



Optimising workflow lifecycle management: development, HPC-ready containers deployment and reproducibility

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Tutorial website

https://github.com/bsc-wdc/Tutorial_SC24







Agenda

| 8:30 – 8:45 | Overview of tutorial agenda | Rosa M Badia |
|---------------|---|--------------|
| 8:45 – 9:15 | Part 1.1: Hybrid HPC+AI+DA workflow development with PyCOMPSs - Context of the workflows at BSC - Overview of workflow development with PyCOMPSs - Extensions for the integration of HPC with AI and DA | Rosa M Badia |
| 9:15 – 9:45 | Part 1.2: Workflows' reproducibility through provenance - Motivation for workflow provenance - Design of the recording mechanism - Sharing experiments for reproducibility | Raül Sirvent |
| 9:45 - 10:00 | Part 1.3: HPC ready container images - Motivation for architecture specific containers - Overview of the Container Image Creation service - Example of HPC ready container generation | Rosa M Badia |
| 10:00 - 10:30 | Coffee break | |





Agenda

| 10:30 – 10:45 | Hands-on preparation (credentials distribution, how to access, etc) | All presenters |
|---------------|---|----------------|
| 10:45 – 11:15 | Part 2.1: Hands-on session: Sample workflows with PyCOMPSs, execution with containers, task-graph generation, tracefile generation (optional) | Rosa M Badia |
| 11:15 – 11:55 | Part 2.2: Hands-on session: How to automatically record workflow provenance and use it to share experiments in WorkflowHub | Raül Sirvent |
| 11:55 - 12:00 | Tutorial conclusions | All presenters |





Outline

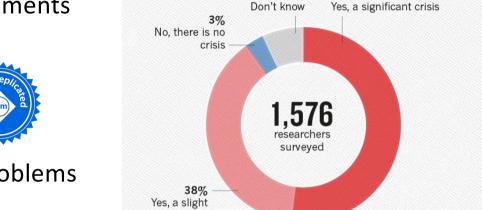
- Motivation and baseline technologies
- Design of Workflow Provenance recording
- Using Workflow Provenance with COMPSs

Motivation and baseline technologies



Motivation

- Large number of **Scientific Workflows** experiments
 - Keep track of results Governance
- Reproducibility crisis in scientific papers
 - Conferences now request artifacts
 - E.g. SC Reproducibility Initiative
- Provenance recording can help with both problems



IS THERE A REPRODUCIBILITY CRISIS?

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- **Provenance:** The chronology of the origin, development, ownership, location, and changes to a system or system component and associated data
 - Need to record metadata
 - Our focus: Workflow Provenance (data + software)





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Motivation

- Provenance is MORE than just Reproducibility
 - Governance (availability, usability, consistency, ...) (e.g. FAIR Workflows)
 - Replicability (exchange inputs)
 - Knowledge extraction (queries, mining)
 - Traceability (validation/verification, visualisation) (e.g. Al Explainability)
- Our claim: desired features for Workflow Provenance registration
 - Automatic: lower user burden
 - Efficient: no overheads
 - Scalable: large workflows (both tasks and data assets used)

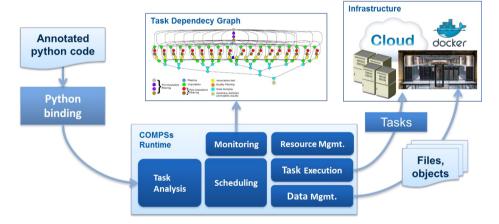




Baseline: COMPSs



- 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



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





Baseline: Research Object Crate

- Package research data + metadata
- Evolution from:
 - Research Object: describe digital and real-world resources
 - DataCrate: aggregate data with metadata
- Lightweight format
 - Both machines and humans can read it
- JSON Linked Data (JSON-LD)
 - Vocabulary: Schema.org
 - Structure:
 - Root Data Entity
 - Data Entities (files, directories)
 - Contextual Entities (non-digital elements)
- Strong ecosystem, more than 30 tools/systems:
 - Describo, ro-crate-html, ro-crate-zenodo, ...
- We use:
 - ro-crate-py library (generation / consumption), rocrate-validator,
 WorkflowHub (interoperability)









