

Tensors Introduction

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1 Introduction to Tensor Notes :

A tensor is a container which can house data in N dimensions, along with its linear operations, though there is nuance in what tensors technically are and what we refer to as tensors in practice.

Scalar Vector Matrix Tensor

1

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$

```
[21]: #Import Tensorflow
import tensorflow as tf
print(tf.__version__)
import numpy
```

2.3.0

2 Create tensors with tf.constant()

```
[22]: scalar = tf.constant(7)
scalar
```

```
[22]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(), dtype=int32, numpy=7>
```

```
[23]: #Check the number of dimensions of tensor using ndim
scalar.ndim
```

```
[23]: 0
```

```
[24]: #Create a vector
vector = tf.constant([10,10])
vector
```

```
[24]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2,), dtype=int32, numpy=array([10, 10])>
```

```
[25]: vector.ndim
```

```
[25]: 1
```

```
[26]: #Create a matrix
matrix = tf.constant([[10,7],
                      [7,10]]
                      )
matrix
```

```
[26]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 2), dtype=int32, numpy=
array([[10,  7],
       [ 7, 10]])>
```

```
[27]: matrix.ndim
```

```
[27]: 2
```

At this point, we can relate that ndim represents the number of elements in the shape tuple

```
[28]: #Create another matrix
matrix_2 = tf.constant([[10.,7.],
                        [3.,2.],
                        [1.,2.]],dtype=tf.float16) #Here we use float16 since
→our numbers are small
matrix_2
```

```
[28]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 2), dtype=float16, numpy=
array([[10.,  7.],
       [ 3.,  2.],
       [ 1.,  2.]], dtype=float16)>
```

```
[29]: matrix_2.ndim
```

```
[29]: 2
```

```
[30]: #Create a tensor
tensor = tf.constant([[[1,2,3],
                       [4,5,6]],
                       [[7,8,9],
                       [10,11,12]],
                       [[13,14,15],
                       [16,17,18]]])
tensor
```

```
[30]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 2, 3), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[[ 1,  2,  3],
                [ 4,  5,  6]],

              [[ 7,  8,  9],
                [10, 11, 12]],

              [[13, 14, 15],
                [16, 17, 18]])])>
```

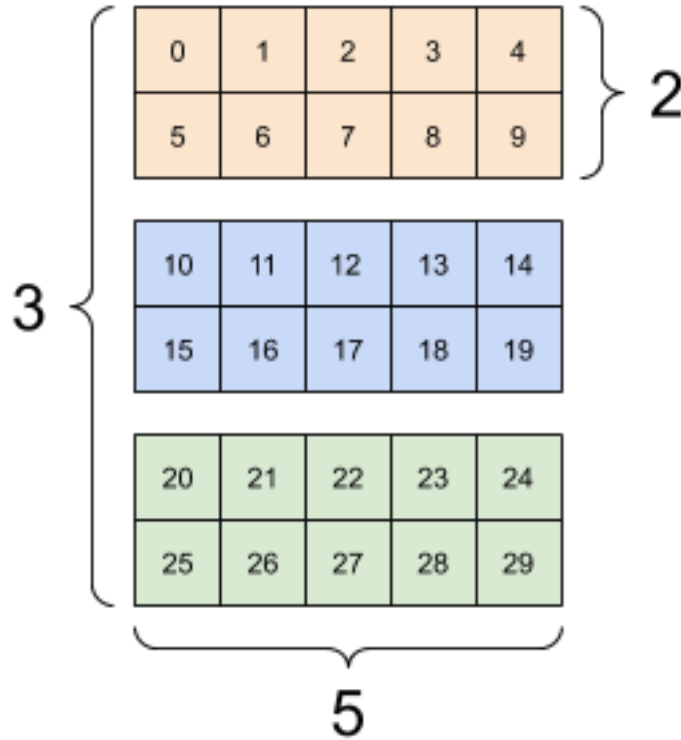
```
[31]: rank_3_tensor = tf.constant([
      [[0, 1, 2, 3, 4],
        [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]],
      [[10, 11, 12, 13, 14],
        [15, 16, 17, 18, 19]],
      [[20, 21, 22, 23, 24],
        [25, 26, 27, 28, 29]],])
```

```
print(rank_3_tensor)
```

