tf.layers.Layer

Contents

Class **Layer**

Defined in `tensorflow/python/layers/base.py`.

Base layer class.

This is the class from which all layers inherit, implementing common infrastructure functionality.

A layer is a class implementing common neural networks operations, such as convolution, batch norm, etc. These operations require managing variables, losses, and updates, as well as applying TensorFlow ops to input tensors.

Users will just instantiate it and then treat it as a callable.

We recommend that descendants of Layer implement the following methods: `__init__()` *: Save configuration in member variables* `build()`: Called once from `__call__`, when we know the shapes of inputs and `dtype`. Should have the calls to `add_variable()`, and then call the super's `build()` (which sets `self.built = True`, which is nice in case the user wants to call `build()` manually before the first `__call__`). * `call()`: Called in `__call__` after making sure `build()` has been called once. Should actually perform the logic of applying the layer to the input tensors (which should be passed in as the first argument).

Read-only properties: `name`: The name of the layer (string). `dtype`: Default dtype of the layer (default of `None` means use the type of the first input). `trainable_variables`: List of trainable variables. `non_trainable_variables`: List of non-trainable variables. `variables`: List of all variables of this layer, trainable and non-trainable. `updates`: List of update ops of this layer. `losses`: List of losses added by this layer.

Mutable properties: `trainable`: Whether the layer should be trained (boolean). `input_spec`: Optional (list of) `InputSpec` object(s) specifying the constraints on inputs that can be accepted by the layer.

Properties

`activity_regularizer`

Optional regularizer function for the output of this layer.

`dtype`

`graph`

`input`

Retrieves the input tensor(s) of a layer.

Only applicable if the layer has exactly one input, i.e. if it is connected to one incoming layer.

Returns:

Input tensor or list of input tensors.

Raises:

- `AttributeError`: if the layer is connected to more than one incoming layers.

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.
- `AttributeError`: If no inbound nodes are found.

`input_shape`

Retrieves the input shape(s) of a layer.

Only applicable if the layer has exactly one input, i.e. if it is connected to one incoming layer, or if all inputs have the same shape.

Returns:

Input shape, as an integer shape tuple (or list of shape tuples, one tuple per input tensor).

Raises:

- `AttributeError`: if the layer has no defined input_shape.
- `RuntimeError`: if called in Eager mode.

`losses`

`name`

`non_trainable_variables`

`non_trainable_weights`

`output`

Retrieves the output tensor(s) of a layer.

Only applicable if the layer has exactly one output, i.e. if it is connected to one incoming layer.

Returns:

Output tensor or list of output tensors.

Raises:

- `AttributeError`: if the layer is connected to more than one incoming layers.
- `RuntimeError`: if called in Eager mode.

output_shape

Retrieves the output shape(s) of a layer.

Only applicable if the layer has one output, or if all outputs have the same shape.

Returns:

Output shape, as an integer shape tuple (or list of shape tuples, one tuple per output tensor).

Raises:

- `AttributeError`: if the layer has no defined output shape.
- `RuntimeError`: if called in Eager mode.

scope_name

trainable_variables

trainable_weights

updates

variables

Returns the list of all layer variables/weights.

Returns:

A list of variables.

weights

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Returns:

A list of variables.

Methods

__init__

```
__init__(
    trainable=True,
    name=None,
    dtype=None,
    activity_regularizer=None,
    **kwargs
)
```

__call__

```
__call__(
    inputs,
    *args,
    **kwargs
)
```

Wraps `call`, applying pre- and post-processing steps.

Arguments:

- `inputs`: input tensor(s).
- `*args`: additional positional arguments to be passed to `self.call`.
- `**kwargs`: additional keyword arguments to be passed to `self.call`. **Note**: kwarg `scope` is reserved for use by the layer.

Returns:

Output tensor(s).

> ★ **Note:** - If the layer's `call` method takes a `scope` keyword argument, this argument will be automatically set to the current variable scope. - If the layer's `call` method takes a `mask` argument (as some Keras layers do), its default value will be set to the mask generated for `inputs` by the previous layer (if `input` did come from a layer that generated a corresponding mask, i.e. if it came from a Keras layer with masking support.

Raises:

- `ValueError`: if the layer's `call` method returns None (an invalid value).

__deepcopy__

```
__deepcopy__(memo)
```

add_loss

```
add_loss(
    losses,
    inputs=None
)
```

Add loss tensor(s), potentially dependent on layer inputs.

Some losses (for instance, activity regularization losses) may be dependent on the inputs passed when calling a layer.

Hence, when reusing a same layer on different inputs `a` and `b`, some entries in `layer.losses` may be dependent on `a` and some on `b`. This method automatically keeps track of dependencies.

The `get_losses_for` method allows to retrieve the losses relevant to a specific set of inputs.

