# 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 (Lüdecke 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). 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")</pre>
```

#### 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 LATEX, 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 < 0.05, 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)
      )
      )
   }
}</pre>
```

#### 1.3.2 pval.stars

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

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

#### 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) {</pre>
  require(Hmisc)
  x <- as.matrix(x)</pre>
 R \leftarrow rcorr(x)$r
  p <- rcorr(x)$P</pre>
  mystars <- ifelse(p < .001,</pre>
    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)
  Rnew <- matrix(mystars,</pre>
    ncol = ncol(x)
  diag(Rnew) <- paste(diag(R), " ",</pre>
    sep = ""
  rownames(Rnew) <- colnames(x)</pre>
  colnames(Rnew) <- paste(colnames(x), "",</pre>
    sep = ""
  Rnew <- as.matrix(Rnew)</pre>
  Rnew[upper.tri(Rnew, diag = TRUE)] <- ""</pre>
  Rnew <- as.data.frame(Rnew)</pre>
  Rnew <- cbind(Rnew[1:length(Rnew) - 1])</pre>
  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 LATEX, ready to be used with kable.

```
anova.sig.lm <- function(model, custom_caption) {</pre>
 aovTab <- bind_cols(</pre>
   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(
                              normalization
                               (\\\cite{petersonOrderedQuantileNormalization2020a}).
                              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}).
     escape = FALSE,
      threeparttable = TRUE,
      footnote_as_chunk = TRUE
  return(aovTab)
# Version 2 for linear mixed models (lmer)
anova.sig.lmer <- function(model, custom_caption) {</pre>
 aovTab <- bind_cols(</pre>
    anova(model),
```

```
epsilon_squared(model)
 mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2)) |>
 unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
 rownames_to_column(var = "Effect") |>
 rename(
   "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 biases
     estimate than $\\\eta^2$ (see
     \\\cite{albersWhenPowerAnalyses2018}).
   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  $\LaTeX$ , 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]])</pre>
```

```
con.low <- data.frame(low.i[[2]])</pre>
con.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[2]])</pre>
con.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[2]])</pre>
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("1", rep("c", 4), "1", rep("c", 2)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = paste0(
     low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[1],
     low.i[[1]]@misc$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 = pasteO(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean - SD"),
    start_row = 1,
    end_row = 2,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
 pack rows(
    group_label = pasteO(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean"),
    start_row = 3,
    end_row = 4,
    bold = FALSE,
    background = "lightgray"
  pack_rows(
    group_label = pasteO(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.
```

```
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).
      threeparttable = TRUE,
      footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
      escape = FALSE
  return(tab)
emms.sig2 <- function(low.i, mid.i, hi.i) {</pre>
  emm.low <- data.frame(low.i[[1]])</pre>
 emm.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[1]])</pre>
  emm.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[1]])</pre>
  con.low <- data.frame(low.i[[2]])</pre>
  con.mid <- data.frame(mid.i[[2]])</pre>
  con.hi <- data.frame(hi.i[[2]])</pre>
 low.tab <- merge(emm.low, con.low, by = 0, all = TRUE)</pre>
 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(
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[1], " and ",
        low.i[[1]]@misc$pri.vars[2],
        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 = pasteO(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean - SD"),
      start_row = 1,
      end_row = 6,
      bold = FALSE,
      background = "lightgray"
```

```
pack rows(
   group_label = pasteO(low.i[[1]]@misc$by.vars, " = Mean"),
   start_row = 7,
   end_row = 12,
   bold = FALSE,
   background = "lightgray"
 pack_rows(
   group_label = pasteO(low.i[[1]]@misc$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.
      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)
    )
  )
  )
  )
}</pre>
```

```
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 (Lüdecke 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) {</pre>
  tibble(check_distribution(mod)) |>
    arrange(desc(p_Response)) |>
    arrange(desc(p_Residuals)) |>
    # Select only distribution families with at leat a 10% probability
    filter(p_Residuals > 0.1 | p_Response > 0.1) |>
   mutate(p_Residuals = paste0(round(p_Residuals * 100, 2), "\\%")) |>
   mutate(p_Response = paste0(round(p_Response * 100, 2), "\\\")) |>
    mutate(Distribution = sub("(.)", "\\U\\1", Distribution, perl = TRUE)) |>
   kable(
      booktabs = TRUE,
      align = c("1", "c", "c"),
      row.names = FALSE,
      caption = "Distributional family for the model",
      col.names = c(
        "Family",
        "Residuals",
      escape = FALSE
   kable_styling(latex_options = "HOLD_position") |>
    row_spec(1, background = "#c4c4c4") |>
      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") |>
 drop_na(SD_solitario) |>
 mutate_at(c(
    "Contenido_Estimulo", "Sexo", "Sexo_Estimulo", "PrefSex", "EstRel", "Escolaridad",
    "Religion", "TiempoRP"
  ), as.factor) |>
 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
 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,
  "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"
  `Relationship duration` = recode(`Relationship duration`,
   "Menor a 6 meses" = "Less that 6 months",
    "MÃ;s de 5 anos" = "More than 5 years"
  `Relationship duration` = replace_na(`Relationship duration`, "Single")
mutate(Relationship = recode(`Relationship status`,
  "Exclusiva/No viven juntos" = "Stable",
  "Exclusiva/Matrimonio" = "Stable",
  "Soltero/sin contactos sexuales en un ano" = "Single",
mutate(
  Education = fct_relevel(
   Education,
   c("High school", "University", "Postgraduate")
  `Pornography consumed last month` = fct_relevel(
    `Pornography consumed last month`,
      "3-5 times", "5 times or more"
  `Relationship duration` = fct_relevel(
    `Relationship duration`,
```

```
"Single", "Less that 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 chacarteristics of the sample

Number of participants by demographic category.

