

If the vectors  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  from the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$  and  $AB$  respectively of a  $\Delta ABC$ , then

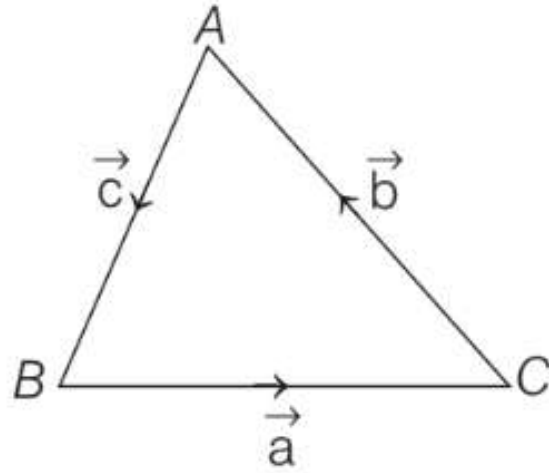
(a)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$  (2000, 2M)

(b)  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \vec{c} \times \vec{a}$

(c)  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$

(d)  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}$

By triangle law,  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$



Taking cross product by  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{c}$  respectively,

$$\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \times \vec{0} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{a} + \vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c} \times \vec{a} \quad [ \because \vec{a} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0} ]$$

Similarly,  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{b} \times \vec{a}$

$$\therefore \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c} = \vec{c} \times \vec{a}$$