# Coherent Multi-disciplinary and Fact-based Contextualisation: Comprehensive Knowledge Complements and Component Frameworks Employed in Prehistorical Archaeology and Historico-cultural Contexts

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Abstract-This extended paper presents the new results of the methodological fact-based knowledge contextualisation, discovery, and parallelisation of workflow logic of prehistorical archaeology discipline's contextualisation, based on coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual knowledge. This research targets coherent multi-disciplinary and fact-based contextualisation, which can provide important new solutions to the challenges of knowledge discovery in many disciplines. The paper includes the comprehensive knowledge complements and component frameworks employed in prehistorical archaeology and historicocultural contexts. The practical example implementations based on both the knowledge frameworks and the components framework comprise the contextualisation and canvas conversion benchmarks and enable sustainable and efficient realisations. The goal is the creation of efficient, flexible, and sustainable contextualisation workflows, also providing efficient parallelised frame conversion. Implementations and realisations are enabled by the latest versions of the prehistory-protohistory and archaeology conceptual knowledge reference implementation and the component reference implementations framework. The paper provides the results on archaeological/prehistorical facts, universal contexts, and logical and formal entities, factual, conceptual, and procedural complements, components, and results required for exemplary practical hard criteria and fact-based contextualisation by the disciplines and even for consequent creative historico-cultural context exploitation. Future research will address the creation and further development of a conceptual knowledge reference implementation and a component reference framework for coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual contextualisation, enabling multi-disciplinary equal footing with contributions from all scientific disciplines for example for prehistorical archaeology knowledge integration, contextualisation and analysis with prehistorical and archaeological knowledge resources.

Keywords–Fact-based Contextualisation; Benchmarking; Prehistory and Archaeology; Historico-cultural Interpretation; CKRI and CRI Framework.

## I. INTRODUCTION

This research targets coherent multi-disciplinary and factbased contextualisation, which can provide important new solutions to the challenges of knowledge discovery in many disciplines. This paper is an extended and updated presentation of new research results, based on the research, publication, and presentation at the DataSys/INFOCOMP 2023 co-located group of conferences in Nice, France [1]. Birgit Frida Stefanie Gersbeck Unabhängiges Deutsches Institut für Multi-disziplinäre Forschung (DIMF), Germany Email: info@udimf.de

The following sections present the comprehensive knowledge complements and component frameworks employed in prehistorical archaeology and historico-cultural contexts.

The examples show advanced contextualisation reference implementation frameworks and coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual knowledge-spatial context discovery in practice. This goes along with a wider range of new survey result groups of archaeological settlement infrastructures and insights based on practical conceptual facets used for on demand contextualisation and symbolic representation [2].

The theoretical and practical developments of this ongoing research are one group of six impactful research endeavors selected worldwide for the 2023 Hyperion Research special report on recent High-Performance Computing (HPC) centric AI success stories [3] (AI, "Artificial Intelligence"). For the inclusion in the special report, Hyperion names the epistemologically relevant methodological fundament The Conceptual Knowledge Reference Implementation (CKRI) and the The Component Reference Implementations framework (CRI), providing sustainable standard component groups for implementation.

The entirety enables a consistent multi-disciplinary conceptual knowledge contextualisation, especially universal knowledge facets, method integration, flexible workflow definition, and parallelisation on HPC resources.

Due to recent interests and inquiries for practical cases of extended multi-disciplinary contextualisation matrices employing the frameworks for knowledge complements and components, we take the chance that this extended paper concentrates on an extension, on both the practical contextualisation matrix and the components, including a major example of sustainable component parallelisation and its benchmark results.

The need to implement workflows of many disciplines beyond 'manual operation' has been continuously increasing over the last decades. In practice, we can also see a strong motivation for sustainable Knowledge Resources (KR) creation and development and efficient employment of resources, e.g., with high performance computation and storage.