```
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()
dat.demog.W <- filter(dat.demog, Gender == "Women")</pre>
dat.demog.M <- filter(dat.demog, Gender == "Men")</pre>
# Women
samp.w <- ggballoonplot(dat.demog.W,</pre>
 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$n), accuracy = 0.1),
   )),
   size = 2.5, nudge_x = 0.3, nudge_y = -0.05
  theme_tq() +
  theme(
   axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1),
    axis.text.y = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 0.5)
# Men
samp.m <- ggballoonplot(dat.demog.M,</pre>
 fill = "n",
  facet.by = c("Relationship", "Religion")
  scale_fill_viridis_c(option = "C", limits = c(1, max(dat.demog$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) |>
select(1, 3, 2, 4:9) |>
mutate("Measured characteristic" = str_replace_all(
  `Measured characteristic`,
  c("1" = "", "2" = "", "3" = "", "4" = "")
kable(
 digits = 2,
 booktabs = TRUE,
  align = c("l", "l", rep("c", 7)),
 linesep = "",
  caption = "Descriptive statistics the participants by gender
  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 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	n	Mean	SD	Median	Min	Max
	Women	Stable	105	24.51	5.58	23.00	18.00	40.00
A	women	Single	79	22.27	3.84	21.00	18.00	36.00
Age	M	Stable	72	26.72	5.64	25.00	19.00	40.00
	Men	Single	67	24.24	4.58	23.00	18.00	39.00
	Women	Stable	103	4.41	3.77	3.00	1.00	22.00
N	women	Single	76	5.74	8.85	3.00	0.00	63.00
Number of sexual partners	Men	Stable	72	8.72	11.36	5.00	1.00	70.00
	Men	Single	66	7.30	8.06	4.00	0.00	40.00
	337	Stable	104	3.31	0.96	3.75	0.00	4.00
MCH CEO (L. L. I)	Women	Single	79	2.80	1.23	3.50	0.00	4.00
MGH-SFQ (total)	M	Stable	72	3.59	0.62	3.90	0.60	4.00
	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							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)		Single	10	26.90	3.11	27.00	22.00	30.00
MODD SCAUGI Satisfaction (General)	Men —	Stable	70	26.43	4.54	29.00	12.00	30.00
	MEH	Single	12	23.58	5.14	24.50	14.00	29.00
	Women —	Stable	100	28.13	4.20	30.00	8.00	30.00
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	women	Single	10	28.10	2.13	29.00	25.00	30.00
MG55 sexual satisfaction (Farther)	Men —	Stable	70	28.49	3.48	30.00	6.00	30.00
	Men —	Single	12	26.08	4.85	27.50	15.00	30.00
	Women —	Stable	105	2.94	1.11	2.78	1.00	5.49
Subjective sexual attractiveness	women —	Single	79	3.19	1.06	3.11	1.44	6.77
Subjective sexual attractiveness	Men —	Stable	72	3.27	0.94	3.24	1.11	6.20
	Men —	Single	67	3.20	0.90	3.18	1.09	5.72
	XX7	Stable	105	1.59	0.68	1.39	1.00	4.21
Calairation annual annual	Women —	Single	79	26.43       4.54       29.00         23.58       5.14       24.50         28.13       4.20       30.00         28.10       2.13       29.00         28.49       3.48       30.00         28.49       3.48       30.00         26.08       4.85       27.50         5       2.94       1.11       2.78         3.19       1.06       3.11         3.27       0.94       3.24         3.20       0.90       3.18         5       1.59       0.68       1.39         1.75       0.71       1.52         2.24       0.83       2.07         2.16       0.78       2.05         5       11.53       8.59       12.00         16.03       8.35       17.00         2.17.47       7.51       17.50         2.18.25       7.10       19.00         3.18.25       7.64       10.00         3.15.5       7.44       15.50         3.17.57       6.66       17.00         3.17.57       6.66       17.00         3.27.53       8.50       30.00         3.29.53	1.00	4.39		
Subjective sexual arousal	Men —	Stable	able 70 26.43 able 12 23.58 able 100 28.13 agle 10 28.10 able 70 28.49 agle 12 26.08 able 105 2.94 agle 79 3.19 able 72 3.27 agle 67 3.20 able 105 1.59 agle 67 2.16 able 79 16.03 able 79 16.03 able 79 16.03 able 72 17.47 agle 67 18.25 able 105 10.55 agle 79 14.06 able 72 16.21 agle 67 17.57 able 72 16.21 agle 67 17.57 able 72 13.3 1 able 72 31.35	0.83	2.07	1.00	4.57	
	Men —	Single	67	2.16	0.78	2.05	1.00	4.09
	XX7	Stable	105	11.53	8.59	12.00	0.00	29.00
California accordi desire	Women —	Single	79	16.03	8.35	17.00	0.00	31.00
Solitary sexual desire	Men —	Stable	72	17.47	7.51	17.50	0.00	31.00
	Men —	Single	67	18.25	7.10	19.00	1.00	31.00
	117	Stable	105	10.55	7.64	10.00	0.00	30.00
D 1: 11: (Att 1: )	Women —	Single	79	14.06	7.39	15.00	0.00	32.00
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)		Stable	72	16.21	7.44	15.50	0.00	32.00
	Men —	Single	67	17.57	6.66	17.00	2.00	30.00
	<b>XX</b> 7	Stable	105	27.53	8.50	30.00	0.00	38.00
Dec die consel decire (Dectare)	Women —	Single	76	21.33	10.91	23.00	0.00	38.00
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	M	Stable	72	31.35	5.33	32.00	15.00	38.00
	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

