FiksFerdig

Delivering pre-labeled books for faster processing

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Biblioteksentralen is a **non-profit cooperative** owned by Norway's counties and county municipalities.

We were established in 1952 to **help libraries** provide knowledge and culture to everyone in Norway.

All returns are **invested in the development** of services and products for libraries.



Biblioteksentralen shall contribute to the increased use of libraries



Ease the workload of the LIBRARY STAFF



Utvikle tjenester som svarer på behovene til <u>bibliotekbrukere</u>

Develop services that answer the needs of LIBRARY USERS

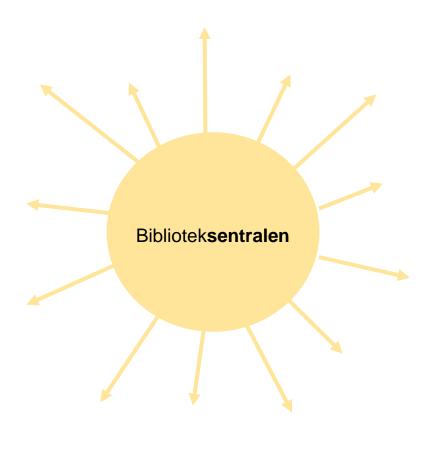


Muliggjøre <u>deling</u> av informasjon og inspirasjon på tvers av bibliotekene

Contribute to SHARING of information and inspiration across libraries



Delivering books, metadata and other services to public and school libraries since 1952





Perceived problem

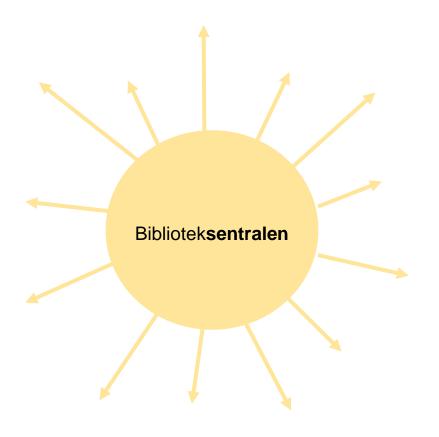
- Libraries have limited resources (staff, time)
- A lot of resources are spent processing books
 - ca 10 minutes per book (1500 books = 6,5 work weeks)
- This leads to an unnecessarily long wait for some books to be made available and reach users



Processing

- Receive book
- Check it into library system
- Check/modify/register metadata
- Print labels
 - Back label
 - Spine label
- Program RFID-tag
- Affix labels, RFID-tag, other shelf markings
- Shelf book









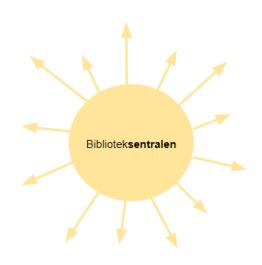




Hylleklare bøker (Shelf-ready books)

established in 2018





 Integration with library systems to connect catalog record to item

 Labels created with call numbers from database

 Libraries could modify call numbers during ordering process



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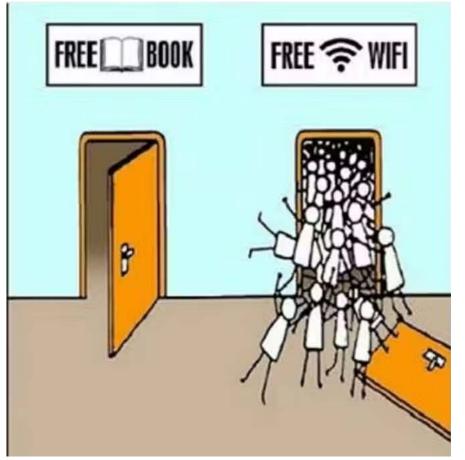
established in 2018 and abandoned in 2020



Back to the drawing board ...







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Keywords:
Agile
Service design
Usability testing

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established in 2021



Product!

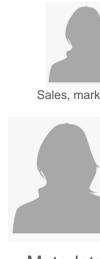
Service!





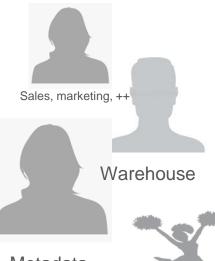


Service Designer



Metadata





Goal:

Create a product that is useful to librarians (and users?)!

Find the least common denominator of information necessary for the back and spine of books to provide a flexible, standardized, intuitive and scalable system for shelving (and browsing and mediating?) books



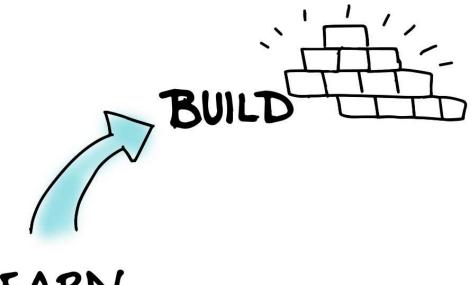
Understanding the problem

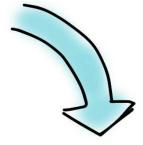
- Pilot libraries (3-5)
 - Interviews: What are their needs? What is most pressing?
 - Observation of processing (over Teams)

In-house

- What types of metadata are registered?
- O Where are they stored?
- How are they sent to library systems?
- Output Description
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- Warehouse logistics

