SUM: the tool for **System Conversion to SAP S/4HANA**

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"Database migration as part of SUM: DMO overview and tuning"

Today

"SUM: the tool for System Conversion to SAP S/4HANA"

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Agenda SUM for System Conversion

What is System Conversion?

What use cases? Which kind of systems?

How does it work?

Procedure details

What is the role of SUM?

Aspects for technical conversion procedure

System Conversion: approach for a transition to SAP S/4HANA

- > System Conversion is one approach to transition an SAP ERP System to SAP S/4HANA
- > Software Update Manager (SUM) is the tool for the technical conversion execution
- "Conversion":
 - SAP S/4HANA is a new product family
 - Technical process requires additional conversion tasks (compared to an upgrade)



Transition to SAP S/4HANA

Three different approaches to move to SAP S/4HANA

System Conversion

SAP ERP System

On-Premise

SAP ERP or 3rd -party System

SAP S/4HANA Cloud

Bring your business processes to the new platform

- A complete technical in-place conversion of an existing SAP Business Suite ERP system to SAP S/4HANA.
- · Adopt new innovations at your speed

Reengineering and process simplification based on latest innovations

Implement innovative business processes with best-

 Implement innovative business processes with bestpractice content on a new platform

New implementation / re-implementation

- Perform initial data load
- Retire old landscape

Landscape Transformation





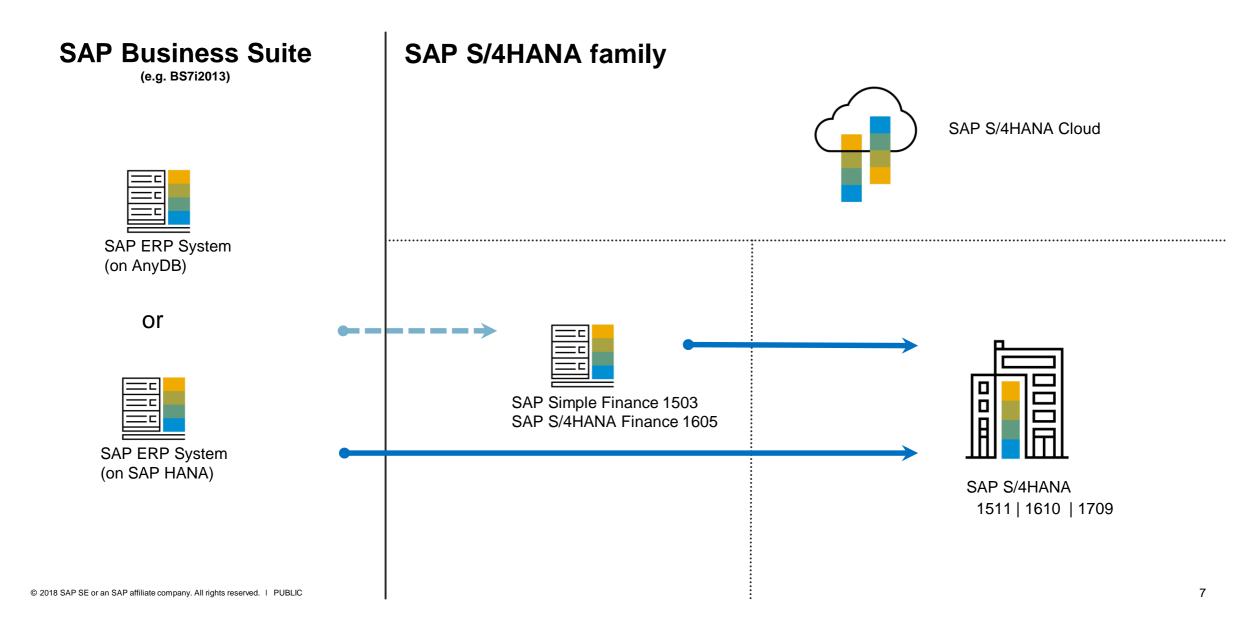
On-Premise

Value driven data migration to the new platform e.g. consolidation of current SAP Business Suite

e.g. consolidation of current SAP Business Suite landscape into one global SAP S/4HANA system or selective data migration based on legal entities



