

On the Three-Directional Ray Cacti

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Abstract: A connected graph is called a *cactus* if any two cycles have at most one vertex in common. A cactus is called a *pseudotree* if it contains at most one cycle. In this paper, We show that the characterization of 3-directional orthogonal ray cacti and 3-directional orthogonal ray pseudotrees. We also show that the recognition of 3-directional orthogonal ray cacti can be solved in polynomial time.

1. Introduction

A bipartite graph G with a bipartition (X, Y) is called an *ORG* (*orthogonal ray graph*) if there exist a family of non-intersecting rays (half-lines) R_u ($u \in X$), parallel to the x -axis in the xy -plane, and a family of non-intersecting rays R_v ($v \in Y$), parallel to the y -axis such that for any $u \in X$ and $v \in Y$, $(u, v) \in E(G)$ if and only if R_u and R_v intersect. An ORG is called a *3DORG* (*3-directional orthogonal ray graph*) if every vertical ray has the same direction, or every horizontal ray has the same direction. An ORG is called a *2DORG* (*2-directional orthogonal ray graph*) if every vertical ray has the same direction, and every horizontal ray also has the same direction. By definition, any 2DORG is a 3DORG, and any 3DORG is an ORG.

A mapping of a sum-of-product onto nano-programable logic array (nano-PLA) is investigated in the literature [1], [4], [8]. Since a nano-PLA can be represented by ORG and/or 3DORG [5], finding characterizations of such graphs is very important, and some problems are investigated for these graphs [3], [5], [7], [9].

A *cactus* is a connected graph in which any two cycles have at most one vertex in common. A *pseudotree* is a connected graph containing at most one cycle. A tree is a pseudotree, and pseudotree is a cactus by definition.

An *edge-asteroid* is a sequence of edges $(e_0, e_1, \dots, e_{2k})$ such that for each $0 \leq i \leq 2k$, there exists a path containing e_i and $e_{i+1 \pmod{2k+1}}$ that avoids the neighbors of the end-vertex of $e_{k+i+1 \pmod{2k+1}}$. An *A5E* (*asteroid quintuple of edges*) is a sequence of five edges $(e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4)$ such that for any $0 \leq i \leq 4$, there exists a path from e_i to $e_{i+1 \pmod{5}}$ that avoids the neighbors of the end-vertices of $e_{i-1 \pmod{5}}$ and $e_{i+2 \pmod{5}}$.

Let $\mathcal{F}_1 = \{T_0, T_1, T_2, T_3\}$ be the set of four trees shown in Fig.1. The following characterizations can be found in the literature [2], [6].

Theorem I A bipartite graph G is a 2DORG if and only if it contains no edge-asteroid and no induced cycle of length at least

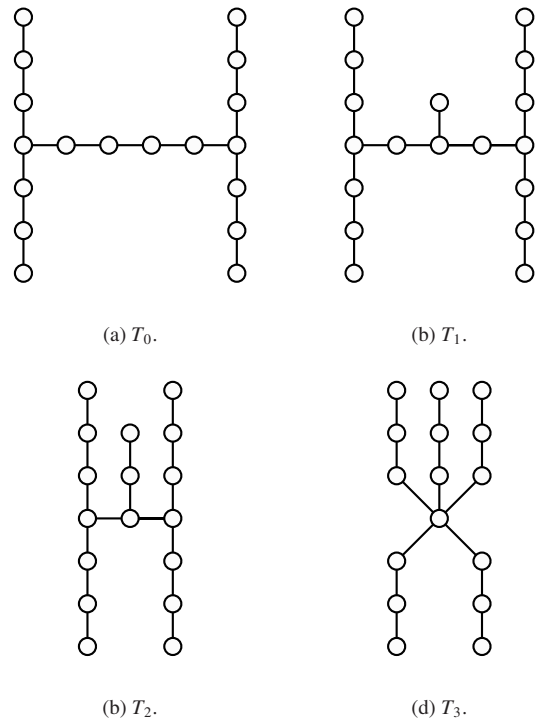


Fig. 1 Trees in \mathcal{F}_1 .

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Theorem II The following statements are equivalent for a tree T ;

- (1) T is a 2DORG;
- (2) T is a 3DORG;
- (3) T contains no edge-asteroid;
- (4) T contains no 3-claw shown in Fig.2(a) as a subtree. ■

Theorem III The following statements are equivalent for a tree T ;

- T is an ORG;
- T contains no A5E;
- T contains no tree in \mathcal{F}_1 as a minor. ■

Let \mathcal{F}_2 be the set of graphs shown in Fig.2. For any integer

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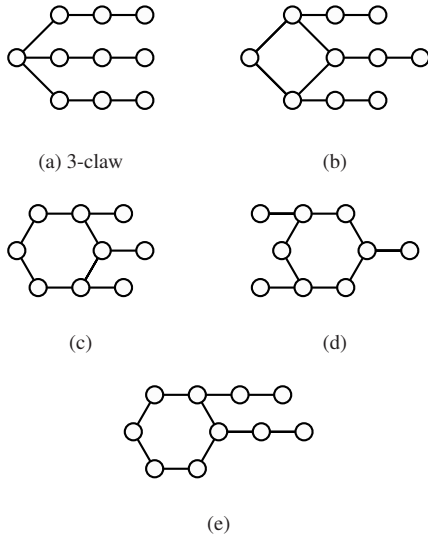


Fig. 2 Set \mathcal{F}_2 of forbidden induced subgraphs.

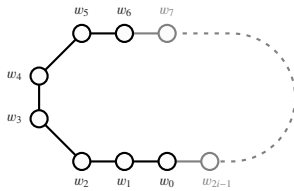


Fig. 3 Cycles in $C_{2 \times 4}$.

$n \geq 2$, let C_{2n} be the cycle of length $2n$, and $C_{2 \times n} = \{C_{2i} \mid i \geq n\}$. $C_{2 \times 4}$ is the set of cycles shown in Fig. 9 for $i \geq 4$. Let $C_6 \cdot C_6$, C_6-C_6 , and $2 \times C_6$ be the graphs shown in Fig.4(a), (b), and (c), respectively. The characterization of ORG and 3DORG has been open.

We show in this paper the following, where Theorem 1 is obtained as a corollary of Theorem 2.

