

Variant Maintenance for Selection Screen in Web Dynpro ABAP



Applies to:

SAP system with Web Dynpro functionality. For more information, visit the [User Interface Technology homepage](#).

Summary

As we are aware that there is no standard functionality in Web Dynpro for maintaining selection screen variants as it is in ABAP. Here in this article, I have implemented custom logic to maintain selection screen variants for following simple application. This logic can be applied to all Web Dynpro applications that use selection screen.

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Step 1: Creating Web Dynpro Component

Start by creating a simple web dynpro application. Create an application say ZWD_VARIANT_TEST in this case and include standard component WDR_SELECT_OPTIONS for select options for searching flights. Also create a node 'NODE_DISPLAY' for holding result set.

Web Dynpro Explorer: Change Component

Web Dynpro Component: ZWD_VARIANT_TEST Inactive/revise

Description: Variant test

Assistance Class:

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Used Components

Component Use	Component	Description of C
FLIGHT_SELECTION	WDR_SELECT_OPTIONS	Select Options

View: MAIN

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Controller Usage

Context MAIN

- CONTEXT
 - NODE_DISPLAY
 - CARRID
 - CARRNAME
 - CONNID
 - COUNTRYFR
 - CITYFROM
 - AIRPFROM
 - COUNTRYTO
 - CITYTO
 - AIRPTO
 - FLDATE
 - VARIANT_NAME

Step 2: Creating Layout

Create a view as 'MAIN' and create layout in it as displayed below:

The screenshot displays the SAP Web Dynpro ABAP development environment. The main window shows a view named 'MAIN' with the following layout elements:

- ViewContainerUIElement: SELECTION_SCREEN**: Contains a text field 'MAIN.VARIANT_NAME', 'Save' and 'Load' buttons, and a 'Search' button.
- Table (OUTPUT_TABLE)**: A table with columns 'Airline', 'Airline', and 'Flight'. The table contains five rows of data, each with the same placeholder text: 'MAIN.NODE_DISPLAY.CARRID', 'MAIN.NODE_DISPLAY.CARRNAME', and 'MAIN.I'.

The right-hand pane shows the 'Properties' view for the selected element, listing the following UI elements:

- CONTEXT_MENUS
- ROOTUIELEMENTCONTAINER
- SELECTION_SCREEN
- CONTAINER1
- IN_VARI
- BTN_SAVE
- BTN_LOAD
- BTN_SEARCH
- OUTPUT_TABLE
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_CARRID
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_CARRNAME
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_CONNID
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_COUNTRYFR
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_CITYFROM
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_AIRPFROM
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_COUNTRYTO
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_CITYTO
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_AIRPTO
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_FLDATE
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_FLDATE_EDITOR
 - OUTPUT_TABLE_FLDATE_HEADER [Header]
 - CAPTION [Header]

Let me explain you the layout details.

SELECTION_SCREEN is the 'ViewContainerUIElement' which will be holding our selection screen view.

IN_VARI is the input field for accepting name of variant. This field is bind to local attribute 'VARIANT_NAME' for this view.

BTN_SAVE is button we will be using for saving variant.

BTN_LOAD is button we will be using for loading saved variant.

Here I have created two actions for these buttons namely ACT_SAVE and ACT_LOAD.

BTN_SEARCH is button for displaying results in output table based on selections.

OUTPUT_TABLE is a table for displaying output results.

