

Hamilton-Connectedness of Some Cubic 3-connected Plane Graph

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Abstract. We define a Pupa graph $PP(k, [r_2, s_2], [r_3, s_3], \dots, [r_{n-1}, s_{n-1}], l)$ which is a cubic 3-connected plane graph. In this paper, we show that a Pupa graph is hamilton-connected if $n \geq 2$, both k and l are even, r_i is odd, and $s_i = 0$ for every $i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n-1\}$.

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1. Introduction

Let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a simple undirected graph, and $p, q \in V(G)$. A path from p to q is denoted by pq -path. A hamilton path (respectively, A hamilton cycle) is a path (respectively, a cycle) passing through all vertices of G . Note that A hamilton pq -path is a hamilton path from p to q . A graph G is hamiltonian if G has a hamilton cycle. Moreover, G is hamilton-connected if for every $p, q \in V(G)$, there is a hamilton pq -path. Note that a hamilton-connected graph is a hamiltonian graph. A degree of a vertex u , denoted by $deg u$, is a number of edges that have u as an endvertex. A graph is cubic if all vertices have degree three. A graph G is 3-connected if for any $u, v \in V(G)$, $G - \{u, v\}$ is connected.

A hamiltonian problem is a well-known problem in graph theory that applies to computer graphics and logistics. Tait (Tait 1884) conjectured that a cubic 3-connected graph is hamiltonian. Later, Tutte (Tutte 1946) disproved this by showing a nonhamiltonian cubic 3-connected plane graph called *Tutte graph*. However, there is open problems about cubic 3-connected plane graphs such that Barnette's conjecture (Barnette 1969): a cubic 3-connected bipartite graph is hamiltonian. In

this paper, we show a family of 3-connected cubic plane graph that is a hamilton-connected.

A leaf is a vertex of degree 1. Let CP be a Caterpillar graph embedded on a plane. A spine S of a caterpillar CP is $CP - X$ where X is a set of all leaves of CP . Note that S is a path with vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Assume that a caterpillar CP has no vertex of degree two and its spine S has at least two vertices. A Pupa graph PP is a plane graph obtained from a Caterpillar graph CP with its spine S by

- (1) construct the outer cycle passing through all leaves of CP , and
- (2) for each $v_i \in V(S)$, replacing it by a cycle D_i of size $deg v_i$.

By this construction, all vertices of PP have degree three and removing any two vertices from PP , the remaining graph is still connected. Then PP is a cubic 3-connected plane graph and cycles D_1, D_2, \dots , and D_n corresponding to vertices v_1, v_2, \dots , and, v_n , respectively. Define a Head graph H_1 (respectively, H_n) as a graph induced by all vertices of D_1 (respectively, D_n) and all neighbors of D_1 (respectively, D_n) in the outer cycle.

Moreover, for $i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n-1\}$, a Body graph B_i is a graph induced by all vertices of D_i and all neighbors of D_i in the outer cycle.

For $n \geq 2$, we let a Pupa graph $PP = PP(k, [r_2, s_2], [r_3, s_3], \dots, [r_{n-1}, s_{n-1}], l)$ where $k, l, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_{n-1}, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_{n-1}$ are nonnegative integer. Note that $k \geq 2, l \geq$

2, and $r_i + s_i \geq 1$. We label all vertices of PP as in Figure 2.

From this labeling, we have $V(D_1) = \{y_1, \bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2, \dots, \bar{a}_k\}$ and $V(D_n) = \{x_n, \bar{b}_1, \bar{b}_2, \dots, \bar{b}_l\}$. Then $|V(D_1)| = k + 1$ and $|V(D_n)| = l + 1$. Note that for $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n - 1\}$, an edge $y_i x_{i+1}$ joins between D_i and D_{i+1} . For each cycle $D_i, i \in \{2, \dots, n - 1\}$, a path P_1^i from x_i to y_i in clockwise direction passing through $\bar{u}_1^i, \bar{u}_2^i, \dots, \bar{u}_{r_i}^i$ and a

path P_2^i from y_i to x_i in clockwise direction passing through $\bar{w}_1^i, \bar{w}_2^i, \dots, \bar{w}_{s_i}^i$. Then $r_i = |V(P_1^i)|$ and $s_i = |V(P_2^i)|$. Note that r_i and s_i represent the number of vertices on D_i which has a neighbor in upper side and lower side of the outer cycle, respectively. Note that $|V(D_i)| = r_i + s_i + 2$ for all $i \in \{2, \dots, n - 1\}$. Moreover, for each $\bar{x} \in V(D_i)$, its neighbor in outer cycle is x . We show examples of Pupa graphs that $|V(D_i)|$ is even for some $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, and there is no hamilton xy -path as in Figure 3

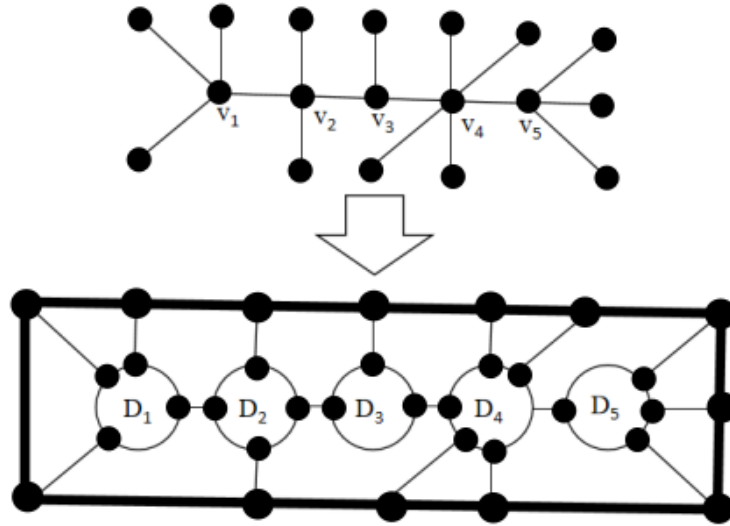


Figure 1. An example of a Pupa graph obtained from a caterpillar graph.

