

# Municipal Debt Instruments

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# For discussion today

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1. Overview of debt instruments
2. Revenue streams = ability to pay
3. Pledges, liens, hypothecation, etc.
4. Credit enhancements
5. Structuring debt service
6. Borrowing wisely

# 1. Overview of debt instruments

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1. Loans
2. Municipal bonds
3. Lease financing
4. PPPs

# Terminology and issues

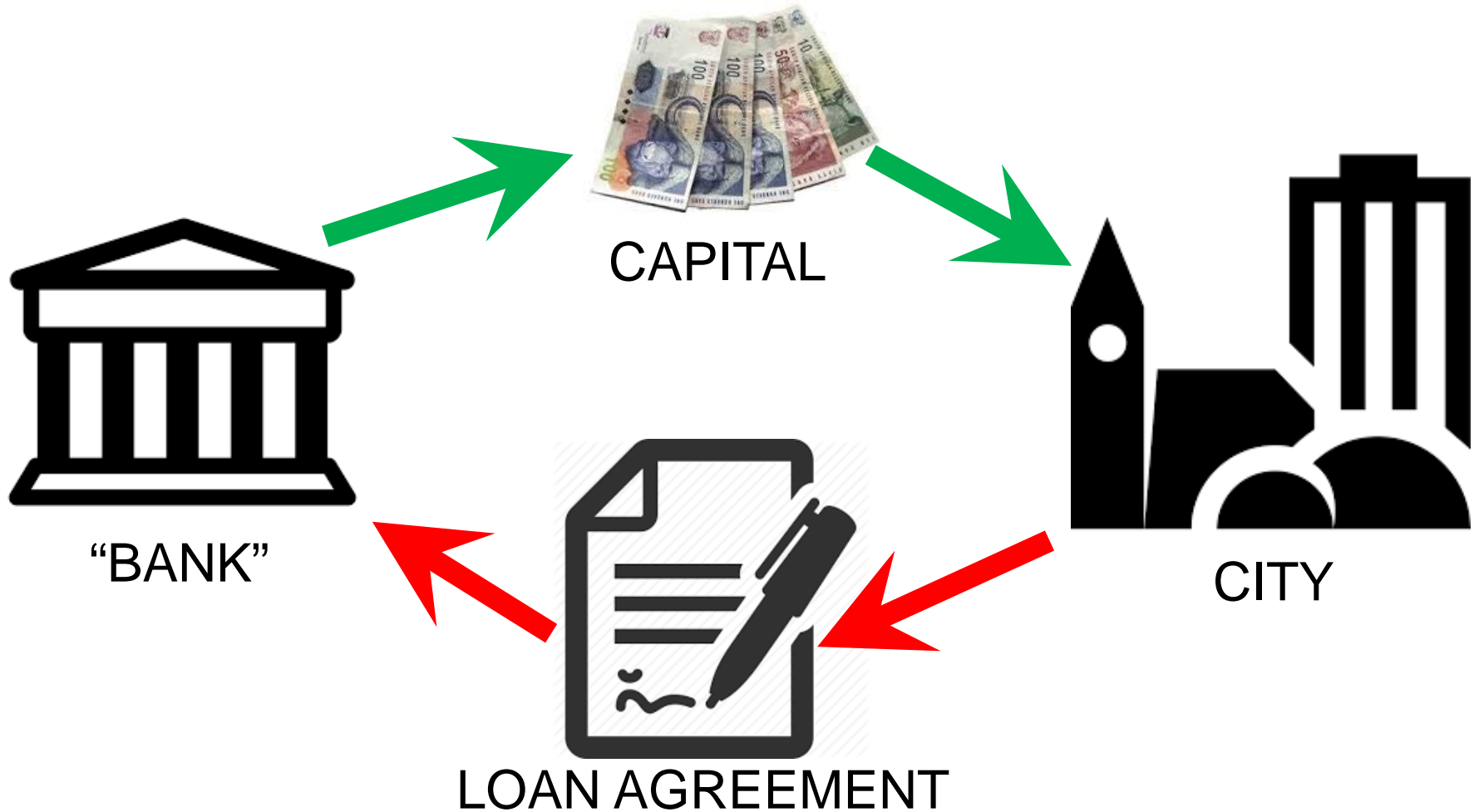
## Loans

1. Borrower
2. Lender
3. Maturities must match
4. Small-scale borrowers don't have a choice

## Bonds

1. Issuer
2. Bondholder
3. Liquid secondary market brings in more investors
4. For large scale borrowers

# Loans

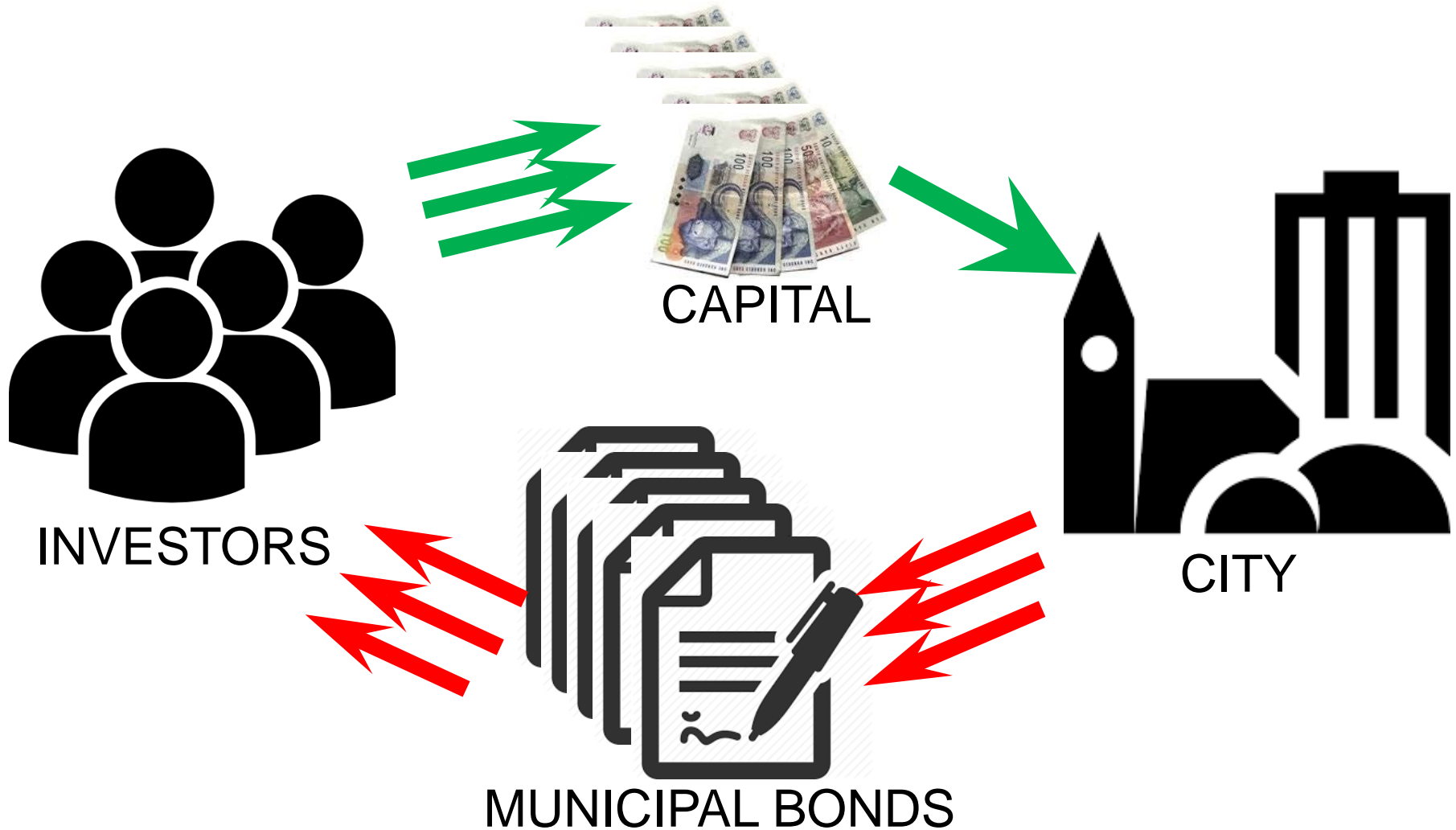


# DBSA – Johannesburg loan example

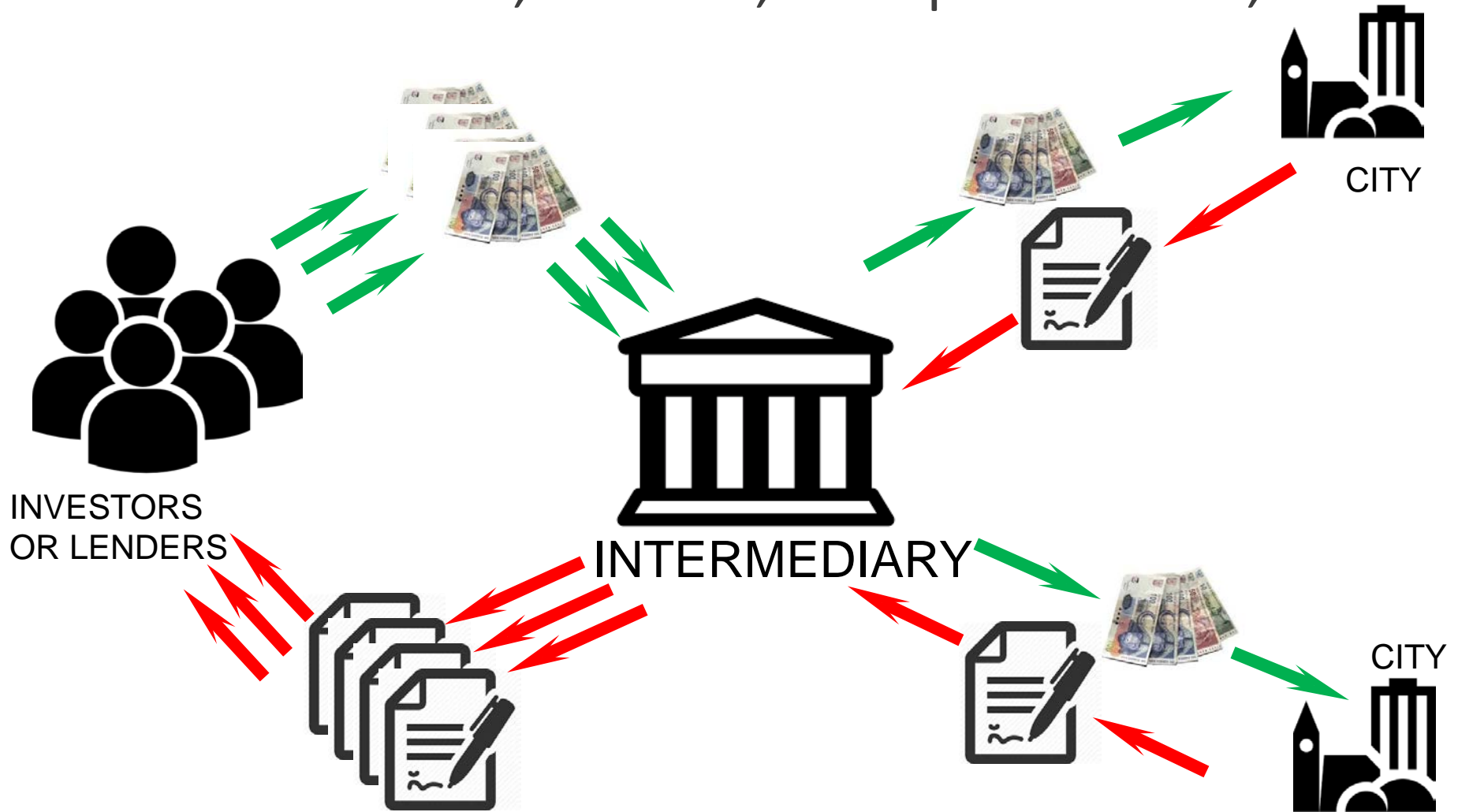
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- 2015/16 Capital Expenditure Programme
- ZAR 2,5 billion
- 20 year term

