Polish notation does not mix well with decimal notation

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This short post is about a curious observation I made. The observation is that mixing Polish notation with decimal notation results in ambiguity. As an example, consider the string +321. It could mean either 3+21, or 32+1. As another example, consider the string =+12345. It could mean a variety of things, like 1+2=345, or 12+3=45 or 12+34=5, etc. I guess, then, that you need to put parentheses to disambiguate the expression, like this: +(3,21) versus +(32,1).