

THE ADAPTER PATTERN

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2. DATA, I.E. A BUNCH OF
ROWS AND COLUMNS,
THIS DATA SITS IN THE
MODEL OF COURSE

AS THE NAME OF THE
CLASS SUGGESTS, THE
TABLEVIEW IS MERELY
THE VIEW

IN GENERAL, WRITING
ADAPTER CODE IS
TEDIOUS, REPETITIVE
AND PRONE TO
ERRORS



NOW THE DATA WAS NOT
ORIGINALLY WRITTEN TO BE
USED IN A TABLE, SO WE
NEED LITTLE BITS OF

ADAPTER CODE

WHICH TAKES DATA FROM THE
MODEL, AND MAKES IT
AVAILABLE IN THE FORM
OF ROWS AND COLUMNS
AS NEEDED BY THE TABLE

THE REASON WE SAID JAVAFX
TABLES ARE NEAT IS BECAUSE
THERE IS A REALLY CLEVER WAY
PROVIDED FOR WRITING THE
ADAPTER CODE

JAVAFX MAKES IT
VERY EASY FOR A
MODEL TO MAKE ITS
DATA AVAILABLE IN
ROWS AND COLUMNS

WIRING MODEL TO TABLEVIEW

TYPICALLY, WE HAVE A CLASS WHERE EACH OBJECT REPRESENTS ONE ROW OF DATA IN THE TABLE

```
public static class CompanyMetrics {
    private StringProperty name = new SimpleStringProperty();
    private DoubleProperty mktCap = new SimpleDoubleProperty();
    private DoubleProperty revenue = new SimpleDoubleProperty();
    private DoubleProperty growthRate = new SimpleDoubleProperty();

    public CompanyMetrics(String name, double mktCap, double revenue, double growthRate) {
        this.name.set(name);
        this.mktCap.set(mktCap);
        this.revenue.set(revenue);
        this.growthRate.set(growthRate);
    }
}
```

CREATE AN OBSERVABLELIST OF THESE OBJECTS, SO THAT EACH OBJECT REPRESENTS ONE ROW

```
ObservableList<CompanyMetrics> data =
    FXCollections.observableArrayList(
        new CompanyMetrics("Google", 427.3, 17.72, 11),
        new CompanyMetrics("Amazon", 243.9, 23.18, 20),
        new CompanyMetrics("Apple", 657.7, 49.6, 33),
        new CompanyMetrics("Alibaba", 155, 3.27, 28),
        new CompanyMetrics("Facebook", 259.4, 4.84, 39),
        new CompanyMetrics("Twitter", 18.5, 0.502, 61)
    );
```

NOW – CREATE A BUNCH OF TABLECOLUMN OBJECTS..

```
TableColumn companyColumn = new TableColumn("Company");
companyColumn.setMinWidth(100);
companyColumn.setCellValueFactory(new PropertyValueFactory<CompanyMetrics, String>("name"));
```

```
TableColumn marketCapColumn = new TableColumn("Market Cap");
marketCapColumn.setMinWidth(50);
marketCapColumn.setCellValueFactory(new PropertyValueFactory<CompanyMetrics, Double>("mktCap"));
```

```
TableColumn revenueColumn = new TableColumn("Revenue");
revenueColumn.setMinWidth(50);
revenueColumn.setCellValueFactory(new PropertyValueFactory<CompanyMetrics, Double>("revenue"));
```

```
TableColumn growthRateColumn = new TableColumn("Growth Rate");
growthRateColumn.setMinWidth(50);
growthRateColumn.setCellValueFactory(new PropertyValueFactory<CompanyMetrics, String>("growthRate"));
```

..AND THEN WIRE UP EACH TABLECOLUMN TO THE CORRESPONDING PROPERTY OF THE CLASS

REMEMBER TO DO THIS FOR EACH PROPERTY

AND NOTE THAT THIS IS THE CRUCIAL STEP, WHICH HAPPENS VIA THE NAME OF THE PROPERTY

WIRING MODEL TO TABLEVIEW

THEN, ADD THE TABLECOLUMNS
AS WELL AS THE MODEL TO THE
TABLEVIEW

```
tableView.getColumns().addAll(companyColumn, marketCapColumn, revenueColumn, growthRateColumn);  
tableView.setItems(data);  
tableView.refresh();
```

JAVAFX DOES ALL THE REST –

IT FIGURES OUT THAT THE OBSERVABLELIST
CORRESPONDS TO THE ROWS OF THE TABLE,

IT FIGURES OUT FOR EACH COLUMN OF EACH
ROW, WHICH PROPERTY OF THE UNDERLYING
OBJECT NEEDS TO BE USED

IT ALSO MAKES IT EASY TO WIRE
UP LISTENERS IN CASE YOUR TABLE IS
EDITABLE