lane detection

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1 Lane Detection

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This notebook is highly inspired by this project by Udacity

2.0.1 Before start, let's define the problem. We want to detect the lane's lines through a raw image taken from cars' camera. Example input and output are:



Input



Output

2.0.2 Data taken from Kitti dataset

2.0.3 Procedure

- 1. Covert color image to grayscale
- 2. Smooth image to suppress noise and spurious gradients in preparation of Canny edge detection

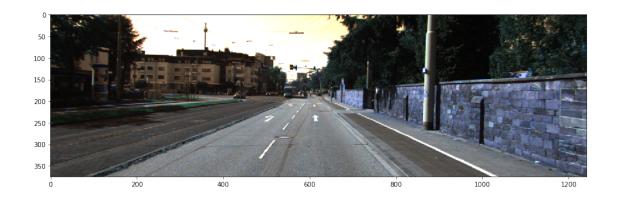
- 3. Canny edge detection
- 4. Define region of interest (ROI)
- 5. Use Hough transform to detect lines within ROI
- 6. Overlay detected lines on image
- 7. Improve lines in overlay image

Each step will be implemented below

2.1 Prepare data and import essential libs

```
[1]: import numpy as np
     import cv2
     import os
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     %matplotlib inline
[4]: PATH = "data_road/lane_img"
     img_folder = [os.path.join(PATH, img) for img in os.listdir(PATH) if '.png' in_
      →img]
     img_folder[:10]
[4]: ['data_road/lane_img/um_000002.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000003.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000013.png',
      'data road/lane img/um 000014.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000015.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000016.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000017.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000018.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000019.png',
      'data_road/lane_img/um_000020.png']
[5]: #show an image
     img = cv2.imread(img folder[0])
     plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
     plt.imshow(img)
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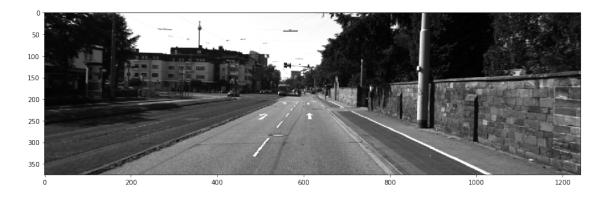
[5]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f1a0587a828>



2.2 1. Convert color image to gray scale

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[6]: # conver to gray
img_gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_RGB2GRAY)
plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
plt.imshow(img_gray, cmap='gray')
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[6]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f1a0586fac8>

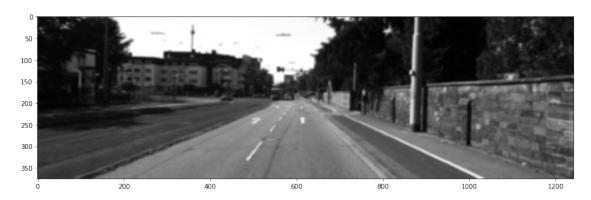


2.3 2. Smooth image to suppress noise and spurious gradients in preparation of Canny edge detection

In this situation, we apply Gaussian blur to reduce noise

```
[7]: #Apply Gaussian blur
kernel_size=11
blur = cv2.GaussianBlur(img_gray, (kernel_size, kernel_size), 0)
plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
plt.imshow(blur, cmap='gray')
```

[7]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f1a057d1cf8>



2.4 3. Canny edge detection

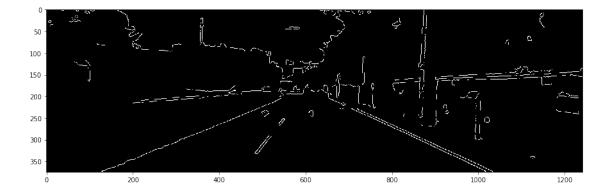
The Canny edge detection algorithm is composed of 5 steps: 1. Noise reduction; 2. Gradient calculation; 3. Non-maximum suppression; 4. Double threshold; 5. Edge Tracking by Hysteresis.

- High threshold is used to identify the strong pixels (intensity higher than the high threshold)
- Low threshold is used to identify the non-relevant pixels (intensity lower than the low threshold)

Visit this blog to know more about the details

```
[90]: #canny edge detection
low_threshold = 50
high_threshold = 150
canny = cv2.Canny(blur, low_threshold, high_threshold)
plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
plt.imshow(canny, cmap='gray')
```

[90]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f372f064be0>



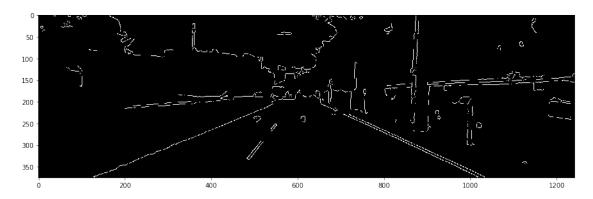
2.5 Then, we grab all above to a function for reproduceable purpose

