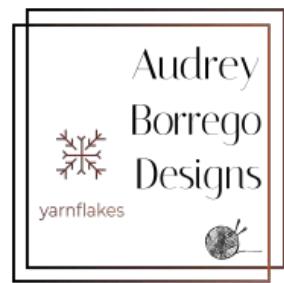


# Iocaste



## Notes

Iocaste is a colourwork scarf worked in the round as a tube. Featuring colourful motifs on the edges and a larger geometric flower sequence, it is a fun customizable piece that allows you to play with varied colour arrangements. With simple, short motifs and rare floats to catch, this is a meditative project that can be accessible to adventurous colourwork beginners.

The pattern provides several charts : a colour one like the sample, a single contrast one and one with symbols to colour in as desired.

*Use the hashtag #iocastescarf to share your project.*

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## **Yarn :**

You will need fingering weight yarn in the following amounts :

CA (light beige) : 450 meters – 495 yards  
CB (burgundy) : 570 meters – 625 yards  
CC (orange) : 155 meters – 170 yards  
CD (light blue) : 100 meters – 110 yards  
CE (dark green) : 130 meters – 145 yards

If using only 2 colours, the scarf will require about 750 m – 820 yds of a background colour and 650 m – 715 yds of a contrast colour.

Sample used Retrosaria Supersoft (286 m – 313 yds / 50 g) in 154 (CA), 121 (CB), 118 (CC), 119 (CD) and 280 (CE).

## **Needles :**

3 mm (US 2.5) circular needles with a cable length of 40 cm – 16" maximum and a spare of 80 cm – 32" minimum.

or size required to get gauge

## **Gauge :**

28.5 sts x 30 rnds per 10 cm – 4" in colourwork after blocking.

Note that a different gauge will affect size and yarn usage.

## **Size :**

190 cm – 74  $\frac{3}{4}$ " long

20 cm – 7  $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide

## **Notions :**

Stitch markers, scissors and tapestry needle

Row counter recommended

## **Techniques used :**

Tube scarf worked in the round

Judy's Magic Cast-on

Stranded knitting with 2 colours per round and rare floats to catch

Three needle bind-off or Kitchener Stitch

Charts provided : sample's colours, single CC, symbols to colour in

## **Abbreviations :**

- CA : colour A / CB : colour B / CC : colour C / CD : colour D / CE : colour E
- BOR : beginning of round
- st(s) : stitch(es) / rnd(s) : round(s)
- PM : place marker / SM : slip marker

## **Colourwork**

Catching floats : in fingering weight, you can catch floats when skipping more than 7 stitches. You may do it more often if you prefer, just make sure not to catch a float in the same place in two consecutive rounds.

Colour dominance : each rnd will have a background colour and a foreground colour forming the motif. To have consistent colour dominance : hold the foreground colour to the left and always carry it under the background colour without twisting the strands.

Carrying unused colours : instead of cutting colours when they're not used for several rnds, you can carry them along the BOR by loosely twisting them with the used strands every 4 rnds.

## **Reading the Chart**

Knitting in the round, always read the Chart from right to left.

Note that to be more visible, Charts have been split into 2 parts.

Find :

- colour Charts pages 5 to 10,
- single CC Charts pages 11 to 16,
- colour-in Charts pages 17 to 22.

## Cast-on

*You will use a cast-on that allows you to start working in the round in magic loop with the end of the tube already closed.*

*If you prefer not to use this method to avoid magic loop, you may do a provisional cast-on then close the tube later.*

Using CA, cast-on 114 sts over the two needles of the longer circular using [Judy's Magic Cast-on](#).

*(Judy's Magic Cast-on tutorial by Very Pink Knits)*

You have 57 sts on each needle.

Join to work in the rnd and PM for BOR. PM also after the first 57 sts to mark the side.

*Work in magic loop at first, then once the fabric is comfortable enough to work in the round, you may switch to a cable length of maximum 40 cm – 16".*

**Knit 4 rnds in CA.**

## Border

**border rnd :** Chart A to m, sm, Chart A to end

Work Chart A once completely (rnds 1 to 67).

## Main Pattern

**scarf rnd :** Chart B to m, sm, Chart B to end

Work Chart B (rnds 1 to 80) 5 total times or until the scarf measures about 165 cm – 65" or 25 cm – 9 3/4" (length of Chart A + first 11 rnds of Chart B) less than desired length.

Work rnds 1 to 11 of Chart B once more.

## Border

**border rnd :** Chart C to m, sm, Chart C to end

Work Chart C once completely (rnds 1 to 67).

Knit 4 rnds in CA.

## Finishing

Working from the right side and using the [three-needle bind-off method](#) or the [kitchener stitch](#), close the end of the tube by joining the two halves of the scarf together.

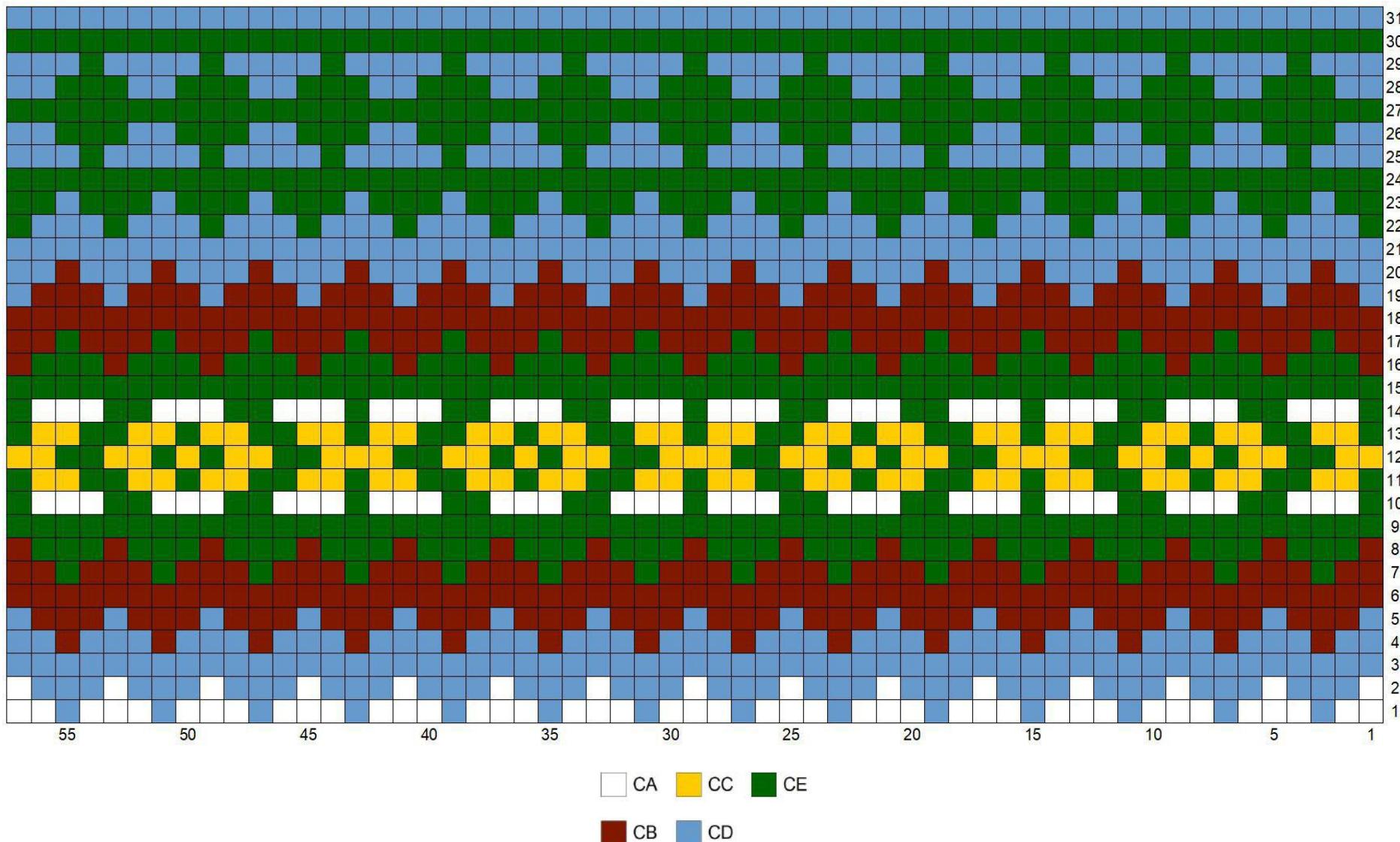
*(3-needle bind-off tutorial by Very Pink Knits)  
(Kitchener stitch tutorial by Very Pink Knits)*

When you have 1 st left, thread working yarn through it and fasten off.

