

Dates and times with lubridate:: CHEAT SHEET

Date-times



2017-11-28 12:00:00

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A **date-time** is a point on the timeline, stored as the number of seconds since 1970-01-01 00:00:00 UTC

```
dt <- as_datetime(1511870400)
## "2017-11-28 12:00:00 UTC"
```

PARSE DATE-TIMES (Convert strings or numbers to date-times)

1. Identify the order of the year (**y**), month (**m**), day (**d**), hour (**h**), minute (**m**) and second (**s**) elements in your data.
2. Use the function below whose name replicates the order. Each accepts a wide variety of input formats.

2017-11-28T14:02:00

```
ymd_hms(), ymd_hm(), ymd_h(),
ymd_hms("2017-11-28T14:02:00")
```

2017-22-12 10:00:00

```
ydm_hms(), ydm_hm(), ydm_h(),
ydm_hms("2017-22-12 10:00:00")
```

11/28/2017 1:02:03

```
mdy_hms(), mdy_hm(), mdy_h(),
mdy_hms("11/28/2017 1:02:03")
```

1 Jan 2017 23:59:59

```
dmy_hms(), dmy_hm(), dmy_h(),
dmy_hms("1 Jan 2017 23:59:59")
```

20170131

```
ydm(), ydm(), ymd(20170131)
```

July 4th, 2000

```
mdy(), myd(), mdy("July 4th, 2000")
```

4th of July 99

```
dmy(), dym(), dmy("4th of July '99")
```

2001: Q3

```
yq() Q for quarter, yq("2001: Q3")
```

2.01

```
hms::hms() Also lubridate::hms(),
hm() and ms(), which return
periods.* hms::hms(sec = 0, min = 1,
hours = 2)
```

2017.5

```
date_decimal(), decimal, tz = "UTC")
date_decimal(2017.5)
```



```
now(tzone = "") Current time in tz
(defaults to system tz), now()
```



```
today(tzone = "") Current date in a
tz (defaults to system tz), today()
```

```
fast_strptime() Faster strptime.
fast_strptime("9/1/01", "%y/%m/%d")
```

```
parse_date_time() Easier strptime.
parse_date_time("9/1/01", "ymd")
```



2017-11-28

A **date** is a day stored as the number of days since 1970-01-01

```
d <- as_date(17498)
## "2017-11-28"
```

12:00:00

An **hms** is a **time** stored as the number of seconds since 00:00:00

```
t <- hms::as_hms(85)
## "00:01:25"
```

GET AND SET COMPONENTS

Use an accessor function to get a component.

Assign into an accessor function to change a component in place.

```
d ## "2017-11-28"
day(d) ## 28
day(d) <- 1
d ## "2017-11-01"
```

2018-01-31 11:59:59

date(x) Date component. *date(dt)*

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year(x) Year. *year(dt)*

isoyear(x) The ISO 8601 year.

epiyear(x) Epidemiological year.

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month(x) label, abbr Month.
month(dt)

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day(x) Day of month. *day(dt)*

wday(x) label, abbr Day of week.

qday(x) Day of quarter.

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hour(x) Hour. *hour(dt)*

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minute(x) Minutes. *minute(dt)*

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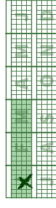
second(x) Seconds. *second(dt)*



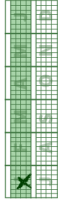
week(x) Week of the year. *week(dt)*

isoweek() ISO 8601 week.

epiweek() Epidemiological week.



quarter(x, with_year = FALSE)
Quarter. *quarter(dt)*



semester(x, with_year = FALSE)
Semester. *semester(dt)*



am(x) Is it in the am? *am(dt)*

pm(x) Is it in the pm? *pm(dt)*

dst(x) Is it daylight savings? *dst(dt)*

leap_year(x) Is it a leap year?
leap_year(dt)

update(object, ..., simple = FALSE)
update(dt, mday = 2, hour = 1)

Round Date-times



floor_date(x, unit = "second")
Round down to nearest unit.
floor_date(dt, unit = "month")



round_date(x, unit = "second")
Round to nearest unit.
round_date(dt, unit = "month")



ceiling_date(x, unit = "second")
Round up to nearest unit.
ceiling_date(dt, unit = "month")

rollback(dates, roll_to_first = FALSE, preserve_hms = TRUE)
Roll back to last day of previous month. *rollback(dt)*

Stamp Date-times

stamp() Derive a template from an example string and return a new function that will apply the template to date-times. Also **stamp_date()** and **stamp_time()**.

1. Derive a template, create a function
sf <- stamp("Created Sunday, Jan 17, 1999 3:34")

2. Apply the template to dates
sfymd("2010-04-05")

[1] "Created Monday, Apr 05, 2010 00:00"

Tip: use a date with day > 12

Time Zones

R recognizes ~600 time zones. Each encodes the time zone, Daylight Savings Time, and historical calendar variations for an area. R assigns one time zone per vector.

Use the **UTC** time zone to avoid Daylight Savings.

OlsonNames() Returns a list of valid time zone names. *OlsonNames()*

5:00 Mountain 6:00 Central 7:00 Eastern

4:00 Pacific

7:00 Pacific 7:00 Mountain 7:00 Central

with_tz(time, tzone = "") Get the same date-time in a new time zone (a new clock time).
with_tz(dt, "US/Pacific")

force_tz(time, tzone = "") Get the same clock time in a new time zone (a new date-time).
force_tz(dt, "US/Pacific")

