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Effects of Chiral Two-Body Currents on Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay Matrix Elements LONGJUN WANG, Univ of NC - Chapel Hill, NUCLEAR THEORY FOR DOUBLE-BETA DECAY AND FUNDAMENTAL SYMMETRIES COLLABORATION — Two-body currents in chiral effective field theory, including both one-pion-exchange and contact terms, are taken into account to correct the transition operator for neutrinoless double-beta decay. We compare the normal-ordering approximation with a more complete treatment of the many-body decay operator for the decay of ^{48}Ca , ^{76}Ge , and ^{82}Se , in various nuclear-structure models. We discuss whether two-body currents quench neutrinoless decay as much as its two-neutrino counterpart.

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