

# Operating Systems–1: CS3510

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### Theory Assignment 1: Chapters 1, 3

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1. Modification of problem 1.22 on page EX-2 of the book (page 84 of the pdf):
  - (a) Describe a mechanism for enforcing memory protection in order to prevent a program from modifying the memory associated with other programs.

**Answer:** The processor could keep track of what locations are associated with each process and limit access to locations that are outside of a program's extent. Information regarding the extent of a program's memory could be maintained by using base and limits registers and by performing a check for every memory access.

**Question:** Do you see any other mechanism for enforcing the above requirement?
  - (b) While memory protection is necessary, there are several examples where programs require memory to be shared between them. Please give **two** such examples.
2. Please study the PCB (Process Control Block) structure of a Linux system from any reliable Internet source. Describe any 10 fields in the PCB of a process in the latest Linux Operating System. Please cite your source as well like in question 2.