## TencorFlow

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tf.scatter\_update

```
scatter_update(
    ref,
    indices,
    updates,
    use_locking=True,
    name=None
)
```

Defined in tensorflow/python/ops/gen\_state\_ops.py.

See the guide: Variables > Sparse Variable Updates

Applies sparse updates to a variable reference.

This operation computes

```
# Scalar indices
ref[indices, ...] = updates[...]

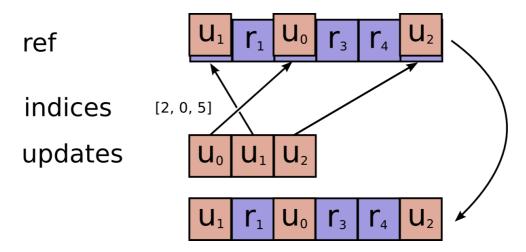
# Vector indices (for each i)
ref[indices[i], ...] = updates[i, ...]

# High rank indices (for each i, ..., j)
ref[indices[i, ..., j], ...] = updates[i, ..., j, ...]
```

This operation outputs **ref** after the update is done. This makes it easier to chain operations that need to use the reset value.

If values in **ref** is to be updated more than once, because there are duplicate entries in **indices**, the order at which the updates happen for each value is undefined.

Requires updates.shape = indices.shape + ref.shape[1:].



## Args:

- ref: A mutable Tensor. Should be from a Variable node.
- indices: A Tensor. Must be one of the following types: int32, int64. A tensor of indices into the first dimension

of ref.

- updates: A Tensor. Must have the same type as ref. A tensor of updated values to store in ref.
- use\_locking: An optional bool. Defaults to True. If True, the assignment will be protected by a lock; otherwise the behavior is undefined, but may exhibit less contention.
- name: A name for the operation (optional).

## Returns:

Same as **ref**. Returned as a convenience for operations that want to use the updated values after the update is done.

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