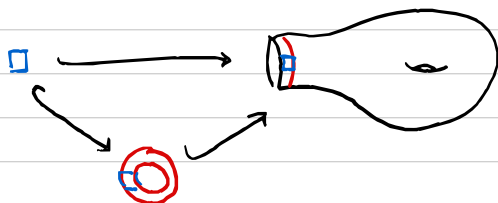


Internal Skeins

1) Suppose $\partial\Sigma = \emptyset$. What goes wrong when we try to define the internal skein algebra?

Hint: The product cuts into trouble.

2) Note that the disk inclusion map factors through the annulus:

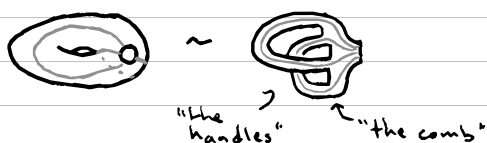


so we get

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A_0 & \xrightarrow{P} & \text{SkCat}_A(\Sigma) \\
 \downarrow F & & \uparrow G \\
 & & \text{SkCat}_A(\text{Ann})
 \end{array}$$

What's the induced map between internal skein algebras?

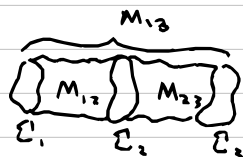
3) A surface with one boundary component has a handle and comb decomposition:



use this to give a description of $\text{SkAlg}^{\text{int}}(\Sigma_g \setminus D)$ in terms of $\text{SkAlg}^{\text{int}}(\text{Annulus}) =: \tilde{\mathcal{F}}$.

Skein Modules

4) Finish the argument that (Sorry!)



$$\text{SkMod}(M_{23}) \circ \text{SkMod}(M_{12}) \cong \text{SkMod}(M_{13})$$

5) Let H_g be a genus g handle body. Show that $\text{Sk}^{\text{int}}(H_g)$ is a cyclic $\text{SkAlg}^{\text{int}}(\Sigma_g^*)$ -module, generated by the empty skein \emptyset .