

# Trait Sexual Desire-Linked Subjective Sexual Arousal to Erotic and Non-Erotic Stimuli: Gender, Relationship Status, and Gender-Specificity

Code and analyses

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## 1 Preliminaries

### 1.1 Load packages

This file was created using `knitr` (Xie, 2014), mostly using `tidyverse` (Wickham et al., 2019) syntax. As such, data wrangling was mainly done using packages such as `dplyr` (Wickham et al., 2023), and most figures were created or modified using `ggplot2` (Wickham, 2016). Tables were created using `knitr::kable` and `kableExtra` (Zhu, 2021).

Linear mixed models were fitted using `lmerTest` (Kuznetsova et al., 2017), assumptions were performed using `performance` (Lüdtke et al., 2021), contrasts and interactions were explored using `emmeans` (Lenth, 2023), and interactions were investigated using the package `interactions` (Long, 2019).

All packages used in this file can be directly installed from the Comprehensive R Archive Network ([CRAN](https://cran.r-project.org/)). For a complete list of packages used to create this file, and their versions, see section 4, at the end of the document.

```
library(readxl)
library(lme4)
library(ordinal)
library(lmerTest)
library(ltm)
library(car)
library(tidyquant)
library(performance)
library(kableExtra)
```

```
library(psych)
library(scales)
library(emmeans)
library(berryFunctions)
library(bestNormalize)
library(rstatix)
library(effectsize)
library(ggpubr)
library(interactions)
library(tidyverse)
# library(ggeffects)
# library(gtsummary)
# library(gt)
# library(MetBrewer)
# library(ggpmisc)
```

## 1.2 Define color palettes

Individual color palettes for figures by gender, stimuli sex, or relationship type.

```
# Palette to color figures by gender
color.Gender <- c("red", "black")
# Palette to color figures by stimuli sex
color.StimuliSex <- c("#54278F", "#FC4E2A")
# Palette to color figures by relationship type
color.Relationship <- c("#2171B5", "#DD3497")
# Palette to color figures by stimuli content
color.Content <- c("#41AB5D", "navyblue")
```

## 1.3 Custom functions

### 1.3.1 pval.lev and pe2.lev

This functions take p-values and epsilon squared effect sizes and formats them in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, highlighting significant p-values in bold and representing all in an appropriate level.

```
# Version 1 for LaTeX format
pval.lev <- function(pvals) {
  ifelse(pvals < 0.0001, "\\textbf{< 0.0001}",
    ifelse(pvals < 0.001, "\\textbf{< 0.001}",
      ifelse(pvals < 0.05, paste0("\\textbf{", round(pvals, 4), "}"),
        round(pvals, 2)
      )
    )
  )
}

# Version for partial epsilon squared
pe2.lev <- function(pvals) {
  ifelse(pvals < 0.0001, "< 0.0001",
    ifelse(pvals < 0.001, "< 0.001",
      ifelse(pvals < 0.05, round(pvals, 4),
        round(pvals, 2)
      )
    )
  )
}
```

```
}
```

### 1.3.2 pval.stars

This function takes p-values and adds stars to represent significance levels.

```
pval.stars <- function(pvals) {
  ifelse(pvals < 0.0001, "****",
    ifelse(pvals < 0.001, "***",
      ifelse(pvals < 0.01, "**",
        ifelse(pvals < 0.05, "*", NA)
      )
    )
  )
}
```

### 1.3.3 corr.stars

This function creates a correlation matrix, and displays significance (function `corr.stars` modified from <http://myowelt.blogspot.com/2008/04/beautiful-correlation-tables-in-r.html>).

```
corr.stars <- function(x) {
  require(Hmisc)
  x <- as.matrix(x)
  R <- rcorr(x)$r
  p <- rcorr(x)$P
  # define notions for significance levels; spacing is important.
  mystars <- ifelse(p < .001,
    paste0("\\textbf{", round(R, 2), "****}"),
    ifelse(p < .01,
      paste0("\\textbf{", round(R, 2), "***}"),
      ifelse(p < .05,
        paste0("\\textbf{", round(R, 2), "**}"),
        ifelse(p < .10,
          paste0(round(R, 2), "$^{\\dagger}$"),
          format(round(R, 2), nsmall = 2)
        )
      )
    )
  )
  # build a new matrix that includes the correlations with their appropriate stars
  Rnew <- matrix(mystars,
    ncol = ncol(x)
  )
  diag(Rnew) <- paste(diag(R), " ",
    sep = " "
  )
  rownames(Rnew) <- colnames(x)
  colnames(Rnew) <- paste(colnames(x), " ",
    sep = " "
  )
  # remove upper triangle
  Rnew <- as.matrix(Rnew)
  Rnew[upper.tri(Rnew, diag = TRUE)] <- ""
  Rnew <- as.data.frame(Rnew)
  # remove last column and return the matrix (which is now a data frame)
  Rnew <- cbind(Rnew[1:length(Rnew) - 1])
}
```

```

  return(Rnew)
}

```

### 1.3.4 anova.sig.lm and anova.sig.lmer

Functions to bold significant  $p$  values from summary model tables. It highlights significant  $p$  values, and formats the output in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, ready to be used with `kable`.

```

# Version 1 for linear models (lm)
anova.sig.lm <- function(model, custom_caption) {
  aovTab <- bind_cols(
    anova_summary(Anova(model, type = 3)),
    epsilon_squared(model)
  ) |>
  unite(col = "df", DFn:DFd, sep = ", ") |>
  select(Effect, df, F, p, Epsilon2_partial) |>
  mutate(
    p = pval.lev(p),
    Epsilon2_partial = pe2.lev(Epsilon2_partial)
  ) |>
  mutate_at("Effect", str_replace_all, ":", " × ") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 4)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = custom_caption,
    col.names = c("Effect", "$df$", "$F$", "$p$", "$\\epsilon^2_p$"),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  footnote(
    general = paste0(
      "Sexual desire was transformed using an ordered quantile
      normalization
      (\\\\cite{petersonOrderedQuantileNormalization2020a}).
      Results are type III ANOVA.
      $R^2$ = ",
      round(r2(model)$R2, 3),
      ", $R^2_{adjusted}$ = ",
      round(r2(model)$R2_adjusted, 3),
      ". Gender = participants gender (women, men);
      Relationship = relationship type (stable, single).
      As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared
      ($\\\\epsilon^2_p$), which provides a less biases
      estimate than $\\\\eta^2$ (see
      \\\\cite{albersWhenPowerAnalyses2018}).
      Significant effects are in bold."
    ),
    escape = FALSE,
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE
  )
  return(aovTab)
}

# Version 2 for linear mixed models (lmer)

```

```

anova.sig.lmer <- function(model, custom_caption) {
  aovTab <- bind_cols(
    anova(model),
    epsilon_squared(model)
  ) |>
  mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2)) |>
  unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
  rownames_to_column(var = "Effect") |>
  rename(
    "F" = "F value",
    "p" = "Pr(>F)"
  ) |>
  select(Effect, df, F, p, Epsilon2_partial) |>
  mutate(
    p = pval.lev(p),
    Epsilon2_partial = pe2.lev(Epsilon2_partial)
  ) |>
  mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
  mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with ×
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 4)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = custom_caption,
    col.names = c("Effect", "$df$", "$F$", "$p$", "$\\epsilon^2_p$"),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  footnote(
    general = paste0(
      "Results are type III ANOVA.
      $R^2_{conditional}$ = ",
      round(r2_nakagawa(model)$R2_conditional, 3),
      ", $R^2_{marginal}$ = ",
      round(r2_nakagawa(model)$R2_marginal, 3),
      ". As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared
      ($\\epsilon^2_p$), which provides a less biased
      estimate than $\\eta^2$ (see
      \\cite{albersWhenPowerAnalyses2018}).
      Significant effects are in bold."
    ),
    escape = FALSE,
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE
  )
  return(aovTab)
}

```

### 1.3.5 emms.sig

Function to create a table of estimated marginal means and contrasts at three levels of a covariate, representing significance levels from `emmeans::emmeans` outputs. The function highlights significant  $p$  values, and formats the output in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, ready to be used with `kable`.



```

# Version 1, for interactions
emms.sig <- function(low.i, mid.i, hi.i) {
  emm.low <- data.frame(low.i[[1]])
  emm.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[1]])
  emm.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[1]])
  con.low <- data.frame(low.i[[2]])
  con.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[2]])
  con.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[2]])

  low.tab <- merge(emm.low, con.low, by = 0, all = TRUE)
  mid.tab <- merge(emm.mid, con.mid, by = 0, all = TRUE)
  hi.tab <- merge(emm.hi, con.hi, by = 0, all = TRUE)

  tab <- bind_rows(low.tab, mid.tab, hi.tab) |>
    select(-c(1, 3, 6, 10:13)) |>
    mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value)) |>
    kable(
      digits = 2,
      booktabs = TRUE,
      align = c("l", rep("c", 4), "l", rep("c", 2)),
      linesep = "",
      caption = paste0(
        "Estimated marginal means and contrasts for ",
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[1],
        " at different levels of ",
        low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars
      ),
      col.names = c(
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[1],
        "EMM", "$SE$", "$2.5\\% CI$", "$97.5\\% CI$", "Contrast", "$z$", "$p$"
      ),
      escape = FALSE
    ) |>
    pack_rows(
      group_label = paste0(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean - SD"),
      start_row = 1,
      end_row = 2,
      bold = FALSE,
      background = "lightgray"
    ) |>
    pack_rows(
      group_label = paste0(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean"),
      start_row = 3,
      end_row = 4,
      bold = FALSE,
      background = "lightgray"
    ) |>
    pack_rows(
      group_label = paste0(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean + SD"),
      start_row = 5,
      end_row = 6,
      bold = FALSE,
      background = "lightgray"
    ) |>
    add_header_above(c(" " = 5, "Contrasts" = 3)) |>
    kable_styling(latex_options = "HOLD_position") |>

```

```

footnote(
  general = paste0(
    "EMM = estimated marginal mean.
    Significant effects are in bold.
    Continuous variables were centered and scaled (in this case, ",
    low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, ").
    An asymptotic method was used to avoid extreme computation
    times (hence, no degrees of freedom are included, and
    $z$ rather than $t$ statistics are reported).
    For contrasts, Tukey adjustment was used."
  ),
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

return(tab)
}

# Version 2, for triple interactions
emms.sig2 <- function(low.i, mid.i, hi.i) {
  emm.low <- data.frame(low.i[[1]])
  emm.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[1]])
  emm.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[1]])
  con.low <- data.frame(low.i[[2]])
  con.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[2]])
  con.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[2]])

  low.tab <- merge(emm.low, con.low, by = 0, all = TRUE)
  mid.tab <- merge(emm.mid, con.mid, by = 0, all = TRUE)
  hi.tab <- merge(emm.hi, con.hi, by = 0, all = TRUE)

  tab <- bind_rows(low.tab, mid.tab, hi.tab) |>
    select(-c(1, 4, 7, 11:14)) |>
    mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value)) |>
    kable(
      digits = 2,
      booktabs = TRUE,
      align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 4), "l", rep("c", 2)),
      linesep = "",
      caption = paste0(
        "Estimated marginal means and contrasts for ",
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[1], " and ",
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[2],
        " at different levels of ",
        low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars
      ),
      col.names = c(
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[1],
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[2],
        "EMM", "$SE$", "$2.5\\% CI$", "$97.5\\% CI$", "Contrast", "$z$", "$p$"
      ),
      escape = FALSE
    ) |>
    pack_rows(
      group_label = paste0(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean - SD"),

```

```

    start_row = 1,
    end_row = 6,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = paste0(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean"),
    start_row = 7,
    end_row = 12,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = paste0(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean + SD"),
    start_row = 13,
    end_row = 18,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 3)) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  footnote(
    general = paste0(
      "EMM = estimated marginal mean.
      Significant effects are in bold.
      Continuous variables were centered and scaled (in this case, ",
      low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, ")
      An asymptotic method was used to avoid extreme computation
      times (hence, no degrees of freedom are included, and
      $z$ rather than $t$ statistics are reported).
      For contrasts, Tukey adjustment was used."
    ),
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
    escape = FALSE
  )

  return(tab)
}

```

### 1.3.6 contr.stars

Function to create a data frame of model contrasts, representing significance levels from an `emmeans::emmeans` output. These data frames are formatted to be called by the `ggpubr::stat_pvalue_manual` function used in model figures.

```

contr.stars <- function(emms) {
  require(emmeans)
  x <- as.data.frame(contrast(emms, interaction = "pairwise"))
  x <- separate(x,
    col = 1,
    into = c("group1", "group2"),
    sep = " - ",
    remove = TRUE
  )
  x$p.signif <- ifelse(x$p.value < 0.0001, "****",
    ifelse(x$p.value < 0.001, "***",

```

```

    ifelse(x$p.value < 0.01, "**",
          ifelse(x$p.value < 0.05, "*", NA)
    )
  )
)
x <- x |>
  mutate_at("group1", str_replace_all, "[()]", "") |>
  mutate_at("group2", str_replace_all, "[()]", "")
return(x)
}

```

### 1.3.7 prob.dist.tab

Function to create a table of the probability of a model for each distribution family, using the `check_distribution` function, from the `performance` package (Lüdtke et al., 2021). Values are sorted descending, first for probabilities according to the residual distribution, and then for probabilities according to the response variable. While 18 distribution families are tested, only families with at least one probability (either residual or response variable) higher than 10% are shown in the table.

```

prob.dist.tab <- function(mod) {
  # Calculate probabilities for each distribution family
  tibble(check_distribution(mod)) |>
    arrange(desc(p_Response)) |>
    arrange(desc(p_Residuals)) |>
    # Select only distribution families with at least a 10% probability
    filter(p_Residuals > 0.1 | p_Response > 0.1) |>
    # Transform probabilities to percentages
    mutate(p_Residuals = paste0(round(p_Residuals * 100, 2), "\\%")) |>
    mutate(p_Response = paste0(round(p_Response * 100, 2), "\\%")) |>
    # Capitalise first letter of each family distribution
    mutate(Distribution = sub("(.)", "\\U\\1", Distribution, perl = TRUE)) |>
    # Create table
    kable(
      booktabs = TRUE,
      align = c("l", "c", "c"),
      row.names = FALSE,
      caption = "Distributional family for the model",
      col.names = c(
        "Family",
        "Residuals",
        "Response"
      ),
      escape = FALSE
    ) |>
    kable_styling(latex_options = "HOLD_position") |>
    # Bold highest probability
    row_spec(1, background = "#c4c4c4") |>
    footnote(
      general = "Only families with at least one probability higher than
10\\% are shown, but a total of 18 distribution families were tested.
The most likely distribution is highlighted.",
      threeparttable = TRUE,
      footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
      escape = FALSE
    )
}

```

## 1.4 Load and wrangle data

Change necessary variables to factor, sort levels, and rename variables

```
# Load data
dat <- read.csv("Data/BD_Heterosexuales_Vertical_BIG.csv") |>
# Remove rows with missing values for Solitary sexual desire (SD_solitario)
drop_na(SD_solitario) |>
# Change variables to factor and sort their levels
mutate_at(c(
  "Contenido_Estimulo", "Sexo", "Sexo_Estimulo", "PrefSex", "EstRel", "Escolaridad",
  "Religion", "TiempoRP"
), as.factor) |>
# Rename variables to English
rename(
  Participant = Participante,
  Age = EdadParticipante,
  `Preferred sex` = PrefSex,
  Gender = Sexo,
  `Contraceptive uso` = Anticoncep,
  `Last period` = UltimoPer,
  `Period day` = Dia_ciclo,
  Education = Escolaridad,
  Location = Residencia,
  `Location (other)` = Residencia_3_TEXT,
  `Medical history` = AntMed,
  `Sexual orientation` = OS,
  `Relationship status` = EstRel,
  `Relationship duration` = TiempoRP,
  `Partner gender` = SexPareja,
  `Relationship type` = TipoRel,
  `Age at first intercourse` = Primera.ExpSex,
  `Consented to first intercourse` = ConExpSex,
  `Number of sexual partners` = Numero.Parejas,
  `Pornography consumed last month` = Pornografia_ultimo_mes,
  Relationship = TieneRelacion,
  `MGH-SFQ (total)` = MGH.SFQ_Total,
  `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` = SD_Diadico_pareja,
  `Solitary sexual desire` = SD_solitario,
  `Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)` = SD_Diadico_p_atractiva,
  `MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)` = Satisfaccion.Sexual..MGSS_general.,
  `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)` = Satisfaccion.Sexual..MGSS_Pareja.,
  `Stimuli code` = Codigo_Estimulo,
  `Stimuli sex` = Sexo_Estimulo,
  `Stimuli content` = Contenido_Estimulo,
  `Subjective sexual attractiveness` = Atractivo,
  `Subjective sexual arousal` = Excitacion
) |>
# Recode factor levels
mutate(`Stimuli content` = recode_factor(`Stimuli content`,
  Erotico = "Erotic",
  No_erotico = "Non-erotic"
)) |>
mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
  Femenino = "Women",
  Masculino = "Men"
)) |>
```

```

mutate(`Stimuli sex` = recode_factor(`Stimuli sex`,
  Femenino = "Female",
  Masculino = "Male"
)) |>
mutate(`Preferred sex` = recode_factor(`Preferred sex`,
  Hombre = "Male",
  Mujer = "Female"
)) |>
mutate(Education = recode(Education,
  "Bachillerato" = "High school",
  "Universitario" = "University",
  "Postgrado" = "Postgraduate"
)) |>
mutate(Religion = recode(Religion,
  "1" = "Religious",
  "0" = "Non-religious"
)) |>
mutate(`Pornography consumed last month` = recode(`Pornography consumed last month`,
  "Nunca" = "None",
  "Una o dos veces" = "1-2 times",
  "Tres a cinco veces" = "3-5 times",
  "Mas de 5 veces" = "5 times or more"
)) |>
# Recode relationship duration
# mutate(`Relationship duration` = replace_na(`Relationship duration`, "Single"))
mutate(
  `Relationship duration` = recode(`Relationship duration`,
    "Sin pareja actual" = "Single",
    "Menor a 6 meses" = "Less that 6 months",
    "Entre 6 meses y 2 anos" = "Between 6 months and 2 years",
    "Entre 2 y 5 anos" = "Between 2 and 5 years",
    "Más de 5 anos" = "More than 5 years"
  ),
  `Relationship duration` = replace_na(`Relationship duration`, "Single")
) |>
# Recode relationship type
mutate(Relationship = recode(`Relationship status`,
  "Exclusiva/No viven juntos" = "Stable",
  "Exclusiva/Matrimonio" = "Stable",
  "No exclusiva" = "Non-stable",
  "Soltero/sin contactos sexuales en un ano" = "Single",
  "Soltero/contactos sexuales en un ano" = "Single"
)) |>
# Relevel factors
mutate(
  Education = fct_relevel(
    Education,
    c("High school", "University", "Postgraduate")
  ),
  `Pornography consumed last month` = fct_relevel(
    `Pornography consumed last month`,
    c(
      "None", "1-2 times",
      "3-5 times", "5 times or more"
    )
  ),

```

```

`Relationship duration` = fct_relevel(
  `Relationship duration`,
  c(
    "Single", "Less than 6 months",
    "Between 6 months and 2 years",
    "Between 2 and 5 years",
    "More than 5 years"
  )
)
) |>
mutate(
  `Stimuli content` = as.factor(`Stimuli content`),
  `Stimuli sex` = as.factor(`Stimuli sex`)
) |>
# Filter participants in non-stable relationships
filter(Relationship != "Non-stable") |>
droplevels()

```

## 2 Descriptives

### 2.0.1 Figure S1. Demographic characteristics of the sample

Number of participants by demographic category.

```

# Get number of participant for each combination of demographic characteristic
dat.demog <- dat |>
  select(
    Participant, Gender, Relationship, Education, Religion,
    `Pornography consumed last month`
  ) |>
  group_by(Participant) |>
  filter(row_number() == 1) |>
  ungroup() |>
  group_by(
    Gender, Relationship, Education, Religion,
    `Pornography consumed last month`
  ) |>
  rename(Porn = `Pornography consumed last month`) |>
  tally() |>
  drop_na(Religion) |>
  ungroup()

# Create separate tables by gender
dat.demog.W <- filter(dat.demog, Gender == "Women")
dat.demog.M <- filter(dat.demog, Gender == "Men")

# Women
samp.w <- ggballoonplot(dat.demog.W,
  x = "Education", y = "Porn", size = "n",
  fill = "n",
  facet.by = c("Relationship", "Religion")
) +
  scale_fill_viridis_c(option = "C", limits = c(1, max(dat.demog$n))) +
  scale_size_continuous(range = c(1, 7), limits = c(1, max(dat.demog$n))) +
  guides(

```

```

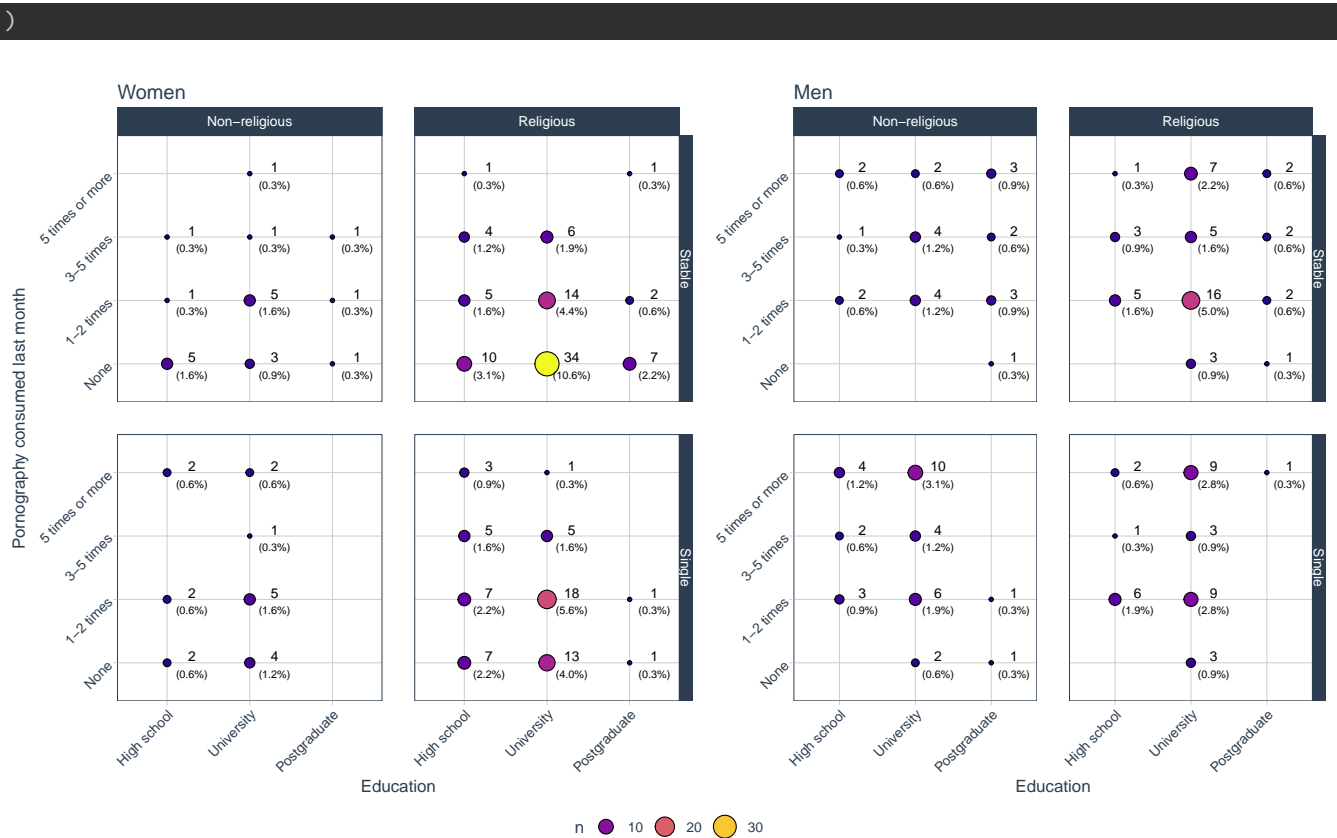
    fill = guide_legend(face = "italic"),
    size = guide_legend(face = "italic")
  ) +
  labs(title = "Women", y = "Pornography consumed last month") +
  geom_text(aes(label = n),
    size = 3, nudge_x = 0.3, nudge_y = 0.1
  ) +
  geom_text(
    aes(label = paste0(
      "\n(",
      percent(n / sum(dat.demog$n), accuracy = 0.1),
      ")")
    )),
    size = 2.5, nudge_x = 0.3, nudge_y = -0.05
  ) +
  theme_tq() +
  theme(
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1),
    axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 0.5)
  )
)

# Men
samp.m <- ggballoonplot(dat.demog.M,
  x = "Education", y = "Porn", size = "n",
  fill = "n",
  facet.by = c("Relationship", "Religion")
) +
  scale_fill_viridis_c(option = "C", limits = c(1, max(dat.demog$n))) +
  scale_size_continuous(range = c(1, 7), limits = c(1, max(dat.demog$n))) +
  guides(
    fill = guide_legend(face = "italic"),
    size = guide_legend(face = "italic")
  ) +
  labs(title = "Men", y = NULL) +
  geom_text(aes(label = n),
    size = 3, nudge_x = 0.3, nudge_y = 0.1
  ) +
  geom_text(
    aes(label = paste0(
      "\n(",
      percent(n / sum(dat.demog$n), accuracy = 0.1),
      ")")
    )),
    size = 2.5, nudge_x = 0.3, nudge_y = -0.05
  ) +
  theme_tq() +
  theme(
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1),
    axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 0.5)
  )
)

# Full plot
ggarrange(samp.w, samp.m,
  widths = c(1.1, 1),
  common.legend = TRUE,
  legend = "bottom"

```





**Figure S1.** Number of participants by gender (left = women, right = men), Relationship (stable = top panels, single = bottom panels), Religion (non-religious = left panels by gender, religious = right panels by gender), Education (X axis), and pornography consumed during the last month (Y axis). The number of participants for each combination of these five variables is displayed as numbers (percentage in brackets), as well as by the color and size of the bubbles.

