

In my journey so far, some directions unfolded, others receded. Each leaving a trace. These are some of the attempts that did not continue forward, and the feedback I received and carry into the next direction.

Fugro — Data Governance Analyst (Apr. 2025)

Outcome: Interview went well and there was a strong mutual fit, but a hiring freeze occurred due to shifting project priorities.

Feedback: Organizational contingencies shape opportunities. Adaptability and resilience are as important as competence in navigating early-career landscapes.

RWTH Aachen University — Research Assistant (Nov. 2023 - Oct. 2025)

Outcome: Contract concluded as I chose to transition closer to industry-embedded work.

Feedback: Sometimes an ending is a conscious pivot. If you want to know more about the journey, you can read it [here](#).

WEBB Traders — Graduate Quantitative Developer (Nov. 2025)

Outcome: Technical solution was functional but not optimized (data structures and performance).

Feedback: Optimal design emerges from both correctness and elegance. Efficiency matters, and this encouraged deeper attention to algorithmic structure.

Hai Robotics — Field Application Engineer (Dec. 2025)

Outcome: Declined due to personal considerations regarding long-term travel requirements.

Feedback: Alignment with family and personal rhythm is a prerequisite for sustained contribution.

Tiledmedia — Web Engineer (Feb. 2026)

Outcome: An acceptable technical solution, but presentation and demonstration lacked clarity and depth relative to expectations.

Feedback: Communication is part of engineering. Conveying intent and data flows with precision matters as much as the code itself, in bridging internal logic with external legibility.

(Side note: The piano in the HIG building and warm conversations remain fond memories of the visit.)

Huisman — Junior Data Analyst (Feb. 2026)

Outcome: Positive feedback on both presentation and motivation letter; however, the role's primary focus on frontend-intensive coding differed from my view of programming as a tool for addressing broader engineering problems.

Feedback: Clarity of motivation signals integrity. Staying aligned with how one conceives her/his work sharpened the ability to articulate intent in future conversations.