

Hamilton Cycles And Spanning 2-Connected Subgraphs In Rectangular Grid Graphs

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Abstract: *Graph theory concepts are widely used to study and model various applications in different areas such as computer graphics, electrical network analysis and operation research. A Hamiltonian cycle in a graph is a cycle that visits each vertex exactly once. These concepts helps in routing power gating design to reduce the leakage of power by break the flow of inactive circuit domains. A connected graph is 2-connected if at most one vertex is removed the graph remains connected. A spanning 2-connected subgraph is in which every vertex has degree 2. In this paper we studied Hamilton cycles and Spanning 2-connected sub graphs for 3-corner and 4-corner rectangular grid graphs.*

Keywords: *Hamilton cycles, Rectangular grid graphs and Spanning 2- connected subgraph.*

1. INTRODUCTION

Hamilton cycles for 1-corner and 2-corner rectangular grid graphs for some cases were studied in [4]. Spanning 2-connected sub graphs for 1-corner and 2-corner rectangular grid graphs for some cases were studied in [5]. In this paper certain cases for 3-corner and 4-corner rectangular grid graphs were studied.

We introduce the classes of grid graphs which we call it as truncated rectangular grid graphs.

For $s \geq 3, t \geq 3, 0 \leq k \leq \min\{s-2, t-2\}$ and $0 \leq l \leq \min\{s-2, t-2\}$ we define a 1-corner truncated rectangular grid graph $R(s, t)^{-1(k, l)}$ as the subgraph obtained from $R(s, t)$ by deleting $k \times l$ vertices from one corner in $V(s, t)$ together with their incident edges in a natural drawing. For illustration, consider $R(13, 11)^{-1(3, 2)}$ in figure.2.1(a).

For $s \geq 6, t \geq 6, 1 \leq k \leq \min\{\frac{s-4}{2}, \frac{t-4}{2}\}$ and $1 \leq l \leq \min\{\frac{s-4}{2}, \frac{t-4}{2}\}$ we define a 2-corner truncated rectangular grid graph $R(s, t)^{-2(k, l)}$ as the subgraph obtained from $R(s, t)$ by deleting $k \times l$ vertices from two

opposite corners in $V(s, t)$ together with their incident edges in a natural drawing. For illustration, consider $R(13, 11)^{-2(3, 2)}$ in Figure 2.1 (b).

For $s \geq 6, t \geq 6, 1 \leq k \leq \min\{\frac{s-4}{2}, \frac{t-4}{2}\}$ and $1 \leq l \leq \min\{\frac{s-4}{2}, \frac{t-4}{2}\}$ we define a 3-corner truncated rectangular grid graph $R(s, t)^{-3(k, l)}$ as the subgraph obtained from $R(s, t)$ by deleting $k \times l$ vertices from three corners in $V(s, t)$ together with their incident edges in a natural drawing. For illustration, consider $R(13, 11)^{-3(3, 2)}$ in Figure 2.1 (c)

For $s \geq 6, t \geq 6, 1 \leq k \leq \min\{\frac{s-4}{2}, \frac{t-4}{2}\}$ and $1 \leq l \leq \min\{\frac{s-4}{2}, \frac{t-4}{2}\}$ we define a 4-corner truncated rectangular grid graph $R(s, t)^{-4(k, l)}$ as the subgraph obtained from $R(s, t)$ by deleting $k \times l$ vertices from three corners in $V(s, t)$ together

with their incident edges in a natural drawing. For illustration, consider $R(13, 11)^{-4(3, 2)}$ in Figure 2.1 (d).

