# **Converting Roman Numerals to Integer**

Example: Input: IX
Output: 9

**Explanation:** IX is a Roman symbol which represents 9

Input: XL
Output: 40

**Explanation:** XL is a Roman symbol which represents 40

#### Roman numerals are based on the following symbols.

SYMBOL	VALUE
I	1
IV	4
V	5
IX	9
Χ	10
XL	40
L	50
XC	90
C	100
CD	400
D	500
CM	900
М	1000

**Approach:** A number in Roman Numerals is a string of these symbols written in descending order(e.g. M's first, followed by D's, etc.). However, in a few specific cases, to avoid four characters being repeated in succession(such as IIII or XXXX), **subtractive notation** is often used as follows:

- I placed before V or X indicates one less, so four is IV (one less than 5) and 9 is IX (one less than 10).
- X placed before L or C indicates ten less, so forty is XL (10 less than 50) and 90 is XC (ten less than a hundred).
- C placed before D or M indicates a hundred less, so four hundred is CD (a hundred less than five hundred) and nine hundred is CM (a hundred less than a thousand).

### Algorithm to convert Roman Numerals to Integer Number:

- Split the Roman Numeral string into Roman Symbols (character).
- Convert each symbol of Roman Numerals into the value it represents.
- Take symbol one by one from starting from index 0:

- If current value of symbol is greater than or equal to the value of next symbol, then add this value to the running total.
- else subtract this value by adding the value of next symbol to the running total.

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// Program to convert Roman
// Numerals to Numbers
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
// This function returns value
// of a Roman symbol
int value(char r)
{
        if (r == 'I')
                return 1;
        if (r == 'V')
                return 5;
        if (r == 'X')
                return 10;
        if (r == 'L')
                return 50;
        if (r == 'C')
                return 100;
        if (r == 'D')
                return 500;
        if (r == 'M')
                return 1000;
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return -1;
}
// Returns decimal value of
// roman numaral
int romanToDecimal(string& str)
{
        // Initialize result
        int res = 0;
        // Traverse given input
        for (int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++) {
                 // Getting value of symbol s[i]
                 int s1 = value(str[i]);
                 if (i + 1 < str.length()) {
                         // Getting value of symbol s[i+1]
                         int s2 = value(str[i + 1]);
                         // Comparing both values
                         if (s1 >= s2) {
                                  // Value of current symbol
                                  // is greater or equal to
                                  // the next symbol
                                  res = res + s1;
                         }
                         else {
                                  // Value of current symbol is
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// less than the next symbol
                                res = res + s2 - s1;
                                i++;
                        }
                }
                else {
                        res = res + s1;
                }
        }
        return res;
}
// Driver Code
int main()
{
        // Considering inputs given are valid
        string str = "MCMIV";
        cout << "Integer form of Roman Numeral is "
                << romanToDecimal(str) << endl;
        return 0;
}
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## Output

Integer form of Roman Numeral is 1904

# **Complexity Analysis:**

- **Time Complexity:** O(n), where n is the length of the string. Only one traversal of the string is required.
- Auxiliary Space: O(1), As no extra space is required.