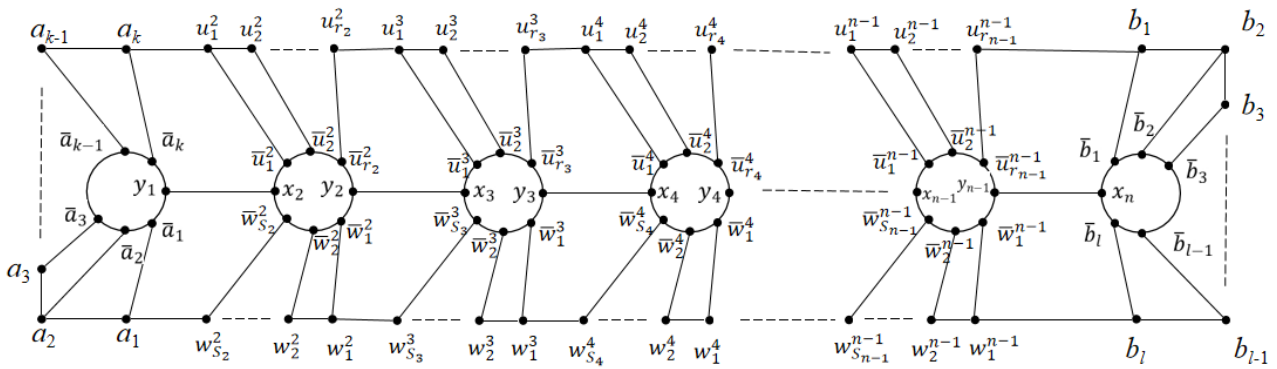


Figure 2. A Pupa graph $PP(k, [r_2, s_2], [r_3, s_3], \dots, [r_{n-1}, s_{n-1}], l)$.

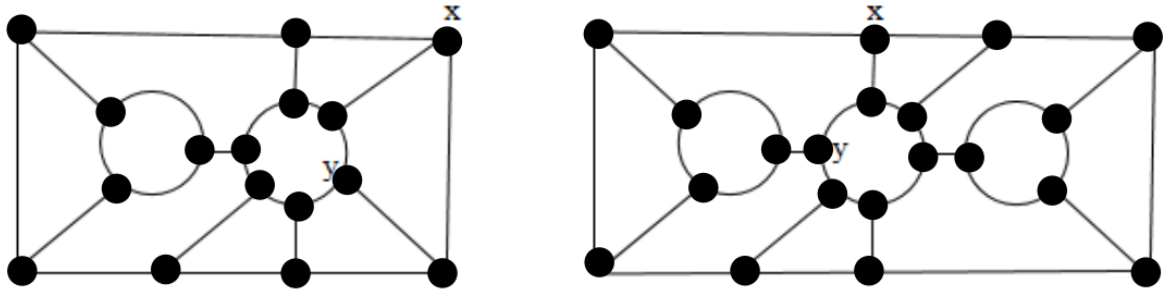


Figure 3. Pupa graphs $PP(2,5)$ and $PP(3, [2,2],3)$ have no hamilton xy -path.

Then we assume that $|V(D_i)|$ is odd for every $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Note that both k and l are even, and $r_i + s_i$ is odd for every $i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n - 1\}$. Furthermore, we also assume that $s_i = 0$ for every $i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n - 1\}$. Then the main result of this paper is as follows.

Theorem 1.1: For every natural number $n \geq 2$, even natural numbers k, l , and odd natural numbers r_2, r_3, \dots, r_{n-1} , a Pupa graph $PP(k, [r_2, 0], [r_3, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$ is hamilton-connected.

We prove Theorem 1.1 for the case that $n = 2$ and $n \geq 3$ in Theorem 2.4, and Theorem 4.6, respectively.

2. Head graph

We recall a Head graph H as in figure 4.

Note that if $H = H_1$ (respectively $H = H_n$), then $m = k$ and $z = y_1$ (respectively, $m = l$ and $z = x_m$). We also let $Z^{odd} = \{c_1, c_3, c_5, \dots, c_{m-1}\}$, $Z^{even} = \{c_2, c_4, c_6, \dots, c_m\}$,

$\bar{Z}^{odd} = \{\bar{c}_1, \bar{c}_3, \bar{c}_5, \dots, \bar{c}_{m-1}\}$ and $\bar{Z}^{even} = \{\bar{c}_2, \bar{c}_4, \bar{c}_6, \dots, \bar{c}_m\}$. We generate all possible

cases and then get hamilton paths on a Head graph as follows.

Lemma 2.1: Let H be a Head graph and $p \in V(H)$. Then

- (1) if $p \neq z$, then there is a hamilton pz -path,
- (2) if $p \in Z^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}^{even}$, then there is a hamilton pc_m -path, and
- (3) if $p \in Z^{even} \cup \bar{Z}^{odd}$, then there is a hamilton pc_1 -path.

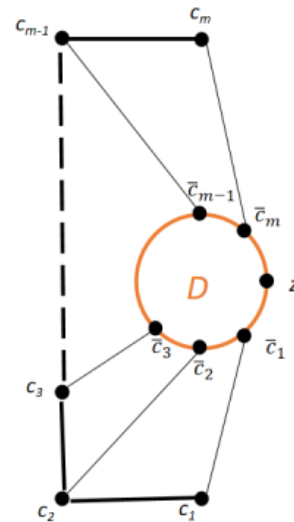


Figure 4. A Head graph H .

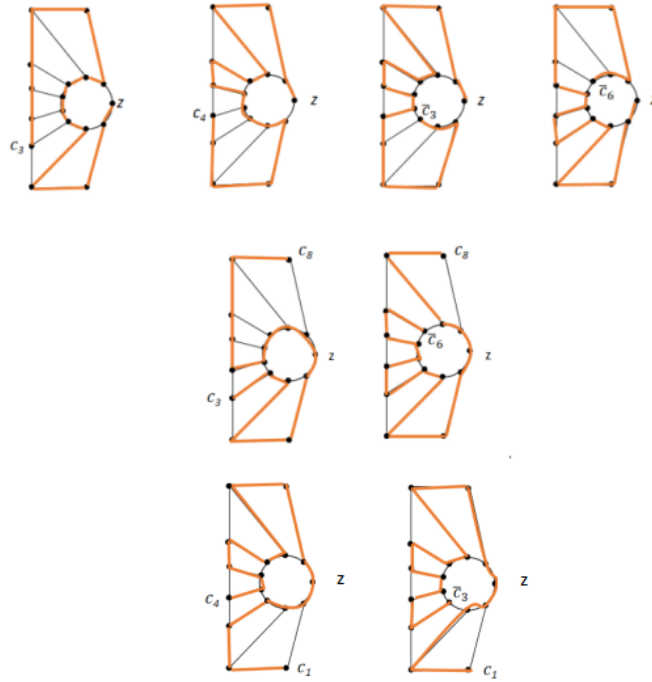


Figure 5. Examples of paths in Lemma 2.1 (1), (2), and (3) in the first row, the second row, and the third row, respectively.

Next, we construct two disjoint paths, S and T , and show that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$ in the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.2: Let $p, q \in V(H), p \neq q$. Then there is a pp' -path S and a qq' -path T , such that $p', q' \in \{z, c_1, c_m\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$.

Lemma 2.3: Let $p \in V(H) - \{z\}$. Then there are paths S and T such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$ as follows.

