

Let  $(E, *)$  be a monoid, if  $x \in E$  and  $x$  have a symmetric  $x^{-1}$  then  $x^{-1}$  is unique.

Proof:

Let  $(x_1^{-1}, x_2^{-1}) \in E^2$  such as  $x * x_1^{-1} = e = x * x_2^{-1}$  and  $x_1^{-1} * x = e = x_2^{-1} * x$   
 $\Rightarrow x_1^{-1} * x * x^{-1} = x_2^{-1} * x * x^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow x_1^{-1} = x_2^{-1}$