

Let  $f(n)$  be a function defined, for any integer  $n \geq 0$ , as follows:

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0, \\ (f(n/2))^2 & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } n \text{ is even,} \\ 2f(n-1) & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

(i) What is the value of  $f(5)$ ?

The *recursion depth* of  $f(n)$  is defined to be the number of other integers  $m$  such that the value of  $f(m)$  is calculated whilst computing the value of  $f(n)$ . For example, the recursion depth of  $f(4)$  is 3, because the values of  $f(2)$ ,  $f(1)$ , and  $f(0)$  need to be calculated on the way to computing the value of  $f(4)$ .

(ii) What is the recursion depth of  $f(5)$ ?

Now let  $g(n)$  be a function, defined for all integers  $n \geq 0$ , as follows:

$$g(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 1 + g(n/2) & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } n \text{ is even,} \\ 1 + g(n-1) & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

(iii) What is  $g(5)$ ?

(iv) What is  $g(2^k)$ , where  $k \geq 0$  is an integer? Briefly explain your answer.

(v) What is  $g(2^l + 2^k)$  where  $l > k \geq 0$  are integers? Briefly explain your answer.

(vi) Explain briefly why the value of  $g(n)$  is equal to the recursion depth of  $f(n)$ .