



ABAP New syntax ( SAP NW 7.4 onwards )

## Lesson Objectives



After completing this lesson, participants will be able to -

- Know ABAP New syntax ( SAP NW 7.4 onwards )
- Being fluent to the basic up gradations of coding in SAP
- Learning new SAP provided facilities from ABAP 7.4
- Adapting with the new syntaxes from 7.4
- New Open SQL
- Log on to SAP and do the Basic Navigations

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## Inline data declaration



Inline data declaration is a new way of declaring variables and field symbols at operand positions.

There is no need to declare the variables separately.

The keyword used is **DATA** for inline declarations.

In old method, we need to declare the objects like types, internal table and work area first then we can use that object.

But as per new syntax we can declare the object where we use it.

It can be used for declaring below:

- 1) Declaration of Variable**
- 2) Declaration of table, types, work areas.**
- 3) Declaration of actual parameters:**

## Inline data declaration



### 1) Declaration of Variable

```
DATA (v_name) = 'ABC 199 XYZ'.  
WRITE: 'Output :', v_name.
```

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Output: ABC 199 XYZ

### 2) Declaration of work areas:

```
LOOP AT itab INTO DATA(wa).  
...  
ENDLOOP.
```

## Inline data declaration



### 3) Declaration of actual parameters:

#### Old method

```
DATA a1 TYPE ...  
DATA a2 TYPE ...  
oref->meth( IMPORTING p1 = a1  
            IMPORTING p2 = a2  
            ... )
```

#### New Method

```
oref->meth( IMPORTING p1 = DATA(a1)  
            IMPORTING p2 = DATA(a2)  
            ... ).
```

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But as per new syntax we can declare the object where we use it.

## Standard internal table declaration



TYPES t\_itab TYPE STANDARD TABLE OF i WITH DEFAULT KEY.  
DATA(dref) = NEW t\_itab( ( 100 ) ( ) ( 3000 ) ).

Output in debug mode:

The screenshot shows the 'Table Contents' view in SAP. The table is named 'DREF->\*' and has 'Standard [3x1(4)]' attributes. The 'Insert Column' field is empty, and the 'Columns ...' button is visible. The table contains three rows of data:

Row	TABLE_LINE [I(4)]
1	100
2	0
3	3000

Here as we have declared the internal table as standard table so the values stored as 100->0->3000

## Sorted internal table declaration



TYPES t\_itab TYPE SORTED TABLE OF i WITH UNIQUE KEY **table\_line**.  
DATA(dref) = NEW t\_itab( ( 100 ) ( ) ( 3000 ) ).

The keyword **TABLE\_LINE** is used for dynamic table /Variable insert

The screenshot shows the SAP Table Editor interface. The 'Table' field contains 'DREF->\*' and the 'Attributes' field contains 'Sorted(Unique) [3x1(4)]'. Below this, the 'Table Contents' tab is active, displaying a table with the following data:

Row	TABLE_LINE [I(4)]
1	0
2	100
3	3000

Here as we have declared the internal table as sorted table so the values stored as 0->100->3000

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**\*\*TABLE\_LINE** ---> Line for dynamic table /Variable insert



## Sorted internal table declaration



If you declared some specific component in type then you have to write  
 ` Component = ` while using the keyword NEW otherwise you will get an error.

```

6 TYPES: BEGIN OF ty_sorted,
7       V_NUM TYPE I,
8       END   OF ty_sorted,
9
10      tt_sorted TYPE SORTED TABLE OF ty_sorted WITH UNIQUE KEY V_NUM.
11
12 DATA(dref_sorted_c) = NEW tt_sorted( ( 100 ) "syntax error
13                                     ( )
14                                     ( V_NUM = 3000 )
15                                     ).
  
```

T...	Line	Description
	1	Syntax Error for Program YPS_ABAP_HANA
	12	Program YPS_ABAP_HANA The type of "100" cannot be converted to the type of "TY_SORTED".

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\*\*TABLE\_LINE ---> Line for dynamic table /Variable insert

\*\* No syntax error when V\_NUM component assign

TYPES: BEGIN OF ty\_sorted,

      V\_NUM TYPE I,

      END OF ty\_sorted,

      tt\_sorted TYPE SORTED TABLE OF ty\_sorted WITH UNIQUE KEY V\_NUM.

