

Tentative Code for Assaultive Incidents in
the Records of Rejected Stress Unit Inmates

FORMAT

Code	TYPE OF INCIDENT (IN	{TYPE OF PERSON WHO
Des.	TERMS OF STRATEGY OR	PREDOMINANTLY OR CON-
	PURPOSE)	SISTENTLY USES VIOLENCE
		OF THE TYPE DESIGNATED)

Description of strategy where appropriate;

*Illustration

A INSTRUMENTAL VIOLENCE: PRIMARILY
FOR SEXUAL ACT (SEXER)

N = 15

This category includes all incidents in which violence is used to induce an otherwise unwilling partner to submit to an act of sexual intercourse. In some instances, the victim is also deprived of property.

A1 KIDNAP-RAPE

In these incidents, the victim is usually in transit; is intercepted and persuaded through violence to submit to sexual intercourse.

(N = 4)

*A seventeen year old girl is walking home late at night from the theater, carrying a small knife in her hand for self-protection. G. grabs her from behind; she screams and he hits her several times, throws her down, places his knee across her throat. She screams again, and he hits and chokes her. The rape is interrupted by a man who is attracted by the girl's screams. The same individual (G) has tried to forcibly rape a young mother who permitted him to enter her home to consult the telephone book (Code Alc). He has also followed numerous women with intent to rape them, but was frightened off in each case (Ala).

*B. and a friend wait for an 18 year old girl (whom they have been watching) to emerge from her home. When she does, they follow her, gag her, drag her to their car, beat her into silence and rape her; they also steal money from her purse. B. with two other men has also kidnapped a married woman waiting for a bus. All three men raped her, and then stole her purse and watch.

Ala KIDNAP-RAPE unsuccessful or minor. (N = 1)

*N. selects his victim, grabs her, tears her dress, holds his hand over her mouth, and permits himself to be wrestled down or flees when the girl screams. The same individual pleads with some victims to submit, and manually explodes them when they refuse.

A1b KIDNAP-RAPE with disproportionate violence (N = 2)

*In raping a seventeen year old girl, S. beats her so that her mouth was full of blood.

*M., after raping his victim, beats her so that "she suffered a concussion and lost work for about three months." (He claims extortion attempt).

A1c KIDNAP-RAPE with cover story (N = 1)

*A female job applicant arrives at the place where M. works; he misrepresents himself as the owner, and makes an appointment for her to see his "wife." When the girl arrives for this "interview," he knocks her down and tries to rape her.

Total KIDNAP-RAPE: 8

A2 RAPE-BURGLARY (N = 4)

Individual enters home of victim and forces her to submit to sexual intercourse, as well as depriving her of property. Invariable replicators, Rape-Burglars may even stay within narrow age range for victims. These men are often described as "hostile" to women.

*A sixty year old woman is sitting in her living room watching television; P. enters, instructs her to be quiet, hits her when she screams, and orders her into the bedroom where he rapes her. He also empties her purse.

A3 RAPE-CHILDREN (N = 3)

*S. rapes eight year old sister and 14 year old sister while on parole. ("apparently is unable to establish a meaningful relationship with adult females due to his insecurity. This has thwarted him from normal sexual outlets and he therefore turns to close family members to see sexual gratification.")

*M. "did ... commit a lewd and lascivious act upon ... L.M. ... a female person ... of the age of 6 years ... upon L.R. ... a female child ... of the age of nine years ... (Rape). The same man also assaulted and raped grown up women in church washrooms.

B VIOLENCE AS REACTION TO PERCEIVED AFFRONT (RETALIATOR)

(N = 12)

In these incidents violence has a quid pro quo function. The person views himself offended against, and reacts by physically harming his perceived assailant. This reaction may be instantaneous, or may be consistently preceded by brooding.

