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## HAMILTONIAN LACEABILITY IN MIDDLE GRAPHS

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## ABSTRACT

This paper is aimed to discuss Hamiltonian laceability in the context of the Middle graph of a graph. We explore laceability properties of the Middle graph of the Gear graph, Fan graph, Wheel graph, Path and Cycle.

**KEYWORDS:** Connected graph, Middle graph, Gear graph, Fan graph, Hamiltonian- $t^*$ -laceable graph, Hamiltonian-t-laceability number  $(\lambda_{(t)}), t^*$ -Connected graph.

### **INTRODUCTION**

All graphs considered in this paper are finite, simple, connected and undirected. Let u and v be two vertices in a graph G. The distance between u and vdenoted by d(u, v) is the length of a shortest u - vpath in G. G is a Hamiltonian-t-laceable if there exists in it a Hamiltonian path between every pair vertices *u* and with v the property d(u,v) = t,  $1 \le t \le diamG$ , where t is a positive integer. If this property is achieved for at least one pair of vertices u and v, the graph G is termed Hamiltonian-  $t^*$  -laceable. Various results on Hamiltonian laceability properties in graphs are available in [4], [7], [8], [9], [10], [11], [12] and [13].

In this paper we give some results related to the Laceability properties of the Middle graph of the Gear graph  $(G_n)$ , Fan graph  $(F_{1,n})$ , Wheel graph  $(W_{1,n})$ , Path graph  $(P_n)$  and Cycle  $(C_n)$ .

The vertex set of G and the edge set of G are denoted respectively by V(G) and E(G) respectively. Terms not defined here can be found in [1].

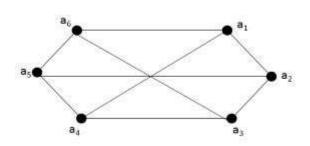


Figure 1: Hamiltonian Laceable graph

#### **Definition 1**

Let P be a path from the vertices  $a_i \text{ to } a_j$  in a graph G and let P' be a path from  $a_i \text{ to } a_k$ . Then the path  $P \cup P'$  is the path obtained by extending the path P from  $a_i$  to  $a_j$  to  $a_i$  to  $a_k$  through the common vertex  $a_j$  (i.e., if  $P: a_i, \dots, a_j$  and  $P': a_j, \dots, a_k$ , then  $P \cup P': a_i, \dots, a_k$ ). Figure 2 below illustrates a Hamiltonian-2-laceable graph and a Hamiltonian-2\*-laceable graph.

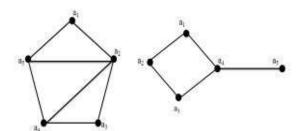


Figure 2: A Hamiltonian-2-laceable graph and a Hamiltonian-2\*-laceable Graph

#### **Definition 2**

Let  $a_i$  and  $a_j$  be any two distinct vertices in a connected graph G. Let E' be any minimal set of edges not in G and P be a path in G, such that  $P \cup E'$  is a Hamiltonian Path in G from  $a_i$  and  $a_j$ . Then |E'| is called the t-laceability number  $\lambda_{(t)}$  of G and the edges in E' are called the tlaceability edges with respect to  $(a_i, a_j)$ .

#### **Definition 3**

A graph G is  $t^*$ -connected if it is Hamiltonian- $t^*$ -laceable for all  $t, 1 \le t \le diamG$ .

#### **Definition 4**

The Middle graph of G denoted by M(G) is defined as follows. The vertex set of M(G) is  $V(G) \cup E(G)$ . Two vertices x, y in the vertex set of M(G) are adjacent in M(G) in case one of the following holds:

- i) x, y are in E(G) and x, y are in adjacent in G.
- ii) x is in V(G), y is in E(G) and x, y are incident in G.

Figure 3 below illustrates the Middle graph of a cubic graph G.

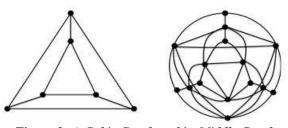


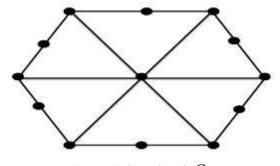
Figure 3: A Cubic Graph and its Middle Graph

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## Definition 5

The Gear graph  $G_n$  is a wheel graph  $W_{1,n}$  with a vertex added between each pair of adjacent vertices of the outer cycle.

Figure 4 below shows the graph  $G_6$ .

