

## Ruby 1.8 - Backport #5212

### [\*nil] behaves differently from 1.8.7 to 1.9.3

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<b>Description</b>		
<p>As to_a is to be obsolete, i started to migrate my code and I found a problem. I did not quite know where to fill it in.</p>		
<pre>\$ rvm use 1.8.7 \$ ruby -v ruby 1.8.7 (2011-06-30 patchlevel 352) [i686-linux] \$ irb  ruby-1.8.7-p352 :001 &gt; [*nil] =&gt; [nil]</pre>		
<pre>\$ rvm use 1.9.3 \$ ruby -v ruby 1.9.3dev (2011-07-31 revision 32789) [i686-linux] \$ irb  ruby-1.9.3-preview1 :001 &gt; [*nil] =&gt; []</pre>		
<p>As nil.to_a returns [] and Array(nil) returns [] as well, I deduced that [*nil] in 1.8.7 should return [] as well.</p>		
<p>Thanks</p>		