# Municipal bonds



Intermediaries:  
bond banks, MDFs, cooperatives, etc.





## 2. Revenue = ability to pay

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- Principle:

- any revenue stream or asset works
  - Grants and transfers from central government

- Practice

- revenue streams municipality can control work best
  - Taxes
  - Fees and charges
  - Capital revenue

# 3. Pledges, liens, security interests, hypothecation

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## 1. Legal frameworks vary:

- General law re how debt can be secured
- Law re security a municipality can give
- Law re lender's remedies against municipality

## 2. Core principle:

- Less risk → cheaper borrowing
- High risk → no lending, or expensive borrowing

# Specific types of instruments

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- “General obligation” bonds
- Revenue bonds
  - TIF bonds
- Green bonds
- Retail bonds

## 4. Credit enhancements

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- Guarantees, insurance, letters of credit
- Reserve funds
- Sinking funds
- Covenants
- Other

# 5. Debt service

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- Size matters
  - How much total?
  - How much each period?
- Shape matters



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THREE PER CENT

LOAN OF 1898.

1898

1918

The United States of America

ARE INDEBTED UNTO THE BEARER IN THE SUM OF

20 TWENTY DOLLARS

20 TWENTY DOLLARS

This bond is issued under authority of an Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide ways and means to meet war expenditures" approved June thirteenth eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and is redeemable at the pleasure of the United States after the first day of August, 1908, and payable August 1, 1918 in coin, with interest at the rate of three per centum per annum payable quarterly in coin, on the first day of November, February, May and August in each year. The principal and interest are exempt from all taxes or duties of the United States as well as from taxation in any form by, or under, State, municipal or local authority.

Act of June 13, 1898.

Entered *July*  
Recorded *W.C.F.*

Washington, D.C. August 1, 1898.

