

Canons of Library Classification

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Canons of library classification

■ classification” by W C B Sayers then many library science professionals tried to development of Canons of library classification such as E C Richardson, H E Bliss etc. In the 1937 criticized the canons of library classification by Dr. Ranganathan in his book “Prolegomena to library classification”.

Groups of Canons

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- Canons of array of classes
- Canons of Chain of classes
- Canons of Filiatory sequence
- Canons of Terminology
- Canons of Notation

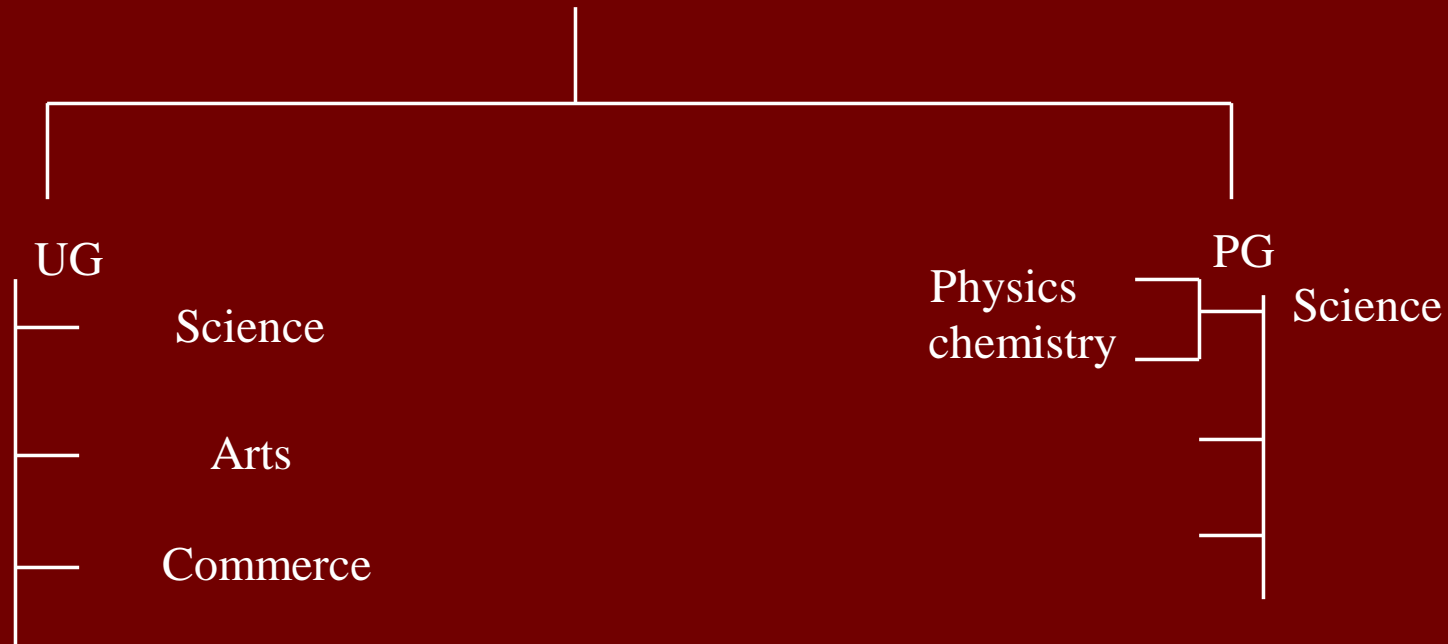
Canons of characteristics

- Classification should be according to characteristics of things, concepts and Substance.
- Differentiation
- Concomitance
- Relevance
- Ascertainability
- Permanence
- Relevant sequence
- Consistency

Differentiation

classification of some thing.

For ex: Students



Concomitance



or subject.

a facet

For ex: DOB and Age

Ist Edition and Publication date

Relevance



objective of classification.

to

For ex: English language
 French language

Ascertainability



tain.

For ex

Literature

Permanence



ence

whenever do not change in objective of classification.

For ex. Changing the name of Periodical time to time.

Relevant sequence

■ e should be use to objective of classification in relevant sequence.

For ex: In Literature

MC+Lang+form+time+work

MC+Lang+form+author+work

Consistency

- permanent characteristics according to their sequence.

For ex:

O[P],[P2][P3],[P4]

Canons of Array of Classes

quence of

class according to their importance.

- Exhaustiveness
- Exclusiveness
- Helpful sequence
- Consistent sequence

Exhaustiveness



things.

■ For ex:

Non Christian religious 290

other languages 490

Literature of other lang. 890

Exclusiveness



classes or subclasses.

e

■ For ex:

world



Consistent sequence

Canons of Chain of Classes



■ Modulation

Decreasing extension



Asia

4



India

44



M.P.

4455

Modulation



■ Europe

■ Great Britain

■ England

■ London

Great Britain

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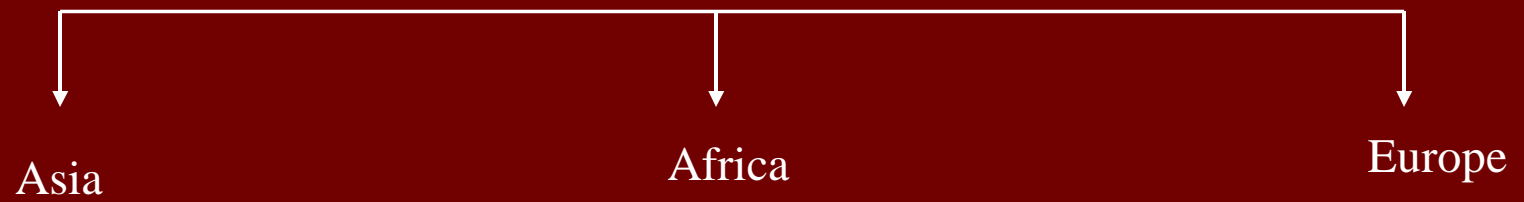
Canons of Filiatory sequence

-
- Co-ordinate class

Subordinate class

India	54
Western India	547
Gujarat	5475

Co-ordinate class



Canons of Terminology

-
- Reticence
- Enumerative
- Context

Currency



scheme.

ification

Reticence

- classification scheme.
- For ex: In the 14th ed of DDC use the “minor” word for some authors.

Enumerative

- **Enumerative** classification schemes in

- For ex: **Philosophy and psychology**
in DDC or CC

Context

- use in different main class.
- For ex: Insurance
Tax
Textile

Canons of Notation

- **Notation** use for classification.
- **Relativity**
- **Expressiveness**
- **Mixed notation**

Relativity

■
For ex: The particular symbols for five fundamental categories in Colon Classification such as

[P]	,	[E]	:
[M]	;	[S]	.
[T]	'		

Expressiveness



acet.

- For ex: Treatment of lungs in India
L45:4:6.44

Mixed notation

ication.