

SOLUTIONS

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Section Two:  
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Section Two: Calculator-assumed	13	13	100	98	65
Total					100

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Supplementary page

Question number: \_\_\_\_\_

This section has **thirteen (13)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Working time: 100 minutes.

(6 marks)

The graph of  $y = f(x)$ , where  $f(x) = 4 \log_e(x - a)$ , has a root at  $x = 4$ .

(a) Determine the value of the constant  $a$  and hence state the equation of the asymptote of the graph. (2 marks)

<b>Solution</b>	
$x - a = 1 \Rightarrow a = 4 - 1 = 3$	
Asymptote is $x = 3$ .	
<b>Specific behaviours</b>	
✓ determines value of $a$	✓ equation of asymptote

(b) Determine the exact coordinates of the point on the graph where  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{4}$ . (3 marks)

<b>Solution</b>	
$f'(x) = \frac{4}{x - 3}$	
$\frac{4}{1} = \frac{x - 3}{4} \Rightarrow x = 19$	
$y = 4 \ln(19 - 3) = 4 \ln 16 = 4 \ln 2^4 = 16 \ln 2$	
At $(19, 16 \ln 2)$ .	
<b>Specific behaviours</b>	
✓ indicates $f'(x)$	✓ solves for $x$
✓ exact coordinates	

(c) The graph of  $y = f(x)$  is congruent with the graph of  $y = \log_e g(x)$ . State a suitable function  $g(x)$ . (1 mark)

<b>Solution</b>	
$g(x) = (x - 3)^4$	
<b>Specific behaviours</b>	
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Question 10

(6 marks)

A machine is set to fill bottles with more than the stated capacity. The random variable  $X$  mL is the amount it overfills bottles and has probability density function  $f(x)$  shown below.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3\sqrt{2x-2}}{8} & 1 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Determine  $E(X)$ .
- (2 marks)

Solution
$\int_1^3 x \cdot f(x) \, dx = \frac{11}{5} = 2.2 \text{ mL}$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct integral ✓ correct mean

- (b) Determine  $\text{Var}(X)$ .
- (2 marks)

Solution
$\int_1^3 \left(x - \frac{11}{5}\right)^2 \cdot f(x) \, dx = \frac{48}{175} \approx 0.2743 \text{ mL}^2$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct integral ✓ correct variance

- (c) The amount another machine overfills bottles is given by  $Y = 2 + 0.5X$ . Determine

- (i)  $E(Y)$ .
- (1 mark)

Solution
$2 + 0.5\left(\frac{11}{5}\right) = \frac{31}{10} = 3.1 \text{ mL}$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct mean

- (ii)  $\text{Var}(Y)$ .
- (1 mark)

Solution
$(0.5)^2 \times \frac{48}{175} = \frac{12}{175} \approx 0.0686 \text{ mL}^2$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct variance

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- (c) Interpret the value of  $a$  and the value of  $b$  in the context of this model.
- (2 marks)

Solution
$a = 10\,000$ represents the initial population
$b \approx 1.013$ is the growth constant - the population is growing by approximately 1.3% per year.
Specific behaviours
✓ interpretation for $a$ ✓ interpretation for $b$ that includes annual growth rate

- (d) Use the model to determine

- (i) the population when  $t = 45$ .
- (1 mark)

Solution
$P = 10000(1.013)^{55} \approx 17\,900$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct value

- (ii) the number of years for the population to reach 75 000.
- (1 mark)

Solution
$75000 = 10000(1.013)^t$
$t \approx 156 \text{ years}$
Specific behaviours
✓ number of years

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Question 11 (6 marks)

A water tank sprung a leak. The amount of water  $W$  remaining in the tank  $t$  minutes after the leak began can be modelled by the equation  $W = 30e^{-kt}$  kilolitres, where  $k$  is a constant.

3.5 kL of water was lost from the tank in the first 10 minutes.

