

tf.nn.sigmoid_cross_entropy_with_logits

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sigmoid_cross_entropy_with_logits(
    _sentinel=None,
    labels=None,
    logits=None,
    name=None
)
```

Defined in [tensorflow/python/ops/nn_impl.py](#).

See the guide: [Neural Network > Classification](#)

Computes sigmoid cross entropy given **logits**.

Measures the probability error in discrete classification tasks in which each class is independent and not mutually exclusive. For instance, one could perform multilabel classification where a picture can contain both an elephant and a dog at the same time.

For brevity, let $x = \text{logits}$, $z = \text{labels}$. The logistic loss is

$$\begin{aligned} & z * -\log(\text{sigmoid}(x)) + (1 - z) * -\log(1 - \text{sigmoid}(x)) \\ &= z * -\log(1 / (1 + \exp(-x))) + (1 - z) * -\log(\exp(-x) / (1 + \exp(-x))) \\ &= z * \log(1 + \exp(-x)) + (1 - z) * (-\log(\exp(-x)) + \log(1 + \exp(-x))) \\ &= z * \log(1 + \exp(-x)) + (1 - z) * (x + \log(1 + \exp(-x))) \\ &= (1 - z) * x + \log(1 + \exp(-x)) \\ &= x - x * z + \log(1 + \exp(-x)) \end{aligned}$$

For $x < 0$, to avoid overflow in $\exp(-x)$, we reformulate the above

$$\begin{aligned} & x - x * z + \log(1 + \exp(-x)) \\ &= \log(\exp(x)) - x * z + \log(1 + \exp(-x)) \\ &= -x * z + \log(1 + \exp(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, to ensure stability and avoid overflow, the implementation uses this equivalent formulation

$$\max(x, 0) - x * z + \log(1 + \exp(-\text{abs}(x)))$$

logits and **labels** must have the same type and shape.

Args:

- **_sentinel**: Used to prevent positional parameters. Internal, do not use.
- **labels**: A **Tensor** of the same type and shape as **logits**.
- **logits**: A **Tensor** of type **float32** or **float64**.
- **name**: A name for the operation (optional).

Returns:

A **Tensor** of the same shape as **logits** with the componentwise logistic losses.

Raises:

- `ValueError`: If `logits` and `labels` do not have the same shape.

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