

NuShell

Superglue for your OS

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Introduction

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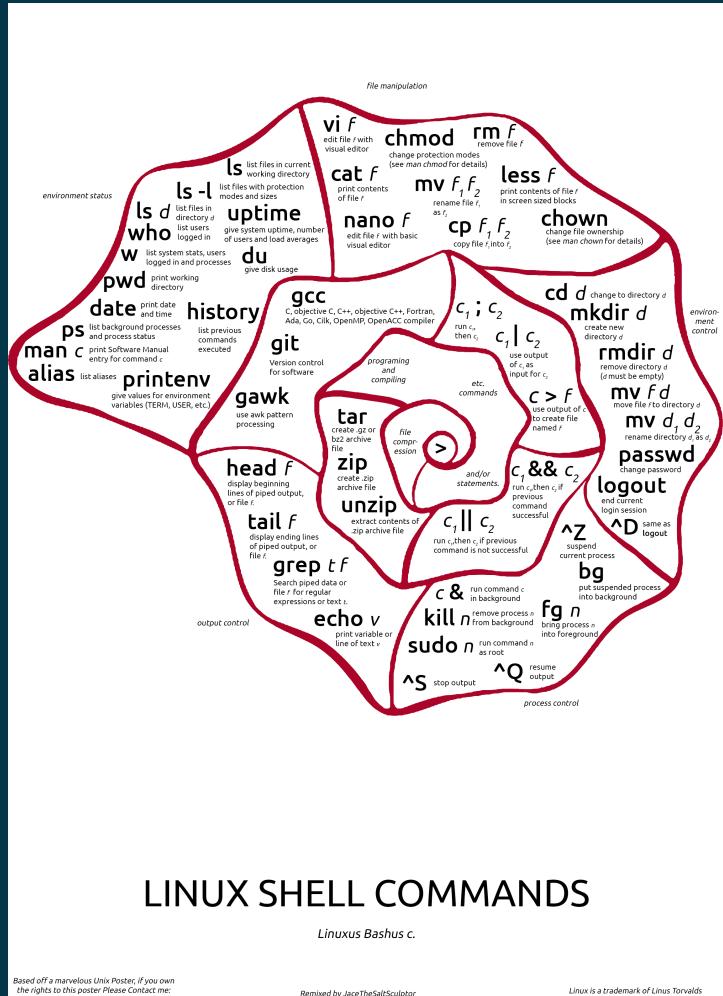
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New shell.



Prerequisites

Try it out out yourself

Install locally: <https://www.nushell.sh/book/installation.html>

- Download binary: github.com/nushell/nushell/releases
- Rust:
 - Install rustup from <https://rustup.rs/>
 - Add Cargo bin to your PATH if not done automatically
 - `cargo install nu`
- Mac: `brew install nushell`
- Windows (winget): `winget install nushell`
- Windows (chocolatey): `choco install nushell`

Linux:

- Debian: `apt install rustup`
- Nix: `nix-shell -p nushell`
- Snap: `sudo snap install nushell --classic`

No installation: <https://www.nushell.sh/demo/>

Exercises

Have a look at the *.nu files in this repo.

To run an exercise:

```
workshop.nu # With shebang  
nu workshop.nu
```

 Shell

To pipe in data from Bash:

```
cat somefile.txt | exercise.nu # With shebang  
cat somefile.txt | nu exercise.nu
```

 Shell

Piping within NuShell:

```
open somefile.txt | exercise.nu
```

 Shell

Basics

Commands output tables

ls

=>

#	#	name	type	size	modified
# =>	0	CITATION.cff	file	812 B	2 months ago
# =>	1	CODE_OF_CONDUCT.md	file	3.4 KiB	9 months ago
# =>	2	CONTRIBUTING.md	file	11.0 KiB	5 months ago
# =>	3	Cargo.lock	file	194.9 KiB	15 hours ago
# =>	4	Cargo.toml	file	9.2 KiB	15 hours ago
# =>	5	Cross.toml	file	666 B	6 months ago
# =>	6	LICENSE	file	1.1 KiB	9 months ago
# =>	7	README.md	file	12.0 KiB	15 hours ago
# =>	...				

