



GATS Companion to Calendars

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Overview

A companion to calendar conversion, inspired by Jean Meeus' book [Astronomical Algorithms](#).

Which calendars and systems do we cover?

- [Gregorian \(Civil\) Calendar](#)
- [Hebrew Calendar](#)
- [Julian Date](#)
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- [Islamic Calendar](#)
- [Vulcan Calendar](#)

The Math...

All calculations are real number operations unless specifically stated otherwise.

div indicates integer division

mod indicates integer modulus

Utility formulae

Floating-point modulus

$$\text{mod}(a, b) \Rightarrow a - b \left\lfloor \frac{a}{b} \right\rfloor$$

Integer modulus

a mod b is the standard modulus in computing (e.g., `a % b` in C/C++/Java/etc.)

Time-of-day formulae

$tod \in \mathbb{R}$, where $0 \leq tod < 1$

Time-of-day from hours, minutes, seconds

$$\text{tod}(\text{second}, \text{minute}, \text{hour}) \Rightarrow \frac{\text{second} + 60 \cdot (\text{minute} + 60 \cdot \text{hour})}{24 \cdot 60 \cdot 60}$$

Hours, minutes, seconds, from time-of-day

$\text{hms}(tod) \Rightarrow \langle \text{hours} \ \text{minutes} \ \text{seconds} \rangle$

$$\text{secondsInDay} \leftarrow \lfloor tod \cdot 24 \cdot 60 \cdot 60 + 0.5 \rfloor$$

$$\text{hours} \leftarrow \text{secondsInDay} \ \mathbf{div} \ (60 \cdot 60)$$

$$\text{minutes} \leftarrow (\text{secondsInDay} \ \mathbf{div} \ 60) \ \mathbf{mod} \ 60$$

$seconds \leftarrow secondsInDay \bmod 60$

Julian Date (JD) and Julian Day Number (JDN) formulae

Any operation that takes a JD can take a JDN without modification.

Day of week from Julian Date (JD)

$DayOfWeek(jd) \Rightarrow \text{mod}(jd + 0.5, 7)$

Time-of-day from Julian Date (JD)

$tod(jd) \Rightarrow (jd + 0.5) - \lfloor jd + 0.5 \rfloor$

HMS from Julian Date (JD)

$hms(jd) \Rightarrow hms(tod)$

$tod \leftarrow (jd + 0.5) - \lfloor jd + 0.5 \rfloor$

Julian Day Number (JDN) from Julian Date (JD)

The JDN is the JD adjusted to 12 pm (12:00:00) of that given day.

$jdn(jd) \Rightarrow \lfloor jd + 0.5 \rfloor$

In some interpretations, the JDN is the JD adjusted to 12 am (0:00:00) of that given day.

$jdn(jd) \Rightarrow \lfloor jd + 0.5 \rfloor - 0.5$

Gregorian calendar formulae

year is an astronomical year number

$month \in [1..12]$

$day \in [1..31]$

$wday \in [0..6]$, where 0 = Monday

$GregorianEpoch = 1,721,425.5$

Gregorian (G) Leap-year

$leapyear(year) \Rightarrow (year \bmod 4 = 0) \text{ and } (year \bmod 100 \neq 0) \text{ or } (year \bmod 400 = 0)$

Gregorian (G) add months (n)

$gregorianAddMonths(year, month, day, n) \Rightarrow \langle y \ m \ d \rangle$

$y \leftarrow year + n \text{ div } 12$

$m \leftarrow month + n \bmod 12$

$adjust \leftarrow (m - 1) \text{ div } 12 + (m - 12) \text{ div } 12$

$y \leftarrow y + adjust$

$m \leftarrow m - adjust \cdot 12$

$d \leftarrow \min(day, daysInMonth(m, leapYear(y)))$

Gregorian (G) add years (n)

$gregorianAddYears(year, month, day, n) \Rightarrow \langle y \ m \ d \rangle$

$y \leftarrow year + n$

$m \leftarrow \text{month}$
 $d \leftarrow \text{day}$
 $(m = 2 \text{ and } d = 29 \text{ and } \text{leapyear}(y) \neq \text{true}) \Rightarrow (d = 28)$