After reading, writing, and arithmetic are established and accepted as general competences, the capabilities of achieving efficient analysis and contextualisation solutions are becoming 'state-of-the-art' increasingly important personal competences in the sciences. Efficiently and sustainably organising and de-isolating knowledge complements, the results of research, within a discipline is at least as important as its short term analysis. These organisation processes cannot refer only to the data if they should be useful for reuse of knowledge and insight. Therefore, such organisation can in no ways be seen technically or being task of third parties without risk of losing the competence on fact-based methods, insight, and interpretation. Additionally, organisation of its knowledge complements is a core scientific matter of any discipline and closely associated with the methods employed, with the ongoing analysis processes, and with the further interpretation potential. In accordance with best practice, any scientists dealing with methodological workflows in a discipline, e.g., when applying a method, should know and practise themselves the way steps can be created, organised, and implemented, e.g., the algorithms, symbolic representation, and the structure and computation related characteristics. This practice is especially relevant with all knowledge complements or in other words the non-technical aspects of workflows in prehistorical archaeology. Scientific work, including state-of-the-art practices in archaeological disciplines and humanities, comprise of a number of essential principles, including further continuous employment of valuation methods for new factual knowledge and insights, re-contextualisation and resources development, and consequent fact-based contextualisation, analysis, and interpretation. When done properly, the tasks including contextualisation allow to practise equal footing with contributing scientific disciplines. Numerous surveys and studies were conducted for archaeological and prehistorical cases and multi-disciplinary contexts during the last decades, e.g., specific object groups' contextualisation [4] and discovery [5] and providing factual knowledge for interpretation, including historico-cultural contexts. The Prehistory and Archaeology Knowledge Archive (PAKA) is continuously collecting [6] new knowledge and insight. This research delivers the respective blueprints resulting from previously unpublished contexts and workflows and efficient workflow implementations proven sustainable over many years and widely reusable.

The rest of this paper is organised as follows. Section II presents the fundaments and state-of-the-art methodological implementations and realisations employed. Section III presents the results of the contexts and workflow logic for processes in prehistorical archaeology, factual/conceptual and procedural complements. Section IV delivers the discipline's results, efficiency results, and discussion for the presented contexts and workflow logic cases. Section V summarises lessons learned, conclusions, and future work.

## II. FUNDAMENTS AND PREVIOUS WORK

Two major practical reference implementations were deployed for full implementations, realisations, and continuous further developments: the latest versions of the prehistoryprotohistory and archaeology Conceptual Knowledge Reference Implementation (CKRI) [4], [7] and the Component Reference Implementations (CRI) framework [8], [9] for conceptual knowledge-based context integration, complements processing, and geoscientific visualisation. CKRI provides the universal knowledge framework, including multi-disciplinary contexts of natural sciences and humanities [10]. CRI provides the required component groups and components for the implementation and realisation of all the procedural modules.

Both, the ongoing research on the epistemological [4] and the components base [8] and its implementations were recently published and demonstrated at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) [11].

The reference implementations are based on the fundamental methodology of knowledge complements [12], considering that many facets of knowledge, including prehistory, need to be continuously acquired and reviewed [13]. Creating contextualisation requires to coherently integrate multi-disciplinary knowledge and to enable symbolic representations. Realisations need to integrate a wide range of components as required from participating disciplines, e.g., for dynamical processing, geoprocessing, spatial contextualisation. Prehistoric object groups and contexts are taken from the latest edition of PAKA, which is in continuous development for more than three decades [14], and from The Natural Sciences KR (NatSciKR), all released by DIMF [6]. The PAKA and The NatSciKR support Factual, Conceptual, Procedural, Metacognitive, Structural (FCPMS) knowledge complements [11] and enable seamless coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual knowledge integration and 'systematical' and methodological approaches based on CKRI for creation and development of workflow procedures. CKRI references are illustrated for demonstration via the multi-lingual Universal Decimal Classification (UDC) summary [15] released by the UDC Consortium under Creative Commons licence [16].

It is important to say that the reader cannot expect to understand the implementations in detail beyond the focus of coherent multi-disciplinary contextualisation of knowledge. We also have to use the precise specification 'coherent multidisciplinary contextualisation' even as it may appear lengthy to today's reader. It is as well important to emphasise that the sort order of the terms is significant. Informatics and technology is considered only a minor part of holistic information science. Information sciences can very much benefit from Aristotle's fundaments and a knowledge-centric approach [17] but for building holistic and sustainable solutions, supporting a modern definition of knowledge [18], they need to go beyond the available technology-based approaches and hypothesis [19] as analysed in Platon's Phaidon. The references of the employed components or individual implementations provide several ten thousand pages of documentation and thousands of tiny working examples on plain realisation issues.

For sustainable understanding and implementation by researchers new to these topics, it is recommended to include information science fundaments, e.g., epistemology and logic, during all stages of educational processes of all disciplines. Comprehensive studies of the works of the classical Organon, Categories [20], On Interpretation [21], Prior Analytics [22], Posterior Analytics [23], Topics [24], and On Sophistical Refutations [25] and understanding of logical fallacies [26] can be beneficial as starting points. These works deal with many fundaments required for understanding the being of knowledge, e.g., logic, classification, language, and the fundaments of analysis, and create a base for sustainable implementations and realisations. In most cases, it is also recommended to invest in understanding the discussion of unintelligence [27].

