The following is an attempt to write a denotational semantics for Nu's scripting system, based on <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bmKYiUOEo2A">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bmKYiUOEo2A</a>. This presentation uses a more improvised style of syntax than the Conal's, however.

<u>Axiomatic Denotations</u> – When a  $\mu$  is defined in terms of itself, we consider it axiomatic and irreducible directly in this context.

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μ:Value<a> =
| μ:Value<μ:Relation>
| μ:Value<μ:Address>
| μ:Value<μ:Name>
| μ:Value<μ:String>
| μ:Value<μ:Bool>
| μ:Value<μ:Unit>
μ:Stream<a> =
| μ:Address -> μ:Stream<a>
| μ:Name -> μ:Relation -> μ:Stream<a>
\mu:Stream<\alpha> -> (\alpha -> a) -> \mu:Stream<a>
\mid \mu:Stream<α> -> \mu:Stream<β> -> \mu:Stream<a when a = \alpha * \beta)
\mid \mu:Stream<α> -> \mu:Stream<β> -> \mu:Stream<a when a = \alpha \mid \beta)
\mu:Effect = \mu:Effect // transforms the environment
\mu:Declare a = \mu:Name -> \mu:Declaration a // augments the environment
Derived Denotations
\mu:Get<a> = \mu:Name -> \mu:Relation -> \mu:Value<a>
\mu:Set<a> = \mu:Name -> \mu:Relation -> \mu:Value<a> -> \mu:Effect
\mu:Command<a> = \mu:Value<a> -> \mu:Effect
\mu:Fold<a b> = (\mu:Value<a> -> b) -> \mu:Stream<a> -> b
μ:Define<a> = μ:Declare<μ:Value<a>>
μ:Variable<a> = μ:Declare<μ:Stream<a>>
\mu:Equate<a> = \name -> \rel -> \mu:Stream<a> -> \mu:Fold (\mu:Set<a> name rel)
\mu:Handle<a> = \mu:Stream<a> -> \mu:Fold \mu: Command <a>
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