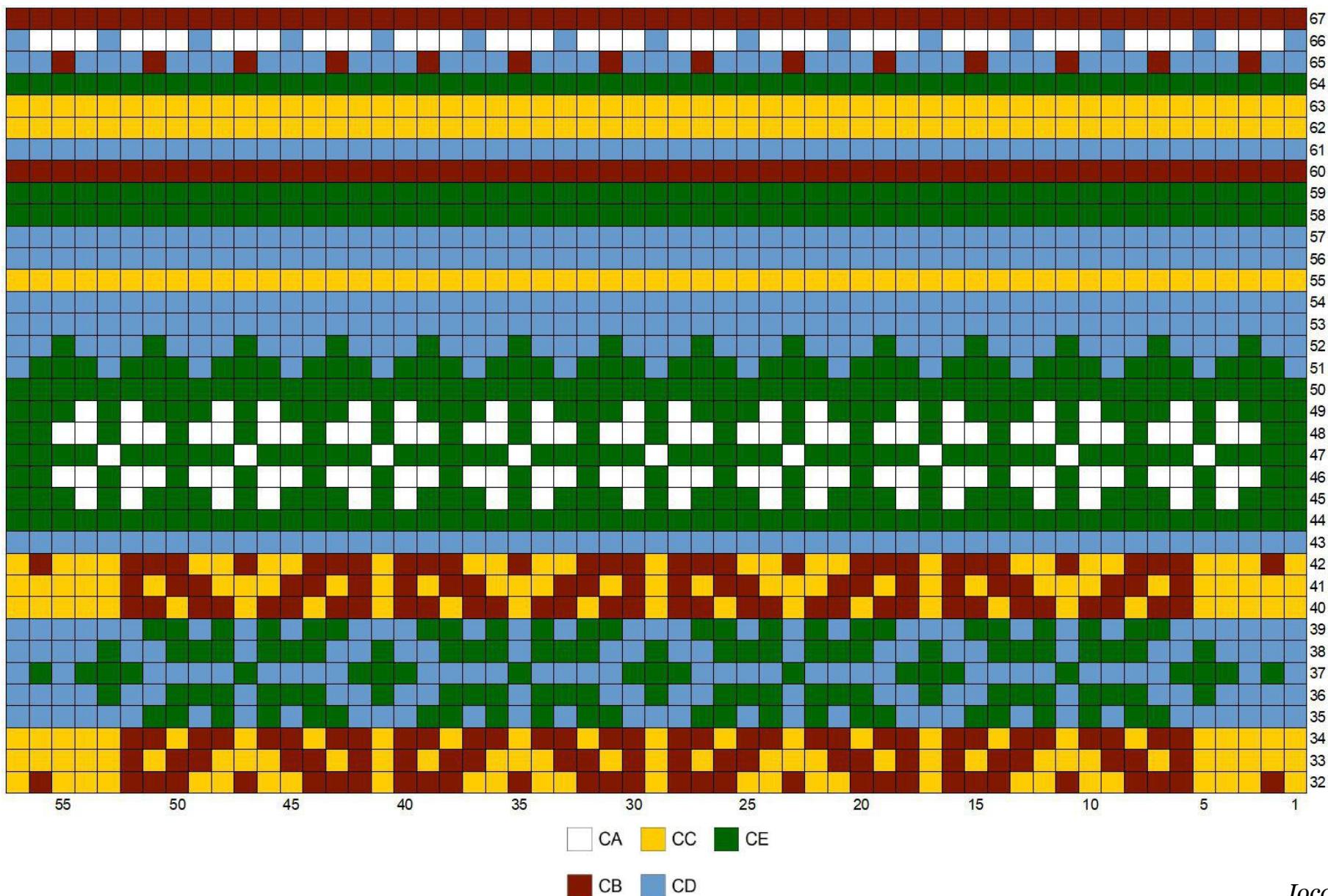
Tuck the bind-off and cast-on tails inside the tube, as well as any ends remaining on the exterior.

Gently block the scarf.

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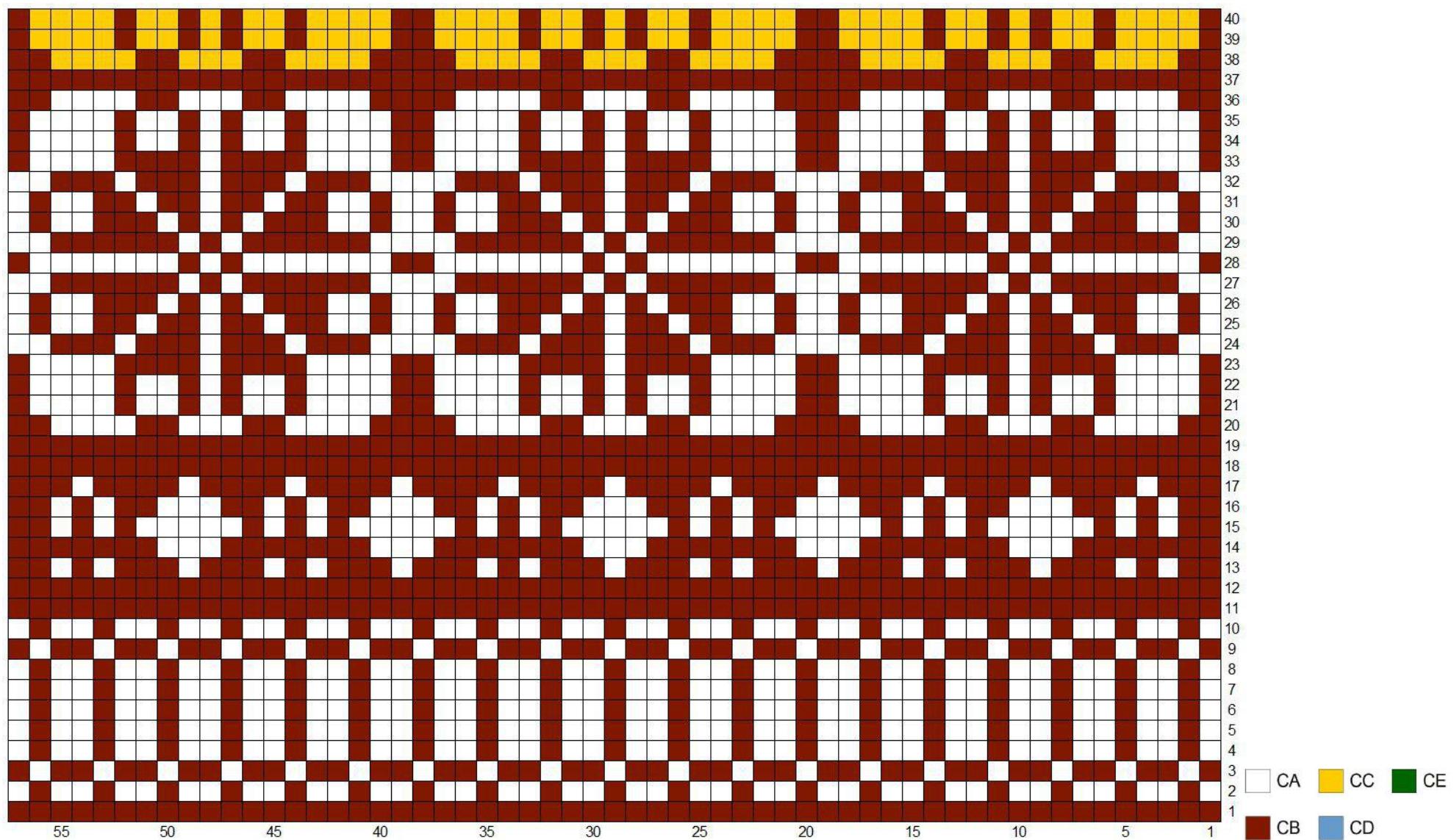


