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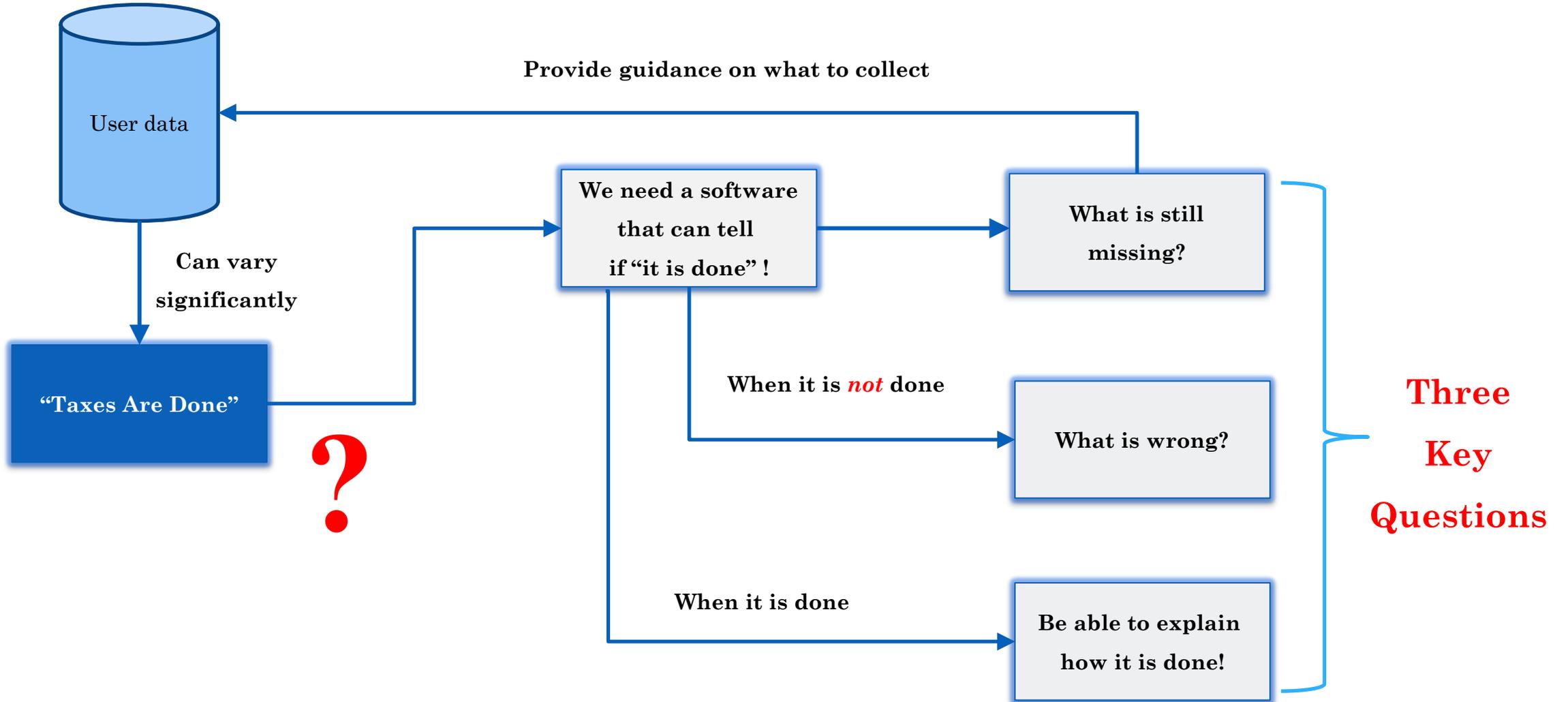
