Problem 1): Let $x, y, e, x^{-1} \in \mathcal{G}$ where $e \in \mathcal{G}$ is the identity element of $\mathcal{G}$ and x^{-1} is such that both $x\,x^{-1} = e = x^{-1}\,x$ and $y\,x^{-1} = e = x^{-1}\,y$ hold. Therefore we have

$$x\,x^{-1} = y\,x^{-1} \tag{1.1}$$

$$x\,x^{-1} = x^{-1}\,y \tag{1.2}$$

$$x^{-1}\,x = y\,x^{-1} \tag{1.3}$$

$$x^{-1}\,x = x^{-1}\,y \tag{1.4}$$

By applying the cancelation rule ($ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$ for $a, b, c \in \mathbb{G}$ for any group $\mathbb{G}$) to the expression in 1.1 and 1.4, it is clear that we have

$$x = y \tag{1.5}$$

Since $\mathcal{G}$ is abelian, we may rewrite the expression in 1.2 as

$$x\,x^{-1} = x^{-1}\,x = x^{-1}\,y$$

or

$$x\,x^{-1} = y\,x^{-1} = x^{-1}\,y$$

From either expression, the application of the cancelation rule yields the same result as in expression 1.5. Similarly, we use the abelian property of $\mathcal{G}$ to rewrite the expression in 1.3 as

$$x^{-1}\,x = x\,x^{-1} = y\,x^{-1}$$

or

$$x^{-1}\,x = x^{-1}\,y = y\,x^{-1}$$

Again, applying the cancelation rule to either expression yields the same result as in 1.5.

Therefore, every element in an abelian group must have a unique inverse.

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