NPC centralized control – on network server

SERVER SIDE (partial):

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public class NetworkingServer
{ // same as before, plus an NPC control loop and NPC controller
 private NPCcontroller npcCtrl;
 GameAlServerTCP tcpServer;
 public NetworkingServer(int id)
                                          // constructor
 { startTime = System.nanoTime();
  lastUpdateTime = startTime;
  npcCtrl = new NPCcontroller();
  // start networking TCP server (as before)
  // start NPC control loop
  npcCtrl.setupNPCs();
  npcLoop();
 public void npcLoop()
                                       // NPC control loop
 { while (true)
  { long frameStartTime = System.nanoTime();
   float elapMilSecs = (frameStartTime-lastUpdateTime)/(1000000.0f);
   if (elapMilSecs >= 50.0f)
   { lastUpdateTime = frameStartTime;
    npcCtrl.updateNPCs();
    tcpServer.sendNPCinfo();
   Thread.yield();
 // main() starts networking server as before
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public class NPCcontroller
private NPC[] NPClist = new NPC[5];
public void updateNPCs()
{ for (int i=0; i<numNPCs; i++)
  { NPClist[i].updateLocation();
}}
CLIENT SIDE (partial):
public class GhostNPC
{ private int id;
private SceneNode node;
private Entity entity;
 public GhostNPC(int id, Vector3 position) // constructor
{ this.id = id;
public void setPosition(Vector3 position)
{ node.setLocatlPosition(position);
public void getPosition(Vector3 position)
{ return node.getLocatlPosition();
}
}
public class TestGameClient extends GameConnectionClient
{ // same as before, plus code to handle additional NPC messages
private Vector<GhostNPC> ghostNPCs;
private void createGhostNPC(int id, Vector3 position)
 { GhostNPC newNPC = new GhostNPC(id, position);
  ghostNPCs.add(newNPC);
  game.addGhostNPCtoGameWorld(newNPC);
private void updateGhostNPC(int id, Vector3 position)
{ ghostNPCs.get(id).setPosition(position);
// handle updates to NPC positions
// format: (mnpc,npcID,x,y,z)
if(messageTokens[0].compareTo("mnpc") == 0)
{ int ghostID = Integer.parseInt(messageTokens[1]);
  Vector3 ghostPosition = Vector3f.createFrom(
       Float.parseFloat(messageTokens[2]),
       Float.parseFloat(messageTokens[2]),
       Float.parseFloat(messageTokens[2]));
  updateGhostNPC(ghostID, ghostPosition);
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public class MyGame extends VariableFrameRateGame now includes addGhostNPCtoGameWorld()

{ sendPacket(new String("needNPC," + id.toString()));

public void askForNPCinfo()

catch (IOException e)

{ e.printStackTrace();

}}