Project Proposal/ Ideas:

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**BASE PLAN:** website where user can draw a number/ operator on canvas and machine will predict what user input.

1. *Step 1:* Use the extended MNIST dataset with Kaggle Dataset for math operators (like plus “+”, or minus “-“, or multiplier “ x” or “\*”, etc.) to train model in python.
2. *Step 2*: Save the model (python) and convert it to Javascript TensorFlow model. I’m not sure if it is better to build a flask app to feed the input from client end back to server, let the model predict, then pass result back to client, or just convert the whole thing to javascript and let it handle on the client end the whole time.
3. *Step 3:* Build a webpage with a simple layout like this:

Nav Bar

Masthead / Jumbotron

Output:

What number/ operator is it?

How accurate is this prediction?

Input:

Canvas for user to write on (number/ math operator)

1. *Step 4:* Read input canvas pixel RGB value (0 – 255) and make an array (need Jeff help!). Flatten out image to a 784 item array.
2. *Step 5:* Feed the user input pixelated array to model, get the results and display it on the webpage.

**EXTENDED PLAN (if time permit):** A step further

Recognize the number and operator at the same time (input the whole equation instead of just single digits), model will predict what number and operator are input, then do the math. For example, user input 2 + 2 (handwritten), then the machine will interpret the number/ operator, then compute the result.