## 2.1 Descriptive statistics of the participants by gender

Calculate mean values per participant for relevant, numeric variables.

```
# Summarize relevant variables by participant
dat.desc <- dat |>
  select(
    Participant, Gender, Age, Relationship, `Number of sexual partners`,
    `MGH-SFQ (total)`,
    `MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)`, `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`,
    `Subjective sexual attractiveness`, `Subjective sexual arousal`,
    `Solitary sexual desire`,
    `Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)`, `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`
  ) |>
  group_by(Participant, Gender, Relationship) |>
  summarize_if(is.numeric, mean, na.rm = TRUE)
```

### 2.1.1 Table S1. Descriptive statistics of the participants by gender

Table of descriptives by gender.

```
# Table of descriptives by gender and relationship status
describeBy(dat.desc ~ Relationship + Gender,
  mat = TRUE,
```

```

digits = 2
) |>
rownames_to_column("Measured characteristic") |>
select(1, 3:4, 6:9, 12:13) |>
slice(-(1:12)) |>
select(1, 3, 2, 4:9) |>
# Remove numbers included to differentiate repeated row names (now on column 1)
mutate("Measured characteristic" = str_replace_all(
  `Measured characteristic`,
  c("1" = "", "2" = "", "3" = "", "4" = ""))
) |>
# Create table
kable(
  digits = 2,
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 7)),
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Descriptive statistics the participants by gender
    and relationship status",
  col.names = c(
    "Measured characteristic", "Gender", "Relationship status",
    "$n$", "Mean", "$SD$", "Median", "Min", "Max"
  ),
  longtable = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
) |>
kable_styling(
  latex_options = c("HOLD_position"),
  font_size = 8.2
) |>
collapse_rows(columns = 1:3, valign = "middle") |>
footnote(
  general = "Because for \\\textit{Subjective sexual attractiveness} and
    \\\textit{Subjective sexual arousal} there are are multiple within-subject
    observations, descriptives are calculated from mean values per participant.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S1.** *Descriptive statistics the participants by gender and relationship status*

Measured characteristic	Gender	Relationship status	<i>n</i>	Mean	<i>SD</i>	Median	Min	Max
Age	Women	Stable	105	24.51	5.58	23.00	18.00	40.00
		Single	79	22.27	3.84	21.00	18.00	36.00
	Men	Stable	72	26.72	5.64	25.00	19.00	40.00
		Single	67	24.24	4.58	23.00	18.00	39.00
Number of sexual partners	Women	Stable	103	4.41	3.77	3.00	1.00	22.00
		Single	76	5.74	8.85	3.00	0.00	63.00
	Men	Stable	72	8.72	11.36	5.00	1.00	70.00
		Single	66	7.30	8.06	4.00	0.00	40.00
	Women	Stable	104	3.31	0.96	3.75	0.00	4.00
		Single	79	2.80	1.23	3.50	0.00	4.00
		Stable	72	3.59	0.62	3.90	0.60	4.00

MGH-SFQ (total)	Men	Single	67	3.38	0.83	3.80	0.60	4.00
		Stable	100	25.88	5.67	28.00	6.00	30.00
	Women	Single	10	26.90	3.11	27.00	22.00	30.00
		Stable	70	26.43	4.54	29.00	12.00	30.00
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	Men	Single	12	23.58	5.14	24.50	14.00	29.00
		Stable	100	28.13	4.20	30.00	8.00	30.00
	Women	Single	10	28.10	2.13	29.00	25.00	30.00
		Stable	70	28.49	3.48	30.00	6.00	30.00
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	Men	Single	12	26.08	4.85	27.50	15.00	30.00
		Stable	105	2.94	1.11	2.78	1.00	5.49
	Women	Single	79	3.19	1.06	3.11	1.44	6.77
		Stable	72	3.27	0.94	3.24	1.11	6.20
Subjective sexual attractiveness	Men	Single	67	3.20	0.90	3.18	1.09	5.72
		Stable	105	1.59	0.68	1.39	1.00	4.21
	Women	Single	79	1.75	0.71	1.52	1.00	4.39
		Stable	72	2.24	0.83	2.07	1.00	4.57
Subjective sexual arousal	Men	Single	67	2.16	0.78	2.05	1.00	4.09
		Stable	105	11.53	8.59	12.00	0.00	29.00
	Women	Single	79	16.03	8.35	17.00	0.00	31.00
		Stable	72	17.47	7.51	17.50	0.00	31.00
Solitary sexual desire	Men	Single	67	18.25	7.10	19.00	1.00	31.00
		Stable	105	10.55	7.64	10.00	0.00	30.00
	Women	Single	79	14.06	7.39	15.00	0.00	32.00
		Stable	72	16.21	7.44	15.50	0.00	32.00
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	Men	Single	67	17.57	6.66	17.00	2.00	30.00
		Stable	105	27.53	8.50	30.00	0.00	38.00
	Women	Single	76	21.33	10.91	23.00	0.00	38.00
		Stable	72	31.35	5.33	32.00	15.00	38.00
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	Men	Single	67	25.81	9.40	28.00	0.00	38.00

*Note:* Because for *Subjective sexual attractiveness* and *Subjective sexual arousal* there are multiple within-subject observations, descriptives are calculated from mean values per participant.

### 2.1.2 Figure S2. Distribution of participants' measured variables by gender

Kernel density distributions by gender.

```
# Convert dat.desc to long format
datp <- dat.desc |>
  pivot_longer(
    cols = Age:`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`,
    names_to = "Variable",
    values_to = "Value"
  ) |>
  mutate(Variable = str_wrap(Variable, width = 30))

# Figure created as 3 separate panels (to use a different number of panels per row)
fs2a <- ggplot(
  datp |>
    filter(Variable %in% c(
```

```

    "Age",
    "Number of sexual partners",
    "Subjective sexual\nattractiveness",
    "Subjective sexual arousal"
  )),
  aes(Value,
    fill = Gender,
    colour = Gender
  )
) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.3) +
  geom_vline(
    data = datp |>
      filter(Variable %in% c(
        "Age",
        "Number of sexual partners",
        "Subjective sexual\nattractiveness",
        "Subjective sexual arousal"
      )) |>
      group_by(Variable, Gender) |>
      summarise(mean = mean(Value, na.rm = TRUE)),
    size = 1,
    aes(xintercept = mean, color = Gender, linetype = Gender)
  ) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  facet_wrap(~Variable,
    scales = "free",
    ncol = 4
  ) +
  labs(
    y = "Density",
    x = NULL
  ) +
  theme_tq()

fs2b <- ggplot(
  datp |>
    filter(Variable %in% c(
      "MGH-SFQ (total)",
      "MGSS sexual satisfaction\n(General)",
      "MGSS sexual satisfaction\n(Partner)"
    )),
  aes(Value,
    fill = Gender,
    colour = Gender
  )
) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.3) +
  geom_vline(
    data = datp |>
      filter(Variable %in% c(
        "MGH-SFQ (total)",
        "MGSS sexual satisfaction\n(General)",
        "MGSS sexual satisfaction\n(Partner)"
      )) |>

```

```

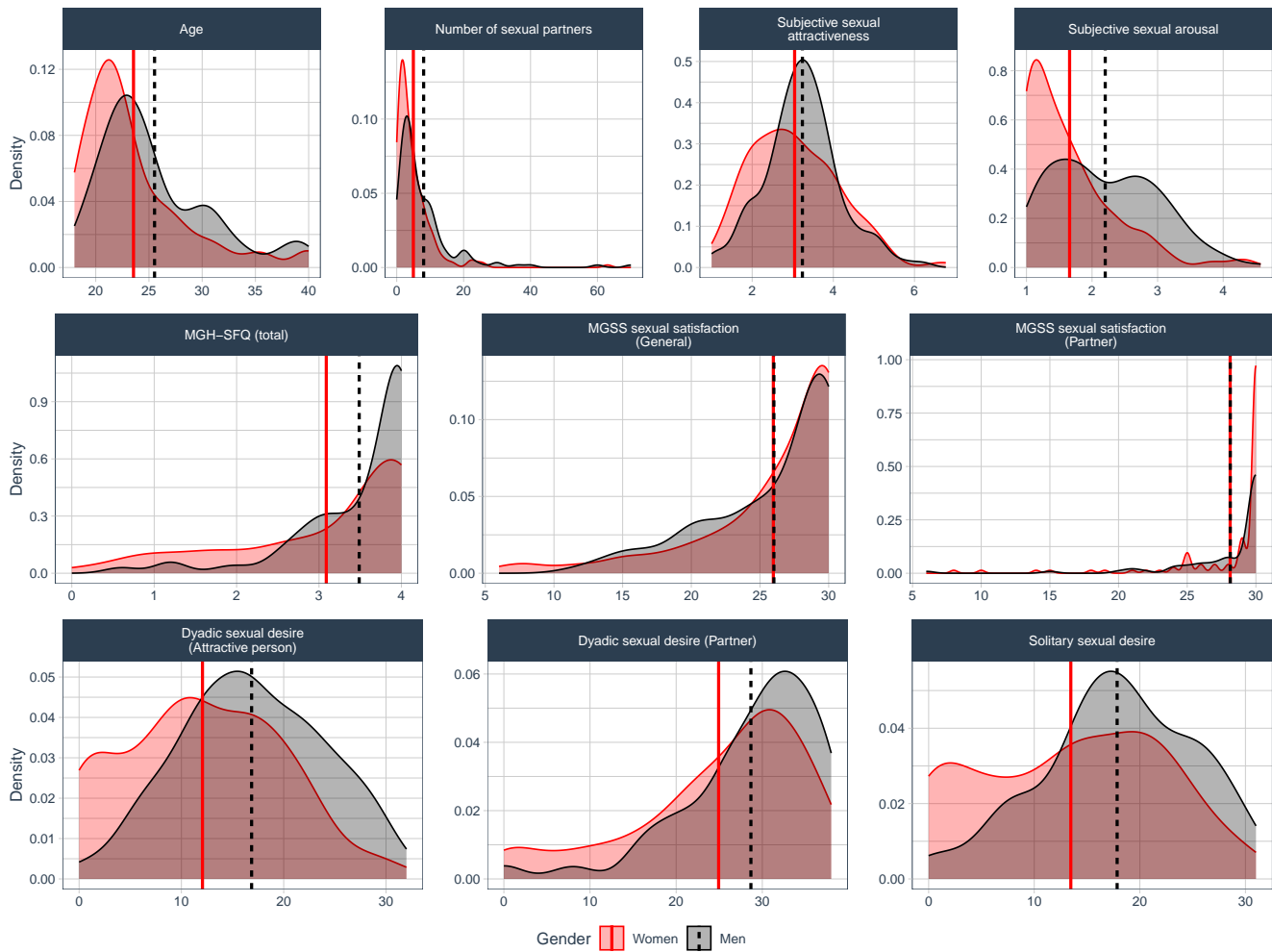
    group_by(Variable, Gender) |>
    summarise(mean = mean(Value, na.rm = TRUE)),
    size = 1,
    aes(xintercept = mean, color = Gender, linetype = Gender)
  ) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  facet_wrap(~Variable,
    scales = "free",
    ncol = 3
  ) +
  labs(
    y = "Density",
    x = NULL
  ) +
  theme_tq()

fs2c <- ggplot(
  datp |>
    filter(Variable %in% c(
      "Solitary sexual desire",
      "Dyadic sexual desire\n(Attractive person)",
      "Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)"
    )),
  aes(Value,
    fill = Gender,
    colour = Gender
  )
) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.3) +
  geom_vline(
    data = datp |>
      filter(Variable %in% c(
        "Solitary sexual desire",
        "Dyadic sexual desire\n(Attractive person)",
        "Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)"
      )) |>
      group_by(Variable, Gender) |>
      summarise(mean = mean(Value, na.rm = TRUE)),
    size = 1,
    aes(xintercept = mean, color = Gender, linetype = Gender)
  ) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  facet_wrap(~Variable,
    scales = "free",
    ncol = 3
  ) +
  labs(
    y = "Density",
    x = NULL
  ) +
  theme_tq()

# Full plot
ggarrange(fs2a, fs2b, fs2c,

```

```
common.legend = TRUE,
legend = "bottom",
nrow = 3
)
```



**Figure S2.** Distribution of measured variables by gender. Coloured vertical lines represent mean values by gender. Detailed descriptives are found in Table S1. Because for *Subjective sexual attractiveness* and *Subjective sexual arousal* there are multiple within-subject observations, densities calculated from mean values per participant.

## 2.2 Correlations between measured variables

Correlation between numeric variables for women, men, and all participants combined, are reported in Table S2.

### 2.2.1 Table S2. Correlations between measured variables

Correlation matrix table.

```
# Correlations for women
dat.corr.W <- dat.desc |>
  ungroup() |>
  filter(Gender == "Women") |>
  select(Age:`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`)|>
  corr.stars() |>
  rownames_to_column(var = " ")
```

```

# Correlations for men
dat.corr.M <- dat.desc |>
  ungroup() |>
  filter(Gender == "Men") |>
  select(Age:`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` ) |>
  corr.stars() |>
  rownames_to_column(var = " ")

# Correlations for all participants combined
dat.corr.All <- dat.desc |>
  ungroup() |>
  select(Age:`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` ) |>
  corr.stars() |>
  rownames_to_column(var = " ")

# Full formatted table
bind_rows(dat.corr.W, dat.corr.M, dat.corr.All) |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 9)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Correlations between measured variables",
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "Women",
    start_row = 1, end_row = 10,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "Men",
    start_row = 11, end_row = 20,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "All participants",
    start_row = 21, end_row = 30,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  column_spec(2:10, width = "2.2cm") |>
  footnote(
    general = paste0(
      "Values represent Pearson correlation coefficients ($r$). ",
      "For significance, $^{\dagger}p$ < 0.1, *$p$ < 0.05, ",
      "**$p$ < 0.01, ***$p$ < 0.001. ",
      "Significant correlations are in bold."
    ),
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>

```

```
landscape()
```



Table S2. Correlations between measured variables

	Age	Number of sexual partners	MGH-SFQ (total)	MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	Subjective sexual attractiveness	Subjective sexual arousal	Solitary sexual desire	Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)
<b>Women</b>									
Age									
Number of sexual partners	<b>0.24**</b>								
MGH-SFQ (total)	-0.05	-0.07							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	<b>-0.21*</b>	0.02	<b>0.46***</b>						
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	-0.16 <sup>†</sup>	-0.14	<b>0.32***</b>	<b>0.73***</b>					
Subjective sexual attractiveness	0.11	<b>0.18*</b>	-0.04	<b>-0.22*</b>	-0.18 <sup>†</sup>				
Subjective sexual arousal	0.00	<b>0.17*</b>	-0.13 <sup>†</sup>	-0.18 <sup>†</sup>	-0.16 <sup>†</sup>	<b>0.54***</b>			
Solitary sexual desire	-0.14 <sup>†</sup>	<b>0.28***</b>	0.05	-0.06	-0.18 <sup>†</sup>	<b>0.31***</b>	<b>0.33***</b>		
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	0.06	<b>0.32***</b>	<b>-0.17*</b>	-0.04	-0.17 <sup>†</sup>	<b>0.34***</b>	<b>0.36***</b>	<b>0.44***</b>	
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	0.00	<b>0.21**</b>	<b>0.43***</b>	<b>0.44***</b>	<b>0.27**</b>	0.13 <sup>†</sup>	0.04	<b>0.31***</b>	0.13 <sup>†</sup>
<b>Men</b>									
Age									
Number of sexual partners	<b>0.23**</b>								
MGH-SFQ (total)	0.04	0.02							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	<b>-0.24*</b>	-0.08	<b>0.36***</b>						
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	-0.13	-0.01	0.10	<b>0.63***</b>					
Subjective sexual attractiveness	0.10	-0.05	-0.08	-0.10	-0.02				
Subjective sexual arousal	<b>0.2*</b>	0.07	0.05	-0.14	-0.09	<b>0.46***</b>			
Solitary sexual desire	-0.16 <sup>†</sup>	0.00	0.09	0.10	0.17	<b>0.26**</b>	0.11		
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	0.12	<b>0.29***</b>	0.03	-0.13	-0.08	<b>0.25**</b>	<b>0.43***</b>	<b>0.25**</b>	
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	0.11	0.07	<b>0.36***</b>	<b>0.55***</b>	<b>0.22*</b>	0.14	<b>0.24**</b>	<b>0.17*</b>	<b>0.2*</b>
<b>All participants</b>									
Age									
Number of sexual partners	<b>0.26***</b>								
MGH-SFQ (total)	0.02	0.01							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	<b>-0.22**</b>	-0.03	<b>0.42***</b>						
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	<b>-0.14*</b>	-0.07	<b>0.24***</b>	<b>0.69***</b>					
Subjective sexual attractiveness	<b>0.12*</b>	0.08	-0.03	<b>-0.18*</b>	-0.12				
Subjective sexual arousal	<b>0.15**</b>	<b>0.17**</b>	0.01	<b>-0.15*</b>	-0.12 <sup>†</sup>	<b>0.5***</b>			
Solitary sexual desire	-0.09	<b>0.17**</b>	0.11 <sup>†</sup>	0.00	-0.05	<b>0.31***</b>	<b>0.3***</b>		
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	<b>0.14*</b>	<b>0.33***</b>	-0.04	-0.07	-0.12 <sup>†</sup>	<b>0.32***</b>	<b>0.45***</b>	<b>0.42***</b>	
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	0.08	<b>0.16**</b>	<b>0.43***</b>	<b>0.46***</b>	<b>0.25***</b>	<b>0.15**</b>	<b>0.18**</b>	<b>0.3***</b>	<b>0.21***</b>

Note: Values represent Pearson correlation coefficients ( $r$ ). For significance, <sup>†</sup> $p < 0.1$ , \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ . Significant correlations are in bold.

## 2.3 Internal consistency

Six variables were calculated from multiple items (1. MGH-SFQ, 2. Dyadic sexual desire (Partner), 3. Solitary sexual desire, 4. Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person), 5. MGSS sexual satisfaction (General) and 6. MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)).

Data by item, for each participant, is included in the following data base, loaded as `dat.reli`:

```
dat.reli <- read_excel("Data/BD_ConsistenciaInterna.xlsx") |>
  mutate(Sex = recode_factor(Sex,
    "2" = "Women",
    "1" = "Men"
  )) |>
  rename(Gender = Sex) |>
  filter(Participante != 122)
```

Participant 122 was excluded because they did not respond the psychological scales.

To measure the internal consistency of these tests, we used standardized Cronbach's alpha ( $\alpha$  or Tau-equivalent reliability:  $\rho_T$ ) coefficients, using the function `cronbach.alpha` from the package `ltm` (Rizopoulos, 2006).

Importantly, given that for MGH-SFQ one item was answered only by men, the internal consistency of this variable was measured independently for each gender.

```
# MGH-SFQ for men
MGH.m <- dat.reli |>
  filter(Gender == "Men") |>
  select(3:7) |>
  drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

# MGH-SFQ for women
MGH.w <- dat.reli |>
  filter(Gender == "Women") |>
  select(3:5, 7) |>
  drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

# Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)
DSD.p <- dat.reli |>
  select(9:13) |>
  drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

# Solitary sexual desire
SSD.p <- dat.reli |>
  select(15:18) |>
  drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

# Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)
DSD.a <- dat.reli |>
  select(20:23) |>
  drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

# MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)
MGSS.g <- dat.reli |>
  select(26:30) |>
  drop_na() |>
```

```

cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

# MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)
MGSS.p <- dat.reli |>
  select(32:36) |>
  drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)

```

### 2.3.1 Table S3. Internal consistency of construct variables

Table of Cronbach's  $\alpha$  for construct variables.

```

# Create table
tibble(
  Variable = c(
    "MGH-SFQ", "MGH-SFQ",
    "MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)",
    "MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)",
    "Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)",
    "Solitary sexual desire",
    "Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)"
  ),
  Gender = c("Men", "Women", rep(" ", 5)),
  p = c(
    MGH.m$p,
    MGH.w$p,
    MGSS.g$p,
    MGSS.p$p,
    DSD.p$p,
    SSD.p$p,
    DSD.a$p
  ),
  n = c(
    MGH.m$n,
    MGH.w$n,
    MGSS.g$n,
    MGSS.p$n,
    DSD.p$n,
    SSD.p$n,
    DSD.a$n
  ),
  alpha = c(
    MGH.m$alpha,
    MGH.w$alpha,
    MGSS.g$alpha,
    MGSS.p$alpha,
    DSD.p$alpha,
    SSD.p$alpha,
    DSD.a$alpha
  ),
  ci2.5 = c(
    MGH.m$ci[1],
    MGH.w$ci[1],
    MGSS.g$ci[1],
    MGSS.p$ci[1],
    DSD.p$ci[1],
    SSD.p$ci[1],
    DSD.a$ci[1],

```

```

DSD.a$ci[1]
),
ci97.5 = c(
  MGH.m$ci[2],
  MGH.w$ci[2],
  MGSS.g$ci[2],
  MGSS.p$ci[2],
  DSD.p$ci[2],
  SSD.p$ci[2],
  DSD.a$ci[2]
)
) |>
kable(
  digits = 2,
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 5)),
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Internal consistency of measured variables",
  escape = FALSE,
  col.names = c(
    "Variable", "Gender",
    "Items",
    "$n$",
    "$\\alpha$",
    "$2.5\\% CI$",
    "$97.5\\% CI$"
  )
) |>
collapse_rows(columns = 1, valign = "middle") |>
kable_styling(latex_options = "HOLD_position") |>
footnote(
  general = "95\\% confidence intervals were calculated with 1,000 bootstrap samples.
    Standardized Cronbach's alpha ($\\alpha$) coefficients were computed.
    MGH-SFQ is reported by gender, because one item was answered only by men.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S3.** Internal consistency of measured variables

Variable	Gender	Items	<i>n</i>	$\alpha$	2.5%CI	97.5%CI
MGH-SFQ	Men	5	139	0.82	0.72	0.89
	Women	4	181	0.86	0.82	0.90
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)		5	188	0.92	0.89	0.94
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)		5	187	0.91	0.86	0.95
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)		5	309	0.90	0.88	0.92
Solitary sexual desire		4	314	0.91	0.89	0.93
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)		4	320	0.89	0.87	0.91

*Note:* 95% confidence intervals were calculated with 1,000 bootstrap samples. Standardized Cronbach's alpha ( $\alpha$ ) coefficients were computed. MGH-SFQ is reported by gender, because one item was answered only by men.

## 2.4 Controlling for Relationship Duration and MGSS Sexual Satisfaction (Partner) in Sexual Desire Dimensions

To ensure that the three sexual desire dimensions were not influenced by Relationship Duration or MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner), we applied a three-step adjustment process:

1. **Estimating the effects:**
  - We performed separate **linear regressions** where each sexual desire dimension was predicted by **Relationship Duration** and **MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)**.
  - This allowed us to quantify how much these external factors influence each dimension.
2. **Evaluating statistical significance:**
  - We conducted **Type III ANOVA** to determine which predictors had a significant effect on each sexual desire dimension.
  - Only **MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)** significantly predicted **Dyadic Sexual Desire (Partner)**.
3. **Removing the effects:**
  - We adjusted only **Dyadic Sexual Desire (Partner)** by extracting the **residuals** from the regression model.
  - These residuals represent the **variation independent of MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)** and were then standardized for comparability.

Additionally, **MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)** was **mean-centered** before analysis.