(a) Determine the value of  $k$ . (2 marks)

Solution	
$30 - 3.5 = 30e^{-10k}$	
$k = 0.0124$	
Specific behaviours	
✓ substitutes values into equation	✓ solves for $k$

(b) How many kilolitres of water leaked from the tank during the first 2 hours? (2 marks)

Solution	
$W(120) = 30e^{-0.0124(120)}$ $= 6.77$ $30 - 6.77 = 23.23$ kL leaked.	
Specific behaviours	
✓ amount remaining	✓ amount leaked

(c) At what time, to the nearest minute, was the instantaneous rate of water loss 186 litres per minute? (2 marks)

Solution	
$\frac{dW}{dt} = -0.0124W$ $W = 15$ $15 = 30e^{-0.0124t}$ $t = 55.9 \approx 56$ minutes	
Specific behaviours	
✓ calculates amount of water	✓ solves for $t$

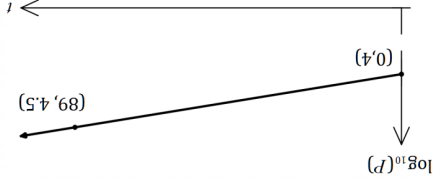
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Question 21 (9 marks)

The population of a species  $P$  can be modelled by the equation  $P = ab^t$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants and  $t$  is the number of years since the population was first recorded. The graph below shows the linear relationship between  $t$  and  $\log_{10} P$  for the population over the past 90 years and passes through the points  $(0, 4)$  and  $(89, 4.5)$ .



(a) Write an equation relating  $\log_{10} P$  and  $t$ . (2 marks)

Solution	
$\frac{4.5 - 4}{89 - 0} = \frac{1}{178}$ $\log_{10} P = \frac{1}{178}t + 4$	
Specific behaviours	
✓ gradient	✓ equation

(b) Determine the value of  $a$  and the value of  $b$ . (3 marks)

Solution	
$P = ab^t \Rightarrow \log_{10} P = \log_{10} a + t \log b$ $\log_{10} a = 4 \Rightarrow a = 10^4 = 10\,000$ $\log_{10} b = \frac{1}{178} \Rightarrow b = 10^{\left(\frac{1}{178}\right)} \approx 1.013$	
Specific behaviours	
✓ forms log equation	✓ value of $a$ ✓ value of $b$

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## Question 12

(6 marks)

An opinion poll found that 160 out of 386 people supported a policy to increase the minimum wage, from which a 95% approximate confidence interval for the population proportion was calculated to be

(0.366, 0.464)

- (a) Show how this interval was calculated.

(4 marks)

Solution
$\hat{p} = \frac{160}{386} \approx 0.4145$
$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{(0.4145)(1 - 0.4145)}{386}} \approx 0.0251$
$z_{0.95} \approx 1.96$
$E = 1.96 \times 0.0251 \approx 0.0491$
$0.4145 \pm 0.0491 = (0.3654, 0.4636) \approx (0.366, 0.464)$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates proportion</li> <li>✓ indicates standard deviation</li> <li>✓ uses z-score for 95% to determine margin of error</li> <li>✓ uses margin of error to obtain interval</li> </ul>

- (b) If 15 similar opinion polls were taken and each time a 95% confidence interval calculated, determine the probability that all 15 intervals contain the true population proportion.

(2 marks)

Solution
Let the rv $X$ be the # of intervals containing the true proportion, then $X \sim B(15, 0.95)$
$P(X = 15) = 0.4633$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates distribution with parameters</li> <li>✓ correct probability</li> </ul>

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## Question 20

(9 marks)

Researchers in a large city wish to determine a 90% confidence interval for  $p$ , the proportion of citizens who had used the city library at least once during the previous year. The margin of error of the interval is to be no more than 5%.

- (a) If the researchers had no reliable estimate for  $p$ , determine the sample size they should take, noting **all** assumptions made. (5 marks)

Solution
$z_{90\%} = 1.645, \quad E = 0.05, \quad p = 0.5$
$n = \frac{1.645^2(0.5)(0.5)}{0.05^2} = 271$
Assumed that:
1. $p = 0.5$ for conservative estimate.
2. Sample will be a simple random sample of citizens.
3. Sample is large enough so that the sampling distribution is close approximation to a normal distribution.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ uses correct parameters</li> <li>✓ calculates sample size</li> <li>✓ notes assumed value for <math>p</math></li> <li>✓ notes need for a random sample</li> <li>✓ notes need for large enough sample</li> </ul>

- (b) The researchers were given access to data from a random sample of 159 citizens collected a few years earlier. Of these, 59 had used the city library at least once during the previous year.