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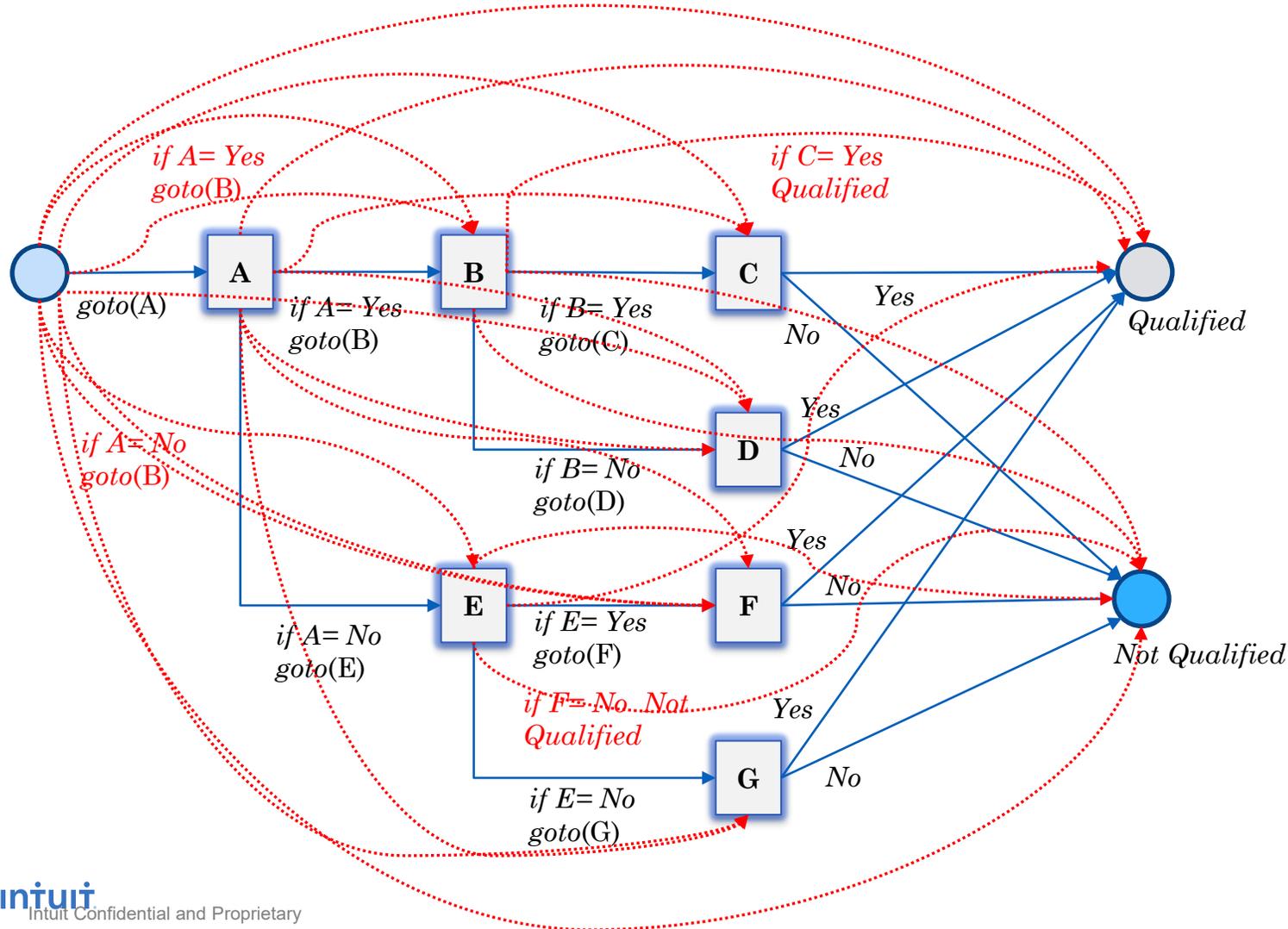


