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SAP Container

Use

A SAP Container is a control that accommodates other controls, such as the SAP Tree Control, SAP Picture Control, SAP Textedit Control, SAP Splitter Control, and so on. It manages these controls logically in a collection, and provides a physical area in which they are displayed.

All controls live in a container. Since containers are themselves controls, you can nest them. The container is the parent of the control within it.

There are five kinds of SAP Containers:

- [SAP Custom Container \[Page 15\]](#)
The SAP Custom Container allows you to display controls in an area defined on a normal screen using the Screen Painter.
Class: CL_GUI_CUSTOM_CONTAINER
- [SAP Dialog Box Container \[Page 18\]](#)
The SAP Dialog Box container allows you to display controls in an amodal dialog box or fullscreen.
Class: CL_GUI_DIALOGBOX_CONTAINER
- [SAP Docking Container \[Page 26\]](#)
The SAP Docking Container allows you to attach a control to any of the four edges of a screen as a resizable screen area. You can also detach it so that it becomes an independent amodal dialog box.
Class: CL_GUI_DOCKING_CONTAINER
- [SAP Splitter Container \[Page 37\]](#)
The SAP Splitter Container allows you to display more than one control in a given area by dividing it into cells.
Class: CL_GUI_SPLITTER_CONTAINER
- [SAP Easy Splitter Container \[Page 62\]](#)
The SAP Easy Splitter Container allows you to divide an area into two cells with a control in each. The cells are separated by a moveable splitter bar.
Class: CL_GUI_EASY_SPLITTER_CONTAINER

All SAP Containers have a common parent with the type CL_GUI_CONTROL. They are all derived from this basic container, and therefore all have the same object-oriented interface.

Displaying and Relinking Containers

Displaying Containers

You should remember the following points about displaying SAP Containers:

- The default size of a control is the same as the size of its container. You can override this default when you instantiate the control.
- Each container has a top level container (screen0 to 9) its parent. The top level container is automatically created when you use the corresponding ABAP Objects class, and is the equivalent of a dialog box level 0 to 9. The default screen is the current dialog box when you create the control. If you want to specify a particular screen on which to display the control, pass the screen as the parent when you create the container. For further information, refer to the documentation of the relevant constructor method.
- A container can only be displayed at the dialog box level to which it is attached when you create it. When the system leaves a particular level, the lifetime management system destroys all controls from that level. For further information, refer to [Lifetime Management \[Ext.\]](#).
- If you want to display controls dynamically, use the [SET_VISIBLE \[Page 88\]](#) method.
- If a parent is not visible, its children are also not visible.

Relinking Containers

You can only relink containers at the same dialog box level and at the top parent level (for example, Custom Container, Docking Container).

To relink containers, use the [LINK \[Page 12\]](#) method.

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Methods

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CLASS_CONSTRUCTOR

Use

This method creates the required dialog box levels for the SAP Container.



Never call this method explicitly yourself. It is called automatically the first time you access a component of the class.

For further information, refer to [Displaying and Relinking Containers \[Page 7\]](#).

CONSTRUCTOR

CONSTRUCTOR

Use

The constructor creates, initializes, and positions the control.



The constructor method is called automatically when you instantiate the class (`create object` statement). You generally pass the parameters of the method in the `create object` statement. Since the SAP Container is a superclass, its constructor is called indirectly when the constructor method of one of its subclasses is called.

Features

create object container

exporting

`clsid = clsid`

`parent = parent`

`style = style`

`dynnr = dynnr`

`repid = repid`

`container_name = container_name`

`lifetime = lifetime`

`autoalign = autoalign`

`no_autodef_progid_dynnr = no_autodef_progid_dynnr`

exceptions

`cntl_error = 1`

`cntl_system_error = 2`

`create_error = 3`

`lifetime_error = 4`

`lifetime_dynpro_dynpro_link = 5`

`lifetime_dynpro_illegal_parent = 6.`

Parameters	Description	Possible values
<code>clsid</code>	Class ID	
<code>parent</code>	Parent of the instance, that is, the contain in which the control is to be displayed	
<code>style</code>	Controls the appearance and behavior of the control	Constants from the class <code>CL_GUI_CONTROL</code> that begin with <code>WS_*</code>
<code>dynnr</code>	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
<code>repid</code>	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	

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container_name	Name of the Custom Container defined in the Screen Painter	
lifetime	Lifetime management parameter specifying the lifetime of the control	<p>cntl_lifetime_imode: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the internal session (that is, until a statement such as leave program or leave to transaction).</p> <p>cntl_lifetime_dynpro: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the screen (that is, while it remains in the screen stack). It is not destroyed, for example, by a call screen or call transaction statement.</p>
autoalign	Automatic alignment of the container	Default: None
no_autodef_progid_dynnr	Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.	<p>space Program ID and screen number are used automatically (default value)</p> <p>Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.</p>

LINK

LINK**Use**

Use this method to link a control to a new Custom Container. The reference variable points to the new Custom Container. Consequently, the control is no longer displayed in the old Custom Container.



