The Israeli Publishers' **Authority Database on Wikidata** 

## מו"לים ישראליים בולקונונים Publishing our Data نساهم فی ویکی بیانات

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#### The Goal

The National Library of Israel's Israeli Publishers' Authority Database contains structured and unstructured information in Hebrew, English, Arabic, and Russian on thousands of Israeli publishers. Until now the data was siloed, known only to researchers, librarians, and copyright officers. Structuring, referencing, linking, and opening the data to the world will allow uses the database's creators never envisaged.

### Questions we're facing:

- How to avoid duplicating pre-existing records
- Handling information (such as related persons) for which Wikidata requires an additional item

## How we're doing it:

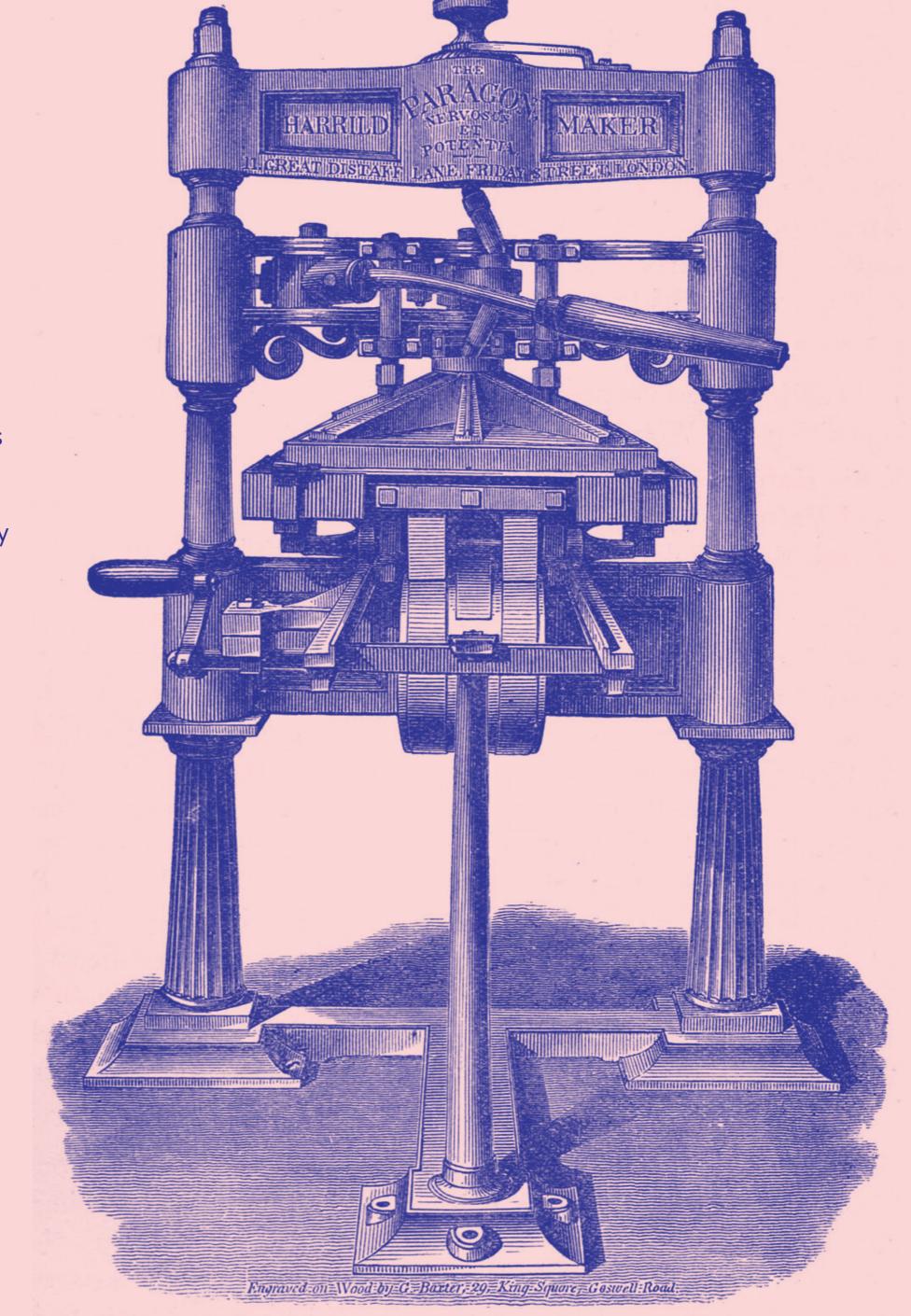
- Extracted over 11,000 publisher authority records from the database
- Weeded out records with low information loads
- Loaded remaining ~2,000 records to Open Refine
- Mapped MARC and local authority fields to Wikidata properties

#### **Steps remaining:**

- Finish parsing unstructured data into structured data
- Export to QuickStatements
- Upload to Wikidata

#### Plans for the future:

- Uploading a copy of the multilingual, multiscript Israel National Authority Database (1.5 million+ records) to Wikidata
- Creating a Wikibase for the Israel National Authority Database to encourage creative reuse
- Roundtripping projects





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