Enable “Taxes Are Done” and Three Key Questions



Question #1: Personalized/Minimized Q&A Based on Data

I *only* need to answer the *relevant* questions based on what the system *knows* about me.



Natural solution if we know nothing about A, B, ..., G.

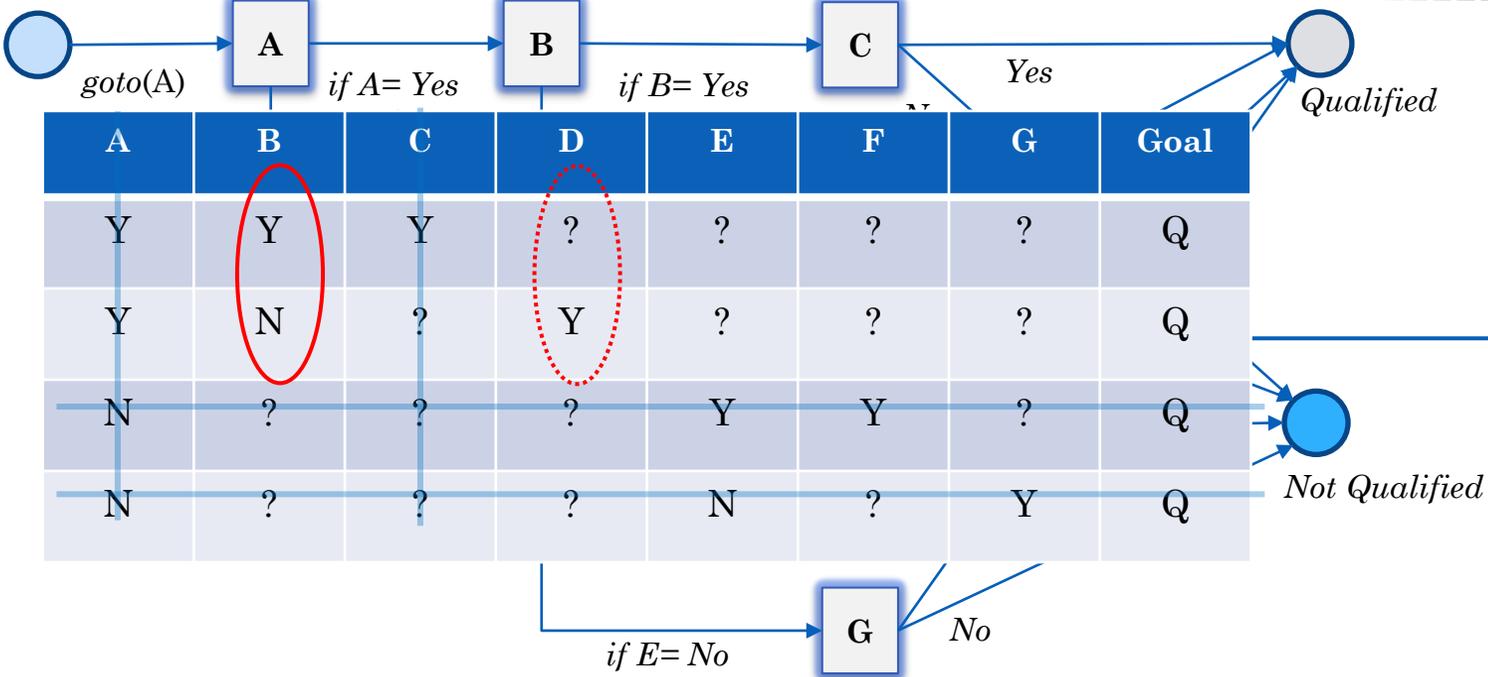
What happens if we already know A = yes and C = yes?

Without additional code, the existing UX will force user to go through the same rigid experience.

Question #1: Personalized/Minimized Q&A Based on Data

Encode *constraints* among tax concepts, and *intelligently suggest* what are missing

Sorted page list based on UX criteria:



What're Missing = [B, D]

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	Goal
Y	Y	Y	?	?	?	?	Q
Y	N	?	Y	?	?	?	Q
N	?	?	?	Y	Y	?	Q
N	?	?	?	N	?	Y	Q

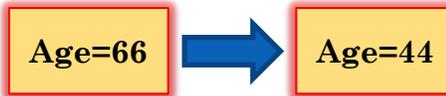
What if we know **A=yes** and **C=yes**?