Sort output by column

```
ls | sort-by size | reverse
```

Shell

# =>	#	name	type	size	modified
# =>	0	Cargo.lock	file	194.9 KiB	15 hours ago
# =>	1	toolkit.nu	file	20.0 KiB	15 hours ago
# =>	2	README.md	file	12.0 KiB	15 hours ago
# =>	3	CONTRIBUTING.md	file	11.0 KiB	5 months ago
# =>	4
# =>	5	LICENSE	file	1.1 KiB	9 months ago
# =>	6	CITATION.cff	file	812 B	2 months ago
# =>	7	Cross.toml	file	666 B	6 months ago
# =>	8	typos.toml	file	513 B	2 months ago
# =>					

Filtering output

```
ls | where size > 10kb
```

 Shell

# =>	#	name	type	size	modified
# =>	0	CONTRIBUTING.md	file	11.0 KiB	5 months ago
# =>	1	Cargo.lock	file	194.6 KiB	2 minutes ago
# =>	2	README.md	file	12.0 KiB	16 hours ago
# =>	3	toolkit.nu	file	20.0 KiB	16 hours ago

Processes

ps

Shell

# =>	#	pid	ppid	name	status	cpu	mem	virtual
# =>	0	1	0	init(void)	Sleeping	0.00	1.2 MiB	2.2 MiB
# =>	1	8	1	init	Sleeping	0.00	124.0 KiB	2.3 MiB
# =>	2	6565	1	SessionLeader	Sleeping	0.00	108.0 KiB	2.2 MiB
# =>	3	6566	6565	Relay(6567)	Sleeping	0.00	116.0 KiB	2.2 MiB
# =>	4	6567	6566	nu	Running	0.00	28.4 MiB	1.1 GiB
# =>								

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 Shell

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How does this work?

```
ps | describe
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 Shell

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# => table<pid: int, ppid: int, name: string, status: string, cpu: float, mem:  
filesize, virtual: filesize> (stream)
```

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```
ps | where cpu > 0 | sort-by cpu | reverse
```

 Shell

# =>	#	pid	name	cpu	mem	virtual
# =>	0	11928	nu.exe	32.12	47.7 MB	20.9 MB
# =>	1	11728	Teams.exe	10.71	53.8 MB	50.8 MB
# =>	2	21460	msedgewebview2.exe	8.43	54.0 MB	36.8 MB

Pipelines

Example

```
ls  
| sort-by size  
| reverse  
| first  
| get name  
| cp $in ~
```

 Shell

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Why does cp need \$in?

Because cp has two positional arguments.

No | needed in multi-line pipelines.

Equivalent:

