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tf.nn.separable\_conv2d

```
separable_conv2d(
   input,
   depthwise_filter,
   pointwise_filter,
   strides,
   padding,
   rate=None,
   name=None,
   data_format=None
)
```

Defined in tensorflow/python/ops/nn\_impl.py.

See the guides: Layers (contrib) > Higher level ops for building neural network layers, Neural Network > Convolution

2-D convolution with separable filters.

Performs a depthwise convolution that acts separately on channels followed by a pointwise convolution that mixes channels. Note that this is separability between dimensions [1, 2] and 3, not spatial separability between dimensions 1 and 2.

In detail,

```
output[b, i, j, k] = sum_{di, dj, q, r}
  input[b, strides[1] * i + di, strides[2] * j + dj, q] *
  depthwise_filter[di, dj, q, r] *
  pointwise_filter[0, 0, q * channel_multiplier + r, k]
```

strides controls the strides for the depthwise convolution only, since the pointwise convolution has implicit strides of [1, 1, 1, 1]. Must have strides[0] = strides[3] = 1. For the most common case of the same horizontal and vertical strides, strides = [1, stride, stride, 1]. If any value in rate is greater than 1, we perform atrous depthwise convolution, in which case all values in the strides tensor must be equal to 1.

## Args:

- input: 4-D **Tensor** with shape according to **data\_format**.
- depthwise\_filter: 4-D Tensor with shape [filter\_height, filter\_width, in\_channels, channel\_multiplier].

  Contains in\_channels convolutional filters of depth 1.
- pointwise\_filter: 4-D Tensor with shape [1, 1, channel\_multiplier \* in\_channels, out\_channels].
   Pointwise filter to mix channels after depthwise\_filter has convolved spatially.
- strides: 1-D of size 4. The strides for the depthwise convolution for each dimension of input.
- padding: A string, either 'VALID' or 'SAME'. The padding algorithm. See the comment here
- rate: 1-D of size 2. The dilation rate in which we sample input values across the **height** and **width** dimensions in atrous convolution. If it is greater than 1, then all values of strides must be 1.
- name: A name for this operation (optional).
- data\_format: The data format for input. Either "NHWC" (default) or "NCHW".

## Returns:

A 4-D **Tensor** with shape according to 'data\_format'. For example, with data\_format="NHWC", shape is [batch, out\_height, out\_width, out\_channels].

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