



Description of the method

Description:	<p>.toDate() method converts a string to date. After converting to date, the date methods are available.</p> <p>The following format is expected for the string to be able to convert it to date: YYYYMMDD e.g. 25st of January 2015 would be "20150125". If you want to convert e.g. integer field to a date you first need to convert the integer to string and after that convert it to date e.g. element.toString().toDate().</p>
Available for:	string
Parameters:	-
Return type:	date

Example

Context:	HeaderType1
OCL:	<pre>self.InstrId.size() = 35 implies (let s1 : string = self.InstrId.substring(0,4) in let s2 : string = self.InstrId.substring(4,6) in let s3 : string = self.InstrId.substring(6,8) in let sAll : string = s1+"-"+s2+"-"+s3 in (sAll.toDate().allowedDaysInFuture(2) and sAll.toDate().allowedDaysInPast(2)))</pre>
Description:	The example rule converts <Id> element value to a date and checks that the date is within 2 days into future or past

Assuming current date is 2018-05-22, the XML snippet below would pass this check.

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<InstrId>2018052312345678901BRRRR0000000001</InstrId>
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The other snippet below however would not pass this check.

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<InstrId>2017052312345678901BRRRR0000000001</InstrId>
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