Arguments:

- `losses`: Loss tensor, or list/tuple of tensors.
- `inputs`: Optional input tensor(s) that the loss(es) depend on. Must match the `inputs` argument passed to the `__call__` method at the time the losses are created. If `None` is passed, the losses are assumed to be unconditional, and will apply across all dataflows of the layer (e.g. weight regularization losses).

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

add_update

```
add_update(
    updates,
    inputs=None
)
```

Add update op(s), potentially dependent on layer inputs.

Weight updates (for instance, the updates of the moving mean and variance in a BatchNormalization layer) may be dependent on the inputs passed when calling a layer. Hence, when reusing a same layer on different inputs `a` and `b`, some entries in `layer.updates` may be dependent on `a` and some on `b`. This method automatically keeps track of dependencies.

The `get_updates_for` method allows to retrieve the updates relevant to a specific set of inputs.

This call is ignored in Eager mode.

Arguments:

- `updates`: Update op, or list/tuple of update ops.
- `inputs`: Optional input tensor(s) that the update(s) depend on. Must match the `inputs` argument passed to the `__call__` method at the time the updates are created. If `None` is passed, the updates are assumed to be unconditional, and will apply across all dataflows of the layer.

add_variable

```
add_variable(
    name,
    shape,
    dtype=None,
    initializer=None,
    regularizer=None,
    trainable=True,
    constraint=None
)
```

Adds a new variable to the layer, or gets an existing one; returns it.

Arguments:

- `name`: variable name.
- `shape`: variable shape.
- `dtype`: The type of the variable. Defaults to `self.dtype` or `float32`.
- `initializer`: initializer instance (callable).
- `regularizer`: regularizer instance (callable).
- `trainable`: whether the variable should be part of the layer's "trainable_variables" (e.g. variables, biases) or "non_trainable_variables" (e.g. BatchNorm mean, stddev).
- `constraint`: constraint instance (callable).

Returns:

The created variable.

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode with regularizers.

apply

```
apply(
    inputs,
    *args,
    **kwargs
)
```

Apply the layer on a input.

This simply wraps `self.__call__`.

Arguments:

- `inputs`: Input tensor(s).
- `*args`: additional positional arguments to be passed to `self.call`.
- `**kwargs`: additional keyword arguments to be passed to `self.call`.

Returns:

Output tensor(s).

build

```
build(_)
```

Creates the variables of the layer.

call

```
call(
    inputs,
    **kwargs
)
```

The logic of the layer lives here.

Arguments:

- `inputs`: input tensor(s).
- `**kwargs`: additional keyword arguments.

Returns:

Output tensor(s).

`count_params`

```
count_params()
```

Count the total number of scalars composing the weights.

Returns:

An integer count.

Raises:

- `ValueError`: if the layer isn't yet built (in which case its weights aren't yet defined).

`get_input_at`

```
get_input_at(node_index)
```

Retrieves the input tensor(s) of a layer at a given node.

Arguments:

- `node_index`: Integer, index of the node from which to retrieve the attribute. E.g. `node_index=0` will correspond to the first time the layer was called.

Returns:

A tensor (or list of tensors if the layer has multiple inputs).

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

`get_input_shape_at`

```
get_input_shape_at(node_index)
```

Retrieves the input shape(s) of a layer at a given node.

Arguments:

- `node_index`: Integer, index of the node from which to retrieve the attribute. E.g. `node_index=0` will correspond to the first time the layer was called.

Returns:

A shape tuple (or list of shape tuples if the layer has multiple inputs).

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

`get_losses_for`

```
get_losses_for(inputs)
```

Retrieves losses relevant to a specific set of inputs.

Arguments:

- `inputs`: Input tensor or list/tuple of input tensors. Must match the `inputs` argument passed to the `__call__` method at the time the losses were created. If you pass `inputs=None`, unconditional losses are returned, such as weight regularization losses.

Returns:

List of loss tensors of the layer that depend on `inputs`.

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

`get_output_at`

```
get_output_at(node_index)
```

Retrieves the output tensor(s) of a layer at a given node.

Arguments:

- `node_index`: Integer, index of the node from which to retrieve the attribute. E.g. `node_index=0` will correspond to the first time the layer was called.

Returns:

A tensor (or list of tensors if the layer has multiple outputs).

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

`get_output_shape_at`

```
get_output_shape_at(node_index)
```

Retrieves the output shape(s) of a layer at a given node.

Arguments:

- `node_index`: Integer, index of the node from which to retrieve the attribute. E.g. `node_index=0` will correspond to the first time the layer was called.

Returns:

A shape tuple (or list of shape tuples if the layer has multiple outputs).

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

`get_updates_for`

```
get_updates_for(inputs)
```

Retrieves updates relevant to a specific set of inputs.

Arguments:

- `inputs`: Input tensor or list/tuple of input tensors. Must match the `inputs` argument passed to the `__call__` method at the time the updates were created. If you pass `inputs=None`, unconditional updates are returned.

Returns:

List of update ops of the layer that depend on `inputs`.

Raises:

- `RuntimeError`: If called in Eager mode.

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