

# Burleseque - Moonpage

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## ABOUT

An interpreter for the esoteric programming language *The Burlesque Programming Language*. Actually, Burlesque is less of a programming language than it is a tool. The actual language behind it is very simple and the only thing that makes Burlesque notable is the amount of built-ins it has. The syntax can be learnt within a few minutes (there are basically only Numbers, Strings and Blocks) and the concepts can be learnt quickly as well. People familiar with functional programming languages will already know these concepts so Burlesque

is especially easy to learn if you already know the terms *map*, *filter*, *reduce*, *zip* and others. This moonpage tries to be as accurate, complete and easy to understand as possible. If you encounter an error in the documentation please report it on [github](#). **Author:** Roman Müntener, 2012-?

Useful Weblinks:

- [Burlesque on RosettaCode](#)
- [Source code](#)
- [Language Reference](#)

Until this moonpage is complete please consult the Language Reference. Once complete, the moonpage will superseed the Language Reference and this warning will disappear.

## HISTORY

Burlesque has been under development since 2012 and is still being improved on a regular basis. It was built as a tool for me (mroman) to use as a helper for my computer science studies.

## SYNOPSIS

```
blsq
--file <path>           Read code from file (incl. STDIN)
--file-no-stdin <path> Read code from file (excl. STDIN)
--no-stdin <code>       Read code from argv (excl. STDIN)
--shell                 Start in shell mode
--version               Print version info
--compile <path>       Pseudo-compile file to haskell code
--stdin <code>         Read code from argv (incl. STDIN)
```

- *path* - Path to a file
- *code* - Burlesque code

*STDIN* will be pushed as a String to the stack. On exit all elements are printed in order from top to bottom. No output will be produced before the Burlesque code terminates.

## EXAMPLE USAGES

```
$ blsq --file-no-stdin hw.blsq
Hello, world!
$ echo -n "hello" | blsq --file revstdin.blsq
olleh
$ echo -n "hello" | blsq --stdin "<-Q"
olleh
$ blsq --no-stdin "2 64**"
18446744073709551616

$ echo -n `ls *.blsq` | blsq --stdin "wdzisp"
0 hw.blsq
1 index.blsq
2 prog.blsq
3 revstdin.blsq
4 test.blsq

$ echo -n `ls` | blsq --stdin 'wd{" .blsq"!~>{" .blsq" .-}FMuN'
hw
index
prog
revstdin
test

$ df | blsq --stdin "ln[-{WD-}]muQ"
rootfs
udev
tmpfs
/dev/disk/by-uuid/2e7e48d9-b728-48f7-95db-a58db91f4769
tmpfs
tmpfs
```

## LANGUAGE

### SYNTAX

### BUILT-INS

Abs ab

Int a: Absolute value of a.

```
blsq ) -6ab
6
blsq ) 6ab
6
```

Double a: Absolute value of a.

```
blsq ) -6.0ab
6.0
blsq ) 6.0ab
6.0
```

**Add .+**

Int a, Int b: Integer addition.

```
blsq ) 5 5.+
10
```

Double a, Double b: Double addition.

```
blsq ) 5.1 0.9.+
6.0
```

String a, String b: Concatenates two strings.

```
blsq ) "ab" "cd" .+
"abcd"
```

Int a, String b: Returns the first a characters of b as a String.

```
blsq ) 3 "abcdef" .+
"abc"
```

Block a, Block b: Concatenates two blocks.

```
blsq ) {1 2}{3 4} .+
{1 2 3 4}
```

Char a, Char b: Creates a string with the two characters a and b in it (in that exact order).

```
blsq ) 'a'b.+  
"ab"
```

String a, Char b: Append b to a.

```
blsq ) "ab"'c.+  
"abc"
```

Int a, Block b: Returns the first a elements of b.

```
blsq ) 2{1 2 3}.+  
{1 2}
```

Block a, Int b: Returns the first b elements of a.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}2.+  
{1 2}
```

String a, Int b: Returns the first b characters of a as a String.

```
blsq ) "abc"2.+  
"ab"
```

Double a, Int b: Convert b to Double, then perform addition.

```
blsq ) 1.0 2.+  
3.0
```

Int a, Double b: Convert a to Double, then perform addition.

```
blsq ) 2 1.0.+  
3.0
```

### **AddX \_+**

Int a, Int b: Creates a Block with the two Integers a and b as elements (in this exact order).

```
blsq ) 1 2_+  
{1 2}
```



Double a, Double b: Creates a Block with the two Doubles a and b as elements (in this exact order).

```
blsq ) 1.0 2.0_+  
{1.0 2.0}
```

String a, String b: Concatenates the two Strings.

```
blsq ) "ab""cd"_+  
"abcd"
```

Block a, Block b: Concatenates the two Blocks.

```
blsq ) {1}{2}_+  
{1 2}
```

Char a, Char b: Converts both arguments to string and concatenates them.

```
blsq ) 'a'b_+  
"ab"
```

String a, Char b: Converts b to String, then concatenates.

```
blsq ) "a"'b_+  
"ab"
```

Char a, String b: Converts a to String, then appends it to b.

```
blsq ) 'a"b"_+  
"ba"
```

Int a, String b: Converts a to String, then appends it to b.

```
blsq ) 1"b"_+  
"b1"
```

String a, Int b: Converts b to String, then concatenates.

```
blsq ) "b"1_+  
"b1"
```

### And &&

This built-in auto-zips if an argument provided is a Block.

Int a, Int b: Bitwise AND.

```
blsq ) 2 4&&
0
blsq ) 1 7&&
1
```

### Append [+]

Block a, Any b: Append b to a.

```
blsq ) {1 2}9[+
{1 2 9}
```

String a, Char b: Append b to a.

