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Subtract the tens
$$80$$
 $- 30$ $= 50$

Subtract the ones
$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ - \end{bmatrix}$$
 - $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ = \end{bmatrix}$ = $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ \end{bmatrix}$

Add the totals (red boxes)
$$50 + 3 = 53$$



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