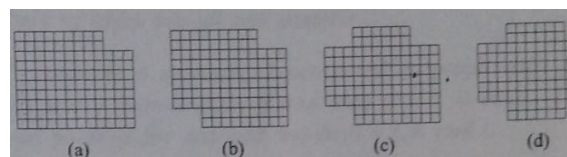


Figure 2.1: Truncated rectangular grid graphs

(a) $R(13, 11)^{-1(3, 2)}$ (b) $R(13, 11)^{-2(3, 2)}$
(c) $R(13, 11)^{-3(3, 2)}$ (d) $R(13, 11)^{-4(3, 2)}$

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 1:

Let

$R(s, t)^{-1(k, l)}, R(s, t)^{-2(k, l)}, R(s, t)^{-3(k, l)}$ and $R(s, t)^{-4(k, l)}$ denote the 1-corner truncated rectangular grid graph, the 2-corner truncated rectangular grid graph, the 3-corner rectangular grid graph and 4-corner rectangular grid graph as defined above respectively. Then

a) $R(s, t)^{-1(k, l)}$ contains a spanning 2-connected subgraph with (at most) $|V| + 1$ edge and is hamiltonian if and only if both s, t and k, l are even or both s, t and k, l are odd.

b) $R(s, t)^{-2(k, l)}$ contains a spanning 2-connected subgraph with

- $|V|$ edges if s, t is even and at least one of k and l is even
- $|V| + 2$ edges if s and t are even and k and l are odd.
- $|V| + 1$ edges in all other cases.

These number of edges are all best possible.

Discussion: Here we observe certain cases of the above results.

From theorem 1.(a)

Case 1 : The Hamilton cycle for $s=8, t=6, k=2$ and $l=2$

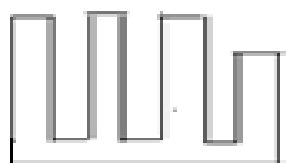


Figure1: $R(8,6)^{-1(2,2)}$

Here both s,t and k,l are even.

Case2: Spanning subgraph for $s=9, t=7, k=1$ and $l=3$.

2-connected



Figure 2: $R(9,7)^{-1(1,3)}$

No. of vertices = 60

No. of edges = 61

Here both s,t and k,l are odd.

Case 3 : From Theorem 1.b

Spanning 2-connected subgraph with $|V| + 2$ edges for $s=10, t=8, k=1$ and $l=3$.

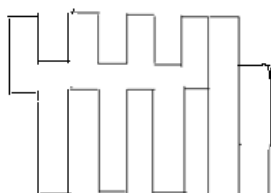


Figure3: $R(10,8)^{-2(1,3)}$

No. of vertices = 74

No. of edges = 76

Here s and t are even and k and l are odd

Theorem2:

Let $R(s,t)^{-3(k,l)}$ and $R(s,t)^{-4(k,l)}$ denote the 3-corner rectangular grid graph and 4-corner rectangular grid graph as defined above respectively. Then

1) $R(s,t)^{-3(k,l)}$ contains a spanning 2-connected subgraph with

- $|V|$ edges if both s,t and k,l are even;
- $|V| + 2$ edges if all of s, t, k and l are odd;
- $|V| + 1$ edges in all other cases.

These number of edges are all best possible.

2) $R(s,t)^{-4(k,l)}$ contains a spanning 2-connected subgraph with (at most)

- $|V| + 3$ edges and is hamiltonian if and only if s,t is even. The bound edges and
- $|V| + 3$ is best possible for any odd numbers s, t, k and l.

Proof:

Proceeding same as in the above theorem

Lemma 1:

Suppose a planar graph G has a Hamilton cycle H. Let G be drawn in the plane, and let r_i denote the number of faces inside H bounded by i edges in this planar embedding. Let r_i' be the number of faces outside H bounded by i edges. Then the numbers r_i and r_i' satisfy the following equation.

$$\sum_i (i-2)(r_i - r_i') = 0.$$

We use this lemma to show that $R(s, t)^{-1(k, l)}$ and $R(s, t)^{-3(k, l)}$ contain no Hamilton cycle if s, t and k, l have different parity, and that $R(s, t)^{-4(k, l)}$ contain no Hamilton cycle if s, t is odd.

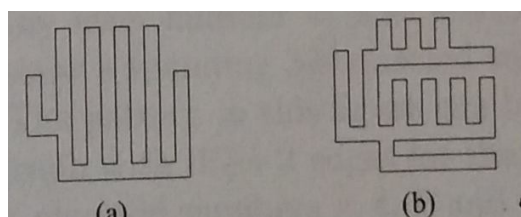
Corollary 1.1:

$R(s, t)^{-j(k, l)}$ Contains no Hamilton cycle if (s, t) and k, l have a different parity for $j=1$ or 3 or (s, t) is odd for $j=2$ or 4

Proof was studied in [5].