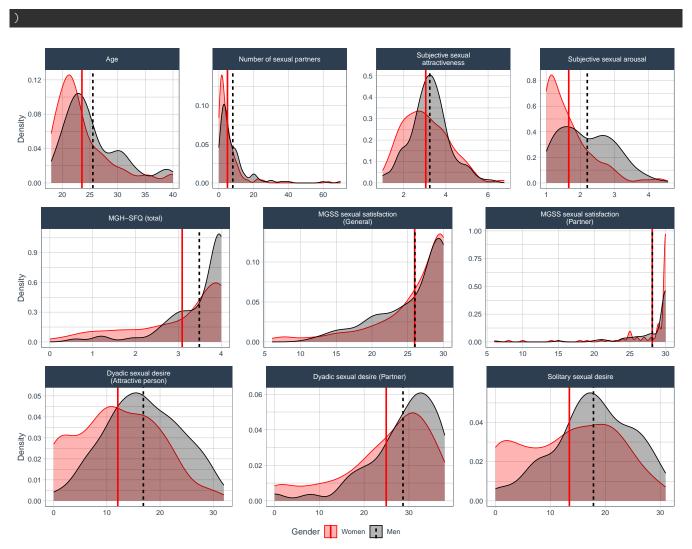
Kernel density distributions by gender.

```
# 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",
```

```
)),
 aes(Value,
   fill = Gender,
    colour = Gender
 geom_density(alpha = 0.3) +
 geom_vline(
   data = datp |>
     filter(Variable %in% c(
        "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",
 labs(
   x = NULL
  theme_tq()
fs2b <- ggplot(</pre>
 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)),
```

```
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(
   x = NULL
  theme_tq()
fs2c <- ggplot(</pre>
 datp |>
   filter(Variable %in% c(
      "Dyadic sexual desire\n(Attractive person)",
  aes(Value,
   fill = Gender,
   colour = Gender
  geom_density(alpha = 0.3) +
 geom_vline(
   data = datp |>
     filter(Variable %in% c(
        "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(
   x = NULL
 theme_tq()
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 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 = " ")
dat.corr.All <- dat.desc |>
 ungroup() |>
 select(Age: Dyadic sexual desire (Partner) ) |>
 corr.stars() |>
 rownames_to_column(var = " ")
# Full formated table
bind_rows(dat.corr.W, 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, ^{{\\\}} < 0.1, *$p$ < 0.05, ",
      "**$p$ < 0.01, ***$p$ < 0.001. ",
   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)
Women									
Age									
Number of sexual partners	0.24**								
MGH-SFQ (total)	-0.05	-0.07							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	-0.21*	0.02	0.46***						
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	$-0.16^{\dagger}$	-0.14	0.32***	0.73***					
Subjective sexual attractiveness	0.11	0.18*	-0.04	-0.22*	$-0.18^{\dagger}$				
Subjective sexual arousal	0.00	0.17*	$-0.13^{\dagger}$	$-0.18^{\dagger}$	$-0.16^{\dagger}$	0.54***			
Solitary sexual desire	$-0.14^{\dagger}$	0.28***	0.05	-0.06	$-0.18^{\dagger}$	0.31***	0.33***		
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	0.06	0.32***	-0.17*	-0.04	$-0.17^{\dagger}$	0.34***	0.36***	0.44***	
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	0.00	0.21**	0.43***	0.44***	0.27**	$0.13^{\dagger}$	0.04	0.31***	$0.13^{\dagger}$
Men									
Age									
Number of sexual partners	0.23**								
MGH-SFQ (total)	0.04	0.02							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	-0.24*	-0.08	0.36***						
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	-0.13	-0.01	0.10	0.63***					
Subjective sexual attractiveness	0.10	-0.05	-0.08	-0.10	-0.02				
Subjective sexual arousal	0.2*	0.07	0.05	-0.14	-0.09	0.46***			
Solitary sexual desire	$-0.16^{\dagger}$	0.00	0.09	0.10	0.17	0.26**	0.11		
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	0.12	0.29***	0.03	-0.13	-0.08	0.25**	0.43***	0.25**	
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	0.11	0.07	0.36***	0.55***	0.22*	0.14	0.24**	0.17*	0.2*
All participants									
Age									
Number of sexual partners	0.26***								
MGH-SFQ (total)	0.02	0.01							
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)	-0.22**	-0.03	0.42***						
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)	-0.14*	-0.07	0.24***	0.69***					
Subjective sexual attractiveness	0.12*	0.08	-0.03	-0.18*	-0.12				
Subjective sexual arousal	0.15**	0.17**	0.01	-0.15*	$-0.12^{\dagger}$	0.5***			
Solitary sexual desire	-0.09	0.17**	$0.11^{\dagger}$	0.00	-0.05	0.31***	0.3***		
Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)	0.14*	0.33***	-0.04	-0.07	$-0.12^{\dagger}$	0.32***	0.45***	0.42***	
Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)	0.08	0.16**	0.43***	0.46***	0.25***	0.15**	0.18**	0.3***	0.21***

Note: 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.

#### 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)
SSD.p <- dat.reli |>
  select(15:18) |>
 drop na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)
DSD.a <- dat.reli |>
 select(20:23) |>
 drop_na() |>
  cronbach.alpha(CI = TRUE, standardized = TRUE)
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.