### Step 1: Estimating the Effects of Relationship Duration & Partner Satisfaction

```
# Select only participants in stable relationships and ensure required variables are available
dat_ctl <- dat |>
  group_by(Participant) |>
  slice_head() |>
  filter(Relationship == "Stable") |>
  ungroup()

# Fit linear models predicting each dimension of sexual desire
ctl_SSD <- lm(
  `Solitary sexual desire` ~
    `Relationship duration` + `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`,
  data = dat_ctl
)
ctl_PD <- lm(
  `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` ~
    `Relationship duration` + `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`,
  data = dat_ctl
)
ctl_APD <- lm(
  `Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)` ~
    `Relationship duration` + `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`,
  data = dat_ctl
)
```

### Step 2: Displaying ANOVA Results for Each Model

The table below presents Type III ANOVA results for each model. Significant effects indicate that Relationship Duration or Partner Satisfaction meaningfully predict the corresponding sexual desire dimension.

```
# Combine ANOVA results for all models
anova_results <- bind_cols(
  bind_cols(
    anova_summary(Anova(ctl_SSD, type = 3)),
```

```

    epsilon_squared(ctl_SSD)
  ) |>
    unite(col = "df", DFn:DFd, sep = ", "),
  bind_cols(
    anova_summary(Anova(ctl_PD, type = 3)),
    epsilon_squared(ctl_PD)
  ) |>
    unite(col = "df", DFn:DFd, sep = ", "),
  bind_cols(
    anova_summary(Anova(ctl_APD, type = 3)),
    epsilon_squared(ctl_APD)
  ) |>
    unite(col = "df", DFn:DFd, sep = ", ")
) |>
  select(-starts_with(c("p<.05", "ges...", "Parameter...", "CI"))) |> # Remove Sum of Squares columns
  mutate(across(starts_with("p..."), pval.lev)) |> # Format p-values
  rename(Effect = Effect...1) |>
  select(-starts_with("Effect...")) |>
  mutate_at("Effect", str_replace_all, "~", "")

# Create a formatted table
anova_results |>
  kable(
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align columns (left for first, center for the rest)
    digits = 3,
    caption = "Effects of relationship duration and MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner) in
              sexual desire dimensions",
    col.names = c("Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$F$", "$p$", "$\\epsilon^2_p$"), times = 3)),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  add_header_above(c(
    " " = 1,
    "Solitary sexual desire" = 4,
    "Dyadic sexual desire\\n(Partner)" = 4,
    "Dyadic sexual desire\\n(Attractive person)" = 4
  )) |>
  footnote(
    general = "As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared
              ($\\epsilon^2_p$), which provides a less biased
              estimate than $\\eta^2$ (see
              \\cite{albersWhenPowerAnalyses2018}).
              Significant effects are in bold.",
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
    escape = FALSE
  )

```

**Table S4.** *Effects of relationship duration and MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner) in sexual desire dimensions*

Effect	Solitary sexual desire				Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)				Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)			
	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Relationship duration	3, 165	0.482	0.70	0	3, 165	2.081	0.1	0.041	3, 165	0.095	0.96	0
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	1, 165	0.029	0.86	0	1, 165	8.875	<b>0.003</b>	0.045	1, 165	0.884	0.35	0

*Note:* As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

### Step 3: Controlling Scores Based on ANOVA Results

From the ANOVA results, only the effect of MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner) on Dyadic sexual desire (Partner) was significant. Thus, only Dyadic Sexual Desire (Partner) scores were adjusted, while the other dimensions remained unchanged.

```
# Prepare dataset with necessary variables, removing missing values
dat_tl_PD_fin <- dat_ctl |>
  select(
    Participant, `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`,
    `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`
  ) |>
  drop_na()

# Fit a model to predict Dyadic Sexual Desire (Partner) using partner satisfaction only
ctl_PD_fin <- lm(`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` ~ `MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`,
  data = dat_tl_PD_fin
)

# Adjust the Dyadic Sexual Desire (Partner) scores by replacing them with their residuals
dat_ctl <- dat_tl_PD_fin |>
  mutate(
    `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` =
      mean(`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`) + resid(ctl_PD_fin)
  )

# Update the original dataset with the adjusted scores
dat <- dat |>
  mutate(`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` = as.numeric(`Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`) |>
    rows_update(dat_ctl |> select(-`MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)`),
      by = "Participant", unmatched = "ignore"
    )
```

## 3 Hypothesis tests

### 3.1 Hypothesis 1: All dimensions of trait sexual desire (TSD) will be higher in men than in women, and the differences will be stronger or weaker according to relationship status

We tested whether relationship type and gender interact as predictors of sexual desire (H1a: Solitary TSD; H1b: Dyadic TSD toward an attractive person; H1c: Dyadic TSD toward a partner). To examine this hypothesis, we modeled the effects of relationship type and gender on each of the three TSD scores.

However, models using the original TSD scores did not meet the assumption of normally distributed residuals. To address this, we applied an ordered normalization transformation to each TSD variable. We then fitted and

compared models predicting both the original (as a proportion, to make scores comparable) and transformed (normalized) TSD dimensions. In all three cases, models using the normalized variables provided a better fit, so all inferences are based on these models.

### 3.1.1 Data

A data frame was created with one row per participant, where sexual desire variables were normalized as proportions. An ordered quantile normalization transformation (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020) was then applied using the `orderNorm` function from the `bestNormalize` package (Peterson, 2021), and the transformed values were added as new variables.

```
# Process the dataset and create transformed variables
dat_m1 <- dat |>
  # Group the data by participant
  group_by(Participant) |>
  # Select only the first (top) observation for each participant
  slice_head() |>
  # Remove the grouping structure to avoid unintended behavior in later operations
  ungroup() |>
  # Create new proportion variables by normalizing each sexual desire measure
  mutate(
    "Solitary sexual desire (proportion)" =
      `Solitary sexual desire` / 31,
    "Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (proportion)" =
      `Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)` / 32,
    "Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (proportion)" =
      `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)` / 38
  )

# Apply ordered normalization transformations to the proportion variables
trs_SSD <- orderNorm(dat_m1$`Solitary sexual desire (proportion)`)
trs_DSdat <- orderNorm(dat_m1$`Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (proportion)`)
trs_DSdpt <- orderNorm(dat_m1$`Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (proportion)`)

# Add the transformed variables back into the dataset
dat_m1 <- dat_m1 |>
  mutate(
    "Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" =
      predict(trs_SSD), # Transformed solitary sexual desire
    "Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" =
      predict(trs_DSdat), # Transformed dyadic sexual desire (attractive person)
    "Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" =
      predict(trs_DSdpt)
  ) # Transformed dyadic sexual desire (partner)
```

### 3.1.2 Hypothesis 1a: Solitary TSD

**3.1.2.1 Model the effects of relationship type and gender on Solitary TSD** We fitted models with both the original (proportion; `m1a_prop`) and transformed (normalized; `m1a_norm`) TSD scores, and performed posterior predictive checks (PPCs). As shown elsewhere (e.g., Gabry et al., 2019), if simulated data from one model are more similar to the observed outcome, that model is likely to be preferred.

```
m1a_prop <- lm(`Solitary sexual desire (proportion)` ~ Gender * Relationship,
  data = dat_m1
)

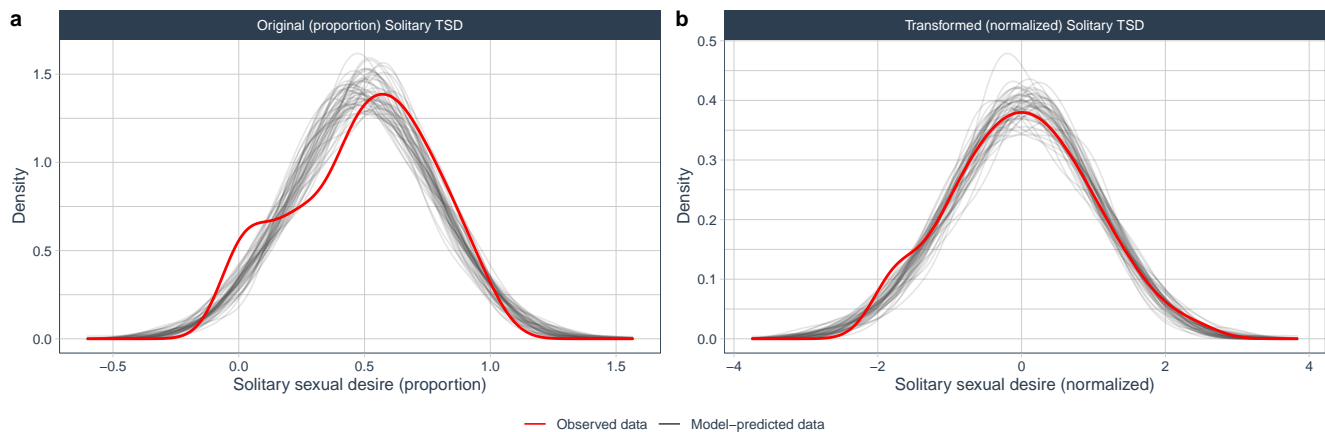
m1a_norm <- lm(`Solitary sexual desire (normalized)` ~ Gender * Relationship,
  data = dat_m1
```



)

**3.1.2.1.1 Figure S3: Posterior predictive checks (PPCs) for Hypothesis 1a.** PPCs were performed using the `check_model` function from the `performance` package (Lüdtke et al., 2021), and reported in Fig. S3. Simulated data from the normalized Solitary TSD model (Fig. S3b) are more similar to the observed outcome, so this model is preferred.

```
ppc_m1a <- ggarrange(
  plot(
    check_model(m1a_prop,
      panel = FALSE,
      check = "pp_check"
    )$PP_CHECK,
    colors = c("red", "grey30")
  ) +
  labs(title = NULL, subtitle = NULL) +
  theme_tq() +
  facet_wrap(~1, labeller = as_labeller(c(
    "1" = "Original (proportion) Solitary TSD"
  ))),
  plot(
    check_model(m1a_norm,
      panel = FALSE,
      check = "pp_check"
    )$PP_CHECK,
    colors = c("red", "grey30")
  ) +
  labs(title = NULL, subtitle = NULL) +
  theme_tq() +
  facet_wrap(~1, labeller = as_labeller(c(
    "1" = "Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD"
  ))),
  labels = "auto",
  common.legend = TRUE,
  legend = "bottom"
)
ppc_m1a
```



**Figure S3.** Posterior predictive check. **(a)** Original (proportion) Solitary TSD; **(b)** Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD. In both panels, red lines represent the observed data, and thin black lines represent 50 iterations of simulated data from each model.

### 3.1.2.2 Table S5. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender

This tables summarizes the results of the model.

```
anova.sig.lm(model = m1a_norm, custom_caption = "Effects of relationship type and gender on
solitary sexual desire")
```

**Table S5.** *Effects of relationship type and gender on solitary sexual desire*

Effect	df	F	p	$\epsilon_p^2$
Gender	1, 319	22.42	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.06
Relationship	1, 319	14.07	< <b>0.001</b>	0.03
Gender $\times$ Relationship	1, 319	4.23	<b>0.04</b>	0.01

*Note:*

Sexual desire was transformed using an ordered quantile normalization (Peterson and Cavanaugh, 2020). Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2 = 0.103$ ,  $R_{adjusted}^2 = 0.095$ . Gender = participants gender (women, men); Relationship = relationship type (stable, single). As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biases estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

### 3.1.2.3 Post-hoc comparisons

Because the main effects of gender, relationship type, and their interaction are significant, we explored these effects using estimated marginal means.

#### 3.1.2.3.1 Table S6. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender.

Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between genders. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```
emms.m1a1 <- emmeans(m1a_norm, ~Gender)

emms.m1a1.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1a1))

t.m1a1 <- contr.stars(emms.m1a1) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

merge(emms.m1a1.tab, t.m1a1, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 15)) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
```

```

    "$df$",
    "$t$",
    "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S6.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender*

Gender	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Women	-0.17	0.07	319	-0.30	-0.03	Women - Men	-0.46	0.1	319	-4.36	< <b>0.0001</b>
Men	0.29	0.08	319	0.13	0.44						

*Note:* Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.2.3.2 Table S7. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status.** Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```

emms.m1a2 <- emmeans(m1a_norm, ~Relationship)

emms.m1a2.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1a2))

t.m1a2 <- contr.stars(emms.m1a2) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

merge(emms.m1a2.tab, t.m1a2, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 15)) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Relationship type",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$"
    )
  )

```

```

    "$t$",
    "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S7.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status*

Relationship type	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Stable	-0.09	0.07	319	-0.23	0.05	Stable - Single	-0.3	0.1	319	-2.89	<b>0.0041</b>
Single	0.21	0.08	319	0.06	0.36						

Note: Significant effects are in bold.

### 3.1.2.3.3 Table S8. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status.

Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```

emms.m1a3 <- emmeans(m1a_norm, ~ Gender | Relationship)

emms.m1a3.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1a3))

t.m1a3 <- contr.stars(emms.m1a3) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

t.m1a3.f <- t.m1a3 |>
  insertRows(2, new = NA) |>
  insertRows(4, new = NA)

merge(emms.m1a3.tab, t.m1a3.f, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 3, 11, 17)) |>
  drop_na(Gender) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", "") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by
              relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      # "Relationship",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",

```

```

    "$97.5\\% CI$",
    "Contrast",
    "Difference",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$t$",
    "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Relationship status: Stable",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Relationship status: Single",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S8.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status*

						Contrasts					
Gender	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Relationship status: Stable											
Women	-0.43	0.09	319	-0.61	-0.25	Women - Men	-0.67	0.14	319	-4.74	< <b>0.0001</b>
Men	0.24	0.11	319	0.03	0.46						
Relationship status: Single											
Women	0.09	0.10	319	-0.11	0.30	Women - Men	-0.24	0.15	319	-1.57	0.12
Men	0.33	0.11	319	0.11	0.55						

Note: Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.2.4 Figure S4. Effects of gender and relationship type on solitary sexual desire** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 1a.

```

# Gender main effect
h1a1 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Gender, y = `Solitary sexual desire (normalized)`,
  color = Gender
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +

```

```

geom_linerange(
  data = emms.m1a1.tab |>
    rename("Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" = emmean),
  mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
) +
geom_point(
  data = emms.m1a1.tab |>
    rename("Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" = emmean),
  position = position_dodge(0.1),
  size = 3
) +
stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1a1,
  label = "p.signif",
  y.position = 0.55,
  tip.length = 0
) +
guides(color = "none") +
theme_tq()

# Relationship main effect
h1a2 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Relationship, y = `Solitary sexual desire (normalized)`,
  color = Relationship
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1a2.tab |>
      rename("Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" = emmean),
    mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
  ) +
  geom_point(
    data = emms.m1a2.tab |>
      rename("Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" = emmean),
    position = position_dodge(0.1),
    size = 3
  ) +
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1a2,
    label = "p.signif",
    y.position = 0.45,
    tip.length = 0
  ) +
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()

# Relationship × Gender interaction
h1a3 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Gender, y = `Solitary sexual desire (normalized)`,
  color = Gender
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  facet_wrap(~Relationship) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1a3.tab |>
      rename("Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" = emmean),

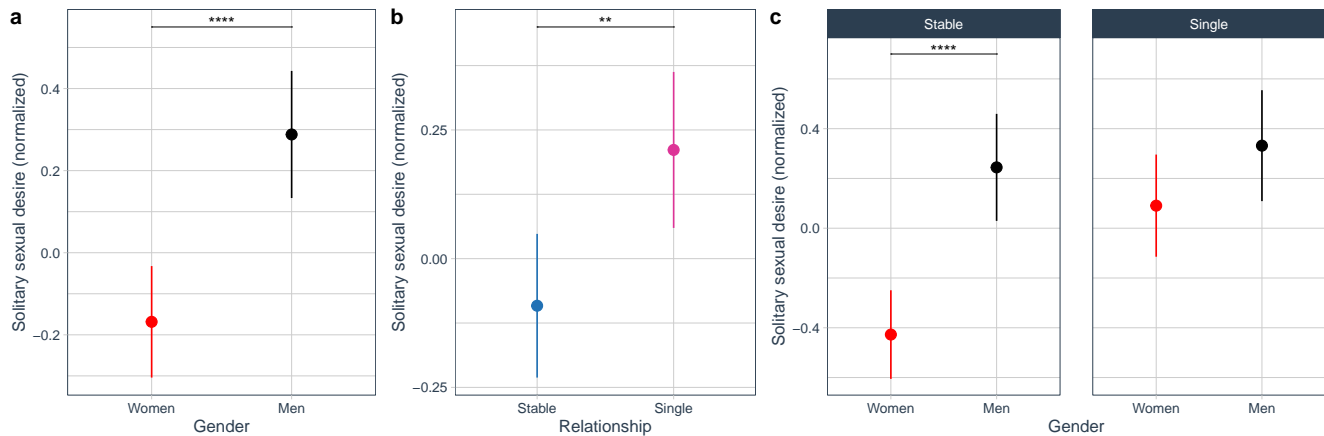
```

```

mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
) +
geom_point(
  data = emms.m1a3.tab |>
    rename("Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" = emmean),
  position = position_dodge(0.1),
  size = 3
) +
stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1a3,
  label = "p.signif",
  y.position = 0.7,
  tip.length = 0
) +
guides(color = "none") +
theme_tq()

# Full figure for hypothesis 1 (a, b and c)
p1a <- ggarrange(h1a1, h1a2, h1a3,
  ncol = 3,
  labels = "auto",
  widths = c(1, 1, 1.5)
)
p1a

```



**Figure S4.** Effects of gender and relationship type on solitary sexual desire. Solitary sexual desire was transformed using ordered quantile normalization (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020). **(a)** Simple comparison between sexual desire by gender (for detailed results, see Table S6); **(b)** Simple comparison between relationship status levels (for detailed results, see Table S7); **(c)** Interaction between relationship type and relationship status (see Table S5; for detailed results, see Table S8). Dots and bars represent estimated marginal means and 95% CI. In all cases, significant effects are represented with lines and stars: \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$ .

### 3.1.3 Hypothesis 1b: Dyadic TSD (Attractive person)

**3.1.3.1 Model the effects of relationship type and gender on Dyadic TSD: Attractive person** We fitted models with both the original (proportion; `m1b_prop`) and transformed (normalized; `m1b_norm`) TSD scores, and performed posterior predictive checks (PPCs). As shown elsewhere (e.g., Gabry et al., 2019), if simulated data from one model are more similar to the observed outcome, that model is likely to be preferred.

```

options(contrasts = c("contr.sum", "contr.poly"))
m1b_prop <- lm("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (proportion)" ~ Gender * Relationship,
  data = dat_m1
)

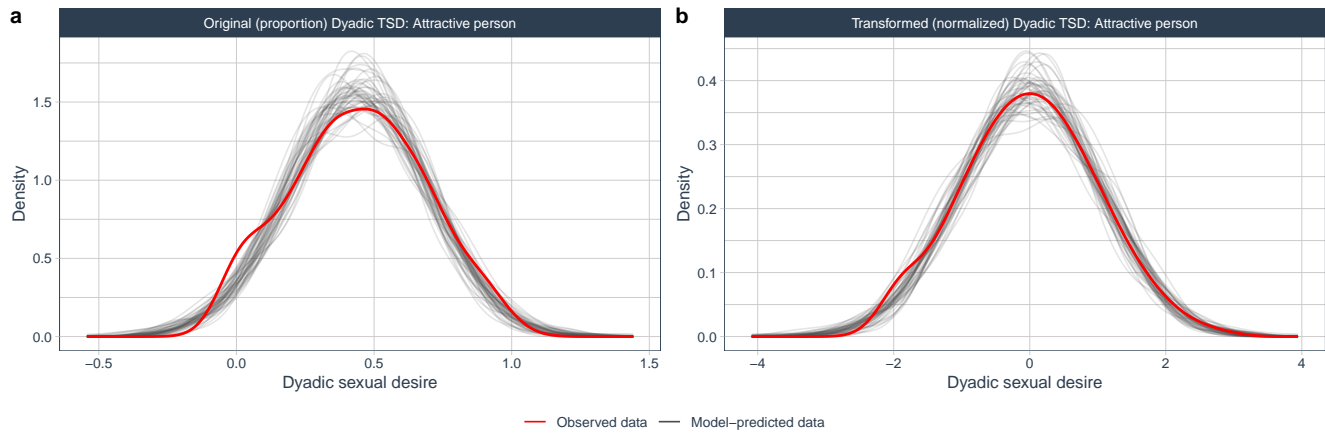
```

```
m1b_norm <- lm(`Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)` ~ Gender * Relationship,
  data = dat_m1
)
```

**3.1.3.1.1 Figure S5: Posterior predictive checks (PPCs) for Hypothesis 1b.** PPCs were performed using the `check_model` function from the `performance` package (Lüdtke et al., 2021), and reported in Fig. S5. Simulated data from the normalized Solitary TSD model (Fig. S5b) are more similar to the observed outcome, so this model is preferred.

```
ppc_m1b <- ggarrange(
  plot(
    check_model(m1b_prop,
      panel = FALSE,
      check = "pp_check"
    )$PP_CHECK,
    colors = c("red", "grey30")
  ) +
  labs(title = NULL, subtitle = NULL) +
  theme_tq() +
  facet_wrap(~1, labeller = as_labeller(c(
    "1" = "Original (proportion) Dyadic TSD: Attractive person"
  ))),
  plot(
    check_model(m1b_norm,
      panel = FALSE,
      check = "pp_check"
    )$PP_CHECK,
    colors = c("red", "grey30")
  ) +
  labs(title = NULL, subtitle = NULL) +
  theme_tq() +
  facet_wrap(~1, labeller = as_labeller(c(
    "1" = "Transformed (normalized) Dyadic TSD: Attractive person"
  ))),
  labels = "auto",
  common.legend = TRUE,
  legend = "bottom"
)
ppc_m1b
```





**Figure S5.** Posterior predictive check. **(a)** Original (proportion) Solitary TSD; **(b)** Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD. In both panels, red lines represent the observed data, and thin black lines represent 50 iterations of simulated data from each model.

### 3.1.3.2 Table S9. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender

This tables summarizes the results of the model.

```
anova.sig.lm(model = m1b_norm, custom_caption = "Effects of relationship type and gender on
Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person")
```

**Table S9.** *Effects of relationship type and gender on Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Gender	1, 319	29.85	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.09
Relationship	1, 319	8.20	<b>0.004</b>	0.03
Gender $\times$ Relationship	1, 319	1.73	0.19	0.00

*Note:*

Sexual desire was transformed using an ordered quantile normalization (Peterson and Cavanaugh, 2020). Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2 = 0.122$ ,  $R_{adjusted}^2 = 0.114$ . Gender = participants gender (women, men); Relationship = relationship type (stable, single). As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biases estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

### 3.1.3.3 Post-hoc comparisons

Because the main effects of gender and relationship type, but not their interaction, are significant, we explored these effects using estimated marginal means.

#### 3.1.3.3.1 Table S10. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender.

Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between genders. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```
emms.m1b1 <- emmeans(m1b_norm, ~Gender)

emms.m1b1.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1b1))

t.m1b1 <- contr.stars(emms.m1b1) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

merge(emms.m1b1.tab, t.m1b1, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
```

```

select(-c(1, 15)) |>
unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
kable(
  digits = 2,
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender",
  col.names = c(
    "Gender",
    "EMM",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$2.5\\% CI$",
    "$97.5\\% CI$",
    "Contrast",
    "Difference",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$t$",
    "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S10.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender*

Gender	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Women	-0.22	0.07	319	-0.36	-0.09	Women - Men	-0.57	0.1	319	-5.46	< <b>0.0001</b>
Men	0.35	0.08	319	0.19	0.50						

*Note:* Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.3.3.2 Table S11. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status.** Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```

emms.m1b2 <- emmeans(m1b_norm, ~Relationship)

emms.m1b2.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1b2))

t.m1b2 <- contr.stars(emms.m1b2) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

merge(emms.m1b2.tab, t.m1b2, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 15)) |>

```

```

unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
kable(
  digits = 2,
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status",
  col.names = c(
    "Relationship type",
    "EMM",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$2.5\\% CI$",
    "$97.5\\% CI$",
    "Contrast",
    "Difference",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$t$",
    "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S11.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status*

Relationship type	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Stable	-0.09	0.07	319	-0.22	0.05	Stable - Single	-0.3	0.1	319	-2.86	<b>0.0045</b>
Single	0.21	0.08	319	0.06	0.36						

*Note:* Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.3.3.3 Table S12. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status.** Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```

emms.m1b3 <- emmeans(m1b_norm, ~ Gender | Relationship)

emms.m1b3.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1b3))

t.m1b3 <- contr.stars(emms.m1b3) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

t.m1b3.f <- t.m1b3 |>
  insertRows(2, new = NA) |>
  insertRows(4, new = NA)

```

```

merge(emms.m1b3.tab, t.m1b3.f, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 3, 11, 17)) |>
  drop_na(Gender) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", "") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by
              relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      # "Relationship",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$t$",
      "$p$"
    ),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "Relationship status: Stable",
    start_row = 1,
    end_row = 2,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "Relationship status: Single",
    start_row = 3,
    end_row = 4,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  footnote(
    general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
    escape = FALSE
  )

```

**Table S12.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status*

							Contrasts					
Gender	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI		Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Relationship status: Stable												
Women	-0.44	0.09	319	-0.62	-0.26		Women - Men	-0.71	0.14	319	-5.00	< <b>0.0001</b>
Men	0.27	0.11	319	0.05	0.48							
Relationship status: Single												
Women	0.00	0.10	319	-0.21	0.20		Women - Men	-0.43	0.15	319	-2.82	<b>0.0051</b>
Men	0.43	0.11	319	0.21	0.65							

Note: Significant effects are in bold.

### 3.1.3.4 Figure S6. Effects of gender and relationship type on Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person

This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 1b.