- (1) if $p = c_i \in Z^{odd}$, then S is a pc_1 -path and T is a zc_m -path,
- (2) if $p = c_i \in Z^{even}$, then S is a pc_n -path and T is a zc_1 -path, and
- (3) if $p = \bar{c}_i \in \bar{Z}^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}^{even}$, then S is a pz -path and T is a c_1c_m -path.

For a case that $n = 2$, a Pupa graph $PP = PP(k, l)$ has no a Body graph. Then we show the first part of main theorem as follows.

Theorem 2.4: For every even natural numbers k and l , a pupa graph $PP(k, l)$ is hamilton-connected.

Proof Let p, q be distinct vertices of a Pupa graph PP . We will show a hamilton pq -path P_H in the following cases.

Case 1: both p and q are in $V(H_1)$. (respectively, $V(H_2)$)

By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p, q \in V(H_1)$. From Lemma 2.2, there is a pu -path S and a qv -path T such that $u, v \in \{y_1, a_1, a_k\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H_1)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then we have the following subcases.

Subcase 1.1: $u = y_1$ and $v = a_1$.

From Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton b_1x_2 -path M in H_2 . Then

$P_H : pSy_1, x_2Mb_1, a_1Tq$.

Subcase 1.2: $u = y_1$ and $v = a_k$.

From Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton b_1x_2 -path M in H_2 . Then

$P_H : pSy_1, x_2Mb_1, a_kTq$.

Subcase 1.3: $u = a_1$ and $v = a_k$.

From Lemma 2.1(2), there is a hamilton $b_1b_l -$ path M in H_2 . Then $P_H : pSa_1, b_lMb_1, a_kTq$.

Case 2: $p \in V(H_1)$ and $q \in V(H_2)$. Define subsets of $V(H_1)$ $Z_1^{odd}, Z_1^{even}, \bar{Z}_1^{odd}, \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ in the same way as $Z^{odd}, Z^{even}, \bar{Z}^{odd}, \bar{Z}^{even}$.

Note that $V(H_1) = \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$. Similarly, $Z_2^{odd}, Z_2^{even}, \bar{Z}_2^{odd}$ and \bar{Z}_2^{even} are defined as subsets of $V(H_2)$.

Note that $V(H_2) = \{x_2\} \cup Z_2^{odd} \cup Z_2^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_2^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_2^{even}$. Then we have the following subcases.

Subcase 2.1: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \neq x_2$. From Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $py_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and there is a hamilton $qx_2 -$ path N in H_2 . Then $P_H : pMy_1, x_2Nq$. *Subcase*

2.2: $p \in Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q = x_2$ (respectively, $p = y_1$ and $q \in Z_2^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_2^{even}$).

By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q = x_2$. From Lemma 2.1(2), there is a hamilton $pa_k -$ path M in H_1 and from Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $x_2b_1 -$ path N in H_2 . Then $P_H : pMa_k, b_1Nx_2$. *Subcase 2.3:* $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q = x_2$ (respectively, $p = y_1$ and $q \in \{x_2\} \cup Z_2^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_2^{odd}$).

By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q = x_2$.

From Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton $pa_1 -$ path M in H_1 and from Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $x_2b_l -$ path N in H_2 . Then $P_H : pMa_1, b_lNx_2$.

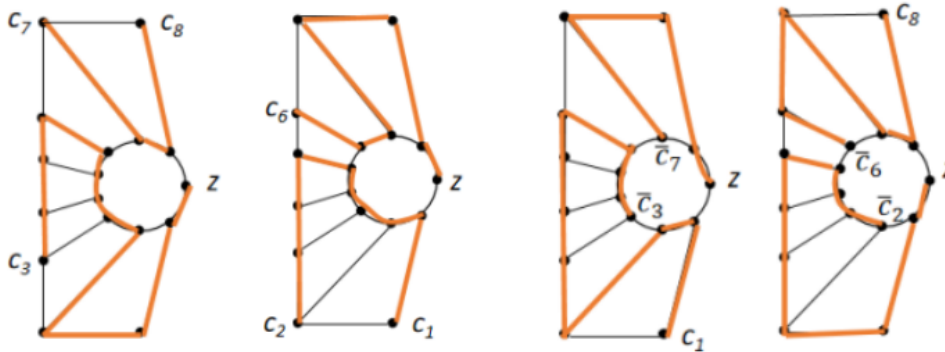


Figure 6. Examples of paths S and T in Lemma 2.2.

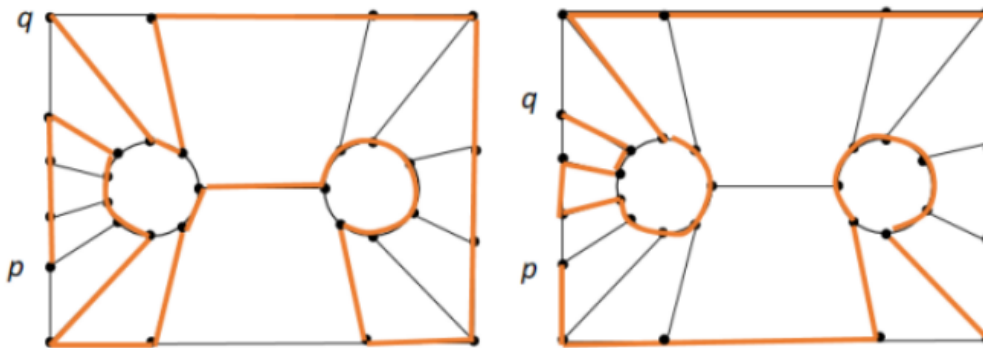


Figure 7. Examples of hamilton $pq -$ paths of $PP(8, 6)$ in subcase 1.2 and 1.3 of Theorem 2.4.

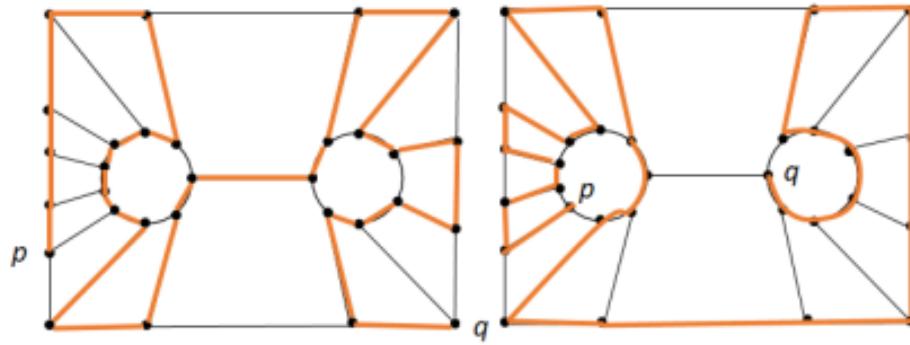


Figure 8. Examples of hamilton pq –paths of $PP(8, 6)$ in subcase 2.1 and 2.3 in Theorem 2.4.

