…. feelings about / desire/intention to use / condoms

wants to use a condom/practice/have safe sex

… which is used as an average for generating (~~randomly~~ normally distributed random) chance out of 100% that an agent wants to use a condom (depends on gender)

certainty is independent of extremity, polarity, or strength of attitude..

;. its more of an emotional attachment to it, and influences resistance to change it.

certainty – how emotionally attached/strongly an agent feels about their opinion/attitude

likelihood/degree to which attitude changes is inversely proportional to certainty

100 - certainty = likelihood/willingness to change attitude

A derivative variable which would be [100 - certainty] would be willingness to change their attitude.

Agents start with a certain number of friend links, and no sexual partner links. Establishing networks consisting of "friendship" links and "sexual partner" links (differentiated by color).

* If attitudes/likelihoods???/some variables? aren’t changing any more…. reach some sort of stable state?
* (If likelihoods of all agents stop changing significantly, the simulation will stop.

it shows the exact value, whereas color changes by increments of 5 (clarify more/reword).

-- Determining what factors inform/influence attitudes towards safe sex (and consequently behaviors), and to what extent they do so [potential options: attitudes of parents/friends/sexual partners, infection history of self or friends, education/awareness of safe sex practices]