

A farmer grows a particular type of fruit tree. On average, the mass of fruit produced per tree has been 6.2 kg. He has developed a new kind of soil and claims that the mean mass of fruit produced per tree when growing in this new soil has increased. A random sample of 10 trees grown in the new soil is chosen. The masses, x kg, of fruit produced are summarised as follows.

$$\Sigma x = 72.0 \quad \Sigma x^2 = 542.0$$

Test at the 5% significance level whether the farmer's claim is justified, assuming a normal distribution.

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