## III. DISCIPLINE'S CONTEXTS AND WORKFLOW LOGIC

Prehistorical archaeology discipline's resulting contexts and workflow logic are often matter of multi-disciplinary longterm research, which requires universal context identification and assignment to contributing scientific disciplines.

#### A. Resulting Factual and Conceptual Complements Blueprint

The discipline's factual and conceptual knowledge complements and major logical and formal entities resulting from the long-term surveys and practical implementations are given in Table I. Employed resources are High Resolution (HR) Digital Elevation Model (DEM) data, e.g., (Space) Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) data [28], updates [29], and further satellite data.

Common DEM can be supplemented by local Light Detection And Ranging (LiDAR) data for special features and resolutions. DEM data for spatial contexts is used via Network Common Data Form (NetCDF) [30], developed by the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR/Unidata), [31], National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). [32]

KR and complement implementations in contributing contexts and disciplines are PAKA and NatSciKR [6] accompanied by HR Digital Chart of the World (DCW) [33], and Global Self-consistent Hierarchical High-resolution Geography (GSHHG) [34].

Knowledge context, e.g., targeting symbolism and analysis have been integrated from a wide range of cases and disciplines [35] [36] [37] [38] [39] [40] [41] [42] [43] spanning scenarios over the continents and including object security and verification [44].

The symbolic representation of the contextualisation can be done with a wide range of methods, algorithms, and available components, e.g., via LX Professional Scientific Content-Context-Suite (LX PSCC Suite) [45] deploying the Generic Mapping Tools (GMT) and integrated modules [46] for visualisation. The GMT [47] suite application components are used for handling the spatial data (longitude, latitude, elevation), applying the related criteria, and for the visualisation. For sustainability we also consequently employ xyz files in GMT, e.g., Point of Interest (PoI) and Point of Discovery (PoD) contexts. Signatures and Colour Palettes (cpt) can also be flexibly integrated via GMT. For support of many algorithms and features, suites of full on-site on-premise environments and online environments were created, The LX Professional Scientific Content-Context-Suite (PSCC) [45] integrating The LX Professional Scientific Creation Academic Suite (PSCA) [48] supporting the TFX Live [49] and tool components. A good starting point for new projects is to install and configure the latter online [50], available under MIT licence [51], adding additional modules as required, building individual suites for multi-disciplinary use cases.

Mostly all contexts and object groups are in continuous development, based on their structural implementations. Practically all contexts are dealt with employing the CKRI and its facets and operation facilities. Many properties of the contexts, e.g., chorological and chronological properties, can be addressed using international standards, e.g., for georeferencing and time, addressing the Chorological Domain (ChDo) and Chronological Domain (CrDo). The consequent knowledge approach enables a wide range of workflow creation and analysis, in the scenarios discussed here ranging from factbased contextualisation to consequent fact-based historicocultural interpretation. The results allow even further consequent creative historico-cultural exploitation.

## B. Resulting Procedural Complements Blueprint

The discipline's resulting procedural complements (the knowledge complements) and the corresponding workflow implementation resulting from the long-term surveys and practical implementations are given in Table II.

The implementations are designed for end-user deployment by members of every responsible discipline dealing with their major logical and formal entities. The matrix shows context / object groups, required logical and formal workflow entities (major processing groups pre, main, post), examples of their symbolic representation, structure and procedure implementations.

The table confirms that all contexts and object groups are in continuous further development, including the implementations of knowledge complements, e.g., factual, conceptual, procedural, and structural, which is a major achievement for scientific best practice and sustainability. The characteristics include the contexts addressed with CKRI and georeferencing, as well as the potential of mostly all contexts can be deployed in workflow parallelisation.

The table especially lists excerpts of embarrassingly (E) and loosely (L) parallelisation features. Both of these types are considered common features with parallelisation. What is special here is that most features can be implemented in either ways due to the component framework so that realisations can cope with many conditions for different environments.

All the CRI components of the workflow blueprint allow very high flexibility for fact-based methods and context integration of scientific, fact-based symbolic representation, e.g., the symbolic representation of archaeological, prehistorical contexts requires the employment of different geographic projections, e.g., geospherical orthographic, isometrical, and equal area. Projections can be flexibly implemented via GMT [47] and via PROJ [52].

