

Ruby - Bug #18247

weird results for `Array#slice` or `Array#[]` with argument of type `Enumerator::ArithmeticSequence`

10/08/2021 03:38 PM - lxxvi (Mario Schüttel)

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Description

There are weird results for Array#slice or Array#[] with argument of type Enumerator::ArithmeticSequence.

Particularly most results with negative steps are weird. For example:

```
@array = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

@array.slice((2...).step(-1))      # => [2, 1, 0]
@array.slice((2...).step(-2))      # => [2, 0]
@array.slice((2...).step(-3))      # => [2]
@array.slice((2...).step(-4))      # => [0]           # ??? I'd have expected [2]

@array.slice((-3...).step(-1))     # => [3, 2, 1, 0]
@array.slice((-3...).step(-2))     # => [3, 1]
@array.slice((-3...).step(-3))     # => [3, 0]
@array.slice((-3...).step(-4))     # => [3]
@array.slice((-3...).step(-5))     # => [0]           # ??? I'd have expected [3]
```

Have a look at these examples with "beginless" ranges and negative steps.

Particularly the ones excluding the end value (...) seem wrong:

```
@array = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

## end with zero index
@array.slice(..0).step(-1))      # => [5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]
@array.slice(...0).step(-1))      # => [5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0]

@array.slice(..0).step(-2))       # => [5, 3, 1]
@array.slice(...0).step(-2))      # => [5, 3, 1]

@array.slice(..0).step(-10))      # => [0]
@array.slice(...0).step(-10))     # => [0]

## end with positive index
@array.slice(..3).step(-1))       # => [5, 4, 3]
@array.slice(...3).step(-1))       # => [5, 4, 3]

@array.slice(..3).step(-2))       # => [5, 3]
@array.slice(...3).step(-2))      # => [5, 3]

@array.slice(..3).step(-10))      # => [3]
@array.slice(...3).step(-10))     # => [3]

## end with negative index
@array.slice(..-2).step(-1))      # => [5, 4]
@array.slice(...-2).step(-1))     # => [5, 4]

@array.slice(..-2).step(-2))      # => [5]
@array.slice(...-2).step(-2))     # => [5]

@array.slice(..-2).step(-10))     # => [4]
@array.slice(...-2).step(-10))    # => [4]
```

Finally, some examples where the range is "inverted".

Particularly, the results for the ones excluding the end value (...) look strange.

But all examples seem weird, but I might not understand the concept of arithmetic sequence in depth.

```
@array = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

# start and end with positive index
@array.slice((3...1).step(-1))      # => [3, 2, 1]
@array.slice((3...1).step(-1))      # => [2, 1]

@array.slice((3...1).step(-2))      # => [3, 1]
@array.slice((3...1).step(-2))      # => [2]

@array.slice((3...1).step(-10))     # => [1]
@array.slice((3...1).step(-10))     # => [1]

# start with negative index, end with positive index
@array.slice((-2...1).step(-1))     # => [4, 3, 2, 1]
@array.slice((-2...1).step(-1))     # => [3, 2, 1]

@array.slice((-2...1).step(-2))     # => [4, 2]
@array.slice((-2...1).step(-2))     # => [3, 1]

@array.slice((-2...1).step(-10))    # => [1]
@array.slice((-2...1).step(-10))    # => [1]

# start with positive index, end with negative index
@array.slice((4...-4).step(-1))     # => [4, 3, 2]
@array.slice((4...-4).step(-1))     # => [3, 2]

@array.slice((4...-4).step(-2))     # => [4, 2]
@array.slice((4...-4).step(-2))     # => [3]

@array.slice((4...-4).step(-10))    # => [2]
@array.slice((4...-4).step(-10))    # => [2]

# start with negative index, end with negative index
@array.slice((-2...-4).step(-1))    # => [4, 3, 2]
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@array.slice((-2...-4).step(-2))    # => [3]

@array.slice((-2...-4).step(-10))   # => [2]
@array.slice((-2...-4).step(-10))   # => [2]
```

Found while writing specs for this method in <https://github.com/ruby/spec/pull/857>

Associated revisions

Revision **cfb9624460a295e4e1723301486d89058c228e07 - 08/11/2022 10:16 AM - jeremyevans (Jeremy Evans)**

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History

#1 - 10/08/2021 03:56 PM - Eregon (Benoit Daloze)

- *Description updated*

#2 - 03/30/2022 11:05 PM - jeremyevans0 (Jeremy Evans)

This is still an issue in the master branch. I've submitted a pull request to fix it: <https://github.com/ruby/ruby/pull/5739>

#3 - 08/11/2022 10:17 AM - jeremyevans (Jeremy Evans)

- *Status changed from Open to Closed*

Applied in changeset [git|cfb9624460a295e4e1723301486d89058c228e07](#).

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