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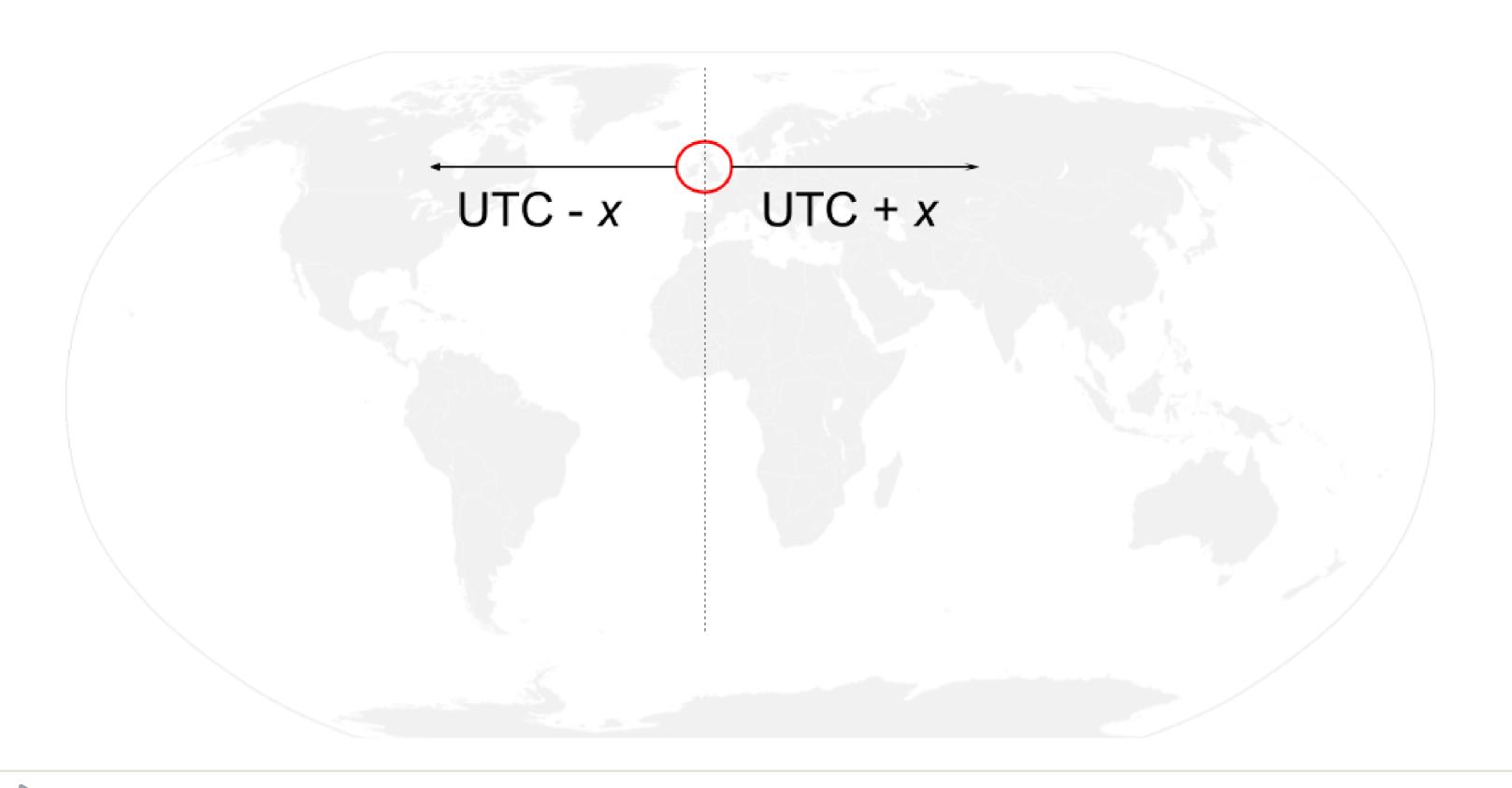












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from datetime import datetime, timedelta, timezone

# US Eastern Standard time zone
ET = timezone(timedelta(hours=-5))
# Timezone-aware datetime
dt = datetime(2017, 12, 30, 15, 9, 3, tzinfo = ET)
```

