Finding Lane Lines on the Road

Project Writeup

The goals of this project were the following:

- Make a pipeline that finds lane lines on the road.
- Reflect on my work in a written report.

To identify lane markings on road images and videos, I adopted the following pipeline. For every road image, I:

- 1. Converted the image to gray scale to reduce it to one color channel.
- 2. Applied a Gaussian blur to the image.
- 3. Found the edges of the image by applying the Canny edge detection algorithm.
- 4. Defined the region of interest by applying a triangular polygon on the image.
- 5. Found the lane markings by applying the Hough Transform algorithm on the image.
- 6. Extrapolated the lane markings by fitting their coefficients to the equation of a straight line to deduce their resultant x-coordinate(s) in the form x = (y c)/m.
- 7. Weighted the image on top of the original RGB image to give a clear representation of the position of lane markings.
- a) To find lane lines in a video stream, I apply all the above steps to individual frames of the video stream.

A potential shortcoming of my pipeline is that it is unable to accurately detect lane markings in cases where a vehicle has more than two lane lines in its region of interest.

To improve this pipeline, one would consider automating the process of calculating the image's region of interest.