3. Body graph

Recall a Body graph B of $PP(k, [r_2, 0], [r_3, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$ as in Figure 9.

Note that if $B = B_i$ for $i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n - 1\}$, then $m = r_i$ and $D = D_i$. We also let $U^{odd} = \{u_1, u_3, u_5, \dots, u_{m-1}\}$, $U^{even} = \{u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_m\}$, $\bar{U}^{odd} = \{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_3, \bar{u}_5, \dots, \bar{u}_{m-1}\}$ and $\bar{U}^{even} = \{\bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_4, \bar{u}_6, \dots, \bar{u}_m\}$. We generate all possible cases and then get hamilton paths on a Body graph as follows.

Lemma 3.1: Let B be a Body graph. If $p \in \{x, y\} \cup U^{odd} \cup \bar{U}^{even}$ and $q \in \{x, y, u_1, u_m\} - \{p\}$, then there is a hamilton pq –path.

Next, we construct two disjoint paths, S and T , and show that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$ in the following lemmas.

Lemma 3: There are paths S and T such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$ as follows.

(1) If $p \in U^{odd} \cup \bar{U}^{even}$, then S is a pp_1 – path and T is a yp_2 – path,

where $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1, x\}$ (respectively, S is a pp_1 – path and T is a xp_2 – path, where $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_m, y\}$).

(2) If $p \in U^{even} \cup \bar{U}^{odd}$, then S is a pp_1 –path and T is a $u_m p_2$ – path,

where $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1, x\}$ (respectively, S is a pp_1 –path and T is a $u_1 p_2$ – path, where $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_m, y\}$).

(3) $S = \{x\}$ and T is a $u_1 y$ – path (respectively, $S = \{y\}$ and T is a $u_m x$ – path).

(4) S is a xy –path and T is a $u_1 u_m$ – path.

Lemma 3.3: Let B be a Body graph and $p, p', q, q' \in V(B)$. Then there are paths S and T such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$ as follows.

(1) If $p = x$ and $q = y$, then $S = \{x\}$ and T is a yu_m – path.

(2) If $p \in \{x, y\}$ and $q \in U^{odd} \cup \bar{U}^{even}$, then $S = \{p\}$ and T is a qq' – path where $q' \in \{x, y\} - \{p\}$.

(3) If $p \in \{x, y\}$ and $q \in U^{even} \cup \bar{U}^{odd}$, then $S: x, y$ and T is a qu_1 – path .

(4) If $p, q \in U^{odd} \cup \bar{U}^{even}$, then S is a pp' –path and T is a qq' –path where $\{p', q'\} = \{x, y\}$.

(5) If $p \in U^{odd} \cup \bar{U}^{even}$ and $q \in U^{even} \cup \bar{U}^{odd}$, then S is a pp' – path and T is a

qq' – path where $z_1 \in \{x, u_1\}$, $z_2 \in \{y, u_m\}$, and $\{p', q'\} = \{z_1, z_2\}$.

Finally, we also construct two disjoint paths, S and T , but $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H) - \{x, y\}$ in the following.

Lemma 3.3: Let B be a Body graph and $p, q \in U^{even} \cup \bar{U}^{odd}$. Then there are a pp' – path and a qq' – path T such that $\{p', q'\} = \{u_1, u_m\}$, $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B) - \{x, y\}$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$.

4. Proof of Main result

To prove Theorem 1.1 for the case that $n \geq 3$, we split that theorem into five lemmas depending on hamilton pq – path P_H as follows.

- (i) $p, q \in V(H_1 \cup H_2)$ in Lemma 4.1.
- (ii) $p \in V(U_i)$ and $q \in V(U_j)$, $i \neq j$, in Lemma 4.2.
- (iii) $p, q \in V(U_i)$ in Lemma 4.3.
- (iv) n is odd, $p \in V(H_1 \cup H_2)$, and $q \in V(U_i)$ in Lemma 4.4.
- (v) n is even, $p \in V(H_1 \cup H_2)$ and $q \in V(U_i)$ in Lemma 4.5.

Next, let B_i be a Body graph for $i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n - 1\}$, by using Lemma 3.1, B_i have a hamilton $x_i u_{r_i}^i$ – path X_i , and a hamilton $y_i u_1^i$ – path Y_i . Moreover, from lemma 3.2(1), B_i have an $x_i y_i$ – path D_i^* and a $u_1^i u_{r_i}^i$ – path P_i^* such that $V(D_i^*) \cup V(P_i^*) = V(B_i)$, and $V(D_i^*) \cap V(P_i^*) = \emptyset$. Then we will use these paths in the following lemmas.

Lemma 4.1: Let $n \geq 3$ and a Pupa graph $PP = PP(k, [r_2, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$. If $p, q \in V(H_1) \cup V(H_n)$, then there is a hamilton pq – path in PP .

Proof We will show a hamilton pq – path P_H in the following cases.

Case 1: $p, q \in V(H_1)$ (respectively, $p, q \in V(H_n)$).

By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p, q \in V(H_1)$. From Lemma 2.2, there is a pu – path S and a qv – path T , such that $u, v \in \{y_1, a_1, a_k\}$, $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H_1)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then we have the following subcases.

Subcase 1.1: $u = y_1$ and $v = a_1$.

- For n is odd, from Lemma 2.1(2), there is a hamilton $b_1 b_l$ – path M in H_n . Then $P_H : pSy_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, X_{n-1}, b_1 M b_l, a_1 Tq$.

- For n is even, from Lemma 2.1 (1), there is a hamilton $x_n b_l$ – path M in H_n .

Then $P_H : pSy_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, Y_{n-1}, x_n M b_l, a_1 Tq$.

Subcase 1.2: $u = y_1$ and $v = a_k$.

From Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $b_1 x_n$ – path M in H_n . Then $P_H : pSy_1, D_2^*, D_3^*, \dots, D_{n-1}^*, x_n M b_1, P_{n-1}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, P_2^*, a_k Tq$. *Subcase 1.3:* $u = a_1$ and $v = a_k$.

- For n is odd, from Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $x_n b_l$ – path M in H_n .

Then $P_H : pSa_1, b_l M x_n, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, Y_2, a_k Tq$.

- For n is even, from Lemma 2.1(2), there is a hamilton $b_1 b_l$ – path M in H_n .

Then $P_H : pSa_1, b_l M b_1, X_{n-1}, Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, X_2, a_k Tq$.

Case 2: $p \in V(H_1)$ and $q \in V(H_n)$ (respectively, $p \in V(H_n)$ and $q \in V(H_1)$).

