



Arie Roos

Software Developer

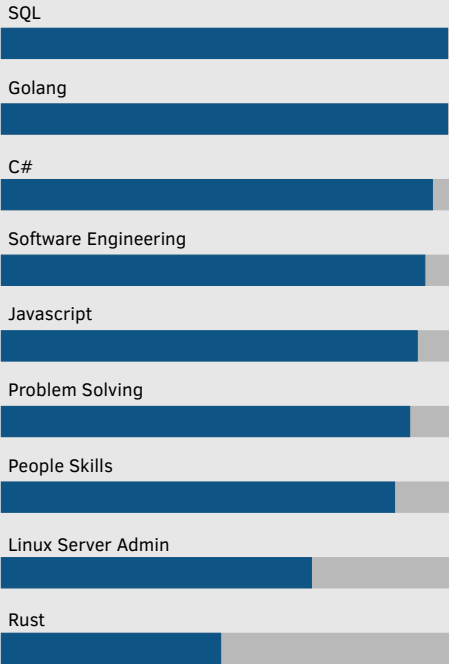
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About me

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Skills

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Interests

I am a thinker, I love Math, Puzzles, Theology, and Philosophy. I am also curious, and always appreciate new knowledge. I like to keep active with mountain biking and wall climbing if I get a chance. I spend most of my free time working in my garden or being an involved father.

Goals

I am a freelance software developer, and I would like expand my business by building more great software products. Eventually, I would like to train and employ younger software developers to help develop even more great software products.

Experience

- 2024-Now

Freelance Software Developer

127development.com

I work on a variety of projects, from large web applications to simple script automations, and I am always looking for new challenges. Some highlights include:

 - Developing a full file syncing application for Windows Desktop to make it easier for civil engineers to keep their files in sync in a way that integrates well with their custom processes and systems.
 - Improving performance, security, and maintainability for the server of a complex web application.
 - Improving the performance of a complex harvest forecasting model by 99%, by improving the model's usage of the numpy library.

I gained experience in client relations, C#, Java, Kotlin, Python, Javascript, MySQL, SQLite, and Linux Server Admin.
- 2020-2024

Senior Software Developer

Direct Debit

I worked as lead developer on Direct Debit, a debit order system, and a solutions architect for PCI Vault, a PCI compliant credit card storage system. Some accomplishments include:

 - Improving the usability and speed of the system by rewriting some SQL queries to massively improve performance.
 - Reducing operating costs by quite a big margin. I did this by implementing a new payment processing back-end, which allowed for cheaper transaction processing.
 - Scaling PCI Vault to handle thousands transaction per second by rewriting the system to use a distributed database and serverless architecture. This also reduced operating costs to only a few dollars per month.
 - Improving the usability and client retention of PCI Vault by implementing a custom documentation system, which allowed clients to use, test, and understand the APIs directly from their browser.

I gained experience in Golang, Python, Javascript, Svelte, PostgreSQL, Linux Server Admin, and AWS (Lambda and DynamoDB).
- 2018-2020

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Itecho

We developed a product for automating the business and engineering processes of a ducting factory.

 - I developed the parameterised models on the project, which included a lot of Mathematics and consulting with the client's mechanical engineers.
 - I built a very nice library for computational geometry.
 - On the frontend I built and displayed a few 3D models, and built user interfaces to record parameters for the models I developed.
 - I wrote a genetic algorithm to improve nesting, we managed to reduce the client's offcuts by up to 25%.
 - I helped to develop the MVC flow for the model parameters.

I gained experience in client relations, C#, .NET Core, EF Core, Javascript, vue.js, and PostgreSQL.