```
tibble(
 Variable = c(
    "MGH-SFQ", "MGH-SFQ",
    "MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)",
    "Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)",
    "Solitary sexual desire",
    "Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)"
 Gender = c("Men", "Women", rep(" ", 5)),
   MGH.m$p,
   MGH.w$p,
   MGSS.g$p,
   MGSS.p$p,
   DSD.p$p,
   SSD.p$p,
   DSD.a$p
   MGH.m$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$ci[1]
ci97.5 = c(
 MGH.m$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)),
  caption = "Internal consistency of measured variables",
  escape = FALSE,
  col.names = c(
    "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	n	$\alpha$	2.5%CI	97.5%CI
	Men	5	139	0.82	0.72	0.89
MGH-SFQ	Women	4	181	0.86	0.82	0.90
MGSS sexual satisfaction (General)		5	188	0.92	0.88	0.94
MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)		5	187	0.91	0.85	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

```
dat ctl <- dat |>
 group_by(Participant) |>
 slice head() |>
 filter(Relationship == "Stable") |>
 ungroup()
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)),</pre>
```

```
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, "`", "")
anova_results |>
 kable(
   booktabs = TRUE,
   align = c("1", 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
   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,
   "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 biases
                     estimate than $\\\eta^2$ (see
                     \\\cite{albersWhenPowerAnalyses2018}).
   threeparttable = TRUE,
   footnote_as_chunk = TRUE,
   escape = FALSE
```

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

	Solita	ary sexu	al desi	re	Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)				Dyadic sexual desire (Attractive person)			
Effect	df	F	p	$\epsilon_p^2$	$\overline{df}$	F	p	$\epsilon_p^2$	df	F	p	$\epsilon_p^2$
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	0.003	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 biases 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.

```
dat tl PD fin <- dat ctl |>
  select(
   Participant, 'Dyadic sexual desire (Partner)',
    MGSS sexual satisfaction (Partner)
  drop_na()
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)
  )
 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.

```
dat_m1 <- dat |>
 group_by(Participant) |>
 ungroup() |>
      `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
trs_SSD <- orderNorm(dat_m1$`Solitary sexual desire (proportion)`)</pre>
trs_DSDat <- orderNorm(dat_m1$`Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person (proportion)`)
trs_DSDpt <- orderNorm(dat_m1$`Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (proportion)`)
dat m1 <- dat m1 |>
 mutate(
    "Solitary sexual desire (normalized)" =
      predict(trs_SSD), # Transformed solitary sexual desire
      predict(trs DSDat), # Transformed dyadic sexual desire (attractive person)
    "Dyadic sexual desire: Partner (normalized)" =
      predict(trs_DSDpt)
```

#### 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</pre>
```