Question #2: Handling Answer Retraction

TurboTax always has my back, I have *control* and can *correct my answer anytime* with *confidence*.

ACA

...	Age > 65	A	B	...
...
...	Y	Y	?	...
...	N	?	Y	...
...



Suggest B for ACA

What're Missing = [B, D]

Suggest D for Retirement

Retirement

...	Age > 65	C	D	...
...
...	Y	Y	?	...
...	N	?	Y	...
...

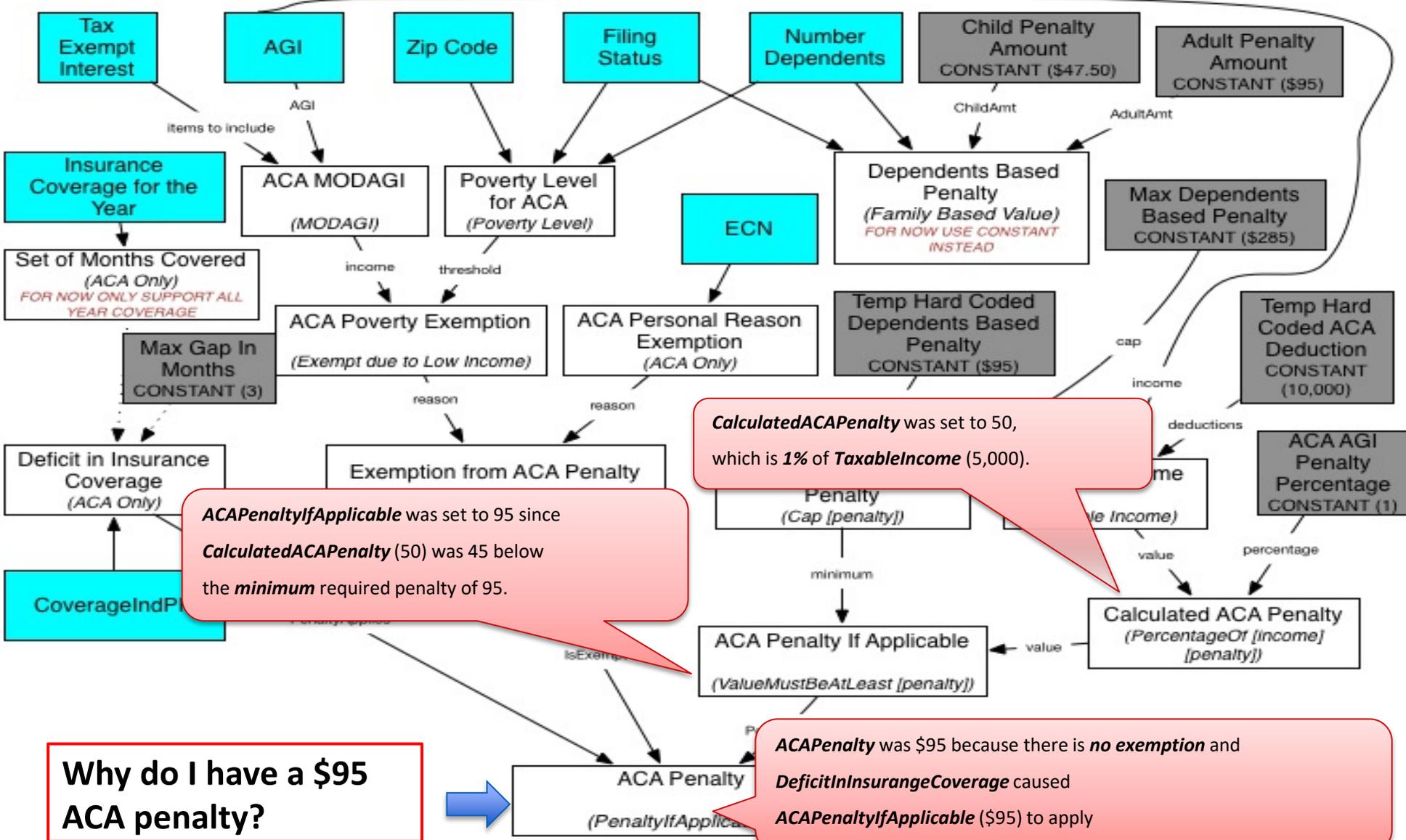
1. By scanning multiple constraint tables, systematically cover all data retractions.
2. By not caring whether variables are user entered or computed, deal with the chaining effect systematically.
3. Results:
 - Make any change any time
 - Guide me through what are missing/wrong
 - High user confidence that TurboTax gets my back

