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Abstract

Lane line detection is a critical component of modern autonomous vehicle systems, enabling safe and precise navigation on roadways. This paper provides an overview of the state-of-the-art techniques and algorithms for lane line detection, a fundamental task in the field of computer vision and autonomous driving. The primary objective of this research is to develop robust and real-time methods for accurately identifying and tracking lane markings on the road, regardless of environmental conditions and challenging scenarios. We begin by discussing the importance of lane line detection within the context of autonomous vehicles and its role in enhancing road safety and reducing accidents. We then delve into the various methodologies and technologies used in this domain, including computer vision, deep learning, sensor fusion, and image processing techniques. The paper highlights key challenges and considerations, such as the effects of adverse weather conditions, varying illumination, road markings, and the presence of other vehicles on the road. We explore how convolutional neural networks (CNNs), semantic segmentation, and Kalman filtering are employed to address these challenges and improve the accuracy and robustness of lane line detection systems. Furthermore, we examine real-world applications and case studies where lane line detection plays a pivotal role in enabling autonomous vehicles to navigate complex urban environments and highways. We also touch upon the integration of lane line information with other perception and control modules in the autonomous vehicle's stack. In conclusion, this paper underscores the ongoing research and development efforts in the field of lane line detection, emphasizing the need for adaptable and resilient systems capable of operating in diverse and dynamic real-world conditions. By addressing these challenges, we aim to contribute to the safe and reliable deployment of autonomous vehicles on our roadways, ultimately transforming the future of transportation.

Keywords

Image preprocessing, edge detection, hue transform, region of interest (ROI), lane line model, line fitting, post processing, visualisation, Lane Departure Warning, Sensor Technologies, Lane Detection Software, Lane Recognition, Lane Detection Sensors Lane Following, Lane Departure Prevention, Lane Detection Accuracy, Lane Detection in Urban Environments, Lane Detection on Highways, Lane Detection in Challenging Scenarios, Lane Detection Evaluation Metrics, Kalman Filtering, Hough Transform, Edge Detection

Introduction

Lane line detection is a fundamental and indispensable component of the ever-evolving field of autonomous driving and advanced driver-assistance systems (ADAS). As the world moves towards a future where self-driving cars are a reality and human drivers share the road with intelligent machines, the ability of vehicles to perceive and understand their environment is paramount. Among the myriad challenges that autonomous vehicles face, one of the most critical is the accurate detection and tracking of lane markings on the road.

Lane line detection systems play a pivotal role in ensuring safe and reliable autonomous navigation, as well as enhancing the driving experience in semi-autonomous vehicles. These systems enable vehicles to "see" and interpret the road ahead by identifying and tracking lane boundaries, providing crucial information for steering control, lane-keeping assistance, and decision-making algorithms.

This field has seen remarkable advancements, driven by the convergence of computer vision, machine learning, and sensor technology. Modern lane line detection algorithms can process images and sensor data in real-time, allowing vehicles to operate safely in a variety of driving conditions, including complex urban environments, highways, and adverse weather conditions.

In this context, this introduction sets the stage for a comprehensive exploration of lane line detection. We will delve into the underlying technologies, challenges, and methodologies that make lane line detection a critical enabler of autonomous driving and road safety. Throughout this discussion, we will highlight the vital role it plays in the broader landscape of autonomous vehicle research and development, ultimately contributing to the evolution of transportation as we know it.

Source code

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import cv2
import numpy as np

def region_of_interest(img, vertices):
    mask = np.zeros_like(img)
    #channel_count = img.shape[2]
    match_mask_color = 255
    cv2.fillPoly(mask, vertices, match_mask_color)
    masked_image = cv2.bitwise_and(img, mask)
    return masked_image

def draw_the_lines(img, lines):
    img = np.copy(img)
    blank_image = np.zeros((img.shape[0], img.shape[1], 3), dtype=np.uint8)

    for line in lines:
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        for x1, y1, x2, y2 in line:
            cv2.line(blank_image, (x1,y1), (x2,y2), (0, 255, 0), thickness=10)

    img = cv2.addWeighted(img, 0.8, blank_image, 1, 0.0)
    return img

# = cv2.imread('road.jpg')
#image = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
def process(image):
    print(image.shape)
    height = image.shape[0]
    width = image.shape[1]
    region_of_interest_vertices = [
        (0, height),
        (width/2, height/2),
        (width, height)
    ]
    gray_image = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR_RGB2GRAY)
    canny_image = cv2.Canny(gray_image, 100, 120)
    cropped_image = region_of_interest(canny_image,
        np.array([region_of_interest_vertices], np.int32),)
    lines = cv2.HoughLinesP(cropped_image,
        rho=2,
        theta=np.pi/180,
        threshold=50,
        lines=np.array([]),
        minLineLength=40,
        maxLineGap=100)
    image_with_lines = draw_the_lines(image, lines)
    return image_with_lines

cap = cv2.VideoCapture('visualisation.mp4')

while cap.isOpened():
    ret, frame = cap.read()
    frame = process(frame)
    cv2.imshow('frame', frame)
    if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):
        break

cap.release()
cv2.destroyAllWindows()

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Output



Conclusion

Lane line detection is a crucial component of advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) and autonomous vehicles, providing the necessary information for safe and efficient navigation. In conclusion, the development and implementation of lane line detection systems have made significant advancements in recent years. These systems rely on various techniques, such as computer vision, deep learning, and sensor fusion, to accurately identify and track lane lines on the road.

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