Introduction to Programming

Week – 5, Lecture – 3 **Type Ranges and Conversions in C**

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- There are some exceptions to it for instance, when a double constant is assigned to a float variable

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You can use the sizeof() operator to find out many implicit conversion rules of your implementation

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printf("On this machine,\n");
printf("int is %lu bytes,\n", sizeof(int));
printf("float is %lu bytes,\n", sizeof(float));
printf("double is %lu bytes,\n", sizeof(double));

printf("The result of (i + c) takes %lu bytes\n", sizeof((i + c)));
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Homework!!

Read the following articles

- https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/type-conversion-c/
- https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/c-language/c-floating-point-constants?view=msvc-160
- https://stackoverflow.com/questions/33163772/what-is-the-difference-between-casting-to-float-and-adding-f-as-a-suffix-whe