Theorem 1 The following statements are equivalent for a bipartite pseudotree G :

- (1) G is a 3DORG;
- (2) G contains no edge-asteroid;
- (3) G contains no graph in $C_{2 \times 4} \cup \mathcal{F}_2$ as an induced subgraph. ■

Theorem 2 The following statements are equivalent for a bipartite cacti G :

- (1) G is a 3DORG;
- (2) G contains no edge-asteroid and no pair of cycles of length 6;
- (3) G contains no graph in $C_{2 \times 4} \cup \mathcal{F}_2 \cup \mathcal{F}_3$ as an induced subgraph. ■

Theorem 3 The recognition of 3-directional orthogonal ray cacti is solved in polynomial time. ■

2. Preliminaries

2.1 Ray Representation of Graphs

In this section, we assume that G is a connected 3-directional orthogonal ray graph, with diameter at least 5. We assume without loss of generality that rays of a 3DORG G parallel to y -axis

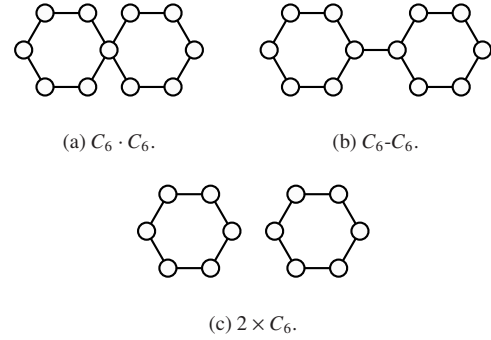


Fig. 4 Set \mathcal{F}_3 of forbidden induced subgraphs.

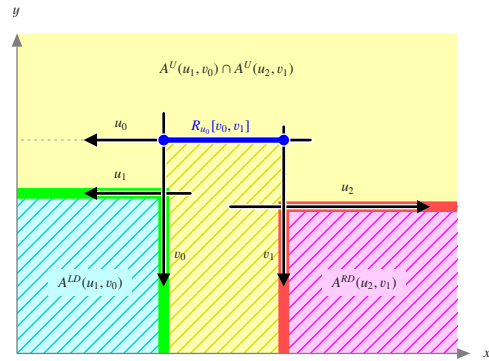


Fig. 5 Example of a Ray Representation.

are downward direction. For a vertex v of G , we denote by $(x(v), y(v))$ the coordinate of the end point of R_v . For an edge $e = (u, v)$ of G , let R_u and R_v be the rays corresponding to u and v , respectively, and $\rho(e) = (x(e), y(e))$ be the cross point of R_u and R_v . We denote by the sequence $\langle w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p \rangle$ of the vertices the path with the vertex set $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p\}$ and edge set $\{(w_i, w_{i+1}) \mid 1 \leq i \leq p-1\}$. Let $V_D(G)$ be the set of vertices corresponding to downward rays, and $V_H(G) = V(G) - V_D(G)$. Define that

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\min} &= \min\{x(v) \mid v \in V_D(G)\}, \\ x_{\max} &= \max\{x(v) \mid v \in V_D(G)\}, \\ y_{\min} &= \min\{y(v) \mid u \in V_H(G)\}, \text{ and} \\ y_{\max} &= \max\{y(v) \mid u \in V_H(G)\}. \end{aligned}$$

For $(w, w') \in E(G)$, let $R_w[w']$ be a partial ray of R_w whose end point is just the cross point of R_w and $R_{w'}$. Since R_w and $R_{w'}$ intersect, R_w and $R_{w'}$ divide the plane into two areas say $A^D(w, w')$ and $A^U(w, w')$, where $A^U(w, w')$ is the area containing $\{(x, y) \mid y \geq y_{\max}\}$.

For any vertex $w \in V(G)$ and its adjacent vertices w', w'' in G , let $R_w[w', w'']$ be a line segment with endpoints $\rho((w, w'))$ and $\rho((w, w''))$. For an induced path $P = \langle w_0, w_1, \dots, w_p \rangle$ of G , let

$$B[P] = R_{w_0}[w_1] \cup R_{w_p}[w_{p-1}] \cup \bigcup_{i=2}^{p-1} R_{w_i}[w_{i-1}, w_{i+1}].$$

The upper and lower sides of $B[P]$ are denoted by $A^U[P]$ and $A^D[P]$, respectively.

As an example, we show in Figure 5 a ray representation of a

path $P = \langle u_1, v_0, u_0, v_1, u_2 \rangle$, such that R_{u_0} and R_{u_1} are leftward rays with $x_{u_0} < x_{u_1}$, R_{v_0} and R_{v_1} are downward rays with $x_{v_0} < x_{v_1}$, and R_{u_2} is a rightward ray, where (x_v, y_v) is the endpoint of the ray R_v corresponding to v . Green rays are $R_{v_0}[u_1]$ and $R_{u_1}[v_0]$ dividing the plane into two areas $A^D(u_1, v_0)$ and $A^U(u_1, v_0)$, and red rays are $R_{v_1}[u_2]$ and $R_{u_2}[v_1]$ dividing into $A^D(u_2, v_1)$ and $A^U(u_2, v_1)$. A blue line segment shows $R_{v_0}[v_0, v_1]$. $A^D[\langle u_1, v_0, u_1, v_1, u_2 \rangle]$ is the area shown by diagonal lines.

By definition, we have the following.

Lemma 1 Let $P = \langle w_0, w_1, \dots, w_p \rangle$ be an induced subpath of a 3DORG. Then, xy -plane is separated by $B[P]$ into two regions

For an edge (u, v) of a 3DORG G with $u \in X$, Let

$$A^{LD}(u, v) = \{(x, y) \mid x < x(v), y < y(u)\}, \text{ and}$$

$$A^{RD}(u, v) = \{(x, y) \mid x > x(v)\} \cup \{(x, y) \mid y > y(u)\}.$$

It should be noted that $B[\langle u, v \rangle]$ separates the xy -plane.

For a graph G and vertices $u, v \in V(G)$, let $\text{dist}_G(u, v)$ be the distance between u and v in G . For a subgraph S of G and $w \in V(G)$, let $\text{dist}_G(S, w) = \min_{u \in V(S)} \text{dist}_G(u, w)$. An induced subpath of G is called an *edge-spine* of G if at least one endvertex of any edge of G is within distance one from at least one vertex of the path.

