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### Description

A data set containing 5 ratings of satisfaction and 5 ratings of commitment for each member of a mixed-sex romantic dyad. Measured using the Investment Model Scale subscales (Rusbult, Martz, & Agnew, 1998). Data are from Sakaluk, Fisher, and Kilshaw's (2021) study of dyadic invariance. Variable names have been re-coded to follow a stem-item-partner ("sip") order, with a delimiter ("\_") between the item number and partner distinguishing character.

### Usage

```
data(commitmentM)
```

### Format

A data frame with 282 rows and 20 variables:

- sat.g1\_f** Satisfaction item 1 for female partner
- sat.g2\_f** Satisfaction item 2 for female partner
- sat.g3\_f** Satisfaction item 3 for female partner
- sat.g4\_f** Satisfaction item 4 for female partner

**sat.g5\_f** Satisfaction item 5 for female partner  
**com1\_f** Commitment items item 1 for female partner  
**com2\_f** Commitment items item 2 for female partner  
**com3\_f** Commitment items item 3 for female partner  
**com4\_f** Commitment items item 4 for female partner  
**com5\_f** Commitment items item 5 for female partner  
**sat.g1\_m** Satisfaction item 1 for male partner  
**sat.g2\_m** Satisfaction item 2 for male partner  
**sat.g3\_m** Satisfaction item 3 for male partner  
**sat.g4\_m** Satisfaction item 4 for male partner  
**sat.g5\_m** Satisfaction item 5 for male partner  
**com1\_m** Commitment items item 1 for male partner  
**com2\_m** Commitment items item 2 for male partner  
**com3\_m** Commitment items item 3 for male partner  
**com4\_m** Commitment items item 4 for male partner  
**com5\_m** Commitment items item 5 for male partner

## References

Sakaluk, J. K., Fisher, A. N., & Kilshaw, R. E.(2021). Dyadic measurement invariance and its importance for replicability in romantic relationship research. *Personal Relationships*, 28(1), 190-226. .

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commitmentQ

*Ratings of relational satisfaction and commitment from 282 (Q)ueer couples*

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## Description

A data set containing 5 ratings of satisfaction and 5 ratings of commitment for each member of a dyad in which one or more members identify as LGBTQ+. Measured using the Investment Model Scale subscales (Rusbult, Martz, & Agnew, 1998). Data are from Sakaluk, Fisher, and Kilshaw (2021). Variable names follow a stem-partner-item ("spi") order, with a delimiter (".") between the stem and distinguishing partner character, and another delimiter ("\_") between the distinguishing partner character and item number.

## Usage

```
data(commitmentQ)
```

## Format

A data frame with 118 rows and 20 variables:

**sat.g1\_1** Satisfaction item 1 for partner1  
**sat.g1\_2** Satisfaction item 2 for partner1  
**sat.g1\_3** Satisfaction item 3 for partner1  
**sat.g1\_4** Satisfaction item 4 for partner1  
**sat.g1\_5** Satisfaction item 5 for partner1  
**com.1\_1** Commitment items item 1 for partner1  
**com.1\_2** Commitment items item 2 for partner1  
**com.1\_3** Commitment items item 3 for partner1  
**com.1\_4** Commitment items item 4 for partner1  
**com.1\_5** Commitment items item 5 for partner1  
**sat.g2\_1** Satisfaction item 1 for partner 2  
**sat.g2\_2** Satisfaction item 2 for partner 2  
**sat.g2\_3** Satisfaction item 3 for partner 2  
**sat.g2\_4** Satisfaction item 4 for partner 2  
**sat.g2\_5** Satisfaction item 5 for partner 2  
**com.2\_1** Commitment items item 1 for partner 2  
**com.2\_2** Commitment items item 2 for partner 2  
**com.2\_3** Commitment items item 3 for partner 2  
**com.2\_4** Commitment items item 4 for partner 2  
**com.2\_5** Commitment items item 5 for partner 2

## References

Sakaluk, J. K., Fisher, A. N., & Kilshaw, R. E.(2021). Dyadic measurement invariance and its importance for replicability in romantic relationship research. *Personal Relationships*, 28(1), 190-226. #'

## Description

A dataset containing 9 observed indicators of relationship quality (PRQC) and 5 observed indicators of sexual satisfaction from 121 couples in the DRES (Daily Relationship Experiences Study; Raposo, Impett, & Muiise, in press)

## Usage

```
data(DRES)
```

## Format

A data frame with 121 rows and 28 variables:

**PRQC\_1.1** PRQC item 1 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_2.1** PRQC item 2 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_3.1** PRQC item 3 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_4.1** PRQC item 4 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_5.1** PRQC item 5 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_6.1** PRQC item 6 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_7.1** PRQC item 7 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_8.1** PRQC item 8 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_9.1** PRQC item 9 for partner 1  
**PRQC\_1.2** PRQC item 1 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_2.2** PRQC item 2 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_3.2** PRQC item 3 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_4.2** PRQC item 4 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_5.2** PRQC item 5 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_6.2** PRQC item 6 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_7.2** PRQC item 7 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_8.2** PRQC item 8 for partner 2  
**PRQC\_9.2** PRQC item 9 for partner 2  
**sexsat1.1** sexual satisfaction item 1 for partner 1  
**sexsat2.1** sexual satisfaction item 2 for partner 1  
**sexsat3.1** sexual satisfaction item 3 for partner 1  
**sexsat4.1** sexual satisfaction item 4 for partner 1  
**sexsat5.1** sexual satisfaction item 5 for partner 1  
**sexsat1.2** sexual satisfaction item 1 for partner 2  
**sexsat2.2** sexual satisfaction item 2 for partner 2  
**sexsat3.2** sexual satisfaction item 3 for partner 2  
**sexsat4.2** sexual satisfaction item 4 for partner 2  
**sexsat5.2** sexual satisfaction item 5 for partner 2

## References

- Raposo, S., Impett, E. A., & Muijs, A. (2020). Avoidantly Attached Individuals Are More Exchange-Oriented and Less Communal in the Bedroom. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, 49, 2863–2881.  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10508-020-01813-9>

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getConstraintTests	<i>A function that performs a score test for relaxing each invariance equality constraint between partners in a given dyadic SEM model.</i>
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### Description

A function that performs a score test for relaxing each invariance equality constraint between partners in a given dyadic SEM model.

### Usage

```
getConstraintTests(constrainFit, filterSig = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

constrainFit	fitted lavaan model with dyadic invariance equality constraints
filterSig	logical indicating whether to filter for significant constraints (default is FALSE)

### Value

a data frame with rows of equality constraints (now with readable param labels) and test statistic, df, and p for whether constraint worsens model fit

### Examples

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentM, x_order = "sip", x_stem = "sat.g",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="f", distinguish_2="m")

sat.resids.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
constr_dy_struct = "none")

sat.resids.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.resids.script, data = commitmentM, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

getConstraintTests(sat.resids.mod)
```

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getDydmacs	<i>Calculates dmacs difference in expected indicator scores for between dyad members</i>
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### Description

Calculates dmacs difference in expected indicator scores for between dyad members

**Usage**

```
getDydmacs(dat, dvn, fit, nodewidth = 0.01, lowerLV = -5, upperLV = 5)
```

**Arguments**

dat	data frame of indicators
dvn	input dvn list from scrapeVarCross
fit	outputted dyadic cfa lavaan object; should be from a partial-invariance model
nodewidth	space between nodes during quadrature approximation (default = .01)
lowerLV	lowest latent variable value evaluated (default = -5)
upperLV	greatest latent variable value evaluated (default = 5)

**Value**

vector of d\_macs values

**See Also**

Other supplemental model calculators: [getDyReliability\(\)](#), [getIndistFit\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dat <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2 = "_", distinguish_1 = "1", distinguish_2 = "2")
sat.config.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvnname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = "none",
constr_dy_struct = "none")

sat.config.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.config.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first = FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)
getDydmacs(commitmentQ, dvn, sat.config.mod)
```

**Description**

This function takes the model from fitted scriptCFA() scripts and returns omega total coefficients for each dyad member, adapted following Formula 2 in McNeish (2018).

**Usage**

```
getDyReliability(dvn, fit)
```

**Arguments**

- `dvn` input dvn list from `scrapeVarCross`  
`fit` outputted dyadic cfa lavaan object based on the default (i.e., "configural") `dyadCFA()` function

**Value**

a tibble/data frame with calculated omega total coefficients for dyad Member 1 and Member 2

**See Also**

Other supplemental model calculators: `getDydmacs()`, `getIndistFit()`

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2 = "_", distinguish_1 = "1", distinguish_2 = "2")
sat.indist.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat")
sat.indist.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.indist.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first = FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)
getDyReliability(dvn, sat.indist.mod)
```

