Summary Report

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**** The meeting focused on the lecture topic of self-attention and transformers, which are pivotal in modern natural language processing and AI systems. The instructor provided updates on course materials, including new lecture notes and upcoming assignments, emphasizing the importance of the final project proposal due soon. The discussion also highlighted the challenges with recurrent neural networks (RNNs) and introduced self-attention as a more effective alternative for handling long-distance dependencies in sequences. The lecture aimed to deepen understanding of self-attention mechanisms and their implementation in AI models.

What Should Be Done:

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- - - Review the new lecture notes that accompany the lecture on self-attention and transformers.
- - - Complete Assignment 4, which is due in one week.
- - - Submit the final project proposal for feedback to ensure feasibility.
- - - Utilize Colab for training machine translation systems if GPU access is limited.
- - - Stay updated on GPU availability for future assignments and projects.

Upcoming Tasks and Deadlines:

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- - Assignment 4 Due: March 25, 2024
- - Final Project Proposal Submission: March 25, 2024
- - Feedback on Project Proposals: March 27, 2024