`MatchMaker`, Making one-loop matching simple

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Abstract

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PROGRAM SUMMARY

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Program title: `MatchMaker`
Programming language: `Python 2.7`, `FORM`, `QGRAF`, `Mathematica`
Computer: Platforms on which the used languages are available.
Operating systems: Operating systems on which the used languages are available.
Keywords: Effective field theory, One-loop matching.
CPC Library Classification:
External routines/libraries:
Nature of problem:
Solution method: Restrictions: `Mathematica` version 9 or higher. `Python 2.7`. `pip` for `Python 2.7`.
Unusual features: None.
Running time:

1. Introduction

The current version of `MatchMaker` performs the tree and one-loop level matching of new physics models to effective Lagrangians with the following restrictions. All particles in the effective field theory (EFT) have to be massless -a very relevant example is the Standard Model effective field theory (SMEFT)- and all models (the EFT and the new physics model, names full model hereafter) have to be encoded in a UFO model. Given its phenomenological relevance, the complete matching to the SMEFT is provided with the installation of `MatchMaker` and will be used as an example in this article.

The matching in `MatchMaker` is performed off-shell, requiring that all one-light-particle-irreducible (1lPI) Green functions agree in the full and effective theories. The precise matching is performed in three steps:

1. `MatchMaker` **model creation**. Using a UFO model as an input, a `MatchMaker` model is created via the command

   ```
   create_MM_model UFOmodel MMmodel
   ```

   where `MMmodel` is the name of the `MatchMaker` model in this particular example. A `MatchMaker` model consists of a `QGRAF` model plus all the relevant data (masses, couplings, Feynman rules, etc.) to compute the amplitudes. A full description of the structure of a `MatchMaker` model is given in Appendix XXX.
2. **Amplitude calculation**. The calculation of all the 1lPI amplitudes needed to perform the full matching is performed via the `MatchMaker` command `match_model MMmodel`. The process is as follows. Generic expressions for the 1lPI (with at least one heavy particle) Green functions are generated by `QGRAF` (at tree level for the EFT and both at tree and one-loop levels for the full theory). The resulting amplitudes are dressed by `MatchMaker` using the data in the `MatchMaker` model and fed to `FORM` for the actual calculation of the amplitudes. The manipulations performed by form are identical for tree and one-loop calculations and proceed as follows:
   - **Expansion in external momenta**. The integrand is expanded in a power series in the external moenta, up to the order corresponding to dimension-six operators. This is done by by iterating the following identity for the propagators

     $$\frac{1}{(k+p)^2-m^2} = \frac{1}{k^2-m^2}\left[1-\frac{p^2+2k\cdot p}{(k+p)^2-m^2}\right], \qquad (1)$$

     after which all external momenta appears as powers outside the momentum integration.

- **Tensor reduction**. Tensor reduction is performed by means of the following identities

$$k^{\mu_1}k^{\mu_2} = g^{\mu_1\mu_2}\frac{k^2}{D}, \tag{2}$$

$$k^{\mu_1}k^{\mu_2}k^{\mu_3}k^{\mu_4} = g^{\mu_1\mu_2\mu_3\mu_4}\frac{k^4}{D^2+2D}, \tag{3}$$

$$k^{\mu_1}\dots k^{\mu_6} = g^{\mu_1\cdots\mu_6}\frac{k^6}{D^3+6D^2+8D}, \tag{4}$$

$$k^{\mu_1}\dots k^{\mu_8} = g^{\mu_1\cdots\mu_8}\frac{k^8}{D^4+12D^3+44D^2+48D}, \tag{5}$$

  where $g^{\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$ is the totally symmetric combination of metric tensors.
- **Dirac algebra**. We have to describe in detail what we do here with traces, gamma 5, open lines, etc.
- **Partial fractioning**. The following identity is used to separate propagators with different masses

$$\frac{1}{(k^2-m_1^2)(k^2-m_2^2)} = \frac{1}{m_1^2-m_2^2}\left[\frac{1}{k^2-m_1^2}-\frac{1}{k^2-m_2^2}\right], \tag{6}$$

  where one of the two masses can be vanishing.
- **Integration by parts**. After partial fractioning scaleless integrals are set to zero and the following identity is used to reduce the massive integrals to tadpoles

$$\frac{1}{(k^2-m^2)^{n+1}} = \frac{D-2n}{2nm^2}\frac{1}{(k^2-m^2)^n}. \tag{7}$$

  At this point we are left with a tadpole integral

$$a_0(m) = \int\frac{1}{k^2-m^2} = \mathrm{i}\frac{m^2}{16\pi^2}\left[\frac{1}{\bar{\epsilon}}+1-\log\left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2}\right)\right]. \tag{8}$$

  The resulting amplitudes are written in a format suitable for further processing.

