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Dynamic Query Extensibility Developer Guide



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Introduction

This document is intended for use with IBM® Cognos® Analytics. It describes how to write functions that are called during the execution of dynamic queries in IBM Cognos Analytics - Reporting and in IBM Cognos Framework Manager.

Audience

To use the IBM Cognos Dynamic Query Extensibility Developer Guide effectively, you must be familiar with the following items:

- Dynamic query mode in IBM Cognos Analytics.
- Programming languages that can be used to write dynamic query extensibility functions..

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Chapter 1. Overview of dynamic query extensibility

Dynamic query extensibility provides a mechanism for extending the functionality of the dynamic query engine in IBM Cognos Analytics by adding functions that can be evaluated locally by the dynamic query engine.

Dynamic query extensibility is useful under the following conditions:

- Cognos built-in functions are not available to meet your business objectives.
- You do not want to, or cannot, put the functionality inside the database.

These functions can be written in SQL, in the Java[™] programming language, or in JSR-223 scripting languages that can be run by the Java virtual machine. In this guide we provide examples of functions that use SQL and the Java programming language.

The dynamic query extensibility framework in Cognos Analytics is based upon the ISO/IEC 9075-13 SQL Routines and Types using Java Programming Language (SQL/JRT) extension to the SQL standard. This extension allows SQL applications to invoke static Java methods as routines.

Types of dynamic query extensibility functions

You can write three types of dynamic query extensibility functions.

Scalar functions

Scalar functions accept zero or more arguments and return a single value, which may be a null value. Scalar functions are invoked in the same way as built-in dynamic query functions, such as abs or floor. They are referenced in expressions in models and reports in the same manner as Cognos built-in or database scalar functions.

Aggregate functions

Aggregate functions iterate over a set of values and return a single value, which may be a null value. Aggregate functions are invoked in the same way as built-in dynamic query aggregate functions, such as avg or count.. They can be included as part of an expression in an SQL statement or a report specification.

Table functions

Table functions accept zero or more arguments and return a table of data. Table functions can be invoked in the FROM clause of an SQL statement and exposed in a query subject in a model or report.

Dynamic query extensibility supports overloading and polymorphism.

Implementing and using dynamic query extensibility functions

Implementing and using dynamic query extensibility functions in IBM Cognos Analytics is a collaborative effort between functions writers, system administrators, and report authors.

Function writer

The function writer performs the following tasks:

- 1. Writes and tests the code that implements the functions.
- 2. Creates deployment descriptor files that specify the interface between the functions and the dynamic query engine in the IBM Cognos Analytics server.
- 3. Package the class files and script files implementing your functions, and deployment descriptor files in a Java Archive (JAR) file.

These tasks are described in detail in <u>Chapter 2</u>, "<u>Creating dynamic query extensibility functions</u>," on page <u>3</u>.

System administrator

The system administrator deploys the Java Archive files to the Cognos Analytics server. This task is described in Chapter 3, "Deploying dynamic query extensibility functions," on page 11.

Report author

The report author invokes the functions in expressions used in models and reports. The sample functions described in <u>"Writing dynamic query extensibility functions" on page 3</u> include examples of how these functions are used in expressions.

Sample dynamic query extensibility functions

An installation of Cognos Analytics includes sample dynamic query extensibility functions.

A Java archive, samples.jar, is installed in $<installation_location>$ \v5dataserver\lib\ext. The Java archive also includes the Java source files.

The sample functions are described in "Writing dynamic query extensibility functions" on page 3

Chapter 2. Creating dynamic query extensibility functions

The following topics illustrate the process for creating dynamic query extensibility functions. Examples are shown that use SQL and the Java programming language.

Writing dynamic query extensibility functions

There are three categories of dynamic query extensibility functions, scalar functions, aggregate functions, and table functions, that are described in the following topics.

Writing scalar functions

Scalar functions accept zero or more arguments and return a single value, which may be a null value. They are invoked in the same way as any scalar function in a dynamic query or a database query. They can be included as part of an expression in a model, a report specification. or a Cognos SQL statement.

Scalar functions can be written in SQL or the Java programming language. Java scalar functions are implemented as static methods of a class. The input parameters and returned value can be any Java type that maps to a supported dynamic query extensibility data type. See Appendix A, "Data type conversions from JDBC/SQL data types to Java data types," on page 19 for a list of supported data type mappings.