Discussion: Here we observe certain cases of the above results.

- Hamilton cycles for $R(12, 11)^{-3(2, 3)}$ and $R(12, 11)^{-3(3, 2)}$ are as shown in the following Figure.



Case 4 : Using the above pattern (a) Hamilton cycle for $s=8, t=10, k=2$ and $l=3$:



Figure 4: $R(8, 10)^{-3(2, 3)}$

Here s, k and t are even numbers l is odd number .

Case 5 : Using the above pattern (b) Hamilton cycle for $s=10, t=9, k=1$ and $l=2$.

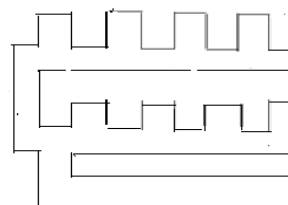


Figure 5: $R(10, 9)^{-3(1, 2)}$

Here s, l are even numbers and t and k are odd numbers .

Lemma 2: $R(s, t)^{-3(k, l)}$ contains no spanning 2-connected subgraph with at most $|V| + 1$ edge if all of s, t, k and l are odd.

Proof : Consider a bipartition (S, T) of $R(s, t)$ for odd s and t . Assume that one of the corner vertices is in S . By the same arguments as in the proof of theorem 1, then all corner vertices are in S . And $|S| = |T| + 1$. The same holds for $R(k, l)$ if k and l are odd. So if we remove the three corner $R(k, l)$'s from $R(s, t)$, we reduce $|S|$ by three more units than $|T|$, implying that $R(s, t)^{-3(k, l)}$ has a bipartition (S', T') with $|T'| = |S'| + 2$. In any spanning 2-connected subgraph G of $R(s, t)^{-3(k, l)}$ all vertices in T' have degree at least 2, hence $|E(G)| \geq 2|T'| = |T'| + |S'| + 2 = |V(G)| + 2$.

- Spanning 2-connected subgraph for $R(12, 10)^{-3(3, 3)}$ with $|V| + 1$ edges.

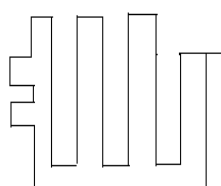


Figure 6

Using the above pattern spanning 2-connected subgraph for $s=8, t=10, k=1$ and $l=3$.

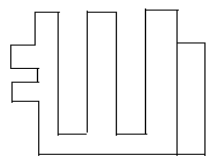


Figure 6.1: $R(8,10)^{-3(1,3)}$

No.of Vertices =71

No.of edges =72

Here s and t are even numbers ,and k and l are any odd numbers .

- Spanning 2-connected subgraph for $R(13,11)^{-3(2,2)}$ with $|V|+1$ edges.

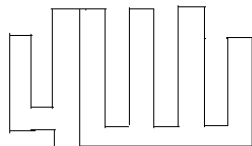


Figure 7

Using the above pattern spanning 2-connected subgraph for $s=9, t=7, k=2$ and $l=2$.

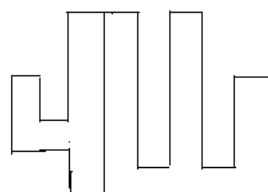


Figure 7.1: $R(9,7)^{-3(2,2)}$

No.of Vertices =51

No.of edges =52

Here k and l are even numbers ,and s and t are odd numbers .

- Spanning 2-connected subgraph for $R(13,11)^{-3(3,2)}$ with $|V|+1$ edges.

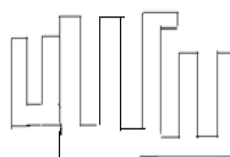


Figure 8

Using the above pattern spanning 2-connected subgraph for $s=11, t=9, k=3$ and $l=2$.