```
blsq ) "ab"'c[+
"abc"
```

Int a, Int b: Concatenates Integers.

```
blsq ) 12 23[+
1223
```

**Authors' Notes:** This built-in is rather superfluous because most of its use-cases can be covered by either using ++ or \_+. Yet, there may be some rare use-cases where you might want to use it for example in {[+}r[ or the like.

### Average av

Block a: *Defined as: J++jL[pd./*. Calculates average.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}J++jL[pd./
2.5
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}av
2.5
```

**Authors' Notes:** The pd is there to ensure that the result is always a Double.

Block a: Floor of a as Integer.

```
blsq ) 5.9av
5
blsq ) 5.1av
5
```

**Authors' Notes:** If you want the floor of **a** as Double use **fo**.

## Average2 AV

*Defined as: PDav.* Calculates average.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3.2 4}AV
2.75
blsq ) {1 2 3.2 4}av
2.55
```

**Authors' Notes:** This built-in is a relic from earlier versions of Burlesque where **./** only worked on **Int**, **Int** or **Double**, **Double** but not with **Double**, **Int** or **Int**, **Double**. This meant that **av** could only be used on Blocks that contained Doubles (because **++** would produce an Integer otherwise and the **L[pd./** would fail because an Integer could not be divided by a Double). In such cases **AV** had to be used. With newer versions the functionality of **./** was extended and **av** can now be used on Blocks that contain Integers as well. However, if you use **AV** on a Block that contains Doubles it will convert all these Doubles to ceiling(a) which is not what you want in most cases. Thus: The use of **av** is recommended as it is safer.

## Box bx

Any **a**: Puts **a** into a Block.

```
blsq ) 5bx
{5}
blsq ) 'abx
{'a'}
```

## Concat \[

Block **{}**: *Defined as: {}.* Empty Block becomes empty Block.

```
blsq ) {}\[
{}

```

Block {Block (Char a)}: Return a single character string consisting of a.

```
blsq ) {'a}\[  
"a"
```

Block a: *Defined as:* {\_+}r[. Concatenates elements in a Block.

```
blsq ) {{1 1} {2 1} {3}}{_+}r[  
{1 1 2 1 3}  
blsq ) {{1 1} {2 1} {3}}\[  
{1 1 2 1 3}  
blsq ) {'a 'b 'c}\[  
"abc"
```

**Authors' Notes:** There is an additional special case when {\_+}r[ does not return a Block the return value will be boxed. Why this special case exist remains unknown.

### ConcatMap \m

*Defined as:* m\[.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}{ro}m\[  
{1 1 2 1 2 3}  
blsq ) {1 2 3}{ro}\m  
{1 1 2 1 2 3}  
blsq ) {1 2 3}{ro}m[  
{{1} {1 2} {1 2 3}}  
blsq ) "abc"{'ajr@}\m  
"aababc"
```

**Authors' Notes:** The Map built-in detects if the input argument is a String and will concat automatically. Compare these examples:

```
blsq ) "abc"{'ajr@}m[  
{'a 'a 'b 'a 'b 'c}  
blsq ) "abc"XX{'ajr@}m[  
{{'a} {'a 'b} {'a 'b 'c}}  
blsq ) "abc"XX{'ajr@}\m  
{'a 'a 'b 'a 'b 'c}  
blsq ) "abc"XX{'ajr@}\m\[  
"aababc"  
blsq ) "abc"{'ajr@}\m  
"aababc"
```

### **Contains ~[**

Block a, Any b: Returns 1 if a contains b otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}4~[
0
blsq ) {1 2 3}2~[
1
```

String a, Char b: Returns 1 if a contains b otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) "abc"'b~[
1
blsq ) "abc"'z~[
0
```

Int a, Int b: Returns 1 if a contains b otherwise returns 0 (works on absolute values).

```
blsq ) 1223 22~[
1
blsq ) 1223 21~[
0
```

String a, String b: Returns 1 if a contains b otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) "hello" "ell"~[
1
blsq ) "hello" "elo"~[
0
```

### **Continuation c!**

Generally speaking a *Continuation* refers to executing code on a snapshot of the stack and then pushing the result back to the actual stack. This means that this built-in lets you run code without destroying data on the stack.

Block a: Run a as a Continuation.

```
blsq ) 5 4.+
9
blsq ) 5 4{.+}c!
9
```

```

4
5
blsq ) 5 4{.+J}c!
9
4
5

```

### **Decrement -.**

**Int a:** Decrements **a**.

```

blsq ) 5-.
4

```

**Char a:** Returns the previous character (unicode point - 1)

```

blsq ) 'c-.
'b

```

**String a:** Prepend first character of **a** to **a**.

```

blsq ) "abc"-.
"aabc"

```

**Block a:** Prepend first element of **a** to **a**.

```

blsq ) {1 2 3}-.
{1 1 2 3}

```

### **Difference \\\**

**Notes:** If left argument contains duplicates as many of them will be removed as are in the right argument. Order is preserved.

**Block a, Block b:** Difference of **a** and **b**.

```

blsq ) {1 1 1 2 3}{1 1}\\\
{1 2 3}

```

**String a, String b:** Difference of **a** and **b**.

```

blsq ) "abcde""ce"\\\
"abd"

```

Int a, Int b: Difference of a and b.

```
blsq ) 1232 22\\
13
```

**Div ./**

Int a, Int b: Integer division.

```
blsq ) 10 3./
3
```

Double a, Double b: Double division.

```
blsq ) 10.0 3.0./
3.3333333333333335
```

String a, String b: Removes b from the beginning of a iff b is a prefix of a.