Gregorian to JDN (Integer implementation)

$\text{jdn}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}) \Rightarrow \text{jdn}$

$a \leftarrow (14 - \text{month}) \text{ div } 12$
 $y \leftarrow \text{year} + 4800 - a$
 $m \leftarrow \text{month} + 12a - 3$
 $\text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{day} + (153 \cdot m + 2) \text{ div } 5 + 365 \cdot y + y \text{ div } 4 - y \text{ div } 100 + y \text{ div } 400 - 32045.5$

Gregorian to JDN (Floating-point implementation)

All variables are real numbers

$y \leftarrow \text{year} - 1$

$\text{leapAdjust} \leftarrow \begin{cases} 0, & \text{where } \text{month} \leq 2 \\ -1, & \text{where } \text{month} > 2 \text{ and } \text{year is a leapyear} \\ -2, & \text{where } \text{month} > 2 \text{ and } \text{year is not a leapyear} \end{cases}$

$\text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{GregorianEpoch} - 1 + 365y + \left\lfloor \frac{y}{4} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{y}{100} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{y}{400} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{367\text{month} - 362}{12} + \text{leapAdjust} + \text{day} \right\rfloor$

JD to Gregorian (Integer implementation)

$\text{gregorian}(\text{jd}) \Rightarrow \langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \rangle$

$\text{jd} \leftarrow \lfloor \text{jd} - 0.5 \rfloor + 0.5$
 $a \leftarrow \lfloor \text{jd} + 0.5 \rfloor + 32044$
 $b \leftarrow (4 \cdot a + 3) \text{ div } 146097$
 $c \leftarrow a - (146097 \cdot b) \text{ div } 4$
 $d \leftarrow (4 \cdot c + 3) \text{ div } 1461$
 $e \leftarrow c - 1461 \cdot d \text{ div } 4$
 $m \leftarrow (5 \cdot e + 2) \text{ div } 153$
 $\text{day} \leftarrow e - (153 \cdot m + 2) \text{ div } 5 + 1$
 $\text{month} \leftarrow m + 3 - 12 \cdot (m \text{ div } 10)$
 $\text{year} \leftarrow 100 \cdot b + d - 4800 + m \text{ div } 10$

Gregorian to JD (with H:M:S)

$\text{jd}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}, \text{hour}, \text{minute}, \text{second}) \Rightarrow \text{jd}$

$\text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{jdn}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day})$
 $\text{tod} \leftarrow \text{tod}(\text{hour}, \text{minute}, \text{second})$
 $\text{jd} \leftarrow \text{jdn} + \text{tod}$

JD to Gregorian (with H:M:S)

$\text{gregorianWithHMS}(\text{jd}) \Rightarrow \langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \text{ hour} \text{ minute} \text{ second} \rangle$

$\langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \rangle \leftarrow \text{gregorian}(\text{jd})$
 $\langle \text{hour} \text{ minute} \text{ second} \rangle \leftarrow \text{hms}(\text{jd})$

Julian calendar formulae

year is an astronomical year number

month $\in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 12\}$

day $\in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 31\}$

wday $\in \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 6\}$, where 0 = Monday

JulianEpoch = 1,721,423.5

Julian (J) Leap-year

`leapyear(year)` \Rightarrow (`year mod 4 = 0`)

Julian (J) add months (n)

`julianAddMonths(year, month, day, n)` \Rightarrow $\langle y \ m \ d \rangle$

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y ← year + n div 12
m ← month + n mod 12
adjust ← (m - 1) div 12 + (m - 12) div 12
y ← y + adjust
m ← m - adjust · 12
d ← min(day, daysInMonth(m, leapYear(y)))
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Julian (J) add years (n)

