



# Roman to Integer

Roman numerals are represented by seven different symbols: **I**, **V**, **X**, **L**, **C**, **D** and **M**.

Symbol	Value
I	1
V	5
X	10
L	50
C	100
D	500
M	1000

For example, **2** is written as **II** in Roman numeral, just two ones added together. **12** is written as **XII**, which is simply **X + II**. The number **27** is written as **XXVII**, which is **XX + V + II**.

Roman numerals are usually written largest to smallest from left to right. However, the numeral for four is not **IIII**. Instead, the number four is written as **IV**.

Because the one is before the five we subtract it making four. The same principle applies to the number nine, which is written as **IX**. There are six instances where subtraction is used:

- I** can be placed before **V** (5) and **X** (10) to make 4 and 9.
- X** can be placed before **L** (50) and **C** (100) to make 40 and 90.
- C** can be placed before **D** (500) and **M** (1000) to make 400 and 900.

Given a roman numeral, convert it to an integer.

first things first lets define the lovely dictionary given to us by the question of the symbols and the values.

```
# define the roman numerals
translations = {
    "I": 1,
    "V": 5,
    "X": 10,
    "L": 50,
    "C": 100,
    "D": 500,
    "M": 1000
}
```

this allows us to start replacing them with there corresponding number by initializing a variable this case `number = 0` we can replace the strings with there corresponding numbers using the `.replace` method in python

```
number = 0
s = s.replace("IV", "IIII").replace("IX", "VIIII")
s = s.replace("XL", "XXXX").replace("XC", "LXXXX")
s = s.replace("CD", "CCCC").replace("CM", "DCCCC")
```

Basically the way this works we are replacing any letters that the roman numerals generate that would not be part of the roman numeral dictionary for example "IIII" is not 4 "IV" is then simply looping through adding the number to the translations by the chars and returning the number

```
for char in s:
    number += translations[char]
return number
```

feel free to play around with the x, y and z test cases

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    s = Solution()

    x = "III"
    y = "LVIII"
    z = "MCMXCIV"

    print(s.romanToInt(x))
    print(s.romanToInt(y))
    print(s.romanToInt(z))
```