Date and time

They are ruby class

These classes have a lot of methods and utilities

Date and Time



- Represents a specific point in time
- Time represents the time and the date and has three components
 - Day
 - Month
 - Year
 - Hours
 - Minutes
 - Seconds
- Time.now
- Time.at(linuxtimestamp)
- Others

```
1. Time.now
2. # 2018-10-19 15:43:20 +0200
3.
4. Time.new(2018, 1, 1)
5. # 2018-01-01 00:00:00 +0100
6.
7. Time.at(1500000000)
8. # 2017-07-14 04:40:00 +0200
```

Linux timestamp

Quantity of time since 1970, it is on milliseconds

```
a<u>dd text</u>
```

```
1. t = Time.now
2.
3. puts t.day
4. puts t.month
5. puts t.hour
```

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- Time also has an equal operator <=>
- You can convert the time to an ASCII string

```
Time.now.asctime #=> "Wed Apr 9 08:56:03 2003"
Time.now.ctime #=> "Wed Apr 9 08:56:03 2003"
```

Date and Time - Daylight Saving Time

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```
• Click to add text

Time.local(2000, 1, 1).dst? #=> false
```

to know if we are on daylight saving time.

Date and Time - strftime

Convert a formatted string into a Time

```
- don't pad a numerical output
_ use spaces for padding
0 use zeros for padding
^ upcase the result string
# change case
: use colons for %z
```

THIS IS A REALLY USEFUL METHOD

```
1. time = Time.new
2.
3. time.strftime("%d/%m/%Y") # "05/12/2015"
4. time.strftime("%k:%M") # "17:48"
5. time.strftime("%I:%M %p") # "11:04 PM"
6. time.strftime("Today is %A") # "Today is Sunday"
7. time.strftime("%d of %B, %Y") # "21 of December, 2015"
8. time.strftime("Unix time is %s") # "Unix time is 1449336630"
```

Converts current time to string and it will format it

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- Date doesn't include the Time component
- Remember to always require it!

```
require 'date'

Date.new(2001,2,3)

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03 ...>

Date.jd(2451944)

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03 ...>

Date.ordinal(2001,34)

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03 ...>

Date.commercial(2001,5,6)

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03 ...>

Date.parse('2001-02-03')

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03')

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03')

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03'

#>> #<Date: 2001-02-03'
```

It by default does not include the time part. You need to require 'date' to use it.

Date

- All Date objects are immutable
 - They can't modify themselves
- Accessing specific values with .year, .mon, .mday, .wday

```
d = Date.parse('3rd Feb 2001')

#=> #<Date: 2001-02-03 ...>

d.year #=> 2001

d.mon #=> 2

d.mday #=> 3

d.wday #=> 6

d += 1 #=> #<Date: 2001-02-04 ...>

d.strftime('%a %d %b %Y') #=> "Sun 04 Feb 2001"
```

Date

• Available constants in the Date Module

Constants I	
Date::ABBR_DAYNAMES	Array of abbreviated day names
Date::ABBR_MONTHNAMES	Array of abbreviated month names
Date::DAYNAMES	Array of full names of days of the week
Date::ENGLAND	The Julian day number of the day of calendar reform for England and her colonies
Date::GREGORIAN	The Julian day number of the day of calendar reform for the proleptic Gregorian calendar
Date::ITALY	The Julian day number of the day of calendar reform for Italy
Date::JULIAN	The Julian day number of the day of calendar reform for the proleptic Julian calendar
Date::MONTHNAMES	Array of full month names

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- Please note the following operations
 - Why in the third line it shows a 28? Because it takes the last day of the February month.

```
Date.new(2001,3,31) << 2  #=> #<Date: 2001-01-31 ...>

Date.new(2001,3,31) << 1 << 1  #=> #<Date: 2001-01-28 ...>

Date.new(2001,3,31) << 1 << -1  #=> #<Date: 2001-03-28 ...>
```

These operators reduce the months from the date.

We also go back to the last day of the month if we put a day greater than the max quantity of days that the month we are trying to get has.

Active support



Only available at Rails

```
    1. l*.hour.to_i # 3600
    2.
    3. l.day # ActiveSupport::Duration
    4. 3.days.ago #
        ActiveSupport::TimeWithZone
```

With active support we can do these type of things

```
Loading development environment (Rails 7.0.3.1)
[3.0.0 :001 > Time.now - 3.days.ago

=> 259199.999967
[3.0.0 :002 > Time(Time.now - 3.days.ago)
(irb):2:in '<main>': undefined method `Time' for main:Object (NoMethodError)
[3.0.0 :003 > Time.at(Time.now - 3.days.ago)
=> 1970-01-03 17:59:59 34359291691/34359738368 -0600
3.0.0 :004 >
```

Homework

We are gonna use three active support methods related to date and time. Represent that time formatted.