

111. Minimum Depth of Binary Tree ★

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Given a binary tree, find its minimum depth.

The minimum depth is the number of nodes along the shortest path from the root node down to the nearest leaf node.

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C++



```
1  /**
2   * Definition for a binary tree node.
3   * struct TreeNode {
4   *     int val;
5   *     TreeNode *left;
6   *     TreeNode *right;
7   *     TreeNode(int x) : val(x), left(NULL), right(NULL) {}
8   * };
9   */
10 class Solution {
11 public:
12     int minDepth(TreeNode* root, int depth) {
13         if (root->left == nullptr && root->right == nullptr)
14             return depth;
15
16         if (root->left == nullptr) {
17             return minDepth(root->right, depth + 1);
18         }
19         else if (root->right == nullptr) {
20             return minDepth(root->left, depth + 1);
21         }
22         else {
23             return min(minDepth(root->left, depth + 1), minDepth(root->right, depth + 1));
24         }
25     }
26 }
```


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```
27     int minDepth(TreeNode* root) {  
28         if(root == nullptr) return 0;  
29         return minDepth(root, 1);  
30     }  
31 };
```

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Notes

One line for one parameter. Hint  Shortcut: Ctrl + enter 

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