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Question:

The eigenvalues of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

are

Solution:

Given

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

To find eigenvalues of the matrix A

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x} \tag{2}$$

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$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{x} = 0 \tag{3}$$

$$\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I} | = 0 \tag{4}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I} | = 0 \\ 0 - \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
 (4)

$$\lambda^2 = -1 \tag{6}$$

$$\lambda = -\sqrt{-1}, \sqrt{-1} \tag{7}$$

 \therefore The eigenvalues of the matrix are $\lambda = -\sqrt{-1}$, $\sqrt{-1}$.