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Question:

if three points $\begin{pmatrix} h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ k \end{pmatrix}$ lie on a line, show that

$$\frac{a}{h} + \frac{b}{k} = 1$$

Solution:

Point	Name
$(h, 0)$	Point A
$(0, k)$	Point B
(a, b)	Point C

TABLE 0: Variables Used

If the rank of the Collinearity matrix is 1, then the points are collinear
The Collinearity matrix is given by

$$(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A})^T = \begin{pmatrix} a-h & b \\ -h & k \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.1)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \frac{R_1}{a-h}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a-h} \\ -h & k \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{-h}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{b}{a-h} \\ 1 & \frac{-k}{h} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.3)$$

$$\xleftrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{b}{a-h} + \frac{k}{h} \\ 1 & \frac{-k}{h} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.4)$$

since the rank of matrix=1

$$\frac{b}{a-h} + \frac{k}{h} = 0 \implies bh + ka - kh = 0 \text{ (dividing the eq with } kh) \implies \frac{a}{h} + \frac{b}{k} = 1$$

Refer to Fig

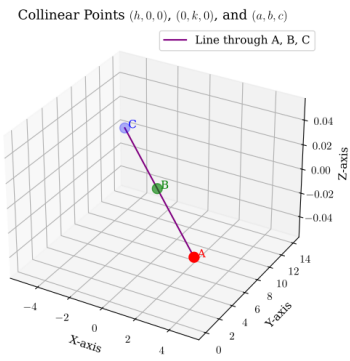


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