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Question:

If the inverse of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & \lambda & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, then find the value of λ .

Solution:

Let :

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The characteristic equation for a matrix \mathbf{A} is

$$f(\lambda) = |\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}| = 0 \quad (0.1)$$

$$f(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} 7-\lambda & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1-\lambda & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad (0.2)$$

Solving the above equation we get :

$$\lambda^3 - 9\lambda^2 + 9\lambda - 1 = 0 \quad (0.3)$$

By Cayley-Hamilton theorem :

$$f(\lambda) = f(\mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad (0.4)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^3 - 9\mathbf{A}^2 + 9\mathbf{A} - 1 = 0 \quad (0.5)$$

Multiplying the equation 0.5 by \mathbf{A}^{-1} we get :

$$\mathbf{A}^2 - 9\mathbf{A} + 9\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} = 0 \quad (0.6)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^2 - 9\mathbf{A} + 9\mathbf{I} \quad (0.7)$$

Solving the above equation we get :

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.8)$$

Hence ,

$$\lambda = 4 \quad (0.9)$$