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OCLC Research BIBFRAME 2.0 Converter Analysis

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Agenda

- Goals of the analysis
- Process
- What we learned
- Future experimentation

Goals of the analysis

- Evaluate what type of BIBFRAME data OCLC could produce using the LC converter
- Review of the LC conversion stylesheet
 - Were modifications needed to support OCLC use cases?

Process

- 11 million records containing LCCNs from the OCLC Research copy of WordCat
 - OCLC Research WorldCat includes additional identifiers
 - All formats included in the set
- Converted selected records to MARCXML
- MARCXML sent through LC BIBFRAME 2.0 converter

What did we learn?

- Work IDs are very important
 - Useful at the beginning of the process
 - OCLC clustering adds them to OCLC Research WorldCat
- URIs are very important
 - Several blank nodes without them
 - Blank nodes = non-interoperable
- Converter contains BIBFRAME item descriptions
 - But we were only using bibliographic records
 - This left gaps in the data

OCCLC Research updates to the converter

- Populate 758 field with Work/cluster IDs
- Modified to look for \$0 and \$1
- Preferred URIs for VIAF and FAST

Future experimentation

- Look at indexing possibilities/goals/requirements
- URI clean-up and population to existing MARC records to reduce the number of blank nodes
- Continue working with the Library of Congress
 - With multiple extensions to and variations of BIBFRAME emerging, OCLC is thinking broadly as we build capabilities that support the complex landscape