# Teaching and Learning in Mathematics Courses

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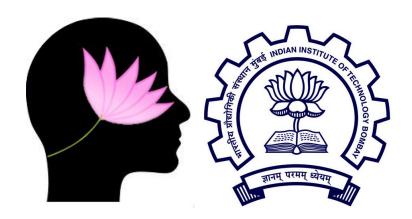
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(Dhvanyaloka of Anandavardhana, 9th century)



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A sample comment from the evaluation:

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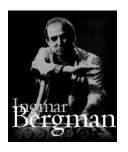
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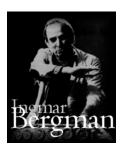


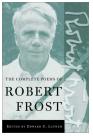
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