The SAP S/4HANA family and conversion paths



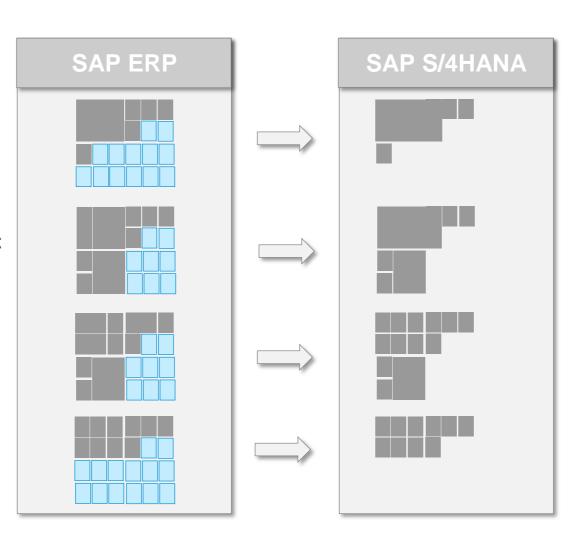
SAP S/4HANA Simplified data model

Finance

Inventory Management

Material Ledger

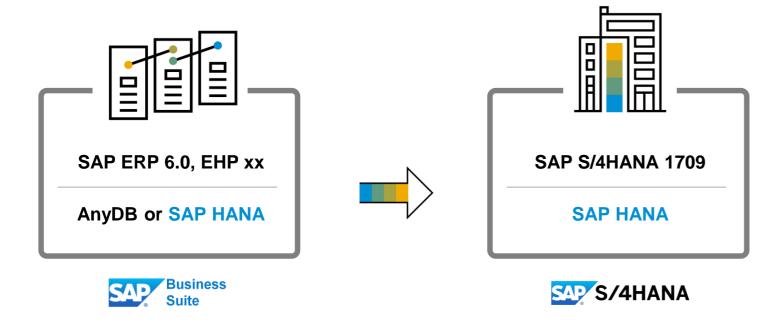
Sales & Distribution



- Transactional and master data
- Materialized aggregate, history and index tables

SAP S/4HANA

System Conversion – Transition Paths Overview



The transition to SAP S/4HANA does **not** require the source system to be already on SAP HANA Database

System Conversion Paths (basically)

From SAP Business Suite (ERP6.0, EHP xx, Any DB or SAP HANA DB) to SAP S/4HANA 1709 SPS00

Note 1: For older SAP Business Suite releases or systems on Non-Unicode an additional step to SAP ERP 6.0 EHPxx is required.

Note 2: System has to be an AS ABAP-only system. Dual-stack systems (AS ABAP and AS Java combined in one system) are not supported for the conversion. If your system is as dual-stack system, you have to split it before doing the conversion.

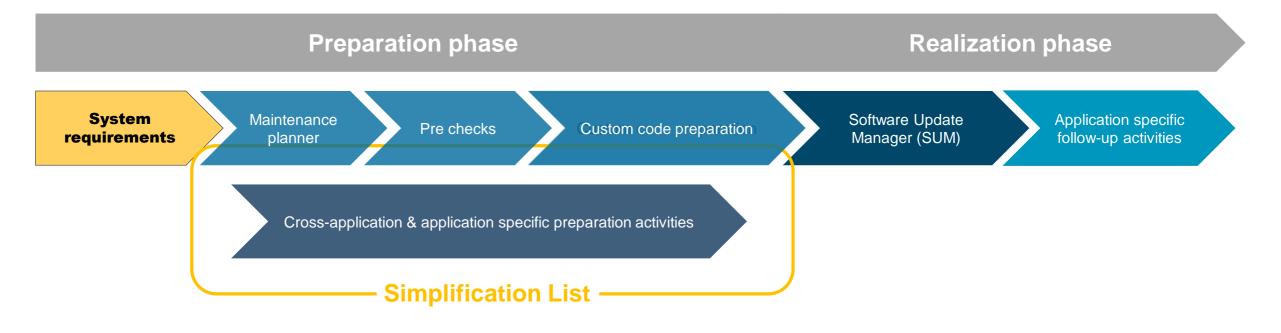
Note 3: SAP Suite on HANA customers who are planning a system conversion to SAP S/4HANA 1709 should first update the database from SAP HANA 1.0 to SAP HANA 2.0 and then do the system conversion (either in the same or a separate downtime).



