# Crazy Sequential Representations: Simplifications (01) 

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## Introduction

Others have attempted to write the natural numbers from 1 to 11111 in terms of 1 to 9 (in increasing and decreasing order) by using the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and/or potentiation (and optionally parentheses).

For example:

| Number | Increasing | Decreasing |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10957 | $(1+2)^{\wedge}(3+4) * 5-67+89$ | $(9+8 * 7 * 65+4) * 3-2 * 1$ |
| 10958 |  | $(9+8 * 7 * 65+4) * 3-2+1$ |
| 10959 | 12+3+456* $7+8+9$ ) | $9+(8 * 76 *(5+4)+3) * 2 * 1$ |
| 10960 | $12+\left(3^{\wedge} 4+5+6\right) * 7 *(8+9)$ | $9+(8 * 76 *(5+4)+3) * 2+1$ |
| 10961 | $(1+2+34) *(5 * 6+7) * 8+9$ | $(9+8 * 7 * 65+4) * 3+2 * 1$ |
| 10962 | $12 * 3 \wedge 4 * 5+678 * 9$ | $9876+543 * 2 * 1$ |

Generally these expressions are referred to as crazy sequential representations (CSR). Interestingly, only one CSR remains to be identified, the increasing CSR for 10958.

## Historic Overview

Inder Taneja published five papers on arXiv (for 1 up to 11111):

| ARXIV <br> Version | Evaluated <br> Range | Allowed <br> Operations | Missing <br> Increasing | Missing <br> Decreasing | Valid <br> Representations |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1(06-02-2013)^{1}$ | 44 to 1000 | $+^{* \wedge}$ | 2 | 10 | 1902 (of 1914) |
| $2(19-03-2013)^{2}$ | 44 to 4444 | $+^{* \wedge}$ | 50 | 53 | 8699 (of 8802) |
| $3(05-06-2013)^{3}$ | 44 to 11111 | $+^{* \wedge()}$ | 590 | 605 | 20941 (of 22136) |
| $4(05-08-2013)^{4}$ | 0 to 11111 | $+^{* \wedge()}-$ | 449 | 315 | 21460 (of 22224) |
| $5(08-01-2014)^{5}$ | 0 to 11111 | $+^{* \wedge ~()}-/$ | 9 | 10 | 22205 (of 22224) |

Authors published three papers on Figshare/Zenodo (for -2147483647 up to 2147483647):

| Date | Title |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $12-06-2018$ | Crazy Sequential Representations: Exhaustive Search ${ }^{6}{ }^{6}$ |  |
| $14-06-2018$ | Crazy Sequential Representations: Negative Integers ${ }^{7}$ |  |
| $18-06-2018$ | Crazy Sequential Representations: Without Subtraction and/or Division ${ }^{8}{ }^{8}$ |  |

Inder Taneja published three papers on RGMIA (for 11112 up to 30000):

| Date | Allowed Operations |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $12-09-2018$ | Crazy Representations of Natural Numbers From 11112 to $20000{ }^{9}$ |  |
| $10-11-2018$ | Crazy Representations of Natural Numbers From 20001 to $25000^{10}$ |  |
| $10-11-2018$ | Crazy Representations of Natural Numbers From 25001 to $30000^{11}$ |  |

Authors published one paper on Figshare/Zenodo (comparing results for 11112 up to 30000):

| Date | Allowed Operations |
| :--- | :--- |
| $06-12-2018$ | Crazy Sequential Representations: 11112 up to $30000^{12}$ |

## Aim

Simplify the CSR for 11112 up to 2147483647 and the NCSR for -11112 down to -2147483647.

## Existing Definitions

## Default Notation

Notation as used by most programming languages, restricted to following characters:

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | + | - | $*$ | 1 | $\wedge$ | $(1)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

## Potential CSR/NCSR

Valid mathematical expression, thus well-formed interpretable syntactic construct, matching against either of the following regular expressions (using @ delimiter):


Ignoring evaluation result (natural, integer, real, rational, indeterminate, etc.).