B1 DELAYED RETALIATION (against digested affront) (N = 6)

*Sammy's wife tells him "that their marriage was a total loss and there was no sense in continuing along with the situation; that love was lost and that family consolation could not be restored." She exits, returns the next day, "and found the house in shambles." In the closets "each piece of clothing had been cut to ribbons." (Sammy's clothes, and those of the children, were left untouched.) Other items smashed include the phonograph, L.P. records, the washing machine and the ironing board. (Sammy had departed after the altercation, but then returned to wreck the house.)

*"The defendant in a heavily intoxicated condition, had earlier attended a neighbor's poker party where intoxication beverages had been served. He had become incensed at what he considered some derogatory remarks about himself and had left the poker party vowing to return. Defendant went to his home, picked up a .38 caliber revolver, and then returned to the party. The participants scattered immediately and defendant fired several shots ... "

*While in jail, N. hears that his wife is living at the home of the victims, where she is sleeping with one or more of their sons: Upon release, N. visits his victims at night, and (1) throws rocks through their bedroom windows, (2) slashes the tires on their cars, (3) puts sugar in the cars' gasoline tanks, and finally (4) throws gasoline through the window at the sleeping occupants and ignites same.

B2 INSTANT RETALIATION against seemingly minor affront

(N = 6)

*In Folsom, C. attacked another inmate with his fists "over an epithet hurled at him while serving on the mess line." A robbery victim recalls about C., that "It was while I was on the floor of the prescription counter that he got mad at me because I didn't have enough money (and) he hit me on the head with the butt of the gun."

*"The defendant had a couple of beers to drink after arriving home and at about 7:30 that evening the defendant's wife was watching television. The defendant told her to turn the set off, so they could go to bed and have an act of sexual intercourse. She said no that she wanted to watch the rest of the program. With that, defendant reached into a closet and got a gun, shot the wife in the chest, killing her."

(This incident has elements of B1, because the aggrieved husband had been brooding some time about suspected unfaithfulness in his wife, and claims to have worked himself up into a "drunken rage.")

NOTE: Some Bs are specialized to some extent, in that the persons involved appear more prone to be offended by some people (e.g., authorities, women) or in some situations (e.g., in bars, while drunk) than in other contexts.

C VIOLENCE AS ROUTINE STRATEGY FOR DEALING WITH WOMEN

(WOMAN TAMER)

(N = 7)

Although the "Woman Tamer's" violence may be instrumental, retaliatory, etc., in character, it is distinguished by consistently being employed in relation to women. In these incidents, the assumption (which may be sub-cultural or idiosyncratic) is that violence is uniquely appropriate and relevant in dealings with women -- most frequently women in one's own stable.

C1 VIOLENCE AS ARGUMENT EQUALIZER (N = 3)

*A's wife objects to his teaching the children to shoot a rifle in the immediate vicinity of the house. He beats

her (fractured rib, contusions and bruises) and threatens to kill her. The same individual beat his common law wife to death in an argument; he had previously administered a severe beating to her when she reproached him with revealing their marital status to acquaintances.

*Prior to divorce, M. arrived in his wife's lawyer's office with a loaded gun, for a discussion of the property settlement. During this discussion, he felt his wife was being unreasonably demanding. He waited for the lawyer and secretary to leave, and shot his wife.

C2 VIOLENCE AS MEANS OF PERSUASION (N = 2)

*O. was registered in a hotel with his common law wife. "He wanted her to go out with him and she refused, and he stabbed her in the neck and back." She died ... Twenty two years later, O. hit another girl friend in the eye and left her covered with blood because she would not return home from a bar when he asked her to. ("I had no intention to do so much damage.")

C3 VIOLENCE AS EXPRESSION OF CONTEMPT FOR WOMEN (N = 2)

*M. has drinks in bar with his victim, and takes her home. "The next thing she remembered was the defendant choking her." She lost consciousness and woke up shot through the mouth.

*N. accosts women, identifies himself as a "vice officer," and beats them up.

