1137-57-133 Rhea Palak Bakshi* (rhea_palak@gwu.edu), Józef H. Przytycki (pryzytyck@gwu.edu), Marithania Silvero (marithania@us.es) and Xiao Wang (wangxiao@gwu.edu). Multiplying links in the thickened sphere with four holes. Preliminary report.

In 1987, Józef H. Przytycki introduced Skein Modules as a way to extend the knot polynomials of the 1980's to knots and links in arbitrary 3-manifolds. Since their introduction, Skein Modules have become central in the theory of 3-manifolds.

In 1997, Frohman and Gelca gave a nice product-to-sum formula for the Kauffman Bracket Skein Algebra (KBSA) of $T^2 \times [0,1]$. We try to discover a similar formula for the multiplication of links in the KBSA of $F_{0,4} \times [0,1]$, the thickened sphere with four holes. We will present partial results for this case. (Received January 31, 2018)