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Alternative Similarity Renormalization Group Generators in Nuclear Structure Calculations NUIOK DICAIRE, Univ of Ottawa, CONOR OMAND, University of British Columbia, PETR NAVRATIL, TRIUMF — The Similarity Renormalization Group (SRG) has been successfully applied to soften interactions for ab initio nuclear calculations. In almost all practical applications in nuclear physics, an SRG generator with the kinetic energy operator was used. With this choice, a fast convergence of many-body calculations can be achieved, but at the same time substantial three-body interactions are induced even if one starts from purely two-nucleon (NN) Hamiltonian. Three-nucleon (3N) interactions can be handled by modern many-body methods. However, it has been observed that when including initial chiral 3N forces in the Hamiltonian, the SRG transformations induce non-negligible four-nucleon interactions that cannot be currently included in calculations for technical reasons. Consequently, it is essential to investigate alternative SRG generators that might suppress the induction of many-body forces while at the same time might preserve the good convergence. We present different alternative generators with operators of block structure in the harmonic oscillator basis. In the no-core shell model calculations for <sup>3</sup>H, <sup>4</sup>He and <sup>6</sup>Li with chiral NN force, we demonstrate that they appear quite promising.

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