Besides the implemented components we already named: The workflow allows processing usable for most disciplines, Area of Interest (AoI) calculations, regular expression patterns for context structures, e.g., via Perl Compatible Regular Expressions (PCRE) [53]. Attributations not applicable (n.a.) are marked accordingly. Workflow output, e.g., frames and visualisation can be created for many common structures, e.g., Joint Photographic Experts Group (JPG), Portable Network Graphics (PNG), and Portable Document Format (PDF),

Context/Discipline/ Object Group	Logical / Formal Entities	Symb. Repr. (Example)	Structure Impl. (Example)	In Dev.	CKRI	Georef.	Parallelisatio E	on L
	Factual / Co	nceptual Domain (Foci	is Complements: FCPMS)					•
Hybrid	(Spatial) structure	Signature / cpt	netCDF, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	✓ ,	✓
5		HR DEM	netCDF, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
		SRTM	netCDF, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
		LiDAR	netCDF, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	$\checkmark$	/
Point	Singular structure	Signature / Symbol	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Prehistorical archaeology		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Settlements		PAKA	xyz. GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Ritual places		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Notable objects		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Geophysics		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Impact craters		NatSciKR	xyz. GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Planetology		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Plate tectonics features		NatSciKR	xyz. GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Plate tectonic boundary types		NatSciKR	xyz. GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	1
Geology		NatSciKR, PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Mineral resources		NatSciKR, PAKA	XVZ. GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	1
Pedology		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Soil characteristics		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Bog and peat characteristics		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Volcanology		NatSciKR	xyz GMT LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Volcanological features		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1		_
Strato volcanoes maars		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1		_
Speleology		NatSciKR PAKA	xyz, GMT LX PSCC				1	
Caves		NatSciKP DAKA	XYZ, GMT LX PSCC					./
Oceanography		NatSciKR, TAKA	XYZ, GMT LX PSCC					./
Bathymetry features		NatSoiKR, OSIIIO	XYZ, GMT LX PSCC					/
Hydrology		NatSciKR	XYZ, GMT LX PSCC	•		× /		/
Divers		NatSoiKR	XYZ, UMI, LA FSCC	•	•	•		'
Lakas		NatSoiKD DCW	XYZ, GMT, LA PSCC	•	•	*	· · ·	× ⁄
Lakes Mahility, transmort		DAKA	XYZ, GMT, LX PSCC	× /	•	× /	v ·	•
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Pre-modern nonoways		PAKA	XYZ, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~	· · ·	•
Pre-modern trackways		PAKA	XYZ, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~	· · ·	٠ /
Pre-modern bog trackways		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~		•
Linguistics		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~	· · ·	٠,
Open field names		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~	· · ·	٧,
Geography		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~		٧,
Topography features		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LXPSCC	~	~	~		٧,
Heights		NatSciKR	xyz, GMT, LXPSCC	1	<i>√</i>	1		1
Humanities, politics features		NatSciKR, DCW	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	<b>v</b>	<b>v</b>		٧ ,
Humanities, administrative		NatSciKR, DCW	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	~	~	~		/
Line / Polygon	Linear structure	Signature	xyz, GMT, LXPSCC	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	/
Prehistorical archaeology		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LXPSCC	1	1	$\checkmark$		/
				•••				
Polygon	Areal structure	Signature	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	1	/
Prehistorical archaeology		PAKA	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	/
Bathymetry features		GSHHG, DEM	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	<ul> <li>.</li> </ul>	/
Administrative features		DCW	xyz, GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	1	<ul> <li>.</li> </ul>	/

 Table I. Prehistorical Archaeology Discipline's Contexts and Logical/Formal Entities: Resulting Factual/Conceptual

 Contextualisation Matrix Implemented for Major Complements and Components (Excerpt).

as well as Motion/Moving Pictures Expert Group, version 4 (MP4). Transformation can also be done for Keyhole Markup Language generation and interactive clipping zooming [54] [55]. Further preferred workflow components, automation, and features are provided by FFmpeg [56] [57], ImageMagick/-GraphicsMagick [58], GIMP [59], SubRip Subtile File (SRT), and VLC media player [60]. For efficiency of data handling,

contextualisation workflows can integrate compression modules supporting multi-threading, e.g., pbzip2, using several streams concatenatable into the resulting output [61].