```
ls | sort-by size | reverse | first | get name | cp $in ~
```

 Shell

Battle of the pipelines

Bash pipeline:

Bash command

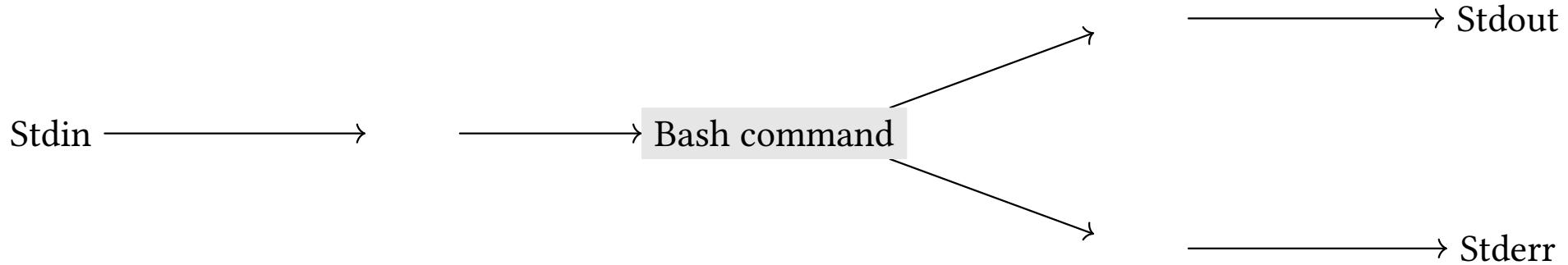
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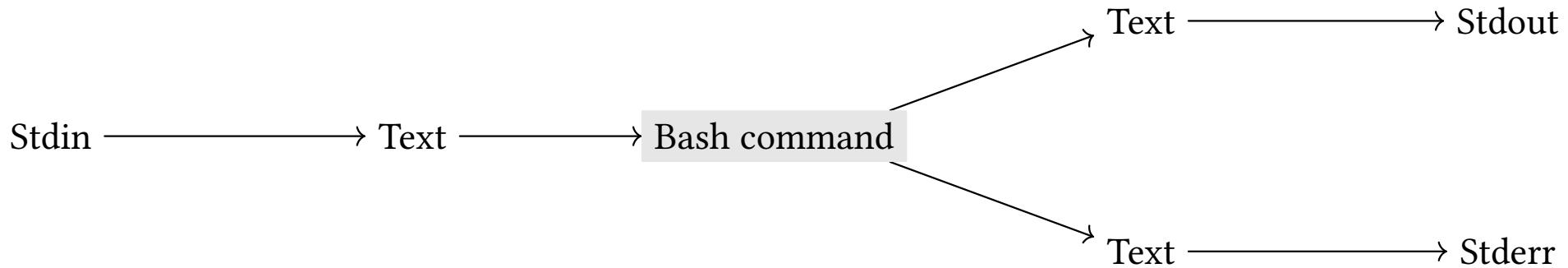
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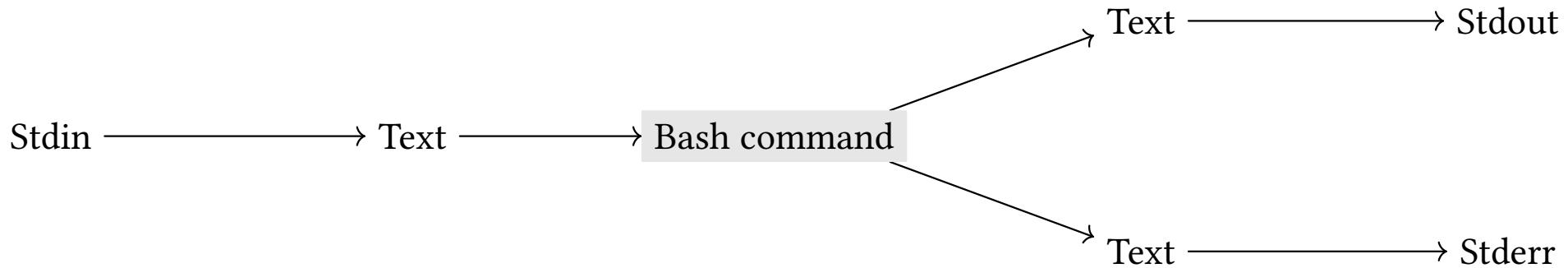
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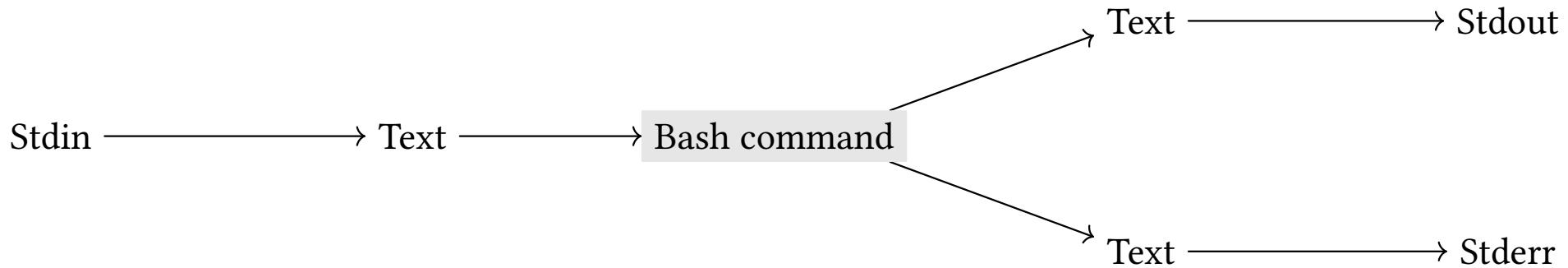


