Linear-time Algorithm for Convex Grid Drawings of 3-connected Planar Graph

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Abstract: We consider the problem of embedding the vertices of a plane graph into a small (polynomial size) grid in the plane in such a way that the edges are straight, non-intersecting line segments and faces are convex polygons. We present a simple linear-time algorithm which, given an n-vertex 3-connected plane graph G (with n>3), finds such a straight-line convex embedding of G into a $(n-3) \times (n-3)$ grid.