```
# Gender main effect
h1b1 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Gender, y = `Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)`,
  color = Gender
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1b1.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" = emmean),
    mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
  ) +
  geom_point(
    data = emms.m1b1.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" = emmean),
    position = position_dodge(0.1),
    size = 3
  ) +
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1b1,
    label = "p.signif",
    y.position = 0.6,
    tip.length = 0
  ) +
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()

# Relationship main effect
h1b2 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Relationship, y = `Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)`,
  color = Relationship
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1b2.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" = emmean),
    mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
  ) +
  geom_point(
    data = emms.m1b2.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" = emmean),
```

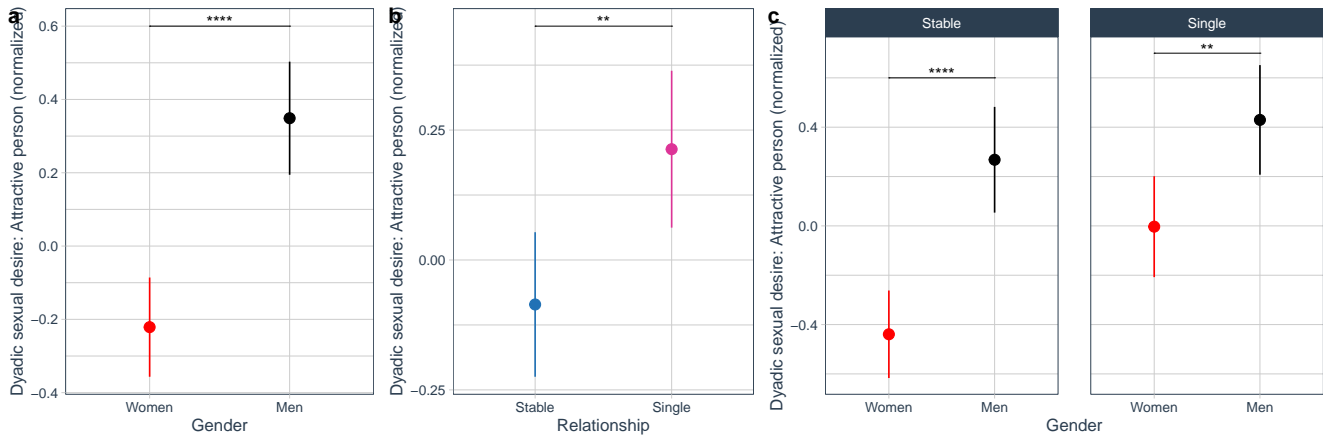
```

    position = position_dodge(0.1),
    size = 3
  ) +
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1b2,
    label = "p.signif",
    y.position = 0.45,
    tip.length = 0
  ) +
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()

# Relationship × Gender interaction
h1b3 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Gender, y = `Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)`,
  color = Gender
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  facet_wrap(~Relationship) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1b3.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" = emmean),
    mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
  ) +
  geom_point(
    data = emms.m1b3.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (normalized)" = emmean),
    position = position_dodge(0.1),
    size = 3
  ) +
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1b3,
    label = "p.signif",
    y.position = c(0.6, 0.7),
    tip.length = 0
  ) +
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()

# Full figure for hypothesis 1 (a, b and c)
p1b <- ggarrange(h1b1, h1b2, h1b3,
  ncol = 3,
  labels = "auto",
  widths = c(1, 1, 1.5)
)
p1b

```



**Figure S6.** Effects of gender and relationship type on Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person. Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person was transformed using ordered quantile normalization (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020). (a) Simple comparison between sexual desire by gender (for detailed results, see Table S10); (b) Simple comparison between relationship status levels (for detailed results, see Table S11); (c) Interaction between relationship type and relationship status (see Table S9; for detailed results, see Table S12). Dots and bars represent estimated marginal means and 95% CI. In all cases, significant effects are represented with lines and stars: \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$ .

### 3.1.4 Hypothesis 1c: Dyadic TSD (Partner)

**3.1.4.1 Model the effects of relationship type and gender on Dyadic TSD: Partner** We fitted models with both the original (proportion; `m1c_prop`) and transformed (normalized; `m1c_norm`) TSD scores, and performed posterior predictive checks (PPCs). As shown elsewhere (e.g., Gabry et al., 2019), if simulated data from one model are more similar to the observed outcome, that model is likely to be preferred.

```
options(contrasts = c("contr.sum", "contr.poly"))
m1c_prop <- lm(`Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (proportion)` ~ Gender * Relationship,
  data = dat_m1
)

m1c_norm <- lm(`Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)` ~ Gender * Relationship,
  data = dat_m1
)
```

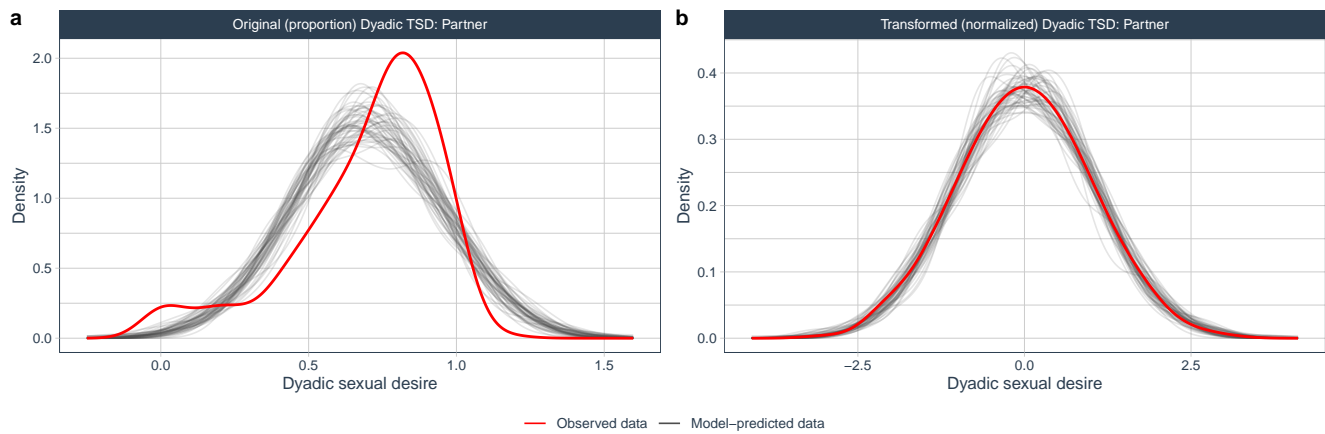
**3.1.4.1.1 Figure S7: Posterior predictive checks (PPCs) for Hypothesis 1c.** PPCs were performed using the `check_model` function from the `performance` package (Lüdtke et al., 2021), and reported in Fig. S7. Simulated data from the normalized Solitary TSD model (Fig. S7b) are more similar to the observed outcome, so this model is preferred.

```
ppc_m1c <- ggarrange(
  plot(
    check_model(m1c_prop,
      panel = FALSE,
      check = "pp_check"
    )$PP_CHECK,
    colors = c("red", "grey30")
  ) +
  labs(title = NULL, subtitle = NULL) +
  theme_tq() +
  facet_wrap(~1, labeller = as_labeller(c(
    "1" = "Original (proportion) Dyadic TSD: Partner"
  ))),
  plot(
```

```

check_model(m1c_norm,
  panel = FALSE,
  check = "pp_check"
)$PP_CHECK,
colors = c("red", "grey30")
) +
  labs(title = NULL, subtitle = NULL) +
  theme_tq() +
  facet_wrap(~1, labeller = as_labeller(c(
    "1" = "Transformed (normalized) Dyadic TSD: Partner"
  ))),
  labels = "auto",
  common.legend = TRUE,
  legend = "bottom"
)
ppc_m1c

```



**Figure S7.** Posterior predictive check. **(a)** Original (proportion) Solitary TSD; **(b)** Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD. In both panels, red lines represent the observed data, and thin black lines represent 50 iterations of simulated data from each model.

### 3.1.4.2 Table S13. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender

This tables summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lm(model = m1c_norm, custom_caption = "Effects of relationship type and gender on
  Dyadic sexual desire: Partner")

```

**Table S13.** *Effects of relationship type and gender on Dyadic sexual desire: Partner*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Gender	1, 316	15.49	< <b>0.001</b>	0.0365
Relationship	1, 316	31.60	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.09
Gender × Relationship	1, 316	0.00	0.98	< 0.0001

*Note:* Sexual desire was transformed using an ordered quantile normalization (Peterson and Cavanaugh, 2020). Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2 = 0.125$ ,  $R_{adjusted}^2 = 0.117$ . Gender = participants gender (women, men); Relationship = relationship type (stable, single). As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biases estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.



**3.1.4.3 Post-hoc comparisons** Because the main effects of gender and relationship type, but not their interaction, are significant, we explored these effects using estimated marginal means.

**3.1.4.3.1 Table S14. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender.** Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between genders. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```
emms.m1c1 <- emmeans(m1c_norm, ~Gender)

emms.m1c1.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1c1))

t.m1c1 <- contr.stars(emms.m1c1) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

merge(emms.m1c1.tab, t.m1c1, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 15)) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$t$",
      "$p$"
    ),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  footnote(
    general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
    escape = FALSE
  )
```

**Table S14.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender*

Gender	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Women	-0.21	0.07	316	-0.35	-0.07	Women - Men	-0.42	0.11	316	-3.94	< <b>0.001</b>
Men	0.20	0.08	316	0.05	0.36						

*Note:* Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.4.3.2 Table S15. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status.** Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```
emms.m1c2 <- emmeans(m1c_norm, ~Relationship)

emms.m1c2.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1c2))

t.m1c2 <- contr.stars(emms.m1c2) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

merge(emms.m1c2.tab, t.m1c2, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 15)) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Relationship type",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$t$",
      "$p$"
    ),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
  footnote(
    general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
    threeparttable = TRUE,
    footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
    escape = FALSE
  )
```

**Table S15.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status*

Relationship type	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Stable	0.29	0.07	316	0.15	0.43	Stable - Single	0.6	0.11	316	5.62	< <b>0.0001</b>
Single	-0.30	0.08	316	-0.46	-0.15						

*Note:* Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.4.3.3 Table S16. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status.** Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status. All estimated

marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```
emms.m1c3 <- emmeans(m1c_norm, ~ Gender | Relationship)

emms.m1c3.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1c3))

t.m1c3 <- contr.stars(emms.m1c3) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

t.m1c3.f <- t.m1c3 |>
  insertRows(2, new = NA) |>
  insertRows(4, new = NA)

merge(emms.m1c3.tab, t.m1c3.f, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 3, 11, 17)) |>
  drop_na(Gender) |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", "") |>
  kable(
    digits = 2,
    booktabs = TRUE,
    align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by
              relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      # "Relationship",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$t$",
      "$p$"
    ),
    escape = FALSE
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "Relationship status: Stable",
    start_row = 1,
    end_row = 2,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  pack_rows(
    group_label = "Relationship status: Single",
    start_row = 3,
    end_row = 4,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  ) |>
  add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
```

```
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)
```

**Table S16.** *Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by relationship status*

Gender	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Relationship status: Stable											
Women	0.09	0.09	316	-0.09	0.27	Women - Men	-0.41	0.14	316	-2.90	<b>0.004</b>
Men	0.50	0.11	316	0.28	0.72						
Relationship status: Single											
Women	-0.51	0.11	316	-0.72	-0.30	Women - Men	-0.42	0.16	316	-2.68	<b>0.0077</b>
Men	-0.09	0.11	316	-0.32	0.13						

Note: Significant effects are in bold.

**3.1.4.4 Figure S8. Effects of gender and relationship type on Dyadic sexual desire: Partner** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 1c.

```
# Gender main effect
h1c1 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Gender, y = `Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)`,
  color = Gender
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1c1.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" = emmean),
    mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
  ) +
  geom_point(
    data = emms.m1c1.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" = emmean),
    position = position_dodge(0.1),
    size = 3
  ) +
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1c1,
    label = "p.signif",
    y.position = 0.4,
    tip.length = 0
  ) +
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()

# Relationship main effect
h1c2 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Relationship, y = `Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)`,
  color = Relationship
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
```

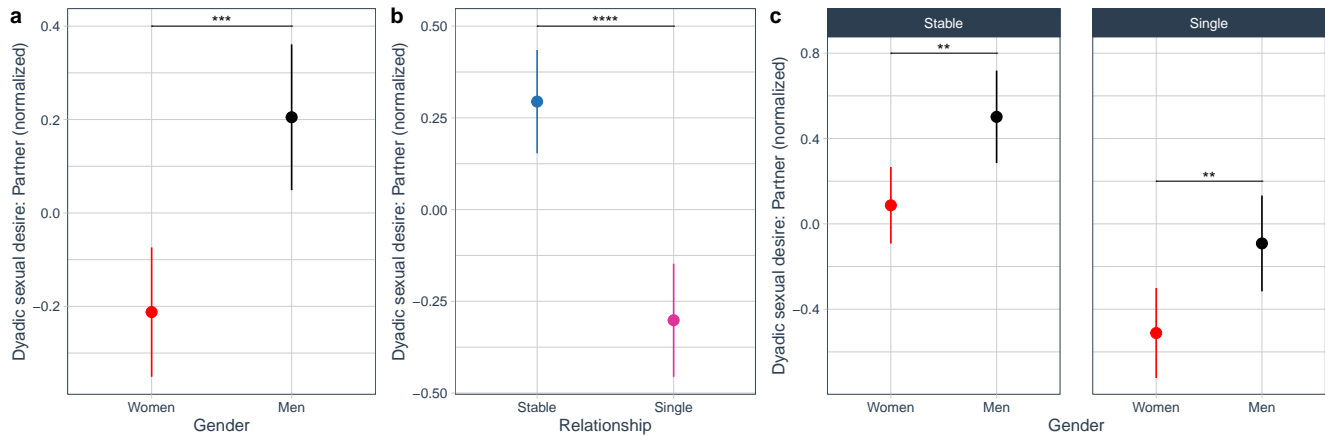
```

scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
geom_linerange(
  data = emms.m1c2.tab |>
    rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" = emmean),
  mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
) +
geom_point(
  data = emms.m1c2.tab |>
    rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" = emmean),
  position = position_dodge(0.1),
  size = 3
) +
stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1c2,
  label = "p.signif",
  y.position = 0.5,
  tip.length = 0
) +
guides(color = "none") +
theme_tq()

# Relationship × Gender interaction
h1c3 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(
  x = Gender, y = `Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)`,
  color = Gender
)) +
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Gender) +
  facet_wrap(~Relationship) +
  geom_linerange(
    data = emms.m1c3.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" = emmean),
    mapping = aes(ymin = lower.CL, ymax = upper.CL)
  ) +
  geom_point(
    data = emms.m1c3.tab |>
      rename("Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" = emmean),
    position = position_dodge(0.1),
    size = 3
  ) +
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1c3,
    label = "p.signif",
    y.position = c(0.8, 0.2),
    tip.length = 0
  ) +
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()

# Full figure for hypothesis 1 (a, b and c)
p1c <- ggarrange(h1c1, h1c2, h1c3,
  ncol = 3,
  labels = "auto",
  widths = c(1, 1, 1.5)
)
p1c

```



**Figure S8.** Effects of gender and relationship type on Dyadic sexual desire: Partner. Dyadic sexual desire: Partner was transformed using ordered quantile normalization (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020). (a) Simple comparison between sexual desire by gender (for detailed results, see Table S14); (b) Simple comparison between relationship status levels (for detailed results, see Table S15); (c) Interaction between relationship type and relationship status (see Table S13; for detailed results, see Table S16). Dots and bars represent estimated marginal means and 95% CI. In all cases, significant effects are represented with lines and stars:  $*p < 0.05$ ,  $**p < 0.01$ ,  $***p < 0.001$ ,  $****p < 0.0001$ .

### 3.2 Data filtering for hypotheses 2 and 3.

To avoid over-complicating the models, first we tested whether the effects of stimuli on sexual arousal were stronger depending on the content of the stimuli (erotic versus non-erotic). This was, in fact, the case.

#### 3.2.1 Table S17. ANOVA-type table for the effects of stimuli content, gender and stimuli content on Subjective sexual arousal

We fitted a linear mixed model with Gender, Stimuli sex, Stimuli content, and their interactions, as fixed effects for Subjective sexual arousal and including, as random effects, random intercepts per stimulus, as well as random intercepts and slopes for the effect of stimuli content.

```
m_stim_cont <- lmer(
  `Subjective sexual arousal` ~
    Gender * `Stimuli sex` * `Stimuli content` +
    (1 | `Stimuli code`) +
    (1 + `Stimuli content` * `Stimuli sex` | Participant),
  data = dat,
  control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa")
)

anova.sig.lmer(
  model = m_stim_cont,
  custom_caption = "Effects of relationship type and gender
    on Dyadic sexual desire: Partner"
)
```

**Table S17.** *Effects of relationship type and gender on Dyadic sexual desire: Partner*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Gender	1, 321	42.47	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.11
‘Stimuli sex’	1, 447	96.15	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.18
‘Stimuli content’	1, 363.12	86.50	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.19
Gender × ‘Stimuli sex’	1, 321	471.68	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.59
Gender × ‘Stimuli content’	1, 321	5.02	<b>0.0257</b>	0.01
‘Stimuli sex’ × ‘Stimuli content’	1, 286.22	21.51	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.07
Gender × ‘Stimuli sex’ × ‘Stimuli content’	1, 321	116.42	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.26

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R_{conditional}^2 = 0.734$ ,  $R_{marginal}^2 = 0.314$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

The effects of stimuli on sexual arousal were stronger for erotic compared to non-erotic stimuli; to illustrate this, we compared the (within-subject) difference in reported sexual arousal between stimuli sexes, for women and men. This difference was larger when viewing erotic than non-erotic stimuli in both women (erotic: 0.77, non-erotic: 0.57) but especially in men (erotic: 2.75, non-erotic: 1.60; see Table S18 and Fig. S9). Considering this, we tested all predictions of hypotheses 2 and 3 only on responses to erotic stimuli.

### 3.2.2 Table S18. Estimated marginal means and contrasts between subjective sexual arousal depending on stimuli sex, by stimuli content and participant gender.

Table of estimated marginal means and contrasts between between subjective sexual arousal depending on stimuli sex, by stimuli content and participant gender. All estimated marginal means and contrasts were calculated using the `emmeans` function from the `emmeans` package (Lenth, 2023).

```
emms.stim_cont <- emmeans(m_stim_cont, pairwise ~ `Stimuli sex` | `Stimuli content` + Gender,
  adjust = "bonferroni",
  lmer.df = "satterthwaite"
)

emms.stim_cont.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.stim_cont$emmeans)) |>
  rename(
    "Subjective sexual arousal" = emmean,
    "Stimuli content" = Stimuli.content,
    "Stimuli sex" = Stimuli.sex
  )

t.stim_cont <- contr.stars(emms.stim_cont) |>
  mutate(p.value = pval.lev(p.value))

t.stim_cont.f <- t.stim_cont |>
  insertRows(2, new = NA) |>
  insertRows(4, new = NA) |>
  insertRows(6, new = NA) |>
  insertRows(8, new = NA)

merge(emms.stim_cont.tab, t.stim_cont.f, by = 0, all = TRUE) |>
  select(-c(1, 3, 4, 12, 13, 19)) |>
  drop_na("Stimuli sex") |>
  unite(Contrast, group1, group2, sep = " - ") |>
  mutate_at("Contrast", str_replace_all, "NA - NA", " ") |>
  mutate(across(c(df.x, df.y), as.character)) |>
  mutate(across(c(df.x, df.y), str_replace_all, "Inf", "$\\\\\\infty$")) |>
  kable()
```

```

digits = 2,
booktabs = TRUE,
align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 5), "l", rep("c", 5)),
linesep = "",
caption = "Estimated marginal means for the three dimensions of sexual desire by
          relationship status",
col.names = c(
  "Stimuli sex",
  "EMM",
  "$SE$",
  "$df$",
  "$2.5\\% CI$",
  "$97.5\\% CI$",
  "Contrast",
  "Difference",
  "$SE$",
  "$df$",
  "$z$",
  "$p$"
),
escape = FALSE
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women - Stimuli content: Erotic",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women - Stimuli content: Non-erotic",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men - Stimuli content: Erotic",
  start_row = 5,
  end_row = 6,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men - Stimuli content: Non-erotic",
  start_row = 7,
  end_row = 8,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
add_header_above(c(" " = 6, "Contrasts" = 6)) |>
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
footnote(
  general = "EMM = estimated marginal mean.
            Degrees of freedom ($df$) are asymptotic.
            Bonferroni adjustment was used.",

```



```

threeparttable = TRUE,
footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S18.** *Estimated marginal means for the three dimensions of sexual desire by relationship status*

Stimuli sex	EMM	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrasts					
						Contrast	Difference	SE	df	z	p
Gender: Women - Stimuli content: Erotic											
Female	1.46	0.10	∞	1.25	1.66	Female - Male	-0.77	0.11	∞	-6.80	< <b>0.0001</b>
Male	2.23	0.08	∞	2.08	2.38						
Gender: Women - Stimuli content: Non-erotic											
Female	1.12	0.09	∞	0.94	1.30	Female - Male	-0.57	0.11	∞	-5.27	< <b>0.0001</b>
Male	1.69	0.07	∞	1.56	1.82						
Gender: Men - Stimuli content: Erotic											
Female	3.84	0.12	∞	3.61	4.07	Female - Male	2.75	0.13	∞	21.60	< <b>0.0001</b>
Male	1.09	0.09	∞	0.92	1.26						
Gender: Men - Stimuli content: Non-erotic											
Female	2.65	0.10	∞	2.45	2.85	Female - Male	1.60	0.12	∞	13.44	< <b>0.0001</b>
Male	1.05	0.07	∞	0.91	1.19						

*Note:* EMM = estimated marginal mean. Degrees of freedom (*df*) are asymptotic. Bonferroni adjustment was used.

### 3.2.3 Figure S9. Effects of stimuli content (erotic, non-erotic) on subjective sexual arousal

This figure summarizes the results of the model to determine whether the effects of stimuli on sexual arousal were stronger depending on the content of the stimuli (erotic versus non-erotic).

```

# Prepare data for vertical comparison lines between Male and Female
diff_data <- emms.stim_cont.tab |>
  select(`Stimuli sex`, Gender, `Stimuli content`, `Subjective sexual arousal`) |>
  pivot_wider(names_from = `Stimuli sex`, values_from = `Subjective sexual arousal`) |>
  mutate(
    ymin = Male, # Start of line at Male's mean arousal
    ymax = Female # End of line at Female's mean arousal
  ) |>
  mutate(
    # Define custom x positions slightly offset for better readability
    x_pos = rep(c(
      as.numeric(as.factor(`Stimuli content`[1])) - 0.25,
      as.numeric(as.factor(`Stimuli content`[2])) + 0.25
    ), 2)
  )
)

# Create the plot
ggplot(emms.stim_cont.tab, aes(
  x = `Stimuli sex`, y = `Subjective sexual arousal`,
  color = `Stimuli content`
)) +
  # Separate plots for each Gender
  facet_wrap(~Gender) +
  # Set custom colors for Stimuli content
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Content) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.Content) +
  # Add confidence interval ranges

```

```

geom_linerange(
  data = emms.stim_cont.tab,
  mapping = aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL),
  position = position_dodge(0.5)
) +
# Add individual data points with position dodge to avoid overlap
geom_point(
  data = emms.stim_cont.tab,
  position = position_dodge(0.5),
  size = 3
) +
# Add statistical significance annotations
stat_pvalue_manual(t.stim_cont,
  label = "p.signif",
  y.position = c(2.7, 3, 4.2, 3), # Adjusted y positions for clarity
  tip.length = 0,
  color = "Stimuli content",
  position = position_dodge(0.5)
) +
# Add vertical dotted lines WITHOUT arrows
geom_segment(
  data = diff_data,
  aes(
    x = x_pos, xend = x_pos,
    y = ymin, yend = ymax,
    color = `Stimuli content`
  ),
  linewidth = 0.5,
  linetype = "dotted"
) + # Dotted lines
# Add SOLID arrows separately, with NO line
geom_segment(
  data = diff_data,
  aes(
    x = x_pos, xend = x_pos,
    y = ymin, yend = ymax,
    color = `Stimuli content`
  ),
  linetype = "solid", # Make sure arrows are solid
  linewidth = 0, # Hide the line itself
  arrow = arrow(length = unit(0.3, "cm"), type = "closed", ends = "both")
) +
# Rotated & Centered Difference Labels on the vertical lines
geom_text(
  data = diff_data,
  aes(
    x = x_pos - 0.06, y = (ymin + ymax) / 2,
    label = abs(round(ymax - ymin, 2)),
    color = `Stimuli content`
  ),
  angle = 90, # Rotate text vertically
  hjust = 0.5, # Center horizontally
  vjust = 0.5, # Center vertically on the line
  size = 2.5
) +
theme_tq()

```



**Figure S9.** Effects of stimuli content (erotic, non-erotic) on subjective sexual arousal for women's (left panel) and men's (right panel) scores of male and female stimuli (see Table S17; for detailed results, see Table S18). Dots and bars represent estimated marginal means and 95% CI. Vertical lines with arrow heads represent the (absolute) difference in reported subjective sexual arousal for male and female stimuli, by stimuli content and gender. In all cases, significant effects are represented with lines and stars: \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$ .

