Worksheet, Feb 3

0.1. Cross Product of vectors.

(1) Find the area of the triangle with edges given by vectors

$$\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle, \langle 2, -1, 0 \rangle$$

(2) For which value of a is the following cross product the zero vector?

$$\langle 2, -2, 3 \rangle \times \langle 1, -1, a \rangle$$

(3) For what vectors \vec{v}, \vec{u} is

 $|\vec{u} \times \vec{v}| = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

0.2. Lines and Planes.

(1) Find a unit vector perpendicular to the plane 3x + y - z = 2.

(2) Find a plane P that contains the origin and the line ℓ defined by

$$x = t + 1$$
$$y = -1$$
$$z = -t$$