
Algorithmic Examples

Multiset and the Chemical Model

The Chemical model

- Gamma (Banâtre & Le Metayer, 1986):
 - Data: “floating” molecules in the solution
 - Computation: chemical reactions between the molecules
 - no over specification of control structure (non determinism, parallelism)
 - no over specification of data structure (multisets as blackboard)

- **Metaphor**

Solution

Reactions

Bownian motion

- **Foundations**

Multisets

Rewriting rules

Associativity/Commutativity

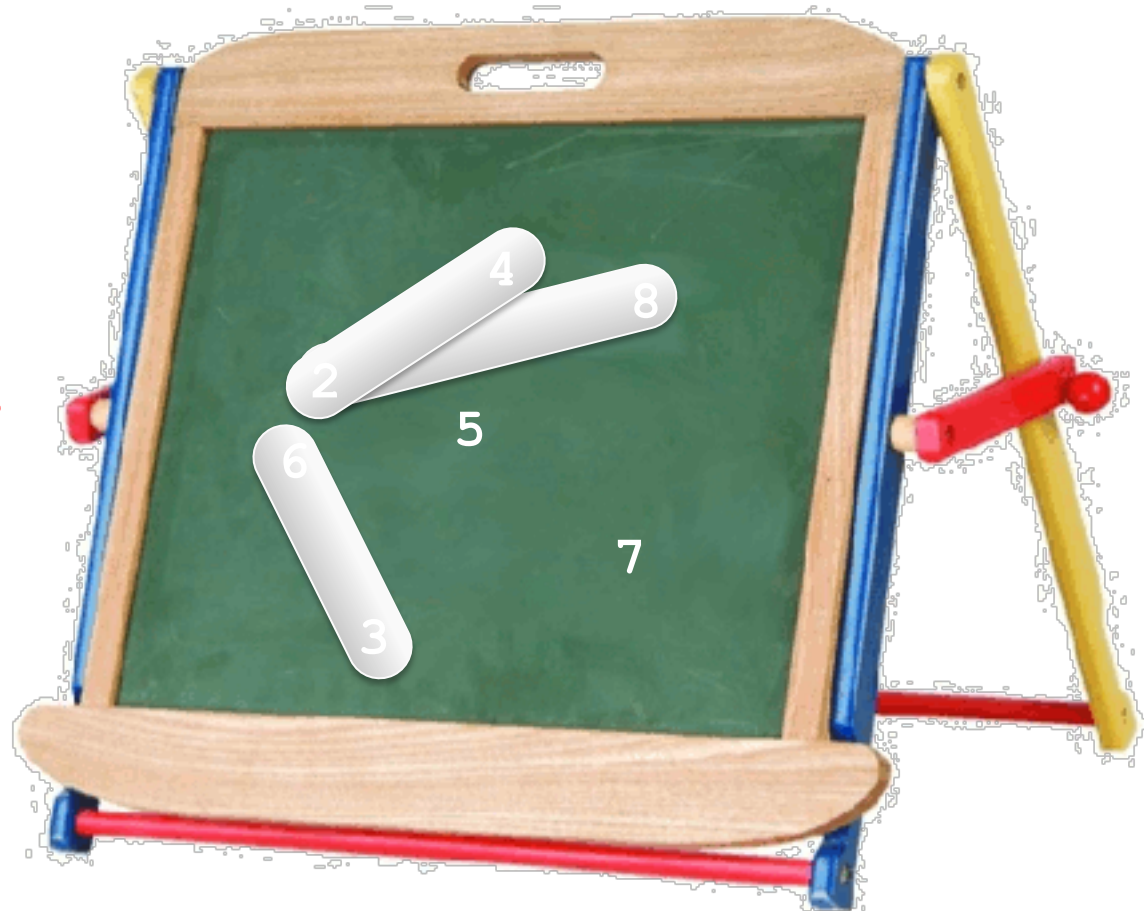


- Implicit parallelism and autonomy of reactions until inertia

Computing the primes

replace x, y **by** x **if** x divide y

steady state



Pro and Cons

- Very high-level languages
- Between specification and programs
 - not specifications
(*e.g.*, several algorithms are expressible for the same task)
 - not programs
(typically not the same complexity)
- Relevant for the programming of large autonomic and distributed systems
 1. The multiset data structure and rewriting suitably represent the orderless interactions (reactions) between elements that occur in large parallel or open systems
 2. Autonomic properties (*e.g.* self-healing, self-protection, self-optimization, etc.) are naturally expressed as reaction rules. The corresponding behavior can be seen as the corrective action corresponding a perturbation.