Conversion requirements incl. min./max. SP-level on source system: 2482453 - SAP S/4HANA 1709: Release Information Note 2346431 - SAP S/4HANA 1610: Release Information Note

SAP S/4HANA system conversion

Overview technical process steps



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SAP S/4HANA System Conversion Tools



- System Requirements Source: ABAP only, Unicode, SAP ERP 6.0, on any database type
- Maintenance Planner Checking source system (e.g. Add-Ons), planning conversion (software archives & stack.xml)
- Simplification Item Checks Checking business prerequisites (e.g. Business Partner implementation)
- Custom Code preparation Checking and adapting Custom Code for compatibility with new data model
- Technical Conversion (SUM)
 Apply new software, execute conversion into new data model
- Post-Activities Implement Fiori Apps

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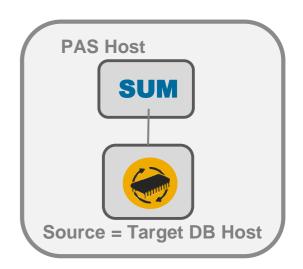
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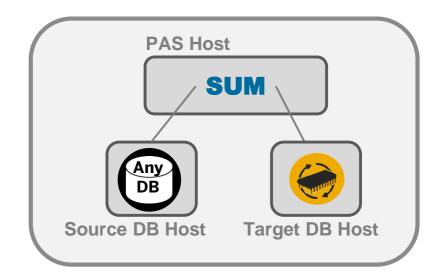
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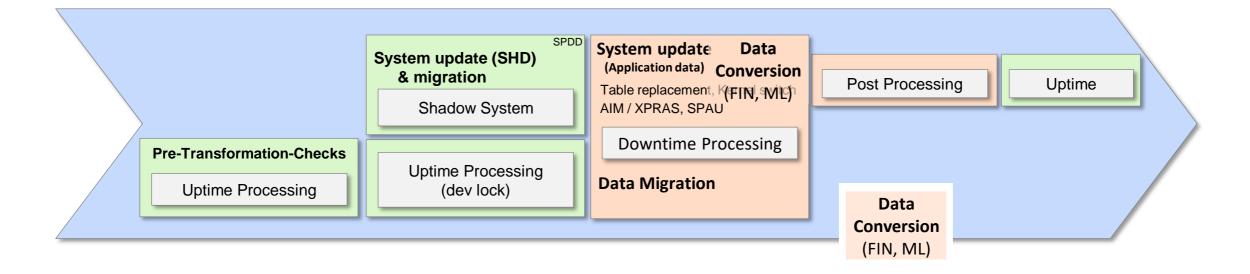
System conversion: technical Conversion by Software Update Manager (SUM)

- > Technical Conversion executed by Software Update Manager (SUM) 2.0
- Conversion tasks for SUM:
 - Database migration
 Provide SAP HANA database (if required)
 - Software update
 Provide new applications and new tables
 - Data conversion
 Conversion of table content to new data model





Technical Conversion – SUM Standard approach (high level)



Best Practices for Data Conversion

Things you should know about the data conversion:

- data conversion is performed by several ABAP reports
- some of these reports will run in parallel processes
- SAP is continuously improving those reports to increase performance and to reduce the runtime.
- Make sure your system has at least:
- minimum of 20 dialog processes (some reports can use 30 at max, others have no limitation)
- minimum of 16 batch processes

For more details see:

SAP Note: 2351294 - SAP S/4HANA conversion: optimize parallel execution of conversion reports

