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On the two-dimensional orthogonal drawing of series-parallel graphs

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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: 2-D orthogonal drawing Bend k-graph Series-parallel graph It has been known that every planar 4-graph has a 2-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing, with the only exception being the octahedron, every planar 3-graph has a 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing with the only exception being K_4 , and every outerplanar 3-graph with no triangles has a 0-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing. We show in this paper that every series-parallel 4-graph has a 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing.

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1. Introduction

We consider the problem of generating orthogonal drawings of graphs in the plane. The problem has obvious applications in the design of VLSI circuits and optoelectronic integrated systems: see for example [7,10].

Throughout this paper, we consider simple connected graphs *G* with vertex set *V*(*G*) and edge set *E*(*G*). We denote by $d_G(v)$ the degree of a vertex *v* in *G*, and by $\Delta(G)$ the maximum degree of vertices of *G*. *G* is called a *k*-graph if $\Delta(G) \leq k$. A graph is said to be planar if it can be drawn in the plane so that its edges intersect only at their ends. Such a drawing of a planar graph *G* is called a 2-*D* drawing of *G*. A 2-*D* orthogonal drawing of a planar graph *G* is a 2-D drawing of *G* such that each edge is drawn by a sequence of contiguous horizontal and vertical line segments. Notice that a graph *G* has a 2-D orthogonal drawing with no more than *b* bends per edge is called a *b*-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing.

Biedl and Kant [1], and Liu, Morgana, and Simeone [5] showed that every planar 4-graph has a 2-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing, with the only exception being the octahedron shown in Fig. 1(a), which has a 3-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing, as shown in Fig. 1(b). Moreover, Kant [4] showed that every planar 3-graph has a 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing with the only exception being K_4 shown in Fig. 1(c), which has a 2-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing, as shown in Fig. 1(d). Zhou and Nishizeki [11] showed a linear time algorithm to generate a 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing for a series-parallel 3-graph. Nomura, Tayu, and Ueno [6] showed that every outerplanar 3-graph has a 0-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing if and only if it contains no triangle as a subgraph. On the other hand, Garg and Tamassia proved that it is \mathcal{NP} -complete to decide if a given planar 4-graph has a 0-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing [3]. Di Battista, Liotta, and Vargiu showed that the problem can be solved in polynomial time for planar 3-graphs and series-parallel graphs [2]. Rahman, Egi, and Nishizeki [8] showed that the problem can be solved in linear time for series-parallel 3-graphs.

We show in this paper the following theorem.

Theorem 1. Every series-parallel 4-graph has a 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing.

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Fig. 1. Octahedron, K₄, and their 2-D orthogonal drawings.



Fig. 2. Shape-equivalent polygons Λ_1 and Λ'_1 .

The proof of Theorem 1 is constructive and provides a polynomial-time algorithm to generate such a drawing for a seriesparallel 4-graph.

2. Preliminaries

A series-parallel graph is defined recursively as follows.

- (1) A graph consisting of two vertices joined by a single edge is a series-parallel graph. The vertices are the terminals.
- (2) If G_1 is a series-parallel graph with terminals s_1 and t_1 , and G_2 is a series-parallel graph with terminals s_2 and t_2 , then a graph G obtained by either of the following operations is also a series-parallel graph:
 - (i) Series-composition: identify t_1 with s_2 . Vertices s_1 and t_2 are the terminals of G.
 - (ii) Parallel-composition: identify s_1 and s_2 into a vertex s, and t_1 and t_2 into t. Vertices s and t are the terminals of G.

A series-parallel graph *G* is naturally associated with a binary tree T(G), which is called a *decomposition tree* of *G*. The nodes of T(G) are of three types, *S*-nodes, *P*-nodes, and *Q*-nodes. T(G) is defined recursively as follows:

- (1) If G is a single edge, then T(G) consists of a single Q-node.
- (2-i) If *G* is obtained from series-parallel graphs G_1 and G_2 by the series-composition, then the root of T(G) is an *S*-node, and T(G) has subtrees $T(G_1)$ and $T(G_2)$ rooted at the children of the root of *G*.
- (2-ii) If *G* is obtained from series-parallel graphs G_1 and G_2 by the parallel-composition, then the root of T(G) is a *P*-node, and T(G) has subtrees $T(G_1)$ and $T(G_2)$ rooted at the children of the root of *G*.

