

$G = (V, E)$ is a finite 2-connected graph. Let x be any vertex of G . There exists a cycle C in G that contains x , and a vertex $y \neq x$ such that every neighbour of y is on C .

Definition: a C -trail (where C is a cycle) is either a path that has only its end vertices (but no edges) in common with C , or a cycle with exactly one vertex in common with C .

E' is a set of new edges that we needed to add, each edge in E' is parallel to an existing edge in G . No pair of vertices has more than two edges between them, the purpose of these is to increase the degree of certain vertices.

Let D be a component of $G - C$. For each such D , there exists a set of C -trails (that are edge disjoint but not vertex disjoint) in $G^2 + E'$, such that every vertex of D is in exactly one C -trail, and every edge that is on some C -trail and also incident with a vertex of C is in either E or E' . Denoting E_D as the edge set of the component D , so E_D is the union of these trails.

Let $G' = (V, E(C) \cup E_D^*)$, where E_D^* is the union of all C -trails over all components of $G - C$. We know every vertex in $G' - C$ has degree two. next we will add edges to C in G' to construct an eulerian multigraph, which we will call G_α

We can write $C = xg_1z \dots d_1yd_2 \dots g_2$ (if an edge e has a parallel edge, we write it as e')

depending on whether g_i s and d_i s have parallel edges, there are three ways to split up C into paths P_1, P_2, P_3 , while deleting certain pairs of parallel edges., this transforms G_α into G_β , which is also a eulerian multigraph.

***there will either be a single path P_3 , or two options of having only P_1, P_2 ***

write $P_i = x_0^i e_1^i x_1^i e_2^i x_2^i \dots e_{l_i}^i x_{l_i}^i$

next we construct J' , an eulerian tour of G_β , so it is a walk that contains every edge exactly once. this implies some cyclic ordering on all the edges of G_β , so it makes sense to talk about consecutive edges of J' .

J' is constructed to have a few specific properties that are only used to prove correctness, it is chosen mostly arbitrarily, except that: within some path P_i , if e_{j+1} has a parallel edge e'_{j+1} the edges e_j, e'_{j+1} are consecutive in J'

define: a pass through v is a path of length two with v as an internal vertex of the path, such that both edges are consecutive in J' .

If a pass gets 'marked' this means it will eventually be replaced by an edge in G^2 .

For the fixed vertex x , mark every pass through x except for one chosen arbitrarily.

pick any $v \neq x$. if v is in $G - C$, then there is only one pass through v (by the above construction with C -trails), so leave this pass unmarked

if v is in C , then there is some pair i, j such that $v = x_j^i$, $j \neq 0$. mark all passes through v except the unique pass containing e_j^i (in other words, the unique edge 'preceding' v on the cycle).

now we know the following property:

if $e = uv$ is any edge in J' , there are exactly two passes of J' that contain e , and at most one of these is marked. If $u = x$, then the pass of J' through v that contains e is unmarked

finally, construct H' by replacing every marked pass of J' by an edge of G^2 (which will be a virtual edge, since J' contained every edge of the original graph already). H' is a hamiltonian cycle of $G^2 + E'$. finally, replace every edge in E' with the corresponding edge in G , to obtain hamiltonian cycle H of G^2 .