['. Firstly, we can draw a diagram of the pyramid to help us visualize the problem. '].



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Consider a pyramid *OPQRS* located in the first octant (x > 0, y > 0, z > 0)with O as origin, and OP and OR along the x-axis and the y-axis, respectively. The base OPQR of the pyramid is a square with OP = 3. The point S is directly above the mid-point T of diagonal OQ such that TS=3. Then

- (A) the acute angle between OQ and OS is $\frac{7}{2}$
- (B) the equation of the plane containing the triangle OQS is x y = 0
- (C) the length of the perpendicular from P to the plane containing the triangle OQS is $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (D) the perpendicular distance from O to the straight line containing RS is
- (A) The acute angle between OQ and OS can be found using the dot product of the two vectors.

$$\overrightarrow{OQ} \cdot \overrightarrow{OS} = |\overrightarrow{OQ}||\overrightarrow{OS}|\cos\theta \Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{\overrightarrow{OQ} \cdot \overrightarrow{OS}}{|\overrightarrow{OQ}||\overrightarrow{OS}|} \Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{3\times2}{\sqrt{27}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = 54.7$$

Hence, the acute angle between OQ and OS is not $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

(B) The equation of the plane containing the triangle OQS can be written as:

$$\frac{x-0}{3-0} = \frac{y-0}{3-0} = \frac{z-3}{3-3} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{3} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z-3}{0} \Rightarrow x-y=0$$

Hence, the equation of the plane containing the triangle OQS is x - y = 0.

(C) The length of the perpendicular from P to the plane containing the triangle OQS can be found using the distance formula. Let the coordinates of P be (x_1, y_1, z_1) . The equation of the plane is given by x - y = 0. Therefore, the distance between the point P and the plane is given by:

$$d = \frac{|x_1 - y_1|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0^2}} \Rightarrow d = \frac{|3 - 0|}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Hence, the length of the perpendicular from P to the plane containing the triangle OQS is $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$.

(D) The perpendicular distance from O to the straight line containing RS can be found using the distance formula. Let the coordinates of O be (x_1, y_1, z_1) and the coordinates of R and S be (x_2, y_2, z_2) and (x_3, y_3, z_3) respectively. The equation of the line containing RS is given by:

$$\frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2} = \frac{y - y_2}{y_3 - y_2} = \frac{z - z_2}{z_3 - z_2} \Rightarrow \frac{x - 0}{1.5 - 0} = \frac{y - 3}{1.5 - 3} = \frac{z - 0}{3 - 0} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1.5} = \frac{y - 3}{-1.5} = \frac{z}{3}$$
Hence, the perpendicular distance from O to the straight line containing RS is $\sqrt{\frac{15}{10}}$.

Final Answer: (B) (C), (D)



What are the coordinates of O, P, R, Q, S, T?

- 1. The coordinates of the point O are (0,0,0)
- 2. The coordinates of the point P are (3,0,0).
- 3. The coordinates of the point R are (0,3,0).
- 4. The coordinates of the point Q are (3,3,0).
- 5. The coordinates of the point T are (1.5, 1.5, 0).
- 6. The coordinates of the point S are (1.5, 1.5, 3).

What is the equation of the plane containing the triangle OPQ

1. The point T is the mid-point of the diagonal OQ. Therefore, the coordinates of T can be found by taking the average of the coordinates of O and Q.

$$T = \frac{1}{2}(O+Q) = \frac{1}{2}((0,0,0) + (3,3,0)) = (\frac{3}{2},\frac{3}{2},\frac{0}{2})$$

2. The point S is directly above T such that TS = 3. Therefore, the coordinates of S can be found by adding 3 to the z-coordinate of T.

$$S = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{0}{2} + 3) = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{6}{2})$$

3. The plane containing the triangle OPQ is perpendicular to the vector $\overrightarrow{OP} \times$ \vec{OQ} . Therefore, the equation of the plane can be found by taking the dot product of the normal vector of the plane with the position vector of any point on the plane.

Let us take the point P as the point on the plane. The normal vector of the plane is given by $\vec{n} = \vec{OP} \times \vec{OQ} = (3,0,0) \times (3,3,0) = (0,0,9)$.

Therefore, the equation of the plane is given by $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{r} = (0,0,3) \cdot \vec{OP} = 0$.

Hence, the equation of the plane containing the triangle OPQ is given by

What is the equation of the plane containing the triangle OQS

- 1. The coordinates of the point O are (0,0,0).
- 2. The coordinates of the point P are (3,0,0).
- 6. The coordinates of the point S are (1.5, 1.5, 3).

Now, the equation of the plane containing the triangle OQS can be written as:

$$\frac{x-0}{3-0} = \frac{y-0}{3-0} = \frac{z-0}{3-0} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x}{3} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{9}{3} =$$

Hence, the equation of the plane containing the triangle OQS is x - y = 0.