- (i) Determine the margin of error for a 90% confidence interval for  $p$  based on this sample. (2 marks)

Solution
$z_{90\%} = 1.645, \quad n = 159, \quad \hat{p} = 59 \div 159 = 0.371$
$E = 1.645 \sqrt{\frac{0.371(1 - 0.371)}{159}} = 0.063$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ uses correct parameters</li> <li>✓ calculates margin of error</li> </ul>

- (ii) The researchers used this data to decrease the sample size calculated in part (a). By how much did the sample size decrease? (2 marks)

Solution
$n = \frac{1.645^2(0.371)(1 - 0.371)}{0.05^2} = 253$
Decrease is $271 - 253 = 18$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ new sample size</li> <li>✓ decrease</li> </ul>

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Question 19 (9 marks)

A particle moves along the x-axis with initial position  $x(0) = 3.2$  m and velocity  $v(0) = 1.2$  m/s.

The acceleration of the particle after  $t$  seconds is given by  $a(t) = m - 0.2t$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.

Between  $t = 1$  and  $t = 4$  the particle undergoes a change in displacement of 51 m.

- (a) Determine the value of the constant  $m$ . (4 marks)

<b>Solution</b>
$v(t) = \int a(t) dt = mt - 0.1t^2 + 1.2$ $\Delta x = \int_1^4 v(t) dt = 7.5m + 1.5$ $7.5m + 1.5 = 51 \Rightarrow m = 6.6$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ expression for velocity ✓ expression for $\Delta x$ ✓ evaluates $\Delta x$ ✓ correct value

- (b) Determine

- (i) the maximum velocity of the particle. (2 marks)

<b>Solution</b>
$a(t) = 0 \Rightarrow 6.6 - 0.2t = 0 \Rightarrow t = 33$ $v(33) = 6.6(33) - 0.1(33)^2 + 1.2 = 110.1 \text{ m/s}$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ solves $a = 0$ for $t$ ✓ correct velocity

- (iii) the distance of the particle from the origin after 6 seconds. (3 marks)

<b>Solution</b>
$\Delta x = \int_0^6 v(t) dt = 118.8$ $x(6) = 118.8 + 3.2 = 122 \text{ m}$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ indicates method ✓ change in displacement ✓ correct distance

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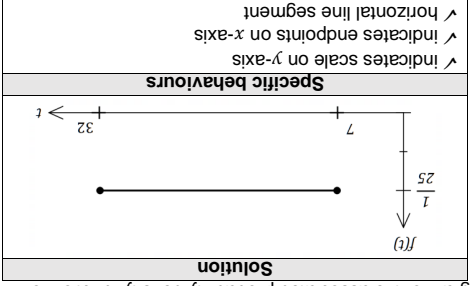
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Question 13 (9 marks)

The time taken to answer a customer call at a large business can be modelled by the continuous random variable  $T$  that is uniformly distributed between 7 and 32 seconds.

- (a) Sketch a diagram of the associated probability density function for  $T$ . (3 marks)



- (b)

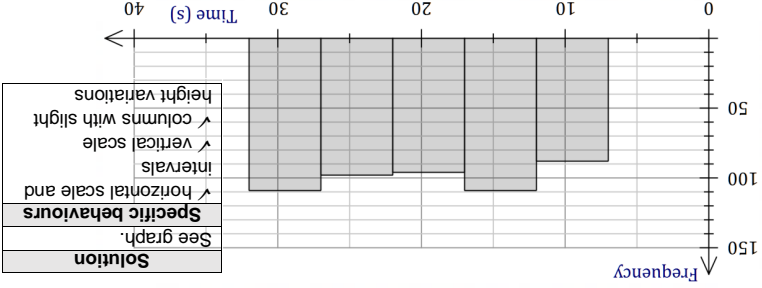
Determine  $P(T > 23 | T < 28)$ . (2 marks)

<b>Solution</b>
$P(23 < T < 28) = \frac{28 - 23}{5}$ $P(T < 28) = \frac{28 - 7}{5}$ $P = \frac{P(23 < T < 28)}{P(T < 28)} = \frac{28 - 7}{28 - 23} = \frac{21}{5}$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ indicates correct method ✓ correct probability

- (c)

A simulation involves taking a random sample from the uniform distribution, recording the time and repeating a total of 500 times. The times are then grouped into 5 equal width classes, from which a frequency histogram is constructed.

- (i) Sketch a likely histogram on the axes below. (3 marks)



- (ii)

Briefly explain how your sketch would change if the simulation was repeated a second time. (1 mark)

<b>Solution</b>
Would expect about the same again, but with slightly different frequencies in each class.
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ reasonable explanation

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## Question 14

(8 marks)

The table below shows the probability distribution for a random variable  $X$ .

