

Handling Date and Time with the Date-Time API



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java.time Package

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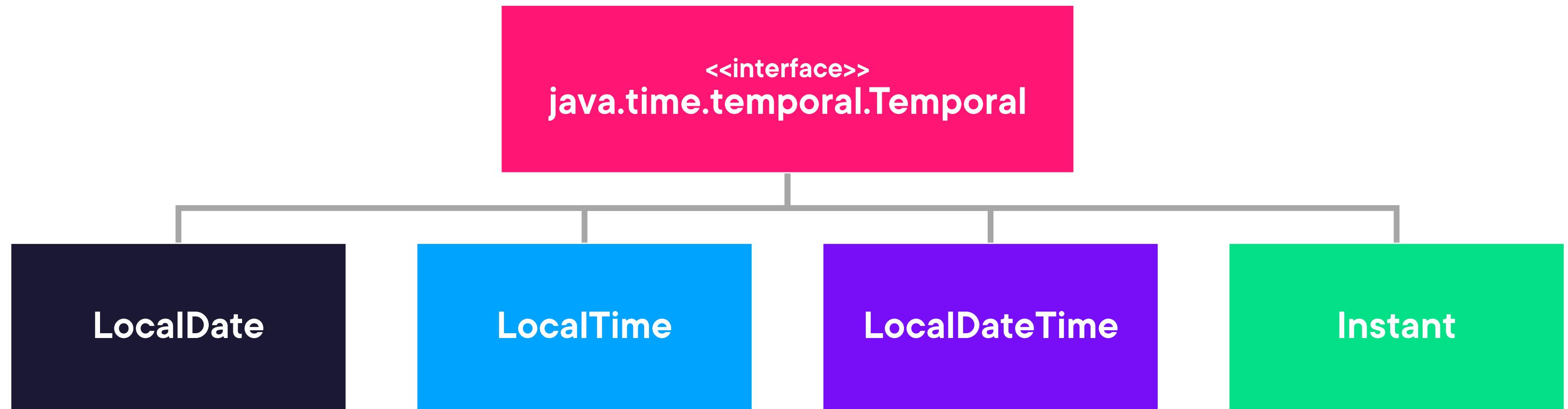
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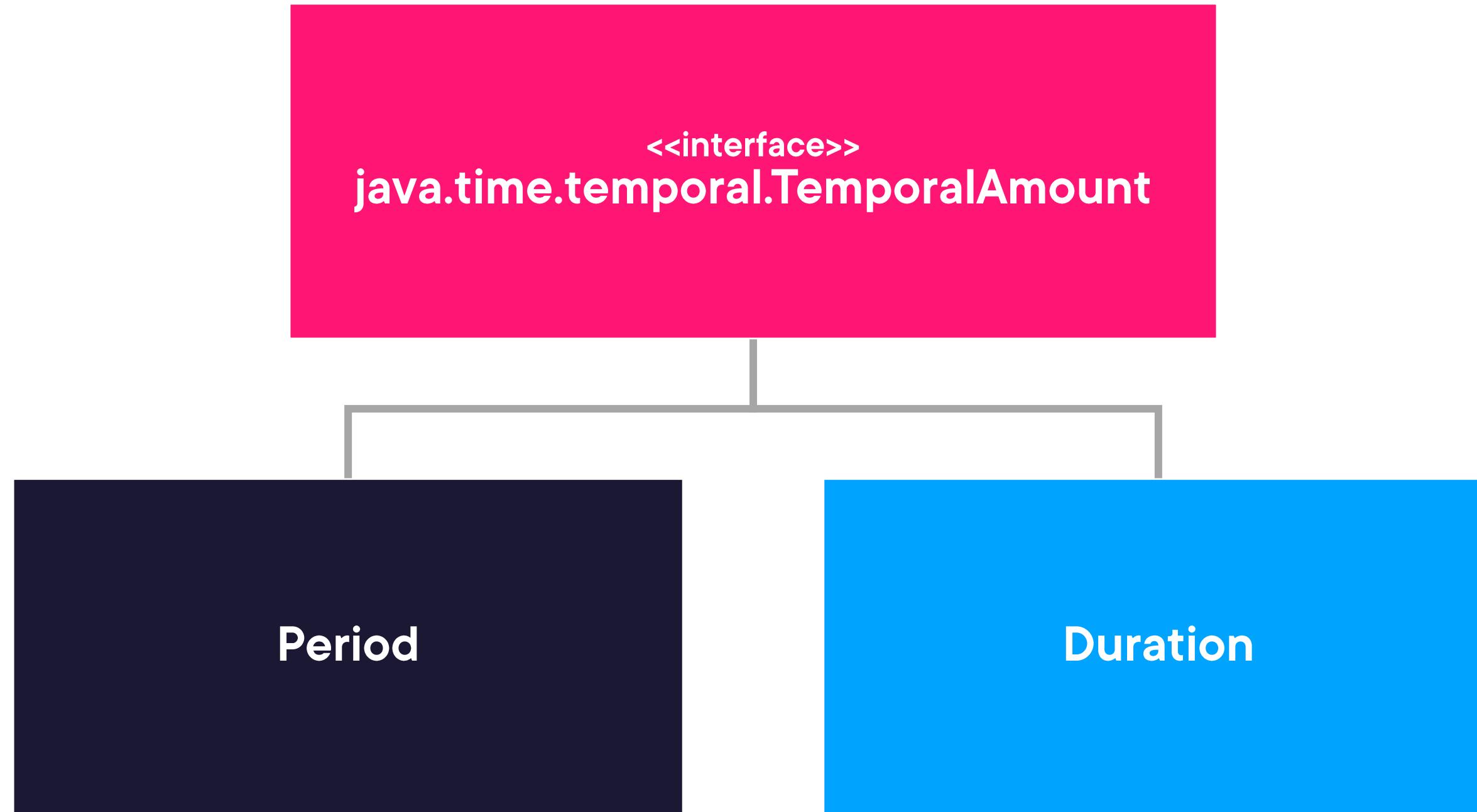
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Temporal Interface



TemporalAmount Interface



Time Zone Information

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All the classes of the Date-Time API are immutable.