```
blsq ) "README.md" "README" ./
".md"
blsq ) "README.md" "REDME" ./
"README.md"
```

Block a, Block b: Removes b from the beginning of a iff b is a prefix of a.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}{1 2}./
{3}
blsq ) {1 2 3}{2 2}./
{1 2 3}
```

Int a, Double b: Converts a to Double, then divides.

```
blsq ) 10 3.0./
3.3333333333333335
```

Double a, Int b: Converts b to Double, then divides.

```
blsq ) 10.0 3./
3.3333333333333335
```

### **Duplicate J ^^**

Duplicates the top most element.

```
blsq ) 5
5
blsq ) 5J
5
5
```

### **Equal ==**

Any a, Any b: Returns 1 if a == b else returns 0.

```
blsq ) 5 5==
1
blsq ) 5.0 5==
0
blsq ) 3 2==
0
blsq ) {1 23}{1 23}==
1
```

### **Eval e!**

Block a: Evaluates (executes) a.

```
blsq ) {5 5.+}e!
10
```

**Authors' Notes:** If you want to eval a String use **pe**.

### **EvalMany E!**

*Defined as:* .\*\[e!. This built-in can be used to evaluate a Block a number of times.

```
blsq ) 1{J.+}1E!
2
blsq ) 1{J.+}2E!
4
blsq ) 1{J.+}3E!
```



```

8
blsq ) 1{J.+}4E!
16
blsq ) 1{J.+}4.*\[e!
16

```

## Explode XX

String a: Converts a to a Block of characters.

```

blsq ) "abc"XX
{'a 'b 'c}

```

Int a: Converts a to a Block of digits (works on absolute value.

```

blsq ) 971XX
{9 7 1}

```

Double a: Converts a to a Block containing floor(a) and ceiling(a).

```

blsq ) 5.3XX
{5 6}

```

Char a: Converts to String.

```

blsq ) 'aXX
"a"

```

Block a: No operation.

```

blsq ) {1 2}XX
{1 2}

```

**Authors' Notes:** Sometimes this built-in is also referred to as *Xplode*.

## Format FF

Pretty a, Int format: Change format of a to format.

Formats are:

- 0 - Normal

- 1 - No spaces
- 2 - With spaces
- 3 - Raw

```
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4 "5"}}sh0FF
[1, 2, [3, 4, "5"]]
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4 "5"}}sh1FF
[1,2,[3,4,"5"]]
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4 "5"}}sh2FF
[1 2 [3 4 "5"]]
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4 "5"}}sh3FF
{1 2 {3 4 "5"}}
```

### **FormatFromFormat Ff**

*Defined as: FFff.* Generally just a shortcut for **FFff**.

```
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4}}sh2Ff
"[1 2 [3 4]]"
```

**Authors' Notes:** In most cases you want to use **SH** directly.

### **FromFormat ff**

Pretty **a**: Converts the **a** to String.

```
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4}}shff
"[1, 2, [3, 4]]"
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4}}sh2FFff
"[1 2 [3 4]]"
```

### **Greater .>**

Any **a**, Any **b**: Returns 1 if **a > b** else returns 0.

```
blsq ) 3.0 2.9 .>
1
blsq ) 2.0 2.9 .>
0
blsq ) 10 5 .>
1
blsq ) 10 5.0 .>
```

```

0
blsq ) 'a 1 .>
1
blsq ) 'a 9.0 .>
1
blsq ) 'a {} .>
0
blsq ) {} 9.0 .>
1
blsq ) {} 9 .>
1

```

**Note:** Comparing values with different types may result in unexpected (but deterministic, thus not undefined) behaviour.

**Group** = [

Block **a**: Groups together elements next to each other that are equal.

```

blsq ) {1 2 2 3 4 4 5 6}=[
{{1}} {2 2} {3} {4 4} {5} {6}}
blsq ) {1 2 2 3 4 4 4 6}=[
{{1}} {2 2} {3} {4 4 4} {6}}

```

String **a**: Groups together characters next to each other that are equal.

```

blsq ) "abbbbbc"=[
{"a" "bbbbb" "c"}

```

**See also:** *GroupBy*.

**Head** -]

Block **a**: Returns the first element of **a**.

```

blsq ) {2 4 0}-]
2

```

String **a**: Returns the first character of **a**.

```

blsq ) "abc"-]
'a

```

**Authors' Notes:** If you need the first character of **a** as a String use `--`.

**Int a:** Returns the first digit of **a** (works on absolute value).

```
blsq ) -451-]  
4
```

**HeadTail --**

*Defined as: -][[-.*

```
blsq ) "abcd"-][[-  
"a"  
blsq ) {{1 2 3} {4 5 6}}--  
{2 3}  
blsq ) "abcd"--  
"a"
```

**Authors' Notes:** Useful to get the first character of a String as a String.

**IfElse ie**

**Block a, Block b, Int a:** Executes **a** if **b** is not zero, otherwise executes **b**.

```
blsq ) 5{3.*}{2.*}1ie  
15  
blsq ) 5{3.*}{2.*}0ie  
10
```

**Authors' Notes:** This built-in is terrible because in most real-world cases it requires at least two additional swaps to get the result of a predicate to the top of the stack.

**Iff if**

**Int a, Block b:** Executes **b** only iff **a** is not zero.

```
blsq ) 5 1{3.*}if  
15  
blsq ) 5 0{3.*}if  
5
```

**Block a, Int b:** Executes **a** only iff **b** is not zero.

```

blsq ) 5{3.*}0if
5
blsq ) 5{3.*}1if
15

```

### **Increment +.**

**Int a:** Increments a.

```

blsq ) 5+.
6

```

**Char a:** Returns the next character (unicode point + 1).

```

blsq ) 'a+.
'b

```

**String a:** Appends the last character of a to a.

```

blsq ) "abc"+.
"abcc"

```

**Block a:** Appends the last element of a to a.

```

blsq ) {1 2 3}+.
{1 2 3 3}

```

### **InfixOf ~~**

**Block a, Block b:** Returns 1 if b is an infix of a otherwise returns 0.

```

blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{2 3}~~
1
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{3 3}~~
0

```

**Authors' Notes:** For Strings use ~[.

### **Init ~]**

**Block a:** Returns all but the last elements of **a**.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}~]  
{1 2}
```

**String a:** Returns all but the last character of **a**.

