1. Not the same graph but isomorphic. Let left Graph be G1, right be G2.

**NP**. This is a non-deterministic problem, G1 is isomorphic to G2 and vice versa, as there is a bijection between vertices of each Graph. For every edge in G1, there is also an edge in G2 that can be mapped to.

The Graph Isomorphism problem is in NP.

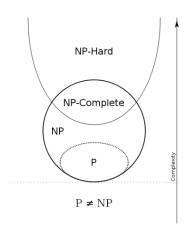


Figure 1: NPC diagram

- 2 (a). We will use the Christofides Algorithm for the TSP problem.
  - 1. Find minimum spanning tree **T**, for a given graph **G**, using **Prim + Fibb Heaps**.
  - 2. Find vertices with odd degree in T, and place into a set S.

- 3. From S, find perfect minimal-weight matching edges M, using Blossom V.
- 4. Add edges M into T.
- 5. Find the Eulerian cycle, using Fleury's.
- 6. Remove the edges that causes a vertex to be visited repeatedly. This will then create a Hamiltonian Path.

The algorithm is a **1.5 Approximation**:  $O(|V|^2|E|)$ ;  $M \le \frac{oPT}{2}$ 

The cost of finding **T** is: O(|E| + log(|V|)), E=No. of Edges, V=Vertices.

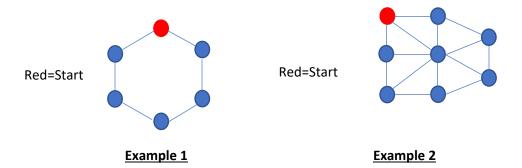
The cost of finding **S** is: O(|V|)

The cost of finding **M** is:  $O(|V|^2|E|)$ 

The most time-consuming cost would be finding  $\mathbf{M}$ , which brings the total complexity to  $O(|V|^2|E|)$ . For step 6 to work, we assume that the graph satisfies the triangle inequality, therefore the weights of the edges must satisfy the inequality:

 $e(v,u) + e(v,w) \ge e(u,w), \forall p; p = all possible pairs of vertices u, v, w$ 

2 (b). "Best" Solution Example 1; "Not-The-Best" Solution Example 2



- 1: Simple MST, least odd degree vertices, simple Eulerian cycle.
- 2: More complicated to find MST, more vertices are odd degrees.

3 (a). Best case for Mergesort will be when array is already sorted and divided into 2 equal halves,  $\frac{n}{2}$  comparisons. Since Mergesort will only be performed until the input size

is 8 or lesser, there will be 3 recursions of Mergesort that will be subtracted out of the total number of comparisons.

Total num of comparisons: 
$$\frac{n}{2} - \frac{8}{2} = \frac{n-8}{2}$$

Best case for Insertionsort will be when the array is already sorted. Since Mergesort will divide an array of size 16 into 2 arrays of size 8, Insertionsort will be performed on **2** arrays. Therefore, Insertionsort will have: 2 \* (n-1) comparisons.

Total num of comparisons: 
$$(\frac{n-8}{2}) + (2(n-1))$$

3 (b). Let  $\mathbf{n} = 2^k - 1$ , nodes (distinct elements). Let height of a tree  $(\mathbf{h}) = \log(\mathbf{n})$ .

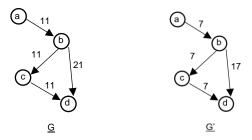
A complete binary tree of h levels has  $2^k - 1$  nodes:

$$k = 1, 1 \le 2^{1} - 1$$
  
 $k = 2, 2 \le 2^{2} - 1$   
...  
 $k < 2^{k} - 1$ 

Since the input array B is in ascending order, the <u>first (smallest)</u> inserted element will be at the top and the <u>last (biggest)</u> will be at a root. And since there are 2 comparisons for each level, the total number of comparisons will be

2\*Height of Tree: 
$$2 * h = 2 * log(2^k - 1)$$

4. No. Shortest path in G' != G. Assume Dijkstra applied to G and G'. Consider the graphs below as example.



Let Edges be e, Weight be w, Source be a, Destination be d, Path be s

Shortest path from Vertex a to d for G is {a-b-d} with w1=32.

Shortest path from Vertex **a** to **d** for G' is {a-b-c-d} with w2=21.

$$s1 = {a-b-d}$$

$$s2 = \{a-b-c-d\}$$

In the above example there are 2 paths s1, s2, from the source(a) to destination(d). s1 has e=3, s2 has e=2. By reducing the weight of every single edge in the graph by a constant x, we are reducing the weight of the paths by,

$$w = \sum (e_i - x), i = edges of path$$

So, the weights for each path, s1 and s2, before reduction:

$$s1: (e_1 - 0) + (e_2 - 0) = (11 - 0) + (21 - 0) = 32$$
  
$$s2: (e_1 - 0) + (e_2 - 0) + (e_3 - 0) = (11 - 0) + (11 - 0) + (11 - 0) = 33$$

After reduction of weights:

$$s1: (e_1 - 4) + (e_2 - 4) = (11 - 4) + (21 - 4) = 24$$

$$s2: (e_1 - 4) + (e_2 - 4) + (e_3 - 4) = (11 - 4) + (11 - 4) + (11 - 4) = 21$$

We can see that the shortest path (min weight) has changed from s1 to s2 after the reduction. Therefore, the addition/subtraction of weights on every edge in a graph will affect the shortest path of the graph.

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