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*Commuting actions of  $sl(2)$  and  $S_n$  on sutured annular Khovanov homology*

To a link  $L$  in a thickened annulus, Asaeda-Przytycki-Sikora assigned a Khovanov-type homology theory which categorifies the skein module of the thickened annulus and which is related to a certain knot Floer homology by work of Roberts. In this talk, I will show that this homology theory carries a natural action of  $sl(2)$  and, in the case where  $L$  is the  $n$ -cable of a framed knot  $K$ , a commuting action of the symmetric group  $S_n$ . In the case where  $K$  is the 0-framed unknot, we recover classical Schur-Weyl duality for the  $n$ th tensor power of the fundamental representation of  $sl(2)$ . This is joint work with Eli Grigsby and Tony Licata.