### Survey Results

1. **UCLA Department of Mathematics:**

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Profile

Subunit: MATH
Name of the instructor: H.W. HEATON
Name of the course: 17S: MATH 164 DIS 1A: OPTIMIZATION

Values used in the profile line: Mean

1. UCLA Department of Mathematics:

1.1) How would you rate your TA as an effective teacher?  
   Failing | | | | | | | | Excellent  
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1.2) How would you rate the availability and helpfulness of your TA outside of the classroom?  
   Failing | | | | | | | | Excellent  
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1.3) What is your rating of this course independent of the effectiveness of the TA?  
   Failing | | | | | | | | Excellent  
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Please use the space provided for any comments you wish to make which are pertinent to the educational process. These may include all aspects of the course: teaching, examinations, grading, textbook, etc.

- Excellent.

- Great TA

Howard is a very approachable person. With many options for office hours, he allows every student a chance to come to him for help. Additionally, his online notes about the material are quite helpful. During discussion sessions, there were times where he would go a bit fast, or where he would use notation different from the professor. Regardless, a quick question would clear that up. I would recommend this TA to students taking this class in the future.

Howard is an excellent TA and is not only an expert in the course material, but is able to clearly and effectively answer any and all questions students have for him. This is something that I have found that many math department TAs lack, the ability to translate their knowledge into helpful discussion sections. Additionally Howard took the time to provide typed and excellently formatted notes, following along with his sections. Pleasure to have him has my TA.

Howard was very helpful and his detailed discussion notes helped me a great deal in the course. I hope I have him as a TA again.

Howard wrote excellent online notes to supplement the course which proved to be very helpful throughout. This also allowed students to refer to online notes rather than attend his section which was extremely convenient.

I think that Howard is an excellent TA that really takes the time to help out his students and make sure they understand the material. I do not have any other comments.

The most humble, well rounded, and knowledgeable TA I have had at UCLA. He will make an amazing professor, because he is passionate about teaching, understands student concerns, and inspires you to see beyond the classroom. He is amazing.

The textbook for this course was often hard to follow and Howard's notes which were available online helped clarify murky points. I would have liked to see quiz solutions after quizzes. Howard's responsiveness over email to questions outside of discussion and office hours was very helpful.

Very helpful TA who tries to be available most of the times. Good explanations. However, sometimes the TAs notes is more rigorous than the professor's. It may be better if the level of rigorousness matches. And even though the notes are well written and detailed, I would prefer to have one that matches what is written on the board during discussion session because notes are supposed to reinforce memory of the session. Extra stuffs there are actually little confusing when I just wanted to review our discussions so I don't usually refer to the notes and have to take my own notes. Overall an excellent TA for first time Tutoring the class.

Very responsible that he prepares extra discussion notes.