Supervisor’s statement of a final thesis

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Branch / specialization: System Programming
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Evaluation criteria

1. Fulfillment of the assignment

▶ [1] assignment fulfilled
[2] assignment fulfilled with minor objections
[3] assignment fulfilled with major objections
[4] assignment not fulfilled

Student has fulfilled the assignment above and beyond what was expected.

2. Main written part 100/100 (A)

Given the average level of master theses I have been supervising so far, the thesis written by Martin is nothing short of extraordinary. The text reads flawlessly and at times has qualities of a research paper. It provides extremely detailed summary of compiler backend methods relevant for the thesis and shows student's deep understanding of the topic.

3. Non-written part, attachments 100/100 (A)

The code itself is well written and organized so that even someone not familiar with the Scala language (such as myself) can relatively easily see what is going on and where.

4. Evaluation of results, publication outputs and awards 100/100 (A)

I am very pleased with the work overall. It has already been used as reference compiler by other students and would be a great addition to the tools available for the NI-GEN course.

5. Activity of the student

▶ [1] excellent activity
very good activity
average activity
weaker, but still sufficient activity
insufficient activity

6. Self-reliance of the student

- excellent self-reliance
- very good self-reliance
- average self-reliance
- weaker, but still sufficient self-reliance
- insufficient self-reliance

The student showed very good organizational skills and, although our consultations were rather infrequent, he has produced a work of outstanding quality.

The overall evaluation 100/100 (A)

Overall, this is a very nice thesis. The modular compiler is indeed modular - the first for NI-GEN to be written in a non C-like language, but in this particular instance, the written part of the thesis far outperforms the code itself and being submitted alone would deserve the best marks.
Instructions

Fulfillment of the assignment

Assess whether the submitted FT defines the objectives sufficiently and in line with the assignment; whether the objectives are formulated correctly and fulfilled sufficiently. In the comment, specify the points of the assignment that have not been met, assess the severity, impact, and, if appropriate, also the cause of the deficiencies. If the assignment differs substantially from the standards for the FT or if the student has developed the FT beyond the assignment, describe the way it got reflected on the quality of the assignment's fulfillment and the way it affected your final evaluation.

Main written part

Evaluate whether the extent of the FT is adequate to its content and scope: are all the parts of the FT contentful and necessary? Next, consider whether the submitted FT is actually correct – are there factual errors or inaccuracies?

Evaluate the logical structure of the FT, the thematic flow between chapters and whether the text is comprehensible to the reader. Assess whether the formal notations in the FT are used correctly. Assess the typographic and language aspects of the FT, follow the Dean's Directive No. 52/2021, Art. 3.

Evaluate whether the relevant sources are properly used, quoted and cited. Verify that all quotes are properly distinguished from the results achieved in the FT, thus, that the citation ethics has not been violated and that the citations are complete and in accordance with citation practices and standards. Finally, evaluate whether the software and other copyrighted works have been used in accordance with their license terms.

Non-written part, attachments

Depending on the nature of the FT, comment on the non-written part of the thesis. For example: SW work – the overall quality of the program. Is the technology used (from the development to deployment) suitable and adequate? HW – functional sample. Evaluate the technology and tools used. Research and experimental work – repeatability of the experiment.

Evaluation of results, publication outputs and awards

Depending on the nature of the thesis, estimate whether the thesis results could be deployed in practice; alternatively, evaluate whether the results of the FT extend the already published/known results or whether they bring in completely new findings.

Activity of the student

From your experience with the course of the work on the thesis and its outcome, review the student’s activity while working on the thesis, his/her punctuality when meeting the deadlines and whether he/she consulted you as he/she went along and also, whether he/she was well prepared for these consultations.

Self-reliance of the student

From your experience with the course of the work on the thesis and its outcome, assess the student’s ability to develop independent creative work.

The overall evaluation

Summarize which of the aspects of the FT affected your grading process the most. The overall grade does not need to be an arithmetic mean (or other value) calculated from the evaluation in the previous criteria. Generally, a well-fulfilled assignment is assessed by grade A.