*J.M. Lyons*  
Register of the Treasury

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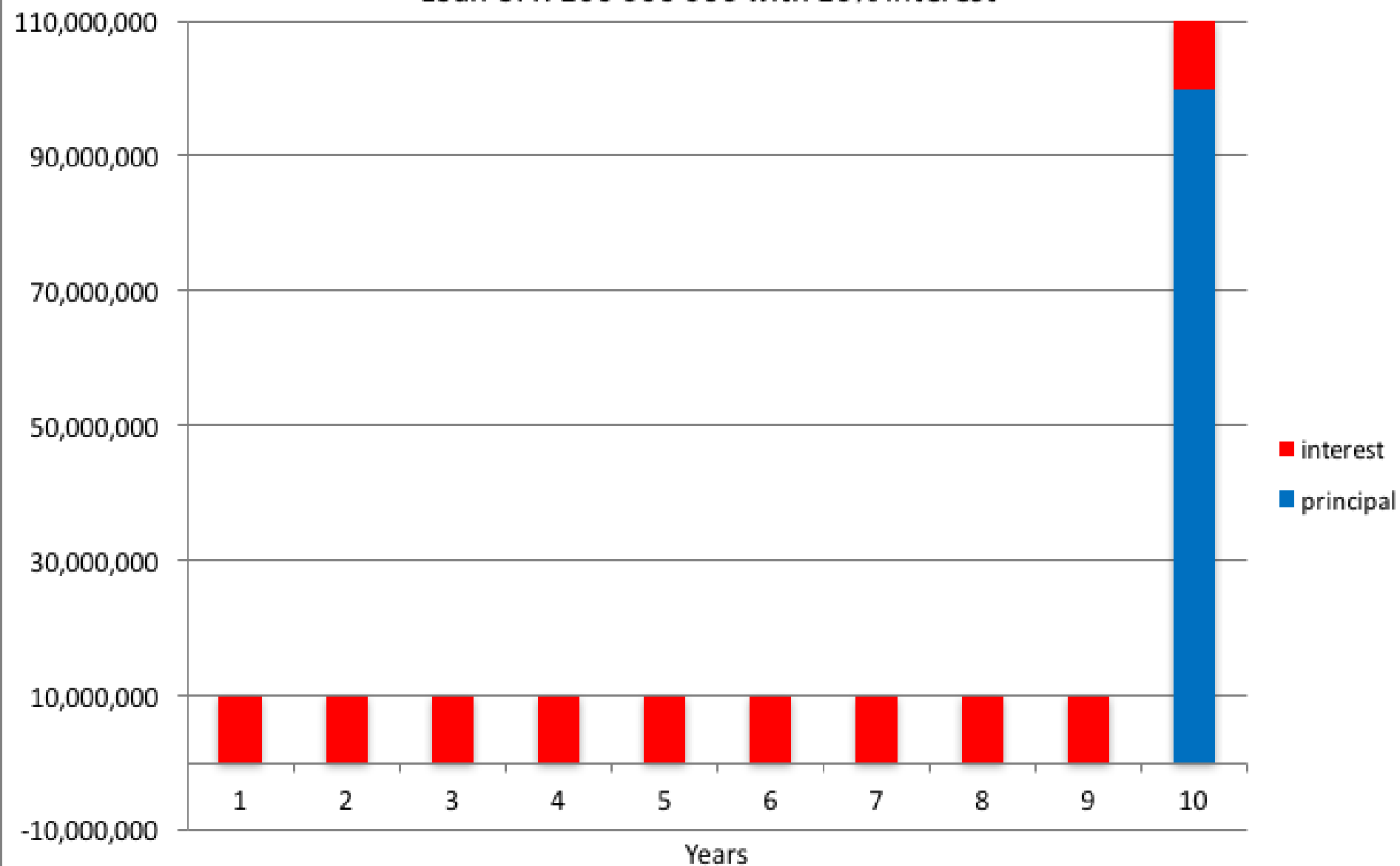
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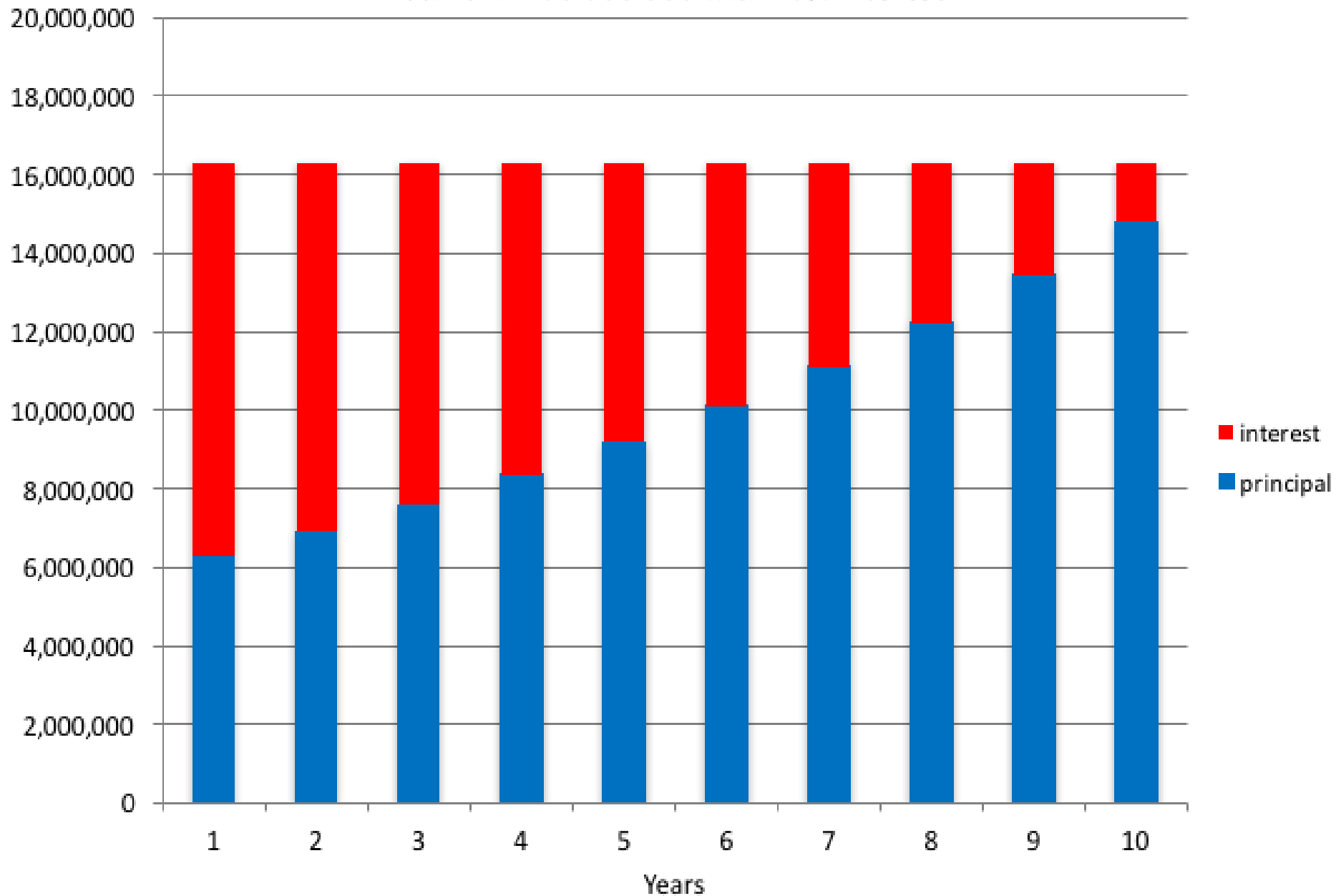
## Bullet at end of term