Pro and Cons

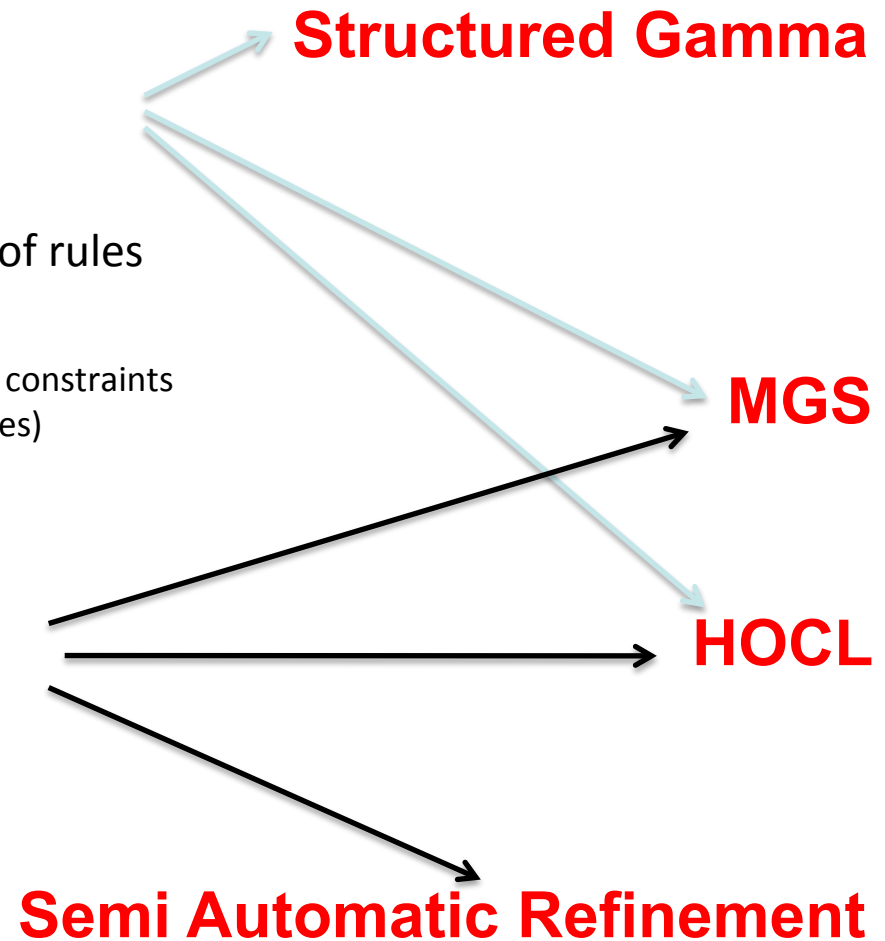
The high-level nature of chemical programming entails also drawbacks

1. multisets are weak data structure

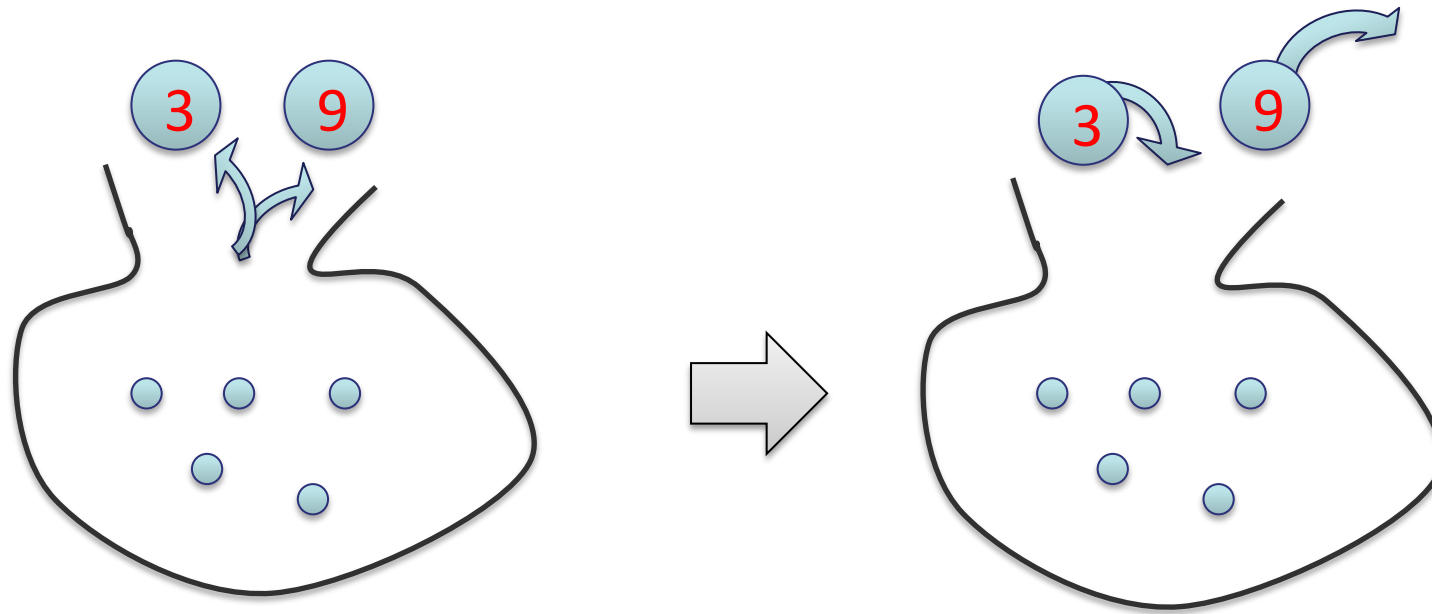
- difficult to express data structure
- difficult to express selection and control of rules
- difficult to represent the distribution
 - neighborhood relationships represent physical constraints (spatial distribution, localization of the resources)
 - multiset = ether