Notice that the leaves of T(G) are the Q-nodes, and an internal node of T(G) is either an S-node or P-node. Notice, also, that every P-node has at most one Q-node as a child, since G is a simple graph. If G has n vertices then T(G) has O(n) nodes, and T(G) can be constructed in O(n) time [9]. It should be noted that the decomposition tree defined here is slightly different from the well-known SPQ-tree for a series-parallel graph.

A polygon is said to be *rectilinear* if every edge of the polygon is parallel to the horizontal or the vertical axes. Let Λ and Λ' be rectilinear polygons with distinguished vertices σ and σ' , respectively. Λ and Λ' are said to be *shape-equivalent* if walking clockwise around Λ and Λ' from σ and σ' , respectively, we have the same sequence of left and right turns for Λ and Λ' . Fig. 2 shows shape-equivalent rectilinear polygons Λ_1 and Λ'_1 whose corresponding sequence is (*L*, *R*, *R*, *R*, *L*), where *L* and *R* denote left and right turns, respectively.

Let Λ be a rectilinear polygon with distinguished vertices σ and τ , and Λ' be a rectilinear polygon with distinguished vertices σ' and τ' . Λ and Λ' are *shape-equivalent* if walking clockwise around Λ and Λ' from σ and σ' , respectively, we have the same sequence of left turns, right turns, and the direction (left turn, right turn, or go straight) at τ and τ' for Λ and Λ' , respectively. Fig. 3 shows shape-equivalent rectilinear polygons Λ_2 and Λ'_2 whose corresponding sequence is S = (L, R, R, R, L, F, L, R, R, R, L), where F denotes the direction of going straight at τ and τ' . On the other hand, a rectilinear polygon shown in Fig. 4 is not shape-equivalent to Λ_2 or Λ'_2 , since the sequence $(L, R, R, R, L, R^{\dagger}, L, R, R, R, L)$ is different from S, where R^{\dagger} denotes the right turn at τ'' .

Any two rectilinear rectangles with no distinguished vertex are defined to be shape-equivalent.



Fig. 3. Shape-equivalent polygons Λ_2 and Λ'_2 containing τ and τ' , respectively.



Fig. 4. A polygon not shape-equivalent to Λ_2 , Λ'_2 in Fig. 3.



Fig. 5. Shape-equivalent regions Σ_1 and Σ'_1 .



Fig. 6. Shape-equivalent regions bounded by two polygons Σ_2 and Σ'_2 .

Let Σ and Σ' be regions bounded by rectilinear polygons Λ and Λ' , respectively. Σ and Σ' are said to be *shape-equivalent* if Λ and Λ' are shape-equivalent. Regions Σ_1 and Σ'_1 shown in Fig. 5 are shape-equivalent, since bounding polygons Λ_1 and Λ'_1 are shape-equivalent, as seen in Fig. 2.

Let Λ_a and Λ_b be rectilinear polygons such that Λ_a is enclosed by Λ_b , and Σ be a region bounded by Λ_a and Λ_b . Let Λ'_a and Λ'_b be rectilinear polygons such that Λ'_a is enclosed by Λ'_b , and Σ' be a region bounded by Λ'_a and Λ'_b . Σ and Σ' are shape-equivalent if Λ_a and Λ'_a are shape-equivalent, and Λ_b and Λ'_b are shape-equivalent. Regions Σ_2 and Σ'_2 shown in Fig. 6 are shape-equivalent since bounding polygons Λ_3 and Λ'_3 are shape-equivalent, and Λ_4 and Λ'_4 are shape-equivalent.

A region is said to be rectilinear if it is bounded by rectilinear polygons.

3. Proof of Theorem 1

Let *G* be a series-parallel 4-graph with terminals *s* and *t*. We generate for *G* several 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawings in regions of distinct shapes depending on $d_G(s)$ and $d_G(t)$. Such a region is shape-equivalent to a rectilinear region $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i [\Pi(d_G(t), d_G(s))_i]$ shown in Fig. 7 for some integer *i*, if $d_G(s) \le d_G(t) [d_G(t) \le d_G(s)]$. A region $\Pi(d_1, d_2)_i$ is also referred to as $\Pi(d_2, d_1)_i$. The number $\nu(d_G(s), d_G(t))$ of distinct shapes is no more than 4 for every pair of $d_G(s)$ and S. Tayu et al. / Discrete Applied Mathematics 157 (2009) 1885-1895



Fig. 8. N-drawings of an edge.

