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#### **ABSTRACT**

Since its introduction a number of researches have been done to study the applications of FRBR in bibliographic database projects. Several FRBR prototypes have been implemented and the experience learned from these prototypes provided areas for further deployment of FRBR. Earlier FRBR projects had looked into the entity of work in bibliographic records.

#### 4.1 INTRODUCTION

A more recent research by Simpson et al (2007) has illustrated how even partial implementations of a FRBR model might be of great assistance to catalogue users. They reported on a project at the University Of Florida Smathers Library conducted in order to support better linking of catalogue records for multiple manifestations of the same title. They have listed three important obstacles to creating FRBRised catalogues:

- 1) Library management systems frequently cannot manage links that exist among bibliographic records
- 2) Catalogue records often lack the data necessary to reflect relationships
- 3) Library management systems typically cannot make use of the data even if it is available.

A slightly more recent assessment of two prominent FRBR prototypes was conducted by Pisanski and Zumer (2007) who reviewed OCLC Fiction-Finder and an experimental prototype designed by the Australian National Library's called Library- Labs. While Fiction-Finder focuses on the concept of the work, Library-Labs experiments with FRBR as part of a larger experiment with library systems.