Lemma 2 Let $\mathcal{R}(G)$ be a 3-directional orthogonal ray representation of G , and let u_L and u_R be the vertices corresponding the leftward and rightward rays of minimum y -coordinates, respectively. Then, an induced u_L - u_R path P of G is an edge-spine.

Proof. We assume without loss of generality that $\mathcal{R}(G)$ is not a 2-directional orthogonal ray representation.

Let $v_L [v_R]$ be the adjacent vertex of $u_L [u_R]$, in P . It suffices to show that for any edge (u, v) ,

$$\text{dist}_G(P, u) \leq 1 \text{ or} \tag{1}$$

$$\text{dist}_G(P, v) \leq 1. \tag{2}$$

Case 1: u is a leftward ray.

If u or v is in P , (1) or (2) holds. So, we assume that u and v are outside P . If a vertex $w \in V(P)$ has a downward ray R_w with $x(w) < x(v_L)$, R_w and R_{u_L} intersect, and this contradicts to P to be an induced path. Therefoer,

$$\{(x, y) \mid x < x(v_L), y > y(u_L)\} \cap B[P] = \emptyset, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\{(x, y) \mid x < x(v_L), y > y(u_L)\} \subset A^U[P].$$

Since u is leftward and $y(u) > y(u_L)$, a partial ray $\{(x, y(u)) \mid x < x(v_L)\}$ of R_u is contained in $A^U[P]$. Therefore, we have

$$A^U[P] \cap R_u \neq \emptyset. \tag{3}$$

Since R_v is downward,

$$\{(x(v), y) \mid y < y_{\min}\} \subset R_v,$$

and we have

$$A^D[P] \cap R_v \neq \emptyset. \tag{4}$$

From Lemma 1, (3), and (4), we have that $R_u \cup R_v$ intersect $B[P]$, i.e., R_u or R_v intersects $B[P]$.

Thus, we have (1) or (2).

Case 2: u is a rightward ray.

By the similar arguments to the proof of Case 1, we have the lemma. ■

As a corollary of Lemma 2, we have the following.

Corollary 1 A connected 3DORG has an edge-spine as an induced subgraph. ■

It should be noted that there is connected bipartite graph containing an edge-spine as an induced subgraph, but not a 3DORG.

2.2 3-Directional Orthogonal Ray Graph with an Induced Subcycle of Length 6

In this subsection, we consider a ray representation of a 3DORG G containing C_6 as an induced subgraph. For a positive integer i , we denote that $[i] = \{0, 1, \dots, i\}$. Define that

$$V(C_6) = \{w_i \mid i \in [5]\}, \text{ and}$$

$$E(C_6) = \{(w_i, w_{i+1(\text{mod } 6)}) \mid i \in [5]\}.$$

Consider any ray representation $\mathcal{R}(G)$ of G . For any $i \in [5]$, let R_i be the ray of $\mathcal{R}(G)$ corresponding to w_i , and (x_i, y_i) be the xy -coordinate of the end point of R_i . We assume without loss of generality that R_0, R_2, R_4 are vertical, and R_2 and R_4 are the left and right most vertical rays, respectively, i.e., $x_2 < x_0 < x_4$.

We now see that

$$y_1, y_5 \leq y_0 < y_3 \leq y_2, y_4 \tag{5}$$

Since R_3 intersects both R_2 and R_4 , we have $y_2, y_4 \geq y_3$,

$$\{(x, y_3) \mid x_2 \leq x_4\} \subset R_3 \text{ and} \tag{6}$$

$$(x_0, y_3) \in R_3. \tag{7}$$

Since R_0 and R_3 does not intersect,

$$(x_0, y_3) \notin R_0 = \{(x_0, y) \mid y \leq y_0\}$$

by (7). Therefore, we have $y_3 > y_0$. Since R_1 and R_5 intersect R_0 , $y_1, y_5 < y_0$. Thus, we have (5).

We next see that

$$x_2 < x_5 \leq x_0 \leq x_1 < x_4, \tag{8}$$

and that R_1 and R_5 are leftward and rightward rays, respectively. Since R_1 intersects both R_0 and R_2 ,

$$\{(x, y_1) \mid x_2 \leq x \leq x_0\} \subset R_1. \tag{9}$$

From $x_0 < x_4$ and $y_1 < y_4$, R_1 is leftward and $x_1 < x_4$, since R_1 does not intersect R_4 . Thus from (9), $x_0 \leq x_1$. Similarly, we also have $x_2 < x_5 \leq x_0$ and R_5 to be rightward.

Let $Y_{\min}^L(C_6)$ and $Y_{\min}^R(C_6)$ be the minimum y -coordinates of leftward and rightward rays corresponding to a vertex of C_6 , respectively. Similarly, let $X_{\min}(C_6)$ and $X_{\max}(C_6)$ be the minimum and maximum x -coordinates of downward rays corresponding to a vertex of C_6 , respectively. Let

$$A^{LD}(C_6) = \{(x, y) \mid x < X_{\min}, y < Y_{\min}^L(C_6)\} \text{ and}$$

$$A^{RD}(C_6) = \{(x, y) \mid x > X_{\max}, y < Y_{\min}^R(C_6)\}.$$

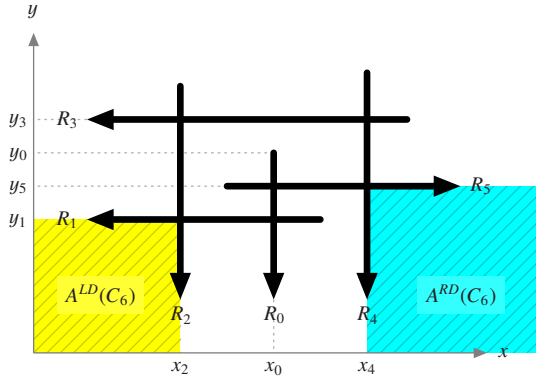


Fig. 6 Ray Representation of C_6 .

Figure 6 shows an example of a ray representation of C_6 in case that R_3 is leftward, and $y_1 < y_5$. Since R_3 intersects both R_2 and R_4 , if R_3 is leftward, then $x_3 \geq x_4$ and otherwise, $x_3 \leq x_2$. $A^{LD}(C_6)$ and $A^{RD}(C_6)$ are shown by yellow and cyan areas, respectively.

