

WANT TO AVOID HANA AMDP MISTAKES? READ THIS

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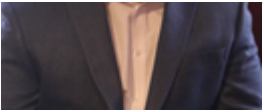


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As we discussed in a prior blog [The ABAP Developer Roadmap to SAP HANA](#), with the advent of SAP HANA, there has been a paradigm shift in the way business applications are developed. The rule-of-thumb is simple: Do as much as you can in the database to get the **best performance**. This was coined as “Code Pushdown” by SAP. So far we have looked at CDS Views as a way to achieve *Code-Pushdown* in the blog [Don't Try Coding ABAP Core Data Services Without Reading This First](#). In this blog, we will continue to examine *Code-Pushdown* Patterns, specifically **A**BAP **M**anaged **D**ata **P**rocedures (AMDP).

An ABAP Managed Data Procedure (AMDP) is a tool that can be utilized to create HANA database procedures that are designed and coded on the ABAP server. In the hierarchy of code-pushdown techniques, **AMDP ranks lowest on the scale of preference behind Open SQL and CDS Views**. While AMDPs are not the preferred approach when coding your code-to-data approach, the technology does offer some unique, albeit seldom used, approaches to interacting with the HANA database. AMDPs also have the added benefit of being transportable and are easy to adapt to for ABAP coders who need functionality Open SQL and CDS Views do not offer. (Note: AMDP code MUST be created and maintained in the Eclipse editor. Attempting to access this code from SAP GUI will not even allow the code to be switch to change mode after it implements the marker interface – more on this later)



We will go over some of the capabilities AMDPs have to offer, as well as how they can be combined with CDS to create powerful, yet easy to use tools.

INTRODUCTION TO ABAP MANAGED DATA PROCEDURES (AMDP)

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Let's look at the steps.

Step#1: First, they must ensure that the class implements the interface IF_AMDP_MARKER_HDB. Implementing this interface does not add any interface methods, but simply flags the code as an AMDP class.

Step#2: The Method that actually implements the AMDP procedure code must have some specialized method additions to identify itself as an AMDP. These additions also provide some information about the database and language the method should be implemented.

The Method Additions are described below:

- BY DATABASE PROCEDURE – Identifies this method as an AMDP
- FOR HDB – The HDB part identifies this is a procedure for HANA. This is the only option for AMDP available as of now.
- LANGUAGE **SQLSCRIPT** – This identifies the language that will be used within the method. SQLSCRIPT is the language that the HANA DB uses, and is the language that must be used with the AMDP method.

Below is a very basic example of an AMDP method. This method simply selects the 200 records from database table SNWD_SO, with no selection conditions. There are a few features to pay particular attention to, which have been highlighted and numbered.

CREATING YOUR FIRST AMDP



```

6 PUBLIC SECTION.
7   TYPES:
8     BEGIN OF TY_SNWD_SO,
9       SO_ID(10) TYPE C,
10    END OF TY_SNWD_SO,
11    TT_SNWD_SO TYPE TABLE OF SNWD_SO.
12
13   INTERFACES IF_AMDP_MARKER_HDB.
14
15   METHODS: FIRST_ABAP_METH
16     EXPORTING
17       VALUE(ET_TABLE) TYPE TT_SNWD_SO.
18
19
20
21 PROTECTED SECTION.
22 PRIVATE SECTION.
23 ENDClass.
24
25
26
  
```

Diagram annotations:

- Red box 1: `INTERFACES IF_AMDP_MARKER_HDB.`
- Red box 2: `TYPE TT_SNWD_SO.`
- Red box 3: `TYPES:`

1. The `INTERFACES IF_AMDP_MARKER_HDB` statement comes within the `PUBLIC SECTION`. This may or may not be obvious to you, even if you have worked with OOP on ABAP before. Since this interfaces insertion was usually handled by the Class Development Tool in SE24, this is something that should be noted.
2. When defining your exporting table types within your AMDP class, note that the `TYPE TABLE OF` statements are not allowed. You will therefore either have to use a DDIC table type or use a `TYPES` statement and declare your table type prior to your method declaration (as I did in 3). Also note that all `IMPORTING` and `EXPORTING` variables must be `PASS BY VALUE`! Considering that this code will be executed on the HANA DB, it makes sense you cannot pass by reference to another system.
3. In addition to not allowing `TYPE TABLE OF` statements in the method declaration, the AMDP classes are fairly finicky in general. You can assume that HANA has no access to DDIC types in general, so you should