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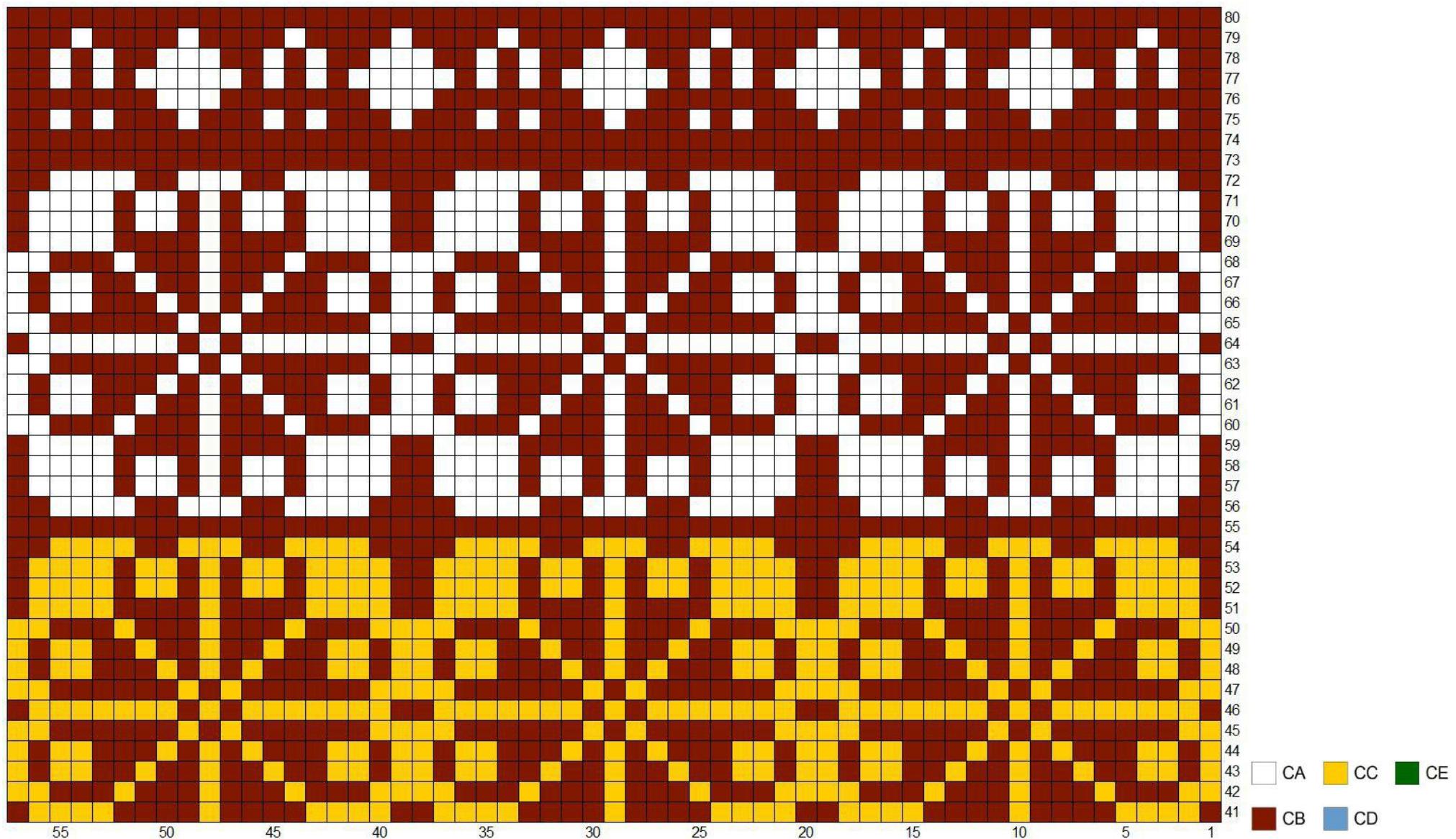


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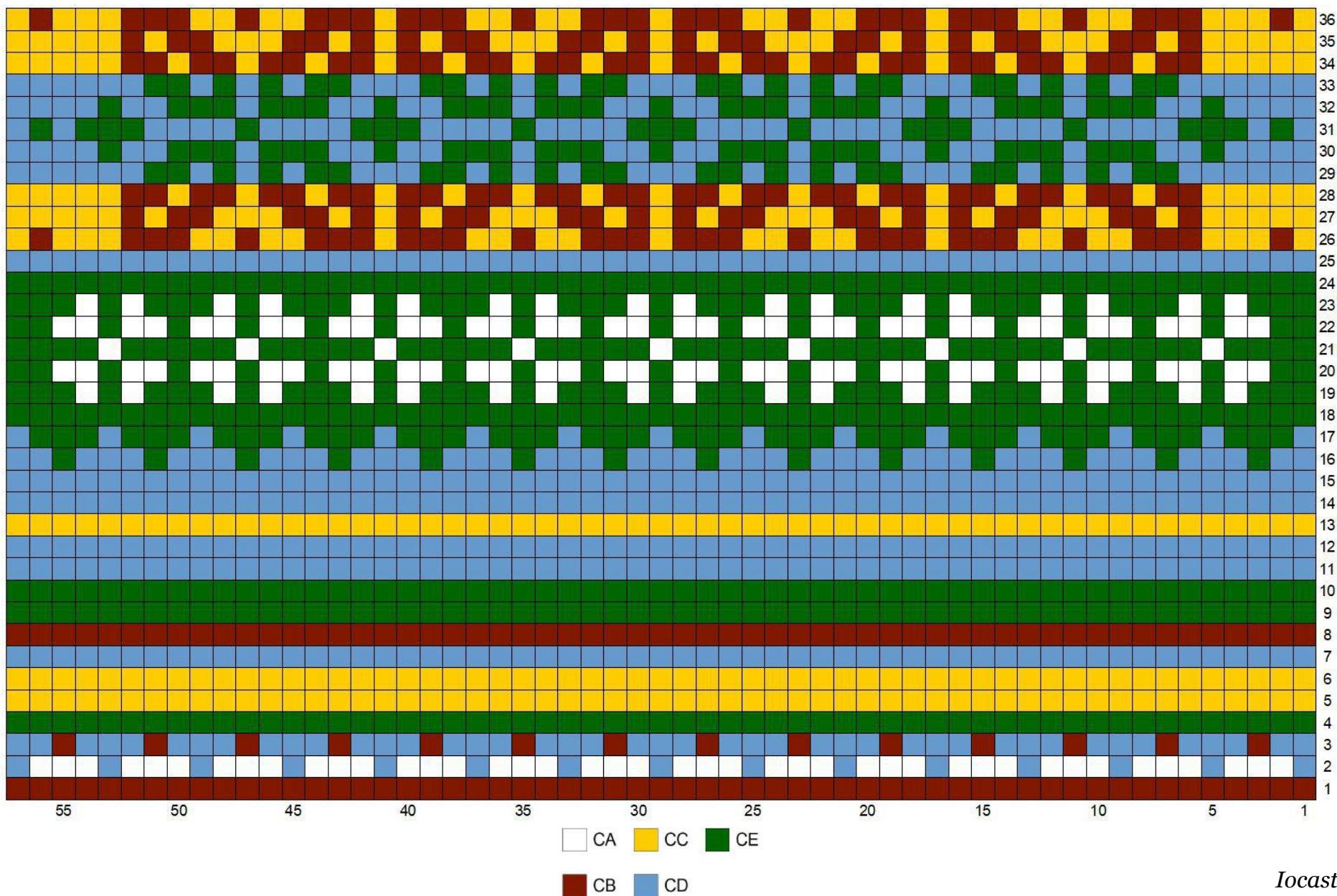