SQL scalar function example

SQL scalar functions are contained in a deployment descriptor file. This is an example of an SQL scalar function that convert temperatures from Celsius to Fahrenheit.

```
CREATE FUNCTION CELSIUS_TO_FAHRENHEIT(C INTEGER)
RETURNS FLOAT
LANGUAGE SQL
CONTAINS SQL
DETERMINISTIC
RETURN (C * 9) / 5 + 32;
```

This function can be used in a SQL statement like any other scalar function. For example,

```
SELECT CELSIUS, CELSIUS_TO_FAHRENHEIT(CELSIUS) FAHRENHEIT FROM TEMPERATURES
```

This query produces the following result.

Table 1. SQL scalar function result	
CELSIUS FAHRENHEIT	
0	32.0
100	212.0

A screenshot using this sample function is shown here.



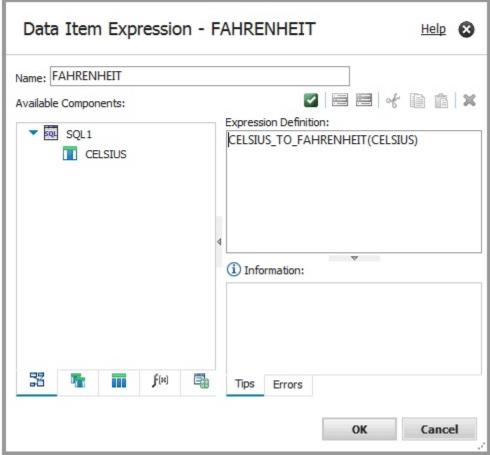


Figure 1. Sample function use in Cognos Reporting

Java scalar function example

This Java example formats currency based on country codes. The Java code is included in the Format.java sample program.

The following snippet in a deployment descriptor file is associated with this example.

```
CREATE FUNCTION formatCurrency(V DECIMAL(10,2), LANG VARCHAR(32), COUNTRY VARCHAR(32))
RETURNS VARCHAR(32)
LANGUAGE JAVA
PARAMETER STYLE JAVA
EXTERNAL NAME 'thisjar:udf.samples.Format.formatCurrency';
```

The external name is the fully qualified method name (package.class.method) that contains the implementation of the logic for the function

This function can be used in a SQL statement like any other scalar function. For example,

```
SELECT PNAME, PRICE, formatCurrency(PRICE, 'en', 'US') FORMATTED_PRICE FROM PRODUCTS
```

This query produces the following result.

Table 2. SQL scalar function result		
PNAME	PRICE	FORMATTED_PRIC E
Bolt	1.40	\$1.40
Screw	1.50	\$1.50

Writing aggregate functions

Aggregate functions iterate over a set of values, sharing the same values in a set of grouping columns in a GROUP BY or PARTITION clause, and return a single value per group or partition, which may be a null value. They are invoked in the same way as built-in dynamic query aggregate functions. They can be included as part of an expression in an SOL statement or a report specification.

Java aggregate functions

Java aggregate functions must contain at least the following methods, with the exception of the remove method, which is optional

initialize

The initialize method must return an instance of a class that implements the java.io.Serializable interface. The dynamic query engine uses this method to initialize the computation of the aggregation. This method is invoked once for each group or partition that the dynamic query engine is aggregating. A state object is returned.

The method signature is

```
public static Serializable initialize()
```

iterate

The iterate method accumulates the aggregate values and is invoked once for each value in the group that is being aggregated. The dynamic query engine calls this method after calling the initialize method. The implementation of this method should update the state of the instance to reflect the accumulation of the argument value being passed in.

The first parameter of the iterate method is the object returned by the initialize method.

The method signature is

```
public static void iterate(Serializable state, v <type> [, v <type>, ...])
```

remove

The remove method removes a value from the aggregation. The implementation of this method should update the state of the instance to reflect the accumulation of the argument value being passed in. For an example where this method is required, see Example where the remove method is required.

The first parameter of the remove method is the object returned by the initialize method.

The method signature is

```
public static void remove(Serializable state, v <type> [, v <type>, ...])
```

getResult

This method returns the current result of the aggregation.

The parameter of the getResult method is the object returned by the initialize method.

The method signature is

```
public static <type> getResult(Serializable state)
```

terminate

This method completes the aggregate computation and releases the resources used by the function.