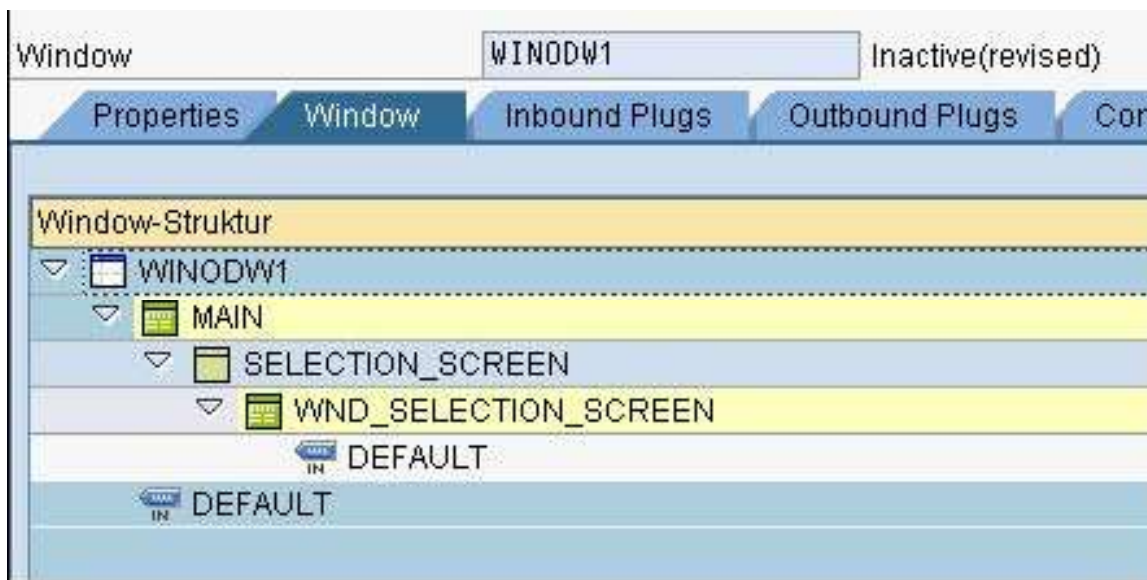
Step 3: Configuring Selection Screen

As usual, create controller usage for selection screen component in properties tab of view MAIN. Then add following attributes to the attribute tab of view MAIN.

M_HANDLER Type ref to IF_WD_SELECT_OPTIONS

M_WD_SEARCH Type ref to IWCI_WDR_SELECT_OPTIONS

Embed view MAIN to window WINDOW1 and again embed standard view of selection screen to ViewContainerJUIElement SELECTION_SCREEN of MAIN view.



Step 4: Creating Selection Screen

Now, we will be building selection screen for our component. Let us consider only two fields for selection screen.

1. CARRID – Airline Code
2. CONNID – Flight Connection Number

Now paste the below code in WDOINIT method of view MAIN.

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METHOD wddoinit .

    DATA lt_range_table      TYPE REF TO data.

    DATA lr_componentcontroller TYPE REF TO ig_componentcontroller.
    DATA l_cmp_usage TYPE REF TO if_wd_component_usage.

    * create the used component
    l_cmp_usage = wd_this->wd_cpuse_flight_selection( ).
    IF l_cmp_usage->has_active_component( ) IS INITIAL.
        l_cmp_usage->create_component( ).
    ENDIF.

    * get a pointer to the interface controller of the select options
    *component

```

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wd_this->m_wd_search =
    wd_this->wd_cpifc_flight_selection( ).

* init the select screen
wd_this->m_handler =
    wd_this->m_wd_search->init_selection_screen( ).

* create a range table for CARRID
lt_range_table =
    wd_this->m_handler->create_range_table(
        i_typename = 'S_CARR_ID' ).

* add a new field to the selection
wd_this->m_handler->add_selection_field(
    i_id = 'S_CARR_ID'
    it_result = lt_range_table ).

* create a range table for CONNID
lt_range_table =
    wd_this->m_handler->create_range_table(
        i_typename = 'S_CONN_ID' ).

* add a new field to the selection
wd_this->m_handler->add_selection_field(
    i_id = 'S_CONN_ID'
    it_result = lt_range_table ).

ENDMETHOD.

```

Step 5: Creating Custom Table

Let us create a custom table ZWDVARI for storing variants.

Field	Key	Initi	Data element	Data Ty	Length	Decim	Short Description
MANDT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MANDT	CLNT	3	0	Client
RELID	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RELID	CHAR	2	0	Relation ID
PROG_NAME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	VARI_REPRT	CHAR	40	0	ABAP: Program Name in Variant Key
VARI_NAME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	VARIANT	CHAR	14	0	ABAP: Name of variant (without program name)
UNAME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CDUSERNAME	CHAR	12	0	User name of the person responsible in change document
SRTF2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INDX_SRTF2	INT4	10	0	Next record counter in EXPORT/IMPORT data tables
CLUSTR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SYBIN2	INT2	5	0	BIN2 data element for SYST
CLUSTD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	VARILRAW	LRAW	2886	0	Contents of variant

Step 6: Saving Variant

For storing the variant, first we need to read all the selection fields and then store all the details in table ZWDVARI.

