

# WHAT'S NEW IN THE FALL UPDATE

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## AN INTRODUCTION TO THIS RELEASE

Welcome to the newest version of Adept!

This version (11.0.4) is the most secure Adept release to date and contains more than 170 enhancements addressing customer reported issues and requests, all of which increase Adept stability and reliability while providing a better overall user experience. This release includes support for Autodesk 2021 products and Solidworks 2021 along with the most recent AutoVue version supporting these formats.

If you're an existing Adept customer, you'll immediately notice our new logo and branding. We're excited and proud of the thought and design that went into the new identity of Synergis Software and Adept. The new logo has a great deal of meaning incorporated into it, and among other things, is a symbol of:

- ✓ The organizational transformation Adept is designed to deliver for every customer we serve
- ✓ The way Adept transforms to meet varied requirements for companies of all sizes in many industries
- ✓ Our own transformation at Synergis as we evolve to meet new and growing demands

I am excited to share with you that we are investing more than ever in growing and expanding the Adept platform and we are very excited to make the team's work available to you in this release and upcoming releases. Even as I write this, we are actively working on the next three Adept versions and planning well beyond that!

And so, on behalf of all of us at Synergis Software, we welcome you to this version of Adept, and to our updated look and feel. We are confident this release will improve performance and usability in key areas and, that it establishes a stable and reliable base from which to deploy future updates, already "in the works".

Very sincerely,

Todd Cummings
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There are a few important things we want you to know about this release.

- This release requires you to obtain a new authorization code. If you require assistance with
  this, or if you are considering upgrading to this Adept version, please contact your Account
  Manager for more information and to schedule a no cost Update Consultation before you begin.
- System Requirements have been updated, and older, unsupported versions of Oracle, MS SQL Server, Windows Server, Some CAD versions and Internet Explorer are no longer supported. You can find the latest Adept System Requirements here.

#### **NEW CAPABILITIES IN ADEPT**

#### NEW FEATURES COMMON TO ALL ADEPT SERVERS

The following new features are applicable to all Adept Servers and their related components:

#### MICROSOFT SQL 2019 SERVER SUPPORT

This release adds support for the Microsoft SQL Server 2019 database engine. Some older database engine version support is discontinued. Please review the Adept System Requirements for more details.

## **ORACLE 19C SUPPORT**

This release adds support for the Oracle 19c version database software. Some older database engine version support is discontinued. Please review the Adept System Requirements for more details.

## NEW FEATURES & ENHANCMENTS COMMON TO ALL ADEPT CLIENTS

The following new features are applicable to all Adept Clients (Desktop, Web, CAD Integration):

## UPDATED ADEPT LOGO AND NEW BRANDING

If you're an existing customer, you'll immediately notice the new logo and our new branding! The hard work that went into the new branding affects all Adept products, many dialogs, and references as it reflects the ability of Adept to transform to meet each customer's needs. Logo and branding changes do not affect the product capabilities in any way. When you have a moment, please visit our <a href="mailto:updated">updated</a> website to enjoy the updated experience!

#### UPDATED ADEPT VIEWER

This release updates the Adept Viewer provided by Oracle to the latest available Oracle AutoVue version. This update includes support for the newer versions of CAD that are integrated with Adept, including AutoCAD 2021, Inventor 2021, and SOLIDWORKS 2021.

The updated version of the viewer includes important security updates made available through the support of newer versions of Java and Tomcat. AutoVue relies on Java and Tomcat for successful operation (Tomcat is only used by the Web Viewer).

In addition to providing an updated Oracle AutoVue Adept Viewer, every effort has been made to make the subsequent transition from Oracle AutoVue to the new Adept Viewer as easy as possible. The expectation is when the new Adept Viewer is available, deployment will be streamlined, and the New Viewer can be installed and replace AutoVue without having to install any other Adept client software.

#### ADEPT LICENSING ENHANCEMENTS

The licensing mechanism has been enhanced to accommodate additional license flexibility and to further clarify license assignments and license counting.

To accommodate additional licensing flexibility, all existing Adept customers must obtain a new Authorization code in order to successful update to this new version.

#### SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS

This Adept version includes specific improvements and enhancements designed to increase overall solution security. These improvements further harden Adept against malicious attacks solution-wide across all platform components including the Desktop Client and Adept Server, the Web Clients and Web Server as well as Adept PublishWave. Solution security has been tested and validated by an independent, third-party security agency.

## FIXES, ENHANCEMENTS, AND POLISHES

This release includes more than 170 enhancements addressing customer reported issues and requests, all of which increase Adept stability and reliability while providing a better overall user experience.

#### NEW FEATURES & ENHANCMENTS IN THE DESKTOP CLIENT

The following new feature is applicable to Adept Desktop Clients only:

#### BATCH UPDATE AND UPDATE DOCUMENT

Several changes are included in Adept which improve the overall performance of executing the Adept Batch Update command and the Adept Update Document command.

## NEW FEATURES & ENHANCMENTS IN THE WEB CLIENTS

The following new features are applicable to Adept Web Clients only:

## IMPROVED UNLINKED RECORD IDENTIFICATION

An unlinked record is now better identified by all record text being displayed as italic in any Adept Window (FileGuide, Work Area, etc.).

## IMPROVED INFORMATION SOURCE IDENTIFICATION

The current Information Source setting is now shown in the status bar as a "WIP" or "Library" indicator. It is located to the right of the paging information.

#### SUPPORT FOR DATA EXPORTER

Data Exporter now also engages, as configured by an Adept Administrator, on Check In and Final Approve.

## NEW FEATURES & ENHANCMENTS IN THE CAD INTEGRATIONS

The following new features are applicable to Adept CAD Integrations only:

#### SUPPORT FOR AUTODESK 2021 PRODUCTS

This release provides complete Adept CAD integration support for AutoCAD 2021, AutoCAD Electrical 2021, AutoCAD Mechanical 2021, Inventor 2021, and Navisworks 2021. Supporting the latest versions of the Autodesk products allows your users to upgrade their CAD versions while maintaining compatibility with Adept.

In this release, all CAD integrations are WebAPI-based integrations and do not require installation or access to the Adept Desktop Client. Users may choose to install the Adept Desktop Client along with the Adept CAD integration since both products, used together, continue to utilize only one Adept license while providing users access to the most extensive range of capabilities available.

## SUPPORT FOR SOLIDWORKS 2021

This release provides complete Adept CAD integration support for SOLIDWORKS 2021. Supporting the latest versions of the SOLIDWORKS products allows your users to upgrade their CAD versions while maintaining compatibility with Adept.

In this release, all CAD integrations are WebAPI-based integrations and do not require installation or access to the Adept Desktop Client. Users may choose to install the Adept Desktop Client along with the Adept CAD integration since both products, used together, continue to utilize only one Adept license while providing users access to the most extensive range of capabilities available.

#### SUPPORT FOR DATA EXPORTER

Data Exporter now also engages, as configured by an Adept Administrator, on Check In and Final Approve.

#### NEW FEATURES & ENHANCMENTS IN ADEPT PUBLISHWAVE

## SUPPORT FOR AUTODESK 2021 PRODUCTS

Adept PublishWave 2022 provides support for AutoCAD 2021 and Inventor 2021. Supporting the latest versions of the Autodesk products allows your users to upgrade their CAD versions while maintaining compatibility with Adept PublishWave.

#### SUPPORT FOR SOLIDWORKS 2021

Adept PublishWave 2022 provides support for SOLIDWORKS 2021. Supporting the latest versions of SOLIDWORKS allows your users to upgrade their CAD versions while maintaining compatibility with Adept PublishWave.