

# Language Processors

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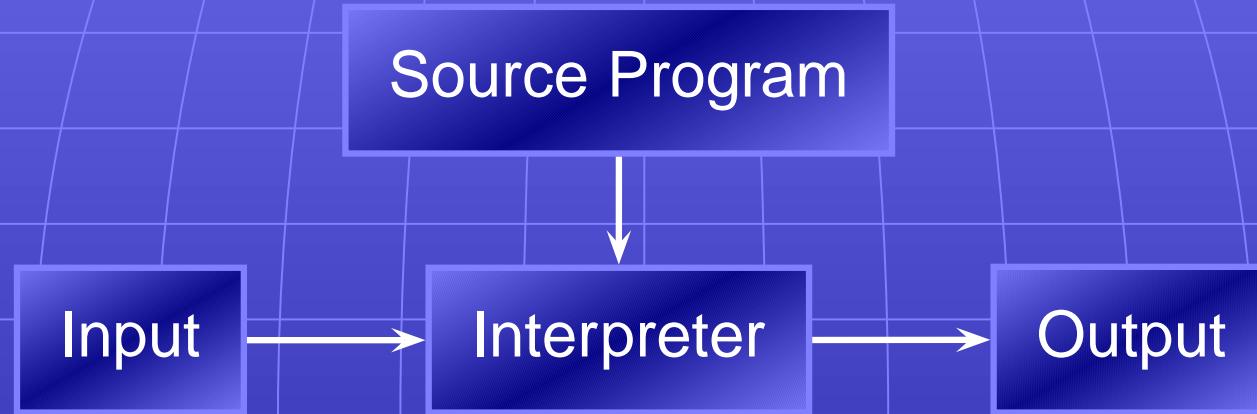
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