

# The Table of Sixty-One Headings as a Tool for Finding the Intervals between the Recurrence of Paired Year Codes in the Jewish Calendar

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# Abstract

This paper presents an additional mathematical tool that can be used to analyze the Jewish calendar. The table of sixty-one headings was prepared in France, seven hundred and fifty years ago as a tool for finding the year codes for the 19-year of a particular cycle of Jewish years. This unique table demonstrated that there are only 61 possible arrangements of the year codes in these 19-year cycles. The table can be used to calculate the intervals between the appearances of a pair or any series of particular year codes. These intervals create a closed path.

# **Keywords**

Calendar, Hebrew Calendar, Sixty-One Headings

#### 1. Introduction

The table of sixty-one headings was prepared in France, seven hundred and fifty years ago as a tool for finding the year codes for the 19-year of a particular cycle of Jewish years. The paper is divided into two parts. The first part will explain the use of the table of sixty-one headings and will present an improved version of the table that will demonstrate the repetitiveness of the average occurrence of the new moon ("new moon"). The second part will demonstrate a new method with which one can understand the intervals at which a pair of year codes appear and the mathematical logic of these intervals. This method will be demonstrated on one case.

# 2. The Fixed Jewish Calendar Background

The Fixed Jewish calendar is thought to have been conclusively standardized at

the beginning of the Tenth century after the publicized dispute between Sa'adia Gaon from Babylon and Aharon Ben Meir from Israel. [1] maintains that this dispute continued for 200 additional years but there is no evidence to support this Theory). The fixed Jewish calendar is based on standard mathematical calculations and not on the sighting of the new moon at the beginning of each month. For a brief explanation of the fixed Jewish calendar, see **Appendix 1**. This part presents an abbreviated description of the fixed Jewish calendar. For a detailed description see [2].

# 3. The Table of 61 Headings

#### 3.1 The Author of the Table

At the beginning of the 13<sup>th</sup> century, a radically new calendar was published the table of 61 headings. The table of 61 headings has been attributed to the RITZBAH (= Ribah = Rabbi Yitzchak Ben Avraham of Dampier (the grandson of Rabbi Shimon the old of Falaise the brother-in-law of Rabeinu Tam) of France, the brother of the Rash from Shanz' the student of RAbeinu Tam and Ri the old approximately in the year 1200). The table was first (in prunt) publicized in "Yesod Olam" by Rav Yitzchak Hayisraeli and there it is attributed to the later rabbis, without the mention of a specific author. The purpose of this radically new table was to simplify the determination of the year code. By using this table which includes all possibilities of the fixed calendar we can determine the year code of all the years in a 19-year cycle just by knowing the time of the new moon of the new years of the first year of the cycle.

Haim Yehiel Bornstein [3] attributes the table to RITZBAH one of the writers of the Tosphot on the basis of a statement in the Kolofon of a manuscript of Sefer Evronot from 1566. There is written: "Rabbi Shimon devised 13 rows in order to determine the year codes and Rabbi Yitzchak Ben Avraham his brother devised 61 rows that repeat themselves and the Gaon Nachshon devised 13 rows as written before you and these are not correct".

The original idea on which this table is based is that if we divide all the years since the epoch into cycles of 19 years, we will find only 61 different combinations of year codes! As a result, it is enough to know the time of the new moon of new years of the first year of a cycle in order to determine the year codes for all 19 years.

#### 3.2. Using the Table of Sixty-One Headings

In order to use the table, one must first calculate the time of the new moon of New Years of the cycle we want to determine. In the second step, we will find the heading that includes the time of the new moon that we have calculated.

The formula for calculating the new moon of New Years in parts is as follows:

$$M = \left[57,444 + 69,715 * int \left[\frac{S-1}{19}\right]\right] (mod 181,440)$$
(1)

Calculating the new moon of New Years is as follows:

From the year, we want to calculate we deduct 1. We divide the result by 19. We take the integer of the result and multiply by 69,715 (the remainder of a cycle). We add this to the new moon of year 1 (57,444) and subtract all the whole weeks.

S = the year (counting from year one in which the new moon was Mon 5 hours and 204 parts).

M = the new moon of New Years of the first year of the 19 year cycle in parts. Int = the integer of the result of the division.

*Mod* = the remainder of calculating modulo weeks.

57,444 = the new moon of year 1 in parts.

69,715 = the remainder of a 19-year cycle in parts.

181,440 = the length of a week in parts.

**Appendix 2** presents a modified classic table of 61 headings as it appears in the literature.

The column "total parts" indicates the total number of parts between the first and last limits of the parts in that row. The total number of parts in each of the rows is not equal. The total of all the parts in all 61 rows is equal to 181,440 parts, that is the number of parts in a week ( $7 \times 24 \times 1,080$ ).

**Table 1** shows rows number 61 and 1 of the table and only the first 6 years of each cycle.

Row 61 begins with 22,160 parts and ends with (not including) 26,328. Since the table is cyclic, we placed row number 1 under row 61.

As long as the new moon of New Years of the first year of a cycle falls between Sunday 20 hours and 560 parts (0, 20, 560) and (but not including) 1, 0, 408 then the year codes of the years in that cycle will be those of row 61.

5779 mod19 = 312

Therefore, the year 5779 is the third year of the cycle and it's year code is bfg.

# 3.3. The New Moon of the First Year of the Cycle and a Correction to the Limits That Are Needed in the Table

As has been pointed out in previous publications, (Especially (Raviv [4]) the units digit of the new moon of New Years of the cycle can only be a 4 or a 9. The first to clearly write this was Avraham Ibn Ezra in Sefer Halbur (Thank you to

Table 1. Rows 1 and 61.

