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Specific goal	(opt) Steps to reach goal (break into 2-3 steps)	(opt) Timeline for each step	(opt) Why is this important to me?
GOAL 0: **I want to complete the chapter-readings in time and ask doubts (if any) before the start of the next class.**	I want to finish reading the day of the class (+ the next day if needed) itself unless I have assignment deadlines and other commitments keeping me. When I read, I want to take notes and make sure to read through them before class next time so that I remember what I read and what doubts I have.	Tuesday afternoon and Friday afternoon 2:30 - 5:00 pm	I want to complete reading the chapter taught or going to be taught immediately after class so that I can capture the topics firmly while comparing to what I understood in class. This helps me clear any misunderstanding and also anything I did not understand completely. This also helps the creation of effective doubts more than silly ones. A 10-minute revision is enough to jog our memory and effectively makes us remember things better.
GOAL 1: **I might take aid of generative LLM / websites / … while understanding the chapter BUT I will be completing the in-chapter problems and assignments without relying on such suites.**	I will allot time to problem-solving along with textbook reading. I will do them simultaneously, which will let me understand the topic and the problem better. I will take the help of Google to effectively gain this and only resort to LLM if it's the last resort (but purely for understanding).	Tuesday afternoon and Friday afternoon 2:30 - 5:00 pm	I can't complete a problem without understanding it. And I can't understand a topic completely without understanding the practical applications. I have to understand, and my curiosity must be satisfied to move on to the next. So when I do them together it helps the topic sink in better.

GOAL 2: I want to be comfortable reading a paper published in any standard journal in the field — restricted to those that use EEG/iEEG data — and can understand the methods section, at least those parts which overlap with what we learn in class.	I am comfortable reading papers, and if there are difficult terms to understand, I can just use Google to gain understanding. I will place reading them with textbook reading. I will take another extra hour or if needed day, to complete the task in close proximity to the classes.	Tuesday afternoon and Friday afternoon 5:00 - 5:30 pm	I just want to complete all the reading together to make sure I remember everything and am prepared for the next class mentally.
GOAL 3: I can finish the assignments as early as possible from their issue.	If the assignment is easily finishable, I want to finish it within 2 days of the issue. If I have problems understanding the topic needed for assignment completion or facing other deadlines, then I will try to finish it in the next 2 days. Each assignment, I will plan and execute the plan to effectively not let it weigh me down.	Within 2 days of the Assignment Issue.	This will help me feel confident and motivate me to do more tasks effectively, even in other courses. And thus I can conserve my mental health while effectively working.
GOAL 4: I can form a coherent hypothesis, find an appropriate dataset, and design a technical pipeline to test the hypothesis. **Additionally, I can code up the pipeline from scratch and without overtly depending on custom libraries.**	I will fill in these goals later, since I can't really make a proper plan that may help me with them.		
GOAL 5: I want to be able to critique and catch methodological flaws in existing papers and/or presentations by my peers.	I will fill in these goals later, since I can't really make a proper plan that may help me with them.		

(opt) Wellness goal: I understand that productivity demands a decent chunk of sleep and hence, won't be submitting course assignments at 3 AM!	I will submit the assignments well before the deadline if possible. At least on time.		Sleep is important and submitting early also helps me relax before the deadline.

Some links:

Google Drive link of textbook:
📕 Analyzing Neural Time Series Data Theory and Practice (Mike X Cohen).pdf

Shared Google Doc for goal tracker: 📄 MyGoalTracker