

Problem 1 P258. Butkov. (Distributions theory)

$f(z)$ is an arbitrary function, which is analytic on the upper half-plane

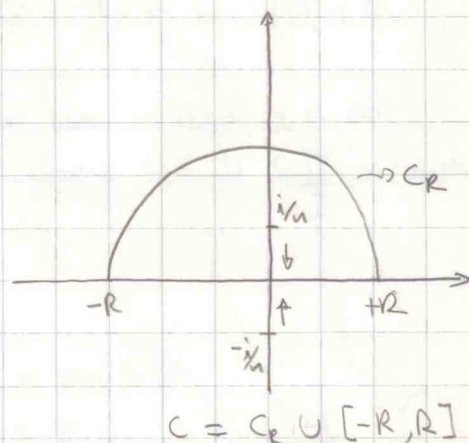
Show that:
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) f(x) dx = f(0)$$

where $\phi_n(x) = \frac{n}{\pi} \frac{1}{1 + n^2 x^2} = \frac{n}{\pi n^2 (x^2 + 1/n^2)} = \frac{1}{\pi n (x^2 + 1/n^2)}$

$$g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{\pi n (z^2 + 1/n^2)} = \frac{f(z)}{\pi n (z - i/n)(z + i/n)}$$

$$\int_C g(z) dz = \int_C \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{\pi n (z + i/n)} \right\} dz = \frac{2\pi i f(i/n)}{\pi n (2i/n)}$$

$$\int_C g(z) dz = f(i/n)$$



On assuming that $f(z)$ [$f(x)$, for that matter] is a test function, it should go to zero as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore, let's assume that $f(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow \infty$ or, to put it another way, $f(z)$ is a bounded function on C_R , regardless of the value of R .

$$|f(z)| \leq M \text{ on } C_R$$

$$\left| \int_{C_R} g(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{C_R} \frac{|f(z)|}{n\pi |z^2 + 1/n^2|} |dz| \leq \frac{M \cdot \pi R}{n\pi |1/n^2 - R^2|} \rightarrow \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R M}{R^2/1 - 1/n^2} = 0$$

$$|1/z^2 - 1/n^2| \leq |z^2 + 1/n^2| \leq |z^2| + 1/n^2$$

$$|R^2 - 1/n^2| \leq |z^2 + 1/n^2| \leq R^2 + 1/n^2$$

$$\frac{1}{|R^2 - 1/n^2|} \geq \frac{1}{|z^2 + 1/n^2|} \geq \frac{1}{R^2 + 1/n^2}$$

Hence, we have:
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) f(x) dx = \lim_{\substack{R \rightarrow \infty \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} \int_C g(z) dz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(i/n) = f(0)$$