`julianAddYears(year, month, day, n)` \Rightarrow $\langle y \ m \ d \rangle$

```
y ← year + n
m ← month
d ← day
(m = 2 and d = 29 and leapyear(y) ≠ true)  $\Rightarrow$  (d ← 28)
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Julian to JDN (Integer implementation)

`jdn(year, month, day)` \Rightarrow *jdn*

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a ← (14 - month) div 12
y ← year + 4800 - a
m ← month + 12a - 3
jdn ← day + (153 · m + 2) div 5 + 365 · y + y div 4 - 32083.5
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JD to Julian

`julian(jd)` \Rightarrow $\langle year \ month \ day \rangle$

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a ← ⌊jd + 0.5⌋
b ← a + 1524
c ← ⌊ $\frac{b - 122.1}{365.25}$ ⌋
d ← ⌊365.25 · c⌋
e ← ⌊ $\frac{b - d}{30.6001}$ ⌋
month ← ⌊ $\begin{cases} e < 14 \Rightarrow e - 1 \\ e \nless 14 \Rightarrow e - 13 \end{cases}$ ⌋
year ← ⌊ $\begin{cases} month > 2 \Rightarrow c - 4716 \\ month \nless 2 \Rightarrow c - 4715 \end{cases}$ ⌋
day ← b - d - ⌊30.6001 · e⌋
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Julian to JD (with H:M:S)

$jd(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}, \text{hour}, \text{minute}, \text{second}) \Rightarrow jd$

$jd_n \leftarrow jdn(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day})$
 $tod \leftarrow tod(\text{hour}, \text{minute}, \text{second})$
 $jd \leftarrow jd_n + tod$

JD to Julian (with H:M:S)

$julianWithHMS(jd) \Rightarrow \langle \text{year} \ \text{month} \ \text{day} \ \text{hour} \ \text{minute} \ \text{second} \rangle$

$\langle \text{year} \ \text{month} \ \text{day} \rangle \leftarrow julian(jd)$
 $\langle \text{hour} \ \text{minute} \ \text{second} \rangle \leftarrow hms(jd)$

Islamic calendar formulae

year is an astronomical year number

$month \in [1..12]$

$day \in [1..30]$

$wday \in [0..6]$, where 0 = al-'ahad, 1 = al-'ithnayn, 2 = alth - thalatha,
3 = al-'arb`a', 4 = al - khamis, 5 = al - jum`a, 6 = as - sabt

$IslamicEpoch = 1,948,439.5$

Calendar dates run from noon to noon.

Weekday names are used from midnight to midnight.

Islamic (I) Leap-year

$leapyear(\text{year}) \Rightarrow (11 \cdot \text{year} + 14) \bmod 30 < 11$

Islamic (I) Days in month

$dayInMonth(\text{month}, isLeapyear) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 30, & \text{if } (\text{month is odd}) \text{ or } (\text{month} = 12 \text{ and } isLeapyear) \\ 29 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Islamic (J) add months (n)

$islamicAddMonths(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}, n) \Rightarrow \langle y \ m \ d \rangle$

$y \leftarrow \text{year} + n \ \mathbf{div} \ 12$
 $m \leftarrow \text{month} + n \ \mathbf{mod} \ 12$
 $adjust \leftarrow (m - 1) \ \mathbf{div} \ 12 + (m - 12) \ \mathbf{div} \ 12$
 $y \leftarrow y + adjust$
 $m \leftarrow m - adjust \cdot 12$
 $d \leftarrow \min(\text{day}, \text{daysInMonth}(m, \text{leapYear}(y)))$

Islamic (I) add years (n)

$islamicAddYears(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}, n) \Rightarrow \langle y \ m \ d \rangle$

$y \leftarrow \text{year} + n$
 $m \leftarrow \text{month}$
 $d \leftarrow \text{day}$
 $(m = 12 \ \mathbf{and} \ d = 30 \ \mathbf{and} \ leapyear(y) \neq \text{true}) \Rightarrow (d \leftarrow 29)$

Islamic (I) to JDN

$\text{jdn}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}) \Rightarrow \text{jdn}$

$$\text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{day} + [29.5 \cdot (\text{month} - 1)] + (\text{year} - 1) \cdot 354 + \left\lfloor \frac{3 + 11 \cdot \text{year}}{30} \right\rfloor + \text{IslamicEpoch} - 1$$

JD to Islamic