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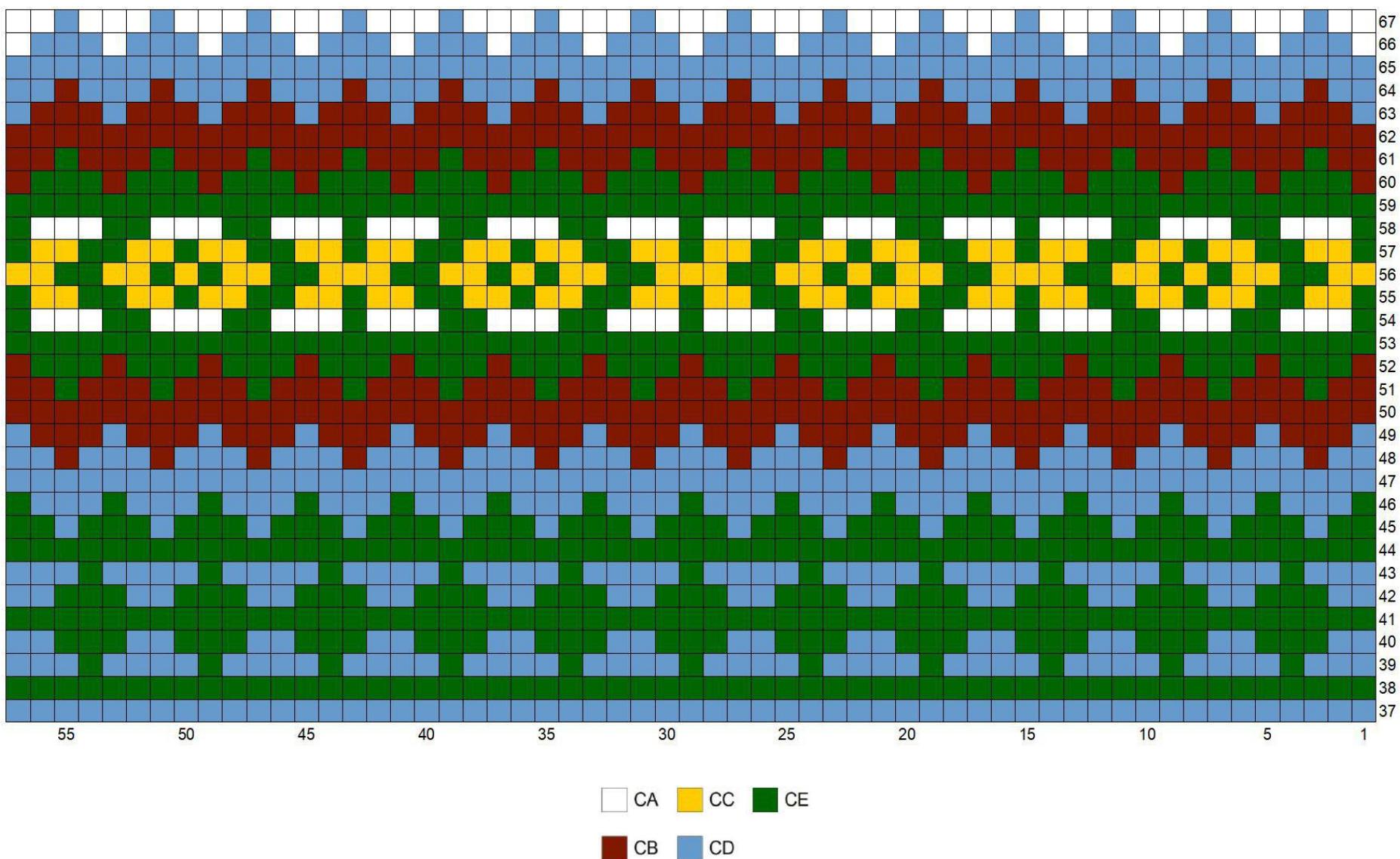


