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True

False

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = -10$$

(b) Justify the true statement: If A is an $n \times n$ matrix, then

$$\det(kA) = k^n \det(A).$$

kA multiplies every row of A by k
 $\therefore \det(kA) = k^n \det A$

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$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= 1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -20 - 28 = -48 \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the determinant of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ using a cofactor expansion *down the second column*.

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= -2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} - 5 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -28 - 20 = -48 \end{aligned}$$

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