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**Project Title:** 

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**Description:** 

This project implements a real-time face detection system using Python and OpenCV. The system utilizes a

webcam to continuously detect faces using Haar Cascade classifiers. It allows the user to manually capture

and save face images by pressing a specific key ('y'), making the data collection process completely

user-controlled.

Key functionalities include:

- Live webcam-based face detection

- Manual image capture upon user confirmation

- Image cropping and resizing before saving

- Organized dataset storage for later use in machine learning or computer vision tasks

The goal of the project is to provide a simple, intuitive, and effective tool for beginners to learn face detection

and understand the fundamentals of dataset creation in computer vision.

**Technologies Used:** 

- Python: Programming Language

- OpenCV: Image processing and face detection

- Haar Cascade: Face detection algorithm

- OS Module: Folder and file management

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## **Project Highlights:**

- Real-time detection using cv2.VideoCapture()
- Haar Cascade classifier: haarcascade\_frontalface\_alt.xml
- Press 'y' to save an image, 'q' to quit
- Cropped face images are resized to 200x200 and stored
- Output directory: data\_faces/

## **Sample Output:**

- data\_faces/YourName\_1.jpg
- data\_faces/YourName\_2.jpg

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