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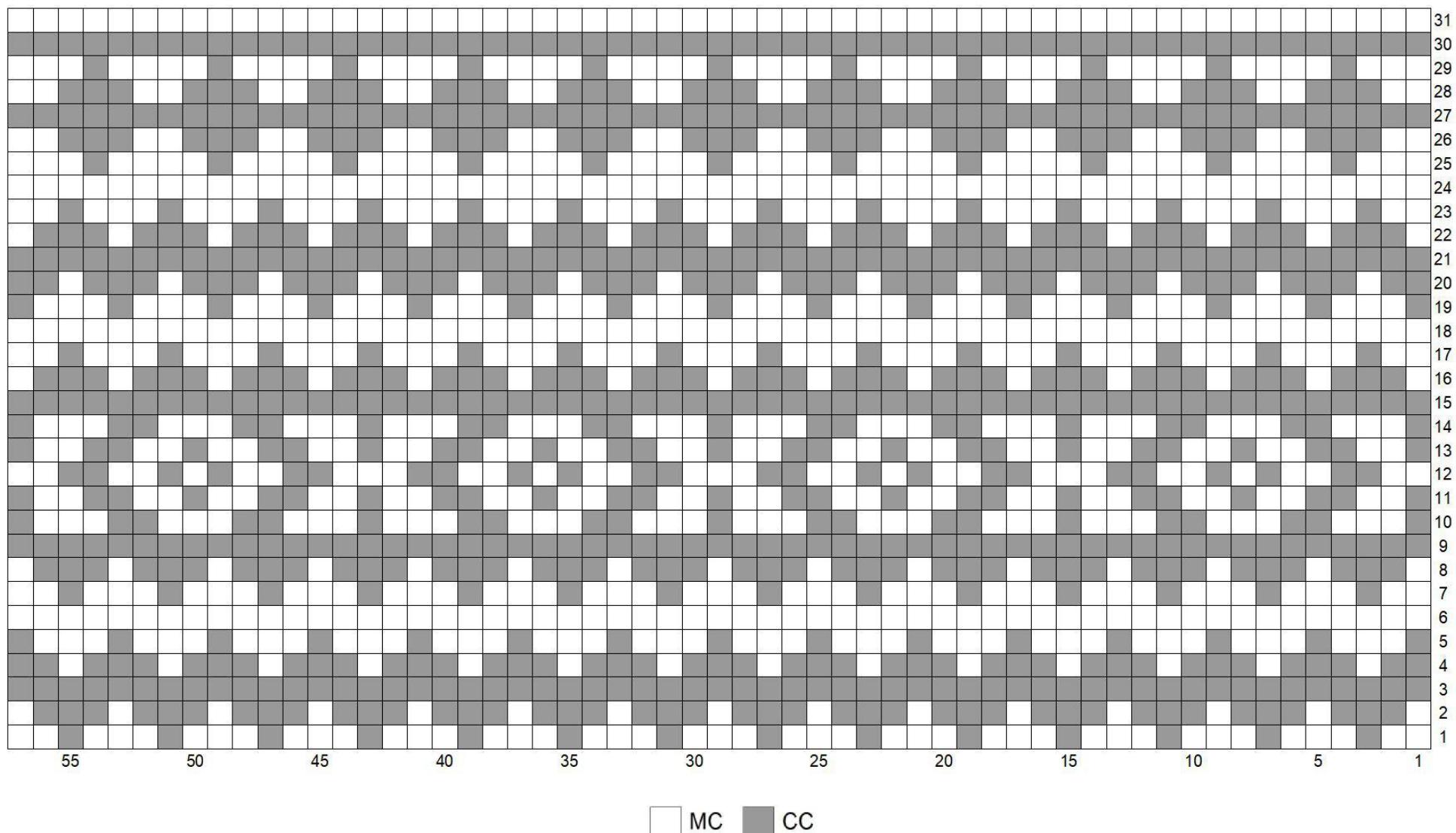
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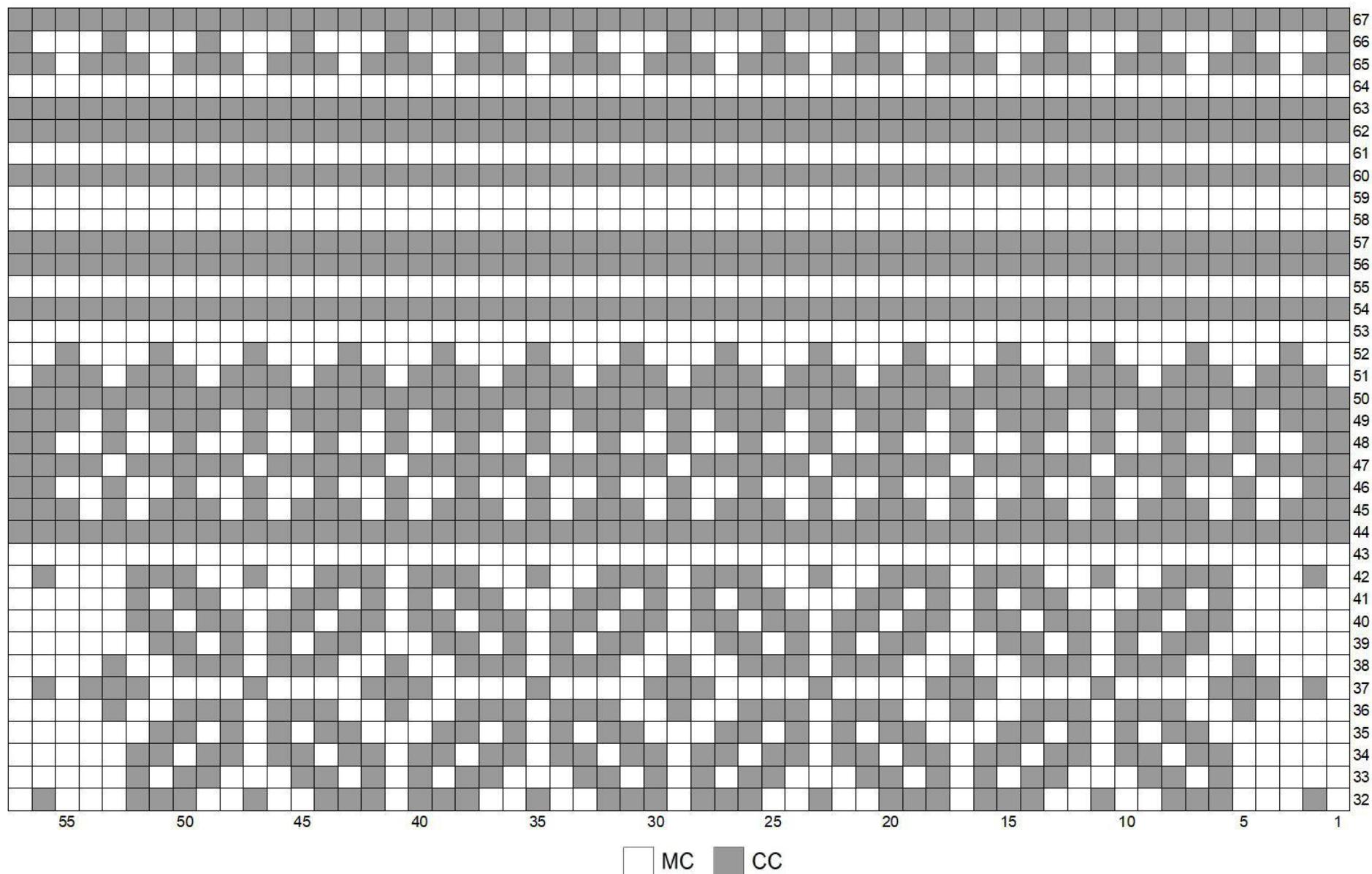
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