```
blsq ) "12a"~]  
"12"
```

**Int a:** Returns all but the last digit of **a** (as Integer) (works on absolute value).

```
blsq ) 451~]  
45
```

### **InitTail ~-**

*Defined as:* ~][~-. Can be used to remove the first and last element of a String/Block.

```
blsq ) "abcd"~-[-  
"bc"  
blsq ) "abcd"~-  
"bc"
```

### **Intersection IN**

**Notes:** Duplicates in the left argument are preserved. Order is preserved.

**Block a, Block b:** Intersection of **a** and **b**.

```
blsq ) {5 1 1 2 2 2 2} {1 2 2 2 3 4 5}IN  
{5 1 1 2 2 2 2}
```

**String a, String b:** Intersection of **a** and **b**.

```
blsq ) "abc""dce"IN  
"c"
```

**Int a, Int b:** Intersection of **a** and **b**.

```
blsq ) 512 721IN  
12
```

### **Intersperse** [[

Any **a**, Block **b**: Inserts **a** between elements in **b**.

```
blsq ) 0{1 2 3}[[  
{1 0 2 0 3}
```

Char **a**, String **b**: Inserts **a** between characters in **b**.

```
blsq ) 'x"abc"[[  
"axbxc"
```

**See also:** *Intercalate*.

### **Last** [~

String **a**: Returns the last character of **a**.

```
blsq ) "abc"[~  
'c
```

Block **a**: Returns the last element of **a**.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}[~  
3
```

Int **a**: Returns the last digit of **a** (works on absolute value).

```
blsq ) 451[~  
1
```

### **Length** L[

String **a**: Number of characters in a String.

```
blsq ) "abc"L[  
3
```

Block **a**: Number of elements in a Block.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}L[  
3
```

**Int a:** Converts to character based on unicode code point.

```
blsq ) 69L[
'E
blsq ) 98L[
'b
```

**Char a:** Returns case as either 'A or 'a.

```
blsq ) 'BL[
'A
blsq ) 'bL[
'a
```

### **Lines ln**

**String a:** Split a into lines.

```
blsq ) "abc\ndef\ngeh"ln
{"abc" "def" "geh"}
```

**Int a:** Number of digits in a (works on absolute value).

```
blsq ) 123ln
3
blsq ) -123ln
3
```

**Block a, Block b:** Returns whichever is longer. If both are equal in length b is returned.

```
blsq ) {1 2}{1 2 3}ln
{1 2 3}
blsq ) {1 2 4}{1 2 3}ln
{1 2 3}
```

**See also:** *WithLines*.



**Map m[**

String a, Block f: *Defined as: jXXjm[\[*. Applies f to every character in a.

```
blsq ) "aBc"{<-}jXXjm[\[
"AbC"
blsq ) "aBc"{<-}m[
"AbC"
```

Block a, Block f: Applies f to every element in a.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4 5}{J.*}m[
{1 4 9 16 25}
```

**See also:** *ConcatMap* and there are many other different versions and shortcuts for *Map*.

**Matches ~=**

String str, String regex: Returns 1 if regex matches str otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) "123""[0-3]{3}"~=
1
blsq ) "123""[1-3]{3}"~=
1
blsq ) "123""[1-3]{4}"~=
0
```

**MatchesList =~**

String str, String regex: Returns the capturing groups as a list. Empty block if no matches or no capture groups were used in the regular expression.

```
blsq ) "123abc""([0-3]{3}).(b.)"=~
{"123" "bc"}
```

**Max >.**

Any a, Any b: Returns whichever is greatest.

```

blsq ) 5 6>.
6
blsq ) 6 5>.
6
blsq ) {12}12>.
{12}

```

### Maximum >]

Block a: Returns the maximum of a.

```

blsq ) {1 2 3 2 1}>]
3

```

String a: Returns the maximum of a.

```

blsq ) "debca">]
'e

```

Int a: Returns the largest digit as an Integer.

```

blsq ) 1971>]
9
blsq ) 1671>]
7

```

### Min <.

Any a, Any b: Returns whichever is smallest.

```

blsq ) 5 4<.
4
blsq ) 5 4<.
4
blsq ) 10 10.0<.
10

```

### Minimum <]

Block a: Returns the minimum of a.

```

blsq ) {1 2 0 3}<]
0

```

**String a:** Returns the minimum of **a**.

```
blsq ) "bac"<]  
'a
```

**Int a:** Returns the smallest digit as an Integer.

```
blsq ) 109<]  
0
```

### **Mod .%**

This is an auto-zip and auto-map built-in.

**Int a, Int b:** Integer modulo.

```
blsq ) 10 3.%  
1
```

### **Mul .\***

**Int a, Int b:** Integer multiplication.

```
blsq ) 2 3.*  
6
```

**Double a, Double b:** Double multiplication.

```
blsq ) 2.0 3.0.*  
6.0
```

**String a, Int b:** Creates a Block containing **a** exactly **b** times.

```
blsq ) "ab"3.*  
{"ab" "ab" "ab"}
```

**Char a, Int b:** Creates a String containing **a** exactly **b** times.