$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$2k^2 + 2k$	$k^2$	$2k^2 + k$	$k$

- (a) Determine the value of the constant  $k$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$2k^2 + 2k + k^2 + 2k^2 + k + k = 1$ $5k^2 + 4k - 1 = 0$ $(5k - 1)(k + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{5}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ sums probabilities to 1</li> <li>✓ solves equation for <math>k</math></li> </ul>

- (b) Determine  $E(X)$  and  $\text{Var}(X)$ .

(3 marks)

Solution
$P(X = 0) = \frac{12}{25}, \quad P(X = 1) = \frac{1}{25}, \quad P(X = 2) = \frac{7}{25}, \quad P(X = 3) = \frac{5}{25},$ $E(X) = \frac{6}{5} = 1.2, \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{38}{25} = 1.52$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ evaluates probabilities</li> <li>✓ correct mean</li> <li>✓ correct variance</li> </ul>

- (c) Given that  $E(aX + b) = 5$  and  $\text{Var}(aX + b) = 38$ , determine all possible values of the constants  $a$  and  $b$ .

(3 marks)

Solution
Using variance: $\frac{38}{25} \times a^2 = 38 \Rightarrow a = \pm 5$
Using mean: $5\left(\frac{6}{5}\right) + b = 5 \Rightarrow b = -1$ or $-5\left(\frac{6}{5}\right) + b = 5 \Rightarrow b = 11$
$\{a = 5, b = -1\}$ or $\{a = -5, b = 11\}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ one value for <math>a</math></li> <li>✓ one value for <math>b</math></li> <li>✓ all possible solutions</li> </ul>

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## Question 18

(7 marks)

A citrus farm grows Eureka lemons. Their weights are normally distributed with a mean of 172 g and a standard deviation of 8.6 g.

- (a) Determine the probability that

- (i) a randomly chosen lemon has a weight that exceeds 175 g. (1 mark)

Solution
$P(W > 175) = 0.3636$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct probability

- (ii) in a random sample of 12 lemons, exactly 4 have a weight that exceeds 175 g. (2 marks)

Solution
$X \sim B(12, 0.3636)$ $P(X = 4) = 0.2328$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates distribution with parameters</li> <li>✓ correct probability</li> </ul>

The farm classifies their lemons by size, so that the ratio of the number of small to medium to large lemons is 1 : 2 : 4.

- (b) Determine the upper and lower bounds for the weight of a medium sized lemon. (2 marks)

Solution
$P(W < l) = \frac{1}{7} \Rightarrow l = 162.8 \text{ g}$ $P(W < u) = \frac{3}{7} \Rightarrow u = 170.5 \text{ g}$ Hence $162.8 \leq w \leq 170.5 \text{ g}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates correct method</li> <li>✓ correct bounds</li> </ul>

- (c) Determine the probability that when lemons are picked at random, the first small lemon is chosen on the 5<sup>th</sup> pick. (2 marks)

Solution
$P = \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{1296}{16807} \approx 0.0771$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ indicates correct method</li> <li>✓ correct probability</li> </ul>

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Question 15 (8 marks)

It is known that 80% of a large population of animals carry microfilariae in their blood (are carriers). A student must simulate selecting animals that either are or are not carriers.

- (a) Describe a method that the student could use. (2 marks)

Solution
Examples Use 5-sided spinner marked 1-5: 1-4 is carrier, 5 is not carrier. Use dice: 1-4 is carrier, 5 is not carrier, 6 ignore. Use random number generator, balls in hat, etc, etc.
Specific behaviours
✓ describes method ✓ indicates how long-term success of 80% is achieved

- (b) The random variable  $X$  is the number of animals in a random sample of size 200 that are carriers. Describe the distribution of  $X$  and determine  $E(X)$ . (2 marks)

Solution
$X \sim B(200, 0.8)$ $E(X) = 200 \times 0.8 = 160$
Specific behaviours
✓ distribution with parameters ✓ expected value

225 students carry out the simulation so that they each have a sample of size 200. Then each student calculates  $\hat{p}$ , the proportion of animals in their sample that are carriers. The distribution of these 225 values of  $\hat{p}$  will be approximately normal.