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```

32 * +-----+
33 * | [--->] CONNECTION          TYPE      DBCON_NAME (default = 'R/3')
34 * | [<---] ET_TABLE            TYPE      TT_SNWD_SO
35 * +-----+
36 METHOD FIRST_ABAP_METH BY DATABASE PROCEDURE FOR HDB LANGUAGE SQLSCRIPT USING SNWD SO.
37 ET_TABLE = SELECT TOP 200 * FROM SNWD_SO;
38 ENDMETHOD.
39 ENDCLASS.

```

4. This is the boilerplate text I described in the beginning of the blog when defining an AMDP method. It seems that SAP would like to expand the functionality of AMDPs in the future to support other database types, but as of now this is the only text you will for these methods (other than for CDS Table Functions, which will be covered later). This statement describes the database and the language.
5. You can assume that any code within your AMDP method has NO KNOWLEDGE of any DDIC types. To specify the use of a table or view, you need to call out the tables that will be in used as part of the method header. USING <table_name> will allow you to SELECT, UPDATE, INSERT, or MODIFY <table_name> within your managed procedure call.
6. As stated above, the body of the method must be written in SQLScript. SQLScript does share some similarities with ABAP at a glance, but it is a different language. Note that statements in SQLScript are terminated with ";" and not "."

The above basic example would not be justification enough to use an AMDP, since this could obvious be easily accomplished using either Open SQL or CDS Views. So how do we know what is the best **Code-to-Data** or **Code-Pushdown** Technique?

Below is a cursory set of Guidelines. This is not meant to be a definitive guide, but rather a starting point.

CDS Views

Only ONE result set can be returned from a CDS View

AMDP

Independent SQL Statement those are not often used in other objects

MULTIPLE result sets are needed

Powerful features of native SQL such as currency conversion and CE functions can be leveraged.

Open SQL

If the SQL queries are for the specific object and won't be needed elsewhere (not reusable)

OK, The basic example would not be justification enough to use an AMDP. **BUT** a reason to use AMDP, however, is its ability to access Native SQL Script and internal **HANA functions**. I will replicate some code from the previous blog while correcting a cardinal coding sin: ignoring currency conversion. In the following code, I will attempt to address this issue, while also pointing out some of the other perks of using AMDPs.



```

9      NODE_KEY(16) TYPE X,
10      SO_ID(10) TYPE C,
11      BUYER_GUID(16) TYPE X,
12      GROSS_AMOUNT(15) TYPE P DECIMALS 2,
13      END OF TY_SO_SUMMARY,
14
15      TT_SO_SUMMARY TYPE TABLE OF TY_SO_SUMMARY.
16
17
18
19 Interfaces IF ANDP MARKER HDB.
20 CLASS-METHODS ret_conv_gross
21 IMPORTING
22     VALUE(IV_CURRENCY) TYPE SNWD_CURR_CODE DEFAULT 'USD'
23     VALUE(IV_DATE) TYPE D
24 EXPORTING
25     VALUE(ET_SUMMARY) TYPE TT_SO_SUMMARY.
26 protected section.
27 private section.
28 endclass.
29
30
31
32 class zjon_andp_currconv implementation.
33
34 METHOD ret_conv_gross by database procedure for hdb language sqlscript
35 using SNWD SO.
36 SELC_TEMP_SUMMARY = SELECT TOP 500 * FROM SNWD_SO;
37
38 TEMP_SUMMARY =
39 CE_CONVERSION(
40 :SELC_TEMP_SUMMARY,
41 [ family          = 'currency',
42   method          = 'ERP',
43   steps           = 'shift,convert,shift_back',
44   target_unit     = :IV_CURRENCY,
45   client          = '001',
46   source_unit_column = 'CURRENCY_CODE',
47   reference_date   = :IV_DATE,
48   output_unit_column = 'CURRENCY_CODE',
49   error_handling   = 'keep_unconverted' ],
50 [gross_amount AS gross_amount] );
51
52
53 ET_SUMMARY = SELECT NODE_KEY, SO_ID, BUYER_GUID, GROSS_AMOUNT FROM :TEMP_SUMMARY;

```

method into a function module call.

2. A nice feature of AMDP classes is that you can define variables on the fly. SELC_TEMP_SUMMARY will automatically take on the types and structure returned by the SELECT.
3. This conversion works for functions as well. The return value of CE_CONVERSION is variable depending on what value is passed, so TEMP_SUMMARY will take on the structure necessary to hold what is returned. Also, note that to reference an internal objects values, you must prefix the variable name with ":". In this scenario we use the values from :SELC_TEMP_SUMMARY as input to CE_CONVERSION, and stored the generated output in TEMP_SUMMARY.
4. Here we find another useful feature of SQLScript/AMDP. We can perform SELECTs on our generated "internal tables" as if they were database tables, and store the results. The select uses the TEMP_SUMMARY (with the required ":" in front) and pulls back only the fields required to populate our returning table ET_SUMMARY.

INTEGRATING AN AMDP INTO YOUR ABAP CODE

With our class built, we can now use a simple ABAP program to pull back pertinent information from SNWD_SO and display it. The sample program below will use the class method (using a static method call) to pull back the records from SNWD_SO with the gross amount converted into British Pounds ('GBP'). These records will be displayed alongside the unconverted gross_amount values, so we can compare the two.




