

Conversion of one Weyl fermion to Majorana fermion

Weyl Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \chi^\dagger i \bar{\sigma}^\mu \partial_\mu \chi - \frac{1}{2} m_M (\chi \chi + \chi^\dagger \chi^\dagger)$$

integrate half term by parts.

$$= \frac{1}{2} \chi^\dagger i \bar{\sigma}^\mu \partial_\mu \chi - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \chi^\dagger) i \bar{\sigma}^\mu \chi - \frac{1}{2} m_M (\chi \chi + \chi^\dagger \chi^\dagger)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \chi^\dagger i \bar{\sigma}^\mu \partial_\mu \chi + \frac{1}{2} \chi i \sigma^\mu \partial_\mu \chi - \frac{1}{2} m_M (\chi \chi + \chi^\dagger \chi^\dagger)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\chi_\gamma \quad \chi^\dagger{}^\gamma) \begin{pmatrix} m_M \epsilon^{\gamma\beta} & -i \epsilon^{\gamma\alpha} \sigma^\mu_{\alpha\beta} \partial_\mu \\ -i \epsilon_{\gamma\beta} \bar{\sigma}^{\mu\alpha\beta} \partial_\mu & m_M \epsilon_{\gamma\beta} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_\beta \\ \chi^\dagger{}^\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\chi_\gamma \quad \chi^\dagger{}^\gamma) \begin{pmatrix} -\epsilon^{\gamma\alpha} & \\ & -\epsilon_{\gamma\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -m_M \delta_{\alpha\beta} & i \sigma^\mu_{\alpha\beta} \partial_\mu \\ i \bar{\sigma}^{\mu\alpha\beta} \partial_\mu & -m_M \delta^{\alpha\beta} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_\beta \\ \chi^\dagger{}^\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

recall rule for contracting ϵ with spinors.

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\chi^\alpha \quad \chi^\dagger{}^\alpha) \left[i \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^\mu_{\alpha\beta} & \\ & \bar{\sigma}^{\mu\alpha\beta} \end{pmatrix} \partial_\mu - m_M \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{\alpha\beta} & \\ & \delta^{\alpha\beta} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \chi_\beta \\ \chi^\dagger{}^\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}_M (i \not{\partial} - m_M) \psi_M$$

$$\psi_M = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_L \\ \psi_L^c \end{pmatrix}$$

Majorana condition

$$(\psi_M)^c = \psi_M \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{pmatrix} \psi_L \\ (\psi_L)^c \end{pmatrix}^c = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_L \\ (\psi_L)^c \end{pmatrix}$$