

Show that  $a*b=b*a$

Let  $(\{a, b\}, *)$  be a semigroup where  $aa = b$ . Show that-  $ab=b*a$ .

Sol.

Given

$(\{a*b\}, *)$  is a semigroup

And  $a*a = b$ .

Now

$$ab = a(aa) (\because aa=b)$$

$$ab = (aa)*a \text{ (by associative law)}$$

$$ab = ba (\because a*a=b)$$