## 1171-57-196Alexandra Kjuchukova\* (akjuchuk@nd.edu), akjuchuk@nd.edu, and Allison N Miller,<br/>Arunima Ray and Sumeyra Sakalli. Slicing knots in definite manifolds.

A knot K is H-slice in a manifold  $X^4$  if K bounds a smooth null-homologous disk in  $X \setminus \mathring{B}^4$ . Classifying knots which are H-slice in X can lead to detecting exotic smooth structures on X. Generalizing work of Owens, we give a criterion for a knot to be H-slice in  $\#m\mathbb{CP}^2$ . I'll illustrate how our theorem can be used to determine, for certain pretzels and alternating knots, for which values of m these knots are H-slice. (Received August 10, 2021)