Assignment 1

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1) In the following figure for the triangle ABC, which of the following is not true:

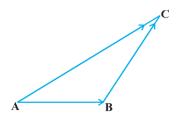
(A)
$$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \overrightarrow{0}$$

(B)
$$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} - \overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{0}$$

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$$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} - \overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{0}$$

(C) $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{0}$
(D) $\overrightarrow{AB} - \overrightarrow{CB} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \overrightarrow{0}$

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$$\overrightarrow{AB} - \overrightarrow{CB} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \overrightarrow{0}$$



Solution: From the triangle law of vector addition, we get

$$\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{AC} \tag{0.0.1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} - \overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{0}$$
 (0.0.2)

The equation 0.0.2 is option B.

We know that $\overrightarrow{AC} = -\overrightarrow{CA}$

$$\Rightarrow \overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \overrightarrow{0}$$
 (0.0.3)

The equation 0.0.3 is option A.

We know that $\overrightarrow{BC} = -\overrightarrow{CB}$

$$\Rightarrow \overrightarrow{AB} - \overrightarrow{CB} + \overrightarrow{CA} = \overrightarrow{0}$$
 (0.0.4)

The equation 0.0.4 is option D.

The options A, B, D are correct and the option C is incorrect.