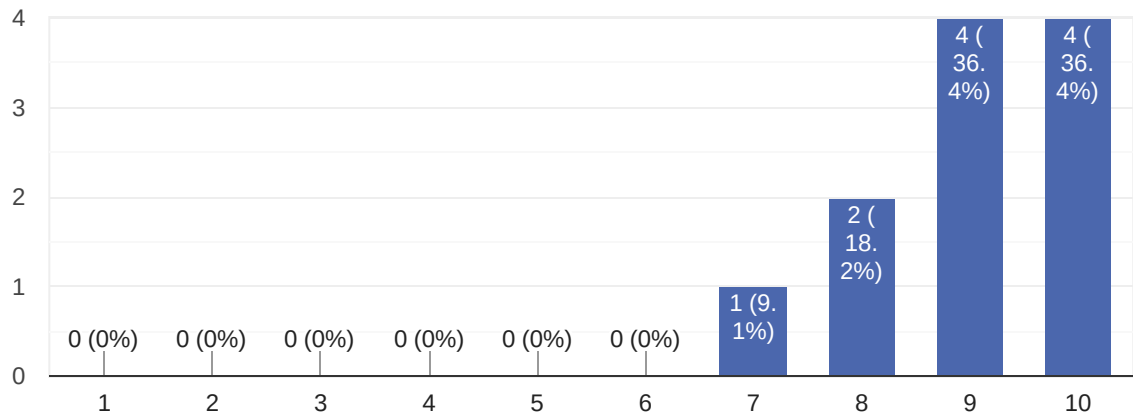# Bootlin training course evaluation

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Overall rating of the course

11 responses

Comments and suggestions

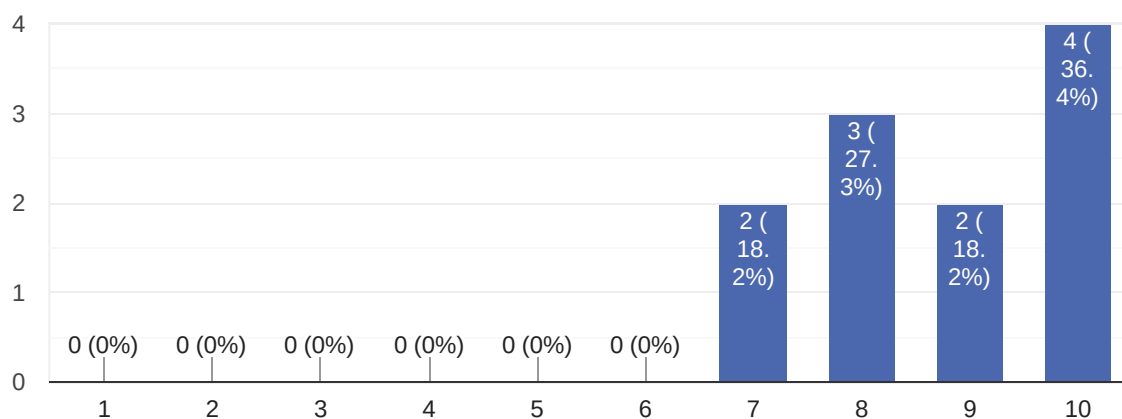4 responses

particularly appreciate support on labs.

Contents is great and very interesting. More short breaks would have been nice to keep the attention up, because it is very exhausting to listen to a video lecture for a long time and the focus is easily lost.

I liked the overall course and found it helpful to learn more about linux in an embedded context which I only had a little bit of experience with before.

Having to sit for four hour blocks of time was tiring/harder as the training went on, so adding more short sessions or making the break longer/more frequent would be nice. I do realize that there are people taking the training from multiple timezones so this may be more difficult.

How useful were the lectures?

11 responses

Comments and suggestions

7 responses

Reduce size of intro portion (1st Day). Alot of information is not useful for the target audience of this course.