 $d_G(t)$. More precisely, $v(d_G(s), d_G(t)), d_G(s) \le d_G(t)$, is: 3 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 1$; 4 if $d_G(s) = 1$ and $d_G(t) = 2$; 2 if $d_G(s) = 1$ and $d_G(t) = 3$; 1 if $d_G(s) = 1$ and $d_G(t) = 4$; 2 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 2$; 2 if $d_G(s) = 2$ and $d_G(t) = 3$; 1 if $d_G(s) = 2$ and $d_G(t) = 4$; 2 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 3$; 1 if $d_G(s) = 3$ and $d_G(t) = 4$; 1 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 4$; 2 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 3$; 1 if $d_G(s) = 3$ and $d_G(t) = 4$; 1 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 4$; 2 if $d_G(s) = 2$; 2 if $d_G(s) = 3$; 1 if $d_G(s) = 3$ and $d_G(t) = 4$; 1 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 4$; 2 if $d_G(s) = 3$; 1 if $d_G(s$

Let Σ be a rectilinear region with distinguished vertices σ and τ . A 1-bend 2-D orthogonal drawing of G in Σ is called an *N*-drawing of G generated in Σ if s is mapped to one of σ and τ , and t is mapped to the other one. We will show that G has an *N*-drawing generated in a region shape-equivalent to $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i [\Pi(d_G(t), d_G(s))_i]$ for each i, $1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(s), d_G(t)) [1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(t), d_G(s))]$. We have two exceptions. If $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 1$ and $(s, t) \in E(G)$ then we show that G has an *N*-drawing generated in a region shape-equivalent to $\Pi(1, 1)_i$ for each $i, 1 \le i \le 2$. Also, if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 3$ and $(s, t) \in E(G)$ then we show that G has an *N*-drawing generated in a region shape-equivalent to $\Pi(1, 3)_1$.

It is sufficient to prove the following theorem.

Theorem 2. Every series-parallel 4-graph with terminals s and t has an N-drawing generated in a region shape-equivalent to $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$ for $1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(s), d_G(t))$ with the exception that $1 \le i \le 2$ if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 1$ and $(s, t) \in E(G)$, and that i = 1 if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 3$ and $(s, t) \in E(G)$.

Proof. The theorem is proved by induction on |E(G)|. An *N*-drawing of *G* in a region shape-equivalent to $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$ is called an N_i -drawing of *G*.

If |E(G)| = 1, *G* is a graph consisting of just an edge (s, t). Such a graph has an N_1 -drawing and N_2 -drawing, as shown in Fig. 8.

Assume that $|E(G)| \ge 2$, and Theorem 2 holds for any series-parallel 4-graph with at most |E(G)| - 1 edges. We assume, without loss of generality, that $d_G(s) \le d_G(t)$. We distinguish two cases.

Case A: G is a series-composition of G_1 and G_2 .

Lemma 3. For any i, $1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(s), d_G(t))$, there exist j and k, $1 \le j \le \nu(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))$ and $1 \le k \le \nu(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))$, such that an N_i -drawing of G can be generated by combining an N_i -drawing of G_1 and N_k -drawing of G_2 .

Proof of Lemma 3. Table 1 shows such a pair of *j* and *k* for each *i* and the degrees $d_G(s)$, $d_G(t)$, and $d_{G_1}(t_1)$. Since neither $\Pi(1, 1)_3$ nor $\Pi(3, 3)_2$ appears in the columns of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$ and $\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$ of Table 1, G_1 has every N_j -drawing indicated in the column of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$ of the table, and G_2 has every N_k -drawing indicated in the column of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$ of the table, and G_2 has every N_k -drawing indicated in the column of $\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$ of the table, by induction hypothesis. We can see that an N_i -drawing of *G* can be generated by combining an N_j -drawing Γ_1 of G_1 and N_k -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 as shown in Figs. 9–15. For example, Fig. 9(a) shows that if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = d_{G_1}(t_1) = d_{G_2}(s_2) = 1$ then an N_1 -drawing of *G* can be generated from an N_1 -drawing Γ_1 of G_1 and N_1 -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 by identifying t_1 with s_2 . Fig. 9(b) shows that if $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = d_{G_1}(t_1) = 1$ and $d_{G_2}(s_2) = 2$ then an N_1 -drawing of *G* can be generated from an N_1 -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 by scaling Γ_1 and rotating Γ_2 appropriately, and identifying t_1 with s_2 . Fig. 10(o) shows that if $d_G(s) = 1$, $d_G(t) = 2$, $d_{G_1}(t_1) = 1$, and $d_{G_2}(s_2) = 3$ then

Table 1							
Pair of $\Pi(d_G)$	$(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1)$)) _j and $\Pi(d_{G_2})$	$(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))$	$_k$ for $\Pi(d_G(s),$	$d_G(t))_i$ when G	is a series-comp	osition.