You can only relink containers at the same dialog box level and at the top parent level (for example, Custom Container, Docking Container).

Features

call method container->link

exporting

repid = repid

dynnr = dynnr

container = container

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2

lifetime_dynpro_dynpro_link = 3.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
dynnr	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
repid	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	
container	Name of the Custom Container defined in the Screen Painter	

Instance Attributes

Instance Attributes	Type / Value	Description / Use
children	CNTO_CONTROL_LIST	List of children

Static Attributes**Static Attributes**

Static Attribute	Type / Value	Description / Use
default_screen	CL_GUI_CONTAINER	Dummy for default top level container (screen)
screen0 to screen9	CL_GUI_CONTAINER	Dummy for default top level0 to top level9 container (screen0 to screen9)

SAP Custom Container

Use

Use the SAP Custom Container to build a control into an area on a screen or subscreen. You define the area occupied by the control in the Screen Painter.

The default size of the control that you place in the Custom Container is the same as that of the container itself.

Prerequisites

Before you can include a control in a Custom Container, you must define the area that the container will occupy. You do this in the Screen Painter. For further information, refer to [Creating a Custom Control \[Ext.\]](#).

CONSTRUCTOR

CONSTRUCTOR

Use

The constructor creates, initializes, and positions the control.



The constructor method is called automatically when you instantiate the class (`create object` statement). You generally pass the parameters of the method in the `create object` statement.

Features

`create object custom_container`

exporting

parent = parent

container_name = container_name

style = style

dynnr = dynnr

repid = repid

lifetime = lifetime

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2

create_error = 3

lifetime_error = 4

lifetime_dynpro_dynpro_link = 5.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
parent	Parent of the instance, that is, the contain in which the control is to be displayed	
container_name	Name of the Custom Container defined in the Screen Painter	
style	Controls the appearance and behavior of the control	Constants from the class CL_GUI_CONTROL that begin with WS_*
dynnr	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
repid	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	

CONSTRUCTOR

lifetime	Lifetime management parameter specifying the lifetime of the control	<p>cntl_lifetime_imode: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the internal session (that is, until a statement such as leave program or leave to transaction)</p> <p>cntl_lifetime_dynpro: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the screen (that is, while it remains in the screen stack). It is not destroyed, for example, by a call screen or call transaction statement.</p>
no_autodef_progid_dynnr	Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.	<p>space Program ID and screen number are used automatically (default value)</p> <p>'x' Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.</p>

SAP Dialog Box Container

Use

Use the SAP Dialog Box Container to display controls in an amodal dialog box that can be moved anywhere on the screen. You can also use it to display a control in full screen.

Unlike the [SAP Docking Container \[Page 26\]](#), you cannot attach a SAP Dialog Box Container to a screen.

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CONSTRUCTOR

CONSTRUCTOR

Use

The constructor creates, initializes, and positions the control.



The constructor method is called automatically when you instantiate the class (create object statement). You generally pass the parameters of the method in the create object statement.

Features

create object dialogbox_container

exporting

parent = parent

width = width

height = height

style = style

dynnr = dynnr

repid = repid

lifetime = lifetime

top = top

left = left

caption = caption

no_autodef_progid_dynnr = no_autodef_progid_dynnr

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2

create_error = 3

lifetime_error = 4

lifetime_dynpro_dynpro_link = 5.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
parent	Parent of the instance, that is, the contain in which the control is to be displayed	
width	Width of the dialog box	
height	Height of the dialog box	
style	Controls the appearance and behavior of the control	Constants from the class CL_GUI_CONTROL that begin with WS_*
dynnr	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
repid	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	

CONSTRUCTOR

lifetime	Lifetime management parameter specifying the lifetime of the control	<p>cntl_lifetime_imode: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the internal session (that is, until a statement such as leave program or leave to transaction)</p> <p>cntl_lifetime_dynpro: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the screen (that is, while it remains in the screen stack). It is not destroyed, for example, by a call screen or call transaction statement.</p>
top	Position of the dialog box: Top edge	
left	Position of the dialog box: Left-hand edge	
caption	Dialog box caption	
no_autodef_progid_dynnr	Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.	<p>space Program ID and screen number are used automatically (default value)</p> <p>'x' Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.</p>

SET_CAPTION

SET_CAPTION

Use

Use this method to set a new caption in the dialog box.

