Question 1

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In [177]:
#(a)
def maxnum(alist):
    alist.sort(reverse=True)
    #This just uses the built-in sort function, but in reverse
    return alist[0]
    #I pick the integer at the 0th index because with reverse sort
    #that would be the largest integer in the list
In [176]:
def minnum(alist):
    alist.sort()
    #using the built-in sort function (smallest to largest)
    return alist[0]
    #integer at the 0th index is the smallest
In [179]:
#(b)
minnum([1, 'a',2,3,4]) #No it does not work over other data types
TypeError
                                           Traceback (most recent call
last)
<ipython-input-179-fc697e956fc0> in <module>()
---> 2 minnum([1,'a',2,3,4]) #No it does not work over other data typ
es
<ipython-input-176-5964e0cf7a75> in minnum(alist)
      1 def minnum(alist):
---> 2
            alist.sort()
            #using the built-in sort function (smallest to largest)
            return alist[0]
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            #integer at the 0th index is the smallest
TypeError: unorderable types: str() < int()</pre>
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In [183]:
#(c)
#I made the function more robust by employing a
#list comprehension to consume the input list
#and recreate a new list that only contains integers
def maxnum(alist):
    newlist = [item for item in alist if type(item) == int]
    newlist.sort(reverse = True)
    return newlist[0]
def minnum(alist):
    newlist = [item for item in alist if type(item) == int]
    newlist.sort()
    return newlist[0]
In [184]:
minnum([1,5,2,7,3,5,9])
Out[184]:
1
In [185]:
minnum([1,2,3,4,"a",2,5,"hello",4,7])
Out[185]:
1
In [186]:
maxnum([1,2,3,4,"a",2,5,"hello",4,7])
Out[186]:
7
Question 2
In [189]:
data = [3,6,1,3,6,8,9,2,2,2,1]
In [190]:
mean_vals = 0
def mean(alist):
    mean_vals = sum(alist)/len(alist)
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return mean vals

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In [191]:
mean(data)
Out[191]:
3.909090909090909
In [192]:
a = 0
b = 0
def median(alist):
    alist.sort()
    if len(alist) % 2 == 0:
        a = len(alist)/2
        b = len(alist)/2 - 1
        c = .5*(test[int(a)]+test[int(b)])
        return c
    else:
        a = len(alist)//2
        return alist[a]
In [193]:
median(data)
Out[193]:
3
In [194]:
def rangefunc(alist):
    alist.sort()
    return alist[len(alist)-1]-alist[0]
In [195]:
rangefunc(data)
Out[195]:
8
In [196]:
def var(alist):
    print((1/len(alist)) * (sum([(item - mean(alist))**2
                                   for item in alist])))
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In [197]:
var(data)
7.355371900826446
Question 3
(a)
F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} for n < 2, and where F_1 = 1 and F_2 = 2
In [198]:
#I assume that the 0th Fibonacci number is 0, since we generally
#begin at the 1st Fibonacci number. Thus F1 and F2 = 1.
#We iterate through range(n-1) because the nth Fibonacci number
#must have n-1 loops through (because I started at 0,1 to account for
#the 0th Fibonacci number).
#i.e. fib iter(3) must calculate two numbers, the 2nd and 3rd
#Fibonacci numbers (since the 1st number is given).
#(b)
def fib iter(n, show sequence = False):
    fprev1 = 1
    fprev2 = 1
    fnext1 = 0
    fiblist = []
    if n >= 1:
        fiblist.append(fprev1)
    if n >= 2:
        fiblist.append(fprev2)
    if n > 2:
        for value in range(n-2):
            fnext1 = fprev1 + fprev2
            fiblist.append(fnext1)
            fprev1 = fprev2
            fprev2 = fnext1
    if show sequence == True:
        return fiblist
    else:
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In [124]:
fib_iter(3)
Out[124]:
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return fiblist[n-1]

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In [127]:
fib_iter(5, show_sequence = True)
Out[127]:
[1, 1, 2, 3, 5]
In [280]:
#(c)
def fib_recur(n, show_sequence = False):
    if show sequence == False:
        if n == 1:
            return 1
        elif n == 2:
            return 1
        else:
            return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
    else:
        if n <= 1:
            return [1]
        elif n <= 2:
            return [1,1]
        else:
            a = fib(n-1, show_sequence = True)
            b = fib(n-2, show sequence = True)
            return a + [a[-1] + b[-1]]
In [281]:
fib recur(7, show sequence = True)
Out[281]:
[1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13]
In [282]:
fib recur(5)
Out[282]:
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Question 4

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(a) If f(x) := x^2 - r is our function then f'(x) = 2x is the derivative of the function. Therefore, the Newton's method approximation is:
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x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}
x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = x_n - \frac{x_n^2 - r}{2x_n} \text{ for } n \ge 2
As \lim_{n\to\infty}, x_n^2 - r \to 0
Thus (x_{n+1})^2 - r as \lim_{n \to \infty} = x_n^2 - r = 0 and x_n is the root of r.
In [269]:
#(b)
import numpy as np
def square_root(r):
      x0 = 0.1
      x = x0
      for item in np.arange(100):
            fx = x**2 - r
            dfx = 2*x
            if -0.1 < fx < 0.1:
                  return x
            else:
                  x = x - fx/dfx
In [271]:
square_root(1.4)
Out[271]:
1.1937187973877976
In [ ]:
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 $x_0 = a$ random guess.