COMP 401 SYNCHRONIZED METHODS

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Prerequisite

• Animation Threads Commands

More?



THREADS AND SHARING

Same Lane ~ Same Object/Resource



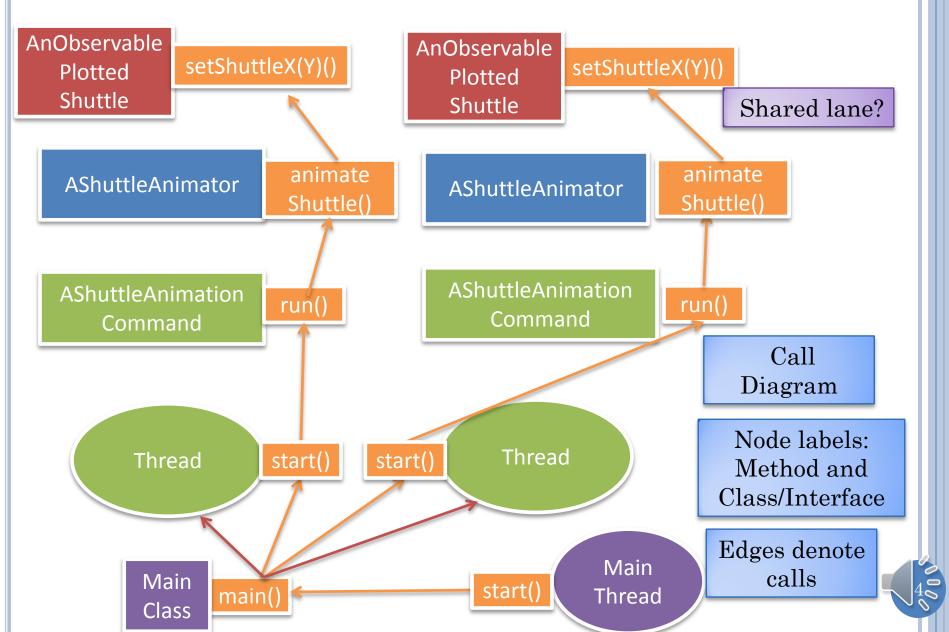
Different Lane ~
Different
Objects/Resources