Question #3: Explanations

Explanation is the primary reason for calculations

Getting the numbers for the form is a byproduct of explanation. There are not two separate systems for explanations vs calcs.

Example: Compute and explain ACA (Affordable Care Act) penalty



Why do I have a \$95 ACA penalty?

ACA Penalty was \$95 because there is **no exemption** and **DeficitInInsuranceCoverage** caused **ACAPenaltyIfApplicable** (\$95) to apply

Grand challenge: Translate forms into executable code

TKE is a domain agnostic **expert system** designed to support large scale user interaction systems constrained with complex logic, where a **software oracle** can **intelligently suggest** what questions to ask and **explain back** the computations by leveraging **various knowledge sources**.



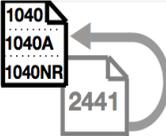
Ideal state

Any compliance domain, any country, any language

Ease maintenance for year-over-year changes

Bootstrap compliance content across jurisdiction

Why is the task challenging?

Form **2441** **Child and Dependent Care Expenses**  OMB No. 1545-0074

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

► Attach to Form 1040, Form 1040A, or Form 1040NR.
► Information about Form 2441 and its separate instructions is at www.irs.gov/form2441.

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Attachment Sequence No. **21**

Name(s) shown on return _____ Your social security number _____

Add the amounts in column (c) of Line 2. Do not enter more than \$3000 for one qualifying person or \$6000 for two or more persons. If you completed Part III, enter the amount from line 31

Part I **Persons or Organizations Who Provided the Care—You must complete this part.**
(If you have more than two care providers, see the instructions.)

1	(a) Care provider's name	(b) Address (number, street, apt. no., city, state, and ZIP code)	(c) Identifying number (SSN or EIN)	(d) Amount paid (see instructions)

Did you receive dependent care benefits? **No** → Complete only Part II below.
 Yes → Complete Part III on the back next.

Caution. If the care was provided in your home, you may owe employment taxes. If you do, you cannot file Form 1040A. For details, see the instructions for Form 1040, line 60a, or Form 1040NR, line 59a.

Part II **Credit for Child and Dependent Care Expenses**

2 Information about your **qualifying person(s)**. If you have more than two qualifying persons, see the instructions.

(a) Qualifying person's name		(b) Qualifying person's social security number	(c) Qualified expenses you incurred and paid in 2015 for the person listed in column (a)
First	Last		

Make sense of natural language in tax forms

3 Add the amounts in column (c) of line 2. **Do not** enter more than \$3,000 for one qualifying person or \$6,000 for two or more persons. If you completed Part III, enter the amount from line 31

4 Enter your **earned income**. See instructions

5 If married filing jointly, enter your spouse's earned income (if you or your spouse was a student or was disabled, see the instructions); **all others**, enter the amount from line 4

