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Question:

Using elementary transformations, find the inverse of the following matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -6 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution:

Let us solve the given question theoretically and then verify the solution computationally.

To solve for the inverse of a matrix, we can employ the Gauss-Jordan approach.

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & -6 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1]{R_1 \leftarrow \frac{R_1}{2}} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & -3 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + 3R_2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad (0.1)$$

$$\therefore \text{Inverse of the given Matrix: } \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.2)$$