

$$a_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^2}{k^8 + k^4 + 1} \quad (n=1,2,3,\dots) \text{ とする。}$$

(1) a_n ($n \geq 1$) を求めよ。

(2) $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n ka_k$ とするとき、 S_n ($n \geq 1$) を求めよ。

(解答)

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \frac{k^2}{k^8 + k^4 + 1} &= \frac{k^2}{k^8 + 2k^4 + 1 - k^4} = \frac{k^2}{(k^4 + 1)^2 - k^4} = \frac{k^2}{(k^4 + k^2 + 1)(k^4 - k^2 + 1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{k^4 - k^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{k^4 + k^2 + 1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{k^2(k^2 - 1) + 1} - \frac{1}{(k^2 + 1)k^2 + 1} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

より、

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{k^2(k^2 - 1) + 1} - \frac{1}{(k^2 + 1)k^2 + 1} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{1^2(1^2 - 1) + 1} - \frac{1}{(n^2 + 1)n^2 + 1} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^4 + n^2 + 1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n ka_k = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^4 + k^2 + 1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n k - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{k^4 + k^2 + 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{k}{k^4 + k^2 + 1} &= \frac{k}{k^4 + 2k^2 + 1 - k^2} = \frac{k}{(k^2 + 1)^2 - k^2} = \frac{k}{(k^2 + k + 1)(k^2 - k + 1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{k^2 - k + 1} - \frac{1}{k^2 + k + 1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{k(k-1) + 1} - \frac{1}{(k+1)k + 1} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{k(k-1) + 1} - \frac{1}{(k+1)k + 1} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{1(1-1) + 1} - \frac{1}{(n+1)n + 1} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2 + n + 1} \right)$$

よって、

$$S_n = \frac{n(n+1)}{4} - \frac{1}{4(n^2 + n + 1)} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{n^2 + n + 1}{4} - \frac{1}{4(n^2 + n + 1)}$$