Multi-dimensional or sequences of view, e.g., focus dependent views for knowledge dimensional computation per object, are implemented via OpenMP [62] and specifications [63]. Job parallel procedures, e.g., for knowledge objects and resources Table II. Blueprint of Prehistorical Archaeology Discipline's Workflow Logic: Resulting Procedural Contextualisation Matrix, From  $\underline{FC}$  (Table I), implemented for major complements and components, including parallel frame conversion (excerpt).

Context/Discipline/ Object Group	Logical/Formal Entities	Symb. Repr. (Example)	Struc. / Proc. Impl. (Example Complement/Environment)	In Dev.	CKRI	Georef.	Parallel. E L
	Procedur	al Domain (Focu	s Complements: FCPMS)				
Selection, preparation (KR) Context resources	Pre-processing Pre-processing	Pre-routines Pre-routines	CKRI, PCRE, / LX PSCC netCDF, CKRI, PCRE, / LX PSCC	\ \	\ \	(✔) (✔)	$ \begin{pmatrix} \checkmark \\ (\checkmark) \\ (\checkmark) \\ (\checkmark) \end{pmatrix} $
Sequence	Pre-proc., timing structure	Parameter	[FCPMS] / GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	(🖌)	(✔) (✔)
Procedure modules	Main processing	Main-routines	[ <u>FC</u> PMS)],	1	1	( )	() ()
Contextualisation Scenario	Integration	Hybrid	/ GMT, LX PSCC	<b>v</b>	<b>v</b>	(•	$(\checkmark) (\checkmark)$
Observer path	Path / project	Line	xyz / GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	(🗸)	$(\checkmark)$
Observer track	Track / project	Line	xyz / GMT, LX PSCC	1	<i>✓</i>	(🗸)	$(\checkmark) (\checkmark)$
AoI	Selection, cut	Area	netCDF, xyz / GMT, LX PSCC	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	(🖌)	(✔) (✔)
Sampling	Resampling	[Raster]	netCDF / GMT, LX PSCC	1	$\checkmark$	(🗸)	$(\checkmark)$
Canvas mapping	Basemap	[Mapping]	netCDF / GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	(🗸)	(✓) (✓)
Gridding	Grid operations,	[Grid]	netCDF / GMT, LX PSCC	$\checkmark$	1	(🗸)	(✔) (✔)
Illumination	Height	Singular	netCDF / GMT, LX PSCC	$\checkmark$	1	(🗸)	(✔) (✔)
Math operations	Calculation	[Algorithm]	/ GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	(🗸)	(✓) (✓)
Triangulation	Calculation	[Algorithm]	/ GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	()	() ()
Regression	Calculation	[Algorithm]	/ GMT, LX PSCC	1	1	<b>(/</b> )	$(\checkmark)$
Colour	Colourisation	[Sequence]	cpt / GMT, LX PSCC	$\checkmark$	1	<b>(/</b> )	$(\checkmark)$
Filtering	Selection, select	[Decimation]	/ GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	$\langle \checkmark \rangle$	
Movie module	Iteration	Parameter	/ GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	$\langle \checkmark \rangle$	
Limits to cores	[Integer]	Parameter	/ GMT. LX PSCC	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a. n.a.
Canvas	[Integer×Integer]	Parameter	/ GMT. LX PSCC	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a. n.a.
Frames	[Integer]	Parameter	/ GMT, LX PSCC	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a. n.a.
Display rate	[Integer]	Parameter	/ GMT. LX PSCC	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a. n.a.
Video product selection	[Type]	Parameter	/ GMT. LX PSCC	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a. n.a.
Proc. of knowledge compl.	Calculation	[Algorithm]	CKRI, PCRE, / LX PSCC	1	1	()	$(\checkmark)$
Spatial proc. of preh. ctxts.	Selection, calculation	[Algorithm]	CKRL PCRE / GMT LX PSCC	1	1	$\langle \mathbf{A} \rangle$	
Events	Symbolic, functional	Symb. repr.	CKRI, PCRE / GMT,, LX PSCC	1	1	$\langle \mathbf{I} \rangle$	
Arbitrary symbols	Symbolic functional context	Symb repr	[vector graphics] / GMT_LX_PSCC	1	1		
Degenerated ellipses	Azimuthal	Area	xvz / GMT. LX PSCC	1	1	$\langle \mathbf{A} \rangle$	
Range	Azimuthal	Area	xyz / GMT, LX PSCC	1	1		
Projection	Geospherical orthographic	[Algorithm]	/ GMT_PROL_LX_PSCC	1	1		
				•	• • • •		
Pasourca usaga (main proc.)	Main proc parallelisation	Frame view	/ OpenMP_GNU parallel_LY_PSCC	1	./	no	
Resource usage (main proc.)	On scratch processing	Various	/ OpenMP GNU parallel LY PSCC			n.a.	
	Model reduction frame anim	Various	/ GMT (LY DSCC)			n.a.	
	Live frame control	Various	JPG, PNG, PDF / (LX PSCC)	1	<b>v</b>	n.a.	<i>✓ ✓</i>
Transform., symbolic repr.	Post-processing, batch	Post-routines	Scales, KML, / LX PSCC	1	1	n.a.	(✔) (✔)
Visualisation, analysis	Post-processing, interactive	Image, Video	PNG, MP4, / LX PSCC	1	1	n.a.	(✔) (✔)

