

7. Let G be a group with identity element e . Suppose that $x^2 = e$ for all $x \in G$. Prove that G is an abelian group.

Take x and $y \in G$.

$$(xy)^2 = e \quad \text{by hypothesis}$$

$$\text{thus } xyxy = e$$

Multiply on the left by x and on the right by y

$$xxyxyy = xy$$

$$\therefore yx = xy \quad \checkmark$$