Working with LocalDate



A LocalDate Object

2025

Year
↑
•••••

12

Month
↑
•••••

31

Day
↑
•••••



Creating a LocalDate Object

```
// With year (-999999999-999999999), month (1-12), day of the month (1-31)  
LocalDate newYear2001 = LocalDate.of(2001, 1, 1);  
  
// This version uses the enum java.time.Month  
LocalDate newYear2002 = LocalDate.of(2002, Month.JANUARY, 1);
```



LocalDate Methods

```
LocalDate today = LocalDate.now();
```

```
int year = today.getYear();
```

```
int month = today.getMonthValue();
```

```
Month monthAsEnum = today.getMonth(); // As enum: JANUARY, FEBRUARY, etc.
```

```
int dayYear = today.getDayOfYear();
```

```
int dayMonth = today.getDayOfMonth();
```

```
DayOfWeek dayWeekEnum = today.getDayOfWeek(); // As enum: MONDAY, TUESDAY, etc.
```



```
int get(java.time.temporal.TemporalField field); // value as int  
long getLong(java.time.temporal.TemporalField field); // value as long
```

Get Methods



LocalDate Methods

```
LocalDate today = LocalDate.now();  
  
int year = today.get(ChronoField.YEAR);  
int month = today.get(ChronoField.MONTH_OF_YEAR);  
int dayYear = today.get(ChronoField.DAY_OF_YEAR);  
int dayMonth = today.get(ChronoField.DAY_OF_MONTH);  
int dayWeek = today.get(ChronoField.DAY_OF_WEEK);  
long dayEpoch = today.getLong(ChronoField.EPOCH_DAY);
```



ChronoField Values for LocalDate

- DAY_OF_WEEK
- ALIGNED_DAY_OF_WEEK_IN_MONTH
- ALIGNED_DAY_OF_WEEK_IN_YEAR
- DAY_OF_MONTH
- DAY_OF_YEAR
- EPOCH_DAY
- ALIGNED_WEEK_OF_MONTH
- ALIGNED_WEEK_OF_YEAR
- MONTH_OF_YEAR
- PROLEPTIC_MONTH
- YEAR_OF_ERA
- YEAR
- ERA



LocalDate Methods

```
LocalDate newYear2001 = LocalDate.of(2001, 1, 1);  
LocalDate newYear2002 = LocalDate.of(2002, 1, 1);  
  
boolean after = newYear2001.isAfter(newYear2002); // false  
boolean before = newYear2001.isBefore(newYear2002); // true  
boolean equal = newYear2001.equals(newYear2002); // false  
boolean leapYear = newYear2001.isLeapYear(); // false
```



LocalDate Methods

```
LocalDate newYear2001 = LocalDate.of(2001, 1, 1);
```

```
LocalDate newYear2003 = newYear2001.with(ChronoField.YEAR, 2003);
```

```
LocalDate newYear2004 = newYear2001.withYear(2004);
```

```
LocalDate december2001 = newYear2001.withMonth(12);
```

```
LocalDate february2001 = newYear2001.withDayOfYear(32);
```

```
// Since these methods return a new instance, you can chain them
```

```
LocalDate xmas2001 = newYear2001.withMonth(12).withDayOfMonth(25);
```



LocalDate Methods

```
LocalDate newYear2001 = LocalDate.of(2001, 1, 1);

// Adding
LocalDate newYear2005 = newYear2001.plusYears(4);
LocalDate march2001 = newYear2001.plusMonths(2);
LocalDate january15_2001 = newYear2001.plusDays(14);
LocalDate lastWeekJanuary2001 = newYear2001.plusWeeks(3);
LocalDate newYear2006 = newYear2001.plus(5, ChronoUnit.YEARS);

// Subtracting
LocalDate newYear2000 = newYear2001.minusYears(1);
LocalDate nov2000 = newYear2001.minusMonths(2);
LocalDate dec30_2000 = newYear2001.minusDays(2);
LocalDate lastWeekDec2000 = newYear2001.minusWeeks(1);
LocalDate newYear1999 = newYear2001.minus(2, ChronoUnit.YEARS);
```



ChronoUnit Values for LocalDate

- DAYS
- WEEKS
- MONTHS
- YEARS
- DECADES
- CENTURIES
- MILLENNIA
- ERAS



Working with LocalTime



A LocalTime Object

14 : 30 : 01 . 123456789

Hour Minute Second Nanosecond



LocalTime Methods Similar to LocalDate's

```
// Creating an instance with hours, minutes, and seconds
LocalTime time = LocalTime.of(14, 30, 45); // 14:30:45 (2:30:45 PM)

// Modifying Time with with(), but for time values
LocalTime newHour = time.withHour(16); // 16:30:45 (4:30:45 PM)
LocalTime newMinute = time.withMinute(15); // 14:15:45
LocalTime newSecond = time.withSecond(10); // 14:30:10

// Adding/Subtracting Time with methods equivalent to plusDays() or minusMonths()
LocalTime plusHours = time.plusHours(2); // 16:30:45 (adds 2 hours)
LocalTime minusMinutes = time.minusMinutes(10); // 14:20:45 (subtracts 10 minutes)
```



LocalTime Methods Similar to LocalDate's

```
LocalTime time = LocalTime.of(14, 30, 45); // 14:30:45 (2:30:45 PM)
```

```
// Retrieving Values similar to getYear(), getMonthValue(), etc.
```

```
int hour = time.getHour(); // 14
```

```
int minute = time.getMinute(); // 30
```

```
int second = time.getSecond(); // 45
```

```
// Comparing times
```

```
boolean isBefore = time.isBefore(LocalTime.of(16, 0)); // true
```

```
boolean isAfter = time.isAfter(LocalTime.of(12, 0)); // true
```

```
// toString() returns time in ISO-8601 format, hour minutes seconds
```

```
System.out.println(time); // Output: 14:30:45
```



Creating a LocalTime Object

```
// With hour (0-23) and minutes (0-59)  
LocalTime fiveThirty = LocalTime.of(5, 30);  
  
// With hour, minutes, and seconds (0-59)  
LocalTime noon = LocalTime.of(12, 0, 0);  
  
// With hour, minutes, seconds, and nanoseconds (0-999_999_999)  
LocalTime almostMidnight = LocalTime.of(23, 59, 59, 999_999_999);
```



LocalTime Methods

```
LocalTime now = LocalTime.now();
```

```
int hour = now.getHour();
```

```
int minute = now.getMinute();
```

```
int second = now.getSecond();
```

```
int nanosecond = now.getNano();
```



```
int get(java.time.temporal.TemporalField field); // value as int  
long getLong(java.time.temporal.TemporalField field); // value as long
```

Get Methods



LocalTime Methods

```
LocalTime now = LocalTime.now();  
  
int hourAMPM = now.get(ChronoField.HOUR_OF_AMPM); // 0 - 11  
int hourDay = now.get(ChronoField.HOUR_OF_DAY); // 0 - 23  
int minuteDay = now.get(ChronoField.MINUTE_OF_DAY); // 0 - 1,439  
int minuteHour = now.get(ChronoField.MINUTE_OF_HOUR); // 0 - 59  
int secondDay = now.get(ChronoField.SECOND_OF_DAY); // 0 - 86,399  
int secondMinute = now.get(ChronoField.SECOND_OF_MINUTE); // 0 - 59  
long nanoDay = now.getLong(ChronoField.NANO_OF_DAY); // 0-86_399_999_999  
int nanoSecond = now.get(ChronoField.NANO_OF_SECOND); // 0-999_999_999
```



ChronoField Values for LocalTime

- NANO_OF_SECOND
- NANO_OF_DAY
- MICRO_OF_SECOND
- MICRO_OF_DAY
- MILLI_OF_SECOND
- MILLI_OF_DAY
- SECOND_OF_MINUTE
- SECOND_OF_DAY
- MINUTE_OF_HOUR
- MINUTE_OF_DAY
- HOUR_OF_AMPM
- CLOCK_HOUR_OF_AMPM
- HOUR_OF_DAY
- CLOCK_HOUR_OF_DAY
- AMPM_OF_DAY