**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 (Lüdecke 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(</pre>
  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(
    ))),
  labels = "auto",
  common.legend = TRUE,
  legend = "bottom"
ppc_m1a
```

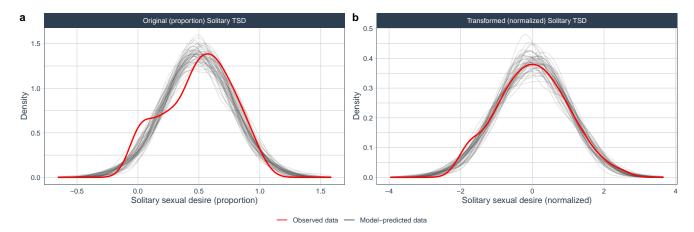


Figure S3. Posterior predictive check. (a) Original (proportion) Solitary TSD; (b) Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD. In both panels, red lines represent the observed data, and thin black lines represent 50 iterations of simulated data from each model.

# 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.

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

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

#### Note:

Sexual desire was transformed using an ordered quantile normalization (Peterson and Cavanaugh, 2020). Results are type III ANOVA.  $R^2 = 0.103$ ,  $R^2_{adjusted} = 0.095$ . 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)</pre>
emms.m1a1.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1a1))</pre>
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("1", rep("c", 5), "1", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between participants' gender",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "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

							Contrasts						
Gender	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p		
Women Men	-0.17 0.29	0.07 0.08	0-0	-0.30 0.13	-0.03 0.44	Women - Men	-0.46	0.1	319	-4.36	< 0.0001		

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)</pre>
emms.m1a2.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1a2))</pre>
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",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
```

```
"$t$",
    "$p$"
),
    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

							Cont	rasts			
Relationship type	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	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	0.0041
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))</pre>
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("1", "1", rep("c", 5), "1", rep("c", 5)),
    linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by
                    relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "EMM",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
```

```
"$97.5\\% CI$",
    "Difference",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$q$"
  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

							Со	ntrasts	;		
Gender	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Relationshi	p status:	Stable	е								
Women	-0.43	0.09	319	-0.61	-0.25	Women - Men	-0.67	0.14	319	-4.74	< 0.0001
Men	0.24	0.11	319	0.03	0.46						
Relationshi	p status:	Single	9								
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) +</pre>
```

```
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),
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1a1,
   label = "p.signif",
   y.position = 0.55,
   tip.length = 0
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()
h1a2 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(</pre>
  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()
h1a3 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(</pre>
  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()
pla <- ggarrange(hla1, hla2, hla3,
  ncol = 3,
  labels = "auto",
  widths = c(1, 1, 1.5)
p1a
```

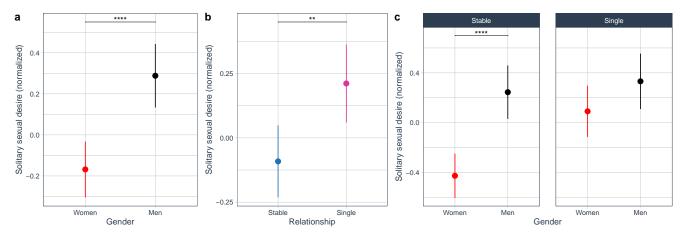


Figure S4. Effects of gender and relationship type on solitary sexual desire. Solitary sexual desire was transformed using ordered quantile normalization (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020). (a) Simple comparison between sexual desire by gender (for detailed results, see Table S6); (b) Simple comparison between 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
)</pre>
```

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

**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 (Lüdecke 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(</pre>
 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
```

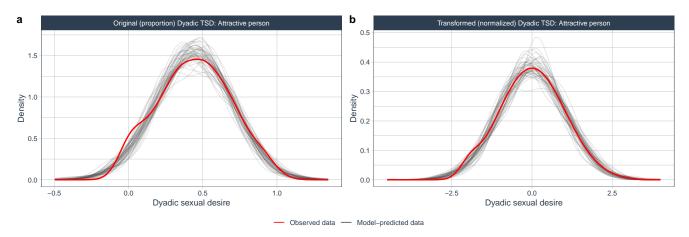


Figure S5. Posterior predictive check. (a) Original (proportion) Solitary TSD; (b) Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD. In both panels, red lines represent the observed data, and thin black lines represent 50 iterations of simulated data from each model.

### 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.

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

Effect	df	F	p	$\epsilon_p^2$
Gender	1, 319	29.85	< 0.0001	0.09
Relationship	1, 319	8.20	0.004	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.  $R^2 = 0.122$ ,  $R^2_{adjusted} = 0.114$ . 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(
    "EMM",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$2.5\\% CI$",
    "Contrast",
    "Difference",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$p$"
  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

						Contrasts						
Gender	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p	
Women Men	-0.22 0.35	0.07 0.08		-0.36 0.19	-0.09 0.50	Women - Men	-0.57	0.1	319	-5.46	< 0.0001	

**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("1", rep("c", 5), "1", rep("c", 5)),
  linesep = "",
  caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status",
  col.names = c(
    "Relationship type",
    "EMM",
    "$SE$",
    "$97.5\\% CI$",
    "Difference",
    "$df$",
    "$t$",
    "$p$"
  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

						Contrasts					
Relationship type	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	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	0.0045
Single	0.21	0.08	319	0.06	0.36						

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
    col.names = c(
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$t$",
      "$p$"
    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	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Relationshi	p status:	Stable	е								
Women	-0.44	0.09	319	-0.62	-0.26	Women - Men	-0.71	0.14	319	-5.00	< 0.0001
Men	0.27	0.11	319	0.05	0.48						
Relationshi	p status:	Single	е								
Women	0.00	0.10	319	-0.21	0.20	Women - Men	-0.43	0.15	319	-2.82	0.0051
Men	0.43	0.11	319	0.21	0.65						

