

**date()** — Date and time manipulation

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## Syntax

*tc* = clock(*strdatetime*, *pattern* [, *year*])

*tc* = mdyhms(*month*, *day*, *year*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*)

*tc* = dhms(*td*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*)

*tc* = hms(*hour*, *minute*, *second*)

*hour* = hh(*tc*)

*minute* = mm(*tc*)

*second* = ss(*tc*)

*td* = dofC(*tc*)

*tC* = CofC(*tc*)

*tC* = Clock(*strdatetime*, *pattern* [, *year*])

*tC* = Cmdyhms(*month*, *day*, *year*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*)

*tC* = Cdhms(*td*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*)

*tC* = Chms(*hour*, *minute*, *second*)

*hour* = hhC(*tC*)

*minute* = mmC(*tC*)

*second* = ssC(*tC*)

*td* = dofC(*tC*)

*tc* = cofC(*tC*)

*td* = date(*strdate*, *dpattern* [, *year*])

*td* = mdy(*month*, *day*, *year*)

*tw* = yw(*year*, *week*)

*tm* = ym(*year*, *month*)

*tq* = yq(*year*, *quarter*)

*th* = yh(*year*, *half*)

*tc* = cofd(*td*)

*tC* = Cofd(*td*)

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td = dofb(tb, "calendar")
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tb = bofd("calendar", td)
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month = month(td)
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day = day(td)
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year = year(td)
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dow = dow(td)
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week = week(td)
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quarter = quarter(td)
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half = halfyear(td)
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doy = doy(td)
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ty = yearly(strydate, ypattern [, year])
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ty = yofd(td)
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td = dofy(ty)
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th = halfyearly(strhdate, hpattern [, year])
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th = hofd(td)
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td = dofh(th)
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tq = quarterly(strqdate, qpattern [, year])
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tq = qofd(td)
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td = dofq(tq)
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tm = monthly(strmdate, mpattern [, year])
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tm = mofd(td)
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td = dofM(tm)
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tw = weekly(strwdate, wpattern [, year])
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tw = wofd(td)
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td = dofW(tw)
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hours = hours(ms)
minutes = minutes(ms)
seconds = seconds(ms)
ms = msofhours(hours)
ms = msofminutes(minutes)
ms = msofseconds(seconds)

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where

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tc:      number of milliseconds from 01jan1960 00:00:00.000,
         unadjusted for leap seconds
tC:      number of milliseconds from 01jan1960 00:00:00.000,
         adjusted for leap seconds
strdatetime: string-format date, time, or date/time, e.g., "15jan1992",
             "1/15/1992", "15-1-1992", "January 15, 1992",
             "9:15", "13:42", "1:42 p.m.", "1:42:15.002 pm",
             "15jan1992 9:15", "1/15/1992 13:42",
             "15-1-1992 1:42 p.m.",
             "January 15, 1992 1:42:15.002 pm"
pattern:  order of month, day, year, hour, minute, and seconds in strdatetime,
             plus optional default century, e.g., "DMYhms" (meaning day, month,
             year, hour, minute, second), "DMYhm", "MDYhm", "hmMDY", "hms",
             "hm", "MDY", "MD19Y", "MDY20Yhm"

td:      number of days from 01jan1960
tb:      business date (days)
calendar: string scalar containing calendar name or %tb format
strdate: string-format date, e.g., "15jan1992", "1/15/1992", "15-1-1992",
         "January 15, 1992"
dpattern: order of month, day, and year in strdate, plus optional default century,
         e.g., "DMY" (meaning day, month, year), "MDY", "MD19Y"

hour:    hour, 0–23
minute:  minute, 0–59
second:  second, 0.000–59.999 (maximum 60.999 in case of leap second)
month:   month number, 1–12
day:    day-of-month number, 1–31
year:    year, e.g., 1942, 1995, 2008
week:    week within year, 1–52
quarter: quarter within year, 1–4
half:    half within year, 1–2
dow:    day of week, 0–6, 0 = Sunday
doy:    day within year, 1–366

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<i>ty</i> :	calendar year
<i>strydate</i> :	string-format calendar year, e.g., "1980", "80"
<i>ypattern</i> :	pattern of <i>strydate</i> , e.g., "Y", "19Y"
<i>th</i> :	number of halves from 1960h1
<i>strhdate</i> :	string-format <i>hdate</i> , e.g., "1982-1", "1982h2", "2 1982"
<i>hpattern</i> :	pattern of <i>strhdate</i> , e.g., "YH", "19YH", "HY"
<i>tq</i> :	number of quarters from 1960q1
<i>strqdate</i> :	string-format <i>qdate</i> , e.g., "1982-3", "1982q2", "3 1982"
<i>qpattern</i> :	pattern of <i>strqdate</i> , e.g., "YQ", "19YQ", "QY"
<i>tm</i> :	number of months from 1960m1
<i>strmdate</i> :	string-format <i>mdate</i> , e.g., "1982-3", "1982m2", "3/1982"
<i>mpattern</i> :	pattern of <i>strmdate</i> , e.g., "YM", "19YM", "MR"
<i>tw</i> :	number of weeks from 1960w1
<i>strwdate</i> :	string-format <i>wdate</i> , e.g., "1982-3", "1982w2", "1982-15"
<i>wpattern</i> :	pattern of <i>strwdate</i> , e.g., "YW", "19YW", "WY"
<i>hours</i> :	interval of time in hours (positive or negative, real)
<i>minutes</i> :	interval of time in minutes (positive or negative, real)
<i>seconds</i> :	interval of time in seconds (positive or negative, real)
<i>ms</i> :	interval of time in milliseconds (positive or negative, integer)