D. VIOLENCE AS A DEMONSTRATION OF STATUS OR WORTH

(TOUGHNESS DEMONSTRATOR)

(N = 5)

In these incidents, violence is used to prove that the person is not weak, small, inadequate, or afraid. They occur because the individual involved has reason to suspect that others may appraise him unfavorably, or feels the need to enhance his worth in his own eyes.

*At the age of 11, H. "held up a grocery woman, whose store he had previously burglarized, and shot and killed the woman, who seemingly reacted to the situation as a practical joke." It is noted that H. was a "sickly and puny child," and to this day "will go to any length to impress others" (including the use of guns loaded with dum dum shells).

*As a juvenile, D. was engaged in a fist fight with another boy. "When it appeared that Subject was getting whipped, he asked co-subject G. for a pistol he was carrying, and immediately shot and killed G. (This individual incident might also comprise part of the record of another hypothetical type -- the "Sore Loser"!)

*V. was informed by O. that E.R. had insulted O.; O. indicated that he wanted to use V.'s rifle. Instead, V. armed himself with the rifle, and V. and O. went to hunt for E.R. They encountered E.R. in the "El Sombrero Cafe," where V. killed him and shot the place up. He is quoted as telling the arresting officers, "I shot them. I'm one of the big boys. It is about time you cops catch some of us."

E VIOLENCE AS AMUSEMENT OR SPORT: (SELF-ENTERTAINER)

(N = 3)

In these situations, violence is not a means to an end, but an end in itself. The person uses violence as a way of gaining excitement, or finds that in situations in which violence is begun for other purposes it continues for its own sake.

*F. holds up a grocery store owned by a 69 year old lady, Mrs. E. He "very severely and unprovokedly beat up Mrs. E., blacking her eye, bruising her body, breaking her teeth and glasses and also she received severe cuts between thumbs and forefingers of both hands fending off defendant who had gun in his hand at time of beating." F. also held up another grocery, owned by a 69 year old man, whom he kicked and threw down a flight of concrete stairs (years later, his victim still suffers from kidney injuries). The D.A. reports that F. "inflicts injury upon people just for the sake of inflicting injury. He has this reputation not only among his victims but among girl friends."

*G., who tied up and robbed a couple in an alley, and then proceeded to rape the girl in front of the helpless man -- cut both of his victims mercilessly with a knife; "once he had slightly injured the girl he thought, he said, he might just as well really injure her partner; and once he was injured, he might as well seriously injure the girl." As a child, G. "was first known to the local police for stealing canary birds and killing them without reason."

F VIOLENCE AS A TERRORIST TOOL (INTIMIDATOR)
(N = 3)

In these incidents, violence is used to inspire terror, a frame of mind in which victims are presumed to be more reasonable and amenable to influence.

*S. is sharing a room with "a 53 year old, mild mannered man who is suffering from an arrested case of leprosy and active tuberculosis." S. for some time has been attempting to get his room-mate to move out. One day he viciously attacks him with fists and a hunting knife, leaving him covered with bruises. In prison, S. has been known for the "intimidation of older inmates."

*Inmate P. is intensely disliked and feared by other prisoners, and is involved in numerous fights. One cooperative inmate testifies that "P. was exerting extreme pressure on him in order to persuade him ... to engage in homosexual activities. This pressure included ... actual physical abuse." Other inmates are known to have been similarly dealt with by P.

G VIOLENCE AS A REACTION TO IRRITATION (EXPLODER)
(N = 3)

This type of situation features an individual who finds himself easily irritated or under stress, and who reacts with violence -- either directed at the source of irritation or diffuse in character.

*S. explains his fatal knifing of a close female friend; "I told her to shut up. Then she started in again, really hot and heavy this time ... I told her if she didn't stop this, I would go back to my wife ... I knew that something would happen between (victim) and myself ... I had nearly choked her to death one night when she kept yakking at me."

*M. admits slapping and shaking and banging his babies -- causing permanent brain damage in one and death to the other -- "in order to make them stop crying since their crying made him nervous and he was angry."