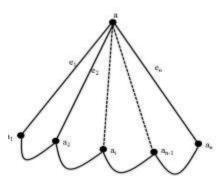




#### **Definition 6**

A Fan graph  $F_{m,n}$  is defined as the graph join  $\overline{K}_m + P_n$  where  $\overline{K}_m$  is the empty graph on m vertices and  $P_n$  is the path graph on n vertices

The Fan graph  $F_{1,n}$  is illustrated in Figure 5 below.



**Figure 5:** *Fan Graph*  $F_{1,n}$ 

#### RESULTS

**Theorem 1:** The Graph  $G = M(G_n)$ ,  $n \ge 4$  is  $t^*$ -connected with  $\lambda_{(t)} = 1$  **Proof:** Let  $V(G_n) = \{a\} \cup \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{2n}\}$ and  $E(G_n) = \{e_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{e'_i : 1 \le i \le 2n-1\}$   $\cup \{e_n^1\}$  where  $e_i$  the edge is  $a \ a_{2i-1}(1 \le i \le n), e'_i$ is the edge  $a_i a_{i+1}(1 \le i \le 2n-1)$  and  $e_{2n}^1$  is the

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edge  $V_{2n-1}V$ , by the definition of Middle graph  $V(M(G_n)) = V(G_n) \cup E(G_n) = \{a\} \cup \{a_i : 1 \le i \le 2_n\} (a_7, e_6') \cup (e_6', a_6) \cup (a_6, e_5') \cup (e_5', a_5) \cup (e_6', a_6) \cup$  $e_i: 1 \le i \le n \} \cup \{e'_i: 1 \le i \le 2_n\}$ respectively. Clearly d(G) = 4.

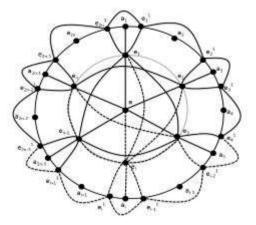


Figure 6: Middle graph of Gear Graph  $M(G_n)$ Case (i): For t = 1

In the graph G,  $d(a_1, e_1) = 1$  and the path P:  $(a_1, e_1') \cup (e_1', e_{2n-2}') \cup (e_{2n-2}', a_{2n-2}) \cup$  $(a_{2n-2}, e_{2n-3}') \cup (e_{2n-3}', a_{2n-3}) \cup (a_{2n-3}, e_{2n-4}')$  $\cup (e'_{2n-4}, a_{2n-4}) \cup \dots \cup (e'_{8}, a_{8}) \cup$  $(a_8, e_7') \cup (e_7', a_7) \cup (a_7, e_6') \cup (e_6, a_6) \cup$  $(a_6, e_5') \cup (e_5', a_5) \cup (a_5, e_4') \cup (e_4', a_4) \cup$  $(a_1, e_3') \cup (e_3', a_3) \cup (a_3, e_2') \cup (e_2', a_2) \cup$  $(a_2, e_2) \cup (e_2, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup$  $(e_5, e_6) \cup (e_6, e_7) \cup (e_7, e_8) \cup \dots$ ..... $\cup (e_{n-1}, a) \cup (a, e_1)$ . is a Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $e_1$ . Where  $(a_2, e_2)$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-1\*laceable. **Case (ii):** For *t* = 2

In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_2) = 2$  and the path P:  $(a_1, e_1') \cup (e_1', e_1) \cup (e_1, a) \cup (a, e_2) \cup$  $(e_2, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup$  $(e_6, e_7) \cup \dots \cup (e_{n-1}, e_{n-2}) \cup (e_{n-2}, v_{2n-2}) \cup$  $(e'_{2n-3}, a_{2n-3}) \cup (a_{2n-3}, e'_{2n-4}) \cup (e'_{2n-4}, a_{2n-4})$  $\cup \dots \cup (e'_{n+1}a_{n+1}) \cup a_{n+1}, e'_n \cup (e'_n, a_n)$ 

 $(a_{n}, e'_{s}) \cup (e'_{s}, a_{s}) \cup (a_{s}, e'_{7}) \cup (e'_{7}, a_{7}) \cup$  $(a_5, e_4') \cup (e_4', a_4) \cup (a_4, e_3') \cup (e_3', a_3) \cup$  $(a_3, e_2') \cup (e_2', a_2)$  is a Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $a_2$  . Where  $(e_{n-1}, e_{2n-2}')$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-2\*-laceable.

