Controlling (CO)

Curriculum: Introduction to S/4HANA using Global Bike



Teaching material - Information



Teaching material - Version

- **4.1** (June 2022)
- Software used
 - S/4HANA 2020
 - Fiori 3.0
- Model
 - Global Bike
- Prerequisites
 - No Prerequisites needed

Module Information



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Target Audience

Beginner

Module Information



Learning Objectives

You are able to

- define the central organizational structures of the CO module.
- summarize the master data which is most important for the CO module.
- explain standard controlling processes.

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Goal of Controlling (CO)

- Managerial Accounting also termed Controlling is designed to collect transactional data that provides a foundation for preparing internal reports that support decision-making within the enterprise.
- These reports are exclusively for use within the enterprise and include:
 - Cost center performance
 - Profit center performance
 - Budgets analyses

Target Audience

- Executives
- Senior Management
- Department Managers
- Controllers
- Cost Accountants

CO Organizational Structure

- Represents the legal and/or organizational views of an enterprise
- Forms a framework that supports the activities of a business in the manner desired by management
- Permits the accurate and organized collection of business information
- Supports the development and presentation of relevant information in order to enable and support business decisions

CO Organizational Structure

- Client
 - An independent environment in the system
- Company Code
 - Represents an independent legal accounting unit
 - Balanced set of books, as required by law, are prepared at this level.
 - A client may have more than one company code
 - United States
 - Germany
 - United Kingdom
 - Australia
 - ...



CO Organizational Structure

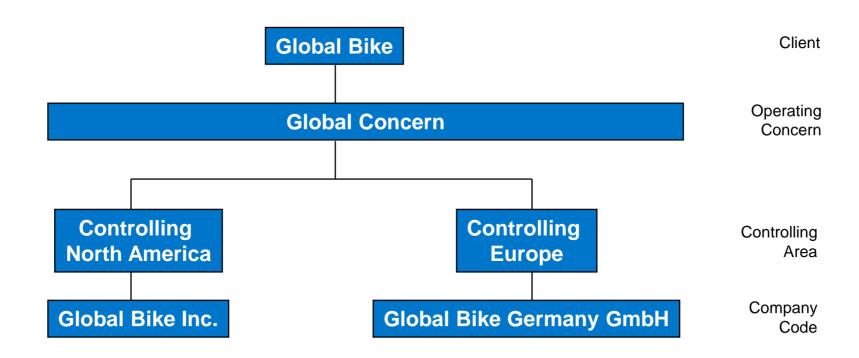
Controlling Area

- A self-contained, organizational unit for which the management of revenues and expenses can be performed
- May include one or more company codes; therefore, an enterprise can perform management accounting analyses and reports across several companies
- A way to identify and track where revenues and costs are incurred for evaluation purposes