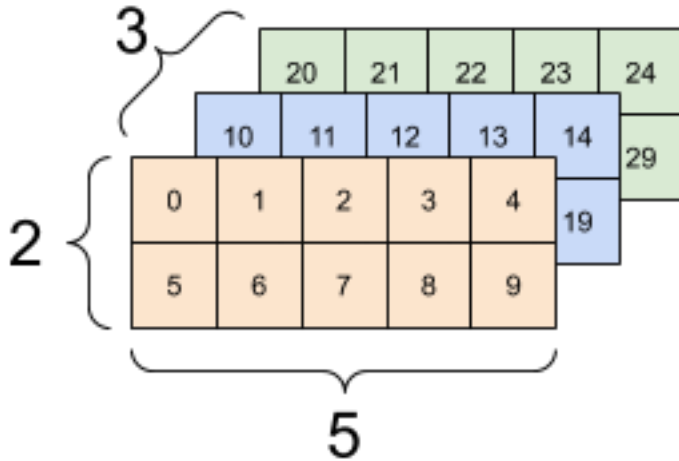
```
tf.Tensor(
[[[ 0  1  2  3  4]
  [ 5  6  7  8  9]]

 [[10 11 12 13 14]
  [15 16 17 18 19]]

 [[20 21 22 23 24]
  [25 26 27 28 29]]], shape=(3, 2, 5), dtype=int32)
```



The above example for a 3 dimensional tensor represents : Number of matrices , Number of rows in a matrices and Number of columns in a matrices i.e. Shape = (3,2,5). You can also visualise this as matrices stacked on top of each other to produce a 3D structure as shown below



2.1 Summary so far :

1. Scalar : Single number
2. Vector : A number with both direction and magnitude
3. Matrix : A 2 dimensional array of numbers
4. Tensor : A n-dimensional array of numbers which can constitute all of the above as well.

3 Create tensors with `tf.Variable()`

```
[32]: #Create a tensor with tf.Variable and see the difference between tf.constant
```

```
changeable_tensor = tf.Variable([10,10])
unchageable_tensor = tf.constant([10,10])
```

```
[33]: changeable_tensor , unchageable_tensor
```

```
[33]: (<tf.Variable 'Variable:0' shape=(2,) dtype=int32, numpy=array([10, 10])>,
      <tf.Tensor: shape=(2,), dtype=int32, numpy=array([10, 10])>)
```

```
[34]: # Changing element in the changeable tensor
      changeable_tensor[0]
```

```
[34]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(), dtype=int32, numpy=10>
```

This gives a values of numpy 10

```
[35]: #Now lets try channging using assignment method
      changeable_tensor[0] = 7
```

```

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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call↳
↳ last)

<ipython-input-35-204a6df08bff> in <module>
      1 #Now lets try channging using assignment method
----> 2 changeable_tensor[0] = 7

TypeError: 'ResourceVariable' object does not support item assignment

```

We see that the changeable tensor doesnt allow item assignment. This is where we refer to tensorflow documentation to see how to assign values to change the tensor.

```
[36]: #using the assign method to change the value of changeable tensor
changeable_tensor[0].assign(7)
changeable_tensor
```

```
[36]: <tf.Variable 'Variable:0' shape=(2,) dtype=int32, numpy=array([ 7, 10])>
```

```
[37]: #Trying the same as above for unchangeable tensor
unchageable_tensor[0].assign(7)
unchageable_tensor
```

```

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AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call└─
└─last)

<ipython-input-37-289acc285a83> in <module>
      1 #Trying the same as above for unchangeable tensor
----> 2 unchangeable_tensor[0].assign(7)
      3 unchangeable_tensor

AttributeError: 'tensorflow.python.framework.ops.EagerTensor' object has└─
└─no attribute 'assign'

```

Thus, the above examples conclude the difference between variable and constant tensors. > **Note 1:** If you declare a `tf.Variable`, you can change its value later on if you want to. On the other hand, `tf.constant` is immutable, meaning that once you define it you can't change its value.