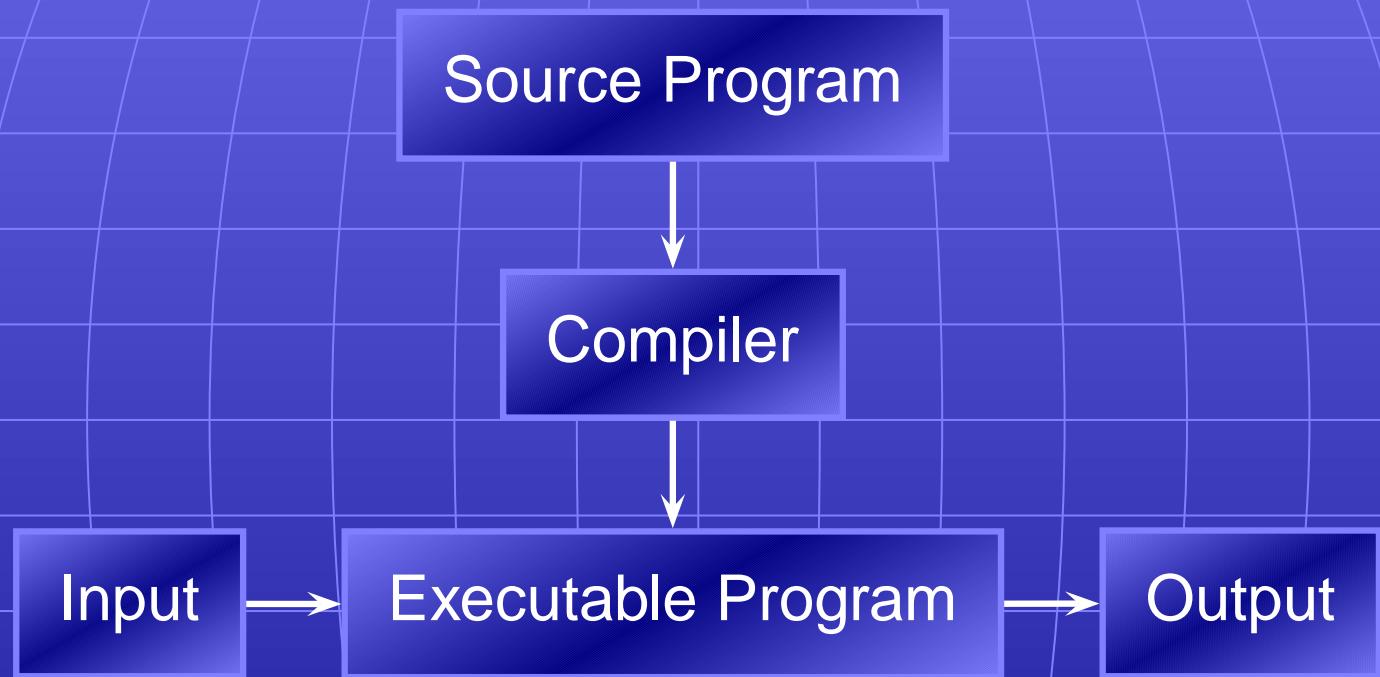
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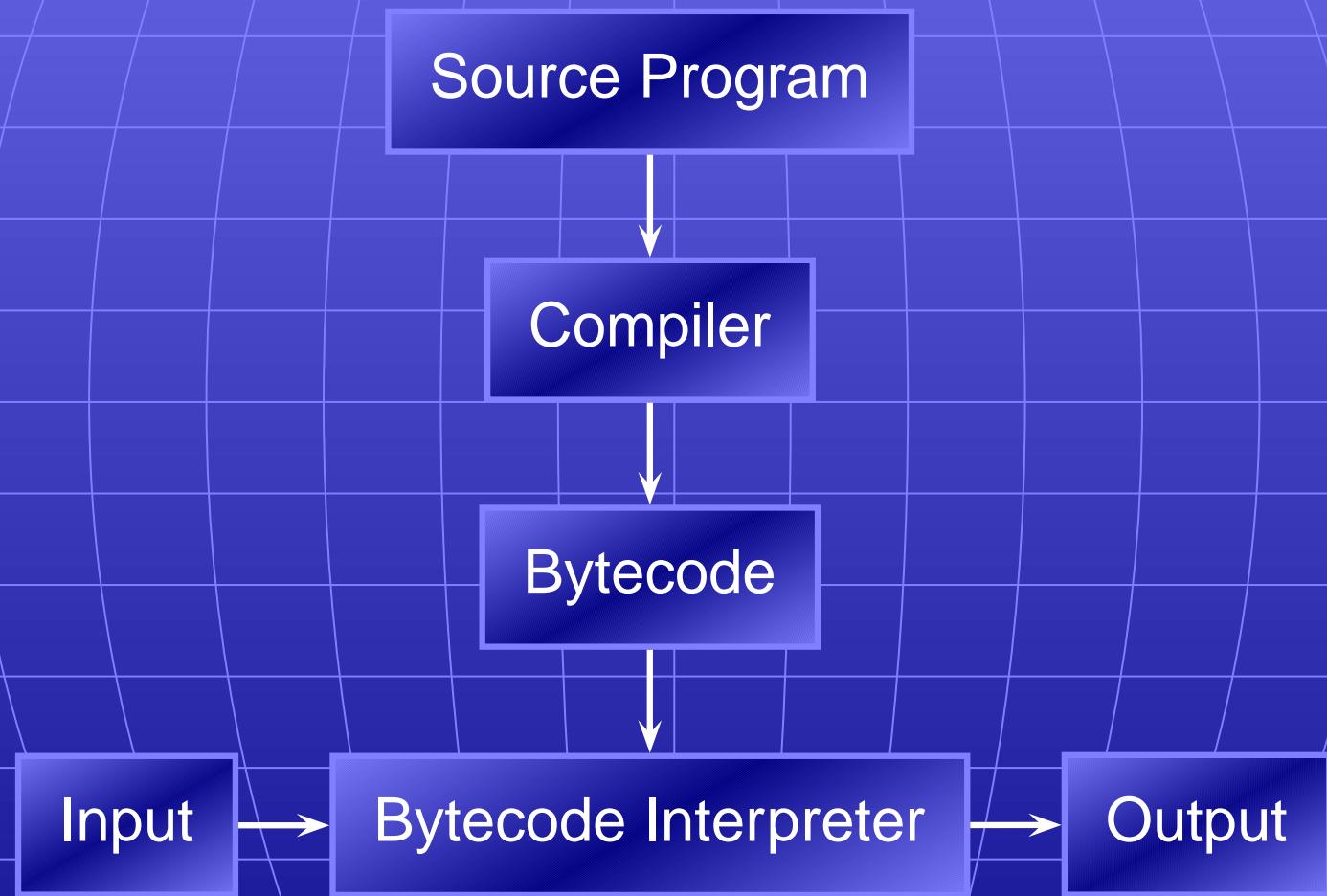
# Interpreter