- (c) Determine the parameters of the normal distribution the 225 values of  $\hat{p}$  will approximate. (2 marks)

Solution
$\mu = 0.8$ $\sigma^2 = \frac{0.8(1 - 0.8)}{1} = \frac{200}{1250} = 0.0008 \text{ } (\sigma \approx 0.0283)$
Specific behaviours
✓ mean ✓ variance (or sd)

- (d) Briefly describe how the closeness of the normal approximation would change if (1 mark)

Solution
Becomes closer. ( $np(1 - p)$ increases)
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates closer

- (ii) the percentage of animals that are carriers was higher. (1 mark)

Solution
Becomes less close. ( $np(1 - p)$ decreases as $p$ moves away from 0.5)
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates less close

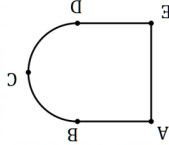
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Question 17 (7 marks)

When seen from above, an evaporation tank of area  $320 \text{ m}^2$  has the shape of rectangle  $ABDE$  and semicircle  $BCD$  of radius  $r$ .



- (a) If length  $AB = x$ , express  $x$  in terms of  $r$  and hence show that the perimeter,  $P \text{ m}$ , of the tank is given by (3 marks)

$$P = \frac{320}{r} + 2r + \frac{r}{2}$$

Solution
$A = 320 = 2rx + \frac{\pi r^2}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{r}{2} - \frac{r}{4}$ $P = \pi r + 2r + 2x$ $= \pi r + 2r + 2\left(\frac{160}{\pi r} - \frac{r}{4}\right)$ $= \frac{320}{r} + 2r + \frac{r}{2}$
Specific behaviours
✓ expression for area ✓ transposes for $x$ ✓ substitutes into expression for perimeter

- (b) Use a calculus method to determine the minimum perimeter of the tank. (4 marks)

Solution
$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{320}{r^2} + 2 + \frac{r}{2}$ $\frac{dP}{dr} = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 = \frac{640}{4 + \pi} \Rightarrow r = \frac{8\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{\pi + 4}} (\approx 9.467)$ $P_{MIN} = 8\sqrt{10\pi + 40} \text{ m } (\approx 67.6 \text{ m})$
Specific behaviours
✓ computes first derivative ✓ solves equal to zero ✓ chooses positive root ✓ correct minimum perimeter

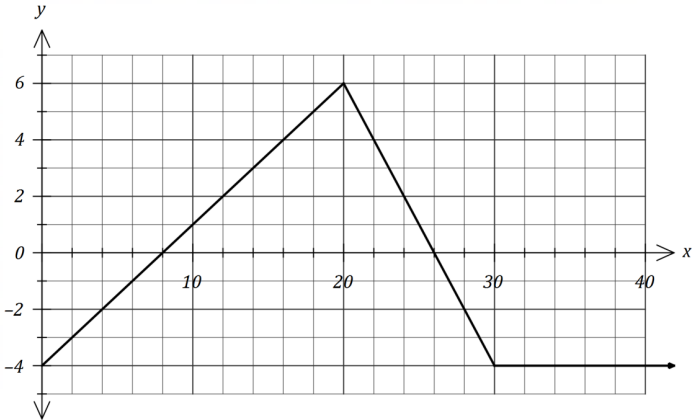
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Question 16

(8 marks)

The graph of  $y = f(x)$  is shown below.



- (a) Determine  $\int_4^{14} f(x) \, dx$ .
- (2 marks)

Solution
$\frac{1}{2}(6)(3) + \frac{1}{2}(4)(-2) = 9 - 4 = 5$
Specific behaviours
✓ uses difference of areas ✓ correct value

Let  $A(x) = \int_0^x f(t) \, dt$ .

- (b) Determine
- (i)  $A(8)$ .
- (1 mark)

Solution
$\frac{1}{2}(8)(-4) = -16$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct value

- (ii)  $A'(8)$ .
- (1 mark)

Solution
$A'(8) = f(8) = 0$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct value

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- (c) Determine the coordinates of the maximum of the graph of  $y = A(x)$ .
- (2 marks)

Solution
Maximum at $x = 26$ .
$A(26) = \frac{1}{2}(18)(6) - 16 = 54 - 16 = 38$ .
At $(26, 38)$ .
Specific behaviours
✓ x-coordinate ✓ correct coordinates

- (d) Determine the root of the graph of  $y = A(x)$  for  $x > 16$ .
- (2 marks)

Solution
$A(k) = 0$
$38 + \frac{1}{2}(4)(-4) + (k - 30)(-4) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 37.5$
Root when $x = 37.5$ .
Specific behaviours
✓ one root ✓ both roots

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