

# Augmenting a tree to a $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagenumber $k$

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## Abstract

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A tree is one of the most fundamental structures of graphs and has good properties on layouts, while it is weak from a fault-tolerant point of view. Motivated by these points of view, we consider an augmentation problem for a tree to increase fault-tolerance while preserving its good property on book-embeddings. A  $k$ -arbor-connected graph is a graph which has  $k$  spanning trees such that for any two vertices, the  $k$  paths between them in the  $k$  spanning trees are pairwise edge-disjoint and internally vertex-disjoint. We show that any tree with  $n$  vertices can be augmented in  $O(nk)$  time to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagenumber  $k$  for any  $k$  at most the radius of the tree. Our result is optimal for both the number of added edges and the number of pages for a book-embedding of a resultant graph. Besides, we extend our augmentation for trees to cacti.

## 1 Introduction

Throughout the paper, a graph means a simple undirected graph. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. An augmentation problem for a graph is to find a set  $E'$  of pairs of non-adjacent vertices in  $G$  such that the augmented graph  $G' = (V, E \cup E')$  satisfies a given condition.

A *book* is a structure consisting of a line called the *spine* and half planes called *pages* sharing the spine as a common boundary. A  $k$ -page *book-embedding* of  $G$  is defined by an assignment of the vertices of  $G$  to distinct points on the spine, i.e., a vertex-ordering  $\sigma$  of  $V(G)$ , and an assignment of the edges of  $G$  to pages such that no two edges assigned to the same page cross, where two edges  $uv$  and  $xy$  cross under  $\sigma$  if  $\sigma(u) < \sigma(x) < \sigma(v) < \sigma(y)$ . The *pagenumber*  $\text{pn}(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum number of pages for a book-embedding of  $G$ . Book-embeddings have applications to VLSI layouts and there are many results on the subject until now (e.g., see [1, 2, 4]). In particular, one of the most famous results on book-embeddings is that every planar graph can be embedded in 4 pages [15].

Let  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  be spanning trees in  $G$ . If for any two vertices of  $G$ , the  $k$  paths between them in  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  are pairwise edge-disjoint and internally vertex disjoint, then  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  are *completely independent spanning trees* in  $G$ . Completely independent spanning trees can be applied to fault-tolerant communication problems, e.g., fault-tolerant broadcasting problems, since by deleting any  $k - 1$  vertices, at least one of the  $k$  completely independent spanning trees keeps its connectedness. We define the *arbor-connectivity* of  $G$  as the maximum number  $\tau(G)$  of completely independent spanning trees in  $G$ , and  $G$  is  *$k$ -arbor-connected* if  $\tau(G) \geq k$ . So far, arbor-connectedness of graphs has been studied for graph classes related to interconnection networks (e.g., see [3, 5, 12]). It has also been shown that every maximal 4-connected planar graph is 2-arbor-connected [7], and  $G$  is  $\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor$ -arbor-connected if the minimum degree of  $G$  is at least  $n - k$  where  $3 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}$  [8]. Although any  $k$ -arbor-connected graph is  $k$ -vertex-connected, it has been proved [13] that there is no direct relationship between the vertex-connectivity and the arbor-connectivity; for any  $k \geq 2$ , there exists a  $k$ -vertex-connected graph  $G$  with  $\tau(G) = 1$ . From an algorithmic point of view, it has been shown that the problem of deciding whether a given graph is 2-arbor-connected is NP-complete [7].

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A tree is one of the most fundamental structures of graphs and has good properties on layouts, e.g., the page number of a tree is one. On the other hand, a tree is weak from a fault-tolerant point of view since it can be disconnected by deleting only one vertex. Motivated by these points of view, we consider an augmentation problem for a tree to increase fault-tolerance while preserving its good property on book-embeddings. On connectivity augmentation of graphs with geometric constraints, there are many results until now (see [9]). In particular, Kant and Bodlaender [10] have shown that the planarity-preserving minimum 2-vertex-connectivity augmentation problem is NP-hard, and Rutter and Wolff [14] have proved that the corresponding 2-edge-connectivity version is also NP-hard.

