

Skein Categories and Algebras

1) Show that $\text{SkCat}_\mathbb{A}(\mathbb{D}) \simeq \mathbb{A}$.

2) Extend the assignment $\Sigma \mapsto \text{SkCat}_\mathbb{A}(\Sigma)$ to a 2-functor $\text{surf} \rightarrow \text{Cat}$.

3) For what surfaces is $\text{SkCat}_\mathbb{A}(\Sigma)$ monoidal?

4) Let $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be a functor and $\hat{\cdot}$ be the Yoneda embedding. Show that $\hat{F}(\hat{w}) \simeq \hat{F}(w)$ as presheaves.

5) The $\text{Rep}_\mathbb{A} G$ internal skein algebra quantizes the G -representation variety, while the skein algebra quantizes the G -character variety.

• The GIT quotient gives a map $R_G(\Sigma) \rightarrow \text{Ch}_G(\Sigma)$, so we expect to find something

$$\text{SkAlg}(\Sigma) \longrightarrow \text{SkAlg}^{\text{int}}(\Sigma)$$

suggest a candidate for this map.

Hint: You'll need to make $\text{SkAlg}(\Sigma)$ into a presheaf