Extraction in detail, Delta Mechanisms and few challenges faced during implementation

Summary:

The article articulates the step by step procedure for the generation of the COPA Data Source at the ECC R/3 back-end level along with Delta mechanisms and talk about the few challenges faced while extracting the data during implementation.

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Introduction:

Initially we had generated the COPA Data Source using the standard procedure and while extracting the data in RSA3, unable to extract the data due to few issues at ECC R/3 back-end level. Therefore describing such scenarios in this document.

Terms

Data Source	SAP BW Data Extraction Object
T-code	SAP Transaction
CO-PA	Controlling – Profitability Analysis
Operating Concern	An operating concern represents an organizational unit in your company for which the sales market has a uniform structure. It is the valuation level for Profitability Analysis (CO-PA).

Scenario:

Part - A). Generating the COPA Data Source:

Below are the simple steps for generating the COPA Data Source.

Basically COPA Data Source generation is a generic extraction, and we can create the generic Data Source depending on the KPI's for the Profitability Analysis.

Go to T-Code:

SBIW -> Settings for Application-Specific Data Sources (PI) -> Profitability Analysis -> Create Transaction Data Source -> Create a Data Source.

or

KEBO -> define the Data Source with the necessary details as below.

Generally, we use the naming convention for the COPA Data Source is: {1_CO_PA_(SYSTEM ID)_(CLIENT)_(OPERATING CONCERN)}.

Select the Operating concern and choose the option **Costing/Account-based** (as per the business requirement), execute (F8).

If the COPA Data Source is "Costing based" then it will extract the data from below four tables:

CE1XXXX - Actual line items

CE2XXXX - Plan line items

CE3XXXX - Summary table

CE4XXXX - Segment table

where "XXXX" is the Operating Concern.

Or

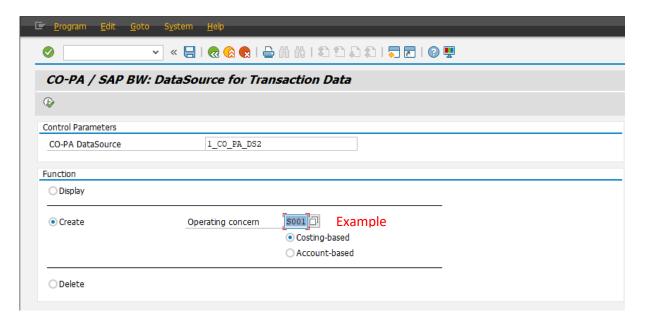
If the COPA Data Source is "Account based" then it will pull the data from the following tables:

COEP & COBK – CO Object: (Line Items (by Period) & Document Header)

COEJ - CO Object: Line Items (by Fiscal Year)

COSP & COSS – CO Object: (Cost Totals for Internal & External Postings)

CE4XXXX – Segment table



Select the below fields which you want to display/as a part of the Data Source.

Note: When we generate the COPA Data Source basically the Data Structure (Characteristics and Value fields) is based on/proposed by the Operating Concern (OC).

{If we want to check/view the total number of fields based on the Operating Concern and other etc. details. Then, Go to the T-Code: **KEAO.**

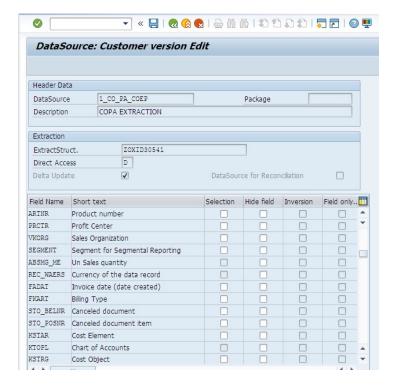
The T-Code: **KEAO** is used for to maintain/create the Operating Concern.}



After field selection, check & choose the Info Catalog (F7) option for the Data Source generation.



Then provide the Transport Request number and select the fields for the input selection.



Click on Save button.

Data Source "1_CO_PA_DS2" created successfully.

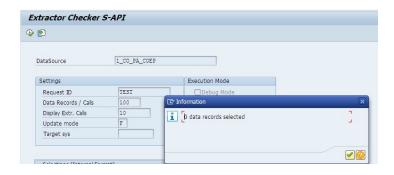
Note: After generating the COPA Data Source, we will not be able to edit/enhance the COPA Data Source. Incase if we need to add the new fields, then we need to delete and recreate the Data Source again using the same naming convention.