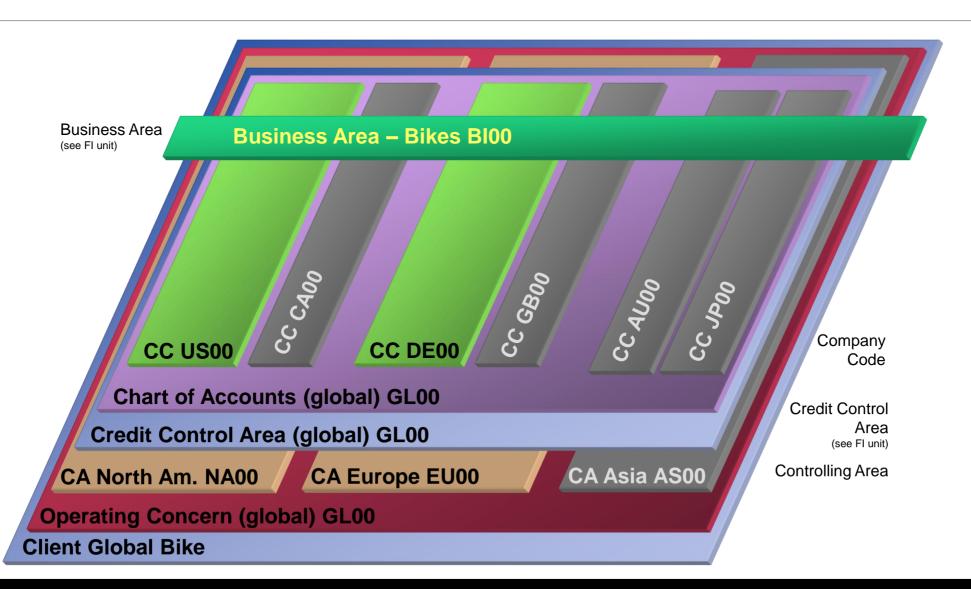
Operating Concern

- Represents a part of an organization for which the sales market is structured in a uniform manner
- A operating profit for the individual market segments can be calculated.
- Multiple controlling areas can be assigned to one operating concern.

Global Bike Structure for Controlling



Global Bike Enterprise Structure in SAP ERP (Accounting)



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Profit Center

- Responsible for revenue generation and cost containment
- Evaluated on profit or return on investment
- Enterprises are commonly divided into profit centers based on
- Region
- Function
- Product

Cost Center

- Responsible for cost containment, not responsible for revenue generation
- One or more value-added activities are performed within each cost center.
- Unit that is distinguished, for example, by area of responsibility, location, or type of activity
 - Copy center
 - Security department
 - Maintenance department

Internal Order

- Temporary cost collector responsible for cost containment, not responsible for revenue generation
- It is used to plan, collect, and monitor the costs associated with a distinct short-term event, activity, or project
- Company picnic
- Trade show/fair
- Recruiting campaign

Revenue Element

- A one-to-one linkage (mapping) between General Ledger revenue accounts and CO revenue elements is established to permit the transfer of FI revenue information to CO.
- Posting in FI that impact revenue accounts lead to a posting in CO to a revenue element.
- In other words, revenue account = revenue element just different words depending on whether FI object or CO object.

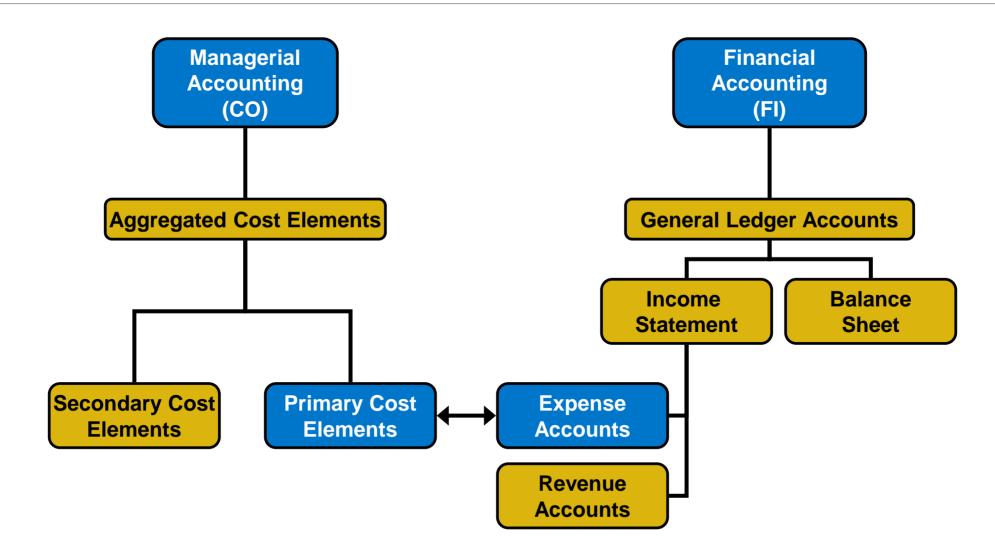
Cost Flement

- A one-to-one linkage (mapping) between General Ledger expense accounts and CO cost elements is established to permit the transfer of FI expense information to CO.
- Postings in FI that impact cost accounts lead to a posting in CO to a cost element.
- In other words, expense account = cost element just different words depending on whether FI object or CO object.

