

Interactive Thermodynamic Database



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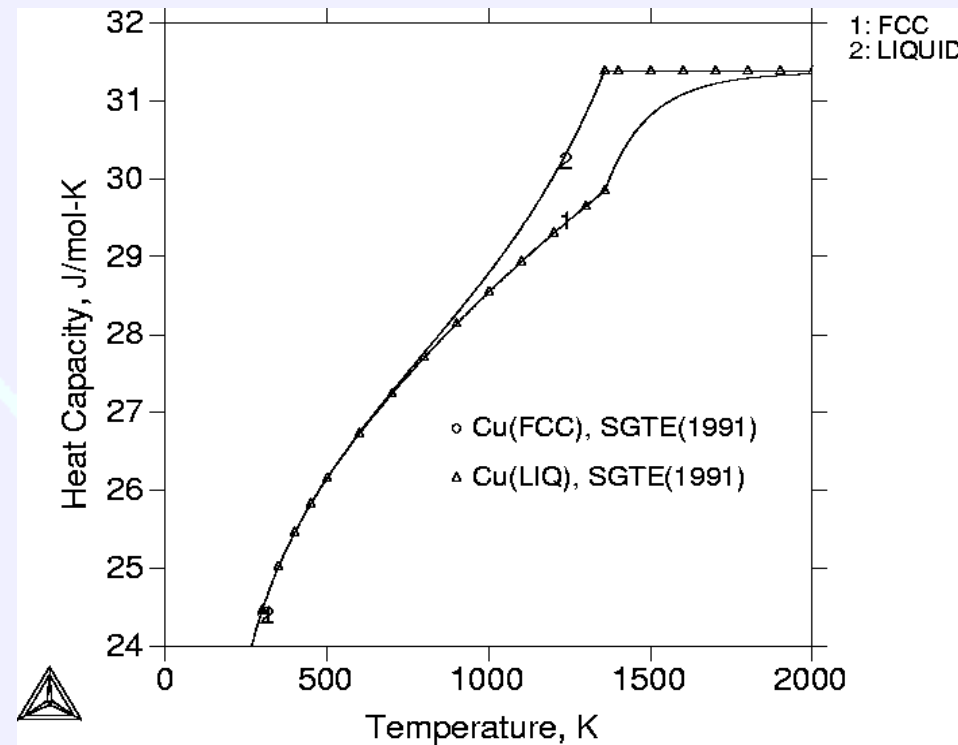
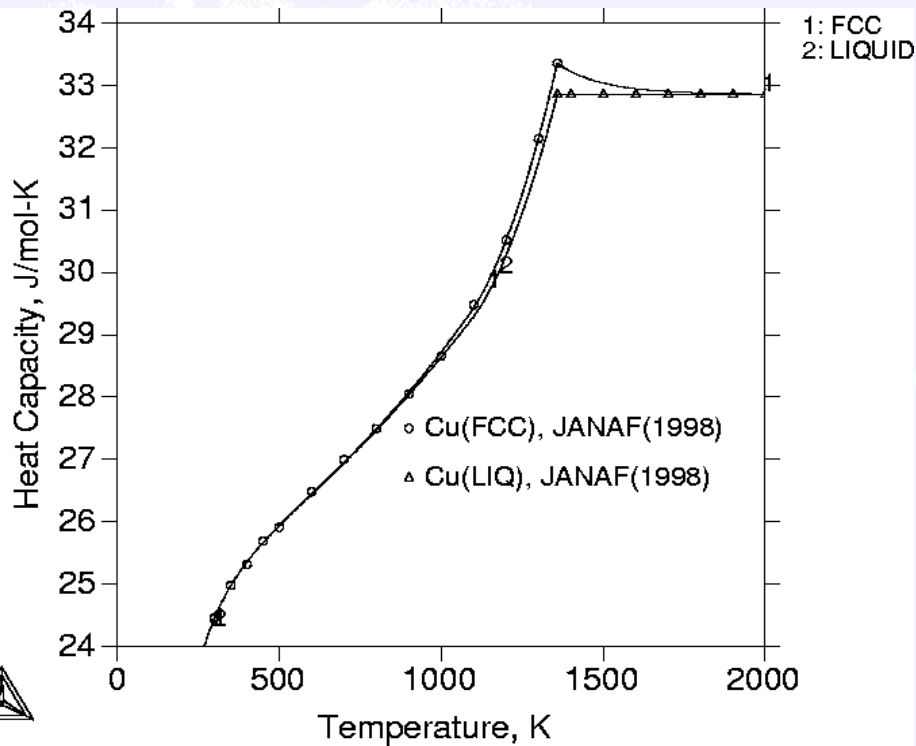
Problem in Database Development

