

```
1: int gcd(int m, int n)
2: {
3:     int x;
4:
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);
7:
8:     /* recurse */
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n);
10:
11:    /* done! */
12:    return(x);
13: }

14:
15: int main(void)
16: {
17:     int n;
18:
19:     n = gcd(126,28);
20:     printf("GCD of 126 and 28 is %d\n",
21:            n);
22: }
```

Initial call to gcd: gcd($m \leftarrow 126$, $n \leftarrow 28$)

```
1: int gcd(int m, int n)
2: {
3:     int x;
4:
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);
7:
8:     /* recurse */
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n);
10:
11:    /* done! */
12:    return(x);
13: }
```

gcd(126, 28): return to main, line 19
m = 126, n = 28

```
gcd(m ← 126, n ← 28) :  
    6: condition false, so skip  
    9: call gcd(28, 14)
```

```
1: int gcd(int m, int n)  
2: {  
3:     int x;  
4:  
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */  
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);  
7:  
8:     /* recurse */  
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n);  
10:    /* done! */  
11:    return(x);  
12: }  
13:
```

gcd(28, 14): return to line 9, purple arrow
 $m = 28, n = 14$

gcd(126, 28): return to main, line 19
 $m = 126, n = 28$

```
gcd(m ← 28, n ← 14) :  
    6: condition false, so skip  
    9: call gcd(14, 0)
```

```
1: int gcd(int m, int n)  
2: {  
3:     int x;  
4:  
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */  
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);  
7:  
8:     /* recurse */  
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n);  
10:    ↑↑  
11:    /* done! */  
12:    return(x);  
13: }
```

gcd(14, 0): return to line 9, red arrow
m = 14, n = 0

gcd(28, 14): return to line 9, purple arrow
m = 28, n = 14

gcd(126, 28): return to main, line 19
m = 126, n = 28

gcd(m ← 14, n ← 0):
6: condition true, so return 14

```
1: int gcd(int m, int n)
2: {
3:     int x;
4:
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);
7:
8:     /* recurse */
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n); ↑ ↑
10:
11:    /* done! */
12:    return(x);
13: }
```

gcd(14, 0): return to line 9, red arrow
m = 14, n = 0; return 14

gcd(28, 14): return to line 9, purple arrow
m = 28, n = 14

gcd(126, 28): return to main, line 19
m = 126, n = 28

```
gcd(m ← 28, n ← 14) :  
    6: condition false, so skip  
    9: call gcd(14, 0); return 14  
   12: return 14  
  
1: int gcd(int m, int n)  
2: {  
3:     int x;  
4:  
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */  
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);  
7:  
8:     /* recurse */  
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n);  
10:    /* done! */  
11:    return(x);  
12: }  
13:
```

gcd(14, 0): return to line 9, red arrow
m = 14, n = 0; return 14

gcd(28, 14): return to line 9, purple arrow
m = 28, n = 14; return 14

gcd(126, 28): return to main, line 19
m = 126, n = 28

```
gcd(m ← 126, n ← 28):
    6: condition false, so skip
    9: call gcd(28, 14); return 14
    12: return 14

1: int gcd(int m, int n)
2: {
3:     int x;
4:
5:     /* base case: check for 0 */
6:     if (n == 0) return(1);
7:
8:     /* recurse */
9:     x = gcd(n, m % n);
10:    /* done! */
11:    /* done! */
12:    return(x);
13: }
```

gcd(14, 0): return to line 9, red arrow
m = 14, n = 0; return 14

gcd(28, 14). return to line 9, purple arrow
m = 28, n = 14; return 14

gcd(126, 28): return to main, line 19
m = 126, n = 28