$\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$	$\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$
$\Pi(1,1)_1$	$\Pi(1, d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 1)_1$
	$\Pi(1, 1)_{2}$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 1)_1$
$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_{2}$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 1)_1$
	$\Pi(1,3)_{1}$	$\Pi(1,1)_{2}$
$\Pi(1, 1)_{3}$	$\Pi(1, d_{G_1}(t_1))_2$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 1)_2$
$\Pi(1,2)_1$	$\Pi(1, d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_1$
$\Pi(1,2)_{2}$	$\Pi(1, d_{G_1}(t_1))_2$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_1$
	$\Pi(1,1)_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_2$
$\Pi(1,2)_{3}$	$\Pi(1,2)_{1}$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_2$
	$\Pi(1,3)_{2}$	$\Pi(1,2)_1$
$\Pi(1,2)_{4}$	$\Pi(1, d_{G_1}(t_1))_2$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_2$
	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
$\Pi(1,3)_1$	$\Pi(1,2)_{1}$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
	$\Pi(1,3)_{1}$	$\Pi(1,3)_{1}$
$\Pi(1,3)_2$	$\Pi(1, d_{G_1}(t_1))_2$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
$\Pi(2,2)_{1}$	$\Pi(2, d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_1$
$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$	$\Pi(2, d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 2)_2$
$\Pi(2,3)_{1}$	$\Pi(2, d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
$\Pi(2,3)_2$	$\Pi(2, d_{G_1}(t_1))_2$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
$\Pi(3,3)_1$	$\Pi(3, d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
	$\Pi(3,1)_{2}$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
$\Pi(3,3)_2$	$\Pi(3,2)_{2}$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), 3)_1$
	$\Pi(3,3)_{1}$	$\Pi(1,3)_2$
$\Pi(d_G(s), 4)_1$	$\Pi(d_G(s), d_{G_1}(t_1))_1$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(\tilde{s_2}), 4)_1$



Fig. 9. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a series-composition and $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 1$.

an N_3 -drawing of G can be generated from an N_1 -drawing Γ_1 of G_1 and N_2 -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 by scaling and rotating Γ_1 and flipped Γ_2 appropriately, and identifying t_1 with s_2 . \Box

Case B: G is a parallel-composition of G_1 and G_2 .

We assume, without loss of generality, that if G has edge (s, t) then G_1 consists of exactly one edge (s_1, t_1) .

Lemma 4. For any i, $1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(s), d_G(t))$, there exist j and k, $1 \le j \le \nu(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))$ and $1 \le k \le \nu(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))$, such that an N_i -drawing of G can be generated by combining an N_j -drawing of G_1 and N_k -drawing of G_2 .

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Fig. 11. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a series-composition, $d_G(s) = 1$, and $d_G(t) = 3$.

Proof of Lemma 4. We assume, without loss of generality, that $d_{G_1}(s_1) + d_{G_2}(s_2) \le d_{G_1}(t_1) + d_{G_2}(t_2)$, and $d_{G_1}(s_1) = \min\{d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1), d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2)\}$. We distinguish two cases:

Case B-1: $(s, t) \notin E(G)$.

Table 2 shows such a pair of j and k for each i and the degrees $d_G(s)$, $d_G(t)$, $d_{G_1}(s_1)$, and $d_{G_1}(t_1)$.



Fig. 12. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a series-composition and $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 2$.



Fig. 13. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a series-composition, $d_G(s) = 2$, and $d_G(t) = 3$.



Fig. 14. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a series-composition and $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 3$.

Since $(s_1, t_1) \notin E(G_1)$ and $(s_2, t_2) \notin E(G_2)$, G_1 and G_2 have every N_j -drawing and N_k -drawing indicated in the columns of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$ and $\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$ of Table 2, respectively, by induction hypothesis. We can see that an N_i -drawing of G can be generated by combining an N_j -drawing Γ_1 of G_1 and N_k -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 as shown in Fig. 16.

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Fig. 15. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a series-composition and $d_G(t) = 4$.

