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Next-to-next-to-leading order Δ -full and Δ -less chiral effective field theory in harmonic oscillator basis AAINA BANSAL, RAGNER STROBERG, Department of Physics, University of Washington, Seattle WA, USA — We regulate chiral effective field theory (EFT) potentials up to next-to-next-toleading order (NNLO), with and without intermediate Δ -excitations, directly using momentum space discrete variable representation for finite harmonic oscillator basis. We extend the method, previously developed for pionless effective field theory, to include additional pion-exchange terms between two nucleons (NN) and threenucleons (3N) in chiral EFT. The key benefit of this approach is the ensured ultraviolet (UV) convergence without the need of starting from a large enough model space to capture the tail of conventionally employed momentum space regulators. We tailor the potentials to three different model spaces, N = 6, 8 and 10, with oscillator spacing tuned to obtain 450 MeV and 500 MeV UV cutoffs for each model space. The low-energy coefficients of the NN and 3N EFT interactions are adjusted to reproduce the low-energy NN phase shifts and the triton binding energy, respectively. We compute the ground state energies of nuclei with mass number A = 2,3and 4, as proof of principle calculations for this framework. Further, we compute the ground state of ¹⁶O and ⁴⁰Ca nuclei and study their infrared convergence with increasing many-body model space.

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