Chapter 1

τ decays into hadrons

[Tsai1971]

$$R_{\tau} = 12\pi \int_{0}^{m_{\tau}} = \frac{ds}{m_{\tau}^{2}} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_{\tau}^{2}} \right) \left[\left(1 + 2\frac{s}{m_{\tau}^{2}} \right) \operatorname{Im} \Pi^{(T)}(s) + \operatorname{Im} \Pi^{(L)} \right]$$
(1.1)

Cauchy's Theorem

$$\int_{C} f(z) dz = 0 \tag{1.2}$$

$$\begin{split} \oint_{s=m_{\tau}} \Pi(s) &= \int_{0}^{m_{\tau}} \Pi(s+i\varepsilon) + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{2}} \Pi(s) \, ds + \int_{m_{\tau}}^{0} \Pi(s-i\varepsilon) \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{4}} \Pi(s) \, ds \\ &= \int_{0}^{m_{\tau}} \Pi(s+i\varepsilon) - \Pi(s-i\varepsilon) \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{2}} \Pi(s) \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{4}} \Pi(s) \, ds \\ &= \int_{0}^{m_{\tau}} \Pi(s+i\varepsilon) - \overline{\Pi(s+i\varepsilon)} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{2}} \Pi(s) \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{4}} \Pi(s) \, ds \end{split} \tag{1.3}$$

$$\overset{\lim \varepsilon \to 0}{=} 2i \int_{0}^{m_{\tau}} \operatorname{Im} \Pi(s) \, ds + \oint_{s=m_{\tau}} \Pi(s) \, ds$$

where $\Pi(z) = \overline{\Pi(\overline{z})}$, because $\Pi(s)$ is analytic and $\Pi(z) - \overline{\Pi(z)} = 2i \operatorname{Im} \Pi(z)$

$$\Pi(s-i) \tag{1.4}$$

$$\int_0^{m_\tau} \Pi(s) \, ds = \frac{i}{2} \oint_{s=m_\tau} \Pi(s) \, ds \tag{1.5}$$

$$R_{\tau} = 6\pi i \oint_{s=m_{\tau}} \frac{ds}{m_{\tau}^{2}} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_{\tau}^{2}} \right) \left[\left(1 + 2 \frac{s}{m_{\tau}^{2}} \right) \Pi^{(T)}(s) + \Pi^{(L)} \right]$$
 (1.6)