

Set three solutions of (\*) as  $x_1, x_2$  and  $x_3$ , then,

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3\sqrt{3}$$

Therefore, if we set the center of gravity of the equilateral triangle as  $A(\alpha)$  then,

$$\alpha = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3} = \sqrt{3}$$

Here, if we translate the triangle so that  $\alpha$  comes to  $O(0)$ , three vertices of the triangle are

$$y_1 = x_1 - \sqrt{3}, y_2 = x_2 - \sqrt{3}, y_3 = x_3 - \sqrt{3}$$

Therefore,

$$x_1 = y_1 + \sqrt{3}, x_2 = y_2 + \sqrt{3}, x_3 = y_3 + \sqrt{3}$$

In accordance with that,  $y_1 + \sqrt{3}, y_2 + \sqrt{3}, y_3 + \sqrt{3}$  are three solutions of (\*), then the equation which has solutions of  $y_1, y_2$  and  $y_3$  is,

$$\begin{aligned} (y + \sqrt{3})^3 - 3\sqrt{3}(y + \sqrt{3})^2 + a(y + \sqrt{3}) - 6\sqrt{3} &= 0 \\ \iff y^3 + (a - 9)y + (a - 12)\sqrt{3} &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$\{y_1, y_2, y_3\}$  forms an equilateral triangle whose center of gravity is  $O(0)$ . Therefore  $\textcircled{1}$  must be the equation such that  $y^3 = k$  ( $k$  is a real constant). Then,

$$a - 9 = 0 \quad \therefore a = 9 \quad \dots \text{ans.}$$

Substitute it to  $\textcircled{1}$ .

$$y^3 = 3\sqrt{3} \iff y = \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}\omega, \sqrt{3}\omega^2$$

Therefore, the solutions of (\*) are.

$$2\sqrt{3}, \frac{\sqrt{3} \pm 3i}{2} \quad \dots \text{ans.}$$

