Ruby master - Bug #11113

Time ranges cannot be used in case statements in 1.9+ but they could in 1.8.7

05/01/2015 03:15 PM - myronmarston (Myron Marston)

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Description
Given this script:

```ruby
range = (Time.now - 1000)...(Time.now + 1000)

case Time.now
when range then puts "in range"
else puts "not in range"
end
```

I'd expect it to print "in range". This worked on 1.8.7:

```bash
$ ruby -v time_range_problem.rb
ruby 1.8.7 (2013-12-22 patchlevel 375) [i686-darwin12.5.0]
in range
```

...but raises an exception in 1.9.2, 1.9.3, 2.0, 2.1 and 2.2:

```bash
time_range_problem.rb:4:in 'each': can't iterate from Time (TypeError)
  from time_range_problem.rb:4:in 'include?'
  from time_range_problem.rb:4:in 'include?'
  from time_range_problem.rb:4:in '==='
  from time_range_problem.rb:4:in '<main>'
```

It looks like Range### is broken. Given that ### is a standard ruby protocol, I would not expect a built-in type to raise an error like this. IMO, ### should either return true or false but should not raise an error. We rely upon ### in RSpec to do matching and this behavior means that if users pass us a time range, things blow up. See [https://github.com/rspec/rspec-mocks/issues/938](https://github.com/rspec/rspec-mocks/issues/938) for an example.

Associated revisions
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History

#1 - 05/01/2015 10:48 PM - avit (Andrew Vit)

The "can't iterate" error is simply because Time is float-based: there is no succ number.

Something like this could be a solution:

module Range::RubyIssue11113
  def ===(other)
    case first
    when Time, Float then self.cover?(other)
    else super
    end
  end
end

class Range
  prepend RubyIssue11113
end

Is the difference between a..b and a...b even relevant for float ranges?

#2 - 05/01/2015 10:56 PM - myronmarston (Myron Marston)

The "can't iterate" error is simply because Time is float-based: there is no succ number.

Floats don't have a succ method, and yet (2.3...3.2) === 3.0 works just fine. Actually, I'm surprised that succ is used for === at all...it implies that === is a O(N) operation over the size of the range. Seems like something like range.begin < other && range.end > other would perform better (constant
time) and avoid this problem. I haven't looked into the implementation of `cover?` but is that basically what it does internally?

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**#3 - 05/01/2015 11:02 PM - avit (Andrew Vit)**

Good point, it looks like Float is already "covered" (I didn't check) so it's only Time that is the issue here.

Seems like something like `range.begin < other && range.end > other` would perform better (constant time)

Yes, that's exactly what `cover?` does, instead of iterating with `include?`.

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**#4 - 05/03/2015 01:02 AM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)**

- Status changed from Open to Closed

Applied in changeset r50421.

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`range.c`: covered for linear objects

- `range.c (linear_object_p, range_include):` test if covered for linear objects. [ruby-core:69052] [Bug #11113]

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**#5 - 05/04/2015 06:37 PM - myronmarston (Myron Marston)**

Thanks for the prompt fix, nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)!!

On a side note, I wasn't notified by email of your fix even though I'm watching this issue so I get notified of updates. Do you know why that is?

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**#6 - 05/21/2015 01:43 AM - usa (Usaku NAKAMURA)**

- Backport changed from 2.0.0: UNKNOWN, 2.1: UNKNOWN, 2.2: UNKNOWN to 2.0.0: WONTFIX, 2.1: REQUIRED, 2.2: REQUIRED

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**#7 - 05/21/2015 05:09 AM - usa (Usaku NAKAMURA)**

- Backport changed from 2.0.0: WONTFIX, 2.1: REQUIRED, 2.2: REQUIRED to 2.0.0: WONTFIX, 2.1: DONE, 2.2: REQUIRED

ruby_2_1 r50581 merged revision(s) 50421.

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**#8 - 05/23/2015 06:52 PM - nagachika (Tomoyuki Chikanaga)**

- Backport changed from 2.0.0: WONTFIX, 2.1: DONE, 2.2: REQUIRED to 2.0.0: WONTFIX, 2.1: DONE, 2.2: DONE

Backported into ruby_2_2 at r50630.