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'train'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train'
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train'
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train'
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Axed train object.

## Examples

```
# Load libraries
library(caret)

data(iris)
train_data <- iris[, 1:4]
train_classes <- iris[, 5]

train_fit <- train(train_data, train_classes,
                  method = "knn",
                  preProcess = c("center", "scale"),
                  tuneLength = 10,
                  trControl = trainControl(method = "cv"))

out <- butcher(train_fit, verbose = TRUE)
```

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|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| axe-train.recipe | <i>Axing a train.recipe object.</i> |
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## Description

train.recipe objects are slightly different from train objects created from the caret package in that it also includes instructions from a recipe for data pre-processing. Axing functions specific to train.recipe are thus included as additional steps are required to remove parts of train.recipe objects.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'train.recipe'
axe_call(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train.recipe'
axe_ctrl(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train.recipe'
axe_data(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train.recipe'
axe_env(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'train.recipe'
axe_fitted(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

|     |                                            |
|-----|--------------------------------------------|
| x   | A model object.                            |
| ... | Any additional arguments related to axing. |

## Value

Axed train.recipe object.

## Examples

```
library(recipes)
library(caret)
data(biomass, package = "modeldata")

data(biomass)
recipe <- biomass %>%
  recipe(HHV ~ carbon + hydrogen + oxygen + nitrogen + sulfur) %>%
  step_center(all_predictors()) %>%
  step_scale(all_predictors()) %>%
  step_spatialsign(all_predictors())
```

```

train.recipe_fit <- train(recipe, biomass,
                          method = "svmRadial",
                          metric = "RMSE")

out <- butcher(train.recipe_fit, verbose = TRUE)

```

axe-xgb.Booster

*Axing a xgb.Booster.***Description**

xgb.Booster objects are created from the **xgboost** package, which provides efficient and scalable implementations of gradient boosted decision trees. Given the reliance of post processing functions on the model object, like `xgb.Booster.complete`, on the first class listed, the `butcher_xgb.Booster` class is not appended.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'xgb.Booster'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'xgb.Booster'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed xgb.Booster object.

**Examples**

```

library(xgboost)
library(parsnip)

data(agaricus.train)
bst <- xgboost(data = agaricus.train$data,
              label = agaricus.train$label,
              eta = 1,
              nthread = 2,
              nrounds = 2,
              eval_metric = "logloss",

```

```

        objective = "binary:logistic",
        verbose = 0)

out <- butcher(bst, verbose = TRUE)

# Another xgboost model
fit <- boost_tree(mode = "classification", trees = 20) %>%
  set_engine("xgboost", eval_metric = "mlogloss") %>%
  fit(Species ~ ., data = iris)

out <- butcher(fit, verbose = TRUE)

```

axe-xrf

*Axing a xrf.***Description**

Axing a xrf.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'xrf'
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'xrf'
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Axed xrf object.

**Examples**

```

library(xrf)

xrf_big <- function() {
  boop <- runif(1e6)
  xrf(
    mpg ~ .,
    mtcars,
    xgb_control = list(nrounds = 2, max_depth = 2),

```

```

    family = 'gaussian'
  )
}

heavy_m <- xrf_big()

m <- butcher(heavy_m, verbose = TRUE)

weigh(heavy_m)
weigh(m)

```

axe\_call

*Axe a call.***Description**

Replace the call object attached to modeling objects with a placeholder.

