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| **Prediction pattern guide and examples** |  |
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**Holdings records 853 prediction patterns**

More information: <http://loc.gov/marc/holdings/hd853855.html>

$$a volume (top level enumeration)

$$b number/issue (secondary enumeration)

$$u issues per year

$$v numbering pattern (repeating or continuous)

$$w periodicity (monthly, weekly, etc.)

$$x when new volume starts

$$y regularity pattern

**Examples**

**Bimonthly**

**Bimonthly, 6 issues per volume, combines every two months starting with Jan/Feb, new volume in January** *(hack of monthly ($$w m rather than $$w b) to get joint months)*

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 6 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 01 $$y cm01/02,03/04,05/06,07/08,09/10,11/12 $$8 1

**Bimonthly, 6 issues per volume, non-combined months, new volume in September**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 6 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w b $$8 1 $$x 09

**Bimonthly, 6 issues per year, combines every two months, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 6 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w b $$8 1

**Bimonthly, 6 issues per year, combines every two months, new volume in September**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 6 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w b $$8 1 $$x 09

**Biweekly**

**Biweekly, 26 issues per volume, month and day used in chronology, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 26 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$k (day) $$w e $$8 1 $$x 01

**Biweekly, continuous enumeration**

$$a Issue $$v c $$i (year) $$j (month) $$k (day) $$w e $$8 1

**Biweekly, 2 volumes per year, 13 issues per volume, new volumes in January and July**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 13 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$k (day) $$w e $$8 1 $$x 01,07

**Monthly**

**Monthly, 12 issues per volume, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 12 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$8 1 $$x 01

**Monthly, 12 issues per volume, new volume in August**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 12 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$8 1 $$x 08

**Monthly, 6 issues per volume, new volume in January and in July (2 volumes per year)**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 6 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 01,07 $$8 1

**Monthly, 11 issues per volume, new volume in November, combined Dec/Jan issue**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 11 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 11 $$y cm12/01 $$8 1

**Monthly, 11 issues per volume, new volume in January, combined Jan/Feb issue**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 11 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 01 $$y cm01/02 $$8 1

**Monthly, 11 issues per volume, combines Jun/Jul, new volume in August**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 11 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 08 $$y cm06/07 $$8 1

**Monthly, 11 issues per volume, combines Jun/Jul, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 11 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$y cm06/07 $$8 1 $$x 01

**Monthly, 10 issues per volume, combined Jan/Feb and Jul/Aug issues, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 10 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$y cm01/02,07/08 $$x 01 $$8 1

**Monthly, 10 issues per volume, omits July, August, new volume in September**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 10 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 09 $$y om07,08 $$8 1

**Monthly, 10 issues per volume, combines Jan/Feb and Jul/Aug, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 10 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$x 01 $$y cm01/02,07/08 $$8 1

**Monthly, 9 issues per year, combines May/Jun, Jul/Aug, Nov/Dec, new volume in September**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 9 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$y cm05/06,07/08,11/12 $$8 1 $$x 09

**Monthly, 5 issues per volume, 2 volumes per year, combined Jan/Feb and July/Aug issues, new volumes in January and August (2 volumes per year)**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 10 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$8 1 $$y cm01/02,06/07 $$x 01,08

**Monthly, 9 issues per volume, omits July, combined May/Jun, Nov/Dec, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 9 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$y om07 $$y cm05/06,11/12 $$x 01 $$8 1

**Monthy, 9 issues per volume, omits July, August, combines May/Jun, new volume in September**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 9 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$y cm05/06 $$y om07,08 $$8 1 $$x 09

**Quarterly**

**Quarterly, 4 issues per volume, season name used in chronology, new volume in Spring**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 4 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (season) $$w q $$8 1 $$x 21

**Quarterly, 4 issues per volume, season name used in chronology, new volume in Winter**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 4 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (season) $$w q $$8 1 $$x 24

**Quarterly, 4 issues per volume, months used in chronology, new volume in October**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 4 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w q $$8 1 $$x 10

**Quarterly, 4 issues per volume, months used in chronology, new volume in October, published Jan/Mar/Jun/Oct** *(This is actually a hack of a monthly pattern ($$w m instead of $$w q) because the quarterly pattern wouldn’t play nice with this unusual publication schedule)*

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 4 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w m $$8 1 $$y om02,04,05,07,08,09,11,12 $$x 10

**Quarterly, 4 issues per year, seasons used in chronology, single continuous enumeration**

$$a no. $$u 4 $$v c $$i (year) $$j (season) $$w q $$8 1

**Quarterly, 4 issues per year, months used in chronology, new volume in December**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 4 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$w q $$8 1 $$x 12

**Triannual**

**Triannual, 3 issues per year, seasons used in chronology, new volume in Spring**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 3 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (season) $$w t $$y ps21,22,23 $$8 1 $$x 21

**Triannual, 3 issues per year, seasons used in chronology, new volume in Autumn** *(hack of quarterly pattern because predictions weren’t working for some reason)*

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 3 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (season) $$w q $$y os21 $$8 1 $$x 23

**Triannual, 3 issues per year, seasons used in chronology, new volume in Spring** *(hack of quarterly pattern because predictions weren’t working for some reason)*

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 3 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (season) $$w q $$y os23 $$8 1 $$x 21

**Weekly**

**Weekly, 52 issues per year, no volume, issue numbering restarts in January**

$$b no. $$u 52 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$k (day) $$w w $$x 01 $$8 1

**Weekly, 52 issues per volume, new volume in January**

$$a v. $$b no. $$u 52 $$v r $$i (year) $$j (month) $$k (day) $$w w $$8 1 $$x 01