LocalTime Methods

```
LocalTime fiveThirty = LocalTime.of(5, 30);  
LocalTime noon = LocalTime.of(12, 0, 0);  
  
boolean after = fiveThirty.isAfter(noon); // false  
boolean before = fiveThirty.isBefore(noon); // true  
boolean equal = fiveThirty.equals(noon); // false
```



LocalTime Methods

```
LocalTime noon = LocalTime.of(12, 0, 0);
```

```
LocalTime ten = noon.with(ChronoField.HOUR_OF_DAY, 10);
```

```
LocalTime eight = noon.withHour(8);
```

```
LocalTime twelveThirty = noon.withMinute(30);
```

```
LocalTime thirtyTwoSeconds = noon.withSecond(32);
```

```
// Since these methods return a new instance, you can chain them
```

```
LocalTime secondsNano = noon.withSecond(20).withNano(999_999);
```



LocalTime Methods

```
LocalTime fiveThirty = LocalTime.of(5, 30);

// Adding
LocalTime sixThirty = fiveThirty.plusHours(1);
LocalTime fiveForty = fiveThirty.plusMinutes(10);
LocalTime plusSeconds = fiveThirty.plusSeconds(14);
LocalTime plusNanos = fiveThirty.plusNanos(99_999_999);
LocalTime sevenThirty = fiveThirty.plus(2, ChronoUnit.HOURS);

// Subtracting
LocalTime fourThirty = fiveThirty.minusHours(1);
LocalTime fiveTen = fiveThirty.minusMinutes(20);
LocalTime minusSeconds = fiveThirty.minusSeconds(2);
LocalTime minusNanos = fiveThirty.minusNanos(1);
LocalTime fiveTwenty = fiveThirty.minus(10, ChronoUnit.MINUTES);
```



ChronoUnit Values for LocalTime

- NANOS
- MICROS
- MILLIS
- SECONDS
- MINUTES
- HOURS
- HALF_DAYS



Working with LocalDateTime



A LocalDateTime Object

2025 - 12 - 31 14 : 30 : 01 . 123456789



Creating a LocalDateTime Object

```
// Setting seconds and nanoseconds to zero  
LocalDateTime dt1 = LocalDateTime.of(2024, 9, 19, 14, 5);  
  
// Setting nanoseconds to zero  
LocalDateTime dt2 = LocalDateTime.of(2024, 9, 19, 14, 5, 20);  
  
// Setting all fields  
LocalDateTime dt3 = LocalDateTime.of(2024, 9, 19, 14, 5, 20, 9);
```



Creating a LocalDateTime Object

```
// Assuming this date  
LocalDate date = LocalDate.now();  
  
// And this time  
LocalTime time = LocalTime.now();  
  
// Combine the date with the time  
LocalDateTime dt4 = date.atTime(14, 30, 59, 999999);  
LocalDateTime dt5 = date.atTime(time);  
  
// Combine the time with the date  
LocalDateTime dt6 = time.atDate(date);
```



LocalDateTime Methods

```
LocalDateTime now = LocalDateTime.now();
```

```
int year = now.getYear();
```

```
int dayYear = now.getDayOfYear();
```

```
int hour = now.getHour();
```

```
int minute = now.getMinute();
```



```
int get(java.time.temporal.TemporalField field); // value as int  
long getLong(java.time.temporal.TemporalField field); // value as long
```

Get Methods



LocalDateTime Methods

```
LocalTime now = LocalDateTime.now();
```

```
int month = now.get(ChronoField.MONTH_OF_YEAR);
```

```
int minuteHour = now.get(ChronoField.MINUTE_OF_HOUR);
```



ChronoField Values for LocalDateTime

- NANO_OF_SECOND
- NANO_OF_DAY
- MICRO_OF_SECOND
- MICRO_OF_DAY
- MILLI_OF_SECOND
- MILLI_OF_DAY
- SECOND_OF_MINUTE
- SECOND_OF_DAY
- MINUTE_OF_HOUR
- MINUTE_OF_DAY
- HOUR_OF_AMPM
- CLOCK_HOUR_OF_AMPM
- HOUR_OF_DAY
- CLOCK_HOUR_OF_DAY
- AMPM_OF_DAY
- DAY_OF_WEEK
- ALIGNED_DAY_OF_WEEK_IN_MONTH
- ALIGNED_DAY_OF_WEEK_IN_YEAR
- DAY_OF_MONTH
- DAY_OF_YEAR
- EPOCH_DAY
- ALIGNED_WEEK_OF_MONTH
- ALIGNED_WEEK_OF_YEAR
- MONTH_OF_YEAR
- PROLEPTIC_MONTH
- YEAR_OF_ERA
- YEAR
- ERA



LocalDateTime Methods

```
LocalTime now = LocalDateTime.now();  
LocalDateTime dt1 = LocalDateTime.of(2024, 9, 19, 14, 5);  
  
boolean after = now.isAfter(dt1); // false  
boolean before = now.isBefore(dt1); // true  
boolean equal = now.equals(dt1); // false
```



LocalDateTime Methods

```
LocalTime now = LocalDateTime.now();  
  
LocalDateTime dt1 = now.with(ChronoField.HOUR_OF_DAY, 10);  
LocalDateTime dt2 = now.withMonth(8);  
// Since these methods return a new instance, you can chain them  
LocalDateTime dt3 = now.withYear(2013).withMinute(0);
```



LocalDateTime Methods

```
LocalTime now = LocalDateTime.now();  
  
// Adding  
LocalDateTime dt1 = now.plusYears(4);  
LocalDateTime dt2 = now.plusWeeks(3);  
LocalDateTime dt3 = now.plus(2, ChronoUnit.HOURS);  
  
// Subtracting  
LocalDateTime dt4 = now.minusMonths(2);  
LocalDateTime dt5 = now.minusNanos(1);  
LocalDateTime dt6 = now.minus(10, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
```



ChronoUnit Values for LocalDateTime

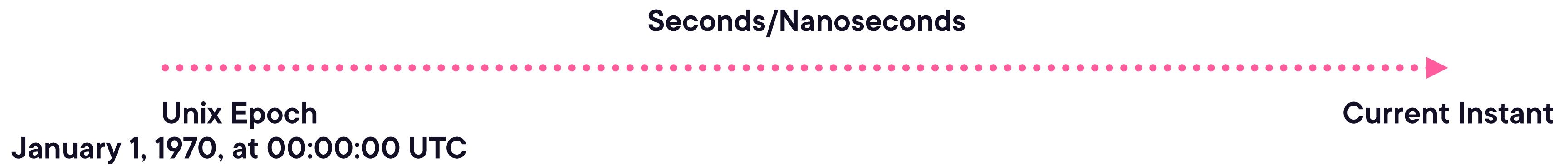
- NANOS
- MICROS
- MILLIS
- SECONDS
- MINUTES
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- HALF_DAYS
- DAYS
- WEEKS
- MONTHS
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Working with Instant