In this paper, we show that any tree  $T$  can be augmented in  $O(nk)$  time to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph  $T^*$  which can be embedded in  $k$  pages for any  $k$  at most the radius of  $T$ . Every graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges needs at least  $\lceil \frac{m-n}{n-3} \rceil$  pages for its book-embedding, which follows from the fact that a graph with page number one is outerplanar [2]. This means that any  $k$ -arbor-connected graph cannot be embedded in  $k-1$  pages, i.e., the page number of  $T^*$  is determined to be  $k$ . Thus, our augmentation result is optimal for both the number of added edges and the number of pages for a book-embedding of a resultant augmented graph. Our augmented graph  $T^*$  also has a property that  $T^*$  is decomposed into completely independent spanning trees  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  such that each  $T_i$  can be embedded in one page under the same vertex-ordering. Besides, we extend our augmentation for trees to cacti and present an augmentation result for cycles.

## 2 Preliminaries

Given a set  $F$  of edges, the graph induced by  $F$  is denoted by  $\langle F \rangle$ , i.e.,  $V(\langle F \rangle) = \{u \mid uv \in F\}$  and  $E(\langle F \rangle) = F$ . The *distance*  $d_G(u, v)$  of vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in a connected graph  $G$  is the length of a shortest path between  $u$  and  $v$ . The *eccentricity*  $e_G(w)$  of a vertex  $w$  in  $G$  is  $\max_{v \in V(G)} d_G(w, v)$ . The *diameter*  $\text{diam}(G)$  of  $G$  is  $\max_{w \in V(G)} e_G(w)$  and the *radius*  $\text{rad}(G)$  of  $G$  is  $\min_{w \in V(G)} e_G(w)$ . A *central vertex* of  $G$  is a vertex  $v$  with  $e_G(v) = \text{rad}(G)$ . The *center* of  $G$  is the set of central vertices of  $G$ . Let  $T$  be a tree rooted at a vertex  $r$ . The  $\ell$ -*ancestor*  $p_\ell(v)$  of a vertex  $v$  in  $T$  is a vertex  $w$  which is on the path from  $r$  to  $v$  such that  $d_T(v, w) = \ell$ . If  $w$  is the  $\ell$ -ancestor of  $v$ , then  $v$  is an  $\ell$ -*descendant* of  $w$ . The set of  $\ell$ -descendants of  $w$  is denoted by  $D_\ell(w)$ . The *lowest common ancestor*  $\text{lca}_T(u, v)$  of  $u$  and  $v$  in  $T$  is a common ancestor  $w$  of  $u$  and  $v$  in  $T$  such that there is no descendant of  $w$  which is a common ancestor of  $u$  and  $v$ . The *height*  $h(T)$  of  $T$  is  $\max_{v \in V(T)} d_T(r, v)$ . A *leaf* of  $T$  is a vertex with degree one, while an *internal vertex* of  $T$  is a vertex with degree greater than one. The set of internal vertices in  $T$  is denoted by  $V_I(T)$ . A *star* is a tree in which there exists at most one internal vertex. A *cut-vertex* of  $G$  is a vertex  $v$  such that the graph obtained from  $G$  by deleting  $v$  is disconnected. A *block* of  $G$  is a maximal subgraph of  $G$  without a cut-vertex. A *cactus* is a graph whose every block is either a cycle or the complete graph with two vertices. A *cycle edge* of a cactus is an edge on a cycle. A *unicyclic graph*  $G$  is a graph with exactly one cycle and the cycle is denoted by  $C(G)$ .

Let  $\sigma$  be a vertex-ordering of  $G$ , i.e., a bijection from  $V(G)$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, |V(G)|\}$ . When  $\sigma(u) < \sigma(v)$ , we simply write  $u <_\sigma v$ . For  $u, v \in S \subseteq V(G)$ , if  $u <_\sigma v$  such that there is no vertex  $w \in S$  with  $u <_\sigma w <_\sigma v$ , then  $u$  and  $v$  are *consecutive* in  $S$  under  $\sigma$  and we write  $u <_{\sigma, S} v$ . When  $S = V(G)$ , we may write  $u <_\sigma v$ . In order to construct completely independent spanning trees, we use a characterization shown in [6]; spanning trees  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  in  $G$  are completely independent if and only if  $E(T_i) \cap E(T_j) = \emptyset$  and  $V_I(T_i) \cap V_I(T_j) = \emptyset$  for any  $1 \leq i < j \leq k$ .