		Limits of the	e parameter	'S						
row	Day	Hour	Parts	Total parts	1	2	3	4	5	6
61	0	20	560	22,160	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg
1	1	0	408	26,328	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg

my colleague Shi Walter for bringing this to my attention) as follows: "(The new moon of Tishrei of the first year of the cycle A.R) will always have a 4 in the units digit if it is an odd cycle and a 9 if it is an even cycle" [5]. As a result, the units digit of all the new moons of the New Years have only two possibilities. We therefore should correct the limits in the table to give us 36,288 (181,440 parts in a week/5) possible new moons of New Years of the first year of the cycle. Therefore, the recurrence period of the Jewish calendar is  $36,288 \times 19$  years which is 689,472 years [6].

### 3.4. Comments on the Corrected Table of 61 Headings (Table 3) Below

The intervals of the headings are corrected so they always have a units digit of 4 or 9.

1) In the table, certain year codes are marked. These are the years in which the year code changes from one row to the next, that is they are the cause of a new row being added to the table.

Example:

In row 1 in **Table 3**, we see the second and third years marked. This is because the year codes of these years have changed from those in row 61.

We see that in row 1 (in **Table 2**) the year code of the second year of the cycle has changed from erg to efa that is the day of the new year has not changed (remains Thursday) but the year has lengthened by one day. The lengthening of the year is due to deferring the new year of the third year from Monday to Tuesday. As the second year cannot be a leap year the deferring must be due to the fact that the new moon occurred on Monday at or after 18 hours. We see therefore that the reason for row 1 being separate from row 61 is the result of a new moon on or after 18 hours on Monday (this can be seen as well in **Table 3** below).

2) Similarly, instead of using limits of the rows that add up to 181,440 parts in a week in the new table, we use occurrences of the row which signifies how many times this row can appear in the recurring cycle of years in the calendar (689,472 years). Therefore, we have added an additional column called "occurrences" all of which add up to 36,288 representing the total recurrence of the Jewish calendar (36,288  $\times$  19 = 689,472 years).

Bornstein, who had an inquiring nature, saw that this table could be used for many purposes other than its original intention. He wrote as follows: (Haim Yehiel Bornstein [3] Part 2 p 291) "Anyone can see immediately the practical benefit of this table as it can with only the knowledge of the new moon of the first Tishrei in a cycle, provide us the year codes of all 19 years of that cycle. But its

Table 2. The different between rows 1 and 61.

Row number in the table	2 <sup>nd</sup> year of the cycle	3 <sup>rd</sup> year of the cycle
61	erg	bfg
1	efa	crg

Table 3. Corrected table of 61 headings.

								Tab	le of	61 he	adir	ngs -	Actu	al lin	nits									
		E	Border	s										′ear i	n the	cycl	e							
n	day	hour	part	parts	occurences	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1	1	0	409	26,329	1,065	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
2	1	5	334	31,654	540	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
3	1	7	874	34,354	298	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
4	1	9 9	204	35,844	5	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
5	1	9	229 744	35,869 38,544	535 2,438	bfe bfe	gda gda	crg	bfe bfe	gfc gfc	eda eda	cre cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe bde	gfc gfc	erg	bde bde	gfc gfc	erg	bfg bfg	bdc bdc	efc efc
7	1	22	1,054	50,734	2,430	bfe	gda gda	crg crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe gfe	gfc gfc	erg erg	bde	gfc gfc	erg erg	bfg	bdc	erg erg	bfg	bdc	efc
8	1	22	1,074	50,754	299	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc
9	2	0	409	52,249	535	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc
10	2	2	924	54,924	539	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc
11	2	5	379	57,619	1,899	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc
12	2	14	154	67,114	5	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc
13	2	14	179	67,139	298	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
14	2	15	589	68,629	535	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
15	2	18	24	71,304	540	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
16	2	20	564	74,004	1,065	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
17	3	1	489	79,329	833	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe
18	3	5	334	83,494	5	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa odo	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe
19 20	3	5	359 379	83,519 83,539	4 829	cre	gfc gfc	efc	erg	bdc bdc	efc efc	erg	bfg bfg	bdc bdc	erg	bfg bfg	bfe bfe	gda gda	crg	bfe bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe gfe
20	3	5 9	204	83,539	829	cre erg	gfc bdc	efc efc	erg erg	bdc	eic efc	erg erg	bfg bfg	bdc	erg erg	bfg bfg	bfe	gda gda	crg crg	bfe	gfc gfc	eda eda	cre cre	gie gfe
21	3	9	204	87,709	535	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
23	3	11	744	90,384	1,903	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
24	3	20	539	99,899	5	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
25	3	20	564	99,924	534	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
26	3	22	1,074	102,594	299	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
27	4	0	409	104,089	535	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
28	4	2	924	106,764	1,903	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
29	4	11	719		5	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
30	4	11		116,304	535	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
31	4	14		118,979	833	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde
32	4 5	18 1	24	123,144	1,605	erg	bfe	gdc	efa ofo	cre	gfe	gda gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde
33 34	5	2		131,169 132,659	298 5	erg erg	bfe bfe	gdc gfe	efa gda	cre cre	gfe gfe	gda gda	crg crg	bfe bfe	gfc gfc	eda eda	cre cre	gfc gfc	efc efc	erg erg	bdc bdc	efc efc	erg erg	bfg bfg
35	5	2		132,684	535	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg
36	5	5		135,359	4	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg
37	5	5		135.379	829	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
38	5	9	204	, 139,524	5	efa	cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
39	5	9	229	139,549	1,899	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
40	5	18	4	149,044	539	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
41	5	20	539	,	5	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
42	5	20	564	,	534	0	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
43	5			154,434		gda			gfc		bde		efc				erg		gdc			gdc	efa	crg
44	6	0		155,929	1,605		erg	bde	-	erg	bde	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg		gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	crg
45	6	7		163,954	833		erg	bde		erg	bde	gfc	efc	erg	bdc		erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg
46 47	6 6	11 11		168,119 168,144		gfc gfc	erg	bde		erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc		erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg
47	6	11		168,144	1,903		erg erg	bde bde		erg erg	bfg bfg	bdc bdc	efc efc	erg erg	bfe bfe	gdc gdc	erg erg	bfe bfe	gdc gdc	erg efa	bfe cre	gfe gfe	gda gda	crg crg
40	6	22		180,334	1,905		erg	bde		erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gda gda	
50	6	22	-	180,354		gfc	erg	bde	-	erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda
51	0		899	3,059		gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe		erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda
52	0	2	924	3,084		gfc	erg	bfg		erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda
53	0	5	359	5,759	4		erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda
54	0	5	379	5,779		gfc	erg	bfg		erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda
55			229	9,949	1,065	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda
56	0	14	154	15,274	539	0	erg	bfg		efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	-	eda
57	0	16	689	17,969	295	-	erg	-		efa	crg	bfe	gdc		bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	-	bde	gfc	efc
58	_	18	4	19,444	4		erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
59		18	24	19,464	535		erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
60 61	0	20 20	539	22,139	5		erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc	efa ofo	cre	gfe gfe	gda	cre	gfe bdo	gfc	erg	bde	gfc gfc	efc
DT	0	20	564	22,164		bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
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use will increase seven-fold for one who studies the calculation of the calendar at a deeper level. It will make it possible to solve many problems that can be solved with great difficulty using the table of four gates. (Part of this table first appeared in the writings of Al-khwarizmiin in the year 824 [7].