The Instant Class



Instant Representation

A long represents epoch-seconds

**An int for nanosecond-of-second (always
between 0 and 999,999,999)**

Positive values after the epoch

Negative values before the epoch



Creating an Instant Object

```
// Setting seconds  
Instant fiveSecondsAfterEpoch = Instant.ofEpochSecond(5);  
  
// Setting seconds and nanoseconds (negative for before epoch)  
Instant sixSecTwoNanBeforeEpoch = Instant.ofEpochSecond(-6, -2);  
  
// Setting milliseconds since epoch (negative for before epoch)  
Instant fiftyMillisecondsAfterEpoch = Instant.ofEpochMilli(50);
```



Instant Methods

```
Instant now = Instant.now();  
  
long seconds = now.getEpochSecond(); // Gets the seconds  
int nanos1 = now.getNano(); // Gets the nanoseconds  
  
// Gets the value as an int  
int millis = now.get(ChronoField.MILLI_OF_SECOND);  
  
// Gets the value as a long  
long nanos2 = now.getLong(ChronoField.NANO_OF_SECOND);
```



ChronoField Values for Instant

- NANO_OF_SECOND
- MICRO_OF_SECOND
- MILLI_OF_SECOND
- INSTANT_SECONDS



Instant Methods

```
Instant now = Instant.now();  
Instant fiveSecondsAfterEpoch = Instant.ofEpochSecond(5);  
  
boolean after = now.isAfter(fiveSecondsAfterEpoch); // true  
boolean before = now.isBefore(fiveSecondsAfterEpoch); // false  
boolean equal = now.equals(fiveSecondsAfterEpoch); // false
```



Instant Methods

```
Instant now = Instant.now();  
  
// Creating a new Instant with the nanosecond field set to 10  
Instant nanoInstant = now.with(ChronoField.NANO_OF_SECOND, 10);  
  
// Using an Instant as a TemporalAdjuster  
Instant epochInstant = now.with(Instant.EPOCH);  
  
// Creating a new Instant with a custom implementation of TemporalAdjuster  
Instant zeroMillisecondInstant = now.with(  
    temporal -> temporal.with(ChronoField.MILLI_OF_SECOND, 0)  
);
```



Instant Methods

```
Instant now = Instant.now();  
  
// Adding  
Instant i1 = now.plusSeconds(400);  
Instant i2 = now.plusMillis(98622200);  
Instant i3 = now.plusNanos(300013890);  
Instant i4 = now.plus(2, ChronoUnit.MINUTES);  
  
// Subtracting  
Instant i5 = now.minusSeconds(2);  
Instant i6 = now.minusMillis(1);  
Instant i7 = now.minusNanos(1);  
Instant i8 = now.minus(10, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
```



ChronoUnit Values for Instant

- NANOS
- MICROS
- MILLIS
- SECONDS
- MINUTES
- HOURS
- HALF_DAYS
- DAYS



Working with Period



A Period Object

3Y **6M** **9D**

Years Months Days



Creating a Period Object

```
// Setting years, months, days (all can be negative)
Period period5y4m3d = Period.of(5, 4, 3);

// Setting days (can be negative), years and months will be zero
Period period2d = Period.ofDays(2);

// Setting months (can be negative), years and days will be zero
Period period2m = Period.ofMonths(2);

// Setting weeks (can be negative). The resulting period will
// be in days (1 week = 7 days). Years and months will be zero
Period period14d = Period.ofWeeks(2);

// Setting years (can be negative), days and months will be zero
Period period2y = Period.ofYears(2);
```



```
public static Period between(LocalDate startDateInclusive,  
                           LocalDate endDateExclusive)
```

Calculating the Difference Between Two Dates

Use the `Period.between` method



Rules for Calculating the Difference between Dates



Complete months are counted, and then the remaining number of days

**The number of months is then split into years
(1 year equals 12 months)**

A month is counted if the end day is greater than or equal to the start day

The result can be negative if the end date is before the start date



Period Methods

```
Period period5y4m3d = Period.of(5, 4, 3);  
  
int days = period5y4m3d.getDays();  
int months = period5y4m3d.getMonths();  
int year = period5y4m3d.getYears();  
long days2 = period5y4m3d.get(ChronoUnit.DAYS);
```



ChronoUnit Values for Period

- DAYS
- MONTHS
- YEARS



Period Methods

```
Period period2d = Period.ofDays(2);
```

```
Period period8d = period2d.withDays(8);
```

// Since these methods return a new instance, you can chain them

```
Period period2y1m2d = period2d.withYears(2).withMonths(1);
```



Period Methods

```
Period period5y4m3d = Period.of(5, 4, 3);  
  
// Adding  
Period period9y4m3d = period5y4m3d.plusYears(4);  
Period period5y7m3d = period5y4m3d.plusMonths(3);  
Period period5y4m6d = period5y4m3d.plusDays(3);  
Period period7y4m3d = period5y4m3d.plus(period5y4m6d);  
  
// Subtracting  
Period period5y4m1d = period5y4m3d.minusYears(2);  
Period period5y3m3d = period5y4m3d.minusMonths(1);  
Period period5y4m2d = period5y4m3d.minusDays(1);  
Period period3y4m3d = period5y4m3d.minus(period5y4m2d);
```



```
String toString() // Returns the period in the format P<years>Y<months>M<days>D
```

The **toString()** Method



Working with Duration



A Duration Object

99999 . 123456789



Seconds



Nanoseconds



Creating a Duration Object

```
Duration oneDay = Duration.ofDays(1); // 1 day = 86400 seconds
Duration oneHour = Duration.ofHours(1); // 1 hour = 3600 seconds
Duration oneMin = Duration.ofMinutes(1); // 1 minute = 60 seconds
Duration tenSeconds = Duration.ofSeconds(10);
// Set seconds and nanoseconds
// Nanoseconds adjust to 0-999,999,999. Excess nanoseconds carry over to seconds
Duration twoSeconds = Duration.ofSeconds(1, 100000000);
// Seconds and nanoseconds are extracted from the passed milliseconds
Duration twoMilliseconds = Duration.ofMillis(2);
// Seconds and nanoseconds are extracted from the passed nanos
Duration oneSecondFromNanos = Duration.ofNanos(1000000000);
Duration oneSecond = Duration.of(1, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
```



ChronoUnit Values for Duration

- NANOS
- MICROS
- MILLIS
- SECONDS
- MINUTES
- HOURS
- HALF_DAYS
- DAYS



Duration Methods

```
Duration oneSecond = Duration.of(1, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);

// The nanoseconds part of the duration, from 0 to 999,999,999
int nanos = oneSecond.getNano();
// The seconds part of the duration, positive or negative
long seconds = oneSecond.getSeconds();
// It supports SECONDS and NANOS. Other units throw an exception
long oneSec = oneSecond.get(ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
```



```
// Temporal objects must support seconds, and for more accuracy, nanoseconds,  
// like LocalTime, LocalDateTime, and Instant  
public static Duration between(Temporal startInclusive, Temporal endExclusive)
```

Calculating the Difference Between Two Temporal Objects

Use the Duration.between method.