## 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()
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()
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),
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1b3,
   label = "p.signif",
   y.position = c(0.6, 0.7),
   tip.length = 0
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()
p1b <- ggarrange(h1b1, h1b2, h1b3,</pre>
  ncol = 3,
  labels = "auto",
  widths = c(1, 1, 1.5)
p1b
```

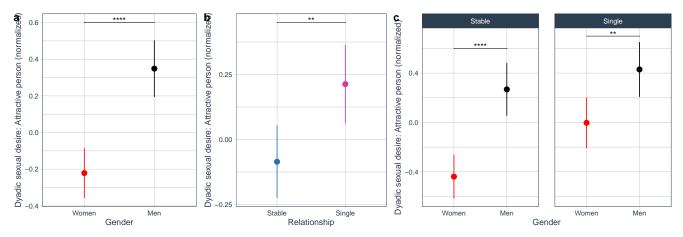


Figure S6. Effects of gender and relationship type on Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person. Dyadic sexual desire: Attractive person was transformed using ordered quantile normalization (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020). (a) Simple comparison between sexual desire by gender (for detailed results, see Table 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.

#### 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
)</pre>
```

**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 (Lüdecke 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_mic <- ggarrange(
   plot(
     check_model(mic_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(</pre>
```

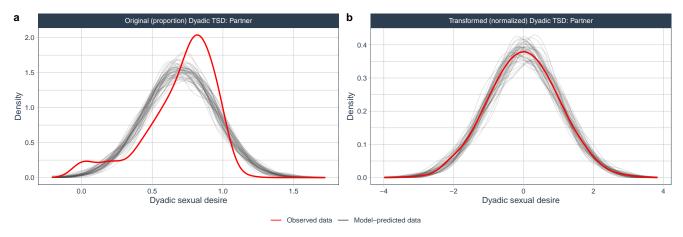


Figure S7. Posterior predictive check. (a) Original (proportion) Solitary TSD; (b) Transformed (normalized) Solitary TSD. In both panels, red lines represent the observed data, and thin black lines represent 50 iterations of simulated data from each model.

### 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.

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

Effect	df	F	p	$\epsilon_p^2$
Gender	1, 316	15.49	< 0.001	0.0365
Relationship	1, 316	31.60	< 0.0001	0.09
${\rm Gender} \times {\rm Relationship}$	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.  $R^2=0.125,~R^2_{adjusted}=0.117$ . 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))</pre>
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(
      "EMM",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$p$"
    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

						Contrasts					
Gender	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	t	p
Women Men	-0.21 0.20	0.07 0.08		-0.35 0.05	-0.07 0.36	Women - Men	-0.42	0.11	316	-3.94	< 0.001

**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)</pre>
emms.m1c2.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1c2))</pre>
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)),
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Relationship type",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "Contrast",
      "Difference",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$p$"
    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

						Contrasts					
Relationship type	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	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	< 0.0001
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)</pre>
emms.m1c3.tab <- tibble(data.frame(emms.m1c3))</pre>
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("1", "1", rep("c", 5), "1", rep("c", 5)),
   linesep = "",
    caption = "Estimated marginal means and contrasts between gender by
                    relationship status",
    col.names = c(
      "Gender",
      "$df$",
      "$2.5\\% CI$",
      "$97.5\\% CI$",
      "$SE$",
      "$df$",
      "$t$",
      "$p$"
    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

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

## **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(</pre>
  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()
h1c2 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(</pre>
  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),
  stat_pvalue_manual(t.m1c2,
   label = "p.signif",
   y.position = 0.5,
    tip.length = 0
  guides(color = "none") +
  theme_tq()
h1c3 <- ggplot(dat_m1, aes(</pre>
  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,
  labels = "auto",
  widths = c(1, 1, 1.5)
p1c
```

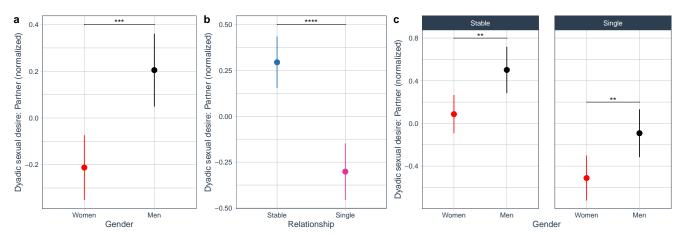


Figure S8. Effects of gender and relationship type on Dyadic sexual desire: Partner. Dyadic sexual desire: Partner was transformed using ordered quantile normalization (Peterson & Cavanaugh, 2020). (a) Simple comparison between sexual desire by gender (for detailed results, see Table S14); (b) Simple 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.

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

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

Note: Results are type III ANOVA.  $R_{conditional}^2 = 0.734$ ,  $R_{marginal}^2 = 0.314$ . Gender = participants gender (women, men); Stimuli sex = sex of each stimulus (male, female); Stimuli content = content of each stimulus (erotic, non-erotic). 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.