The parameter of the terminate method is the object returned by the initialize method.

The method signature is

```
public static void terminate(Serializable state)
```

Java aggregate function example

This Java aggregate function performs progressive multiplication on all of its input values.. The Java code is included in the Multiply.java sample program.

The following lines in a deployment description file are associated with this example.

```
CREATE AGGREGATE multiply(n INTEGER)
RETURNS DOUBLE PRECISION
LANGUAGE JAVA
PARAMETER STYLE JAVA
EXTERNAL NAME 'thisjar:udf.samples.Multiply';
```

This aggregate can be used in a SQL statement like any other aggregate function or window function.

For example, consider the following sample data for the SEQUENCES table.

Table 3. SEQUENCES table		
SEQUENCE	VALUE	
S1	32	
S1	8	
S2	10	
S2	20	
S2	4	

We can use this aggregate as a standard aggregate within a GROUP BY query as follows:

```
SELECT SEQUENCE, MULTIPLY(VALUE) RESULT
FROM SEQUENCES
GROUP BY SEQUENCE
```

This query produces the following result.

Table 4. Aggregate query result		
SEQUENCE RESULT		
S1 256		
S2	800	

We can also use this aggregate as a window function. For example,

```
SELECT SEQUENCE, VALUE, MULTIPLY(VALUE) OVER () RESULT FROM SEQUENCES
```

This query produces the following result.

Table 5. Window query result		
SEQUENCE	VALUE	RESULT
S1	32	256
S1	8	256
S2	10	800
S2	20	800
S2	4	800

Example where the remove method is required

Consider the MULTIPLY aggregate defined previously. It is called in the following SQL snippet.

```
SELECT SEQUENCE,
VALUE,
MULTIPLY(VALUE) OVER (
PARTITION BY SEQUENCE
ORDER BY VALUE ROWS BETWEEN 1 PRECEDING AND CURRENT ROW
) RESULT
FROM SEQUENCES
```

This query produces the following result.

Table 6. Example using the remove method		
SEQUENCE	VALUE	RESULT
S1	8	8.0
S2	32	256.0
S3	4	4.0
S4	18	40.0
S5	29	200.0

In order for this query to work, the optional remove method for the aggregate must be implemented. As the sliding window changes (ROWS BETWEEN 1 PRECEDING AND CURRENT ROW) for each row processed, this method is invoked to remove the value leaving the window. For example, assume the current window for within partition S2 consists of the values (4, 10). When the window moves to values (10, 20), the remove method is invoked to remove the value 4. The iterate method is then called to add the value 20 to the aggregate state.

Writing table functions

Table functions accept zero or more arguments and return a table of data. Table functions can be invoked in the FROM clause of a Cognos SQL statement.

SQL table function example

SQL table functions are contained in a deployment descriptor file. This is an example of an SQL table function that produces a result set consisting of parts and supply information

```
CREATE FUNCTION parts_supplied()
RETURNS TABLE(PNO CHAR(2), PNAME CHAR(10), SNO CHAR(2), QTY INTEGER)
LANGUAGE SQL
PARAMETER STYLE SQL
READS SQL DATA
DETERMINISTIC
```

```
RETURN
SELECT P.PNO, P.PNAME, SP.SNO, SP.QTY
FROM PARTS P, SUPPLY SP
WHERE P.PNO = SP.PNO;
```

This table function can be used in the FROM clause of a SQL statement. For example,

```
SELECT PNO, PNAME, SNO, QTY
FROM TABLE( parts_supplied() ) T
WHERE QTY > 200
```

Java table functions

Java table functions are implemented as static methods whose return type is an object of a class that implements the <code>java.sql.ResultSet</code> interface. The input parameters can be any primitive types or objects that map to a supported dynamic query extensibility data type. See Appendix A, "Data type conversions from JDBC/SQL data types to Java data types," on page 19 for a list of supported data type mappings.

Java table function example

This function enumerates all of the locale information for the currently running Java Runtime Environment. The function returns a row for each locale consisting of the country, language, country code, language code, and currency code. The Java code is included in the Locales. java sample program.

