
Subject: sMutexLock implementation

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In Mt.cpp there is

```
Mutex& sMutexLock()
{
    static Mutex *section;
    if(!section) {
        static byte b[sizeof(Mutex)];
        section = new(b) Mutex;
    }
    return *section;
}
```

How is this different from the simpler

```
Mutex& sMutexLock()
{
    static Mutex m;
    return m;
}
```

In both cases the Mutex constructor will be called when the function is first called. In both cases the function needs external protection from MT race conditions.

On a side note, this function is not on the interface (Mt.h), why not make it file static in Mt.cpp to avoid name clashes?
