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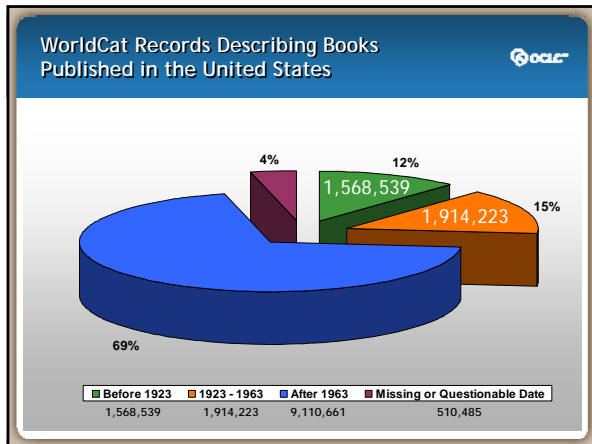
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Markets driving change

- Format transformation is old news
 - Remember microfiche?
- Google Book Search
- It all about scalability and accessibility
- Mass digitization is pushing copyright into the 21st century
- But we're about to encounter the perfect storm



- ### Who will take the lead?
- Private solutions must prevail
 - Cooperatively created and maintained copyright evidence knowledge bases
 - Share what you know about the status of an item
 - Make an assessment, but not the conclusion
 - Librarians are the perfect solution to the perfect storm

The "Reasonable Search" begins

From H.R.5889 Orphan Works Act of 2008

(b) Conditions for Eligibility-

(1) CONDITIONS-

(A) IN GENERAL- Notwithstanding sections 502 through 505, and subject to subparagraph (B), in a civil action brought under this title for infringement of copyright in a work, the remedies for infringement shall be limited in accordance with subsection (c) if the infringer--

(i) proves by a preponderance of the evidence that before the infringement began, the infringer, a person acting on behalf of the infringer, or any person jointly and severally liable with the infringer for the infringement--

(I) performed and documented a qualifying search, in good faith, for the owner of the infringed copyright; and

(II) was unable to locate the owner of the infringed copyright;

The WorldCat Registry of Copyright Evidence



- A union catalog of copyright evidence
- A centralized registry enabling libraries and other organizations to share the results of their investigations into the copyright status of print and digital items.
- Reduce costs by leveraging the power of the cooperative and other participating organizations.

A dynamic view of copyright status



- WorldCat bibliographic metadata
- Contributed data
 - Databases from participating partners
 - Data entered by librarians and others while documenting their "qualified searches"
- Dynamically generated view of what the community knows
- The Master Copyright Evidence Record (MCER)

Guiding assumptions



- Libraries are conducting copyright status investigations
 - Focusing on low-hanging fruit - Pre-1923 (U.S.)
 - When in doubt, wait...
- There is value in sharing copyright status information
 - Distribution of effort reduces duplication/increases efficiency
- A centralized repository will:
 - Facilitate sharing
 - Encourage a collaborative effort to investigate difficult works
 - Lead to an orphan works database
- WorldCat should be the nexus of these activities

The WorldCat Registry of Copyright Evidence



- The RCE is not a replacement for current databases
- The RCE does not provide conclusions regarding the copyright status of any work.
- Instead, it provides information and functionality that can be used to assist a user or library with forming its own conclusions regarding the copyright status of a book.

Search for Copyright Evidence



WorldCat® Registry of Copyright Evidence

Search Item view Copyright rules Preferences About Help Legal Feedback

Search for items:

Title e.g. Watership Down

Author e.g. John Steinbeck

Standard Number ISBN, ISSN or OCLC Number

Call Number or Subject e.g. TS171.A, TS, or psychology

Limit by:

Publication Year is

Country of Publication Select country

Add information



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Blommarck
Author: Meyck, Eburn, 1852-1941.
Language: German.
Published: Berlin : Verlag v. Klaus 1922.

[Copyright details](#) | [Author/creator details](#) (0) | [Bibliographic details](#) (0) | [General notes](#) (0)

Author/creator details

Click the section links at the top of the page to view more contributed information from libraries, cataloging databases, and members of the public. Add any copyright-related information you have about this item by clicking "Add entry".

If the person you want to add information about does not appear below, you can add a new author or creator. Select the kind he or she is, e.g., illustrator, editor, and click "Add new author/creator".

Select author type

(author)

Entry Creator name

author Type of creator

Class

Define your copyright rules and tests oac[™]

Business rules (1)

Customize your business rules using a number of tests. Construct tests to reflect the conditions required to determine copyright status as defined by the copyright laws of the country of interest. Set data preferences to deal with uncertainties in the data e.g. when no date is present, when data is from an untrusted source or if the data is ambiguous.

1. Create tests

Create new test Blank Copy from an existing test: Test #1002 Add user to my role

Test #1002 View | Edit | Delete

Test result:
If ALL of the conditions below are met, the copyright status can be determined as:
Item in the public domain
e.g. Copyright expired

AND condition

Date of publication is before (1912) Delete

plus or Select date entry

or today's date

Country of publication is United States Delete

Copyright Rules Engine

- Codify your copyright policies
- Provides a level of automation based on your policies
- Reporting and “filtering”
- Completely user defined

Can it work? oac[™]

- Let's find out!
- 60,457 libraries in 112 countries
- 105 million WorldCat records
- Visibility through WorldCat.org
- Planned machine-to-machine capability

A call to action! oac[™]

- July 1, 2008 pilot
- Six-month test
- Data contributions welcome
- Pilot participation welcome
- Mobilize the cooperative, interested stakeholders and the public to address this problem

Thank you!



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