



Department of Mathematics  
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Summary of Teaching Evaluation

Instructor: Ribet, Kenneth

Course/Title: Math 113(3)/Abstract Algebra

Semester: Fall 2013

Official Class Enrollment: 38

Number of Forms Returned: 31

Required Text: Dummit & Foote – *Abstract Algebra* 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (Wiley)

	(0=No Rating)	Poor		Typical			Excellent		Total	Average
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Professor	0	0	1	0	3	6	16	5	31	5.6
Course	0	0	1	3	3	10	9	5	31	5.2

# Ribet Math 113, Lec. 3, F '13

## Instructor

Unmarked	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total Marked	Total Forms	Average
0	0	1	0	3	6	16	5	31	31	5.6
	0	2	0	12	30	96	35	175		

## Course

Unmarked	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total Marked	Total Forms	Average
0	0	1	3	3	10	9	5	31	31	5.2
	0	2	9	12	50	54	35	162		

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Kenneth Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled  Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major EECS/EMS

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6 extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

Lectures are awesome! Very friendly, frequently entertains discussion, questions. Very available via e-mail and in office hours. Exams are fair. Lots of examples in lecture

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

Boardwork could be a bit more clear. Homework assignments are forbiddingly long. (usually 7-10 pages of written work a week)

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Textbook is good.

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*Preparation, organization, clarity, attitude, willingness to answer questions*

*- Very good professor. One of the best I've ever had.*

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

*The pace of the course could be picked up just a tad. And midterms could be weighed more.*

*- No glaring weakness, just minor things.*

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

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Instructor K. Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
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2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

Teach very clearly and thorough, Very helpful and kind during office hour! Best math professor in Berkeley ever

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

It's not the weaknesses but the homework is hard and really take you lots of time and efforts.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

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Instructor Prof. Ken Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
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not at all

moderately effective

extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

Professor Ribet is definitely one of the best professors I've ever met at Cal. He is always super organized and really explains the complicated material well. He is so engaging in classes and office hours and really welcomes our questions and thoughts. He is so nice and patient with us all the time.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

I kind of wish there were written homework solutions for us to compare answers before exams. It might be hard for us to go ~~over~~ pick out questions that we thought we knew but actually wasn't done in the best way.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all

moderately effective

extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

This class is meant to be abstract and hard to grasp, so my advice is really try to think through and connect all the concepts before applying them to questions.

Office hours and study groups are extremely helpful, too.

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Instructor Ken Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
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not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

He explains the subject thoroughly, beautifully. His lecture style are easy to follow. Professor Ribet always engage students in asking question and make himself available in office hour. He is very knowledgeable and helpful.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

Sometime, he goes tittle fast, but we can ask the question for clarification. No big deal

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

I strongly recommend other student to take his class. This is my second ~~year~~ semester with professor Ribet.

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2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

*He prepares well for every lecture. the office hours are extremely helpful and he responds to emails fast. One of the best professors I had at Cal.*

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

*The exams are really hard... (but we haven't taken the final yet, we'll see) and that could be discouraging for someone who takes this as her/his first upper-division math class.*

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

*The content of the course is interesting but the text/book seems to be a little bit dry and tedious.*

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Instructor Ken Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013

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not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

willingness to answer questions  
great attitude toward students

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

X

4. Please rate the overall *course* on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Great Professor! Very friendly & approachable!

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Instructor K.A. Ribet Course 113 Semester Fall 13'  
Enrolled X Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Applied Math

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

The instructor is brilliant at the material. Extremely willing to answer questions.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

He's too smart. I can't follow him.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

The textbook would be more intuitive.

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Instructor Kenneth Alan Ribet Course 113 Semester Fall 2013  
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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1  
not at all

2

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4  
moderately  
effective

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7  
extremely  
effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

*Very knowledgeable, extremely personable, very willing to help.*

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

*He's not always very organized.*

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1  
not at all

2

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4  
moderately  
effective

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7  
extremely  
effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

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2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

1. preparation and organization of lecture.

2. examples.

3. clarity.

4. attitude toward student.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

Exam too hard.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

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Instructor Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013
Enrolled X Auditing No Your Major Applied Math

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not at all 2 3 4 moderately effective 5 6 7 extremely effective

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boardwork, grading, office hours, attitude, willingness to answer questions

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

organization of lectures. More examples of how to apply / use what we learned.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all 2 3 4 moderately effective 5 6 7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Did not like the content but there is not much that can be done about that.

