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Summary **Total number of answers** 18 **Filter** no **Group by question** no

Give your opinion in the scale 1-5.

1 = very negative

2 = negative

3 = neutral

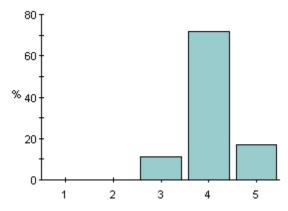
4 = positive

5 = very positive

Personal comments will be appreciated!

A. General

What is your general opinion of the course?



	%	#
1	0%	0
2	0%	0
3	11.1%	2
4	72.2%	13
5	16.7%	3
Total	100%	18
Mean		4.1

Comment

3 have commented on this question

Grade = 4 (2 comments)

— - it is very interesting especially if one really keeps pace with

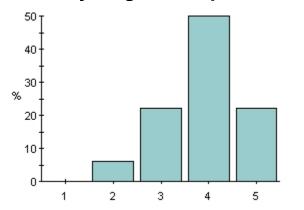
— The content of the course is very relevant and interesting, but the abstractness of the presentation makes it a bit hard to get a physical understanding of this important subject.

Grade = 5 (one comment)

— Lots of new things presented in an understandable way.

B. Literature

What is your general opinion of Chandler's book?



	%	#
1	0%	0
2	5.56%	1
3	22.2%	4
4	50%	9
5	22.2%	4
Total	100%	18
Mean		3.9

Comment

6 have commented on this question

Grade = 2 (one comment)

— It is good for lectures, but poorly suited for self-study, or reading up for exam, as it skips a lot of details.

Grade = 3 (one comment)

— Interesting but hard to read.

Grade = 4 (2 comments)

- Easy and interesting to read, lacks mathematical details at points.
- not enough books in the library available! the book is written very shortly, more examples and details would have been nice

Grade = 5 (2 comments)

- Very useful book.
- The book was very good to repeat/learn for the oral exam. Especially because the lecture was close to it.

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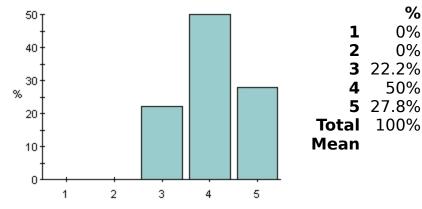
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C. Lectures

What is your general opinion of the lectures with Anders Irbäck?



Comment

6 have commented on this question

Grade = 3 (one comment)

— It would be nice if he explained a little more what he is doing on the board and why.

Grade = 4 (4 comments)

- Good lectures, at a not-too-fast pace.
- Followed the book very well.
- Some lectures were very good (mainly chapters 1 and 5) while others were hard to follow (ch 2 and 3). Perhaps you should explain a bit more what we are trying to achieve and where we are starting from before doing long derivations and discussions.
- Thorough.

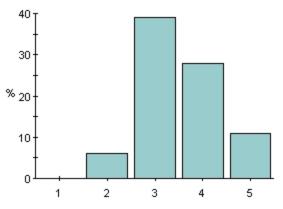
Grade = 5 (one comment)

 - well-prepared and structured - answers questions after thinking about them, that's good

D. Problem sessions

What is your general opinion of the problem sessions with **Anders Irbäck?**

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Grade = 3 (2 comments)

- It would have been better with a problem session where you get help to perform the exercises.
- I did not attend the problem sessions.

Grade = 4 (2 comments)

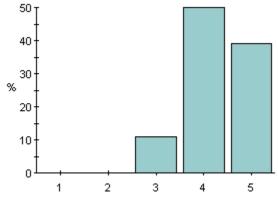
- Solving exercises help a lot in understanding the material, and it's good help that all solutions are presented on the board.
- - nice that exercises are solved simultaneously, but it's hard to copy them all for revising later

Grade = 5 (one comment)

- Good layout.

E. Exam

What is your general opinion of the hand-in exercises?



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Grade = 3 (one comment)

The seond one was a lot more difficult than the first one.

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Grade = 4 (5 comments)

- First hand-in was good but the second was a bit too extensive, especially considering that the deadline was so close to the exam.
- First one was good level. Second one was very difficult!!
- First hand-in was good while the second one was a bit difficult.
- They were very hard to solve however the student benefited from this
- - they have been fair the first one was much easiert than the second one

Grade = 5 (2 comments)

- The second hand-in was especially good, it was quite hard but when solving it you learned a lot.
- Especially the second one was hard, but they were very good for really understanding the material in-depth.

What is your general opinion of the seminar presentation?

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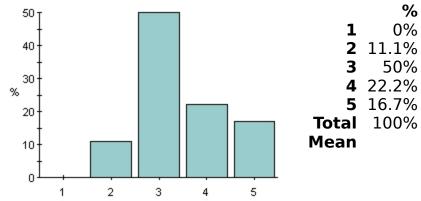
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Grade = 2 (one comment)

— Most students were just writing equations from the book on the board, it didn't give much at all. I would have prefered skipping it at spending more time on chapter 4 instead.

Grade = 3 (3 comments)

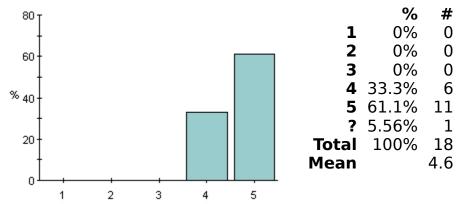
- It was a long day...
- Not too interesting.
- - preparing a presentations gives the change to go deeper into one topic - it is hard to keep concentrated during a whole day with more then ten presentations

Grade = 4 (one comment)

— A bit long, but the topics were interesting.

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What is your general opinion of the oral exam?



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Grade = 4 (one comment)

— The exam was fair and with the practice questions I felt well prepared.

Grade = 5 (2 comments)

- As an exam should be.
- - questions have been very fair good that one has some time to think about them before answering

Thank you for your participation!

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