```

8
9 DATA: LT_CONVERTED TYPE ZJON_AMDP_CURRCONV=>TT_SO_SUMMARY with header line,
10 lt_unconverted TYPE ZJON_AMDP_CURRCONV=>TT_SO_SUMMARY with header line.
11
12 ZJON_AMDP_CURRCONV=>ret_conv_gross( EXPORTING
13                                     IV_CURRENCY = 'GBP'
14                                     IV_DATE = sy-datum
15                                     IMPORTING
16                                     ET_SUMMARY = LT_CONVERTED[] ).
17
18
19
20 SELECT NODE_KEY, SO_ID, BUYER_GUID, GROSS_AMOUNT FROM SNWD_SO INTO TABLE @lt_unconverted[] UP TO 500 ROWS.
21
22 LOOP AT LT_CONVERTED.
23   READ TABLE lt_unconverted WITH KEY so_id = lt_convert-so_id.
24   write:/ lt_convert-so_id, lt_convert-node_key, lt_convert-buyer_guid,'Converted: ', lt_convert-gross_amount.
25   write: 'Unconverted: ', lt_unconverted-so_id, lt_unconverted-gross_amount.
26   ENLOOP.

```

1. As OOP refresher, recall that since we defined our TT_SO_SUMMARY type in the public section ZJON_AMDP_CURRCONV class, we can directly reference it from our program with the above syntax. This prevents type mismatches and also prevents you from having to create this TYPE again in your program.
2. As mentioned above, since we defined this method as a “CLASS-METHODS” type method, we can reference our method without creating an instance. This allows us to call this method in the manner resembling a normal function call.
3. Note that we are specifying that we want the currency of the GROSS_AMOUNT converted from its listed table currency (currently all in ‘USD’) into ‘GBP’. We can obviously reuse this method and pass in any target currency we desire.



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0500000363	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B5474F4F6B6BCD	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B0C1231FAB46BE	Unconverted:	1,136,02	Unconverted:	0500000363	1,704,04
0500000390	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B5474F4F8A4BCD	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B0C1231FAB46BE	Converted:	67,532,81	Unconverted:	0500000390	101,299,22
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0500000890	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B5474F4F78C8BCD	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B0C1231FAB46BE	Converted:	67,532,81	Unconverted:	0500000890	101,299,22
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0500001658	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B5474F65950BCD	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B0C1231FAB46BE	Converted:	274,33	Unconverted:	0500001658	411,50
0500001863	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B5474F65AEABCD	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B0C1231FAB46BE	Converted:	1,136,02	Unconverted:	0500001863	1,704,04
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0500003150	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B5474F659FDCBCD	1241E2F8A46F1ED5A7B0C1231FAB46BE	Converted:	67,532,81	Unconverted:	0500003150	101,299,22
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USING AN AMDP TO RETRIEVE MULTIPLE RESULTS SETS

Some other abilities that set AMDPs apart from Open SQL and CDS Views is their ability to retrieve multiple result sets and provide a reusable way to mass insert or update records.

The next example will illustrate these capabilities in one AMDP method. This scenario will assume we wish to convert all sales orders from SAP within the SNWD_SO table to 'EUR'. To do this, we want to convert the gross_amount, net_amount, and tax_amount to 'EUR', in addition to updating the record to the correct currency code. We will also return a before-conversion table and an after-conversion table.



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```
35
36
37
38
39 BEFORE_TAB = SELECT SO.* FROM SNWD_SO as SO
40 INNER JOIN SNWD_BPA AS BPA
41 ON SO.BUYER_GUID = BPA.NODE_KEY
42 WHERE COMPANY_NAME = :IV_COMPANY;
43
44 ET_BEFORE = SELECT * FROM :BEFORE_TAB;
45
46
47 TEMP_SUMMARY =
48 CE_CONVERSION(
49 :BEFORE_TAB,
50 [ family           = 'currency',
51   method           = 'ERP',
52   steps             = 'shift,convert,shift_back',
53   target_unit       = :IV_TOCURR,
54   client            = '001',
55   source_unit_column = "CURRENCY_CODE",
56   reference_date     = :IV_DATE,
57   output_unit_column = "CURRENCY_CODE",
58   error_handling     = 'keep_unconverted' ],
59   [gross_amount AS gross_amount] );
60
61 UPDATE SNWD_SO AS SO FROM :TEMP_SUMMARY AS TEMP
62 SET SO.GROSS_AMOUNT = TEMP.GROSS_AMOUNT,
63     SO.NET_AMOUNT = TEMP.NET_AMOUNT,
64     SO.TAX_AMOUNT = TEMP.TAX_AMOUNT,
65     SO.CURRENCY_CODE = TEMP.CURRENCY_CODE
66 WHERE SO.NODE_KEY = TEMP.NODE_KEY;
67
68
69 ET_AFTER = SELECT SO.* FROM SNWD_SO as SO
70 INNER JOIN SNWD_BPA AS BPA
71 ON SO.BUYER_GUID = BPA.NODE_KEY
72 WHERE COMPANY_NAME = :IV_COMPANY;
73
74
```