## In terms of 1 to 9

Digits 1 to 9 occur once and in order, either in increasing or decreasing order. Digits can be used as individual numbers (thus 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9). Digits can be concatenated into larger numbers (for example 123, 4, 5, 6 and 789). Negative counterparts of numbers may be used as well (also used by Inder Taneja).

## Genuine CSR

Natural number (or zero) in terms of 1 to 9 (in increasing or decreasing order) by using the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and/or potentiation (and optionally parentheses).

## Genuine NCSR

Negative integer (or zero) in terms of 1 to 9 (in increasing or decreasing order) by using the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and/or potentiation (and optionally parentheses).

## Pseudo CSR

Potential non-genuine CSR evaluating to natural number (or zero). For example, expressions with implicit multiplication by minus one.

## Pseudo NCSR

Potential non-genuine CSR evaluating to negative integer (or zero). For example, expressions with implicit multiplication by minus one.

## New Definition

## Successful Simplification

Reduction in length (number of characters in default notation), while still being a genuine/pseudo CSR or genuine/pseudo NCSR, which results in the same integer as the original CSR/NCSR.

## Simplification

Previously authors focused on symbolic simplification, for example:

| CSR before symbolic simplification | $9+8+7-\left(-\left(\left(-6^{*}\left(-5^{*}-4+3\right)\right)^{\wedge} 2\right)-1\right)$ | 19069 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Symbolic representation | $\mathrm{A}+\mathrm{B}+\mathrm{C}-\left(-\left(\left(-\mathrm{D}^{*}\left(-\mathrm{E}^{*}-\mathrm{F}+\mathrm{G}\right)\right)^{\wedge} \mathrm{H}\right)-\mathrm{I}\right)$ | - |
| Symbolic simplification | $\mathrm{A}+\mathrm{B}+\mathrm{C}+\left(-\mathrm{D}^{*}\left(\mathrm{E}^{*} \mathrm{~F}+\mathrm{G}\right)\right)^{\wedge} \mathrm{H}+\mathrm{I}$ | - |
| CSR after symbolic simplification | $9+8+7+\left(-6^{*}\left(5^{*} 4+3\right)\right)^{\wedge} 2+1$ | 19069 |

However 'further simplification' can be achieved, for example:

| CSR before 'further simplification' | $9+8+7+\left(-6^{*}(5 * 4+3)\right)^{\wedge} 2+1$ | 19069 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| CSR after 'further simplification' | $9+8+7+(6 *(5 * 4+3))^{\wedge} 2+1$ | 19069 |

In other words, while (-D* $\left.\left.\mathrm{E}^{*} \mathrm{~F}+\mathrm{G}\right)\right)^{\wedge} \mathrm{H}$ and $\left(\mathrm{D}^{*}\left(\mathrm{E}^{*} \mathrm{~F}+\mathrm{G}\right)\right)^{\wedge} \mathrm{H}$ are obviously different, the final expressions $\left(-6^{*}\left(5^{*} 4+3\right)\right)^{\wedge} 2$ and $\left(6^{*}(5 * 4+3)\right)^{\wedge} 2$ both evaluate to 19044.

## Methods

CSR and NCSR were extracted from the following supplements:

| Date | Title |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 12-06-2018 | Crazy Sequential Representations: Exhaustive Search ${ }^{6}$ |  |
|  | Supplement 3 : Increasing CSR for 11112 up to 2147483647 | $\mathrm{n}=828692$ |
|  | - Supplement 4 : Decreasing CSR for 11112 up to 2147483647 | $\mathrm{n}=1153402$ |
| 14-06-2018 | Crazy Sequential Representations: Negative Integers ${ }^{7}$ |  |
|  | - Supplement 3 : Increasing NCSR for -11112 down to -2147483647 | $\mathrm{n}=845058$ |
|  | - Supplement 4 : Decreasing NCSR for -11112 down to -2147483647 | $\mathrm{n}=1201485$ |

Simplification was attempted. Successfully simplified CSR and NCSR were tabulated. Authors do not guaranty tabulated CSR and NCSR are in their simplest form.

