Approximate and Randomized algorithms for Computing a Second Hamiltonian Cycle

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In 1946 Cedric Smith proved, using a non-constructive parity argument, that any cubic Hamiltonian graph contains at least two Hamiltonian cycles.

This motivated the following computational problem, which is still largely open: given a Hamiltonian cycle C in a cubic Hamiltonian graph G, can we efficiently compute a second Hamiltonian cycle?

In this talk, I will discuss various open questions surrounding this problem and present some efficient approximate and randomized algorithms for related problems.

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