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2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

skilled communicator, good at conveying concepts  
interesting lectures.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

occasional black board mistakes. disconnected from homework material.

Expect  $\geq$  too much from students in midterms and exams

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Dummit & Foote is very comprehensive,  
it's a good book.

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2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

*very willing to answer questions, friendly and approachable*

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

*organization of lectures  
(perhaps if it was more closely aligned with the book it would be easier to follow)*

4. Please rate the overall *course* on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

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Enrolled Fall 2013 Auditing NO Your Major Applied Math & Econ

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- preparation of lectures
- willingness to answer students questions even if it is off topic
- really makes an effort to get to know his students.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

- I feel like our hw and some of the stuff we do in class don't prepare us for our exams.
- the exams were way too hard.

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not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

- Not really sure what were the most important topics / never knew what to study for

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prof Ribet is very organized and thorough with his lectures. I like his enthusiasm and his kindness!

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

The homework & exams are tough! I would have liked to see more examples in his lecture...

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5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Prof. Ribet shows a lot of passion for what he does, and it motivates me to try harder for this class. Thank you!

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Knowledge - wasn't a question he couldn't answer  
Enthusiasm - made you enjoy the subject  
Homeworks - well picked out problems

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

organization - sometimes topics jumped around.  
If you daydream it is really hard to catch back up

- Exams, if you don't have upper medium understanding of a topic, you won't be able to do anything with a problem

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Another great professor Ribet. Though math 113 was much harder than 55

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- Clarity of explanation of material
- Positive attitude towards all students
- interesting presentation of examples not found in the book

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

- often, in lecture examples/discussion is given but along the way the motivation/"what we were actually trying to prove" gets lost.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Highly recommend! I hope he teaches the course again. I would have liked to cover some Field Theory, though.

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# DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

University of California, Berkeley

## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor K. Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled  Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Math / physics

These evaluations will be helpful to the Department of Mathematics in one or more of the following ways: (1) for use by the instructor (after grades have been turned in) in improving future teaching; (2) for use by the students in selecting courses and instructors.

1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading). He is

Materials are Pretty Clearly Presented, Very friendly and interesting.

I wish he can write some hint or review for the homework, because some times there're many hard problems on homework and it's awkward to ask so many at a time.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

I hope he can write out the section / chapter he wants to discuss each time, so that we can ~~be~~ prepare for exams easier. (Make a tighter connection between lecture and exams).

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

I wish the syllabus can be presented more detailed.

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Instructor Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled  Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major EECS

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

He is extremely helpful at office hours. He really cares about his students. The lunches are nice and the field trip to MSR~~E~~ was really cool.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

It would be helpful if he explicitly stated what he was proving and clarify the start and end of any proofs.

4. Please rate the overall *course* on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

I'm not a big fan of the textbook.

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Instructor Ken Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled Yes Auditing No Your Major Applied Math

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1  
not at all

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moderately  
effective

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extremely  
effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

- very enthusiastic about course material and just math in general
- grading is very fair
- enjoys getting to know his: students (organizes lunches/breakfasts)
- takes feedback/asks questions/asks us for input/questions.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

- homework assignments are very lengthy
- lectures can sometimes get off topic/diverge

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1  
not at all

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moderately  
effective

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extremely  
effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Overall a very good professor! Hope to have him again another semester.

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Instructor Ken Ribet. Course Math 113 Abstract Alg. Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled Yes. Auditing No Your Major Math /CS.

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

- + Office hours were very helpful.
- + Good at explaining anything / clarifying when questions
- + Always happy to answer questions
- + Homework generally not too long (except last one).

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

- Midterm Exams were a bit too difficult.
- Lectures were sometimes too fast (more examples would be nice).
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4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

I had a great time in the course, but it felt fairly difficult overall. Difficult midterms could not be controlled as he hasn't taught the course in a while. Enjoyed office hours and it often clarified things. Answering questions was always helpful.

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Ribet, Kenneth Course 113 Semester FALL  
Enrolled \_\_\_\_\_ Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major MATH

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

very enthusiastic about the subject.  
willingness to answer questions/emails.  
effective office hours

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

Maybe it's just personal preference but  
I feel like he's ~~every~~ disorganized when  
presenting/lecturing. let's say, I like it when  
professor says clearly: Theorem:      like step by step.  
proof:  
he kinda jumps around sometimes.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Concentrate on teaching how to write proof.  
I understand the materials but  
couldn't write proofs about the subject.

