GUI Tables

This week

- TableView
- Change Listeners
- Catching Exceptions
- Throwing Exceptions

TableView

TableView<X>

- A TableView<X> displays a list of items of type X.
- A TableView has:
 - A row for each item
 - A column for each property of each item
- e.g. A TableView<Account> has:
 - o A row for each Account
 - A column for each property of each Account



FXML and Java code

Creating a TableView in FXML:

Declaring the TableView in your controller:

@FXML private TableView<Account> accountsTv;



Linking the TableView to the model

- Two ways to link the view and model
 - In FXML:

```
<TableView fx:id="accountsTv" items=" ${controller.customer.accounts} ">
o In Java:
    accountsTv.setItems(getCustomer().getAccounts());
```

You must:

- Expose a "customer" property in the controller
- Expose an "accounts" property in the customer model

Linking each TableColumn to a model property

Use a PropertyValueFactory to link the column to a property value:

- You must expose the following properties in the account model:
 - o type
 - o balance

The result...



Cell value factories

- A cell value factory is generates the contents of a cell. Two options:
 - PropertyValueFactory is a cell value factory that just displays a property value.
 - Define your own custom cell value factory to display data how you want.
- A cell value factory is set on the column:

```
TableColumn<Account,String> column = ...;
column.setCellValueFactory(...);
```

- TableColumn<X, Y> has two type parameters:
 - x is the type of the item being displayed in the row
 - Y is the content type of the cell in this column

Setting a custom cell value factory

Assign an id to the column:

```
<TableColumn fx:id="balanceClm" text="Balance"/>
```

In your controller:

```
@FXML private TableColumn<Account, String> balanceClm;
@FXML private void initialize() {
    balanceClm.setCellValueFactory(cellData ->
        cellData.getValue().balanceProperty().asString("$%.2f"));
}
```

• TableColumn<Account, String> means the item for this row is an Account, and the cell contents to be displayed is a String.

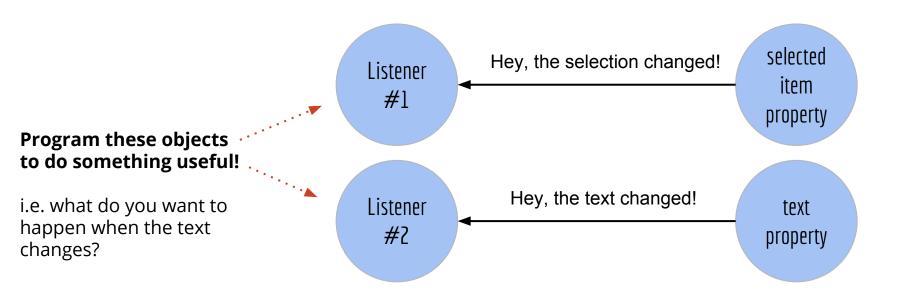
The result...



Change Listeners

Listening for changes

- You can listen for changes to anything that is "observable".
- Whenever the observable changes, the observer/listener is notified.



Change Listeners

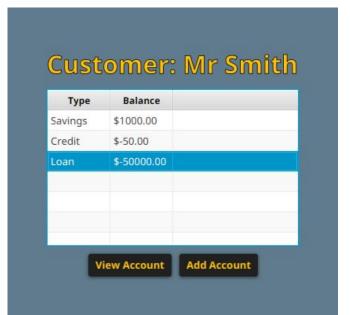
- A change listener is any object that implements the ChangeListener<X> interface, where <X> is the type of value being observed.
- The interface is imported:

Register your observer with:

```
observable.addListener(observer);
```

Goal #1: Enable button when account is selected





Solution

 Update the disable property of the button whenever the selectedItem property changes.

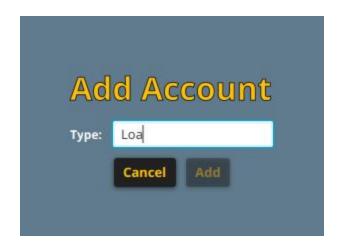
• FXML:

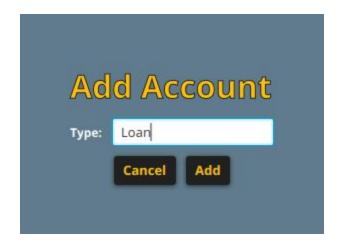
```
<TableView fx:id="accountsTv" items="${controller.customer.accounts}"/>
<Button fx:id="viewBtn" text="View Account" disable="true"
onAction="#handleViewAccount"/>
```

Controller:

```
@FXML private void initialize() {
   accountsTv.getSelectionModel().selectedItemProperty().addListener(
        (o, oldAcct, newAcct) -> viewBtn.setDisable(getAccount() == null));
}
```

Goal #2: Enable button when Type >= 4 characters





Solution

Update the button's disable property when the text property changes.