The following lines in a deployment description file are associated with this example.

```
CREATE FUNCTION enumerateLocales()
RETURNS
TABLE(
COUNTRY VARCHAR(128),
"LANGUAGE" VARCHAR(128),
COUNTRY_CODE VARCHAR(32),
LANGUAGE_CODE VARCHAR(32),
CURRENCY_CODE VARCHAR(32)
)
LANGUAGE JAVA
PARAMETER STYLE JAVAEXTERNAL NAME 'thisjar:udf.samples.Locales.enumerateLocales';
```

This table function can be used in the FROM clause of a SQL statement like any other table function. For example

```
SELECT *
FROM TABLE( enumerateLocales() ) T
```

Creating the deployment descriptor file

The deployment descriptor file contains the source code for functions written in SQL, as well as input and output parameters and the method name for functions written in the Java programming language.

A simple deployment descriptor file is shown here, based on the SQL and Java functions described in "Writing scalar functions" on page 3.

```
SQLActions[] = {
  "BEGIN INSTALL
    CREATE FUNCTION CELSIUS_TO_FAHRENHEIT(C INTEGER)
    RETURNS FLOAT
    LANGUAGE SQL
    CONTAINS SQL
    DETERMINISTIC
    RETURN (C * 9) / 5 + 32;

CREATE FUNCTION formatCurrency(V DECIMAL(10,2), LANG VARCHAR(32), COUNTRY VARCHAR(32))
    RETURNS VARCHAR(32)
    LANGUAGE JAVA
    PARAMETER STYLE JAVA
```

```
EXTERNAL NAME 'thisjar:udf.samples.Format.formatCurrency';
END INSTALL"
}
```

Each deployment descriptor file can contain any number of entries for SQL and Java functions.

You should note the following issues when creating deployment descriptor files.

- The file name extension for the deployment descriptor file is ddl.
- Function names are case-insensitive.
- SQL keywords used as table or column names must be delimited as shown in the following example with the column name LANGUAGE.

```
CREATE FUNCTION enumerateLocales()
RETURNS
TABLE(
COUNTRY VARCHAR(128),
"LANGUAGE" VARCHAR(128),
COUNTRY_CODE VARCHAR(32),
LANGUAGE_CODE VARCHAR(32),
CURRENCY_CODE VARCHAR(32)
)
LANGUAGE JAVA
PARAMETER STYLE JAVAEXTERNAL NAME 'thisjar:udf.samples.Locales.enumerateLocales';
```

- When writing SQL functions, there can be any number of lines between the RETURN keyword and closing semi-colon(;).
- Square brackets, [and], must be replaced by the trigraph equivalent codes, which are ??(and ??), respectively.
- The input and output parameter types are Cognos SQL types. A table mapping Cognos SQL types to Java types can be found in Appendix A, "Data type conversions from JDBC/SQL data types to Java data types," on page 19
- A description of the structure of the deployment descriptor file in Backus–Naur Form can be found in Appendix C, "BNF grammar description for the deployment descriptor file," on page 23.

Creating the Java Archive file

The class files and .deployment descriptor files associated with dynamic query extensibility functions are packaged in a Java Archive (JAR) file.

The manifest for the JAR file contains a section for each data descriptor file in the package. The example manifest from the samples.jar file (see <u>"Sample dynamic query extensibility functions" on page 2</u>) is shown here.

```
Manifest-Version: 1.0
Ant-Version: Apache Ant 1.8.4
Created-By: jvmwi3260sr10-20111207_96808 (IBM Corporation)

Name: udf/samples/samples.ddl
SQLJDeploymentDescriptor: TRUE
```

Chapter 3. Deploying dynamic query extensibility functions

After a Java archive (.jar) packaging dynamic query extensibility functions is cretaed, a system administrator must deploy it to IBM Cognos Analytics server.

Dynamic query extensibility function .jar files are deployed in the <installation_location>\v5dataserver\lib\ext folder.

To add a new .jar file to this folder, copy the file to this location and then restart the Query Service in IBM Cognos Administration.

To update or remove an existing .jar file, stop the Query Service, remove or replace the existing .jar file, and then start the Query Service.

Chapter 4. Using the table user-defined function enumerateTimeZoneIDs

Dynamic query provides a user-defined table function called enumerateTimeZoneIDs(). The function returns a table with all time zone identifiers that are supported by the currently running Java Runtime Environment (JRE), including relevant information about each time zone.