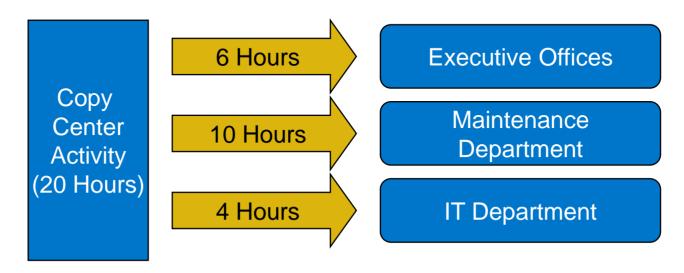
Primary Cost Element

- Originate in the General Ledger within FI and are automatically transferred to CO when an FI transaction is recorded in the General Ledger
- Secondary Cost Element
 - Used exclusively in CO for allocations and settlements between and amongst cost centers

Primary vs. Secondary Cost Elements



- Statistical Key Figures
 - Provide the foundation for accurate and effective cost allocations between cost objects
 - Utilized to support internal cost allocations involving allocations, assessments, and distributions
 - Examples:
 - number of employees
 - square footage
 - minutes of computer usage



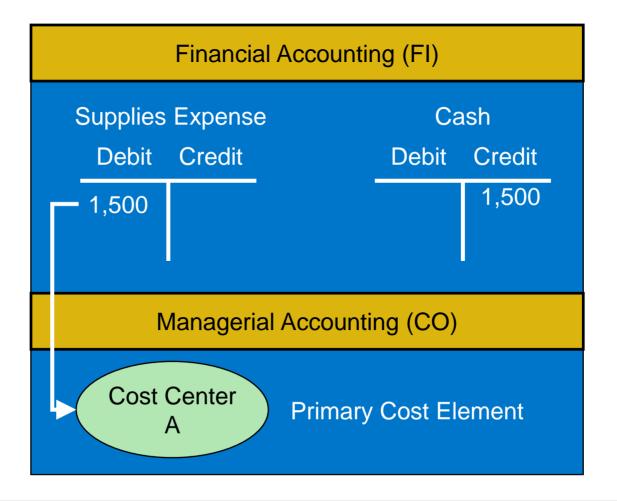
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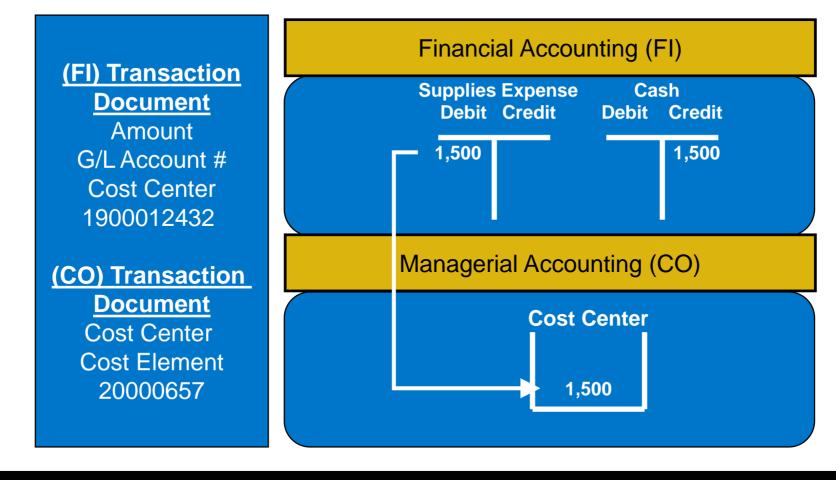
Primary & Secondary Cost Element

- Cost elements describe the origin of costs
- Cost elements are defined as either
 - Primary cost elements arise through the consumption of production factors that are sourced externally
 - Secondary cost elements arise through the consumption of production factors that are provided internally
- Expenses and Revenue accounts in Financial Accounting correspond to Primary Cost and Revenue Elements
- Secondary Cost Elements are used exclusively in CO to identify internal cost flows such as assessments or settlements. They do not have corresponding General ledger accounts in FI and are defined in CO only.
- When you create a cost element, you must assign a cost element category. This Assignment determines the transactions for which you can use the cost element.