Reprinted: SIES, pp. 661-665. With this table one can find the year code of a particular year based on the borders of the new moon of the year without the necessity of knowing the new moon of the previous year and without considering the four deferments).

The example presented below is an application that illustrates the prediction of Bornstein.

#### 3.5. Presentation of the Conundrum

We will present the problem with an example which we will use as a test case.

The years 5779 and 5080 have the year codes of bfg and bfe respectively. If we examine a list of all year codes, we see that the combination of these two-year codes appear many times with various intervals between them. In **Table 4**, we see some of the years in which this combination appears, the number of whole 19 year cycles that have elapsed, the number of the year in the cycle and the interval between these occurrences.

If one examines the intervals of the occurrence of this pair of year codes one will see (in **Table 4**) the following arithmetic relationships:

$$27 + 71 = 98$$
  
 $27 + 51 = 78$ 

We must answer the following questions:

Are these all the possible intervals?

What is the significance of the arithmetic relationships between the intervals?

Table 4. Table of the occurrence of paired year codes bfg and bfe.

Occurrence number	First year of pair	Number of cycles that have elapsed	Number of year in the cycle	Interval	New moon of New Years of the first year of the cycle	Row in the table of 61 headings
-5	5532	291	3		23,229	61
-4	5603	294	17	71	50,934	8
-3	5630	296	6	27	8924	54
-2	5681	298	0	51	148,354	39
-1	5708	300	8	27	106,344	27
0	5779	304	3	71	22,324	61
1	5877	309	6	98	8019	54
2	5955	313	8	78	105,439	27
3	6026	317	3	71	21,419	59
4	6124	322	6	98	7114	54
5	6202	326	8	78	104,534	27

We are interested in finding a method for identifying the intervals between the occurrences of any pair of year codes. In addition, we want to understand the attributes of these intervals and the arithmetic relationships between them.

### 3.6. A Solution

Using the amended table of sixty-one headings (which represents the cycling of the year codes in the Jewish calendar), we will proceed as follows:

a) We will prepare a highlighted table, marking all the paired year codes that we are studying.

b) Open the rows as necessary.

c) List the ranges for the first year of the cycle for all the relevant rows (from and to (non-inclusive).

d) Characterize the equations of the intervals.

e) Preparation of a table that includes all these ranges (for each year group) in which we will sequentially add the remainder of a cycle to each previous range.

f) Create a diagram of all the groups with arrows between the years listing the intervals.

g) Analysis of the diagram.

#### 1) The preparation of a highlighted table

The year code bfg (as in the year 5779) can only appear in a leap year. Therefore, all the paired year codes bfg - bfe can only be in the paired years: 3 - 4, 6 - 7, 8 - 9, 11 - 12, 14 - 15, 17 - 18, 19 - 1).

**Table 5** is the table of sixty-one headings in which we have marked all the pairs bfg - bfe.

#### 2) Open the rows as necessary

In as much as the pairs of year codes include the years 19 and then 1 (in the following 19-year cycle), we must calculate the interval of the possible times of the new moon of the following 19-year cycle.

In the 19th year of the cycles, the year code bfg appears in rows 33 until 42 (including). In the first year of the cycles the year code bfe appears in rows 4 until 13 inclusive. From these rows we must chose the new moon intervals that will match the year code bfg (of year 19) with the year code bfe of the year 1).

a) We choose the first row in which the year code for year 1 is bfe (the  $4^{th}$  row). From the beginning of the interval of new moons in this row (35,844) we subtract the remainder of a cycle (69,715) and we then check in which row this new moon appears. This new moon falls in the range of row 39. Therefore, we must split row 39 into two rows. The first of these two rows will begin with the same new moon as the original row and end at 147,569 (not including). This first line will not be followed by a year whose code is bfe. The second row will begin with 147,569 and the following year (year 1 will have a year code of bfe.

