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**Theorem 1.** *A group  $G$  is locally cyclic iff every subgroup  $H \leq G$  is locally cyclic.*

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be a locally cyclic group and  $H$  a subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $S$  be a finite subset of  $H$ . Then the group  $\langle S \rangle$  generated by  $S$  is a cyclic subgroup of  $G$ , by assumption. Since every element  $a$  of  $\langle S \rangle$  is a product of elements or inverses of elements of  $S$ , and  $S$  is a subset of group  $H$ ,  $a \in H$ . Hence  $\langle S \rangle$  is a cyclic subgroup of  $H$ , so  $H$  is locally cyclic.

Conversely, suppose for every subgroup of  $G$  is locally cyclic. Let  $H$  be a subgroup generated by a finite subset of  $G$ . Since  $H$  is locally cyclic, and  $H$  itself is finitely generated,  $H$  is cyclic, and therefore  $G$  is locally cyclic.  $\square$