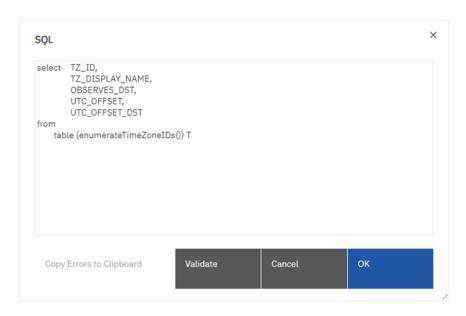
The enumerateTimeZoneIDs() function can be used to help report authors using the Cognos Analytics function called _shift_timezone, where the second and third arguments are time zone identifiers. While the documentation for _shift_timezone provides a small list of commonly used identifiers, such as 'America/New_York' and 'Europe/Paris', the complete list of supported time zone identifiers is quite large and subject to change, depending on the currently running JRE. You can get this complete list with the enumerateTimeZoneIDs() function.

The table returned by the enumerateTimeZoneIDs() function consists of the following columns:

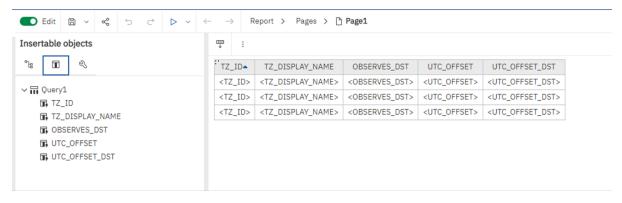
- · timezone identifier
- timezone display name
- observes Daylight Savings Time (i.e. Yes/No)
- UTC offset in the format of (+|-)HH:MM (e.g. -05:00)
- UTC offset for Daylight Savings Time, if applicable

To view the data returned by the function, create a simple list report based on the following SQL query:





The list report will project the columns returned by the above SQL query.



Here is a sample first page returned by this report:

TZ_ID	TZ_DISPLAY_NAME	OBSERVES_DST	UTC_OFFSET	UTC_OFFSET_DST
ACT	Australian Central Standard Time (Northern Territory)	No	+09:30	N/A
AET	Australian Eastern Standard Time (New South Wales)	Yes	+10:00	+11:00
Africa/Abidjan	Greenwich Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A
Africa/Accra	Ghana Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A
Africa/Addis_Ababa	Eastern African Time	No	+03:00	N/A
Africa/Algiers	Central European Time	No	+01:00	N/A
Africa/Asmara	Eastern African Time	No	+03:00	N/A
Africa/Asmera	Eastern African Time	No	+03:00	N/A
Africa/Bamako	Greenwich Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A
Africa/Bangui	Western African Time	No	+01:00	N/A
Africa/Banjul	Greenwich Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A
Africa/Bissau	Greenwich Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A
Africa/Blantyre	Central African Time	No	+02:00	N/A
Africa/Brazzaville	Western African Time	No	+01:00	N/A
Africa/Bujumbura	Central African Time	No	+02:00	N/A
Africa/Cairo	Eastern European Time	No	+02:00	N/A
Africa/Casablanca	Western European Time	Yes	+00:00	+00:00
Africa/Ceuta	Central European Time	Yes	+01:00	+02:00
Africa/Conakry	Greenwich Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A
Africa/Dakar	Greenwich Mean Time	No	+00:00	N/A

Chapter 5. Programming considerations when creating dynamic query extensibility functions

There are a number of prgramming issues you can consider when creating dynamic query extensibility functions. They are described in the following topics.

Implicit type conversion

Implicit type conversion, also known as coercion, is an automatic type conversion performed by the dynamic query engine. Implicit type conversion is used when argument types do not match the required parameter types of a function.

For example, consider the following function:

```
CREATE FUNCTION formatCurrency(V DOUBLE PRECISION) ...
```

Invoking this function with a value of 10, as in

```
SELECT formatCurrency(10)
FROM ( VALUES (0) ) T
```

will result in the SMALLINT value 10 being implicitly converted to a DOUBLE PRECISION value. The tables in Appendix B, "Implicit data type conversion rules," on page 21 list all the allowable implicit type conversions

If an allowable implicit type conversion is not available, there are two possible outcomes.

- The dynamic query engines pushes the function into the native SQL generated for the target database. If the function is not valid or recognized, the user sees a database-specific error.
- Otherwise, a planning error occurs, as in:

```
XQE-PLN-0098 The vendor specific function "F00" is not supported.
```

Overloaded functions

When creating functions, overloading is permitted. That is, functions with the same name can be defined that differ in the number and type of input parameters. This feature is also found in various programming languages.