**Usage**

```
axe_call(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Model object without call attribute.

**Methods**

See the following help topics for more details about individual methods:

butcher

- [axe-C5.0](#): C5.0
- [axe-KMeansCluster](#): KMeansCluster
- [axe-NaiveBayes](#): NaiveBayes
- [axe-bart](#): bart
- [axe-earth](#): earth
- [axe-elnet](#): elnet
- [axe-flexsurvreg](#): flexsurvreg

- `axe-gam`: gam
- `axe-gausspr`: gausspr
- `axe-glm`: glm
- `axe-glmnet`: glmnet
- `axe-ipred`: classbagg, regbagg, survbagg
- `axe-ksvm`: ksvm
- `axe-lm`: lm
- `axe-mda`: fda, mda
- `axe-model_fit`: model\_fit
- `axe-multnet`: multnet
- `axe-nnet`: nnet
- `axe-pls`: mixo\_pls, mixo\_spls
- `axe-randomForest`: randomForest
- `axe-ranger`: ranger
- `axe-rda`: rda
- `axe-rpart`: rpart
- `axe-sclass`: sclass
- `axe-spark`: ml\_model
- `axe-survreg`: survreg
- `axe-survreg.penal`: survreg.penal
- `axe-train`: train
- `axe-train.recipe`: train.recipe
- `axe-xgb.Booster`: xgb.Booster
- `axe-xrf`: xrf

axe\_ctrl

*Axe controls.*

## Description

Remove the controls from training attached to modeling objects.

## Usage

```
axe_ctrl(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

- |                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Model object without control tuning parameters from training.

**Methods**

See the following help topics for more details about individual methods:  
butcher

- [axe-C5.0](#): C5.0
- [axe-gam](#): gam
- [axe-ipred](#): classbagg, regbagg, survbagg
- [axe-model\\_fit](#): model\_fit
- [axe-randomForest](#): randomForest
- [axe-rpart](#): rpart
- [axe-spark](#): ml\_model
- [axe-train](#): train
- [axe-train.recipe](#): train.recipe

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|          |                  |
|----------|------------------|
| axe_data | <i>Axe data.</i> |
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**Description**

Remove the training data attached to modeling objects.

**Usage**

```
axe_data(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- |         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Model object without the training data

## Methods

See the following help topics for more details about individual methods:

butcher

- [axe-NaiveBayes](#): NaiveBayes
- [axe-coxph](#): coxph
- [axe-earth](#): earth
- [axe-gam](#): gam
- [axe-gausspr](#): gausspr
- [axe-glm](#): glm
- [axe-ipred](#): classbagg, regbagg, survbagg
- [axe-kproto](#): kproto
- [axe-ksvm](#): ksvm
- [axe-model\\_fit](#): model\_fit
- [axe-pls](#): mixo\_pls, mixo\_spls
- [axe-rpart](#): rpart
- [axe-spark](#): ml\_model
- [axe-survreg](#): survreg
- [axe-survreg.penal](#): survreg.penal
- [axe-train](#): train
- [axe-train.recipe](#): train.recipe

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axe\_env

*Axe an environment.*

---

## Description

Remove the environment(s) attached to modeling objects as they are not required in the downstream analysis pipeline. If found, the environment is replaced with `rlang::base_env()`.

## Usage

```
axe_env(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|                      |                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>x</code>       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code> | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| <code>...</code>     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

**Value**

Model object with empty environments.

**Methods**

See the following help topics for more details about individual methods:

butcher

- [axe-coxph](#): coxph
- [axe-flexsurvreg](#): flexsurvreg
- [axe-formula](#): formula
- [axe-function](#): function
- [axe-gam](#): gam
- [axe-gausspr](#): gausspr
- [axe-glm](#): glm
- [axe-ipred](#): classbagg, regbagg, survbagg
- [axe-kknn](#): kknn
- [axe-lm](#): lm
- [axe-mass](#): lda, qda
- [axe-mda](#): fda, mda
- [axe-model\\_fit](#): model\_fit
- [axe-nnet](#): nnet
- [axe-randomForest](#): randomForest
- [axe-rda](#): rda
- [axe-recipe](#): quosure, recipe, step, step\_arrange, step\_bagimpute, step\_filter, step\_geodist, step\_impute\_bag, step\_impute\_knn, step\_interact, step\_knnimpute, step\_mutate, step\_ratio, step\_slice
- [axe-rpart](#): rpart
- [axe-sclass](#): sclass
- [axe-survreg](#): survreg
- [axe-survreg.penai](#): survreg.penai
- [axe-terms](#): terms
- [axe-train](#): train
- [axe-train.recipe](#): train.recipe
- [axe-xgb.Booster](#): xgb.Booster
- [axe-xrf](#): xrf

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|------------|---------------------------|
| axe_fitted | <i>Axe fitted values.</i> |
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## Description

Remove the fitted values attached to modeling objects.