### 3 Results

► **Theorem 3.1.** *Any tree  $T$  with  $n$  vertices can be augmented to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagenumber  $k$  for any  $2 \leq k \leq \text{rad}(T)$  in  $O(nk)$  time.*

**Proof.** If  $T$  has two central vertices, then let  $x$  and  $y$  be the central vertices of  $T$ . Note that  $xy \in E(T)$ . Otherwise, let  $x$  be the central vertex of  $T$  and let  $y$  a vertex adjacent to  $x$  such that  $y$  is on a path between  $x$  and a vertex  $v$  with  $d_T(x, v) = \text{rad}(T)$ . Let  $T^+$  be the tree obtained from  $T$  by adding a new vertex  $z$ , joining it to  $x$  and  $y$ , and deleting the edge  $xy$ . In what follows, ancestors and descendants of a vertex are defined based on  $T^+$  rooted at  $z$  unless otherwise stated. For any vertex  $u$  in  $T^+$ ,  $T_u$  denotes the subtree rooted at  $u$  in  $T^+$ . By the definitions of  $x$  and  $y$ , it holds that  $h(T_x) = \text{rad}(T) \geq h(T_y) \geq \text{rad}(T) - 1$ .

Regarding the vertex  $z$  as the root of  $T^+$ , compute a depth-first-search ordering  $\sigma^+ : V(T^+) \mapsto \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ , where  $\sigma^+(z) = 1$ . Then, let  $\sigma : V(T) \mapsto \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be the vertex-ordering of  $T$  defined to be  $\sigma(v) = \sigma^+(v) - 1$ . Now let  $V_i = D_{i+1}(z)$  for  $0 \leq i < \text{rad}(T)$ . Also, let  $W_\ell = \bigcup_{i \bmod k = \ell} V_i$  for each  $0 \leq \ell < k$ . We first divide  $E(T) - \{xy\}$  into  $k$  subsets  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  defined as follows: for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,

$$\blacksquare E_i = \{vw \mid v \in W_{i-1}, w \in D_1(v)\}.$$

The set of added edges in our augmentation is divided into three types defined as follows: for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,

$$\blacksquare A_i = \{vw \mid v \in W_{i-1}, w \in D_j(v), 2 \leq j \leq k\},$$

$$\blacksquare B_i = \{uw \mid u, v \in V_{i-1}, u \prec_{\sigma, V_{i-1}} v, \sigma^{-1}(\max_{u' \in V(T_u)} \sigma(u')) <_{\sigma} w \leq_{\sigma} v\},$$

$$\blacksquare B'_i = \{wv \mid v = \sigma^{-1}(\max_{u' \in V_{i-1}} \sigma(u')), \\ w <_{\sigma} \sigma^{-1}(\min_{u' \in V_{i-1}} \sigma(u')) \text{ or } \sigma^{-1}(\max_{u' \in V(T_v)} \sigma(u')) <_{\sigma} w\}.$$

Note that  $B_1 = \{xy\}$ . Based on these sets, we define  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  as  $T_i = \langle E_i \cup A_i \cup B_i \cup B'_i \rangle$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . We then show that  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  are completely independent spanning trees in  $T^* = T_1 \cup T_2 \cup \dots \cup T_k$  such that each  $T_i$  can be embedded in one page under  $\sigma$ , which implies that the augmented graph  $T^* \supseteq T$  is a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagenumber  $k$ .