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air of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$ and $\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$ for $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$ when G is a parallel-composition and (s, t)	$\not\in E(G).$

$\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$	$\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$
$\Pi(2,2)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$
$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_{3}$
$\Pi(2,3)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_2$
$\Pi(2,3)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_4$
$\Pi(2, 4)$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,3)_2$
$11(2, 4)_1$	$\Pi(1,2)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_{2}$
$\Pi(3,3)$.	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$
11(5, 5)]	$\Pi(1,2)_1$	$\Pi(2, 1)_3$
$\Pi(3,3)_{r}$	$\Pi(1, 1)_3$	$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$
$(3, 3)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_2$	$\Pi(2, 1)_4$
	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(2,3)_2$
$\Pi(3,4)_1$	$\Pi(1,2)_2$	$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$
	$\Pi(1,3)_2$	$\Pi(2, 1)_2$
	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(3,3)_2$
$\Pi(\Lambda,\Lambda)$.	$\Pi(1,2)_1$	$\Pi(3,2)_2$
11(7,7)]	$\Pi(1,3)_1$	$\Pi(3,1)_1$
	$\Pi(2,2)_2$	$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$

Case B-2: $(s, t) \in E(G)$.

Notice that $d_{G_1}(s_1) = d_{G_1}(t_1) = 1$, and $(s_2, t_2) \notin E(G_2)$, since G_1 consists of exactly one edge (s_1, t_1) by the assumption of Case B. Notice, also, that $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i \neq \Pi(3, 3)_2$ by the exception of Theorem 2. Table 3 shows such a pair of j and k for each i and the degrees $d_G(s), d_G(t), d_{G_1}(s_1)$, and $d_{G_1}(t_1)$. It is easy to see that G_1 and G_2 have every N_j -drawing and N_k -drawing indicated in the columns of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$ and $\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$ of Table 3, respectively, by induction hypothesis. We can see that an N_i -drawing of G can be generated by combining an N_j -drawing Γ_1 of G_1 and N_k -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 as shown in Fig. 16.

From Lemmas 3 and 4, and the induction hypothesis, we obtain Theorem 2. \Box



Fig. 16. *N*-drawings of *G* when *G* is a parallel-composition.

Table 3 Pair of $\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_i$ and $\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$ for $\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$ when *G* is a parallel-composition and $(s, t) \in E(G)$.

$\Pi(d_G(s), d_G(t))_i$	$\Pi(d_{G_1}(s_1), d_{G_1}(t_1))_j$	$\Pi(d_{G_2}(s_2), d_{G_2}(t_2))_k$
$\Pi(2,2)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$
$\Pi(2,2)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_{3}$
$\Pi(2,3)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_{2}$
$\Pi(2,3)_2$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,2)_{4}$
$\Pi(2, 4)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(1,3)_{2}$
$\Pi(3,3)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(2,2)_{2}$
$\Pi(3,4)_1$	$\Pi(1, 1)_2$	$\Pi(2,3)_{2}$
$\Pi(4,4)_1$	$\Pi(1,1)_2$	$\Pi(3,3)_2$

4. Algorithm

The proof of Theorem 2 in the previous section provides a recursive algorithm, 2D_DRAW shown in Fig. 17, to generate an *N*-drawing for a series-parallel 4-graph.

Theorem 5. Given a series-parallel 4-graph G with terminals s and t, and an integer i with $1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(s), d_G(t))$, 2D_DRAW generates an N_i -drawing of G in $O(|E(G)|^2)$ time.

Proof. The correctness of 2D_DRAW follows from the proof of Theorem 2.

We will show the time complexity of 2D_DRAW. It is not difficult to see that scaling, rotation, and reflection of $\Gamma_j(G_1)$ and $\Gamma_k(G_2)$ can be performed in $O(|E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)|) = O(|E(G)|)$ time. Thus, if $\mathcal{T}'(G)$ is the computation time of 2D_DRAW for *G*, we have the following recurrence relation:

$$\mathcal{T}'(G) \le \mathcal{T}'(G_1) + \mathcal{T}'(G_2) + c_1|E(G)| + c_2 \tag{1}$$

for some positive constants c_1 and c_2 . Let $\mathcal{T}(m) = \max_{|E(G)|=m} \mathcal{T}'(G)$. It follows from (1) that:

$$\mathcal{T}(m) \le \max_{1 \le p \le m-1} \left(\mathcal{T}(p) + \mathcal{T}(m-p) \right) + c_1 m + c_2, \tag{2}$$

since $|E(G)| = |E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)|$ and $1 \le |E(G_1)| \le |E(G)| - 1$.