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 \$18. 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
  col.names = c(
    "EMM",
    "$SE$",
    "$df$",
    "$2.5\\% CI$",
    "$97.5\\% CI$",
    "Difference",
    "$df$",
    "$z$",
    "$p$"
  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.
```

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

							Cor	ntrasts			
Stimuli sex	$\mathrm{EMM}$	SE	df	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	Contrast	Difference	SE	df	z	p
Gender: Wo	men - St	imuli c	onter	t: Erotic							
Female	1.46	0.10	$\infty$	1.25	1.66	Female - Male	-0.77	0.11	$\infty$	-6.80	< 0.0001
Male	2.23	0.08	$\infty$	2.08	2.38						
Gender: Wo	men - St	imuli c	onter	nt: Non-ero	otic						
Female	1.12	0.09	$\infty$	0.94	1.30	Female - Male	-0.57	0.11	$\infty$	-5.27	< 0.0001
Male	1.69	0.07	$\infty$	1.56	1.82						
Gender: Me	n - Stimı	ıli cont	ent:	Erotic							
Female	3.84	0.12	$\infty$	3.61	4.07	Female - Male	2.75	0.13	$\infty$	21.60	< 0.0001
Male	1.09	0.09	$\infty$	0.92	1.26						
Gender: Me	n - Stimı	ıli cont	ent:	Non-erotic							
Female	2.65	0.10	$\infty$	2.45	2.85	Female - Male	1.60	0.12	$\infty$	13.44	< 0.0001
Male	1.05	0.07	$\infty$	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) +
geom_linerange(
 data = emms.stim_cont.tab,
 mapping = aes(ymin = asymp.LCL, ymax = asymp.UCL),
 position = position_dodge(0.5)
geom_point(
 data = emms.stim_cont.tab,
 position = position_dodge(0.5),
# 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)
geom_segment(
 data = diff_data,
 aes(
   x = x_{pos}, xend = x_{pos},
   y = ymin, yend = ymax,
   color = `Stimuli content`
 ),
 linewidth = 0.5,
  linetype = "dotted"
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")
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
```



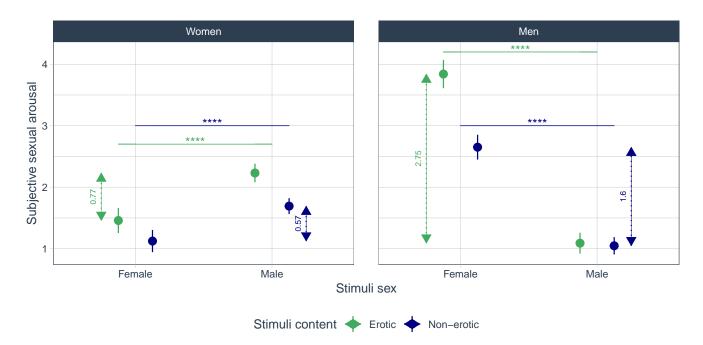


Figure S9. Effects of stimuli content (erotic, non-erotic) on subjective sexual arousal for women's (left panel) and men's (right panel) scores of male and female stimuli (see Table S17; for detailed results, see Table S18). Dots and bars represent estimated marginal means and 95% CI. Vertical lines with arrow heads represent the (absolute) difference in reported subjective sexual arousal for male and femnale 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`,
    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).

```
# 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
)</pre>
```

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.

```
reduce(
  list(
    # ANOVA results for the Cumulative Link Mixed Model (CLMM)
   Anova(m2a_clmm, type = 3) |>
     as.data.frame() |>
     rownames_to_column("Effect"),
    # ANOVA results for the Generalized Linear Mixed Model (GLMM, Poisson),
    Anova(m2a_poisson, type = 3) |>
     as.data.frame() |>
     rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
     select(Effect, Df, Chisq, `Pr(>Chisq)`) |>
     slice_tail(n = -1),
    anova(m2a_lmer, type = 3) |>
     as.data.frame() |>
     rownames_to_column("Effect") |>
     mutate(DenDF = round(DenDF, 2)) |>
     unite(col = "df", NumDF:DenDF, sep = ", ") |>
     select(Effect, df, `F value`, `Pr(>F)`)
  full_join,
 mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, "\\.", " ")) |> # Replace dots with spaces
 mutate(Effect = str_replace_all(Effect, ":", " × ")) |> # Replace colons with x
 kable(
   booktabs = TRUE,
   align = c("1", rep("c", 9)), # Align first column left, others center
   digits = 3,
   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
```

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

		CLMM		GI	LMER (Po	isson)		$_{ m LMM}$		
Effect	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	$\chi^2$	p	df	F	p	
Solitary sexual desire	1	27.377	0.000	1	24.430	0.000	1, 319	17.464	0.000	
Gender	1	0.015	0.902	1	7.086	0.008	1, 319	8.838	0.003	
Stimuli sex	1	43.812	0.000	1	31.553	0.000	1, 369.21	24.715	0.000	
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Gender	1	2.409	0.121	1	2.795	0.095	1, 319	0.852	0.357	
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Stimuli sex	1	0.137	0.711	1	0.321	0.571	1, 319	0.024	0.876	
$Gender \times Stimuli sex$	1	181.478	0.000	1	127.568	0.000	1, 319	74.790	0.000	
Solitary sexual desire $\times$ Gender $\times$ Stimuli sex	1	2.959	0.085	1	0.605	0.437	1, 319	1.778	0.183	

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.

