

## Properties of Vector Operations

Let  $\vec{u}$ ,  $\vec{v}$ , and  $\vec{w}$  be vectors in a plane. Let  $r$  and  $s$  be scalars.

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| i.    | $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$                         | Commutative Property                   |
| ii.   | $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$ | Associative Property                   |
| ii.   | $\vec{u} + \vec{0} = \vec{u}$                                   | Additive Identity Property             |
| iv.   | $\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{0}$                                | Additive Inverse Property              |
| v.    | $r(s\vec{u}) = (rs)\vec{u}$                                     | Associativity of Scalar Multiplication |
| vi.   | $(r + s)\vec{u} = r\vec{u} + s\vec{u}$                          | Distributive Property                  |
| vii.  | $r(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = r\vec{u} + r\vec{v}$                    | Distributive Property                  |
| viii. | $1\vec{u} = \vec{u}$  | Identity Property                      |
| ix.   | $0u = \vec{0}$  | Zero Property                          |