Go to the T-Code: **RSA3** and try to extract the data.

Part – B). Issues/Errors faced while extraction and building the Summarization Levels:

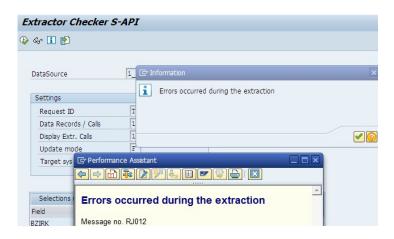
In some situations, you might get the following issues during the data extraction in **RSA3**:

Case. 1: During the data extraction probably you will get "0" records in RSA3. Or

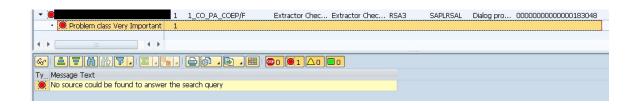


Case. 2: The Data Source is giving a below error while extracting the data in RSA3.

'Errors occurred during the extraction' (Message no. RJ012).

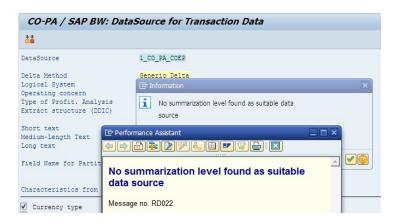


or check the error logs.



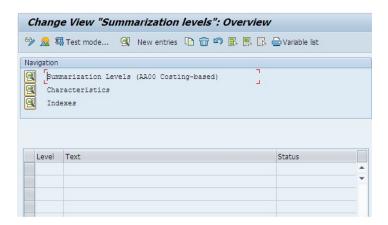
To overcome from this error, we need to define/maintain the following few steps.

Go to the T-Code: KEBO and check if the Summarization Levels are maintained or not using option (CTRL+F3).

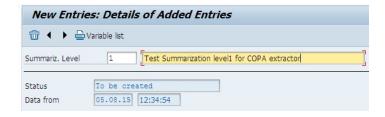


Or go directly to the T-Code: KEDV (CO-PA: Maintain Summarization Levels). Select the Operating Concern.

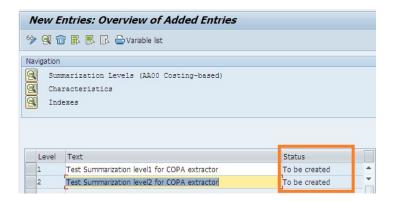
And then, check the Summarization levels are maintained or not. If not, then choose the option to create entries **(F5)**.



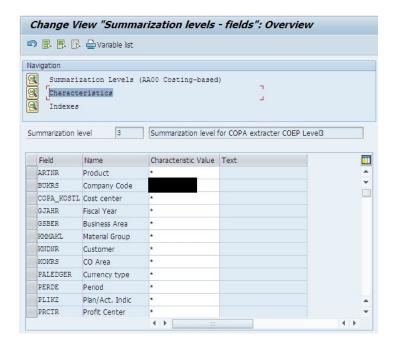
While creating the Summary Levels, kindly consult with your functional consultant for more details/about the requirement.



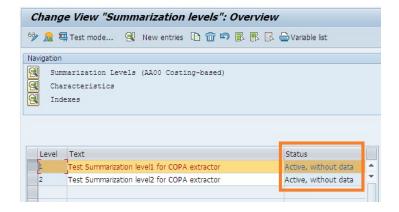
Come back and select your Summ. Levels.



Choose the Characteristics option and assign the characteristic Values '*' or 'etc... value' as below.



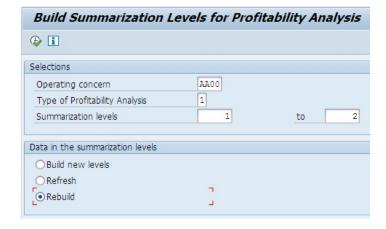
Save the entries and assign the TR.



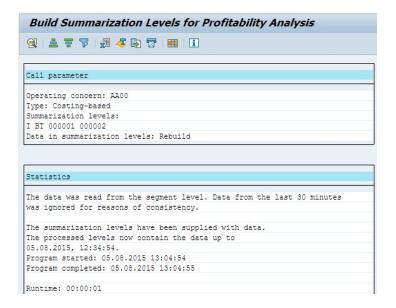
Now, the status of Summary levels are **Active**, without data.