Note 2: Most of the time in practice you will need to decide between using `tf.constant` or `tf.variable` depending on the use case. However, most of the time, Tensorflow will automatically decide or choose for you when loading or modelling the data

4 Create random tensors

Random tensors are tensors of some arbitrary size which contain random numbers. Why would you want to create random tensors? This is what neural networks use to initialize their weights (patterns) that they're trying to learn in the data.

```

[38]: #Create two random tensors
random_tensor_1 = tf.random.Generator.from_seed(42) #seed is used for└─
└─reproducibility
random_tensor_1=random_tensor_1.normal(shape=(3,2))
random_tensor_1

```

```

[38]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 2), dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[ -0.7565803 , -0.06854702],
       [ 0.07595026, -1.2573844 ],
       [-0.23193763, -1.8107855 ]], dtype=float32)>

```

```

[39]: random_tensor_2 = tf.random.Generator.from_seed(42)
random_tensor_2=random_tensor_2.uniform(shape=(3,2))
random_tensor_2

```

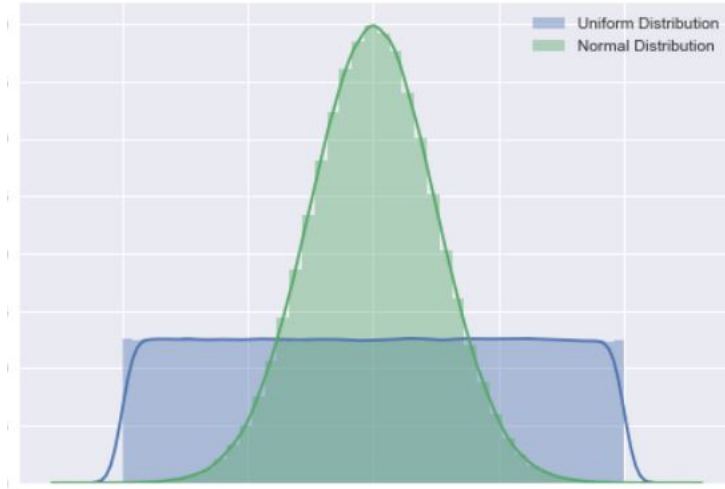
```

[39]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 2), dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[0.7493447 , 0.73561966],

```

```
[0.45230794, 0.49039817],
[0.1889317 , 0.52027524]], dtype=float32)>
```

Note 3: Normal Distribution Vs Uniform Distribution Normal Distribution is a probability distribution where probability of x is highest at centre and lowest in the ends whereas in Uniform Distribution probability of x is constant.



5 Shuffling order of elements in a Tensor

Why do we want to shuffle the elements in a Tensor? Let's say you working with 15,000 images of cats and dogs and the first 10,000 images of were of cats and the next 5,000 were of dogs. This order could effect how a neural network learns (it may overfit by learning the order of the data), instead, it might be a good idea to move your data around.

```
[40]: not_shuffled = tf.constant([[1,2],
                                [3,4],
                                [5,6]])
not_shuffled , not_shuffled.ndim
```

```
[40]: (<tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 2), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[1, 2],
             [3, 4],
             [5, 6]])>,
      2)
```

```
[41]: #Shuffling the above tensor
tf.random.shuffle(not_shuffled)
```

```
[41]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 2), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[1, 2],
             [3, 4],
             [5, 6]])>
```