```
print(dt)
```

```
'2017-12-30 15:09:03-05:00'
```



#### UTC

```
# India Standard time zone
IST = timezone(timedelta(hours=5, minutes=30))
# Convert to IST
print(dt.astimezone(IST))
```

```
'2017-12-31 01:39:03+05:30'
```

## Adjusting timezone vs changing tzinfo

```
print(dt)
'2017-12-30 15:09:03-05:00'
print(dt.replace(tzinfo=timezone.utc))
'2017-12-30 15:09:03+00:00'
# Change original to match UTC
print(dt.astimezone(timezone.utc))
'2017-12-30 20:09:03+00:00'
```



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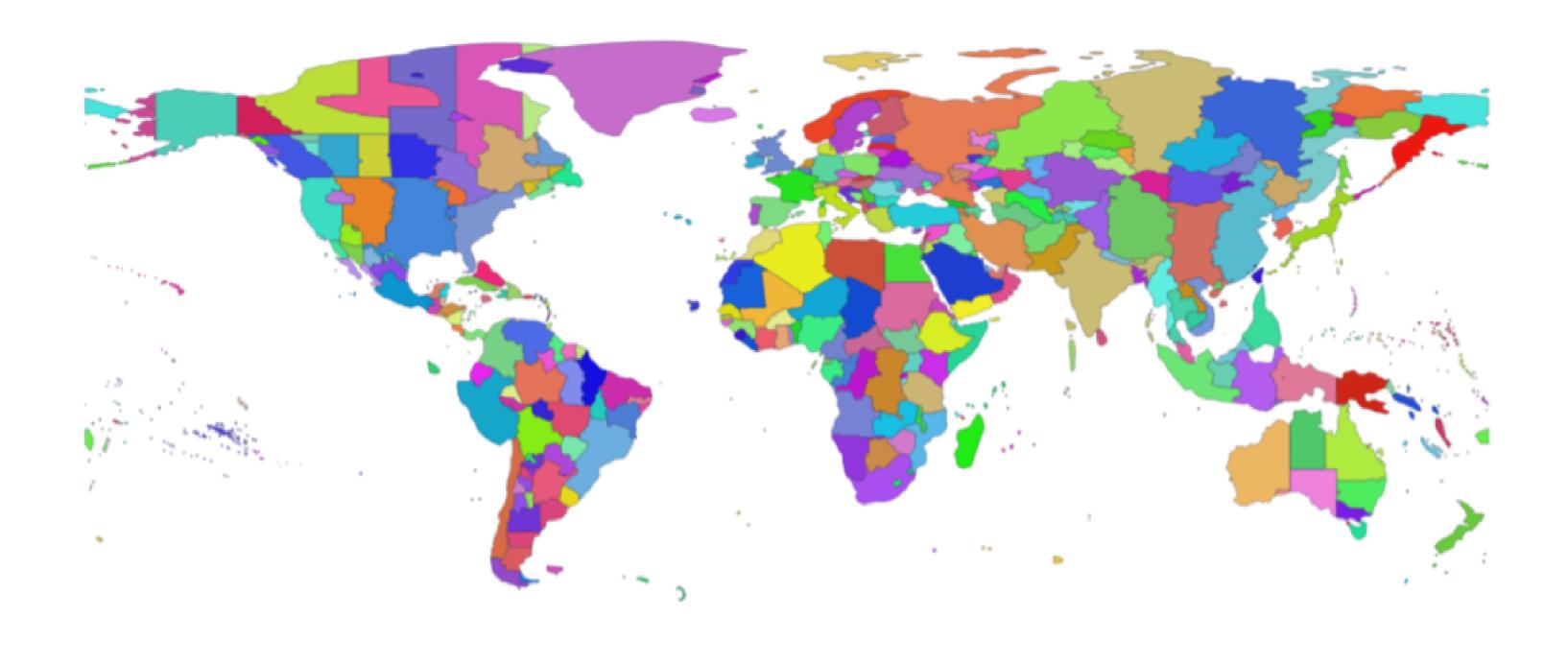
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- Format: 'Continent/City'
- Examples:
  - 'America/New\_York'
  - 'America/Mexico\_City'
  - 'Europe/London'
  - 'Africa/Accra'

