02-Dates Guideline

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Prelude

- Date and Time are one of the important data types
- Need to understand how it is stored on computer and how it is represented
- Need to know how to transmit/specify date/time between frontend/backend/database

Fetch date from API

{ "humanReadable": "Tue Apr 25 08:07:39 ICT 2023", "timeStamp": "1682384859780" }

Timezone

UTC Coordinated Universal Time GMT Greenwich Mean Time ICT IndoChina Time



MySQL

• https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/8.0/en/date-and-time-types.html

DATETIME

- MySQL retrieves and displays DATETIME values in 'YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss' format.
- The supported range is '1000-01-01 00:00:00' to '9999-12-31 23:59:59'
- When insert DATETIME field, we can specify timezone, e.g., '2023-03-23 13:30:00+07:00'

TIMESTAMP

- TIMESTAMP has a range of '1970-01-01 00:00:01' UTC to '2038-01-19 03:14:07' UTC
- MySQL converts TIMESTAMP values from the current time zone to UTC for storage, and back from UTC to the current time zone for retrieval.

Java

- https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/datetime/iso/index.html
- Standard Calendar is the core of the Date-Time API in the java.time package. The classes defined in java.time base their calendar system on the ISO calendar.
- Date-Time with timezone:
 - ZonedDateTime: combines the LocalDateTime class with the ZoneId class
 - supports DST(Daylight Saving Time) and uses System's timezone as default.
 - Instant class: represents the start of a <u>nanosecond</u> on the timeline. This class is useful for generating a time stamp to represent machine time.
 - toString() follows the ISO-8601 standard for representing date and time.

Spring Boot : application.properties

- spring.jpa.properties.hibernate.jdbc.time zone=UTC
 - specify that database stores date-time in UTC, not system's timezone
- spring.jackson.time-zone=UTC
 - specify that the JSON output on date-time must be in UTC, not system's timezone

JavaScript

 https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/Date#

Date

- Date objects encapsulate an integral number that represents milliseconds since the midnight at the beginning of January 1, 1970, UTC (the epoch).
- A date is represented internally as a single number, the timestamp. When interacting with it, the timestamp needs to be interpreted as a structured date-and-time representation.
- toISOString() returns a string in the format 1970-01-01T00:00:00.000Z
- toLocaleString() uses locale-specific date and time formats

Default Timezone

- JavaScript running on browser : System Timezone
- Java : System Timezone
- MySQL : System Timezone
- Docker Container : UTC
 - ENV TZ=Asia/Bangkok # specify to use ICT in container