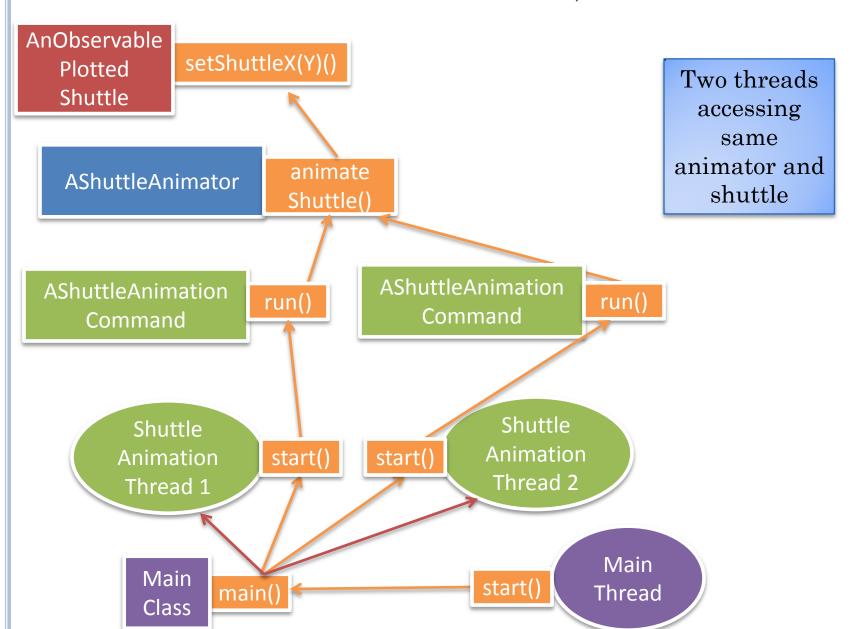
Sharing Road ~ Sharing Computer



THE SEPARATE LANE SCENARIO



ONE SHUTTLE & ANIMATOR, TWO THREADS





TWO SHUTTLES AND ANIMATORS, TWO THREADS

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
 PlottedShuttle shuttle1 = new AnObservablePlottedShuttle(50, 100);
 OEFrame oeFrame1 = ObjectEditor.edit(shuttle1);
 oeFrame1.hideMainPanel();
 oeFrame1.setLocation(0, 0);
 oeFrame1.setSize(400, 400);
 PlottedShuttle shuttle2 = new AnObservablePlottedShuttle(100, 50);
 OEFrame oeFrame2 = ObjectEditor.edit(shuttle2);
 oeFrame2.hideMainPanel();
 oeFrame2.setLocation(400, 0);
 oeFrame2.setSize(400, 400):
  ShuttleAnimator | shuttleAnimator1 | = new AShuttleAnimator();
  ShuttleAnimator shuttleAnimator2 = new AShuttleAnimator();
 concurrentDemoShuttleAnimation(shuttleAnimator1, shuttle1);
 concurrentDemoShuttleAnimation(shuttleAnimator2)
                                                   shutt
                                                             Two different
                                                            threads are
                                                          created which
                                                        interleave their
                                                         activities
```

ONE SHUTTLES & ANIMATOR, TWO THREADS

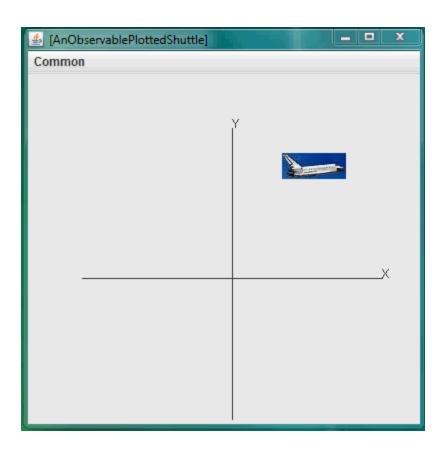
```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   PlottedShuttle shuttle1 = new AnObservablePlottedShuttle(50, 100);
   OEFrame oeFrame1 = ObjectEditor.edit(shuttle1);
   oeFrame1.setLocation(0, 0);
   oeFrame1.setSize(500, 550);
   ShuttleAnimator aShuttleAnimator = new AShuttleAnimator();
   concurrentDemoShuttleAnimation(aShuttleAnimator, shuttle1);
   ThreadSupport.sleep(500);
   concurrentDemoShuttleAnimation(aShuttleAnimator, shuttle1);
}
```

Each thread manipulates the same shuttle

Second thread starts with a 500 ms delay



Interfering Animations





INTERFERENCE

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```

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while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```

Each call of method gets its own copy of local variables such as curX and curY



TOP THREAD SETS ITS CURY

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
  }</pre>
```

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```



TOP THREAD SLEEPS

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```



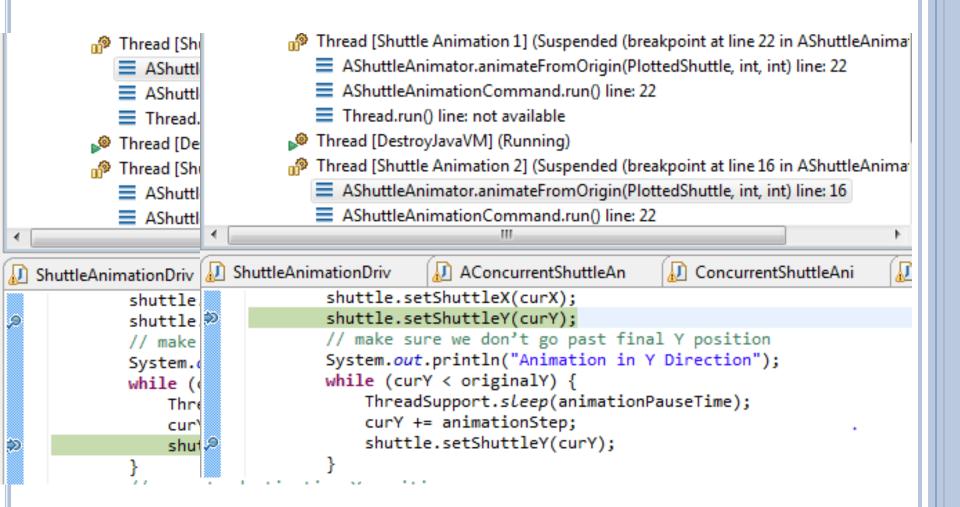
BOTTOM THREAD SETS ITS CURY

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```

```
while (curY < originalY) {
    ThreadSupport.sleep(animationPauseTime);
    curY += animationStep;
    shuttle.setShuttleY(curY);
}</pre>
```

