

Artificial Sexuality Symposium

Sexual activity is central to our very existence; it shapes how we think, how we act and how we live. It is deeply embedded in our society. With cognitive systems development being heavily influenced by human cognition, perception, and interaction, should sexual behaviour and sexuality be part of that influence? Previous research has examined what might happen to us if we form close relationships with machines and intelligent systems. We feel that this is only one aspect of what we term Artificial Sexuality, and suggest that there are multiple and equally important strands that have not yet been fully explored, including – but by no means limited to – modelling sex and cognition, embodiment, gender issues, reproduction, ethics, and law.