

## tf.contrib.distributions.percentile

```
percentile(  
    x,  
    q,  
    axis=None,  
    interpolation=None,  
    keep_dims=False,  
    validate_args=False,  
    name=None  
)
```

Defined in [tensorflow/contrib/distributions/python/ops/sample\\_stats.py](#).

Compute the  $q$ -th percentile of  $x$ .

Given a vector  $x$ , the  $q$ -th percentile of  $x$  is the value  $q / 100$  of the way from the minimum to the maximum in a sorted copy of  $x$ .

The values and distances of the two nearest neighbors as well as the `interpolation` parameter will determine the percentile if the normalized ranking does not match the location of  $q$  exactly.

This function is the same as the median if  $q = 50$ , the same as the minimum if  $q = 0$  and the same as the maximum if  $q = 100$ .

```
# Get 30th percentile with default ('nearest') interpolation.  
x = [1., 2., 3., 4.]  
percentile(x, q=30.)  
==> 2.0  
  
# Get 30th percentile with 'lower' interpolation  
x = [1., 2., 3., 4.]  
percentile(x, q=30., interpolation='lower')  
==> 1.0  
  
# Get 100th percentile (maximum). By default, this is computed over every dim  
x = [[1., 2.]  
      [3., 4.]]  
percentile(x, q=100.)  
==> 4.0  
  
# Treat the leading dim as indexing samples, and find the 100th quantile (max)  
# over all such samples.  
x = [[1., 2.]  
      [3., 4.]]  
percentile(x, q=100., axis=[0])  
==> [3., 4.]
```

Compare to `numpy.percentile`.

## Args:

- $x$ : Floating point **N-D Tensor** with  $N > 0$ . If `axis` is not `None`,  $x$  must have statically known number of dimensions.

- `q`: Scalar **Tensor** in `[0, 100]`. The percentile.
- `axis`: Optional **0-D** or **1-D** integer **Tensor** with constant values. The axis that hold independent samples over which to return the desired percentile. If **None** (the default), treat every dimension as a sample dimension, returning a scalar.
- `interpolation`: {"lower", "higher", "nearest"}. Default: "nearest" This optional parameter specifies the interpolation method to use when the desired quantile lies between two data points `i < j`:
  - lower: `i`.
  - higher: `j`.
  - nearest: `i` or `j`, whichever is nearest.
- `keep_dims`: Python **bool**. If **True**, the last dimension is kept with size 1 If **False**, the last dimension is removed from the output shape.
- `validate_args`: Whether to add runtime checks of argument validity. If False, and arguments are incorrect, correct behavior is not guaranteed.
- `name`: A Python string name to give this **Op**. Default is "percentile"

Returns:

A `(N - len(axis))` dimensional **Tensor** of same dtype as `x`, or, if `axis` is **None**, a scalar.

Raises:

- **ValueError**: If argument 'interpolation' is not an allowed type.

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