```
blsq ) 'a 3.*  
"aaa"
```

**Block a, Int b:** Creates a Block containing **a** exactly **b** times.

```
blsq ) {1 2}3.*
{{1 2} {1 2} {1 2}}
```

String a, String b: Appends a to b then reverses.

```
blsq ) "123""456"*.
"321654"
```

Int a, Double b: Converts a to Double, then multiplies.

```
blsq ) 2 3.0.*
6.0
```

Double a, Int b: Converts b to Double, then multiplies.

```
blsq ) 2.0 3.*
6.0
```

**NotEqual !=**

*Defined as: ==n!.*

```
blsq ) 4 4==n!
0
blsq ) 4 3==n!
1
blsq ) 3 4==n!
1
blsq ) 3 4!=
1
blsq ) 4 4!=
0
```

**Nub NB**

Nub means *removing duplicates*. Order is preserved.

Block a: Nub a.

```
blsq ) {5 1 1 2 2 2 2}NB
{5 1 2}
```

String a: Nub a.

```
blsq ) "abccd"NB
"abcd"
```

**Int a:** Nub a.

```
blsq ) 101010011NB
10
```

**Or ||**

This built-in auto-zips if an argument provided is a Block.

**Int a, Int b:** Bitwise OR.

```
blsq ) 2 4||
6
blsq ) 2 {4 8}||
{6 10}
```

**PadLeft P[**

**Block a, Int b, Any c:** Pad a to length b by inserting c on the left (or removing elements from the right).

```
blsq ) {3 4 5}4 1P[
{1 3 4 5}
blsq ) {3 4 5 6 7}4 1P[
{3 4 5 6}
```

**String a, Int b, Char c:** Pad a to length b by inserting c on the left (or removing characters from the right).

```
blsq ) "12"4' P[
" 12"
blsq ) "12345"4' P[
"1234"
```

**PadRight [P**

**Block a, Int b, Any c:** Pad a to length b by inserting c on the right (or removing elements from the right).

```
blsq ) {3 4 5}4 1[P
{3 4 5 1}
blsq ) {3 4 5 6 7}4 1[P
{3 4 5 6}
```

**String a, Int b, Char c:** Pad **a** to length **b** by inserting **c** on the right (or removing characters from the right).

```
blsq ) "12345"4' [P
"1234"
blsq ) "12"4' [P
"12  "
```

### Parse ps

This built-in auto-maps if the argument given is a Block.

**String a:** Tries to parse **a** with the Burlesque parser. (Tries to parse **a** as Burlesque code). Returns a Block.

```
blsq ) "5"ps
{5}
blsq ) "5 3.0.+"ps
{5 3.0 .+}
blsq ) "{5 3.0.+"m["ps
{{5 3.0 .+} m[]}
```

**Authors' Notes:** This built-in is handy. Instead of doing something like:

```
blsq ) "5 3 6 7"wdri++
21
```

you can just do:

```
blsq ) "5 3 6 7"ps++
21
```

### Pop vv

Removes the element on top of the stack.

```

blsq ) 1 2
2
1
blsq ) 1 2vv
1

```

**Authors' Notes:** If there only is one element on top of the stack using `,` is shorter.

### **Pow \*\***

**Int a, Int b:** Returns `a` to the power of `b` ( $a^b$ ).

```

blsq ) 2 3**
8

```

**Double a, Double b:** Returns `a` to the power of `b` ( $a^b$ ).

```

blsq ) 4.0 3.0**
64.0

```

**Block a, Block b:** Merges `a` and `b`. `c = a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2`

```

blsq ) {1 2 3}{4 5 6}**
{1 4 2 5 3 6}

```

**String a, String b:** Merges `a` and `b`.

```

blsq ) "123""456"**
"142536"

```

**Char a:** Returns the unicode codepoint of `a` as an Integer.

```

blsq ) 'A**
65
blsq ) 'a**
97

```

### **PrefixOf ~!**

Block a, Block b: Returns 1 if b is a prefix of a otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) {1 4 3 2}{1 4}~!  
1  
blsq ) {1 4 3 2}{4 3}~!  
0
```

String a, String b: Returns 1 if b is a prefix of a otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) "http://mroman.ch" "http://"~!  
1  
blsq ) "http://mroman.ch" "https://"~!  
0
```

Int a, Int b: Returns 1 if b is a prefix of a otherwise returns 0 (works on absolute values).

```
blsq ) 1991 91~!  
0  
blsq ) 1991 199~!  
1
```

### **Prepend +]**

Block a, Any b: Prepend b to a.

```
blsq ) {1 2}3+]  
{3 1 2}
```

String a, Char b: Prepend b to a.

```
blsq ) "ab"'c+]  
"cab"
```

Int a, Int b: Prepends b to a (result is an Integer).

```
blsq ) 12 23+]  
2312
```



### **Pretty sh**

Any **a**: Convert to a Pretty with format *Normal*.

```
blsq ) "abc\ndef"sh
abc
def
blsq ) {1 2 3}
{1 2 3}
blsq ) {1 2 3}sh
[1, 2, 3]
blsq ) 5.0
5.0
blsq ) 5.0sh
5.0
```

### **PrettyFormatFromFormat SH**

*Defined as: jshjFf.* Can be used to convert something to a String with a specified format.

```
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4}}2SH
"[1 2 [3 4]]"
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4}}1SH
"[1,2,[3,4]]"
```

### **PrettyFromFormat Sh**

*Defined as: shff.* Can be used to convert something to a String with format *Normal*.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}Sh
"[1, 2, 3]"
```

### **PrettyPretty sH**

*Defined as: SHsh.* Can be used to convert something for display with a specified format.

```
blsq ) {1 2 {3 4}}1sH
[1,2,[3,4]]
```

## Product pd

Block {}: *Defined as: 1.* The product of an empty block is one.