## Results

In total 2806762 out of 4028637 expressions were successfully simplified:

|  | Increasing | Decreasing | Increasing | Decreasing |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CSR | CSR | NCSR | NCSR |
| Previously Published | 828692 | 1153402 | 845058 | 1201485 |
| Successfully Simplified | 610647 | 806459 | 600985 | 788671 |

Resulting in significant reduction of length:

| Length <br> Reduction | Increasing <br> CSR | Decreasing <br> CSR | Increasing <br> NCSR | Decreasing <br> NCSR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 12017 | 12496 | 10692 | 9723 |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | 80114 | 109358 | 77515 | 102561 |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 30409 | 25812 | 30926 | 25829 |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | 26310 | 42702 | 24518 | 41593 |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | 9372 | 10779 | 10158 | 12218 |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | 4453 | 8887 | 4353 | 9173 |
| $\mathbf{7}$ | 2815 | 3716 | 2841 | 4639 |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | 540 | 1232 | 609 | 1341 |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 393 | 678 | 538 | 839 |
| $\mathbf{1 1}$ | 91 | 89 | 65 | 142 |
| $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 15 | 45 | 45 | 62 |
| 13 | 4 | 6 | 14 | 12 |
| 14 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |

For example, for two CSR and two NCSR, length was reduced by 14 characters:

|  | Previously Published | Successfully Simplified |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -732421853 | $-9-\left(8+\left(-7-\left(6-\left(5^{\wedge}-\left(-4^{*} 3\right)\right)\right)\right)^{*}(2+1)\right)$ | $98-76-5^{\wedge}\left(4^{*} 3\right)^{*}(2+1)$ |
| -3644901 | $-9^{*}-\left(-\left(-8+\left(-7-\left(-\left(\left(-6^{*}-5\right)^{\wedge} 4\right)-3\right)\right) / 2\right)+1\right)$ | $9^{*}\left(8+\left(7-\left(6^{*} 5\right)^{\wedge} 4-3\right) / 2+1\right)$ |
| 77824815 | $-\left(-1 /\left(-2^{*}-3\right)+(-4-5) /\left(-6^{*}-\left(7^{\wedge}-8\right)\right)\right)^{* 9}$ | $1 / 2^{*} 3+(-4-5) / 6^{*}-7^{\wedge} 8^{*} 9$ |
| 2382138 | $-9^{*}-\left(\left(-8-\left(-\left(7^{\wedge} 6\right)+5\right)\right) /\left(-4^{*}-\left(3^{\wedge}-2\right)\right)+1\right)$ | $9^{*}\left(\left(8-7^{\wedge} 6+5\right) / 4^{*}-3^{\wedge} 2+1\right)$ |

Successfully simplified CSR and NCSR were tabulated in the following supplements:

- Supplement 1 : Simplified increasing CSR within 11112 up to 2147483647 range
- Supplement 2 : Simplified decreasing CSR within 11112 up to 2147483647 range
- Supplement 3 : Simplified increasing NCSR within -11112 down to -2147483647 range
- Supplement 4 : Simplified decreasing NCSR within -11112 down to -2147483647 range


## Discussion

Authors prefer genuine CSR/NCSR (without negation) over pseudo CSR/NCSR (with negation). Surprisingly, 752752 pseudo CSR/NCSR became genuine CSR/NCSR after simplification:

| Increasing <br> CSR | Decreasing <br> CSR | Increasing <br> NCSR | Decreasing <br> NCSR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 166536 | 215804 | 162276 | 208136 |

Typically by getting rid of things like /-(, ^-(, *-(, and (-(.

