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## First :-

### Min operations :: Easy

Given two numbers **a** and **b**. In one operation you can pick any non negative integer **x** and either of **a** or **b**. Now if you picked **a** then replace **a** with **a&x** else if you picked **b** then replace **b** with **b&x**.

Return the minimum number of operation required to make **a** and **b** equal.

Note: Here **&** represents bitwise **AND** operation.

### Example 1:

#### Input:

a = 5, b = 12

#### Output:

2

#### Explanantion:

In first operation replace

a = a&4 = 4

after that replace

b = b&6 = 4

Hence both are same after applying two operations.

### Example 2:

#### Input:

a = 100, b = 100

#### Output:

0

#### Explanation:

Already same.

### Your Task:

You don't need to read, input, or print anything. Your task is to complete the function ***solve()***, which takes two integers **a** and **b** as input parameters and returns the answer.

**Expected Time Complexity:  $O(1)$**

**Expected Auxiliary Space:  $O(1)$**

### Constraints:

$0 \leq a, b \leq 10^9$

### CODE SECTION :-

```
int solve(int a, int b)
{
    // code here

    if (a == b)
        return 0;
    if (a > b)
    {
    }

    if ((a & b) == min(a, b))
    {
        return 1;
    }
    else
        return 2;
}
```

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