Installing cuda, ubuntu 18.04

GOOD VERSION:

a. FIRST, install a driver for your GPU. Find DRIVER HERE. Dont yet install, just download. https://www.nvidia.com/download/index.aspx

a2. install these: sudo apt install pkg-config libglynd-dev

- b. To install, need to use terminal without display: https://askubuntu.com/questions/841876/how-to-disable-nouveau-kernel-driver maybe it is too late ,but hope can help for others. the follow tips worked for ubuntu 16.04 and elementary os 0.4.
 - 1. remove all nvidia packages ,skip this if your system is fresh installed sudo apt-get remove nvidia* && sudo apt autoremove
 - 2. install some packages for build kernel:

sudo apt-get install dkms build-essential linux-headers-generic

3. now block and disable nouveau kernel driver:

sudo vim /etc/modprobe.d/blacklist.conf

Insert follow lines to the blacklist.conf:

blacklist nouveau blacklist lbm-nouveau options nouveau modeset=0 alias nouveau off alias lbm-nouveau off

save and exit.

4. Disable the Kernel nouveau by typing the following commands(nouveau-kms.conf may not exist,it is ok):

echo options nouveau modeset=0 | sudo tee -a /etc/modprobe.d/nouveau-kms.conf

5. build the new kernel by:

sudo update-initramfs -u

- 6. reboot
- 7. ctrl + alt + f3
- 8. service lightdm stop

- 9. sudo init3
- 10. ctrl + alt + f3
- 11. sudo sh <path to nvidia.run file>
- 12. reboot then try nividia-smi
 - 1. NOTE: it is ok if it shows CUDA version different from what you want.

2. Install cuda

(https://deeplabcut.github.io/DeepLabCut/docs/installation.html)
SECOND, install CUDA (versions up to CUDA11 are supported, together with TF2.5):
https://developer.nvidia.com/ (Note that cuDNN, https://developer.nvidia.com/cudnn, is supplied inside the anaconda environment files, so you don't need to install it again).
https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-11.2.0-download-archive?target_os=Linux&target_arch=x86 64&target distro=Ubuntu&target version=1804&target type=runfilelocal

2a. install https://askubuntu.com/questions/998764/cuda-9-1-missing-recommended-library sudo apt-get install g++ freeglut3-dev build-essential libx11-dev \ libxmu-dev libxi-dev libglu1-mesa libglu1-mesa-dev

2b. Take steps above to turn off display (RED), then run the cuda installation.

DONE!

Confirm by running nvidia-smi

ADDITIONAL THINGS

If Nvidia stops working (only single monitor show, and nvidia-smi doesnt work), then probably is kernel update. Use these instructions:

- 1. (https://www.howtogeek.com/740797/how-to-roll-back-the-kernel-in-linux/)
 - a. Use older kernel
 - b. Delete newer kernel
- 2. Update loading order defaults of kernels:
 - a. https://unix.stackexchange.com/questions/465201/how-do-i-roll-back-to-a-previo us-ubuntu-kernel-running-ubuntu-16-04

NOTE: if that doesnt work:

- once, I see only one kernel.
- 1. load to recovery mode
- 2. "resume ..."
- 3. then restarts and should be fine...