2. AC rewriting can be inefficient

- the selection of elements
- the ordering of reactions
- the termination



Eratosthene's Sieve



```

trans Generate = {x, true} => x, {x + 1, true};
trans Succeed = {x, true} => x;
trans Eliminate = (x, y / y mod x = 0) => x;
    
```

Eliminate[fixrule] (*Succeed* (*Generate*[N] ({2, true}, set : ()))))

Eratosthene's Sieve

`trans X = { x, y / (x%y == 0) => y }`

applied on the bag

`2, 3, 4, 5, 6, ..., n`

(in a bag, any elements are neighbor)

At fixpoint, there is no x,y such that y divides x .

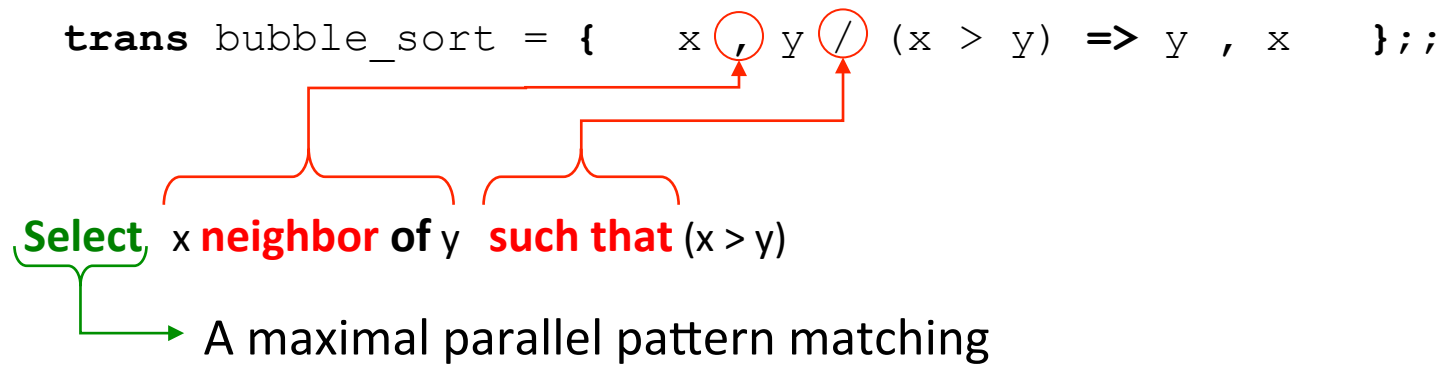
That is: the numbers in the multiset are relatively primes.

And because we started from all number between 2 and n , we have the **primes below n** .