DATA(dref\_sorted\_c) = NEW tt\_sorted( ( V\_NUM = 100 )

      ( )

      ( V\_NUM = 3000 )

      ).

## Internal table with more components



TYPES: tt\_data TYPE MD\_RANGE\_T\_MATNR.

```
DATA(ta_data_multi_comp) =  
NEW tt_data( ( sign = 'I' Option = 'EQ' low = '00463928' )  
              ( sign = 'I' Option = 'EQ' low = '00463929' ) ).
```

Row	SIGN [C(1)]	OPTION [C(2)]	LOW [C(40)]	HIGH [C(40)]
1	I	EQ	00463928	
2	I	EQ	00463929	

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MD\_RANGE\_T\_MATNR is Standard tabletype  
ta\_data\_multi\_com is multi component internal table

## MOVE-CORRESPONDING for Internal Tables



You can use MOVE-CORRESPONDING not only for structures but also for internal tables . Components of the same name are assigned row by row.

New additions EXPANDING NESTED TABLES and KEEPING TARGET LINES allow to resolve tabular components of structures and to append lines instead of overwriting existing lines.

Example:

OLD :

MOVE-CORRESPONDING wa1 TO wa2.

New:

MOVE-CORRESPONDING itab1 TO itab2 EXPANDING NESTED TABLES  
KEEPING TARGET LINES.

## Table expressions



- Table expressions replace READ TABLE statement
- You need to use the square bracket [ ]. Within the bracket, you would need to specify the component you want to use as the key.
- When table entry doesn't exist, a catchable exception CX\_SY\_ITAB\_LINE\_NOT\_FOUND is raised.

### Old syntax

```
READ TABLE IT_SALES INTO WA_SALES WITH KEY  
                                         kunnr = '0000009000'  
                                         vbeln = 'S2'.
```

### New syntax

```
data(wa_sales1) = it_sales[ kunnr = '0000009000'  
                           vbeln = 'S2' ].
```

## CONVERSION\_EXIT\_ALPHA\_INPUT/OUTPUT



**OLD :** Traditionally the function modules **CONVERSION\_EXIT\_ALPHA\_INPUT** and **CONVERSION\_EXIT\_ALPHA\_OUTPUT** were used for conversion

**New :** You just need to use the **ALPHA** keyword formatting option with **OUT** or **IN**.

Eg : KUNNR value of '12345' changes to '000001235', 5 zero added as KUNNR length is 10 CHAR



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## Escape Character for Host Variables



- ABAP data objects used in Open SQL statements usually variables are interpreted as host variables.
- Host variables should be prefixed with the escape character @.
- In the below example, pcarrid is the host variable and CARRID is the guest variable.
- Similarly ITSCARR is the host variable and SCARR is the guest.

```
DATA PCARRID TYPE SCARR-CARRID VALUE 'AA'.
```

```
SELECT CARRID,CARRNAME,CURRCODE,URL  
FROM SCARR  
INTO TABLE @DATA(ITSCARR)  
WHERE CARRID = @PCARRID.
```

## Using SWITCH statement



Use SWITCH statement instead of CASE statement

**Old:** By using CASE Statement , you need to keep mentioning what variable you're filling in every branch

Eg . CASE LV\_INDICATOR.

WHEN 1. LV\_DAY = 'January'.

WHEN 2. LV\_DAY = 'February'.

ENDCASE.

**New :** Using Switch statement, you don't need to keep mentioning what variable you're filling in every branch .

Eg. DATA(lv\_day) = **SWITCH** char10( lv\_indicator

WHEN 1 THEN 'January'

WHEN 2 THEN 'February' ).

In the above example,using *SWITCH* statement, you ***don't need to mention LV\_DAY*** variable in every branch

## Using SWITCH statement



The keyword #(Hash) is used when you are sure of the no. of characters that the switch statement will return

```
PARAMETERS p_day type i .  
DATA(lv_month) = SWITCH #( p_month  
    WHEN 1 THEN 'January'  
    WHEN 2 THEN 'February' ).  
    else 'Invalid' ).
```





## INNER JOIN Improvement

You can use wildcard like SELECT \* in new inner join

### Old syntax

```
SELECT a~vbeln b~posnr b~matnr FROM vbak AS a INNER JOIN b AS  
vbap  
ON a~vbeln = b~vbeln  
INTO TABLE li_vbeln  
WHERE a~auart = 'Z1IN'.
```

### New syntax:

```
SELECT a~*, b~posnr, b~matnr FROM vbak AS a INNER JOIN vbap as b  
ON a~vbeln = b~vbeln  
WHERE a~auart = 'Z1IN'  
INTO TABLE @DATA(li_vbeln).
```

**Note:** The symbol \* ( asterisk ) it acts just like the wildcard SELECT \* , and for this sample you will get all fields in VBAK table.