Functions return an element-by-element result. Functions are usually used with scalars.

All variables are *real matrix* except the *str\** and *\*pattern* variables, which are *string matrix*.

## Description

These functions mirror Stata's date functions; see [\[D\] `datetime`](#).

## Conformability

`clock(strdatetime, pattern, year)`, `Clock(strdatetime, pattern, year)`:

<i>strdatetime</i> :	$r_1 \times c_1$
<i>pattern</i> :	$r_2 \times c_2$ (c-conformable with <i>strdatetime</i> )
<i>year</i> :	$r_3 \times c_3$ (optional, c-conformable)
<i>result</i> :	$\max(r_1, r_2, r_3) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3)$

mdyhms(*month*, *day*, *year*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*),  
 Cmdyhms(*month*, *day*, *year*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*):

*month*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*day*:  $r_2 \times c_2$   
*year*:  $r_3 \times c_3$   
*hour*:  $r_4 \times c_4$   
*minute*:  $r_5 \times c_5$   
*second*:  $r_6 \times c_6$  (all variables c-conformable)  
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5, r_6) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5, c_6)$

hms(*hour*, *minute*, *second*), Chms(*hour*, *minute*, *second*):

*hour*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*minute*:  $r_2 \times c_2$   
*second*:  $r_3 \times c_3$   
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2, r_3) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3)$

dhms(*td*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*), Cdhms(*td*, *hour*, *minute*, *second*):

*td*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*hour*:  $r_2 \times c_2$   
*minute*:  $r_3 \times c_3$   
*second*:  $r_4 \times c_4$  (all variables c-conformable)  
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4)$

hh(*x*), mm(*x*), ss(*x*), hhC(*x*), mmC(*x*), ssC(*x*),

*x*:  $r \times c$   
*result*:  $r \times c$

date(*strdate*, *dpattern*, *year*):

*strdate*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*dpattern*:  $r_2 \times c_2$  (c-conformable with *strdate*)  
*year*:  $r_3 \times c_3$  (optional, c-conformable)  
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2, r_3) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3)$

mdy(*month*, *day*, *year*):

*month*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*day*:  $r_2 \times c_2$   
*year*:  $r_3 \times c_3$  (all variables c-conformable)  
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2, r_3) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3)$

yw(*year*, *detail*), ym(*year*, *detail*), yq(*year*, *detail*), yh(*year*, *detail*):

*year*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*detail*:  $r_2 \times c_2$  (c-conformable with *year*)  
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2) \times \max(c_1, c_2)$

month(*td*), day(*td*), year(*td*), dow(*td*), week(*td*), quarter(*td*), halfyear(*td*), doy(*td*):

*td*:  $r \times c$   
*result*:  $r \times c$

yearly(*str*, *pat*, *year*), halfyearly(*str*, *pat*, *year*), quarterly(*str*, *pat*, *year*),  
 monthly(*str*, *pat*, *year*), weekly(*str*, *pat*, *year*):

*str*:  $r_1 \times c_1$   
*pat*:  $r_2 \times c_2$  (c-conformable with *str*)  
*year*:  $r_3 \times c_3$  (optional, c-conformable)  
*result*:  $\max(r_1, r_2, r_3) \times \max(c_1, c_2, c_3)$

`Cofc(x)`, `cofC(x)`, `dofc(x)`, `dofC(x)`, `cofd(x)`, `Cofd(x)`, `yofd(x)`, `dofy(x)`, `hofd(x)`, `dofh(x)`, `qofd(x)`, `dofq(x)`, `mofd(x)`, `dofm(x)`, `wofd(x)`, `dofw(x)`:

*x*:  $r \times c$   
*result*:  $r \times c$

`dofb(tb, "calendar")`

*tb*:  $r \times c$   
*calendar*:  $1 \times 1$   
*result*:  $r \times c$

`bofd("calendar", td)`

*calendar*:  $1 \times 1$   
*td*:  $r \times c$   
*result*:  $r \times c$

`hours(x)`, `minutes(x)`, `seconds(x)`, `msofhours(x)`, `msofminutes(x)`: `msofseconds(x)`:

*x*:  $r \times c$   
*result*:  $r \times c$

## Diagnostics

None.

## Also see

[M-4] [scalar](#) — Scalar mathematical functions