

Date and Time API

Before java 8

Before Java 8, developers often faced confusion about which package (`java.util` or `java.sql`) to import for handling dates and times, as the behavior of classes like `Date` and `Calendar` varied between these packages. This led to issues like mismatched output formats, inconsistent APIs, and conversion headaches. The mutability of these classes also caused bugs, especially in multi-threaded applications, while non-thread-safe utilities like `SimpleDateFormat` added further complexity. The lack of clear time zone handling and 0-based month indexing in `Calendar` compounded these issues

The `java.util` package is a general-purpose package that provides utility classes for collections, date and time handling (legacy), random number generation, and more.

`java.sql` Package

The `java.sql` package is specifically designed for database operations. It provides classes and interfaces for interacting with relational databases using JDBC (Java Database Connectivity).

```
package dateandtimeapi;
import java.time.Instant;
import java.util.Calendar;
import java.util.Date;
public class BeforeJava8 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Date currentDate = new Date(); // it print time date,time
        System.out.println("Current Date: " + currentDate);
        Calendar calendar = Calendar.getInstance();
        calendar.add(Calendar.DAY_OF_MONTH, 5);
        System.out.println("Date After 5 Days: " + calendar.getTime());
        // Legacy Date and Time APIs :
        /*
         * The java.util.Date and java.util.Calendar classes are the old APIs.The new
         * java.time API is recommended, but legacy APIs can still be used if needed.
         * You can convert between the two:
         */
        // Convert java.util.Date to Instant
        Date date = new Date();
        Instant instant = date.toInstant();
    }
}
```

```

        System.out.println("Instant from Date: " + instant);
        // Convert Instant to java.util.Date
        Date newDate = Date.from(instant);
        System.out.println("Date from Instant: " + newDate);
        Calendar calendar1 = Calendar.getInstance();
        System.out.println("Current Date and Time: " + calendar1.getTime());
    }
}

```

Output

Date After 5 Days: Fri Nov 22 01:11:30 IST 2024
 Instant from Date: 2024-11-16T19:41:30.367Z
 Date from Instant: Sun Nov 17 01:11:30 IST 2024
 Current Date and Time: Sun Nov 17 01:11:30 IST 2024

After Java8

The **java.time package** introduced in Java 8 as part of the new Date and Time API.

Key Features of java.time

1. Single Source for Date and Time:
 - All date and time-related functionality is now consolidated under **java.time**.
 - No more confusion between **java.util.Date**, **java.sql.Date**, etc.
2. Clear and Intuitive API:
 - Classes like **LocalDate**, **LocalTime**, and **ZonedDateTime** are easy to use and understand.
3. Immutability:
 - All classes in **java.time** are immutable, making them thread-safe and reducing bugs.
4. ISO-8601 Standard:
 - Default formats and operations adhere to the widely used ISO-8601 standard.
5. Seamless Interoperability:
 - Conversions between **java.time** and **java.sql** are straightforward.
6. Rich Functionality:
 - Built-in support for durations (**Duration**), periods (**Period**), time zones (**ZoneId**), and more.

Comparison: Before and After Java 8

Aspect	Before Java 8	After Java 8 (<code>java.time</code>)
Packages	<code>java.util</code> , <code>java.sql</code>	Single package: <code>java.time</code>
Date/Time Classes	<code>Date</code> , <code>Calendar</code> , <code>Timestamp</code> , etc.	<code>LocalDate</code> , <code>LocalTime</code> , <code>ZonedDateTime</code>
Mutability	Mutable	Immutable
Thread Safety	Not thread-safe	Thread-safe
API Design	Verbose and inconsistent	Fluent and consistent
Time Zones	Limited (<code>TimeZone</code>)	Powerful (<code>ZoneId</code> , <code>ZonedDateTime</code>)
Formatting/Parsing	<code>SimpleDateFormat</code> (not thread-safe)	<code>DateTimeFormatter</code> (thread-safe)
Month Indexing	Zero-based (e.g., January = 0)	One-based (e.g., January = 1)

Ex

1) **LocalDate:**

```
// 1) LocalDate: Represents a date without a time-zone in the ISO-8601 calendar
// system (e.g.,
// 2024-11-16).
LocalDate currentDate = LocalDate.now(); // Current date , format like
year-month-date
LocalDate specificDate = LocalDate.of(2023, 12, 25); // Specific date , (year,
month,date)
LocalDate date = LocalDate.of(2024, Month.DECEMBER, 20); // we can use
(Month.) for adding month
LocalDate futureDate = currentDate.plusDays(5);
System.out.println("Current Date: " + currentDate);
System.out.println("Specific Date: " + specificDate);
System.out.println(" Date: " + date);
System.out.println("Date After 5 Days: " + futureDate);
System.out.println("");
// Create a LocalDate
LocalDate localDate = LocalDate.now();
// Get the month as an enum
Month month = localDate.getMonth();
System.out.println("Month (Enum): " + month);
// Get the month as an integer (1-based: January = 1)
```

```

int monthValue = localDate.getMonthValue();
System.out.println("Month (Value): " + monthValue);
System.out.println("getYear(): " + localDate.getYear());
System.out.println("getDayOfMonth(): " + localDate.getDayOfMonth());
System.out.println("getDayOfYear(): " + localDate.getDayOfYear());
System.out.println("getChronology(): " + localDate.getChronology());
System.out.println("getEra(): " + localDate.getEra());
System.out.println("");

```

Output

```

Current Date: 2024-11-17
Specific Date: 2023-12-25
Date: 2024-12-20
Date After 5 Days: 2024-11-22
Month (Enum): NOVEMBER
Month (Value): 11
getYear():2024
getDayOfMonth():17
getDayOfYear():322
getChronology():ISO
getEra():CE

```

2) LocalTime

LocalTime: Represents a time without a date or time-zone (e.g., 10:15:30).

```

package dateandtimeapi;
import java.time.LocalTime;
public class LocalTimeEx {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // 2) LocalTime: Represents a time without a date or time-zone (e.g., 10:15:30).
        LocalTime currentTime = LocalTime.now(); // Current time
        LocalTime specificTime = LocalTime.of(14, 30); // Specific time (14:30)
        hour,minute
        LocalTime specificTime1 = LocalTime.of(14, 30, 30); // hour,minute,sec
        System.out.println("Current Time: " + currentTime);
        System.out.println("Specific Time: " + specificTime);
    }
}

```

```

        System.out.println("Specific Time using sec: " + specificTime1);
        System.out.println("getHour():" + currentTime.getHour());
        System.out.println("getMinute():" + currentTime.getMinute());
        System.out.println("");
    }
}

```

Output

```

Current Time: 00:44:53.616755400
Specific Time: 14:30
Specific Time using sec: 14:30:30
getHour():0
getMinute():44

```

3) LocalDateTime

LocalDateTime :Combines date and time without a time-zone

```

package dateandtimeapi;
import java.time.LocalDate;
import java.time.LocalDateTime;
import java.time.LocalTime;
public class LocalDateTimeEx {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // 3) LocalDateTime :Combines date and time without a time-zone
        LocalDateTime currentDateTime = LocalDateTime.now(); // Current date and
time
        LocalDateTime specificDateTime = LocalDateTime.of(2023, 12, 25, 14, 30); //
Specific date and time
        LocalDate currentDate = LocalDate.now();
        LocalTime currentTime = LocalTime.now();
        LocalDateTime specificDateTime2 = LocalDateTime.of(currentDate,
currentTime);
        System.out.println("Current DateTime: " + currentDateTime);
        System.out.println("Specific DateTime: " + specificDateTime);
        System.out.println("Specific DateTime using currentDate,currentTime: " +
specificDateTime2);
        System.out.println("");
    }
}

```

Output

Current DateTime: 2024-11-17T00:47:55.086346500

Specific DateTime: 2023-12-25T14:30

Specific DateTime using currentDate,currentTime: 2024-11-17T00:47:55.086346500

4) ZonedDateTime

```
package dateandtimeapi;
import java.time.ZoneId;
import java.time.ZonedDateTime;
public class ZonedDateTimeEx {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // 4) ZonedDateTime : Represents a date-time with a time-zone (e.g.,
        // 2024-11-16T10:15:30+05:30[Asia/Kolkata]).
        System.out.println(ZoneId.getAvailableZoneIds()); // it will print all available zone
        IDs
        ZonedDateTime currentDateTim = ZonedDateTime.now(); // Current date-time
        with zone
        ZonedDateTime specificZoneTime =
        ZonedDateTime.now(ZoneId.of("Asia/Kolkata")); // Time in specific time-zone
        System.out.println("Current Zoned DateTime: " + currentDateTim);
        System.out.println("Specific Zoned DateTime: " + specificZoneTime);
        System.out.println(ZonedDateTime.now(ZoneId.of("Asia/Calcutta")));
        System.out.println("");
    }
}
```

Output

[Asia/Aden, America/Cuiaba, Etc/GMT+9, Etc/GMT+8, Africa/Nairobi, America/Marigot, Asia/Aqtau, Pacific/Kwajalein, America/El_Salvador, Asia/Pontianak, Africa/Cairo, Pacific/Pago_Pago, Africa/Mbabane, Asia/Kuching, Pacific/Honolulu, Pacific/Rarotonga, America/Guatemala, Australia/Hobart, Europe/London, America/Belize, America/Panama, Asia/Chungking, America/Managua, America/Indiana/Petersburg, Asia/Yerevan, Europe/Brussels, GMT, Europe/Warsaw, America/Chicago, Asia/Kashgar, Chile/Continental, Pacific/Yap, CET, Etc/GMT-1, Etc/GMT-0, Europe/Jersey, America/Tegucigalpa, Etc/GMT-5, Europe/Istanbul, America/Eirunepe, Etc/GMT-4, America/Miquelon, Etc/GMT-3, Europe/Luxembourg, Etc/GMT-2, Etc/GMT-9, America/Argentina/Catamarca, Etc/GMT-8, Etc/GMT-7, Etc/GMT-6, Europe/Zaporozhye, Canada/Yukon, Canada/Atlantic,

Atlantic/St_Helena, Australia/Tasmania, Libya, Europe/Guernsey, America/Grand_Turk, Asia/Samarkand, America/Argentina/Cordoba, Asia/Phnom_Penh, Africa/Kigali, Asia/Almaty, US/Alaska, Asia/Dubai, Europe/Isle_of_Man, America/Araguaina, Cuba, Asia/Novosibirsk, America/Argentina/Salta, Etc/GMT+3, Africa/Tunis, Etc/GMT+2, Etc/GMT+1, Pacific/Fakaofo, Africa/Tripoli, Etc/GMT+0, Israel, Africa/Banjul, Etc/GMT+7, Indian/Comoro, Etc/GMT+6, Etc/GMT+5, Etc/GMT+4, Pacific/Port_Moresby, US/Arizona, Antarctica/Syowa, Indian/Reunion, Pacific/Palau, Europe/Kaliningrad, America/Montevideo, Africa/Windhoek, Asia/Karachi, Africa/Mogadishu, Australia/Perth, Brazil/East, Etc/GMT, Asia/Chita, Pacific/Easter, Antarctica/Davis, Antarctica/McMurdo, Asia/Macao, America/Manaus, Africa/Freetown, Europe/Bucharest, Asia/Tomsk, America/Argentina/Mendoza, Asia/Macau, Europe/Malta, Mexico/BajaSur, Pacific/Tahiti, Africa/Asmera, Europe/Busingen, America/Argentina/Rio_Gallegos, Africa/Malabo, Europe/Skopje, America/Catamarca, America/Godthab, Europe/Sarajevo, Australia/ACT, GB-Eire, Africa/Lagos, America/Cordoba, Europe/Rome, Asia/Dacca, Indian/Mauritius, Pacific/Samoa, America/Regina, America/Fort_Wayne, America/Dawson_Creek, Africa/Algiers, Europe/Mariehamn, America/St_Johns, America/St_Thomas, Europe/Zurich, America/Anguilla, Asia/Dili, America/Denver, Africa/Bamako, Europe/Saratov, GB, Mexico/General, Pacific/Wallis, Europe/Gibraltar, Africa/Conakry, Africa/Lubumbashi, Asia/Istanbul, America/Havana, NZ-CHAT, Asia/Choibalsan, America/Porto_Acre, Asia/Omsk, Europe/Vaduz, US/Michigan, Asia/Dhaka, America/Barbados, Europe/Tiraspol, Atlantic/Cape_Verde, Asia/Yekaterinburg, America/Louisville, Pacific/Johnston, Pacific/Chatham, Europe/Ljubljana, America/Sao_Paulo, Asia/Jayapura, America/Curacao, Asia/Dushanbe, America/Guyana, America/Guayaquil, America/Martinique, Portugal, Europe/Berlin, Europe/Moscow, Europe/Chisinau, America/Puerto_Rico, America/Rankin_Inlet, Pacific/Ponape, Europe/Stockholm, Europe/Budapest, America/Argentina/Jujuy, Australia/Eucla, Asia/Shanghai, Universal, Europe/Zagreb, America/Port_of_Spain, Europe/Helsinki, Asia/Beirut, Asia/Tel_Aviv, Pacific/Bougainville, US/Central, Africa/Sao_Tome, Indian/Chagos, America/Cayenne, Asia/Yakutsk, Pacific/Galapagos, Australia/North, Europe/Paris, Africa/Ndjamena, Pacific/Fiji, America/Rainy_River, Indian/Maldives, Australia/Yancowinna, SystemV/AST4, Asia/Oral, America/Yellowknife, Pacific/Enderbury, America/Juneau, Australia/Victoria, America/Indiana/Vevay, Asia/Tashkent, Asia/Jakarta, Africa/Ceuta, Asia/Barnaul, America/Recife, America/Buenos_Aires, America/Noronha, America/Swift_Current, Australia/Adelaide, America/Metlakatla, Africa/Djibouti, America/Paramaribo, Asia/Qostanay, Europe/Simferopol, Europe/Sofia, Africa/Nouakchott, Europe/Prague, America/Indiana/Vincennes, Antarctica/Mawson, America/Kralendijk, Antarctica/Troll, Europe/Samara, Indian/Christmas, America/Antigua, Pacific/Gambier, America/Indianapolis, America/Inuvik, America/Iqaluit, Pacific/Funafuti, UTC, Antarctica/Macquarie, Canada/Pacific, America/Moncton, Africa/Gaborone, Pacific/Chuuk, Asia/Pyongyang, America/St_Vincent, Asia/Gaza, Etc/Universal, PST8PDT, Atlantic/Faeroe, Asia/Qyzylorda, Canada/Newfoundland, America/Kentucky/Louisville, America/Yakutat, America/Ciudad_Juarez, Asia/Ho_Chi_Minh,

Antarctica/Casey, Europe/Copenhagen, Africa/Asmara, Atlantic/Azores, Europe/Vienna, ROK, Pacific/Pitcairn, America/Mazatlan, Australia/Queensland, Pacific/Nauru, Europe/Tirane, Asia/Kolkata, SystemV/MST7, Australia/Canberra, MET, Australia/Broken_Hill, Europe/Riga, America/Dominica, Africa/Abidjan, America/Mendoza, America/Santarem, Kwajalein, America/Asuncion, Asia/Ulan_Bator, NZ, America/Boise, Australia/Currie, EST5EDT, Pacific/Guam, Pacific/Wake, Atlantic/Bermuda, America/Costa_Rica, America/Dawson, Asia/Chongqing, Eire, Europe/Amsterdam, America/Indiana/Knox, America/North_Dakota/Beulah, Africa/Accra, Atlantic/Faroe, Mexico/BajaNorte, America/Maceio, Etc/UCT, Pacific/Apia, GMT0, America/Atka, Pacific/Niue, Australia/Lord_Howe, Europe/Dublin, Pacific/Truk, MST7MDT, America/Monterrey, America/Nassau, America/Jamaica, Asia/Bishkek, America/Atikokan, Atlantic/Stanley, Australia/NSW, US/Hawaii, SystemV/CST6, Indian/Mahe, Asia/Aqtobe, America/Sitka, Asia/Vladivostok, Africa/Libreville, Africa/Maputo, Zulu, America/Kentucky/Monticello, Africa/El_Aaiun, Africa/Ouagadougou, America/Coral_Harbour, Pacific/Marquesas, Brazil/West, America/Aruba, America/North_Dakota/Center, America/Cayman, Asia/Ulaanbaatar, Asia/Baghdad, Europe/San_Marino, America/Indiana/Tell_City, America/Tijuana, Pacific/Saipan, SystemV/YST9, Africa/Douala, America/Chihuahua, America/Ojinaga, Asia/Hovd, America/Anchorage, Chile/EasterIsland, America/Halifax, Antarctica/Rothera, America/Indiana/Indianapolis, US/Mountain, Asia/Damascus, America/Argentina/San_Luis, America/Santiago, Asia/Baku, America/Argentina/Ushuaia, Atlantic/Reykjavik, Africa/Brazzaville, Africa/Porto-Novo, America/La_Paz, Antarctica/DumontDURville, Asia/Taipei, Antarctica/South_Pole, Asia/Manila, Asia/Bangkok, Africa/Dar_es_Salaam, Poland, Atlantic/Madeira, Antarctica/Palmer, America/Thunder_Bay, Africa/Addis_Ababa, Asia/Yangon, Europe/Uzhgorod, Brazil/DeNoronha, Asia/Ashkhabad, Etc/Zulu, America/Indiana/Marengo, America/Creston, America/Punta_Arenas, America/Mexico_City, Antarctica/Vostok, Asia/Jerusalem, Europe/Andorra, US/Samoa, PRC, Asia/Vientiane, Pacific/Kiritimati, America/Matamoros, America/Blanc-Sablon, Asia/Riyadh, Iceland, Pacific/Pohnpei, Asia/Ujung_Pandang, Atlantic/South_Georgia, Europe/Lisbon, Asia/Harbin, Europe/Oslo, Asia/Novokuznetsk, CST6CDT, Atlantic/Canary, America/Knox_IN, Asia/Kuwait, SystemV/HST10, Pacific/Efate, Africa/Lome, America/Bogota, America/Menominee, America/Adak, Pacific/Norfolk, Europe/Kirov, America/Resolute, Pacific/Kanton, Pacific/Tarawa, Africa/Kampala, Asia/Krasnoyarsk, Greenwich, SystemV/EST5, America/Edmonton, Europe/Podgorica, Australia/South, Canada/Central, Africa/Bujumbura, America/Santo_Domingo, US/Eastern, Europe/Minsk, Pacific/Auckland, Africa/Casablanca, America/Glace_Bay, Canada/Eastern, Asia/Qatar, Europe/Kiev, Singapore, Asia/Magadan, SystemV/PST8, America/Port-au-Prince, Europe/Belfast, America/St_Barthelemy, Asia/Ashgabat, Africa/Luanda, America/Nipigon, Atlantic/Jan_Mayen, Brazil/Acre, Asia/Muscat, Asia/Bahrain, Europe/Vilnius, America/Fortaleza, Etc/GMT0, US/East-Indiana, America/Hermosillo, America/Cancun, Africa/Maseru, Pacific/Kosrae, Africa/Kinshasa, Asia/Kathmandu, Asia/Seoul, Australia/Sydney, America/Lima, Australia/LHI,

America/St_Lucia, Europe/Madrid, America/Bahia_Banderas, America/Montserrat, Asia/Brunei, America/Santa_Isabel, Canada/Mountain, America/Cambridge_Bay, Asia/Colombo, Australia/West, Indian/Antananarivo, Australia/Brisbane, Indian/Mayotte, US/Indiana-Starke, Asia/Urumqi, US/Aleutian, Europe/Volgograd, America/Lower_Princes, America/Vancouver, Africa/Blantyre, America/Rio_Branco, America/Danmarkshavn, America/Detroit, America/Thule, Africa/Lusaka, Asia/Hong_Kong, Iran, America/Argentina/La_Rioja, Africa/Dakar, SystemV/CST6CDT, America/Tortola, America/Porto_Velho, Asia/Sakhalin, Etc/GMT+10, America/Scoresbysund, Asia/Kamchatka, Asia/Thimbu, Africa/Harare, Etc/GMT+12, Etc/GMT+11, Navajo, America/Nome, Europe/Tallinn, Turkey, Africa/Khartoum, Africa/Johannesburg, Africa/Bangui, Europe/Belgrade, Jamaica, Africa/Bissau, Asia/Tehran, WET, Europe/Astrakhan, Africa/Juba, America/Campo_Grande, America/Belem, Etc/Greenwich, Asia/Saigon, America/Ensenada, Pacific/Midway, America/Jujuy, Africa/Timbuktu, America/Bahia, America/Goose_Bay, America/Virgin, America/Pangnirtung, Asia/Katmandu, America/Phoenix, Africa/Niamey, America/Whitehorse, Pacific/Noumea, Asia/Tbilisi, Europe/Kyiv, America/Montreal, Asia/Makassar, America/Argentina/San_Juan, Hongkong, UCT, Asia/Nicosia, America/Indiana/Winamac, SystemV/MST7MDT, America/Argentina/ComodRivadavia, America/Boa_Vista, America/Grenada, Asia/Atyrau, Australia/Darwin, Asia/Khandyga, Asia/Kuala_Lumpur, Asia/Famagusta, Asia/Thimphu, Asia/Rangoon, Europe/Bratislava, Asia/Calcutta, America/Argentina/Tucuman, Asia/Kabul, Indian/Cocos, Japan, Pacific/Tongatapu, America/New_York, Etc/GMT-12, Etc/GMT-11, America/Nuuk, Etc/GMT-10, SystemV/YST9YDT, Europe/Ulyanovsk, Etc/GMT-14, Etc/GMT-13, W-SU, America/Merida, EET, America/Rosario, Canada/Saskatchewan, America/St_Kitts, Arctic/Longyearbyen, America/Fort_Nelson, America/Caracas, America/Guadeloupe, Asia/Hebron, Indian/Kerguelen, SystemV/PST8PDT, Africa/Monrovia, Asia/Ust-Nera, Egypt, Asia/Srednekolymsk, America/North_Dakota/New_Salem, Asia/Anadyr, Australia/Melbourne, Asia/Irkutsk, America/Shirock, America/Winnipeg, Europe/Vatican, Asia/Amman, Etc/UTC, SystemV/AST4ADT, Asia/Tokyo, America/Toronto, Asia/Singapore, Australia/Lindeman, America/Los_Angeles, SystemV/EST5EDT, Pacific/Majuro, America/Argentina/Buenos_Aires, Europe/Nicosia, Pacific/Guadacanal, Europe/Athens, US/Pacific, Europe/Monaco]

Current Zoned DateTime: 2024-11-17T00:51:27.956193800+05:30[Asia/Calcutta]

Specific Zoned DateTime: 2024-11-17T00:51:27.957191900+05:30[Asia/Kolkata]

2024-11-17T00:51:27.958593200+05:30[Asia/Calcutta]

5) Instant

// 5) Instant: Represents a specific point in time (e.g.,
// 2024-11-16T05:45:30.123Z).

```
Instant now = Instant.now(); // Current timestamp(machine understandable)
System.out.println("Instant Now: " + now);
System.out.println("");
```

Output

Instant Now: 2024-11-16T19:26:21.354455600Z

6) Formatting and Parsing

```
// 6) Formatting and Parsing
// The DateTimeFormatter class is used to format and parse date and time
// objects.
LocalDateTime dateTime = LocalDateTime.now();
DateTimeFormatter formatter = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("dd-MM-yyyy
HH:mm:ss");
String formattedDateTime = dateTime.format(formatter);
System.out.println("Formatted DateTime: " + formattedDateTime);
System.out.println("");
// parsing
String dateTimeString = "16-11-2024 10:15:30";
DateTimeFormatter formatter1 = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("dd-MM-yyyy
HH:mm:ss");
LocalDateTime dateTime1 = LocalDateTime.parse(dateTimeString, formatter1);
System.out.println("Parsed DateTime: " + dateTime1);
System.out.println("");
```

Output

Formatted DateTime: 17-59-2024 12:59:26

Parsed DateTime: 2024-11-16T10:15:30

7) Working with Period and Duration

```
// 7) Working with Period and Duration
// Period: Represents the amount of time in terms of years, months, and days.
LocalDate startDate = LocalDate.of(2000, 9, 30);
LocalDate endDate = LocalDate.now();
Period period = Period.between(startDate, endDate);
```

```

System.out.println("Years: " + period.getYears());
System.out.println("Months: " + period.getMonths());
System.out.println("Days: " + period.getDays());
System.out.println("");
// Duration: Represents the amount of time in seconds or nanoseconds.
LocalTime startTime = LocalTime.of(9, 30);
LocalTime endTime = LocalTime.of(17, 45);
Duration duration = Duration.between(startTime, endTime);
System.out.println("Duration in hours: " + duration.toHours());
System.out.println("Duration in minutes: " + duration.toMinutes());
System.out.println("");

```

Output

```

Years: 24
Months: 1
Days: 18
Duration in hours: 8
Duration in minutes: 495

```

1) How do you format a **LocalDateTime** object to a specific date-time string pattern?

```

LocalDateTime dateTime = LocalDateTime.now();
DateTimeFormatter formatter =
    DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss");
String formattedDate = dateTime.format(formatter);
System.out.println("Formatted DateTime: " + formattedDate);

```

Output

```
Formatted DateTime: 2024-11-17 01:20:57
```

2) How do you parse a date or time string using **DateTimeFormatter**?

```

String dateStr = "2024-11-17";
DateTimeFormatter formatter1 = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("yyyy-MM-dd");
LocalDate date = LocalDate.parse(dateStr, formatter1);
System.out.println("Parsed Date: " + date);

```

Output

```
Parsed Date: 2024-11-17
```

Ex2:

```
// Input date string in "yyyy-MM-dd" format
```

```
String str = "2000-09-12";
// Define the input format (yyyy-MM-dd)
DateTimeFormatter inputFormatter = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("yyyy-MM-dd");
// Parse the string into LocalDate
LocalDate date1 = LocalDate.parse(str, inputFormatter);
// Define the output format (dd-MM-yyyy)
DateTimeFormatter outputFormatter = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("dd-MM-yyyy");
// Format the LocalDate into the new format
String formattedDate1 = date1.format(outputFormatter);
// Print the formatted date
System.out.println(formattedDate1); // Outputs: 12-09-2000
```

Output

12-09-2000

3) How do you add or subtract time using the **java.time** API?

```
LocalDate today = LocalDate.now();
LocalDateTime now = LocalDateTime.now();
// Add days
LocalDate nextWeek = today.plusDays(7);
LocalDateTime nextHour = now.plusHours(1);
// Subtract days
LocalDate lastWeek = today.minusDays(7);
LocalDateTime lastHour = now.minusHours(1);
System.out.println("Next Week: " + nextWeek);
System.out.println("Next Hour: " + nextHour);
System.out.println("Last Week: " + lastWeek);
System.out.println("Last Hour: " + lastHour);
```

Output

Next Week: 2024-11-24

Next Hour: 2024-11-17T02:24:56.238206100

Last Week: 2024-11-10

Last Hour: 2024-11-17T00:24:56.238206100