

5 The first four terms of an arithmetic series, S , are

$$\log_a 2 + \log_a 4 + \log_a 8 + \log_a 16$$

(a) Write down an expression for the r th term of S .

(1)

(b) Find an expression for the common difference of S .

(2)

The sum of the first n terms of S is S_n

(c) Show that $S_n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1) \log_a 2$

(2)

The first four terms of a second arithmetic series, T , are

$$\log_a 6 + \log_a 12 + \log_a 24 + \log_a 48$$

The sum of the first n terms of T is T_n

(d) Find $T_n - S_n$ and simplify your answer.

(4)



(Total for Question 3 is 9 marks)

