

## Destructive Testing Analysis

1.  $f(n) = 2\sqrt{n}$

a) Worst case:  $O(\sqrt{n})$

b) The worst case running time is  $O(\sqrt{n})$  because no matter what, the program will divide the number of rungs needed to test your program to  $\sqrt{n}$ .

c)  $f(n) = \sqrt{n}$  : iterating through the divisions of the ladder

+  $\sqrt{n}$  : iterating through a specific division until the device breaks

=  $2\sqrt{n}$

2.

Ladder Sizes	(Ladder size) - 3	(Ladder size) / 2 - 2	Highest Safe Rung = 2
10	5	3	4
10,000	198	149	4
1,000,000	1998	1499	4
100,000,000	19998	14999	4

3. a) Yes, the results aligned with our interpretation. Although there was no way to reduce the running time down to  $O(\log(n))$ , the lower number of drops does indicate the algorithm is better than  $O(n)$  running time.

b) N/A