`getIndistFit`

*A Function that Computes Corrected Fit Indexes According to the ISAT and INULL Models of Olsen & Kenny (2006)*

**Description**

This function takes the outputted model fit using `scriptCFA()` with `model = "indist"`, as well as `scriptISAT()`, and `scriptINULL()` and computes corrected model fit indexes according to the approach outlined by Olsen & Kenny (2006)

**Usage**

```
getIndistFit(indmodel, isatmod, inullmod)
```

**Arguments**

- `indmodel` input lavaan model object fitted using `dyadCFA(model = "indistinguishable")`  
`isatmod` input lavaan model object fitted using `ISAT()`  
`inullmod` input lavaan model object fitted using `INULL()`

**Value**

A data frame of the original and corrected chi sq, df, p, rmsea, and tli

**See Also**

Other supplemental model calculators: [getDyReliability\(\)](#), [getDydmacs\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")

sat.indist.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat")
sat.indist.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.indist.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

sat.isat.script <- scriptISAT(dvn, lvxname = "Sat")
sat.isat.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.isat.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = FALSE)

sat.inull.script <- scriptINULL(dvn, lvxname = "Sat")
sat.inull.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.inull.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = FALSE)

getIndistFit(sat.indist.mod, sat.isat.mod, sat.inull.mod)
```

**getInvarCompTable**

*Compare model fit of nested dyadic invariance models in order from most parsimonious (residual) to least parsimonious (configural)*

**Description**

Compare model fit of nested dyadic invariance models in order from most parsimonious (residual) to least parsimonious (configural)

**Usage**

```
getInvarCompTable(mods)
```

**Arguments**

mods	a list of neted lavaan dyadic invariance models, in the order of residual, intercept, loading, configural
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**Value**

a data frame of model fit statistics for each model, as well as the difference in fit statistics between each model and the previous model

## Examples

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi",
x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".", x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")

sat.residual.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), constr_dy_struct = "none")

sat.intercept.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts"), constr_dy_struct = "none")

sat.loading.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings"), constr_dy_struct = "none")

sat.config.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = "none", constr_dy_struct = "none")

sat.residual.fit <- lavaan::cfa(sat.residual.script, data = commitmentQ,
std.lv = FALSE, auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

sat.intercept.fit <- lavaan::cfa(sat.intercept.script, data = commitmentQ,
std.lv = FALSE, auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

sat.loading.fit <- lavaan::cfa(sat.loading.script, data = commitmentQ,
std.lv = FALSE, auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

sat.config.fit <- lavaan::cfa(sat.config.script, data = commitmentQ,
std.lv = FALSE, auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

mods <- list(sat.residual.fit, sat.intercept.fit, sat.loading.fit, sat.config.fit)

getInvarCompTable(mods)
```

### **outputModel**

*A Function That Exports Tables and/or SEM Diagrams based on dySEM models*

## Description

This function takes the model from fitted dySEM() scripts and exports table(s) and/or a path diagram figure of expected output.

## Usage

```
outputModel(
  dvn,
  model = NULL,
  fit,
  table = TRUE,
```

```

    tabletype = NULL,
    figure = TRUE,
    figtype = NULL,
    writeTo = NULL,
    fileName = NULL
)

```

## Arguments

dvn	input dvn list from scrapeVarCross
model	character input specifying type of model to output (e.g., "cfa", "apim", "cfm")
fit	input object from fitted lavaan model
table	logical input of whether table output is desired. Default is TRUE
tabletype	character input of what type of table(s) is(are) desired. options are "measurement" (i.e., loadings, intercepts,), "structural" (i.e., latent slopes, such as actor/partner effects, k parameters), or "both" (i.e., both measurement and structural tables)
figure	logical input of whether figure output is desired. Default is TRUE
figtype	character input of what type of figure is desired
writeTo	A character string specifying a directory path to where the file(s) should be saved. If set to ".", the file(s) will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL (which will throw an error), and examples use a temporary directory created by tempdir().
fileName	A character string specifying a desired base name for the output file(s). If a fileName not provided (i.e., default fileName = NULL), then defaults will be used (e.g., "dySEM_table"/"dySEM_table_Measurement"/"dySEM_table_Structural for tables; "dySEM_figure" for figures). The specified name will be automatically appended with the appropriate file extension (i.e., .rtf for tables; .png for figures).

