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The Λ^* N interaction and two-body bound state based on chiral dynamics

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The interaction of $\Lambda^* = \Lambda(1405)$ with a nucleon is studied from the viewpoint of chiral dynamics. We construct the coordinate space $\Lambda^* N$ potential in the meson-exchange picture, which serves as a fundamental ingredient for the study of the few-body nuclear systems with a Λ^* , the Λ^* -hypernuclei. The coupling constants concerning Λ^* are determined based on the chiral unitary model picture for the meson-baryon scattering where Λ^* is described as a superposition of two resonance poles. Solving the coupled-channel two-body $\Lambda^* N$ system, we find the higher energy $\Lambda^* N$ state develops an s-wave quasi-bound state slightly below the threshold in the total spin $S=0$ channel, which acquires a finite width through the coupling to the lower energy $\Lambda^* N$ channel. We show important roles of the \bar{K} exchange contribution to the $\Lambda^* N$ potential.

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