## NEW keyword for creating Objects

Use the keyword 'NEW' to create instances of an object instead of the keyword CREATE OBJECT.

### Old syntax

DATA : obj TYPE REF TO ZCL\_MYCLASS.

CREATE OBJECT obj EXPORTING myname = 'India'.

### New syntax:

obj = NEW ZCL\_MYCLASS( myname = 'India' ).

**Note:** Key word 'NEW' is used to create instance of class ZCL\_MYCLASS, Here obj is the object name.



## FILTER expressions

The new FILTER operator enables two kinds of filtering an internal table

- i. Filter with single values
- ii. Filter with filter table

**Filter with single values:** Simply extract the lines from an internal table into a tabular result, that fulfill a simple value condition.

```
DATA(extract) = FILTER #( spfli_tab USING KEY carr_city
                          WHERE carrid = CONV #( to_upper( carrid ) ) AND
                          cityfrom = CONV #( to_upper( cityfrom ) ) ).
```

**Note:** As a prerequisite, the filtered table (spfli\_tab) **must** have a sorted or a hash key (primary or secondary), that is evaluated behind WHERE.



## FILTER expressions

**Filter with filter table:** Compare the lines of one table with the contents of another table, the filter table, and you extract those lines, where at least one match is found

```
TYPES: BEGIN OF filter,
        cityfrom TYPE spfli-cityfrom,
        cityto   TYPE spfli-cityto,
      END OF filter,
      filter_tab TYPE HASHED TABLE OF filter
                WITH UNIQUE KEY cityfrom cityto.

DATA(filter_tab) = ...
DATA(extract) = FILTER #( spfli_tab IN filter_tab
                        WHERE cityfrom = cityfrom AND cityto = cityto ).
```

**Note:** Here, the filter table – that can be specified also as a functional method call – must have a sorted or a hashed key (primary or secondary) that is evaluated.

## Explicit type declaration



```
TYPES ty_matnr TYPE matnr.  
DATA(tp_matnr) = NEW ty_matnr( 9001 ).
```

Here TP\_MATNR get the characteristic of MATNR (40) though TY\_MATNR value passed 4 character (9001)

Fields Detail Displ.

Field TP\_MATNR->\*

Data Type C(40)

Absolute Type \PROGRAM=YFS\_ABAP\_HANA\TYPE=TY\_\*

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9001

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Here TP\_MATNR get the characteristic of MATNR (40) though TY\_MATNR value passed 4 character (9001)

## How to work with deep structure



```

TYPES: BEGIN OF ty_alv_data,
        kunnr  TYPE kunnr,
        name1  TYPE name1,
        ort01  TYPE ort01,
        land1  TYPE land1,
        t_color TYPE lvc_t_scol, "structure
      END OF ty_alv_data.
TYPES: tt_alv_data TYPE STANDARD TABLE OF ty_alv_data WITH DEFAULT KEY.

DATA(o_alv_data) = NEW tt_alv_data(
                                ( Build 1st row
                                ( Build inner rows i.e for
                                t_color ) )
                                ( Build 2nd row
                                ( Build inner rows i.e for
                                t_color ) )
                                )

```

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Field t\_color is again a structure

```

DATA(o_alv_data) = NEW tt_alv_data(
  "First Row.....
  ( kunnr = '100111' name1 = 'John'
    ort01 = 'AMS' land1 = 'NL'
    " color table
    t_color = VALUE #(
      " Color table - First Row
      ( fname = 'KUNNR'
        color-col = col_negative
        color-int = 0
        color-inv = 0
      )
      " Color Table - 2nd Row
      ( fname = 'ORT01'
        color-col = col_total
        color-int = 1
        color-inv = 1
      )
    )
  )
  "Second row.....
  ( kunnr = '200222' name1 = 'Raj'
    ort01 = 'CAL' land1 = 'IN'
    t_color = VALUE #(
      " Color table - First Row
      ( fname = 'KUNNR'
        color-col = col_negative
        color-int = 0
        color-inv = 0
      )
      " Color Table - 2nd Row
      ( fname = 'ORT01'
        color-col = col_total
        color-int = 1
        color-inv = 1
      )
    )
  )
).

