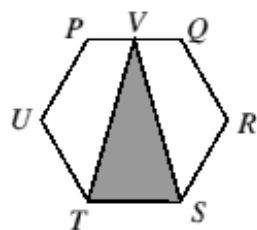




11. $PQRSTU$ is a regular hexagon and V is the midpoint of PQ .
 What fraction of the area of $PQRSTU$ is the area of triangle STV ?
- A $\frac{1}{4}$ B $\frac{2}{15}$ C $\frac{1}{3}$ D $\frac{2}{5}$ E $\frac{5}{12}$



11. C Let x be the side length of the regular hexagon $PQRSTU$ and let $h = PT = QS$, the perpendicular height of triangle STV . Thus the area of triangle STV is $\frac{1}{2}xh$ and the areas of triangles PTV and QSV are both $\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}xh) = \frac{1}{4}xh$. The perpendicular heights of triangles PTU and QRS are

$$\frac{UR - PQ}{2} = \frac{2x - x}{2} = \frac{x}{2}.$$

Hence the area of each of triangles PTU and QRS is $\frac{1}{2}h \times \frac{1}{2}x = \frac{1}{4}hx$.
 Therefore the area of triangle STV is one third of the area of $PQRSTU$.