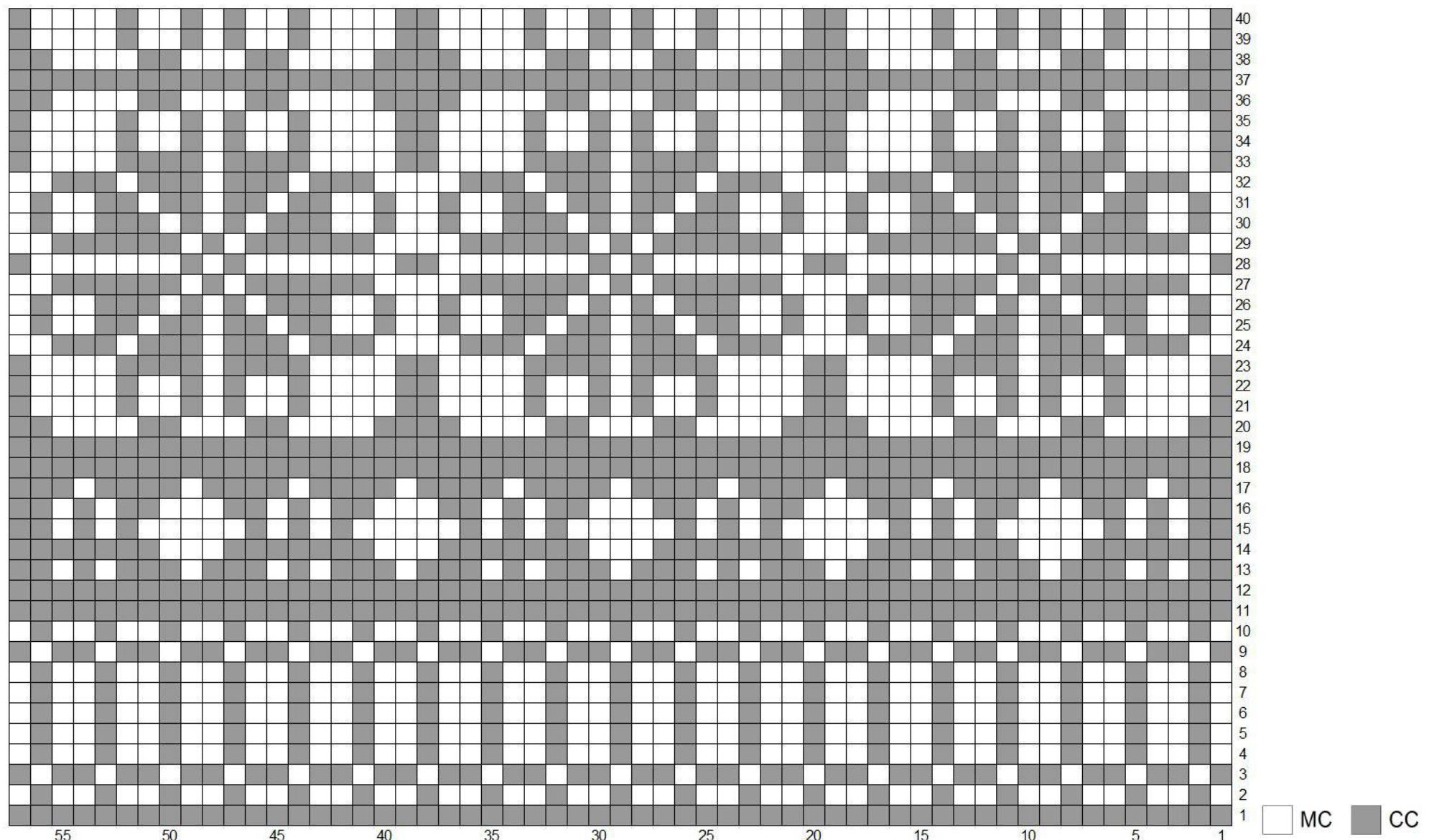
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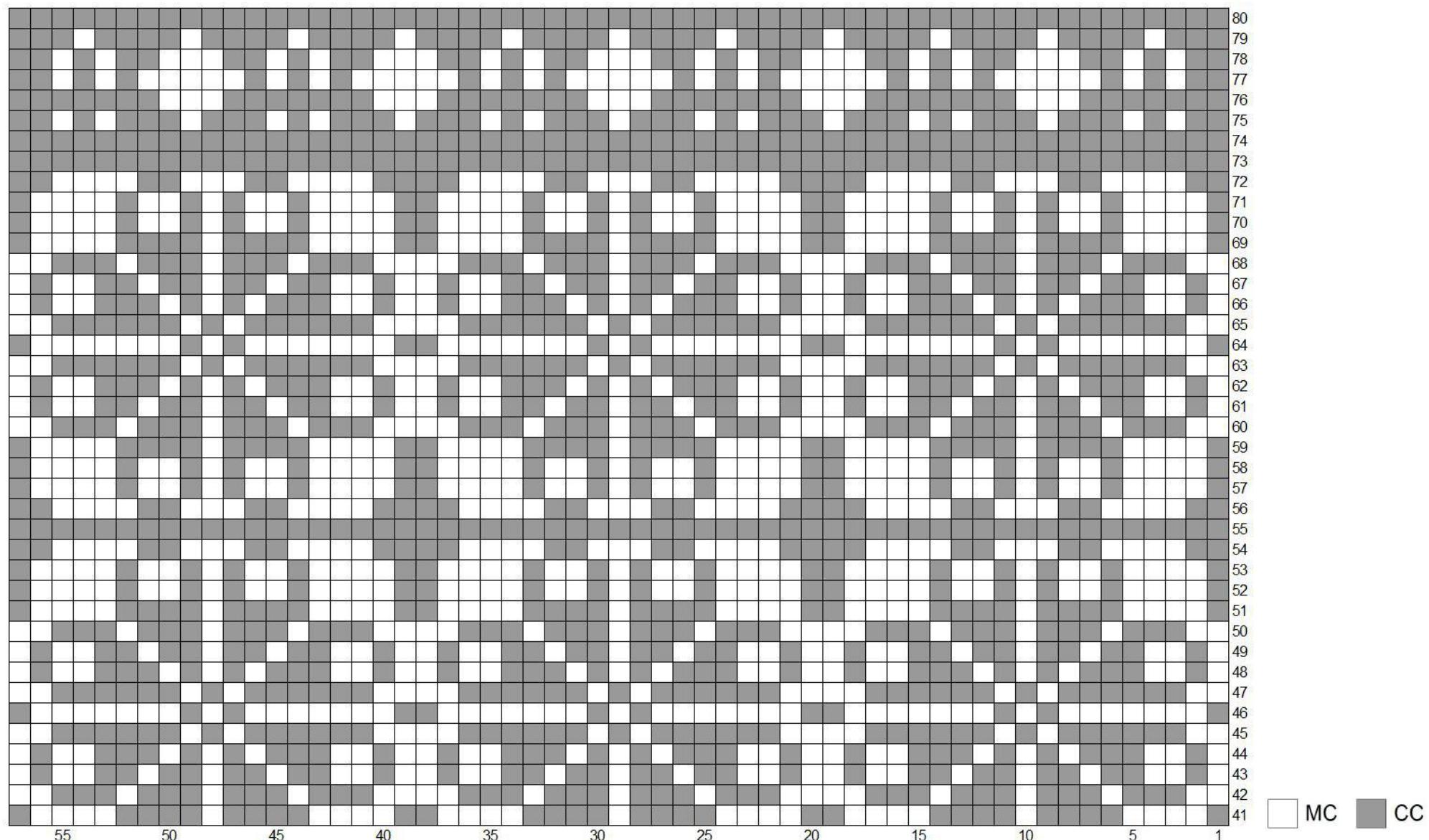
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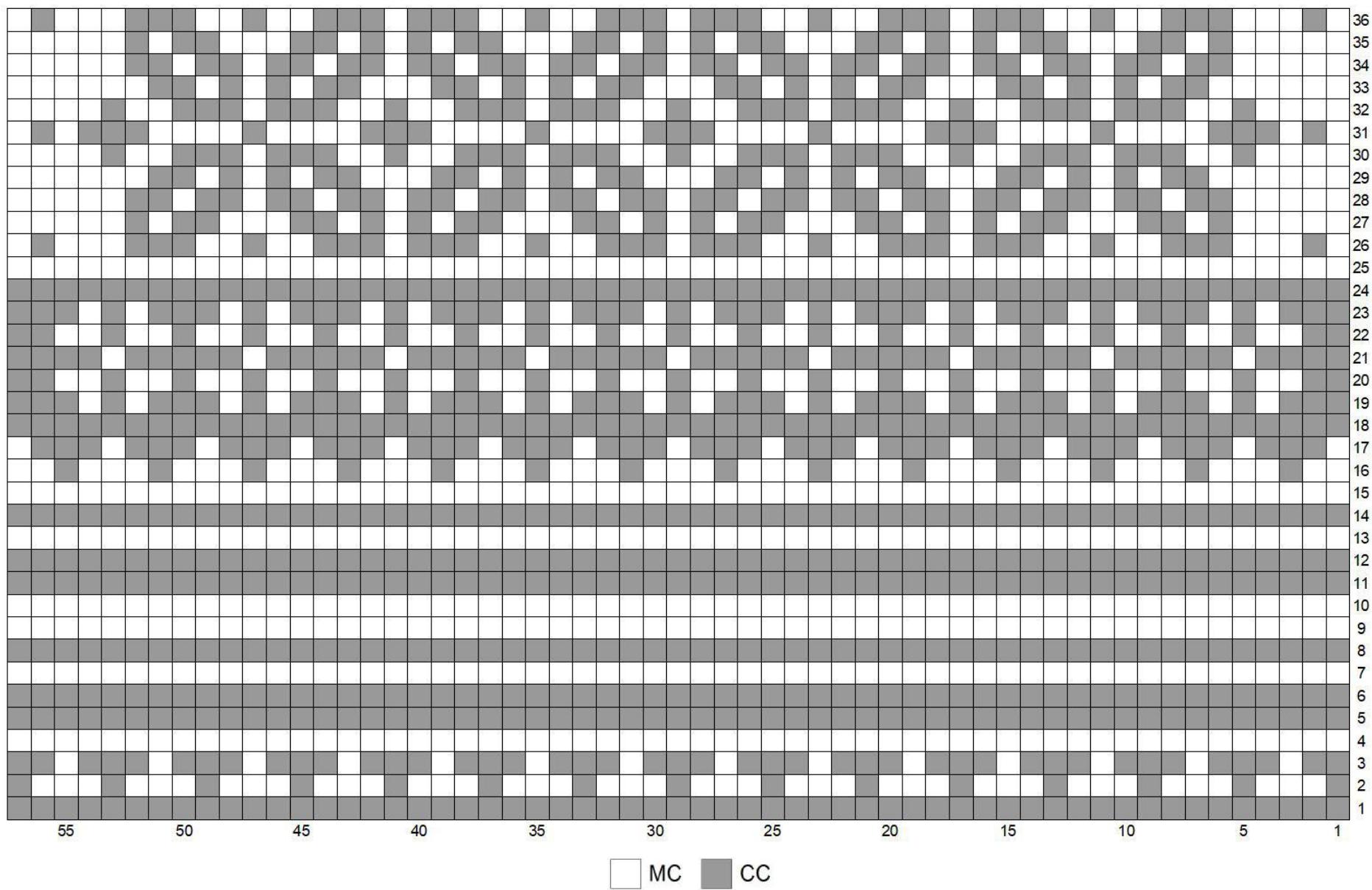