## Usage

```
axe_fitted(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

## Value

Model object without the fitted values.

## Methods

See the following help topics for more details about individual methods:

butcher

- [axe-C5.0](#): C5.0
- [axe-KMeansCluster](#): KMeansCluster
- [axe-bart](#): bart
- [axe-earth](#): earth
- [axe-gam](#): gam
- [axe-gausspr](#): gausspr
- [axe-glm](#): glm
- [axe-kknn](#): kknn
- [axe-kproto](#): kproto
- [axe-ksvm](#): ksvm
- [axe-lm](#): lm
- [axe-md](#): fda, mda
- [axe-model\\_fit](#): model\_fit
- [axe-nnet](#): nnet
- [axe-pls](#): mixo\_pls, mixo\_spls

- `axe-ranger`: ranger
- `axe-recipe`: recipe
- `axe-spark`: ml\_model
- `axe-train`: train
- `axe-train.recipe`: train.recipe

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|---------|---------------------------|
| butcher | <i>Butcher an object.</i> |
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### Description

Reduce the size of a model object so that it takes up less memory on disk. Currently, the model object is stripped down to the point that only the minimal components necessary for the predict function to work remain. Future adjustments to this function will be needed to avoid removal of model fit components to ensure it works with other downstream functions.

### Usage

```
butcher(x, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x       | A model object.                                                                                                                             |
| verbose | Print information each time an axe method is executed. Notes how much memory is released and what functions are disabled. Default is FALSE. |
| ...     | Any additional arguments related to axing.                                                                                                  |

### Value

Axed model object with new butcher subclass assignment.

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|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| locate | <i>Locate part of an object.</i> |
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### Description

Locate where a specific component of a object might exist within the model object itself. This function is restricted in that only items that can be axed can be found.

### Usage

```
locate(x, name = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                                                                                                                                            |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x    | A model object.                                                                                                                            |
| name | A name associated with model component of interest. This defaults to NULL. Possible components include: env, call, data, ctrl, and fitted. |

**Value**

Location of specific component in a model object.

**Examples**

```
lm_fit <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
locate(lm_fit, name = "env")
locate(lm_fit, name = "call")
```

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|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| new_model_butcher | <i>New axe functions for a modeling object.</i> |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------|

---

**Description**

new\_model\_butcher() will instantiate the following to help us develop new axe functions around removing parts of a new modeling object:

- Add modeling package to Suggests
- Generate and populate an axe file under R/
- Generate and populate an test file under testthat/

**Usage**

```
new_model_butcher(model_class, package_name, open = interactive())
```

**Arguments**

|              |                                                                                   |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| model_class  | A string that captures the class name of the new model object.                    |
| package_name | A string that captures the package name from which the new model is made.         |
| open         | Check if user is in interactive mode, and if so, opens the new files for editing. |

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|-------|--------------------------|
| weigh | <i>Weigh the object.</i> |
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**Description**

Evaluate the size of each element contained in a model object.

**Usage**

```
weigh(x, threshold = 0, units = "MB", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|           |                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x         | A model object.                                                                                                                                |
| threshold | The minimum threshold desired for model component size to display.                                                                             |
| units     | The units in which to display the size of each component within the model object of interest. Defaults to MB. Other options include KB and GB. |
| ...       | Any additional arguments for weighing.                                                                                                         |

**Value**

Tibble with weights of object components in decreasing magnitude.

**Examples**

```
simulate_x <- matrix(runif(1e+6), ncol = 2)
simulate_y <- runif(dim(simulate_x)[1])
lm_out <- lm(simulate_y ~ simulate_x)
weigh(lm_out)
```

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