AI for Alpha Generation: Roadmap Outline

Phase 1: Foundations - Essential Finance and AI Concepts

- 1.1 Core Financial Concepts and Intuition
- 1.2 Setting Up Your Local Python Environment
- 1.3 Accessing and Understanding Market Data (Numerai API)
- 1.4 Simple Backtesting with Zipline or Backtrader

Phase 2: Supervised Learning and Factor Models

- 2.1 Feature Engineering for Finance
- 2.2 Linear Regression and Factor Models
- 2.3 Regularization Techniques (Lasso, Ridge)
- 2.4 Factor-Based Stock Selection Strategy

Phase 3: Deep Learning for Time-Series Forecasting

- 3.1 Understanding Time Series Data
- 3.2 LSTM Networks for Stock Price Prediction
- 3.3 CNNs for Pattern Recognition in Financial Data
- 3.4 Practical Deep Learning: Model Training and Optimization

Phase 4: Reinforcement Learning and Algorithmic Trading

- 4.1 Introduction to Reinforcement Learning
- 4.2 Implementing Simple Trading Policies (Q-learning)
- 4.3 Policy Gradient Methods and Advanced RL Strategies
- 4.4 End-to-End Trading Bot Prototype