Block a: *Defined as: {.}\*}r[.* Calculates the product of a Block.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{.*}r[
24
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}pd
24
blsq ) {1 2 3.0 4}pd
24.0
```

Int a: *Defined as: Shrd.* Converts to double.

```
blsq ) 5Shrd
5.0
blsq ) 5pd
5.0
blsq ) 5rd
5.0
```

Double a: Ceiling of a as Integer.

```
blsq ) 1.1pd
2
```

**Authors' Notes:** If you want ceiling of a as Double use c1.

## ProductMany PD

*Defined as: {pd}m[.* Just maps pd over a Block.

```
blsq ) {{1 2 3} 5 {2 4}}{pd}m[
{6 5.0 8}
blsq ) {{1 2 3} 5 {2 4}}PD
{6 5.0 8}
```

**Authors' Notes:** Can be used as a shortcut for )pd. Otherwise this built-in doesn't offer too much over rd as rd auto-maps.

### PushMany ^p

Block a: Pushes every element in a to the stack.

```
blsq ) 'a{1 2 3}^p
3
2
1
'a
```

### PushManyReverse p^

Block a: Pushes every element in a to the stack in reversed order.

```
blsq ) 'a{1 2 3}p^
1
2
3
'a
```

### Range r@

Int a, Int b: Generates a Block containing the numbers a through b.

```
blsq ) 1 10r@
{1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10}
```

Char a, Char b: Generates a Block containing the characters a through b.

```
blsq ) 'a'zr@
{'a 'b 'c 'd 'e 'f 'g 'h 'i 'j 'k 'l 'm 'n 'o 'p 'q 'r 's 't 'u 'v 'w 'x 'y 'z}
```

**Authors' Notes:** Use *RangeConcat* if you need a String.

Double a: Square root of a.

```
blsq ) 64.0r@
8.0
```

String a: Returns a Block with all permutations of a.

```
blsq ) "abc"r@
{"abc" "bac" "cba" "bca" "cab" "acb"}
```

**Block a:** Returns a Block with all permutations of **a**.

```
blsq ) {1 0 9}r@
{{1 0 9} {0 1 9} {9 0 1} {0 9 1} {9 1 0} {1 9 0}}
```

**RangeInfinity R@**

**Str a:** All subsequences of **a**.

```
blsq ) "abc"R@
{" " "a" "b" "ab" "c" "ac" "bc" "abc"}
```

**Block a:** All subsequences of **a**.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}R@
{{} {1} {2} {1 2} {3} {1 3} {2 3} {1 2 3}}
```

**Int a:** Generates a Block containing the numbers **a** to Infinity.

```
blsq ) 5R@10.+
{5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14}
```

**ReadArray ra**

This built-in auto-maps if the argument given is a Block.

**String a:** Parses an array in [,]-notation.

```
blsq ) "[1,2,3]"ra
{1 2 3}
blsq ) "[1,[2,4],3]"ra
{1 {2 4} 3}
blsq ) "[1,[2 4],3]"ra
{1 {2 4} 3}
blsq ) "[1,[2 4],,,3]"ra
{1 {2 4} 3}
```

It should be noted that , are optional and multiple , will be skipped as well.  
Nesting is supported.

**Char a:** Returns 1 iff **a** is space, else returns 0.

```
blsq ) " \t\ra0"{ra}m[
{1 1 1 0 0}
```

### **ReadDouble rd**

This built-in auto-maps if the argument given is a Block.

**String a:** Converts a to Double.

```
blsq ) "3.0"rd
3.0
```

**Int a:** *Defined as: pd.*

**Double a:** No operation.

```
blsq ) 3.1rd
3.1
```

**Char a:** Returns 1 iff a is alpha, else returns 0.

```
blsq ) 'ard
1
blsq ) '1rd
0
```

**Authors' Notes:** This built-in is useful to convert every element in a Block to a Double:

```
blsq ) {3.0 5 "3.14"}rd
{3.0 5.0 3.14}
```

### **ReadInt ri**

This built-in auto-maps if the argument given is a Block.

**String a:** Converts a to Int.

```
blsq ) "100"ri
100
blsq ) "-101"ri
-101
```

**Int a:** No operation.

```
blsq ) 5ri
5
blsq ) -5ri
-5
```

Double **a**: *Defined as: av.*

Char **a**: Returns 1 iff **a** is alpha numeric, else returns 0.

```
blsq ) 'ari
1
blsq ) '1ri
1
blsq ) '.ri
0
```

**Authors' Notes:** This built-in is useful to convert every element in a Block to an Integer:

```
blsq ) {"12" 12.0 13 12.7}ri
{12 12 13 12}
```

However, Doubles are not rounded to the nearest Integer but are truncated. Rounding everything to the nearest Integer can be done with for example `rd)R_`.

### Reduce **r**[

Block **a**, Block **f**: Takes the first element of **a** and the second element of **a**, applies **f**, takes the next element of **a** and applies **f** again and continues like that. More symbolically speaking `{1 2 3 4}{.+}r[` becomes `1 2 .+ 3 .+ 4 .+`, `{1 2 3 5}{?-}r[` becomes `1 2 ?- 3 ?- 4?-` and so forth.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{.+}r[
10
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{.*}r[
24
```

### Replace **r~**

Block **a**, Any **b**, Any **c**: Replaces every occurrence of **b** in **a** with **c**.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 1 4}1 9r~
{9 2 3 9 4}
```

String **a**, Char **b**, Char **c**: Replaces every occurrence of **b** in **a** with **c**.

```
blsq ) "hello" 'l' !r~
"he!lo"
```

