## Airplane exercise

## 3: Altitude animation

The airplane should have both:

- an altitude (its present vertical position), and
- a target altitude (the altitude it is moving toward: its goal or target)
- a max speed (max altitude change per second)

Change the old action methods increaseAltitude and decreaseAltitude to become:

- increaseTargetAltitude(...)
  - o Increase the **target altitude** by the predefined amount
  - o Do not set/change the altitude
- decreaseTargetAltitude(...)
  - o Decrease the target altitude by the predefined amount
  - o Do not set/change the altitude

## Create a private animateAltitude() method

- This method should be executed by the separate airplane animation thread
- Repeat the following process endlessly:
  - o Sleep the thread for a fraction of a second
    - Example: Thread.sleep(250); Sleeps thread for 250ms (1/4 second)
  - o Calculate the new altitude, based on:
    - Present altitude
    - Direction of movement
    - Max speed
  - Set the airplane's altitude according to the calculated new altitude
- Be sure to not overshoot the target altitude or to oscillate around it
- The airplane should stop at exactly the target when the altitude reaches that point