## Planar Drawings of <br> Fixed-Mobile Bigraphs


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## Problem

FM-bigraph: $G=\left(V_{f}, V_{m}\right.$, E) bipartite graph

- $V_{f}$ fixed vertices (predefined locations)
$\bigcirc V_{m}$ mobile vertices (can be freely placed)
K-bend FM-bigraph problem: Does G admit a planar k-bend drawing, i.e., a crossing-free drawing with at most $k$ bends per edge ( $\mathrm{k} \geq 0$ )?
bend number of G : The minimum k for which G admits a planar k-bend drawing



## Motivation

- Fixed vertices $=$ geographic locations
- Mobile vertices $=$ simple attributes
- Attributes are connected to their locations

Ethnic Restaurants in Umbria


## Related work



## Related work: Point Labeling



## Related work: Partial Drawing

Extending a partial drawing to a planar straight-line drawing

FM-bigraphs

- NP-hard in the general case Patrignani, IJFCS 2006
- Tractable for restricted cases
e.g., prescribed outer face, convex drawings


## Related work: Point-set Embedding

Each vertex is mapped to a specific point or to a finite set of points

Every planar graph has a planar embedding at fixed vertex
locations ( $\mathrm{O}(\mathrm{n})$ bends per edge)

- Pach and Wenger, Graphs and
- Badent et al., TCS 2008

Consequence: Any planar FMbigraph has a planar $O(n)$-bend drawing



## Related work: Constrained Drawings

Drawing planar partitions
(vertices on predefined lines or plane regions)

- Biedl, SoCG 1998
- Biedl, Kaufmann, Mutzel, WG 1998



## Contribution

- Result 1. Computing the bend number of an FM-bigraph is NP-hard (connection with point-set embedding)
- Result 2. When mobile vertices lie in the convex hull (CH) of their neighbors, testing the existence of 0-bend drawings: (i) is in NP; (ii) is in P (tractable) if the intersection graph of the CH s is a cactus
- Result 3. A practical model for 1-bend drawings of FM-bigraphs, inspired by the boundary labeling approach, with polynomial-time algorithms


## Result 1 - NP-hardness

Theorem. The 0-bend FM-bigraph problem is NP-hard, even if each vertex has degree at most two

Proof: Reduction from 1-bend point-set embedding with mapping (which is NP-hard - Goaoc et al., DCG 2009)


## Result 1 - More in general

Theorem. The k-bend FM-bigraph problem is at least hard as the ( $2 \mathrm{k}+1$ )-bend point-set embedding with mapping
Proof: Same reduction


## Result 1 - Special case

Theorem. If all fixed vertices are collinear, the 0-bend FM-bigraph problem is linear-time solvable
Proof: Reduce to planarity testing


## Result 2 - Convex-hull restriction

CH restriction for 0-bend drawings: fixed vertices in general position and every mobile vertex in the CH of its (fixed) neighbors


Good placement



Result 2 - Line arrangement
$\mathrm{O}\left(\left|\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{f}}\right|^{2}\right)$ lines


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## Result 2 - Discretization

Lemma. Let $\Gamma$ and $\Gamma^{\prime}$ be two 0-bend drawings of $G$ that differ only for the position of a (mobile) vertex. If this vertex is in the same cell in the two drawings, then $\Gamma^{\prime}$ is planar $\Leftrightarrow \Gamma$ is planar


## Result 2 - Membership in NP

Theorem. The 0-bend FM-bigraph problem belongs to NP if each mobile vertex is restricted to lie in the convex hull of its neighbors

Proof. A non-deterministic algorithm guesses an assignment of the $\left|V_{m}\right|$ mobile vertices to the $O\left(\left|V_{f}\right|^{4}\right)$ cells; for each assignment, the algorithm (deterministically) checks planarity in $\mathrm{O}\left(\left|V_{f}\right|^{2}\right)$ time.


Result 2 - From NP to P


## Result 2 - Support graphs - $G_{x}$

## $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{x}}=$ intersection graph of all $\mathrm{CH} s$

- $\mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{u}) \leftrightarrow$ the CH of the neighbors of u



## Result 2 - Support graphs - $G_{C}$

$\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{C}}=$ clustered graph

- cluster $\mathrm{C}(\mathrm{u}) \leftrightarrow \mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{u})$ (for each mobile vertex u )
- nodes of $\mathrm{C}(\mathrm{u}) \leftrightarrow$ cells in $\mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{u})$
- edge ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ ) $\leftrightarrow \mathrm{a} \in \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{u}), \mathrm{b} \in \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{v}), \mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{u}) \cap \mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{v}) \neq \varnothing$, and placing u in a and $v$ in $b$ does not cause crossings



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## Result 2 - Support graphs - $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{s}}$

$G_{S}=$ skeleton of $G_{C}$ - subgraph of $G_{C}$ induced by exactly one cell-node per cluster and isomorphic to $G_{x}$


## Result 2 - Characterization

Theorem. An FM-bigraph G admits a planar 0-bend drawing in the CH restriction setting $\Leftrightarrow$ there exists a skeleton $\mathrm{G}_{s}$


## Result 2 - Hardness

It is in general NP-hard to decide whether a certain skeleton exists in a clustered graph defined as in our problem .... But the problem is tractable for specific types of $G_{x}$

$G_{x}$



## Result 2 - Tractability

Theorem. If $G_{x}$ is a cactus (or a forest of cacti), one can test in polynomial time whether $G$ admits a planar 0-bend drawing


## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a path

CHs

$G_{c}$

$C\left(u_{1}\right)$
$\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{u}_{2}\right)$
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remove not visited nodes
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## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a path

CHs

$G_{c}$

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choose a node in the last cluster and reconstruct a path backward

## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a path

$\mathrm{CH} s$

$G_{c}$


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## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a cactus


decomposition tree

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each node of $T$ is either a cluster of $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{c}}$ or a cycle of clusters of $G_{C}$

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visit T bottom-up to test whether a skeleton exists

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visit T bottom-up to test whether a skeleton exists

If a leaf is a single cluster, all its cells are made active

## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a cactus

If a leaf is a cycles of clusters, the active cells are computed as for the case in which $G_{x}$ is a cycle, where the anchor cluster acts as the first cluster

visit T bottom-up to test whether a skeleton exists

## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a cactus



## visit T bottom-up to test whether a skeleton exists

for an internal node:

1) first remove the cells not adjacent to active cells in the clusters connected to the anchor clusters of their children
2) then compute the active cells as for the leaves

## Result 2 - When $G_{x}$ is a cactus



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the test is positive iff the anchor cluster of the root has an active vertex; in which case the skeleton is easily reconstructed with a top-down visit

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## Result 3 - Model for 1-bend drawings



- fixed vertices are partitioned into a sequence of plane strips
- mobile vertices are placed outside the strips
- an edge cannot traverse a strip and must reach the fixed vertex with a vertical segment


## Result 3 - Model for 1-bend drawings

Theorem. For a given set of strips that partitions the fixed vertices, one can test in linear time whether a 1-bend drawing exists
Proof: It is equivalent to assume that the fixed vertices in each strip lie on a single horizontal line; then, reduce to planarity testing


## Open questions

- Question 1. Are there polynomial-time testing algorithms for 0-bend drawings in the CH restriction setting for families of $G_{x}$ other than cacti?
- Question 2. Is it possible to find more efficient algorithms for 0-bend drawings?
- Question 3. What about relaxing the planarity requirement? e.g., by considering heuristics or exact algorithms for crossing/bend minimization?