**Case (iii)**: For t = 3In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_5) = 3$  and the path P:  $(a_1, e_1') \cup (e_1', e_{2n-2}') \cup (e_{2n-2}', a_{2n-2}) \cup$  $(a_{2n-2}, e'_{2n-3}) \cup (e'_{2n-3}, a_{2n-3}) \cup (a_{2n-3}, e'_{2n-4})$  $\cup (e'_{2n-4}, a_{2n-4}) \cup \dots \cup (e'_{n+1}a_{n+1}) \cup$  $(a_{n+1}, e'_n) \cup (e'_n, a_n) \cup \dots \cup (e'_8, a_8) \cup$  $(a_{8},e_{7}') \cup (e_{7}^{1},a_{7}) \cup (a_{7},e_{6}') \cup (e_{6}',a_{6}) \cup$  $(a_6, e_5') \cup (e_5', e_3) \cup (e_3, a) \cup (a, e_4) \cup$  $(e_4, e_{n-4}) \cup (e_{n-4}, e_{n-3}) \cup (e_{n-3}, e_{n-2}) \cup$  $(e_{n-2}, e_{n-1}) \cup (e_1, a_2) \cup (a_2, e_2') \cup (e_2', e_2) \cup$  $(e_2, a_3) \cup (a_3, e_3') \cup (e_3', a_4) \cup (a_4, e_4')$  $\cup (e'_{4}, a_{5})$  is a Hamiltonian path from  $a_{1}$  to  $a_{5}$ . Where  $(b_1, a_2)$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-3\*-laceable.

Case (iv): For t = 4In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_4) = 4$  and the path P:  $(a_1, e_1') \cup (e_1', a_2) \cup (a_2, e_2') \cup (e_2', a_3) \cup$  $(a_2, e_2') \cup (e_2', e_4') \cup (e_4', a_5) \cup (a_5, e_5') \cup$  $(e'_5, a_6) \cup (a_6, e'_6) \cup (e'_6, a_7) \cup (a_7, e'_7) \cup$  $(e'_7, a_8) \cup (a_8, e'_8) \cup \dots \cup (a_{n+2}, e'_{n+2})$  $\cup (e'_{n+2}, a_{n+3}) \cup (a_{n+3}, e'_{n+3}) \cup \dots \cup \dots$  $(a_{2n-2}, e'_{2n-2}) \cup (e'_{2n-2}, e_1) \cup (e_1, a) \cup (a, e_{n-1})$  $\cup (e_{n-1}, e_{n-2}) \cup (e_{n-2}, e_{n-3}) \cup (e_{n-3}, e_{n-4}) \cup$  $(e_{n-4}, e_{n-5}) \cup \dots (e_4, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_2) \cup$  $(e_2, a_4)$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $a_4$ . Where  $(e_2, a_4)$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-4\*-laceable. Hence the proof.

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**Theorem 2.** The Graph  $G = M(F_{1,n})$ ,  $n \ge 3$  is  $t^*$ -connected.

**Proof:** Consider the Fan graph  $F_{1,n}$  denote the vertices

 $V(F_{1,n}) = (b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup (a_{n-2}, a_{n-$ 

Where  $e_i$  is the edge  $aa_i (1 \le i \le n)$  by the definition of middle graph

 $V(M(F_{1,n})) = V(F_{1,n}) \cup E(F_{1,n}) = \{a_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{b_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{e_i : 1 \le i \le n\}.$ (e\_i : 1 \le i \le n].Clearly d(G) = 2.

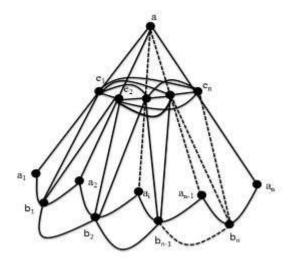


Figure 7: Middle Graph of Fan Graph  $M(F_{1n})$ 

**Case (i):** For t = 1In the Graph G,  $d(a, e'_1) = 1$  and the path  $P: (a, e_2) \cup (e_2, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_{n-1}, e_n) \cup (e_{n-1}, a_n) \cup (e_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, u_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup (a_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup (b_{n-3}, a_{n-3}) \cup \dots \cup (b_3, a_3) \cup (a_3, b_2) \cup (b_2, a_2) \cup (a_2, b_1) \cup (b_1, a_1) \cup (a_1, e_1)$  is Hamiltonian path from a to  $e'_1$ . Hence G is a Hamiltonian-1-laceable. **Case (ii):** For t = 2

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In the Graph *G*,  $d(a, a_1) = 2$  and the path *P*:  $(a, e_2) \cup (e_2, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup (a_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup (b_{n-3}, a_{n-3}) \cup \dots \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_n) \cup (a_n, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_n) \cup (a_n$ 

