Bachelor Thesis Review

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Thesis title Fine-tuning Code Generation Models with Compiler

Feedback

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Mathematical Logic

 Overall
 good
 OK
 poor
 insufficient

 Assignment difficulty
 X
 X
 X

 Assignment fulfilled
 X
 X
 X

 Total size
 ... text and code, overall workload
 X
 X

The thesis deals with the complex problem of improving the quality of code-generation LLMs with compiler feedback, instead of the more traditional human feedback. The student was able to implement, train, and evaluate such models on the task of generating code in Python and Java. The experiments show promising results. The student demonstrated that she is capable of using these complicated techniques for a complex task and the results of the thesis are a good contribution to the area.

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Form language, typography, references		X	X	
Structure context, goals, analysis, design, evaluation, level of detail		X	X	
Problem analysis		X		
Developer documentation		X		
User Documentation		X		

The text of the thesis is the weakest part. The student started working on the text quite late in the process and the overall quality of the text is rather low. The techniques are described very briefly, with many details missing. Unfortunately, this is also true for the techniques developed by the student. The experiments are well-executed, but their description could also be more detailed. On the other hand, the experiments are much more challenging to run than experiments in other bachelor thesis and require large amounts of GPU RAM for fine-tuning the LLMs.

The documentation is in a README file and contains all the necessary information.

Thesis Code good OK poor insufficient

Design	architecture, algorithms, data structures, used technologies	X	
Implementation	naming conventions, formatting, comments, testing	X	
Stability		X	

The quality of the implementation is good. It consists mosty of Python scripts for training and evaluation of the models and uses standard Python deep learning libraries. At the same time, the scripts use useful external resources for logging the results (Weights & Biases). The trained models are stored at the Hugging Face repository.

Overall grade Very Good Award level thesis No

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