## The Half-space Open Exclusion Process

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- Diagrammatic proof by Yang-Baxter application.


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- Shuffle product techniques are convenient to prove the Pfaffian satisfies the recursion relations.


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- The enumeration was recently completed by Behrend-Fischer-Koutschan in 2023.


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- This quantity is expected to obey a large deviation principle described by macroscopic fluctuation theory (MFT) at the diffusive scale with $q=1$ (SSEP).


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