

Month 1: Fundamentals of AI/ML & Math

Overview & Schedule (Weeks 1-4)

Week 1: Overview & Environment

| Day | Topic | Theory (Brief) | Practice (Brief) | Time |
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| Day 1 | AI Landscape Overview | Watch: IBM Technology's AI Trends for 2025 (12 mins). Then skim this visual r... | Action: Create a GitHub repo named 'AI-Learning-Journey'. Create a README.md ... | 2h |
| Day 2 | Python for ML Refresher (NumPy) | Focus: NumPy is the engine of ML. Watch NumPy Crash Course (FreeCodeCamp). Fu... | Exercise: Create a random 10x10 matrix. Find the mean, stdev, and transpose i... | 2h |
| Day 3 | Python for ML Refresher (Pandas) | Focus: Data manipulation. Watch Pandas Tutorial (Keith Galli). Concepts: Data... | Exercise: Load the 'Titanic' dataset (from Seaborn or Kaggle). Fill missing a... | 2h |
| Day 4 | Visualization (Matplotlib/Seaborn) | Focus: Data Storytelling. Watch Seaborn for Beginners. Understand: Histograms... | Exercise: Plot the distribution of 'Fare' in Titanic. Create a scatter plot o... | 2h |

Week 2: Math: Linear Algebra

| Day | Topic | Theory (Brief) | Practice (Brief) | Time |
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| Day 1 | Vectors & Spaces | Visual Intuition: Watch 3Blue1Brown's Vectors, what even are they? and Linear... | Paper & Pencil: Draw vectors [1, 2] and [2, 1]. Draw their sum. Python: Repre... | 2h |
| Day 2 | Matrices & Operations | Visual Intuition: Watch 3Blue1Brown's Matrix multiplication as composition. K... | Python: Implement matrix multiplication using specific formula (3 nested loop... | 2h |

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| Day 3 | Eigenvectors & Eigenvalues | Visual Intuition: Watch 3Blue1Brown's Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues. Concept: ... | Python: Use <code>np.linalg.eig</code> on a simple 2x2 matrix. Verify that <code>A @ v = lamb...</code> | 2h |

Week 3: Math: Calculus

| Day | Topic | Theory (Brief) | Practice (Brief) | Time |
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| Day 1 | Derivatives & Rates of Change | Visual Intuition: Watch 3Blue1Brown's Essence of Calculus. Concept: Derivativ... | Manual: Calculate derivative of $y = x^2$ and $y = 3x + 2$. Relate it to 'slope'. | 2h |
| Day 2 | Chain Rule | Crucial for Deep Learning: The Chain Rule allows us to find the error attribu... | Paper: Calculate derivative of $f(g(x))$ where $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = \sin(x)$. | 2h |
| Day 3 | Gradient Descent Intuition | The Heart of ML: Watch StatQuest's Gradient Descent, Step-by-Step. Concept: T... | Python: Implement simple gradient descent to find the minimum of $y = (x-3)^2$... | 2h |

Week 4: Math: Probability & Statistics

| Day | Topic | Theory (Brief) | Practice (Brief) | Time |
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| Day 1 | Distributions (Normal, Binomial) | Key Concept: Everything in AI is probabilistic. Watch StatQuest's Normal Dist... | Python: Generate 1000 random data points from a Normal Distribution using <code>np...</code> | 2h |
| Day 2 | Bayes Theorem | The Logic of Updating Beliefs: Watch 3Blue1Brown's Bayes Theorem. Formula: $P(...$ | Problem: Solve the 'Medical Test Paradox' problem on paper. (If a test is 99%... | 2h |
| Day 3 | Module 1 Review | Review: Re-watch 3Blue1Brown's 'Essence of Linear Algebra' Ch 1-3. These are ... | Self-Check: Can you explain what a 'Dot Product' represents geometrically? (P... | 2h |