Baseline: RO-Crate Profiles

- RO-Crate is very generic (wide scope)
 - Profiles enable Interoperability
 - Set of conventions, types and properties (MUST, SHOULD, ...)
- Workflow RO-Crate profile
 - MUST ComputationalWorkflow, mainEntity (Root Dataset)
 - SHOULD WorkflowSketch



- Workflow Run RO-Crate profile collection (MUST CreateAction)
 - Process Run Crate (set of tools)
 - Workflow Run Crate (computational workflow)
 - Provenance Run Crate (detailed computational workflow)



Simone Leo et al. "Recording provenance of workflow runs with RO-Crate" PLoS ONE 19(9): e0309210 (Sept 2024)





WMS/tools using WRROC for Provenance Recording











- runcrate
- rocrate-validator









Design of Workflow Provenance recording



Design Requirements

- Target HPC workflows (commonly large)
- Provenance representation format
 - Simple but able to represent complex workflows
- Automatic provenance registration (no explicit annotations)
- **Efficient** provenance registration (avoid overheads at run time)
- Scale to large workflows (thousands of files and tasks)







COMPSs runtime modifications



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



After application finishes...

dataprovenance.log

 Lightweight approach: record file accesses, generate provenance later

3.3.rc2407

lysozyme_in_water.py
App_Profile.json
2024-08-12T13:25:07.717499Z
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
...





generate_COMPSs_RO-Crate.py

ro-crate-info.yaml

ro-crate-py 0.11.0



COMPSs_RO-Crate_[uuid]/



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



















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generate_COMPSs_RO-Crate.py features

- Detects and records COMPSs version used and the mainEntity
 - Looks for alternatives, if not found
- Automatically detects overall inputs and outputs of the workflow
 - Discards intermediate generated results as inputs
- Respects application source files sub-directory structure
- If data persistence, machine paths translated to crate paths
 - Identifies common paths to correctly arrange files
 - E.g. inputs/00/input_file.txt
- If no persistence: URIs to files are generated, size and modification date
 of files are stored to record the file version





Generating Workflow Provenance with COMPSs



Steps to record Workflow Provenance in COMPSs

- Install ro-crate-py (if needed)
- Provide YAML information file
- Run with -p or -provenance=my_file.yaml
 - The crate is generated (a sub-folder COMPSs_RO-Crate_[uuid]/)





YAML information to be provided

name: Raül Sirvent

e-mail: Raul.Sirvent@bsc.es

ror: https://ror.org/05sd8tv96

- Non-automatically gathered info: ro-crate-info.yaml
- Sections:
 - COMPSs Workflow Information
 - Authors
 - Agent
- Data persistence: True or False
- No inputs/outputs are indicated, automatically detected by the provenance generation script

```
COMPSs Workflow Information:
   name: COMPSs Matrix Multiplication
   description: Blocks as hypermatrix
   license: Apache-2.0
   sources: [src/, ~/java/matmul/xml/,
        ~/java/matmul/pom.xml, Readme]
   data_persistence: True
Authors:
   - name: Rosa M. Badia
        e-mail: Rosa.M.Badia@bsc.es
        orcid: https://orcid.org/0000-0003-2941-5499
        organisation_name: Barcelona Supercomputing Center
        ror: https://ror.org/05sd8tv96
Agent:
```

orcid: https://orcid.org/0000-0003-0606-2512

organisation name: Barcelona Supercomputing Center





Automatic search of ORCID and ROR

- For machines with internet connectivity only
- Gets the rest of missing items, if available
- Convenient for applications with large number of authors

COMPSs Workflow Information:

name: COMPSs Matrix Multiplication description: Blocks as hypermatrix

license: Apache-2.0

data persistence: True

Authors:

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Using Workflow Provenance with COMPSs