### 3.3 Hypothesis 2: The association between trait sexual desire (TSD) and subjective sexual arousal (SSA) will vary by TSD dimension, with these associations being gender-specific in men and gender-non-specific in women.

We tested whether the relationship between SSA and TSD varies across the three dimensions of TSD and whether these associations differ between men and women. Specifically, we examined:

- **H2a:** A significant association between solitary TSD and SSA toward erotic stimuli (section 3.3.3)
- **H2b:** A significant association between dyadic TSD toward an attractive person and SSA toward erotic stimuli.
- **H2c:** No significant association between dyadic TSD toward a partner and SSA toward erotic stimuli.

To examine this hypothesis, we modeled the effects of each of the three TSD dimension scores, gender, stimulus sex, and their interactions, on SSA. We included random intercepts for each stimulus, as well as random intercepts and slopes between stimuli sex for each participant.

#### 3.3.1 Modeling Approach

Since SSA is an ordinal variable with seven ordered levels, we fitted the models using three different approaches to ensure the robustness of our results:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), using the `clmm` function from the package `ordinal` (Christensen, 2023)
2. Generalized Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family, using the `glmer` function from the package `lme4` (Bates et al., 2015)
3. Linear mixed model (LMM), using the `lmer` function from the package `lmerTest` (Kuznetsova et al., 2017)

The results across these models were largely consistent, indicating robustness in our findings. For clarity and interpretability, we primarily base our inferences on the LMM, as it provides the most straightforward interpretation and has a wider range of available functions in R for extracting model information.

### 3.3.2 Data

We created a new dataset by selecting only responses to erotic stimuli, renaming key variables to remove spaces for compatibility with certain functions, and converting relevant variables to factors. Specifically, the Gender and Stimuli sex variables are transformed into factors, and a factor version of Subjective sexual arousal is created for use in the CLMM model.

```
# Filter dataset to include only responses to erotic stimuli
dat_m2 <- dat |>
  filter(`Stimuli content` == "Erotic") |> # Select only erotic stimuli responses
  # Rename variables to remove spaces (improves function compatibility)
  rename(
    Subjective.sexual.arousal = `Subjective sexual arousal`,
    Solitary.sexual.desire = `Solitary sexual desire`,
    Attractive.person.DSD = `Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)`,
    Partner.DSD = `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`,
    Stimuli.sex = `Stimuli sex`,
    Stimuli.code = `Stimuli code`
  ) |>
  # Convert categorical variables to factors
  mutate(
    Gender = as.factor(Gender),
    Stimuli.sex = as.factor(Stimuli.sex),
    # Create a factor version of SSA for use in the CLMM model
    Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor = as.factor(Subjective.sexual.arousal)
  )
```

### 3.3.3 Hypothesis 2a: Solitary TSD

**3.3.3.1 Model Robustness: Examining the Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** To assess the robustness of our findings, we fitted three different models examining how Solitary TSD predicts SSA, considering variations by gender and stimuli sex:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – `m2a_clmm` (for ordinal outcomes, using a probit link).
2. Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with Poisson family – `m2a_poisson` (treating SSA as a count variable).
3. Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – `m2a_lmer` (treating SSA as a continuous variable).

```
# Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) - Ordinal model with probit link
m2a_clmm <- clmm(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor ~ Solitary.sexual.desire * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  link = "probit",
  control = list(method = "nlminb") # Use 'nlminb' optimizer for better convergence
)

# Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) - Poisson regression for count data
m2a_poisson <- glmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Solitary.sexual.desire * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  family = poisson # Poisson distribution for count data
)

# Linear Mixed Model (LMM) - Continuous approximation
m2a_lmer <- lmer(
```

```

Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Solitary.sexual.desire * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
  (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
  (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
data = dat_m2,
control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa") # Use 'bobyqa' optimizer for stability
)

```

**3.3.3.1.1 Table S19. ANOVA-type table of fixed effects (main effects and interactions) across the three fitted models** As shown in the table below, the pattern of significant effects remains consistent across all three models, except for the main effect of gender, which is not significant in the CLMM.

```

# Create ANOVA-style table summarizing model results
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
    Anova(m2a_clmm, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    # selecting relevant columns & removing the intercept row
    Anova(m2a_poisson, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
      slice_tail(n = -1),
    # ANOVA results for the Linear Mixed Model (LMM), rounding denominator DF
    # and formatting the df column
    anova(m2a_lmer, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2),
             `Pr(>F)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>F)`)) |>
      unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
      select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  ),
  full_join,
  by = "Effect"
) |>
# Improve readability of effect names
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with ×
# Generate formatted table
kable(
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
  digits = 3,
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 2a:
            CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.",
  col.names = c(
    "Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$\\chi^2$", "$p$"), times = 2),
    "$df$", "$F$", "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
)

```

```

) |>
# Apply LaTeX styling
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
# Add section headers for each model
add_header_above(c(
  " " = 1, "CLMM" = 3, "GLMER (Poisson)" = 3, "LMM" = 3
)) |>
# Add footnote explaining statistical details
footnote(
  general = "For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are
    Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests),
    while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance
    (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method).
    Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S19.** Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 2a: CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.

Effect	CLMM			GLMER (Poisson)			LMM		
	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p
Solitary sexual desire	1	27.377	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	24.430	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 319	17.464	< <b>0.0001</b>
Gender	1	0.015	0.9	1	7.086	<b>0.0078</b>	1, 319	8.838	<b>0.0032</b>
Stimuli sex	1	43.812	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	31.553	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 369.21	24.715	< <b>0.0001</b>
Solitary sexual desire × Gender	1	2.409	0.12	1	2.795	0.09	1, 319	0.852	0.36
Solitary sexual desire × Stimuli sex	1	0.137	0.71	1	0.321	0.57	1, 319	0.024	0.88
Gender × Stimuli sex	1	181.478	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	127.568	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 319	74.790	< <b>0.0001</b>
Solitary sexual desire × Gender × Stimuli sex	1	2.959	0.09	1	0.605	0.44	1, 319	1.778	0.18

*Note:* For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests), while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.3.3.1.2 Figure S10: Model-based predictions for Hypothesis 2a.** This figure presents model-based predictions of subjective sexual arousal as a function of solitary sexual desire, across different stimulus sexes and participant genders. The three subplots correspond to the three statistical models used for analysis: (a) Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), (b) Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson), and (c) Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

```

# CLMM Predictions
p_m2a_clmm <- emmeans(m2a_clmm, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  mode = "mean.class"
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
ggplot(aes(
  x = Solitary.sexual.desire, y = mean.class,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
  geom_line(size = 1) + # Add predicted response line
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
    alpha = 0.2, color = NA
  ) + # Add confidence interval as shaded ribbon
  scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) + # Apply custom colors
  scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
  facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) + # Create separate plots for each gender

```

```

labs(
  y = "Predicted Subjective Sexual Arousal", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "CLMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 5.3)) # Set Y-axis limits

# Poisson GLMM Predictions
p_m2a_poisson <- emmeans(m2a_poisson, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |> # Compute response-scale predictions
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Solitary.sexual.desire, y = rate,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 5.3))

# LMM Predictions
p_m2a_lmer <- emmeans(m2a_lmer, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |>
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Solitary.sexual.desire, y = emmean,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "LMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
)

```

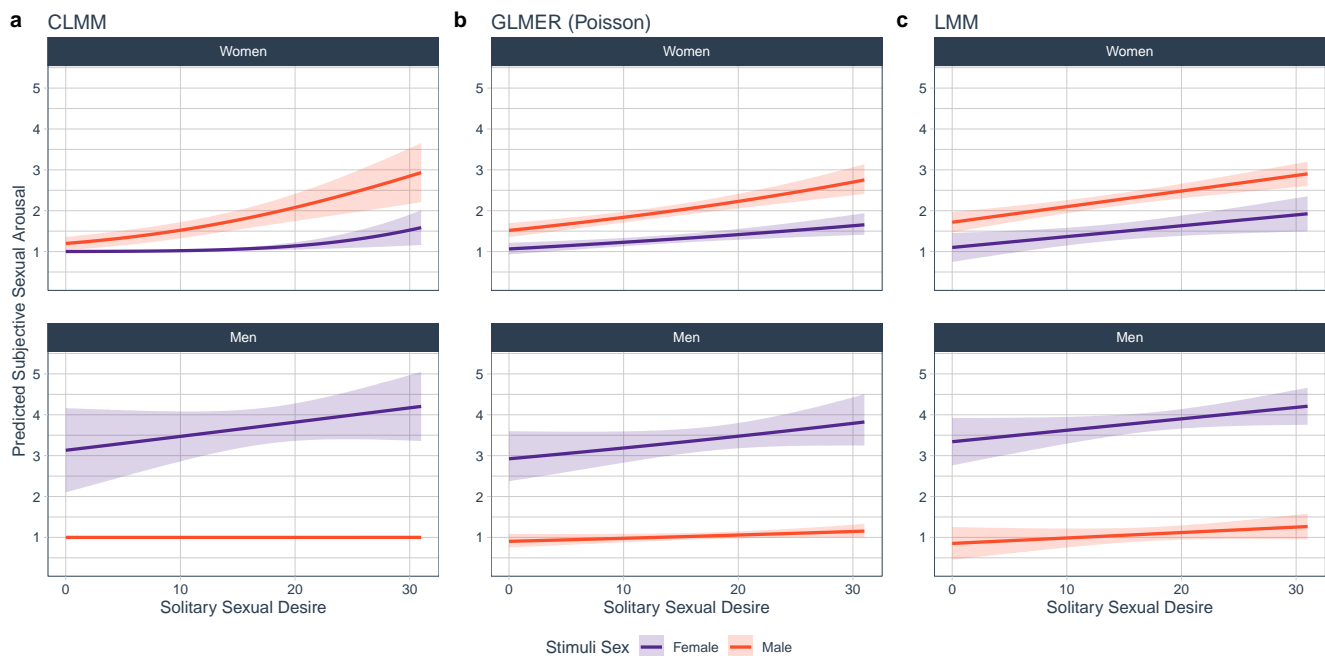
```

) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 5.3))

# Arrange Plots into a Single Figure
p_robu_m2a <- ggarrange(p_m2a_clmm, p_m2a_poisson, p_m2a_lmer, # Combine plots side by side
  common.legend = TRUE, # Share legend across plots
  labels = "auto", # Automatically label subfigures (a, b, c)
  legend = "bottom",
  nrow = 1
) # Arrange in a single row

# Display the combined figure
p_robu_m2a

```



**Figure S10.** Predicted subjective sexual arousal as a function of solitary sexual desire, modeled using three statistical approaches: **(a)** Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM); **(b)** Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family; **(c)** Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Lines represent predicted values, and shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals. The models include participant gender and stimulus sex as key factors.

**3.3.3.2 Final Model: Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** Given the apparent robustness of most results across models (CLMM, GLMER and LMM; Table S19, Fig. S10), we test the predictions of the hypothesis from the LMM (*m2a\_lmer*).

**3.3.3.2.1 Table S20. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender** This tables summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lmer(model = m2a_lmer, custom_caption = "Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across
  Gender and Stimuli Sex")

```



**Table S20.** *Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Solitary sexual desire	1, 319	17.46	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.0489
Gender	1, 319	8.84	<b>0.0032</b>	0.0239
Stimuli sex	1, 369.21	24.71	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.06
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Gender	1, 319	0.85	0.36	< 0.0001
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Stimuli sex	1, 319	0.02	0.88	< 0.0001
Gender $\times$ Stimuli sex	1, 319	74.79	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.19
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Gender $\times$ Stimuli sex	1, 319	1.78	0.18	0.0024

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2_{conditional} = 0.745$ ,  $R^2_{marginal} = 0.335$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.3.3.2.2 Post-hoc tests** To test the hypothesis, which predicted that there would be different relationship between SSA and solitary TSD, and that this association differ between men and women depending on the sex of stimuli, we used simple slope analysis.

Slope for solitary TSD on SSA by stimuli sex and participant gender

```
slop.m2a_lmer <- sim_slopes(m2a_lmer,
                           pred = Solitary.sexual.desire,
                           modx = Stimuli.sex,
                           mod2 = Gender,
                           confint = TRUE)

slop.m2a_lmer.tab <- bind_rows(slop.m2a_lmer$slopes[[1]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Women"),
                              slop.m2a_lmer$slopes[[2]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Men")) |>
  mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
    Femenino = "Women",
    Masculino = "Men"
  )) |>
  select(8, 1:2, 4:7) |>
  mutate(across(3:7, as.numeric)) |>
  mutate(across(3:6, round, 2)) |>
  mutate(sig = pval_stars(p)) |>
  rename("Stimuli.sex" = "Value of Stimuli.sex") |>
  rename(Coefficient = Est.)

slop.m2a_lmer.tab[,-c(1,8)] |>
  mutate(p = pval_lev(p)) |>
  kable(booktabs = TRUE,
        align = c("l", rep("c", 5)),
        caption = "Slope for Solitary TSD on
        Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender",
        linesep = "",
        col.names = c("Stimuli sex",
          "$B$",
          "$2.5\\% CI$",
          "$97.5\\% CI$",
          "$t$",
          "$p$"),
        escape = FALSE) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position")) |>
```

```

pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
footnote(general = "$B$ are unstandardized coefficient.
No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered
and are dependent on this specific sample.",
threeparttable = TRUE,
footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
escape = FALSE)

```

**Table S21.** Slope for Solitary TSD on Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender

Stimuli sex	<i>B</i>	2.5% <i>CI</i>	97.5% <i>CI</i>	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Gender: Women					
Female	0.03	0.01	0.05	2.42	<b>0.0162</b>
Male	0.04	0.02	0.05	5.07	<b>&lt; 0.0001</b>
Gender: Men					
Female	0.03	0.00	0.06	1.84	0.07
Male	0.01	-0.01	0.03	1.28	0.2

*Note:* *B* are unstandardized coefficient. No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered and are dependent on this specific sample.

**3.3.3.3 Figure S11. Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Main effects and interactions** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 2a.

```

#fig.cap = "Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Significant main effects and interactions of model"

# Figure interaction between Stimuli sex and gender
p_m2a_lmer +
  facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
  # Add text labels, nudging each one slightly down
  geom_text(data = slop.m2a_lmer.tab |>
    mutate(Solitary.sexual.desire = 2),
    mapping = aes(x = min(Solitary.sexual.desire), y = Inf,
      label = paste("B = ", Coefficient,
        ", IC 95%[" , `2.5%` , " , " , `97.5%` ,
        "], p",
        ifelse(grepl("<", pe2.lev(p)), pe2.lev(p),
          paste0(" = ", pe2.lev(p))),
        ifelse(is.na(sig), "", sig)),
      vjust = 2 + as.numeric(as.factor(Stimuli.sex))*2), # Stacks labels
    hjust = -0.1, # Aligns to the left

```

```
#size = 3,
  show.legend = FALSE) +
theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```

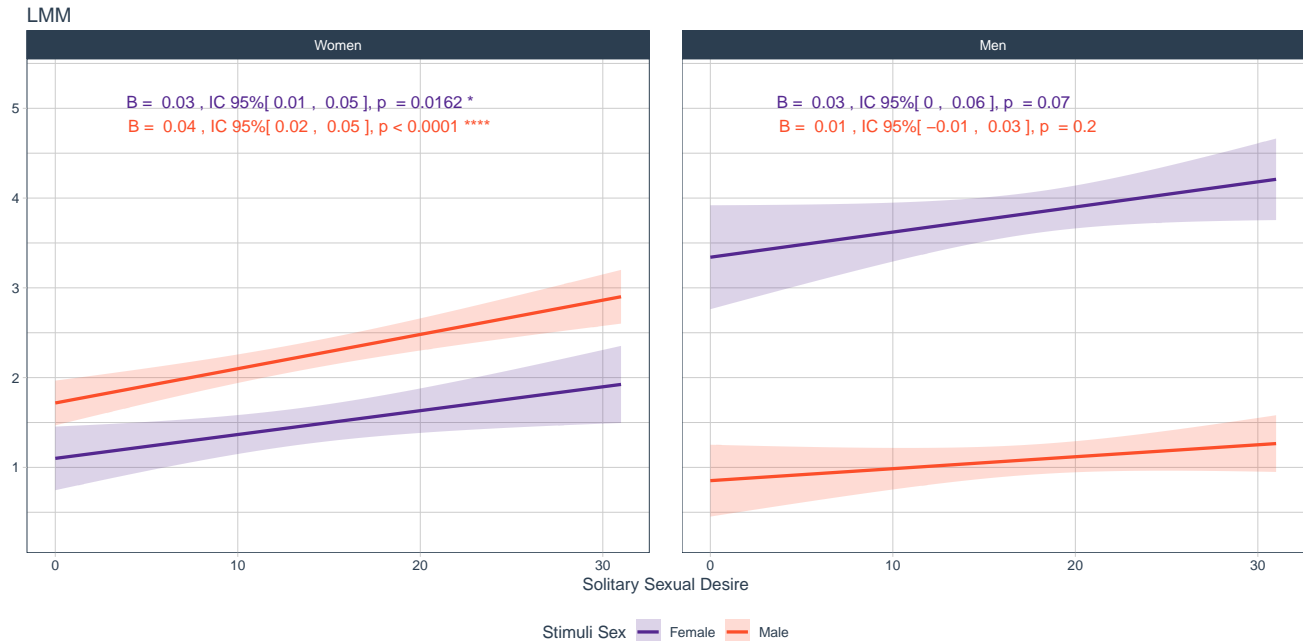


Figure S11. XXXXXX

### 3.3.4 Hypothesis 2b: Attractive person TSD

**3.3.4.1 Model Robustness: Examining the Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** To assess the robustness of our findings, we fitted three different models examining how Attractive person TSD predicts SSA, considering variations by gender and stimuli sex:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – `m2b_clmm` (for ordinal outcomes, using a probit link).
2. Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with Poisson family – `m2b_poisson` (treating SSA as a count variable).
3. Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – `m2b_lmer` (treating SSA as a continuous variable).

```
# Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) - Ordinal model with probit link
m2b_clmm <- clmm(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor ~ Attractive.person.DSD * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  link = "probit",
  control = list(method = "nlminb") # Use 'nlminb' optimizer for better convergence
)

# Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) - Poisson regression for count data
m2b_poisson <- glmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Attractive.person.DSD * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  family = poisson # Poisson distribution for count data
)
```

```
# Linear Mixed Model (LMM) - Continuous approximation
m2b_lmer <- lmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Attractive.person.DSD * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa") # Use 'bobyqa' optimizer for stability
)
```

**3.3.4.1.1 Table S22. ANOVA-type table of fixed effects (main effects and interactions) across the three fitted models** As shown in the table below, the pattern of significant effects remains consistent across all three models, except for the main effect of gender, which is not significant in the CLMM.

```
# Create ANOVA-style table summarizing model results
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
    Anova(m2b_clmm, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    # selecting relevant columns & removing the intercept row
    Anova(m2b_poisson, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
      slice_tail(n = -1),
    # ANOVA results for the Linear Mixed Model (LMM), rounding denominator DF
    # and formatting the df column
    anova(m2b_lmer, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2),
             `Pr(>F)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>F)`)) |>
      unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
      select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  ),
  full_join,
  by = "Effect"
) |>
# Improve readability of effect names
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with ×
# Generate formatted table
kable(
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
  digits = 3,
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 2b:
             CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.",
  col.names = c(
    "Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$\\chi^2$", "$p$"), times = 2),
    "$df$", "$F$", "$p$"
  )
)
```

```

),
escape = FALSE
) |>
# Apply LaTeX styling
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
# Add section headers for each model
add_header_above(c(
  " " = 1, "CLMM" = 3, "GLMER (Poisson)" = 3, "LMM" = 3
)) |>
# Add footnote explaining statistical details
footnote(
  general = "For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are
    Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests),
    while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance
    (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method).
    Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S22.** Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 2b: CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.

Effect	CLMM			GLMER (Poisson)			LMM		
	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p
Attractive person DSD	1	36.545	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	45.711	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 319	48.490	< <b>0.0001</b>
Gender	1	0.031	0.86	1	3.059	0.08	1, 319	1.446	0.23
Stimuli sex	1	18.293	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	7.365	<b>0.0067</b>	1, 319	2.689	0.1
Attractive person DSD × Gender	1	3.774	0.05	1	0.940	0.33	1, 319	0.530	0.47
Attractive person DSD × Stimuli sex	1	7.654	<b>0.0057</b>	1	7.507	<b>0.0061</b>	1, 319	15.428	< <b>0.001</b>
Gender × Stimuli sex	1	124.186	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	67.054	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 319	27.444	< <b>0.0001</b>
Attractive person DSD × Gender × Stimuli sex	1	3.833	0.05	1	20.127	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 319	29.689	< <b>0.0001</b>

*Note:* For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests), while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.3.4.1.2 Figure S12: Model-based predictions for Hypothesis 2b.** This figure presents model-based predictions of subjective sexual arousal as a function of attractive person sexual desire, across different stimulus sexes and participant genders. The three subplots correspond to the three statistical models used for analysis: (a) Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), (b) Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson), and (c) Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

```

# CLMM Predictions
p_m2b_clmm <- emmeans(m2b_clmm, ~ Attractive.person.DSD | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Attractive.person.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  mode = "mean.class"
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
ggplot(aes(
  x = Attractive.person.DSD, y = mean.class,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) + # Add predicted response line
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) + # Add confidence interval as shaded ribbon
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) + # Apply custom colors

```

```

scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) + # Create separate plots for each gender
labs(
  y = "Predicted Subjective Sexual Arousal", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "CLMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 6.5)) # Set Y-axis limits

# Poisson GLMM Predictions
p_m2b_poisson <- emmeans(m2b_poisson, ~ Attractive.person.DSD | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Attractive.person.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |> # Compute response-scale predictions
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Attractive.person.DSD, y = rate,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Attractive Person Sexual Desire",
  title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 6.5))

# LMM Predictions
p_m2b_lmer <- emmeans(m2b_lmer, ~ Attractive.person.DSD | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Attractive.person.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |>
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Attractive.person.DSD, y = emmean,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",

```

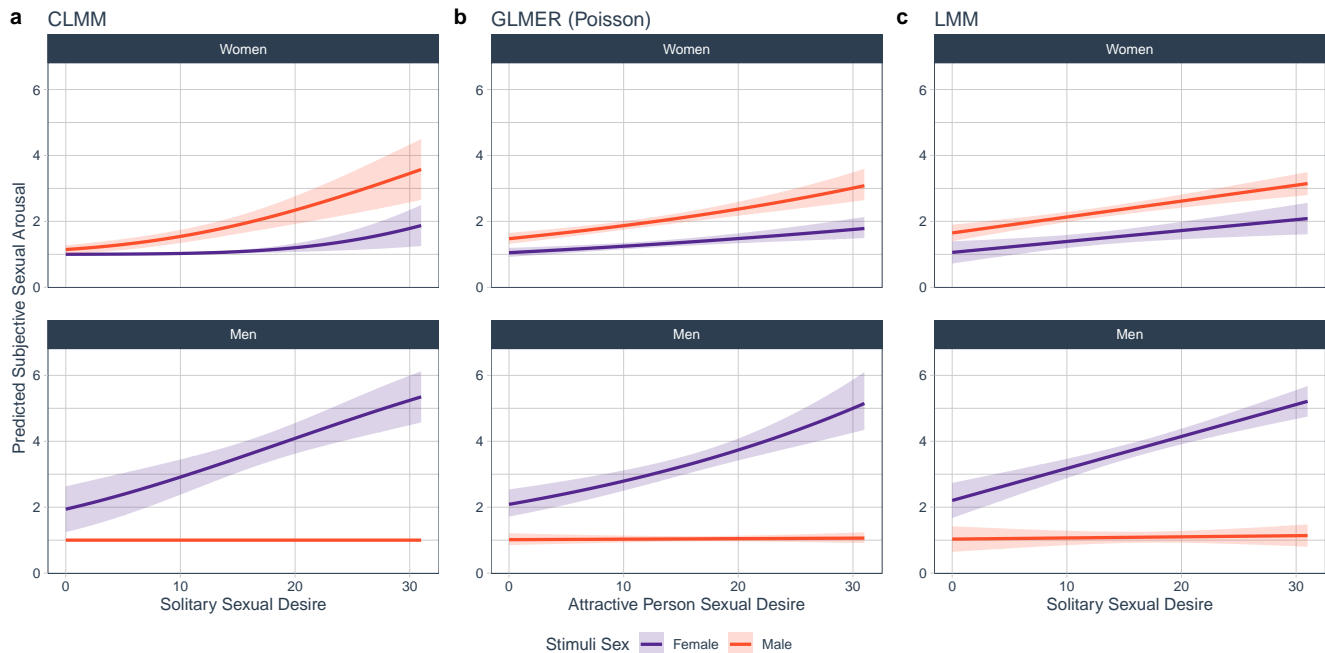
```

  title = "LMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 6.5))

# Arrange Plots into a Single Figure
p_robu_m2b <- ggarrange(p_m2b_clmm, p_m2b_poisson, p_m2b_lmer, # Combine plots side by side
  common.legend = TRUE, # Share legend across plots
  labels = "auto", # Automatically label subfigures (a, b, c)
  legend = "bottom",
  nrow = 1
) # Arrange in a single row

# Display the combined figure
p_robu_m2b

```



**Figure S12.** Predicted subjective sexual arousal as a function of attractive person sexual desire, modeled using three statistical approaches: **(a)** Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM); **(b)** Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family; **(c)** Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Lines represent predicted values, and shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals. The models include participant gender and stimulus sex as key factors.

