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Let G be a bridgeless cubic graph and C is any given circuit in G . It was conjectured by Seymour that we can find a family \mathcal{F} of circuits containing C such that every edge of G is covered exactly by two members of \mathcal{F} . This is the well-known *Strong Circuit Double Cover Conjecture*, a stronger version of the famous *Circuit Double Cover Conjecture*.

It was proved by Herbert Fleischner and Roland Häggkvist that the SCDC conjecture is true if $G \setminus V(C)$ has a Hamilton path $P = v_1 \cdots v_t$ such that v_1 is adjacent to some vertex of C . The conjecture remains open if v_1 is not adjacent to any vertex of C . In this paper we verify the conjecture if v_1 is not adjacent to any vertex of C and P is of order at most 23. (Received September 22, 2011)