What you can do with the generated provenance

- Publish your experiment in WorkflowHub
- PyCOMPSs CLI (v3.3.4): pycompss inspect
- COMPSs Reproducibility Service





Steps to record and publish Workflow Provenance in COMPSs

- Publish it at WorkflowHub, uploading the crate or using GitHub
- Generate a DOI, cite your results in papers
- Large datasets can be shared in external repositories (e.g. Zenodo, FigShare), and included as a reference









Sharing Use Cases with WorkflowHub



- Asset sharing focus:
 - Share your workflow (+some example usage/test datasets attached)
 - Share your dataset results (+ the workflow that generated them, for reproducibility)
- Sharing audience:
 - **Privately** upload your code or data in a team, to share with your peers
 - Upload the most interesting code versions / output datasets
 - Once something is worth sharing **publicly** (code or data), change the permission of the specific result, generate DOI, cite it, etc...





SC Conference Reproducibility Initiative

Artifacts Available



• Artifacts used in the research (including data and code) are permanently archived in a **public repository** that assigns a **global identifier** and **guarantees persistence**, and are made available via **standard open licenses** that maximize artifact availability



Artifacts Evaluated-Functional



- Documentation: Are the artifacts sufficiently **documented** to enable them **to be exercised** by readers of the paper?
- Completeness: Do the submitted artifacts **include all of the key components** described in the paper?
- Exercisability: Do the submitted artifacts include the scripts and data needed to run the experiments described in the paper, and can the software be successfully executed?



- Reproduce Behavior: determine the equivalent or approximate behavior on available hardware
- Reproduce the Central Results and Claims of the Paper









pycompss inspect [crate_folder/ | crate.zip]

Visualise metadata content through the console in a friendly way

```
COMPSs RO-Crate 310c93f5-ff00-45b2-aaf7-de202bbf1349/
   Date Published
    Friday, 20 of September of 2024 - 09:14 UTC
       COMPSs Matrix Multiplication, out-of-core using files
    ☐— Raül Sirvent (Barcelona Supercomputing Center) (Raul.Sirvent@bsc.es)
   License
    CC-BY-NC-ND-4.0
   Software Dependencies
    - NumPv
     — GROMACS
   COMPSs Runtime version
    └─ 3.3.rc2408
   RO-Crate Profiles compliance
     Process Run Crate (0.5)
     — Workflow Run Crate (0.5)
      Provenance Run Crate (0.5)
      - Workflow RO-Crate (1.0)
   Description
    Hypermatrix size 2x2 blocks, block size 2x2 elements
   CreateAction (execution details)
          — Rosa M. Badia (Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya) (Rosa.M.Badia@upc.edu)
       Application's main file
          matmul files.py
       Hostname
        └─ MacBook-Pro-Raul-2018.local
       Description (machine details)
        └── Darwin MacBook-Pro-Raul-2018.local 23.6.0 Darwin Kernel Version 23.6.0: Mon
     Jul 29 21:13:00 PDT 2024; root:xnu-10063.141.2~1/RELEASE X86 64 x86 64
          - COMPSS HOME = /Users/rsirvent/opt/COMPSs/
       Resource Usage
          - #localhost.matmul tasks.multiply.maxTime = 1015
          - #localhost.matmul tasks.multiply.executions = 8
          - #localhost.matmul tasks.multiply.avgTime = 553
          - #localhost.matmul tasks.multiply.minTime = 94
          - #overall.matmul tasks.multiply.maxTime = 1015
```

```
    Start Time

    Friday, 20 of September of 2024 - 09:14:41 UTC

   End Time
    Friday, 20 of September of 2024 - 09:14:48 UTC
   TOTAL EXECUTION TIME
     - 0:00:07 s
   INPUTS
     — dataset/A.0.0 (16 bytes)
      - dataset/C.1.1 (20 bytes)
      - https://zenodo.org/records/10782431/files/lysozyme datasets.zip (267,235,780
bytes)
U OUTPUTS
      - dataset/C.0.0 (20 bytes)
      - dataset/C.0.1 (20 bytes)
      - dataset/C.1.0 (20 bytes)
      - dataset/C.1.1 (20 bytes)
https://zenodo.org/records/10783183/files/results_2003_0521_boumardes_BS.tar.gz (711,341,852 bytes)
```

 Helps to inspect crate zipped files, without having to unzip them

Reproducibility Service

• Reproduce a previously run COMPSs experiment

compss_reproducibility_service [ro_crate_folder/ | url]

Example

Supercomputing

Welcome to COMPSS Reproducibility Service v1.0.0

COMPSS Version: 3.3.1

Ensuring reproducibility in computational workflows with precision and reliability.