Loan of R 100 000 000 with 10% interest



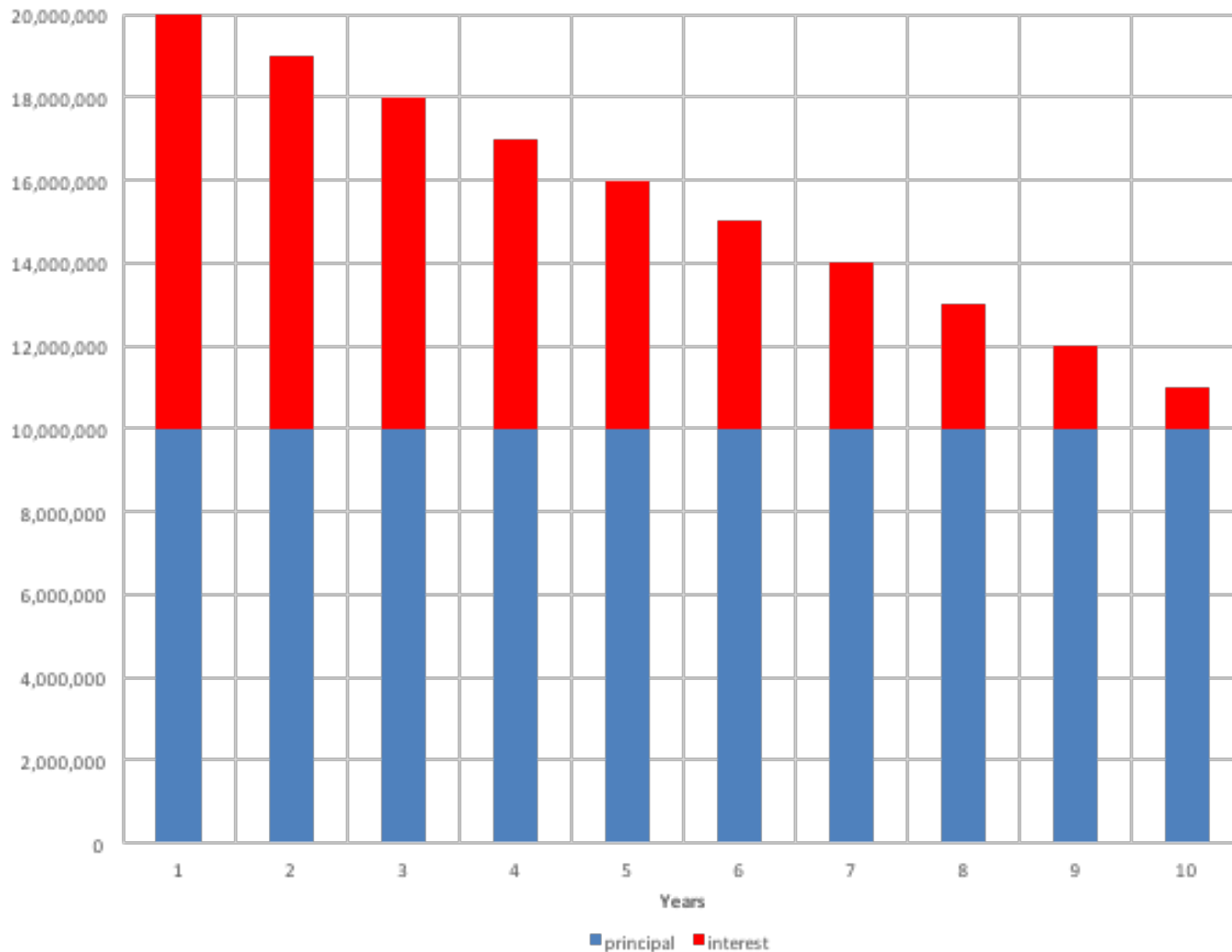
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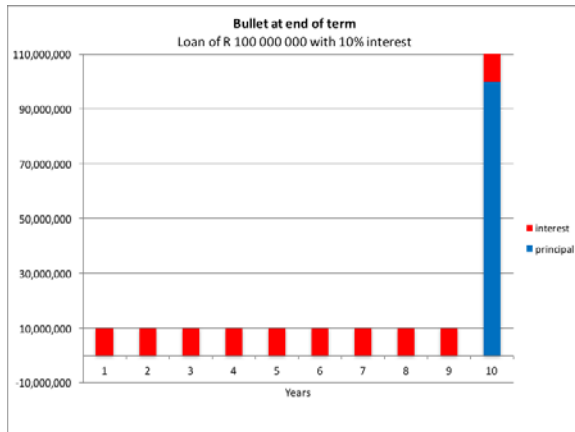