Features

call method dialogbox_container->set_caption

```
exporting  
caption = caption
```

exceptions

```
cntl_error = 1  
cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
caption	Caption for the amodal dialog box	

Events

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CLOSE

CLOSE

Use

This event is triggered when the user clicks the *Close* button in the dialog box. By handling the event, you can close the dialog box when the user does this.

For further information, refer to [Event Handling \[Ext.\]](#), and to [Lesson 2: Event Handling \[Ext.\]](#) of the Controls Tutorial.

Features

You need to add the following coding to your program.

Declaration Part

```
data close_event type cntl_simple_events.
```

```
class lcl_dialogbox_handler definition.
```

```
public section.
```

```
    methods: on_dialogbox_close
```

```
            for event close of cl_gui_dialogbox_container
```

```
            importing sender.
```

```
endclass.
```

```
class lcl_dialogbox_handler implementation.
```

```
    method on_dialogbox_close.
```

```
        if not sender is initial.
```

```
            call method sender->free
```

```
            exceptions
```

```
                others = 1.
```

```
        if sy-subrc <> 0.
```

```
            *Error handling
```

```
        endif.
```

```
        free dialogbox_container.
```

```
        clear dialogbox_container.
```

```
        endif.
```

```
    endmethod.
```

```
endclass.
```

data: dialogbox_handler type ref to lcl_dialogbox_handler.

After Creating the Dialog Box Container

If dialogbox_handler is initial.

 create object dialogbox_handler.

endif.

set handler dialogbox_handler->on_dialogbox_close

for dialogbox_container.

SAP Docking Container

Use

Use the SAP Docking Container to attach one or more areas to a screen . You can attach an area to any or all of the four edges of the screen (top, bottom, left, or right). The screen is made smaller to accommodate the docking container. You can detach the docking container from the screen (floating) and reattach it.

The behavior of the areas in the container is determined by the sequence in which they are initialized. Docking Containers are attached to the screen from the inside out. This means that when you create a second container, it is attached to the edge of the screen, and the container that was already there is pushed outwards. From a purely technical point of view, you can attach any number of docking containers to a screen. However, remember that using too many can make your application confusing for the user.

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CONSTRUCTOR

CONSTRUCTOR

Use

The constructor creates, initializes, and positions the control.



The constructor method is called automatically when you instantiate the class (`create object` statement). You generally pass the parameters of the method in the `create object` statement.

Features

`create object docking_container`

exporting

parent = parent

dynnr = dynnr

repid = repid

side = side

extension = extension

style = style

lifetime = lifetime

metric = metric

caption = caption

no_autodef_progid_dynnr = no_autodef_progid_dynnr

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2

create_error = 3

lifetime_error = 4

lifetime_dynpro_dynpro_link = 5.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
parent	Parent of the instance, that is, the contain in which the control is to be displayed	
dynnr	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
repid	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	

CONSTRUCTOR

side	Edge of the screen to which you want to attach the container	docking_container- >dock_at_left: Left-hand edge docking_container- >dock_at_right: Right-hand edge docking_container- >dock_at_top: Top edge docking_container- >dock_at_bottom: Bottom edge
extension	Extension of the docking container (for example, width of the container when you attach it to the left-hand edge of the screen)	
style	Controls the appearance and behavior of the control	Constants from the class CL_GUI_CONTROL that begin with WS_*
lifetime	Lifetime management parameter specifying the lifetime of the control	cntl_lifetime_imode: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the internal session (that is, until a statement such as leave program or leave to transaction) cntl_lifetime_dynpro: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the screen (that is, while it remains in the screen stack). It is not destroyed, for example, by a call screen or call transaction statement.
metric	Metric	docking_container- >metric_default: Screen metric (default) docking_container- >metric_pixel: Pixels docking_container- >metric_mm: Millimeters
caption	Caption	Any character field

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no_autodef_progid_dynnr	Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.	space Program ID and screen number are used automatically (default value) 'x' Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.
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DOCK_AT

Use

Use this method to reattach the docking container to a different edge of the screen.



You can specify where you want to attach the container to the screen in the [CONSTRUCTOR \[Page 28\]](#) method when you instantiate the control.

Features

call method docking_container->dock_at

exporting
side = side

exceptions
cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
side	Edge of the screen to which you want to attach the container	docking_container->dock_at_left Left-hand edge docking_container->dock_at_right Right-hand edge docking_container->dock_at_top: Top edge docking_container->dock_at_bottom: Bottom edge

FLOAT

FLOAT

This method is currently not active.

Use

Use this method to switch the status of the Docking Container between fixed (docking) and free (floating).

Features

call method docking_container->float

exporting

do_float = do_float

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
do_float	Status of the docking container	docking_container->property_docking : Docking Container is fixed (docking) docking_container->property_floating : Docking Container is free (floating)

GET_EXTENSION

Use

Use this method to get the current extension of the Docking Container. For further information, refer to [CONSTRUCTOR \[Page 28\]](#)

Features

call method docking_container->get_extension

```
importing
    extension = extension
```

```
exceptions
    cntl_error = 1
    cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
extension	Extension of the Docking Container, that is, the value of the dimension of the container not attached to the screen	

SET_CAPTION

SET_CAPTION

Use

Use this method to set a new caption in the Docking Container.