A connected graph H with a subgraph S is said to be *edge-separable* by S if all vertices in $V(S)$ belong to different connected components in $H - E(S)$. For any $v \in V(S)$ and the connected component C of $H - E(S)$ containing v , we denote by

$$\text{depth}_S^H(v) = \max_{w \in V(C)} \text{dist}_C(v, w).$$

By definition, we have the following.

Lemma 3 A connected graph H is a cactus if and only if it is edge-separable by any induced subcycle. ■

Lemma 4 If G is edge-separable by C_6 then $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_0) = \text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_3) = 0$.

Proof. If v_0 is adjacent with a vertex u outside C_6 , then R_u is horizontal. Let P be the path induced by $\{v_2, v_3, v_4\}$. It should be noted that the cross point (x_0, y_u) of R_0 and R_u is inside $A^D[P]$. If R_u is rightward ray, $\{(x, y_u) \mid x > x_0\} \subset R_u$. Therefore, R_u intersects R_4 , since $x_0 < x_4$ and $y_u < y_4$. This implies that u is also adjacent with v_4 . Thus, G is not edge-separable by C_6 . Similarly, if R_u is leftward ray, G is not edge-separable.

Therefore, v_0 is not adjacent with any vertex outside C_6 , and $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_0) = 0$.

If v_3 is adjacent with a vertex u outside C_6 , then R_u is a downward ray containing (x_u, y_3) , the cross point of R_u and R_3 . Let $P = \langle v_1, v_0, v_5 \rangle$. Since $(x_u, y_3) \in A^U[P]$ and R_u is a downward ray, R_u intersects $B[P]$. Therefore, G is not edge-separable.

Therefore, v_3 is not adjacent with any vertex outside C_6 , and $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_3) = 0$.

Thus, we have the lemma. ■

For $i \in [5]$, let Γ_i be the connected component of $G - E(C_6)$ containing v_i .

Lemma 5 If G is edge-separable by C_6 , and Γ_i contains a vertex w independent from C_6 with $\text{dist}_G(w, v_i) = 2$ for some $i \in \{1, 2\}$, then there exists a vertex $z \in V(\Gamma_i)$ adjacent with both v_i and w in Γ_i such that $R_z \cap A^{LD}(C_6) \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. Consider in case of $i = 1$. The lemma can be proved similarly when $i = 2$.

Let z be a vertex adjacent with both w and v_1 , and we show the

lemma by contradiction. Suppose that

$$R_z \cap A^{LD}(C_6) = \emptyset. \quad (10)$$

From $(z, v_1) \in E(C_6)$ and (10), $x_2 < x(z) \leq x_1$, since R_z is vertical. Thus from (6) and (10), $y(z) < y_3 \leq y_2$. Therefore, R_z intersects R_2 , and we have contradiction. Thus, $R_z \cap A^{LD}(C_6) \neq \emptyset$, and we have the lemma. ■

Lemma 6 If G is edge-separable by C_6 , then $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_1) \leq 1$ or $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_2) \leq 1$.

Proof. Assume contrary that $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_1) \geq 2$ and $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_2) \geq 2$. From Lemma 5, Γ_1 and Γ_2 contain vertices z_1 and z_2 such that

$$R_{z_1} \cap A^{LD}(C_6) \neq \emptyset \text{ and}$$

$$R_{z_2} \cap A^{LD}(C_6) \neq \emptyset,$$

respectively. Since R_{z_1} is vertical and $(z_1, v_1) \in E(\Gamma_1)$, we have

$$\{(x(z_1), y) \mid y \leq y_1\} \subseteq R_{z_1}.$$

Similarly, we also have

$$\{(x, y(z_2)) \mid x \leq x_2\} \subseteq R_{z_2}.$$

Therefore, R_{z_1} and R_{z_2} intersect, and we have contradiction. Thus, $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_1) \leq 1$ or $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_2) \leq 1$, and we have the lemma. ■

By similar arguments to the proof of Lemma 6, we also have the following.

Lemma 7 If G is edge-separable by C_6 , then $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_4) \leq 1$ or $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_5) \leq 1$. ■

Lemmas 4, 6, and 7, we have the following.

Corollary 2 If G is edge-separable by C_6 , $\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_0) = \text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_3) = 0$, $\min(\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_1), \text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_2)) \leq 1$, and $\min(\text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_4), \text{depth}_{C_6}^G(v_5)) \leq 1$. ■

A sequence of such depths of a subcycle C is called a *depth-sequence* of C . It should be noted that the following depth-sequences are equivalent; $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)$, $(6, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$, $(6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1)$, and so on. We use $\text{depth}_C^G(v) = 2^+$ instead of $\text{depth}_C^G(v) = l$ for any integer $l \geq 2$, and $\text{depth}_C^G(v) = 1^-$ instead of $\text{depth}_C^G(v) = 0$ or 1 . We also use $*$ as a wild card in the depth sequence. Corollary2, we have the following.

Lemma 8 If a 3DORG has an induced cycle C_6 of length 6 then the depth sequen of C_6 is $(0, 1^-, *, 0, 1^-, *)$ or $(0, 1^-, *, 0, *, 1^-)$. ■

In particular, if C_6 has two vertex with depth at least 2, then the depth sequen of C_6 is $(0, 1^-, 2^+, 0, 1^-, 2^+)$ or $(0, 1^-, 2^+, 0, 2^+, 1^-)$.

2.3 Edge-Spine and Edge-Asteroid

An induced cycle of length 6 is said to be *feasible* if its depth sequence forms $(0, *, *, 0, *, *)$.

Lemma 9 If a bipartite cactus G has an edge-spine P and any induced cycle of length 6 is feasible, then G has no edge-asteroid.

Proof. We show the lemma by contradiction.

Suppose that G has a longest edge-spine $P = \langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_p \rangle$ and an edge-asteroid $(e_0, e_1, \dots, e_{2k})$.

For $i \in [2k]$, we define $J(e_i)$ is the minimum integer j such that v_j adjacent with one endvertex of e_i .

Without loss of generality that $J(e_0) \leq J(e_i)$ for any $i \in [2k]$.