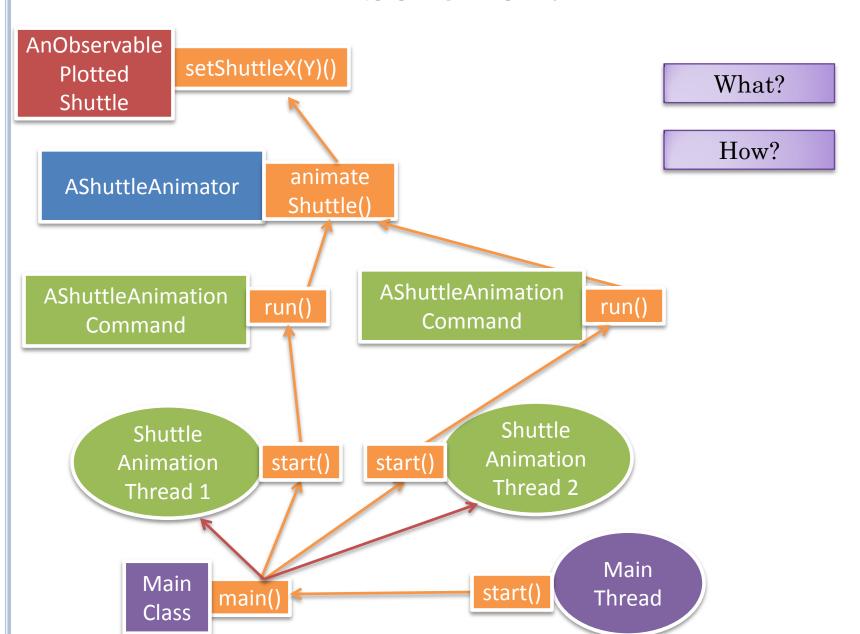


INTERFERENCE





SOLUTION?





SYNCHRONIZED VERSION

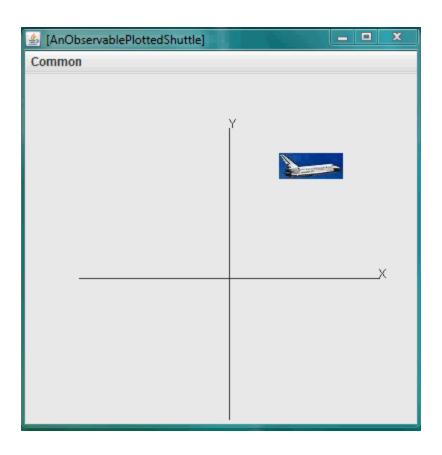
Should use keyword synchronized in method with shared data to tell Java that only one thread should execute the method at one time

Atomic method execution – only one thread executes it at one time

When a method is locked by a thread other threads wait in a queue, and when a method is unlocked the first waiting thread executes it

