In order to prove there exists a polynomial-time algorithm for HamPathConstruction, we need to prove that HamPathConstruction  $\leq_k$  HamPathDecision. And for this one, use proof by construction.

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HamPathConstruction(G<V, E>)
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1
         if not HamPathDecision(G<V, E>) then return none
2
         Path = []
         vert = none # This would be the starting vertex for Ham
3
4
         for i in V
5
                  Let V' \leftarrow V \cup \{x\}, where x \notin V
                  Let E' \leftarrow E \cup {\langle x, i \rangle}
6
7
                  if HamPathDecision(G<V', E'>) then vert = i
8
         Let V' \leftarrow V \setminus \{vert\}
9
         Path = Path \cup {vert}
         While V' is not empty
10
                  for i in V'
11
                           Let VV \leftarrow V' \setminus \{i\}
12
                           Let E' \leftarrow E \setminus \{\text{edge connecting to i}\}\
13
                           if HamPathDecision(G<VV, E'>)
14
15
                                    Path = Path \cup {i}
                                     V' \leftarrow V' \setminus \{i\}
16
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For this algorithm, it takes polynomial-time to execute. Of the first for loop in line 4, it would take linear time in the size of V, which is  $\theta(|V|)$ . For the while loop of line 10, it would take at most time  $O(|V|^2)$ . Hence, for this algorithm, it takes only polynomial-time to execute.