Problem 1

For this problem, I first do a quicksort on the list, then find out the median, which is the number indexed as $\frac{n+1}{2}$ (n is odd) or the average of the two numbers indexed as $\frac{n}{2}$ and $\frac{n}{2} + 1$ (n is even). See my code below:

```
import numpy as np
import numpy.random as rand
# Given a list of unsorted numbers, this program first sorted it, then find the median
# define a quicksort function to sort a list
def sort(a):
    n = len(a)
    if n \le 1:
        return a
    else:
        pivotIndex = int(n/2)
        pivot = a[pivotIndex]
        large = []
        small = []
        a.remove(pivot)
        for i in range(n-1):
            if a[i] <= pivot:</pre>
                small.append(a[i])
            else:
                large.append(a[i])
        a = sort(small) + [pivot] + sort(large)
        return a
# define a function to find median from a sorted list
def medianFromSorted(a):
    n = len(a)
    if n == 0:
        print "array can not be empty!"
    elif n == 1:
        median = a[0]
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else:
        if n%2:
            median=a[n/2]
        else:
            median = float(a[n/2]+a[n/2-1])/2
    return median
# get median from a list (no matter sorted or not)
def median(a):
    a = sort(a)
    median = medianFromSorted(a)
    return median
# Test on several different lists to ensure correctness
b = [1,2,3,4,4,5]
print "before sort:", b
b = sort(b)
print "after sort:", b
print "median:", median(b)
b = [1,7,12,4,3,2,5]
print "before sort:",b
b = sort(b)
print "after sort:",b
print "median:", median(b)
# generate list b of random numbers
b = []
for i in xrange(10):
    v = rand.randint(100)
    b.append(v)
print "before sort:", b
b = sort(b)
print "after sort:", b
print "median:", median(b)
```

The recursion tree for quicksort is shown in Figure 1.

Thus, for quicksort, we have

$$T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + cn = 2(2T(\frac{n}{4}) + c\frac{n}{2}) + cn = 2^2T(\frac{n}{2^2}) + 2cn = \dots = 2^kT(\frac{n}{2^k}) + kcn = 2^kT(1) + kcn$$

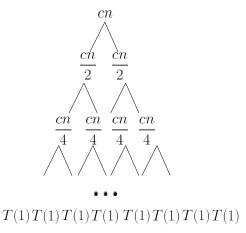


Figure 1: Recursion Tree for Quicksort

In the end, we have k levels in the recursion tree, and $2^k = n$, so $k = log_2(n)$. The equation becomes

$$T(n) = nT(1) + cnlog_2(n) = O(nlog_2(n))$$

Considering the time complexity got from getting the median, which is 0 (n is odd) or 2 (n is even) basic operations, definitely, our total time complexity is bound at $O(nlog_2(n))$.

Problem 2

• Create numpy array x and print x

```
import numpy as np
x = np.arange(1,16)
print "x:", x
```

• Reshape x into 5*3 matrix A and print A

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A = x.reshape(5,3)
print "A:", A
```

• Extract row 1,2,4 and column 1,3 to make a matrix B and print B. Also multiply B by vector (5,3) and print the result

```
# take row 1,2,4 and column 1,3 and make matrix B; print B B = (A[(0,1,3),:])[:,(0,2)]
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print "B:", B
# make a vector (3,5)
y = np.array([[3],[5]])
# multiply B by the vector (3,5) and print the result
By = np.dot(B, y)
print "By:", By
```

• Reshape x into 5 * 3 matrix C and print C

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C = (x.reshape(3,5)).T
print "C:", C
```

Problem 3

In this problem I generate a 4-D array from standard normal distribution (i.e. Gaussian distribution with mean = 0 and std = 1) with (4,3,8,6) as its four dimensions. The numpy functions $numpy.random.standard_normal$ will give me the random numbers from standard normal; numpy.mean, numpy.std, numpy.var, numpy.max, and numpy.min will give me the corresponding statistics for the array no matter how many dimensions it has.

See my code below:

```
import numpy as np
import numpy.random as rand
# generate random numbers from standard normal distribution
\# standard normal = Gaussian with mean = 0 and std = 1
# first seed the random number generator
rand.seed(201314)
size = 4 * 3 * 8 * 6
a = np.array(rand.standard_normal(size))
# resize a so it has shape (4,3,8,6)
a.resize(4,3,8,6)
# find the mean, std, var, min, max for a
print "mean(a):", np.mean(a)
print "std(a):", np.std(a)
print "var(a):", np.var(a)
print "min(a):", np.min(a)
print "max(a):", np.max(a)
```