For example, consider the following 3 functions, all named formatCurrency.

```
CREATE FUNCTION formatCurrency(V DOUBLE PRECISION)

CREATE FUNCTION formatCurrency(V DECIMAL(10,2))

CREATE FUNCTION formatCurrency(V FLOAT, LANG VARCHAR(32), COUNTRY VARCHAR(32))

...
```

When formatCurrency is used in an expression, the dynamic query engine determines at run-time which version of the function to call, based on a best fit technique.

Function resolution for overloaded functions

When a function is invoked and there are multiple functions available with the same name, the dynamic query engine uses the following procedure to determine the function that fits best.

1. If a function with the same number and type of input parameters is available, that function is used.

- 2. Otherwise, a list of functions with the same number of input parameters that could be used with implicit type conversion is made.
- 3. If this list contains more than one function, the functions are ranked and the function with the lowest rank number is selected for execution.
- 4. If two or more functions share the lowest rank, the function that appears first in the data desciptor file is chosen.

Ranking functions

Each implicit type conversion is assigned a rank number. The rank number for an implicit conversion is equal to the difference in ordinal numbers for the original and converted data type. The ordinal numbers for each data type are shown in the following table.

Table 7. Implicit data type ordinal values	
Data type	Ordinal
BOOLEAN	0
CLOB	1
DATE	2
TIME	3
TIMESTAMP	4
INTERVAL DAY-TIME	5
INTERVAL YEAR-MONTH	6
CHAR	7
VARCHAR	7
NCHAR	7
NVARCHAR	7
SMALLINT	8
INTEGER	9
BIGINT	10
FLOAT	11
DOUBLE PRECISION	12
DECIMAL	13

For example, the rank number for converting from a SMALLINT data type to a BIGINT data type is 10 - 8 = 2. Rank numbers are summed for each implicit type conversion to arrive at the overall rank number for the function.

Sample overloaded function resolution

Consider the following function definitions.

```
1. CREATE FUNCTION foo(V SMALLINT) ...
2. CREATE FUNCTION foo(V INTEGER) ...
3. CREATE FUNCTION foo(V1 SMALLINT, V2 INTEGER) ...
4. CREATE FUNCTION foo(V2 SMALLINT, V2 BIGINT) ...
5. CREATE FUNCTION foo(V2 INTEGER, V2 INTEGER) ...
6. CREATE FUNCTION foo(V2 INTEGER, V2 BIGINT) ...
```

The function is invoked in an expression as foo(C1, C2) where C1 is an INTEGER and C2 is a SMALLINT. Functions 1 and 2 cannot be invoked due to a mismatch in the number of input parameters, and functions 3 and 4 cannot be used because an INTEGER cannot be cast to a SMALLINT. Function 5 has a rank number of 1 (SMALLINT to INTEGER cast) and function 6 has a rank number of 2 (SMALLINT to BIGINT cast). Thus function 6 will be used to evaluate the expression foo (C1, C2).

Variadic functions

Variadic functions are functions that take a variable number of arguments. The dynamic query engine supports variadic functions.

Consider the following data descriptor file snippet that describes a scalar function that takes a variable number of integer arguments.

```
CREATE FUNCTION SUM_VALUES(IVAL INTEGER ...)
RETURNS BIGINT
LANGUAGE JAVA
PARAMETER STYLE JAVA
EXTERNAL NAME 'thisjar:udf.Arrays.sum';
```

The Java implementation of this function would look like this:

```
package udf;
public class Arrays {
  public static long sum(Integer... values) {
    long result = 0;
for (Integer value : values) {
      result += value;
    return result;
3
```

This function could then be used as follows:

```
SELECT SUM VALUES(10, 20) SUM, SUM VALUES(C1, C2, C3, C4)
```

Appendix A. Data type conversions from JDBC/SQL data types to Java data types

The following table shows how Cognos SQL data types are mapped to Java data types. Cognos SQL data types are the same as SQL data types and JDBC data types, except as noted in the table.