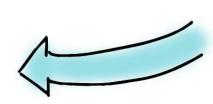






LEARN





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MEASURE

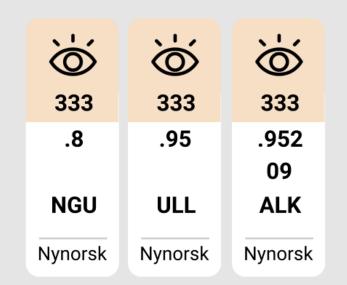
LEARN (Dewey)

- How do public libraries use the Dewey system in shelving?
- How do they modify Dewey?
- Where do they depart from Dewey?
- What are the most common subject areas that get their own shelves?
 - Cooking
 - Hobbies
 - Photography
 - Biographies
 - Dinosaurs
 - o etc

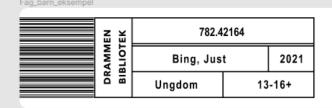


BUILD (Dewey)











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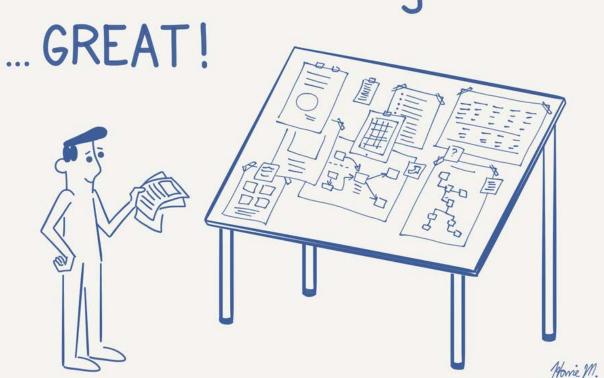
MEASURE (Dewey)

Selected feedback from pilot libraries:

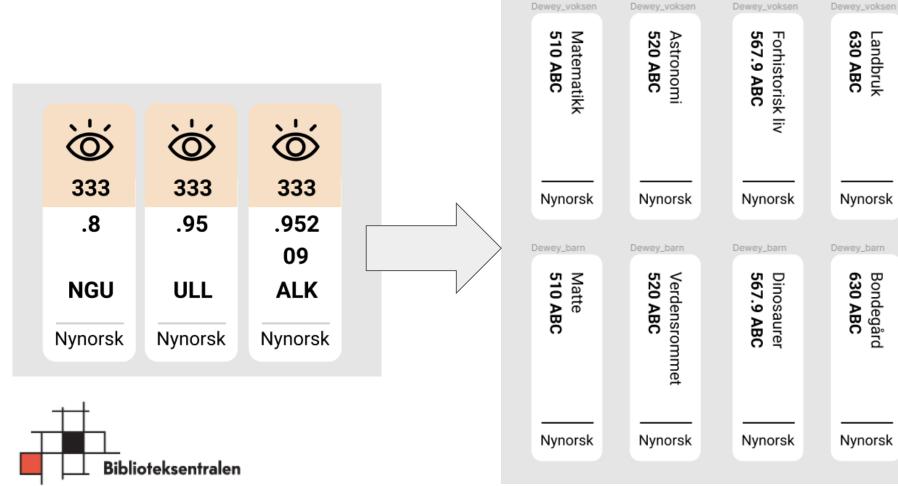
- Symbols can become outdated quickly
- Symbols don't work well for all subdisciplines in Dewey (for example Cooking in 600)
- It was difficult to read the Dewey notation divided into three digits over three rows
- In some cases, not detailed enough



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Curated captions

- Captions for 159 number spans
- Differentiate between captions for adults non-fiction and children non-fiction
- Examples:

520-529 Astronomy (adults)

520-529 Outer space (children)



Curated captions, cont.

560-567.8 Prehistoric life (children)

567.9-567.917 Dinosaurs (children)

567.918-569.98 Prehistoric life (children)



Curated captions, cont.

629.2	629.2	Kjøretøy	Kjøretøy
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629.4	629.4	Romfart	Romfart
629.5	629.7	Teknikk	Teknikk
629.8	629.8	Teknikk	Roboter
629.9	629.9	Teknikk	Teknikk
630	633	Landbruk	Bondegårder
634	634.8	Landbruk	Natur
634.9	634.9	Landbruk	Natur
635	635	Hagebruk	Hage
636	636.9	Husdyr	Husdyr
637	638	Landbruk	Bondegårder
639	639	Jakt og fiske	Natur
640	640	Hus og hjem	Hus og hjem
641	642	Mat og drikke	Mat og drikke
643	645	Hus og hjem	Hus og hjem
646	646.6	Søm	Hobby
646.7	646.7	Hus og hjem	Hus og hjem
646.701	646.72	Kroppspleie	Kroppspleie
646.73	647.79	Familieliv	Familieliv
647.94	647.94	Hotell og pensjonat	Hus og hjem
647.95	647.95	Serveringssteder	Hus og hjem
647.96	649.0	Hus og hjem	Hus og hjem
649.1	649.7	Barn og familie	Barn og familie
649.8	649.9	Hus og hjem	Hus og hjem
650	651	Teknologi	Teknologi
652	652	Teknologi	Hobby
653	659	Teknologi	Teknologi





Still have SOME work to do with Dewey, though...

- Segmentation marks in the Norwegian WebDewey are based on the English language abridged version
- Doesn't always work for Norwegian libraries
- Some adjustments have been made
 - Norwegain literature
 - Norwegian history
 - Knitting
 - Sami languages
- We should systematically go through the schedules and adjust where necessary
 - +Who is "We"? The National Library? Emnedatakomitéen? Biblioteksentralen?



Questions?

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