### 3.3.4.2 Final Model: Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex

Given the apparent robustness of most results across models (CLMM, GLMER and LMM; Table S22, Fig. S12), we test the predictions of the hypothesis from the LMM (m2b\_lmer).

#### 3.3.4.2.1 Table S23. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender

This table summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lmer(model = m2b_lmer, custom_caption = "Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across
  Gender and Stimuli Sex")

```

**Table S23.** *Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Attractive person DSD	1, 319	48.49	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.13
Gender	1, 319	1.45	0.23	0.0014
Stimuli sex	1, 373.93	2.69	0.1	0.0045
Attractive person DSD × Gender	1, 319	0.53	0.47	< 0.0001
Attractive person DSD × Stimuli sex	1, 319	15.43	< <b>0.001</b>	0.0431
Gender × Stimuli sex	1, 319	27.44	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.08
Attractive person DSD × Gender × Stimuli sex	1, 319	29.69	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.08

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2_{conditional} = 0.745$ ,  $R^2_{marginal} = 0.367$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.3.4.2.2 Post-hoc tests** To test the hypothesis, which predicted that there would be different relationship between SSA and attractive person TSD, and that this association differ between men and women depending on the sex of stimuli, we used simple slope analysis.

Slope for attractive person TSD on SSA by stimuli sex and participant gender

```
slop.m2b_lmer <- sim_slopes(m2b_lmer,
                           pred = Attractive.person.DSD,
                           modx = Stimuli.sex,
                           mod2 = Gender,
                           confint = TRUE)

slop.m2b_lmer.tab <- bind_rows(slop.m2b_lmer$slopes[[1]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Women"),
                              slop.m2b_lmer$slopes[[2]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Men")) |>
  mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
    Femenino = "Women",
    Masculino = "Men"
  )) |>
  select(8, 1:2, 4:7) |>
  mutate(across(3:7, as.numeric)) |>
  mutate(across(3:6, round, 2)) |>
  mutate(sig = pval_stars(p)) |>
  rename("Stimuli.sex" = "Value of Stimuli.sex") |>
  rename(Coefficient = Est.)

slop.m2b_lmer.tab[,-c(1,8)] |>
  mutate(p = pval_lev(p)) |>
  kable(booktabs = TRUE,
        align = c("l", rep("c", 5)),
        caption = "Slope for Attractive person TSD on
        Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender",
        linesep = "",
        col.names = c("Stimuli sex",
          "$B$",
          "$2.5\\% CI$",
          "$97.5\\% CI$",
          "$t$",
          "$p$"),
        escape = FALSE) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position")) |>
```



```

pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
footnote(general = "$B$ are unstandardized coefficient.
  No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered
  and are dependent on this specific sample.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE)

```

**Table S24.** Slope for Attractive person TSD on Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender

Stimuli sex	<i>B</i>	2.5% <i>CI</i>	97.5% <i>CI</i>	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Gender: Women					
Female	0.03	0.01	0.06	2.82	<b>0.0051</b>
Male	0.05	0.03	0.06	5.70	<b>&lt; 0.0001</b>
Gender: Men					
Female	0.10	0.07	0.13	6.58	<b>&lt; 0.0001</b>
Male	0.00	-0.02	0.02	0.32	0.75

*Note:* *B* are unstandardized coefficient. No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered and are dependent on this specific sample.

**3.3.4.3 Figure S13. Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Main effects and interactions** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 2b.

#fig.cap = "Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Significant main effects and interactions of model 2b"

```

# Figure interaction between Stimuli sex and gender
p_m2b_lmer +
  facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
  # Add text labels, nudging each one slightly down
  geom_text(data = slop.m2b_lmer.tab |>
    mutate(Attractive.person.DSD = 2),
    mapping = aes(x = min(Attractive.person.DSD), y = Inf,
      label = paste("B = ", Coefficient,
        ", IC 95%[" , `2.5%` , " , " , `97.5%` ,
        "], p",
        ifelse(grepl("<", pe2.lev(p)), pe2.lev(p),
          paste0(" = ", pe2.lev(p))),
        ifelse(is.na(sig), "", sig)),
      vjust = 2 + as.numeric(as.factor(Stimuli.sex))*2), # Stacks labels
    hjust = -0.1, # Aligns to the left

```

```
#size = 3,
  show.legend = FALSE) +
theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```

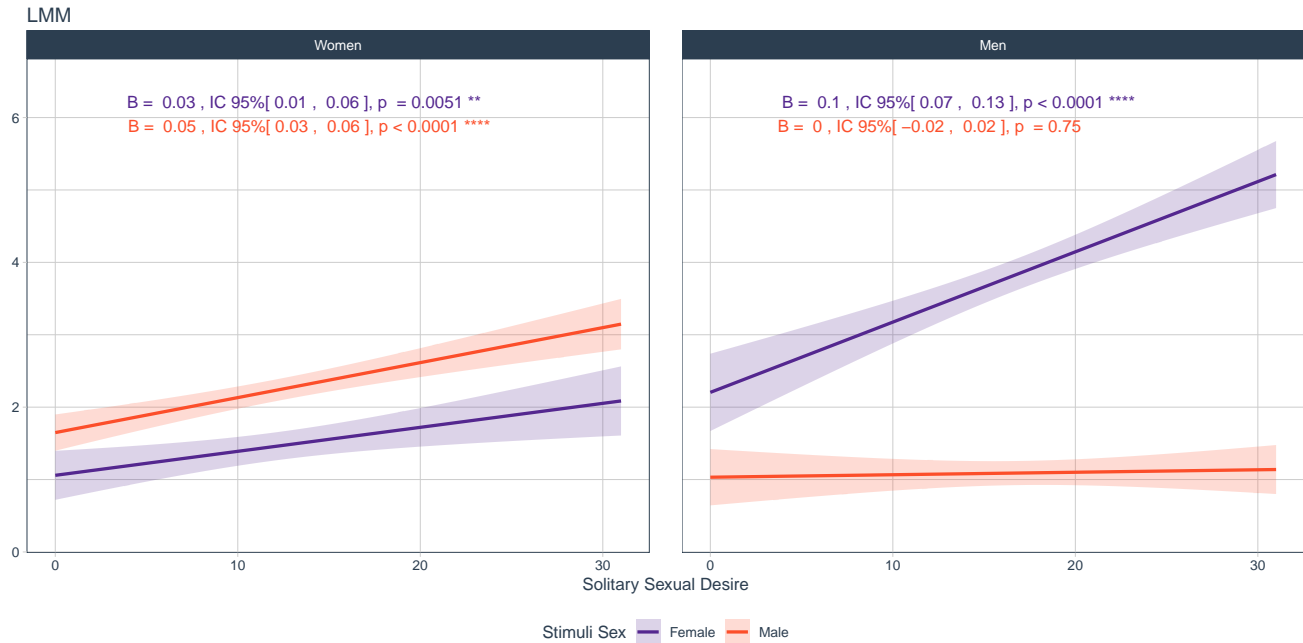


Figure S13. XXXXXX

### 3.3.5 Hypothesis 2c: Partner TSD

**3.3.5.1 Model Robustness: Examining the Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** To assess the robustness of our findings, we fitted three different models examining how Partner TSD predicts SSA, considering variations by gender and stimuli sex:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – `m2c_clmm` (for ordinal outcomes, using a probit link).
2. Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with Poisson family – `m2c_poisson` (treating SSA as a count variable).
3. Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – `m2c_lmer` (treating SSA as a continuous variable).

```
# Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) - Ordinal model with probit link
m2c_clmm <- clmm(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor ~ Partner.DSD * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  link = "probit",
  control = list(method = "nlminb") # Use 'nlminb' optimizer for better convergence
)

# Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) - Poisson regression for count data
m2c_poisson <- glmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Partner.DSD * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  family = poisson # Poisson distribution for count data
)
```

```
# Linear Mixed Model (LMM) - Continuous approximation
m2c_lmer <- lmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Partner.DSD * Gender * Stimuli.sex +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 + Stimuli.sex | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Stimuli sex
  data = dat_m2,
  control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa") # Use 'bobyqa' optimizer for stability
)
```

**3.3.5.1.1 Table S25. ANOVA-type table of fixed effects (main effects and interactions) across the three fitted models** As shown in the table below, the pattern of significant effects remains consistent across all three models, except for the main effect of gender, which is not significant in the CLMM.

```
# Create ANOVA-style table summarizing model results
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
    Anova(m2c_clmm, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    # selecting relevant columns & removing the intercept row
    Anova(m2c_poisson, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
      slice_tail(n = -1),
    # ANOVA results for the Linear Mixed Model (LMM), rounding denominator DF
    # and formatting the df column
    anova(m2c_lmer, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2),
             `Pr(>F)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>F)`)) |>
      unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
      select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  ),
  full_join,
  by = "Effect"
) |>
# Improve readability of effect names
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with ×
# Generate formatted table
kable(
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
  digits = 3,
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 2c:
            CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.",
  col.names = c(
    "Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$\\chi^2$", "$p$"), times = 2),
    "$df$", "$F$", "$p$"
  )
)
```

```

),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
# Apply LaTeX styling
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
# Add section headers for each model
add_header_above(c(
  " " = 1, "CLMM" = 3, "GLMER (Poisson)" = 3, "LMM" = 3
)) |>
# Add footnote explaining statistical details
footnote(
  general = "For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are
    Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests),
    while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance
    (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method).
    Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S25.** Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 2c: CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.

Effect	CLMM			GLMER (Poisson)			LMM		
	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p
Partner DSD	1	0.642	0.42	1	5.150	<b>0.0232</b>	1, 316	6.589	<b>0.0107</b>
Gender	1	0.743	0.39	1	0.078	0.78	1, 316	0.034	0.85
Stimuli sex	1	10.881	< <b>0.001</b>	1	2.688	0.1	1, 344.42	0.991	0.32
Partner DSD × Gender	1	0.310	0.58	1	2.111	0.15	1, 316	3.967	<b>0.0472</b>
Partner DSD × Stimuli sex	1	2.366	0.12	1	5.423	<b>0.0199</b>	1, 316	8.458	<b>0.0039</b>
Gender × Stimuli sex	1	61.739	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	45.783	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 316	20.549	< <b>0.0001</b>
Partner DSD × Gender × Stimuli sex	1	1.254	0.26	1	2.461	0.12	1, 316	5.700	<b>0.0176</b>

*Note:* For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests), while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.3.5.1.2 Figure S14: Model-based predictions for Hypothesis 2c.** This figure presents model-based predictions of subjective sexual arousal as a function of partner sexual desire, across different stimulus sexes and participant genders. The three subplots correspond to the three statistical models used for analysis: (a) Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), (b) Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson), and (c) Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

```

# CLMM Predictions
p_m2c_clmm <- emmeans(m2c_clmm, ~ Partner.DSD | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Partner.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  mode = "mean.class"
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
ggplot(aes(
  x = Partner.DSD, y = mean.class,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
  geom_line(size = 1) + # Add predicted response line
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
    alpha = 0.2, color = NA
  ) + # Add confidence interval as shaded ribbon

```

```

scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) + # Apply custom colors
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) + # Create separate plots for each gender
labs(
  y = "Predicted Subjective Sexual Arousal", x = "Partner Sexual Desire",
  title = "CLMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 5.3)) # Set Y-axis limits

# Poisson GLMM Predictions
p_m2c_poisson <- emmeans(m2c_poisson, ~ Partner.DSD | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Partner.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |> # Compute response-scale predictions
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Partner.DSD, y = rate,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Partner Sexual Desire",
  title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 5.3))

# LMM Predictions
p_m2c_lmer <- emmeans(m2c_lmer, ~ Partner.DSD | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
  at = list(Partner.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |>
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Partner.DSD, y = emmean,
  color = Stimuli.sex, fill = Stimuli.sex
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Stimuli.sex),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.StimuliSex) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(

```

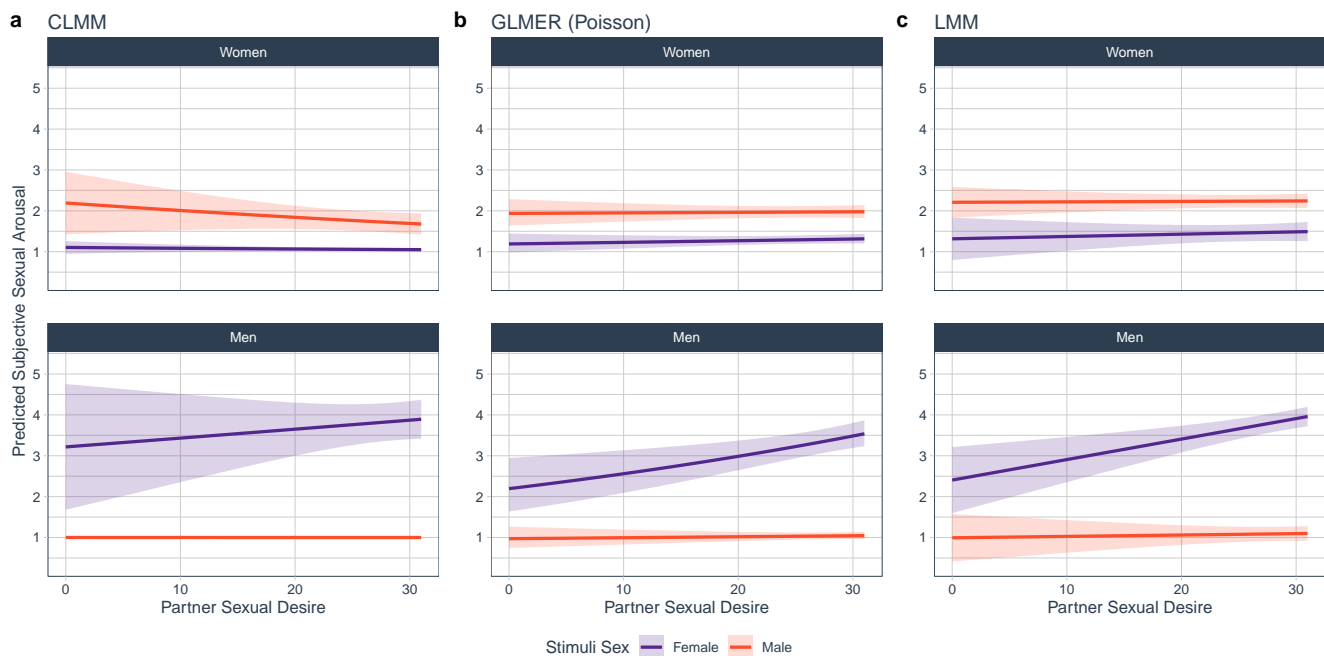
```

y = "", x = "Partner Sexual Desire",
title = "LMM",
color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 5.3))

# Arrange Plots into a Single Figure
p_robu_m2c <- ggarrange(p_m2c_clmm, p_m2c_poisson, p_m2c_lmer, # Combine plots side by side
  common.legend = TRUE, # Share legend across plots
  labels = "auto", # Automatically label subfigures (a, b, c)
  legend = "bottom",
  nrow = 1
) # Arrange in a single row

# Display the combined figure
p_robu_m2c

```



**Figure S14.** Predicted subjective sexual arousal as a function of partner sexual desire, modeled using three statistical approaches: **(a)** Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM); **(b)** Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family; **(c)** Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Lines represent predicted values, and shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals. The models include participant gender and stimulus sex as key factors.

**3.3.5.2 Final Model: Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** Given the apparent robustness of most results across models (CLMM, GLMM and LMM; Table S25, Fig. S14), we test the predictions of the hypothesis from the LMM (m2c\_lmer).

**3.3.5.2.1 Table S26. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender** This tables summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lmer(model = m2c_lmer, custom_caption = "Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across
  Gender and Stimuli Sex")

```

**Table S26.** *Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Partner DSD	1, 316	6.59	<b>0.0107</b>	0.0173
Gender	1, 316	0.03	0.85	< 0.0001
Stimuli sex	1, 344.42	0.99	0.32	< 0.0001
Partner DSD × Gender	1, 316	3.97	<b>0.0472</b>	0.0093
Partner DSD × Stimuli sex	1, 316	8.46	<b>0.0039</b>	0.023
Gender × Stimuli sex	1, 316	20.55	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.06
Partner DSD × Gender × Stimuli sex	1, 316	5.70	<b>0.0176</b>	0.0146

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R_{conditional}^2 = 0.745$ ,  $R_{marginal}^2 = 0.329$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.3.5.2.2 Post-hoc tests** To test the hypothesis, which predicted that there would be different relationship between SSA and partner TSD, and that this association differ between men and women depending on the sex of stimuli, we used simple slope analysis.

Slope for partner TSD on SSA by stimuli sex and participant gender

```
slop.m2c_lmer <- sim_slopes(m2c_lmer,
                           pred = Partner.DSD,
                           modx = Stimuli.sex,
                           mod2 = Gender,
                           confint = TRUE)

slop.m2c_lmer.tab <- bind_rows(slop.m2c_lmer$slopes[[1]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Women"),
                              slop.m2c_lmer$slopes[[2]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Men")) |>
  mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
                                Femenino = "Women",
                                Masculino = "Men")) |>
  select(8, 1:2, 4:7) |>
  mutate(across(3:7, as.numeric)) |>
  mutate(across(3:6, round, 2)) |>
  mutate(sig = pval_stars(p)) |>
  rename("Stimuli.sex" = "Value of Stimuli.sex") |>
  rename(Coefficient = Est.)

slop.m2c_lmer.tab[,-c(1,8)] |>
  mutate(p = pval_lev(p)) |>
  kable(booktabs = TRUE,
        align = c("l", rep("c", 5)),
        caption = "Slope for Partner TSD on
Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender",
        linesep = "",
        col.names = c("Stimuli sex",
                      "$B$",
                      "$2.5\\% CI$",
                      "$97.5\\% CI$",
                      "$t$",
                      "$p$"),
        escape = FALSE) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position")) |>
```

```

pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
footnote(general = "$B$ are unstandardized coefficient.
  No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered
  and are dependent on this specific sample.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE)

```

**Table S27.** Slope for Partner TSD on Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender

Stimuli sex	<i>B</i>	2.5% <i>CI</i>	97.5% <i>CI</i>	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Gender: Women					
Female	0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.58	0.56
Male	0.00	-0.01	0.01	0.15	0.88
Gender: Men					
Female	0.05	0.02	0.08	3.63	< <b>0.001</b>
Male	0.00	-0.02	0.02	0.34	0.73

*Note:* *B* are unstandardized coefficient. No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered and are dependent on this specific sample.

**3.3.5.3 Figure S15. Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Main effects and interactions** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 2c.

#fig.cap = "Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Significant main effects and interactions of model 2c"

```

# Figure interaction between Stimuli sex and gender
p_m2c_lmer +
  facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
  # Add text labels, nudging each one slightly down
  geom_text(data = slop.m2c_lmer.tab |>
    mutate(Partner.DSD = 2),
    mapping = aes(x = min(Partner.DSD), y = Inf,
      label = paste("B = ", Coefficient,
        ", IC 95%[" , `2.5%` , " , " , `97.5%` ,
        "], p",
        ifelse(grepl("<", pe2.lev(p)), pe2.lev(p),
          paste0(" = ", pe2.lev(p))),
        ifelse(is.na(sig), "", sig)),
      vjust = 2 + as.numeric(as.factor(Stimuli.sex))*2), # Stacks labels
    hjust = -0.1, # Aligns to the left

```



```
#size = 3,
  show.legend = FALSE) +
theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```

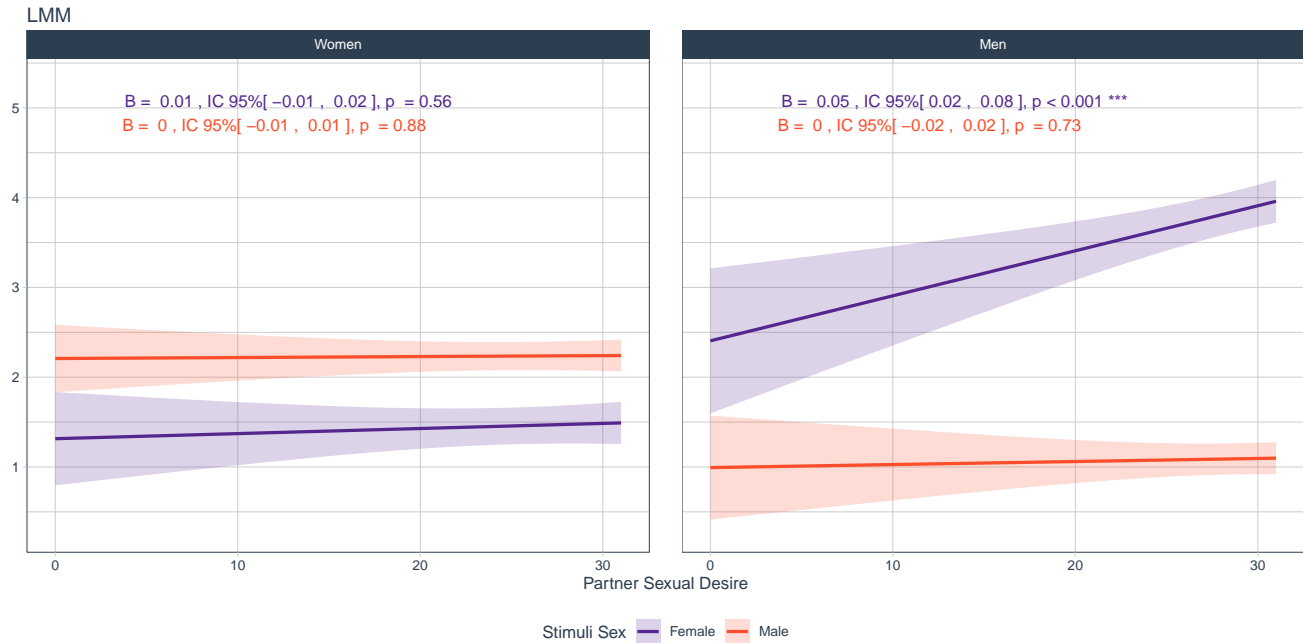


Figure S15. XXXXXX

### 3.4 Hypothesis 3: The associations between TSD dimensions and SSA toward stimuli of self-reported preferred gender will be moderated by gender and relationship status.

We tested whether the relationship between SSA and TSD varies across the three dimensions of TSD and whether these associations differ between men and women depending on whether they were single or not, but only in responses toward stimuli of the preferred sex. This is a fully exploratory hypothesis, for which no directional predictions were made, beyond an interaction between the TSD dimension, gender, and relationship status. As with the case of Hypothesis 2 (section 3.3), fitted separate models for each TSD dimension:

- **H3a:** Solitary TSD and SSA
- **H3b:** Dyadic TSD toward an attractive person
- **H3c:** Dyadic TSD toward a partner

To examine this hypothesis, we modeled the effects of each of the three TSD dimension scores, gender, relationship status, and their interactions, on SSA towards stimuli of the self-reported preferred sex. We included random intercepts for each stimulus, as well as random intercepts for each participant.

#### 3.4.1 Modeling Approach

Following the strategy employed for Hypothesis 2 (section 3.3), and given that SSA is an ordinal variable with seven ordered levels, we fitted different models using three different approaches to ensure the robustness of our results:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), using the `clmm` function from the package `ordinal` (Christensen, 2023)
2. Generalized Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family, using the `glmer` function from the package `lme4` (Bates et al., 2015)
3. Linear mixed model (LMM), using the `lmer` function from the package `lmerTest` (Kuznetsova et al., 2017)

The results across these models were largely consistent, indicating robustness in our findings. For clarity and

interpretability, we primarily base our inferences on the LMM, as it provides the most straightforward interpretation and has a wider range of available functions in R for extracting model information.

### 3.4.2 Data

We created a new dataset by selecting, once again, only responses to erotic stimuli but this time also filtering only responses to stimuli of the preferred sex. We also renamed key variables to remove spaces for compatibility with certain functions, and created a factor version of Subjective sexual arousal for use in the CLMM model.