H VIOLENCE IN CONFINEMENT (CONFINEMENT VIOLATOR)
(N = 3)

These incidents involve individuals who repeatedly -- and seemingly exclusively -- become assaultive in prison, so that the assumption may be legitimate that violence is partly provoked by structure and confinement. Typically, an individual of this type includes among his targets inmates, staff and physical objects.

#Note: For individual incidents, use "Institutional Violence" Code.

*M. has been a repeated source of assaultive violence in prison, having attacked other inmates, and once having been stopped in the process of braining a custodial officer with a shovel. He is described as never relaxed, and "invariably on the offensive or defensive." His work supervisor reports that he has "no regard" for fellow inmates and blows up easily.

*M.S. pretty near fatally knifes another inmate, and refuses to give up the knife or emerge from his cell -- tear gas is used. M.S. has a three-page single spaced disciplinary record. This includes attacks on other inmates, and many counts of insolence, disobedience, threats to officers and foul language. He has been found in possession of a multitude of knives, fashioned out of spoons, headphones, mirror frames, scrap, etc.

I VIOLENCE AIMED AT SELF-DESTRUCTION (SELF-DESTROYER)
(N = 2)

These incidents occur with individuals who exemplify both conscious intent to destroy themselves (through repeated suicide attempts) and unconscious contributions in the shape of violence which does more harm to themselves than to their "victims."

*W. has been described as "a professional victim" -- as a person with a "pattern of self-destructiveness present in ... offenses as well as in the general pattern of his life." He attempted suicide on five occasions when his estranged wife would not renew their marriage; he participated in armed robberies with a violence-prone partner, and his compulsive gambling is characterized by pleasure in loss, "a process ... specifically directed at arranging for the loss of money."

J VIOLENCE IN SUPPORT OF MASCULINE SELF-IMAGE (MANHOODER)

(N = 2)

In these incidents, violence is used in support and for the maintenance of a masculine self-image in which "masculinity" is defined to include being aggressive in specified situations.

*L. picks up a girl in a bar, and takes her home; since he appears to be unable to respond sexually, the girl commits fellatio on him; this provokes him into slapping her in such a fashion that the surgeon indicates that "he had never seen a patient with such severe injuries to the teeth and jaw that survived." L. presents no custodial problem in prison "as long as there are no overt assaults against his masculinity"; however, he is "easily threatened in his self-concept regarding masculinity. He perceives the male role as being one of unfeeling aggressiveness."

*C. is known as a "blustering," tough inmate, with violent offenses to his name prior to his institutionalization. Regarding his outside activity, he writes "I bought me a shoulder holster and pistol and every time I run into a fool I pull it out and start shooting it and beating him over the head with it. I didn't let anybody get to close to me ... " As for prison and other inmates, "I try to talk a little but if I can't reach him threw conversation I get in his ass and I know we will come to an understanding and agreement to."

K VIOLENCE IN AN EFFORT TO GET AWAY (ESCAPER)

(N = 2)

These incidents feature violence used in efforts to extricate oneself from undesirable situations, to achieve independence or freedom, to remove oneself physically or psychologically. The violence is usually "unnecessary" in the sense that getting away would be possible (or equally impossible) without it.

*D. has been associating with a woman for some time, drinking with her in her room, and perpetually quarrelling with her. Since he wishes to separate from her, but feels unable to do so, he goes to her room and stabs her in the abdomen (she talks him out of finishing the job). While awaiting trial for this offense, D. and another prisoner over-power the sheriff, who is in the process of supplying supper. "They tied the sheriff up and proceeded to beat him up with his blackjack. They started to leave the building but came back and for some reason beat the sheriff again ... sheriff was tied and helpless." After administering this beating they fled. The Sheriff was hurt sufficiently severely to remain in critical condition for two weeks. (D. has also attempted suicide on three occasions.)

