

$x^{16} + x^8 + 1$ を実数係数の範囲で因数分解せよ。

(解答)

$$x^{16} + x^8 + 1 = x^{16} + 2x^8 + 1 - x^8 = (x^8 + 1)^2 - (x^4)^2 = (x^8 + x^4 + 1)(x^8 - x^4 + 1)$$

$$x^8 + x^4 + 1 = x^8 + 2x^4 + 1 - x^4 = (x^4 + 1)^2 - (x^2)^2 = (x^4 + x^2 + 1)(x^4 - x^2 + 1)$$

$$x^8 - x^4 + 1 = x^8 + 2x^4 + 1 - 3x^4 = (x^4 + 1)^2 - (\sqrt{3}x^2)^2 = (x^4 + \sqrt{3}x^2 + 1)(x^4 - \sqrt{3}x^2 + 1)$$

$$x^4 + x^2 + 1 = x^4 + 2x^2 + 1 - x^2 = (x^2 + 1)^2 - x^2 = (x^2 + x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1)$$

$$x^4 - x^2 + 1 = x^4 + 2x^2 + 1 - 3x^2 = (x^2 + 1)^2 - (\sqrt{3}x)^2 = (x^2 + \sqrt{3}x + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{3}x + 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^4 + \sqrt{3}x^2 + 1 &= x^4 + 2x^2 + 1 - (2 - \sqrt{3})x^2 = (x^2 + 1)^2 - (\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}}x)^2 \\ &= (x^2 + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}}x + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}}x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^4 - \sqrt{3}x^2 + 1 &= x^4 + 2x^2 + 1 - (2 + \sqrt{3})x^2 = (x^2 + 1)^2 - (\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}x)^2 \\ &= (x^2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}x + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

ここで、

$$x^2 \pm x + 1 = \left(x \pm \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4} > 0$$

$$x^2 \pm \sqrt{3}x + 1 = \left(x \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} > 0$$

$$x^2 \pm \sqrt{2 \pm \sqrt{3}}x + 1 = \left(x \pm \frac{\sqrt{2 \pm \sqrt{3}}}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{2 \mp \sqrt{3}}{4} > 0$$

より実数係数の範囲でこれ以上因数分解することができないので、

$$x^{16} + x^8 + 1$$

$$= (x^2 + x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1)(x^2 + \sqrt{3}x + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{3}x + 1)$$

$$\times (x^2 + \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}}x + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}}x + 1)(x^2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}x + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}x + 1)$$