By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in V(H_1)$ and $q \in V(H_n)$. Recall $Z_i^{odd}, Z_i^{even}, \bar{Z}_i^{odd} \approx \bar{Z}_i^{even}$ when $i \in \{1, n\}$. Then we have the following cases.

Subcase 2.1: n is odd, $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{x_n\} \cup Z_n^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_n^{odd}$

- For n is odd, from Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton py_1 – path M in H_1 , and from Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton qb_1 – path N in H_n .

Then $P_H : pMy_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, X_{n-1}, b_1 Nq$.

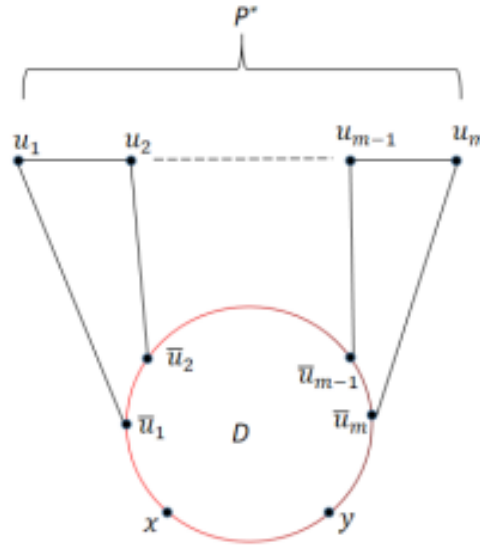


Figure 9. A Body graph B.

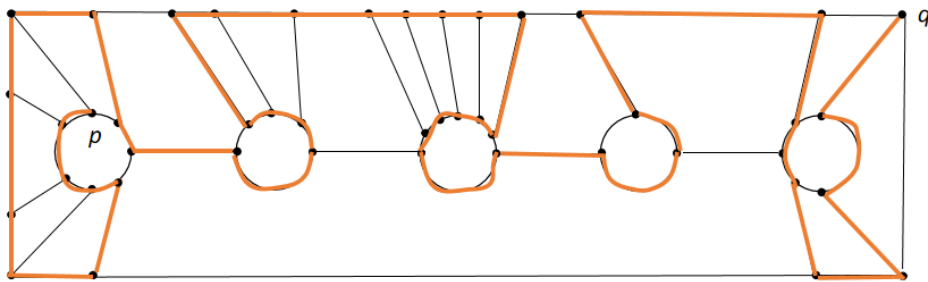


Figure 10. Example of a hamilton pq – path in subcase 2.1 in Lemma 4.1.

Subcase 2.2: n is odd, $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q \neq x_n$.

From Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton pa_k – path M in H_1 , and from Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton qx_n – path N in H_n . Then

$$P_H : pMa_k, Y_2, X_3, Y_4, \dots, Y_{n-1}x_nNq.$$

Subcase 2.3: n is odd, $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{x_n\} \cup Z_n^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_n^{even}$.

From Lemma 2.2 and 2.3(2, 3), there is a pp_1 – path S and a p_2a_1 – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{y_1, a_k\}$, $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H_1)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$.

From Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton qb_l – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.1, there is a

hamilton $x_{n-1}\bar{u}_1^{n-1}$ – path K in B_{n-1} . If $p_1 = y_1$, then $P_H : pSy_1, x_2, D_2^*, D_3^*, \dots, D_{n-2}^*, K, P_{n-2}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, P_2^*, u_1^2, a_kTa_1, b_lNq$

Otherwise, $P_H :$

$$qSb_l, a_1Ty_1, x_2, D_2^*, D_3^*, \dots, D_{n-2}^*, K, P_{n-2}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, P_2^*, u_1^2, a_kSp.$$

Subcase 2.4: n is even, $p \neq y_1$ and $q \neq x_n$.

From Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton py_1 – path M in H_1 , and there is a hamilton qx_n – path N in H_n . Then $P_H :$

$$pMy_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, Y_{n-1}, x_nNq.$$

Subcase 2.5: n is even, $p \in Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q = x_n$ (respectively, $p = y_1$ and $q \in Z_n^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_n^{even}$). By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$

and $q = x_n$. From Lemma 2.1(2), there is a hamilton pa_k – path M in H_1 , and from Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton b_1x_n – path N in H_n . Then $P_H : pMa_k, Y_2, X_3, Y_4, \dots, X_{n-1}, b_1Nx_n$.

Subcase 2.6: n is even, $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q = x_n$ (respectively, $p = y_1$ and $q \in \{x_n\} \cup Z_2^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_2^{odd}$). By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q = x_n$. From Lemma 2.2 and 2.3(2, 3), there is a pp_1 – path S and a p_2a_1 – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{y_1, a_k\}$, $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(H_1)$, and $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. From Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton x_nb_l – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.1, there is a hamilton $x_{n-1}\bar{u}_1^{n-1}$ – path K in B_{n-1} . If $p_1 = y_1$, then $P_H : pSy_1, x_2, D_2^*, D_3^*, \dots, D_{n-2}^*, K, P_{n-2}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, P_2^*, u_1^2, a_kTa_1, b_lNqx_n$. Otherwise, $P_H : x_nSb_l, a_1Ty_1, x_2, D_2^*, D_3^*, \dots, D_{n-2}^*, K, P_{n-2}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, P_2^*, u_1^2, a_kSp$.

Lemma 4.2: Let $n \geq 4$ and a Pupa graph $PP = PP(k, [r_2, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$. If $p \in V(U_i)$ and $q \in V(B_j)$, $2 \leq i < j \leq n - 1$ then there is a hamilton pq – path in PP .

Proof We will use Lemma 3.2 to construct paths S_i, S_j, T_i, T_j and then use them to construct a hamilton path P_H as follows.

(1) There is an pp_1 – path S_i and a p_2p' – path T_i , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}$, $V(S_i) \cup V(T_i) = V(B_i)$, $V(S_i) \cap V(T_i) = \emptyset$, and

$$p' = \begin{cases} x_i, & p \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even} \\ u_1^i, & p \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd} \end{cases}$$

(2) There is an qq_1 – path S_j and a q_2q' – path T_j , such that $\{q_1, q_2\} = \{u_1^j, x_j\}$, $V(S_j) \cup V(T_j) = V(B_j)$, $V(S_j) \cap V(T_j) = \emptyset$, and

$$q' = \begin{cases} y_j, & q \in \{x_j\} \cup U_j^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_j^{even} \\ u_{r_j}^j, & q \in \{y_j\} \cup U_j^{even} \cup \bar{U}_j^{odd} \end{cases}$$

Next, we construct paths $P' :$

$$u_{r_i}^i, u_1^{i+1}, \bar{u}_1^{i+1}, x_{i+1}, y_i \text{ and } Q' : u_1^j, P_{j-1}^*, P_{j-2}^*, \dots, P_{i+2}^*, u_{r_{i+1}}^{i+1} P_{i+1}^* u_2^{i+1}, \bar{u}_2^{i+1} D_{i+1}^* \bar{u}_{r_{i+1}}^{i+1}, y_{i+1}, D_{i+1}^*, D_{i+2}^*, \dots, D_{j-1}^*, x_j .$$

Then we have a path $P'' : pS_i p_1, P', p_2 T_i p'$ and $Q'' : qS_j q_1, Q', q_2 T_j q'$.