We denote by $e_k < e_l$ if one of the following holds

- $J(e_k) < J(e_l)$, or
- $J(e_k) = J(e_l) = j$ and there exist a path connecting e_k and v_{j-1} avoiding v_j .

Since G is a bipartite cactus, $e_k \neq e_l$ if $e_k < e_l$.

Then, we can prove the following two propositions.

Proposition 1 If $e_i < e_{i+k+1(\text{mod } 2k+1)}$, then $e_{i+1(\text{mod } 2k+1)} < e_{i+k+1(\text{mod } 2k+1)}$. ■

Proposition 2 If $e_i < e_{i+k(\text{mod } 2k+1)}$, then $e_i < e_{i+k+1(\text{mod } 2k+1)}$. ■

From these proposition, we have $e_i < e_{i+k(\text{mod } 2k+1)}$ and $e_i < e_{i+k+1(\text{mod } 2k+1)}$ for any $i \in [2k]$. However, $e_0 < e_{k+1} < e_{2k+1(\text{mod } 2k+1)} = e_0$ and we have contradiction.

Thus, we have the lemma. ■

2.4 Forbidden Induced Subgraphs of Cactus

In this subsection, we consider a bipartite cactus G contains no graph in $C_{2 \times 4} \cup \mathcal{F}_2 \cup \mathcal{F}_3$ as an induced subgraph.

Lemma 10 G contains at most one cycle of length 6 whose depth sequence is $(0, 1^-, *, 0, 1^-, *)$ or $(0, 1^-, *, 0, *, 1^-)$,

Proof. Since any graph in \mathcal{F}_3 is not contained as a subgraph of G , G contains at most one cycle of length 6. Since Fig.2(c) and (d) are in \mathcal{F}_2 , whose depth sequence forms $(0, *, *, 0, *, *)$. Moreover, since Fig.2(e) is in \mathcal{F}_2 , the depth sequence forms $(0, 1^-, *, 0, 1^-, *)$ or $(0, 1^-, *, 0, *, 1^-)$, and we have the lemma. ■

Since Fig.2(b) is in \mathcal{F}_2 , we have the following.

Lemma 11 A depth sequence of any cycle $C \subseteq G$ of length 4 forms $(1^-, 1^-, *, *)$, or $(1^-, *, 1^-, *)$. ■

We define *anchors* for each cycle, and we will prove that G has an edge-spine containing all anchors.

For a cycle of length 6 with depth sequence $(0, 1^-, *, 0, 1^-, *)$ or $(0, 1^-, *, 0, *, 1^-)$, the vertices of C_6 corresponding to $*$ are set to be anchor. (See Lemma 10.)

For a cycle C of length 4, we set anchors as follows. (See Lemma 11.)

Case 1 the depth sequence forms $(1^-, 1^-, 1^-, 1^-)$. arbitrary two vertices are set to be an anchor.

Case 2 the depth sequence forms $(1^-, 1^-, 1^-, 2^+)$.

Case 2-1 the depth sequence forms $(1^-, 0, 1^-, 2^+)$. the vertex of C corresponding to 2^+ is set to be an anchor.

Case 2-2 the depth sequence forms $(1^-, 1, 1^-, 2^+)$. the vertices of C corresponding to 2^+ and 1 are set to be anchors.

Case 3 the depth sequence forms $(1^-, 1^-, 2^+, 2^+)$ or $(1^-, 2^+, 1^-, 2^+)$.

the vertices of C corresponding to 2^+ are set to be anchors.

Let S be the minimal connected subgraph of G containing all anchors. Since G contains no 3-claw, we can prove that S is a path, and there is an edge-spine P containing S .

Lemma 12 If a bipartite cactus G does not contain 3-claw as an induced subgraph, then G contains an edge spine.

Proof. Let $P = \langle u_0, u_1, \dots, u_d \rangle$ be a maximal induced path of G . Assume that there exists an edge $(w, w') \in E(G)$ such that

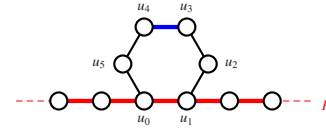


Fig. 7 $C \cup P$ in case of $V(C) \cap V(P) = \{c_0, c_1\}$.

$\text{dist}_P(w) \geq 2$ and $\text{dist}_P(w') \geq 2$. Without loss of generality we assume that $\text{dist}_P(w') \geq \text{dist}_P(w)$, and $\text{dist}(u_i, w) = \text{dist}_P(w)$. Let P' be a shortest path connecting w' and u_i containing w . Since P is maximal, $3 \leq i \leq d-3$. Since w' does not adjacent with any vertex of P , the subgraph induced by $V(P') \cup \{u_j \mid i-3 \leq j \leq i+3\}$ contains 3-claw or its subdivision, that is, G contains a 3-claw as an induced subgraph.

Thus, if G does not contain 3-claw as an induced subgraph, then G contains an edge spine. ■

Lemma 13 Let G be a bipartite cactus containing an edge spine P and induced cycle C of length 6. Then, $|V(C) \cap V(P)| \geq 3$

Proof. Let C be the cycle represented by

$$V(C) = \{c_i \mid i \in [5]\}, \text{ and}$$

$$E(C) = \{(c_i, c_{i+1}) \mid i \in [4]\} \cup \{(c_0, c_5)\}.$$

We show the lemma by contradiction.

Assume contrary that $|V(C) \cap V(P)| \leq 2$. If $|V(C) \cap V(P)| = 0$ or 1, the proof is rather obvious. So, we assume without loss of generality that

$$V(C) \cap V(P) = \{u_0, u_1\}.$$

Fig. 7 shows an example of C and P in case of $V(C) \cap V(P) = \{u_0, u_1\}$. Then, the endvertices of (u_3, u_4) satisfies $\text{dist}_P(u_3), \text{dist}_P(u_4) \geq 2$. However, this contradicts to P to be an edge-spine, and we have contradiction.

Thus, we have the lemma. ■

Lemma 14 If a bipartite cactus G has an edge-spine and G contains no induced subgraph isomorphic to Fig. 2(b), then G also has a maximal edge-spine P such that for any induced cycle C of length 4 with $E(P) \cap E(C) = \{(u, v), (v, w)\}$, the degree of every neighbor of v outside P is 1.