I have always had trouble focusing on lectures ... particularly 4 hours long :)

I enjoyed lectures very much specially how Michael went over history on almost every topic which helped understand why certain things the way they are now.
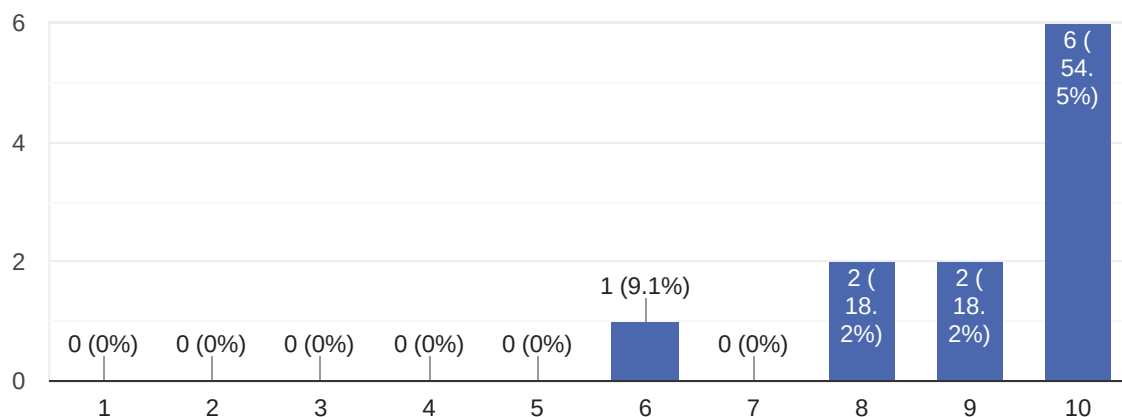
Great slides, but it is hard to follow after some time..

For me sometimes a bit hard to follow, as not everything is my exact interest. But overall really good.

I found the lectures useful to explain the main concepts in the course and provide context for the lab demonstrations. I appreciated that the lecture material is freely available so I will be able to revisit the material at a later time to better solidify my understanding.

How useful were the practical demos?

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Very well put together, highlighted the lecture topics.

Would have been nicer to either have fully supported/updated QEMU instrs or a more modern board

Through demos I learned some tricks and tips which are going to help me increase productivity. For e.g. using strace and ltrace.
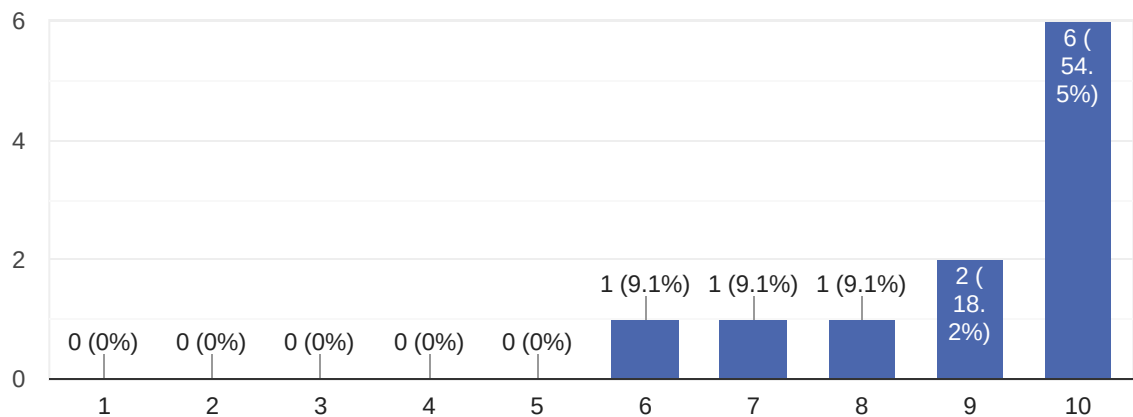
Good demos. However, the board is quite outdated and a newer board would be better (what about Raspy 4?)

the course is really usefull i learned a lot and already have some stuf working where i was stuck on.

I felt the demos were useful to see the instructor's input and approach to the labs. When I am able to reproduce the labs on my own is when I feel I'll be able to get the most out of the labs.

How would you rate the overall organization of the course?

