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# Question

Let  $a, b, c$  be distinct non-negative numbers. If the vectors

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ a \\ c \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ c \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

lie in a plane, then  $c$  is:

**Options:**

- a) Arithmetic Mean of  $a$  and  $b$
- b) Geometric Mean of  $a$  and  $b$
- c) Harmonic Mean of  $a$  and  $b$
- d) Equal to zero

# Difference Vectors

$$\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a - 1 \\ a \\ c - 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a - 1 \\ c \\ b - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Initial matrix:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} a - 1 & a - 1 \\ a & c \\ c - 1 & b - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Row Operation 1

Apply  $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1$ :

$$R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c - a \end{pmatrix}$$

Now  $\mathbf{M} =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a - 1 & a - 1 \\ 1 & c - a \\ c - 1 & b - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Row Operation 2

Apply  $R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1$ :

$$R_3 = (c - a \quad b - a)$$

Now  $\mathbf{M} =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a - 1 & a - 1 \\ 1 & c - a \\ c - a & b - a \end{pmatrix}$$

## Row Operation 3

Eliminate  $R_3$  using  $R_2$ :

$$R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - (c - a) \cdot R_2 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b - a - (c - a)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now  $\mathbf{M} =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a - 1 & a - 1 \\ 1 & c - a \\ 0 & b - a - (c - a)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Collinearity Condition

For collinearity:

$$b - a - (c - a)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (c - a)^2 = b - a \Rightarrow c = a + \sqrt{b - a}$$

Try  $c = \sqrt{ab}$ :

$$(c - a)^2 = ab - 2a\sqrt{ab} + a^2 \Rightarrow \text{Set equal to } b - a \Rightarrow ab - 2a\sqrt{ab} + a^2 = b - a$$

$c = \text{Geometric Mean of } a \text{ and } b$

$\Rightarrow$

Option (b)



# Python Code — SymPy (1/2)

```
from sympy import Matrix, symbols
```

```
a, b, c = symbols('a_b_c')
```

```
A = Matrix([a, a, c])
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```
B = Matrix([1, 0, 1])
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```
C = Matrix([a, c, b])
```

```
AB = A - B
```

```
CB = C - B
```

```
M = Matrix.hstack(AB, CB)
```

```
rref, __ = M.rref()

print("Row_Echelon_Form:")
print(rref)

# Check condition
diff = rref[2,1]
if diff == 0:
    print("Vectors_lie_in_a_plane")
else:
    print("Not_coplanar")
```

## C Code (1/2)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

int main() {
    double a, b;
    scanf("%lf %lf", &a, &b);

    double c = sqrt(a * b);

    double AB[3] = {a - 1, a, c - 1};
    double CB[3] = {a - 1, c, b - 1};
```

## C Code (2/2)

```
double R2_0 = AB[1] - AB[0];  
double R2_1 = CB[1] - CB[0];  
  
double R3_0 = AB[2] - AB[0];  
double R3_1 = CB[2] - CB[0];  
  
double final = R3_1 - (R3_0 * R2_1);  
  
if (final == 0)  
    printf("Vectors lie in a plane\n");  
else  
    printf("Not coplanar\n");  
  
return 0;  
  
}
```

# Python Code — Executable Runner (1/2)

```
import subprocess
```

```
# Input values for a and b
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```
a = 4
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b = 9
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```
# Prepare input string
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input_str = f"{a}\n{b}\n"
```

```
# Run compiled C binary
```

```
result = subprocess.run(
```

```
    ['./coplanar_check'], # executable name
```

```
    input=input_str,
```

## Python Code — Executable Runner (2/2)

```
capture_output=True,  
text=True  
)  
  
# Output result  
output = result.stdout.strip()  
print("Result_from_C_program:")  
print(output)  
  
# Optional: check return code  
if result.returncode != 0:  
    print("Execution_failed")
```