(35,844 – 69,715) (mod 181,440) = 147,569 parts

b) In a similar way, we will deal with the last row that ends (year 19) with the year code bfg (row 42). To do this we will choose the new moon of the first year

### Table 5. Extended sixty-one headings.

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	dayho		Borders	parts	occurences	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Year I 9	n the	CYCI 11	e 12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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7	1	22	1,054	50,734	4	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
8	1	22	1,074	50,754	299	bfe	gda	crg	bfe		eda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	-	erg	-		erg		bfe	gdc
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12	2	14	154	67,114	200	bfe	gfc afa	eda	cre	gfc	efc	-	bde		erg	-	bdc	-		bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc
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19	3	5	359	83,519	4	cre	gfc	efc		bdc	efc			bdc		bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	~	crg	bfe	gfe
20	3	5	379	83,539	829	cre	gfc	efc			efc			bdc		bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe		eda	cre	gfe
21	3	9	204	87,684	5	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc	efc			bdc		bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	~	eda	cre	gfe
22	3	9	229	87,709	535	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
23	3	11	744	90,384	1,903	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
24	3	20	539	99,899	5	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
25	3	20	564	99,924	534	erg	bdc		erg		gdc	-		bfe	<u> </u>	crg		gfc	eda	cre	~	eda	cre	gfe
26	3	22	1,074	102,594	299	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc		bfg				bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
27	4	0	409	104,089	535	erg		gdc	erg		gdc		bfg				bfe		eda	cre		efc	erg	
28	4	2	924	106,764	1,903	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc		crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	-	bde
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32	4	14	24	123,144	1,605	erg		gdc	erg efa	cre	gfe	-		bfe	gfc	eda		gfc	efc	-	_	efc	erg	
33	5	10	489	131,169	298			gdc	efa	cre	gfe			bfe	gfc	eda		gfc	efc		bdc	efc		
34	5	2	899	132,659	5	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre		gda	-	bfe	gfc	eda		gfc	efc	-		efc	erg	
35	5	2	924	132,684	535		bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	-		cre	gfc	eda		gfc	efc			efc	erg	bfg
36	5	5	359	135,359	4	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	-	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg		efc	erg	bfg
37	5	5	379	135,379	829	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg		gdc	erg	bfg
38	5	9	204	139,524	5	efa	cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
39	5	9	229	139,549	1,604	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
	5	16	689	147,569	295	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
40	5	18	4	149,044	539	<u> </u>	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	~	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg		gdc	erg	bfg
41	5	20	539	151,739	5	gda	cre	-	-			gfc			bdc						bfe	_		bfg
42	5	20	564	151,764		0		gfe				gfc												
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47	6	14	179	170,819	1,903		erg					bdc			bfe			bfe					gda	
49	6	22	1,054	180,334	4	gfc		bde				bdc		erg			erg	bfe		gda	cre		gda	
50	6	22	1,074	180,354	829	-						bdc			bfe			bfe				gfe		
51	0	2	899	3,059			erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe			bfe		gda		gfe		-
52	0	2	924	3,084	535	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg			gda		gfe	gfc	
53	0	5	359	5,759	4		erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa		gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	
54	0	5	379	5,779	834		erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda
55	0	9	229	9,949	1,065	-	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa			gfc	erg			
56	0	14	154	15,274	539	~			bdc		crg			erg				cre	gfe	gfc	erg			
57	0	16	689	17,969	295	~			bdc		crg				bfe					gfc	erg			
58	0	18	4	19,444	4		-	-		efa	-								gfe		erg			
59	0	18	24	19,464			erg			gda					bfe					-	erg		-	
60	0	20	539	22,139		bdc						bfe									erg		_	
61	0	20	564	22,164	833 36,288	_	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gac	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	ode	gic	efc
				26,329	36,288																			

of row 43(154,434) and add the remainder of a 19-year cycle:

(154,434 + 69,715) (mod 181,440) = 42,709 parts

This falls within row 6 and we therefore have to divide row 6 into 2 rows. The first row includes the new moons that the previous year (year 19) was bfg and the second row the year code of the previous year (year 19) was not bfg.

3) List the intervals for the first year of the cycle for all the relevant rows (from and to, non-inclusive)

We will summarize in a table all the intervals for all the years in the cycle that are relevant for the paired year codes we are studying.

**Table 6** includes all the intervals of the new moon of the beginning of a 19-year cycle in which the year code pair bfg-bfe appears. The table is ordered from left to right from the lowest new moon to the highest. The sum of the occurrences of all the intervals listed is equal to 1373 (e.g. year 6 includes rows 52, 53 and 54 for which the occurrences are 535 + 4 + 834 = 1373).

#### 4) Characterize the equations of the intervals

If the new moon of the beginning of a 19-year cycle is within the range of the new moons that are defined for a cycle in which the year code pair appears, we then ask ourselves, after how many 19-year cycles will we enter a new interval of new moons that define cycles in which this pair will appear.

In **Figure 1**, year n in cycle x includes the year code pair we are studying. The next time this pair will appear will be in year m of cycle y.

20 - n = the number of years from year *n* until the end of cycle × (including *n*).

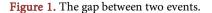
m-1 = the number of years from the beginning of cycle y until the year m (not including year m).

The time between the two mentioned years is defined as  $\Delta$ 

$$\Delta = 20 - n + 19A + m - 1$$
  
= 19 - n + m + 19A  
= -n + m + 19(A + 1) (2)

Table 6. List the intervals for the first year of the cycle for all the relevant rows.

3	lear 6	Y	'ear 3	Y	ear 17	Y	ear 14	Y	Tear 11	3	Year 8	Ye	ar 19
From	To (non incl.)	From	To (non incl.)	From	To (non incl.)	From	To (non incl.)	From	To (non incl.)	From	To (non incl.)	From	To (non incl.)
3084	9949	19,464	26,329	50,754	57,619	67,139	74,004	83,519	90,384	99,899	106,764	147,569	154,434
					Year n in	cycle x					Year m in cy	cle y	
						•		- Z					



20-n

A = number of cycles.

 $A \in Z^+$ .