The above `tf.random.shuffle` is shuffled around based on the first dimension

6 Other methods to creating Tensors

```
[42]: #1. Tensorflow operation similar to numpy ones
      tf.ones([5,5],dtype='int32')
```

```
[42]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(5, 5), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
             [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
             [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
             [1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
             [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]])>
```

```
[43]: #2. Tensorflow operation similar to numpy zeroes
      tf.zeros(shape=(5,5),dtype='int32')
```

```
[43]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(5, 5), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
             [0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
             [0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
             [0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
             [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]])>
```

6.1 Turn numpy arrays into Tensors

Note 4: Why Tensors over Numpy arrays ? This because TensorFlow tensors can be run on a GPU much faster for numerical computing than numpy

```
[44]: #Numpy into Tensors

      import numpy as np
      numpy_A = np.arange(1,25,dtype=np.int32)
      numpy_A , numpy_A.shape
```

```
[44]: (array([ 1,  2,  3,  4,  5,  6,  7,  8,  9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17,
            18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24]),
      (24,))
```

```
[45]: #converting above numpy_A to tensor
      A = tf.constant(numpy_A, shape=(2,3,4))
      A
```

```
[45]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 3, 4), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[[ 1,  2,  3,  4],
              [ 5,  6,  7,  8],
              [ 9, 10, 11, 12]],

            [[13, 14, 15, 16],
              [17, 18, 19, 20],
```



```
[21, 22, 23, 24]]])>
```

```
[46]: B = tf.constant(numpy_A,shape=(6,4))
      B
```

```
[46]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(6, 4), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[ 1,  2,  3,  4],
             [ 5,  6,  7,  8],
             [ 9, 10, 11, 12],
             [13, 14, 15, 16],
             [17, 18, 19, 20],
             [21, 22, 23, 24]])>
```

```
[47]: #Now trying to make a tensor with different shape which doesnt multiplies to 24
      C = tf.constant(numpy_A,shape=(10,2))
      C
```

```
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↳                                     TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call↳
↳ last)
↳
↳ <ipython-input-47-9703eb7c673f> in <module>
↳     1 #Now trying to make a tensor with different shape which doesnt↳
↳ multiplies to 24
↳ ----> 2 C = tf.constant(numpy_A,shape=(10,2))
↳       3 C
↳
↳ D:
↳ \Anaconda\envs\fyf\lib\site-packages\tensorflow\python\framework\constant_op.
↳ py in constant(value, dtype, shape, name)
↳     262     """
↳     263     return _constant_impl(value, dtype, shape, name,↳
↳ verify_shape=False,
↳ --> 264                                     allow_broadcast=True)
↳     265
↳     266
↳
↳ D:
↳ \Anaconda\envs\fyf\lib\site-packages\tensorflow\python\framework\constant_op.
↳ py in _constant_impl(value, dtype, shape, name, verify_shape, allow_broadcast)
↳     273         with trace.Trace("tf.constant"):
↳     274             return _constant_eager_impl(ctx, value, dtype, shape,↳
↳ verify_shape)
```

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--> 275     return _constant_eager_impl(ctx, value, dtype, shape,
↳ verify_shape)
    276
    277     g = ops.get_default_graph()

D:
↳ \Anaconda\envs\fyp\lib\site-packages\tensorflow\python\framework\constant_op.
↳ py in _constant_eager_impl(ctx, value, dtype, shape, verify_shape)
    322     raise TypeError("Eager execution of tf.constant with unsupported
↳ shape "
    323                         "(value has %d elements, shape is %s with %d
↳ elements)." %
--> 324                         (num_t, shape, shape.num_elements()))
    325
    326

```

TypeError: Eager execution of tf.constant with unsupported shape (value
 ↳ has 24 elements, shape is (10, 2) with 20 elements).

Thus, we have to take note of the shape and ensure the dimensions tally with the original dimensions.

7 Getting more Information from Tensors

Attribute	Meaning	Code
Shape	The length (number of elements) of each of the dimensions of a tensor.	tensor.shape
Rank	The number of tensor dimensions. A scalar has rank 0, a vector has rank 1, a matrix is rank 2, a tensor has rank n.	tensor.ndim
Axis or dimension	A particular dimension of a tensor.	tensor[0], tensor[:, 1]...
Size	The total number of items in the tensor.	tf.size(tensor)

