A+ v1.12 and autumn 2021 recap

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https://apluslms.github.io/ https://plus.cs.aalto.fi/aplus-manual/master/

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- Work in progress. Will be released soon (mid-December 2021).
- Service break and upgrade at Aalto: Monday 3.1.2022
- Major features:

New Git manager service completely separated from the MOOC-Grader - Tuomas

Syncing course enrolments from Sisu – Pasi

Teacher self-service course creation with the new Git manager - Pasi & Tuomas

Automatic saving of submission drafts in questionnaires – Sampo, exam improvements

Deviations in the student's assignment user interface

Copy-paste in user selection forms (e.g., add assistants, add deadline deviations)

(If finished in time) Revamp of the teacher's deviations user experience

Reduced size of the points cache

MOOC-Grader bug fixes to avoid crashing to course config errors

Service break at Aalto on Monday 3.1.2022

- The new Git manager service entails changes to web addresses visible to teachers:
 - GitLab (version.aalto.fi) webhook target
 - Course import URL (aplus-json)
 - A+ chapter HTML files and other static files are disseminated by the Git manager, not MOOC-Grader
- Creating new course instances Sisu course ID needed
- Self-service course creation in A+ & Git manager delayed to February
- More information will be announced later in December

Autumn 2021 - Major Themes

- A-plus frontend and MOOC-Grader containerization and Kubernetes deployment in Sep 2021 – Markus
- Git manager and service authentication Tuomas
- Electronic exams Sampo
- Sisu integration: enrolments & grades Pasi
- Radar (code similarity analysis) user experience & reporting Henri
- Prototype on serverless architectures (Juho, continues in the spring)
- Python-grader-utils fixes and new docs in Aplus Manual Jimmy (presented in August 2021)
- A+ as LTI 1.3 Tool (provider) slow start, Markku

Autumn 2021

Git manager - Tuomas All results page revamp - Seppo Sisu enrolment - Pasi Questionnaire feedback fixes -Markku Submission draft auto save -Sampo A-plus-rst-tools v1.4 & Sphinx v4.1 Assessment UI - Sampo Deviations student UI - Sampo - Markku Delayed feedback - Sampo Sitemap (Google) - Sampo Deviations teacher UX - Sampo Sep 2021 v1.10 Dec 2021 Feb-Mar 2022 v1.13? Jun 2021 v1.9 Oct 2021 v1.11 Jan 2022 v1.12 A-plus and MOOC+Grader containerization & Kubernetes -Markus Serverless architecture prototype -Radar UX (code similarity analysis) -Juho Enrolment roles - Sampo Henri Self-service course creation with Sisu CSV - Pasi Git manager - Pasi & Tuomas Ul texts & translations - Flla More Sisu - Pasi Python-grader-utils IOTester -Mass auto-regrading - Pasi Jimmy A-plus Django v3.2 upgrade -Sampo

Deficiencies in the autumn 2021

- Performance & stability
- Slowness, timeouts
- Improvements:

Fine-tuning in the Kubernetes container setup

Database virtual machine CPU cores doubled from 4 to 8

A+ bug fixes

A+ database queries should be optimized better. Started in the deadline deviations list view.

Questions?

- Aalto service break in the EDIT wiki: https://wiki.aalto.fi/display/EDIT/EDIT
 Aplus events > A+ version 1.12 upgrade December 2021 and January 2022
 https://wiki.aalto.fi/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=197422875
- A+ v1.12 release notes will be published in mid-December:
 https://apluslms.github.io/releases/
 https://apluslms.github.io/releases/v1_12.html
- New introduction and overview in the Aplus Manual for newcomers: https://plus.cs.aalto.fi/aplus-manual/master/overview/overview/