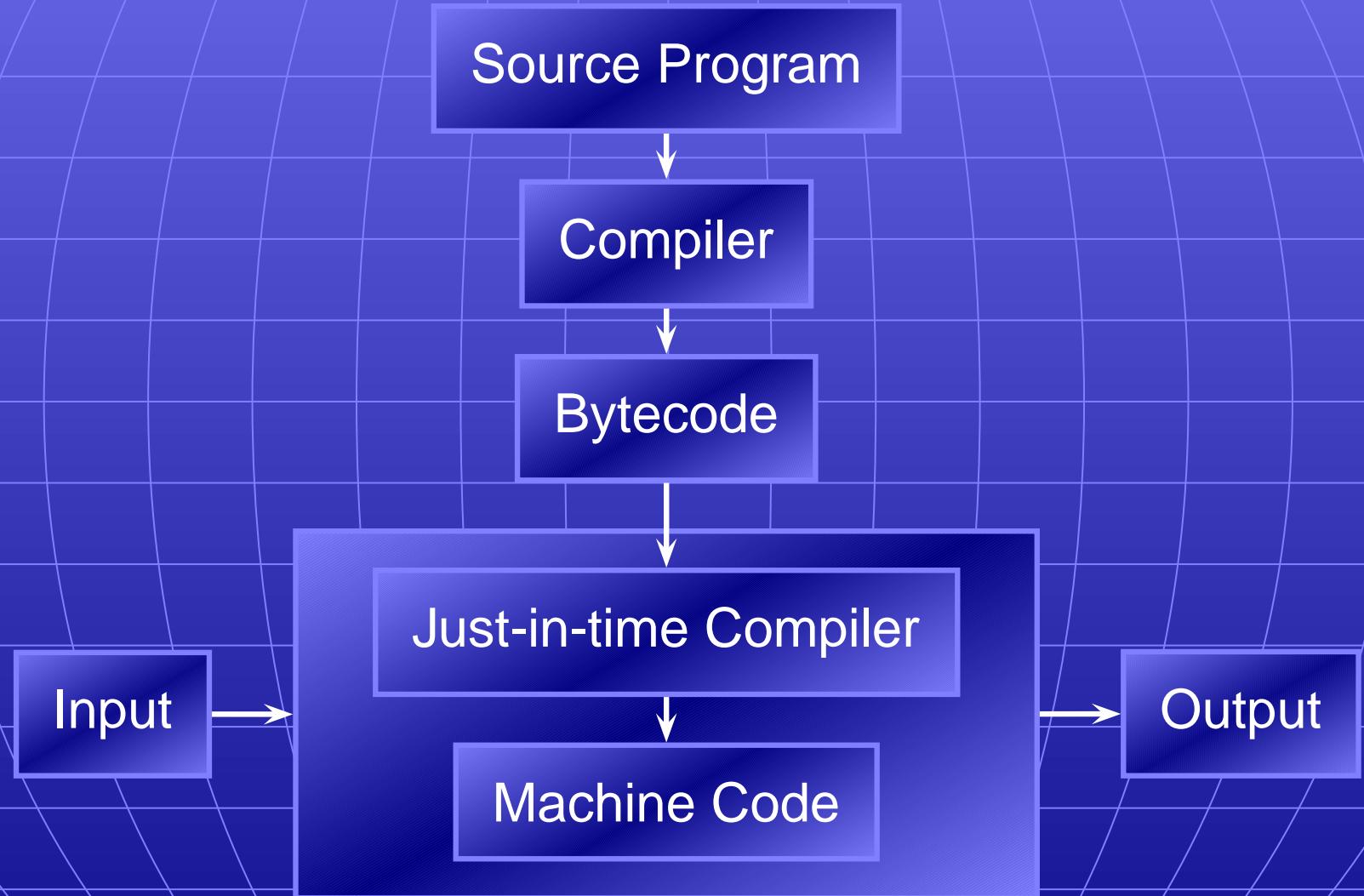
# Compiler



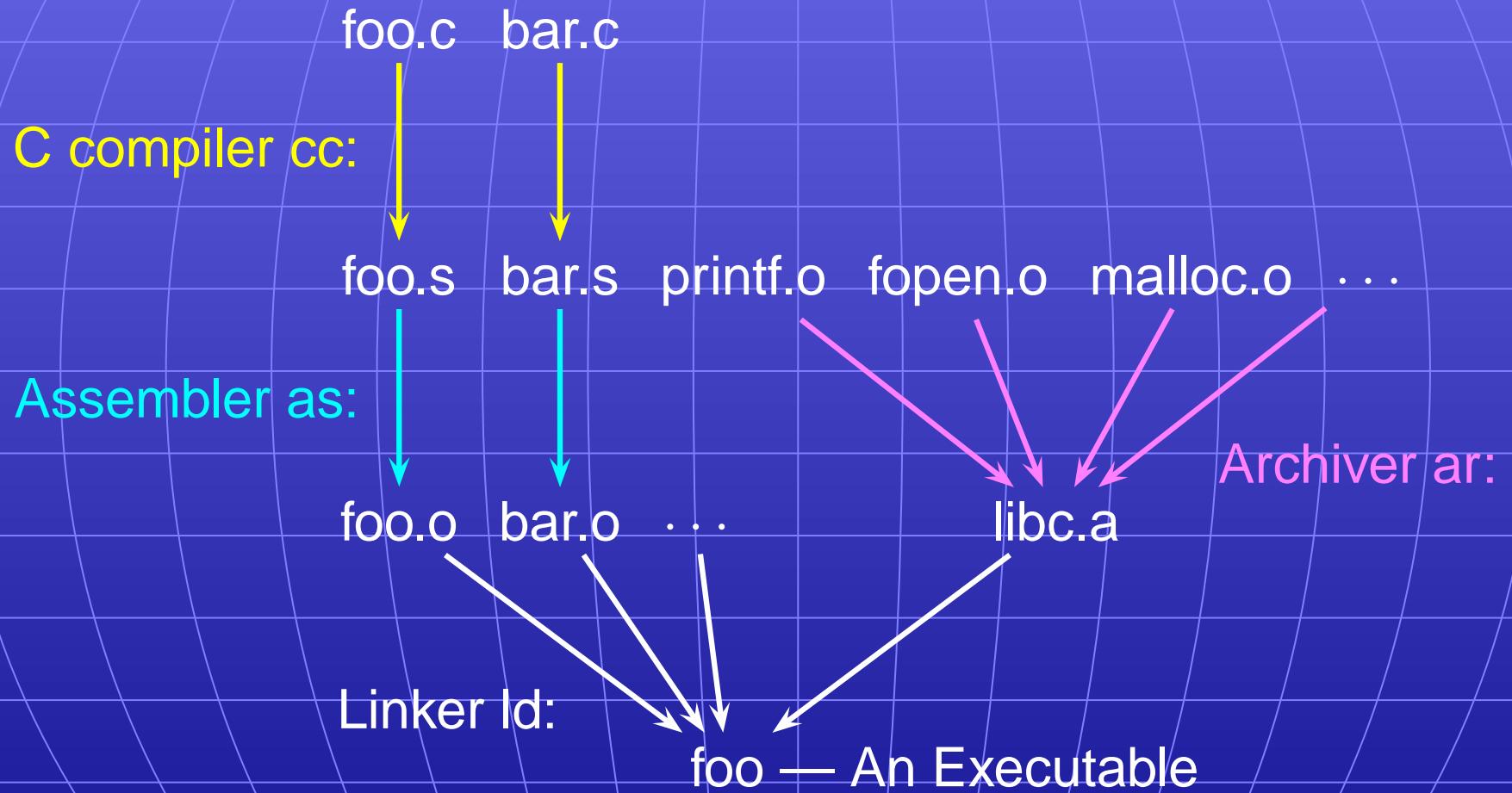
# Bytecode Interpreter



# Just-in-time Compiler



# Separate Compilation



# Preprocessor

“Massages” the input before the compiler sees it.

