

Princeton University
COS 217: Introduction to Programming Systems
Assembler Assignment
Suggestions for Creating the Data Section

Assuming `pcDataCode` points to the beginning of the data section memory block, and `iDataLocCtr` is the data section location counter...

For the `.ascii` directive:

```
oArg = Instr_getArg(oInstr, i);
pcString = Arg_getString(oArg);
iStringLength = strlen(pcString);
pcDest = pcDataCode + iDataLocCtr;
memcpy(pcDest, pcString, iStringLength);
iDataLocCtr += iStringLength;
```

For the `.half` directive:

```
oArg = Instr_getArg(oInstr, i);
sLiteral = (short)Arg_getLiteral(oArg);
pcDest = pcDataCode + iDataLocCtr;
memcpy(pcDest, &sLiteral, 2);
iDataLocCtr += 2;
```