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$\left.\Leftrightarrow \quad{ }^{( } a_{1}^{1} a_{2}^{2}-t_{(12)} a_{2}^{1} a_{1}^{2}\right) \cdot a_{2}^{1}-a_{2}^{1} \cdot\left(a_{1}^{1} a_{2}^{2}-t_{(12)} a_{2}^{1} a_{1}^{2}\right)=0$
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In this case,

$$
\alpha=\left(1-q^{2}+t_{(12)}-t_{(12)} q^{-2}\right)\left(a_{2}^{1} a_{1}^{1} a_{2}^{2}-a_{2}^{1} a_{2}^{2} a_{2}^{2}\right)=0
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So, $t_{(12)}=q^{2}, f((12))=2$

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A part of data for $N=4$

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$(1,3)$
$(1,2,3)$
$(1,4,3,2)$
$(1,4,3)$
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Permutation notation
[2, 1, 3, 4]
[1,3,2,4]
[1,2,4,3]
[3, 1, 2, 4]
[3, 2, 1, 4]
[2, 3, 1, 4]
[4, 1, 2, 3]
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[2,3,4, 1]
[2, 4, 3, 1]
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Coefficient
$q^{2}$
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$l(s)=$ "Length of the permutation" which is the number of pairs out of order after $s$.
( $i>j, s(i)<s(j))$
$e(s)=$ excedance, the number of i such that $s(i)>i$.

## FUTURE PLANS

We confirmed our conjecture formula through $N=11$.
We are presently working on the general proof.

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