- Time
 - Takes a long time to train a student
 - Afterwards, it becomes a routine, largely an engineering process
- Static
 - Original data for generating the databases are not archived, a great value loss.
 - Multicomponent system based on lower-order systems.
 - Daunting task in modifying a multi-component database

An Example

- Al-Cu-Mg-Si system
 - If the model parameters of one component are changed, one needs to
 - Modify three binary and three ternary systems.
 - Check the quaternary system.
 - One may not have all the previous original data used in the modeling.
- Multi-component system
 - Even more formidable.

An Example: Cu



The Problem:

Data Management and Database Improvement

Data A
(1970)



Data A'
(1980)



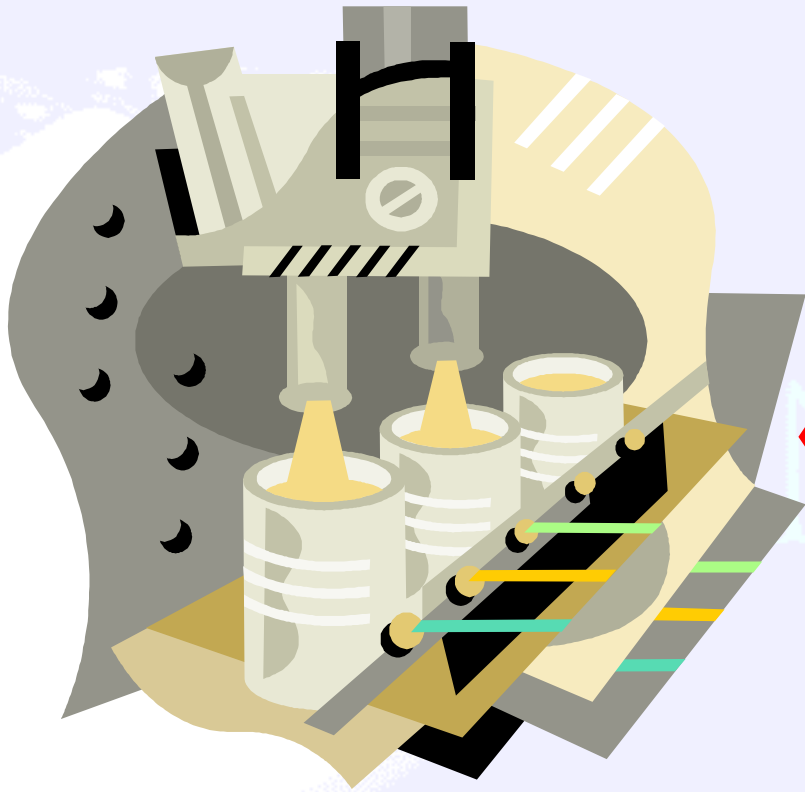
Data A''
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Data A'''
(2003)