If we place values of "A" from 0 to 5 in formula 2 for different sets of years we get the results in **Table 7**. In fact, as will be explained below, only the shaded numbers are in fact possible. The table is only an example of possible combinations and does not represent all possible transitions from one year to another.

5) Preparation of a table that includes all these ranges (for each year group) in which we will sequentially add the remainder of a cycle to each previous range

We will start with one of the years with the paired year codes. We will add to the range of new moons that give this year the remainder of a 19-year cycle (69,715) and we will check if the calculated range falls within a cycle that contains the paired year code. From this range, we will continue in the same way until the calculated range falls in the range of another one of the cycles with a paired year code.

In **Figure 2**, we see a schematic representation in which we start from year  $a_1$ . After an interval of  $\Delta_1$  years, we reach year  $a_2$ . After an interval of  $\Delta_2$  years, we reach year  $a_3$ . When we have exhausted all possibilities for year  $a_1$  we will begin this process with year  $a_2$ .

#### Example

We will demonstrate this method using the paired year codes we have been working with, bfg - bfe.

Starting with the appearance of this pair in the cycles in which it occurs in year 6 (the year we start with is unimportant) we add the remainder of a cycle to

First appearance of pair	Next appearance			L	7		
n	m	A = 0	<b>A</b> = 1	A = 2	A = 3	A = 4	A = 5
3	6	22	41	60	79	98	117
6	8	21	40	59	78	97	116
14	3	8	27	46	65	84	103
3	11	27	46	65	84	103	122
8	11	22	41	60	79	98	117
11	14	22	41	60	79	98	117

**Table 7.** The possible values of  $\Delta$  for values of A = 0 until A = 5.

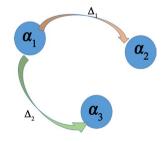


Figure 2. The schematic representation.

 Year 6

 From
 To (not including)

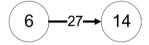
 3084
 9949

 +Remainder of cycle
 +69,715

 72,799
 79,664

the first new moon of the group and to the last. We obtain a new range and check if any part of this range falls in a cycle that contains the pair we are examining.

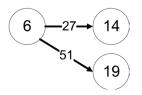
In **Table 5**, we see that this new range overlaps the range of cycles in which the pair appears in year 14 (67,139 - 74,004). The interval from year 6 to year 14 is defined by formula 2. Calculating the formula (-6 + 14 + 1 \* 19) we obtain 27, the number years between the appearance of the pair. In the diagram, we replace  $a_1$  with 6,  $a_2$  with 14 and  $\Delta_1$  with 27. This means that after the studied pair appears in year 6 of a cycle it will appear after 27 years in year 14 of a cycle.



Since we will examine year 14 separately, we adjust the range so as not to include the range that includes year 14 and replace 72,799 with 74,004.

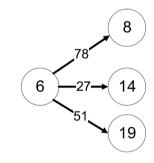
		Year 6
	From	To (not including)
	3084	9949
+Remainder of cycle	+69,715	+69,715
	72,799	79,664
	74,004	79,664
Adjusted range + Remainder of cycle	+69,715	+69,715
r itemaniaer of cycle	143,719	149,379

From **Table 5**, we once again see that this new calculated range overlaps the range of cycles in which the pair appears in year 19. We once again calculate the interval using formula 2 (-6 + 19 + 2 \* 19 = 51) and add this to our diagram. We exclude from our table the part of the range of new moons that fall within the appearance of year 19 and replace 149,379 with 143,719. We add the remainder of a cycle and find a new range (31,994 - 35,844) that does not fall in the range of cycles that include the examined pair.



Once again, we add the remainder of a cycle and calculate a new range (101,709 - 105,559) that falls entirely with the range of cycles that include year 8. We calculate the new interval (-6 + 8 + 4 \* 19 = 78) and add it to our diagram. At this point we have finished with the possibilities of year 6 as we are entirely within the range of year 8 and will calculate that separately.

		Year 6
_	From	To (not including)
	3084	9949
+Remainder of cycle	+69,715	+69,715
	72,799	79,664
	74,004	79,664
Adjusted range + Remainder of cycle	+69,715	+69,715
	143,719	149,379
	143,719	147,569
Adjusted range + Remainder of cycle	+69,715	+69,715
(mod week)	31,994	35,844
+ Remainder of cycle	+69,715	+69,715
	101,709	105,559



Using the same method, we do this for the other years: 3, 8, 11, 14, 17 and 19 and obtain Table 8.

# 6) Create a diagram of all the groups with arrows between the years listing the intervals

Combining all the diagrams together we obtain the following diagram.

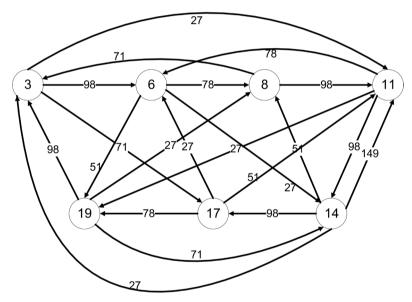
**Diagram 1** shows all the possible intervals between appearances of the pair of year codes bfg - bfe.

This can be summarized in the following table showing the starting year in which the paired year codes appear and a following year in which the paired year codes will appear and the length of the interval between them in years.

**Table 9** shows the source year (left column), the target year, and the interval size Example: In the first row, we see an interval of 98 years from year 19 to year 3, in the next column to year 8 with an interval of 27 years and in the third column an interval of 71 years to year 14.

Table 8. A summary table.

