Question:

Using elementary transformations find the inverse of the given matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & -5 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution:

Given

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & -5 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.1}$$

To find the inverse, A^{-1} , we augment the identity matrix **I** to **A** and apply row operations to this augmented matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
-3 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
2 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_2 \to R_2 + 3R_1}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 9 & -11 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\
2 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.2)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 9 & -11 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\
2 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_3 \to R_3 - 2R_1}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 9 & -11 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 4 & -2 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.3)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 9 & -11 & | & 3 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 4 & | & -2 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_2 \to \frac{1}{9}R_2}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & | & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 4 & | & -2 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.4)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & -3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 4 & -2 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_1 \to R_1 - 3R_2}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 4 & -2 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.5)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 4 & -2 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_3 \to R_3 + R_2}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \frac{25}{9} & \frac{-5}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.6)

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$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \frac{25}{9} & \frac{-5}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 1
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_3 \to \frac{9}{25}R_3} \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-3}{5} & \frac{1}{25} & \frac{9}{25}
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.7)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \frac{-11}{9} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-3}{5} & \frac{1}{25} & \frac{9}{25}
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_2 \to R_2 + \frac{11}{9}R_3}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{4}{25} & \frac{11}{25} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-3}{5} & \frac{1}{25} & \frac{9}{25}
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.8)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & \frac{-1}{3} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{4}{25} & \frac{11}{25} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-3}{5} & \frac{1}{25} & \frac{9}{25}
\end{pmatrix}
\xrightarrow{R_1 \to R_1 + \frac{5}{3}R_3}
\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{-3}{5} \\
0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{4}{25} & \frac{11}{25} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{-3}{5} & \frac{1}{25} & \frac{9}{25}
\end{pmatrix}$$
(0.9)

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{-3}{5} \\ \frac{-2}{5} & \frac{4}{25} & \frac{11}{25} \\ \frac{-3}{5} & \frac{1}{25} & \frac{9}{25} \end{pmatrix}$$