



Automatic, Efficient and Scalable Provenance Registration for FAIR HPC Workflows

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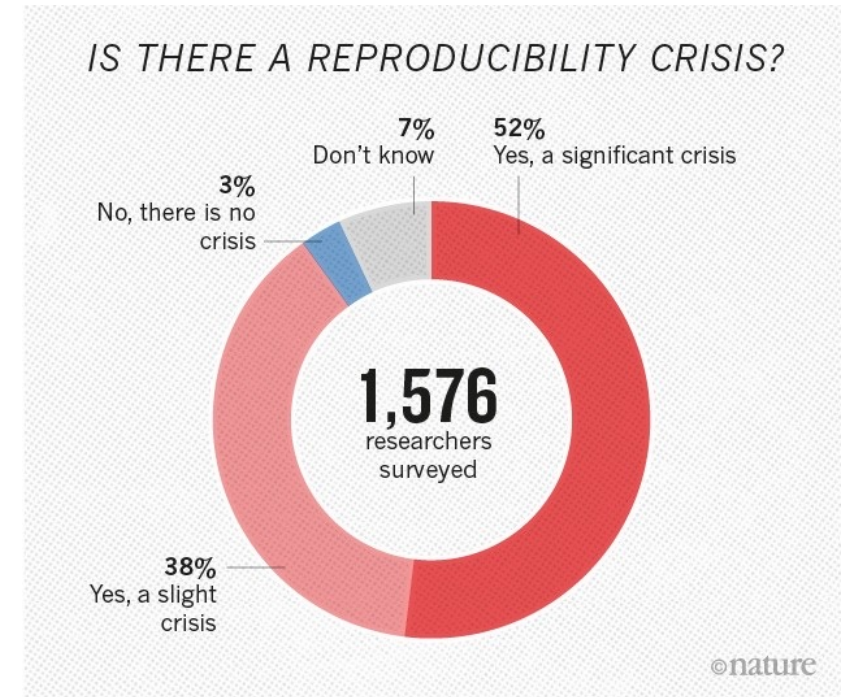
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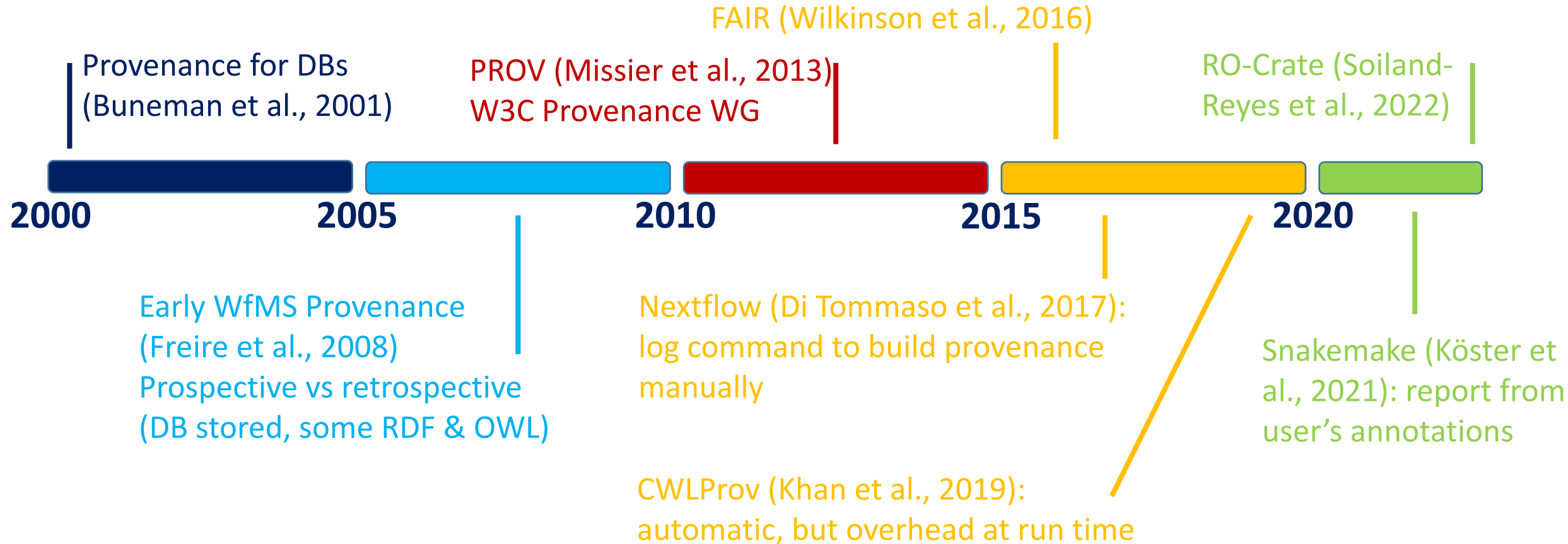
Motivation

