# Java Programming

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### JavaFX - TableView



### Display rows and columns of data.



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- Component used to display rows and columns of data.
- Does not inherently hold data itself.
- Uses another class to actually hold its data.

**TableView** 

Does not hold data on its own



### **ObservableList**

- Used by TableView to store data.
- Just a collection of data.
- Does not display data on its own (it is a member of the TableView class).



Holds data

## **ObservableList**

- TableView needs to be associated with an ObservableList.
- The ObservableList will hold the data for the TableView.
- TableView "has an" ObservableList (aggregation relationship).



How do we associate a ObservableList with a TableView?

## **TableView "has a" ObservableList**

- There is an Items member inside of the TableView.
- This Items member stores data that the TableView displays.
- For example:



The ObservableList has the TableView's data

## TableView "has an" ObservableList

A TableView contains multiple TableColumns.



### **TableColumn**

- TableView row data is stored in class instances.
- You must create a class that will be used to store row data.
- For example, a Person class with first and last name can be used by this TableView.
- The TableView will have an ObservableList of the class that stores the row data (ObservableList<Person> in this example).



## **TableView Row Data**

#### **TableView Setup Overview**

- 1. Create a class that will represent each row being displayed in the TableView. Do this in code.
- 2. Add TableView to layout. Do this in Scene Builder.
- 3. Add columns to the TableView. Do this in Scene Builder.
- 4. Add member variables for the TableView and each TableColumn to the controller class (most likely PrimaryController).
- 5. Set each columns cell value factory. Do this in code.
- 6. Add data to the TableView.

# **TableView Setup Overview**

#### **1. Create Class for Rows**

- Create a new class that will be used to store data for one row.
- For example:

```
public class Person {
```

private String first; private String last;

```
public Person(String first, String last) {
  this.first = first;
  this.last = last;
```

```
}
```

}

```
public String getFirst() { return first; }
public void setFirst(String first) { this.first = first; }
```

```
public String getLast() { return last; }
public void setLast(String last) { this.last = last; }
```

```
Create Class for Rows
```

### **2. Add TableView**

- Add a TableView to the layout in Scene Builder.
- TableViews are in the Controls section (left side) in Scene Builder.
- Set the fx:id of the TableView.



### **3. Add Columns to TableView**

- Do this in Scene Builder.
- TableColumns are in the Controls section (left side) in Scene Builder.
- Set TableColumn header for each column by setting the value of its Text property.
- Set the fx:id of each TableColumn.

## **Add TableColumns**

#### **4. Add Member Variables for TableView and TableColumns**

- Do this in code (in the controller class).
- For example:

@FXML
private TableView tableViewPersons;

Row Data Type<br/>(Person in this case)Column Data Type<br/>(String in this case)@FXMLprivate TableColumn<Person, String> tableColumnFirst;

@FXML
private TableColumn<Person, String> tableColumnLast;

# Add TableColumns

#### 5. Set TableColumn Cell Factories (associate columns and vars)

- Do this in code (in the controller class).
- This associates a field on the class to a TableColumn.
- The best place to put this code is in the controller's initialize method.
- For example:

public void initialize() {

Associate tableColumnFirst with the "first" field on the Person class. This will cause it to use setFirst/getFirst on the Person instance to get/set data for that column.

tableColumnFirst.setCellValueFactory(
 new PropertyValueFactory<Person,String>("first"));

tableColumnLast.setCellValueFactory(
 new PropertyValueFactory<Person,String>("last"));

// other code goes here...

# **Set TableColumn Cell Factories**

#### 6. Add Data to the TableView

- Do this in code.
- Get the ObservableList associated with the TableView.
- Add instances of the row class to the ObservableList (Person in this example). For example:

Get the ObservableList from the TableView

```
ObservableList<Person> olPersons = tableViewPersons.getItems();
```

```
Person p1 = new Person("Mateo", "Lopez");
olPersons.add(p1);
```

```
Person p2 = new Person("Jane", "Doe");
olPersons.add(p2);
```

## **Add Data to the TableView**





