Nucleon self-energy including two-loop contributions

The nucleon self-energy is calculated in SU(2) covariant chiral perturbation theory to study the pion mass dependence of the nucleon mass up to chiral order $O(q^6)$, i.e., including two-loop diagrams.

The contributions of the diagrams are expressed by a small set of (scalar) master integrals, which are evaluated by means of the chiral expansion in d dimensions, using the strategy of regions to differentiate between the infrared singular and regular part.

The extended on-mass-shell renormalization scheme is applied, making the renormalized expressions consistent with the power counting.

In addition, the renormalization is discussed in the off-shell case, taking the nucleon mass in the chiral limit as renormalized nucleon mass.

For the final result not to rely on the chiral (1/m) expansion, the master integrals are computed numerically.

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