## Details

If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

## Value

Ignore console (prints unnecessary semPlot::semPaths details). More importantly, prints word files for the table(s) and/or figure, outputted to the users working directory

## Examples

```

dvnx <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2 = "_", distinguish_1 = "1", distinguish_2 = "2")

sat.config.script <- scriptCFA(dvnx, lvname = "Sat", constr_dy_meas = "none",
constr_dy_struct = "none")

```

```

sat.config.mod <- lavaan::cfa(sat.config.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

outputModel(dvnx, model = "cfa", fit = sat.config.mod, table = TRUE,
tabletype = "measurement", figure = "TRUE", figtype = "standardized",
writeTo = tempdir(), fileName = "dCFA_configural")
dvnxy <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2",
y_order="spi", y_stem="com", y_delim1 = ".", y_delim2="_")

apim.indist.script <- scriptAPIM(dvnxy, lvxname = "Sat", lvynname = "Com", est_k = TRUE)

apim.indist.mod <- lavaan::cfa(apim.indist.script, data = commitmentQ, std.lv = FALSE,
auto.fix.first= FALSE, meanstructure = TRUE)

outputModel(dvnxy, model = "apim", fit = apim.indist.mod, table = TRUE,
tabletype = "measurement", figure = "TRUE", figtype = "standardized",
writeTo = tempdir(), fileName = "APIM_indist")

```

**scrapeVarCross**

*A Variable Name-Scraping and Indexing Function for cross-sectional data*

**Description**

This function scrapes the names of indicator variables in a wide-format data set used for dyadic analyses of two latent variables (LV; X and Y), and indexes which indicators correspond to which partner, for which LV. It is used primarily to guide the syntax-writing of the other dySEM functions.

**Usage**

```

scrapeVarCross(
  dat,
  x_order = "spi",
  x_stem,
  x_delim1 = NULL,
  x_delim2 = NULL,
  x_item_num = "\\d+",
  distinguish_1 = "1",
  distinguish_2 = "2",
  y_order = NULL,
  y_stem = NULL,
  y_delim1 = NULL,
  y_delim2 = NULL,
  y_item_num = "\\d+",
  covs_order = NULL,
  covs_stem = NULL,
  covs_delim1 = NULL,
  covs_delim2 = NULL
)

```

### Arguments

dat	input data frame of indicators of a particular LV
x_order	input character for order of (S)tem, (P)artner number, and (I)tem number when creating variable names. Defaults to "spi" (Qualtrics-friendly)
x_stem	input character stem of indicator variables for LV X
x_delim1	optional character to separate stem from partner number (spi) or item number (sip)
x_delim2	optional character to separate stem/partner number (spi) or stem/item number (sip) from final element of variable name
x_item_num	defaults to scrape all items that match the stem with any digits that follow. Will be updated to allow particular range of values, to make more sub-scale friendly.
distinguish_1	input character used as the identifier for the first partner
distinguish_2	input character used as the identifier for the first partner
y_order	optional character for order of (S)tem, (P)artner number, and (I)tem number when creating variable names. Defaults to "spi" (Qualtrics-friendly). This and other Y-arguments only necessary if there is a latent Y variable to model
y_stem	optional input character stem of indicator variables for LV X
y_delim1	optional character to separate stem from partner number (spi) or item number (sip)
y_delim2	optional character to separate stem/partner number (spi) or stem/item number (sip) from final element of variable name
y_item_num	defaults to scrape all items that match the stem with any digits that follow. Will be updated to allow particular range of values, to make more sub-scale friendly.
covs_order	optional character for order of (S)tem, (P)artner number, and (I)tem number for any covariate(s). Defaults to NULL. This and other covariate arguments only necessary if there are covariates to be scripted in your model(s).
covs_stem	optional input character stem(s) of indicator variables for covariate(s). Can accept a single stem (e.g., "anx"), or a vector of stems (e.g., c("anx", "dep")). Defaults to NULL.
covs_delim1	optional character to separate stem from partner number (spi) or item number (sip) for covariate(s). Defaults to NULL.
covs_delim2	optional character to separate stem/partner number (spi) or stem/item number (sip) from

### Value

a list, referred in short-hand as a "dvn" (dyad variable names list) containing variable names for p1, p2, # of items per LV, characters distinguishing partners, and total number of indicators

### Examples

```
dvnx <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")
dvnxy <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2",
y_order="spi", y_stem="com", y_delim1 = ".", y_delim2="_")
```

**scriptAPIM***A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Latent Actor-Partner Interdependence Models (APIMs)*

## Description

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for specifying Actor-Partner Interdependence Models (APIMs). Users can also invoke configural, loading, and/or intercept invariant measurement models, and particular types of structural comparisons.

