

$$(1) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2^k(1-k)}{k(k+1)} \quad (2) \sum_{k=1}^n k! \cdot k \quad (3) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{(k+1)!}$$

解答

(1)  $\frac{1-k}{k(k+1)} = \frac{1}{k} - \frac{2}{k+1}$  に着目して,  $\frac{2^k(1-k)}{k(k+1)} = \frac{2^k}{k} - \frac{2^{k+1}}{k+1}$

これより,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2^k(1-k)}{k(k+1)} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \frac{2^k}{k} - \frac{2^{k+1}}{k+1} \right) \\ &= \left\{ \left( \frac{2}{1} - \frac{2^2}{2} \right) + \left( \frac{2^2}{2} - \frac{2^3}{3} \right) + \cdots + \left( \frac{2^n}{n} - \frac{2^{n+1}}{n+1} \right) \right\} \\ &= 2 - \frac{2^{n+1}}{n+1} \quad \dots \text{(答)} \end{aligned}$$

(2)  $k! \cdot k = k! \cdot \{(k+1) - 1\} = (k+1)! - k!$

これより,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n k! \cdot k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \{(k+1)! - k!\} \\ &= \{(2! - 1!) + (3! - 2!) + \cdots + ((n+1)! - n!)\} \\ &= (n+1)! - 1 \quad \dots \text{(答)} \end{aligned}$$

(3)  $\frac{k}{(k+1)!} = \frac{(k+1) - 1}{(k+1)!} = \frac{1}{k!} - \frac{1}{(k+1)!}$

これより,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{(k+1)!} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{k!} - \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{1!} - \frac{1}{2!} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} \right) + \cdots + \left( \frac{1}{n!} - \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \right) \right\} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \quad \dots \text{(答)} \end{aligned}$$