```
# Filter dataset to include only responses to erotic stimuli
dat_m3 <- dat |>
  filter(`Stimuli content` == "Erotic" &
    `Stimuli sex` == `Preferred sex`)|>
  rename(Subjective.sexual.arousal = `Subjective sexual arousal`,
    Solitary.sexual.desire = `Solitary sexual desire`,
    Attractive.person.DSD = `Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)`,
    Partner.DSD = `Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)`,
    Stimuli.code = `Stimuli code`) |>
  mutate(Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor = as.factor(Subjective.sexual.arousal))
```

### 3.4.3 Hypothesis 3a: Solitary TSD

**3.4.3.1 Model Robustness: Examining the Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** To assess the robustness of our findings, we fitted three different models examining how Solitary TSD predicts SSA, considering variations by gender and stimuli sex:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – `m3a_clmm` (for ordinal outcomes, using a probit link).
2. Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with Poisson family – `m3a_poisson` (treating SSA as a count variable).
3. Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – `m3a_lmer` (treating SSA as a continuous variable).

```
# Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – Ordinal model with probit link
m3a_clmm <- clmm(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor ~ Solitary.sexual.desire * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  link = "probit",
  control = list(method = "nlminb") # Use 'nlminb' optimizer for better convergence
)

# Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) – Poisson regression for count data
m3a_poisson <- glmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Solitary.sexual.desire * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  family = poisson # Poisson distribution for count data
)

# Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – Continuous approximation
m3a_lmer <- lmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Solitary.sexual.desire * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa") # Use 'bobyqa' optimizer for stability
)
```

**3.4.3.1.1 Table S28. ANOVA-type table of fixed effects (main effects and interactions) across the three fitted models** As shown in the table below, the pattern of significant effects remains consistent across all three models, except for the main effect of gender, which is not significant in the CLMM.

```
# Create ANOVA-style table summarizing model results
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
    Anova(m3a_clmm, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    # selecting relevant columns & removing the intercept row
    Anova(m3a_poisson, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
      slice_tail(n = -1),
    # ANOVA results for the Linear Mixed Model (LMM), rounding denominator DF
    # and formatting the df column
    anova(m3a_lmer, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2),
             `Pr(>F)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>F)`)) |>
      unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
      select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  ),
  full_join,
  by = "Effect"
) |>
# Improve readability of effect names
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " x ")) |> # Replace colons with x
# Generate formatted table
kable(
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
  digits = 3,
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 3a:
            CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.",
  col.names = c(
    "Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$\\chi^2$", "$p$"), times = 2),
    "$df$", "$F$", "$p$"
  ),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
# Apply LaTeX styling
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
# Add section headers for each model
add_header_above(c(
  " " = 1, "CLMM" = 3, "GLMER (Poisson)" = 3, "LMM" = 3
)) |>
# Add footnote explaining statistical details
```

```

footnote(
  general = "For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are
    Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests),
    while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance
    (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method).
    Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S28.** Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 3a: CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.

Effect	CLMM			GLMER (Poisson)			LMM		
	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p
Solitary sexual desire	1	10.107	<b>0.0015</b>	1	9.473	<b>0.0021</b>	1, 315	6.881	<b>0.0091</b>
Gender	1	16.166	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	17.941	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 315.34	14.100	< <b>0.001</b>
Relationship	1	0.002	0.97	1	0.018	0.89	1, 314.95	0.337	0.56
Solitary sexual desire × Gender	1	1.632	0.2	1	1.291	0.26	1, 315.23	0.071	0.79
Solitary sexual desire × Relationship	1	0.070	0.79	1	0.180	0.67	1, 314.95	0.531	0.47
Gender × Relationship	1	3.001	0.08	1	2.152	0.14	1, 314.95	2.953	0.09
Solitary sexual desire × Gender × Relationship	1	2.262	0.13	1	1.443	0.23	1, 315.08	2.023	0.16

*Note:* For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests), while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.4.3.1.2 Figure S16: Model-based predictions for Hypothesis 3a.** This figure presents model-based predictions of subjective sexual arousal as a function of solitary sexual desire, across different relationship status and participant genders. The three subplots correspond to the three statistical models used for analysis: (a) Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), (b) Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson), and (c) Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

```

# CLMM Predictions
p_m3a_clmm <- emmeans(m3a_clmm, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  mode = "mean.class")
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
ggplot(aes(
  x = Solitary.sexual.desire, y = mean.class,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
  geom_line(size = 1) + # Add predicted response line
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
    alpha = 0.2, color = NA)
) + # Add confidence interval as shaded ribbon
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) + # Apply custom colors
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) + # Create separate plots for each gender
labs(
  y = "Predicted Subjective Sexual Arousal", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "CLMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 6)) # Set Y-axis limits

```

```

# Poisson GLMM Predictions
p_m3a_poisson <- emmeans(m3a_poisson, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |> # Compute response-scale predictions
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Solitary.sexual.desire, y = rate,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 6))

# LMM Predictions
p_m3a_lmer <- emmeans(m3a_lmer, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |>
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Solitary.sexual.desire, y = emmean,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Solitary Sexual Desire",
  title = "LMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 6))

# Arrange Plots into a Single Figure
p_robu_m3a <- ggarrange(p_m3a_clmm, p_m3a_poisson, p_m3a_lmer, # Combine plots side by side
  common.legend = TRUE, # Share legend across plots

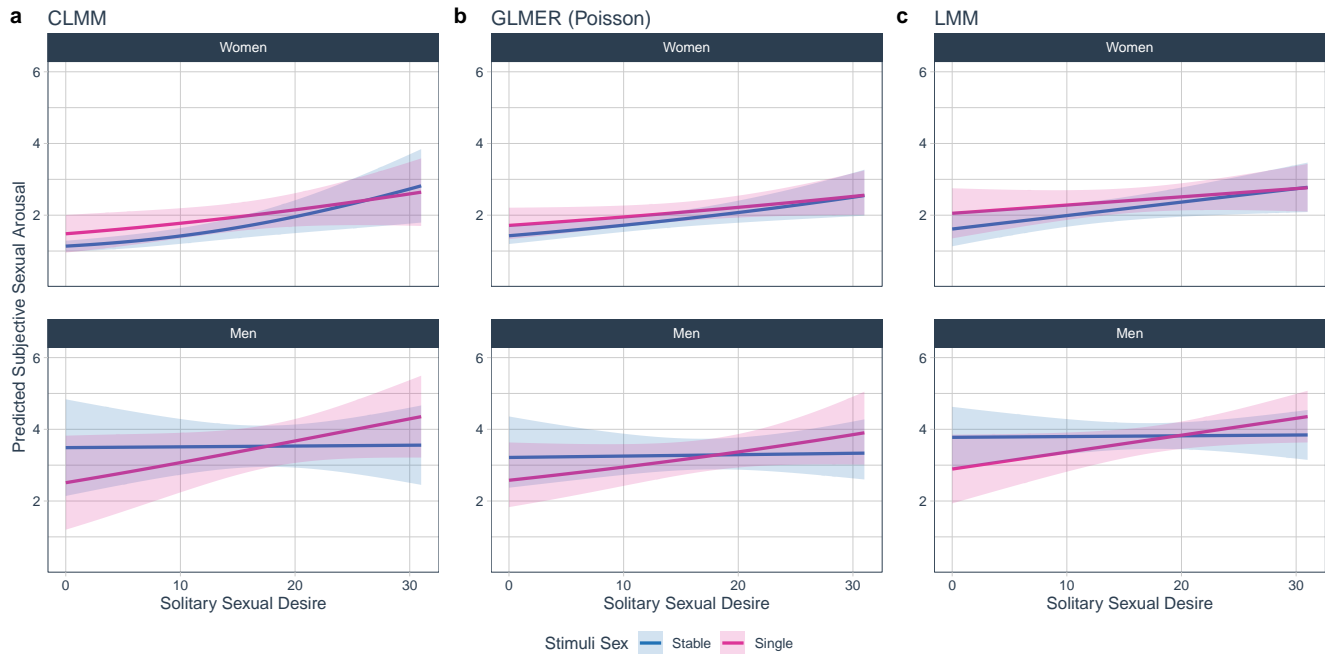
```

```

labels = "auto", # Automatically label subfigures (a, b, c)
legend = "bottom",
nrow = 1
) # Arrange in a single row

# Display the combined figure
p_robu_m3a

```



**Figure S16.** Predicted subjective sexual arousal as a function of solitary sexual desire, modeled using three statistical approaches: **(a)** Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM); **(b)** Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family; **(c)** Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Lines represent predicted values, and shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals. The models include participant gender and relationship status as key factors.

**3.4.3.2 Final Model: Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** Given the apparent robustness of most results across models (CLMM, GLMER and LMM; Table S28, Fig. S16), we test the predictions of the hypothesis from the LMM (`m3a_lmer`).

**3.4.3.2.1 Table S29. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender** This table summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lmer(model = m3a_lmer, custom_caption = "Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across
Gender and Stimuli Sex")

```

**Table S29.** *Effects of Solitary TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Solitary sexual desire	1, 315	6.88	<b>0.0091</b>	0.0183
Gender	1, 355.34	14.10	< <b>0.001</b>	0.0355
Relationship	1, 314.95	0.34	0.56	< 0.0001
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Gender	1, 315.23	0.07	0.79	< 0.0001
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Relationship	1, 314.95	0.53	0.47	< 0.0001
Gender $\times$ Relationship	1, 314.95	2.95	0.09	0.0061
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Gender $\times$ Relationship	1, 315.08	2.02	0.16	0.0032

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R_{conditional}^2 = 0.72$ ,  $R_{marginal}^2 = 0.171$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.4.3.2.2 Post-hoc tests** To test the hypothesis, which predicted that there would be different relationship between SSA and solitary TSD, and that this association differ between men and women depending on the sex of stimuli, we used simple slope analysis.

Slope for solitary TSD on SSA by stimuli sex and participant gender

```
slop.m3a_lmer <- sim_slopes(m3a_lmer,
                           pred = Solitary.sexual.desire,
                           modx = Relationship,
                           mod2 = Gender,
                           confint = TRUE)

slop.m3a_lmer.tab <- bind_rows(slop.m3a_lmer$slopes[[1]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Women"),
                              slop.m3a_lmer$slopes[[2]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Men")) |>
  mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
    Femenino = "Women",
    Masculino = "Men"
  )) |>
  select(8, 1:2, 4:7) |>
  mutate(across(3:7, as.numeric)) |>
  mutate(across(3:6, round, 2)) |>
  mutate(sig = pval.stars(p)) |>
  rename("Relationship" = "Value of Relationship") |>
  rename(Coefficient = Est.)

slop.m3a_lmer.tab[,-c(1,8)] |>
  mutate(p = pval.lev(p)) |>
  kable(booktabs = TRUE,
        align = c("l", rep("c", 5)),
        caption = "Slope for Solitary TSD on
        Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender",
        linesep = "",
        col.names = c("Relationship status",
          "$B$",
          "$2.5\\% CI$",
          "$97.5\\% CI$",
          "$t$",
          "$p$"),
        escape = FALSE) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position")) |>
```

```

pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
footnote(general = "$B$ are unstandardized coefficient.
No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered
and are dependent on this specific sample.",
threeparttable = TRUE,
footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
escape = FALSE)

```

**Table S30.** Slope for Solitary TSD on Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender

Relationship status	<i>B</i>	2.5% <i>CI</i>	97.5% <i>CI</i>	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Gender: Women					
Stable	0.04	0.01	0.07	2.31	<b>0.0217</b>
Single	0.02	-0.01	0.06	1.19	0.23
Gender: Men					
Stable	0.00	-0.04	0.05	0.10	0.92
Single	0.05	0.00	0.10	1.91	0.06

*Note:* *B* are unstandardized coefficient. No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered and are dependent on this specific sample.

**3.4.3.3 Figure S17. Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Main effects and interactions** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 3a.

```

#fig.cap = "Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Significant main effects and interactions of model"

# Figure interaction between Relationship status and gender
p_m3a_lmer +
  facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
  # Add text labels, nudging each one slightly down
  geom_text(data = slop.m3a_lmer.tab |>
    mutate(Solitary.sexual.desire = 2),
    mapping = aes(x = min(Solitary.sexual.desire), y = Inf,
      label = paste("B = ", Coefficient,
        ", IC 95%[" , `2.5%` , " , " , `97.5%` ,
        "], p",
        ifelse(grepl("<", pe2.lev(p)), pe2.lev(p),
          paste0(" = ", pe2.lev(p))),
        ifelse(is.na(sig), "", sig)),
      vjust = 2 + as.numeric(as.factor(Relationship))*2), # Stacks labels
    hjust = -0.1, # Aligns to the left

```



```
#size = 3,
  show.legend = FALSE) +
theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```

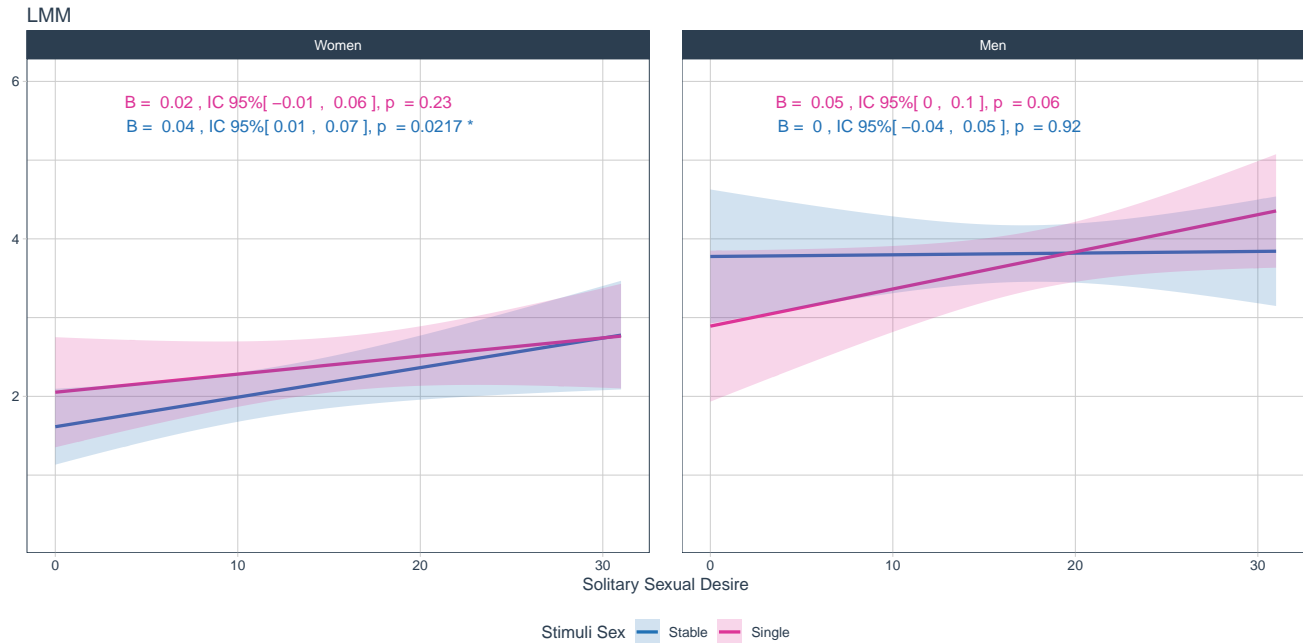


Figure S17. XXXXXX

### 3.4.4 Hypothesis 3b: Attractive person TSD

**3.4.4.1 Model Robustness: Examining the Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** To assess the robustness of our findings, we fitted three different models examining how Attractive person TSD predicts SSA, considering variations by gender and stimuli sex:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – `m3b_clmm` (for ordinal outcomes, using a probit link).
2. Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with Poisson family – `m3b_poisson` (treating SSA as a count variable).
3. Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – `m3b_lmer` (treating SSA as a continuous variable).

```
# Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – Ordinal model with probit link
m3b_clmm <- clmm(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor ~ Attractive.person.DSD * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  link = "probit",
  control = list(method = "nlminb") # Use 'nlminb' optimizer for better convergence
)

# Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) – Poisson regression for count data
m3b_poisson <- glmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Attractive.person.DSD * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  family = poisson # Poisson distribution for count data
)
```

```
# Linear Mixed Model (LMM) - Continuous approximation
m3b_lmer <- lmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Attractive.person.DSD * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa") # Use 'bobyqa' optimizer for stability
)
```

**3.4.4.1.1 Table S31. ANOVA-type table of fixed effects (main effects and interactions) across the three fitted models** As shown in the table below, the pattern of significant effects remains consistent across all three models, except for the main effect of gender, which is not significant in the CLMM.

```
# Create ANOVA-style table summarizing model results
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
    Anova(m3b_clmm, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    # selecting relevant columns & removing the intercept row
    Anova(m3b_poisson, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
      slice_tail(n = -1),
    # ANOVA results for the Linear Mixed Model (LMM), rounding denominator DF
    # and formatting the df column
    anova(m3b_lmer, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2),
             `Pr(>F)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>F)`)) |>
      unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
      select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  ),
  full_join,
  by = "Effect"
) |>
# Improve readability of effect names
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with ×
# Generate formatted table
kable(
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
  digits = 3,
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 3b:
            CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.",
  col.names = c(
    "Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$\\chi^2$", "$p$"), times = 2),
    "$df$", "$F$", "$p$"
  )
)
```

```

),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
# Apply LaTeX styling
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
# Add section headers for each model
add_header_above(c(
  " " = 1, "CLMM" = 3, "GLMER (Poisson)" = 3, "LMM" = 3
)) |>
# Add footnote explaining statistical details
footnote(
  general = "For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are
    Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests),
    while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance
    (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method).
    Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S31.** Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 3b: CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.

Effect	CLMM			GLMER (Poisson)			LMM		
	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p
Attractive person DSD	1	47.486	< <b>0.0001</b>	1	47.634	< <b>0.0001</b>	1, 315.21	46.796	< <b>0.0001</b>
Gender	1	4.636	<b>0.0313</b>	1	4.229	<b>0.0397</b>	1, 354.77	1.207	0.27
Relationship	1	0.928	0.34	1	0.353	0.55	1, 315.16	0.126	0.72
Attractive person DSD × Gender	1	0.452	0.5	1	1.391	0.24	1, 314.97	7.064	<b>0.0083</b>
Attractive person DSD × Relationship	1	0.525	0.47	1	0.130	0.72	1, 315.21	0.084	0.77
Gender × Relationship	1	0.000	0.99	1	0.005	0.94	1, 315.06	0.001	0.97
Attractive person DSD × Gender × Relationship	1	0.215	0.64	1	0.213	0.64	1, 314.97	0.339	0.56

*Note:* For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests), while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.4.4.1.2 Figure S18: Model-based predictions for Hypothesis 3b.** This figure presents model-based predictions of subjective sexual arousal as a function of attractive person sexual desire, across different relationship status and participant genders. The three subplots correspond to the three statistical models used for analysis: (a) Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), (b) Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson), and (c) Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

```

# CLMM Predictions
p_m3b_clmm <- emmeans(m3b_clmm, ~ Attractive.person.DSD | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Attractive.person.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  mode = "mean.class"
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
ggplot(aes(
  x = Attractive.person.DSD, y = mean.class,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
  geom_line(size = 1) + # Add predicted response line
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
    alpha = 0.2, color = NA
  ) + # Add confidence interval as shaded ribbon
  scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) + # Apply custom colors

```

```

scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) + # Create separate plots for each gender
labs(
  y = "Predicted Subjective Sexual Arousal", x = "Attractive Person Sexual Desire",
  title = "CLMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 7)) # Set Y-axis limits

# Poisson GLMM Predictions
p_m3b_poisson <- emmeans(m3b_poisson, ~ Attractive.person.DSD | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Attractive.person.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |> # Compute response-scale predictions
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Attractive.person.DSD, y = rate,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Attractive Person Sexual Desire",
  title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 7))

# LMM Predictions
p_m3b_lmer <- emmeans(m3b_lmer, ~ Attractive.person.DSD | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Attractive.person.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |>
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Attractive.person.DSD, y = emmean,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "Attractive Person Sexual Desire",

```

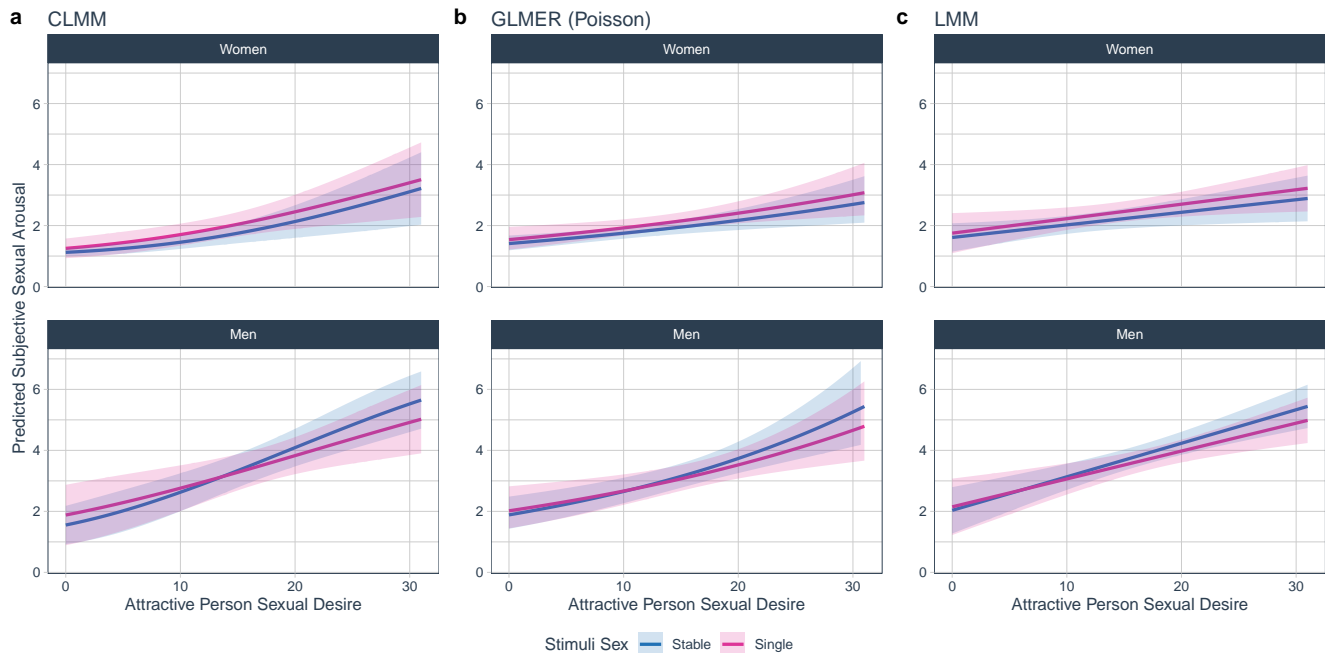
```

  title = "LMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 7))

# Arrange Plots into a Single Figure
p_robu_m3b <- ggarrange(p_m3b_clmm, p_m3b_poisson, p_m3b_lmer, # Combine plots side by side
  common.legend = TRUE, # Share legend across plots
  labels = "auto", # Automatically label subfigures (a, b, c)
  legend = "bottom",
  nrow = 1
) # Arrange in a single row

# Display the combined figure
p_robu_m3b

```



**Figure S18.** Predicted subjective sexual arousal as a function of attractive person sexual desire, modeled using three statistical approaches: **(a)** Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM); **(b)** Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family; **(c)** Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Lines represent predicted values, and shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals. The models include participant gender and relationship status as key factors.

#### 3.4.4.2 Final Model: Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex

Given the apparent robustness of most results across models (CLMM, GLMER and LMM; Table S31, Fig. S18), we test the predictions of the hypothesis from the LMM (m3b\_lmer).

##### 3.4.4.2.1 Table S32. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender

This table summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lmer(model = m3b_lmer, custom_caption = "Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across
  Gender and Stimuli Sex")

```

**Table S32.** *Effects of Attractive person TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Attractive person DSD	1, 315.21	46.80	< <b>0.0001</b>	0.13
Gender	1, 354.77	1.21	0.27	< 0.001
Relationship	1, 315.16	0.13	0.72	< 0.0001
Attractive person DSD $\times$ Gender	1, 314.97	7.06	<b>0.0083</b>	0.0188
Attractive person DSD $\times$ Relationship	1, 315.21	0.08	0.77	< 0.0001
Gender $\times$ Relationship	1, 315.06	0.00	0.97	< 0.0001
Attractive person DSD $\times$ Gender $\times$ Relationship	1, 314.97	0.34	0.56	< 0.0001

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2_{conditional} = 0.719$ ,  $R^2_{marginal} = 0.225$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.4.4.2.2 Post-hoc tests** To test the hypothesis, which predicted that there would be different relationship between SSA and attractive person TSD, and that this association differ between men and women depending on the sex of stimuli, we used simple slope analysis.