## Usage

```
scriptAPIM(
  dvn,
  scaleset = "FF",
  lvxname,
  lvynname,
  constr_dy_x_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_x_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_y_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_y_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_xy_struct = c("actors", "partners"),
  model = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  equate = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  est_k = FALSE,
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

<code>dvn</code>	input dvn list from <code>scrapeVarCross</code>
<code>scaleset</code>	input character to specify how to set the scale of the latent variable(s). Default is "FF" (fixed-factor; see Details for rationale), but user can specify "MV" (Marker Variable)
<code>lvxname</code>	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV X in lavaan syntax
<code>lvynname</code>	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV Y in lavaan syntax
<code>constr_dy_x_meas</code>	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model

<code>constr_dy_x_struct</code>	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
<code>constr_dy_y_meas</code>	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model
<code>constr_dy_y_struct</code>	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
<code>constr_dy_xy_struct</code>	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain for modeling the predictive association(s) between partners' latent x and y. Default is c("actors", "partners"), but users can also specify "all", "actors_zero", "partners_zero", or "none".
<code>model</code>	Deprecated input character used to specify which level of invariance is modeled. Users should rely upon <code>constr_dy_x_meas/constr_dy_y_meas</code> and <code>constr_dy_x_struct/constr_dy_y_struct</code> instead, for making constraints to the measurement and/or structural portions of the model for latent x and y.
<code>equate</code>	Deprecated input character to specify which type of structural parameters are constrained to equivalency between partners. Users should rely upon <code>constr_dy_xy_struct</code> for making constraints to the structural portion of the model for associative relationship between latent x and y.
<code>est_k</code>	input logical for whether Kenny & Ledermann's (2010) k parameter should be calculated to characterize the dyadic pattern in the APIM. Defaults FALSE, and requires at least a loading-invariant model to be specified, otherwise a warning is returned.
<code>writeTo</code>	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to ".", the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by <code>tempdir()</code> .
<code>fileName</code>	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions. Users will receive message if structural comparisons are specified when the recommended level of invariance is not also specified. If user supplies `dvn` with containing X or Y variables, they are alerted to respecify the `dvn` object.

**See Also**

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2",
y_order="spi", y_stem="com", y_delim1 = ".", y_delim2="_")
apim.script.indist <- scriptAPIM(dvn, lvxname = "Sat", lvyname = "Com", est_k = TRUE,
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "latAPIM_indist")
```

**scriptBiDy**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Bifactor Dyadic (BiDy) models*

**Description**

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for specifying dyadic configural, loading, and intercept invariant BiDy CFA (BiDy-C) or SEM (BiDy-S) Model. Currently only uses fixed-factor scale-setting

**Usage**

```
scriptBiDy(
  dvn,
  type = "CFA",
  lvxname,
  lvyname,
  constr_dy_x_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_x_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_y_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_y_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_xy_struct = c("actors"),
  model = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  equate = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dvn</code>	input dvn list from <code>scrapeVarCross</code>
<code>type</code>	input character to specify whether to script a BiDy-CFA ("CFA", default) or BiDy-SEM ("SEM") model

lvxname	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV X in lavaan syntax
lvyname	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV Y in lavaan syntax
constr_dy_x_meas	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model. Users may also specify more boutique patterns of bifactor loading constraints with "loadings_source" or "loadings_mutual".
constr_dy_x_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
constr_dy_y_meas	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model. Users may also specify more boutique patterns of bifactor loading constraints with "loadings_source" or "loadings_mutual".
constr_dy_y_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
constr_dy_xy_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain for modeling the predictive association(s) between partners' latent x and y. Default is c("actors"), but users can also specify "dyadic_zero" or "none".
model	Deprecated input character used to specify which level of invariance is modeled. Users should rely upon constr_dy_x_meas/constr_dy_y_meas and constr_dy_x_struct/constr_dy_y_struct instead, for making constraints to the measurement and/or structural portions of the model for latent x and y.
equate	Deprecated input character to specify which type of structural parameters are constrained to equivalency between partners. Users should rely upon constr_dy_xy_struct for making constraints to the structural portion of the model for associative relationship between latent x and y.
writeTo	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to ".", the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by tempdir().
fileName	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions

**See Also**

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(DRES, x_order = "sip", x_stem = "sexsat",
x_delim2=". ", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")

sexsat.bidyc.script <- scriptBiDy(dvn, lvxname = "SexSat", type = "CFA",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "BiDy_C")

dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_ ", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2",
y_order="spi", y_stem="com", y_delim1 = ".", y_delim2="_ ")

comsat.bidys.config.script <- scriptBiDy(dvn, lvxname = "Sat",
lvyname = "Com", type = "SEM",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "BiDy_S")
```

**scriptCFA**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Latent Dyadic Confirmatory Factor Analysis (CFA) Models*

**Description**

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for specifying dyadic configural, loading, and intercept invariant measurement models for either a specified X or Y factor.