- Macro expansion
- File inclusion
- Conditional compilation

# The C Preprocessor

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define min(x, y) \
    ((x)<(y))?(x):(y)
#ifndef DEFINE_BAZ
int baz();
#endif
void foo()
{
    int a = 1;
    int b = 2;
    int c;
    c = min(a,b);
}
```

cc -E example.c gives

```
extern int
printf(char*,...);
... many more declarations
from stdio.h
```

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    int c;
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```

# Compiling a Simple Program

```
int gcd(int a, int b)
{
    while (a != b) {
        if (a > b) a -= b;
        else b -= a;
    }
    return a;
}
```

# What the Compiler Sees

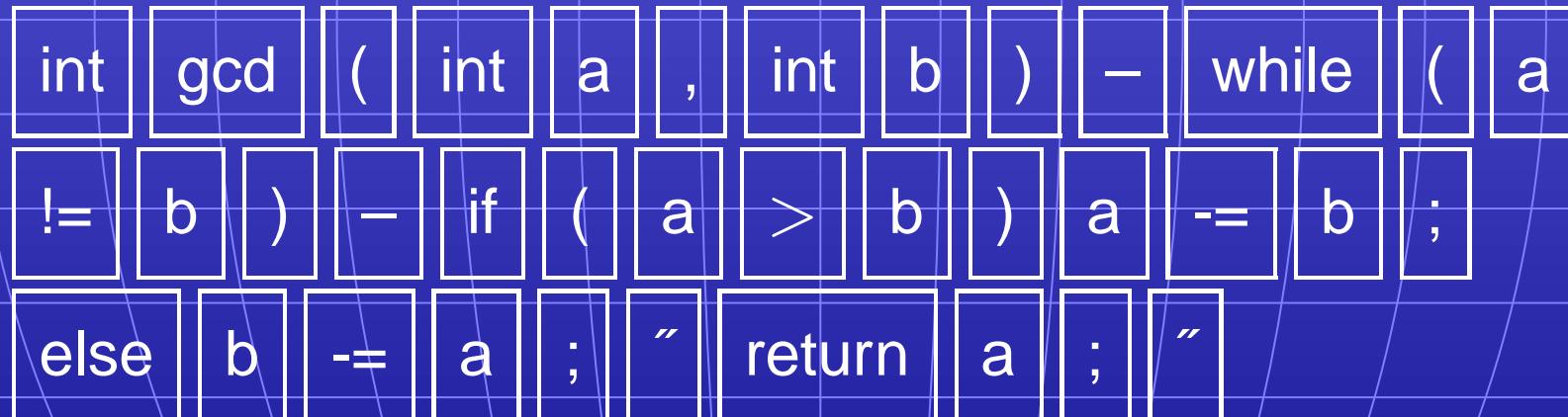
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```
i n t sp g c d ( i n t sp a , sp i
n t sp b ) nl { nl sp sp w h i l e sp
( a sp ! = sp b ) sp { nl sp sp sp sp i
f sp ( a sp > sp b ) sp a sp - = sp b
; nl sp sp sp sp e l s e sp b sp - = sp
a ; nl sp sp } nl sp sp r e t u r n sp
a ; nl } nl
```