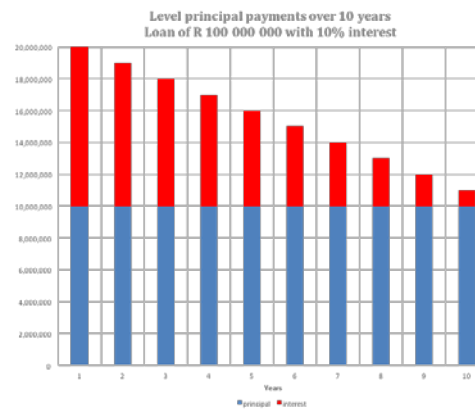
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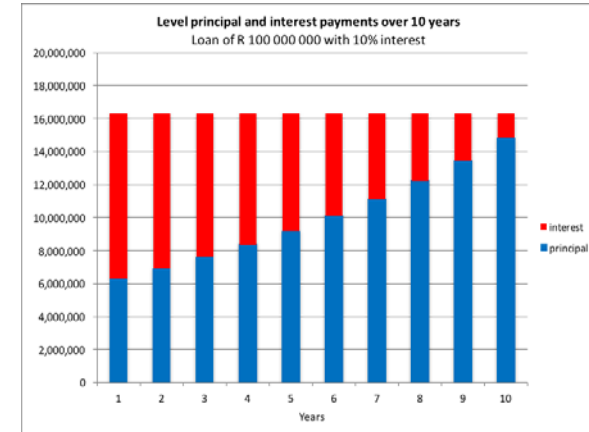
# Which do you prefer, why?