Table 8. Cognos SQL to Java data type mappings		
Cognos SQL data type	Java data type	
CHAR	String	
VARCHAR	String	
LONGVARCHAR	String	
NCHAR	String	
NVARCHAR	String	
LONGNVARCHAR	String	
BINARY	byte[]	
VARBINARY	byte[]	
LONGVARBINARY	byte[]	
BOOLEAN	boolean, Boolean	
SMALLINT	short, Short	
INTEGER	int, Integer	
BIGINT	long, Long	
DECIMAL	java.Math.BigDecimal	
NUMERIC	java.Math.BigDecimal	
FLOAT	float, Float	
REAL	float, Float	
DOUBLE PRECISION (Note 1)	double, Double	
DATE	java.sql.Date	
TIME	java.sql.Time	
TIMESTAMP	java.sql.Timestamp	
CLOB	java.sql.Clob	
BLOB	java.sql.Blob	
INTERVAL DAY-TIME (Note 2)	String	
INTERVAL YEAR-MONTH (Note 2)	String	
ARRAY	java.sql.Array	
STRUCT	java.sql.Struct	
JAVA_OBJECT	Object	
DATALINK	java.net.URL	

Table 8. Cognos SQL to Java data type mappings (continued)	
Cognos SQL data type Java data type	
XML (Note 3) String	
MULTISET java.sql.ResultSet	

Note 1

The JDBC data type is DOUBLE.

Note 2

There is no equivalent JDBC data type.

Note 3

The JDBC data type is SQLXML.

Appendix B. Implicit data type conversion rules

When resolving implicit type conversions, the dynamic query engine uses the following table to determine which conversions are allowed. If a data type is not shown in the first column of this table, no casting from it is possible.

Table 9. Implicit data type conversions		
Original data type	Converted data type	
SMALLINT	INTEGER, BIGINT, FLOAT, DOUBLE, DECIMAL	
INTEGER	BIGINT, FLOAT, DOUBLE, DECIMAL	
BIGINT	FLOAT, DOUBLE, DECIMAL	
FLOAT	DOUBLE, DECIMAL	
BOOLEAN	SMALLINT, INTEGER, BIGINT, FLOAT, DOUBLE, CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
CHAR	VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
VARCHAR	CHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
NCHAR	CHAR, VARCHAR, NVARCHAR	
NVARCHAR	CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR	
CLOB	CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
TIME	TIMESTAMP, CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
DATE	TIMESTAMP, CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
TIMESTAMP	CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
INTERVAL DAY-TIME	CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	
INTERVAL YEAR-MONTH	CHAR, VARCHAR, NCHAR, NVARCHAR	

