Sign Conventions

• Spinor products as in Wess & Bagger:

$$\begin{split} &\psi\chi=\psi^{\alpha}\chi_{\alpha}=\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}\psi^{\alpha}\chi^{\beta}=-\psi_{\alpha}\chi^{\alpha};\\ &\overline{\psi}\overline{\chi}=\overline{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\overline{\chi}^{\dot{\alpha}}=\epsilon^{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}}\overline{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\overline{\chi}_{\dot{\beta}}=-\overline{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}}\overline{\chi}_{\dot{\alpha}}. \end{split}$$

Note that for fermions $\psi^{\alpha}\chi_{\alpha} = +\chi^{\alpha}\psi_{\alpha}$ and $\overline{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\overline{\chi}^{\dot{\alpha}} = +\overline{\chi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\overline{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}}$.

- $\bullet\,$ Signature (+,-,-,-) as in Peskin & Schroeder.
- Sigma matrices $\sigma^{\mu} = (1, \vec{\sigma})$ and $\bar{\sigma}^{\mu} = (1, -\vec{\sigma})$ as in Peskin & Schroeder. Note $\bar{\sigma}^{\mu \dot{\alpha} \alpha} = \epsilon^{\alpha \beta} \epsilon^{\dot{\alpha} \dot{\beta}} \sigma^{\mu}_{\beta \dot{\beta}}$ and $\sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha \dot{\alpha}} = \epsilon_{\alpha \beta} \epsilon_{\dot{\alpha} \dot{\beta}} \bar{\sigma}^{\mu \dot{\beta} \beta}$; also $\operatorname{tr}(\sigma^{\mu} \bar{\sigma}^{\nu}) = +2g^{\mu \nu}$ and $(\theta \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\theta}) \times (\theta \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\theta}) = +\frac{1}{2} \theta^{2} \bar{\theta}^{2} g^{\mu \nu}$.
- Anticommutation relations $\{D_{\alpha}, \overline{D}_{\dot{\alpha}}\} = +2i\sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}\partial_{\mu}$ and $\{D^{\alpha}, \overline{D}^{\dot{\alpha}}\} = +2i\bar{\sigma}^{\mu\dot{\alpha}\alpha}\partial_{\mu}$.
- Projector operators:

chiral
$$\Pi_C = \frac{-1}{16\partial^2} \overline{D}^2 D^2$$
,
antichiral $\Pi_A = \frac{-1}{16\partial^2} D^2 \overline{D}^2$,
linear $\Pi_L = \frac{+1}{8\partial^2} D^{\alpha} \overline{D}^2 D_{\alpha}$.

• Abelian vector field:

$$\mathcal{L} = +\frac{1}{8} \int d^4\theta \, V D^{\alpha} \overline{D}^2 D_{\alpha} V = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^2\theta \, W^{\alpha} W_{\alpha} = \frac{-1}{2} \int d^2\bar{\theta} \, \overline{W}_{\dot{\alpha}} \overline{W}^{\dot{\alpha}}.$$

In Wess-Zumino gauge

$$V(x,\theta,\bar{\theta}) = +(\theta\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\theta}) A_{\mu}(x) + \bar{\theta}^{2} \theta \lambda(x) + \theta^{2} \bar{\theta}\bar{\lambda}(x) + \frac{1}{2}\theta^{2}\bar{\theta}^{2} \mathcal{D}(x).$$

In any gauge

$$W_{\alpha}(y,\theta) = \lambda_{\alpha}(y) + \theta_{\alpha}\mathcal{D}(y) + \frac{i}{2}(\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\sigma}^{\nu})_{\alpha}^{\beta}\theta_{\beta}F_{\mu\nu}(y) - i\theta^{2}\sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}\partial_{\mu}\bar{\lambda}^{\dot{\alpha}}(y).$$