Features

call method docking_container->set_caption

exporting
caption = caption

exceptions

cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
caption	Caption of the Docking Container	

SET_EXTENSION

Use

Use this method to get the current extension of the Docking Container. For further information, refer to [GET_EXTENSION \[Page 33\]](#) and [CONSTRUCTOR \[Page 28\]](#).

Features

call method docking_container->set_extension

exporting
 extension = extension

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
extension	Extension of the Docking Container, that is, the value of the dimension of the container not attached to the screen	

Static Constants**Static Constants**

Static Constant	Type / Value	Description / Use
dock_at_left	Type Value 1	Left-hand edge of the screen
dock_at_top	Type Value 2	Top edge of the screen
dock_at_bottom	Type Value 4	Bottom edge of the screen
dock_at_right	Type Value 8	Right-hand edge of the screen
property_docking	Type Value 470	Docking property
property_floating	Type Value 480	Floating property

SAP Splitter Container

Use

Use the SAP Splitter Container to construct a group of control within an area, each of which is placed in a separate cell. The Splitter Control manages and displays the cells. You can change the size of the cells using a splitter bar. Enlarging one cell reduces the size of the adjacent cell.

You can only use the Splitter Container within another container (parent), for example, a Custom Container or Docking Container. You can embed a Splitter Control within a cell of another Splitter Container and thus nest them.

The default setting for the splitter grid is 0X0. The maximum division is 16X16. You can specify the size of lines and columns either in pixels (absolute) or as a percentage (relative). The default setting is relative. You can set the splitter bar to immovable.

If you want to divide a sector into only two cells (either horizontally or vertically), use [the SAP Easy Splitter Container \[Page 62\]](#).

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ADD_CONTROL

Use

Use this method to add a control to a particular cell. An existing control in the same cell is not deleted. You set the visibility of the control using [SET_VISIBLE \[Page 88\]](#).

 The control that you want to insert must already exist at the same dialog box level (you can query this using the [IS_ALIVE \[Page 83\]](#) method).

Features

call method splitter_container->add_control

exporting
 row = row
 column = column
 control = control

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2
 lifetime_error = 3.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
row	Line in which you want to insert the column	
column	Column which you want to insert the column	
control	Instance of the control you want to insert	
result	Result code	

ADD_CONTROL_HANDLE

ADD_CONTROL_HANDLE

 Do not use this method. Use the method [ADD_CONTROL \[Page 39\]](#) instead.

CONSTRUCTOR

Use

The constructor creates, initializes, and positions the control.



The constructor method is called automatically when you instantiate the class (`create object` statement). You generally pass the parameters of the method in the `create object` statement.

Features

create object splitter_container

exporting

link_dynnr = link_dynnr

link_repid = link_repid

shellstyle = shellstyle

left = left

top = top

width = width

height = height

metric = metric

align = align

parent = parent

rows = rows

columns = columns

no_autodef_progid_dynnr = no_autodef_progid_dynnr

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
link_dynnr	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
link_repid	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	
Shellstyle	Controls the appearance and behavior of the control	Constants from the class CL_GUI_CONTROL that begin with WS_*
left	Left-hand position of the container	
top	Position of top of container	
width	Width of the container	
height	Height of the container	

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metric	Metric	splitter_container- >metric_default: Screen metric (default) splitter_container- >metric_pixel: Pixels splitter_container- >metric_mm: millimeters
align	Alignment of the Splitter Container	Constants from the class CL_GUI_CONTROL that begin with ALIGN_*
parent	Parent of the instance, that is, the container in which you want to place the control	
rows	Number of rows	Maximum = 16
columns	Number of columns	Maximum = 16
no_autodef_progid_dynnr	Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.	space Program ID and screen number are used automatically (default value) 'x' Switches off automatic definition of the program ID and screen number.

GET_CONTAINER

Use

This method returns the reference variable of a selected cell. You use the reference variable to include a new control in the container.

Features

call method splitter_container->get_container

exporting
 row = row
 column = column

receiving
 container = container

Parameters	Description	Possible values
row	Line of the cell	
column	Column of the cell	

GET_COLUMNS

GET_COLUMNS

Use

This method returns the number of columns in the Splitter Container.

Features

call method splitter_container->get_columns

```
importing  
  result = result
```

```
exceptions  
  cntl_error = 1  
  cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
result	Result	

GET_COLUMN_MODE

Use

This method returns the mode (absolute or relative) of the columns in the Splitter Container. For further information, refer to [SAP Splitter Container \[Page 37\]](#).

Features

call method splitter_container->get_column_mode

```
importing  
  result = result
```

```
exceptions  
  cntl_error = 1  
  cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
result	Result	

GET_COLUMN_WIDTH

GET_COLUMN_WIDTH

Use

This method returns the width of a column.

Features

call method splitter_container->get_column_width

exporting
id = id

importing
result = result

exceptions
cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the column	
result	Result	

GET_COLUMN_SASH

Use

This method returns the configuration of the columns of the splitter bar.