Sequence

Path transformation

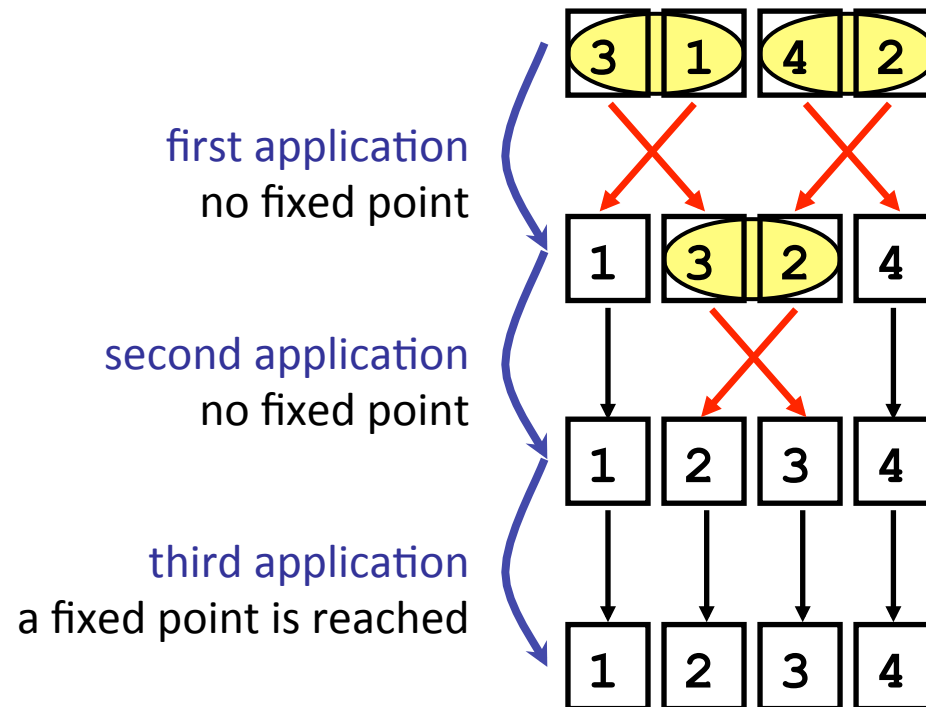
Example: “bubble sort” of a sequence



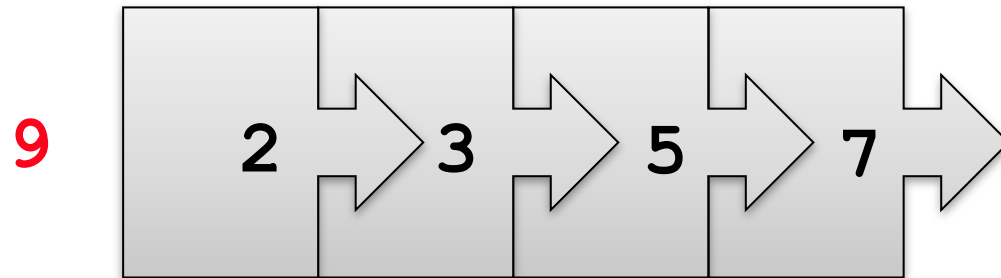
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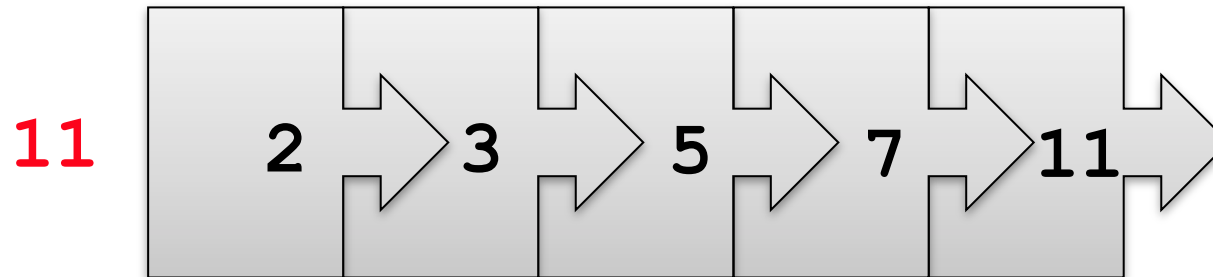
```
trans bubble_sort = { x , y / (x > y) => y , x };;  
bubble_sort['fixpoint] ((3,1,4,2)) ;;
```



