

Using the Library of Congress P Classification

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Session Outline

- Organization of the P Schedule
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- List of resources

P Schedule Organization

- P-PA General language. Greek and Latin.
- PB-PH Modern European Languages
- PJ-PK Oriental, Indo-Iranian
- PL-PM Eastern Asia, Africa, Oceania, etc.

P Schedule Organization

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- PN Literature (General)
- PQ Romance Literatures
- PR, PS, PZ English, American, Juvenile Literatures
- PT Germanic Literatures
- P-PZ Language and Literature Tables
numbered 1-50

Internal Tables

- Internal tables numbered P-PZ 1-50 should be applied first. (A few authors, e.g. Shakespeare, have their own tables.)
- Sometimes more than one internal table will be needed:
 - one to establish an author classification number,
 - the other to accommodate a specific literary work written by that author.

External Tables

Various tables in CSM: Classification and Shelving Manual may be applied, as needed, particularly:

- G63 Cutter Table
 - G140 Dates
 - G150 Translation Table
 - G65 Preferred shelflist order for individual authors
- Apply G65 and G150 only when the appropriate P-PZ table will not suffice.

Example: Table P-PZ31

Mark Twain

- American literature – Individual authors – 19th century
- PS1300-1348 Clemens, Samuel Langhorne (“Mark Twain”)
(Table P-PZ31 modified)

Table P-PZ31

“0-48” applied to Twain = PS1300-PS1348

Table for Authors (49 nos.) [excerpts]

- 0 Collected works
- 3 Selections
- 5-22 Separate works, by title
- 31.A5-Z Biography, general works
- 34 Homes and haunts. Local associations. Landmarks.
- 35 Anniversaries, museums, etc.

Example: Table P-PZ31

Mark Twain

A book about Mark Twain:

- Author: Antonucci, David C.
- Title: Fairest picture : Mark Twain at Lake Tahoe / David C. Antonucci.
- Publication date: 2011

Example: Table P-PZ31

Mark Twain continued

A book about Mark Twain, continued:

- First subject heading:
- Twain, Mark, 1835-1910 -- Homes and haunts -- Tahoe, Lake, Region (Calif. and Nev.).

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Table P-PZ31 Mark Twain

A book about Mark Twain, continued

- 34 Homes and haunts (from table)
- Mark Twain: PS1300-1348
- PS1334 + A68 for main entry (David Antonucci) + 2011 for publication date =
- **PS1334.A68 2011**

Questions?

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 - 5-22 Separate works, by title
Subarrange each title by Table
P-PZ41 or P-PZ43

Table P-PZ31 *modified*

1300-1348 Clemens, Samuel Langhorne (“Mark Twain”) (Table P-PZ 31 modified)

Separate works

1305 Adventures of Huckleberry Finn (Table P-PZ41)

1306 Adventures of Tom Sawyer (Table P-PZ41)

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1312 Innocents abroad (Table P-PZ41)

Separate number for: Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

PS1300-1348: Mark Twain number range

Apply Table P-PZ**31**: Separate works range
is PS 1305-1322.

PS1305 is number assigned to Adventures
of Huckleberry Finn.

Subarrange PS1305 by Table P-PZ**41**)

Table P-PZ41

Separate works (1 number)

“0” in table = PS1305, as applied to H. Finn

0.A1 Texts. By date

0.A2A-.A2Z Texts. By editor, if given, A-Z

0.A21 Modern versions of early works

0.A3 Selections. By date

0.A31-.A69 Translations

0.A7-Z Criticism [cutter by main entry]

Classification Web enhanced browser view: table 41 applied

	Texts
PS1305.A1	By date
PS1305.A2A-.A2Z	By editor, if given, A-Z
PS1305.A21	Modern versions of early works in the same language. By date
PS1305.A3	Selections. By date
	Translations
	Where the original language is English, French or German, omit numbers for original language in .A31-.A59 below
PS1305.A31	English. By date
PS1305.A4	French. By date
PS1305.A5	German. By date
PS1305.A6-.A69	Other. By language (alphabetically) and date
PS1305.A7-Z	Criticism

Books about the Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

- PS1305 .N6 Norton, Aloysius A. Twain's The adventures of Huckleberry Finn, by A. A. Norton. 1966
- PS1305 .N615 2000 Norton, Charles A. Huckleberry Finn and Mark Twain : death, deceit, dreams, and disguises / Charles A. Norton. 2000

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Table P-PZ40 (excerpts)

Table for Authors (1 cutter no.)

.x date	Collected works by date
.xA199-.xA59	Translations (collected or selected)
.xA6	Selected works. Selections. By date
.xA61-.xZ458	Separate works. By title.
	Biography and criticism
.xZ4581-.xZ4589	Periodicals. Societies. Serials.
.xZ459	Dictionaries, indexes, etc. By date
.xZ46	Autobiography, journals, memoirs. By date
.xZ48	Letters (Collections). By date
.xZ5-.xZ999	General works

Example: Table P-PZ40

Amy Tan

- American literature – Individual authors – 1961-2000
- PS3570.A-Z Surnames beginning with T
- The author number is determined by the second letter of the name
- PS3570.A49 Tan, Teresa [first author listed under PS3570 in LCCS.]