localities, are supported by respective modular solutions [64]. The implementations under Linux in general showed very efficient, both for OpenMP and GNU Parallel (GNU, Gnu's Not Unix).

## C. Supporting Varieties of Workflows

As recommended in the blueprint section, several configurations and developments were added for multi-disciplinary contextualisation scenarios employed for prehistorical archaeology and historico-cultural contexts.

Regarding the large scale and long-term nature of this research, collaborative services, e.g., The Archaeological Data Collector (ADC) [65], were developed and established as interfaces deployed for the support of practical workflows in prehistorical and archaeological surveys and excavations and the further and ongoing development of resources.

In this scenario, ADC is developed in order to provide online interfaces to all participating parties, supporting distributed workflow components, e.g., for collection, standardisation, conversion, verification, integration, and analysis of contributions. The components fully support all relevant sustainable structures, formats, and codes, e.g., American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII), UCS (Universal Character Set) / UTF (UCS Transformation Format), and T<sub>E</sub>X [49] representations.

The services support structured data and formatted data and are used for archaeological survey contributions, data collection, and for ongoing data integration and analysis. For example, context structures of the contextualisation matrix, which comprise of a large number of disciplines contributions and knowledge complements and can be fully integrated with the PSCC [45] and PSCA [48] suites.

## IV. DISCIPLINE'S RESULTS AND WORKFLOW EFFICIENCY

## A. Discipline's Workflow: Parallelisation and Results

Table III shows the scalability of the example workflow procedure for parallelised processing parts (pre, timing; main, parallelisation; post, batch) of the coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual knowledge. The results are referring to a scenario of a set of 1440 frames created in parallel for 4 k canvas size for a 60 s sequence with a rate of 24 FPS (Frames Per Second).

TABLE III. SCALABILITY OF DISCIPLINE'S WORKFLOW (EXAMPLE RUNS, PARALLELISED PROCESSING KR AND CONTEXT RESOURCES).

Threads (Cores)	Wall Time							
	Pre, Timing	Main, Parallel	Post, Batch	$\Sigma Pre, Ma$	in, Post			
1	1145 s	2581175 s	84972 s	2667292 s	$\approx$ 741 h			
18	526 s	143668 s	4759 s	143668 s	$\approx 40 h$			
36	262 s	71833 s	2386 s	74481 s	$\approx 21 h$			

The architecture chosen for this realisation is an efficient 36-core-based Central Processing Unit (CPU) (Intel<sup>®</sup> Xeon<sup>®</sup> CPU E5-2695 v4 at 2.10 GHz), which is taking into account that we commonly use 36 cores for many basic global approaches, e.g., considering 360 degrees of a global model. Results for trends on other architectures with same numbers of respective cores should be highly comparable.

Precondition for parallelisation is sufficient memory for parallel use of integrated resources. Considering the employed resources, especially SRTM/NetCDF and KR, 128 GB RAM (Random Access Memory) for 36 parallel processes is comfortable when data limits are cut to the limits required for the algorithms with the range of a few hundred kilometres area per object entity. The parallel instances are allowed for 90 GB HDD (Hard Disk Drive) space and separate 50 GB SSD (Solid State Disk) space for highly volatile data of parallel instances.

Wall and compute times, especially of multi-dimensional workflow results, can greatly be reduced from the integrated parallelisation, which makes the procedural solution highly scalable. The wall times for thread numbers confirm the high scalability when implementations of the workflow are using higher numbers of threads.

Many practical workflows may contain some parts which cannot be reasonably parallelised. This is especially true for scientific tasks with a certain complexity. Anyhow, the percentage of non parallelised parts is very low with CKRI and the CRI framework. However, individual instances may show non-linear characteristics due to instance content and references, e.g., different satellite data, different data types, and different knowledge complements. For large sets, hundreds up to thousands of CPU cores were employed, so parallelised wall times per object can be very reasonably reduced from days to hours or even minutes, e.g., for warning and tracking systems.