Appendix C. BNF grammar description for the deployment descriptor file

The structure of the deployment descriptor file can be described using the Backus–Naur Form as shown here.

```
deploymentDescriptor ::= <SQLACTIONS> <EQL> <LBRACE> <DQUOTE> actionGroup <DOUBLE_QUOTE>
<RBRACE>
actionGroup ::= installActions | removeActions
installActions ::= <BEGIN> <INSTALL> ddl <END> <INSTALL>
removeActions ::= <BEGIN> <REMOVE> <END> <REMOVE>
ddl ::= SQLInvokedRoutine ( SQLInvokedRoutine )*
SQLInvokedRoutine ::=
  ( <CREATE> SQLInvokedFunction | <CREATE> SQLInvokedAggregate | <CREATE> SQLInvokedProcedure )
  <SEMICOLON>
SQLInvokedFunction ::=
  <FUNCTION> SchemaQualifiedRoutineName SQLParameterDeclarationList ReturnsClause
  ( ResultCast )? RoutineCharacteristics ( RoutineCharacteristics )* RoutineBody
SQLInvokedAggregate ::=
  <AGGREGATE> SchemaQualifiedRoutineName SQLParameterDeclarationList ReturnsClause
  ( ResultCast )? RoutineCharacteristics ( RoutineCharacteristics )* RoutineBody
SQLInvokedProcedure ::=
  <PROCEDURE> SchemaQualifiedRoutineName SQLParameterDeclarationList ( ReturnsClause )?
  RoutineCharacteristics ( RoutineCharacteristics )* RoutineBody
SchemaQualifiedRoutineName ::= QualifiedIdentifier ReturnsClause ::= <RETURNS> DataType
ResultCast ::= <CAST> <FROM> DataType
RoutineCharacteristics ::=
    LanguageClause
   ParameterStyleClause
   NullCallClause
    ReturnedResultSets
   DeterministicCharacteristic
  | SOLDataAccessIndication
LanguageClause ::= <LANGUAGE> ( <JAVA> | <SQL> | <IDENTIFIER> )
arameterStyleClause ::= <PARAMETER> <STYLE> ( <JAVA> | <SQL> | <GENERAL> )
NullCallClause ::= <RETURNS> <NULL> <ON> <NULL> <INPUT> | <CALLED> <ON> <NULL> <INPUT>
ReturnedResultSets ::= <DYNAMIC> <RESULT> <SETS> <INTEGER LITERAL>
DeterministicCharacteristic ::= <DETERMINISTIC> | <NOT> <DETERMINISTIC>
SQLDataAccessIndication ::=
  <NO> <SQL> | <CONTAINS> <SQL> | <READS> <SQL> <DATA> | <MODIFIES> <SQL> <DATA>
RoutineBody ::= ( SQLRoutineBody | ExternalBodyReference )
SQLRoutineBody ::= <RETURN> ( expression | CursorOrCallSpecification )
ExternalBodyReference ::= <EXTERNAL> <NAME> <STRING_LITERAL>
SQLParameterDeclarationList ::=
  <LPAREN> (
    [ SQLParameterDeclaration ( <COMMA> SQLParameterDeclaration )* ]
  )? <RPAREN>
SQLParameterDeclaration ::= ( ParameterMode )? Identifier DataType ( <AS> <LOCATOR> )?
( <RESULT> )?
ParameterMode ::= ( <IN> | <OUT> | <INOUT> )
```

```
Identifier ::= <IDENTIFIER>
DataType ::= ( ArrayType | MultisetType | SimpleType )
SimpleType ::= (
     CharacterStringType
    BinaryStringType
    NumericType
IntervalType
    DateTimeType
     BooleanType
    RowType
    StructType
BlobType
    ObjectType
    XmlType
    DataLinkType
    PeriodType
    NullType
   | AnyType
MultisetType ::= SimpleType <MULTISET>
RowType ::= (
     <ROW> <LPAREN> Field ( <COMMA> Field )* <RPAREN>
  | <TABLE> ( <LPAREN> Field ( <COMMA> Field )* <RPAREN> )?
StructType ::= <STRUCT> <LES> Field ( <COMMA> Field )* <GRT>
Field ::= Identifier DataType
CharacterStringType ::=
  ( <CHARACTER> | <CHAR> ) <VARYING> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
| ( <CHARACTER> | <CHAR> ) ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
| <VARCHAR> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
| ( <NCHAR> | ( <NATIONAL> ( <CHARACTER> | <CHAR> ) ) ) <VARYING>
   ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
   | ( <NCHAR> | ( <NATIONAL> ( <CHARACTER> | <CHAR> ) ) ) ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )? | <NVARCHAR> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )? | <STRING>
<VARBINARY> <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN>
NumericType ::=
   ( <DEC> | <DECIMAL> | <NUMERIC> )
        ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue ( <COMMA> IntegerValue )? <RPAREN> )?
    <SMALLINT>
     ( <INTEGER> | <INT> ) ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
     <BIGINT>
    ( <FLOAT> | <REAL> ) ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
    <DOUBLE> ( <PRECISION> )?
   | <NUMBER>
IntervalType ::=
     <INTERVAL> ( ( DatetimeField ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
     ( <TO> ( DatetimeField | <SECOND> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )? ) )?
     | <SECOND> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue ( <COMMA> IntegerValue )? <RPAREN> )? ) )?
DateTimeType ::=
   | <TIME> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )? <WITH> <TIME> <ZONE> 
| <TIME> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )? 
| <TIMESTAMP> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )? <WITH> <TIME> <ZONE> 
| <TIMESTAMP> ( <LPAREN> IntegerValue <RPAREN> )?
DatetimeField ::= <YEAR> | <MONTH> | <DAY> | <HOUR> | <MINUTE>
BooleanType ::= <BOOLEAN>
ArrayType ::= SimpleType <ARRAY_CONSTRUCTOR_START> IntegerValue ( <RBRACKET> |
<RBRACKET_TRIGRAPH> )
BlobType ::= <BLOB> | <CLOB>
ObjectType ::= <JAVA_OBJECT> XmlType ::= <XML>
DataLinkType ::= <DATALINK> PeriodType ::= <PERIOD> <LPAREN> DateTimeType <RPAREN>
```

NullType ::= <NULL> AnyType ::= <ANYTYPE>

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