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What is a "system heap"?

DISCUSSION -----

The system heap is a special area of RAM set aside for things like fonts and DAs. The heap zone is used mostly by operating system data structures. The heap zone is an area in memory that may be allocated in relocatable and non-relocatable pieces, called heap blocks or heap pieces. The heap zone usually begins at \$B00 and extends to \$CAFF, but you should not count on those addresses being correct.

If you ever see an error message with the number -108, it probably means you need more space in your system heap. Increasing its size will help you if you have many fonts and DAs.

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