Proposed Approach



Automate the process Store them efficiently

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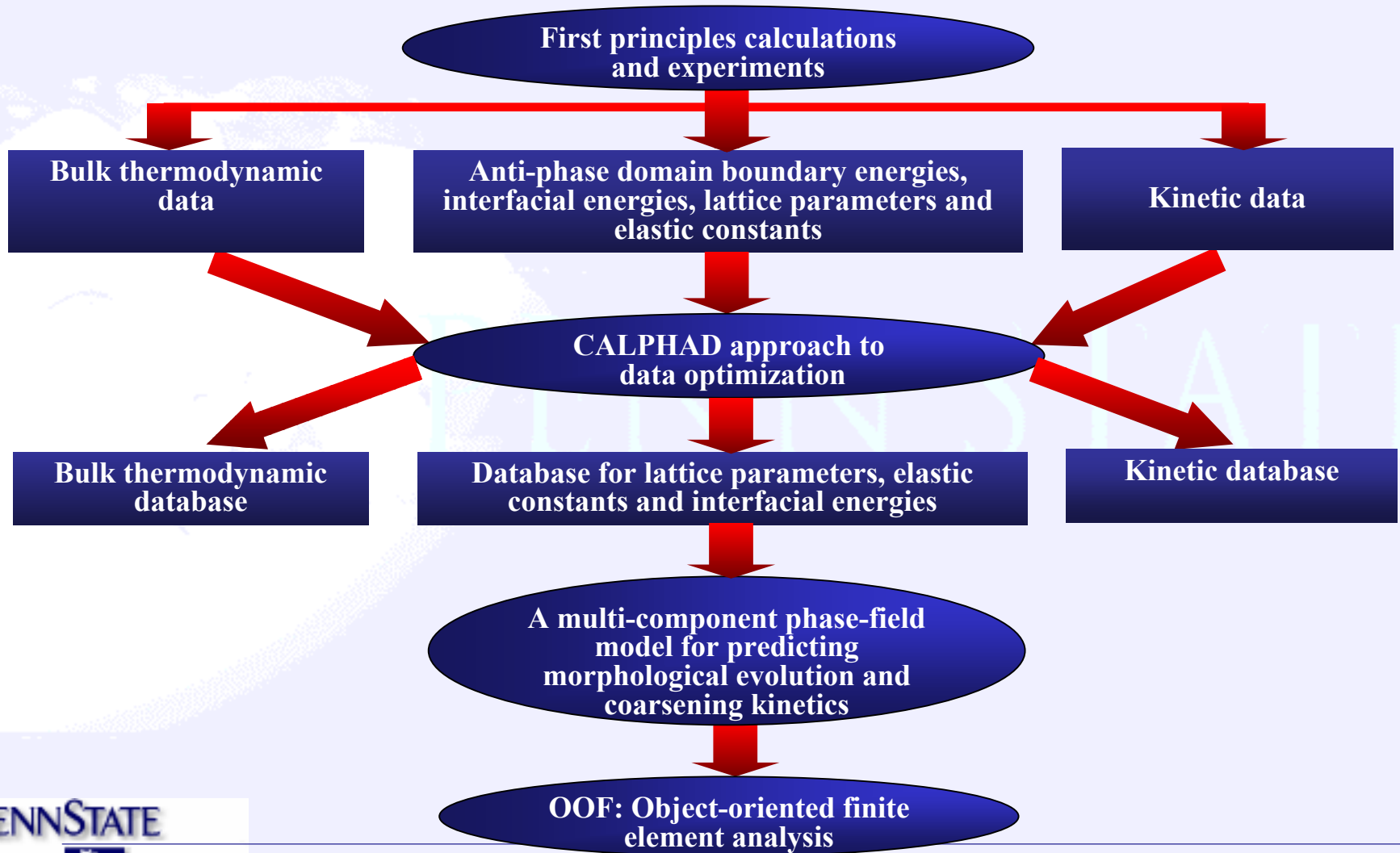
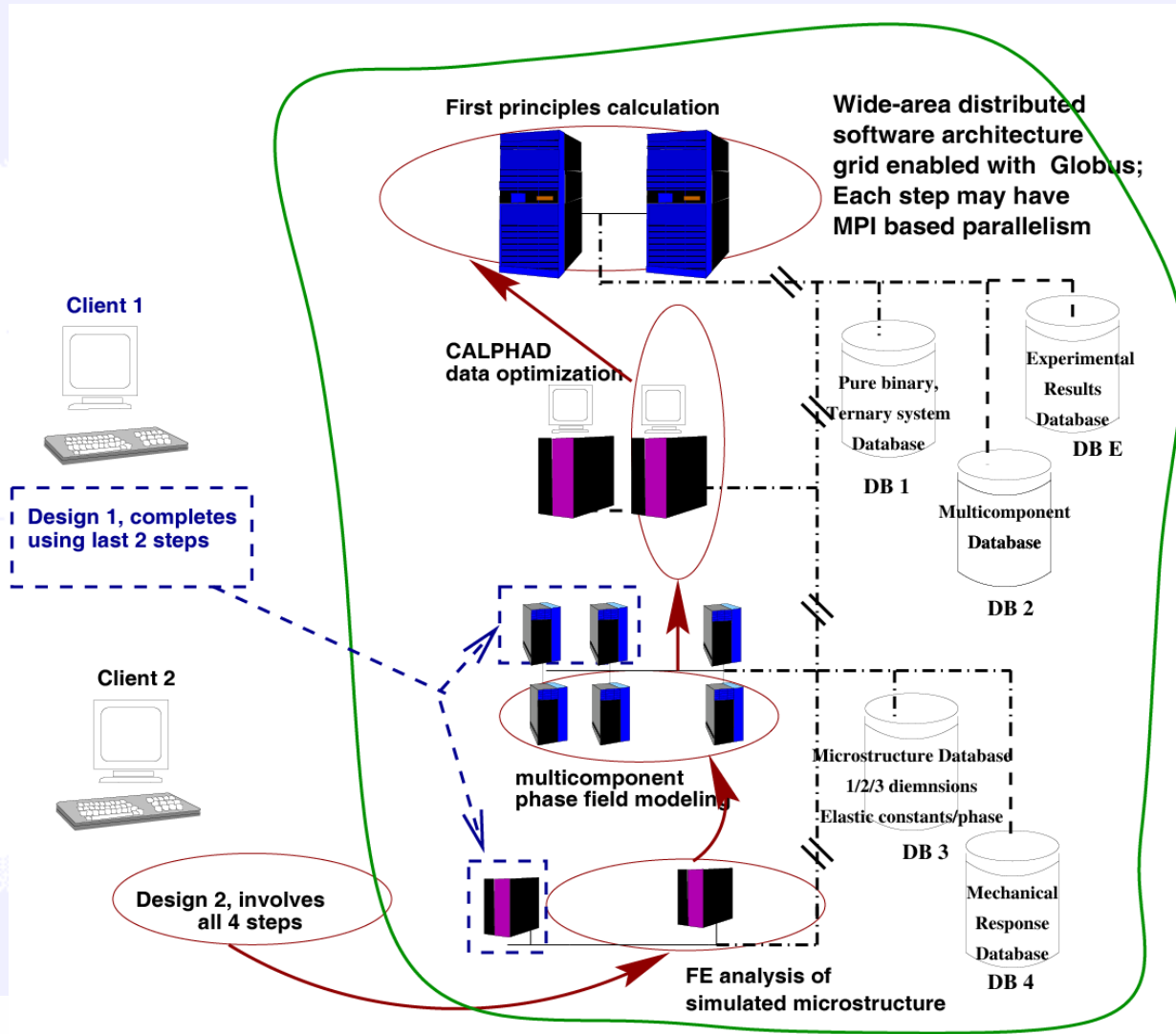


