# **System-Level Programming**

### 34 Organization of Memory

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     Stack contains all auto variables that are currently alive

    x,y

Stack — contains all auto variables that are currently alive x,y,p
Heap — contains with malloc() explictly allocated memory areas
\*p











## Organization of Memory with an OS (continued)











