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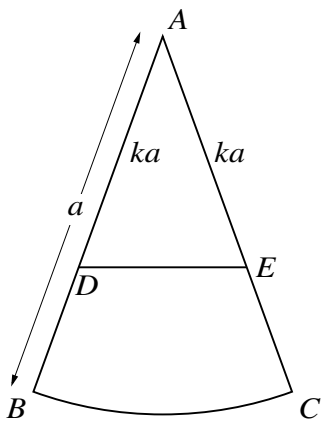

The diagram shows a sector ABC which is part of a circle of radius a. The points D and E lie on AB and AC respectively and are such that $AD = AE = ka$, where $k < 1$. The line DE divides the sector into two regions which are equal in area.

(a) For the case where angle $BAC = \frac{1}{6}\pi$ radians, find k correct to 4 significant figures. [5]

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(b) For the general case in which angle $BAC = \theta$ radians, where $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$, it is given that $\dfrac{\theta}{\sin\theta} > 1$.

Find the set of possible values of k. [3]