Eratosthene's Sieve



Eratosthene's Sieve



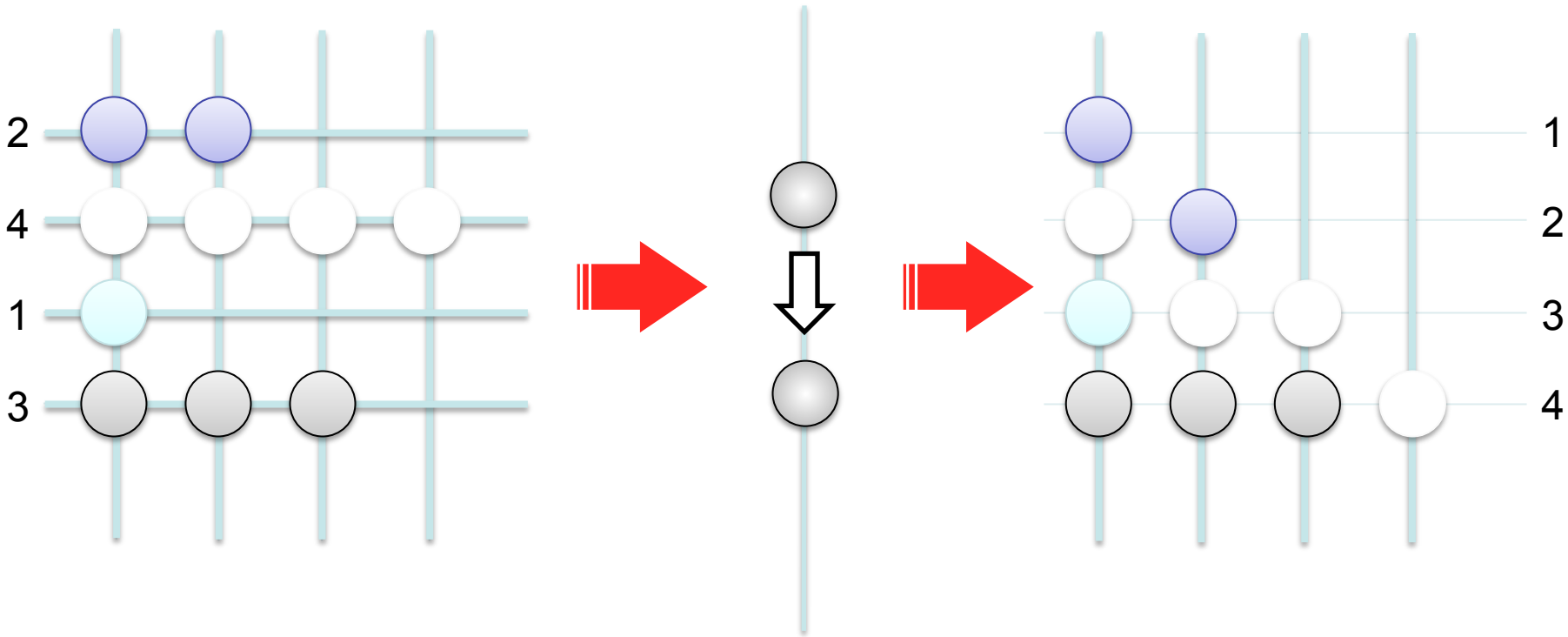
```

trans Eratos = {
  Genere1 = n : integer / ~right n => n, {prime = n};
  Genere2 = n : integer, {prime as x, ~candidate, ~ok}
           => n + 1, {prime = x, candidate = n};
  Test1 = {prime as x, candidate as y, ~ok} / y mod x = 0 => {prime = x};
  Test2 = {prime as x, candidate as y, ~ok} / y mod x <> 0
           => {prime = x, ok = y};
  Next = {prime as x1, ok as y}, {prime as x2, ~ok, ~candidate}
         => {prime = x1}, {prime = x2, candidate = y};
  NextCreate = {prime as x, ok as y} as s / ~right s
              => {prime = x}, {prime = y};
}

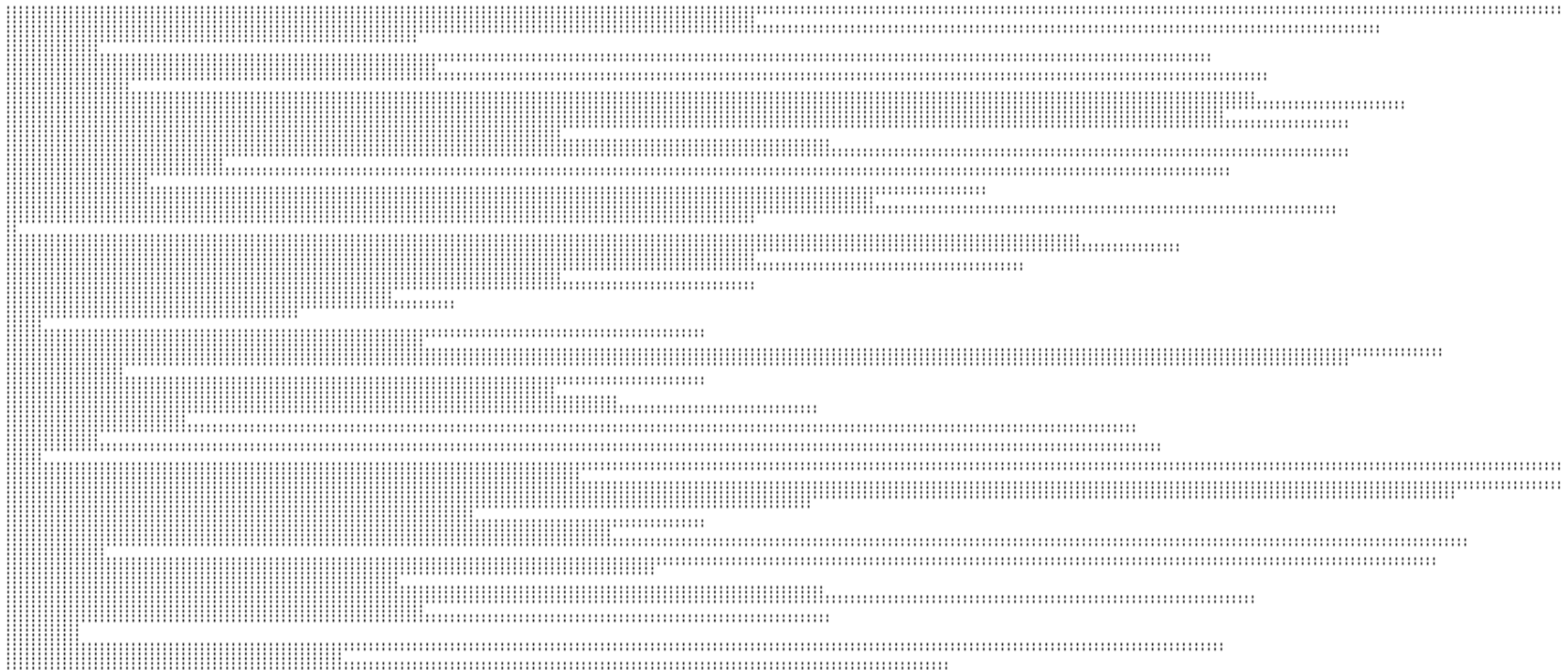
```

