

tf.TensorShape

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Defined in [tensorflow/python/framework/tensor_shape.py](#).

See the guide: [Building Graphs > Defining new operations](#)

Represents the shape of a **Tensor**.

A **TensorShape** represents a possibly-partial shape specification for a **Tensor**. It may be one of the following:

- *Fully-known shape*: has a known number of dimensions and a known size for each dimension. e.g. **TensorShape([16, 256])**
- *Partially-known shape*: has a known number of dimensions, and an unknown size for one or more dimension. e.g. **TensorShape([None, 256])**
- *Unknown shape*: has an unknown number of dimensions, and an unknown size in all dimensions. e.g. **TensorShape(None)**

If a tensor is produced by an operation of type **"Foo"**, its shape may be inferred if there is a registered shape function for **"Foo"**. See [Shape functions in C++](#) for details of shape functions and how to register them. Alternatively, the shape may be set explicitly using [tf.Tensor.set_shape](#).

Properties

dims

Returns a list of Dimensions, or None if the shape is unspecified.

ndims

Returns the rank of this shape, or None if it is unspecified.

Methods

__init__

```
__init__(dims)
```

Creates a new `TensorShape` with the given dimensions.

Args:

- `dims` : A list of Dimensions, or None if the shape is unspecified.
- `DEPRECATED` : A single integer is treated as a singleton list.

Raises:

- `TypeError` : If `dims` cannot be converted to a list of dimensions.

`__bool__`

```
__bool__()
```

Returns True if this shape contains non-zero information.

`__eq__`

```
__eq__(other)
```

Returns True if `self` is equivalent to `other` .

`__getitem__`

```
__getitem__(key)
```

Returns the value of a dimension or a shape, depending on the key.

Args:

- `key` : If `key` is an integer, returns the dimension at that index; otherwise if `key` is a slice, returns a `TensorShape` whose dimensions are those selected by the slice from `self` .

Returns:

A dimension if `key` is an integer, or a `TensorShape` if `key` is a slice.

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `key` is a slice, and any of its elements are negative, or if `self` is completely unknown and the step is set.

`__iter__`

```
__iter__()
```

Returns `self.dims` if the rank is known, otherwise raises `ValueError`.

`__len__`

```
__len__()
```

Returns the rank of this shape, or raises `ValueError` if unspecified.

__ne__

```
__ne__(other)
```

Returns True if `self` is known to be different from `other`.

__nonzero__

```
__nonzero__()
```

Returns True if this shape contains non-zero information.

as_list

```
as_list()
```

Returns a list of integers or `None` for each dimension.

Returns:

A list of integers or `None` for each dimension.

Raises:

- `ValueError`: If `self` is an unknown shape with an unknown rank.

as_proto

```
as_proto()
```

Returns this shape as a `TensorShapeProto`.

assert_has_rank

```
assert_has_rank(rank)
```

Raises an exception if `self` is not compatible with the given `rank`.

Args:

- `rank`: An integer.

Raises:

- `ValueError`: If `self` does not represent a shape with the given `rank`.

assert_is_compatible_with

```
assert_is_compatible_with(other)
```

Raises exception if `self` and `other` do not represent the same shape.

This method can be used to assert that there exists a shape that both `self` and `other` represent.

Args:

- `other` : Another TensorShape.

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` and `other` do not represent the same shape.

assert_is_fully_defined

```
assert_is_fully_defined()
```

Raises an exception if `self` is not fully defined in every dimension.

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` does not have a known value for every dimension.

assert_same_rank

```
assert_same_rank(other)
```

Raises an exception if `self` and `other` do not have compatible ranks.

Args:

- `other` : Another `TensorShape` .

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` and `other` do not represent shapes with the same rank.

concatenate

```
concatenate(other)
```

Returns the concatenation of the dimension in `self` and `other` .

N.B. If either `self` or `other` is completely unknown, concatenation will discard information about the other shape. In future, we might support concatenation that preserves this information for use with slicing.

Args:

- `other` : Another `TensorShape` .