Proof. Since G contains no induced subgraph isomorphic to Fig. 2(b),

$$\min \{ \text{depth}_C^G(u), \text{depth}_C^G(v), \text{depth}_C^G(w) \} \leq 1. \quad (11)$$

If $\text{depth}_C^G(v) \leq 1$, we have the lemma.

Otherwise, let $\langle v, y, z \rangle$ is a subpath of G with $y, z \notin V(P)$. Since P is a maximal edge-spine, P contains $\langle t, u, v, w, x \rangle$ as a subpath such that t and x are outside P . See Fig. 8. From (11), one of t and x is a degree 1 vertex. We assume without loss of generality that $\text{deg}_G(x) = 1$, i.e., x is the one endvertex of the edge-spine. Then, replacing w and x to y and z , respectively, we obtain a new edge-spine with $|E(P) \cap E(C)| = 1$. Thus by applying the replacement to the both ends of P , if any, we obtain a new edge-spine P' satisfying the statements of the lemma. ■

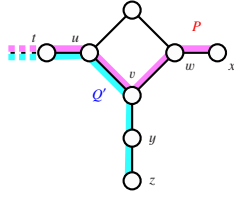


Fig. 8 around cycle C .

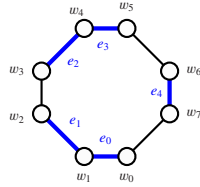


Fig. 9 cycle C of length 8.

Table 1 $V(e_i)$, $V(e_{i+1})$, and $N(e_{i+k+1})$ for the graph shown in Fig. 10(a).

i	$V(e_i)$	$V(e_{i+1} \pmod{2k+1})$	$N(e_{i+k+1} \pmod{2k+1})$
0	$\{w_0, w_1\}$	$\{w_1, w_5\}$	$\{w_3, w_4, w_5, w_6\}$
1	$\{w_1, w_2\}$	$\{w_3, w_5\}$	$\{w_5, w_6, w_7, w_{8 \pmod{2n}}\}$
2	$\{w_3, w_4\}$	$\{w_4, w_5\}$	$\{w_{2n-1}, w_0, w_1, w_2\}$
3	$\{w_4, w_5\}$	$\{w_6, w_5\}$	$\{w_0, w_1, w_2, w_3\}$
4	$\{w_6, w_7\}$	$\{w_0, w_5\}$	$\{w_2, w_3, w_4, w_5\}$

3. Proof Sketch of Theorem 2

From Corollary 1, Lemmas 8 and 9, we have the following.

Lemma 15 If (1) of Theorem 2 holds, then (2) also holds. ■

Lemma 16 If (2) of Theorem 2 holds, then (3) also holds.

Proof. Suppose that (3) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 1: G contain an induced cycle C of length $2n$ for some $n \geq 4$.

If $n \geq 5$, the proof is rather obvious. So, we only consider in case that $n = 4$. Let

$$V(C) = \{w_0, w_1, \dots, w_{2n-1}\} \text{ and}$$

$$E(C) = \{(w_0, w_1), (w_1, w_2), \dots, (w_{2n-2}, w_{2n-1}), (w_{2n-1}, w_0)\}.$$

Define that $e_0 = (w_0, w_1)$, $e_1 = (w_1, w_2)$, $e_2 = (w_3, w_4)$, $e_3 = (w_4, w_5)$, and $e_4 = (w_6, w_7)$. We now see that $\{e_i \mid i \in [4]\}$ is an edge asteroid of $2k + 1 = 5$ edges in the cycle.

For an edge e , let $V(e)$ be the set of the endvertices of e , and $N(e)$ be the the set of neighbours of the endvertices of e . It should be noted that for any edge e , $V(e) \subseteq N(e)$. Let P_i be the subgraph induced by $V(e_i) \cup V(e_{i+1} \pmod{5})$. From Table. 1, it is easy to verify that $V(P_i) \cap N(e_{i+k+1} \pmod{5}) = \emptyset$, since $V(e_i) \cup V(e_{i+1} \pmod{5}) = V(P_i)$. Therefore, P_i is a path containing e_i and $e_{i+1} \pmod{5}$ that avoids the vertices in $N(e_{i+k+1} \pmod{5})$.

Thus, (2) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 2: G contains an induced subgraph S isomorphic to one graphs in Fig. 2.

Case 2-1: S is isomorphic to 3-claw shown in Fig. 2(a).

We will show that S contains an edge-asteroid (e_0, e_1, e_3) shown in Fig. 10(a). It should be noted that $N(e_i) = V(e_i) \cup \{w_i\}$. For any $i \in [2]$, let P_i be the subgraph induced by $N(e_i) \cup$

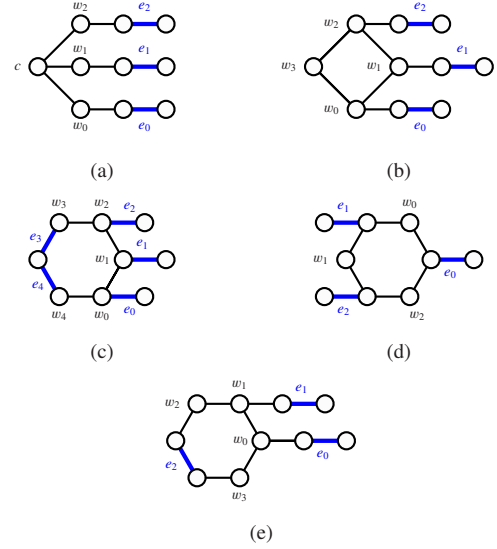


Fig. 10 Edge-asteroids for forbidden induced subgraphs

$N(e_{i+1} \pmod{3}) \cup \{c\}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & V(P_i) \cap N(e_{i+2} \pmod{3}) \\ &= (N(e_i) \cup N(e_{i+1} \pmod{3}) \cup \{c\}) \cap N(e_{i+2} \pmod{3}) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

Since $e_i, e_{i+1} \pmod{3} \in E(P_i)$, P_i is a path containing e_i and $e_{i+1} \pmod{3}$ that avoids the vertices in $N(e_{i+2} \pmod{3})$.

Thus, (2) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 2-2: S is isomorphic to the graph shown in Fig. 2(b).