FXML:

```
<TextField fx:id="typeTf"/>
<Button fx:id="addBtn" text="View Account" disable="true"
onAction="#handleViewAccount"/>
```

Controller:

```
@FXML private void initialize() {
  typeTf.textProperty().addListener((o, oldText, newText) ->
      addBtn.setDisable(getAccount() == null));
}
```

Any property can be observed for changes

Print the account balance whenever it changes:

```
account.balanceProperty().addListener((obs, oldBal, newBal) ->
    System.out.println("Balance changed from "+oldBal+" to "+newBal));
```

Print the text of a TextField whenever it changes:

Print the selected toggle whenever it changes:

Catching Exceptions

Exceptions

- Sometimes a method can fail to do its job. In such situations, that method throws an "exception".
- To handle this error, the caller catches the exception.
- To know what types of exception a method might throw, refer to the Java API documentation:

https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/

API documentation for exceptions

Scanner

```
public Scanner(File source)
    throws FileNotFoundException
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file. Bytes from the file are converted into characters using the underlying platform's default charset.

Parameters:

source - A file to be scanned

Throws:

FileNotFoundException - if source is not found

See: https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Scanner.html#Scanner-java.io.File-

API documentation for exceptions

parseint

Parses the string argument as a signed decimal integer. The characters in the string must all be decimal digits, except that the first character may be an ASCII minus sign '-' ('\u002D') to indicate a negative value or an ASCII plus sign '+' ('\u002B') to indicate a positive value. The resulting integer value is returned, exactly as if the argument and the radix 10 were given as arguments to the parseInt(java.lang.String, int) method.

Parameters:

s - a String containing the int representation to be parsed

Returns:

the integer value represented by the argument in decimal.

Throws:

NumberFormatException - if the string does not contain a parsable integer.

See: https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Integer.html#parseInt-java.lang.String-

Exceptions

• Consider the following program:

```
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"));
int a = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
int b = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
int c = a / b;
System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c);
scanner.close();
```

What could go wrong?

Exceptions

Consider the following program:

```
What if the file is not found?
```

```
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"));
int a = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
int b = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
int c = a / b;
System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c); What if the data is not an integer?
scanner.close();
```

What could go wrong?

What if b is zero?

A LOT!!!

Traditional error handling: "if" statements

```
if (!new File("data.txt").exists()) {
    System.out.println("File not found: data.txt");
    return;
Scanner scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"));
if (!scanner.hasNextLine()) {
    System.out.println("No line found");
    return;
String aStr = scanner.nextLine();
if (!aStr.matches("[0-9]+")) {
    System.out.println("Incorrect format for string: " + aStr);
    return;
int a = Integer.parseInt(aStr);
```

Traditional error handling: "if" statements

```
... CONTINUED ...
String bStr = scanner.nextLine();
if (!bStr.matches("[0-9]+")) {
    System.out.println("Incorrect format for string: " + bStr);
    return;
int b = Integer.parseInt(aStr);
if (b == 0) {
    System.out.println("Divide by zero");
    return;
System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c);
scanner.close();
```

Phew!

Handling exceptions with a try-catch block

```
try {
    Scanner scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"));
    int a = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
    int b = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
    int c = a / b;
    System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c);
    scanner.close();
                                                                 exception.
} catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
    System.out.println("File not found: data.txt");
 catch (NoSuchElementException e) {
    System.out.println("Not enough lines: data.txt");
} catch (NumberFormatException e) {
    System.out.println("Incorrect number format: " + e.getMessage());
} catch (ArithmeticException e) {
    System.out.println("Cannot divide by zero");
```

Try to execute this block.

If any line fails due to an exception, stop trying and jump to the catch block for that exception

Exception Inheritance Hierarchy

Class Exception is the superclass of all exceptions. Exception String getMessage() IOException is the superclass of all input/output exceptions. **IOException** RuntimeException Catching a superclass of exceptions catches that entire category of exceptions FileNotFoundException NullPointerException NumberFormatException

Catch all

To catch all exceptions with a single catch block, catch Exception:

```
try {
    Scanner scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"));
    int a = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
    int b = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
    int c = a / b;
    System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c);
    scanner.close();
} catch (Exception e) {
    System.out.println("An error occurred: " + e.getMessage());
}
```

The "finally" block

- A "finally" block always executes.
- e.g. Always close the file after reading, even if an exception occurs:

```
Scanner scanner = null;
try {
    scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"));
    int a = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
    int b = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
    int c = a / b;
    System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c);
} catch (Exception e) {
    System.out.println("An error occurred: " + e.getMessage());
} finally {
    if (scanner != null) scanner.close();
```

Try-with-resource (Java 7)

A try-with-resource statement declares a resource that is auto-closed:

```
try (Scanner scanner = new Scanner(new File("data.txt"))) {
   int a = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
   int b = Integer.parseInt(scanner.nextLine());
   int c = a / b;
   System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + c);
} catch (Exception e) {
   System.out.println("An error occurred: " + e.getMessage());
}
```

Throwing Exceptions

Throwing an exception

 If you write a method that can fail, consider declaring that method to throw an exception.

• Examples:

- o public void withdraw(double amount) throws InsufficientFundsException
- o public void addAccount(String type) **throws** DuplicateAccountException
- o public void removeAccount(String type) throws NoSuchAccountException
- You may define your own exception classes or use a generic exception.

Throwing a generic exception

The withdraw method throws an exception if the amount is too high:

```
public void withdraw(double amount) throws Exception {
   if (amount > balance.get())
        throw new Exception("Insufficient funds");
   balance.set(balance.get() - amount);
}
```

 The method header specifies a comma-separated list of exceptions it can throw.

```
public void foo() throws IOException, NumberFormatException
```

Throwing a custom exception

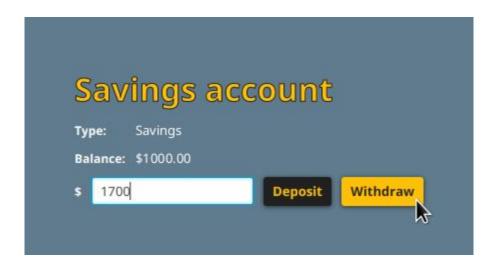
• Define a custom exception as a subclass of Exception:

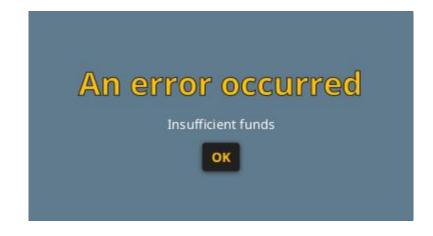
```
public class InsufficientFundsException extends Exception {
    public InvalidAmountException() {
        super("Insufficient funds");
    }
}
```

Use the custom exception:

```
public void withdraw(double amount) throws InsufficientFundsException {
    if (amount > balance.get())
        throw new InsufficientFundsException();
    balance.set(balance.get() - amount);
}
```

Goal: Show an error if withdraw fails





The catch or specify requirement

- If you write code that might throw an exception, you must either specify that the exception might be thrown, or catch that exception.
- Option #1: Specifying the exception:

• If you don't catch the exception, you push back the catch or specify requirement to the caller.

Uncaught exceptions

 If an exception is thrown all the way to the top level without being caught, the user sees a stack trace:

```
Caused by: java.lang.reflect.InvocationTargetException
    at sun.reflect.NativeMethodAccessorImpl.invoke0(Native Method)
    at sun.reflect.NativeMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:62)
    at sun.reflect.DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.java:43)
    at java.lang.reflect.Method.invoke(Method.java:497)
    at sun.reflect.misc.Trampoline.invoke(MethodUtil.java:71)
    at sun, reflect. Generated Method Accessor 1. invoke (Unknown Source)
    at sun.reflect.DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.java:43)
    at java.lang.reflect.Method.invoke(Method.java:497)
    at sun.reflect.misc.MethodUtil.invoke(MethodUtil.java:275)
    at javafx.fxml.FXMLLoader$MethodHandler.invoke(FXMLLoader.java:1765)
    ... 50 more
Caused by: model.InsufficientFundsException: Insufficient funds
    at model.Account.withdraw(Account.java:20)
    at controller.AccountController.handleWithdraw(AccountController.java:35)
    ... 60 more
```

The catch or specify requirement

Option #2: Catching the exception:

```
@FXML public void handleDeposit(ActionEvent event) {
    try {
        account.deposit(Double.parseDouble(amountTf.getText()));
    } catch (Exception e) {
        ViewLoader.showStage(e, "/view/error.fxml", "Error", new Stage());
    } finally {
        setAmount(0);
    }
}
```

 General practice: throw an exception up as high as possible, but catch and handle it before the user sees the stack trace.

Unchecked exceptions

Unchecked exceptions are not subject to the catch or specify requirement. There are two kinds:

- Any subclass of **RuntimeException** is unchecked. Runtime exceptions are typically due programming bugs. Examples:
 - NullPointerException
 - NumberFormatException
 - ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException
- Any subclass of **Error** is unchecked. Errors are failures of the environment. Examples:
 - OutOfMemoryError
 - IOError