Chart of Software Architecture



Team for the NSF ITR Project

- Zi-Kui Liu's group at Penn State (MSE)
- Long-Qing Chen's group at Penn State (MSE)
- Padma Raghavan's group at Penn State (CSE)
- Qiang Du's group at Penn State (Math)
- Jorge Sofo's group at Penn State (Physics)
- Chris Wolverton's group at Ford (*ab initio*)
- Steve Langer's group at NIST (OOF)

Our Approach

- Develop a database for original data used in modeling
- Automate most technical procedures in modeling
- Stamp the details in data/weight/uncertainty/time selections in modeling
- Provide statistic analysis of model parameters

Technical Approach

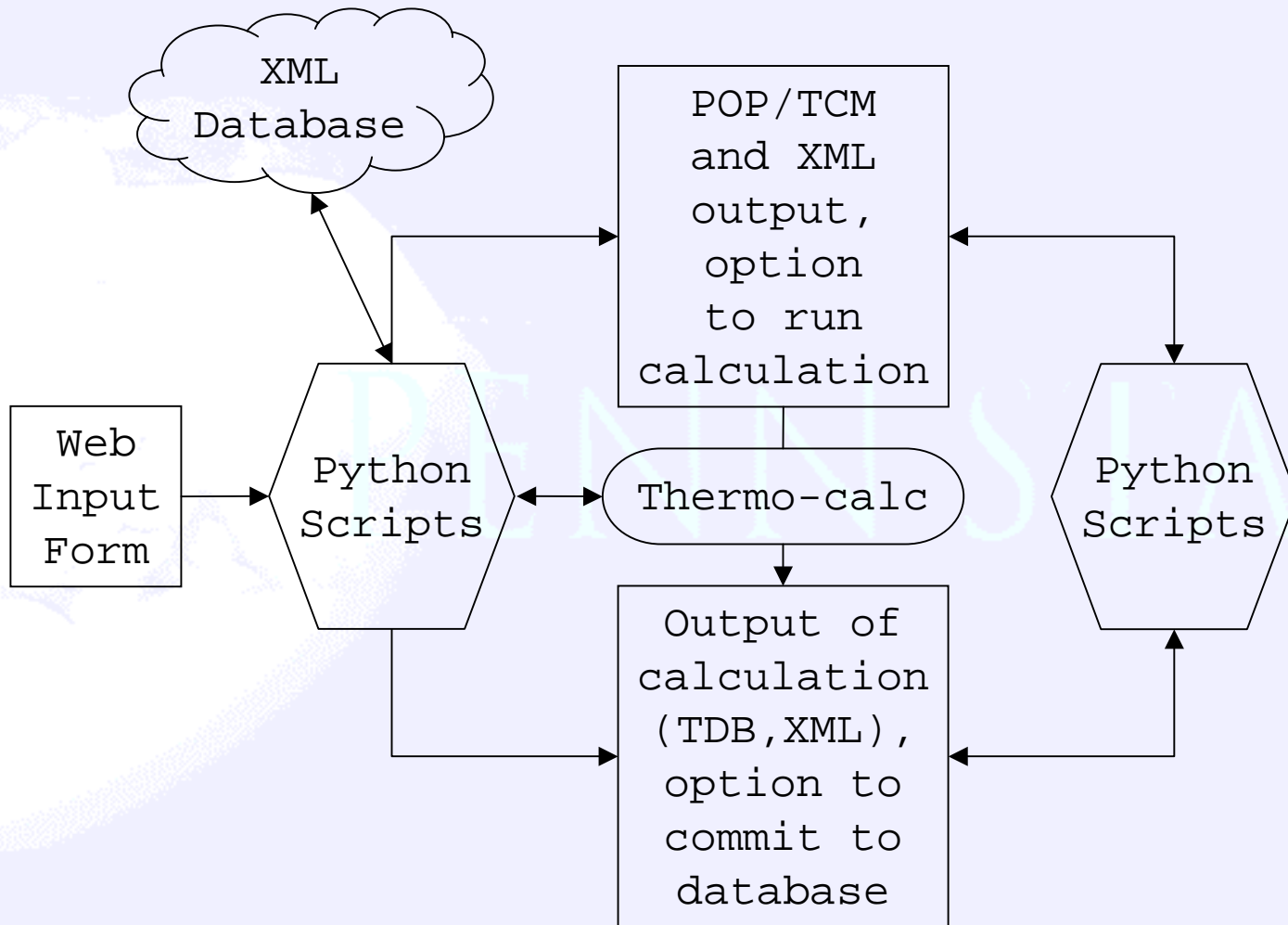
Python

- : Script language
- : Parsing, data treatment and optimizing
- : Installed as small packages