Paste the following code in action handler method for action ACT_SAVE.

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-----
METHOD onactionact_save .

    TYPES: BEGIN OF ty_key,
            prog_name      TYPE zwdvari-prog_name,
            vari_name      TYPE zwdvari-vari_name,
            uname          TYPE zwdvari-uname,
            END OF ty_key.

    DATA : lt_valueset      TYPE REF TO data,
            lt_selections   TYPE TABLE OF bapiselect,
            lwa_selections  TYPE bapiselect,
            lwa_key         TYPE ty_key.

    FIELD-SYMBOLS : <fs_tab> TYPE table,
                   <fs_wa>  TYPE ANY.

    * Get range table of S_CARR_ID
    lt_valueset = wd_this->m_handler->get_range_table_of_sel_field( 'S_CARR_ID' ).
    ASSIGN lt_valueset->* TO <fs_tab>.

    LOOP AT <fs_tab> ASSIGNING <fs_wa>.
        MOVE-CORRESPONDING <fs_wa> TO lwa_selections.
        MOVE 'S_CARR_ID' TO lwa_selections-infoobject.
        APPEND lwa_selections TO lt_selections.
        CLEAR lwa_selections.
    ENDLOOP.

    * Get range table of S_CONN_ID
    lt_valueset = wd_this->m_handler->get_range_table_of_sel_field( 'S_CONN_ID' ).
    ASSIGN lt_valueset->* TO <fs_tab>.

    LOOP AT <fs_tab> ASSIGNING <fs_wa>.
        MOVE-CORRESPONDING <fs_wa> TO lwa_selections.
        MOVE 'S_CONN_ID' TO lwa_selections-infoobject.
        APPEND lwa_selections TO lt_selections.
        CLEAR lwa_selections.
    ENDLOOP.

    * Get the Variant name
    DATA lo_el_context TYPE REF TO if_wd_context_element.
    DATA lv_variant_name TYPE wd_this->element_context-variant_name.

    * get element via lead selection
    lo_el_context = wd_context->get_element( ).

    * get single attribute
    lo_el_context->get_attribute(

```

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EXPORTING
  name = `VARIANT_NAME`
IMPORTING
  value = lv_variant_name ).

CHECK lv_variant_name IS NOT INITIAL.

* Save variant to Database
lwa_key-prog_name = 'ZWD_VARIANT_TEST'.
lwa_key-vari_name = lv_variant_name.
lwa_key-uname    = sy-uname.

EXPORT datatable = lt_selections
  TO DATABASE zwdvari(wd)
  ID lwa_key.

ENDMETHOD.
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```

Step 7: Loading Variant

For loading variant, we need to import the table from database and then fill up the selection screen separately for every select-option.

Paste the following code in action handler method of action ACT_LOAD.

```

-----
METHOD onactionact_load .

  TYPES: BEGIN OF ty_key,
          prog_name   TYPE zwdvari-prog_name,
          vari_name   TYPE zwdvari-vari_name,
          uname       TYPE zwdvari-uname,
        END OF ty_key.

  DATA : lt_valueset   TYPE REF TO data,
          lt_selections TYPE TABLE OF bapiselect,
          lwa_selections TYPE bapiselect,
          lwa_key       TYPE ty_key,
          lwa_tab       TYPE REF TO data.

  FIELD-SYMBOLS : <fs_tab> TYPE table,
                  <fs_wa>  TYPE ANY.

* Read Variant that has to be loaded
DATA lo_el_context TYPE REF TO if_wd_context_element.
DATA lv_variant_name TYPE wd_this->element_context-variant_name.

* get element via lead selection
lo_el_context = wd_context->get_element( ).