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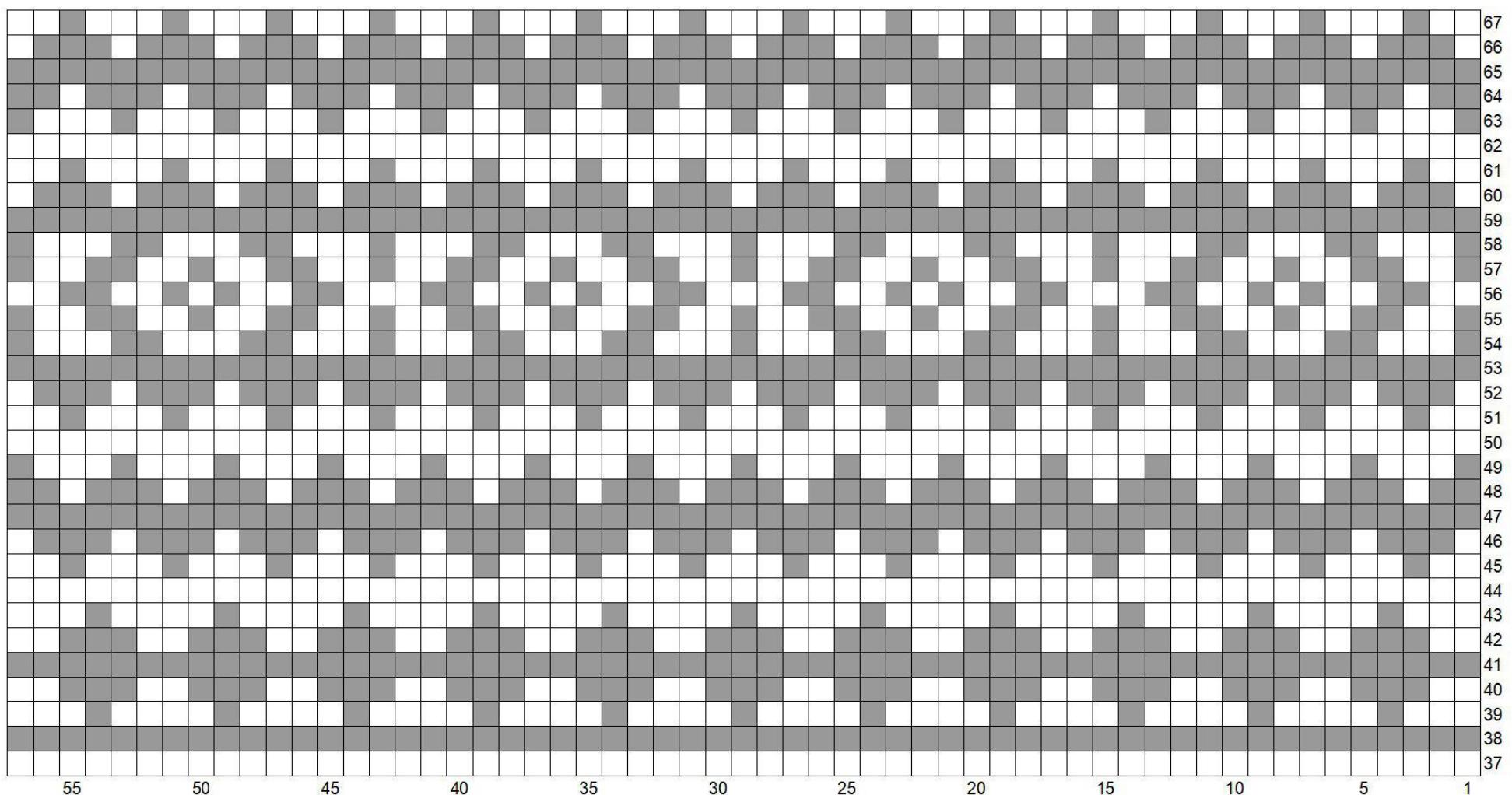


