

Memo 4C-3/85

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Subject: Reply to memo 4C-2/40 on the use of
RAW, REL and FCT modifiers

We agree with the main part of memo 4C-2/40. The adage "what is coded should be uniquely defined ..." is correct. (Note, however, that there will always be borderline cases and that the modifiers in question have been created to cover "unclean" data.)

We do not agree to abandon these three modifiers completely. As it has been pointed out in many discussions: it must be possible to recognize by machine from the ISO-QUANT whether it is "clean" data which can, for example, go into a plotting as they are, or whether the data need a special treatment.

A decision on the proposal of memo 4C-2/40 must however be postponed until we have up-to-date EXFOR and LEXFOR Manuals. We do not have the time to search through past 4C-Memos and Minutes to see what has been agreed so far. After having up-to-date Manuals, it would be helpful if the proposal could be reformulated in the form of proposed changes of Manual pages.

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