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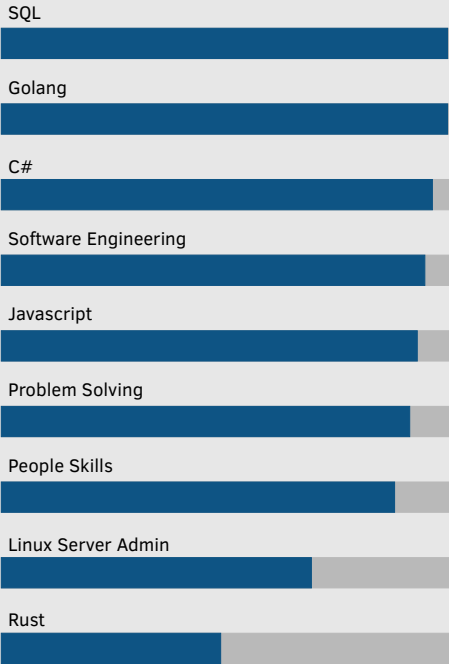
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- 2017-2018** Life Coach Self Employed
I had my own life coaching practice. I worked with clients on a one to one basis to help improve their lives, and I also presented a few self-improvement workshops. I helped people to quit smoking, get their lives back on track after traumatising events, improve their social lives, etc. My work was non-technical, but I did learn a lot about people, leadership, motivation and public speaking.
- 2016-2017** DevOps Engineer Airvantage
I moved to Airvantage when they bought my product and team from VAS-X. I picked up some development responsibilities after the move.
 - I worked with the developers to get bugs fixed. I developed some of the patches myself. I investigated the other bugs, and communicated my findings to the developers, so that they could focus on the fix.
 - I was responsible for reconciling our data with our biggest client's data.
 - Analysing data to find meaningful information.
 - Generating meaningful reports using SQL.
 - I was on call every third week, in which I had to respond to after-hours issues within SLA times. And deploy patches at night when the systems were quiet.
 - I interfaced with corporate clients often, making sure to complete the necessary documentation for every issue or patch.
 - I did a lot of second line support tickets.I worked for an excellent CTO, who encouraged us to automate our work. I gained a lot of experience in SQL (in Oracle).
- 2014-2016** Support Engineer VAS-X
I was part of the team running an Airtime Advance System at multiple telecom companies. My duties included mostly operational work, 2nd-line support tickets, generating reports from SQL, and regular interaction with corporate clients. I picked up a lot of SQL (in Oracle) experience and wrote some awesome SQL queries.
- 2014** Software Developer iPlan Industrial Engineers
At iPlan I wrote extensions and interactions for Syspro(an ERP System) using C#.NET. I also integrated a few Excel sheets with Syspro, using VBA.NET. I also gained experience with MS SQL
- 2012-2013** Software Engineer Libralex
At Libralex I worked on 2 projects, VetMaster and a product for remotely controlling geysers. Vetmaster was a legacy project that I maintained, supported and expanded. I developed the geyser control system from scratch, and wrote a lot of concurrent code for it. I was solely responsible for both projects.
I gained experience in VB.NET, C#.NET and MS SQL
- 2010-2011** Tutor Stellenbosch University
While studying I created value by tutoring younger students. I also did various jobs during university holidays.
- 2008** Camp Facilitator Wortelgat Outreach Trust
Between school and university, I spent a year working as a camp facilitator. I worked a lot with children and teenagers, teaching various soft skills through camp activities. During downtimes I helped with camp maintenance.



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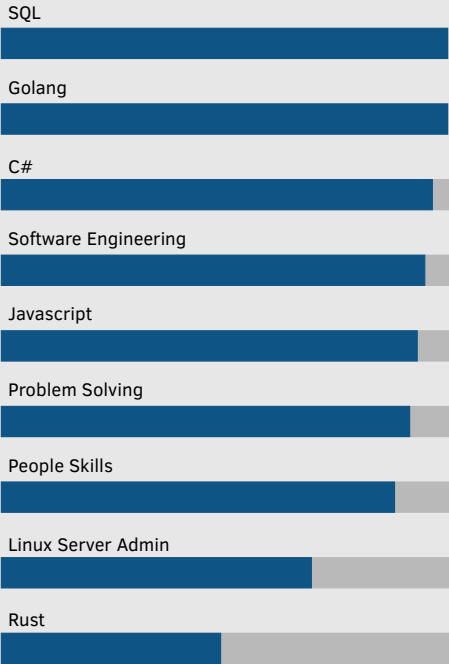
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Education

- 2009-2012 B.Sc. Mathematical Sciences
Majoring in Computer Science
Stellenbosch University
- 2003-2007 High school
Computer Studies, Math, Science, Biology, English, Afrikaans
Brackenfell High School
- 2017 Life Coaching Certificate
A two-year course in Life Coaching including 50 hours of practical work.
New Insights (Distance Learning)

Personal Info

I am first and foremost a Christian. I take a heavy interest in theology, and in what it means to be a Christian. My family is also very important to me. I like the outdoors, so I often spend time working in my garden, mountain biking, or just enjoying nature with my family.