We will show that S contains an edge-asteroid (e_0, e_1, e_3) as shown in Fig. 10(b). $N(e_i) = V(e_i) \cup \{w_i\}$. For $i = 0, 1$, let P_i be the subgraph induced by $N(e_i) \cup N(e_{i+1} \pmod{3})$, and P_2 be the subgraph induced by $N(e_2) \cup N(e_0) \cup \{w_3\}$. For $i = 0, 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & V(P_i) \cap N(e_{i+2} \pmod{3}) \\ &= (N(e_i) \cup N(e_{i+1} \pmod{3})) \cap N(e_{i+2} \pmod{3}) \\ &= \emptyset, \text{ and} \\ & V(P_2) \cap N(e_1) \\ &= (N(e_0) \cup N(e_2 \cup \{w_3\})) \cap N(e_1) \\ &= \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

Since $e_i, e_{i+1} \pmod{3} \in E(P_i)$, P_i is a subgraph containing e_i and $e_{i+1} \pmod{3}$ that avoids the vertices in $N(e_{i+2} \pmod{3})$.

Thus, (2) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 2-3: S is isomorphic to the graph shown in Fig. 2(c).

In this case, we will show that S contains an edge-asteroid $(e_0, e_1, e_3, e_4, e_5)$ shown in Fig. 10(c). It should be noted that

$$w_i \in V(e_i) \quad \forall i \in [4], \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} N(e_i) &= V(e_i) \cup \{w_{i-1} \pmod{5}, w_{i+1} \pmod{5}\} \\ & \quad \forall i \in [4], \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$w_i \notin V(e_j) \quad \forall i, j \in [4] \text{ with } i \neq j, \text{ and} \quad (14)$$

$$V(e_i) \cap V(e_j) = \emptyset \quad \forall i, j \in [4] \text{ with } |i - j| \in \{2, 3\}. \quad (15)$$

Let P_i be the subgraph induced by $V(e_i) \cup V(e_{i+1} \pmod{5})$. From (12)–(15),

$$\begin{aligned} & V(P_i) \cap N(e_{i+3 \pmod 5}) \\ &= (V(e_i) \cup N(e_{i+1 \pmod 5})) \cap N(e_{i+3 \pmod 5}) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

for any $i \in [4]$.

Since $e_i, e_{i+1 \pmod 5} \in E(P_i)$ for each $i \in [4]$, P_i is a path containing e_i and $e_{i+1 \pmod 5}$ that avoids the vertices in $N(e_{i+3 \pmod 5})$.

Thus, (2) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 2-4: S is isomorphic to the graph shown in Fig. 2(d).

In this case, we will show that S contains an edge-asteroid (e_0, e_1, e_3) shown in Fig. 10(d). It should be noted that

$$N(e_i) = V(e_i) \cup \{w_i, w_{i-1 \pmod 3}\} \quad \forall i \in [2]. \quad (16)$$

For $i \in [2]$, let P_i be the subgraph induced by $V(e_i) \cup \{w_i\} \cup V(e_{i+1 \pmod 3})$. From (16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & V(P_i) \cap N(e_{i+2 \pmod 3}) \\ &= (V(e_i) \cup \{w_i\} \cup V(e_{i+1 \pmod 3})) \\ &\quad \cap (V(e_{i+2 \pmod 3}) \cup \{w_{i+2 \pmod 3}, w_{i+1 \pmod 3}\}) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

for $i \in [2]$.

Since $e_i, e_{i+1 \pmod 3} \in E(P_i)$, P_i is a path containing e_i and $e_{i+1 \pmod 3}$ that avoids the vertices in $N(e_{i+2 \pmod 3})$.

Thus, (2) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 2-5: S is isomorphic to the graph shown in Fig. 2(e).

In this case, we will show that S contains an edge-asteroid (e_0, e_1, e_3) shown in Fig. 10(e). It should be noted that for $i = 0, 1$, $N(e_i) = V(e_i) \cup \{w_i\}$, and $N(e_2) = V(e_2) \cup \{w_2, w_3\}$. Therefore,

$$N(e_i) \cap N(e_j) = \emptyset \quad \forall i \in [2]. \quad (17)$$

For $i \in [2]$, let P_i be the subgraph induced by $N(e_i) \cup N(e_{i+1 \pmod 3})$. From (17),

$$\begin{aligned} & V(P_i) \cap N(e_{i+2 \pmod 3}) \\ &= (N(e_i) \cup N(e_{i+1 \pmod 3})) \cap N(e_{i+2 \pmod 3}) \\ &= \emptyset \quad \forall i \in [2]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $e_i, e_{i+1 \pmod 3} \in E(P_i)$, P_i is a path containing e_i and $e_{i+1 \pmod 3}$ that avoids the vertices in $N(e_{i+2 \pmod 3})$.

Thus, (2) of Theorem 2 does not hold.

Case 3: G contains an induced subgraph S isomorphic to one of graphs in Fig. 4.

Since G contains two induced cycles of length 6, (2) of Theorem 2 does not holds.

Thus, we have the lemma. ■

Lemma 17 If (3) of Theorem 2 holds, then (1) also holds. ■

We will show Lemma 17 in Section 3.2. From Lemmas 15, 16, and 17, we have Theorem 2. As a corollary of Theorem 2, we also have Theorem 1. In the proof of Lemma 17 in we show the construction of ray representation of G along an edge-spine. Since such an edge-spine can be found in polynomial time, we can recognize whether G is 3DORG. Thus, we have Theorem 3.

Before proving Lemma 17, we need some preliminaries.

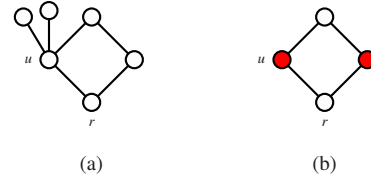


Fig. 11 Example of red vertices.

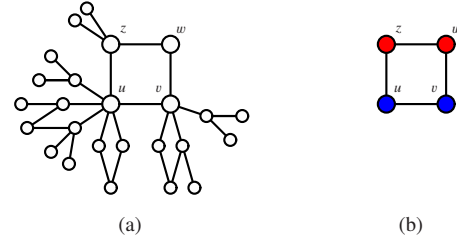


Fig. 12 Example of blue vertices.

3.1 Preliminaries of Lemma 17

For a graph S and a vertex $u \in V(S)$, if a vertex u is represented by a red circle in a figure of S , the figure implies the graph obtained from S and a rooted tree of height at most 1 by identifying u and the root of the tree. Such a vertex is called a red vertex. Fig. 11(a) is an example of a graph represented by Fig. 11(b).

