## Step-1

*Trace*: Sum along the main diagonal is called the trace of the matrix.

Let following be the permutation matrix P:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

There can be six 3 by 3 permutation matrices of *P*. Let  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$  be the eigen values.

# Step-2

Recall that characteristic equation is always put equal to zero to get the eigen values. This means that determinant value of  $P - \lambda I$  must be equal to zero.

$$\det(P-\lambda I)=0$$

This gives the equation:

$$\lambda^3 = 1$$

The solutions of this equation are as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = 1$$

$$\lambda_2 = e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}}$$

$$\lambda_3 = e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{3}}$$

Here, only one value is real and others are complex conjugates.

#### Step-3

The determinants of P will be product of the eigen values:

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 = 1 \cdot e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} \cdot e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{3}}$$

$$= 1$$

Therefore, determinant of P is  $\boxed{1}$ .

### Step-4

Recall that starting element of a matrix to do certain calculations is called as pivot element.

Therefore, pivot element of P will be  $\boxed{1}$ .

# Step-5

Trace of *P* will be the sum of all the eigen values:

$$(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3) = 1 + e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} + e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{3}}$$

$$= 1 + \cos\left(\frac{2\pi i}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{2\pi i}{3}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{2\pi i}{3}\right) - i\sin\left(\frac{2\pi i}{3}\right)$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore, trace of P is 0.

## Step-6

Three numbers that can be eigen values of P will be as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = 1$$

$$\lambda_2 = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}$$

$$\lambda_3 = e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{3}}$$

$$\left(1, e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}, e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{3}}\right)$$

Therefore, eigen values will be