3. **Wilson Coefficient calculation**. The final step in the calculation is the computation of the Wilson coefficients, which is performed via the `MatchMaker` command `compute_wilson_coefficients MMmodel`. This is performed, currently with `Mathematica`, as follows. Every amplitude that is present in the full and EFT model directories is loaded and Laurent expanded around $\bar{\epsilon} = 0$. The pole part in $\bar{\epsilon}$ is removed and the amplitudes in the full and effective theories are subtracted. The finite part (back to $D = 4$) is then expanded in all possible kinematic structures and the coefficients of every such kinematic structure is set to zero. This gives an over-constrained system of equations for the Wilson coefficients that is solved for further cross-check. An example will be provided below (we'll provide the full kinematic structure of the four-higgs-two-derivative example).

A few remarks on the process of matching are due.

- Since we match off-shell Green functions we have to include redundant operators in the process of matching. We have defined the SMEFT model containing the full set of operators, including those that are redundant via EoM. Once the full off-shell matching is performed, the Wilson coefficients of redundant operators are written in terms of the minimal basis of choice. The corresponding list of reduntant operators and their relation to a minimal basis are provided for the SMEFT by `MatchMaker`. This process makes it trivial to express the results in any basis chosen by the user. Users who need to define a different EFT model have to provide both.

- The EFT model has to contain all operators of dimension 6 *and less*, and they all have to be properly matched. In particular, operators of dimension 2 and 4, with the structure of the operators in the SM Lagrangian but with arbitrary coefficients. This corresponds to the calculation of *decoupling constants* and, for the case of the matching of kinetic terms, has a direct implication on the tree-level dimension-6 operators, as the new contribution has to be reabsorbed via wave-function renormalization.

- Evanescent operators (operators that vanish for $D = 4$ but not for arbitrary D) are also included. The complete list of operators that would be redundant due to relations that are valid only in $D = 4$ are kept in `MatchMaker` and included in the matching. Again, the relation between the different operators is provided by a separate file. Thus, the adoption of any specific basis of evanescent operators is trivial in `MatchMaker`.

- The matching is performed by subtracting renormalized (*i.e.* UV-finite) Green functions in the full and EFT theories. The IR behaviour, including IR divergences and non-analytic dependence on light masses or external momenta, is identical on the full and EFT sides and cancells in the matching. The only logs that can appear in the matching is $\log \mu/M_i$ with M_i the mass of one of the particles we are integrating out. Thus, the Wilson coefficients are automatically finite.

- In the current version of `MatchMaker`, all particles in the EFT side are massless. Thus, after the expansion in the external momenta all one-loop integrals on the EFT side are scaleless and therefore vanish. Given this, no one-loop calculation is currently performed on the EFT side.

2. Installation

2.1. Prerequisites

In order to be able to run `MatchMaker`, some prerequisites need to be met. First of all, the following programs need to be installed:

- `Mathematica` version 9 or higher.

- `FORM` : Binaries can be downloaded from http://www.nikhef.nl/~form/
- `QGRAF` : Binaries or the source code can be downloaded from http://cfif.ist.utl.pt/~paulo/qgraf.html

The binaries of both `FORM` and `QGRAF` need to be located in some path that is included in the binary path of the system, in such a way that they can be executed from any possible location. Finally, it is also necessary to have installed

- `Python 2.7`: In most Linux distributions it will be install by default. In Debian/Ubuntu this can be done e.g. by writing

  ```
  sudo apt-get install python
  ```

- `pip` for `Python 2.7` In Debian/Ubuntu this can be done by writing

  ```
  sudo apt-get install python-pip python-dev build-essential
  ```

  while in other distributions like ArchLinux an mention to `Python 2.7` has to be made, by making e.g.

  ```
  packer pip2
  ```

- `virtualenv` : This is not compulsory but it can be useful to avoid possible conflicts between `Python` packages. In Debian/Ubuntu, the version of `Python 2.7` can be installed by writing

  ```
  sudo apt-get install python-virtualenv
  ```

2.2. Installing and running `MatchMaker`

Once `pip` is installed in the system, `MatchMaker` can be installed by just typing

```
pip install Match_Maker --user
```