```

## How to work with deep structure



### Code Snippet for Deep Structure

Field `t_color` is again a structure

```
DATA(o_alv_data)=NEW tt_alv_data(
  "First Row.....
  ( kunnr='100111' name1='John'
    ort01='AMS' land1='NL'
    " color table
    t_color = VALUE #(
      " Colortable - First Row
      ( fname='KUNNR'
        color-col = col_negative
        color-int = 0
        color-inv = 0
      )
      " Color Table - 2nd Row
      ( fname='ORT01'
        color-col = col_total
        color-int = 1
        color-inv = 1|
      )
    )
  )
)

"Second row.....
( kunnr='200222' name1='Raj'
  ort01='CAL' land1='IN'
  t_color = VALUE #(
    " Colortable - First Row
    ( fname='KUNNR'
      color-col = col_negative
      color-int = 0
      color-inv = 0
    )
    " Color Table - 2nd Row
    ( fname='ORT01'
      color-col = col_total
      color-int = 1
      color-inv = 1
    )
  )
).
```

## How to work with deep structure



Output in debug mode:

Table: O\_ALV\_DATA->\*

Attributes: Standard [2x5(144)]

Insert Column: Columns ...

Row	KUNNR [C(10)]	NAME1 [C(30)]	ORT01 [C(25)]	LAND1 [C(3)]	T_COLOR [Internal Table]
1	100111	John	AMS	NL	Standard Table [2x3 (76)]
2	200222	Raj	CAL	IN	Standard Table [2x3 (76)]

Table: O\_ALV\_DATA->\*[1]-T\_COLOR

Attributes: Standard [2x3(76)]

Insert Column: Columns ...

Row	FNAME [C(30)]	COLOR [Flat Structure]	NOKEYCOL [C(1)]
1	KUNNR	Structure: flat & not charlike	
2	ORT01	Structure: flat & not charlike	

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## Table expressions



### Demo Code Snippet

```

TYPES: tt_data TYPE md_range_t_matnr "standard table type
** Using New range table for matnr.
DATA(ta_data_multi_comp) = NEW tt_data( ).
data: tp_matnr type matnr.
SELECT * FROM mara UP TO 5 ROWS
      INTO TABLE @DATA(mara) " Host variable with escape character @
      WHERE matnr IN @ta_data_multi_comp->*.

SELECT matnr, maktx FROM makt
      INTO TABLE @DATA(ta_makt)
      FOR ALL ENTRIES IN @mara
      WHERE matnr = @mara-matnr.

loop at mara into data(wa).
try.
  data(tp_matnr1) = ta_makt[ matnr = wa-matnr]-
matnr. " Substitute of READ
  write: / tp_matnr1.
  CATCH cx_sy_itab_line_not_found.
endtry.
endloop.

```

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## GROUP BY clause for Internal Tables

GROUP BY replaces the AT NEW or other means of going through grouped data.

What happens here is that the first LOOP statement is executed over all internal table lines in one go and the new GROUP BY addition groups the lines.

Technically, the lines are bound internally to a group that belongs to a group key that is specified behind GROUP BY.

```

LOOP AT flights INTO DATA(flight)
  GROUP BY ( carrier = flight-carrid cityfr = flight-cityfrom )
  ASCENDING
  ASSIGNING FIELD-SYMBOL(<group>).
CLEAR members.

LOOP AT GROUP <group> ASSIGNING FIELD-SYMBOL(<flight>).
  members = VALUE #( BASE members ( <flight> ) ).
ENDLOOP.

```

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DATA flights TYPE TABLE OF spfli WITH EMPTY KEY.

```

SELECT * FROM spfli
  WHERE carrid = "
  INTO TABLE @flights.

```

```

DATA members LIKE flights.
LOOP AT flights INTO DATA(flight)
  GROUP BY ( carrier = flight-carrid cityfr = flight-cityfrom )
  ASCENDING
  ASSIGNING FIELD-SYMBOL(<group>).
CLEAR members.
LOOP AT GROUP <group> ASSIGNING FIELD-SYMBOL(<flight>).
  members = VALUE #( BASE members ( <flight> ) ).
ENDLOOP.
cl_demo_output=>write( members ).
ENDLOOP.
cl_demo_output=>display( ).