Let $p'' \in \{a_k, y_1\} \subseteq V(H_1)$. Define a path $P(p', p'')$ as one of the following paths depending on vertices p', p'' and integer $i :$

$$p', Y_{i-1}, X_{i-2}, Y_{i-1}, \dots, Y_2, p'', p', Y_{i-1}, X_{i-2}, Y_{i-1}, \dots, X_2, p'', p', X_{i-1}, Y_{i-2}, X_{i-1}, \dots, Y_2, p'', \text{ or } p', X_{i-1}, Y_{i-2}, X_{i-1}, \dots, X_2, p'' .$$

Moreover, we give the following.

- if i is odd, then $P(x_i, p'') = P(x_i, a_k)$ and $P(u_1^i, p'') = P(u_1^i, y_1)$.
- if i is even, then $P(x_i, p'') = P(x_i, y_1)$ and $P(x_i, p'') = P(u_1^i, a_k)$.

Similarly, let $q'' \in \{b_1, x_n\} \subseteq V(H_n)$. Define a path $Q(q', q'')$ as one of the following paths depending on vertices p', p'' and integer $j, n :$

$$q', Y_{j+1}, X_{j+2}, Y_{j+3}, \dots, Y_{n-1}, q'', q', Y_{j+1}, X_{j+2}, Y_{j+3}, \dots, X_{n-1}, q'', q', X_{j+1}, Y_{j+2}, X_{j+3}, \dots, Y_{n-1}, q'', \text{ or } q', X_{j+1}, Y_{j+2}, X_{j+3}, \dots, X_{n-1}, q'' .$$

Moreover, we give the following.

- if j, n is odd (or even), then $Q(y_j, q'') = Q(y_j, b_1)$ and $Q(u_{r_j}^j, q'') = P(u_{r_j}^j, x_n)$.
- if j is odd and n is even (or j is even and n is odd), then $Q(y_j, q'') = Q(y_j, x_n)$ and $Q(u_{r_j}^j, q'') = Q(u_{r_j}^j, b_1)$.

By Lemma 2.1, there is a hamilton $p''a_1$ – path M in H_1 , and a hamilton $q''b_1$ – path N in H_n . Combining all paths, we have $P_H : pP''p', P(p', p''), p''Ma_1, b_1Nq'', Q(q', q''), q'Q''q$

Define subsets of $V(B_i)$ $U_i^{odd}, U_i^{even}, \bar{U}_i^{odd}, \bar{U}_i^{even}$ in the same way as $U^{odd}, U^{even},$

$\bar{U}^{\text{odd}}, \bar{U}^{\text{even}}$. Note that $V(B_i) = \{x_i, y_i\} \cup U_i^{\text{odd}} \cup U_i^{\text{even}} \cup \bar{U}_i^{\text{odd}} \cup \bar{U}_i^{\text{even}}$. Then we show the following.

Lemma 4.3 : Let $n \geq 3$ and a Pupa graph $PP = PP(k, [r_2, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$. If $p, q \in V(B_i), 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$, then there is a hamilton pq – path in PP . Proof We will show a hamilton pq – path P_H in the following cases.

Case 1: $p, q \notin U_i^{\text{even}} \cup \bar{U}_i^{\text{odd}}$

By Lemma 3.3, there is a pp' – path S and a qq' – path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset, z_1 \in \{x_i, u_1^i\}, z_2 \in \{y_i, u_m^i\}$ and $\{p', q'\} = \{z_1, z_2\}$. Assume without the loss of generality that $p' = z_1$ and $q' = z_2$. Let $p'' \in \{a_k, y_1\} \subseteq V(H_1)$ and $q'' \in \{b_1, x_n\} \subseteq V(H_2)$. We define paths $P(p', p'')$ and $Q(q', q'')$ as in Lemma 4.2.

By Lemma 2.1, there is a hamilton $p''a_1$ – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $q''b_1$ – path N in H_n . Combining all paths, we have $P_H : pSp', P(p', p''), p''Ma_1, b_1Nq'', Q(q', q''), q'Tq$.

Case 2: $p, q \in U_i^{\text{even}} \cup \bar{U}_i^{\text{odd}}$

By Lemma 3.3, there is a pp' – path S and a qq' – path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i) - \{x_i, y_i\}, V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$, and $\{p', q'\} = \{u_1^i, u_m^i\}$. Assume without the loss of generality that $p' = u_1^i$ and $q' = u_m^i$.

By Lemma 2.1, there is a hamilton y_1a_k – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton x_nb_1 – path N in H_n . Combining all paths, we have $P_H : pSu_1^i, P_{i-1}^*, P_{i-2}^*, \dots, P_2^*, a_kMy_1, D_2^*, D_3^*, \dots, D_{i-1}^*, x_i, y_i, D_{i+1}^*, D_{i+2}^*, \dots, D_{n-1}^*, x_nb_1, P_{n-1}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, P_{i+1}^*, u_m^iTq$.

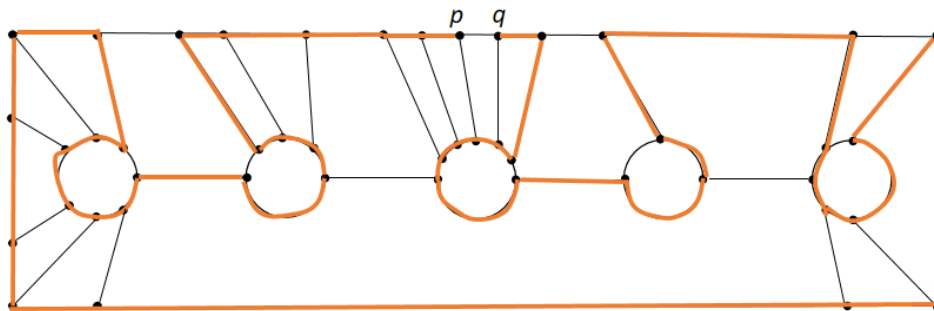


Figure 11. Example of a hamilton pq – path in case 1 in Lemma 4.3.