Then go to the T-Code: **KEDU** (CO-PA: Build Summarization Levels) refill the same using below option.

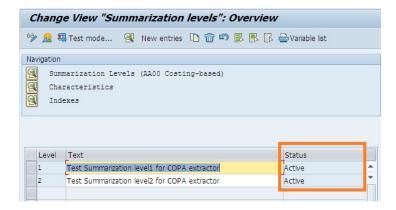
Select your Operating Concern (AA00), Type of Profitability Analysis "Costing-based (1) or Account-based" (2) and Choose Summarization Level (1 to 2).



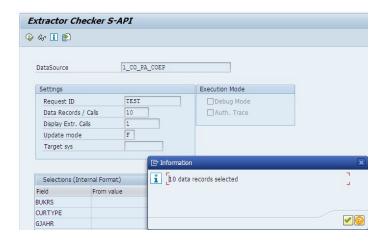
Choose the option Rebuild/Build new levels and Execute (F8).



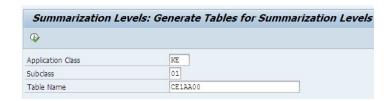
Again, go to the T-Code: KEDV and check the status of Summary levels. now the status is Active with data.



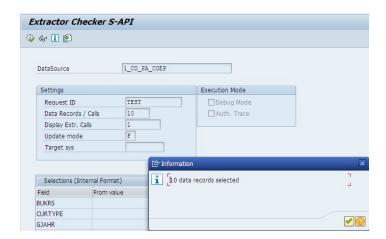
After refilling the Summarization levels, go to the T-Code: **RSA3** and extract the data.



If still issue occurs then, go to the T-Code: **SE38** and run the Report program "**RKETREGN**" (Summarization Levels: Generate Tables for Summarization Levels) generate the same.



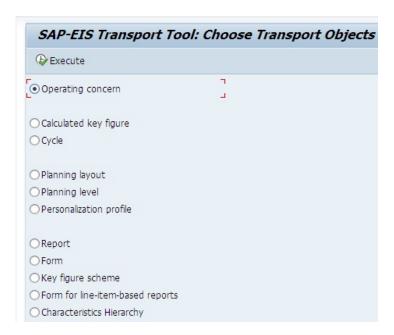
And again Go to the T-Code: RSA3 and extract the data.



Now data are available.

Part-C). Transporting the Summarization Levels to the next level:

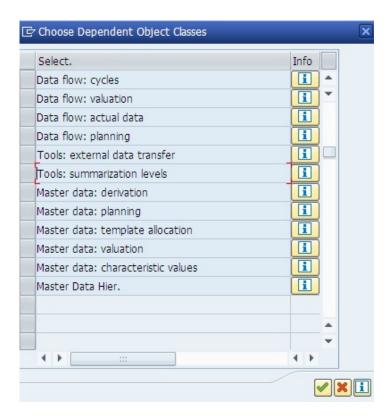
Now transporting the changes/settings to the other system/next level. Go to the T-Code: **KE3I** (CO-PA: Transport tool) to collect all settings in the TR.



Execute (F8) it and mention your both TR Customizing and Workbench TR.



Select the relevant object classes and continue (OK).



Release the TR from **SE09.** Go to the T-Code: **SCC1** (Client Copy – Special Selections), basically this T-Code is used for to import the TR from one client to another client within a system, for example: ECCCLNT800 (Pre-DEV) to ECCCLNT900 (DEV/QUA system).

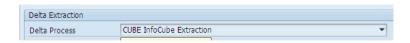
Note: Check if the above transport procedure is applicable in your case. Otherwise, follow the normal transport procedure for transporting the objects from one system to another system, for example: from development (DEVCLNT100) to quality (QUACLNT500) system.

Part-D). Delta mechanism and how it works:

The COPA Data Source is based BW Delta process type: "CUBE" (Info Cube Extraction).

Note: The BW Delta process type "CUBE" is exactly similar as "ADD".

Explaining the Delta mechanism of "ADD/CUBE" with below example and how it works.



Example:

When BW Delta process type: ADD -> which provides the additive Image.

