

**Theorem** (1.6.3). *If  $n$  is an even integer, then  $n^2$  is an even integer.*

*Proof.* By definition, there exists an integer  $k$  such that  $n = 2k$ .  
 $(2k)^2 = 4k^2 = 2(2k^2)$ .  $2k^2$  is an integer  $\therefore n^2$  is even, by definition. ■