Slope for attractive person TSD on SSA by stimuli sex and participant gender

```
slop.m3b_lmer <- sim_slopes(m3b_lmer,
                           pred = Attractive.person.DSD,
                           modx = Relationship,
                           mod2 = Gender,
                           confint = TRUE)

slop.m3b_lmer.tab <- bind_rows(slop.m3b_lmer$slopes[[1]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Women"),
                              slop.m3b_lmer$slopes[[2]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Men")) |>
  mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
    Femenino = "Women",
    Masculino = "Men"
  )) |>
  select(8, 1:2, 4:7) |>
  mutate(across(3:7, as.numeric)) |>
  mutate(across(3:6, round, 2)) |>
  mutate(sig = pval_stars(p)) |>
  rename("Relationship" = "Value of Relationship") |>
  rename(Coefficient = Est.)

slop.m3b_lmer.tab[,-c(1,8)] |>
  mutate(p = pval_lev(p)) |>
  kable(booktabs = TRUE,
        align = c("l", rep("c", 5)),
        caption = "Slope for Attractive person TSD on
        Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender",
        linesep = "",
        col.names = c("Relationship status",
          "$B$",
          "$2.5\\% CI$",
          "$97.5\\% CI$",
          "$t$",
          "$p$"),
        escape = FALSE) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position")) |>
```

```

pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
footnote(general = "$B$ are unstandardized coefficient.
No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered
and are dependent on this specific sample.",
threeparttable = TRUE,
footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
escape = FALSE)

```

**Table S33.** Slope for Attractive person TSD on Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender

Relationship status	<i>B</i>	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Gender: Women					
Stable	0.04	0.01	0.08	2.39	<b>0.0174</b>
Single	0.05	0.01	0.09	2.31	<b>0.0218</b>
Gender: Men					
Stable	0.11	0.07	0.15	5.13	< <b>0.0001</b>
Single	0.09	0.04	0.14	3.68	< <b>0.001</b>

*Note:* *B* are unstandardized coefficient. No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered and are dependent on this specific sample.

**3.4.4.3 Figure S19. Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Main effects and interactions** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 3b.

#fig.cap = "Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Significant main effects and interactions of model 3b"

```

# Figure interaction between Relationship status and gender
p_m3b_lmer +
  facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
  # Add text labels, nudging each one slightly down
  geom_text(data = slop.m3b_lmer.tab |>
    mutate(Attractive.person.DSD = 2),
    mapping = aes(x = min(Attractive.person.DSD), y = Inf,
      label = paste("B = ", Coefficient,
        ", IC 95%[" , `2.5%` , " , " , `97.5%` ,
        "], p",
        ifelse(grepl("<", pe2.lev(p)), pe2.lev(p),
          paste0(" = ", pe2.lev(p))),
        ifelse(is.na(sig), "", sig)),
      vjust = 2 + as.numeric(as.factor(Relationship))*2), # Stacks labels
    hjust = -0.1, # Aligns to the left
  )

```

```
#size = 3,
  show.legend = FALSE) +
theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```

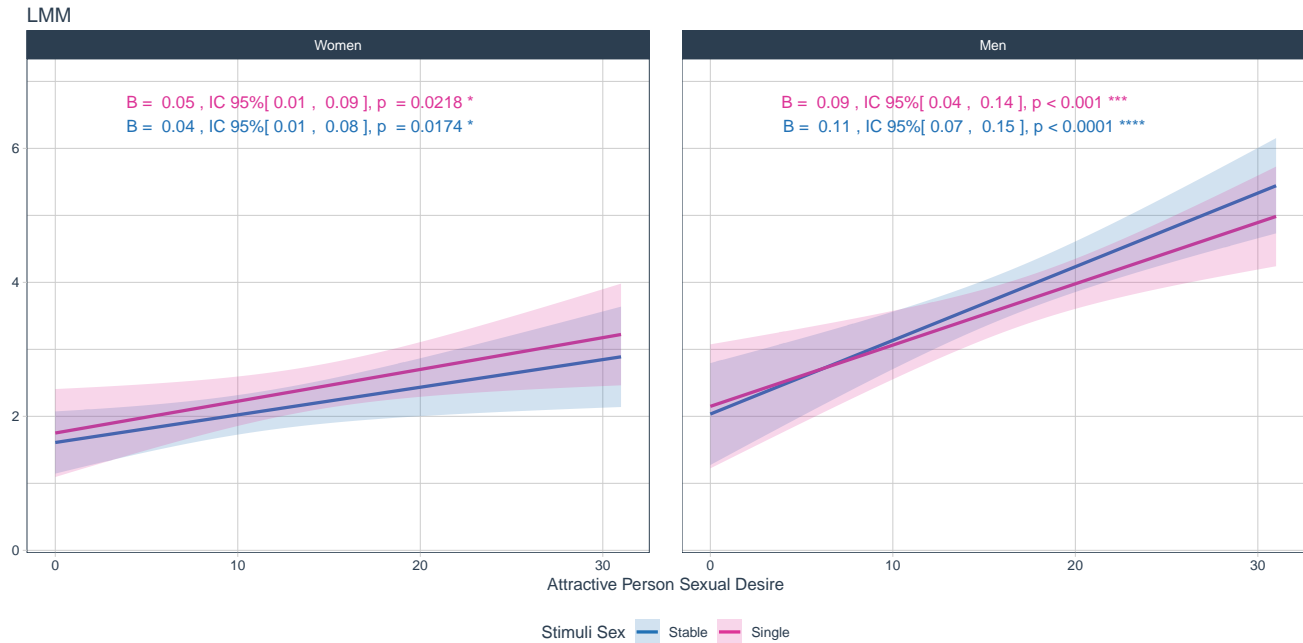


Figure S19. XXXXXX

### 3.4.5 Hypothesis 3c: Partner TSD

**3.4.5.1 Model Robustness: Examining the Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** To assess the robustness of our findings, we fitted three different models examining how Partner TSD predicts SSA, considering variations by gender and stimuli sex:

1. Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) – `m3c_clmm` (for ordinal outcomes, using a probit link).
2. Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with Poisson family – `m3c_poisson` (treating SSA as a count variable).
3. Linear Mixed Model (LMM) – `m3c_lmer` (treating SSA as a continuous variable).

```
# Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM) - Ordinal model with probit link
m3c_clmm <- clmm(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal.factor ~ Partner.DSD * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  link = "probit",
  control = list(method = "nlminb") # Use 'nlminb' optimizer for better convergence
)

# Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) - Poisson regression for count data
m3c_poisson <- glmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Partner.DSD * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  family = poisson # Poisson distribution for count data
)
```



```
# Linear Mixed Model (LMM) - Continuous approximation
m3c_lmer <- lmer(
  Subjective.sexual.arousal ~ Partner.DSD * Gender * Relationship +
    (1 | Stimuli.code) + # Random intercept for Stimuli
    (1 | Participant), # Random intercept & slope for Relationship status
  data = dat_m3,
  control = lmerControl(optimizer = "bobyqa") # Use 'bobyqa' optimizer for stability
)
```

**3.4.5.1.1 Table S34. ANOVA-type table of fixed effects (main effects and interactions) across the three fitted models** As shown in the table below, the pattern of significant effects remains consistent across all three models, except for the main effect of gender, which is not significant in the CLMM.

```
# Create ANOVA-style table summarizing model results
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
    Anova(m3c_clmm, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    # selecting relevant columns & removing the intercept row
    Anova(m3c_poisson, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      mutate(`Pr(>Chisq)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>Chisq)`)) |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
      slice_tail(n = -1),
    # ANOVA results for the Linear Mixed Model (LMM), rounding denominator DF
    # and formatting the df column
    anova(m3c_lmer, type = 3) |>
      as.data.frame() |>
      rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
      mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2),
             `Pr(>F)` = pval.lev(`Pr(>F)`)) |>
      unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
      select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  ),
  full_join,
  by = "Effect"
) |>
# Improve readability of effect names
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with ×
# Generate formatted table
kable(
  booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
  digits = 3,
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 3c:
            CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.",
  col.names = c(
    "Effect", rep(c("$df$", "$\\chi^2$", "$p$"), times = 2),
    "$df$", "$F$", "$p$"
  )
)
```

```

),
  escape = FALSE
) |>
# Apply LaTeX styling
kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position", "scale_down")) |>
# Add section headers for each model
add_header_above(c(
  " " = 1, "CLMM" = 3, "GLMER (Poisson)" = 3, "LMM" = 3
)) |>
# Add footnote explaining statistical details
footnote(
  general = "For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are
    Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests),
    while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance
    (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method).
    Significant effects are in bold.",
  threeparttable = TRUE,
  footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
  escape = FALSE
)

```

**Table S34.** Comparison of fixed effects across the three models for Hypothesis 3c: CLMM, GLMM (Poisson), and LMM.

Effect	CLMM			GLMER (Poisson)			LMM		
	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p
Partner DSD	1	0.039	0.84	1	2.932	0.09	1, 311.9	3.163	0.08
Gender	1	2.276	0.13	1	2.719	0.1	1, 328.45	2.500	0.11
Relationship	1	0.080	0.78	1	0.062	0.8	1, 311.9	0.670	0.41
Partner DSD × Gender	1	0.645	0.42	1	0.651	0.42	1, 311.98	1.153	0.28
Partner DSD × Relationship	1	0.471	0.49	1	0.501	0.48	1, 311.9	1.374	0.24
Gender × Relationship	1	4.340	<b>0.0372</b>	1	7.102	<b>0.0077</b>	1, 311.9	8.505	<b>0.0038</b>
Partner DSD × Gender × Relationship	1	3.905	<b>0.0481</b>	1	6.593	<b>0.0102</b>	1, 311.94	8.308	<b>0.0042</b>

*Note:* For CLMM and GLMER (Poisson) models, results are Analysis of Deviance (Type III Wald chi-square tests), while for LMM, results are from an Analysis of Variance (Type III ANOVA with Satterthwaite's method). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.4.5.1.2 Figure S20: Model-based predictions for Hypothesis 3c.** This figure presents model-based predictions of subjective sexual arousal as a function of partner sexual desire, across different relationship status and participant genders. The three subplots correspond to the three statistical models used for analysis: (a) Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM), (b) Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson), and (c) Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

```

# CLMM Predictions
p_m3c_clmm <- emmeans(m3c_clmm, ~ Partner.DSD | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Partner.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  mode = "mean.class"
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
ggplot(aes(
  x = Partner.DSD, y = mean.class,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
  geom_line(size = 1) + # Add predicted response line
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
    alpha = 0.2, color = NA
  )

```

```

) + # Add confidence interval as shaded ribbon
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) + # Apply custom colors
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) + # Create separate plots for each gender
labs(
  y = "Predicted Subjective Sexual Arousal", x = "partner sexual desire",
  title = "CLMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 8)) # Set Y-axis limits

# Poisson GLMM Predictions
p_m3c_poisson <- emmeans(m3c_poisson, ~ Partner.DSD | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Partner.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |> # Compute response-scale predictions
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Partner.DSD, y = rate,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +
labs(
  y = "", x = "partner sexual desire",
  title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 8))

# LMM Predictions
p_m3c_lmer <- emmeans(m3c_lmer, ~ Partner.DSD | Gender * Relationship,
  at = list(Partner.DSD = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
  type = "response"
) |>
as.data.frame() |>
ggplot(aes(
  x = Partner.DSD, y = emmean,
  color = Relationship, fill = Relationship
)) +
geom_line(size = 1) +
geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL, fill = Relationship),
  alpha = 0.2, color = NA
) +
scale_color_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
scale_fill_manual(values = color.Relationship) +
facet_wrap(~Gender, ncol = 1) +

```

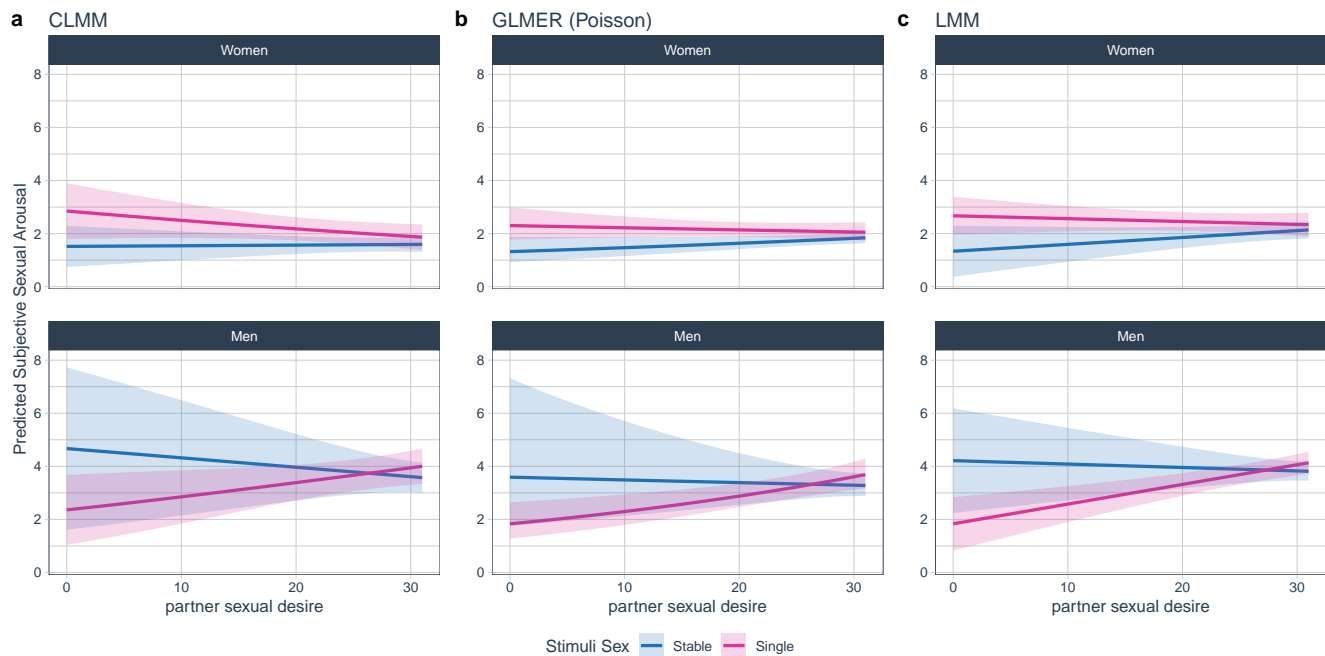
```

labs(
  y = "", x = "partner sexual desire",
  title = "LMM",
  color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
) +
theme_tq() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
ylim(c(0.3, 8))

# Arrange Plots into a Single Figure
p_robu_m3c <- ggarrange(p_m3c_clmm, p_m3c_poisson, p_m3c_lmer, # Combine plots side by side
  common.legend = TRUE, # Share legend across plots
  labels = "auto", # Automatically label subfigures (a, b, c)
  legend = "bottom",
  nrow = 1
) # Arrange in a single row

# Display the combined figure
p_robu_m3c

```



**Figure S20.** Predicted subjective sexual arousal as a function of partner sexual desire, modeled using three statistical approaches: **(a)** Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM); **(b)** Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM) with a Poisson family; **(c)** Linear Mixed Model (LMM). Lines represent predicted values, and shaded areas indicate 95% confidence intervals. The models include participant gender and relationship status as key factors.

**3.4.5.2 Final Model: Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex** Given the apparent robustness of most results across models (CLMM, GLMER and LMM; Table S34, Fig. S20), we test the predictions of the hypothesis from the LMM (m3c\_lmer).

**3.4.5.2.1 Table S35. ANOVA-type table for the interaction between Relationship type, and Gender** This table summarizes the results of the model.

```

anova.sig.lmer(model = m3c_lmer, custom_caption = "Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across
  Gender and Stimuli Sex")

```

**Table S35.** *Effects of Partner TSD on SSA Across Gender and Stimuli Sex*

Effect	<i>df</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>p</i>	$\epsilon_p^2$
Partner DSD	1, 311.9	3.16	0.08	0.0069
Gender	1, 328.45	2.50	0.11	0.0045
Relationship	1, 311.9	0.67	0.41	< 0.0001
Partner DSD × Gender	1, 311.98	1.15	0.28	< 0.001
Partner DSD × Relationship	1, 311.9	1.37	0.24	0.0012
Gender × Relationship	1, 311.9	8.51	<b>0.0038</b>	0.0234
Partner DSD × Gender × Relationship	1, 311.94	8.31	<b>0.0042</b>	0.0228

*Note:* Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2_{conditional} = 0.719$ ,  $R^2_{marginal} = 0.182$ . As effect size, we report partial epsilon squared ( $\epsilon_p^2$ ), which provides a less biased estimate than  $\eta^2$  (see Albers and Lakens, 2018). Significant effects are in bold.

**3.4.5.2.2 Post-hoc tests** To test the hypothesis, which predicted that there would be different relationship between SSA and Partner TSD, and that this association differ between men and women depending on the sex of stimuli, we used simple slope analysis.

Slope for Partner TSD on SSA by stimuli sex and participant gender

```
slop.m3c_lmer <- sim_slopes(m3c_lmer,
                           pred = Partner.DSD,
                           modx = Relationship,
                           mod2 = Gender,
                           confint = TRUE)

slop.m3c_lmer.tab <- bind_rows(slop.m3c_lmer$slopes[[1]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Women"),
                              slop.m3c_lmer$slopes[[2]] |>
                              mutate(Gender = "Men")) |>
  mutate(Gender = recode_factor(Gender,
    Femenino = "Women",
    Masculino = "Men"
  )) |>
  select(8, 1:2, 4:7) |>
  mutate(across(3:7, as.numeric)) |>
  mutate(across(3:6, round, 2)) |>
  mutate(sig = pval.stars(p)) |>
  rename("Relationship" = "Value of Relationship") |>
  rename(Coefficient = Est.)

slop.m3c_lmer.tab[,-c(1,8)] |>
  mutate(p = pval.lev(p)) |>
  kable(booktabs = TRUE,
        align = c("l", rep("c", 5)),
        caption = "Slope for Partner TSD on
        Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender",
        linesep = "",
        col.names = c("Relationship status",
          "$B$",
          "$2.5\\% CI$",
          "$97.5\\% CI$",
          "$t$",
          "$p$"),
        escape = FALSE) |>
  kable_styling(latex_options = c("HOLD_position")) |>
```

```

pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Women",
  start_row = 1,
  end_row = 2,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
pack_rows(
  group_label = "Gender: Men",
  start_row = 3,
  end_row = 4,
  bold = FALSE,
  background = "lightgray"
) |>
footnote(general = "$B$ are unstandardized coefficient.
No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered
and are dependent on this specific sample.",
threeparttable = TRUE,
footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
escape = FALSE)

```

**Table S36.** Slope for Partner TSD on Subjective sexual arousal by stimuli sex and gender

Relationship status	<i>B</i>	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>
Gender: Women					
Stable	0.03	-0.01	0.06	1.54	0.12
Single	-0.01	-0.04	0.02	-0.73	0.47
Gender: Men					
Stable	-0.01	-0.07	0.05	-0.41	0.68
Single	0.07	0.04	0.11	4.02	< <b>0.0001</b>

*Note:* *B* are unstandardized coefficient. No intercept is reported as continuous predictors were centered and are dependent on this specific sample.

**3.4.5.3 Figure S21. Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Main effects and interactions** This figure summarizes the results of hypothesis 3c.

```

#fig.cap = "Subjective sexual arousal to erotic stimuli: Significant main effects and interactions of model 3c"

# Figure interaction between Relationship status and gender
p_m3c_lmer +
  facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
  # Add text labels, nudging each one slightly down
  geom_text(data = slop.m3c_lmer.tab |>
    mutate(Partner.DSD = 2),
    mapping = aes(x = min(Partner.DSD), y = Inf,
      label = paste("B = ", Coefficient,
        ", IC 95%[" , `2.5%` , " , " , `97.5%` ,
        "], p",
        ifelse(grepl("<", pe2.lev(p)), pe2.lev(p),
          paste0(" = ", pe2.lev(p))),
        ifelse(is.na(sig), "", sig)),
      vjust = 2 + as.numeric(as.factor(Relationship))*2), # Stacks labels
    hjust = -0.1, # Aligns to the left

```

```
#size = 3,
show.legend = FALSE) +
theme(legend.position = "bottom")
```

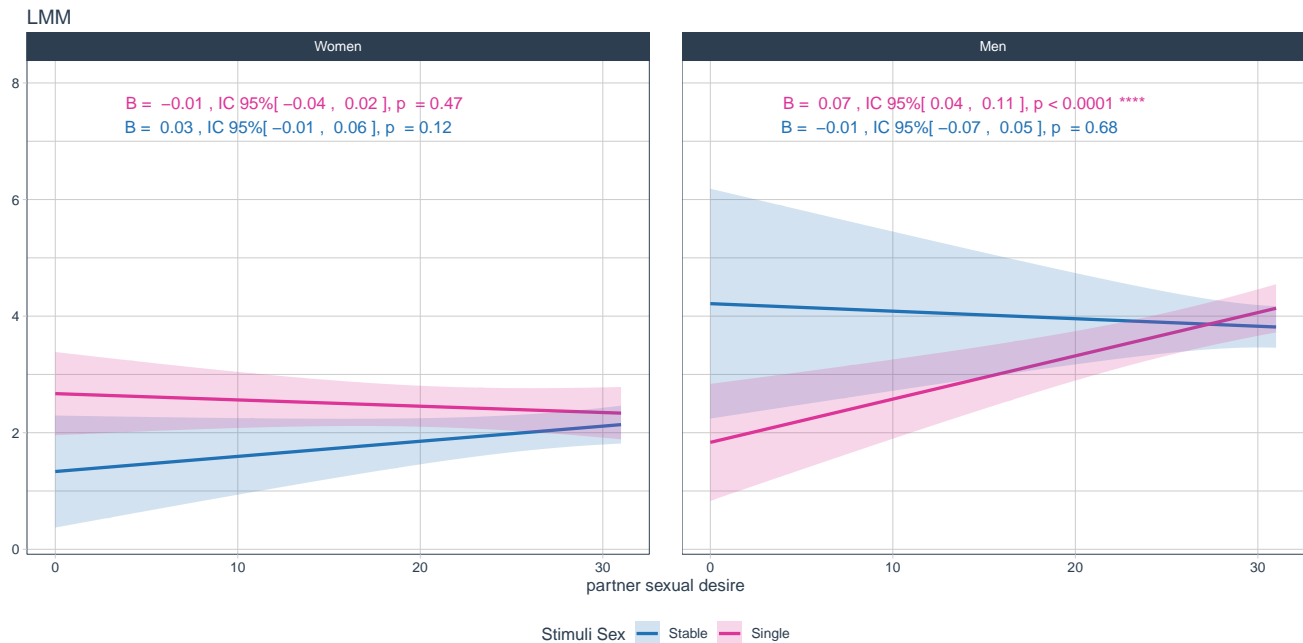


Figure S21. XXXXXX

## 4 Session info (for reproducibility)

```
library(pander)
pander(sessionInfo(), locale = FALSE)
```

**R version 4.4.2 (2024-10-31)**

**Platform:** x86\_64-pc-linux-gnu

**attached base packages:** stats, graphics, grDevices, utils, datasets, methods and base

**other attached packages:** pander(v.0.6.5), Hmisc(v.5.2-2), lubridate(v.1.9.4), forcats(v.1.0.0), stringr(v.1.5.1), dplyr(v.1.1.4), purrr(v.1.0.4), readr(v.2.1.5), tidyr(v.1.3.1), tibble(v.3.2.1), tidyverse(v.2.0.0), interactions(v.1.2.0), ggpubr(v.0.6.0), ggplot2(v.3.5.1), effectsize(v.1.0.0), rstatix(v.0.7.2), bestNormalize(v.1.9.1), berryFunctions(v.1.22.5), emmeans(v.1.10.7), scales(v.1.3.0), psych(v.2.4.12), kableExtra(v.1.4.0), performance(v.0.13.0), PerformanceAnalytics(v.2.0.8), quantmod(v.0.4.26), TTR(v.0.24.4), xts(v.0.14.1), zoo(v.1.8-12), tidyquant(v.1.0.10), car(v.3.1-3), carData(v.3.0-5), ltm(v.1.2-0), polycor(v.0.8-1), msm(v.1.8.2), MASS(v.7.3-64), lmerTest(v.3.1-3), ordinal(v.2023.12-4.1), lme4(v.1.1-36), Matrix(v.1.7-2), readxl(v.1.4.3) and knitr(v.1.49)

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