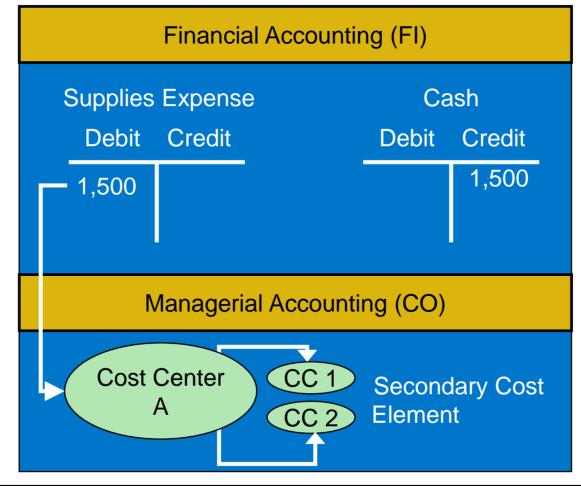
Posting Primary Cost Element



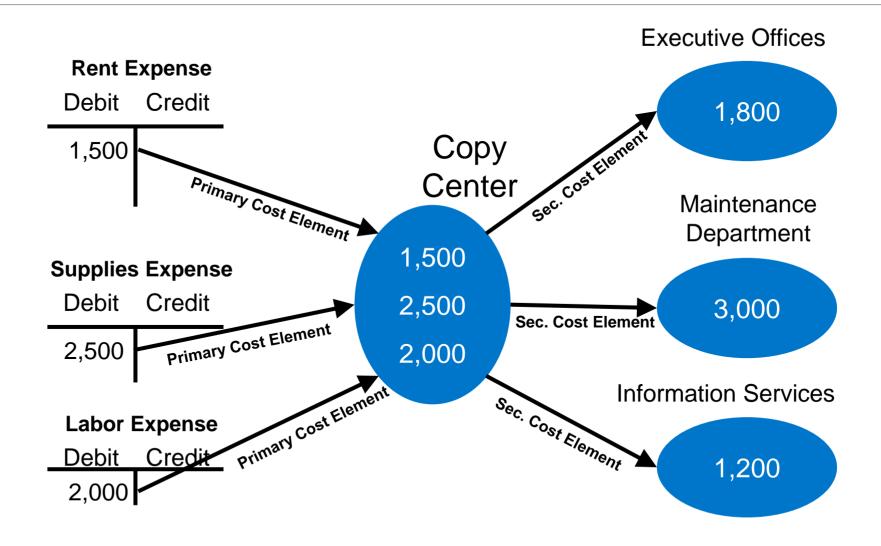
Posting Primary Cost Element



Posting Secondary Cost Element



Posting Secondary Cost Element



Types of Allocation

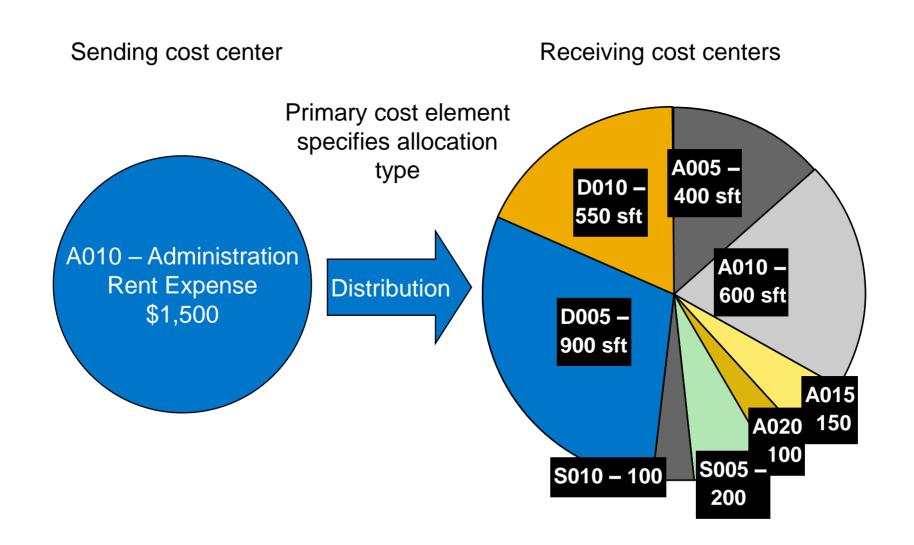
Distribution

- Method for periodically allocating primary cost elements
- Primary cost elements maintain their identities in both the sending and receiving objects
- Sender and receiver cost centers are fully documented in a unique Controlling (CO) document.