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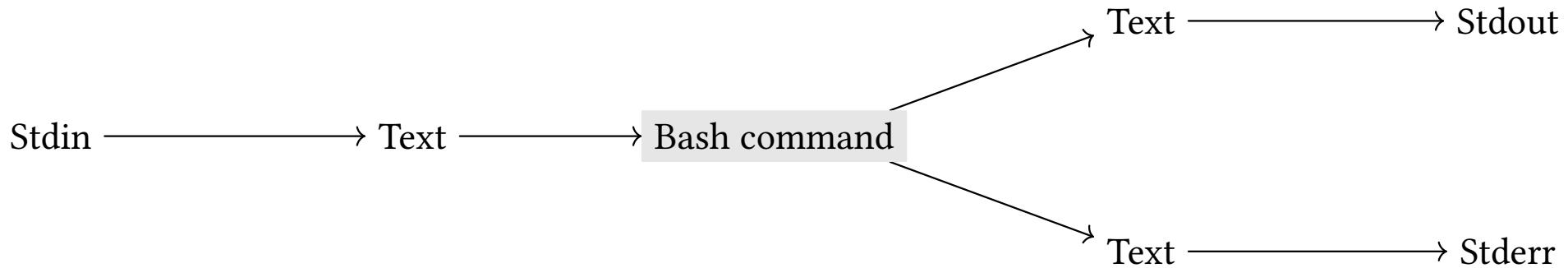


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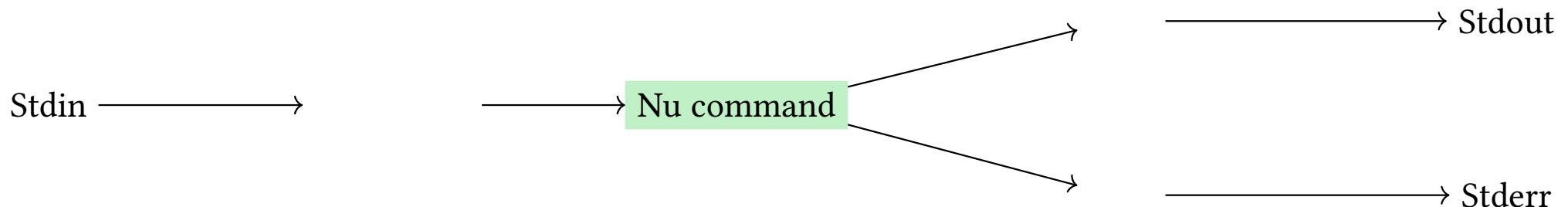


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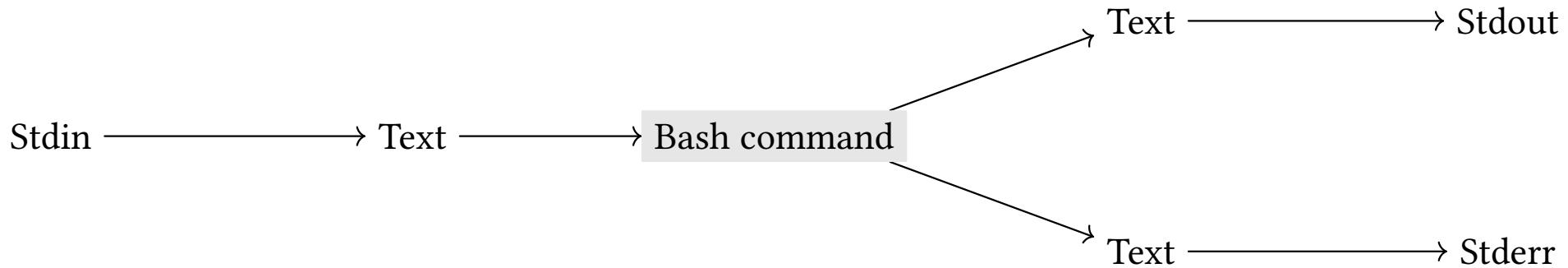


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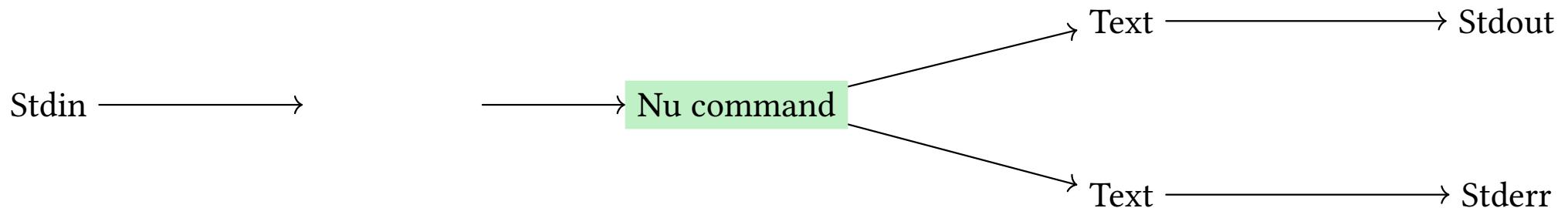