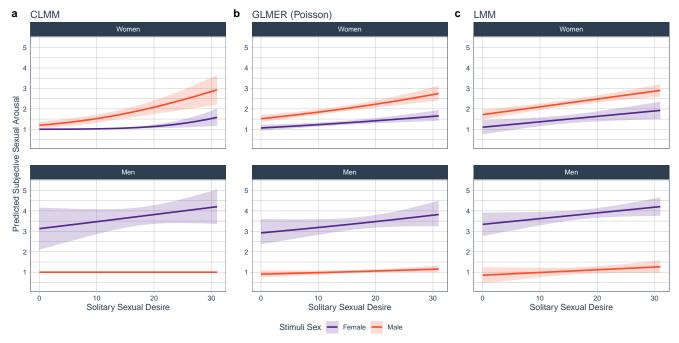
```
# CLMM Predictions
p_m2a_clmm <- emmeans(m2a_clmm, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Stimuli.sex,
    at = list(Solitary.sexual.desire = seq(0, 31, length.out = 100)),
    mode = "mean.class"
) |> # Compute predicted mean response categories
    as.data.frame() |> # Convert to dataframe for ggplot
    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(
    title = "CLMM",
    color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
  theme_tq() + # Apply custom theme
  theme(legend.position = "top") +
  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"
  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(
   title = "GLMER (Poisson)",
    color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
  theme_tq() +
  theme(legend.position = "top") +
  ylim(c(0.3, 5.3))
p_m2a_lmer <- emmeans(m2a_lmer, ~ Solitary.sexual.desire | Gender * Stimuli.sex,</pre>
  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) +
    title = "LMM",
    color = "Stimuli Sex", fill = "Stimuli Sex"
```

```
theme_tq() +
  theme(legend.position = "top") +
  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</pre>
```



**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 aparent 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.

Effect dfFSolitary sexual desire 1, 319 17.46 < 0.00010.0489Gender 1, 319 8.84 0.00320.0239 Stimuli sex 1, 369.21 24.71< 0.00010.06Solitary sexual desire  $\times$  Gender 1, 319 0.850.36 < 0.0001Solitary sexual desire  $\times$  Stimuli sex 1, 319 0.020.88< 0.0001 ${\rm Gender} \times {\rm Stimuli\ sex}$ 1, 319 < 0.0001 0.1974.79Solitary sexual desire  $\times$  Gender  $\times$  Stimuli sex 1, 319 1.78 0.180.0024

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

Note: Results are type III ANOVA.  $R_{conditional}^2 = 0.745$ ,  $R_{marginal}^2 = 0.335$ . 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.

**3.3.3.2.2** *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 participante gender

## Warning: Johnson-Neyman intervals are not available for factor predictors or ## moderators.

```
## Warning: There was 1 warning in 'mutate()'.
## i In argument: 'across(3:6, round, 3)'.
## Caused by warning:
## ! The '...' argument of 'across()' is deprecated as of dplyr 1.1.0.
## Supply arguments directly to '.fns' through an anonymous function instead.
##
## # Previously
## across(a:b, mean, na.rm = TRUE)
##
## # Now
## across(a:b, \(x) mean(x, na.rm = TRUE))
```

```
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",
      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	В	2.5%CI	97.5%CI	t	p
Gender: Wo	men				
Female	0.027	0.005	0.048	2.417	0.0162
Male	0.038	0.023	0.053	5.073	< 0.0001
Gender: Me	n				
Female	0.028	-0.002	0.058	1.844	0.07
Male	0.013	-0.007	0.034	1.282	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 mode
# Figure interaction between Stimuli sex and gender
p_m2a_lmer +
facet_wrap(~ Gender, ncol = 2) +
```

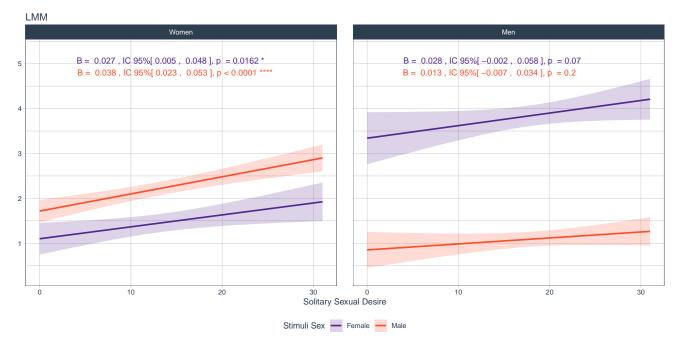


Figure S11. XXXXXX

### 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

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{other attached packages:} & pander(v.0.6.5), & ggeffects(v.2.2.0), & Hmisc(v.5.2-2), & lubridate(v.1.9.4), & forcats(v.1.0.0), \\ stringr(v.1.5.1), & dplyr(v.1.1.4), & purrr(v.1.0.4), & readr(v.2.1.5), & tidyr(v.1.3.1), & tibble(v.3.2.1), & tidyverse(v.2.0.0), \\ interactions(v.1.2.0), & ggpubr(v.0.6.0), & ggplot2(v.3.5.1), & effectsize(v.1.0.0), & rstatix(v.0.7.2), & bestNormalize(v.1.9.1), \\ berryFunctions(v.1.22.5), & emmeans(v.1.10.7), & scales(v.1.3.0), & psych(v.2.4.12), & kableExtra(v.1.4.0), & performation & property & propert$ 

ance(v.0.13.0), Performance Analytics(v.2.0.8), quant mod(v.0.4.26), TTR(v.0.24.4), xts(v.0.14.1), zoo(v.1.8-12), tidy quant(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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