

# EXERCISE

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## Overview

Date object stores the time as milliseconds from the epoch (1.1.1970)

If we subtract two time values we get the time difference in milliseconds. By using some simple conversion formulas we can find how many days, minutes and seconds elapsed between two dates.

1 second = 1000 milliseconds

1 minute = 60 seconds

1 hour = 60 minutes

1 day = 24 hours

## PLATFORM

Java 8 JDK

Eclipse IDE

## Objectives

- Convert string to Date object.
- Using getTime() method of Date class.
- Converting a time in millis to meaningful time units.

## Activities

Create a class **DateDiffCalculator** and add

“**public static String getTimeDifference(String date1, String date2)**” method.

Do the following in this method:

- Convert both strings to Date instances.
- Subtract date2 from date1
- Return the time difference in this format:  
X days, Y minutes, Z seconds
- Call this method from another class's main method like below:

```
String s = DateDiffCalculator.getTimeDifference("15/06/2016", "12/03/2016");
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