

Learning_datetime_lib

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1 Dates and Times in Python

1.1 Manipulating Time Already

Here are the datetime docs: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/datetime.html>

Examples

```
>>> import datetime
>>> now = datetime.datetime.now()
>>> morning = now.replace(hour=9, minute=0)
```

The above will make a variable now that represents now, and then change the time to 9am in the variable morning.

```
>>> datetime.datetime(2014, 10) - datetime.datetime(2014, 9)
```

The above will give back a datetime.timedelta object.

Importing datetime and examining methods with dir() :

```
In [1]: import datetime
        dir(datetime)
```

```
Out[1]: ['MAXYEAR',
         'MINYEAR',
         '__builtins__',
         '__cached__',
         '__doc__',
         '__file__',
         '__loader__',
         '__name__',
         '__package__',
         '__spec__',
         '_divide_and_round',
         'date',
         'datetime',
         'datetime_CAPI',
         'time',
         'timedelta',
         'timezone',
         'tzinfo']
```

Getting the date and time when now() method was run :

```
In [2]: datetime.datetime.now()
```

```
Out[2]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 21, 47, 0, 633192)
```

Saving now() output to a variable :

```
In [3]: treehouse_start = datetime.datetime.now()  
        treehouse_start
```

```
Out[3]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 21, 47, 0, 644776)
```

Replacing the time of the previous variable with datetime.replace() method :

```
In [4]: treehouse_start = treehouse_start.replace(hour=9, minute=0, second=0, microsecond=0)  
        treehouse_start
```

```
Out[4]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 9, 0)
```

Setting the date and time :

```
In [5]: print('datetime.datetime(Year, Month, Day, Hour)')  
        th_start = datetime.datetime(2017, 7, 17, 9)  
        th_start
```

```
datetime.datetime(Year, Month, Day, Hour)
```

```
Out[5]: datetime.datetime(2017, 7, 17, 9, 0)
```

Subtracting two datetimes to get a timedelta :

```
In [6]: print("datetime.timedelta(Days, Seconds, Microseconds)")  
        time_worked = datetime.datetime.now() - th_start  
        time_worked
```

```
datetime.timedelta(Days, Seconds, Microseconds)
```

```
Out[6]: datetime.timedelta(36, 46020, 681366)
```

Grabbing specific info from a timedelta variable :

```
In [7]: print("Days:", time_worked.days)  
        print("Seconds:", time_worked.seconds)  
        print("Microseconds:", time_worked.microseconds)
```

```
Days: 36
```

```
Seconds: 46020
```

```
Microseconds: 681366
```

Looking at the methods in time_worked object :

```
In [8]: dir(time_worked)
```

```
Out[8]: ['__abs__',
         '__add__',
         '__bool__',
         '__class__',
         '__delattr__',
         '__dir__',
         '__divmod__',
         '__doc__',
         '__eq__',
         '__floordiv__',
         '__format__',
         '__ge__',
         '__getattr__',
         '__gt__',
         '__hash__',
         '__init__',
         '__init_subclass__',
         '__le__',
         '__lt__',
         '__mod__',
         '__mul__',
         '__ne__',
         '__neg__',
         '__new__',
         '__pos__',
         '__radd__',
         '__rdivmod__',
         '__reduce__',
         '__reduce_ex__',
         '__repr__',
         '__rfloordiv__',
         '__rmod__',
         '__rmul__',
         '__rsub__',
         '__rtruediv__',
         '__setattr__',
         '__sizeof__',
         '__str__',
         '__sub__',
         '__subclasshook__',
         '__truediv__',
         'days',
         'max',
         'microseconds',
```

```

'min',
'resolution',
'seconds',
'total_seconds']

```

Calculating hours in a timedelta using its seconds :

```
In [9]: print("Hours Worked:", round(time_worked.seconds/3600))
```

Hours Worked: 13

1.2 Time Deltas

timedelta objects represent gaps in time. They are returned when you subtract one *datetime* from another. They can also be assigned to a variable and then used to augment *datetime* objects.

