

Question 5 (c)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+6}} = 0$$

$$1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+6}}$$

$$2\sqrt{x+6} = 1 \leftarrow \text{Square both sides.}$$

$$4(x+6) = 1$$

$$4x + 24 = 1$$

$$4x = -23$$

$$x = -\frac{23}{4}$$

$$x = -\frac{23}{4}; y = x - \sqrt{x+6} = -\frac{23}{4} - \sqrt{-\frac{23}{4} + 6} = -\frac{23}{4} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = -\frac{23}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{25}{4}$$

Turning point $(-\frac{23}{4}, -\frac{25}{4})$

FIND TURNING POINTS (LOCAL MAXIMUM/MINIMUM)

Put $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ and solve for x

MARKING SCHEME NOTES

Question 5 (c) [Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)]

4: • Differentiation equals 0

8: • Finds x value

Note 1: A linear equation from $f'(x)$ gets low partial at most

Note 2: Must put $f'(x) = 0$ in (c) to get any marks

Note 3: $f'(x)$ only and $f''(x)$ only: no credit

QUESTION 6 (25 MARKS)

Question 6 (a)

(i) **Bank A:** Monthly interest rate $r_M = 0.35\% \Rightarrow i_M = 0.0035$

$(1 + i_M)^{12} = (1 + i_A)$, where i_A is the annual interest rate

$$(1 + 0.0035)^{12} = (1 + i_A)$$

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$$1.042818 = 1 + i_A$$

$$i_A = 0.042818$$

\therefore Annual percentage rate (APR) $r_A = 4.28\%$ [Given to 3 significant figures]

(ii) **Bank B:** Annual interest rate $r_A = 4.5\% \Rightarrow i_A = 0.045$

Monthly interest rate: $i_M = ?$, $r_M = ?$

$$(1 + i_M)^{12} = (1 + 0.045)$$

$$(1 + i_M)^{12} = (1.045)$$

$$i_M = 1.045^{1/12} - 1 = 0.0036748$$

$\therefore r_M = 0.367\%$ [Given to 3 significant figures]

MARKING SCHEME NOTES

Question 6 (a) (i) (ii) [Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)]

- 4: • Correct formula in either part
 • Correct substitution in incorrect formula

8: • Any one section correct

Note: Rate as 0.367% or 0.00367 gets High Partial.

Question 6 (b)

FORMULAE AND TABLES BOOK

Financial mathematics: Amortisation - mortgages and loans
 (equal repayments at equal intervals) [page 31]

$$A = P \frac{i(1+i)^t}{(1+i)^t - 1}$$

t = Time period (in years)

i = (Annual) rate of interest expressed as a decimal

A = (Annual) repayment amount

P = Principal

NOTE: The time period can be months or weeks instead of years provided the interest rate is given for that time period.

METHOD 1: Use the amortisation formula

Time period: Months

$$r_M = 0.35\% \Rightarrow i_M = 0.0035$$

$$t = 10 \times 12 = 120 \text{ months}$$

$$P = \text{€}80\,000$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= P \frac{i(1+i)^t}{(1+i)^t - 1} \\ &= 80\,000 \frac{0.0035(1.0035)^{120}}{(1.0035)^{120} - 1} \\ &= \text{€}817.59 \approx \text{€}818 \end{aligned}$$

METHOD 2: Use a geometric series

$$\frac{A}{1.0035} + \frac{A}{1.0035^2} + \dots + \frac{A}{1.0035^{120}} = 80\,000$$

$$A \left[\frac{1}{1.0035} + \frac{1}{1.0035^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{1.0035^{120}} \right] = 80\,000$$

$$A \left[\frac{\frac{1}{1.0035} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.0035} \right)^{120} \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{1.0035}} \right] = 80\,000$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{80\,000 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1.0035} \right)}{\frac{1}{1.0035} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.0035} \right)^{120} \right)} = \text{€}817.59 \approx \text{€}818$$

FORMULAE AND TABLES BOOK
Sequences and series:
Geometric series [page 22]

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$