* get single attribute
lo_el_context->get_attribute(

```



```

EXPORTING
  name = `VARIANT_NAME`
IMPORTING
  value = lv_variant_name ).

lwa_key-prog_name = 'ZWD_VARIANT_TEST'.
lwa_key-vari_name = lv_variant_name.
lwa_key-uname    = sy-uname.

IMPORT datatable = lt_selections
  FROM DATABASE zwdvari(wd)
  ID lwa_key.

** Set values for S_CARR_ID
* Create range table
lt_valueset = wd_this->m_handler->create_range_table( 'S_CARR_ID' ).

ASSIGN lt_valueset->* TO <fs_tab>.
CREATE DATA lwa_tab LIKE LINE OF <fs_tab>.
ASSIGN lwa_tab->* TO <fs_wa>.

* Extract values for S_CARR_ID
LOOP AT lt_selections INTO lwa_selections
  WHERE infoobject EQ 'S_CARR_ID'.
  MOVE-CORRESPONDING lwa_selections TO <fs_wa>.
  APPEND <fs_wa> TO <fs_tab>.
ENDLOOP.

* Set extracted values to select-option
CALL METHOD wd_this->m_handler->set_range_table_of_sel_field
  EXPORTING
    i_id          = 'S_CARR_ID'
    it_range_table = lt_valueset.

** Set values for S_CONN_ID
* Create range table
lt_valueset = wd_this->m_handler->create_range_table( 'S_CONN_ID' ).

ASSIGN lt_valueset->* TO <fs_tab>.
CREATE DATA lwa_tab LIKE LINE OF <fs_tab>.
ASSIGN lwa_tab->* TO <fs_wa>.

* Extract values for S_CONN_ID
LOOP AT lt_selections INTO lwa_selections
  WHERE infoobject EQ 'S_CONN_ID'.
  MOVE-CORRESPONDING lwa_selections TO <fs_wa>.
  APPEND <fs_wa> TO <fs_tab>.
ENDLOOP.

* Set extracted values to select-option
CALL METHOD wd_this->m_handler->set_range_table_of_sel_field
  EXPORTING
    i_id          = 'S_CONN_ID'

```

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it_range_table = lt_valueset.
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ENDMETHOD.
```

Step 8: Fetch Data

After entering values on selection screen, press the Search button. Paste the code given below in action handler method of action SEARCH. Here we are reading the select-options and querying database table depending on them.

```
-----
METHOD onactionact_search .
```

```
DATA : lt_valueset      TYPE REF TO data.
```

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FIELD-SYMBOLS : <fs_tab1> TYPE table,
                <fs_tab2> TYPE table.
```

```
DATA lo_nd_node_display TYPE REF TO if_wd_context_node.
```

```
DATA lt_node_display TYPE TABLE OF wd_this->element_node_display.
```

* Get range table of S_CARR_ID

```
lt_valueset = wd_this->m_handler->get_range_table_of_sel_field( 'S_CARR_ID' ).
ASSIGN lt_valueset->* TO <fs_tab1>.
```

* Get range table of S_CONN_ID

```
lt_valueset = wd_this->m_handler->get_range_table_of_sel_field( 'S_CONN_ID' ).
ASSIGN lt_valueset->* TO <fs_tab2>.
```

* Select data from database

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SELECT * FROM sflights
      INTO CORRESPONDING FIELDS OF TABLE lt_node_display
      UP TO 500 ROWS
      WHERE carrid IN <fs_tab1>
         AND connid IN <fs_tab2>.
```

* navigate from <CONTEXT> to <NODE_DISPLAY> via lead selection

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lo_nd_node_display = wd_context->get_child_node( name = wd_this->wdctx_node_display
).
```

* Bind table to node

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lo_nd_node_display->bind_table( lt_node_display ).
```