Features

call method `splitter_container->get_column_sash`

exporting
 id = id
 type = type

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the splitter bar	The first splitter bar has the value 1, and so on
type	Attribute of the splitter bar	type_movable
result	Result	<code>splitter_container->>true</code> : Splitter bar is movable <code>splitter_container->>false</code> : Splitter bar is fixed

GET_ROWS**GET_ROWS****Use**

This method returns the number of lines in the Splitter Container.

Features

call method splitter_container->get_rows

```
importing  
  result = result
```

```
exceptions  
  cntl_error = 1  
  cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
result	Result	

GET_ROW_HEIGHT

Use

This method returns the height of a row.

Features

call method splitter_container->get_row_height

exporting
id = id

importing
result = result

exceptions
cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the row	
result	Result	

GET_ROW_MODE

GET_ROW_MODE

Use

This method returns the mode (absolute or relative) of the rows in the Splitter Container. For further information, refer to [SAP Splitter Container \[Page 37\]](#).

Features

call method splitter_container->get_row_mode

```
importing  
  result = result
```

```
exceptions  
  cntl_error = 1  
  cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
result	Result	

GET_ROW_SASH

Use

This method returns the configuration of the rows of the splitter bar.

Features

call method `splitter_container->get_row_sash`

exporting
 id = id
 type = type

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the splitter bar	The first splitter bar has the value 1, and so on
type	Attribute	type_movable
result	Result	<code>splitter_container->>true</code> : Splitter bar is movable <code>splitter_container->>false</code> : Splitter bar is fixed

REMOVE_CONTROL

REMOVE_CONTROL

Use

Use this method to remove a specific control from the Splitter Container.



The control is not destroyed. If you want to destroy it, you must call the [FREE \[Page 90\]](#) method and, if necessary, destroy the reference variable. For further information, refer to [Lifetime Management \[Ext.\]](#).

Features

call method splitter_container->remove_control

exporting
row = row
column = column

importing
result = result

exceptions
cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
row	Line of the cell	
column	Column of the cell	
result	Result	

SET_BORDER

Use

Use this method to display or hide the border around the Splitter Container.



You should switch the border off when you nest Splitter Containers.

Features

call method `splitter_container->set_border`

exporting
`border = border`

exceptions
`cntl_error = 1`
`cntl_system_error = 2.`

Parameters	Description	Possible values
border	Indicates whether to draw the border	<code>cl_gui_cfw=>true</code> : Draw the border <code>cl_gui_cfw=>false</code> : Suppress the border

SET_COLUMN_MODE

SET_COLUMN_MODE

Use

Use this method to set the mode of the rows in the Splitter Container to absolute or relative. For further information, refer to [SAP Splitter Container \[Page 37\]](#).

Features

call method `splitter_container->set_column_mode`

exporting
mode = mode

importing
result = result

exceptions
cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
mode	Column mode	<code>splitter_container->mode_absolut</code> : Absolute mode (pixels) <code>splitter_container->mode_relative</code> : Relative mode (percentage)
result	Result	

SET_COLUMN_WIDTH

Use

Use this method to set the width of a column.

Features

call method splitter_container->set_column_width

exporting
 id = id
 width = width

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the column	
width	Width of the column	
result	Result	

SET_COLUMN_SASH

SET_COLUMN_SASH

Use

Use this method to set the configuration of the splitter bar for the columns.

Features

call method `splitter_container->set_column_sash`

exporting
 id = id
 type = type
 value = value

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the splitter bar	The first splitter bar has the value 1, and so on
type	Attribute of the splitter bar	type_movable
value	Value of the attribute	<code>splitter_container->>true</code> : Movable splitter bar <code>splitter_container->>false</code> : Fixed splitter bar
result	Result	



If you want to change the splitter bar attribute, change the value of `type` to `type_moveable` and then choose the corresponding value of the attribute.

SET_GRID

Use

Use this method to create a new cell grid. The existing grid is destroyed. You pass the grid when you create the Splitter Container. For further information, refer to the [CONSTRUCTOR \[Page 41\]](#) method.



Do not use this method at present - it could cause unexpected results at the frontend.

Features

call method splitter_container->set_grid

exporting

rows = rows

columns = columns

importing

result = result

exceptions

cntl_error = 1

cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
rows	Number of columns	
columns	Number of rows	
result	Result	

SET_ROW_HEIGHT

SET_ROW_HEIGHT

Use

Use this method to set the height of a row.

Features

call method splitter_container->set_row_height

exporting
id = id
height = height

importing
result = result

exceptions
cntl_error = 1
cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the row	
height	Height of the row	
result	Result	

SET_ROW_MODE

Use

Use this method to set the mode of the rows in the Splitter Container to absolute or relative. For further information, refer to [SAP Splitter Container \[Page 37\]](#).

Features

call method `splitter_container->set_row_mode`

exporting
 mode = mode

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
mode	Row mode	<code>splitter_container_mode_absolut</code> : Absolute mode (pixels) <code>splitter_container_mode_relative</code> : Relative mode (percentage)
result	Result	

SET_ROW_SASH

SET_ROW_SASH

Use

Use this method to set the configuration of the splitter bar for the rows.