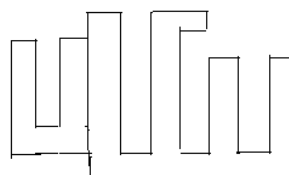


Figure 8.1 : $R(11,9)^{-3(3,2)}$

No.of Vertices =81

No.of edges =82

Here l is even number and any s and t and k are odd numbers .

- Spanning 2-connected subgraph for $R(13,11)^{-3(3,3)}$ with $|V|+2$ edges.

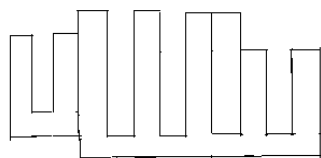


Figure 9

Using the above pattern spanning 2-connected subgraph for $s=9, t=7, k=3$ and $l=1$.

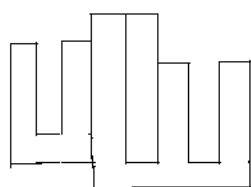


Figure 9.1: $R(9,7)^{-3(3,1)}$

No.of Vertices =54

No.of edges =56

Here s, t, k and l are odd numbers .

Lemma 3: $R(s, t)^{-4(k, l)}$ contains no spanning 2-connected subgraph with at most $|V| + 2$ edges if all of s, t, k and l are odd.

Proof: Consider a bipartition (S, T) of $R(s, t)$ for odd s and t . Assume that one of the corner vertices is in S . By the same arguments as in the proof of theorem 1, then all corner vertices are in S , and $|S| = |T| + 1$. The same holds for $R(k, l)$ if k and l are odd. So if we remove the four corner $R(k, l)$'s from $R(s, t)$, we reduce $|S|$ by four more units than $|T|$, implying that $R(s, t)^{-4(k, l)}$ has a bipartition (S', T') with $|T'| = |S'| + 3$. In any spanning 2-connected subgraph G of $R(s, t)^{-4(k, l)}$ all vertices in T' have degree at least 2, hence $|E(G)| \geq 2|T'| = |T'| + |S'| + 3 = |V(G)| + 3$.

We complete the proof of theorem by showing through construction the existence of spanning 2-connected subgraph with at most $|V| + 3$ edges.

- Spanning 2-connected subgraph for $R(13,11)^{-4(3,3)}$ with $|V| + 3$ edges.

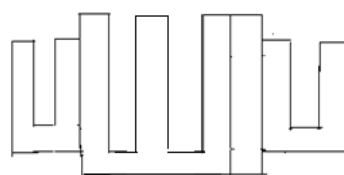


Figure 10

Using the above pattern spanning 2-connected subgraph with $|V| + 3$ edges for $s=11, t=9, k=3$ and $l=1$.

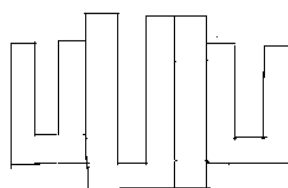


Figure 10.1: $R(11,9)^{-4(3,1)}$

No.of Vertices =87

No.of edges =90

Here s, t, k and l are odd numbers

- Hamilton cycles for $R(12,11)^{-4(2,3)}$ as shown in the following figure .

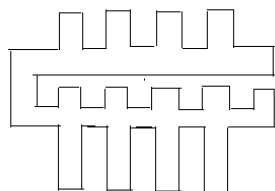


Figure11

Using the above pattern the Hamilton cycle for $s=8, t=7, k=2$ and $l=1$.

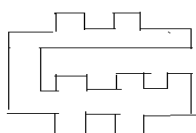


Figure11.1 : $R(8,7)^{-4(2,1)}$

Here s and k are even numbers, t and l are odd numbers

- Hamilton cycle for $R(12,11)^{-4(3,2)}$ as shown in the figure.

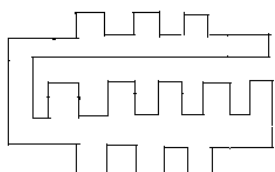


Figure 12

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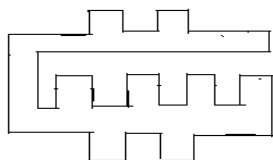


Figure 12.1 : $R(10,8)^{-4(3,1)}$

Here t and l are any numbers, s is even number and k is odd number.

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