The output using my code, for which the mean and std are close to those in a standard normal distribution:

```
mean(a): 0.0518500555208 std(a): 0.979626554723
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var(a): 0.959668186718
min(a): -2.94328259078
max(a): 3.23038575557

Problem 4

In this problem, I generate 1000 evenly spaced numbers from the given interval [-10, 10] to make a numpy array x, then produce the plot of f(x) vs x. I also used $optimize.fmin_bfgs$ from scipy package to find the minimum of f(x). The plot in Figure 2 shows that, the minimum visible on the plot agrees with the output of $optimize.fmin_bfgs$ shown below:

Value of x when f(x) is minimized: [-0.62644628] Minimum value of f(x): [2.35476044]

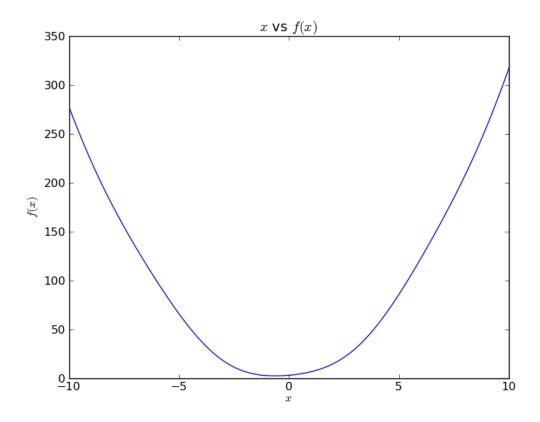


Figure 2: Plot of f(x) vs x

See my code below:

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import optimize

```
# defined the function
def fx(x):
    return 2*x + 3*x**2 + 3*np.cos(x)
# gradient of the function
def grad_fx(x):
    return 2 + 6*x - 3*np.sin(x)
# initialize x and y as two list of numbers
x = np.linspace(-10,10,num = 1000)
y = []
# give an intial value for x
x0 = 1
# do the optimization and print the result
xopt = optimize.fmin_bfgs(fx, x0, fprime=fx)
print "Value of x when f(x) is minimized:", xopt, "Minimum value of f(x):", fx(xopt)
# get the values of y = f(x) by calculation
for i, v in enumerate(x):
    y.append(fx(v))
# make the plot
plt.plot(x,y)
plt.title(r"$x$ vs $f(x)$")
plt.xlabel(r"$x$")
plt.ylabel(r"$f(x)$")
plt.show()
```

Problem 5

The plot is shown in Figure 3 below. I want to point out that in the third subplot of tan(x) vs x, since the limit of y is [-1,1], the y values outside of this limit is not shown in the plot here.

See my code below:

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# define 3 functions
def fx(x):
    return np.sin(x)
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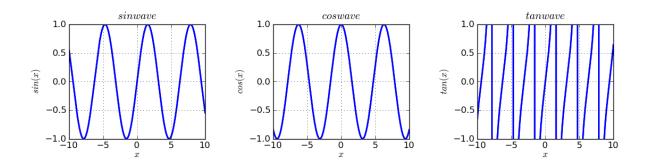


Figure 3: Plot of sin(x) vs x, cos(x) vs x, and tan(x) vs x

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def gx(x):
    return np.cos(x)

def hx(x):
    return np.tan(x)

# limit x on interval [-10,10]
x = np.linspace(-10,10,num = 10000)

# get the y on different functions
yf = []
yg = []
yh = []

for v in x:
    yf.append(fx(v))
    yg.append(gx(v))
    yh.append(hx(v))
```

```
# make the plots for f(x), g(x), and h(x)
# set figure size and resolution
fig = plt.figure(1,figsize = (15,10),dpi=100)
# the first subplot: f(x) vs x
pyf = fig.add_subplot(1,3,1)
# make the plot, specify line color and width
pyf.plot(x,yf,'b',linewidth=2)
# set the position of subplot so it won't overlap with other subplots
pyf.set_position([0.10,0.15,0.20,0.30])
# plot the grid
plt.grid(True)
# limit y value on interval [-1,1]
plt.ylim(-1,1)
# plot title and x, y labels
plt.title(r"$sin wave$")
plt.xlabel(r"$x$")
plt.ylabel(r"$sin(x)$")
pyg = fig.add_subplot(1,3,2)
pyg.plot(x,yg,'b',linewidth=2)
pyg.set_position([0.40,0.15,0.20,0.30])
plt.grid(True)
plt.ylim(-1,1)
plt.title(r"$cos wave$")
plt.xlabel(r"$x$")
plt.ylabel(r"$cos(x)$")
pyh = fig.add_subplot(1,3,3)
pyh.plot(x,yh,'b',linewidth=2)
pyh.set_position([0.70,0.15,0.20,0.30])
plt.grid(True)
# set the limit of y to be [-1,1]
# please note that y here has a lot more value points outside this limit
plt.ylim(-1,1)
plt.title(r"$tan wave$")
plt.xlabel(r"$x$")
plt.ylabel(r"$tan(x)$")
# save figure and show it on screen
fig.savefig('triangular.png')
plt.show()
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