Text file is a sequence of characters

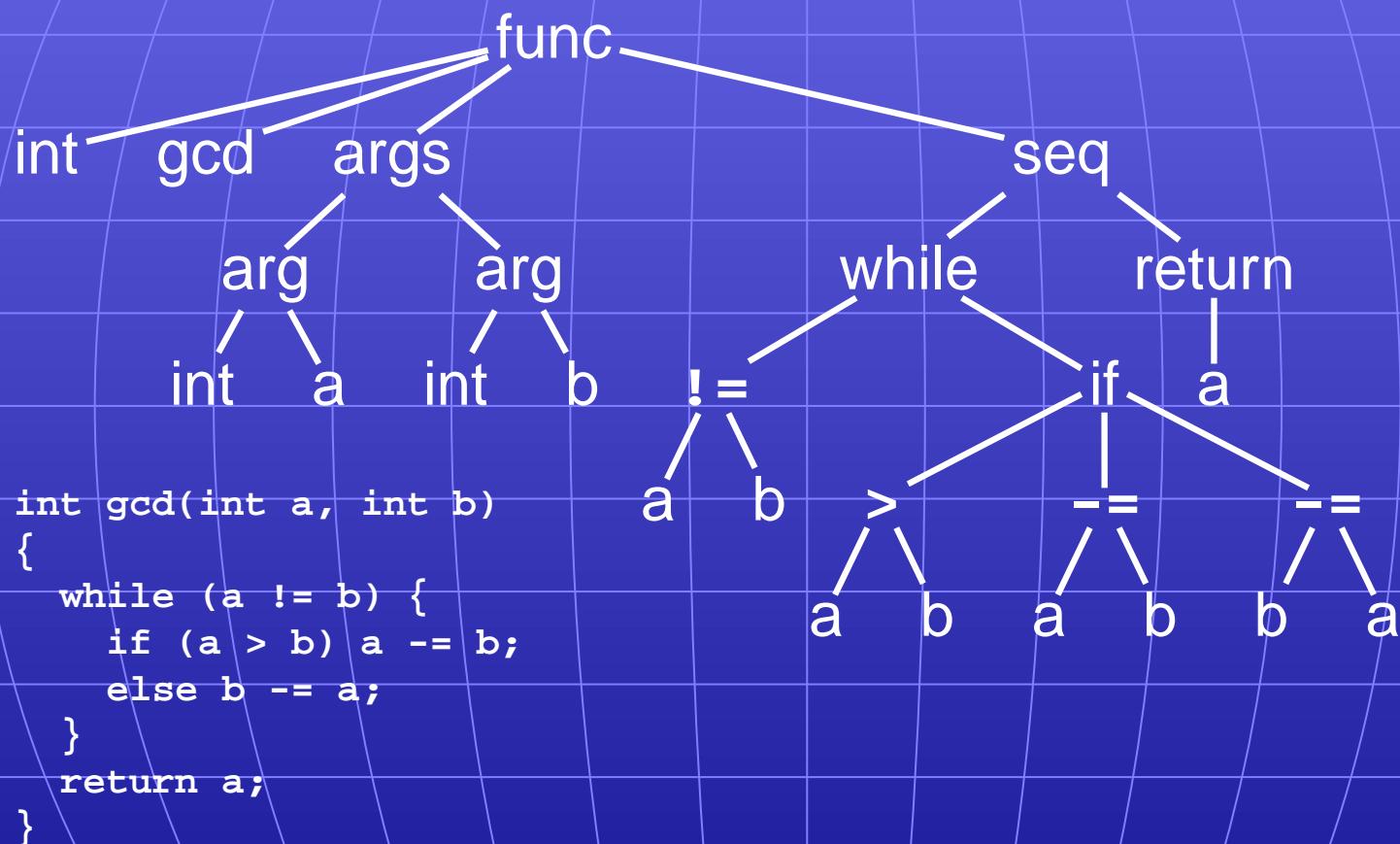
# Lexical Analysis Gives Tokens

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    }
    return a;
}
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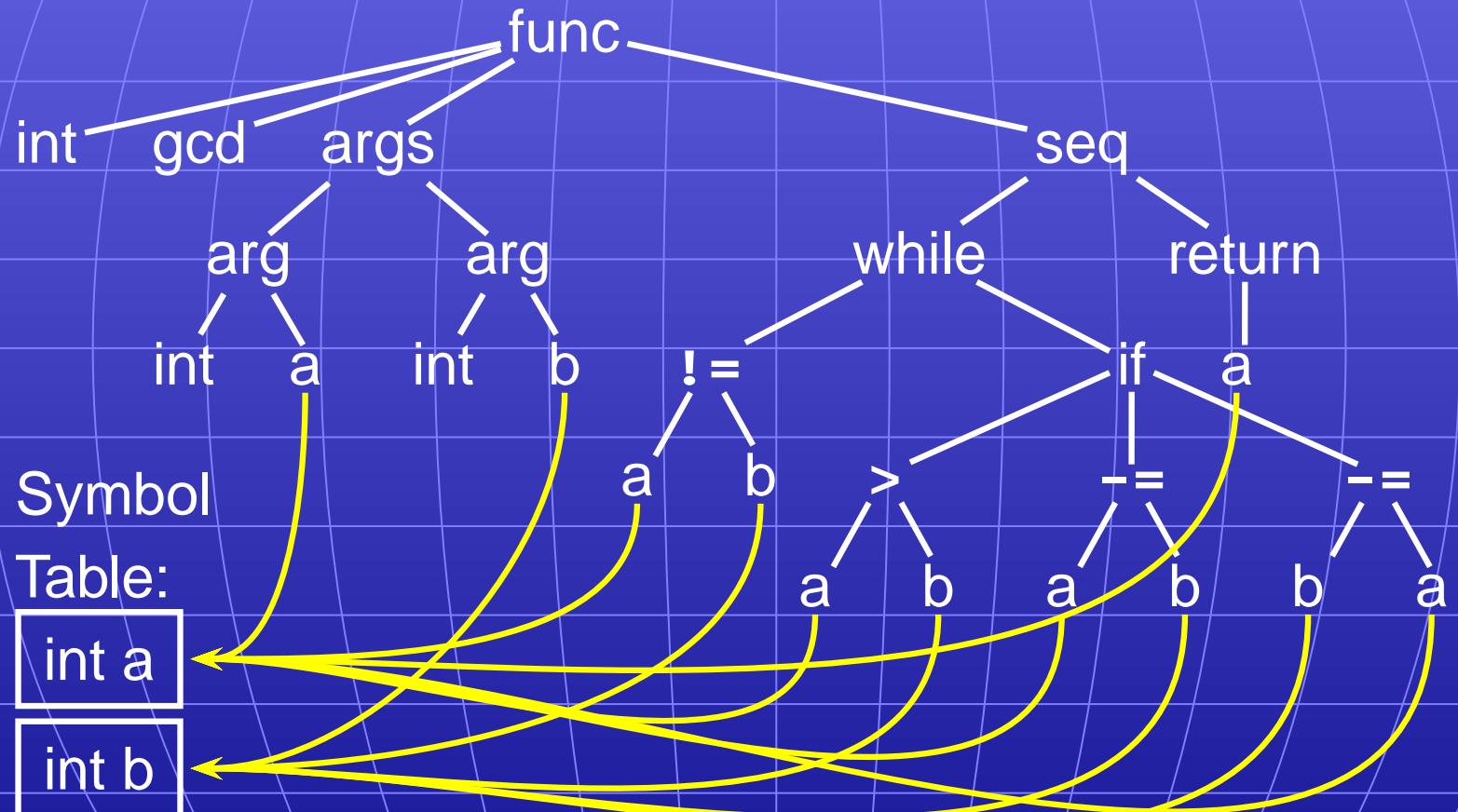
A stream of tokens. Whitespace, comments removed.

# Parsing Gives an AST



Abstract syntax tree built from parsing rules.

# Semantic Analysis Resolves Symbols



Types checked; references to symbols resolved

# Translation into 3-Address Code

```
L0: sne $1, a, b
    seq $0, $1, 0
    btrue $0, L1      % while (a != b)
    sl  $3, b, a
    seq $2, $3, 0
    btrue $2, L4      % if (a < b)
    sub a, a, b % a -= b
    jmp L5
L4: sub b, b, a % b -= a
L5: jmp L0
L1: ret a
```

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    while (a != b) {
        if (a > b) a -= b;
        else b -= a;
    }
    return a;
}
```

Idealized assembly language w/ infinite registers

# Generation of 80386 Assembly

```
gcd:  pushl %ebp          % Save frame pointer
      movl %esp,%ebp
      movl 8(%ebp),%eax  % Load a from stack
      movl 12(%ebp),%edx % Load b from stack
.L8:  cmpl %edx,%eax
      je   .L3            % while (a != b)
      jle  .L5            % if (a < b)
      subl %edx,%eax    % a -= b
      jmp  .L8
.L5:  subl %eax,%edx    % b -= a
      jmp  .L8
.L3:  leave
      ret               % Restore SP, BP
```