Array

Bead sort



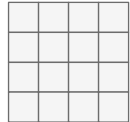
Bead sort



```
trans bead_sort = { • | south> <empty> => <empty>, • };;
```

Group based fields

From Arrays, Data Fields and GBF to Chain

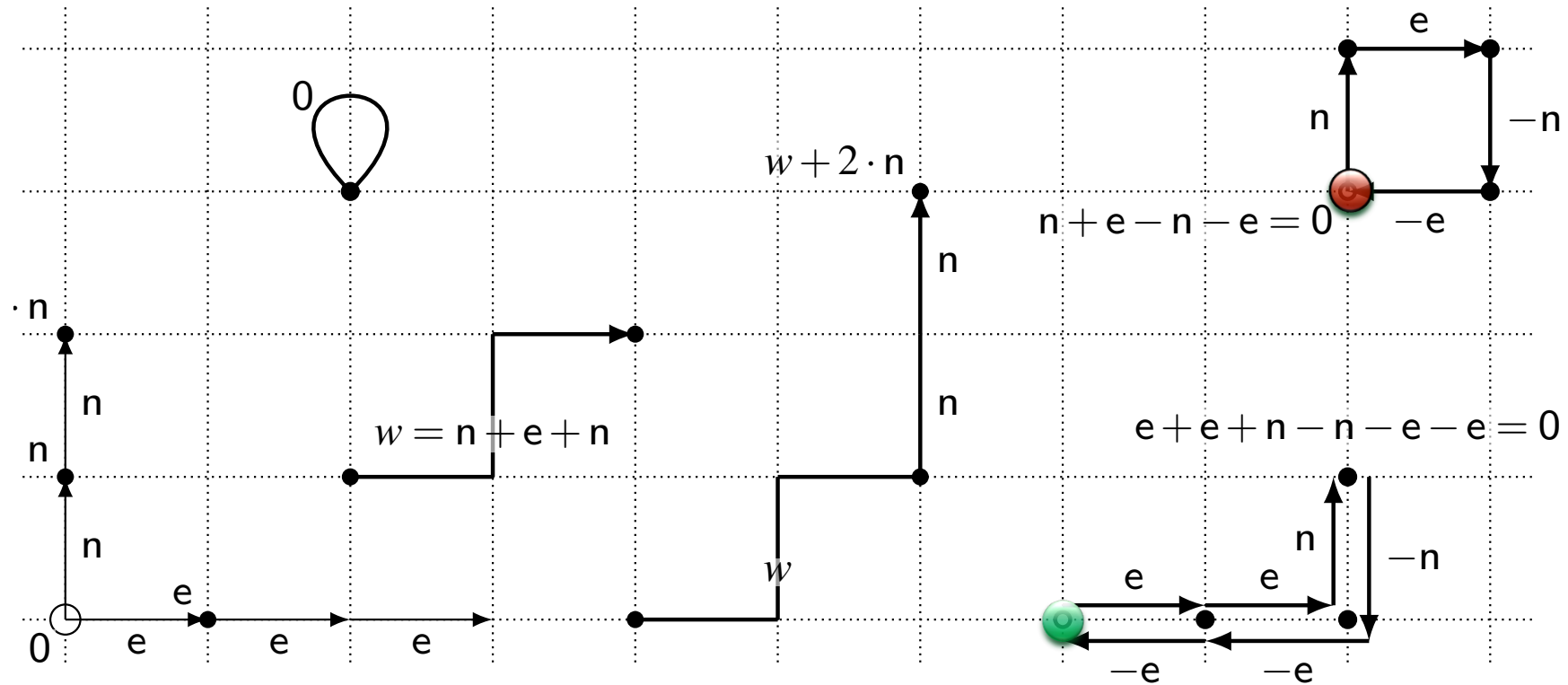
Array
(Total Function) $[0, d_1] \times \dots \times [0, d_n]$ \longmapsto *Val* 

