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Subject: Re: Couples Recode and polygamy  
Posted by [aligazan](#) on Wed, 15 Jun 2016 13:28:31 GMT  
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Thank you very much for your reply.

I am using SPSS and I used this syntax;

```
GET FILE='MLMR53FL.SAV'.  
SORT CASES by MV001 MV002 MV034$1.  
save outfile = 'MLmen.sav'.
```

```
GET FILE='MLIR53FL.SAV'.  
SORT CASES by V001 V002 V003.  
save outfile = 'MLwomen.sav' / keep v001 v002 v003 G102.
```

```
MATCH FILES /file=' MLmen.sav' /table='MLwomen.sav'  
/rename v001 = mv001 v002 = mv002 v003 = mv034$1 G102=JG102$1  
/BY MV001 MV002 MV034$1.  
save outfile = "MLmen+wives.sav".
```

Maybe there is something wrong with my syntax?

Would you expect the couples recode to only include the 1st wife?

Many thanks for your help.

Janet

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