**Usage**

```
scriptCFA(
  dvn,
  scaleset = "FF",
  lvname = "X",
  constr_dy_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  model = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

dvn	input dvn list from scrapeVarCross
scaleset	input character to specify how to set the scale of the latent variable(s). Default is "FF" (fixed-factor; see Details for rationale), but user can specify "MV" (Marker Variable)
lvname	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV in lavaan syntax
constr_dy_meas	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals") (in combination with defaults for constr_dy_struct, an indistinguishable dyadic CFA), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model
constr_dy_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members. Default is c("variances", "means") (in combination with defaults for constr_dy_meas, an indistinguishable dyadic CFA), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
model	Depreccated input character used to specify which level of invariance is modeled ("configural", "loading", "intercept", "residual", or "indist"). Users should rely upon constr_dy_meas and constr_dy_struct instead, for making constraints to the measurement and/or structural portions of the model.
writeTo	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to ".", the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by tempdir().
fileName	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

## Details

By default, many dySEM:: functions (including scriptCFA()) default to a fixed-factor method of scale-setting, whereby the latent variance of a given factor is constrained to 1 for both partners in the configurally invariant #model, and then one of these variances is freely estimated in subsequent #models of the invariance testing sequence. We have selected this default for two reasons: (1) the selection of a marker-variable is usually arbitrary, yet can have a large influence on the estimation and testing of structural parameters (see <https://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/402133/in-cfa-does-it-matter-which-factor-loading-is-set-to-1/402732#402732>); and (2) the selection of a non-invariant marker-variable can have disastrous down-stream consequences for the identification of non-invariant measurement parameters, following a the rejection of an omnibus #invariance constraint set (see Lee, Preacher, & Little, 2011).

## Value

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions

**See Also**

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2 = "_", distinguish_1 = "1", distinguish_2 = "2")

sat.indist.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat")

sat.lvars.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = "loadings",
constr_dy_struct = "variances")

sat.resids.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
constr_dy_struct = "none",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "dCFA_residual")

sat.ints.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts"),
constr_dy_struct = "none",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "dCFA_intercept")

sat.loads.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = c("loadings"),
constr_dy_struct = "none",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "dCFA_loading")

sat.config.script <- scriptCFA(dvn, lvname = "Sat",
constr_dy_meas = "none",
constr_dy_struct = "none",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "dCFA_configural")
```

**scriptCFM**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Latent Common Fate Models (CFMs)*

**Description**

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for specifying Common Fate Models (CFMs). Users can also invoke configural, loading, and/or intercept invariant measurement models, and particular types of structural comparisons.

**Usage**

```
scriptCFM(
  dvn,
  scaleset = "FF",
  lvxname,
  lvynname,
  constr_dy_x_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_x_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_y_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_y_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_xy_struct = "none",
  model = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

dvn	input dvn list from scrapeVarCross
scaleset	input character to specify how to set the scale of the latent variable(s). Default is "FF" (fixed-factor; see Details for rationale), but user can specify "MV" (Marker Variable)
lvxname	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV X in lavaan syntax
lvynname	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV Y in lavaan syntax
constr_dy_x_meas	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model
constr_dy_x_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
constr_dy_y_meas	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model
constr_dy_y_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
constr_dy_xy_struct	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain for modeling the predictive association(s) between partners' latent x and y. De-

faults to "none". Options include "p1\_zero" or "p2\_zero" (to constrain within-person latent residual covariances between X and Y to zero), or "covar\_zero" (to constrain both within-person latent residual correlations to zero), and/or "dyadic\_zero" (to constrain the dyadic effect to zero).

<b>model</b>	Deprecated input character used to specify which level of invariance is modeled. Users should rely upon constr_dy_x_meas/constr_dy_y_meas and constr_dy_x_struct/constr_dy_y_struct instead, for making constraints to the measurement and/or structural portions of the model for latent x and y.
<b>writeTo</b>	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to ".", the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by tempdir().
<b>fileName</b>	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

### Value

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions. Users will receive message if structural comparisons are specified when the recommended level of invariance is not also specified. If user supplies dvn with containing X or Y variables, they are alerted to respecify the dvn object.

### See Also

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2 = "_", distinguish_1 = "1", distinguish_2 = "2",
y_order = "spi", y_stem = "com", y_delim1 = ".", y_delim2 = "_")
cfm.script.indist <- scriptCFM(dvn, lvxname = "Sat", lvynname = "Com",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "CFM_indist")
```

