



**To: EPFL Master Program Selection Committee**

It is my pleasure to recommend

**Dávid László Frank**

to your program.

I know Dávid from the Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Hungary where he completed his B.Sc. studies in Informatics and where I work as a full-time associate professor.

In the academic year of 2011/12, when Dávid was in his freshman year, I was the lecturer and main coordinator of a subject called *Introduction to Computer Science*. This is a two-semester introductory mathematics course for freshman B.Sc. students of informatics. It covers a diverse selection of topics, the most important of these are linear algebra, number theory and graph theory. This subject is far from being easy: based both on internal statistics and the general opinion of our students it is safe to say that it is the hardest in the first year of studies. Therefore I think it says a lot about Dávid's abilities that he ranked number 2 out of 575 students in the Fall semester and number 10-15 out of 431 students in the Spring term. All in all, his academic performance was definitely among the top 1-2% in his class.

In the Fall semester of 2014 I was very happy to accept Dávid's request to be his B.Sc. thesis advisor. Based on my experience from working with him I can only say that he is just the answer to every thesis advisor's prayers: not only did he approach me with his own, very interesting idea for a research topic, he also regularly came up with new and original ideas to pursue during the research. Working with him really felt like giving friendly advice to an autonomous fellow researcher who only uses my input as a source of inspiration.

It is my strong belief that Dávid would be a real asset to your program.

Sincerely,

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