Generating Self-Defined Functions for ALV in Web Dynpro for ABAP

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SAP NetWeaver 2004s – Web Dynpro for ABAP.

Summary
This tutorial explains how to generate custom defined functions in ALV. It also explains how to associate UI elements with the defined functions and thereby embedding UI elements in ALV. This tutorial assumes that you have completed WDA Tutorial – Programming the ALV configuration Model.

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Step 1 – Create a New Web Dynpro Component with ALV Configuration model

First a web Dynpro component with ALV usage has to be created using the ALV configuration model. A view with component usage definition has to be created.

Create a New Web Dynpro Component

Start ABAP Workbench (SE80) and create the new Web Dynpro component ZWDT_FLIGHTLIST_FUNCTIONS. Assign a window name.

Create Context element in Component Controller for storing the Search Criteria

Create context node FUNCTION_ATTRIBUTES based on the dictionary structure SFLIGHT. Click on the button *Add Attribute from Structure* and choose fields CARRID and CONNID.

Create a Context element in Component Controller for storing the Flight list

Create context node NODE_SFLIGHT based on the dictionary structure SFLIGHT. Set Cardinality to 0..N. Click on button *Add Attribute from Structure* and choose fields CARRID, CONNID, FLDATE, PRICE, CURRENCY, PLANETYPE, SEATSMAX, SEATSOCC and PAYMENTSUM.

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Clear the DICTIONARY STRUCTURE attribute of NODE_SFLIGHT to avoid display of all fields that are available in dictionary, in ALV.

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**Create method for filling the Flight list**

Create method FILL_SFLIGHTS in the component controller to fill the node NODE_SFLIGHT using the attributes CONNID, CARRID from the node FUNCTION_ATTRIBUTES.

```java
method FILL_SFLIGHTS .
data:
  node_function_attributes type ref to if_wd_context_node,
  elem_function_attributes type ref to if_wd_context_element,
  stru_function_attributes type if_componentcontroller=>element_Function_Attributes,
  item_carrid like stru_function_attributes-caRRID,
  item_connid like stru_function_attributes-connID,
  ls_where(72) TYPE c,
  lt_where LIKE TABLE OF ls_where,
  lt_flights TYPE TABLE OF sflight.

data:
  node_node_sflight type ref to if_wd_context_node,
  elem_node_sflight type ref to if_wd_context_element,
  stru_node_sflight type if_componentcontroller=>element_Node_Sflight .

  * navigate from <CONTEXT> to <NODE_SFLIGHT> via lead selection
    node_node_sflight = wd_context->get_child_node( name = 'NODE_SFLIGHT' ).

  * navigate from <CONTEXT> to <FUNCTION_ATTRIBUTES> via lead selection
    node_function_attributes = wd_context->get_child_node( name = 'FUNCTION_ATTRIBUTES' ).

  * get element via lead selection
    elem_function_attributes = node_function_attributes->get_element( ).
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**Define Component Usage**

If you want to see the data within a Web Dynpro ALV, you have to define the Web Dynpro component for ALV, SALV_WD_TABLE as a usage component of your Web Dynpro component.

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Creating View for Displaying ALV Table
Create View FLIGHTVIEW. In the layout of the view FLIGHTVIEW, create a ViewContainerUIElement called CONTAINER.

Define component usage SALV_WD_TABLE in FlightView
To display ALV inside the view RESULTVIEW, it is necessary to define the component usage of SALV_WD_TABLE in the view. Go to the properties of view RESULTVIEW and press button Create Controller Usage and choose the following entry from the list on the popup:

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Embed the view, FLIGHTVIEW in the window. Embed ALV table in the View container, CONTAINER.

Set data to ALV for Display
The selected flights will be inside the context node NODE_SFLIGHT. To display them in the ALV, map the context node NODE_SFLIGHT to the context node DATA of the ALV interface controller. Go to Web Dynpro component’s node Component Usages -> ALV -> INTERFACECONTROLLER_USAGE.

Click on the Controller Usage button. The component controller of your Web Dynpro component appears on the right side of the screen. Map the context node NODE_SFLIGHT of your Web Dynpro component to the context node DATA of the interface controller of the ALV component.
**Set Functional Elements to ALV for linking functions**

Self-defined functions like input field, that you can insert into the toolbar cause data to change when the user triggers them. For accessing the functions’ data and to change them, you should map these functions to a context element of your application.

Map the context node FUNCTION_ATTRIBUTES of your Web Dynpro component to the context node FUNCTION_ELEMENTS of the interface controller of the ALV component.

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**Step - 2 Generating Self-Defined Functions for ALV**

For self-defined functions, you generate a function object with each function. Any of the possible UI Elements is specified for each function. You can generate as many function objects as you want and arrange them in the toolbar. For generating self defined functions, use WDOINIT method of the view, FLIGHTVIEW.

**Instantiate ALV component and get configuration model**

Instantiate the ALV component. You can use code wizard for the purpose.