Returns:

A `TensorShape` whose dimensions are the concatenation of the dimensions in `self` and `other` .

`is_compatible_with`

```
is_compatible_with(other)
```

Returns True iff `self` is compatible with `other` .

Two possibly-partially-defined shapes are compatible if there exists a fully-defined shape that both shapes can represent. Thus, compatibility allows the shape inference code to reason about partially-defined shapes. For example:

- `TensorShape(None)` is compatible with all shapes.
- `TensorShape([None, None])` is compatible with all two-dimensional shapes, such as `TensorShape([32, 784])`, and also `TensorShape(None)`. It is not compatible with, for example, `TensorShape([None])` or `TensorShape([None, None, None])`.
- `TensorShape([32, None])` is compatible with all two-dimensional shapes with size 32 in the 0th dimension, and also `TensorShape([None, None])` and `TensorShape(None)`. It is not compatible with, for example, `TensorShape([32])`, `TensorShape([32, None, 1])` or `TensorShape([64, None])`.
- `TensorShape([32, 784])` is compatible with itself, and also `TensorShape([32, None])`, `TensorShape([None, 784])`, `TensorShape([None, None])` and `TensorShape(None)`. It is not compatible with, for example, `TensorShape([32, 1, 784])` or `TensorShape([None])`.

The compatibility relation is reflexive and symmetric, but not transitive. For example, `TensorShape([32, 784])` is compatible with `TensorShape(None)`, and `TensorShape(None)` is compatible with `TensorShape([4, 4])`, but `TensorShape([32, 784])` is not compatible with `TensorShape([4, 4])`.

Args:

- `other` : Another `TensorShape`.

Returns:

True iff `self` is compatible with `other` .

`is_fully_defined`

```
is_fully_defined()
```

Returns True iff `self` is fully defined in every dimension.

`merge_with`

```
merge_with(other)
```

Returns a `TensorShape` combining the information in `self` and `other` .

The dimensions in `self` and `other` are merged elementwise, according to the rules defined for `Dimension.merge_with()` .

Args:

- `other` : Another `TensorShape` .

Returns:

A `TensorShape` containing the combined information of `self` and `other` .

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` and `other` are not compatible.

most_specific_compatible_shape

```
most_specific_compatible_shape(other)
```

Returns the most specific `TensorShape` compatible with `self` and `other` .

- `TensorShape([None, 1])` is the most specific `TensorShape` compatible with both `TensorShape([2, 1])` and `TensorShape([5, 1])`. Note that `TensorShape(None)` is also compatible with above mentioned `TensorShapes`.
- `TensorShape([1, 2, 3])` is the most specific `TensorShape` compatible with both `TensorShape([1, 2, 3])` and `TensorShape([1, 2, 3])`. There are more less specific `TensorShapes` compatible with above mentioned `TensorShapes`, e.g. `TensorShape([1, 2, None])`, `TensorShape(None)`.

Args:

- `other` : Another `TensorShape` .

Returns:

A `TensorShape` which is the most specific compatible shape of `self` and `other` .

num_elements

```
num_elements()
```

Returns the total number of elements, or none for incomplete shapes.

with_rank

```
with_rank(rank)
```

Returns a shape based on `self` with the given rank.

This method promotes a completely unknown shape to one with a known rank.

Args:

- `rank` : An integer.

Returns:

A shape that is at least as specific as `self` with the given rank.

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` does not represent a shape with the given `rank` .

with_rank_at_least

```
with_rank_at_least(rank)
```

Returns a shape based on `self` with at least the given rank.

Args:

- `rank` : An integer.

Returns:

A shape that is at least as specific as `self` with at least the given rank.

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` does not represent a shape with at least the given `rank` .

with_rank_at_most

```
with_rank_at_most(rank)
```

Returns a shape based on `self` with at most the given rank.

Args:

- `rank` : An integer.

Returns:

A shape that is at least as specific as `self` with at most the given rank.

Raises:

- `ValueError` : If `self` does not represent a shape with at most the given `rank` .

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