A simple Doc Number as below: Existing Target document's quantity value is 30.

Document	Status	Quantity	U/M
11111	0	30	KG

Now let us assume the quantity has changed from 30 to 40 in the SAP ECC source.

If the Data Source is based on ADD/CUBE: it will bring only additive image i.e. quantity as 10.

Document	Status	Quantity	U/M
11111	0	10	KG

In the final target it will reflect as below: adding the value (30+10 = 40).

Document	Status	Quantity	U/M
11111	0	40	KG

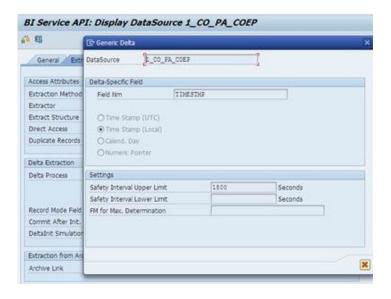
Note: If the data that fills the BI system with an additive (**ADD/CUBE**) image, the data can be written to an Info Cube or a Data Store object.

However, in-case of Data Store object, the update type of key figures must be set to add and not overwrite.

Delta Process type		DSO/ODS	CUBE
ADD/CUBE	Additive Image	Yes (Add Only)	Yes (Add)

Part-E). How to change the Delta safety interval limit for COPA Data Source:

When data is extracted from the COPA Data Source, a "safety delta" of half an hour (30 minutes) is used with the initialization and the delta upload. This always ensures that only records that are already half an hour old, since the start of the upload are loaded into SAP BW. Half an hour was chosen as the safety delta to overcome any time differences between the clocks on the different application servers.



The above standard upper limit for COPA is already set to 1800 i.e. (30 Mins) provided by SAP.

Steps for changing the Delta Safety intervals for the COPA Data Source:

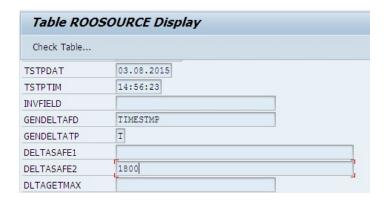
Note: It is not recommended to change the safety intervals. But sometimes we need to change the Intervals based on the Business/Project requirements.

Go to the T-Code: **RSA2**, check the existing value.



The Data Source safety upper limit is: 1800.

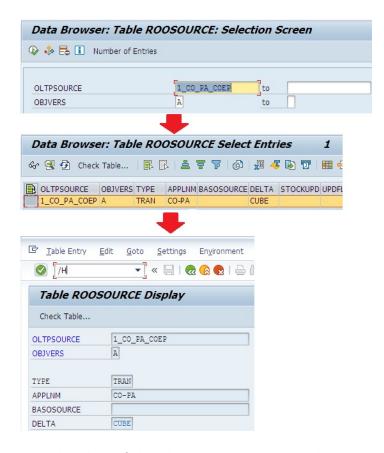
Also, we can check the interval values for individual Data Source in the table "ROOSOURCE" where the field "DELTASAFE1" holds the Safety Upper limit Value and "DELTASAFE1" holds Lower limit.



Below are the simple steps for changing the safety interval limit value.

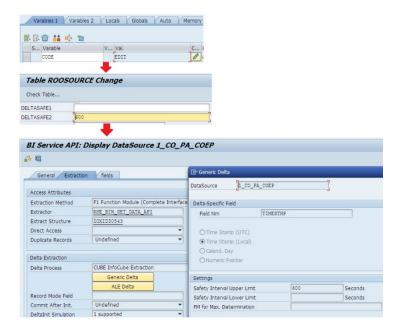
Now, again Go to the T-Code: **SE11**, open the table "**ROOSOURCE"** and select the Data Source, click on display button.

Then we will use the ABAP Debugging trick to change the interval value.



Select the relevant field and press **Enter** button **->** Double Click on the **CODE** and replace the word "**SHOW**" with "**EDIT**" **->** press **ENTER ->** Execute **(F8)**.

It will open in edit mode, then change the value based on the requirement (for example: here replacing 1800 Seconds with 600), save and go back to check the changed value in the table/Go to the T-Code: **RSA2.**



Refer SAP Note: (0000392876 – Safety delta for extraction from the CO-PA) for more details.

Replicate/Import the Data Source in the BW/etc. Targets (Destination) and load the data into respective Data Targets.