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**TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM**

Instructor Ken Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 13  
Enrolled  Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Applied Math

These evaluations will be helpful to the Department of Mathematics in one or more of the following ways: (1) for use by the instructor (after grades have been turned in) in improving future teaching; (2) for use by the students in selecting courses and instructors.

1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective             6       7 extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

The instructor is very knowledgeable and can produce clear explanations very quickly. He is very open to questions and truly cares about and values his students.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

At times I felt that the instructor covered some concepts too quickly and as a result I would fall behind during lectures.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective             6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

It would be helpful to have more background on the applications of this course.

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor K. Picket. Course Math 113 Semester Fall 13.  
Enrolled Enrolled Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Math Applied

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective             extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

he understands the materials really well, too well. that it might be hard to follow. super nice guy, care for students, and loves to answer Q's

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

slightly not organized  
homework load is kind of heavy  
sometimes not covered in class, "yet".

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all             moderately effective             extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

this course is useless in real life but sucks that it's still a requirement

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Kan Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 13  
Enrolled ✓ Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Applied math

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

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not at all

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effective

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extremely  
effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

- great attitude towards students
- very helpful in OH
- accessible

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

- exams are hard
- lecture notes not always organized

4. Please rate the overall *course* on a scale of 1 to 7:

1  
not at all

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moderately  
effective

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extremely  
effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

- hardest course I've taken at Cal.
- a more structured lecture style would be helpful.
- expect lots of HW, heavy work load.
- prof is a great guy.

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Kenneth Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2003  
Enrolled Yes Auditing No Your Major Math

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

Knowledge, content, examples, question answers, good attitude (breakfast, lunches, & dinners), office hours.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

presentation or maybe it was the textbook esp. on groups.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

Good

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TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Prof. Ribet Course Math 113 Semester fall 2013
Enrolled [check] Auditing Your Major math

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all [1] [2] [3] [4] moderately effective [5] [6] [7] extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

kindness !!

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

little bit fast
(I guess material is good)

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all [1] [2] [3] [4] moderately effective [5] [6] [7] extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

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Instructor Ken Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled \_\_\_\_\_ Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Math, Applied

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

*willingness to answer questions*

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

*too fast. difficult exams.*

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

*the book was not effective*

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Instructor Riber Course 113 Math Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled  Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Applied Math

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

*Very nice.*

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

*Way too much hw.*

*The class is not very organized.*

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

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# DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Ribet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013

Enrolled  Auditing \_\_\_\_\_ Your Major Math/Music

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1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

willingness to answer questions  
approachability

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

- difficulty of exams - midterm averages were very low  
- It would help to tell students why they are doing things and reminding students ~~what~~ of the purpose of the blackboard computations.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

not at all                   moderately effective                   extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

I disliked the textbook. It was hard to make the connection between the section content and the homework questions.

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## TEACHING EVALUATION SURVEY FORM

Instructor Fibet Course Math 113 Semester Fall 2013  
Enrolled Yes Auditing No Your Major Env. Econ & Policy

These evaluations will be helpful to the Department of Mathematics in one or more of the following ways: (1) for use by the instructor (after grades have been turned in) in improving future teaching; (2) for use by the students in selecting courses and instructors.

1. Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and course, how would you rate the overall teaching effectiveness of this instructor?

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

2. What are the instructor's strengths? (i.e. preparation and organization of lectures, content, boardwork, examples, clarity, willingness to answer questions, attitude toward students, office hours, homework, exams, grading).

Very passionate about the material and personable with the students.

3. What are the instructor's weaknesses? How could the instructor improve his/her teaching?

Lectures were hard to follow because he would sidetrack. Hard to learn new mathematical process when lectures disorganized.  
Doesn't really teach the book it seems? A lot from the book not understood because not gone over in-depth in lecture.

4. Please rate the overall course on a scale of 1 to 7:

1 not at all       2       3       4 moderately effective       5       6       7 extremely effective

5. Comments on any other relevant aspects of the course such as content, text, how it could be improved, advice to people who have to take it, etc.

More concrete examples! "Abstract Algebra" is already abstract, so if the teaching/lecturing was more organized and more "problems" were solved during lecture, personally I would've understood better.

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