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Course Analysis for MATM31 Algebraic structures, spring 2024

Course Information

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Teaching assistants: Anna Torstensson

Number of students:

34 newly registered and 3 re-registered.

9 students answered the course evaluation (this includes both NF and LTH students).

Examination

Assignment: 27 students passed.

Oral examination: 18 students passed. **Written examination:** 18 students passed.

- Ordinary examination 28/05 2024: 25 students participated and 14 of them passed.
- Resit examination 20/08 2024: 10 students participated and 4 of them passed.

Final grades

In all, 18 students, including 1 re-registered students, have got their final grade.

10 passed with distinction.

8 passed.

Course Evaluation

Summary of student's answers:

See attatched pdf for CEQ evaluation report

Teachers' comments:

This course was given jointly for science students and engineering students with respective course codes MATM31 and FMAN10 (though this survey was only sent to MATM31, as FMAN10 students received a separate CEQ survey). The lectures and seminars were held on campus. The lecture notes were uploaded on Canvas. For each seminar, a given list of exercises were to be discussed. Around half of the students attended the lectures and perhaps a fourth the seminars, which is relatively good compared to similar courses. The examination was carried out on campus.

Changes from the previous course realisation:

Reordering of the content compared to previous year so that rings are introduced before groups. The reason is that rings more resemble structures the students have worked with previously as integers and matrices. The were no obvious effects.

Suggestions for the next course realisation:

Increase the pace a little in the first 3-4 lectures to allow for more time for revision at the end. The lecture notes are well structured but minor corrections would make them even more useful. I quick evaluation a few weeks into the course when there is still time to change teaching format slightly could be valuable.

Course evaluation report - CEQ, FMAN10

Basic facts

Course name	Algebraic Structures		
Course code	FMAN10	Study hours according the curricula	
ECTS credits	7.5 hp		
Year	202324	Lectures	28 h
Study period the course was finished	VT_LP2	Group work	10 h
Programme	all	Laboratories	0 h
Registrated students	72	Time with	0 h
Number answers and response rate	10 / 14 %	supervisor	O II
Number answers from males	7	Self study time	162 h
Number answers from females	2		

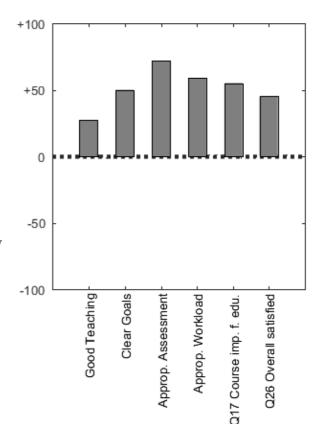
Since less than 20 students have answared the questionnaire no statistical significance tests have been made.

Summary of questionnaires

The CEQ-score span between -100 och +100, there -100 means that "I fully disagree to the statement" and +100 "I fully agree to the statement".

Presence at teaching

Part of teaching	Number	Share
0 %	0	0 %
20 %	2	20 %
40 %	1	10 %
60 %	2	20 %
80 %	3	30 %
100 %	2	20 %



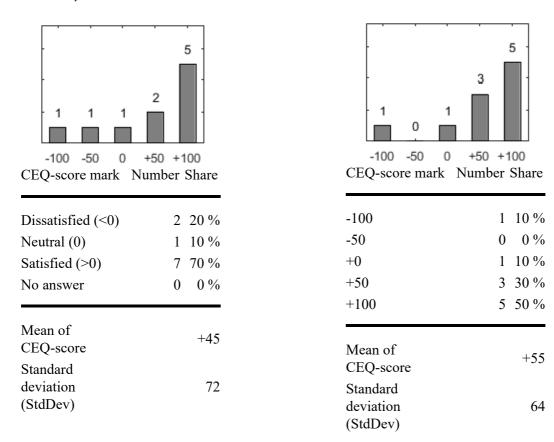
CEQ-scales & special questions

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CEQ-score	StdDev					
+27	69					
+50	57					
+72	23					
+59	46					
+24	45					
+55	64					
+45	72					
	+27 +50 +72 +59 +24					

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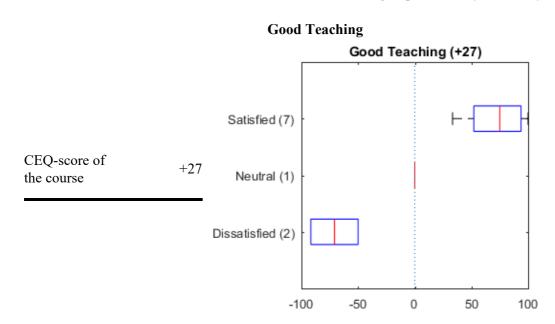
Distribution of the answers from question 26: "The course seems important for my "Overall, I am satisfied with this course"

Distribution of the answers from question 17: education"



