
Subject: MT on Linux?

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I was just wondering whether anyone is using multi-threading on Linux, as I'm having a variety of problems with it. Basically I have two programs with a client/server relationship. Both are Upp, server is a console app and the client has a GUI.

This works perfectly on Windows, but on Linux (KDE) I'm seeing the following problems:

- 1- Running a single thread in the server causes many (10+) seemingly identical processes to be added (as visible on the task-manager equivalent). Why?
- 2- I still see the issue that Chameleon only works in MT mode.
- 3- The GUI app has heap leaks that only appear when compiled with MT. I have tested this on a literally empty program (just `GUI_APP_MAIN { }`) and they still occur. This is particularly annoying because of (2), and I suspect these issues may be related.
- 4- It's very easy to make the GUI lock-up. I'm doing this:

- Main window with progress bar

- Thread doing something across the network

- Thread updates the progress bar (via callback)

- On network error the thread trigger a callback that does the following, then exits the thread:

```
void OnError(String txt)
```

```
{  
    Exclamation(txt);  
    wnd.Close();  
    SetExitCode(2);  
}
```

The main window locks up after the Close call.

The only similar problem I had with Win32 was that it's possible to trigger the `ASSERT(!IsPainting())` in `Ctrl::WindowProc` if you call `Exclamation` at the wrong time, and I can't see way to do any sort of lock since `IsPainting` is private.

I know I should submit some test cases, but I'm going to try installing a native GTK distribution first and see if the problems persist. Am I the only one having these problems?

Cheers,
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