- Volume of data generated from **scientific workflow** experiments continues to grow, important to manage results
- Reproducibility crisis: provide more than just numbers on a scientific paper
- **FAIR** and **provenance** registration to achieve **reproducibility** and **replicability**
 - Visual tools difficult to scale
 - Custom formats that complicate interoperability
 - RDF and OWL learning curve for non-experts on SemanticWeb
- Our proposal for scientific workflow provenance registration
 - **Automatic:** users do not need to provide annotations on what to record
 - **Efficient:** lightweight approach to avoid run time overheads (target HPC)
 - **Scalable:** large workflows (thousands of task nodes and / or files used)



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Related Work



Our approach: automatic, efficient and scalable

Background: COMPSs

- **Sequential** programming, **parallel** execution
- **General purpose** programming language + **annotations/hints** (identify tasks and directionality of data)
- Builds a **task graph** at runtime (potential concurrency)
- Tasks can be **sequential**, **parallel** (threaded or MPI)
- Offers to applications a **shared memory illusion** in a distributed system (Big Data apps support)
- Support for **persistent storage**
- **Agnostic** of computing platform: enabled by the runtime for **clusters**, **clouds** and **container** managed clusters

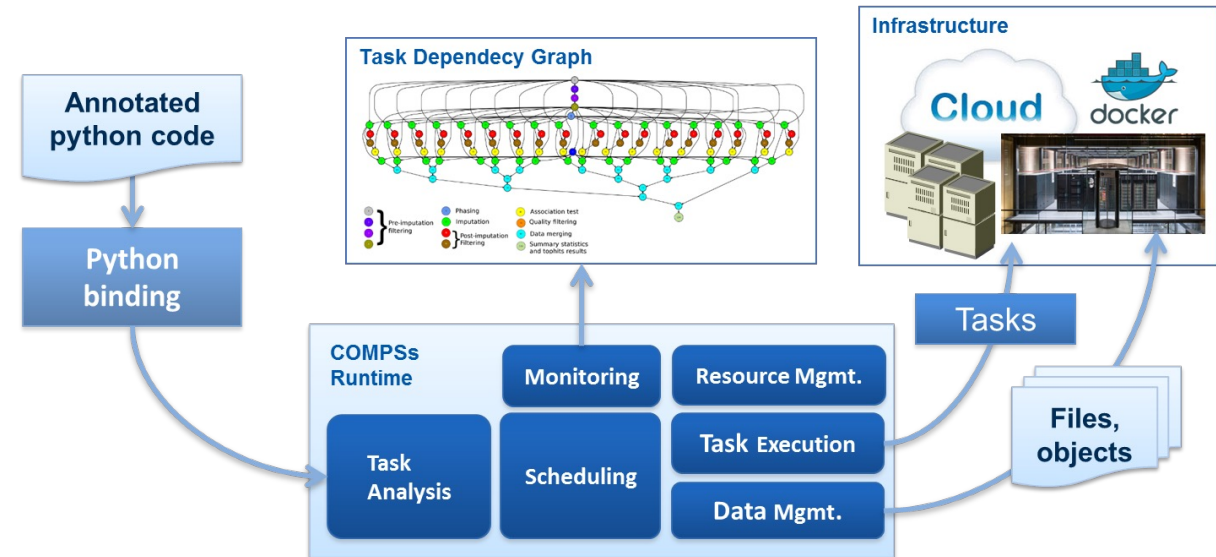


```
1 @task()
2 def word_count(block):
3     ...
4     return res
5
6 @task(f_res=INOUT)
7 def merge_count(f_res, p_res):
8     ...
```

(a) Task annotation example

```
1 for block in data:
2     p_result = word_count(block)
3     reduce_count(result, p_result)
4 result = compss_wait_on(result)
```

(b) Main code example



- **Advanced features:** heterogeneous infrastructures, task constraints, streamed data, task faults, task exceptions, checkpointing, elasticity

Background: Research Object Crate

- Evolution from:
 - Research Object: describe and link digital and real-world resources
 - DataCrate: describe and aggregate data with associated metadata
- Lightweight approach to package research data with their metadata
- Wide scope: from an individual researcher working with a folder of data, to large data-intensive computational research environments
- RO-Crate Workflow profile (narrow down)
 - Set of conventions, types and properties to allow interoperability
- Machine-readable JSON Linked Data (JSON-LD)
 - Main vocabulary based on Schema.org
 - Structure: **Root Data Entity**, **Data Entities** (files, directories), **Contextual Entities** (non-digital elements)
- Strong ecosystem:
 - ro-crate-py library
 - WorkflowHub



Design Requirements

- Target HPC workflows (commonly large)
- Reproducibility and replicability for workflows
- **Automatic** provenance registration
- **Scale** to large workflows (thousands of files and tasks)
- **Efficient** provenance registration (avoid significant overheads at run time)
- Provenance representation format: simple but able to represent complex workflows



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COMPSs runtime modifications



dataprovence.log

After application finishes...