```
# Last ride
last = datetime(2017, 12, 30, 15, 9, 3, tzinfo=et)
```

```
print(last)
```

```
'2017-12-30 15:09:03-05:00'
```



```
# Last ride
last = datetime(2017, 12, 30, 15, 9, 3, tzinfo=et)
print(last)
```

```
'2017-12-30 15:09:03-05:00'
```

```
# First ride
first = datetime(2017, 10, 1, 15, 23, 25, tzinfo=et)
print(first)
```

```
'2017-10-01 15:23:25-04:00'
```

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# Starting Daylight Saving Time

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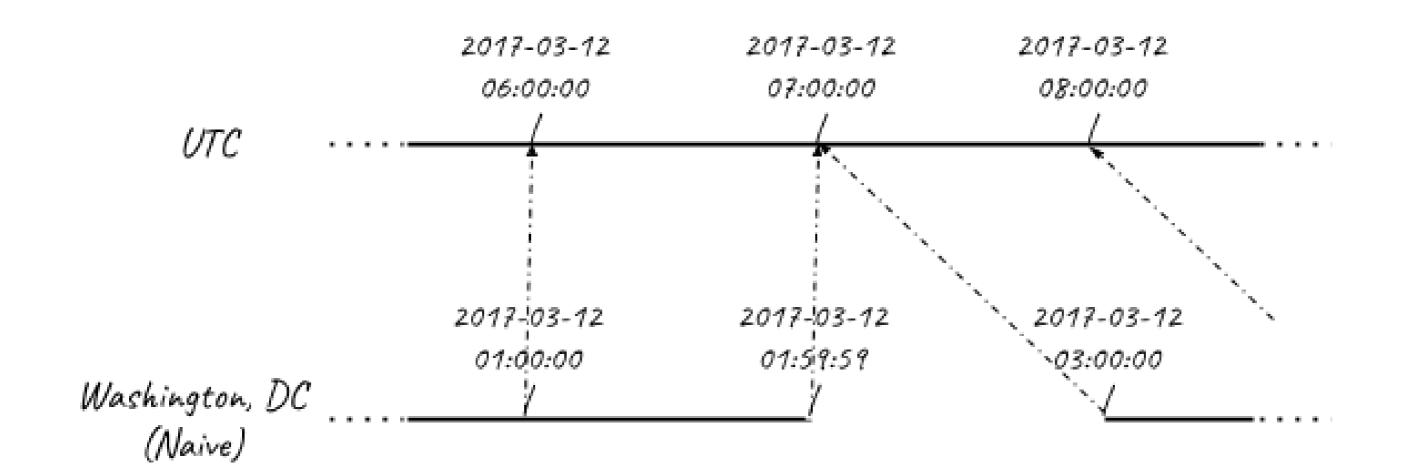


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2017-03-12 2017-03-12 2017-03-12 01:00:00 01:59:59 03:00:00 Washington, DC / / /



```
spring_ahead_159am = datetime(2017, 3, 12, 1, 59, 59)
spring_ahead_159am.isoformat()
'2017-03-12T01:59:59'
spring_ahead_3am = datetime(2017, 3, 12, 3, 0, 0)
spring_ahead_3am.isoformat()
'2017-03-12T03:00:00'
(spring_ahead_3am - spring_ahead_159am).total_seconds()
3601
```



```
from datetime import timezone, timedelta
EST = timezone(timedelta(hours=-5))
EDT = timezone(timedelta(hours=-4))
```



```
spring_ahead_159am = spring_ahead_159am.replace(tzinfo = EST)
spring_ahead_159am.isoformat()

'2017-03-12T01:59:59-05:00'
```

```
spring_ahead_3am = spring_ahead_159am.replace(tzinfo = EDT)
spring_ahead_3am.isoformat()
```

```
'2017-03-12T03:00:00-04:00'
```

```
(spring_ahead_3am - spring_ahead_159am).seconds
```

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Using dateutil

