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11.

a. A regular and intelligible form or sequence discernible in certain actions or situations; esp. one on which the prediction of successive or future events may be based. Freq. with *of*, as **pattern of behaviour** (cf. behaviour pattern n. at BEHAVIOUR n. Compounds 2), etc., or with prefixed modifying word.