Setting the clock forward three days with a timedelta :

```
In [10]: now = datetime.datetime.now()
three_days = datetime.timedelta(days=3)
print('      Currnet Date and Time:', now)
print('Date and Time 3 days from now:', now + three_days)
```

Currnet Date and Time: 2017-08-22 21:47:00.729506

Date and Time 3 days from now: 2017-08-25 21:47:00.729506

Setting the clock backward five days with a timedelta :

```
In [11]: now = datetime.datetime.now()
minus_5_days = datetime.timedelta(days=-5)
print("datetime.datetime.now() + datetime.timedelta(days=-5)")
print("      OR")
print("datetime.datetime.now() - datetime.timedelta(days=5)\n")
print('      Currnet Date and Time:', now)
print('Date and Time 3 days from now:', now + minus_5_days)
```

datetime.datetime.now() + datetime.timedelta(days=-5)

OR

datetime.datetime.now() - datetime.timedelta(days=5)

Currnet Date and Time: 2017-08-22 21:47:00.743177

Date and Time 3 days from now: 2017-08-17 21:47:00.743177

Using a date without a time :

```
In [12]: now.date()
```

```
Out[12]: datetime.date(2017, 8, 22)
```

Using a time without a date :

```
In [13]: now.time()
```

```
Out[13]: datetime.time(21, 47, 0, 743177)
```

Specifying time intervals for timedeltas :

```
In [14]: hour = datetime.timedelta(hours=1)
         hour
```

```
Out[14]: datetime.timedelta(0, 3600)
```

Multiplying timedeltas with integers :

```
In [15]: hour * 9
```

```
Out[15]: datetime.timedelta(0, 32400)
```

Setting a future time and date :

```
In [16]: tomorrow = datetime.datetime.now().replace(hour=9, minute=0) + datetime.timedelta(days=1)
         print(datetime.datetime.now())
         print(tomorrow)
         tomorrow
```

```
2017-08-22 21:47:00.796604
```

```
2017-08-23 09:00:00.796509
```

```
Out[16]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 23, 9, 0, 0, 796509)
```

Appointment Example :

```
In [17]: appointment = datetime.timedelta(minutes=45)
         start = datetime.datetime.now()
         end = start + appointment
         print(start)
         print(end)
         end
```

```
2017-08-22 21:47:00.809832
```

```
2017-08-22 22:32:00.809832
```

```
Out[17]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 22, 32, 0, 809832)
```

1.3 Today and Tomorrow

Let's look at the `.now()` and `.today()` methods. * These methods use your system's local time to calculate their values.

```
In [18]: datetime.datetime.now()
```

```
Out[18]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 21, 47, 0, 821954)
```

```
In [19]: datetime.datetime.today()
```

```
Out[19]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 21, 47, 0, 831869)
```

Both outputs you'll notice are almost exactly the same, why is this, why have two commands that do the exact same thing? Well, `.now()` takes a timezone argument, which allows you to specify where the now is.

Combining Dates and times : * `datetime.time()` as is, without any arguments, produces a time of midnight.

```
In [20]: datetime.datetime.combine(datetime.date.today(), datetime.time())
```

```
Out[20]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 0, 0)
```

Grabbing elements from a datetime object :

```
In [21]: today = datetime.datetime.today()  
         today
```

```
Out[21]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 21, 47, 0, 853511)
```

```
In [22]: today.hour
```

```
Out[22]: 21
```

```
In [23]: today.year
```

```
Out[23]: 2017
```

```
In [24]: today.month
```

```
Out[24]: 8
```

```
In [25]: today.minute
```

```
Out[25]: 47
```

```
In [26]: today.weekday() # Python's weeks start on Monday which is zero
```

```
Out[26]: 1
```

```
In [27]: today.timestamp() # Posix Timestamp: seconds since Jan 1, 1970
```

```
Out[27]: 1503463620.853511
```

Code Challenge : Write a function named `minutes` that takes two datetimes and, using `timedelta.total_seconds()` to get the number of seconds, returns the number of minutes, rounded, between them. The first will always be older and the second newer. You'll need to subtract the first from the second.

```
In [28]: import datetime
```

```
def minutes(dt1, dt2):  
    timedelta = dt2-dt1  
    return round(timedelta.total_seconds() / 60)
```

2 Dating Methods

New Terms * `strftime` - Method to create a string from a datetime * `strptime` - Method to create a datetime from a string according to a format string * Guide: <https://docs.python.org/3/library/datetime.html?highlight=datetime#strftime-and-strptime-behavior>

