

Algorithms project

Q.1

Part (b): Algorithm Analysis

1. Time Complexity:

- Building the max heap takes $O(n)$ time.
- The heapify operation takes $O(\log n)$ time, and since we perform this operation (n) times (once for each element), the total time complexity for the sorting phase is $O(n \log n)$.
- Therefore, the overall time complexity of Heap-Sort is $O(n \log n)$.

2. Space Complexity:

- Heap-Sort is an in-place sorting algorithm, meaning it requires a constant amount of additional space $O(1)$ for the sorting process. However, the recursive calls to **heapify** may use $O(\log n)$ space on the call stack in the worst case.

3. Stability:

- Heap-Sort is not a stable sorting algorithm. Stability means that two equal elements retain their relative order after sorting. In Heap-Sort, this is not guaranteed.

4. Use Cases:

- Heap-Sort is useful when you need a guaranteed $O(n \log n)$ time complexity and when memory usage is a concern, as it does not require additional space for another array.

Q.2

Part (b): Algorithm Analysis

1. Time Complexity:

- Sorting the edges takes $O(E \log E)$, where (E) is the number of edges.
- Each union and find operation takes nearly constant time, $O(\alpha(V))$, where (α) is the inverse Ackermann function, which grows very slowly. Thus, for (E) edges, the total time for union-find operations is $O(E \alpha(V))$.
- Therefore, the overall time complexity of Kruskal's algorithm is $O(E \log E)$.

2. **Space Complexity:**

- The space complexity is $O(V + E)$ for storing the edges and the union-find structure, where (V) is the number of vertices.

3. **Correctness:**

- Kruskal's algorithm is correct because it always adds the smallest edge that does not form a cycle, ensuring that the resulting tree is a minimum spanning tree.

4. **Use Cases:**

- Kruskal's algorithm is particularly useful for sparse graphs where the number of edges is much less than the number of vertices squared.