

**ELECTRONIC LIBRARIES: THE PROBLEMS OF CREATION
AND THE PROSPECTS FOR DEVELOPMENT**

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The rapid development of electronic numerical technologies, the increasing flow of documents in the electronic form and the need of citizens for remote access to information have adjusted the general concept of the library in general, as well as its directions of business in the modern world. The main problem is that electronic publications are a new form of storage unit for library collections, so the way in which they are handled is fundamentally different from traditional documents [1].

Prospects of development of electronic libraries in Ukraine are as

follows: First, it will be libraries «polymedia», which use for storage of information and knowledge various independent: paper, microfilm etc. The second is electronic libraries, where the main processes will be carried out by computers. Third, there are digital libraries where all information is stored digitally on magnetic or optical disks and there will be no traditional or modern analog media (books, magazines, videos, etc.). Virtual libraries are implemented through global communications networks.

An electronic library is a distributed information system that allows you to securely accumulate, store and efficiently use a variety of collections of electronic documents, available in a user-friendly way through global data networks. The most advanced electronic libraries have significant advantages over traditional ones. The main advantage is the potential ability to most fully implement the principle of public access to information for all interested users, regardless of the location of information and its consumers [2].

Moreover, EL allows to radically expand the very understanding of the principle of universal access, assuming universal availability of all world information for the whole world of its consumers.

It is safe to say: electronic libraries - a fundamentally new, promising, promising form of life of the library in the information society, the main purpose of which is to improve the library service. The need to develop electronic libraries as one of the most effective ways to preserve national cultural heritage should be recognized as a priority state task. Thus, libraries and other electronic text providers must obtain permission from copyright holders for all activities related to consumer services. The most appropriate solution for libraries would be to acquire licences that allow free and unrestricted viewing, downloading and printing.

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