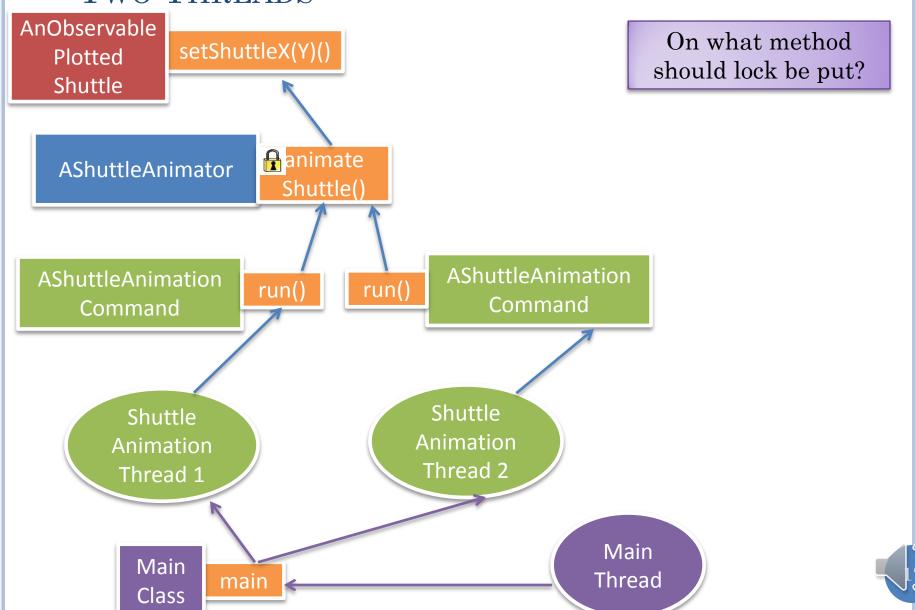


SYNCHRONIZED

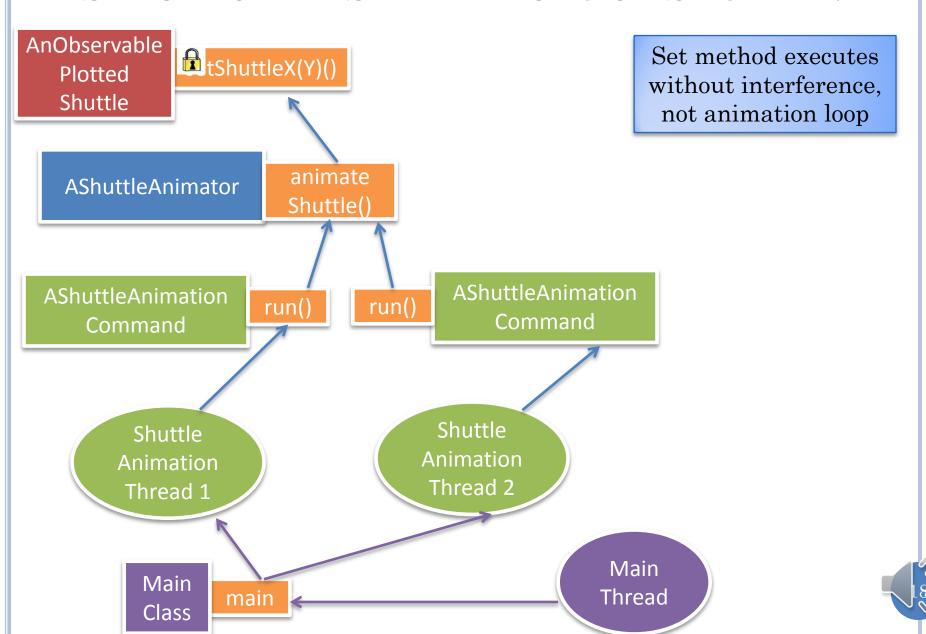




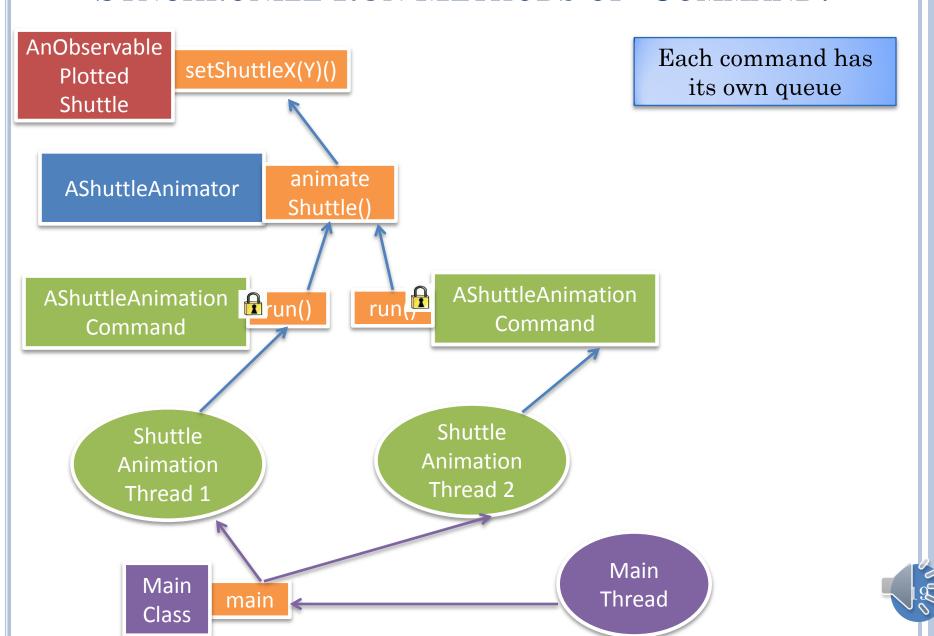
ONE SHUTTLE AND SYNCHRONIZED ANIMATOR, TWO THREADS



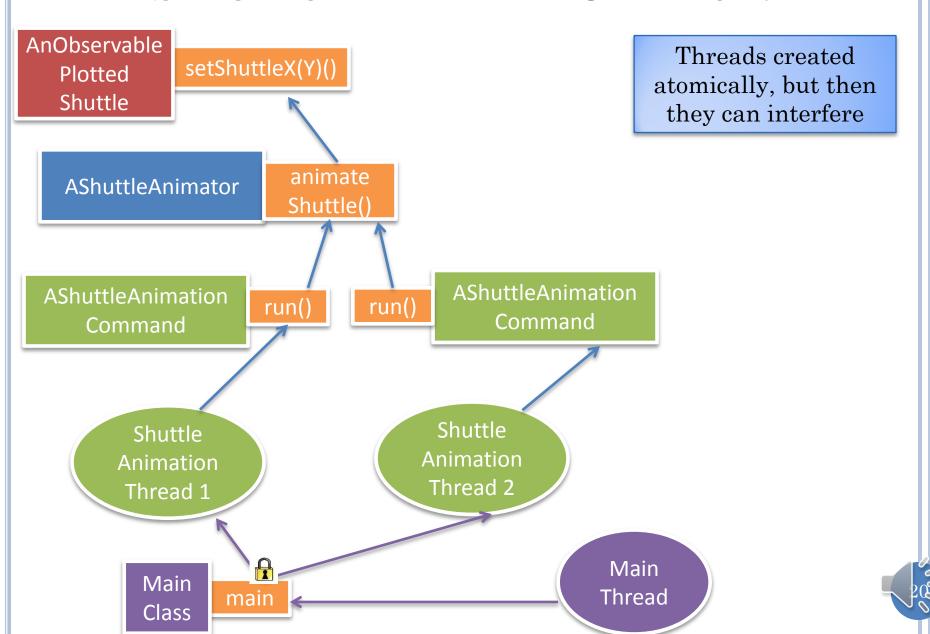
SYNCHRONIZE SET METHODS OF SHUTTLE?



SYNCHRONIZE RUN METHODS OF COMMAND?



SYNCHRONIZE THREAD CREATION?



SYNCHRONIZE THREAD CREATOR?

Synchronize makes
caller wait till
interfering activity
finishes

Method executed by new thread should be synchronized, not the method that created the thread.



Two Synchronized Methods

```
public class ASynchronizedShuttleAnimator
                      extends AShuttleAnimator {
  public synchronized void animateFromOrigin(
                       PlottedShuttle shuttle,
                       int animationStep,
                       int animationPauseTime) {
    super.animateFromOrigin(
                       shuttle,
                       animationStep,
                       animationPauseTime);
  public synchronized void animateFromOrigin(
                       PlottedShuttle shuttle,
                       int animationStep,
                       int animationPauseTime, OEFrame frame) {
    super.animateFromOrigin(
                       shuttle,
                       animationStep,
                       animationPauseTime,
                       frame);
```