Y	ear 6	Ye	ear 3	Ye	ar 17	Ye	ar 14	Ye	ar 11	Ye	ear 8	Ye	ar 19
From	To (not inc.)												
3084	9949	19,464	26,329	50,754	57,619	67,139	74,004	83,519	90,384	99,899	106,764	147,569	154,434
74,004	79,664	89,179	96,044	120,469	127,334	136,854	143,719	153,234	160,099	169,614	176,479	35,844	42,709
143,719	147,569	90,384		8744	15,609	25,129	31,994	41,509	48,374	57,889	64,754	105,559	112,424
		160,099	165,759	9949		26,324						106,764	
31,994	35,844			79,664	85,324	96,039	101,709	111,224	118,089	127,604	134,469	175,274	699
		48,374	54,034		83,519		99,899						
101,709	105,559		50,754	149,379	153,234	164,559	169,614	180,939	6,364	15,879	22,744	63,549	70,414
		118,089	120,469			52,834	57,889		3,084		19,464		67,139
		6,364	8,744			57,619		69,214	72,799	85,594	89,179	133,264	136,854
						127,334	129,414						
						15,609	17,689					21,539	25,129
						85,324	87,404						



**Diagram 1.** The possible intervals between appearances of the pair of year codes bfg - bfe.

From year		To year (inte	erval in years)	
19	3 (98)	8 (27)	14 (71)	
3	6 (98)	11 (27)	17 (71)	
6	0 (51)	8 (78)	14 (27)	
8	3 (71)	11 (98)		
11	0 (27)	6 (78)	14 (98)	
14	3 (27)	8 (51)	11 (149)	17 (98)
17	0 (78)	6 (27)	11 (51)	

 Table 9. Source year the target year, and the interval size.

#### 7) Analysis of Diagram 1

After preparing **Diagram 1**, we can formulate four rules concerning the relationships between the arrows.

a) The sum of a closed path. If S equal the sum of the intervals in any closed path then S (mod 19)  $\equiv 0$ .

The trivial proof: we summarize all the arrows using formula 2.

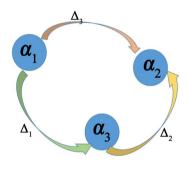
$$\Delta_n = -n + m + 19A$$

And we obtain:

$$\Delta_{1} = -a + b + 19A$$
$$\Delta_{2} = -b + c + 19B$$
$$\dots$$
$$\Delta_{n} = -n + a + 19N$$
$$S = 0 + 19S$$
$$A, B \dots N, S \in Z^{+}$$

QED

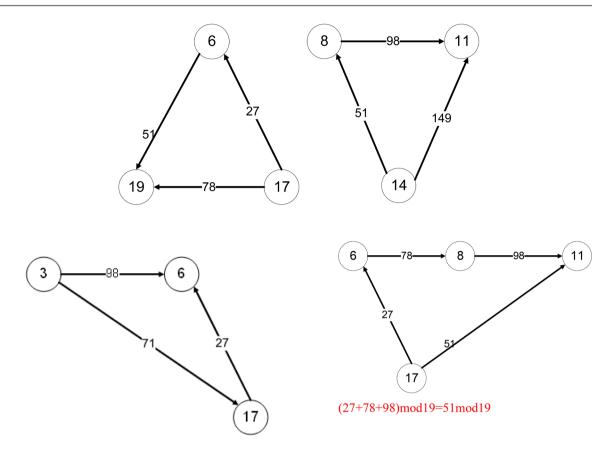
b) The sum of a closed path that includes a reverse arrow. If a closed path includes an arrow in the opposite direction, then the path, not including the reverse arrow is equal to (mod 19) the value of the reverse arrow (mod 19) *i.e.*  $\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 \equiv \Delta_3 \pmod{19}$ . Example



The trivial proof: we summarize all the arrows using formula 2.

$$\Delta_{1} = -a_{1+}a_{3+} + 19A$$
$$\Delta_{2} = -a_{3+}a_{2+} + 19B$$
$$\Delta_{3} = -a_{1+}a_{2+} + 19C$$
$$A, B, C \in Z^{+}$$

QED <u>Examples</u>



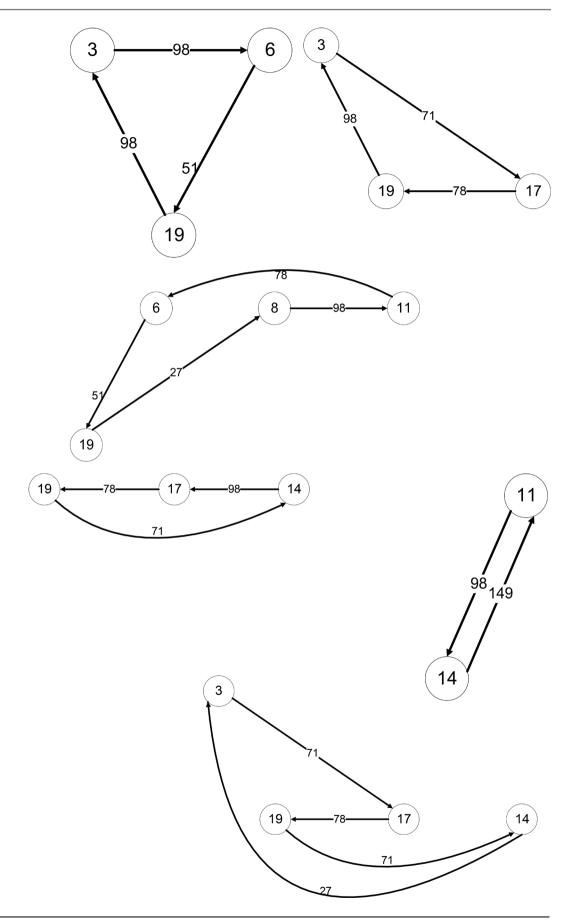
c) Cyclicity of 247

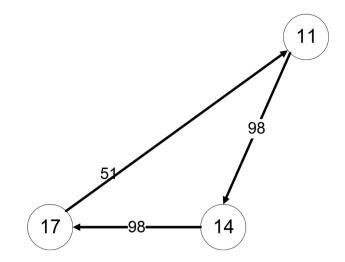
Background: In the early literature on the Jewish calendar (especially the "Evronot"—books that summarized the rules of the calendar) There are tables known as the "cycle of Rav Nachshon Gaon". These tables include the year codes of 247 years (13 cycles of 19 years). The author of this table mistakenly thought that after 247 years the year codes will exactly repeat themselves. It was shown [8] p 61 that in 96.5% of the years the year codes do repeat themselves but in each 247-year cycle there is at least 2 years in which the year codes change. In fact, after 247 years the time of the new moon of the new year has shifted by minus 905 parts. The Jewish calendar therefore does not have a 247-year cycle. Already in the 12th century when asked about this [9] answered that the calendar does not have a 247-year cycle.