- `strftime` is str from time
- `strptime` is str parsed to time

```
In [29]: today
```

```
Out[29]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 22, 21, 47, 0, 853511)
```

strftime Dating Method

```
In [ ]: today.strftime('%m/%d/%Y')
```

strptime Dating Method

```
In [31]: datetime.datetime.strptime('2017-08-21', '%Y-%m-%d')
```

```
Out[31]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 21, 0, 0)
```

strptime with both a date and time

```
In [32]: datetime.datetime.strptime('2017-08-21 10:00', '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M')
```

```
Out[32]: datetime.datetime(2017, 8, 21, 10, 0)
```

Code Challenge :

Challenge Task 1 of 2

Create a function named `to_string` that takes a datetime and gives back a string in the format "24 September 2012".

```
In [33]: ## Examples
         # to_string(datetime_object) => "24 September 2012"
         # from_string("09/24/12 18:30", "%m/%d/%y %H:%M") => datetime

         def to_string(dt):
             return dt.strftime('%d %B %Y')
```

Challenge Task 2 of 2

Create a new function named `from_string` that takes two arguments: a date as a string and an strftime-compatible format string, and returns a datetime created from them.

```
In [34]: def from_string(date, dt_format):
         return datetime.datetime.strptime(date, dt_format)
```

3 Wikipedia Links App HW

```
In [35]: import datetime
```

```
answer_format = '%m/%d'
link_format = '%b_%d'
link = 'https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/{}'

while True:
    answer = input("What date would you like? Please use the MM/DD format. Enter 'quit' to quit.")
    if answer.upper() == 'QUIT':
        break

    try:
        date = datetime.datetime.strptime(answer, answer_format)
        output = link.format(date.strftime(link_format))
        print(output)
    except ValueError:
        print("That's not a valid date. Please try again.")
```

What date would you like? Please use the MM/DD format. Enter 'quit' to quit. quit

Code Challenge :

Write a function named `time_tango` that takes a date and a time. It should combine them into a datetime and return it.

```
In [36]: import datetime
```

```
def time_tango(date, time):
    return datetime.datetime.combine(date, time)
```


4 The Question Classes & the Plan

Building an Addition and Multiplication Quiz app

In [37]: *#questions.py*

```
class Question:
    answer = None
    text = None

class Add(Question):
    def __init__(self, num1, num2):
        self.text = '{} + {}'.format(num1, num2)
        self.answer = num1 + num2

class Multiply(Question):
    def __init__(self, num1, num2):
        self.text = '{} X {}'.format(num1, num2)
        self.answer = num1 * num2
```

In [38]: *#from Question import Add*

```
add1 = Add(5,7)
add1.answer
```

Out[38]: 12

In [39]: add1.text

Out[39]: '5 + 7'

In [40]: *# quiz.py*

```
import datetime
import random

#from questions import Add, Multiply

class Quiz:
    questions = []
    answers = []

    def __init__(self):
        question_types = (Add, Multiply)
        #question_types[0](1,5)
```

```

        for _ in range(10):
            num1 = random.randint(1,10)
            num2 = random.randint(1,10)
            question = random.choice(question_types)(num1, num2)
            self.questions.append(question)

    def take_quiz(self):
        self.start_time = datetime.datetime.now()
        for question in self.questions:
            self.answers.append(self.ask(question))
        else:
            self.end_time = datetime.datetime.now()
        return self.summary()

    def ask(self, question):
        correct = False
        question_start = datetime.datetime.now()
        answer = input(question.text + ' = ')
        if answer == str(question.answer):
            correct = True
        question_end = datetime.datetime.now()
        return correct, question_end - question_start

    def total_correct(self):
        total = 0
        for answer in self.answers:
            if answer[0]:
                total += 1
        return total

    def summary(self):
        print('You got {} out of {} correct'.format(
            self.total_correct(), len(self.questions)))
        print("It took {} seconds total".format((
            self.end_time-self.start_time).seconds))
# Quiz().take_quiz()

```

```

In [41]: # quiz1 = Quiz()
         # quiz1.answers

```

```

In [42]: # quiz1.questions

```

```

In [43]: # quiz1.questions[0].text

```

```

In [44]: # quiz1.questions[0].answer

```

```

In [45]: #Quiz().take_quiz()

```

Code Challenge :

Write a function named `delorean` that takes an integer. Return a datetime that is that many hours ahead from starter.

```
In [46]: import datetime
```

```
starter = datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 16, 29)

def delorean(integer):
    return starter + datetime.timedelta(hours=integer)
```

```
In [47]: delorean(5)
```

```
Out[47]: datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 21, 29)
```