or a CDS view.

3. After modifying the records pulled back from the SNWD_SO table, we are able to modify SNWD_SO database records based on a matching NODE_KEY.
4. We now create our second return table, which is derived by performing another select on the now updated SNWD_SO table. This is a capability unique to AMDPs, and proves useful in this scenario and other scenarios where multiple sets of data would need to be retrieved in unison.

Let's use this in an ABAP Report. The report source created to utilize this class is straightforward and closely resembles the original AMDP currency conversion program. I have highlighted the fact that this program is able to pull back to different sets of data from one statement. We could run this program for different companies, or different currencies without modifying the class.



```
8
9
10 DATA: LT_before TYPE zjon_modify_currency_class=>TT_SO_SUMMARY with header line,
11         lt_after TYPE zjon_modify_currency_class=>TT_SO_SUMMARY with header line,
12         lv_lines TYPE i,
13         lv_company_hold(20) TYPE C.
14
15 zjon_modify_currency_class=>update_currency( EXPORTING
16                                               IV_COMPANY = 'SAP'
17                                               IV_TOCURR = 'EUR'
18                                               IV_DATE = sy-datum
19                                               IMPORTING
20                                               ET_BEFORE = LT_BEFORE[]
21                                               ET_AFTER  = LT_AFTER[] ).
22
23
24
25 SELECT SINGLE COMPANY_NAME from SNWD_BPA into @DATA(company).
26
27 Write: company to lv_company_hold.
28 DESCRIBE TABLE LT_BEFORE[] LINES lv_lines.
29
30 write:/ 'Sales orders updated: ', lv_lines.
31 LOOP AT LT_BEFORE.
32 READ TABLE lt_AFTER WITH KEY so_id = lt_before-so_id.
33 write:/ lv_company_hold, lt_before-so_id, 'Before: ', lt_before-gross_amount, lt_before-currency_code.
34 write: 'After: ', lt_after-so_id, lt_after-gross_amount, lt_after-currency_code.
35 ENLOOP.
```

The resulting output displays both the before and after for all 'SAP' sales orders in the SNWD_SO table