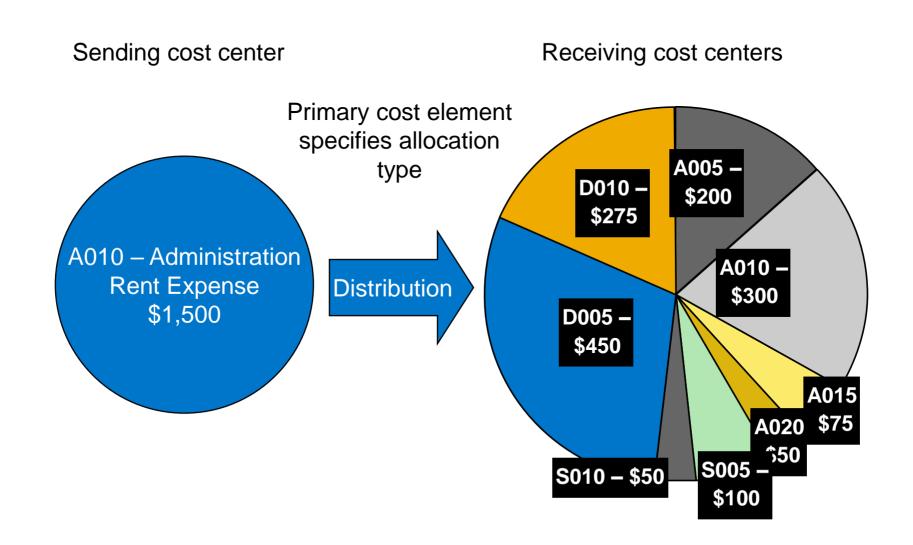
Assessment

- A method of allocating both primary and secondary cost elements
- Primary and/or secondary cost elements are grouped together and transferred to receiver cost centers through use of a secondary cost element.
- Sender and receiver cost centers are fully documented in a unique Controlling (CO) document.

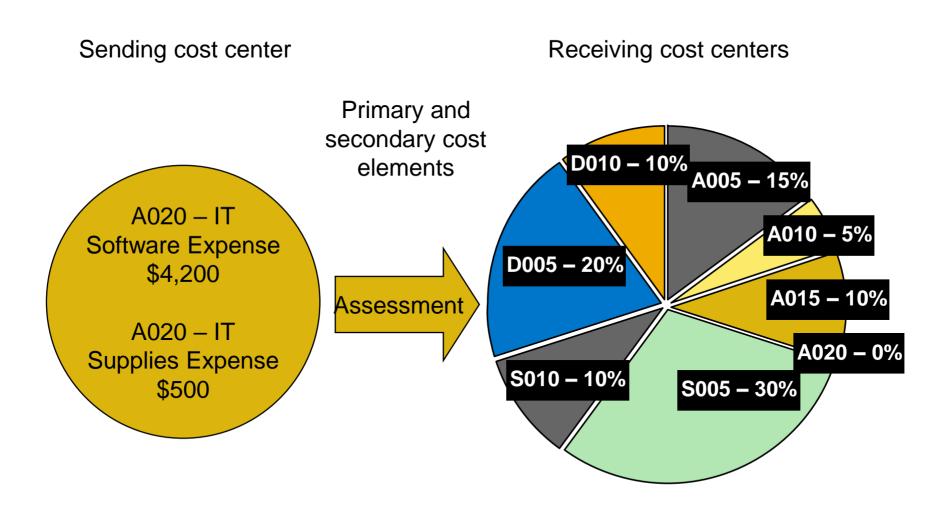
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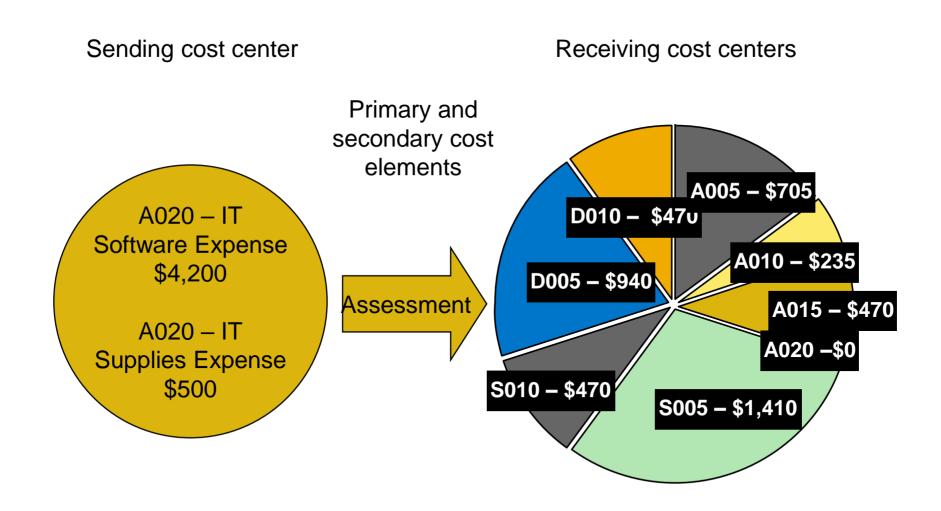
Distribution