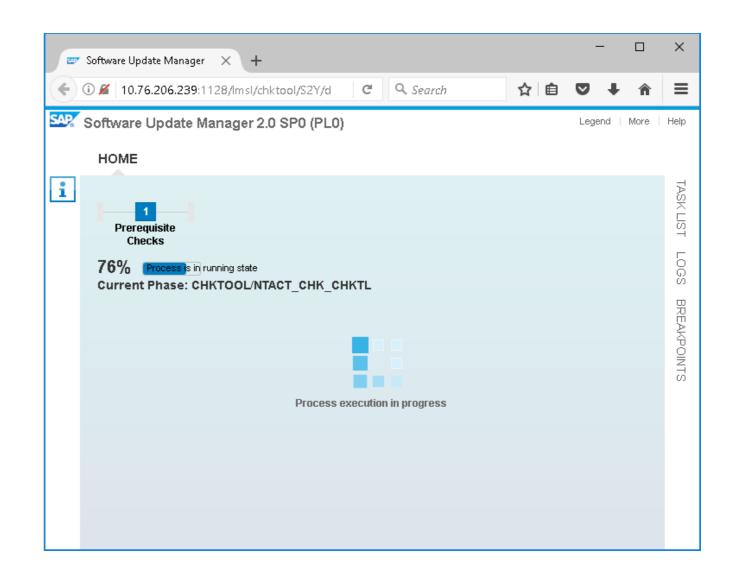
SUM Prerequisite Check provided with SUM 2.0

Allows quick and non-invasive check for requirements, e.g.:

- Source OS version
- Source database version
- SPAM patch level

Uses different URL (*chktool* instead of *sumabap*)

See SUM Conversion Guide, available at http://support.sap.com/sltoolset



3 Approaches for System Conversion to SAP S/4HANA

- Standard approach
 using Software update Manager (SUM)
 with several optimizations
- Downtime optimized System Conversion uses SUM as well, and reduces downtime by moving data conversion partly to uptime
- Near Zero Downtime Technology (NZDT)

 Customer specific approach

 allows further reduction of downtime

 based on a service project

Decision about approach depends on several factors and should be taken after a **migration planning workshop** together with SAP.

<u>Downtime-optimized Conversion:</u> currently only for source db non-HANA

Approach Path:	1503	1605	1511	1610	1709
Standard	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	
Downtime Optimized	-	-	-	-	piloted
Customer Specific		√	-	$\sqrt{}$	

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Effort

Downtime

SAP S/4HANA System Conversion

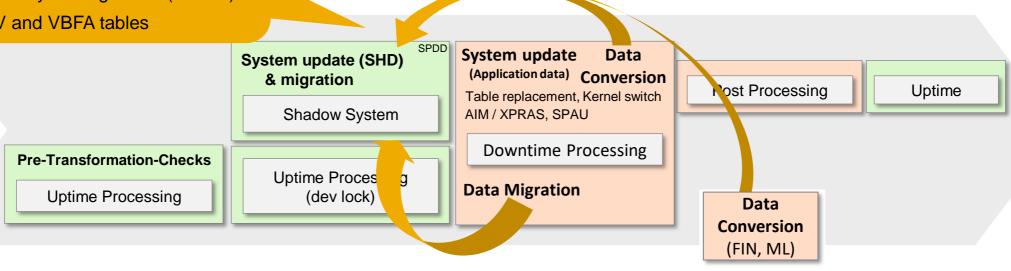
Downtime-optimized Conversion approach



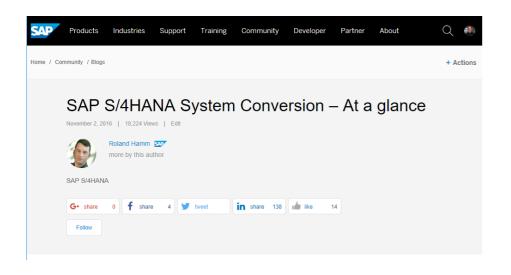
Downtime-optimized Conversion:

Conversion partially in uptime for

- FIN and Material Ledger (MM-ML) & Inventory Management (MM-IM)
- KONV and VBFA tables



Further Information for System Conversion



SAP Note 2532587 on System Conversion with SUM

SUM Conversion Guide see support.sap.com/sltoolset

DMO with SUM 2.0 SP 01

https://launchpad.support.sap.com/#/notes/2532577

SAP Community blog on Conversion https://blogs.sap.com/2016/11/02/sap-s4hana-system-conversion-at-a-glance/

SAP S/4HANA conversion Guide help.sap.com/s4hana -> product documentation

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