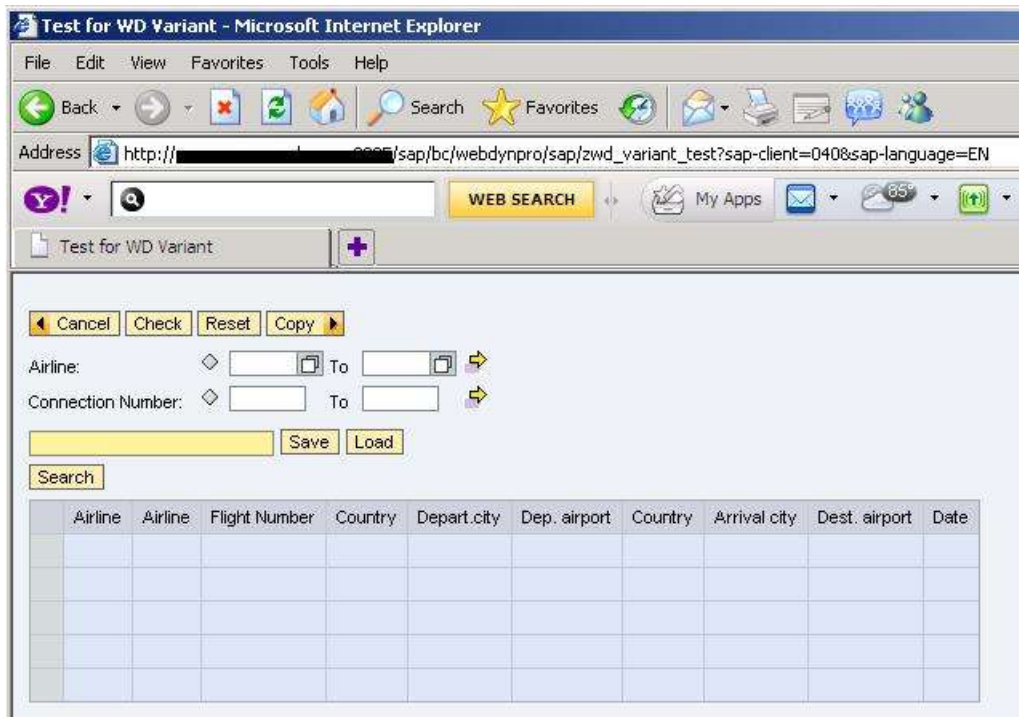
```
ENDMETHOD.
```

Step 9: Demo!

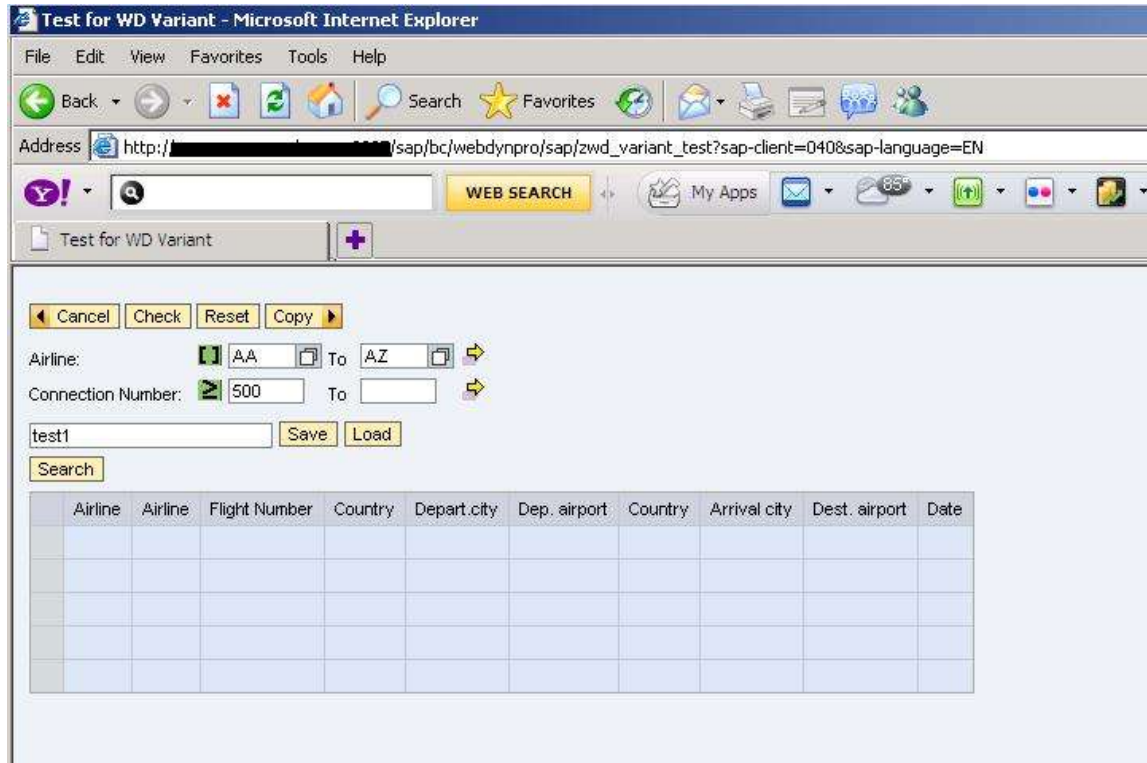
DEMO TIME !!