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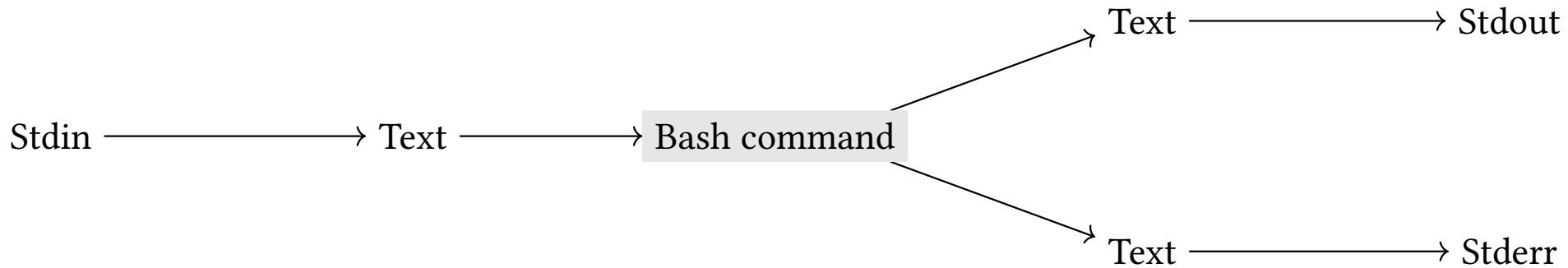


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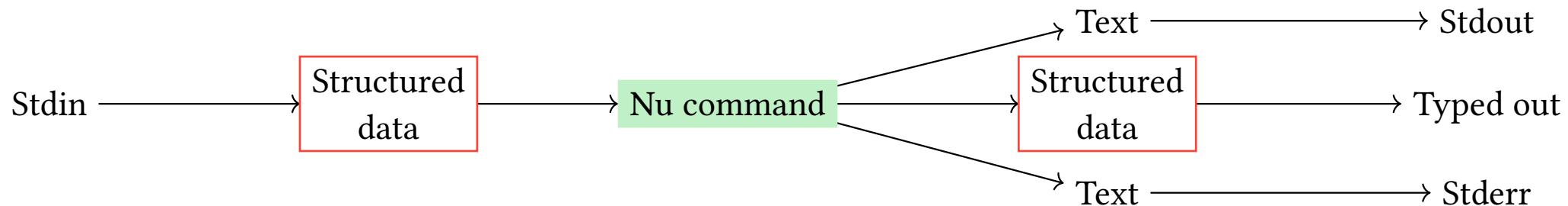


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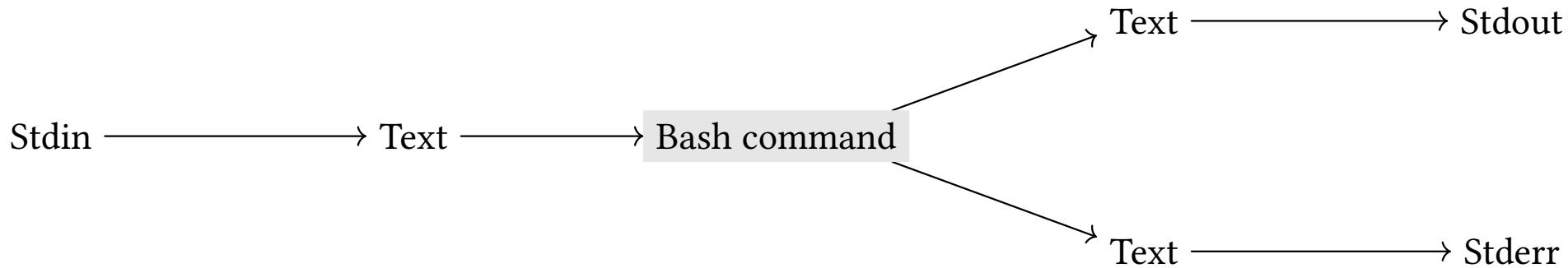


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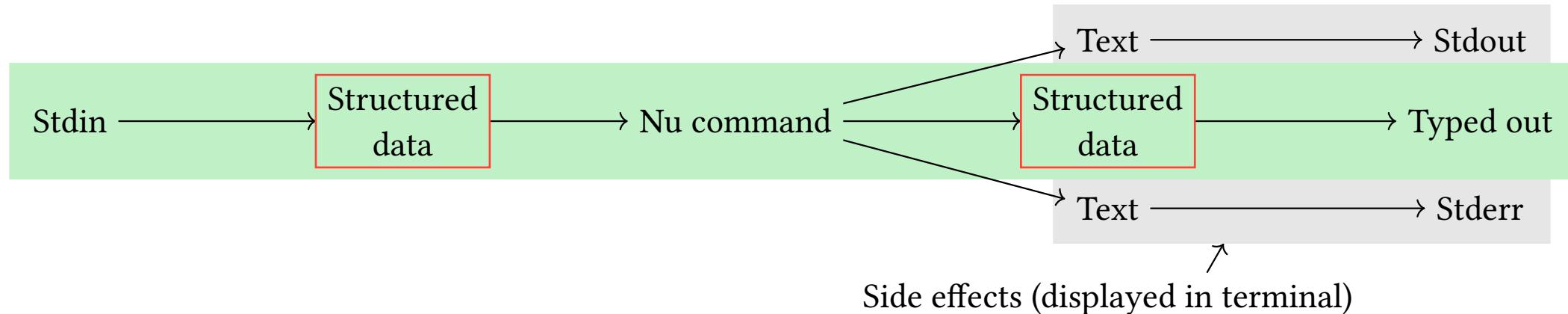


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Records

Tables are built from rows of records:

```
ls  
| sort-by size  
| reverse  
| first  
| get name  
| cp $in ~
```

 Shell } (1) Table
} (2) Record
} (3) Cell path
} (4) String

Another way to find this out:

```
ls | sort-by size | reverse | first | describe  
# => record<name: string, type: string, size: filesize, modified: datetime>
```

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Shell

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# => # pid name cpu mem virtual
# => _____
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# => _____
```

Shell

Solution:

```
ps | where name == Notepad2.exe | get pid | get 0 | kill $in
# => _____
# => 0 SUCCESS: Sent termination signal to the process with PID 9268.
# => _____
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Shell

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Only positional arguments:

```
def greet [name1, name2] {  
    $"Hello, ($name1) and ($name2)!"  
}
```

 Shell

```
greet Wei Mei  
# => Hello, Wei and Mei!
```

Optional arguments

```
def greet [name?: string] {  
    $"Hello, ($name | default 'You')"  
}
```

 Shell

```
greet  
# => Hello, You
```

Default values:

```
def congratulate [age: int = 18] {  
    $"Happy birthday! You are ($age) years old now!"  
}
```

 Shell

Typing pipeline

Custom commands 

```
def inc []: int -> int {  
    $in + 1  
    print "Did it!"  
}  
  
# => Error: nu::parser::output_type_mismatch  
# =>  
# =>     × Command output doesn't match int.  
# =>     └─[entry #1:1:24]  
# =>     1   ┌─ def inc []: int -> int {  
# =>     2   |   $in + 1  
# =>     3   |   print "Did it!"  
# =>     4   ┌─ }  
# =>     .   └─ expected int, but command outputs nothing  
# =>
```

 Shell

