

# **Bootcamp Journey**

Use this document as a high-level overview of your journey.

This document will reference both these aspects:

- Technical Skills Development
  - Core ML/Al Concepts
  - Gen Al & Data Engineering
  - MLOps & Deployment
- Project-Based Learning
  - Agile Scrum Methodology
  - Team Collaborations
  - Real-world Applications

## **Project Timeline**

Here is a high-level timeline of your 11-week journey.

#### Week 1 - 11 Agenda for AI PM Bootcamp

- Week 1: Learning and Onboarding Study all the Al knowledge:
  - Training for Al Engineers
  - Engineers' Training Youtube Playlist

- Training of Al Designers
- <u>Designers' Training Playlist</u>
- Engineers: Working on <u>Job Assistant Agent</u> or <u>Discord</u>
   RAG FAQ Chatbot
  - Make sure to join Office hours to discuss your thoughts and issues with these projects. (every Sundays)
- Week 2: Learning and Onboarding Study all the Al knowledge:
  - Training for Al Engineers
  - Engineers' Training Youtube Playlist
  - Training of Al Designers
  - <u>Designers' Training Playlist</u>
  - Designers: Join Pitch Day & Team Match (within 24 fill out Al products interested in on <u>Team Match.xls</u> for Cohort 6) -Please wait for the **Cohort6** tab to be created by Dr. Nancy in spreadsheet before enter Name in "Interested" column
    - Designers and PM's need to reach out to each other and determine if they are a good match. Each team can initially have 2 designers. (1 Senior + 1 Junior)
      - Format: Full\_Name(Role Senior/Junior)
        - Senior 2 or more years of experience
    - After designers join the team: Discuss User Interview process [PM to lead this discussion] ⇒Prioritize Fast matching this week

- Main communication = Discord (check daily)
- Engineers: Working on <u>Job Assistant Agent</u> or <u>Discord</u>
   RAG FAQ Chatbot
  - Make sure to join Office hours to discuss your thoughts and issues with these projects.
- Week 3: Continue development
  - Designer building High-Fidelity Designs
    - User Interviews (continue)
    - Prepare for Week 4 presentation to Engineers/Data Scientists
  - Engineers: Working on <u>Job Assistant Agent</u> or <u>Discord</u>
     RAG FAQ Chatbot
    - Make sure to join Office hours to discuss your thoughts and issues with these projects.
    - Submit your code and video walk through of code logic and provide a running example by filling out this Google Form
- Week 4: Prepare and Join Pitch Day & Ranking
  - Designers & PM present to Engineers
  - Engineers join Zoom Pitch Day and fill out <u>Google Ranking</u> form. (Lead Engineers get Ranking choice priority)
    - <u>Lead Engineer</u> Responsibilities =
      - Lead System Architecture Design (Bring thoughts to Office Hours)
      - Determine version control process in shared repository (Github) [And Git locally]
      - Assist other Engineers (not code for them but help with issues/hurdles)

#### Help PM's with technical hurdles

- Week 5: Cross-functional team collaboration. Agile feature development
- Week 6: Cross-functional team collaboration. Agile feature development
- Week 7 Cross-functional team collaboration. Agile feature development
- Week 8: Cross-functional team collaboration. Agile feature development
- Week 9: Cross-functional team collaboration. Agile feature development
- Week 10: Testing and Demo ready
- Week 11: Demo!

#### **Training Documents:**

- Training for Engineers (Click link)
- Training for Designers (Click link)
- Transformers Illustrated
  - The Illustrated Transformer Jay Alammar
- Andrej Karpathy's Neural Networks Zero to Hero
  - Neural Networks: Zero to Hero YouTube
- HuggingFace Course
  - o Introduction Hugging Face NLP Course

#### **Gen Al & Data Engineering** (4 Days)

#### Generative AI for Beginners | Microsoft Learn

- Day 1-2: LLM Fundamentals
  - LLM architectures
  - Prompt engineering
  - Context length and limitations
  - RAG (Retrieval Augmented Generation)
  - Vector databases
- Day 3: Data Engineering

- Data preprocessing
- Text chunking strategies
- Embedding models
- Vector similarity search
- Data quality and validation

## ■ Day 4: Integration

- API integration (OpenAl, Anthropic)
- Streaming responses
- Error handling
- Cost optimization

#### **■** Practical Exercises:

- Build a simple chatbot
- Implement RAG system
- Create custom training dataset

#### Resources:

- LangChain Documentation
  - Tutorials | \( \bigcirc \textit{\Omega} \) LangChain
- OpenAl Cookbook
  - GitHub openai/openai-cookbook: Examples and guides for using the OpenAl API
- Vector Database Fundamentals
  - What is a Vector Database & How Does it Work?
     Use Cases + Examples | Pinecone