The graph  $\langle E_i \rangle$  is a disjoint union of stars whose central vertices are in  $W_{i-1}$ . The augmented graph  $\langle E_i \cup A_i \rangle$  is a disjoint union of  $|V_{i-1}|$  trees, each of which is obtained from the stars in  $\langle E_i \rangle$  by joining each vertex in  $W_{i-1}$  and all its  $\ell$ -descendants for  $2 \leq \ell \leq k$ . Thus,  $V(\langle E_i \cup A_i \rangle) = V(T) - \bigcup_{0 \leq j < i-1} V_j$ . The  $|V_{i-1}|$  subtrees are connected by the edges  $uv$  for  $u \prec_{\sigma, V_{i-1}} v$  in  $B_i$ , and moreover all the vertices in  $\bigcup_{0 \leq j < i-1} V_j$  are joined to a vertex in  $V_{i-1}$  by other edges in  $B_i \cup B'_i$ . Therefore,  $\langle E_i \cup A_i \cup B_i \cup B'_i \rangle$  is a tree with vertex set  $V(T)$ . Note that any edge in  $B_i \cup B'_i$  joins a vertex  $w$  in  $\bigcup_{0 \leq j < i-1} V_j$  and a vertex in  $V_{i-1}$  which is not a descendant of  $w$ . In each  $T_i$ , every vertex in  $V(T) - W_{i-1}$  is directly joined to a vertex in  $W_{i-1}$  which means that every vertex in  $V(T) - W_{i-1}$  is a leaf of  $T_i$  and  $V_I(T_i) \subseteq W_{i-1}$ . Since  $W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$  for any  $0 \leq i < j < k$ ,  $V_I(T_i) \cap V_I(T_j) = \emptyset$  for any  $1 \leq i < j \leq k$ . Now assume that  $e = uv \in E(T_i) \cap E(T_j)$  for some  $i < j$ . Then,  $e$  is incident to a vertex in  $W_{i-1}$  and a vertex in  $W_{j-1}$ . If  $uv \in B_i \cup B'_i$ , then  $u \in V_{i-1}$  and  $v$  must be in  $V_\ell$  where  $0 \leq \ell < i$  which is a contradiction. Thus,  $uv \in A_i$  such that  $u \in V_{kt+i-1}$ ,  $v \in V_{kt+j-1}$  for some  $t \geq 0$ . This means that  $u$  is an ancestor of  $v$ . However, no ancestor of  $v$  is joined to  $v$  as a leaf of  $T_j$ . Therefore,  $E(T_i) \cap E(T_j) = \emptyset$  for any  $1 \leq i < j \leq k$ . Consequently,  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  are completely independent spanning trees.

The graph  $\langle E_i \cup A_i \rangle$  is a disjoint union of  $|V_{i-1}|$  trees  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{|V_{i-1}|}$  such that the vertex set of each  $S_i$  corresponds to the vertex set of a subtree rooted at a vertex in  $V_{i-1}$ . From a property of a depth-first-search, for any subtree, the vertices in the subtree are consecutive in  $V(T)$  under  $\sigma$ . Thus, it can be inductively shown (on the height) that  $S_i$  can

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be embedded in one page under  $\sigma$ . All the vertices in  $\cup_{0 \leq j < i-1} V_j$  are isolated in  $\langle E_i \cup A_i \rangle$  such that no vertex in  $\cup_{0 \leq j < i-1} V_j$  is placed between vertices of any subtree  $S_i$ . Hence, no crossing of edges is produced by adding the edges in  $B_i \cup B'_i$  to  $\langle E_i \cup A_i \rangle$ . Therefore, each  $T_i$  can be embedded in one page under the same vertex-ordering  $\sigma$ .

The vertices  $x$  and  $y$  can be computed in linear time by applying a breadth-first-search twice. The vertex ordering  $\sigma$  follows from  $\sigma^+$  which is obtained by applying a depth-first-search to  $T^+$  from  $z$ . In the depth-first-search,  $p_1(v)$  and  $\sigma^{-1}(\max_{u' \in V(T_v)} \sigma(u'))$  can also be found for each vertex  $v$ . By a depth-first-search,  $V_{i-1}, W_{i-1}$ , the ordering relation  $\prec_{\sigma, V_{i-1}}$ ,  $\sigma^{-1}(\min_{u' \in V_{i-1}} \sigma(u'))$ , and  $\sigma^{-1}(\max_{u' \in V_{i-1}} \sigma(u'))$  can be computed in  $O(n)$  time. Here,  $E_i$  and  $A_i$  can be rewritten by