Only one synchronized method can be executed at one time in a class

Lock and queue is with the object, not method

SYNCHRONIZED METHODS

Start call to synchronized method on object O

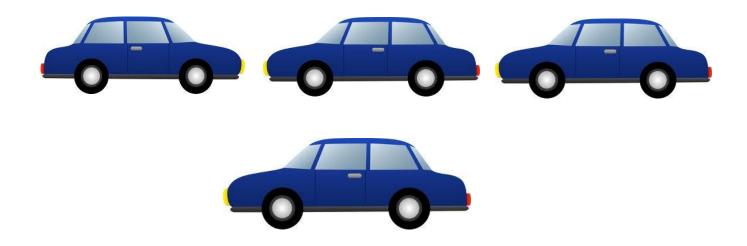
if some synchronized method is executing in O, then makes calling thread wait in O's queue

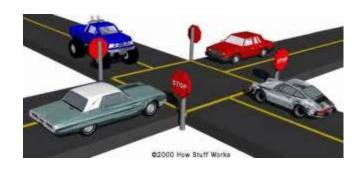
Finish call to synchronized method on object O

Unblocks first waiting thread in O's queue



SYNCHRONIZED METHOD ANALOGY?







ONE SHUTTLE, TWO SYNCHRONIZED ANIMATORS

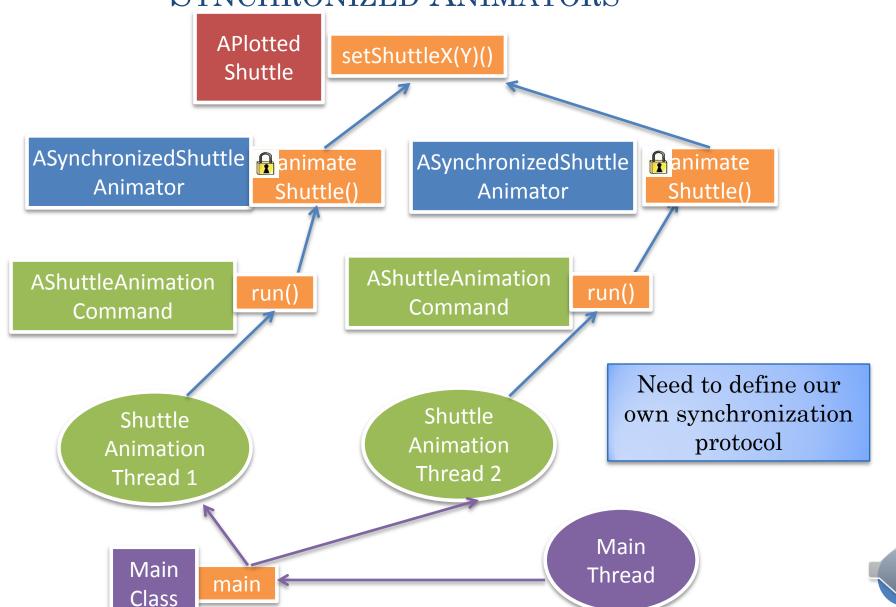
```
public class OneShuttleTwoSynchronizedShuttleAnimators
              extends ConcurrentShuttleAnimationDriver
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    PlottedShuttle shuttle1 =
               new AnObservablePlottedShuttle(50, 100);
    OEFrame oeFrame = ObjectEditor.edit(shuttle1);
    oeFrame.hideMainPanel();
    oeFrame.setSize(400, 400);
    ShuttleAnimator aShuttleAnimator1 =
               new ASynchronizedShuttleAnimator();
    ShuttleAnimator aShuttleAnimator2 =
               new ASynchronizedShuttleAnimator();
    concurrentDemoShuttleAnimation (aShuttleAnimator1,
                                                       shuttle1);
    ThreadSupport.sleep (500);
    concurrentDemoShuttleAnimation(aShuttleAnimator2)
                                                       shuttle1);
```

Lock, queue is with each object, not the class

Will again get interference



ONE SHUTTLE, TWO THREADS AND SYNCHRONIZED ANIMATORS



SYNCHRONIZATION

- Methods that access global state and can be executed by multiple threads should be made synchronized
- Only one synchronized method in an object will be executed at one time.

