

Assignment #6

Arabic to Roman Numerals

Develop the MASM Assembly source code required to solve the following problem.

Problem

Develop a program that prompts the user for a (signed) 32-bit integer (Arabic numerals) and then calculates and prints out to the screen the corresponding Roman numeral.

Roman Numerals

Roman numerals are created using the following symbols:

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

These symbols can then be combined as follows:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX

10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
X	XX	XXX	XL	L	LX	LXX	LXXX	XC

100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900
C	CC	CCC	CD	D	DC	DCC	DCCC	CM

For the purposes of this program, Roman numerals will abide by the following rules:

1. They are unable to represent negative numbers or zero.
2. The digits I, X and C are only repeated a maximum of three times.
3. The digits V, L and D are never repeated.
4. The digit M can be repeated as many times as necessary.
5. When a digit of equal or lower value is written following a digit of higher or equal value, the digits are added. Examples:
 - VI = 5 + 1 = 6
 - XIII = 10 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 13
 - XV = 10 + 5 = 15
 - LXV = 50 + 10 + 5 = 65
6. When a digit of lower value is written prior to a digit of higher value, then the value of the lower digit is subtracted from the value of the higher digit. Examples:
 - IV = 5 - 1 = 4
 - IX = 10 - 1 = 9
 - CLIX = 100 + 50 + (10 - 1) = 159
7. Keep in mind, rule #6 is not extended beyond the chart above (e.g. IL is not used for 49, rather it should be written as XLIX).

Assignment Guidelines

- 1) Your solution must print out your Name and R Number as the first line of output. This will be considered part of your program's "Correctness".
 - a. Keep in mind the example input/output below does not show this line.
- 2) All user input should be read from the keyboard.
- 3) All output should be printed to the screen in a clean and legible manner.
- 4) Your solution should only accept valid (positive) input; incorrect input should trigger an appropriate error message and prompt for the input again.
- 5) You may not make use of any assembly instructions or concepts we have not yet covered in class.
- 6) You may not make use of conditional control flow directives.
- 7) Your solution should continue to prompt for additional Arabic Numerals until given a 0 (zero) as input.
- 8) Your solution's Roman Numeral output must conform to the rules for Roman Numerals described above in order to be correct. I.E. For each given Arabic Numeral input there is only 1 correct Roman Numeral output.

Solution Layout

Your MASM assembly source code should have the following elements in this order:

- 1) Your name, the date, and the assignment commented along the top.
- 2) A comment giving a brief description of the problem.
- 3) A comment laying out the algorithm/pseudocode/methodology you used to solve the problem.
- 4) Your commented MASM source code.

What to turn in to BlackBoard

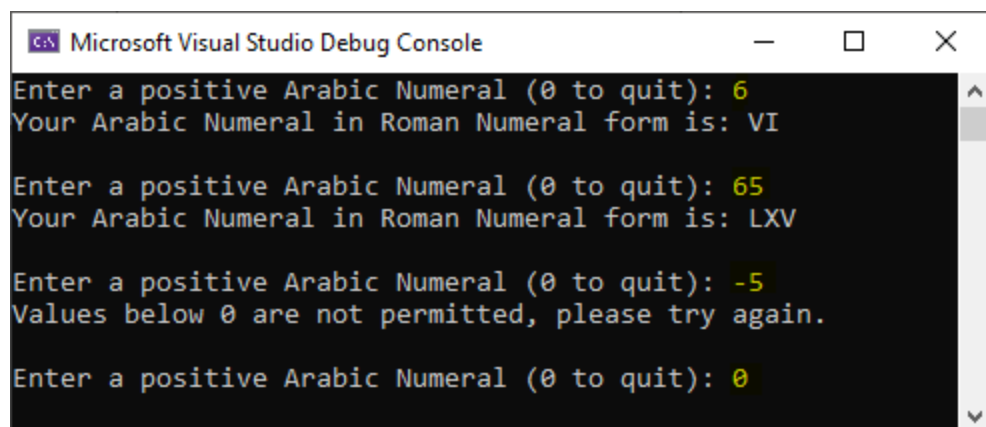
A 'zip' file named "assignment_7.zip" that contains the following:

- Your .asm source code file
- A copy of the assembled executable

Example Input/Output

The following example input/output has been altered to show the user's input in yellow text. This is purely to make finding the user's input versus the program's output easier to see – your solution will not be required to have differences in color.

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Microsoft Visual Studio Debug Console

Enter a positive Arabic Numeral (0 to quit): 6
Your Arabic Numeral in Roman Numeral form is: VI

Enter a positive Arabic Numeral (0 to quit): 65
Your Arabic Numeral in Roman Numeral form is: LXV

Enter a positive Arabic Numeral (0 to quit): -5
Values below 0 are not permitted, please try again.

Enter a positive Arabic Numeral (0 to quit): 0
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