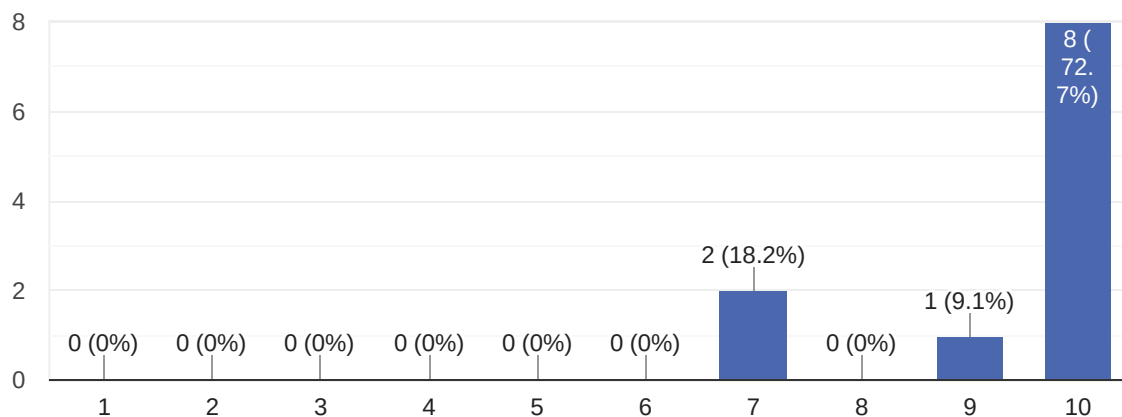11 responses

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It was hard to follow the demos without making the experiences directly myself. So perhaps it would be helpful to do a lab first and then show and discuss the solution in the course in the next session

It was good to follow. Maybe the exact topics could be named in a slide for eachlecture day, so it is known a bit more in front what the topics will be. In some cases i was reading along to be able to follow what it was about.

I think the overall organization of the course was pretty well balanced and straightforward. I personally did feel that the two hours of straight lecture (with the break in between) did feel a little long to me. The break in the middle definitely was needed but maybe a smaller break between the hour could be helpful.

How would you rate the trainer?

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Comments and suggestions

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very much appreciate the support for labs on matrix

Michael did wonderful job explaining everything clearly, answering questions, correlating labs with theory.

It could have been more interactive.. however, depends also on the audience, of course
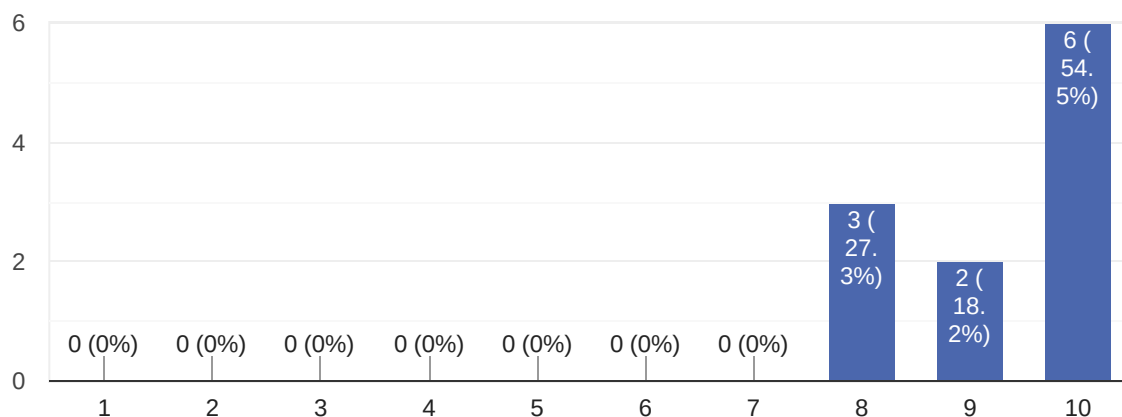
Great guy, you can see he is passionate and knows about the stuff he works with. I was going to follow a similar course in the Netherlands. Would have costed 2500Euro, and i am very sure the bootlin course had way more depth and has much more quality. Glad i chose the Bootlin course! Really happy with it, thank you Michael!

