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Subject: Technical Working Group formal response to RSC/ExtentWG/2025/8: Proposal for Manifestation: **sequence of units of extent**

Recommendation 1.1: Create the element Manifestation: **sequence of units of extent**

Approve.

Some members of the Technical Working Group were hesitant to include an element such as this one merely to provide a place to record extent information using legacy practices. It may be worth considering the provision of an option to instead record this information as an unstructured description of Manifestation: **extent of manifestation**.

Instructions should be developed for when the numbering or sequence of units in a manifestation is “1” – for example, a manifestation that is one numbered page.

Recommendation 1.2: Move the applicable instructions under the section heading **Extent of manifestation of text** in the current Manifestation: **extent of manifestation** to Community Resources, with the applicable edits.

Provisionally approve.

The proposal only mentions moving the applicable instructions under **Extent of manifestation of text** to Community Resources. This separates these instructions from the instructions for **Extent of manifestation** of other types of embodied content. The instructions are also not standalone; for example, one **instruction** states to “Also apply the Extent of manifestations of text instructions to subunits in an atlas or in a manifestation consisting of notated music.” Moving *only* the instructions for **Extent of manifestations of text** to Community Resources without a stated plan for the instructions for Extent of manifestations of other content types could make the Toolkit difficult to navigate. There should be further discussion about the entire suite of instructions currently in Manifestation: **extent of manifestation** and how a move of some or all of them to Community Resources will affect the utility of the Toolkit.