**String a, String b, String c:** Replaces every occurrence of **b** in **a** with **c**.

```
blsq ) "hi there hi go""hi""bye"r~  
"bye there bye go"
```

**Int a, Int b, Int c:** Replaces every occurrence of **b** in **a** with **c** (works on absolute values).

```
blsq ) -1334336 33 10r~  
1104106
```

### **ReplaceRegex R~**

**String str, String repl, String regex:** Replaces every match of **regex** with **repl**.

```
blsq ) "Year 2014." "X" "[[:digit:]]" R~  
"Year XXXX."  
blsq ) "Year 2014." "X" "[0-3]" R~  
"Year XXX4."  
blsq ) "Year 2014." "__" "[a-z]|[0-3]{2}" R~  
"Y_____ __14."
```

### **Reverse <-**

**String a:** Reverses **a**.

```
blsq ) "123"<-  
"321"
```

**Block a:** Reverses **a**.

```
blsq ) {4 5 6}<-  
{6 5 4}
```

**Int a:** Reverses the digits of an Integer. (Works on absolute value).

```
blsq ) -123<-  
321
```

**Char a:** Inverts case.

```
blsq ) 'a<-  
'A  
blsq ) 'B<-  
'b
```

## Round $r_$

This built-in accepts a Block as first argument, in which case an auto-map is performed.

Double  $a$ , Int  $b$ : Rounds  $a$  to  $b$  decimal points.

```
blsq ) 3.12 2r_  
3.12  
blsq ) 3.19 2r_  
3.19  
blsq ) 3.5 0r_  
4.0  
blsq ) {3.5 3.4}0r_  
{4.0 3.0}
```

## Round2 $R_$

*Defined as:  $0r\_pd$ .*

```
blsq ) {3.5 3.4}0r_pd  
12.0  
blsq ) {3.5 3.4}R_  
12.0  
blsq ) 5.5R_  
6  
blsq ) 5.3R_  
5  
blsq ) 5.3 0r_pd  
5
```

**Authors' Notes:** Even though  $r_$  can auto-map this built-in won't do the same *expected* job because  $pd$  will calculate the product of a Block. You may however use this fact as a shortcut for example for  $\{0r_ \}m[ $pd$$ . If you want to round every Double to the nearest Integer in a Block use  $)R_$ .

## Signum $sn$

Int  $a$ : Signum of  $a$ . (-1 for negative, 1 for positive, 0 for zero).

```
blsq ) -6sn6sn0sn  
0  
1  
-1
```



**Double a:** Signum of **a**. (-1.0 for negative, 1.0 for positive, 0.0 for zero).

```
blsq ) -6.0sn6.0sn0.0sn
0.0
1.0
-1.0
```

**Smaller .<**

**Any a, Any b:** Returns 1 if **a < b** else returns 0.

```
blsq ) 2 3.<
1
blsq ) 4 3.<
0
blsq ) {1 2 3}{2 2 3}.<
1
```

**Note:** Comparing values with different types may result in unexpected (but deterministic, thus not undefined) behaviour.

**Sort ><**

**Block a:** Sorts **a** in ascending order.

```
blsq ) {5 3 4}><
{3 4 5}
```

**Str a:** Sorts **a** in ascending order.

```
blsq ) "there"><
"eehrt"
```

**Int a:** Sorts **a** in ascending order.

```
blsq ) 3241><
1234
blsq ) 32401><
1234
```

**Notes:** Please be aware that this will remove zeroes as numbers don't have leading zeroes.

**Char a:** Returns 1 if **a** is a digit, 0 otherwise.

```
blsq ) "ab10c"><
{0 0 1 1 0}
```

## SortReverse <>

*Defined as:* ><<-

```
blsq ) {5 3 0 9 7 8}<>
{9 8 7 5 3 0}
blsq ) {5 3 0 9 7 8}><<-
{9 8 7 5 3 0}
```

## Split ;;

Block a, Block b: Split a on b.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4 2 3 5 7 2 3 8}{2 3};;
{{1} {4} {5 7} {8}}
```

String a, String b: Split a on b.

```
blsq ) "Hello, world, is,", ";;
{"Hello" "world" "is,"}
```

String a, Char b: Split a on b.

```
blsq ) "Hello"l;;
{"He" "" "o"}
```

Char a, String b: Split b on a.

```
blsq ) 'e"Hello";;
{"H" "llo"}
```

Int a, Int b: Split a on b.

```
blsq ) 1234256238 23;;
{1 4256 8}
```

### **StripLeft S[**

Block a, Any b: Removes any leading bs from a.

```
blsq ) {1 1 2 5}1S[
{2 5}
```

String a, Char b: Removes any leading bs from a.

```
blsq ) "QQabQ"QS[
"abQ"
```

Int a: Returns (a \* a) (squares).

```
blsq ) 5S[
25
```

**Authors' Notes:** For Doubles use fC.

### **StripRight [S**

Block a, Any b: Removes any trailing bs from a.

```
blsq ) {1 0 0 0}0[S
{1}
```

String a, Char b: Removes any trailing bs from a.

```
blsq ) "abccc" 'c[S
"ab"
```

### **Sub .-**

Int a, Int b: Integer subtraction.

```
blsq ) 1 5.-
-4
```

Double a, Double b: Double subtraction.

```
blsq ) 1.0 4.0.-
-3.0
```

String a, String b: Removes b from the end of a iff b is a suffix of a.

```
blsq ) "README.md" ".md".-  
"README"  
blsq ) "README.md" ".txt".-  
"README.md"
```

Int a, Block b: Removes the first a elements from b.

```
blsq ) 3{1 2 3 4}.-  
{4}
```

String a, Int b: Removes the first b characters from a.

```
blsq ) "abcd"2.-  
"cd"
```

Int a, String b: Removes the first a characters from b.

