
Subject: Re: Interpolate whole array instead of looping through elements

Posted by [Markus Schmassmann](#) on Thu, 13 Apr 2017 12:21:48 GMT

[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

On 04/13/2017 01:50 AM, liam.steele@gmx.co.uk wrote:

> thanks for the replies everyone,

>

> Well it is a little bit more complicated than I originally said. I

> made the original question simpler to avoid confusing things!

>

> Basically, temp is of size [280,280,60,720]. What I am actually

> doing is getting the average temperatures in a radially symmetric crater. Take

> the following image as an example:

> <https://s22.postimg.org/6r50fbrld/bilinear.jpg>

>

> Imagine the black grid is the lat-lon temperature field at a certain

> level and time (i.e. temp[*,* ,0,0]). Once I have this 2D field, I need

> to calculate how the average temperature varies from the centre of the

> crater to the edge. So I define a line (shown in red, with the black

> dots the locations I want values at), and for each black dot I use the

> bilinear function to get a value. I then rotate the red line a bit more

> and do the calculation again, and repeat. On each line there are about

> 100 points.

>

> Once a full circle of rotations is complete, the average temps from

> the centre to the edge of the crater are found. But only for one time

> and one level. At the moment I'm rotating the line by 5 degrees. So each

> time and each level of data has 36 rotations with each rotation having

> 100 points on the line to use the bilinear function on. So, it's

> something like:

>

> for iangle = 0, 35 do begin

> for ipoint = 0, 99 do begin

>

> ; Find ival and jval of the point we want to interpolate to

> ival =

> jval =

>

> for itime = 0, 719 do begin

> for ilev = 0, 59 do begin

> out_vals[ipoint,ilev,itime] = out_vals[ipoint,ilev,itime] + \$

> bilinear(temp[*,* ,ilev,itime],ival,jval)/36

> endfor

> endfor

>

> endfor

> endfor

>

- > And it goes really rather slowly. Looping through just iangle,
- > ipoint and itime takes 131 seconds (using the TIC,TOC functions). This then
- > needs multiplied by 60 to loop through each atmospheric level, so it
- > takes more than two hours in total. And this is just for one lot of
- > data. At the moment I have 50 or so of these to calculate, so that's
- > almost 5 days of IDL calculation!
- >
- > I was thinking there was maybe something that could be done where
- > theiangle and ipoint loops still occur (as they have to, in order to find
- > the i and j indices for the bilinear interpolation), but then
- > interpolation could occur for all itime and ilev values at once in some
- > speedy IDL vectorized way (since they are using the same indices). But
- > maybe not! Maybe I need to find something other than IDL that might be
- > quicker. Or just accept it is going to take a while to calculate!
- >
- > Apologies if none of this makes sense!

```
ivals=139.5+1.395*rebin(findgen(1,100),[36,100],/sample) $
    *rebin(sin(!pi/18*findgen(36,1)),[36,100],/sample)
jvals=139.5+1.395*rebin(findgen(1,100),[36,100],/sample) $
    *rebin(cos(!pi/18*findgen(36,1)),[36,100],/sample)
```

one simple thing for pure increased speed:

```
for iangle = 0, 35 do for ipoint = 0, 99 do for itime = 0, 719 do $
    for ilev = 0, 59 do out_vals[ipoint,ilev,itime] = $
        out_vals[ipoint,ilev,itime] + bilinear(temp[*,* ,ilev,itime], $
            ival[jangle,ipoint],jval[iangle,ipoint])/36
```

but better is to vectorize:

```
ivals2=rebin(ivals,[36,100,720],/sample)
jvals2=rebin(jvals,[36,100,720],/sample)
tvals2=rebin(findgen(1,1,720),[36,100,720],/sample)
out_vals=fltarr(100,720,60)
for ilev=0,59 do out_vals[0,0,ilev]=mean(interpolate( $
    reform(temp[*,* ,ilev,*]), ival2, jvals2, tvals2),dim=1 )
out_vals=transpose(out_vals,[0,2,1])
```

and if that is not fast enough, do the interpolation manually:

```
wFF=rebin(floor(ivals)+280I*floor(jvals),[36,100,60,720],/sample)+ $
    rebin(280I^2*lindgen(1,1,60,720),[36,100,60,720],/sample)
wFC=rebin(floor(ivals)+280I* ceil(jvals),[36,100,60,720],/sample)+ $
    rebin(280I^2*lindgen(1,1,60,720),[36,100,60,720],/sample)
wCF=rebin( ceil(ivals)+280I*floor(jvals),[36,100,60,720],/sample)+ $
    rebin(280I^2*lindgen(1,1,60,720),[36,100,60,720],/sample)
wCC=rebin( ceil(ivals)+280I* ceil(jvals),[36,100,60,720],/sample)+ $
```

```
rebin(2801^2*lindgen(1,1,60,720),[36,100,60,720],/sample)
weightFF=rebin( (1+(ivals mod 1))*(1+(jvals mod 1)), $
[36,100,60,720],/sample)
weightFC=rebin(-(1+(ivals mod 1))* (jvals mod 1) , $
[36,100,60,720],/sample)
weightCF=rebin(- (ivals mod 1) *(1+(jvals mod 1)), $
[36,100,60,720],/sample)
weightCC=rebin( (ivals mod 1) * (jvals mod 1) , $
[36,100,60,720],/sample)
out_vals=mean(weightFF*temp[wFF]+weightFC*temp[wFC]+weightCF
*temp[wCF]+weightCC*temp[wCC],dim=1)
```

of which only the last line has to be repeated for every data set.

I haven't debugged anything, so some corrections might be necessary.

Good luck, Markus