- $E_i = \{p_1(v)v \mid v \notin \{x, y\}, v \in W_{i \bmod k}\},$
- $A_i = \{p_j(v)v \mid v \in V(T), p_j(v) \in W_{i-1}, 2 \leq j \leq k\}.$

For each vertex  $v$  and each  $1 < j \leq k$ ,  $p_j(v)$  can be computed in  $O(k)$  time. Therefore, the sets  $E_i, A_i, B_i$ , and  $B'_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$  can be computed in  $O(nk)$  time. ◀

When  $k = 2$ , a star is the only tree to which Theorem 3.1 cannot be applied. However, a star can be easily augmented to a minimum 2-arbor-connected graph with pagewidth 2 as follows. Let  $S_n$  be a star with vertex set  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  such that  $v_1$  is the central vertex of  $S_n$ . We augment  $S_n$  to a wheel graph  $W_n$  by adding the edges in  $\{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 2 \leq i < n\} \cup \{v_2 v_n\}$ . Let  $E_1 = \{v_1 v_i \mid 2 \leq i < n\} \cup \{v_2 v_n\}$  and  $E_2 = \{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 2 \leq i < n\} \cup \{v_1 v_n\}$ . Then,  $\langle E_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle E_2 \rangle$  are edge-disjoint spanning trees such that  $V_I(\langle E_1 \rangle) = \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $V_I(\langle E_2 \rangle) = \{v_3, \dots, v_n\}$ . Thus,  $\langle E_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle E_2 \rangle$  are completely independent spanning trees, and therefore  $W_n$  is a minimum 2-arbor-connected graph. Employing the vertex-ordering  $\sigma$  defined as  $v_1 <_\sigma v_n <_\sigma v_2 <_\sigma \dots <_\sigma v_{n-1}$ , each  $\langle E_i \rangle$  can be embedded in one page under  $\sigma$ . Thus, we have the following corollary.

► **Corollary 3.2.** *Any tree can be augmented to a minimum 2-arbor-connected graph with pagewidth 2 in linear time.*

It follows from Corollary 3.2 that any tree can be augmented to a minimum planar 2-arbor-connected graph in linear time, since a graph with pagewidth 2 is planar.

We here remark that in the proof of Theorem 3.1 other constructions can be employed if we do not insist on the upper bound on  $k$ . Select a path  $P$  with  $|V(P)| \geq 3$  and consider the  $|V(P)|$  subtrees each of which is rooted at a vertex in  $P$  (instead of two subtrees  $T_x$  and  $T_y$ ). Then, we can construct a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph where  $k$  is at most the maximum  $j$  such that there exist two vertices in  $P$  both of which have a  $(j-1)$ -descendant. In fact, we employ such a construction to prove Theorem 3.5.

Given a graph  $G$  with a vertex-ordering  $\sigma$  of a  $t$ -page book-embedding of  $G$ , let  $P$  be the path with  $V(P) = V(G)$  and  $E(P) = \{\sigma^{-1}(i)\sigma^{-1}(i+1) \mid 1 \leq i < n, i \neq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\} \cup \{\sigma^{-1}(1)\sigma^{-1}(\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1)\}$ . According to the proof of Theorem 3.1, we augment  $P$  to  $P^*$ . Then,  $G \cup P^*$  is a  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagewidth at most  $t+k$ . From this observation, we have the following existential result.

► **Corollary 3.3.** *For any graph  $G$  with  $n$  vertices and for any  $2 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}$ , there exists a  $k$ -arbor-connected graph  $G^* \supseteq G$  with  $\text{pn}(G^*) \leq \text{pn}(G) + k$ .*

Next, we extend Theorem 3.1 to the class of cacti.

