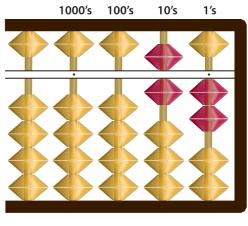


EXAMPLE 1

62+ 12

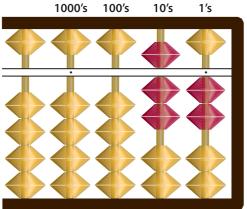
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Before each calculation, set the abacus to zero by moving all Heaven beads up, and all Earth beads down.



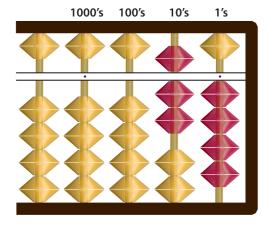
Step 1

Move one 10's Earth bead up and one 10's Heaven bead down (=60) Then move two 1's Earth beads up (=62)



Step 2

Move one 10's Earth bead up to add 10 (=72)



Step 3

Move two 1's Earth beads up to add 2 (=74)

Result: 74

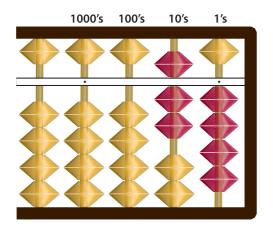
EXAMPLE 2

 74

 +53

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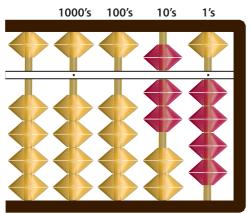
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Step 1

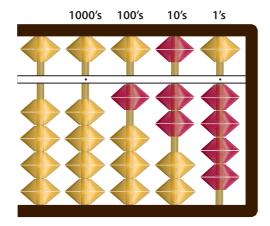
Move two 10's Earth bead up and one 10's Heaven bead down (=70)

Then move four 1's Earth beads up to add 4 (=74)



Step 2

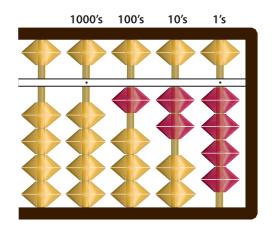
Try to move one 10's Heaven down to add 50, but it's already down...



Step 3

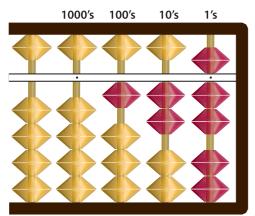
So move it up to subtract 50 then move a 100's Earth bead up to add 100 (=124).

*This is a carry from 10's to 100's place!



Step 4

Then, try to move three 1's Earth beads up add 3, but they are all up...



Step 5

So move the 1's Heaven bead down to add 5, then move two Earth beads down to subtract 2 *This is a "carry" from Earth to Heaven!

Result: 127