Features

call method `splitter_container->set_row_sash`

exporting
 id = id
 type = type
 value = value

importing
 result = result

exceptions
 cntl_error = 1
 cntl_system_error = 2.

Parameters	Description	Possible values
ID	ID of the splitter bar	The first splitter bar has the value 1, and so on
type	Attribute of the splitter bar	type_movable
value	Value of the attribute	<code>splitter_container->>true</code> : Movable splitter bar <code>splitter_container->>false</code> : Fixed splitter bar
result	Result	



If you want to change the splitter bar attribute, change the value of `type` to `type_moveable` and then choose the corresponding value of the attribute.

Static Constants

Static Constant	Type / Value	Description / Use
mode_absolute	Type Value 0	Absolute mode (pixels)
mode_relative	Type Value 1	Relative mode (percentage)
type_movable	Type Value 0	Value for moveable splitter bar
true	Type Value 1	Attribute value: True
false	Type Value 0	Attribute value: False

SAP Easy Splitter Container

Use

The SAP Easy Splitter Container is a version of the SAP Splitter Container with a reduced set of features. Use the Easy Splitter Container when you want to display controls in a sector divided into two cells. You can set the splitter bar between the two cells either horizontally or vertically.

You can only use the Easy Splitter Container within another container (parent), for example, a Custom Container or Docking Container.

You can nest Easy Splitter Containers to any depth.

If you need more features than are offered by the Easy Splitter Container, use the [SAP Splitter Container \[Page 37\]](#).

Methods

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CONSTRUCTOR

CONSTRUCTOR

Use

The constructor creates, initializes, and positions the control.



The constructor method is called automatically when you instantiate the class (`create object` statement). You generally pass the parameters of the method in the `create object` statement.

Features

```
create object easy_splitter_container
```

```
exporting
```

```
link_dynnr = link_dynnr
```

```
link_repid = link_repid
```

```
metric = metric
```

```
parent = parent
```

```
orientation = orientation
```

```
sash_position = sash_position
```

```
with_border = with_border
```

```
exceptions
```

```
cntl_error = 1
```

```
cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description	Possible values
link_dynnr	Number of the screen to which you want to attach the control	
link_repid	Report ID: Program to which you want to attach the control	
metric	Metric	<pre>easy_splitter_container->metric_default: Screen metric (default)</pre> <pre>easy_splitter_container->metric_pixel: Pixels</pre> <pre>easy_splitter_container->metric_mm: Millimeters</pre>
parent	Parent of the instance, that is, the container in which the control is to be displayed	
orientation	Orientation of the splitter bar	<pre>easy_splitter_container->orientation_vertical: Vertical splitter bar</pre> <pre>easy_splitter_container->orientation_horizontal: Horizontal splitter bar</pre>

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sash_position	Position of the splitter bar	Percentage from left to right or top to bottom. Default: 50
with_border	Setting for border	0: Without border 1: With border

SET_SASH_POSITION

SET_SASH_POSITION

Use

Use this method to set a new position for the splitter bar.

Features

call method `easy_splitter_container->set_sash_position`

exporting

`sash_position = sash_position`

Parameters	Description	Possible values
<code>sash_position</code>	Position of the splitter bar	Percentage from left to right or top to bottom.

Static Attributes

Static attribute	Type / Value	Description / Use
orientation_horizontal	Type I Value 1	Horizontal orientation
orientation_vertical	Type I Value 0	Vertical orientation

Instance Attributes

Instance Attributes

Instance Attributes	Type / Value	Description / Use
top_left_container	Type ref to CL_GUI_CONTAINER	ID of left-hand or upper container
bottom_right_container	Type ref to CL_GUI_CONTAINER	ID of the right-hand or lower container
pane_orientation	Type I	Orientation of subareas or splitter bar

Methods of Class CL_GUI_CFW

The class `CL_GUI_CFW` contains static methods that apply to all instantiated custom controls when you call them.

dispatch**dispatch**

Use this method to dispatch application events ([see Event Handling \[Ext.\]](#)) to the event handlers registered for the events. If you do not call the method within the PAI event of your application program, it is called automatically by the system after the PAI has been processed. The method returns a return code from which you can tell if the call was successful.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_cfw=>dispatch  
  IMPORTING return_code = return_code.
```

Parameters	Description
return_code	<p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_found: The event was successfully directed to a handler method.</p> <p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_unknown: The event was not registered in the event list.</p> <p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_noevent: No event was triggered in a control. The function code was therefore a normal one (for example, from a menu entry).</p> <p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_nodispatch: No handler method could be assigned to the event.</p>



An event can only be dispatched once. After that, it is "spent". Consequently, attempting to dispatch the events a second time does not trigger the handler events again.

flush

Use this method to synchronize the [automation queue \[Ext.\]](#). The buffered operations are sent to the frontend using GUI RFC. At the frontend, the automation queue is processed in the sequence in which you filled it.