Let's make your computations reproducible!

compss_reproducibility_service https://workflowhub.eu/workflows/1072/ro_crate?version=2

- Two main use cases:
 - Data persistence:
 - Experiment can be re-executed on any machine
 - Non data persistence:
 - Re-execute on a machine that has access to the data assets paths



Reproducibility Service

- Metadata is used to verify input files
 - Ensure re-execution will be done with EXACTLY the same data assets (size, mod_date)

| S.No. | Filename | File Path | File Accessible | File Size Verified |
|-------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | application_sources/src/wc_reduce.py | // // // // // // // // // // // // // | ✓ | V |
| 2 | file0.txt | /home/archit/Desktop/COMPSs-Re producibility-Service/reproduc ibility_service_20240820_01220 6/Workflow/dataset/dataset_4f_ 16mb/file0.txt | ✓ | V |
| 3 | file1.txt | /home/archit/Desktop/COMPSs-Re producibility-Service/reproduc ibility_service_20240820_01220 6/Workflow/dataset/dataset_4f_ 16mb/file1.txt | ✓ | V |
| 4 | file2.txt | /home/archit/Desktop/COMPSs-Re producibility-Service/reproduc ibility_service_20240820_01220 6/Workflow/dataset/dataset_4f_ 16mb/file2.txt | ✓ | ✓ |
| 5 | file3.txt | /home/archit/Desktop/COMPSs-Re producibility-Service/reproduc ibility_service_20240820_01220 6/Workflow/dataset/dataset_4f_ 16mb/file3.txt | ✓ | V |

Metadata format



```
"@id": "application_sources/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.svg"},
"name": "matmul_files.py",
"programmingLanguage": {"@id": "#compss"}
"softwareRequirements": [{"@id": "https://numpy.org/"}, {"@id": "https://www.gromacs.org/"}]
```



```
"@id": "#compss",

"@type": "ComputerLanguage",

"alternateName": "COMPSs",

"citation": "https://doi.org/10.1007/s10723-
013-9272-5",

"name": "COMPSs Programming Model",

"url": "http://compss.bsc.es/",

"version": "3.3.rc2408"
```

```
"@id": "complete_graph.svg",
"@type": ["File", "ImageObject", "WorkflowSketch"],
"about": {"@id": "application_sources/matmul_files.py"},
"contentSize": 6681,
"description": "The graph diagram of the workflow, automatically generated by COMPSs runtime",
"encodingFormat": [["image/svg+xml",{"@id": "https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/PRONOM/fmt/92"}]],
"name": "complete_graph.svg"
"sha256": "44018036dc20569b90104113928291e997f2f5cecb2e01af19b5dc2e0043eb6f"
```





Software Dependencies

```
"@id": "https://numpy.org/",
    "@type": "SoftwareApplication",
    "name": "NumPy",
    "url": "https://numpy.org/",
    "version": "1.24.1"
    "@id": "https://www.gromacs.org/",
    "@type": "SoftwareApplication",
    "name": "GROMACS",
    "url": "https://www.gromacs.org/",
    "version": ":-) GROMACS - gmx, 2024.2-Homebrew (-:\nExecutable:
   /usr/local/bin/../Cellar/gromacs/2024.2/bin/gmx\nData prefix:
   /usr/local/bin/../Cellar/gromacs/2024.2\nWorking dir:
   /Users/rsirvent/.COMPSs/lysozyme in water full no mpi.py 30\nCommand line:\n gmx --
   version\n\nGROMACS version: 2024.2-Homebrew\nPrecision:
                                                                         mixed\nMemory model:
   64 bit\nMPI library:
                                thread mpi\nOpenMP support:
                                                                 enabled (GMX OPENMP MAX THREADS =
   128)\n"
},
```