The following results from the above discipline workflow show an excerpt of eight frames from a large frame sequence for calculated Areas of Interest (AoI) contexts in top views (Figure 1). The foci are prehistoric settlement infrastructures in factual and historico-cultural chorological and chronological contexts with a volcanological features group (maars, Holocene-historical) and satellite data based on the coherent conceptual knowledge integration and discovery.

Ellipsoid is World Geodetic System 84 (WGS-84). Projection for frames is Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area. The resolution is drastically reduced for use in this publication. Each frame is calculated to represent the contextualisation of knowledge complements under chorological and chronological conditions for 150 km radii. Generated representations include integrated CKRI references, projection of topographic and bathymetric results, and further knowledge for respective areas, based on the coherent conceptual knowledge. The frame sequence of symbolic representations enable to contextualise named factual data (CKRI: UDC:551.2...,551.21,550.3,(23);"62" and UDC:167/168...;51... referring to CKRI: UDC:711....,692,903,902 for 150 km radii) [4], demonstrated via UDC [15].

Major multi-disciplinary results are the shown insights regarding the details of prehistoric settlement infrastructures / Holocene maars for which we find larger numbers of prehistorical settlements were set and used in the volcanic regions Eifel (DE) and Auvergne (FR) areas than in the other areas, all of which can be precisely assigned and further contextualised.

The workflow results are computed for eight equidistant steps for on-track equal-distance AoI locations (yellow symbols), including prehistoric settlement infrastructures (blue rectangular symbols) and volcanological groups (colored volcano symbols), Holocene-historical maars.

Especially, the connection between the dormant West Eifel Volcanic Field maars and the Auvergne (dormant Monchatre maar) shows comparable prehistoric settlement densities for the volcanic regions. Ongoing analysis and discussion of the multitude of resulting historico-cultural meanings will be given in more extensive consecutive publications.

## B. Discipline's Workflow: Frame Conversion Benchmark

The number of parallel cores used for the making of individual frames can be efficiently controlled. The parallel processing itself does not depend on OpenMP. Table IV gives the dimensions of canvas sizes for an excerpt of common formats, represented by pixel (px) scales.

TABLE IV. CANVAS SIZES AND FORMATS USED IN PRACTICAL CASE Scenario Implementations (Table II, excerpt).

Canvas Size (px	) Format	
	Format 16:9 (e.g., 24×13.5 cm)	
7680 × 4320	UHD-2	8 k
$3840 \times 2160$	UHD	4 k
$1920\times1080$	HD	
	Format 4:3 (e.g., 24×18 cm)	
1600 × 1200	UXGA	
$1400 \times 1050$	SXGA+	
$1024 \times 768$	XGA	

The given formats High Definition (HD), Ultra High Definition (UHD), Ultra Extended Graphics Array (UXGA),



Figure 1. Discipline workflow results of prehistoric settlement infrastructures in factual and historico-cultural chorological and chronological contexts with a volcanological features group (maars, Holocene-historical) and satellite data based on the coherent conceptual knowledge integration and discovery (excerpt).

Extended Graphics Array (XGA), and Super XGA Plus (SXGA+) are commonly used in resources development and practical high resolution workflows.

The conversion of frames can be done in parallel using GraphicsMagick [58]. GraphicsMagick includes Gnu's Not Unix (GNU) libgomp [66] of the GNU Offloading and Multi-Processing Project (GOMP). All benchmarks were done on a recent Linux multi-core system. Table V shows the frame conversion benchmark results for different canvas sizes as used in the parallel implementations of practical case scenarios.

The results compare number of threads, iterations, user time, total time, iterations per second, iterations per CPU, speedup, and Karp-Flatt result. The conversion uses a common  $128 \times 128$  granite texture pattern (px) iteration for standardisation. The benchmark uses the Karp-Flatt metric [67], which is a measure of code parallelisation in parallel processor systems [68].

The resulting implementation is very scalable and can use practical workflow parallelisations from small canvas sizes up to defined sizes even beyond UHD-2. Sizes of UHD are very appropriate for many HR scenarios with commonly available technical infrastructures while being relatively efficient with resources.