```
# Import tz
from dateutil import tz
# Create eastern timezone
eastern = tz.gettz('America/New_York')
# 2017-03-12 01:59:59 in Eastern Time (EST)
spring_ahead_159am = datetime(2017, 3, 12, 1, 59, 59,
                              tzinfo = eastern)
# 2017-03-12 03:00:00 in Eastern Time (EDT)
spring_ahead_3am = datetime(2017, 3, 12, 3, 0, 0,
                            tzinfo = eastern)
```

## Daylight Saving

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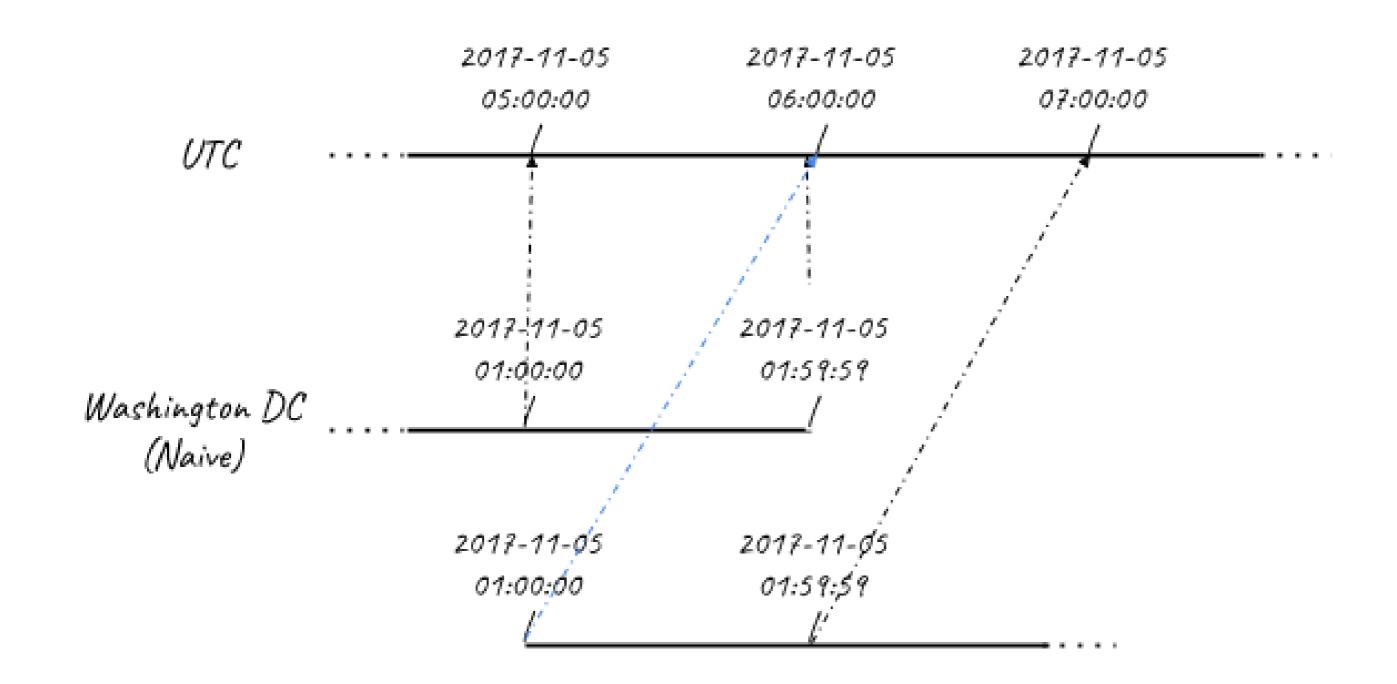
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2017-05-05 2017-05-05
01:00:00 01:59:59

Washington DC
(Naive)

2017-05-05 2017-05-05
01:00:00 01:59:59



#### True

```
(first_1am - second_1am).total_seconds()
```

0.0

```
first_1am = first_1am.astimezone(tz.UTC)
second_1am = second_1am.astimezone(tz.UTC)
(second_1am - first_1am).total_seconds()
```

3600.0



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