Note that as mentioned before, in some distributions we need to call `pip2` instead of `pip` since the latter will refer to the `Python 3` version instead. However, for the sake of simplicity, henceforth we will consider that `pip` correspond to the correct one. Otherwise, the user only has to change `pip` by `pip2` accordingly. We can get information about `MatchMaker` by writing

```
> pip show Match_Maker
Name: Match-Maker
Version: 0.1.2
Summary: One loop matching
Home-page: UNKNOWN
Author: Charalampos Anastasiou, Adrian Carmona,
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License: Creative Commons Attribution-Noncommercial-Share Alike license
Location: /home/adrian/.local/lib/python2.7/site-packages
Requires:
```

If `MatchMaker` is already installed in the system, it is possible to check for possible updates by writing

```
pip install --upgrade Match_Maker --user
```

whereas one can remove it by making

```
pip uninstall Match_Maker
```

Once `MatchMaker` is installed, if the user path to the binaries is included in `PATH` it will be possible to match a model in a simple two-step process. We will show it with a simple example, asumming the location appearing above.

1. Create the `MatchMaker` model

   ```
   create_MM_model UFOmodel MMmodel
   ```

   will generate a `MatchMaker` model in the `/matchmaker/models` folder called `MMmodel`.
2. Now,

   ```
   match_model MMmodel
   ```

   will perform the one loop matching for the model just generated.

2.3. On the UFO models

It is the responsibility of the user to provide correct UFO models. If these models are generated using FeynRules, some care should be exercise when implementing the models. In particular, here are some common potenial sources of errors:

- Ensure the masses for the heavy particles are implemented in the proper way, using `Mass->{MHeavy,Internal}`.
- Define tensorial parameters explicitly as complex whenever they are. FeynRules takes them complex by default but when the UFO model is written, they are translated to scalar paremters which are assumed real unless otherwise explicitly defined.

3. Technical aspects

3.1. Renormalization of $\mathcal{L}_4$ and gauge invariance

In the process of matching $\mathcal{L}_4$ can also receive contributions from the heavy physics. This amounts to two effects. First, some couplings will be redefined, receiving contribution from the new particles; second, the kinetic terms of the light particles might receive corrections which, after canonical normalization will contribute to all tree level processes.

Another aspect that is relevant in the process of matching is that gauge invariance guarantees that all contributions can be written in terms of gauge covariant derivatives. However, there is still the possibility of a universal renormalization of the corresponding couplings. To give a concrete example let us consider the kinetic term of a light fermion

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = \bar{\psi} \mathrm{i} \not{D} \psi + \ldots = \bar{\psi} [\mathrm{i} \not{\partial} + g \not{A}] \psi + \ldots \ . \tag{9}$$

Once we integrate out the new physics at one loop, the dimension-4 effective Lagrangian will have the general form

$$\mathcal{L}_4^{\text{eff}} = \alpha_\psi \bar{\psi} [\mathrm{i} \not{\partial} + \tilde{g} \not{A}] \psi + \ldots \ . \tag{10}$$

This same feature, the possibility of a universal rescaling of the gauge coupling constants, also occurs at higher dimensions and has to be taken into account in the process of matching.

What `MatchMaker` does is to first consider the matching of $\mathcal{L}_4$ by computing all relevant amplitudes but considering only one per gauge invariant operator. This is used to compute the different Wilson coefficients in $\mathcal{L}_4$ (the α_ψ in the example above). We then include at least three (one per gauge coupling)[1] amplitudes related to the ones used before by gauge invariance. In this way we fix the value of $\tilde{g}$.

3.2. Global sign convention in QGRAF

An important technical aspect of this process is the global sign convention used in QGRAF. In the case of fermions, the above process requires the use of both two and three point functions to compute the renormalization of the coupling constant. Two point functions at tree level are not computed by QGRAF and have to be hard-coded in `MatchMaker`. In order to get a consistent sign convention for the covariant derivative, the global sign convention in QGRAF and in the hard-coded two point function have to be the same. `MatchMaker` uses all incoming particles and QGRAF conventionally writes those in decreasing order for the indices, which in practice means in inverse order with respect to the one used to define the Green function. Thus, an extra global (-1) sign has to be implemented in the two point function. In particular, for the example

[1] We actually use a redundant set of amplitudes to guarantee an appently zero contribution from a zero value of the corresponding Wilson coefficient.

above, the corresponding two point function reads (recall that all particles are incoming, so $p_1 + p_2 = 0$)

$$\bar{\psi}\psi : (-1)\alpha_\psi \bar{v}(p_1) i\not{p}_2 u(p_2), \tag{11}$$

where the (-1) sign comes from the QGRAF convention.

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