If the objects are of different types, then the duration is calculated based on the type of the first object.



Duration Methods

```
Duration oneSecond = Duration.of(1, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
```

```
Duration duration1sec8nan = oneSecond.withNanos(8);
```

```
Duration duration2sec1nan = oneSecond.withSeconds(2).withNanos(1);
```



Duration Methods

```
// Adding
Duration plus4Days = oneSecond.plusDays(4);
Duration plus3Hours = oneSecond.plusHours(3);
Duration plus3Minutes = oneSecond.plusMinutes(3);
Duration plus3Seconds = oneSecond.plusSeconds(3);
Duration plus3Millis = oneSecond.plusMillis(3);
Duration plus3Nanos = oneSecond.plusNanos(3);

// Subtracting
Duration minus4Days = oneSecond.minusDays(4);
Duration minus3Hours = oneSecond.minusHours(3);
Duration minus3Minutes = oneSecond.minusMinutes(3);
Duration minus3Seconds = oneSecond.minusSeconds(3);
Duration minus3Millis = oneSecond.minusMillis(3);
Duration minus3Nanos = oneSecond.minusNanos(3);
```



Duration Methods

```
Duration oneSecond = Duration.of(1, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
Duration twoSeconds = Duration.of(2, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);

// Adding
Duration plusAnotherDuration = oneSecond.plus(twoSeconds);
Duration plusChronoUnits = oneSecond.plus(1, ChronoUnit.DAYS);

// Subtracting
Duration minusAnotherDuration = oneSecond.minus(twoSeconds);
Duration minusChronoUnits = oneSecond.minus(1, ChronoUnit.DAYS);
```



ChronoUnit Values for Duration

- NANOS
- MICROS
- MILLIS
- SECONDS
- MINUTES
- HOURS
- HALF_DAYS
- DAYS



```
String toString() // Returns the duration in the format PTnHnMnS
```

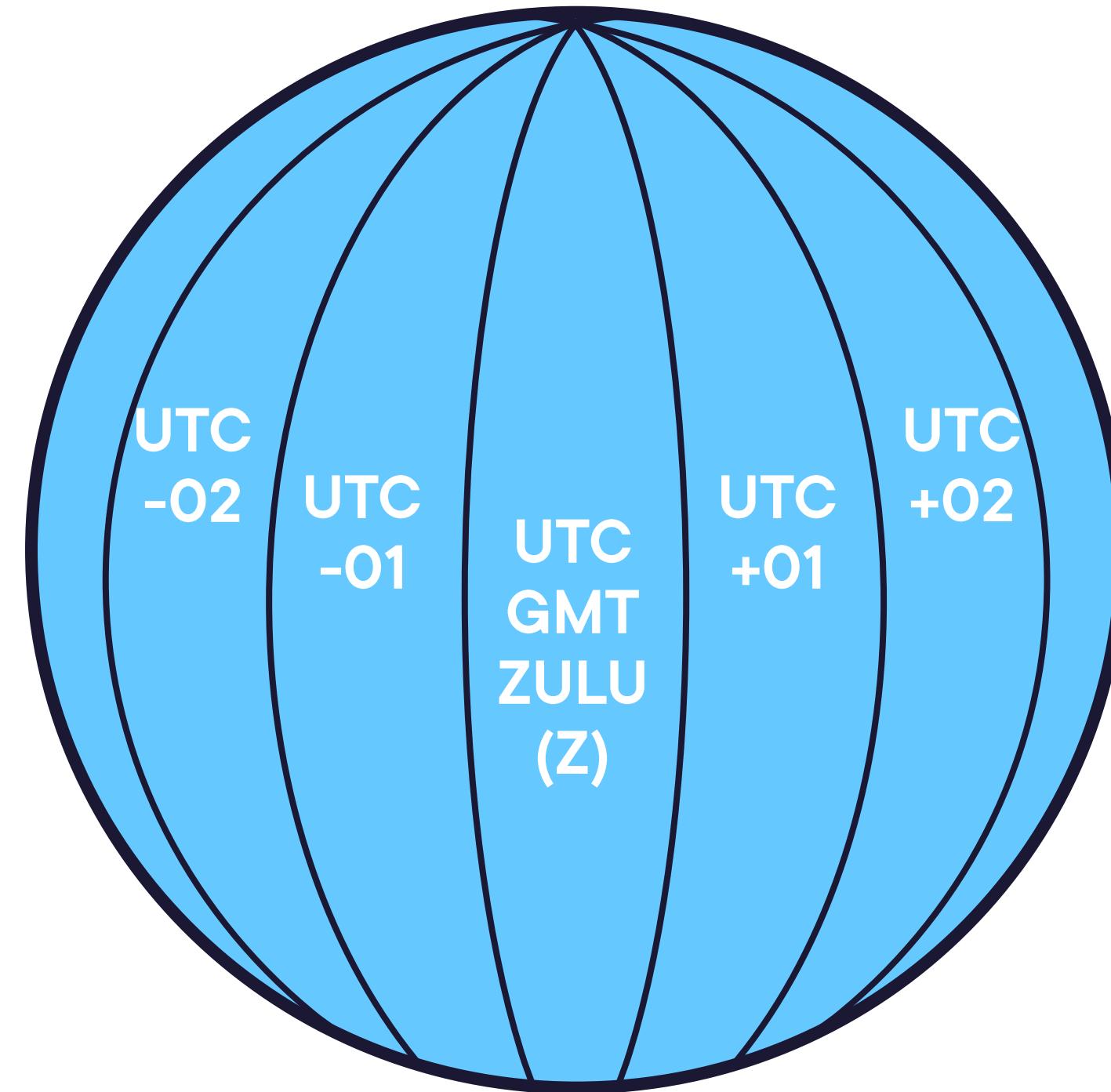
The **toString()** Method



Working with ZoneId and ZoneOffset



Time Zones



IANA



**Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA)
Time Zone Database (TZDB)**



java.time.Zoneld

**Each time zone has an ID represented by
java.time.Zoneld:**

- Region-based, using the format area/city
(Europe/London)
- Offset from UTC/GMT time (+02:00),
represented by the ZoneOffset class
- Offset with UTC, GMT, or UT prefix
(UTC+11:00), represented by the ZoneOffset
class



```
Set<String> getAvailableZoneIds()
```

Get All Available Time Zones



```
public static ZoneId systemDefault() // ZoneId.systemDefault()
```

Get Default Time Zone

It calls `java.util.TimeZone.getDefault()` to find and convert the default time zone to a `ZonedDateTime`



Creating a ZoneId Object

```
ZoneId singaporeZoneId = ZoneId.of("Asia/Singapore");
```

```
ZoneId zoneId = ZoneId.of("Z"); // Z represents the UTC ID (as ZoneOffset)
```

```
ZoneId zoneId2 = ZoneId.of("-2"); // -02:00 (as ZoneOffset)
```



Creating a ZoneOffset Object

```
// The offset must be in the range of -18 to +18
ZoneOffset offsetHours = ZoneOffset.ofHours(1);
// The range is -18 to +18 for hours and 0 to ± 59 for minutes
// If the hours are negative, the minutes must be negative or zero
ZoneOffset offsetHrMin = ZoneOffset.ofHoursMinutes(1, 30);
// The range is -18 to +18 for hours and 0 to ± 59 for mins and secs
// If the hours are negative, mins and secs must be negative or zero
ZoneOffset offsetHrMinSe = ZoneOffset.ofHoursMinutesSeconds(1, 30, 0);
// The offset must be in the range -18:00 to +18:00
// Which corresponds to -64800 to +64800
ZoneOffset offsetTotalSeconds = ZoneOffset.ofTotalSeconds(3600);
// The range must be from -18:00 to +18:00
ZoneOffset offset = ZoneOffset.of("+01:30:00");
```



Formats Accepted by the ZoneOffset.of() Method

- Z
- +h
- +hh
- +hh:mm
- -hh:mm
- +hhmm
- -hhmm
- +hh:mm:ss
- -hh:mm:ss
- +hhmmss
- -hhmmss



ZoneOffset Methods

```
ZoneOffset offset = ZoneOffset.of("+01:30:00");  
  
// Gets the offset as int  
int offsetInt = offset.get(ChronoField.OFFSET_SECONDS);  
  
// Gets the offset as long  
long offsetLong= offset.getLong(ChronoField.OFFSET_SECONDS);  
  
// Gets the offset in seconds  
int offsetSeconds = offset.getTotalSeconds();
```



Working with ZonedDateTime, OffsetDateTime and OffsetTime



A ZonedDateTime Object

2025-12-31 T08:45:20.000 +02:00[Africa/Cairo]

Date

Time

Time Zone



Creating a ZonedDateTime Object

```
ZoneId australiaZone = ZoneId.of("Australia/Victoria");
```

```
LocalDate date = LocalDate.of(2020, 7, 3);
```

```
ZonedDateTime zonedDateTime = date.atStartOfDay(australiaZone);
```

```
LocalDateTime dateTime = LocalDateTime.of(2020, 7, 3, 9, 0);
```

```
ZonedDateTime zonedDateTime = dateTime.atZone(australiaZone);
```

```
Instant instant = Instant.now();
```

```
ZonedDateTime zonedDateTime = instant.atZone(australiaZone);
```



Creating a ZonedDateTime Object

```
ZoneId australiaZone = ZoneId.of("Australia/Victoria");

ZonedDateTime zonedDateTime =
    ZonedDateTime.of(LocalDate.now(), LocalTime.now(), australiaZone);

ZonedDateTime zonedDateTime2 =
    ZonedDateTime.of(LocalDateTime.now(), australiaZone);

// year, month, day, hours, minutes, seconds, nanoseconds, zoneId
ZonedDateTime zonedDateTime3 =
    ZonedDateTime.of(2025, 1, 30, 13, 59, 59, 999, australiaZone);
```



Creating a ZonedDateTime Object

```
ZoneId australiaZone = ZoneId.of("Australia/Victoria");

ZonedDateTime zonedDateTimeInstant1 = ZonedDateTime.ofInstant(
    Instant.now(), australiaZone
);

ZonedDateTime zonedDateTimeInstant2 = ZonedDateTime.ofInstant(
    LocalDateTime.now(), ZoneOffset.of("+01:00:00"), australiaZone
);
```



ZonedDateTime Methods

```
ZonedDateTime now = ZonedDateTime.now();
```

```
LocalDate currentDate = now.toLocalDate();
```

```
LocalTime currentTime = now.toLocalTime();
```

```
LocalDateTime currentDateTime = now.toLocalDateTime();
```



ZonedDateTime Methods

```
ZonedDateTime now = ZonedDateTime.now();
```

```
// To get the value of a specified field
```

```
int day = now.getDayOfMonth();
```

```
int dayYear = now.getDayOfYear();
```

```
int nanos = now.getNano();
```

```
Month monthEnum = now.getMonth();
```

```
ZoneOffset offset = now.getOffset(); // Gets the zone offset, such as "-03:00"
```

```
int year = now.get(ChronoField.YEAR);
```

```
long micro = now.getLong(ChronoField.MICRO_OF_DAY);
```



ZonedDateTime Methods

```
ZonedDateTime now = ZonedDateTime.now();  
  
// To create another instance  
ZonedDateTime zdt1 = now.with(ChronoField.HOUR_OF_DAY, 10);  
ZonedDateTime zdt2 = now.withSecond(49);  
  
// Since these methods return a new instance, you can chain them  
ZonedDateTime zdt3 = now.withYear(2023).withMonth(12);
```



ZonedDateTime Methods

```
ZonedDateTime now = ZonedDateTime.now();  
  
// Adding  
ZonedDateTime zdt1 = now.plusDays(4);  
ZonedDateTime zdt2 = now.plusWeeks(3);  
ZonedDateTime zdt3 = now.plus(2, ChronoUnit.HOURS);  
  
// Subtracting  
ZonedDateTime zdt4 = now.minusMinutes(20);  
ZonedDateTime zdt5 = now.minusNanos(99999);  
ZonedDateTime zdt6 = now.minus(10, ChronoUnit.SECONDS);
```



ZonedDateTime Methods

```
ZonedDateTime now = ZonedDateTime.now();
ZoneId australiaZone = ZoneId.of("Australia/Victoria");

// Returns a copy of the date/time with a different zone, retaining the instant
ZonedDateTime zdt1 = now.withZoneSameInstant(australiaZone);

// Returns a copy of this date/time with a different time zone,
// retaining the local date/time if it's valid for the new time zone
ZonedDateTime zdt2 = now.withZoneSameLocal(australiaZone);
```



```
String toString() // For example: 2001-11-30T16:20:10.123456789+09:00[Asia/Tokyo]
```

