

Collin Drake

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Intern at Grip Places

July 2023 - December 2023

- Built an oversampling and preprocessing pipeline using OpenCV and PyTorch.
- Improved facial recognition systems using Facebook’s FAISS library.
- Enhanced the accuracy of our age and gender classification model by 15%.
- Filtered and classified a dataset of 120,000 faces for model training.

Clerk at PostNet

May 2023 - August 2023

- Provided customer service and managed transactions.
- Assisted in daily operations, including inventory management.

PROJECTS

Co-leadership of a Tech Help Volunteering Organization

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My interview with the Boulder Daily Camera can be found here: [Peak to Peak Charter students offer tech help to seniors – Boulder Daily Camera](#). I serve as a volunteer and outreach coordinator for Connect Digital Inclusion Labs, a volunteering organization that assists people of all ages with their tech problems. We’ve served the community in several places, including the Lafayette Public Library, [EFFA](#), senior assisted living centers, and disability centers in collaboration with the [Arc of Weld County](#). Initially, we believed that seniors would be most affected by the widening digital divide, but we’ve found that it affects people of a much wider age range; many of our learners are as young as 45, with the primary age range being 55-70.

Facial Recognition System Improvement

[GitHub](#)

Led the development of a facial recognition system using Python, OpenCV, and PyTorch. Enhanced accuracy by implementing advanced preprocessing techniques and leveraging the FAISS library for efficient similarity search.

EDUCATION

2021 - present **Peak to Peak Charter School**

(GPA: 3.87)

Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning, Data Structures & Algorithms

Extracurricular Activities: Data Science Seminar Founder, Computer Science Honors Society Leader, Robotics Club Member, Math Club Member

PUBLICATIONS

Collin Drake, Jack Cerullo (Mar. 2024). “Variance-Aware Loss: Addressing Underfitting in Transformer-Based Time Series Forecasting”. In: *arXiv*. URL: <https://github.com/cldrake01/sibyl/tree/main/paper>.