

PROBLEM 3.6

Given the three points $X(x_1, y_1)$, $Y(x_2, y_2)$ and $Z(x_3, y_3)$, write a program to check if the three points fall on straight line.

Condition for collinearity:

$$\text{Slope}(XY) = \text{Slope}(YZ) = \text{Slope}(XZ)$$

WHERE,

$$\text{Slope}(XY) = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$\text{Slope}(YZ) = \frac{y_3 - y_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$

$$\text{Slope}(XZ) = \frac{y_3 - y_1}{x_3 - x_1}$$

ALGORITHM

1. Start
2. Declare float variables $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, x_3, y_3, \text{slope_xy}, \text{slope_yz}, \text{slope_xz}$
3. Input $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, x_3, y_3$
4. Assign $(y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1)$ to slope_xy
5. Assign $(y_3 - y_2) / (x_3 - x_2)$ to slope_yz
6. Assign $(y_3 - y_1) / (x_3 - x_1)$ to slope_xz
7. If $\text{slope_xy} = \text{slope_yz}$ and $\text{slope_yz} = \text{slope_xz}$, Display "Collinear points"
8. Else, display "non-collinear points"
9. Stop

PSEUDOCODE

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DECLARE FLOAT x1,y1,x2,y2,x3,y3
DECLARE FLOAT slope_xy,slope_yz,slope_xz
INPUT x1,y1,x2,y2,x3,y3
ASSIGN (y2-y1)/(x2-x1) to slope_xy
ASSIGN (y3-y2)/(x3-x2) to slope_yz
ASSIGN (y3-y1)/(x3-x1) to slope_xz
IF slope_xy = slope_yz AND slope_yz = slope_xz
    DISPLAY "Collinear points"
ELSE
    DISPLAY "Non-collinear points"
ENDIF
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FLOWCHART

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flowchart TD
  A([Start]) --> B[[Declare float variables x1,y1,x2,y2,x3,y3 and input them]]
  B --> C[[Declare float variables slope_xy,slope_yz, slope_xz]]
  C --> D[Calculate slope_xy]
  D --> E[Calculate slope_yz]
  E --> F[Calculate slope_xz]
  F --> G{If slope_xy = slope_yz AND slope_yz = slope_xz}
  G --> |True|H[/Display "Collinear points"/]
  G --> |False|I[/Display "Non-collinear points"/]
  H --> J([Stop])
  I --> J
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