- Lightweight approach: record file accesses, generate provenance later

3.0.rc2206

lysozyme_in_water.py
App_Profile.json

```
file:///s01r2b54-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/dataset/2hs9.pdb IN
file:///s01r2b54-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/output/2hs9.gro OUT
file:///s01r2b54-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/output/2hs9.top OUT
...
```

- Flags `-p` or `--provenance` trigger it after execution
- Can be manually invoked if provenance generation time becomes an issue (i.e., extreme large workflows)

generate_COMPSs_RO-Crate.py

ro-crate-info.yaml

ro-crate-py 0.6.1

COMPSs_RO-Crate_[uuid]/

- It's the *crate*
- ro-crate-metadata.json
- Application source files, command line arguments, workflow image and profile

Crate Assets Included

- Data assets to be included in the *crate* (package)
 - Application source code files

```
"@id": "matmul_files.py",
"@type": ["File", "SoftwareSourceCode", "ComputationalWorkflow"],
"contentSize": 1948,
"description": "Main file of the COMPSs workflow source files",
"encodingFormat": "text/plain",
"image": {"@id": "complete_graph.pdf"},
"input": [{"@id": "file://s01r1b56-ib0/gpfs/home/bsc19/bsc19057/COMPSs-DP/A.0.0"}, ...]
"name": "matmul_files.py",
"output": [{"@id": "file://s01r1b56-ib0/gpfs/home/bsc19/bsc19057/COMPSs-DP/C.0.0"}, ...]
"programmingLanguage": {"@id": "#compss"}
```



```
"@id": "matmul_tasks.py",
"@type": "File",
"contentSize": 1549,
"description": "Auxiliary File",
"encodingFormat": "text/plain",
"name": "matmul_tasks.py"
```

- Workflow image (PDF)

```
"@id": "complete_graph.pdf",
"@type": ["File", "ImageObject", "WorkflowSketch"],
"about": {"@id": "matmul_files.py"},
"contentSize": 14558,
"description": "The graph diagram of the workflow, automatically generated by COMPSs runtime",
"encodingFormat": [["application/pdf", {"@id": "https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/PRONOM/fmt/276"}]],
"name": "complete_graph.pdf"
```

Crate Assets Included

- Data assets to be included in the *crate* (package)
 - Command line arguments

```
"@id": "compss_command_line_arguments.txt",  
"@type": "File",  
"contentSize": 4,  
"description": "Parameters passed as arguments to the COMPSs application through the command line",  
"encodingFormat": "text/plain",  
"name": "compss_command_line_arguments.txt"
```

- COMPSs application profiling (task statistics per resource used)

```
"@id": "App_Profile.json",  
"@type": "File",  
"contentSize": 404,  
"description": "COMPSs application Tasks profile",  
"encodingFormat": ["application/json", {"@id": "https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/PRONOM/fmt/817"}],  
"name": "App_Profile.json"
```

Crate Assets Not Included

- Assets not directly included: input, output files (or directories) of the workflow
 - Avoid big movements of data
 - Added them as URIs
 - Feedback to RO-Crate community

```
"@id": "file:///s02r2b26-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/config/energy.selection"
```

Hostname Location path in hostname

- **Automatically identified** using runtime knowledge: no need for users to specify them

```
"@id": "file:///s07r1b33-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/output/8lyz_solv_ions.gro",
"@type": "File",
"contentSize": 1643019,
"name": "8lyz_solv_ions.gro",
"sdDatePublished": "2022-10-18T08:03:08+00:00"
```