SAP	500023254	Before:	71.399,99	USD	After:	500023254	75.957,43	EUR
SAP	500028795	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500028795	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500052144	Before:	71.399,99	USD	After:	500052144	75.957,43	EUR
SAP	500017474	Before:	71.399,99	USD	After:	500017474	75.957,43	EUR
SAP	500065180	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500065180	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500098850	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500098850	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500015200	Before:	3.157,05	USD	After:	500015200	3.358,56	EUR
SAP	500080020	Before:	3.157,05	USD	After:	500080020	3.358,56	EUR
SAP	500040844	Before:	71.399,99	USD	After:	500040844	75.957,43	EUR
SAP	500038320	Before:	3.157,05	USD	After:	500038320	3.358,56	EUR
SAP	500090309	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500090309	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500098645	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500098645	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500052629	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500052629	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500046125	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500046125	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500095830	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500095830	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500004414	Before:	71.399,99	USD	After:	500004414	75.957,43	EUR
SAP	500013920	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500013920	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500041580	Before:	3.157,05	USD	After:	500041580	3.358,56	EUR
SAP	500022765	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500022765	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500048359	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500048359	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500055914	Before:	71.399,99	USD	After:	500055914	75.957,43	EUR
SAP	500005400	Before:	3.157,05	USD	After:	500005400	3.358,56	EUR
SAP	500087060	Before:	3.157,05	USD	After:	500087060	3.358,56	EUR
SAP	500019745	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500019745	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500087540	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500087540	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500032529	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500032529	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500080009	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500080009	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500026535	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500026535	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500042320	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500042320	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500002879	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500002879	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500035075	Before:	75.355,15	USD	After:	500035075	80.165,05	EUR
SAP	500023729	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500023729	2.817,16	EUR
SAP	500075480	Before:	17.244,67	USD	After:	500075480	18.345,39	EUR
SAP	500000009	Before:	2.648,13	USD	After:	500000009	2.817,16	EUR
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The examples above show that AMDPs have a lot to offer in terms of really taking advantage of HANAs features. As far simplicity goes however, AMDPs simply do not offer the ease of use offered by CDS or Open SQL. Thankfully, SAP introduced another technology called CDS table functions, which provide a familiar and

CDS table functions are essentially wrappers for AMDPs that make them more user-friendly for developers. By using a CDS table function, users are able to access AMDPs with CDS View-like SQL syntax, and may not even realize that an AMDP is being used behind the scenes. The next example will illustrate how CDS table functions and AMDPs interact, in addition to demonstrating how to call a CDS table function.

Lets, build the CDS Table Function (see below)

```

*[A4H] ZJON...  [A4H] ZCL_D...  [A4H] ZJON_...  [A4H] SNWD_SO  D
1 @ClientDependent: true
2 @EndUserText.label: 'Testing CDS table view function'
3 define table function Zjon Cds Table Func
4 with parameters currency : abap.cuky( 5 ),
5                 conv_date : abap.dats
6 returns {
7 client      : MANDT;
8 node_key    : SNWD_NODE_KEY;
9 so_id       : SNWD_SO_ID;
10 buyer_guid : SNWD_NODE_KEY;
11 GROSS_AMOUNT: SNWD_TTL_GROSS_AMOUNT;
12
13 }
14 implemented by method ZJON_CDS_FUNC_CLASS=>FIRST_ABAP_METH;
  
```

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1. CDS Parameters are passed implicitly to the AMDPs methods parameters that implements the CDS table function. Therefore, if you want the table function to have importing parameters, this is the place to do it.
2. The CDS table function is strictly bound to a specific method of a specific class. You can name that method


```

7 PUBLIC SECTION.
8 TYPES:
9 BEGIN OF TY_SNWD_SO,
10 SO_ID(10) TYPE C,
11 END OF TY_SNWD_SO,
12 TT_SNWD_SO TYPE TABLE OF SNWD_SO.
13
14
15 INTERFACES IF_AMDP_MARKER_HDB.
16
17 CLASS-METHODS FIRST_ABAP_METH
18 FOR TABLE FUNCTION ZJON_CDS_TABLE_FUNC. 1
19
20
21 PROTECTED SECTION.
22 PRIVATE SECTION.
23 ENDCLASS.
24
25
26
27 @class zjon_cds_func_class implementation.
28
29
30
31 METHOD FIRST_ABAP_METH BY DATABASE FUNCTION FOR HDB LANGUAGE SQLSCRIPT OPTIONS read-only USING SNWD_SO. 2
32 SELC_TEMP_SUMMARY = SELECT TOP 500 * FROM SNWD_SO;
33
34
35
36 TEMP_SUMMARY =
37 CE_CONVERSION(
38 :SELC_TEMP_SUMMARY,
39 [ family          = 'currency',
40   method          = 'ERP',
41   steps           = 'shift_convert,shift_back',
42   target_unit     = :CURRENCY, 3
43   client          = '001',
44   source_unit_column = "CURRENCY_CODE",
45   reference_date   = :CONV_DATE,
46   output_unit_column = "CURRENCY_CODE",
47   error_handling   = 'keep_unconverted' ],
48 [gross_amount AS gross_amount] );
49
50
51 RETURN SELECT CLIENT, NODE_KEY, SO_ID, BUYER_GUID, GROSS_AMOUNT FROM :TEMP_SUMMARY;
52 ENDMETHOD.
53 ENDCLASS. 4

