

LC/NACO

Library of Congress NACO Authority File

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LC/NACO - Status

Quick points

- 1) NACO – Name Authority Cooperative Program – coordinates work of program partners and sets and maintains standards

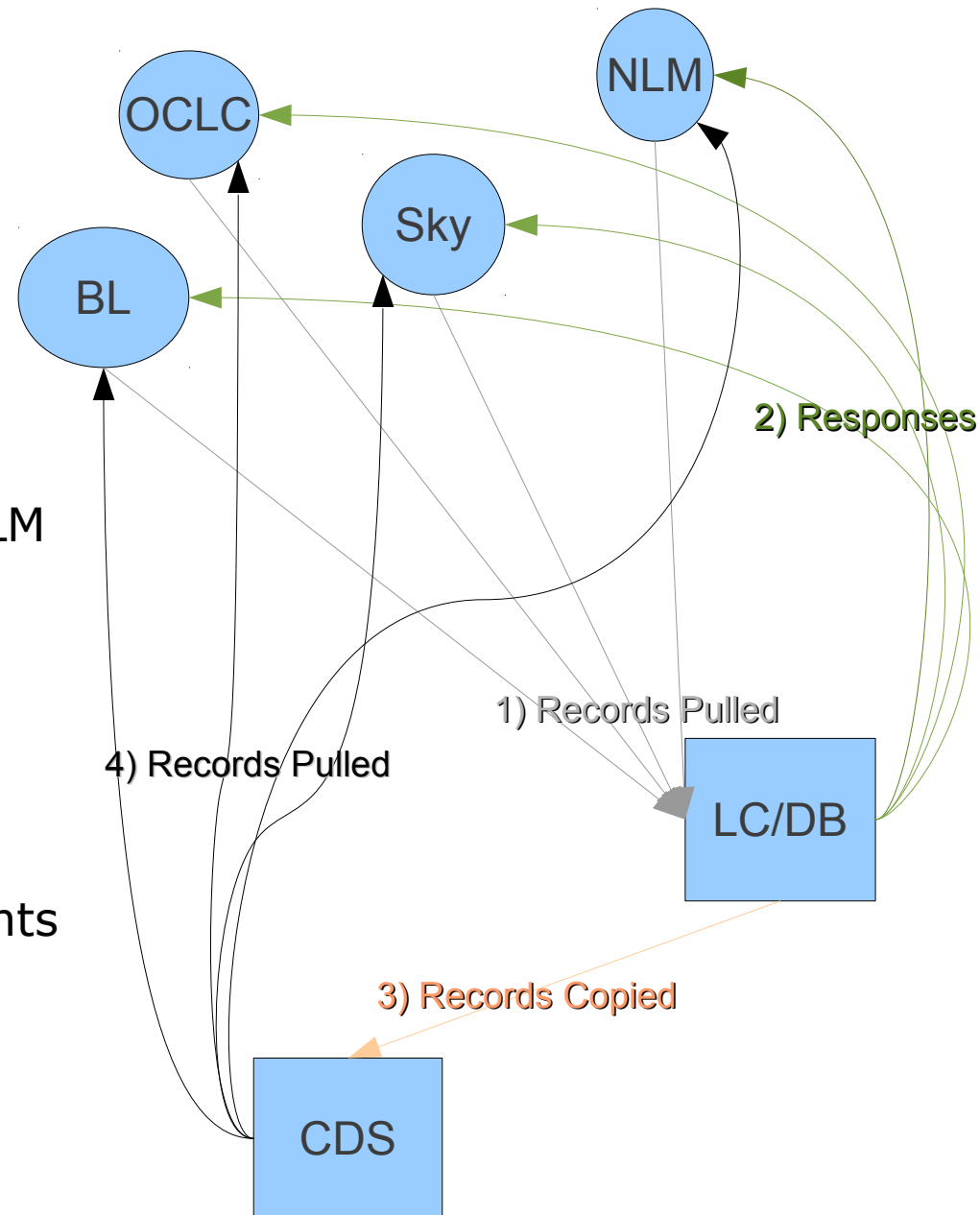
- 2) NACO Partners - hundreds of libraries, including but not limited to:
 - British Library
 - US National Library of Medicine
 - National Library of New Zealand
 - Biblioteca Nacional de México
 - US National Agriculture Library
 - University of Michigan
 - University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign and Chicago)
 - Harvard University Library
 - Yale University
 - Oxford University

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Quick points (cont'd)

3) NACO Copy Holding Participants

- British Library, OCLC, SkyRiver, NLM
- Maintain full, local copy of NAF
- Changes to MARC format or cataloging coordinated w/LC
- OCLC and SkyRiver provide platform for contributions
 - Quality review
 - Support for new NACO participants



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Quick points (cont'd)

4) 7.3M Identities (approximately)

- 5.7M Personal Names
- 1.6M Corporate Names (includes Conference Names)

5) Cross-references, See Also references (where appropriate)

- Bachman, Richard ↔ King, Stephen
- Clemens, Samuel ↔ Twain, Mark ↔ Conte, Louis de
- Blair, Eric Arthur ↔ Orwell, George
- Bell, Ellis ↔ Brontë, Emily

Data Access

- **LC Linked Data Service (<http://id.loc.gov/>)**
 - RDF (MADS/RDF, SKOS/RDF) – available as bulk downloads
 - XML (MADS/XML, MARC/XML)
- **LC Authorities (<http://authorities.loc.gov/>)**
 - Text
 - MARC
- **Cataloging Distribution Service**
 - MDS (MARC Distribution Service)
 - Weekly and daily bulk downloads as MARC, MARC/XML

LC/NACO - Scope

That which is required by NACO partners to accurately and faithfully manage authority control of the identities associated with their (mainly) bibliographic materials.

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LC/NACO – Plans

- **Data**
 - **Changes for RDA**
 - Recode MARC records from AACR2
 - New fields (3XX) for identity disambiguation
 - Write out abbreviations in full
 - Many, many more
 - **Format/Exchange**
 - Topic is in-scope vis-à-vis
Bibliographic Framework Transition Initiative
- **NACO**
 - RDA Cataloging, beginning March 2013
- **ID.LOC.GOV**
 - Continue to experiment with names data
 - Exploring explicit identification of pseudonyms
 - Continued integration of ID.LOC.GOV with internal services

LC/NACO–Thank You

Thank you.

Questions?

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