

# Pie de Boer

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#### **Profiles**



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#### Summary

I have professional experience at Rabobank as a working student, where I focused on portfolio optimization using Python and MATLAB. I hold a Bachelor of Science in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence from a well-regarded university in the Netherlands. Throughout my career, I have built various projects, including chess engines, golf agents, and digital assistants (audio/speech/text), and gained hands-on experience with machine learning and deep learning. Additionally, I have contributed to state-ofthe-art AI/Data Science research, working with models in PyTorch and Google Cloud on CUDA, specifically adapting them for ECG signal denoising.

#### Experience

## Rabobank

Sep 2023 - Feb 2024

Working Student

Netherlands

## Project: Quantum-Based Portfolio Optimization (Rabobank)

As part of a team, I contributed to Rabobank's project to enhance their quantum-based approach to non-linear portfolio optimization using D-Wave and Python. We leveraged the D-Wave API to run optimization algorithms on real quantum hardware, solving complex problems beyond the capabilities of traditional computing. The project also focused on sustainable investing, including meeting CO2 emission targets. Quantum hardware enabled us to handle larger, more constrained optimization problems.

**Technologies**: Python, MATLAB (YALMIP), D-Wave, Unix

**Domains**: Investing, Finance, Statistics, Risk Management, Algorithms

## Education

#### **Maastricht University**

Sep 2021 - Jun 2024

Data Science and Artificial Intelligence

Bachelor of Science

8.3/10

https://curriculum.maastrichtuniversity.nl/education/bachelor/data-science-andartificial-intelligence

**Thesis:** Conditional Diffusion Models for ECG Denoising (8.5/10)

**Highlighted Courses:** Calculus, Linear Algebra, Machine Learning, Data Analysis, Statistics and Simulation, Numerical Mathematics, Data Structures and Algorithms, Logic, Software Engineering, Embedded Systems and Robotics, Image- and Video Processing

# **Utrecht University**

Sep 2016 - Jun 2017

Chemistry

Bachelor of Science

7.5/10

Completed First Year (60 ECTS)

Highlighted Courses: Mechanics, Electromagnetism, Physical Chemistry,

#### Programming Languages

#### Java

4 Years Experience

Gradle, Maven, Deep4j, JavaSound API, TarsosDSP, LibGDX, RestAPI, Swing, AWT, JavaFX, Spring

#### **Pvthon**

3 Years Experience

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TensorFlow, PyTorch, scikit-learn, Jupyter Notebook, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scipy, Librosa, TQDM, OpenCV, Pandas, Plotly, XGBoost, Statsmodels

#### **MATLAB**

3 Years Experience

#### Bash

3 Years Experience

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# SQL

2 Years Experience

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MySQL, SQLAlchemy, JDBC

#### HTML/CSS

2 Years Experience

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## C++

1 Year Experience

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OpenCV, Arduino

#### R

1 Year Experience

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## C#

1 Year Experience

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WPF, .NET 8, Visual Studio

## **Javascript**

1 Year

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Node.js, React

#### Tools & Technologies

# Cloud Infrastructure

GCP

**Version Control Systems** Git. GitHub

#### Command Line Tools

Micro, Homebrew, Package Managment, Unix, Linux

#### Conditional Diffusion Models for ECG Denoising

Oct 2023 - Jun 2024

https://github.com/piedeboer96/ECG-Signal-Denoising

Developed a novel approach to ECG signal denoising by leveraging an image upscaling model (SR3), a conditional diffusion model. By transforming ECG signals into Gram Angular Fields, we were able to apply image-based techniques. Our research demonstrated superior performance compared to traditional signal processing methods.

Conditional Diffusion, Digital Filters, Moving Average, PyTorch, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, NumPy, Jupyter Notebook, Deep Learning Toolbox, DSP System Toolbox, Signal Processing Toolbox, Statistics and Machine Learning Toolbox

## Multi-Modal Digital Assistant

Feb 2023 - Jun 2023

https://github.com/piedeboer96/Digital-Assistant-Audio-Processing

Developed a digital assistant (ChatBot) with speech, text, and vision interaction capabilities.

Mel-frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCC), Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM), Wav2Vec-2.0, Mozilla DeepSpeech, Haar Cascade Classifiers, Eigenfaces, FaceNet

Stochastic Chess Sep 2022 - Jan 2023

https://github.com/piedeboer96/DiceChess

Developed agents for stochastic chess, where a die introduces randomness to determine allowed moves.

Genetic Algorithm (GA), Q-Learning, Hill Climbing, Beam Search, ExpectiMinMax

3D Golf Game Feb 2022 - Jun 2022

https://github.com/piedeboer96/BingBoysGolf

Developed a physics engine and agents using advanced optimization methods to play golf on 3D terrain.

Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO), Genetic Algorithm (GA), Euler, Runge-Kutta, FloodFill, Simulated Annealing, Hill Climbing, BattleRoyalOptimization, Splines

Bin Packing Sep 2021 - Jan 2022

https://github.com/piedeboer96/3D-BinPacking

Developed algorithms from scratch to pack 2D or 3D packages efficiently into a container.

Operation Research, Algorithm X (Dancing Links), Genetic Algorithm, Greedy Algorithm

**Programs** 

Job Application Tracker

Simple C# application build with .WPF on .NET8 to track job application progress.

Audio Display Sep 2023

Developed a GUI-based spectrum analyzer and audio information display using Python, PyQt5, Tkinter, and Librosa.

References

Prof. Dr. Pietro Bonizzi (P.)

Thesis Supervisor

https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/p-bonizzi

Skills

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Neural Networks (CNN), Computer Vision, Reinforcement Learning, AI Ethics, Robotics, Optimization, Image Recognition, Speech Processing, Knowledge Graphs, Generative AI, Digital Signal Processing

#### **Data Science**

Machine Learning (ML), Statistical Analysis, Data Visualization, Predictive Modelling, A/B Testing, Feature Engineering, Data Cleaning, Time Series Analysis, Regression Models, Classification Algorithms

### Software Engineering

Object Oriented Programming (OOP), Agile Development, REST APIs, Software Testing (Unit Testing), Databases, Data Structures and Algorithms, Design Patterns

Soft Skills

## Planning and Project Management

Gantt Chart, Trello, Agenda, Meeting, Minutes, Active Listening, Group Projects, Communication, Collaboration, Team Work, Leadership, Ownership, Note Taking, Time Management

## **Presenting and Reporting**

Scientific Report, Communication, Research, Presentation Skills, Technical Writing, Verbal Communication

## Scientific Research

State-of-the-art, Independent Research, Persistence

## Problem Solving

Innovation, Creativity, Out-of-the-Box Thinking, Critical Thinking

#### Languages

Sep 2024

English	German	Dutch
C2	C1 (Fluent)	C2 (Native)
French	Portuguese	
A1 (Basic)	A1 (Basic)	

#### Certifications

MATLAB	English Language
Fundamentals	Certificate (CEFR)
Mathworks	Pearson
Feb 2023	Sen 2021