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Question

Which one of the following describes the relationship among the three vectors

$$\hat{i} + \hat{k} + \hat{k}, 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}, 5\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

- ① The vectors are mutually perpendicular
- ② The vectors are linearly dependent
- ③ The vectors are linearly independent
- ④ The vectors are unit vectors

Equation I

Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Let

$$\mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C}) \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Theoretical Solution

Now applying row operations

$R_2 \longrightarrow R_2 - R_1$ and

$R_3 \longrightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

Theoretical solution

Now doing row operation

$$R_3 \longrightarrow R_3 + R_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

Here the rank of the matrix is 2.

Since the rank is less than the number of vectors, the vectors are linearly dependent

```
#include <math.h>

#define N 3
#define TOLERANCE 1e-9

int check_vectors(double v1[], double v2[], double v3[]) {
    double mat[N][N];

    // Create a matrix from the input vectors (as columns)
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
        mat[i][0] = v1[i];
        mat[i][1] = v2[i];
        mat[i][2] = v3[i];
    }
}
```

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// --- Gaussian Elimination to find rank ---
for (int col = 0; col < N; col++) {
    int pivot_row = col;
    for (int i = col + 1; i < N; i++) {
        if (fabs(mat[i][col]) > fabs(mat[pivot_row][col])) {
            pivot_row = i;
        }
    }

    if (pivot_row != col) {
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
            double temp = mat[col][i];
            mat[col][i] = mat[pivot_row][i];
            mat[pivot_row][i] = temp;
        }
    }
}
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if (fabs(mat[col][col]) < TOLERANCE) continue;

    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
        if (i != col) {
            double factor = mat[i][col] / mat[col][col];
            for (int j = col; j < N; j++) {
                mat[i][j] -= factor * mat[col][j];
            }
        }
    }

}

int zero_rows = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
    int all_zeros = 1;
    for (int j = 0; j < N; j++) {
        if (fabs(mat[i][j]) > TOLERANCE) {
            all_zeros = 0;
        }
    }
}
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        break;
    }
    }
    if (all_zeros) zero_rows++;
}

int rank = N - zero_rows;

return (rank < 3) ? 2 : 3;
}
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Python Code

```
import ctypes
import os
import platform
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D

# --- Function to get vector input from the user ---
def get_vector_from_user(vector_name: str) -> list[float]:
    Prompts the user for 3 vector components and returns them as
    a list.
    while True:
        try:
            input_str = input(fEnter the 3 components for vector {
                vector_name} (e.g., 1, 2, 3): )
            components = [float(item) for item in input_str.split(
                ',')]
        except:
```

Python Code

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1 if len(components) == 3:
2     return components
3 else:
4     print(Error: Please enter exactly 3 numbers
5           separated by commas.)
6 except ValueError:
7     print(Error: Invalid input. Please enter numbers only.
8           )
9
10 # --- Determine library name and path ---
11 lib_name = 'rank.so' if platform.system() != 'Windows' else 'rank
12           .dll'
13 lib_path = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), lib_name)
14
15 # --- Load the C library ---
16 try:
17     c_lib = ctypes.CDLL(lib_path)
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Python Code

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except OSError as e:
    print(fError loading shared library '{lib_name}': {e})
    print(Please ensure you have compiled 'vector_lib.c' in the
          same directory.)
    exit()

# --- Define the C function's signature for type safety ---
c_lib.check_vectors.argtypes = [
    ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_double),
    ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_double),
    ctypes.POINTER(ctypes.c_double)
]
c_lib.check_vectors.restype = ctypes.c_int

# --- Main execution block ---
if __name__ == __main__:
    print(This script checks if three 3D vectors are linearly
          dependent using a C function and then plots them.)
```

Python Code

```
# Get user input
v1_list = get_vector_from_user(v1)
v2_list = get_vector_from_user(v2)
v3_list = get_vector_from_user(v3)

# --- Part 1: C Function Call ---
# Convert Python lists to C-compatible arrays
V1_CArray = (ctypes.c_double * 3)(*v1_list)
V2_CArray = (ctypes.c_double * 3)(*v2_list)
V3_CArray = (ctypes.c_double * 3)(*v3_list)

# Call the C function to get the result
result_code = c_lib.check_vectors(V1_CArray, V2_CArray,
                                   V3_CArray)

# --- Part 2: Display Result and Plot ---
print(\n--- Analysis Result from C Function ---)
is_dependent = (result_code == 2)
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if is_dependent:
    print(The vectors are linearly dependent (coplanar).)
    print(Generating a 3D plot to visualize the vectors on
          their plane...)
else:
    print(The vectors are linearly independent.)
    print(Generating a 3D plot of the vectors...)

# Convert lists to NumPy arrays for plotting
v1 = np.array(v1_list)
v2 = np.array(v2_list)
v3 = np.array(v3_list)

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
ax = fig.add_subplot(111, projection='3d')
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origin = [0, 0, 0]
ax.quiver(*origin, *v1, color='r', label=f'v1: {v1}', length=
    np.linalg.norm(v1), normalize=True)
ax.quiver(*origin, *v2, color='g', label=f'v2: {v2}', length=
    np.linalg.norm(v2), normalize=True)
ax.quiver(*origin, *v3, color='b', label=f'v3: {v3}', length=
    np.linalg.norm(v3), normalize=True)

# If they are dependent, plot the plane they lie on
if is_dependent:
    normal_vector = np.cross(v1, v2)
    if np.linalg.norm(normal_vector) > 1e-6: # Ensure vectors
        are not collinear
        x_range = np.linspace(min(0, v1[0], v2[0], v3[0]), max
            (v1[0], v2[0], v3[0]), 5)
        y_range = np.linspace(min(0, v1[1], v2[1], v3[1]), max
            (v1[1], v2[1], v3[1]), 5)
        xx, yy = np.meshgrid(x_range, y_range)
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xx, yy = np.meshgrid(x_range, y_range)
if abs(normal_vector[2]) > 1e-6:
    zz = (-normal_vector[0] * xx - normal_vector[1] *
          yy) / normal_vector[2]
    ax.plot_surface(xx, yy, zz, alpha=0.2, color='gray',
                   rstride=100, cstride=100)

# Formatting the plot
max_range = np.max(np.abs([v1, v2, v3])) * 1.1
ax.set_xlim([-max_range, max_range])
ax.set_ylim([-max_range, max_range])
ax.set_zlim([-max_range, max_range])
ax.set_xlabel('X axis')
ax.set_ylabel('Y axis')
ax.set_zlabel('Z axis')
ax.set_title('3D Visualization of Input Vectors')
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ax.legend()  
ax.grid(True)  
plt.savefig(/media/indhiresh-s/New Volume/Matrix/ee1030-2025/  
            ee25btech11027/MATGEO/12.353/figs/figure1.png)  
plt.show()
```

3D Visualization of Linearly Independent Vectors