```
# Greet guests along with a VIP
#
# Use for birthdays, graduation parties,
# retirements, and any other event which
# celebrates an event # for a particular
# person.

def vip-greet [
    vip: string          # The special guest
    ...names: string     # The other guests
] {
    for $name in $names {
        print $"Hello, ($name)!"
    }

    print $"And a special welcome to our VIP today, ($vip)!"
}
```

 Shell

Exercises

Exercise: Create a command line program / script that takes a list of numbers as input and outputs their average.

Warning: You need the shebang: `#!/usr/bin/env -S nu --stdin` to be able to pipe into it.

Explore

Zooming-in

Explore 

Telescoping into structured data:

[help](#) [commands](#) | [explore](#)

[ Shell]

Key bindings:

- Go deeper: Enter
- Go back: ESC / q
- Navigate: Arrow keys or j/k

The `help` command is for built-in Nu commands. `man` is for external commands.

Data exploration

Open interactive data explorer with :try in explore mode.

Pipe current explore view into a pipeline with:

```
$in | select name description | where name == "ls"
```

 Shell

(in older versions, maybe \$nu instead of \$in)

Exercise

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 Shell

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```
help commands |
where (
  ($it.category == "filters") and
  ($it.name | str contains "by"))
)
```

 Shell } (1) Table output
} (2) Filter } (3) Row condition 1 } (4) Row condition 2

List

Single column tables

```
[bell book candle] | where ($it =~ 'b')
```

 Shell

```
# => 

|   |      |
|---|------|
| 0 | bell |
| 1 | book |


```

Commas are optional in list literals.

```
let colors = [yellow green]
let colors = ($colors | prepend red)
let colors = ($colors | append purple)
let colors = ($colors ++ ["blue"])
let colors = ([black] ++ $colors)
$colors
# => [black red yellow green purple blue]
```

 Shell

Iterating over lists

```
let names = [Mark Tami Amanda Jeremy]
$names | each { |elt| $"Hello, ($elt)!" }
# Outputs "Hello, Mark!" and three more similar lines.
```

 Shell

```
$names | enumerate | each { |elt| $"($elt.index + 1) - ($elt.item)" }
# Outputs "1 - Mark", "2 - Tami", etc.
```

Filtering lists:

```
let colors = [red orange yellow green blue purple]
$colors | where ($it | str ends-with 'e')
# The block passed to `where` must evaluate to a boolean.
# This outputs the list [orange blue purple].
```

 Shell

Boolean conditions:

```
let colors = [red green blue]
# Do any color names end with "e"?
$colors | any {|elt| $elt | str ends-with "e" } # true
```

 Shell

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 Shell

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Solution:

```
git log --oneline | lines | get 0 | str trim
```

 Shell

Records

Single-row tables

```
let my_record = {  
    name: "Sam"  
    age: 30  
}  
  
$my_record | update age { $in + 1 }  
  
# =>  
# => 

|      |     |
|------|-----|
| name | Sam |
| age  | 31  |

  
# =>
```

 Shell

Displayed like two columns, but still a single-row table (record).

Parsing JSON

```
# Nushell
{ "apples": 543, "bananas": 411, "oranges": 0 }
# => 
# => | apples | 543
# => | bananas | 411
# => | oranges | 0
# =>

# JSON
'{ "apples": 543, "bananas": 411, "oranges": 0 }' | from json
# =>
# => | apples | 543
# => | bananas | 411
# => | oranges | 0
# =>
```

Iterating

```
{ "apples": 543, "bananas": 411, "oranges": 0 } | items { |fruit, count| $"We have ($fruit) ($count)" }
```

```
# => 

|      |                     |
|------|---------------------|
| 0    | We have apples 543  |
| 1    | We have bananas 411 |
| 2    | We have oranges 0   |
| # => |                     |


```

Exercise

Exercise: Convert the following JQ command to Nushell:

```
echo '[{"name": "Alice", "age": 30}, {"name": "Bob", "age": 25}]' | jq -r '.[] | select(.age > 28)'
```

 Shell

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```

 Shell

Solution:

```
'[{"name": "Alice", "age": 30}, {"name": "Bob", "age": 25}]'  
| from json  
| where age > 28
```