L VIOLENCE TO INSURE OR DEFEND EXCLUSIVE POSSESSION OF MATE

(HOME PROTECTOR)

(N = 2)

*B. and his common law wife are invited to a party in which another guest is B.'s legal wife. The host is asked by B.'s (legal) wife to escort her home, and agrees to do so. B. informs the host that the lady in question is his wife. When the host is unimpressed, B. stabs him, kicks him in the head and shoots him. (B.'s version: "We fought and he died.") Among past convictions for assault are (1) a beating administered to a previous wife when caught with another man in a compromising situation; and (2) an assault on another lover of same wife (with a saber). B. asserts that he has used "physical violence to be the man in my own family."

M VIOLENCE DICTATED BY FANTASIES OR DELUSIONS (FANTASIZER)

(N = 1)

*T.'s girl friend miraculously survives 17 stab wounds occasioned by T. She reports "she was awakened by defendant standing over her with a knife in his hand; he said that 'The Angels sent me' ..." In prison, T. has been very troublesome. For instance, on one occasion he cut his own throat to prevent an anticipated murder by inmates "spurred on by the 'Wardens' at Folsom intent on obtaining his "inheritance" of horses, diamonds and gold. On another occasion, T. concluded that his mother had suffered a fatal accident on her way home from visiting him, and he revealed a "plan to run for the fence so that the tower officer would shoot him."

N VIOLENCE IN WHICH VICTIM IS VIEWED AS DISPOSABLE OBJECT

(DISPOSER)

(N = 1)

*H and his girl friend, while hitch-hiking, are picked up by a "wealthy bachelor" whom they classify as exploitable. The young man is lured into a remote forest by being promised the girl. He is then shot to death and robbed.

O VIOLENCE AS REACTION TO PANIC (PANICKER)

(N = 1)

*W. stole several articles from another man's campsite in a camping ground. The man was returning home and drove by the place in which W. was hiding his loot. W. called him over and shot him to death. ("He claims he panicked and that's when he fatally injured the victim.") Ten years later, W. escaped from a conservation camp, stating he was doing so "because of pressure being put on him by a certain group of inmates in the camp."

P VIOLENCE USED TO ACCELERATE DESIRED OUTCOME (EXPEDITER)

(N = 1)

Persons involved in these incidents tend to be described as having "low frustration tolerance," and use violence when immediate desired satisfactions are not obtained.

*F. during a routine armed robbery, instructed the female store owner to open the cash register, which in the excitement she couldn't manage. F. tried to open it himself, and also failed. "He then struck the victim over the head with a .45 automatic and the gun discharged." One of several prison incidents resulted when another inmate refused to furnish F. "more butter." F's wife describes him as very impatient, and states that he "never waits for things."

Q VIOLENCE USED TO DISCIPLINE OR TO ENFORCE WISHES (PUNISHER)

(N = 0, but 2 instances
in combination with other
category)

*H. has viciously beaten both his wife and his children. One small child has developed "cauliflower ears" presumably because of repeated twistings. There is some suspicion that H. has killed another child by bending his arm and bashing his head in.

*F., while on parole, (1) tries to choke his little daughter in punishing her; (2) slaps his wife in the face with a clenched fist when she intercedes; (3) drags his wife home when she flees across the street, beating her on the way, and (4) chases his wife to the home of her mother, where he threatens to kill her.

STRESS UNIT REJECTS
TABULATION IN GROSS CATEGORIES

Sexer	15
Retaliator	12
Woman Tamer	7
Toughness Demonstrator	5
Self-Entertainer	3
Intimidator	3
Exploder	3
Confinement Violator	3
Self-Destroyer	2
Manhooder	2
Escaper	2
Home Protector	2
Fantasizer	1
Disposer	1
Panicker	1
Expeditor	1
Punisher	<u>0</u>
SUB TOTAL	63
Combination of Two of Above Categories	8
More than Two (Mixed)	<u>8</u>
GRAND TOTAL	79