

## Generator Subgraphs of the Wheel

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**Abstract :** We consider only finite graphs without loops nor multiple edges. Let  $G$  be a graph with  $E(G) = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ . The edge space of  $G$ , denoted by  $\varepsilon(G)$ , is a vector space over the field  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . The elements of  $\varepsilon(G)$  are all the subsets of  $E(G)$ . Vector addition is defined as  $X+Y = X \Delta Y$ , the symmetric difference of sets  $X$  and  $Y$ , for  $X, Y \in \varepsilon(G)$ . Scalar multiplication is defined as  $1.X = X$  and  $0.X = \emptyset$  for  $X \in \varepsilon(G)$ . The set  $S \subseteq \varepsilon(G)$  is called a generating set if every element  $\varepsilon(G)$  is a linear combination of the elements of  $S$ . For a non-empty set  $X \in \varepsilon(G)$ , the smallest subgraph with edge set  $X$  is called edge-induced subgraph of  $G$ , denoted by  $G[X]$ . The set  $EH(G) = \{ A \in \varepsilon(G) : G[A] \sqsupseteq H \}$  denotes the uniform set of  $H$  with respect to  $G$  and  $\varepsilon H(G)$  denotes the subspace of  $\varepsilon(G)$  generated by  $EH(G)$ . If  $\varepsilon H(G)$  is generating set, then we call  $H$  a generator subgraph of  $G$ . This paper gives the characterization for the generator subgraphs of the wheel that contain cycles and gives the necessary conditions for the acyclic generator subgraphs of the wheel.

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