I really enjoyed the trainer's passion for the course and training material. With providing anecdotes and his own experience he made the course more engaging. I also didn't expect to get rickrolled in this course so that was appreciated.

Michael was very friendly, encouraged questions, and introduced me to foundational EL concepts.

How did the course meet your learning objectives?

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It is mandatory to do the labs, otherwise you forget the theory.

Specifically building the kernel and setting up u-boot has my interest. I'm more of a hardware developer but i need to test boards and it is nice to be able to boot a kernel and test the hardware. Next goal will be application development in combination with the GNU/Linux.

What part(s) of the course did you like most?

9 responses

Practical Labs, and deeper dive into linux resources and tangential topics.

Didn't know much about xenomai

The labs were very helpful in understanding the material

labs! taking a board from a brick to a working linux system is a great exercise.

I liked how the course gave a holistic perspective of embedded system development. I really loved the anecdotes Micheal gave for many things for e.g. why Linus picks a particular name for release, etc.

Nice overview about all the different involved topics.

The U-boot and kernel building, setting it up and making it development friendly. Also nice to learn how to do it for a production environment.

u-boot, kernel setup

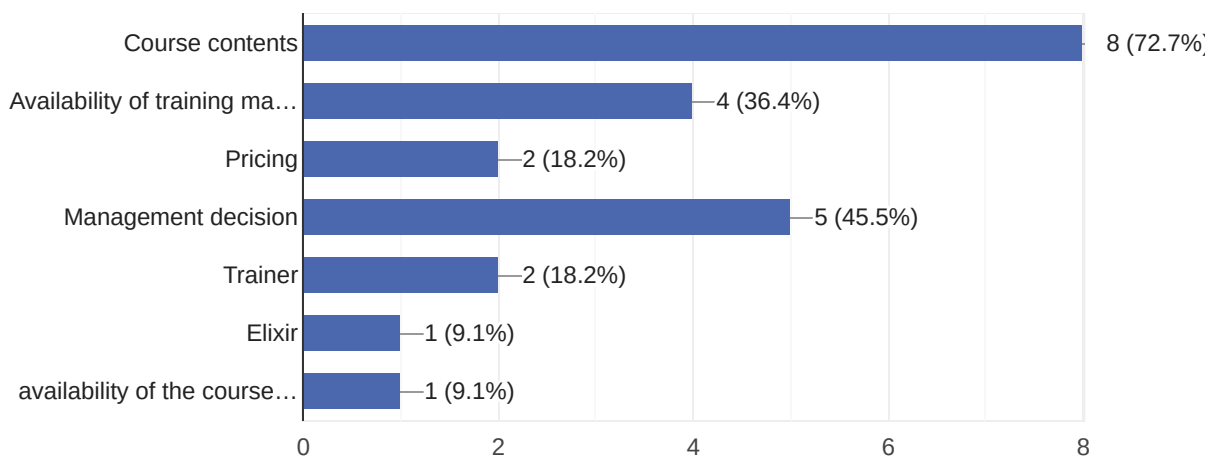## What part(s) of the course did you like least?

3 responses

Going over some of the obsolete stuff which are no longer relevant.

the application development part. As a hardware engineer it was harder to follow for me.

Long lecture times

What reasons prompted you to choose a Bootlin course?

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Course contents	8 (72.7%)
Availability of training ma…	4 (36.4%)
Pricing	2 (18.2%)
Management decision	5 (45.5%)
Trainer	2 (18.2%)
Elixir	1 (9.1%)
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Comments

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thanks, very much Michael!

Overall I had great experience taking the course. Michael is fabulous in explaining details and background on each topic. I feel like I learned 2+ years worth of stuff in past two weeks.

Great training. Thanks again.

Further training needs?

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deeper training on buildroot. kernel development.

Many seem to be interesting :-)

I am interested in the cortex M4 in the STM32MP157C. Also if it would be interesting to write device drivers for communicatint with the M4 core and the Linux kernel running on the other Cortex A* cores.

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