► **Theorem 3.4.** *Any cactus  $G$  can be augmented to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagewidth  $k$  for any  $\lfloor \frac{\ell_G}{2} \rfloor + 1 \leq k \leq \text{rad}(G)$  in  $O(nk)$  time, where  $\ell_G$  is the maximum length of a cycle in  $G$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x$  be a central vertex of  $G$  and  $y$  a vertex adjacent to  $x$  such that  $y$  is on a path between  $x$  and a vertex  $v$  with  $d_G(x, v) = \text{rad}(G)$ . Let  $G^+$  be the graph obtained from  $G - xy$  by adding a new vertex  $z$  with new edges  $xz$  and  $yz$ . Besides, let  $T^+$  be a breadth-first-search tree of  $G^+$  from  $z$ . For each cycle  $C$  in  $G$ , there is exactly one cycle edge in  $E(C) \cap (E(G^+) - E(T^+))$  and we denote by  $f(C)$  the cycle edge. Now let  $V_i = D_{i+1}(z)$  for  $0 \leq i < \text{rad}(G)$  and  $W_\ell = \bigcup_{i \bmod k = \ell} V_i$  for each  $0 \leq \ell < k$ . Consider a depth-first-search ordering  $\sigma^+$  of the tree  $T^+$  from  $z$  such that for any  $f(C) = a_C b_C$  with  $a_C <_{\sigma^+} b_C$ ,

- if  $a_C \in V_i$ , then  $b_C \in V_i \cup V_{i-1}$ ,
- if  $a_C <_{\sigma^+} v <_{\sigma^+} b_C$ , then  $v$  is either a descendant of  $a_C$  or an ancestor of  $b_C$ .

Define  $\sigma$  as  $\sigma(v) = \sigma^+(v) - 1$  for any  $v \in V(G)$ . Similarly to the proof of Theorem 3.1, we define  $E_i, A_i, B_i, B'_i$  and then let  $T_i = \langle E_i \cup A_i \cup B_i \cup B'_i \rangle$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . Consider a cycle edge  $f(C) = a_C b_C$  with  $a_C <_{\sigma} b_C$ . If  $a_C \in V_i$  where  $i < k$ , then the cycle edge is used in  $T_i$  since  $f(C) \in \cup_{1 \leq i \leq k} B_i$  from the properties of  $\sigma^+$ . Note that if  $xy$  is on a cycle  $C'$ , then  $f(C') \in \cup_{1 \leq i \leq k} B_i$ . Suppose that  $a_C \in V_{kt+i}$  where  $t \geq 1$  and  $0 \leq i < k$ . Let  $r_C$  be the  $k$ -ancestor of  $a_C$ . Since  $k \geq \lfloor \frac{k-1}{2} \rfloor + 1$ , the subtree rooted at  $r_C$  contains the vertex  $\text{lca}(a_C, b_C)$ . Let  $M(C) = \{w \mid \sigma^{-1}(\max_{v \in V(T_{a_C})} \sigma(v)) <_{\sigma} w \leq_{\sigma} b_C\}$ . Note that  $\{r_C w \mid w \in M(C)\} \subseteq A_i$ . Replace  $E(T_i)$  with  $(E(T_i) - \{r_C w \mid w \in M(C)\}) \cup \{a_C w \mid w \in M(C)\}$ . Let  $T'_1, T'_2, \dots, T'_k$  be the spanning trees obtained by doing the modification for each cycle edge  $f(C)$ . Since any edge in  $\{a_C w \mid w \in M(C)\}$  is not used in  $T_1 \cup T_2 \cup \dots \cup T_k$ , the resultant spanning trees are completely independent spanning trees such that their union contains  $G$ . Besides, from the second property of  $\sigma^+$ , each  $T'_i$  can be embedded in one page under  $\sigma$ .