Auxiliary Files

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

Command line arguments

```
"@id": "compss_submission_command_line.txt",
"@type": "File",
"contentSize": 709,
"description": "COMPSs submission command line
    (runcompss / enqueue_compss), including flags
    and parameters passed to the application",
"encodingFormat": "text/plain",
"name": "compss_submission_command_line.txt"
"sha256":
    "7093e1aa31723f8748148e8413fc7831fc3df2bcabe26
    0775f9e3ab86f117e48"
```

COMPSs Task Profiling (deprecated)

```
"@id": "App_Profile.json",
"@type": "File",
"contentSize": 247,
"description": "COMPSs application Tasks profile",
"encodingFormat": ["application/json",{"@id":"https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/PRONOM/fmt/817"}],
"name": "App_Profile.json"
"sha256": "83f7239637dd90008d48a5b99f6d36bf478ec9db9a912126afd856a0c8747670"
```





Persistent Data

```
"@id": "dataset/A.0.0",
"@type": "File",
"contentSize": 16,
"dateModified": "2023-09-07T09:20:20",
"name": "A.0.0",
"sdDatePublished": "2023-09-07T09:20:27+00:00"
```

Non-Persistent Data

```
"@id": "file://s07r1b33-ib0/home/bsc19/bsc19057/DP_Test_3_demo/dataset/1331.pdb",
"@type": "File",
"contentSize": 116154,
"dateModified": "2022-04-20T13:20:58",
"name": "1331.pdb",
"sdDatePublished": "2022-10-18T08:03:08+00:00"
```

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





CreateAction







CreateAction

```
{
    "@id": "#slurm_job_user",
    "@type": "PropertyValue",
    "name": "SLURM_JOB_USER",
    "value": "bsc019057"
},
{
    "@id": "#slurm_job_uid",
    "@type": "PropertyValue",
    "name": "SLURM_JOB_UID",
    "value": "2952"
},
{
    "@id": "#slurm_submit_dir",
    "@type": "PropertyValue",
    "name": "SLURM_SUBMIT_DIR",
    "value": "/gpfs/home/bsc/bsc019057/COMPSs-DP"
},
...
```

```
{
    "@id": "#localhost.matmul_tasks.multiply.maxTime",
    "@type": "PropertyValue",
    "name": "maxTime",
    "propertyID":
    "https://w3id.org/ro/terms/compss#maxTime",
    "unitCode": "https://qudt.org/vocab/unit/MilliSEC",
    "value": "369"
},
{
    "@id": "#localhost.matmul_tasks.multiply.executions",
    "@type": "PropertyValue",
    "name": "executions",
    "propertyID":
    "https://w3id.org/ro/terms/compss#executions",
    "value": "8"
},
...
```







CreateAction







Conclusions

- FAIR HPC workflows combining COMPSs + RO-Crate + WorkflowHub
 - WMS that use RO-Crate (Galaxy, Nextflow, Streamflow, Sapporo, Autosubmit)
- Paper* experiments show
 - We provide automatic provenance registration (whenever possible)
 - We are efficient (no run time overhead appreciated)
 - We can scale and deal with large workflows (shown by use cases)
- Future Work
 - Detect and Install software dependencies
 - Governance and Knowledge extraction (from execution metrics)
 - XAI: eXplainable Artificial Intelligence

*Raül Sirvent et al. "Automatic, Efficient and Scalable Provenance Registration for FAIR HPC Workflows" In: 2022 IEEE/ACM Workshop on Workflows in Support of Large-Scale Science (WORKS). IEEE, 2022. p. 1-9.



















Thanks!



https://compss-doc.readthedocs.io/en/latest/Sections/05 Tools/04 Workflow Provenance.html

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