```
blsq ) 2"abcd".-  
"cd"
```

Block a, Int b: Removes the first b elements from a.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}2.-  
{3 4}
```

Int a, Double b: Converts a to Double, then subtracts.

```
blsq ) 4 3.0.-  
1.0
```

Double a, Int b: Converts b to Double, then subtracts.

```
blsq ) 4.0 3.-  
1.0
```

Block a, Block b: Removes b from the end of a iff b is a suffix of a.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{3 4}.-  
{1 2}  
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{3 4 5}.-  
{1 2 3 4}
```

### SuffixOf !~

Block a, Block b: Returns 1 if b is a suffix of a otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}{2 3}!~  
1  
blsq ) {1 2 3}{1 2}!~  
0
```

String a, String b: Returns 1 if b is a suffix of a otherwise returns 0.

```
blsq ) "this.txt" ".txt"!~  
1  
blsq ) "this.txt" ".pdf"!~  
0
```

Int a, Int b: Returns 1 if b is a suffix of a otherwise returns 0 (works on absolute values).

```
blsq ) 123 -23!~  
1  
blsq ) 123 -24!~  
0
```

### Sum ++

Block {}: *Defined as: 0*. The sum of an empty Block is zero.

Block a: *Defined as: {.+}r[*. Calculates the sum of a Block.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}{.+}r[  
10  
blsq ) {1 2 3 4}++  
10  
blsq ) {1 2 3 4.0}++  
10.0
```

Int a, Int b: Concatenates Integers (works on absolute values).

```
blsq ) 12 34++  
1234
```

### Swap j \/

Swaps the top two elements.

```
blsq ) 1 2
2
1
blsq ) 1 2j
1
2
```

### Tail [-

Block **a**: Returns all but the first element of **a**.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}[-
{2 3}
```

String **a**: Returns all but the first character of **a**.

```
blsq ) "hello"[-
"ello"
```

Int **a**: Returns all but the last digit of **a** (as Integer) (works on absolute value).

```
blsq ) 451[-
51
```

Char **a**: Convert to string.

```
blsq ) 'a[-
"a"
```

### Union UN

**Notes:** If left argument contains duplicates these will be preserved. Duplicates in the right argument will be removed. Order is preserved.

Block **a**, Block **b**: Union of **a** and **b**.

```
blsq ) {1 1} {1 2 2 2 3}UN
{1 1 2 3}
```

String a, String b: Union of a and b.

```
blsq ) "zabc""cde"UN
"zabcde"
```

Int a, Int b: Union of a and b.

```
blsq ) 12 14UN
124
```

### Unlines un

Block {}: If given an empty block returns an empty string.

```
blsq ) {}un
""
```

Otherwise: *Defined as:* "\n"j[[\]. This is the *inverse* of ln and inserts newlines between elements.

```
blsq ) {"abc" "def" "ghe"}"\n"j[[\
"abc\ndef\nghe"
blsq ) {"abc" "def" "ghe"}un
"abc\ndef\nghe"
```

**Authors' Notes:** Due to its definition this built-in will only work as expected when the Block contains Strings. If you want to *unlines* a Block containing other types use Su.

```
blsq ) {1 2 3}un
"\n12\n3"
blsq ) {1 2 3}Su
"1\n2\n3"
```

### UnlinesPretty uN

*Defined as:* unsh.

```
blsq ) {"12" "23"}un
"12\n23"
blsq ) {"12" "23"}uN
12
23
blsq ) {"12" "23"}unsh
12
23
```

## Unparse up

Any **a**: Converts **a** to display string. This is somewhat the *inverse* of **ps**.

```
blsq ) {1 2++}up
"{1 2 ++}"
```

**Authors' Note:** This built-in is somewhat equivalent to using **3SH**.

## While w!

A while-loop

Block **f**, Block **p**: Executes **f** while **p** is not zero. **p** will be tested each time against the top of the stack.

```
blsq ) 5{+.}{10.<}w!
10
```

Block **f**: Executes **f** as long as the top of the stack is not zero. Same thing as doing `{code}{}`**w!**.

```
blsq ) 0 10{j+..j-..}w!
0
20
```

## WithLines w1

*Defined as:* `jlnjm[un]`. This built-in allows to map over the lines in a String.

```
blsq ) "abc\ndef"{<-}jlnjm[un
"cba\nfed"
blsq ) "abc\ndef"{<-}w1
"cba\nfed"
```

## WithLinesParsePretty wL

*Defined as:* `(ps)+]WL`. This built-in allows to map over the lines in a String while calling *Parse* on each line automatically.

```
blsq ) "11 22\n5 6"{++Sh}(ps)+]WL
33
11
blsq ) "11 22\n5 6"{++Sh}wL
33
11
```



### **WithLinesPretty WL**

*Defined as: `wlsh`.*

```
blsq ) "abc\ndef"{<-}wlsh
cba
fed
blsq ) "abc\ndef"{<-}WL
cba
fed
```

### **WithWords ww**

*Defined as: `jWDjm[wd]`. This built-in allows to map over the words in a String.*

```
blsq ) "hello world"{<-}jWDjm[wd
"olleh dlrow"
blsq ) "hello world"{<-}ww
"olleh dlrow"
```

### **WithWordsPretty WW**

*Defined as: `wwsh`.*

```
blsq ) "hello world"{<-}wwsh
olleh dlrow
blsq ) "hello world"{<-}WW
olleh dlrow
```

### **Xor \$\$**

This built-in auto-zips if an argument provided is a Block.

Int a, Int b: Bitwise XOR.

```
blsq ) 66 34$$
96
blsq ) 96 66 $$
34
blsq ) 96 34 $$
66
```