

SAMPLE PAPER 7: PAPER 1

QUESTION 2 (25 MARKS)

Question 2 (a)

$$S_n = pn^2 + qn$$

$$S_{n-1} = p(n-1)^2 + q(n-1) = pn^2 - 2pn + p + qn - q$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n - S_{n-1} &= T_n = pn^2 + qn - pn^2 + 2pn - p - qn + q \\ &= 2pn - p + q \end{aligned}$$

$$T_{n+1} = 2p(n+1) - p + q$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{n+1} - T_n &= 2p(n+1) - p + q - 2pn + p - q \\ &= 2pn + 2p - p + q - 2pn + p - q \\ &= 2p = \text{Common Difference} \end{aligned}$$

$$a = T_1 \Rightarrow a = 2p - p + q = p + q$$

$$d = T_{n+1} - T_n = 2p$$

Question 2 (b) (i)

$$a, ar, ar^2$$

$$\log a, \log ar, \log ar^2$$

$$= \log a, \log a + \log r, \log a + 2\log r$$

$$d = \log a + \log r - \log a = \log r$$

$$a = \log a$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2\log a + (n-1)\log r]$$

Question 2 (b) (ii)

$$S_{50} = 2450 \Rightarrow 25[2\log_3 1 + 49\log_3 r] = 2450$$

$$0 + 49\log_3 r = 98$$

$$\log_3 r = 2$$

$$\therefore r = 3^2 = 9$$