Assessment



Assessment



SAP CO Module

- Fully integrated with other SAP modules including, but not limited to:
 - Financial Accounting (FI)
 - Materials Management (MM)
 - Sales and Distribution (SD)
 - Production Planning and Execution (PP)

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Innovations in S/4HANA

- 1) No separate cost element master data maintenance anymore
- 2) Universal Journal combines account assignment of Controlling
- 3) Technical changes in material ledger

Innovations in S/4HANA

1) Cost element master data maintenance

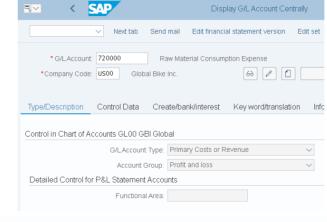
- No separate cost element master data maintenance anymore
 - > Part of chart of accounts, are managed in GL account master data
- > Transactions not available anymore: KA01, KA02, KA03, KA06

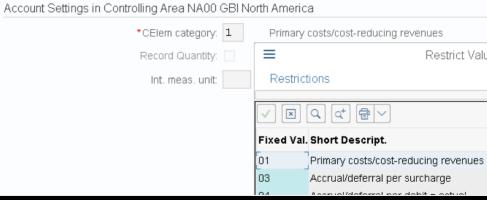
Default account assignments (cost center, order) will be transferred from cost element masters to table TKA3A (view using

transaction OKB9)



- The GL account master record includes a new mandatory field for cost element category for classification of GL accounts
- Previously in KA01

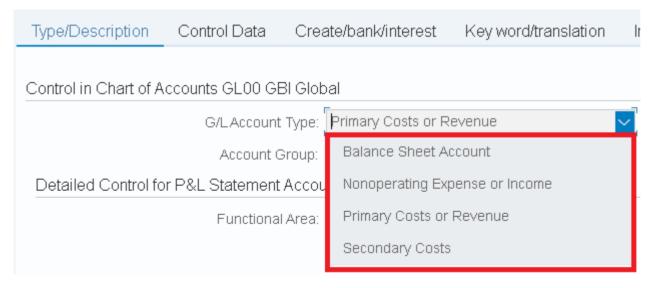




Innovations in S/4HANA

1) Cost element master data maintenance

- GL accounts have now attributed on three levels:
 - 1. Chat of accounts area
 - 2. Company-code-specific area
 - 3. Controlling-area-specific area
- New account types for primary costs/revenues and secondary costs

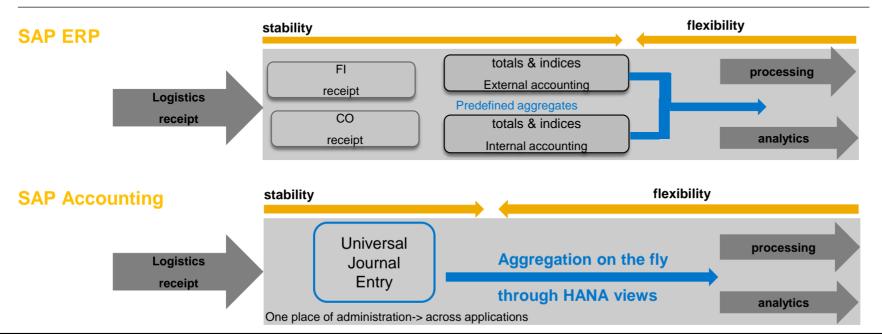


Journal entries are recorded under GL accounts (secondary and primary costs)