Bullet



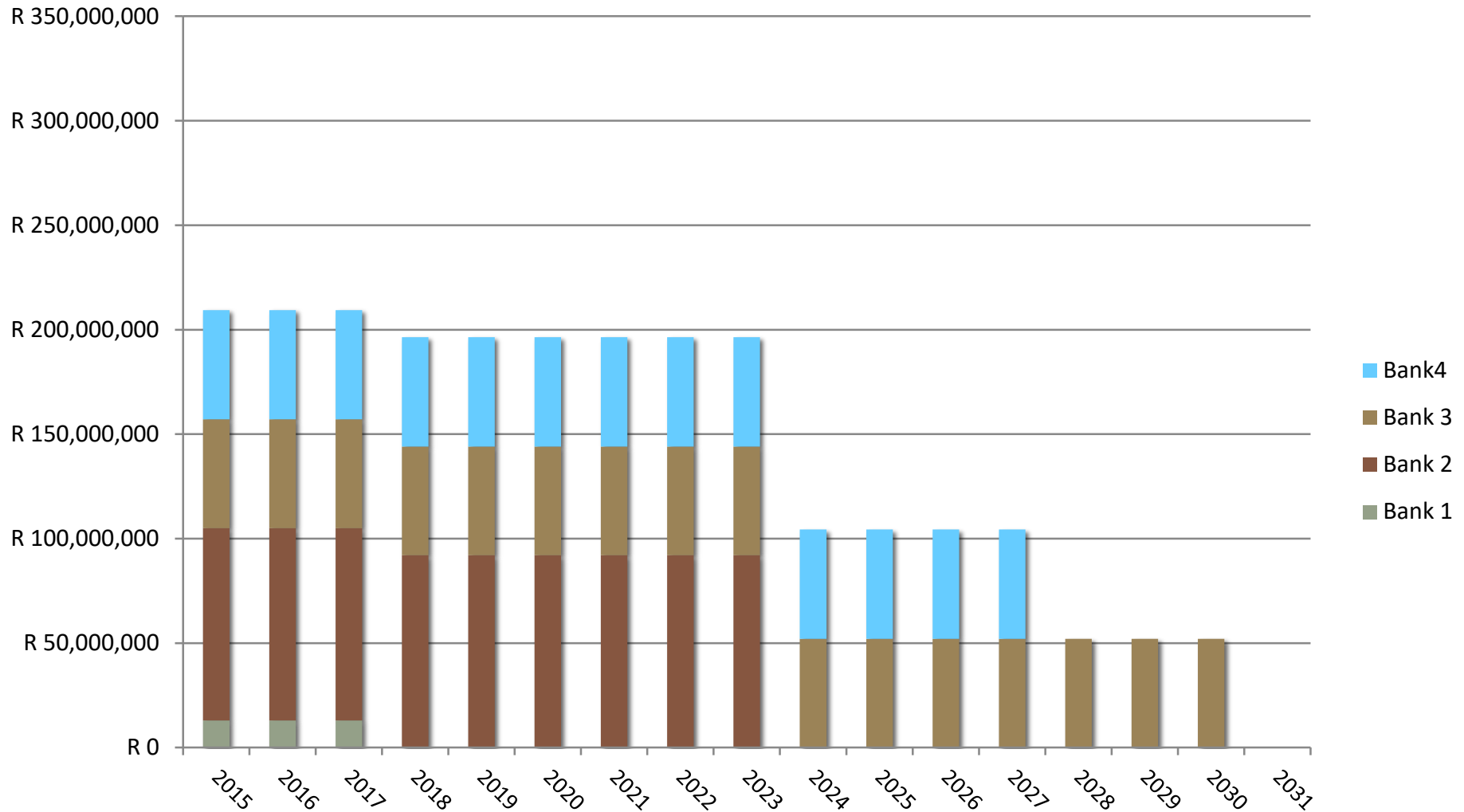
Level principal



Level payments

# More on structure – a real example

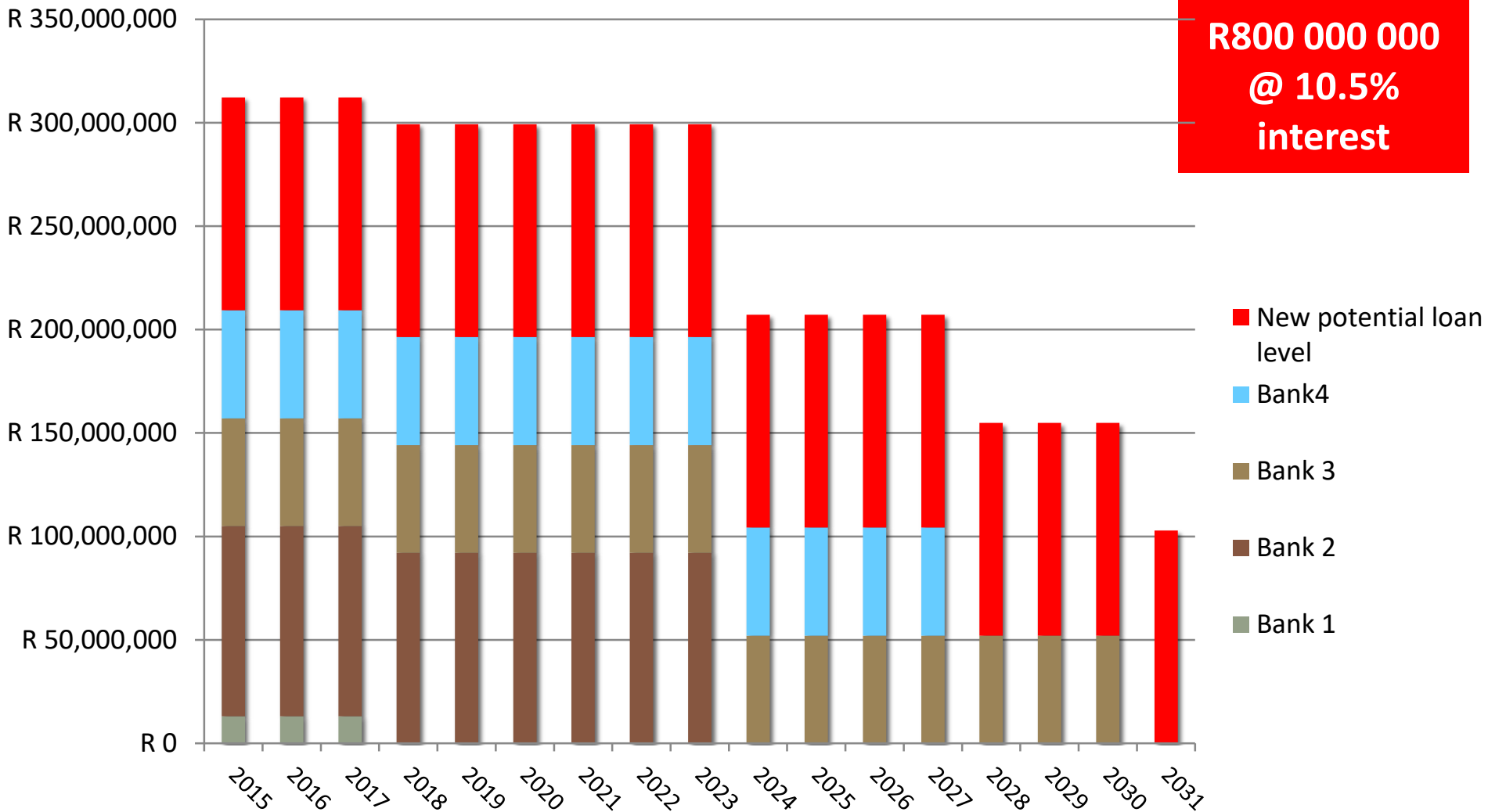
Stacked obligations at level amortization