After thirteen cycles of nineteen years (247 years the new moon will be 905 parts earlier than at the beginning of these 247 years (the cycle of Rav Nachshon Gaon).

If a range of new moons of a year is more than 905 parts then there will be paths that equal 247 years. If the range is more than 905 then after 247 years, we can return to the same year code in the 19-year cycle. In our example, the range is 6,865 parts and therefore there will be many times that the paths will equal 247 years. That is around each year there will be at least one path that is equal to 247 years.

Examples





d) A requirement for a path that returns directly to the beginning, is that the range of the new moons for a specific year must be greater than the remainder of a 19-year cycle (13,943 occurrences).



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Trivial.

#### 3.7. Conclusion

The table of sixty-one headings serves as a tool for calculating the year code for any particular year in the Jewish calendar. We demonstrated that using an algorithm it can also be used to find the intervals between the recurrence of pairs or any series of year codes. We have also shown that these intervals create a closed path in which the sum of the segments of the path, S (mod 19)  $\equiv 0$ .

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# Appendix 1

Brief explanation of the fixed Jewish calendar.

#### **Summary of the Rules**

#### The Length of the Lunar Month

The length of the lunar month in this calendar is based on the length of the average lunar month which was known to the ancient Babylonians and is 29.5 days 44 minutes and 31/3 seconds. (Neugebauer [10] found this value in Babylonian cuneiform texts).

In order to bring this value to a whole digit the hour is divided into 1080 parts so that the average lunar month is 765,433 parts. Since all the calculations of the fixed calendar are based on the weekly modulo (181,440 parts) one uses the monthly remainder to calculate how much the new moon of one month has advanced as compared to the previous month [765,433 mod (181,440) = 39,673 parts].

#### Synchronizing Lunar Months with Solar Years

In order to synchronize the solar years with a whole number of lunar months the Jewish Calendar uses the 19-year Metonic cycle. In each cycle of 19 years there are 235 months broken up into 12 simple years of 12 months and 7 leap years of 13 months.

The 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> years are leap years.

In order to prepare a calendar for a specific year, three facts are necessary: 1) The day of the week on which the first day of the first month ("New Years") occurs. 2) Is the year defective, regular or full. 3) Is the year a simple or leap year (instead of the 3<sup>rd</sup> fact it is customary to supply the day of the week on which the first day of the Jewish Holiday Passover occurs). These three facts provide us with the year code as will be explained.

#### Determining the Day of the Week of New Years

In order to determine on which day of the week New Years falls for a specific year we must first calculate on which day of the week the new moon occurs.

This average new moon is calculated on the basis of a base new moon (known as the "epoch" and in this case the new moon of year 1 is equal to Monday 5 hours and 204 parts). To this epoch we must add the remainders of the number of months between the epoch and the year we are calculating (we use modulo weeks in the calculation).

#### **Deferments**

After determining the day of the new moon, one has to check if New Years will fall on that day or deferred for one or two days. The rules that determine this are the 4 rules of deferment.

1) If the new moon falls on Sunday, Wednesday or Friday the new year will be deferred to the next day.

2) If the time of the new moon is equal to or greater than 18 hours then the

New Year will be deferred to the next day. However, if the next day is Sunday, Wednesday or Friday then the New Year will be deferred by two days. (At the time of the dispute between Sa'adia Gaon from Babylon and Aharon Ben Meir from Israel the scholars deferred the new year only if it was greater than but not equal to 18 hours. Since the third and fourth deferments are a result of the first two this will change them to being greater than (and not equal to) Tuesday, 3 hours and 204 parts and greater than Monday 15 hours and 589 parts. See [11] page 176 in the footnotes, and [12] pages 64, 76, 86 footnote 2 and others).

3) In a simple year, if the new moon is equal or greater than Tuesday 9 hours and 204 parts, then the new year is deferred to Thursday.

4) In a year following a leap year if the new moon is equal or greater than Monday 15 hours and 589 parts, then the new year is deferred to Tuesday.

#### The Length of the Year

The length of the months of the year is fixed with the exception of the months Marcheshvan and Kislev. Their length is determined by the interval between the day of the week of this year's new years and next year's new years. In a plain year if the interval is 3 days then Marcheshvan and Kislev will both be 29 days. If the interval is 4 days then Marcheshvan will be 30 days and Kislev 29 days. If the interval is 5 days then Marcheshvan and Kislev will both be 30 days. In a similar way in a leap year for intervals of 5, 6 and 7 days these two months will have 29 or 30 days accordingly.

In **Table 10**, we have entered the length of the months and the years for all these 6 possibilities.

	Leap	Year		Plain Year							
Month	full	regular	defective	Month	full	regular	defective				
Tishrei	30	30	30	Tishrei	30	30	30				
Marcheshvan	30	29	29	Marcheshvan	30	29	29				
Kislev	30	30	29	Kislev	30	30	29				
Tevet	29	29	29	Tevet	29	29	29				
Shvat	30	30	30	Shvat	30	30	30				
First Adar	30	30	30								
Adar	29	29	29	Adar	29	29	29				
Nissan	30	30	30	Nissan	30	30	30				
Iyar	29	29	29	Iyar	29	29	29				
Sivan	30	30	30	Sivan	30	30	30				
Tamuz	29	29	29	Tamuz	29	29	29				
Av	30	30	30	Av	30	30	30				
Elul	29	29	29	Elul	29	29	29				
Total	385	384	383	Total	355	354	353				

Table 10. The length of the months and the years for all these 6 possibilities.