```

## New features of OPEN SQL:



### ■ Features of Open SQL in ABAP 7.4 SP2 and beyond

- Syntax enhancements (Column separated list in SELECT )
- SELECT list enhancements
- Aggregation functions
- Literal Values
- Arithmetical expressions
- Open SQL enhancements

## New features of OPEN SQL:



### Select List enhancements:

- Conditional expressions like CASE statement can be used in Select .

#### CASE Expression

```
"simple case
SELECT so_id,
       CASE delivery_status
         WHEN '' THEN 'OPEN'
         WHEN 'D' THEN 'DELIVERED'
         ELSE delivery_status
       END AS delivery_status_long
FROM   snwd_so
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_simple_case).

"searched case
SELECT so_id,
       CASE
         WHEN gross_amount > 1000
          THEN 'High volume sales order'
         ELSE ' '
       END AS volumn_order
FROM   snwd_so
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_searched_case).
```

## New features of OPEN SQL:



### Aggregate functions:

Aggregate functions operate on multiple records to calculate one value from a group of values.

Eg. Select Sum(Sales) from table\_name where Column1='ABC';

Sum() - returns the sum of the numeric values in a given column

Max() - returns the maximum of the numeric values in a given column

```
SELECT bp_id,
       company_name,
       so~currency_code,
       SUM( so~gross_amount )
       AS total_amount
FROM   snwd_so AS so
INNER JOIN snwd_bpa AS bpa
ON      bpa~node_key = so~buyer_guid
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_result)
WHERE   so~delivery_status = ' '
GROUP BY
       bp_id,
       company_name,
       so~currency_code
HAVING SUM( so~gross_amount ) > 10000000.
```

## New features of OPEN SQL:



**Literal Values** can be used in the SELECT list

```
SELECT so~so_id,  
       'X' AS literal_x,  
       42 AS literal_42  
FROM   snwd_so AS so  
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_result).  
  
DATA lv_exists TYPE abap_bool  
      VALUE abap_false.  
  
SELECT SINGLE @abap_true  
FROM   snwd_so  
INTO   @lv_exists.  
  
IF lv_exists = abap_true.  
  "do some awesome application logic  
ELSE.  
  "no sales order exists  
ENDIF.
```

## New features of OPEN SQL:



### Arithmetic Expressions

- Expressions like +, -, \*, DIV, MOD, ABS, FLOOR, CEIL can be used in the SELECT statement

```
DATA lv_discount TYPE p LENGTH 1 DECIMALS 1
VALUE '0.8'.

SELECT ( 1 + 1 ) AS two,
       ( @lv_discount * gross_amount )
       AS red_gross_amount,
       CEIL( gross_amount )
       AS ceiled_gross_amount
FROM   snwd_so
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_result).
```

## New features of OPEN SQL:



### Open SQL is enhanced

- SQL Expressions is enhanced using
  - HAVING clause
  - JOIN statements
  - Client handling

#### HAVING Clause

```
SELECT bp_id,
       company_name,
       so~currency_code,
       SUM( so~gross_amount )
       AS total_amount
FROM snwd_so AS so
INNER JOIN snwd_bpa AS bpa
ON bpa~node_key = so~buyer_guid
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_result)
WHERE so~delivery_status = ' '
GROUP BY
  bp_id,
  company_name,
  so~currency_code
HAVING SUM( so~gross_amount ) > 10000000.
```

```
SELECT
  bp_id,
  company_name,
  so~currency_code,
  so~gross_amount
FROM snwd_so AS so
INNER JOIN snwd_bpa AS bpa
ON so~buyer_guid = bpa~node_key
USING CLIENT '111'
INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_result).
```



## Demo



Program on using Select statement with comma separated fields and using host variables



## Demo



Program on using Select statement with Case Expressions



## Demo



Program on using Select statement with Arithmetic Expressions



## Demo



Program on using Select statement with Aggregate Functions



## Summary



- We have learned ABAP New syntax ( SAP NW 7.4 onwards )
- Some new key word like FILTER expression, NEW, Table expression.
- New features of Open SQL