Data Field
(Partial Function) \mathbb{Z}^n \longrightarrow *Val* 

GBF (Group based Field)
(Partial Function) *Group* \longrightarrow *Val* 

Chain
(Partial Function) *Cellular complex* \longrightarrow *Val* 

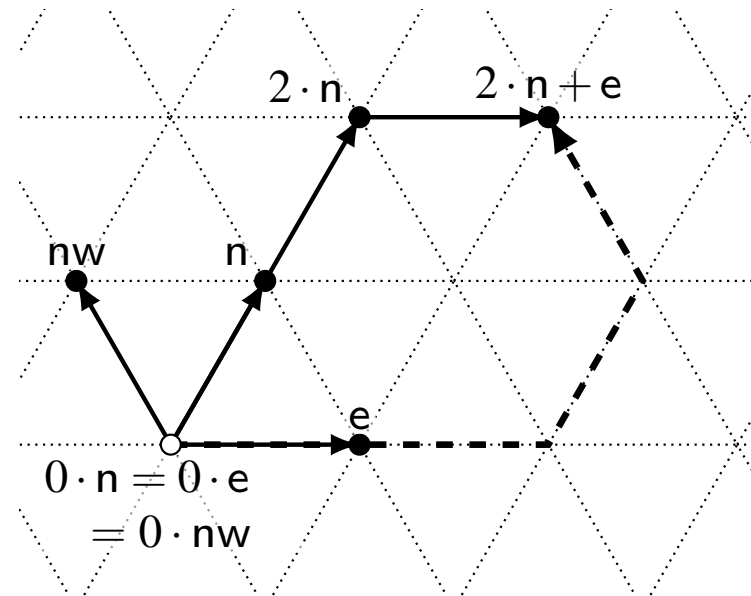
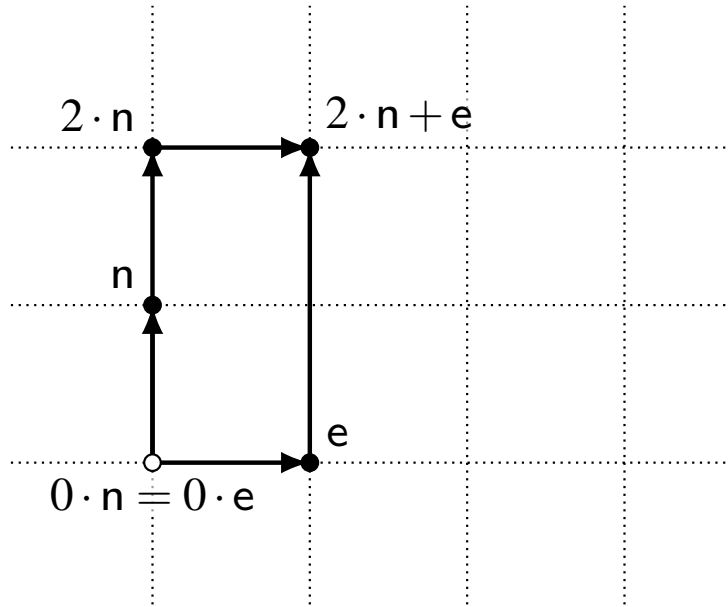
GBF



Equations are closed paths (loops):

