



Symbols

1
5
10
50
100
500
1000
'Y' thousand

Ordering

If two of the same symbol are placed next to each other, this means that we add them.

Eg)
$$II = 2$$
.

If a symbol has a symbol of lower value written before it, this means we subtract that value.

Eg)
$$IX = X - I = 10 - 1 = 9$$
.

If a symbol has a symbol of lower value written after it, this means we add that value.

Eg)
$$CL = C + L = 100 + 50 = 150$$
.

A bar written on top of any symbol means we multiply that symbol by 1000.

Eg)
$$\overline{V}CCLXIV = \overline{V} + C + C + L + X + V - I = 5000 + 100 + 100 + 50 + 10 + 5 - 1 = 5264$$
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