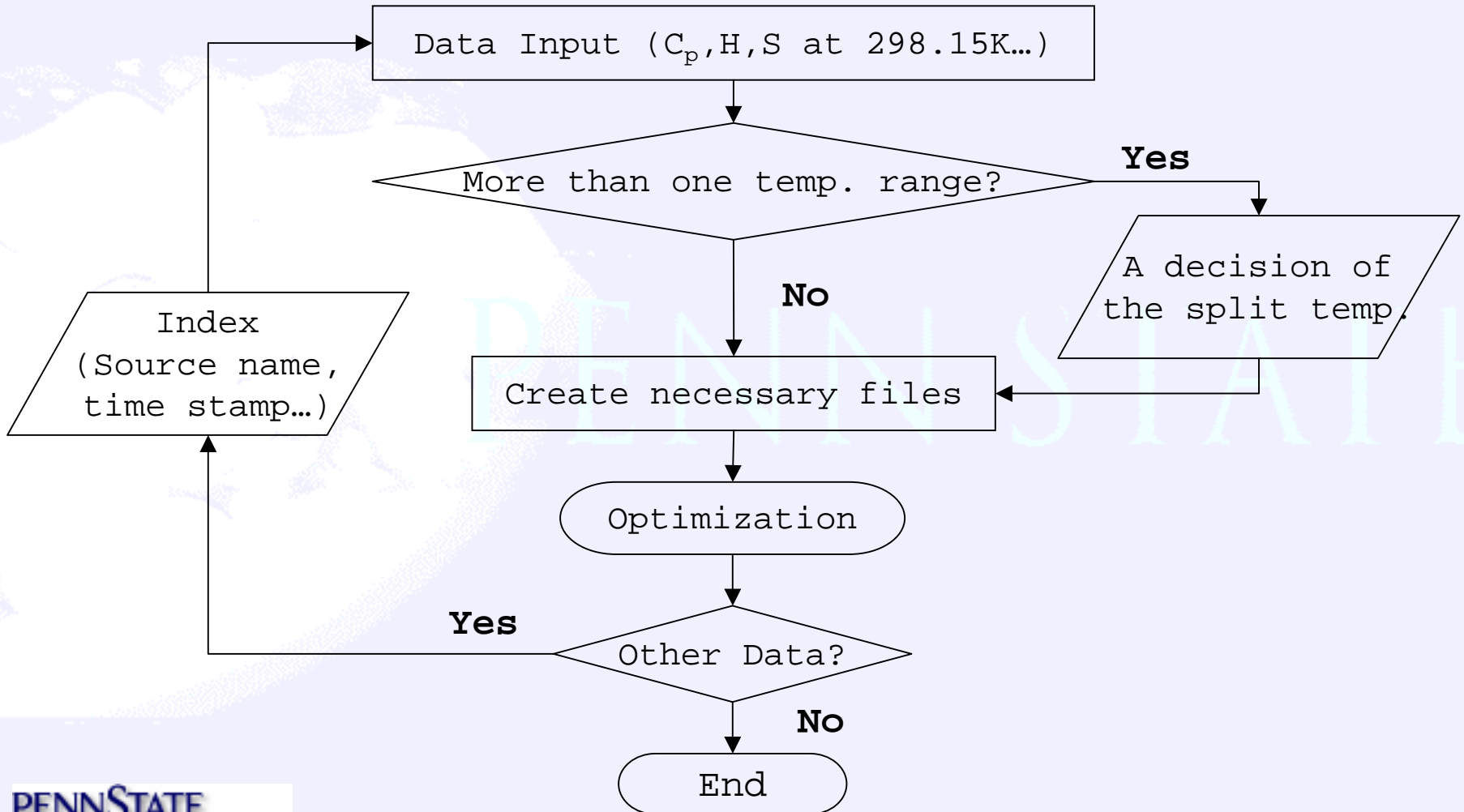
XML

- : eXtensible Markup Language
- : Easily accessible through web interface
- : Contains all the data

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Summary

- We are just at the beginning and welcome any comments you can provide.

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