

Homework 2

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Submit only the starred (*) problems by Nov. 3.

1. (*) Let $F = xD + zE$, where x, z are indeterminates. Show that

$$\langle W|_1 F^n |V\rangle_1 \sim \frac{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{z})^{2n+3}}{2\sqrt{\pi}n^{3/2}(xz)^{3/4}}.$$

2. (*) Prove that the partition function for the 2-ASEP on the ring is a palindromic polynomial of q , namely that the coefficients read the same forwards and backwards.
3. (*) What is the problem with this argument? The current of 1's in the 2-ASEP on the ring is always 0 because it is proportional to

$$\text{Tr}((AE + qAD - qEA - DA) \dots),$$

which is 0 by the 2-ASEP algebra.

4. Prove that if $n_0 = n_2$, the current of 1's is 0 in the 2-ASEP.
5. Prove the particle-hole symmetry for the semipermeable TASEP.
6. (*) Prove the following identity for the ballot numbers,

$$\sum_{k=b}^a C_{a-k} C_{k-b}^{k+d} = C_{a-b}^{a+d+1}.$$

7. Use the formula for $\langle \xi_i \rangle$ proved in class to obtain a formula for $\langle \eta_i \rangle$ in the semipermeable TASEP.