**Theorem 3.** The Graph  $G = M(w_{1,n}), n \ge 3$  is  $t^*$ -connected.

**Proof:** Consider Wheel graph  $W_{1,n}$  denote the vertices

 $\{a\} \cup \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\} \cup \{b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n\}$   $V(W_{1,n}) = \text{and} \quad E(W_{1,n}) = \{e_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{e_n\}$ Where  $e_i$  is the edge  $a \ a_{i+1} (1 \le i \le n-1)$ ,  $e_n$  is the edge  $a_n a_1$ , by the definition of middle graph

 $V(M(W_{1,n})) = V(W_{1,n}) \cup E(W_{1,n}) = \{a_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{e_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$  Clearly

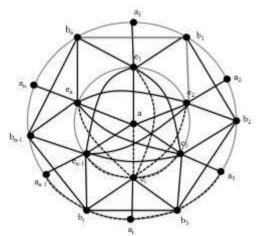


Figure 8: Middle Graph of Wheel Graph  $M(W_{1,n})$ 

**Case (i):** For t = 1In the Graph *G*,  $d(a_1, b_1) = 1$  and the path *P*:  $\{(a_1, e_1) \cup (e_1, a) \cup (a, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_n, b_n) \cup (e_n, b_n) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_1, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_1, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_1, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_n, e_n) \cup (e_1, e_1) \cup (e_1, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6) \cup \dots \cup (e_6, e_6) \cup (e_6, e_$ 

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d(G) = 3.

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**Case (ii):** For *t* = 2

In the Graph *G*,  $d(a_1,b_2) = 2$  and the path and the path  $P: (a_1,b_1) \cup (b_1a_2) \cup (a_2,e_2) \cup (e_2,a) \cup$  $(a,e_1) \cup (e_1,b_n) \cup (b_n,e_n) \cup (e_n,a_n) \cup$  $(a_n,b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1},e_{n-1}) \cup (e_{n-1},a_{n-1}) \cup$  $(a_{n-1},b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2},e_{n-2}) \cup (e_{n-2},a_{n-2}) \cup$  $(e_{n-2},b_{n-3}) \cup (b_{n-3},e_{n-3}) \cup (e_{n-3},a_{n-3}) \cup \dots$  $(b_4,e_4) \cup (e_4,a_4) \cup (a_4,b_3) \cup (b_3,a_3) \cup$  $(a_3,e_3) \cup (e_3,e_2)$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $b_2$ . Hence G is a Hamiltonian-2\*-laceable.

Case (iii): For t = 3

In the Graph *G*,  $d(a_1, a_3) = 3$  and the path *P*:  $(a_1, e_1) \cup (e_1, a) \cup (a, e_4) \cup (e_4, e_5) \cup (e_5, e_6)$   $\cup \dots \cup \cup (e_n, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_{n-1}) \cup$   $(b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup$   $(a_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup (b_{n-3}, a_{n-3}) \cup \dots \cup (b_4, a_4) \cup$   $(a_4, b_3) \cup (b_3, e_3) \cup (e_3, e_2) \cup (e_2, b_1) \cup$   $(a_2, e_2) \cup (e_2, b_1) \cup (b_1, v_2) \cup (a_2, b_2)$   $\cup (b_2, a_3)$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $b_3$ . Hence *G* is a Hamiltonian-3\*-laceable.

**Theorem 4:** The Graph  $G = M(P_n)$ ,  $n \ge 3$  is Hamiltonian- $t^*$  -laceable for t = 1, 2, 3with  $\lambda_{(t)} = 1$ .

**Proof:** Consider the graph G can be obtained by the Middle graph  $M(P_n)$ . Since  $M(P_n)$  contains at least one cycle of length 3, we can conclude that  $G = M(P_n) \ge 3$ .

Let 
$$V(P_n) = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$$
 and  
 $V(M(P_n)) = \{a_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{b_i : 1 \le i \le n-1\}$ 

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where  $b_i$  is the vertex of  $M(P_n)$  corresponding to edge  $a_i a_{i+1}$  of  $P_n$ . Clearly d(G) = n.