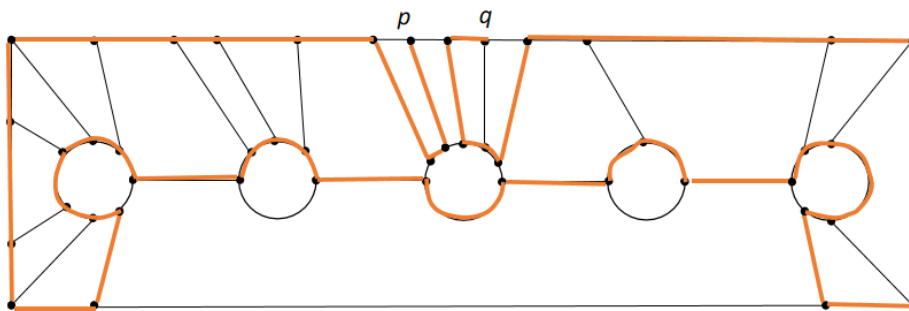


Figure 12. Example of a hamilton pq – path in case 2 in Lemma 4.3.

Lemma 4.4: Let $n \geq 3$ be odd and $PP = PP(k, [r_2, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$. If $p \in V(H_1) \cup V(H_n)$ and $q \in V(B_i), 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$, then there is a hamilton $pq -$ path in PP .

Proof By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in V(H_1)$. We will show a hamilton $pq -$ path P_H in the following cases.

Case 1: i is odd.

According to vertices of H_1 and B_i , we have the following subcases.

Subcase 1.1: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even}$. By Lemma 2.1, there is a hamilton $pa_k -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_1 -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(1, 3), there is an $qp_1 -$ path S and a $p_2 x_i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Moreover, we define a path $Q_H : y_i, D_{i+1}^*, D_{i+2}^*, \dots, D_{n-1}^*, x_n N b_1, P_{n-1}^*, P_{n-2}^*, \dots, D_{i+1}^*, u_{r_i}^i$. Then $P_H : pMa_k, Y_2, X_3, Y_4, \dots, Y_{i-1}, x_i T p_2, Q_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 1.2: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $py_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_1 -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an $qp_1 -$ path S and a $p_2 u_1^i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. We use a path Q_H in subcase 1.1 and then $P_H : pM y_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, X_{i-1}, u_1^i T p_2, Q_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 1.3: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton $pa_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_l -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an $qp_1 -$ path S and a $p_2 u_{r_i}^i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1^i, x_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Moreover, we define a path $Q'_H : x_i, D_{i-1}^*, D_{i-2}^*, \dots, D_3^*, y_2, x_2, \bar{u}_1^2 \bar{A}_2 u_{r_2}^2$,

$P_3^*, P_4^*, \dots, D_{i-1}^*, u_1^i$. Then $P_H : pMa_1, b_l N x_n, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, Y_{i+1}, u_{r_i}^i T p_2, Q'_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 1.4: $p = y_1$ and $q = x_i$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton $y_1 a_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $b_1 b_l -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(3), there is $S = \{x_i\}$ and a $y_1 u_1^i -$ path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. We use a path Q'_H in subcase 1.3 and then $P_H : y_1 M a_1, b_l N b_1, X_{n-1}, Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, X_{i+1}, y_i T u_1^i, Q'_H, x_i$.

Case 2: i is even.

We use Q_H, Q'_H defined in case 1 and have the following subcases.

Subcase 2.1: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even}$. By Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $py_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and a hamilton $x_n b_1 -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(1, 3), there is an $qp_1 -$ path S and a $p_2 x_i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : pM y_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, Y_{i-1}, x_i T p_2, Q_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 2.2: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton $pa_k -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_1 -$ path N in H_n . By lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an $qp_1 -$ path S and a $p_2 u_1^i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : pMa_k, Y_2, X_3, Y_4, \dots, X_{i-1}, u_1^i T p_2, Q_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 2.3: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton $pa_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $b_1 b_l -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an $qp_1 -$ path S and a $p_2 u_{r_i}^i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1^i, x_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : pMa_1, b_l N b_1, X_{n-1}$,

$Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, Y_{i+1}, u_{r_i}^i T p_2, Q'_H, p_1 S q.$

Subcase 2.4: $p = y_1$ and $q = x_i$. By Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $y_1 a_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_l -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(3), there is $S = \{x_i\}$ and a $y_1 u_1^i -$ path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i)$, $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : y_1 M a_1, b_l N x_n, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, X_{i+1}, y_i T u_1^i, Q'_H, x_i$

Lemma 4.5: Let $n \geq 4$ be even and $PP = PP(k, [r_2, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$. If $p \in V(H_1) \cup V(H_n)$ and $q \in V(B_i), 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$, then there is a hamilton $pq -$ path in PP . *Proof* By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in V(H_1)$. We will use paths Q_H, Q'_H defined in Lemma 4.4 and show a hamilton $pq -$ path P_H in the following cases.

Case 1: i is odd.

we have the following subcases.

Subcase 1.1: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and

$q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even}$. Use the same proof as subcase 1.1 in Lemma 4.4.

Subcase 1.2: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. Use the same proof as subcase 1.2 in Lemma 4.4.

Subcase 1.3: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton $p a_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $b_1 b_l -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an $q p_1 -$ path S and $a p_2 u_{r_i}^i -$ path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1^i, x_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : p M a_1, b_l N b_l, X_{n-1}, Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, Y_{i+1}, u_{r_i}^i T p_2, Q'_H, p_1 S q.$

Subcase 1.4: $p = y_1$ and $q = x_i$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton $y_1 a_1 -$ path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_l -$ path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(3), there is $S = \{x_i\}$ and a $y_i u_1^i -$ path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : y_1 M a_1, b_l N x_n, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, X_{i+1}, y_i T u_1^i, Q'_H, x_i.$

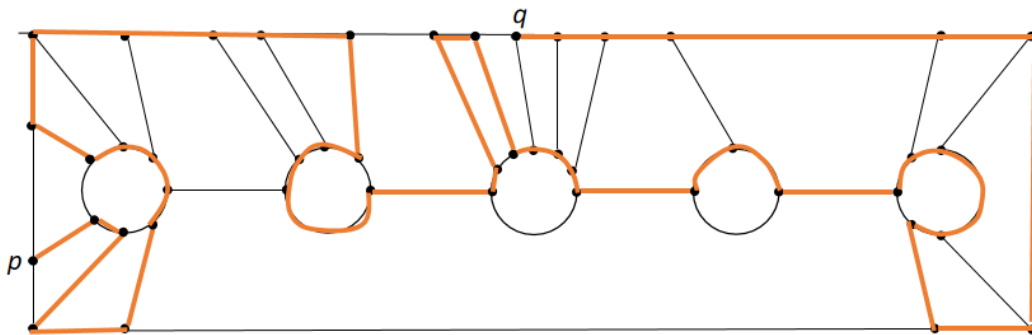


Figure 13. Example of a hamilton $pq -$ path in subcase 1.1 in Lemma 4.4.

