Installation of Keras for with Tensorflow GPU Support

See also <u>Howto Install Tensorflow-GPU with Keras in R - A manual that worked on 2021.02.20 (and likely will work in future) (letyourmoneygrow.com)</u>. Its information is more recent (February 20, 2021) than our installation outline below (September 29,2019)

- [1] Check whether the specific NVIDIA graphics card of the computer supports a CUDA version > 3.5 at: https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-gpus
- [2] Follow the steps 1 and 2 in https://www.pugetsystems.com/labs/hpc/How-to-Install-TensorFlow-with-GPU-Support-on-Windows-10-Without-Installing-CUDA-UPDATED-1419/.
- [3] For steps 3 and 4 use the virtual environment **r-reticulate** rather than the proposed environment **tf-gpu**. Note: This is the key trick of getting Keras running smoothly in R.
- [4] Check the installation by issuing within the r-reticulate environment the python commands in step 5 .
- [4] Make sure that the **rtools** (see https://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/Rtools/) are installed and then open RStudio.
- [5] Run the R installation commands:

```
install.packages("remotes")
remotes::install_github("rstudio/keras")
keras::install keras()
```

Note: Don't use keras::install_keras(tensorflow="gpu") because the r-reticulate environment is already setup for GPU support.

- [6] Open Window's TASK MANAGER ▶ PERFORMANCE ▶ GPU to monitor the GPU usage
- [7] Run the test script for the mnist dataset, which is documented in Chollet and Allaire, 2018. *Deep Learning with R.* Manning. (see listings 2.1 to 2.5):

```
y train <- to categorical(y train, 10)
y test <- to categorical(y test, 10)</pre>
## ------
model <- keras_model_sequential()</pre>
model %>%
 layer dense(units = 256, activation = 'relu', input shape = c(784)) %>%
 layer dropout(rate = 0.4) %>%
 layer dense(units = 128, activation = 'relu') %>%
 layer dropout(rate = 0.3) %>%
 layer dense(units = 10, activation = 'softmax')
model <- keras model sequential() %>%
 layer dense (units=32, input shape = c(784)) %>%
 layer_dense(units=10, activation = "softmax")
summary(model)
## ------
model %>% compile(
 loss = 'categorical crossentropy',
 optimizer = optimizer rmsprop(),
 metrics = c('accuracy')
## --- results='hide'------
history <- model %>% fit(
 x train, y train,
 epochs = 30, batch size = 128,
 validation split = 0.2
## ------
plot(history)
## --- results = 'hide'-----
model %>% evaluate(x test, y test)
## ---- results = 'hide'-----
model %>% predict classes(x test)
```