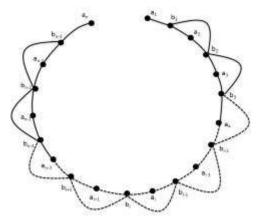


Figure 9: Middle Graph of Path  $M(P_n)$ Case (iii): For t = 1In the graph G,  $d(a_1, b_1) = 1$ , and the path  $P: (a_1, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup (b_{n-3}, a_{n-3}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{2}, a_{2}) \cup (a_{2}, b_{1})$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $b_1$ . Where  $(a_1, a_n)$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-1\*laceable. Case (ii): For t = 2

In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_2) = 2$ , and the path P:  $(a_1, b_1) \cup (b_1, b_2) \cup (b_2, a_3) \cup (a_3, b_3) \cup (b_3, a_4) \cup (a_4, b_4) \cup \dots \cup (a_{n-3}, v_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_n) \cup (a_n, a_2)$ 

is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $a_2$ . Where  $(a_n, a_2)$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-2\*-laceable.

**Case (iii):** For t = 3In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_3) = 3$ , and the path P:  $(a_1, b_1) \cup (b_1, a_2) \cup (a_2, b_2) \cup (b_2, b_3) \cup (b_3, a_4) \cup \dots \cup (b_{n-3}, a_{n-2}) \cup (a_{n-2}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_n) \cup (a_n, a_3)$ 

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is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $a_3$ . Where  $(a_n, a_3)$ is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-3\*-laceable. Hence the proof.

**Theorem 5:** The Graph  $G = M(C_n), n \ge 3$  is

- Hamiltonian- $t^*$ -laceable for t = 1 and (i)
- Hamiltonian-  $t^*$  -laceable for t = 3, (ii) with  $\lambda_{(t)} = 1$

**Proof:** 

and

 $V(C_n) = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$  $V(M(C_n)) = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$  $\cup$  $\{b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n\}$  where,  $b_i$  is the vertex of

corresponding to the edges  $a_i a_{i+1}$  of  $C_n (1 \le i \le n-1)$ .

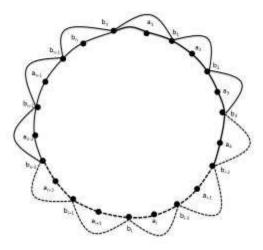


Figure 10: Middle Graph of  $M(C_n)$ 

Case (iii): For t = 1

In the graph G,  $d(a_1, b_1) = 1$  and the path P:  $(a_1,b_n)\cup (b_n,a_n)\cup (a_n,b_{n-1})\cup$  $(b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup (a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup$  $(a_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup \dots \cup \dots \cup (b_{i+1}, a_{i+1}) \cup$  $(b_i, a_i) \cup (a_i, b_{i-1}) \cup (b_{i-1}, a_{i-1}) \cup \dots \cup \cup$  $(b_5, a_5) \cup (a_5, b_4) \cup (b_4, a_4) \cup (a_4, b_3) \cup$  $(b_3, a_3) \cup (a_3, b_2) \cup (b_2, a_2) \cup (a_2, b_1)$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $b_1$ . Hence G is a Case (ii): For t = 2In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_2) = 2$  and the path P:  $(a_1, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup$  $(a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup$  $(b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup$  $(a_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup \dots \cup \dots \cup (b_{i+1}, a_{i+1}) \cup$  $(b_i, a_i) \cup (a_i, b_{i-1}) \cup (b_{i-1}, a_{i-1}) \cup \dots$  $\dots \cup (b_5, a_5) \cup$  $(a_{\varepsilon}, b_{\star}) \cup$  $(b_4, a_4) \cup (a_4, b_3) \cup (b_3, a_3) \cup (a_3, b_2) \cup$  $(b_2, b_1) \cup (b_1, a_2)$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $a_2$ . Hence G is a Hamiltonian-2\*-laceable.

**Case (iii):** For t = 3In the graph G,  $d(a_1, a_3) = 3$  and the path P:  $(a_1, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n) \cup (a_n, b_{n-1}) \cup (b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}) \cup$  $(a_{n-1}, b_{n-2}) \cup (b_{n-2}, a_{n-2}) \cup (a_{n-2}, b_{n-3}) \cup \dots$  $\cup$   $(b_{i+1}, a_{i+1}) \cup$   $(b_i, a_i) \cup$   $(a_i, b_{i-1}) \cup$  $(b_{i-1}, a_{i-1}) \cup \dots \cup (b_5, a_5) \cup$  $(a_5, b_4) \cup (b_4, a_4) \cup (a_4, b_3) \cup (b_3, b_2) \cup$  $(b_2, a_2) \cup (v_2, u_1) \cup (b_1, b_3)$  is Hamiltonian path from  $a_1$  to  $a_3$ . Where  $(b_1, a_3)$  is the laceability edge. Hence G is a Hamiltonian-3\*-laceable.

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