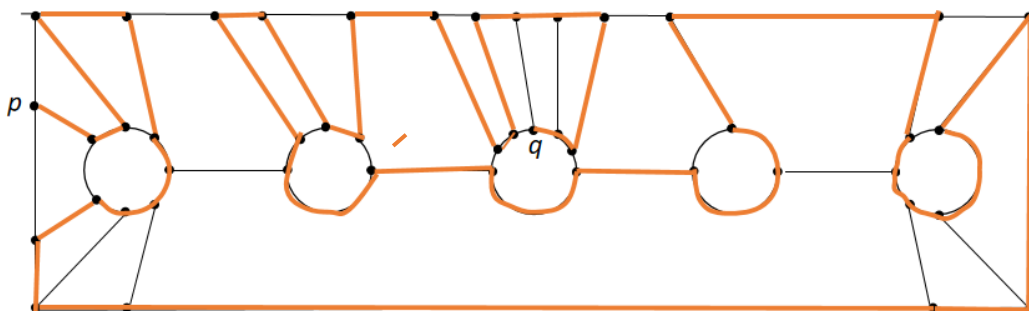


Figure 14. Example of a hamilton $pq -$ path in subcase 1.3 in Lemma 4.4.

Case 2: i is even. We use Q_H, Q'_H defined in case 1 and have the following subcases.

Subcase 2.1: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even}$. By Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton py_1 – path M in H_1 , and a hamilton $x_n b_1$ – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(1, 3), there is an qp_1 – path S and a $p_2 x_i$ – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then P_H :
 $pMy_1, X_2, Y_3, X_4, \dots, Y_{i-1}, x_i T p_2, Q_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 2.2: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton pa_k – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_1$ – path N in H_n . By lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an qp_1 – path S and a $p_2 u_1^i$ – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_{r_i}^i, y_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then P_H :
 $pMa_k, Y_2, X_3, Y_4, \dots, X_{i-1}, u_1^i T p_2, Q_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 2.3: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton pa_1 – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $b_1 b_l$ – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an qp_1 – path S and a $p_2 u_{r_i}^i$ – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1^i, x_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then P_H :
 $pMa_1, b_l N b_1, X_{n-1}, Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, Y_{i+1}, u_{r_i}^i T p_2, Q'_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 2.4: $p = y_1$ and $q = x_i$. By Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton $y_1 a_1$ – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_l$ – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(3), there is $S = \{x_i\}$ and a $y_1 u_1^i$ – path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then P_H : $y_1 M a_1, b_l N x_n, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, X_{i+1}, y_i T u_1^i, Q'_H, x_i$

Lemma 4.5: Let $n \geq 4$ be even and $PP = PP(k, [r_2, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$. If $p \in V(H_1) \cup V(H_n)$ and $q \in V(B_i), 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$, then there is a hamilton pq – path in PP .

Proof By symmetry, we will show only the case that $p \in V(H_1)$. We will use paths Q_H, Q'_H defined in Lemma 4.4 and show a hamilton pq – path P_H in the following cases.

Case 1: i is odd. we have the following subcases.

Subcase 1.1: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even}$. Use the same proof as subcase 1.1 in Lemma 4.4.

Subcase 1.2: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. Use the same proof as subcase 1.2 in Lemma 4.4.

Subcase 1.3: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton pa_1 – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $b_1 b_l$ – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an qp_1 – path S and a $p_2 u_{r_i}^i$ – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1^i, x_i\}, V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then P_H : $pMa_1, b_l N b_1, X_{n-1}, Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, Y_{i+1}, u_{r_i}^i T p_2, Q'_H, p_1 S q$.

Subcase 1.4: $p = y_1$ and $q = x_i$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 2), there is a hamilton $y_1 a_1$ – path M in H_1 , and, a hamilton $x_n b_l$ – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(3), there is $S = \{x_i\}$ and a $y_i u_1^i$ – path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i), V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then P_H : $y_1 M a_1, b_l N x_n, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, X_{i+1}, y_i T u_1^i, Q'_H, x_i$.

Case 2: i is even. we have the following subcases.

Subcase 2.1: $p \neq y_1$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{odd} \cup \bar{U}_i^{even}$. Use the same proof as subcase 2.1 in Lemma 4.4.

Subcase 2.2: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{odd} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{even}$ and $q \in \{x_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. Use the same proof as subcase 2.2 in Lemma 4.4.

Subcase 2.3: $p \in \{y_1\} \cup Z_1^{even} \cup \bar{Z}_1^{odd}$ and $q \in \{y_i\} \cup U_i^{even} \cup \bar{U}_i^{odd}$. By Lemma 2.1(1, 3), there is a hamilton pa_1 – path M in H_1 , and , a hamilton x_nb_l – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(2, 4), there is an qp_1 –path S and a $p_2u_{r_i}^i$ – path T , such that $\{p_1, p_2\} = \{u_1^i, x_i\}$, $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i)$, $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : pMa_1, b_lNx_n, X_{n-1}, Y_{n-2}, X_{n-3}, \dots, Y_{i+1}, u_{r_i}^iTp_2, Q'_H, p_1Sq$.

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Subcase 2.4: $p = y_1$ and $q = x_i$. By Lemma 2.1(1), there is a hamilton y_1a_1 – path M in H_1 , and , a hamilton b_1b_l – path N in H_n . By Lemma 3.2(3), there is $S = \{x_i\}$ and a $y_iu_1^i$ – path T , such that $V(S) \cup V(T) = V(B_i)$, $V(S) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Then $P_H : y_1Ma_1, b_lNb_1, Y_{n-1}, X_{n-2}, Y_{n-3}, \dots, X_{i+1}, y_iTu_1^i, Q'_H, x_i$.

Combining all Lemmas 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, and 4.5, we get the following. **Theorem 4.6 :** For every natural number $n \geq 3$, even natural numbers k, l , and odd natural numbers r_2, r_3, \dots, r_{n-1} , a Pupa graph $PP(k, [r_2, 0], [r_3, 0], \dots, [r_{n-1}, 0], l)$ is hamilton-connected.

5. Conclusion and Open Problems

A In this paper, we already show that a Pupa graph $PP(k, [r_2, 0], [r_3, 0], \dots, [[r]_{(n-1)}, 0], l)$ is hamilton-connected. Then this can be improved to general case so we give the following conjecture. Conjecture 5.1 : For all natural numbers $n \geq 3$, even natural numbers k, l , and odd natural numbers $r_2, r_3, \dots, r_{(n-1)}, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_{(n-1)}$, a Pupa graph $PP(k, [r_2, s_2], [r_3, s_3], \dots, [[r]_{(n-1)}, s_{(n-1)}], l)$ is hamilton-connected.

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