$\text{islamic}(\text{jd}) \Rightarrow \langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{jd} &\leftarrow \lfloor \text{jd} \rfloor + 0.5 \\ \text{year} &\leftarrow \left\lfloor \frac{30 \cdot (\text{jd} - \text{IslamicEpoch}) + 10646}{10631} \right\rfloor \\ \text{month} &\leftarrow \min \left(12, \left\lfloor \frac{\text{jd} - (29 + \text{jdn}(\text{year}, 1, 1))}{29.5} \right\rfloor + 1 \right) \\ \text{day} &\leftarrow \text{jd} - \text{jdn}(\text{year}, \text{month}, 1) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Islamic to JD (with H:M:S)

$\text{jd}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}, \text{hour}, \text{minute}, \text{second}) \Rightarrow \text{jd}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{jdn} &\leftarrow \text{jdn}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}) \\ \text{tod} &\leftarrow \text{tod}(\text{hour}, \text{minute}, \text{second}) \\ \text{tod} \geq 0.5 &\Rightarrow \text{tod} \leftarrow \text{tod} - 1 \\ \text{jd} &\leftarrow \text{jdn} + \text{tod} \end{aligned}$$

JD to Islamic (with H:M:S)

$\text{islamicWithHMS}(\text{jd}) \Rightarrow \langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \text{ hour} \text{ minute} \text{ second} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \rangle &\leftarrow \text{islamic}(\text{jd}) \\ \langle \text{hour} \text{ minute} \text{ second} \rangle &\leftarrow \text{hms}(\text{jd}) \end{aligned}$$

Hebrew calendar formulae

year is an astronomical year number

$\text{month} \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 13\}$

$\text{day} \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 30\}$

$\text{HebrewEpoch} = 347,995.5$

Calendar dates run from noon to noon.

Weekday names are used from midnight to midnight.

Hebrew (H) leap-year

$\text{leapyear}(\text{year}) \Rightarrow \text{mod}(7 \cdot \text{year} + 1, 19) < 7$

Hebrew (H) months in year

$\text{monthsInYear}(\text{year}) \Rightarrow \text{months}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{months} &\leftarrow 12 \\ \text{leapyear}(\text{year}) &\Rightarrow \text{months} \leftarrow \text{months} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hebrew (H) delay of week

$\text{delayOfWeek}(\text{year}) \Rightarrow \text{days}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{months} &\leftarrow \left\lfloor \frac{235 \cdot \text{year} - 234}{19} \right\rfloor \\ \text{parts} &\leftarrow 12084 + 13753 \cdot \text{months} \\ \text{days} &\leftarrow \text{months} \cdot 29 + \left\lfloor \frac{\text{parts}}{25920} \right\rfloor \\ \text{mod}(3 \cdot (\text{days} + 1), 7) < 3 &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow \text{days} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hebrew (H) delay adjacent year

$\text{delayAdjacentYear}(\text{year}) \Rightarrow \text{days}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{last} &\leftarrow \text{delayOfWeek}(\text{year} - 1) \\ \text{present} &\leftarrow \text{delayOfWeek}(\text{year}) \\ \text{next} &\leftarrow \text{delayOfWeek}(\text{year} + 1) \\ \text{days} &\leftarrow 0 \\ \text{next} - \text{present} = 356 &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow 2 \\ (\text{next} - \text{present} \neq 356) \text{ and } (\text{present} - \text{last} = 382) &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hebrew (H) days in year

$\text{daysInYear}(\text{year}) \Rightarrow \text{jdn}(\text{year} + 1, 7, 1) - \text{jdn}(\text{year}, 7, 1)$

Hebrew (H) days in month