```plaintext
data: l_ref_cmp_usage type ref to if_wd_component_usage.

l_ref_cmp_usage =   wd_this->wd_cpuse_alv( ).
if l_ref_cmp_usage->has_active_component( ) is initial.
   l_ref_cmp_usage->create_component( ).
endif.
```
Call the interface controller’s method GET_MODEL.

```abap
data: l_ref_interfacecontroller type ref to iwci_salv_wd_table.
    l_ref_interfacecontroller = wd_this->wd_cpifc_alv( ).
    data:
        l_value type ref to cl_salv_wd_config_table.
        l_value = l_ref_interfacecontroller->get_model.
```

Set the ALV header

Configure the ALV’s header by using GET_HEADER method of the interface class If_salv_wd_table_settings.

```abap
*set header for the table
    data: lr_table_settings type ref to if_salv_wd_table_settings.
    data: lr_header type ref to CL_SALV_WD_HEADER.
    lr_table_settings ?= l_value.
    lr_header = lr_table_settings->get_header( ).
    lr_header->set_text('FLIGHT LIST SEARCH').
```

Generate Toolbar elements

Generate toolbar elements for inserting into ALV toolbar. Define the toolbar elements of the appropriate UI element type. Create Input field elements for getting CARRID and CONNID, using CREATE OBJECT. Bind the input field values with the context attributes by specifying context attributes’ name in the EXPORT parameter, VALUE_ELEMENTNAME. Create toolbar elements for button and separators (To provide visual separation between UI elements).

Note: The context attributes specified in the VALUE_ELEMENTNAME parameter are mapped to FUNCTION_ELEMENTS of the interface controller of the ALV component from the component controller.

```abap
DATA lr_buttonui type REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FE_BUTTON.
DATA lr_inputui1 type REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FE_INPUT_FIELD.
DATA lr_inputui2 type REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FE_INPUT_FIELD.
DATA lr_separator1 type REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FE_SEPARATOR.
DATA lr_separator2 type REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FE_SEPARATOR.
CREATE OBJECT lr_inputui1 EXPORTING VALUE_ELEMENTNAME = 'CARRID'.
CREATE OBJECT lr_inputui2 EXPORTING VALUE_ELEMENTNAME = 'CONNID'.
CREATE OBJECT lr_buttonui.
CREATE OBJECT lr_separator1.
CREATE OBJECT lr_separator2.
```

Specify properties for the Toolbar elements

Set text for the button toolbar element. Set labels for the input field elements.
lr_buttonui->SET_TEXT( 'Search Flights' ).
lr_inputui1->SET_LABEL_TEXT( 'AIRLINE:' ).
lr_inputui2->SET_LABEL_TEXT( 'FLIGHT NO:' ).

Generating Objects for Self-Defined Functions and assigning Toolbar elements for the objects

Generate a function object of class CL_SALV_WD_FUNCTION for each function you create. When you generate a self-defined function, specify a unique ID, for addressing the function.

Function objects are created using CREATE_FUNCTION method of the interface class IF_SALV_WD_FUNCTION_SETTINGS. Specify the toolbar element for the functions by using the method SET_EDITOR.

DATA input1 TYPE REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FUNCTION.
input1 = l_VALUE->IF_SALV_WD_FUNCTION_SETTINGS~create_function( id = 'LINPUT1' ).
input1->SET_EDITOR( lr_inputui1 ).

DATA seperator1 TYPE REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FUNCTION.
seperator1 = l_VALUE->IF_SALV_WD_FUNCTION_SETTINGS~create_function( id = 'LS' ).
seperator1->SET_EDITOR( lr_seperator1 ).

DATA input2 TYPE REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FUNCTION.
input2 = l_VALUE->IF_SALV_WD_FUNCTION_SETTINGS~create_function( id = 'LINPUT2' ).
input2->SET_EDITOR( lr_inputui2 ).

DATA seperator2 TYPE REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FUNCTION.
seperator2 = l_VALUE->IF_SALV_WD_FUNCTION_SETTINGS~create_function( id = 'LS2' ).
seperator2->SET_EDITOR( lr_seperator2 ).

DATA button1 TYPE REF TO CL_SALV_WD_FUNCTION.
button1 = l_VALUE->IF_SALV_WD_FUNCTION_SETTINGS~create_function( id = 'LBUTTON' ).
button1->SET_EDITOR( lr_buttonui ).

Capturing Events triggered by Toolbar elements

Create a event handler method ON_SEARCH in the view, RESULTVIEW. Specify event, ON_FUNCTION of the interface controller of ALV for the event handler method. The importing parameter r_param of the method contains unique ID of the function for which the toolbar element is assigned.

method ON_SEARCH .

    DATA: temp TYPE string.
    temp = r_param->id.
    IF temp = 'LBUTTON'.
        wd_comp_controller->fill_sflights( ).
    ENDIF.

endmethod.
Create an application and save the component. Activate and test the component. The search criteria and the display for the Flight application will be present inside the ALV itself.

Related Content
Please include at least three references to SDN documents or web pages.

- WDA Tutorial - Simple Example for Using ALV
- WDA Tutorial – Programming the ALV configuration Model
- WDA Official Documentation
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