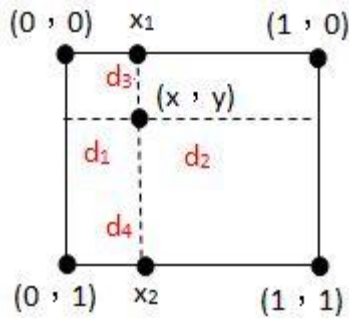


Scaling

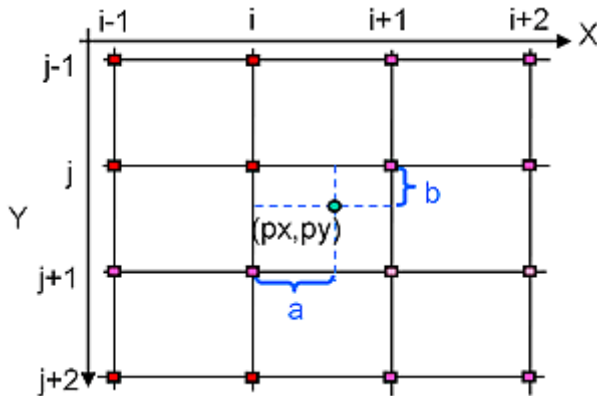
Discussion on bilinear interpolation



Bilinear interpolation uses the **nearest four points** to predict the value of the target (x_t, y_t) . Define $f(x, y)$ means the value at that point, i.e. $f(0, 0) = 0$, $f(1, 1) = 255$. In bilinear interpolation, we compute the linear equation between x and $f(x, y)$ for every row first. Therefore, we need to get these equations.
 $f(x, 0) = a_0x + b_0$ and $f(x, 1) = a_1x + b_1$

We could get a_0 and b_0 by $f(0, 0)$ and $f(1, 0)$ and get a_1 and b_1 by $f(0, 1)$ and $f(1, 1)$. After the computation, we can get two equation $f(x, 0)$ and $f(x, 1)$. We put x_t (x value of target) to get two point: $f(x_t, 0)$ at point x_1 and $f(x_t, 1)$ at point x_2 . Again, we could compute the equation: $f(x_t, y) = a_3y + b_3$ by $f(x_t, 0)$ and $f(x_t, 1)$. Finally, we have $f(x_t, y)$ and just put y_t in it to get $f(x_t, y_t)$.

Bicubic interpolation



Bicubic interpolation uses the same concept of bilinear interpolation, but bicubic interpolation uses the most **nearest 16 points** to predict the value of target $F(x', y')$. Using the concept of bilinear, I compute the following equation for each row first.

$$F(x, j-1) = a_0x^3 + b_0x^2 + c_0x + d_0$$

$$F(x, j) = a_1x^3 + b_1x^2 + c_1x + d_1$$

$$F(x, j+1) = a_2x^3 + b_2x^2 + c_2x + d_2$$

$$F(x, j+2) = a_3x^3 + b_3x^2 + c_3x + d_3$$

After computing these equations, we could put x' in and get 4 points: $F(x', j-1)$, $F(x', j)$, $F(x', j+1)$ and $F(x', j+2)$. Now, we could compute the equation:

$$F(x', y) = a_4x^3 + b_4x^2 + c_4x + d_4$$

Put y' into $F(x', y)$ and get $F(x', y')$ at the end.

Some method I use in program

There is an issue that the result after read bitmap array is **one-dimensional array**. If the file is a 24-bit BMP image, we will get an array like this : [RGBRGBRGB...], every pixel has three values. However, the previous discussions are based on two-dimensional array, so I calculate (x, y) from 1-D array by:

$$x = \text{floor}\left(\frac{\text{index}}{\text{byte per pixel}}\right) \bmod \text{width}$$

$$y = \text{floor}\left(\text{floor}\left(\frac{\text{index}}{\text{color number per pixel}}\right) \div \text{width}\right)$$

where index is the index of current element in an array

and $\text{color number per pixel}$ is typically calculated by $\frac{\text{bits per pixel}}{8}$

because we use one byte to represent value of a color.

After getting (x, y) , we could continue to go on our algorithm above, for scaling-up task, we could map this (x, y) to original image by $(x/1.5, y/1.5)$.

Reference

- [1] [Bilinear interpolation \(Wiki\)](#)
- [2] [Bicubic interpolation \(Wiki\)](#)