



Report on the part of the final state examination Record of the thesis defence

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Language of the thesis: English

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Reviewer(s): Brian Shaev, Dr.

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Attempt: regular

Course of defence: The student presented his research in partially successful way. He tackled the issues from both reviews but struggled to explain the connection between the theoretical framework and the case study. Due to the limitations of the selected research and based on the reviews, the commission decided to award him with the grade of D.

Result of defence: very good (D)

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