```
[91]: #grab all above function as get_canny
def get_canny(img):
    """
    Input: take a raw image
    Output: detect edges of img using canny
    """
    img_gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_RGB2GRAY)
    blur = cv2.GaussianBlur(img_gray, (11, 11), 0)
    canny = cv2.Canny(blur, 50, 150)
    return canny

canny = get_canny(img)
    plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
    print("Exactly the same as above")
    plt.imshow(canny, cmap='gray')
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Exactly the same as above

[91]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f372efc7390>



2.6 4. Define region of interest (ROI)

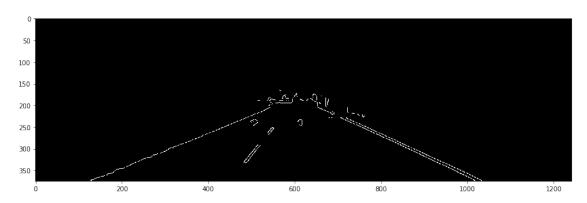
- 1. Define a triangle as region of interes. After explore the dataset, we conclude most ROIs are from coordinate (100,height), (1100, height), (600,150) where height is the height of image
- 2. Create a mask filled with the triangle
- 3. Apply bitwise operator to get ROI as below

```
[92]: def region_of_interest(img):
    """
    Input: get a edge img, vertices as the limit of ROI
    Output: A mask of img which only contains ROI
    """
    height = img.shape[0]
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polygon = np.array([[(100,height), (1100, height), (600,150)]])
  mask = np.zeros_like(img)
  cv2.fillPoly(mask, polygon, 255)
  mask_img = cv2.bitwise_and(img, mask)
  return mask_img

mask = region_of_interest(canny)
plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
plt.imshow(mask, cmap='gray')
```

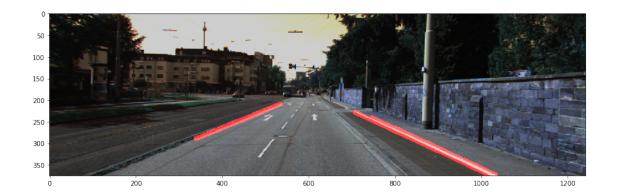
[92]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f372ef9f780>



2.7 5. Use Hough transform to detect lines within ROI

2.8 6. Overlay detected lines on image

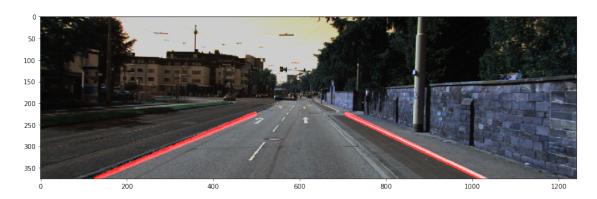
[93]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f372ef77d30>



2.9 7. Improve lines in overlay image

```
[98]: def make_coordinates(img, line_params):
          slope, intercept = line_params
          y1 = img.shape[0]
          y2 = int(y1*(3/5))
          x1 = int((y1-intercept)/slope)
          x2 = int((y2-intercept)/slope)
          return np.array([x1, y1, x2, y2])
      def average_slope_intercept(img, lines):
          left_fit = []
          right fit = []
          for line in lines:
              x1, y1, x2, y2 = line.reshape(4)
              params = np.polyfit((x1, x2), (y1, y2), 1)
              slope = params[0]
              intercept = params[1]
              if slope <0:</pre>
                  left_fit.append((slope, intercept))
                  right_fit.append((slope, intercept))
          left_fit_avg = np.average(left_fit, axis=0)
          right_fit_avg = np.average(right_fit, axis=0)
          left_line = make_coordinates(img, left_fit_avg)
          right_line = make_coordinates(img, right_fit_avg)
          return np.array([left_line, right_line])
      avg_line = average_slope_intercept(img, lines)
      line_img = display_lines(img, avg_line)
      combine_line_img = cv2.addWeighted(img, 0.8, line_img, 1, 1)
      plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
      plt.imshow(combine_line_img)
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[98]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f372ee3ed68>



[100]: cv2.imwrite('output.png',combine_line_img)

[100]: True

[]: