In retrospective

After every ending, a new beginning awaits. Before starting a new journey, it is good to stop and wonder - what did the previous one bring. From the first time I came to Groningen eight years ago, my life in The Netherlands was nothing but an adventure. This unique experience was tightly bound to my PhD project and is finally crowned by this thesis. Yes, it took a long time, and now, being eight years older and wiser, I can finally say that I am satisfied with the result. There are a lot of people who contributed to this by being directly involved in the project, or by giving their love and support when I needed it most. I hope I won’t forget to mention any of you in this chapter.

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