If an error occurs, an exception is triggered. You must catch and handle this error. Since it is not possible to identify the cause of the error from the exception itself, there are tools available in the Debugger and the SAPgui to enable you to do so.

Debugger: Select the option *Automation Controller: Always process requests synchronously*. The system then automatically calls the method `cl_gui_cfw=>flush` after each method called by the Automation Controller.

SAPGUI: In the SAPgui settings, under *Trace*, select *Automation*. The communication between the application server and the Automation Controller is then logged in a trace file that you can analyze at a later date.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_cfw=>flush
  EXCEPTIONS CNTL_SYSTEM_ERROR = 1
             CNTL_ERROR = 2.
```



Do not use any more synchronizations in your program than are really necessary. Each synchronization opens a new RFC connection to the SAPgui.

`get_living_dynpro_controls`

`get_living_dynpro_controls`

This method returns a list of reference variables to all active custom controls.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_cfw=>get_living_dynpro_controls
          IMPORTING control_list = control_list.
```

Parameters	Description
<code>control_list</code>	List of reference variables of active custom controls. The list has the type <code>CNTO_CONTROL_LIST</code> (defined in class <code>CL_GUI_CFW</code>).

set_new_ok_code

You may only use this method in the handler method of a system event. It sets an **OK_CODE** that triggers PAI processing. This means that data is transferred from the screen to the program, and you can take control of the program in your PAI modules.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_cfw=>set_new_ok_code
    EXPORTING new_code = new_code
    IMPORTING   rc = rc.
```

Parameters	Description
new_code	Function code that you want to place in the OK_CODE field (SY-UCOMM).
return_code	<p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_posted: The OK_CODE was set successfully and the automatic field checks and PAI will be triggered after the event handler method has finished.</p> <p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_wrong_state: The method was not called from the handler method of a system event.</p> <p>cl_gui_cfw=>rc_invalid: The OK_CODE that you set is invalid.</p>

update_view

update_view

Calling the [flush \[Page 71\]](#) method only updates the automation queue if the queue contains return values.

If you have a queue with no return values, and want to ensure that it is synchronized, you can use the Control Framework method `CL_GUI_CFW=>UPDATE_VIEW`. You should only use this method if you absolutely need to update the GUI. For example, you might have a long-running application in which you want to provide the user with regular updates on the status of an action.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_cfw=>update_view
      EXCEPTIONS CNTL_SYSTEM_ERROR = 1
                CNTL_ERROR      = 2.
```

Methods of Class CL_GUI_CONTROL

The class `CL_GUI_CONTROL` contains methods that you need to set control attributes (for example, displaying the control), register events, and destroy controls.

constructor

constructor

This method is called by the control wrapper when you instantiate a control.



To instantiate a SAP control, always call the constructor of its class.

```
CREATE OBJECT my_control
EXPORTING  clsid      = clsid
           lifetime   = lifetime
           shellstyle = shellstyle
           parent     = parent
           autoalign  = autoalign
EXCEPTIONS cntl_error   = 1
           cntl_system_error = 2
           create_error  = 3
           lifetime_error = 4.
```

Parameters	Description
clsid	ID of the class
lifetime	<p>Lifetime management parameter. The following values are permitted:</p> <p>my_control->lifetime_imate: The control remains alive for the duration of the internal session (that is, until the session is ended by one of the following statements: <code>leave program.</code> <code>leave to transaction.</code> <code>set screen 0,</code> <code>leave screen.</code>). After this, the finalize [Page 78] method is called.</p> <p>my_control->lifetime_dynpro: The control remains alive for the lifetime of the screen instance, that is, for as long as the screen remains in the stack. After this, the free [Page 90] method is called.</p> <p>Using this mode automatically regulates the visibility of the control. Controls are only displayed when the screen on which they were created is active. When other screens are active, the controls are hidden.</p> <p>my_control->lifetime_default: If you create the control in a container, it inherits the lifetime of the container. If you do not create the control in a container (for example, because it is a container itself), the lifetime is set to my_control->lifetime_imate.</p>
Shellstyle	<p>Controls the appearance and behavior of the control</p> <p>You can pass any constants from the ABAP include <CTLDEF> that begin with WS. You can combine styles by adding the constants together. The default value sets a suitable combination of style constants internally.</p>
parent	<p>Container in which the SAP Picture Control can be displayed (see also SAP Container [Page 1]).</p>
autoalign	<p>' ': Control is not automatically aligned</p> <p>'X': Control is automatically aligned. This uses the maximum available space within a container.</p>

finalize**finalize**

This method is redefined by the relevant control wrapper. It contains specific functions for destroying the corresponding control. This method is called automatically by the [free \[Page 90\]](#) method, before the control is destroyed at the frontend.

```
CALL METHOD my_control->finalize.
```

get_focus

This static method returns the object reference of the control that has the focus.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_control=>get_focus
  IMPORTING control      = control
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error  = 1
             cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description
control	Object reference (TYPE REF TO cl_gui_control) to the control that has the focus.

get_height**get_height**

This method returns the height of the control.

```
CALL METHOD control->get_height  
  IMPORTING height = height  
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error = 1.
```

Parameters	Description
height	Current height of the control

get_registered_events

This method returns a list of all events registered for custom control `my_control`.

```
CALL METHOD my_control->get_registered_events
  IMPORTING events = events
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error = 1.
```

Parameters	Description
events	Table of events that you want to register for the custom control <code>my_control</code> .

