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5. Proof: Let  $x \in H$  and  $y \in H$ . Show  $xy = yx$ .

→ (1)  $G$  is isomorphic to  $H$ .

∴ there exist  $f: G \rightarrow H$  such that  $f$  is an isomorphism, which means (1)  $f$  is a homomorphism;

(2)  $f$  is 1-1; (3)  $f$  is onto.

∵  $f$  is onto, so  $\exists a \in G$  s.t.  $f(a) = x$ ; likewise,  $\exists b \in G$  s.t.  $f(b) = y$

and ∵  $f$  is a homomorphism

$$\therefore f(ab) = f(a)f(b) \quad (a, b \in G)$$

∵  $G$  is cyclic ∴  $G$  is abelian  $\Rightarrow ab = ba$

$$\text{So we have } xy = f(a)f(b) = f(ab) = f(ba) = f(b)f(a) = yx$$

$$\therefore xy = yx \text{ for } x, y \in H$$

∴  $H$  is abelian.

Well-written!