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Subject: Re: How to check whether application is running

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Neil,

The mutex is really a good solution because Windows will destroy it for you if your app terminates incorrectly.

Another idea is the use of memoryfiles, that is files that are created in memory instead of on disk.

I know it can be done with the `CreateFile()` system call on Windows.

Sadly I don't have sourcecode to share for that anymore because I wrote it for a previous employer.

More info: <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/windows/desktop/aa366542%28v=vs.85%29.aspx>

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