```

[48]: #Creating a rank-4 tensor
rank_4_tensor= tf.zeros(shape=(2,3,4,5))
rank_4_tensor

```

```
[48]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 3, 4, 5), dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

        [[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

        [[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]]],

       [[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
        [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
        [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
        [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

        [[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]]], dtype=float32)>
```

```
[49]: #Verifying the rank of the above tensor
rank_4_tensor.ndim
```

```
[49]: 4
```

```
[50]: rank_4_tensor[0] #oth axis
```

```
[50]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(3, 4, 5), dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

        [[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]]], dtype=float32)>
```

```

[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

[[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]]], dtype=float32)>

```

```
[51]: tf.size(rank_4_tensor) #120 elements present i.e. 2x3x4x5
```

```
[51]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(), dtype=int32, numpy=120>
```

```
[52]: # Get various attributes of tensor
print("Datatype of every element:", rank_4_tensor.dtype)
print("Number of dimensions (rank):", rank_4_tensor.ndim)
print("Shape of tensor:", rank_4_tensor.shape)
print("Elements along axis 0 of tensor:", rank_4_tensor.shape[0])
print("Elements along last axis of tensor:", rank_4_tensor.shape[-1])
print("Total number of elements (2*3*4*5):", tf.size(rank_4_tensor).numpy()) # .
      ↪ numpy() converts to NumPy array
```

```

Datatype of every element: <dtype: 'float32'>
Number of dimensions (rank): 4
Shape of tensor: (2, 3, 4, 5)
Elements along axis 0 of tensor: 2
Elements along last axis of tensor: 5
Total number of elements (2*3*4*5): 120

```

7.1 Summary of attributes from Tensors:

1. Data type
2. Number of dimension or Rank
3. Shape
4. Number of elements

8 Indexing Tensors

Tensors can be indexed like Python lists

```
[53]: #Get the first two elements of each dimension of the rank 4 tensor above
rank_4_tensor
```

```
[53]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 3, 4, 5), dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
         [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],
```

```

[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

[[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
 [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]],

[[[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
  [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]]], dtype=float32)>

```

```
[54]: rank_4_tensor[:,2,:2,:2,:2]
```

```

[54]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 2, 2, 2), dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[[[0., 0.],
         [0., 0.]],

        [[0., 0.],
         [0., 0.]]],

       [[0., 0.],
        [0., 0.]]], dtype=float32)>

```

```

[55]: #create a Rank2 tensor
rank_2_tensor = tf.constant([[10,1],
                             [7,2]])
rank_2_tensor

```

```
[55]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 2), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[10,  1],
             [ 7,  2]])>
```

```
[56]: #Get last item of each of our row of rank2 tensor
      rank_2_tensor[:, -1].numpy()
```

```
[56]: array([1, 2])
```

```
[57]: #Add in extra dimension to our rank2 tensor
      rank_3_tensor = rank_2_tensor[..., tf.newaxis]
      rank_3_tensor
```

```
[57]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 2, 1), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[[10],
              [ 1]],
            [[ 7],
              [ 2]])>
```

Note 5: `rank_2_tensor[..., tf.newaxis]` is same as `rank_2_tensor[:, :, tf.newaxis]`

```
[58]: #Alternative to tf.newaxis
      tf.expand_dims(rank_2_tensor, axis=-1) #"-1" means expand final axis
```

```
[58]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(2, 2, 1), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[[10],
              [ 1]],
            [[ 7],
              [ 2]])>
```

```
[59]: tf.expand_dims(rank_2_tensor, axis=0) #Extra dimension in the front
```

```
[59]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(1, 2, 2), dtype=int32, numpy=
      array([[[10,  1],
              [ 7,  2]])>
```