

Auto-grading System

Make the life easier for students and instructors

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The Problem

For Instructor:

- Time consuming
- Repetitive
- Annoying

For Student:

- Slow
- Uncertainty

What can we do?

Current Solutions

- Give complete testing scripts to the students
 - Problematic
 - Student can hack the solution by reverse engineering from the testing scripts
- Commercial Solution
 - Example: Grade Scope
 - Expensive
 - Poor customizability
 - Made by UC Berkeley

Commercial Pricing

	Basic SOLO \$1/ student / course Upgrade Now	TEAM \$3/ student / course Upgrade Now	Complete SOLO \$3/ student / course Upgrade Now	TEAM \$5/ student / course Upgrade Now	INSTITUTION Custom Agreement Contact Sales
Functionality					
Collaborative Grading	-	✓	-	✓	✓
Unlimited Course Staff	-	✓	-	✓	✓
Assignment Statistics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Regrade Requests	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Full Grade Export	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Late Submissions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AI-Powered Grading	-	-	✓	✓	✓
Code Autograder Platform	-	-	✓	✓	✓
Support					
Basic Email Support	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dedicated Support 4 business hr response time	-	-	✓	✓	✓

$$30 \times 100 \times 5 = 15000$$

Open-source Solution

AUTO~~Q~~LAB

Autolab

- Developed by a team of undergraduate students in Carnegie Mellon University.
- Started in 2010. CMU has been using it ever since.
- Open source under Apache License 2.0.
- Unlimited Customizability




Features

Autograding

Grade any assignment in any language using any software package. Instantly.



Feature

Rank	Nickname	Score
 1	Batman	100
 2	Alan Turing	98
 3	2b ll ! 2b	95
4	ByteMachine	91

Scoreboards

Encourage healthy competition with a real-time rank ordered scoreboard.

Feature

Code Annotation

Augment the autograde with **additional feedback directly on the student's code.**

```
def foo(bar):
```

```
    bar += 5
```



Avoid magic numbers -5

```
while (bar < 15213):
```

```
    bar = foo(bar+1)
```

Feature

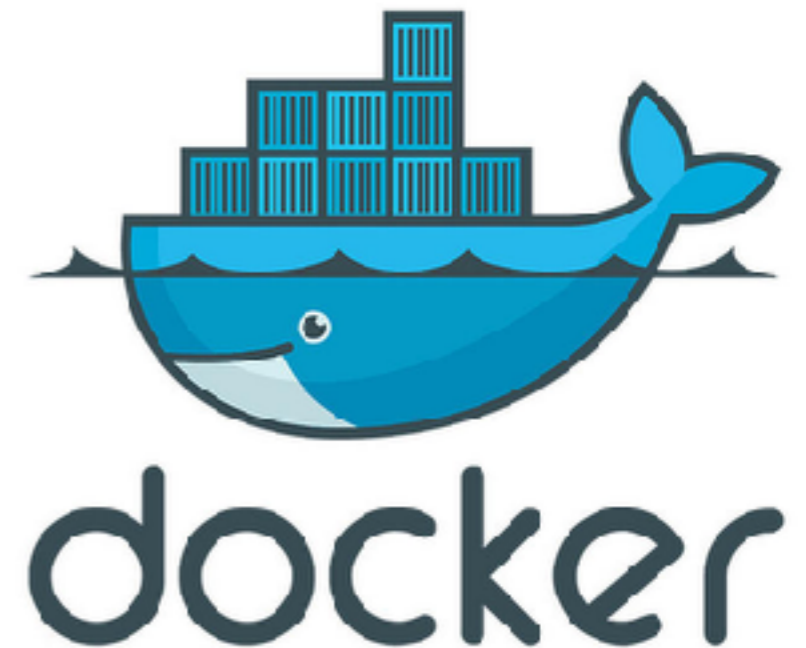
```
def foo(bar):  
    bar += 1  
    while (bar > 10):  
        bar = foo(bar-2)  
    if (bar == 15150):  
        return bar - 1  
    return bar + 1
```

```
def foo(bar):  
    bar += 5  
    while (bar < 10):  
        bar = foo(bar+1)  
    if (bar == 15112):  
        return bar - 1  
    return bar
```

Cheat Detection

Maintain academic integrity by comparing assessments with each other and with past submissions. Uses **Stanford's Moss Cheat Detector**.

Technology Stack



Interface for Instructors

- Mature and familiar open source toolchain
- Markdown for generating static homework instruction page
- Makefile for managing handout construction
- Write auto-grader script in any of your chosen language
- Grading result in JSON format

Experience for Students

- Simple one-click submission
- Specification checking
- Instant Feedback
- Rich Feedback Information
- Work until you get the grade you want
- No worry about missing something

What is left to do?

Challenge

- Primarily used inside Carnegie Mellon University. Deployed with the assistance of developers.
- Documentation is there but incomplete
- Main developers are busy seniors. No time to support us.
- Work with legacy code.
- Integration with UCLA IT Infrastructure.

Rewards

- Impactful
- Reachable
- Get full-stack development experience with cutting-edge technologies
- Agile Development
- Contribute to open-source project

Question?