6 Enter the **smallest** of line 3, 4, or 5

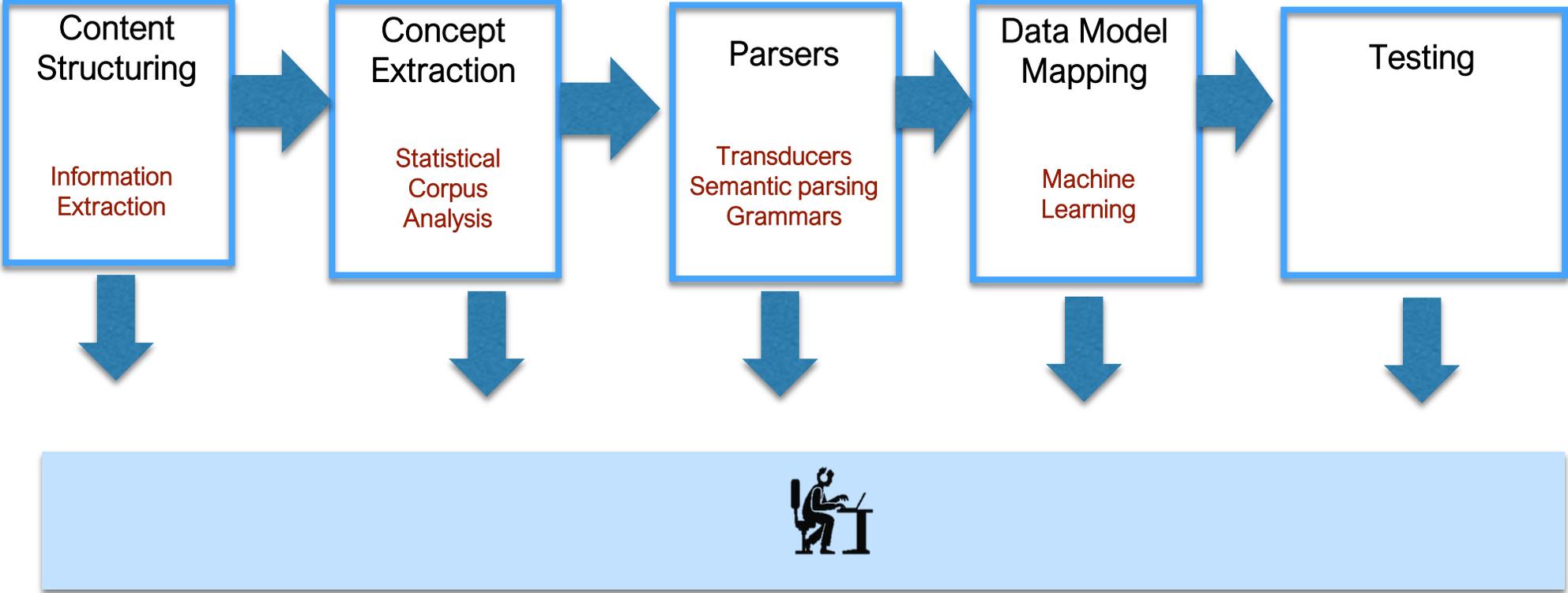
7 Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 38; Form 1040A, line 22; or Form 1040NR, line 37

8 Enter on line 8 the decimal amount shown below that applies to the amount on line 7

If line 7 is:			If line 7 is:		
But not Over	Decimal amount is	But not Over	Decimal amount is	But not Over	Decimal amount is
\$0—15,000	.35	\$29,000—31,000	.27		
15,000—17,000	.34	31,000—33,000	.26		
17,000—19,000	.33	33,000—35,000	.25		

The "form" is unstructured and relevant information is dispersed

AI to Learn Tax Calculations



From unstructured to structured compliance forms

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Name(s) shown on return _____ Your social security number _____

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1	(a) Care provider's name	(b) Address (number, street, apt. no., city, state, and ZIP code)	(c) Identifying number (SSN or EIN)	(d) Amount paid (see instructions)

Did you receive dependent care benefits? No Yes

Part II Credit for Child and Dependent Care Expenses

2 Information about your qualifying person(s). If you have more than two qualifying persons, see the instructions.

3	(a) Qualifying person's name		(b) Qualifying person's social security number	(c) Qualified expenses you incurred and paid in 2015 for the person listed in column (a)
	First	Last		

