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> Craig Markwardt wrote: >> initialized only once to save CPU cycles. Any time you need a >> procedure to "remember" something from one call to the next, common >> blocks are actually a pretty good idea. > > However, it often better if it does that remembering in a block of > memory provided for it by the calling function, and passed in by > reference as an argument. That way it can remember different things on > different calls to the same function, by providing it with different > blocks of memory for each use. Yes, that can be a good way too, especially when there can be multiple "sessions."

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