### scriptDyEFA

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Dyadic Exploratory Factor Analysis (DEFA) Models*

### Description

This function takes the outputted object from [scrapeVarCross\(\)](#) and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for specifying a dyadic EFA model of a given number of exploratory factors.

**Usage**

```
scriptDyEFA(
  dvn,
  nFactor = 1,
  constr_dy_meas = "none",
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

dvn	input dvn list from <code>scrapeVarCross</code>
nFactor	numeric argument for number of exploratory factors to extract. Defaults to 1. Note that higher values may cause estimation problems as solution becomes over-factored and/or in the presence of insufficient data.
constr_dy_meas	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members. Default is "none" but user can specify "loadings" and/or "residuals", to fit an exploratory model with loadings and/or residuals constrained across partners
writeTo	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to ".", the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by <code>tempdir()</code> .
fileName	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions

**See Also**

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")

sat.defa1.script <- scriptDyEFA(dvn, nFactor = 1,
writeTo = tempdir(), fileName = "DEFA_1fac")
```

**scriptINULL**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting the I-NULL model for indistinguishable dyads*

**Description**

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for the I-NULL model described in Olsen & Kenny (2006)

**Usage**

```
scriptINULL(
  dvn,
  lvxname = "X",
  lvynname = NULL,
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dvn</code>	input dvn list from <code>scrapeVarCross</code>
<code>lvxname</code>	input character to (arbitrarily) name X LV in lavaan syntax
<code>lvynname</code>	(optional) input character to (arbitrarily) name Y LV in lavaan syntax
<code>writeTo</code>	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to “.”, the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by <code>tempdir()</code> .
<code>fileName</code>	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user’s chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions

**See Also**

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = DRES, x_order = "sip", x_stem = "PRQC", x_delim1 = "_",
x_delim2=". ", x_item_num="\d+", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")
qual.inull.script <- scriptINULL(dvn, lvxname = "Qual",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "I=NULL_script")
```

**scriptISAT**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting the I-SAT model for indistinguishable dyads*

## Description

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for the I-SAT model described in Olsen & Kenny (2006)

## Usage

```
scriptISAT(dvn, lvxname = "X", lvynname = NULL, writeTo = NULL, fileName = NULL)
```

## Arguments

<code>dvn</code>	input dvn list from <code>scrapeVarCross</code>
<code>lvxname</code>	input character to (arbitrarily) name X LV in lavaan syntax
<code>lvynname</code>	(optional) input character to (arbitrarily) name X LV in lavaan syntax
<code>writeTo</code>	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to “.”, the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by <code>tempdir()</code> .
<code>fileName</code>	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user’s chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

## Value

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions

## See Also

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptMIM\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = DRES, x_order = "sip", x_stem = "PRQC", x_delim1 = "_",
x_delim2=". ", x_item_num="\d+", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2")

qual.isat.script <- scriptISAT(dvn, lvxname = "Qual",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "I-SAT_script")
```

**scriptMIM**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Latent Mutual influence Model*

## Description

This function takes the outputted object from `scrapeVarCross()` and automatically writes, returns, and exports (.txt) lavaan() syntax for specifying Mutual Influence Models (MIMs). Users can also invoke configural, loading, and/or intercept invariant measurement models, and particular types of structural comparisons.

## Usage

```
scriptMIM(
  dvn,
  scaleset = "FF",
  lvxname,
  lvynname,
  constr_dy_x_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_x_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_y_meas = c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"),
  constr_dy_y_struct = c("variances", "means"),
  constr_dy_xy_struct = c("actors", "partners"),
  model = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  equate = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  est_k = FALSE,
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

<code>dvn</code>	input dvn list from <code>scrapeVarCross</code>
<code>scaleset</code>	input character to specify how to set the scale of the latent variable(s). Default is "FF" (fixed-factor; see Details for rationale), but user can specify "MV" (Marker Variable)
<code>lvxname</code>	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV X in lavaan syntax
<code>lvynname</code>	input character to (arbitrarily) name LV Y in lavaan syntax

