Dynamic Score as a Mean for Motivation of Students



in an Educational System

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Motivation is very important in the learning process. There are many ways on how to motivate student.



Gamification is becoming increasingly popular way to motivate and support learning process.



We know several gamification techniques.

One of them are score and pointing systems.

Gamification

- 🏚 use of game mechanics in non-game contexts (e.g. social networks, educational systems)
- nelatively new (first known mention of term "gamification" comes from 2002)
- various forms badges, scores, achievements, leaderboards, etc.



according to Google Trends service, popularity of gamification is permanently rising in the last years

Score as a gamification technique

- ne of the most popular gamification techniques
- nthere are many ways on how to compute and design score



Stack Overflow votes



Facebook likes



eBay karma



ALEF score

Dynamic score



student performs activity

ALEF offers multiple ways on how to learn and earn some points thanks to it (e.g. tagging, adding external sources, highlighting text)



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ALEF computes new priorities

based on previous students activities ALEF computes new priorities in order to motivate students to perform all activities equally



students see new priorities

thanks to ALEF's stream students can see priorities change so they know which particular activities earn them more points



- constant value, does not change over time
- represents difficulty of the activity to perform for an average student
- based on historical data
- activities with lower weight are less difficult and takes less time to perform



activity preference (manual)

- based on teacher requirements
- teacher can set which activities will be preferred
- represented by a number within the range expressed by select list
- higher number means higher level of preference



activity priority (auto)

- dynamic factor, computed by ALEF itself
- depends on the amount of activities performed by students
- expresses the relationship between the expected and the actual ratio of activities performed
- higher ratios quotient = lower score addition