Create a web dynpro application for our component and save it. After executing the application, we will get following screen in Internet browser:

After executing the application we will get below screen:

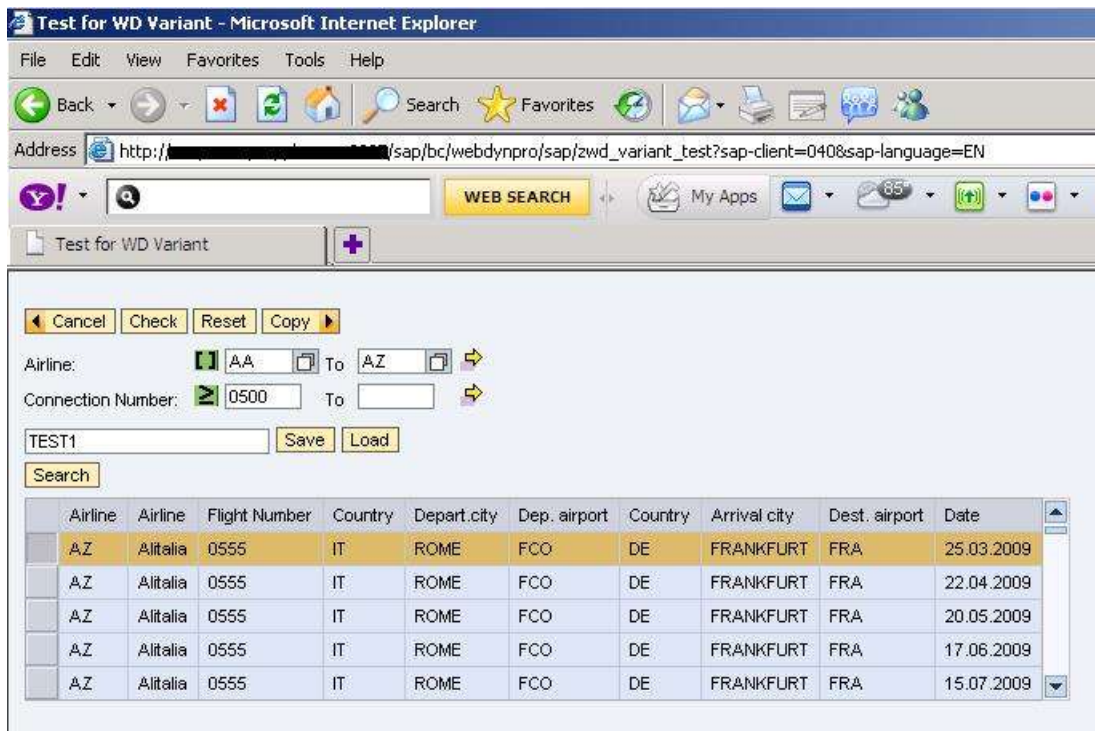


We will populate some values in both the select options, give some variant name ('test1' in this case) in the input field and hit SAVE button. This will save the user-specific variant in our table ZWDVARI.



Exit the application and run it once again. Now just give variant name ('test1' in this case) and hit LOAD button. This will fetch the already saved variant from table ZWDVARI, extract the values for each select option and then load those values back into selection fields.

On hitting the search button we will get below output:



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