# Adding another loan

## Additional loan at level amortization

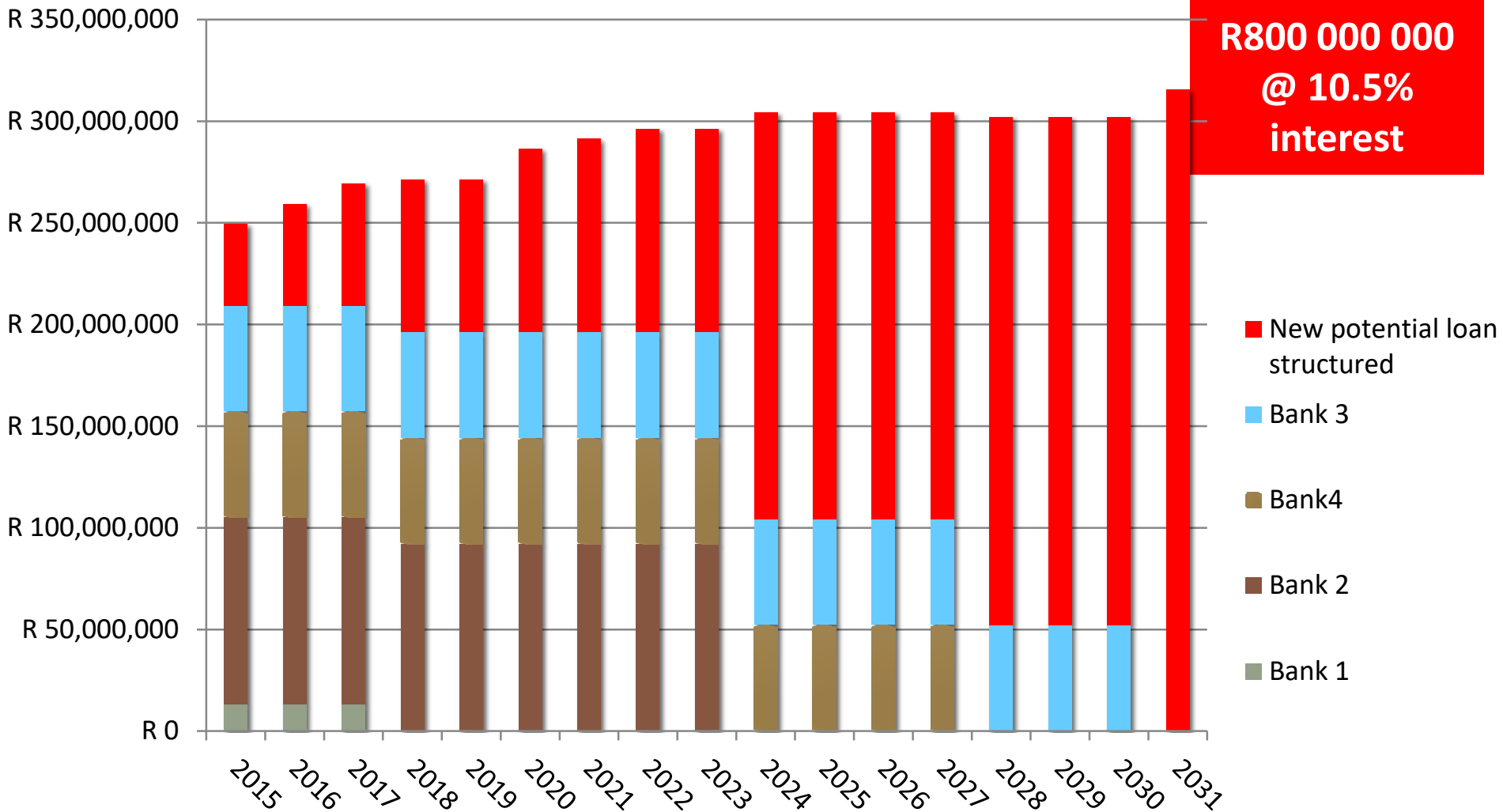
**New loan  
R800 000 000  
@ 10.5%  
interest**



# Same amount, term and interest rate

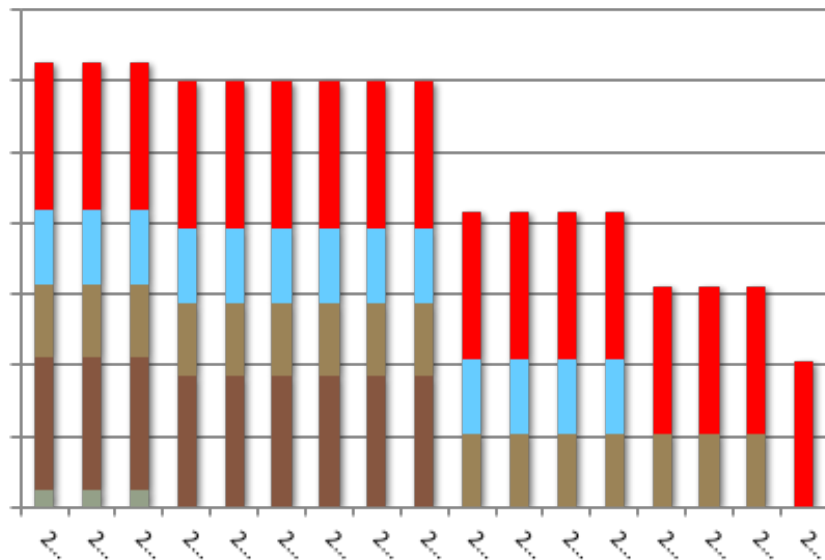
## Custom debt structure

**A new loan of  
R800 000 000  
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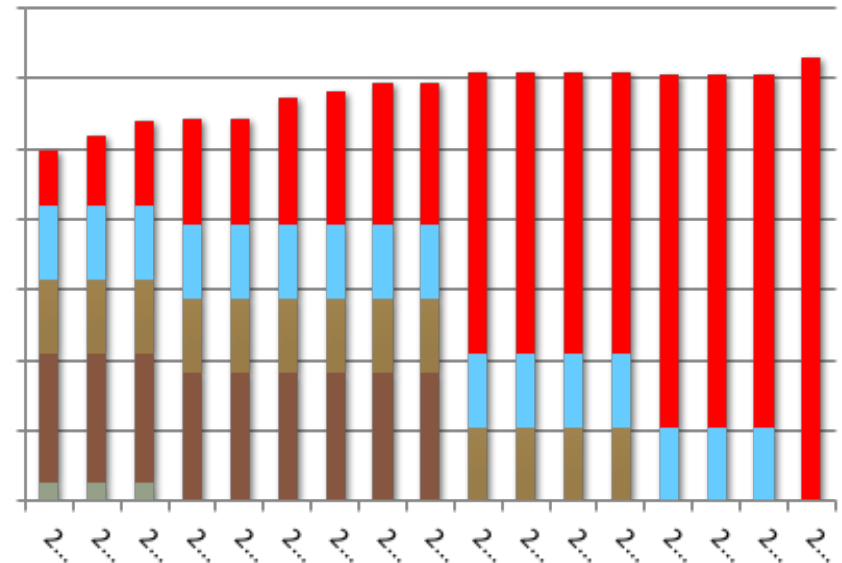


# Which do you prefer, why?

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New loan level



New loan custom

# Borrowing wisely

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- Knowledge is power
- Lenders have knowledge advantage
- Municipalities must be smart