Other Information

- contentSize and sdDatePublished (modification date) to ensure files have not been altered

```
"@id": "file://s07r1b33-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/output/8lyz_solv_ions.gro",  
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- Non-automatically gathered info: ro-crate-info.yaml

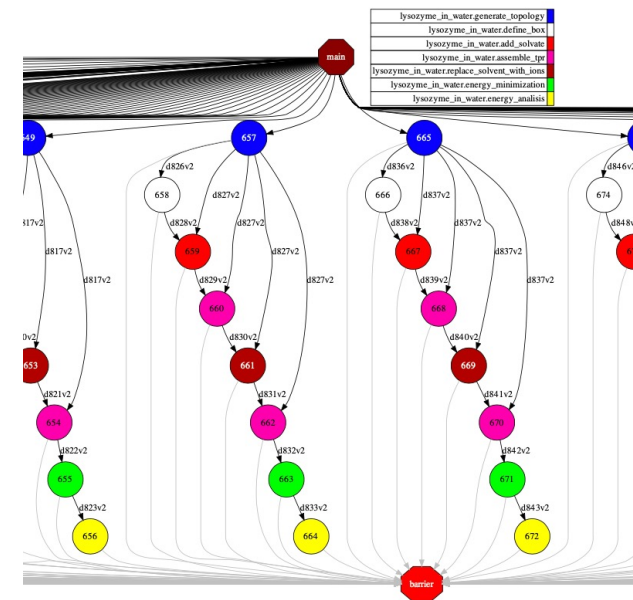
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COMPSS Workflow Information:  
  name: COMPSS Matrix Multiplication  
  description: Hypermatrix size 2x2 blocks  
  license: Apache-2.0  
  files: [matmul_files.py, matmul_tasks.py]  
Authors:  
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    organisation_name: Barcelona Supercomputing Center  
    ror: https://ror.org/
```

Use Case: Lysozyme in Water

- GROMACS Tutorial: simulation system containing a set of **proteins** (lysozymes) in boxes of water, with ions
- MareNostrum IV: 48 cores per node

Worker Nodes	2 (96 cores)
Tasks	1336
Input files	171 (43 MB)
Output files	1503 (2.2 GB)
dataprovence.log	4175 file accesses
Resulting Crate size	2.45 MB

	Average time	Confidence Interval
No Provenance	113,6	$\pm 2,78$
Provenance	112,85	$\pm 1,54$
Graph conversion	38,1	$\pm 0,4$
RO-Crate creation	16,55	$\pm 0,38$

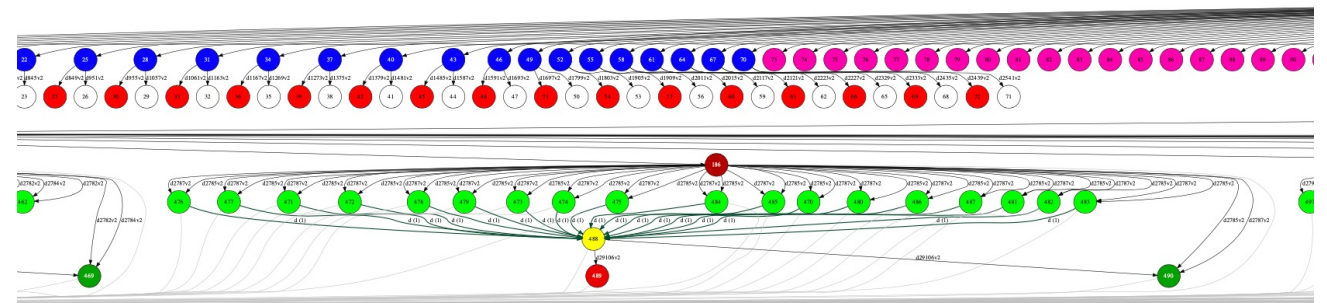


Use Case: BackTrackBB

- Multi-band array detection and location of **seismic sources**
- MareNostrum IV: 48 cores per node

Worker Nodes	9 (432 cores)
Tasks	700
Input files	2400 (7.1 GB)
Output files	48 (37 MB)
dataprovence.log	2448 file accesses
Resulting Crate size	22 MB

	Average time	Confidence Interval
No Provenance	3799,65	$\pm 53, 24$
Provenance	3772,05	$\pm 39, 14$
Graph conversion	3,72	$\pm 0, 06$
RO-Crate creation	37,02	$\pm 0, 34$



Conclusions

- **FAIR HPC workflows** combining RO-Crate + COMPSs + WorkflowHub
 - Feedback to RO-Crate community with our HPC case
- No previous solution for large HPC workflows that studies and avoids run time overheads
- Our experiments show
 - We can **scale** and deal with large workflows
 - We are **efficient** (no run time overhead appreciated)
 - We provide **automatic** provenance registration, whenever possible
 - RO-Crate generation time using ro-crate-py library
 - Not highly influenced by the number file accesses recorded (dataprovence.log)
 - It is influenced by the number of input/output files included
 - Graph image generation time becomes an issue sometimes (out of scope)



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