<code>constr_dy_x_meas</code>	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model
<code>constr_dy_x_struct</code>	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
<code>constr_dy_y_meas</code>	input character vector detailing which measurement model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("loadings", "intercepts", "residuals"), but user can specify any combination of "loadings", "intercepts", and "residuals", #or "none" to specify an otherwise unconstrained dyadic configural invariance model
<code>constr_dy_y_struct</code>	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain across dyad members for latent X. Default is c("variances", "means"), but user can specify any combination of "variances" and "means", or "none".
<code>constr_dy_xy_struct</code>	input character vector detailing which structural model parameters to constrain for modeling the predictive association(s) between partners' latent x and y. Default is c("actors", "partners"), but users can also specify "all", "actors_zero", "partners_zero", or "none".
<code>model</code>	Deprecated input character used to specify which level of invariance is modeled. Users should rely upon <code>constr_dy_x_meas/constr_dy_y_meas</code> and <code>constr_dy_x_struct/constr_dy_y_struct</code> instead, for making constraints to the measurement and/or structural portions of the model for latent x and y.
<code>equate</code>	Deprecated input character to specify which type of structural parameters are constrained to equivalency between partners. Users should rely upon <code>constr_dy_xy_struct</code> for making constraints to the structural portion of the model for associative relationship between latent x and y.
<code>est_k</code>	input logical for whether Kenny & Ledermann's (2010) k parameter should be calculated to characterize the dyadic pattern in the APIM. Defaults FALSE, and requires at least a loading-invariant model to be specified, otherwise a warning is returned.
<code>writeTo</code>	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to “.”, the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by <code>tempdir()</code> .
<code>fileName</code>	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions. Users will receive message if structural comparisons are specified when the recommended level of invariance is not also specified. If user supplies dvn with containing X or Y variables, they are alerted to respecify the dvn object.

**See Also**

[scrapeVarCross](#) which this function relies on

Other script-writing functions: [scriptAPIM\(\)](#), [scriptBiDy\(\)](#), [scriptCFA\(\)](#), [scriptCFM\(\)](#), [scriptDyEFA\(\)](#), [scriptINULL\(\)](#), [scriptISAT\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dvn <- scrapeVarCross(dat = commitmentQ, x_order = "spi", x_stem = "sat.g", x_delim1 = ".",
x_delim2="_", distinguish_1="1", distinguish_2="2",
y_order="spi", y_stem="com", y_delim1 = ".", y_delim2="_")

mim.script.indist <- scriptMIM(dvn, lvxname = "Sat", lvyname = "Com", est_k = TRUE,
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "MIM_indist")
```

**scriptObsAPIM**

*A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Observed Actor-Partner Interdependence Models*

**Description**

A Function That Writes, Saves, and Exports Syntax for Fitting Observed Actor-Partner Interdependence Models

**Usage**

```
scriptObsAPIM(
  X1 = NULL,
  Y1 = NULL,
  X2 = NULL,
  Y2 = NULL,
  equate = "none",
  k = FALSE,
  writeTo = NULL,
  fileName = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

X1	character of vector name containing X variable/composite for partner 1
Y1	character of vector name containing Y variable/composite for partner 1
X2	character of vector name containing X variable/composite for partner 2
Y2	character of vector name containing Y variable/composite for partner 2
equate	character of what parameter(s) to constrain ("actor", "partner", "all"); default is "none" (all freely estimated)
k	input logical for whether Kenny & Ledermann's (2010) k parameter should be calculated to characterize the dyadic pattern in the APIM. Default to FALSE
writeTo	A character string specifying a directory path to where a .txt file of the resulting lavaan script should be written. If set to “：“, the .txt file will be written to the current working directory. The default is NULL, and examples use a temporary directory created by tempdir().
fileName	A character string specifying a desired base name for the .txt output file. The default is NULL. The specified name will be automatically appended with the .txt file extension. If a file with the same name already exists in the user's chosen directory, it will be overwritten.

**Value**

character object of lavaan script that can be passed immediately to lavaan functions.

**Examples**

```
obsAPIMScript <- scriptObsAPIM (X1 = "SexSatA", Y1 = "RelSatA",
X2 = "SexSatB", Y2 = "RelSatB",
equate = "none",
writeTo = tempdir(),
fileName = "obsAPIM_script")
```

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