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Common mistakes you can make using pytz and datetime

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With pytz and datetime being included in the python2.4 distribution most people don't expect to have any trouble with using them. While they seem easy on the surface both of these libraries have a few gotchas that are very easy to encounter unless you really know them both. Working on a calendaring heavy web applications (SchoolTool/SchoolBell) I have encountered a lot of datetime related bugs myself. So I will try to demonstrate common mistakes made by developers and explain the right way of performing operations that are otherwise difficult to get right.

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