It has been shown in [11] that the center of a cactus can be found in linear time. Thus,  $x$  (and also  $y$ ) can be found in linear time. By applying a breadth-first-search to  $G^+$  from  $z$ , we can find  $f(C)$  for each cycle  $C$  and label the end-vertices so that  $d_{G^+}(z, a_C) \geq d_{G^+}(z, b_C)$ . Besides, we can find  $\text{lca}(a_C, b_C)$  and recognize all the edges of  $C$  in  $O(k)$  time. Let  $a'_C$  (resp.,  $b'_C$ ) be the vertex adjacent to  $\text{lca}(a_C, b_C)$  on the path from  $\text{lca}(a_C, b_C)$  to  $a_C$  (resp.,  $b_C$ ). We then apply a depth-first-search in which for each cycle  $C$ , each edge  $p_1(v)v$  on the path from  $a'_C$  to  $a_C$  is traversed as the last edge in  $\{p_1(v)w \mid w \in D_1(p_1(v))\}$  for the search of  $T_{a'_C}$  and just after the search of  $T_{a'_C}$ , the traversal proceeds through the path from  $b'_C$  to  $b_C$ . This depth-first-search generates  $\sigma^+$  satisfying the above two properties in  $O(n)$  time. For each cycle edge  $f(C)$ , the corresponding modification can be done in  $O(k)$  time and the number of cycle edges is at most  $\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor$ . Therefore, we can obtain a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph containing  $G$  with pagenumber  $k$  in  $O(nk)$  time. ◀

Although Theorem 3.4 cannot be applied to cycles, we can show the following result.

► **Theorem 3.5.** *Any cycle  $C$  with  $n$  vertices can be augmented to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagenumber  $k$  for any  $2 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $T$  be the path obtained from  $C$  by deleting one edge  $ab$  of  $C$ . Suppose that  $n$  is even. Let  $x$  and  $y$  be the central vertices of  $T$ . Construct a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph  $T^*$  according to the construction in the proof of Theorem 3.1. Let  $q = \frac{n-2}{2} \bmod k$ . Let  $V_q = \{a', b'\}$  such that  $d_T(a, a') = d_T(b, b') < \frac{n}{2}$ . If  $q \neq 0$ , then by replacing the edges in  $B_{q+1} \cup B'_{q+1}$  with the edges in  $\{p_j(b')a \mid 1 \leq j \leq q\} \cup \{p_j(a')b \mid 1 \leq j \leq q\} \cup \{ab\}$  in  $T_{q+1}$ , we obtain a desired graph. Suppose that  $q = 0$  and  $x'x, xy, yy' \in E(T)$ . Define  $T_4^+$  as the tree obtained from  $T$  by deleting the edges  $x'x, xy, yy'$  and adding the new vertex  $z$  with the edges  $zx', zx, zy, zy'$ . Based on  $T_4^+$  instead of  $T^+$  in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we construct  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  under the condition  $x' <_{\sigma} x <_{\sigma} y <_{\sigma} y'$ . Note that in this construction,  $V_0 = \{x', x, y, y'\}$ ,  $B_1 = \{x'x, xy, yy'\}$  and  $a, b \in W_{k-1}$ . By modifying  $T_k$  in a similar fashion for  $T_{q+1}$  in the case that  $q \neq 0$ , we have a desired graph. Suppose that  $n$  is odd and  $x$  is the center

of  $T$  such that  $x_1x_2, x_2x, xx_3, x_3x_4 \in E(T)$ . Let  $r = \frac{n-3}{2} \bmod k$ . Define  $T_3^+$  (resp.,  $T_5^+$ ) as the tree obtained from  $T$  by deleting the edges  $x_2x, xx_3$  (resp.,  $x_1x_2, x_2x, xx_3, x_3x_4$ ) and adding the new vertex  $z$  with the edges  $zx_2, zx, zx_3$  (resp.,  $zx_1, zx_2, zx, zx_3, zx_4$ ). Similarly to the case that  $n$  is even and  $q = 0$ , we have the desired result by considering  $T_3^+$  (resp.,  $T_5^+$ ) and modifying  $T_{r+1}$  (resp.,  $T_k$ ) if  $r \neq 0$  (resp.,  $r = 0$ ). ◀

We finally remark that the constructions shown in Theorem 3.5 can be generalized to a unicyclic graph  $G$  for  $2 \leq k \leq \frac{|V(C(G))|}{2}$  by additional discussions.

## 4 Conclusion

We have shown that any tree with  $n$  vertices can be augmented in  $O(nk)$  time to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph with pagewidth  $k$  for any  $k$  at most the radius of the tree. Besides, we have extended the result to cacti and presented an augmentation result for cycles.

It would be interesting to consider augmentation problems for a tree to a minimum  $k$ -arbor-connected graph while preserving other good geometric properties of a tree.

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