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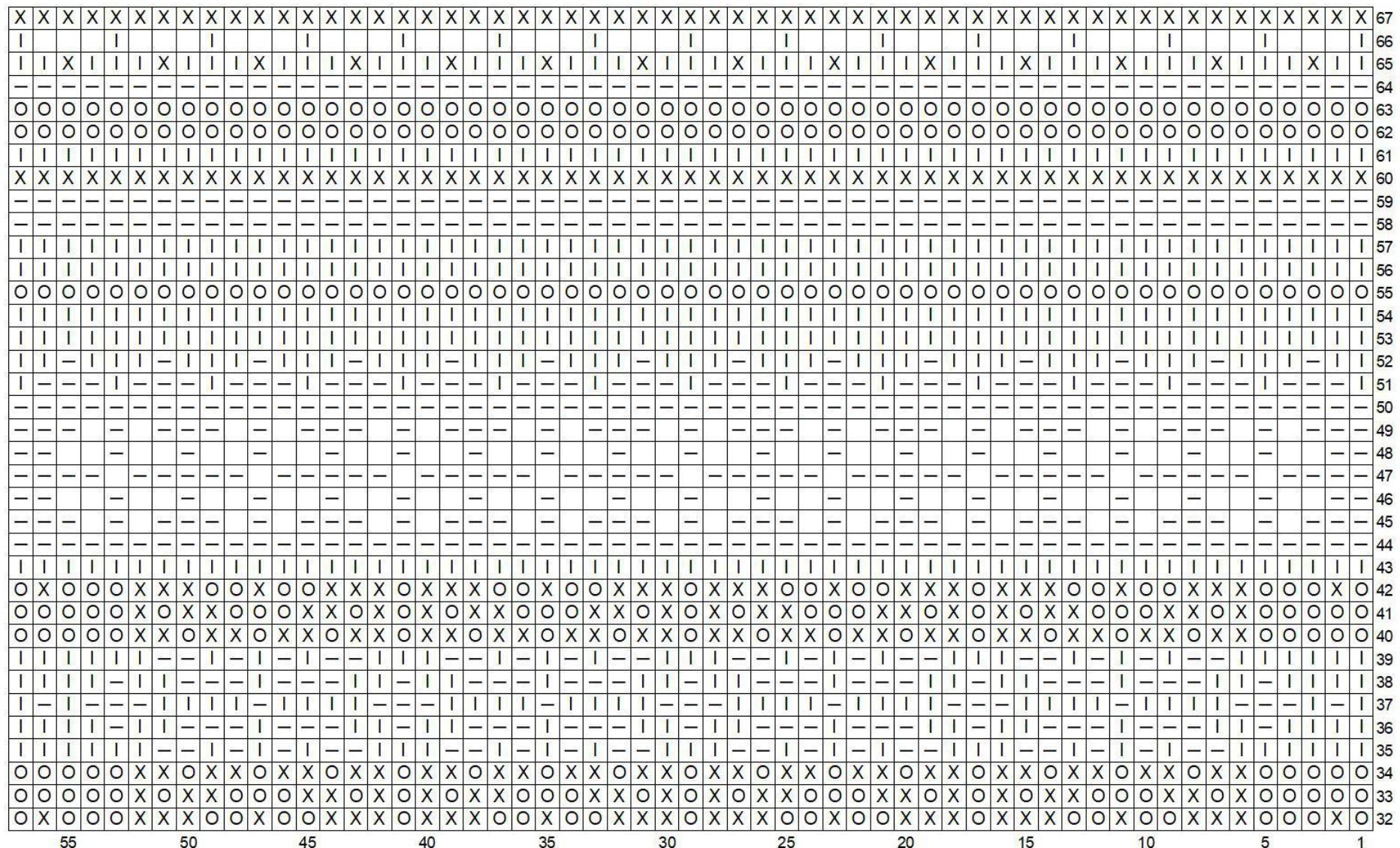
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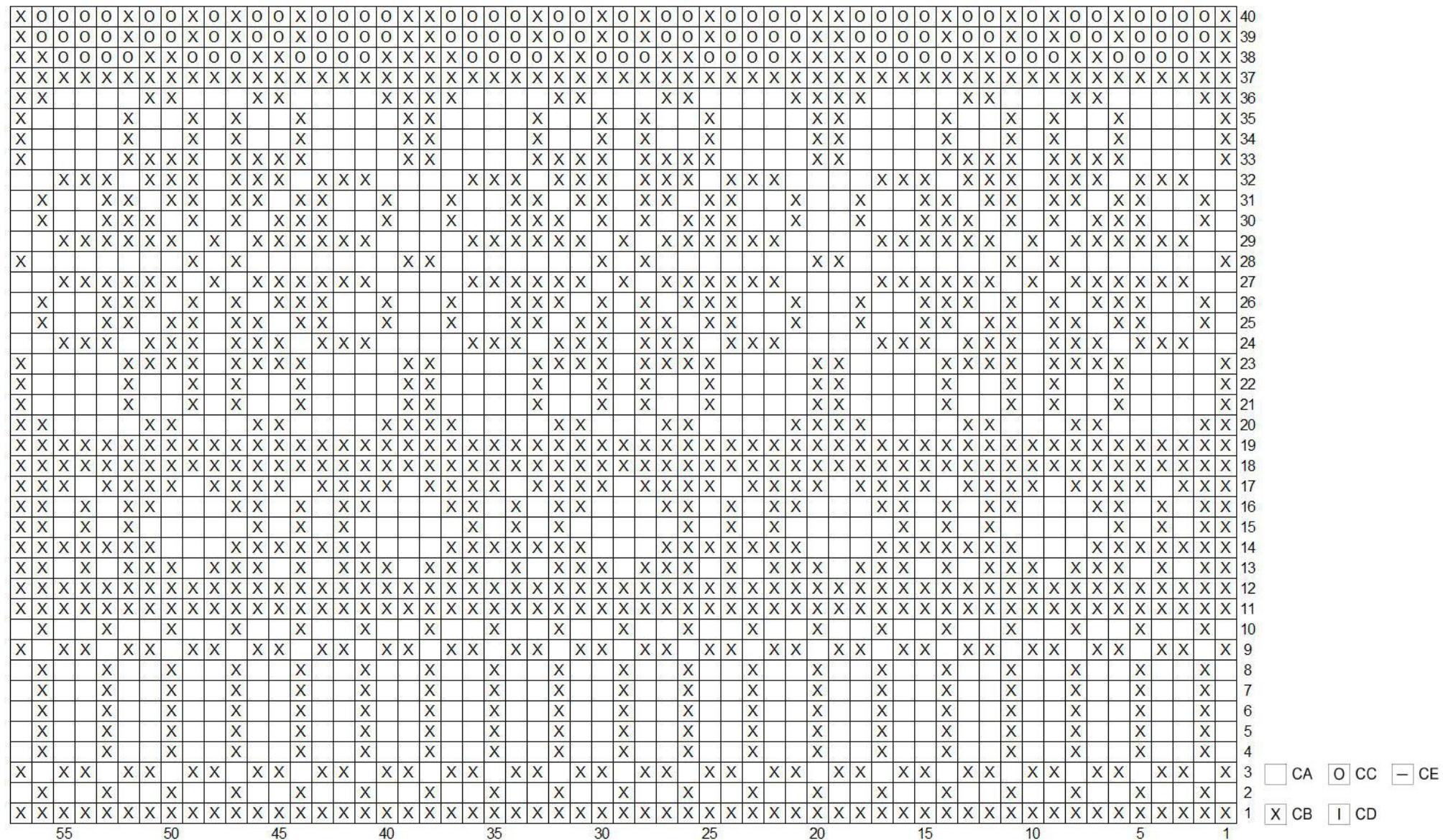
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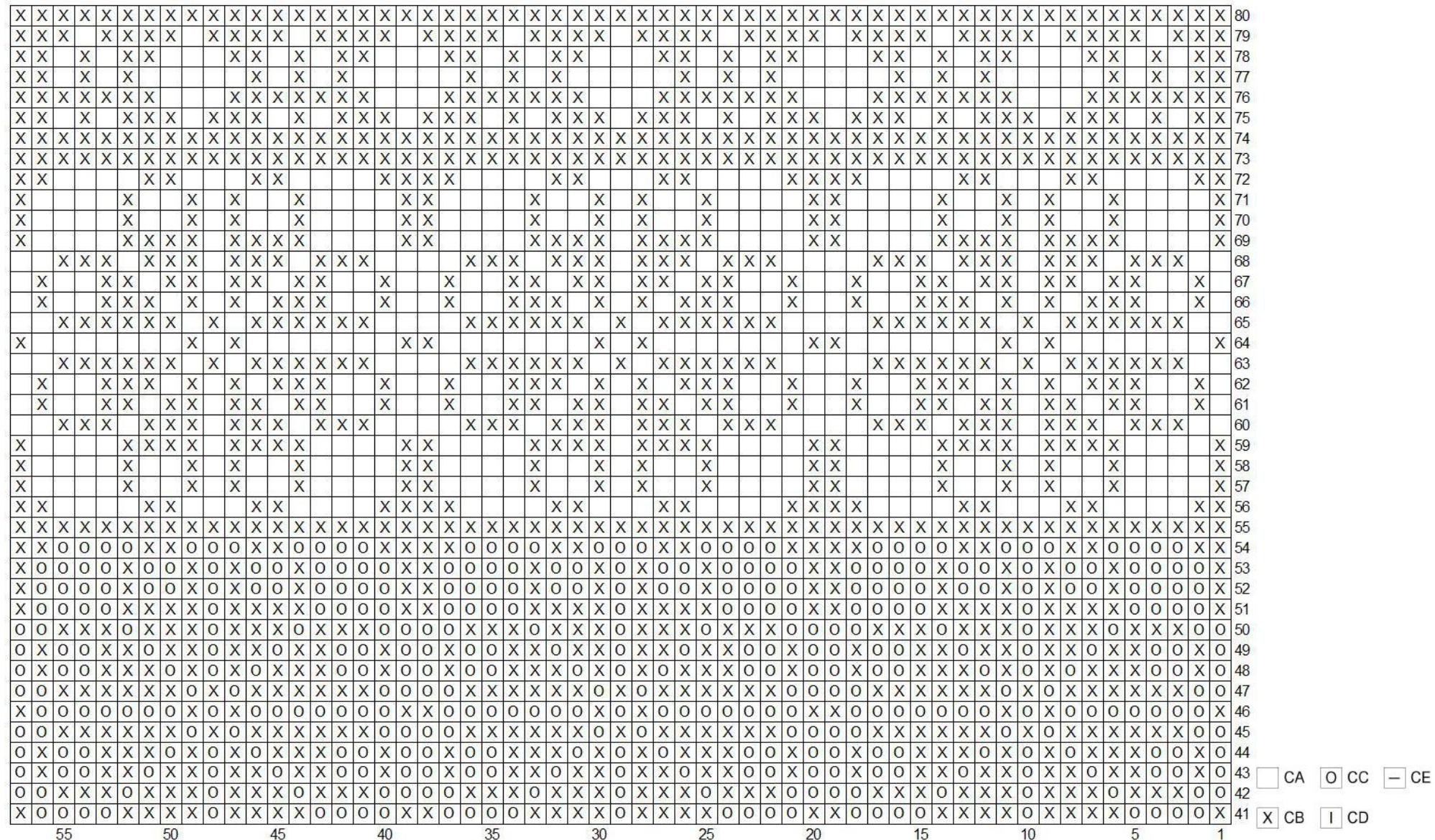
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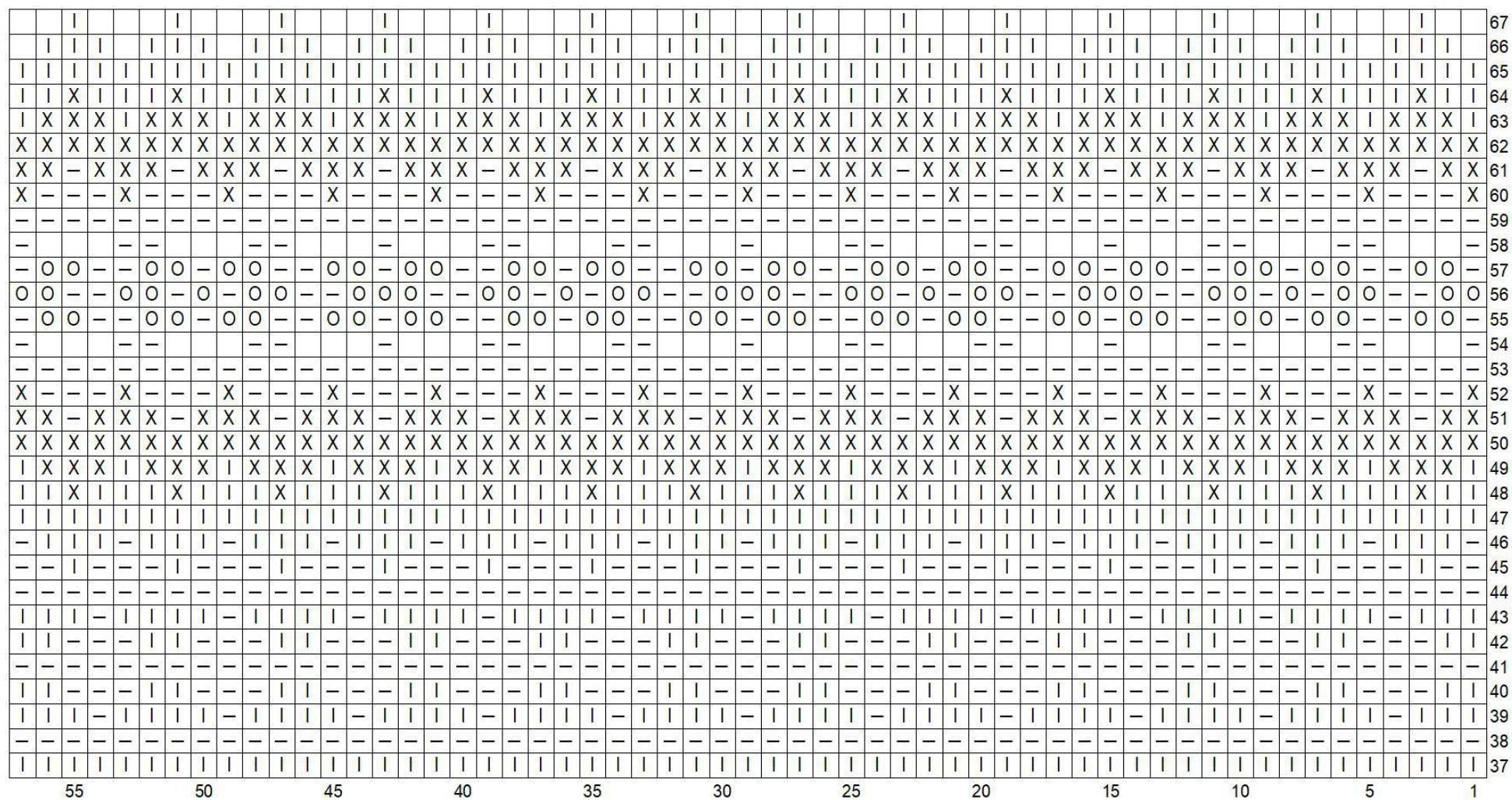
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CA  CC  CE

CB  CD

## CHART C PART 2



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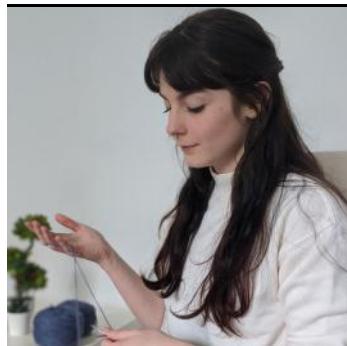
CB  CD

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