 Shell

```
# => 

| # | name  | age |
|---|-------|-----|
| 0 | Alice | 30  |


```

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```
echo '[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]' |  
jq -r 'map(. * 2)'
```

 Shell

Solution:

```
'[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]'  
| from json  
| each { |x| $x * 2 }  
# => 

|   |    |
|---|----|
|   |    |
| 0 | 2  |
| 1 | 4  |
| 2 | 6  |
| 3 | 8  |
| 4 | 10 |
|   |    |

  
# => 0 2  
# => 1 4  
# => 2 6  
# => 3 8  
# => 4 10  
# =>
```

 Shell

Tables

Creating tables

```
let first = [[a b]; [1 2]]  
let second = [[a b]; [3 4]]  
$first | append $second  
  
# => ┌─────────┐  
# => # | a | b  
# => └─────────┘  
# => 0 | 1 | 2  
# => 1 | 3 | 4  
# => ┌─────────┘
```

 Shell

Getting data out

ls get name
=> _____
=> 0 files.rs
=> 1 lib.rs
=> 2 lite_parse.rs
=> 3 parse.rs
=> 4 path.rs
=> 5 shapes.rs
=> _____

Shell

ls select name
=> _____
=> # name
=> _____
=> 0 files.rs
=> 1 lib.rs
=> 2 lite_parse.rs
=> 3 parse.rs
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=> 5 shapes.rs
=> _____

Shell

What is the difference between get and select?

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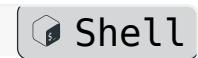
What is the difference between `get` and `select`?

get returns a single column as a list, while select returns a table with one column.

What is the type of the arguments passed to `get` and `select`?

Getting data out

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Shell

ls select name	
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Exercise

Download dataset with `fetch-data.nu`.

Explore the dataset: `open data/covid_19_data.csv | explore`.

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```
open data/covid_19_data.csv | sort-by Deaths --reverse
```

 Shell

Data exploration

Grouping

```
open data/covid_19_data.csv | group-by `Country/Region`
```

Shell

# =>	Afghanistan	[table 75 rows]
# =>	Albania	[table 74 rows]
# =>	Algeria	[table 75 rows]
=>
# =>		

Does the previous command return a record or a table?

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# =>	Algeria	[table 75 rows]
=>
# =>		

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A record: Keys = country names, Values = tables of rows for that country.

From record to table

Records cannot be iterated with each (which expects a table/list).

Use transpose to convert a record into a table:

```
{a: 1, b: 2} | transpose
```

Shell

```
# =>
# =>      # | column0 | column1
# =>      - |         |         |
# =>      0 | a       |         1
# =>      1 | b       |         2
# =>
```

```
{a: 1, b: 2} | transpose key value
```

```
# =>
# =>      # | key    | value
# =>      - |         |         |
# =>      0 | a     |     1
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```

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  {country: $country, total_deaths: ($rows | get Deaths | math sum)}
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```

Shell

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```
●132 def check-membership [item list] {
133   | $item in $list
134 }
135
136 # Multiple violations in single function
●137 def complex-violations [data] {
    | Parameter 'data' is missing type annotation
    | Custom command 'complex-violations' produces output but lacks output type annotation
    | Use pipeline input instead of parameter
138   mut result = []
139   $data | each { item |
●140     if $item > 0 {
141       if $item < 100 {
142         let processed = $item * 2
●143         $result = $result ++ [$processed]
144       }
145     }
146   }
●147   let final = $result
148   $final
149 }
150
151 # External commands that should use builtins
●152 def external-heavy [] {
```

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  );
}

in
{
  options.programs.solar-brightness = {
    enable = lib.mkEnableOption "Solar-based brightness control";

    interval-minutes = lib.mkOption {
      type = lib.types.str;
      default = "15min";
      description = "Check brightness interval (systemd/nushell duration format: sec, min, hr, day)";
      example = "30min";
    };
  };
}
```

Nix

} (1) Import of Nu script

} (2) Nix module options

Find the code at <https://github.com/wvhulle/nix-user-modules>, my public Nix user modules. Feel free to use any of them!

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