ZonedDateTime **toString()** Method



Offset Classes

`OffsetDateTime`

`OffsetTime`



An OffsetDateTime Object

2025-01-01 T11:30 -06:00

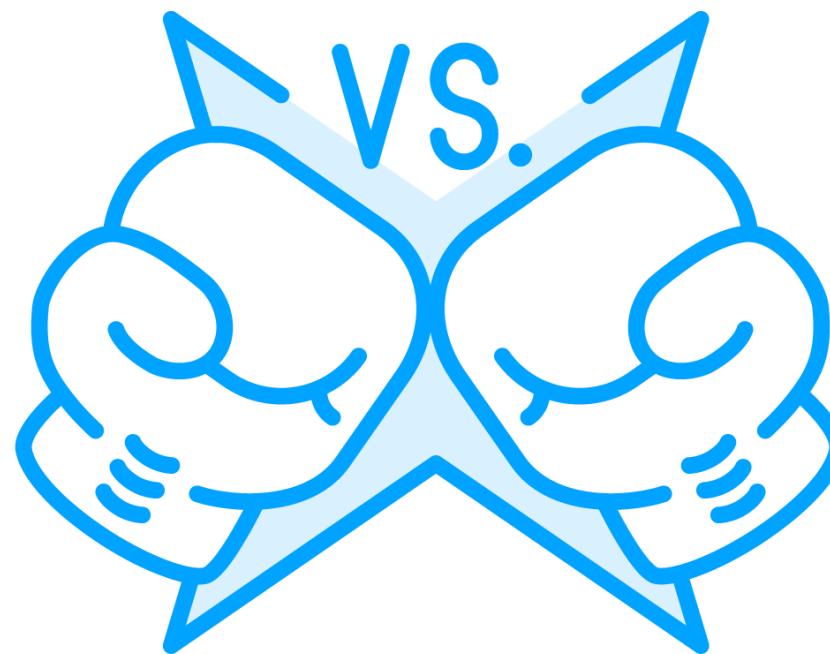
Date
↑

Time
↑

Offset
↑



Instant vs. OffsetDateTime vs. ZonedDateTime



Instant is a point in time in UTC

OffsetDateTime is a point in time with any offset

ZonedDateTime is a point in time in any time zone with full time zone rules



An OffsetTime Object

11:30 -06:00

↑
Time

↑
Offset





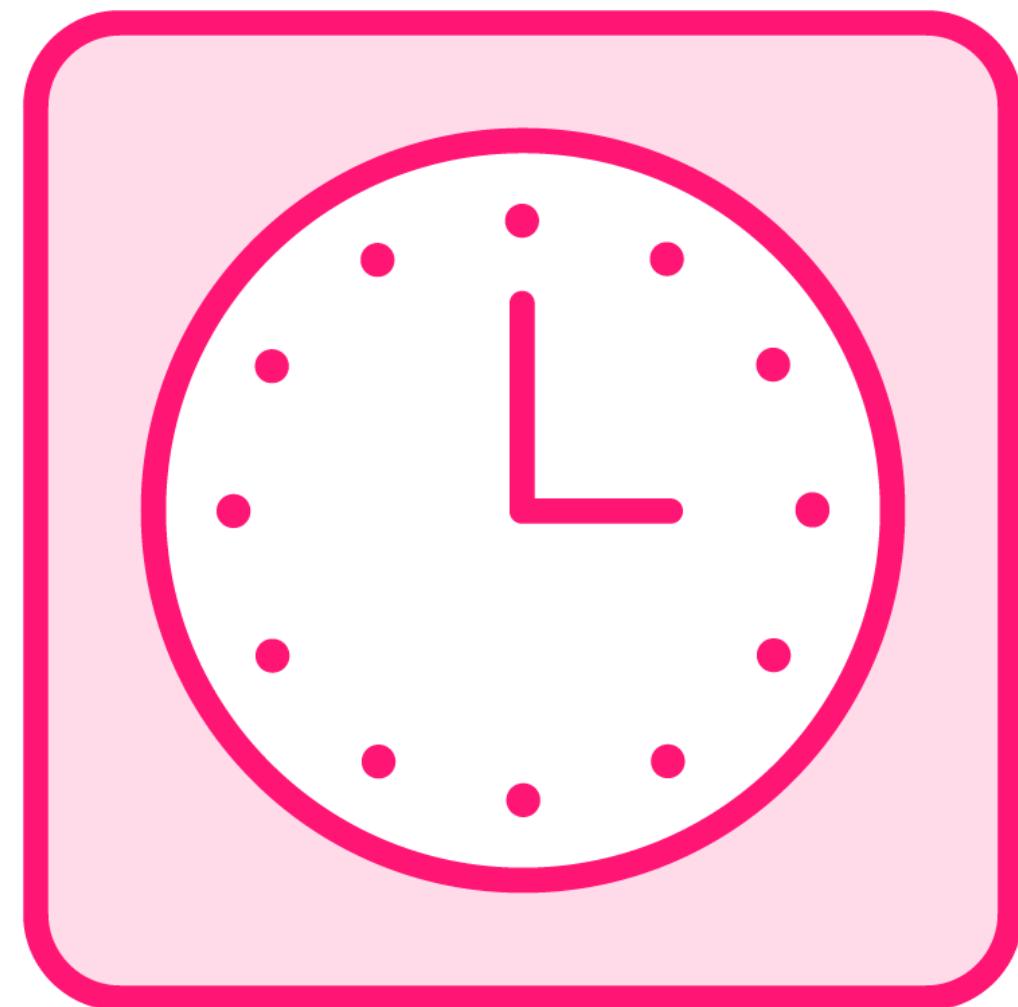
Daylight Savings



Daylight Saving Time (DST)



Daylight Saving Time (DST)



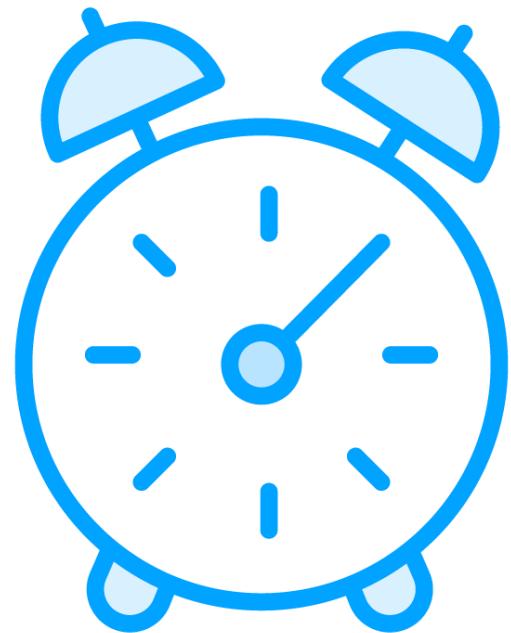
Daylight Saving Time (DST)



**ZonedDateTime is
completely aware of DST.**



Daylight Saving Time in Italy



UTC+1 in standard time

UTC+2 in DST

In 2024:

- DST start: March 31
- DST end: October 27
- March 31, 2:00 A.M. → 3:00 A.M. (UTC+2)
- October 27, 3:00 A.M. → 2:00 A.M. (UTC+1)



Parsing and Formatting



```
// Formats the date/time object using the specified formatter  
String format(DateTimeFormatter formatter)  
  
// Gets an instance of a date/time object (of type T)  
// from a string with default format  
static T parse(CharSequence text)  
  
// Gets an instance of a date/time object (of type T)  
// from a string using a specific formatter  
static T parse(CharSequence text, DateTimeFormatter formatter)
```

Format and Parse Methods of the Date and Time Classes

T represents **LocalDate**, **LocalTime**, **LocalDateTime**, **ZonedDateTime**, **OffsetTime**, and **OffsetDateTime**



```
// Formats a date/time object using the formatter instance  
String format(TemporalAccessor temporal)  
  
// Parses the text producing a temporal object  
TemporalAccessor parse(CharSequence text)  
<T> T parse(CharSequence text, TemporalQuery<T> query)
```