#### MLOps & Deployment (3 Days)

## Day 1: Development Practices

- Git workflow
- Code review process
- Documentation standards

Testing strategies

## Day 2: Deployment

- Docker containerization
- CI/CD pipelines
- Model serving
- API development (FastAPI)

## Day 3: Monitoring

- Logging best practices
- Performance monitoring
- Cost tracking
- Error handling

#### Resources:

- MLOps Zoomcamp
  - GitHub DataTalksClub/mlops-zoomcamp: Free
     MLOps course from DataTalks.Club
- FastAPI Documentation
  - o <u>FastAPI</u>
- Docker for ML
  - <u>Docker For Data Scientists</u>

### **Project-Based Learning (Weeks 3-11)**

Agile Scrum Methodology (Week 3)

Please set aside 1 hour for Agile (Week 1&2)

Understanding Agile Scrum.pdf

What Is Agile Methodology? | Introduction to Agile Methodology in Six Minutes | Simplilearn

What Is Agile Scrum Framework? | Scrum Framework

Explained | Agile Methodology | Simplilearn

What are the tools and techniques for documenting and tracking scope and change in agile?

- Sprint Structure: (team consensus)
  - 1-2 week sprints
  - Daily standups (15 mins)
  - Sprint planning (1 hour)
  - Sprint review (20 mins)
  - Retrospective (20 mins)
- **Documentation Requirements:** (team consensus)
  - Sprint backlog
  - User stories
  - Technical documentation
  - API documentation
  - Deployment guides
- Tools: [PM's to choose]
  - Any free Project tracking tool (JIRA, Monday etc.)
    - https://clickup.com/
    - Google Sheets
    - https://linear.app/
    - https://taiga.io/

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- Any choice of documentation tool
- GitHub for code management
- Team Collaborations (Weeks 4-11)
  - Team Structure:

- Roles:
  - Full Stack Engineer
    - Front end Engineer
    - Back end Engineer
    - Fullstack Engineer
  - Data Scientist
  - Data Engineer
  - UX Designer
  - Product Manager
- Weekly Schedule: (team consensus)
  - Monday: Sprint planning/review
  - Daily: Standups
  - Wednesday: Technical discussion
  - Friday: Demo/documentation
- Real-world Applications (Ongoing)
  - **■** Project Requirements:
    - Business value proposition
    - Scalability considerations
    - Cost optimization
    - Security compliance
    - User experience
  - **Deliverables:** (team consensus)
    - Working prototype
    - Technical documentation
    - API documentation
    - Deployment pipeline
    - Monitoring dashboard
    - Final presentation

Onboarding Video Link By Anil Thomas: <a href="https://youtu.be/ZBEoZYmMCMc">https://youtu.be/ZBEoZYmMCMc</a> [Cohort 5]

#### **Success Metrics:**

- 1. Functional prototype
- 2. Clean, documented code
- 3. Comprehensive testing
- 4. Clear documentation
- 5. Effective presentation
- 6. Team collaboration

# **Tools & Technologies**

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#### Mentor Kat Sao's Schedule & Recordings (Cohort 3)

Week 1: Friday, January 31 @11am - Duration: 1hr Session Theme: Introduction, What to expect, Timelines, Q&A https://youtu.be/\_v6hyhS\_U0U

Week 2: Friday, February 7 @ 11am - Duration : 30 mins Session Theme: Q&A: General - (Session Canceled, No attendees)

Week 3: Friday, February 14 @ 11am - Duration 1hr Session Theme: Prepping for Team Matching & I'm on a team, now what? https://youtu.be/d7bClwlXZsY

Week 4: Friday, February 21 @ 10am - Duration 30 mins Session Theme: Al Product Lifecycle <a href="https://youtu.be/sc8g3RvwBBk">https://youtu.be/sc8g3RvwBBk</a>

Week 5: Friday, February 28 @ 11am - Duration 30 mins Session Theme: Outcome Mindset & Delivering Value <a href="https://youtu.be/ADjjqyM1zP4">https://youtu.be/ADjjqyM1zP4</a>

Week 6: Friday, March 7 @ 11am - Duration 30 mins Session Theme: Q&A: Retrospective, how's it going? (no recording) No Recording

Week 7: Friday, March 14 @ 11am - Duration 1hr Session Theme: Q&A and Retrospective - No recording

Week 10: Friday, April 4 @ 11am - Duration 1hr Final Session Theme: Demo Practice & Retrospective - CANCELED