

1.1.6-21

EE24BTECH11028 - Jadhav Rajesh

Question: Show that points $A(a, b + c)$, $B(b, c + a)$, $C(c, a + b)$ are collinear.

Solution: The matrix

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

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a - b \\ 0 & a - c \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$

Which has rank 1. Using $\text{rank} A = \text{rank} A^T$, we conclude that the given points are collinear.

Define the coordinates of point A, B, and C

$$a, b, c = 1, 2, 3 \quad (0.3)$$

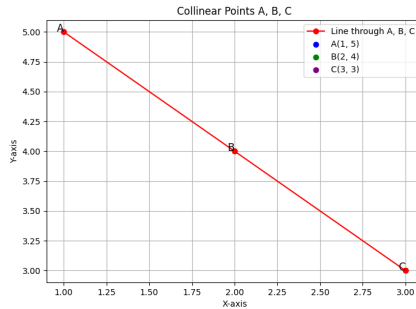


Fig. 0.1: ABCCollinear points