Format and Parse Methods of the DateTimeFormatter Class



Three Ways to Format Date and Time Objects

**Predefined
formatters**

**Locale-specific
formatters**

**Formatters with
custom patterns**



Format Methods

```
LocalDateTime now = LocalDateTime.now();  
  
// Predefined formatter  
DateTimeFormatter isoFormatter = DateTimeFormatter.ISO_LOCAL_DATE_TIME;  
String isoUsingLocalDateTime = now.format(isoFormatter);  
String isoUsingFormatter = isoFormatter.format(now);  
  
// Locale-specific formatter with MEDIUM style  
DateTimeFormatter mediumFormatter = DateTimeFormatter.ofLocalizedDateTime(FormatStyle.MEDIUM);  
String mediumUsingLocalDateTime = now.format(mediumFormatter);  
String mediumUsingFormatter = mediumFormatter.format(now);  
  
// Custom pattern  
DateTimeFormatter customFormatter = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("yyyy.MM.dd HH:mm");  
String customUsingLocalDateTime = now.format(customFormatter);  
String customUsingFormatter = customFormatter.format(now);
```



Parsing Methods

```
String iso8601String = "2025-06-29T14:45:30"; // Format according to ISO-8601
String customFormatString = "2025/06/29 14:45:30"; // Custom format

// Automatically recognizes ISO-8601 standard
LocalDateTime ldt1 = LocalDateTime.parse(iso8601String);

DateTimeFormatter formatter = DateTimeFormatter.ofPattern("yyyy/MM/dd HH:mm:ss");

// DateTimeFormatter's parse method returns a TemporalAccessor instance
TemporalAccessor ta = formatter.parse(customFormatString);
// Specify the type of object, typically using a method reference to a from() method
LocalDateTime ldt2 = formatter.parse(customFormatString, LocalDateTime::from);

// LocalDateTime's parse method returns an instance of the same type
LocalDateTime ldt3 = LocalDateTime.parse(customFormatString, formatter);
```



Default Format for Parse Methods

Class	Format	Example
LocalDate	uuuu-MM-dd	2024-12-03
LocalTime	HH:mm:ss	10:15
LocalDateTime	uuuu-MM-dd'T'HH:mm:ss	2024-12-03T10:15:30
ZonedDateTime	uuuu-MM-dd'T'HH:mm:ssXXXXX[VV]	2023-12-03T10:15:30+01:00[Europe/Paris]
OffsetDateTime	uuuu-MM-dd'T'HH:mm:ssXXXXXX	2023-12-03T10:15:30+01:00
OffsetTime	HH:mm:ssXXXXXX	10:15:30+01:00



Review



Overview of Core Date-Time API Classes

Class	Represents	Key Features
LocalDate	Date (year, month, day)	Immutable, thread-safe
LocalTime	Time (hour, minute, second, nanosecond)	Ideal for time-specific operations
LocalDateTime	Combination of date and time (no timezone)	Combines LocalDate and LocalTime
Instant	A moment on the timeline in UTC	High precision timestamp for machine time
Period	Date-based amount (years, months, days)	Useful for calendar arithmetic (e.g., birthdays)
Duration	Time-based amount (seconds, nanoseconds)	Suitable for elapsed time measurements
ZonedDateTime	Represents a region-based time zone	Used for identifying time zone rules
ZoneOffset	Represents a fixed offset from UTC	Simplified time zone offset information
ZonedDateTime	Date and time with timezone information	Combines LocalDateTime with ZonedDateTime and handles DST
OffsetDateTime	Date and time with a fixed offset from UTC	Combines LocalDateTime with a ZoneOffset
OffsetTime	Time with a fixed offset from UTC	Similar to OffsetDateTime but only for time



Period vs. Duration

Aspect	Period	Duration
Measurement Unit	Years, months, days	Seconds, nanoseconds
Use Case	Calendar-based arithmetic (e.g., birthdays)	Time-based arithmetic (e.g., elapsed time)
Example Methods	<code>Period.ofDays()</code> , <code>Period.between()</code>	<code>Duration.ofSeconds()</code> , <code>Duration.between()</code>
Handling Ambiguities	Accounts for variable month lengths	Fixed length; no ambiguity in seconds



Instant vs. OffsetDateTime vs. ZonedDateTime

Aspect	Instant	OffsetDateTime	ZonedDateTime
Representation	Absolute timestamp in UTC	Local date-time with a fixed offset from UTC	Local date-time with full time zone information (ZoneId)
Time Zone/Offset	No time zone or offset information beyond UTC	Includes a ZoneOffset (e.g., +02:00)	Includes both a ZoneId (e.g., Europe/Paris) and an offset
Use Case	High-precision timestamps and machine time	When you need a human-readable date-time along with an offset	When full time zone rules (including DST) are required
Conversion Behavior	Always in UTC, conversion required for local representations	Fixed offset may differ from local time zone rules	Automatically adjusts for DST and other zone-specific rules





Practice Questions

Test your knowledge.



Question 1

What will be the output of the following program?

```
public class DateTimeTest {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Period period = Period.of(0, 1, 15);  
        Duration duration = Duration.ofDays(1);  
        LocalDate date = LocalDate.of(2024, 2, 14);  
        LocalTime time = LocalTime.of(12, 0);  
        LocalDateTime dateTime = LocalDateTime.of(date, time);  
  
        dateTime = dateTime.plus(period).plus(duration);  
        System.out.println(dateTime);  
    }  
}
```

- A) 2024-02-29T12:00 ✗
- B) 2024-03-30T12:00 ✓
- C) 2024-03-02T12:00 ✗
- D) 2024-03-16T12:00 ✗

February 14, 2024 at 12:00

March 14, 2024 at 12:00

March 29, 2024 at 12:00

March 30, 2024 at 12:00



Question 2

What will be the output of this program, given that March 10, 2024 at 2:00 AM, is the start of DST in America/New_York (UTC-5 in standard time, UTC-4 in DST)?

```
public class DSTTest {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        ZoneId zone = ZoneId.of("America/New_York");  
        LocalDate date = LocalDate.of(2024, 3, 10);  
        LocalTime time = LocalTime.of(2, 30);  
        ZonedDateTime zdt = ZonedDateTime.of(date, time, zone);  
  
        System.out.println(zdt);  
    }  
}
```

- A) 2024-03-10T02:30-05:00[America/New_York] ✗
- B) 2024-03-10T02:30-04:00[America/New_York] ✗
- C) 2024-03-10T03:30-05:00[America/New_York] ✗
- D) 2024-03-10T03:30-04:00[America/New_York] ✓
- E) It throws an exception at runtime ✗

March 10, 2024 at 2:00 AM

March 10, 2024 at 3:00 AM

~~March 10, 2024 at 2:30 AM~~

March 10, 2024 at 3:30 AM UTC-4



Thank you for your time!

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