Code Challenge :

Write a function named `time_machine` that takes an integer and a string of “minutes”, “hours”, “days”, or “years”. This describes a `timedelta`. Return a datetime that is the `timedelta`’s duration from the starter datetime.

```
In [48]: import datetime
```

```
starter = datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 16, 29)

# Remember, you can't set "years" on a timedelta!
# Consider a year to be 365 days.

## Example
# time_machine(5, "minutes") => datetime(2015, 10, 21, 16, 34)

def time_machine(integer, time_str):
    if time_str == 'minutes':
        return starter + datetime.timedelta(minutes=integer)
    elif time_str == 'hours':
        return starter + datetime.timedelta(hours=integer)
    elif time_str == 'days':
        return starter + datetime.timedelta(days=integer)
    else:
        return starter + datetime.timedelta(days=integer*365)
```

```
In [49]: time_machine(5, 'years')
```

```
Out[49]: datetime.datetime(2020, 10, 19, 16, 29)
```

Code Challenge :

Create a function named `timestamp_oldest` that takes any number of POSIX timestamp arguments. Return the oldest one as a datetime object.

Remember, POSIX timestamps are floats and lists have a `.sort()` method.

```
In [50]: # If you need help, look up datetime.datetime.fromtimestamp()
# Also, remember that you will not know how many timestamps
# are coming in.
import datetime

def timestamp_oldest(*posix_args):
    return datetime.datetime.fromtimestamp(min(*posix_args))
```

5 Introduction to Timezones

Videos * The Problem with Time & Timezones - from Computerphile
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5wpm-gesOY> * Strangest Timezones of the World -
 from WonderWhy <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uW6QqcmCfm8>
 New Terms

- **timezone** - datetime type that holds an offset from UTC and allows us to move a datetime around the world
- **astimezone** - method for converting an aware datetime to another timezone

```
In [51]: pacific = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=-8))
         eastern = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=-5))
```

```
In [52]: naive = datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 9)
         naive
```

```
Out[52]: datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 9, 0)
```

```
In [53]: aware = datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 9, tzinfo=pacific)
         aware
```

```
Out[53]: datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 9, 0, tzinfo=datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(-1, 0))
```

```
In [54]: naive.astimezone()
```

```
Out[54]: datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 9, 0, tzinfo=datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(-1, 0))
```

```
In [55]: aware.astimezone(eastern)
```

```
Out[55]: datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 12, 0, tzinfo=datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(-1, 0))
```

```
In [56]: auckland = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=13))
```

```
In [57]: aware.astimezone(auckland)
```

```
Out[57]: datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 22, 6, 0, tzinfo=datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(0, 46800))
```

```
In [58]: mumbai = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=5, minutes=30))
```

```
In [59]: aware.astimezone(mumbai)
```

```
Out [59]: datetime.datetime(2017, 4, 21, 22, 30, tzinfo=datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(0,
```

Code Challenge :

Challenge Task 1 of 3

Create a variable named `moscow` that holds a `datetime.timezone` object at +4 hours.

```
In [60]: moscow = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=4))
```

Challenge Task 2 of 3

Now create a timezone variable named `pacific` that holds a timezone at UTC-08:00.

```
In [61]: pacific = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=-8))
```

Challenge Task 3 of 3

Finally, make a third variable named `india` that hold's a timezone at UTC+05:30.

```
In [62]: india = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=5, minutes=30))
```

Code Challenge :

Challenge Task 1 of 2

`naive` is a `datetime` with no timezone. Create a new timezone for US/Pacific, which is 8 hours behind UTC (UTC-08:00). Then make a new variable named `hill_valley` that is `naive` with its `tzinfo` attribute replaced with the US/Pacific timezone you made.

```
In [63]: import datetime
```

```
naive = datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 4, 29)
pacific = datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=-8))
hill_valley = naive.replace(tzinfo=pacific)
```

Challenge Task 2 of 2

Great, but `replace` just sets the timezone, it doesn't move the `datetime` to the new timezone. Let's move one. Make a new timezone that is UTC+01:00. Create a new variable named `paris` that uses your new timezone and the `astimezone` method to change `hill_valley` to the new timezone.

```
In [64]: paris = hill_valley.astimezone(datetime.timezone(datetime.timedelta(hours=+1)))
```

6 Actually, Use `pytz` Instead

Format string

- `fmt = '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S %Z%z'` * `Z` = Name of Timezone * `z` = offset of timezone from UTC

Links

- `pytz` docs <http://pythonhosted.org/pytz/>
- More about `pytz` from SaltyCrane <http://www.saltycrane.com/blog/2009/05/converting-time-zones-datetime-objects-python/>

Libraries

- Chronyk <https://pypi.python.org/pypi/Chronyk/0.9.1>
- delorean <http://delorean.readthedocs.org/en/latest/>

```
In [65]: import pytz
```

```
In [66]: pacific = pytz.timezone('US/Pacific')
         eastern = pytz.timezone('US/Eastern')
         fmt = '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S %Z%z'
         utc = pytz.utc
```

.localize is used for naive datetimes.

```
In [67]: start = pacific.localize(datetime.datetime(2014, 4, 21, 9))
         start.strftime(fmt)
```

```
Out [67]: '2014-04-21 09:00:00 PDT-0700'
```

.astimezone is used for aware datetimes.

```
In [68]: start_eastern = start.astimezone(eastern)
         start_eastern
```

```
Out [68]: datetime.datetime(2014, 4, 21, 12, 0, tzinfo=<DstTzInfo 'US/Eastern' EDT-1 day, 20:00>)
```

Creating a datetime with the UTC timezone

```
In [69]: start_utc = datetime.datetime(2014, 4, 21, 12, 0, tzinfo=utc)
         start_utc.strftime(fmt)
```

```
Out [69]: '2014-04-21 12:00:00 UTC+0000'
```

Switching to Pacific Timezone

```
In [70]: start_pacific = start_utc.astimezone(pacific)
```

Creating Timezones with pytz

```
In [71]: auckland = pytz.timezone('Pacific/Auckland')
         mumbai = pytz.timezone('Asia/Calcutta')
```

Apollo 13 Launch Time Examples * Create naive datetime of launch time

```
In [72]: apollo_13_naive = datetime.datetime(1970, 4, 11, 14, 13)
```

Add eastern timezone to naive launch time

```
In [73]: apollo_13_eastern = eastern.localize(apollo_13_naive)
         apollo_13_eastern
```

```
Out [73]: datetime.datetime(1970, 4, 11, 14, 13, tzinfo=<DstTzInfo 'US/Eastern' EST-1 day, 19:00>)
```

Convert eastern launch time to utc launch time * This allows for easier conversion to all other timezones, because UTC does not have Day Light Savings Time.

```
In [74]: apollo_13_utc = apollo_13_eastern.astimezone(utc)
         apollo_13_utc
```

```
Out[74]: datetime.datetime(1970, 4, 11, 19, 13, tzinfo=<UTC>)
```

```
In [75]: apollo_13_utc.astimezone(pacific).strftime(fmt)
```

```
Out[75]: '1970-04-11 11:13:00 PST-0800'
```

```
In [76]: apollo_13_utc.astimezone(auckland).strftime(fmt)
```

```
Out[76]: '1970-04-12 07:13:00 NZST+1200'
```

```
In [77]: apollo_13_utc.astimezone(mumbai).strftime(fmt)
```

```
Out[77]: '1970-04-12 00:43:00 IST+0530'
```

Two handy methods for finding timezones

```
In [78]: pytz.all_timezones
```

```
Out[78]: ['Africa/Abidjan',
          'Africa/Accra',
          'Africa/Addis_Ababa',
          'Africa/Algiers',
          'Africa/Asmara',
          'Africa/Asmera',
          'Africa/Bamako',
          'Africa/Bangui',
          'Africa/Banjul',
          'Africa/Bissau',
          'Africa/Blantyre',
          'Africa/Brazzaville',
          'Africa/Bujumbura',
          'Africa/Cairo',
          'Africa/Casablanca',
          'Africa/Ceuta',
          'Africa/Conakry',
          'Africa/Dakar',
          'Africa/Dar_es_Salaam',
          'Africa/Djibouti',
          'Africa/Douala',
          'Africa/El_Aaiun',
          'Africa/Freetown',
          'Africa/Gaborone',
          'Africa/Harare',
          'Africa/Johannesburg',
```

'Africa/Juba',
'Africa/Kampala',
'Africa/Khartoum',
'Africa/Kigali',
'Africa/Kinshasa',
'Africa/Lagos',
'Africa/Libreville',
'Africa/Lome',
'Africa/Luanda',
'Africa/Lubumbashi',
'Africa/Lusaka',
'Africa/Malabo',
'Africa/Maputo',
'Africa/Maseru',
'Africa/Mbabane',
'Africa/Mogadishu',
'Africa/Monrovia',
'Africa/Nairobi',
'Africa/Ndjamena',
'Africa/Niamey',
'Africa/Nouakchott',
'Africa/Ouagadougou',
'Africa/Porto-Novo',
'Africa/Sao_Tome',
'Africa/Timbuktu',
'Africa/Tripoli',
'Africa/Tunis',
'Africa/Windhoek',
'America/Adak',
'America/Anchorage',
'America/Anguilla',
'America/Antigua',
'America/Araguaina',
'America/Argentina/Buenos_Aires',
'America/Argentina/Catamarca',
'America/Argentina/ComodRivadavia',
'America/Argentina/Cordoba',
'America/Argentina/Jujuy',
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'UTC',
'Universal',
'W-SU',
'WET',
'Zulu']
```

```
In [79]: pytz.country_timezones['us']
```

```
Out[79]: ['America/New_York',
'America/Detroit',
'America/Kentucky/Louisville',
'America/Kentucky/Monticello',
'America/Indiana/Indianapolis',
'America/Indiana/Vincennes',
```

```

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'America/Juneau',
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'America/Metlakatla',
'America/Yakutat',
'America/Nome',
'America/Adak',
'Pacific/Honolulu']

```

In [80]: `pytz.country_timezones['ca']` # *Canada*

```

Out[80]: ['America/St_Johns',
'America/Halifax',
'America/Glace_Bay',
'America/Moncton',
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'America/Cambridge_Bay',
'America/Yellowknife',
'America/Inuvik',

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'America/Creston',
'America/Dawson_Creek',
'America/Fort_Nelson',
'America/Vancouver',
'America/Whitehorse',
'America/Dawson']

```

Code Challenge :

Challenge Task 1 of 2

starter is a naive datetime. Use pytz to make it a “US/Pacific” datetime instead and assign this converted datetime to the variable local.

```
In [81]: import datetime
```

```

fmt = '%m-%d %H:%M %Z%z'
starter = datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 4, 29)

local = pytz.timezone('US/Pacific').localize(starter)
local

```

```
Out[81]: datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 4, 29, tzinfo=<DstTzInfo 'US/Pacific' PDT-1 day, 17:00>)
```

Challenge Task 2 of 2

Now create a variable named pytz_string by using strftime with the local datetime. Use the fmt string for the formatting.

```
In [ ]: pytz_string = local.strftime(fmt)
        pytz_string
```

```
Out[ ]: '10-21 04:29 PDT-0700'
```

7 Timezonapalooza

Timezone script homework * User provides a date and time and script spits out that date time in 6 other timezones.

```
In [ ]: # meeting.py
```

```

from datetime import datetime

import pytz

OTHER_TIMEZONES = [
    pytz.timezone('US/Mountain'),
    pytz.timezone('US/Central'),
    pytz.timezone('US/Eastern'),
    pytz.timezone('UTC'),

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```

    pytz.timezone('Asia/Hong_Kong'),
    pytz.timezone('Pacific/Honolulu')
]

fmt = '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M %Z%z'

while True:
    date_input = input('When is your meeting? Please use MM/DD/YYYY HH:MM format. ')
    try:
        local_date = datetime.strptime(date_input, '%m/%d/%Y %H:%M')
    except ValueError:
        print("{} doesn't appear to be a valid date & time.".format(date_input))
    else:
        local_date = pytz.timezone('US/Pacific').localize(local_date)
        utc_date = local_date.astimezone(pytz.utc)

        output = []
        for timezone in OTHER_TIMEZONES:
            output.append(utc_date.astimezone(timezone))
        for appointment in output:
            print(appointment.strftime(fmt))
        break

```

Code Challenge :

Challenge Task 1 of 1

Create a function named `to_timezone` that takes a timezone name as a string. Convert starter to that timezone using `pytz`'s timezones and return the new datetime.

```

In [ ]: import datetime

import pytz

starter = pytz.utc.localize(datetime.datetime(2015, 10, 21, 23, 29))

def to_timezone(tz_str):
    return starter.astimezone(pytz.timezone(tz_str))

```