3 Add the amounts in column (c) of line 2. Do not enter more than \$3,000 for one qualifying person or \$6,000 for two or more persons. If you completed Part III, enter the amount from line 31 3

4 Enter your earned income. See instructions 4

5 If married filing jointly, enter your spouse's earned income (if you or your spouse was a student or was disabled, see the instructions); all others, enter the amount from line 4 5

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19,000—21,000	.32	35,000—37,000	.24		
21,000—23,000	.31	37,000—39,000	.23		
23,000—25,000	.30	39,000—41,000	.22		
25,000—27,000	.29	41,000—43,000	.21		
27,000—29,000	.28	43,000—No limit	.20		

9 Multiply line 6 by the decimal amount on line 8. If you paid 2014 expenses in 2015, see the instructions 9

10 Tax liability limit. Enter the amount from the Credit Limit Worksheet in the instructions. 10

11 Credit for child and dependent care expenses. Enter the smaller of line 9 or line 10 here and on Form 1040, line 49; Form 1040A, line 31; or Form 1040NR, line 47 11

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see your tax return instructions. Cat. No. 11862M Form 2441 (2015)

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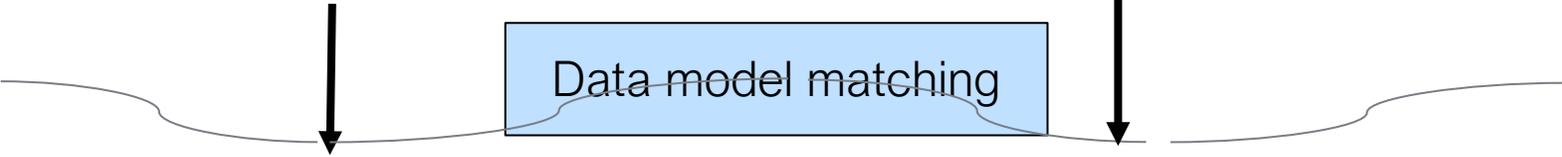
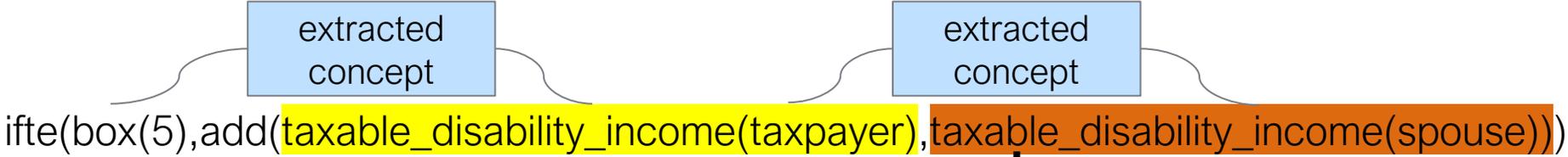
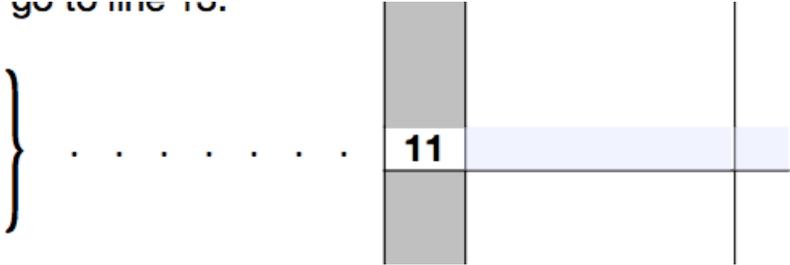
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From natural language to predicate language in tax data model

11 If you checked (in Part I):

- Box 6, add \$5,000 to the taxable disability income of the spouse who was under age 65. Enter the total.
- Box 2, 4, or 9, enter your taxable disability income.
- Box 5, add your taxable disability income to your spouse's taxable disability income. Enter the total.

on line 12 and go to line 10.



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Thank you

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