$\text{daysInMonth}(\text{year}, \text{month}) \Rightarrow \text{days}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{month} = 2 \text{ or } \text{month} = 4 \text{ or } \text{month} = 6 \text{ or } \text{month} = 10 \text{ or } \text{month} = 13 &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow 29 \\ \text{month} = 12 \text{ and } \text{leapyear}(\text{year}) \neq \text{true} &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow 29 \\ \text{month} = 8 \text{ and } \text{mod}(\text{daysInYear}(\text{year}), 10) \neq 5 &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow 29 \\ \text{month} = 9 \text{ and } \text{mod}(\text{daysInYear}(\text{year}), 10) = 3 &\Rightarrow \text{days} \leftarrow 29 \\ \text{days} &\leftarrow 30 \end{aligned}$$

Hebrew (H) to JDN

$\text{jdn}(\text{year}, \text{month}, \text{day}) \Rightarrow \text{jdn}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{jdn} &\leftarrow \text{HebrewEpoch} + \text{delayOfWeek}(\text{year}) + \text{delayAdjacentYear}(\text{year}) + \text{day} + 1 \\ \text{month} < 7 &\Rightarrow \text{for each } m \in [7.. \text{monthInYear}(\text{year})], \text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{jdn} + \text{daysInMonth}(\text{year}, m) \\ &\quad \text{for each } m \in [1.. \text{month} - 1], \text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{jdn} + \text{daysInMonth}(\text{year}, m) \\ \text{month} \geq 7 &\Rightarrow \text{for each } m \in [7.. \text{month} - 1], \text{jdn} \leftarrow \text{jdn} + \text{daysInMonth}(\text{year}, m) \end{aligned}$$

JD to Hebrew

$\text{hebrew}(\text{jd}) \Rightarrow \langle \text{year} \text{ month} \text{ day} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{jd} &\leftarrow \lfloor \text{jd} \rfloor + 0.5 \\ \text{count} &\leftarrow \left\lfloor \frac{(\text{jd} - \text{HebrewEpoch}) \cdot 98496}{35975351} \right\rfloor \\ \text{year} &\leftarrow \text{count} - 1 \\ i &\leftarrow \text{count} \\ \text{while } \text{jd} \geq \text{jdn}(i, 7, 1) &\Rightarrow \text{year} \leftarrow \text{year} + 1, i \leftarrow i + 1 \\ \text{first} &\leftarrow 1 \\ \text{jd} < \text{jdn}(\text{year}, 1, 1) &\Rightarrow \text{first} \leftarrow 7 \\ \text{month} &\leftarrow \text{first} \\ i &\leftarrow \text{first} \\ \text{while } \text{jd} > \text{jdn}(\text{year}, i, \text{daysInMonth}(\text{year}, i)) &\Rightarrow \text{month} \leftarrow \text{month} + 1, i \leftarrow i + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$day \leftarrow \lfloor jd - jdn(year, month, 1) + 1 \rfloor$

Hebrew to JD (with H:M:S)

$jd(year, month, day, hour, minute, second) \Rightarrow jd$

$jdn \leftarrow jdn(year, month, day)$
 $tod \leftarrow tod(hour, minute, second)$
 $tod \geq 0.5 \Rightarrow tod \leftarrow tod - 1$
 $jd \leftarrow jdn + tod$

JD to Hebrew (with H:M:S)

$islamicWithHMS(jd) \Rightarrow \langle year \ month \ day \ hour \ minute \ second \rangle$

$\langle year \ month \ day \rangle \leftarrow hebrew(jd)$
 $\langle hour \ minute \ second \rangle \leftarrow hms(jd)$

Star Trek Vulcan Calendar Formulae

Why Vulcan and not *Star Dates*? Because there are at least three different *Star Date* systems in the various series and the rules don't seem to be applied consistently. The Vulcan calendar however is good.

Terms

R'tas: Vulcan year (R)

T'Kuhati: Vulcan month (TK)

T'Ved: Vulcan day (TV)

V'hral: Vulcan hour (Vh)

lirt'k: Vulcan minute (lk)

lik'rt: Vulcan second (lt)

Conversions

1 R = 12 TK = 252 TV = 266.4 Earth day

1 TK = 21 TV

1 TV = 18Vh

1 Vh = 54 lk

1 lk = 54 lt

Month Names

- 1 Z'at
- 2 D'ruh
- 3 K'riBrax
- 4 re'T'Khutai
- 5 T'keKhuti
- 6 Khuti
- 7 Ta'Krat
- 8 K'ri'lior
- 9 et'khior
- 10 T'lakht

11 T'ke'Tas
12 Tasmeeen

Conversions

Z'at 1, 9051 0:0:0 = December 11, 2364 12:0:0 = JD 2584838

Epoch

Z'at 1, 1 = JD 173651.6

Appendix

References

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