The table `events` is a list of the events that you want to register. It is defined with reference to table type `CNTL_SIMPLE_EVENTS`. The table type is based on the structure `CNTL_SIMPLE_EVENT`, which consists of the following fields:

Field	Description
EVENTID	Event name
APPL_EVENT	Indicates whether the event is a system event (initial) or an application event (X).

The values that you assign to the field `EVENTID` are control-specific and therefore described in the documentation of the individual controls.



For general information about event handling, refer to the [Event Handling \[Ext.\]](#) section of the SAP Control Framework documentation.

get_width**get_width**

This method returns the width of the control.

```
CALL METHOD control->get_width  
  IMPORTING width = width  
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error = 1.
```

Parameters	Description
width	Current width of the control

is_alive

This method informs you whether a custom control for an object reference still exists at the frontend.

```
CALL METHOD my_control->is_alive  
RETURNING state = state.
```

Parameters	Description
state	<code>my_control->state_dead</code> : Custom control is no longer active at the frontend <code>my_control->state_alive</code> : Custom control is active on the current screen. <code>my_control->state_alive_on_other_dynpro</code> : Custom control is not active on the current screen, but is still active (but invisible) at the frontend.

set_alignment**set_alignment**

Use this method to align the custom control within its container:

```
CALL METHOD my_control->set_alignment  
    EXPORTING alignment = alignment  
    EXCEPTIONS cntl_error = 1  
              cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description
alignment	Control alignment

The **alignment** parameter may consist of combinations of the following alignments:

Name	Description
my_control->align_at_left	Alignment with left-hand edge
my_control->align_at_right	Alignment with right-hand edge
my_control->align_at_top	Alignment with top edge
my_control->align_at_bottom	Alignment with bottom edge

You can combine these parameters by adding the components:

```
alignment = my_control->align_at_left + my_control->align_at_top.
```

set_focus

Use this static method to set the focus to a custom control.

```
CALL METHOD cl_gui_control=>set_focus
  EXPORTING control      = control
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error  = 1
             cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description
control	Object reference (TYPE REF TO cl_gui_control) to the control on which you want to set the focus.

set_position**set_position**

Use this method to place the control at a particular position on the screen.



The position of the control is usually determined by its container.

```
CALL METHOD my_control->set_position
EXPORTING height      = height
          left        = left
          top         = top
          width       = width
EXCEPTIONS cntl_error    = 1
           cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description
height	Height of the control
left	Left-hand edge of the control
top	Top edge of the control
width	Width of the control

set_registered_events

Use this method to register the events of the control. **See also:** [Event Handling \[Ext.\]](#)

```
CALL METHOD my_control->set_registered_events
  EXPORTING events      = events
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error  = 1
             cntl_system_error = 2
             illegal_event_combination = 3.
```

Parameters	Description
events	Table of events that you want to register for the custom control <code>my_control</code> .

The table `events` is a list of the events that you want to register. It is defined with reference to table type `CNTL_SIMPLE_EVENTS`. The table type is based on the structure `CNTL_SIMPLE_EVENT`, which consists of the following fields:

Field	Description
EVENTID	Event name
APPL_EVENT	Indicates whether the event is a system event (initial) or an application event (X).

The values that you assign to the field `EVENTID` are control-specific and therefore described in the documentation of the individual controls.

set_visible**set_visible**

Use this method to change the visibility of a custom control.

```
CALL METHOD my_control->set_visible  
  EXPORTING visible = visible  
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error = 1  
             cntl_system_error = 2.
```

Parameters	Description
visible	x : Custom control is visible : Custom control is not visible

Methods of Class CL_GUI_OBJECT

The class `CL_GUI_OBJECT` contains important methods for custom control wrappers. The only one relevant for application programs is the [is_valid \[Page 91\]](#) method.

free

free

Use this method to destroy a custom control at the frontend. Once you have called this method, you should also initialize the object reference (**FREE my_control**).

```
CALL METHOD my_control->free
  EXCEPTIONS cntl_error      = 1
             cntl_system_error = 2.
```

is_valid

This method informs you whether a custom control for an object reference still exists at the frontend.

```
CALL METHOD my_control->is_valid  
IMPORTING result = result.
```

Parameters	Description
result	0: Custom control is no longer active at the frontend 1: Custom control is still active