

## G5BADS informal coursework 1

1. Consider the following method:

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int divisions(int n){
    int k = 1;
    while(n > 1){
        n = n/2;
        k++;
    }
    return k;
}
```

- (a) Write its time usage function  $t(n)$ .
  - (b) Prove that  $t(n)$  is in  $O(\log_2 n)$ .
  - (c) Write its space usage function  $s(n)$ .
  - (d) Prove that  $s(n)$  is in  $O(1)$ .
2. Which statements below are true:
- (a) If an algorithm has time complexity  $O(N^2)$ , then it always makes  $N^2$  steps, where  $N$  is the size of the input.
  - (b) An algorithm with time complexity  $O(N)$  is always slower than an algorithm with time complexity  $O(\log_2 N)$ , for any input.
  - (c) An algorithm which makes  $c_1 \log_2 N$  steps and an algorithm which makes  $c_2 \log_4 N$  steps are in the same complexity class ( $c_1, c_2$  are constants).