Example: Amy Tan

- PS3570.A48 = Author number LC has assigned to Amy Tan. Found by searching LC catalog by author or browsing by call number.
- .xA61-.xZ458 Separate works. By title.
- PS3570.A48 J6 = Title number assigned by LC for The Joy Luck Club

LC shelflisters' table for .xZ5-.xZ999

- .xZ5-.xZ599 A-F (main entry)
- .xZ6-.xZ699 G-L
- .xZ7-.xZ799 M-R
- .xZ8-.xZ899 S-U
- .xZ9-.xZ999 V-Z “... Only a guide and any existing alphabetical arrangement ... takes precedence ...” (Fundamentals)

Example: Amy Tan, continued

- .xZ5-.xZ999 Biography and criticism.
General works (from Table P-PZ40)
- Example: Adams, Bella. Amy Tan.
PS3570.A48 Z515 2005
- Example: Kramer, Barbara. Amy Tan,
author of The Joy Luck Club PS3570.A48
Z76 1996

Example: Amy Tan, continued, biography and criticism

- Example: Zou, Jianjun. Positive and negative dimensions of “Harmony” on the ethical thoughts in Amy Tan’s novels.
PS3570.A48 Z96 2008

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Example: Amy Tan: Joy Luck Club

PS3570.A48 J6 = Title number assigned by
LC for The Joy Luck Club

Applying external tables to a classification
number for a separate literary work ...

Title-specific criticism: The Joy Luck Club

- Apply CSM G65: Preferred shelflist order – Individual authors – Separate works – Criticism.
- The cutter for the original work's title is expanded by 3 or by 3-39 and date.
- The 3-39 range allows for alphabetical arrangement by main entry.

Title-specific criticism:

The Joy Luck Club: examples

- PS3570.A48 J633 1996 Beard, Carla J. Amy Tan's The Joy Luck Club.
- PS3570.A48 J634 2003 Henricksen, John. Amy Tan's The Joy Luck Club.
- PS3570.A48 J638 2007 Women's issues in Amy Tan's The Joy Luck Club. [title main entry for collection of critical essays]

Applying external tables: translation table: Amy Tan

	TRANSLATION TABLE
.X	Original work
.x12	Polyglot (3 or more languages)
.x13	English translation
.x14	French translation
.x15	German translation
.x16	Italian translation
.x17	Russian translation
.x18	Spanish translation

Translations of: The Joy Luck Club

- French: PS3570.A48 J614 1989
 - German: PS3570.A48 J615 1990
 - Romanian: PS3570.A48 J6169 2005
 - Spanish: PS3570.A48 J618 2002
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- Romanian is not in table; cutter adjusted to fit between Italian .x16 and Russian .x17

Multiple editions in the same year: The Joy Luck Club

- Apply CSM G140 Dates
- For later editions of the same work, use the imprint date. If another edition is received with the same imprint date, use the work letters starting with b.
- Example: PS3570.A48 J6 1989b
[Work letter a is used for photocopies.]

Questions?

Creating a new classification number for an individual author

- Not found in LC Classification Schedules
- Not found in LC Catalog through an author search
- Not found in field 053 of an LC/NACO authority record
- Not found in OCLC WorldCat through an author search
- Not found in local library catalog through an author search

Building a 20th century author number from scratch

Example:

Franco, Elaine A.

Up from ribbery : a dramatization of the history of the woman's rights movement in the United States.

Copyright 1971 as an unpublished dramatic composition.

American Literature

Individual authors – 1961-2000

- F surname: PS 3556.A-Z
- The author number is determined by the second letter of the name
- PS3556.R...
- PS3556.R37 fits “theoretically,” but this number is already used for Frede, Richard.

Adjusting the author number

- Check LC Classification Schedules: PS3556.R37 = Frede, Richard
- Check LC Catalog under call number :
PS3556.R3325 = Betsy Franco
PS3556.R3326 = Marjorie Franco
- Author number for Elaine Franco should file between Betsy and Marjorie, but closer to Betsy, alphabetically.
- This is what I chose: **PS3556.R33253**

Creating a cutter number for title

- Author number is: PS3556.R33253
- Add second cutter number based on first word of title: Up = U6
- Add copyright date = 1971

The full classification number =

PS3556.R33253 U6 1971

Questions?

Summary

- Consult LC classification P schedule and LC catalog to find a literary author number or range of numbers. Build one as needed.
- Apply the appropriate table or tables (preferring tables noted in schedule).
- Find or devise a literary work number and apply appropriate tables.

References

- Detailed outline of LC schedules:

<http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpsolcc.html>

- *Fundamentals of Library of Congress Classification:*

Workshop manual available for free download.

Section on P Schedule.

<http://www.loc.gov/catworkshop/courses/fundamentalslcc/index.html>

- Library of Congress online catalog: <http://catalog.loc.gov>

- *CSM: Classification and Shelving Manual.*

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