A graph represented by Fig. 11(b) is called a *diamond*, and the vertex r is the *root* of it.

For a graph S and a vertex $u \in V(S)$, if a vertex u is represented by a blue circle in a figure of S , the figure implies the graph obtained from S , a number of diamonds, and a rooted trees of height at most 2 by identifying u and the roots of those diamonds and trees. Such a vertex is called a blue vertex. Fig. 12(a) is an example of a graph represented by Fig. 12(b).

Rays corresponding to vertices of a diamond shown in Fig. 13(a) can be drawn in an L -shaped area and R_u as seen in Fig. 13(b), where L -shaped area is represented by blue area in the figure. Since a large L -shaped area can contain a number of small L -shaped areas, we have the following.

Proposition 3 A blue vertex rooted at r can be drawn in an L -shaped are and R_r as seen in Fig. 13(c). ■

From Proposition 3, we also have that Fig. 12(b) can be represented by Fig. 14(a), that is, we have the following.

Proposition 4 A ray representation for Fig. 12(b) can be drawn in an L -shaped area and two rays R_u and R_v as shown in Fig. 14(b). ■

For a diamond with two blue vertices shown in Fig. 15(a), we have the following.

Proposition 5 A ray representation for Fig. 15(a) can be drawn in an L -shaped area and two rays R_u and R_w as shown in Fig. 15(b). ■

3.2 Proof of Lemma 17

In this section, we show an example of a bipartite cactus and construction of its ray representation.

From Lemmas 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, we can prove that a bipartite cactus containing no graph in \mathcal{F}_1 can be decomposed into graphs which form Fig. 12(b), Fig. 15(a), and a cycle of length 6 whose depth sequence is $(0, 1^-, 2^-, 0, 1^-, 2^-)$ or $(0, 1^-, 2^-, 0, 2^-, 1^-)$.

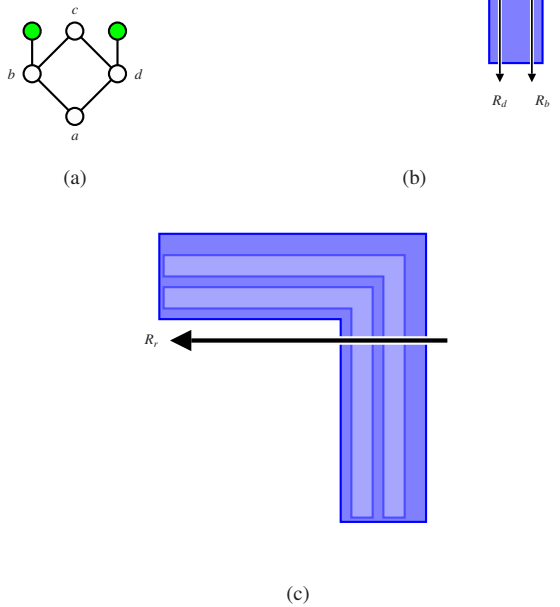


Fig. 13 Diamond and ray representation.

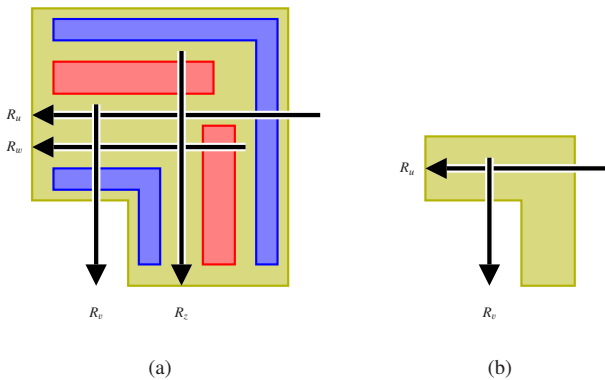


Fig. 14 Ray representation of a graph shown in Fig. 12(b).

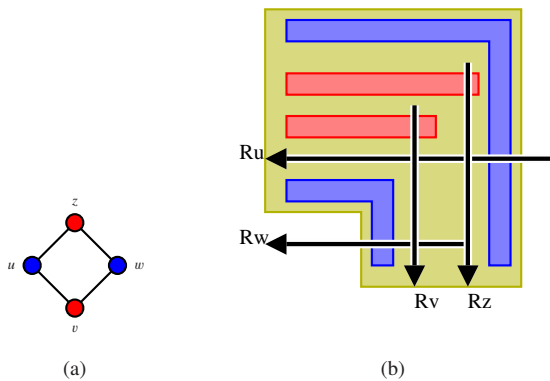


Fig. 15 Diamond with 2 blue vertices and its ray representation.

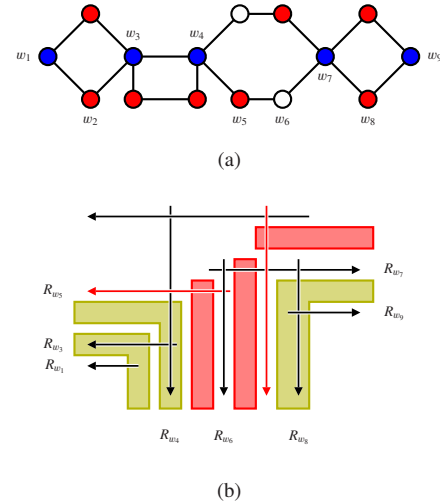


Fig. 16 Example of a cactus and its ray representation

An example of such graph G is shown in Fig. 16(a), where $\langle w_1, w_2, \dots, w_9 \rangle$ is an edge-spine of G . Applying Propositions=4 and 5 along the edge-spine, we can obtain a ray representation shown in Fig. 16(b).

Thus, we have the lemma. ■

4. Proof Sketch of Theorem 3

The following can be done in polynomial time.

- enumerate all cycles in a cactus.
- compute depth sequences of cycles in a cactus.
- compute whether a cactus contain 3-claw.

Therefore, we can compute whether a bipartite cactus contain a graph in $C_{2 \times 4} \cup \mathcal{F}_2 \cup \mathcal{F}_3$ as an induced subgraph.

Thus from Theorem 2, we have Theorem 3.

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