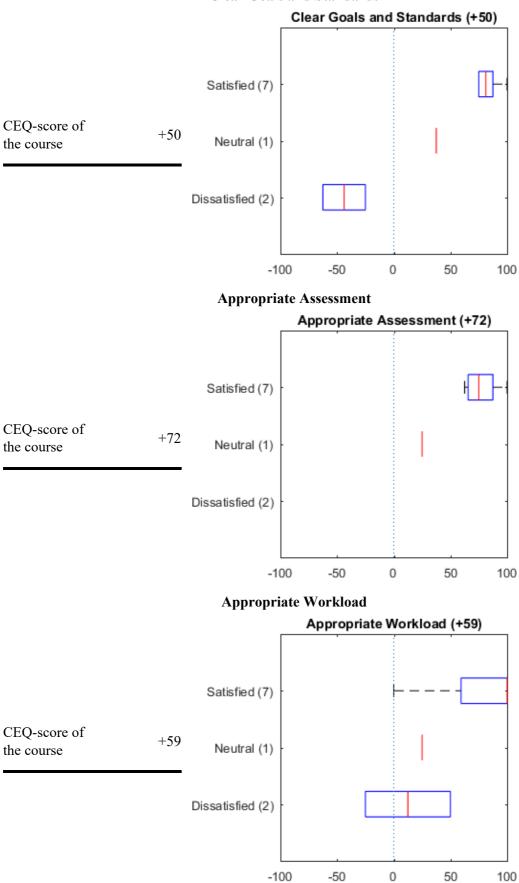
Summary scales divided on satisfaction

Statistical examination has not been done due to at least two groups consist of less than five students



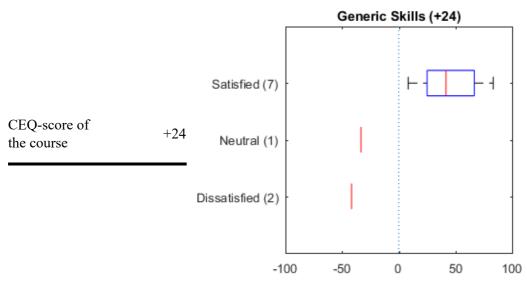
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Clear Goals and Standards



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Generic Skills



Answers to each question

The questions in bold are reverse positive.

Statistical examination between dissatisfied and satisfied has not been done due to at least one of the groups consist of less than five students

Good Teaching (+27)

Question	CEQ-score	Histogram
3. The teaching has motivated me to do my best	+55	6
7. During the course I have received many valuable comments on my achievements	+35	-100 -50 0 +50 +100 5 2 1 0
15. The teachers made a real effort to understand the problems and difficulties one might be having in this course	+35	-100 -50 0 +50 +100 5 2 2 2 -100 -50 0 +50 +100

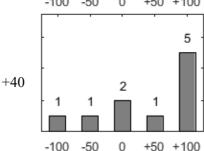
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18. The teaching staff normally gave me helpful feedback on the progress of my work

19. My lecturers were extremely good at explaining things

+38 2 2 2 -100 -50 0 +50 +100

21. The teachers on the course worked hard to make the subject interesting



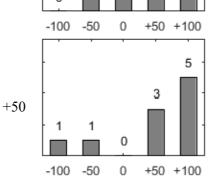
Clear Goals and Standards (+50)

Question CEQ-score Histogram

1. It was easy to know the standard of work expected

+65

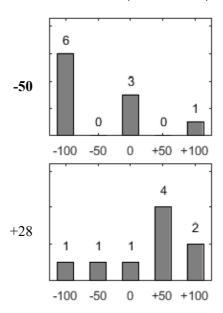
6. I usually had a clear idea of where I was going and what was expected of me in this course



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13. It was often hard to discover what was expected of me in this course

25. The teachers made it clear right from the start what they expected from the students



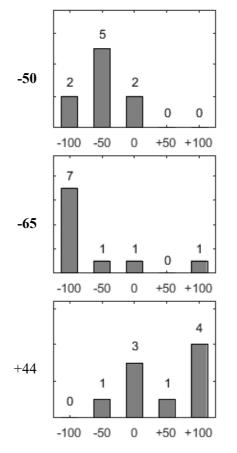
Appropriate Assessment (+72)

Question CEQ-score Histogram

8. To do well in this course all you really needed was a good memory

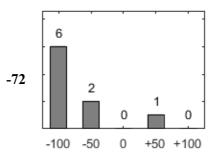
12. The teachers seemed more interested in testing what I had memorised than what I had understood

16. The assessment methods employed in this course required an in-depth understanding of the course content



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20. Too much of the assessment was just about facts



Appropriate Workload (+59)

Question CEQ-score Histogram

4. The workload has been much too heavy

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-50

-50

14. I was generally given enough time to understand the things I had to learn

+55

-100

-100

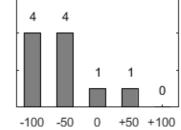
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+50 +100

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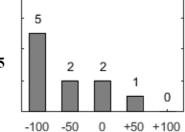
22. There was a lot of pressure on me as a student in this course

-55



24. The sheer volume of work in this course made it impossible to comprehend everything thoroughly

-55



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Generic Skills (+24)

Question **CEQ-score** Histogram 3 2. The course has developed my +50problem-solving skills -100 -50 0 +50 +100 4 4 2 5. The course has sharpened my analytic skills +500 0 -100 -50 0 +50 +100 4 3 9. The course helped me develop my ability to -35 work in a group 0 -100 -50 +50 +100 5 10. The course has made me feel more 3 confident about tackling new and unfamiliar +55 2 problems 0 -100 -50 +50 +100 3 2 2 11. The course has improved my skills in +17written communication -50 -100 0 +50 +100 23. The course has helped me to develop the 2 2 +22ability to plan my work -100 -50 0 +50 +100

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