Examples where /-( was removed:

|  |  | Previously Published (Pseudo) | Simplified (Genuine) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Increasing CSR | 63439 | $12^{\wedge} 3-4 /-\left(5^{\wedge}-6\right)-789$ | $12^{\wedge} 3-4 /-5^{\wedge}-6-789$ |
| Decreasing CSR | 49044 | $-9^{*}\left(8-76^{*}-5^{*} 43\right) /-(2+1)$ | $9^{*}\left(8-76^{*}-5^{*} 43\right) /(2+1)$ |
| Increasing NCSR | -115173 | $\left(-12^{\wedge} 3+4+5\right)^{*} 67 /-(8-9)$ | $\left(12^{\wedge} 3-4-5\right)^{*} 67 /(8-9)$ |
| Decreasing NCSR | -41186 | $9+8-7^{*}-654 /-\left(3^{\wedge}-2\right)-1$ | $9+8-7^{*} 654 / 3^{\wedge}-2-1$ |

Examples where ^-( was removed:

|  |  | Previously Published (Pseudo) | Simplified (Genuine) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Increasing NCSR | 40457 | $1-2^{*}\left(-3^{\wedge}-(-4-5)-67^{*} 8-9\right)$ | $1+2^{*}\left(3^{\wedge}(4+5)+67^{*} 8+9\right)$ |
| Decreasing NSR | 50824 | $-9^{*}\left(-87^{*} 65+4^{\wedge}-(-3 / 2)\right)+1$ | $-9^{*}\left(-87^{*} 65+4^{\wedge}(3 / 2)\right)+1$ |
| Increasing CSR | -73232 | $\left(-1-2^{\wedge}-(-3-4)\right)^{* 567-89}$ | $\left(-1^{\wedge}(3+4)\right)^{* 567-89}$ |
| Decreasing CSR | -28828 | $-9^{*} 8-7^{*}\left(6+5+4^{\wedge}-\left(-3^{*} 2\right)+1\right)$ | $-9^{*} 8-7^{*}\left(6+5+4^{\wedge}\left(3^{*} 2\right)+1\right)$ |

Examples where ${ }^{*}$-( was removed:

|  |  | Previously Published (Pseudo) | Simplified (Genuine) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Increasing NCSR | $\mathbf{1 3 8 1 0}$ | $-123^{*}-\left(-4^{*}-5^{* 6}-7\right)-89$ | $123^{*}\left(4^{*} 5^{*} 6-7\right)-89$ |
| Decreasing NSR | 20291 | $-9+8+76^{*}-(54-321)$ | $-9+8-76^{*}(54-321)$ |
| Increasing CSR | -13965 | $1+2+3^{*}-(4567+89)$ | $1+2-3^{*}(4567+89)$ |
| Decreasing CSR | -22215 | $-9^{*}-(-876+54) * 3-21$ | $9^{*}(-876+54) * 3-21$ |

Examples where (-( was removed:

|  |  | Previously Published (Pseudo) | Simplified (Genuine) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Increasing NCSR | $\mathbf{1 9 3 0 0}$ | $-12+34^{*}-(-(567-8)-9)$ | $-12+34^{*}((567-8)+9)$ |
| Decreasing NSR | $\mathbf{2 7 5 9 6}$ | $9-8-7^{*}-6^{*}-\left(-\left(5^{\wedge} 4\right)-32\right)+1$ | $9-8-7^{*} 6^{*}\left(-5^{\wedge} 4-32\right)+1$ |
| Increasing CSR | -29144 | $1-\left(-\left(-23-4^{*} 5\right) * 678-9\right)$ | $1-\left(\left(23+4^{*} 5\right)^{*} 678-9\right)$ |
| Decreasing CSR | -41102 | $-9^{*}\left(-\left(8-7^{*} 654\right)-3\right)+2-1$ | $9^{*}\left(\left(8-7^{*} 654\right)+3\right)+2-1$ |

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