## V. CONCLUSION

This extended paper presented the results achieved for the methodological discovery and parallelisation of workflow logic of contextualisation in prehistorical archaeology targeting historico-cultural contexts and based on coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual knowledge. The implemented workflows employed the latest versions of the prehistoryprotohistory and archaeology CKRI and the CRI framework. In the center of this research, contextualisation is the target. Contextualisation is not an option. Contextualisation can be dealt with to any depth and width. Therefore, a realisation can take days and even decades of work with ongoing development, which is considered a major benefit for serious knowledge based work. The implemented and realised contextualisation workflows proved efficient, flexible, and sustainable. The presented contexts, entities, and workflow implementations provide solid fact-based fundaments for contextualisation and consequent fact-based historico-cultural interpretation, procedures, which should be deployed by members of the contributing disciplines.

Examples of further realisation are in-time integration of dynamically generated context instances, weather contexts, earthquakes, tsunamis, and wild fires. Full updates can, for example, be shown in about 15–30 minutes per frame view. First response version with reduced context data can be generated in seconds.

Ongoing, the reference implementations and procedures will be extended for generation of symbolic representation for advanced multi-dimensional knowledge models. Future research will address the creation and further development of the prehistory-protohistory and archaeology CKRI and the CRI framework for coherent multi-disciplinary conceptual contextualisation, enabling multi-disciplinary equal footing with contributions from all scientific disciplines, e.g., natural sciences, soil science, and linguistics, especially supporting new advanced methods in prehistorical archaeology for knowledge integration, contextualisation, and analysis.

Threads	Iterations	User Time	Elapsed Time	Iterations/s	Iterations / CPU	Speedup	Karp-Flatt
			7680 px >	× 4320 px (UHD-2)			
1	2	10.56 s	10.563899 s	0.189	0.189	1.00	1.000
4	8	42.24 s	11.161860 s	0.717	0.189	3.79	0.019
8	14	74.15 s	10.476729 s	1.336	0.189	7.06	0.019
12	19	100.79 s	10.110634 s	1.879	0.189	9.93	0.019
16	24	127.42 s	10.179369 s	2.358	0.188	12.45	0.019
18	26	138.39 s	10.094287 s	2.576	0.188	13.60	0.019
20	28	149.43 s	10.087584 s	2.776	0.187	14.66	0.019
24	32	170.80 s	10.140287 s	3.156	0.187	16.67	0.019
28	35	187.10 s	10.011514 s	3.496	0.187	18.47	0.019
32	39	208.90 s	10.251268 s	3.804	0.187	20.09	0.019
36	41	220.25 s	10.067891 s	4.072	0.186	21.51	0.019
			3840 px	× 2160 px (UHD)			
1	8	10.62 s	10.625725 s	0.753	0.753	1.00	1.000
4	29	38.55 s	10.156136 s	2.855	0.752	3.79	0.018
8	54	72.25 s	10.110667 s	5.341	0.747	7.09	0.018
12	76	102.13 s	10.066204 s	7.550	0.744	10.03	0.018
16	94	128.20 s	10.001879 s	9.398	0.733	12.48	0.019
18	104	141.39 s	10.075150 s	10.322	0.736	13.71	0.018
20	113	153.91 s	10.070419 s	11.221	0.734	14.90	0.018
24	128	176.02 s	10.071374 s	12.709	0.727	16.88	0.018
28	141	197.50 s	10.059111 s	14.017	0.714	18.62	0.019
32	155	216.18 s	10.010670 s	15.483	0.717	20.57	0.018
36	166	233.24 s	10.056526 s	16.507	0.712	21.92	0.018
			1024 px	$x \times 768 \ px \ (XGA)$			
1	82	10.08 s	10.078310 s	8.136	8.135	1.00	1.000
4	313	40.03 s	10.009561 s	31.270	7.819	3.84	0.014
8	601	79.95 s	10.007529 s	60.055	7.517	7.38	0.012
12	864	119.93 s	10.000504 s	86.396	7.204	10.62	0.012
16	1079	159.91 s	10.006024 s	107.835	6.748	13.25	0.014
18	1191	179.99 s	10.007169 s	119.015	6.617	14.63	0.014
20	1274	199.89 s	10.003267 s	127.358	6.374	15.65	0.015
24	1517	239.81 s	10.002562 s	151.661	6.326	18.64	0.013
28	1674	279.97 s	10.005288 s	167.312	5.979	20.56	0.013
32	1788	319.93 s	10.001453 s	178.774	5.589	21.97	0.015
36	1856	358.52 s	10.001333 s	185.575	5.177	22.81	0.017

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