Innovations in S/4HANA 2) Universal Journal

- Universal Journal combines account assignment of Controlling (cost center, WBS element..), Profitability
 Analysis (products, customers..), and Enterprise Controlling (profit center)
 - In previous architecture, many reconciliation work was necessary because the components for P&L representations were structured differently and stored in different tables
 - More flexibility: reporting on following dimensions: profit center, functional area, cost center, internal order, project and market segment

SAP Accounting versus SAP ERP



Advantages:

- Harmonized external and internal reporting
- Increased flexibility in reporting and analysis
- No need for coordination
- Significantly reduced memory requirements
- Compatibility Views for the sum / index tables
- Reporting continues to work

Innovations in S/4HANA 2) General Ledger

- General Ledger in S/4HANA is based in the Universal Journal
- Line items are stored in the new database table ACDOCA → optimized to SAP HANA
 - no need for CO real-time integration for transfer of secondary CO postings to New GL or the Reconciliation Ledger of Classic GL
- CO internal postings are now visible in General Ledger as well
- The new journal entry consists of a header (table BKPF) and the respective items (table ACDOCA).
- The ACDOCA table contains all fields needed for G/L, CO, AA, ML, PA, providing one single source of truth for all these
 modules. For CO, the universal journal also contains all cost elements, including secondary cost elements, which are also in
 SAP S/4HANA G/L accounts.

Innovations in S/4HANA 2) Universal Journal

Advantages:

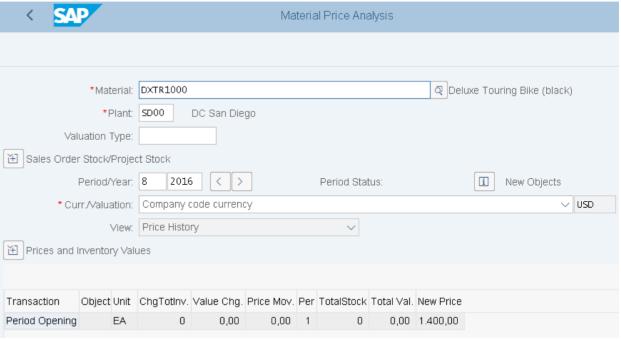
- No need for coordination
- Significantly reduced memory requirements
- External and internal accounting are harmonized
- Flexible, multi-dimensional real-time analyses can be executed directly from the Universal Journal without replication of the data into the BI.
- There are apps for:
 - reporting on cost centers, internal orders, projects, sales, items and reporting on market segments based on the accountbased approach
- There aren't yet apps for:
 - reporting on commitments for any of the CO account assignments, reporting on target costs, variance categories, intercompany eliminations, reporting on budget, allotted costs, work in process or results analysis, reporting on cost estimates

Innovations in S/4HANA 3) Technical Changes in Material Ledger

- The use of Material Ledger (ML) is now obligatory and automatically active in all SAP S/4HANA systems fulfills two basic objectives:
 - the ability to manage material prices in multiple currencies/valuations: Material inventory values are normally
 managed by the system in only one currency (company code currency). The material ledger enables the system to
 manage inventory values in additional currencies/valuations. This is achieved by updating all goods movements in the
 material ledger. Currency amounts are translated into foreign currencies at historical exchange rates directly at the
 time of posting.
 - and actual costing: with the purpose of determining actual costs for externally procured materials and materials produced in-house
 - In addition, actual costing uses actual costs to valuate inventories of raw materials, semi finished products, and finished products
 - Actual costing calculates an actual price (periodic unit price) for each material, into which all actual costs for the particular period flow.

Innovations in S/4HANA 3) Technical Changes in Material Ledger

- It is no longer allowed to use an ML type that references currency settings defined in FI or CO
- Transaction CKM3PH (Price Determination Structure) replaces CKM3 / CKM3N
 - provides an improved view of materials in plants with active Actual Costing
 - All views offered by CKM3/CKM3N are no longer available, except CKM3 Price History view (via CKM3PH for all materials)





Thank you!