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## Pre-reads for 7/15 Session:

### Linear Algebra

1. Linear transformations - what they are, and why they are important:  
 Linear transformations and matrices | Chapter 3, Essence of linear algebra
2. How matrix multiplication works:  
[Matrix Multiplication](#)  
 Matrix multiplication as composition | Chapter 4, Essence of linear algebra
3. [How to Understand Basis \(Linear Algebra\) | by Mike Beneschan](#)
4. Basic matrix properties: rank, trace, determinant, transpose  
[Rank, basis, dimension](#)  
[Trace of a matrix](#)  
 The determinant | Chapter 6, Essence of linear algebra
5. Bases, and basis transformations:  
 Change of basis | Chapter 13, Essence of linear algebra
6. Eigenvalues and eigenvectors:  
 Eigenvectors and eigenvalues | Chapter 14, Essence of linear algebra
7. Different types of matrices, and their significance (e.g. symmetric, orthogonal, identity, rotation matrices) medium  
[Matrix Types. Square. Triangle. Diagonal. Identity... | by jun94 | jun-devpBlog | Medium](#)

### Information Theory

1. [Entropy in Machine Learning: Definition, Examples and Uses](#)
2. [Entropy; A method for Data Science & Machine Learning | by GOKE ADEKUNLE; #Wolfwords](#)
3. [Basics of Entropy](#)

4. [Understanding KL Divergence. A guide to the math, intuition, and... | by Aparna Dhinakaran | Towards Data Science](#)
5. [📺 The KL Divergence : Data Science Basics](#)
6. [Elements of Information Theory \(Wiley Series in Telecommunications and Signal Processing\) \(Hardcover\)](#)

## Pre-reads for 7/22 Session:

### Neural Networks

1. [But what is a neural network? | Chapter 1, Deep learning](#)
2. [Gradient descent, how neural networks learn | Chapter 2, Deep learning](#)
3. [What is backpropagation really doing? | Chapter 3, Deep learning](#)
4. [Neural Networks in 10mins. Simply Explained! | by Sadaf Saleem | Medium](#)
5. [Introduction to Neural Networks — Part 1 | by Harsha Bommana | Deep Learning Demystified | Medium](#)
6. [Introduction to Neural Networks — Part 2 | by Harsha Bommana | Deep Learning Demystified | Medium](#)
7. [Loss Functions Explained. Intuitive explanations of various Loss... | by Harsha Bommana | Deep Learning Demystified | Medium](#)
8. [Understanding Optimizers. Exploring how the different popular... | by Harsha Bommana | Deep Learning Demystified | Medium](#)

### EINOPS

1. [Einops in 30 seconds](#)
2. [Einops tutorial, part 1: basics](#)
3. [Einsum is All you Need - Einstein Summation in Deep Learning](#)
4. [Einsum Is All You Need: NumPy, PyTorch and TensorFlow](#)