```

1. Note that the implementing method of the implementing class for the CDS table function MUST be a CLASS METHOD. In addition, the method declaration must include the syntax FOR TABLE FUNCTION

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as we have used up until this point, the syntax for this method is DATABASE FUNCTION. Leaving this change off will prevent your code from compiling.

3. Even though the parameters CURRENCY and CONV_DATE are defined nowhere in the CLASS or METHOD, the method already knows and can use the parameters that were defined in the CDS table function.
4. Lastly, a method that implements a CDS table function MUST return exactly one table as returning value. While all AMDPs can have a returning parameter (as of ABAP 7.50), it is required for this table function.

To call a CDS Table Function, simply perform a SELECT as you would for any ABAP CDS entity. Note that the code is using the AMDP, yet does not need to mention the class or method anywhere.

```
2 *& Report zjon_test_cds_func
3 *&-----
4 *&
5 *&-----
6 report zjon_test_cds_func.
7
8 SELECT * FROM ZJON_CDS_TABLE_FUNC( CURRENCY = 'GBP',
9   CONV_DATE = @sy-datum ) INTO TABLE @DATA(lt_result).
10
11 DATA lwa_result like line of lt_result.
12
13 loop at lt_result into lwa_result.
14   write:/ lwa_result-so_id.
15   write: lwa_result-gross_amount.
16 endloop.
```



Program to test CDS Table Function

500000113	1.136,02
500000140	67.532,81
500000158	274,33
500000363	1.136,02
500000390	67.532,81
500000408	274,33
500000613	1.136,02
500000640	67.532,81
500000658	274,33
500000863	1.136,02
500000890	67.532,81
500000898	2.999,91
500000908	274,33
500001113	1.136,02
500001140	67.532,81
500001158	274,33
500001363	1.136,02
500001408	274,33
500001613	1.136,02
500001640	67.532,81
500001658	274,33
500001863	1.136,02
500001890	67.532,81
500001908	274,33
500002123	1.136,02
500002150	67.532,81
500002168	274,33
500002373	1.136,02
500002400	67.532,81
500002418	274,33



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AMDPs provide powerful abstractions that enable ABAP developers to combine the benefits of the high-speed in-memory execution of SAP HANA with the well-established ABAP runtime and lifecycle model. Along with CDS Views, CDS Table Functions, and OPEN SQL, allow ABAP developers to renovate their existing assets and create new and innovative applications for SAP Business Suite on SAP HANA without losing the platform-independence of ABAP.



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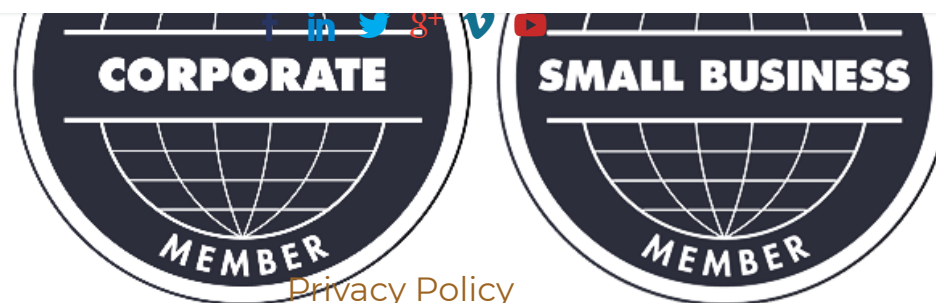
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