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- “I've made too many data management mistakes to name, but among the most time consuming have been data transformations, such as cases-to-variables and variables-to-cases, that I didn't document properly and then had no way of knowing what data I was working with after the transformations. Now I'm obsessive about documenting every single tiny step and change I make so I can go back and remember and recreate if needed. We work with a lot of non-independent data in our studies (e.g., multiple family members in the same data set), so those transformations get a little confusing even when my thinking is clear!”



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Ah sorry there have been way too many coding f ups across all projects I cannot even think of what I'd go with as a prime example. Most of it falls under longitudinal regret in terms of not naming variables in a consistent manner, or neglecting pieces of info necessary to put longitudinal data together.

f was just a person who had their own specific style which was wayyy different than what is standard.

Plus it was all SAS based.

