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Question: Using vectors, prove that the points $(2 \ -1 \ 3)$, $(3 \ -5 \ 1)$ and $(-1 \ 11 \ 9)$ are collinear.

Solution:

Variable	Description
$(2 \ -1 \ 3)$	Point A
$(3 \ -5 \ 1)$	Point B
$(-1 \ 11 \ 9)$	Point C

TABLE 0: Variables Used

$$(B - A \quad C - A)^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & -2 \\ -3 & 12 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.1)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2=R_2+3R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$

$$(0.3)$$

$$\text{rank} = \text{number of non-zero rows} \quad (0.4)$$

$$\text{i.e. rank} = 1 \quad (0.5)$$

$$(0.6)$$

therefore,

$$\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \text{ are collinear.} \quad (0.7)$$

$$(0.8)$$

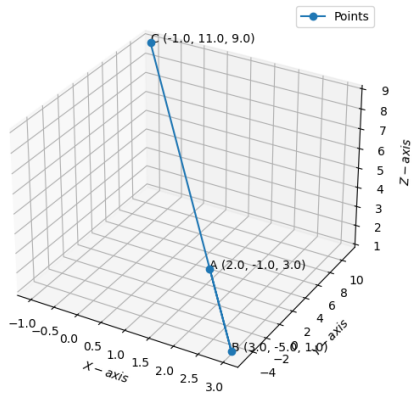


Fig. 0.1: Plot of points A,B and C