#### **The Year Code**

In the fixed calendar there are 14 kinds of years. (7 simple years and 7 leap years. For a detailed explanation see [2] [4] [13]-[17]. Each year is designated by a combination of 3 letters. The first letter designates the day of the week of the first day of New Years. The second letter designates if the year is defective, regular or full (which determines the number of days in the year). The third letter designates the day of the week of the 15<sup>th</sup> day of Nissan (Passover),

This combination of three letters is called the year code and can be found at the beginning of many published yearly calendars. The year code is expressed in Hebrew letters, For the purpose of this paper we will use the following abbreviations for the days of the week: Sunday-A, Monday-B, Tuesday-C, Thursday-E, Saturday-G and for the types of year Full-F, Regular-R, Defective-D.

For example: the year 5777 (first year of a 19-year cycle—a simple year).

Table 11. Example: the year 5777.

	New	7 Moon Ti	shrei					
year	day	day hours parts		Deferments	New years	Year code		
5777	0	20	724	New moon after 18 hours + Sunday	Monday	bdc		
5778	5	5	520	None	Thursday	erg		

In **Table 11**, we see that according to the time of the new moon and the rules of deferment New years of 5777 falls on Monday (B) and New Years of 5778 falls on Thursday  $\in$ . Between these days are 3 days and 50 weeks which add up to 353 days. Therefore the year 5777 is defective (D).

# Appendix 2 (Table 12)

Table 12. Clasical 61 Hadings Table.

	Table of 61 headings- theoretical limits																							
Borders													∕ear i	n the	cycle	e								
n	day	hour	parts	total parts	parts/row	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1	1	0	408	26328		bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
2	1	5	333	31653		bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc
3	1	7	870	34350		bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
4	1	9	204	35844		bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
5	1	9	227			bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
6 7	1	11	741		12190	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efc
8	1	22 22	1051 1074	50731 50754		bfe bfe	gda gda	crg	bfe bfe	gfc gfc	eda eda	cre cre	gfe gfe	gfc gfc	erg	bde bde	gfc gfc	erg	bfg bfg	bdc bdc	erg	bfg bfg	bdc bfe	efc gdc
9	2	0	408	52248		bfe	gfc	crg eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg erg	bde	gfc	erg erg	bfg	bdc	erg erg	bfg	bfe	gdc
10	2	2	922	54922		bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc
11	2	5	379	57619		bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc
12	2	14	152	67112		bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc
13	2	14	175	67135	1494	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
14	2	15	589	68629	2674	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
15	2	18	23	71303	2697	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
16	2	20	560	74000	5325	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gdc
17	3	1	485	79325		cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe
18	3	5	333	83493		cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe
19	3	5	356	83516		cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfe
20	3	5	379	83539		cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
21	3	9	204	87684		erg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
22	3	9	227	87707		erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
23	3	11	741	90381		erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
24 25	3	20	537		23	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfe
25	3	20 22	560 1074	99920 102594		erg	bdc bdc	efc efc	erg	bfe bfe	gdc gdc	erg	bfg	bfe bfe	gda gda	crg	bfe bfe	gfc gfc	eda eda	cre cre	gfc	eda efc	cre	gfe bde
20	4	0	408	102594		erg erg	bfe	gdc	erg erg	bfe	gdc	erg erg	bfg bfg	bfe	gda	crg crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc gfc	efc	erg erg	bde
27	4	2	922	104088		erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
20	4	11	718	116278		erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
30	4	11	741	116301		erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bde
31	4	14	175	118975		erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde
32	4	18	23	123143		erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bde
33	5	1	485	131165	1494	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg
34	5	2	899	132659	23	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gda	crg	bfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg
35	5	2	922	132682	2674	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg
36	5	5	356	135356	23	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfg
37	5	5	379	135379		erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
38	5	9	204	139524	23	efa	cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
39	5	9	227	139547		efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
40	5	18	0	149040		gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda	cre	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
41	5	20	537	151737		gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
42	5	20	560	151760		gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfg
43 44	5	22 0	1074	154434		gda	cre	gfe	gfc gfc	erg	bde	gfc gfc	efc	erg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa ofo	crg
44 45		-	408 870	155928 163950		gfc gfc	erg erg	bde	gfc gfc	erg	bde bde	gfc gfc	efc efc	erg	bdc bdc	efc	erg	bfe bfe	gdc	erg	bfe bfe	gdc gfe	efa gda	crg
45	6 6	/ 11	870 718	163950		gfc gfc	erg erg	bde		erg	bfg		efc efc	erg erg	bdc		erg erg	bfe	gdc gdc		bfe bfe	gfe	gda gda	
40	6	11	741	168118		gfc	erg	bde		erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc		bfe	gfe	gda	
48	6	14		170815		gfc	erg	bde		erg		bdc	efc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gda	
49	6		1051	180331		gfc	erg	bde		erg	bfg	bdc	efc	erg		gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gda	
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52	0	2	922		2674	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda
53	0	5	356	5756		gfc	erg	bfg		erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	eda
54	0	5	379		4168	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	erg	bfg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda
55	0	9	227		5325	gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gdc	efa	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda
56	0		152	15272		gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg	bde	gfc	eda
57	0		689	17969		gfc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe	gfc	erg		gfc	efc
58	0	18	0	19440		bdc	erg	bfg	bdc	efa	crg	bfe	gdc	erg	bfe	gfe	gda	cre	gfe		erg	bde	gfc	efc
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