Claim 6. $\mathcal{T}(m) \leq cm^2$ for a constant $c = c_1 + c_2 + \mathcal{T}(1)$.

a series-parallel 4-graph G, terminals $s, t \in V(G)$. Input: and an integer i with $1 \le i \le \nu(d_G(s), d_G(t))$. **Output:** N_i -drawing $\Gamma_i(G)$ of G. begin compute T(G); if the root of T(G) is a Q-node then let $\Gamma_i(G)$ be an N_i -drawing: endif if the root of T(G) is an S-node then compute G_1 and G_2 such that G is a series composition of G_1 and G_2 ; choose j and k according to $d_G(s)$, $d_G(t)$, i, and $d_{G_1}(t_1)$ as shown in Table 1: $\Gamma_i(G_1) := 2D_DRAW(G_1, s_1, t_1, j);$ $\Gamma_k(G_2) := 2D_DRAW(G_2, s_2, t_2, k);$ apply appropriate scaling, rotation, and reflection to $\Gamma_i(G_1)$ and $\Gamma_k(G_2)$, and combine them into $\Gamma_i(G)$; endif if the root of T(G) is a *P*-node then if G contains edge (s, t) then let G_1 be the graph consisting of only one edge (s, t)and $G_2 = G - G_1;$ choose j and k according to degrees $d_G(s)$, $d_G(t)$, $d_{G_1}(s_1)$, $d_{G_1}(t_1), d_{G_2}(s_2)$, and $d_{G_2}(t_2)$ as shown in Table 2; else compute G_1 and G_2 such that G is a parallel composition of G_1 and G_2 ; choose j and k according to degrees $d_G(s)$, $d_G(t)$, $d_{G_1}(s_1)$, $d_{G_1}(t_1), d_{G_2}(s_2)$, and $d_{G_2}(t_2)$ as shown in Table 3; endif $\Gamma_i(G_1) := 2D_DRAW(G_1, s_1, t_1, j);$ $\Gamma_k(G_2) := 2D_DRAW(G_2, s_2, t_2, k);$ apply appropriate scaling, rotation, and reflection to $\Gamma_i(G_1)$ and $\Gamma_k(G_2)$, and combine them into $\Gamma_i(G)$; endif return $\Gamma_i(G)$; end

Fig. 17. Algorithm: 2D_DRAW (G, s, t, i).

Proof of Claim 6. Claim 6 holds when m = 1 since $c \cdot 1^2 \ge \mathcal{T}(1)$. Assume that $m \ge 2$ and Claim 6 holds for any positive integer less than m. Then by (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}(m) &\leq \max_{1 \leq p \leq m-1} \left(\mathcal{T}(p) + \mathcal{T}(m-p) \right) + c_1 m + c_2 \\ &\leq \max_{1 \leq p \leq m-1} \left(cp^2 + c(m-p)^2 \right) + c_1 m + c_2 \\ &= cm^2 - 2 \ cm + 2c + c_1 m + c_2 \\ &= cm^2 - (cm - 2c) - (cm - c_1 m - c_2) \\ &\leq cm^2, \end{aligned}$$

since $m \ge 2$. \Box

From Claim 6, we have $\mathcal{T}(|E(G)|) = O(|E(G)|^2)$. This completes the proof of Theorem 5. \Box

As an example, we show an induction step to generate an N_1 -drawing of a series-parallel 4-graph G shown in Fig. 18(a). G is a parallel-composition of series-parallel graphs G_1 and G_2 shown in Fig. 18(b) and (c), respectively. Since $d_G(s) = d_G(t) = 3$, we need an N_1 -drawing Γ_1 of G_1 and N_3 -drawing Γ_2 of G_2 by Table 2. Γ_1 and Γ_2 are shown in Fig. 18(d) and (e), respectively. Finally, an N_1 -drawing Γ of G can be generated by flipping, rotating, and scaling Γ_1 and Γ_2 appropriately, and identifying s_1 with s_2 , and t_1 with t_2 as shown in Fig. 18(f).



Fig. 18. Example of a recursive step of algorithm.

5. Concluding remarks

We can prove that every series-parallel 6-graph has a 2-bend 3-D orthogonal drawing, which will appear in a forthcoming paper.

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