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We know that if $P(z)$ and $Q(z)$ are polys and

1) $\deg(Q(z)) \geq \deg(P(z)) + 2$ ✓

2) $Q(z)$ has no zeroes on \mathbb{R} ✓

then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} dx = 2\pi i \sum_{a \in S} \text{Res}_a \frac{P}{Q}$$

↑
zeroes of Q in UHP.

$$x^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm i$$

$$x^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2i$$

$$\text{Let } Q(z) = (z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 4)$$

$$Q'(z) = (z^2 + 1)(2z) + (z^2 + 4)(2z)$$

$$Q'(i) = (-1 + 4)(2i) = 6i$$

$$Q'(2i) = (-4 + 1)(4i) = -12i$$

∴ Answer is

$$2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{6i} - \frac{1}{12i} \right)$$

$$= 2\pi \left(\frac{2-1}{12} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{6}$$