

Example: Alignment

```
.data
x:      .byte    0x0,0x1,0x2,0x3,0x4,0x5,0x6,0x7,0x8
.text
        # ALIGNED?
la      $t0,x
lw      $t1,0($t0)    #
lh      $t1,1($t0)    #
lw      $t1,3($t0)    #
addi    $t0,$t0,-3
lh      $t1,6($t0)    #
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# ALIGNED?
la      $t0,x
lw      $t1,0($t0)    # YES
lh      $t1,1($t0)    # NO
lw      $t1,3($t0)    # NO
addi    $t0,$t0,-3
lh      $t1,7($t0)    # YES (7+-3=4)
```

Example: Endianness

low address
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```
.data
x:      .byte    0x10,0x21,0x32,0x43
.text
la      $s0,x          # BIG ENDIAN    LITTLE ENDIAN
lw      $t0,0($s0)      #
lh      $t1,0($s0)      #
lh      $t2,2($s0)      #
```

Example: Endianness

low address
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```
.data  
x:      .byte    0x10,0x21,0x32,0x43  
.text  
la      $s0,x          # BIG ENDIAN    LITTLE ENDIAN  
lw      $t0,0($s0)     # 0x10213243    0x43322110  
lh      $t1,0($s0)     # 0x00001021    0x00002110  
lh      $t2,2($s0)     # 0x00003243    0x00004332
```