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The rapid growth of data from sensors can potentially enable a better understanding and awareness of the environment for humans. In this regard, interpretation of sensor data needs to be both machine-readable and human-understandable. In order to be understandable for humans, interpretation of data may include semantic annotations in the form of context-dependent terms that hold the meaning of numeric data. There are a number of challenges, such as the amount of available structured knowledge and the inherent uncertainty in sensor data, that make the automation of the data interpretation process non-trivial. The contributions presented in the thesis focus around the design of knowledge models as well as algorithms dealing with these challenges.