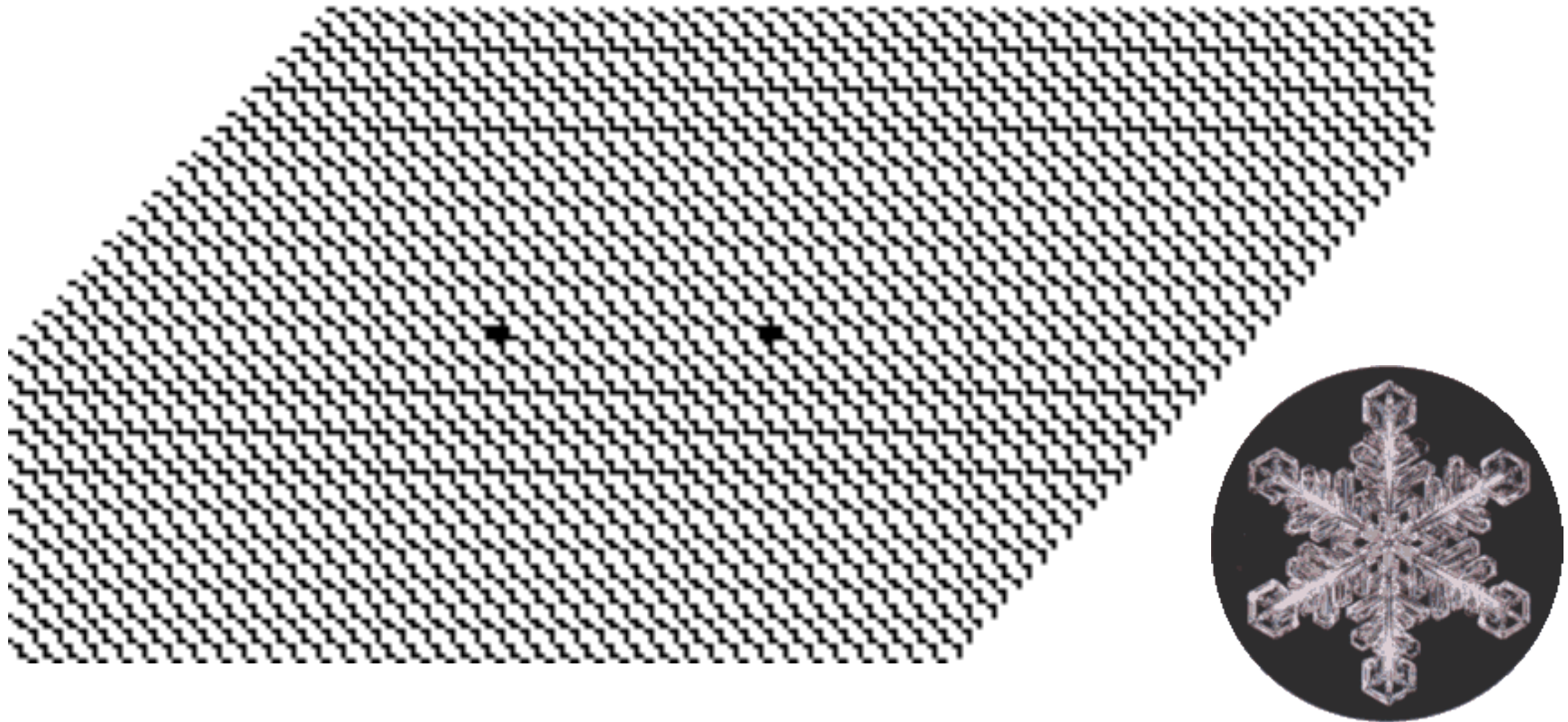
- backtracking path are closed in any Cayley graph : $e + e + n - n - e - e$
- group equation are specific of the graph topology

GBF



$\langle n, e, nw; n = e + nw \rangle$

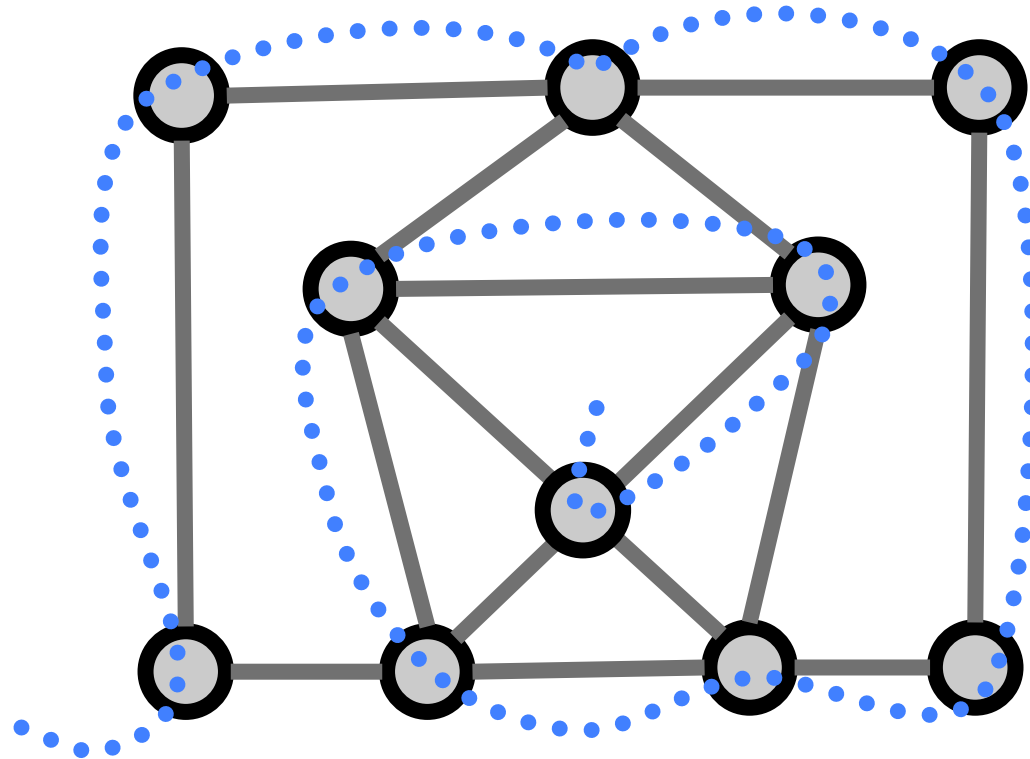
Snowflake formation (CA-based)



```
gbf hexa = <a, b, c; a+b=c>
```

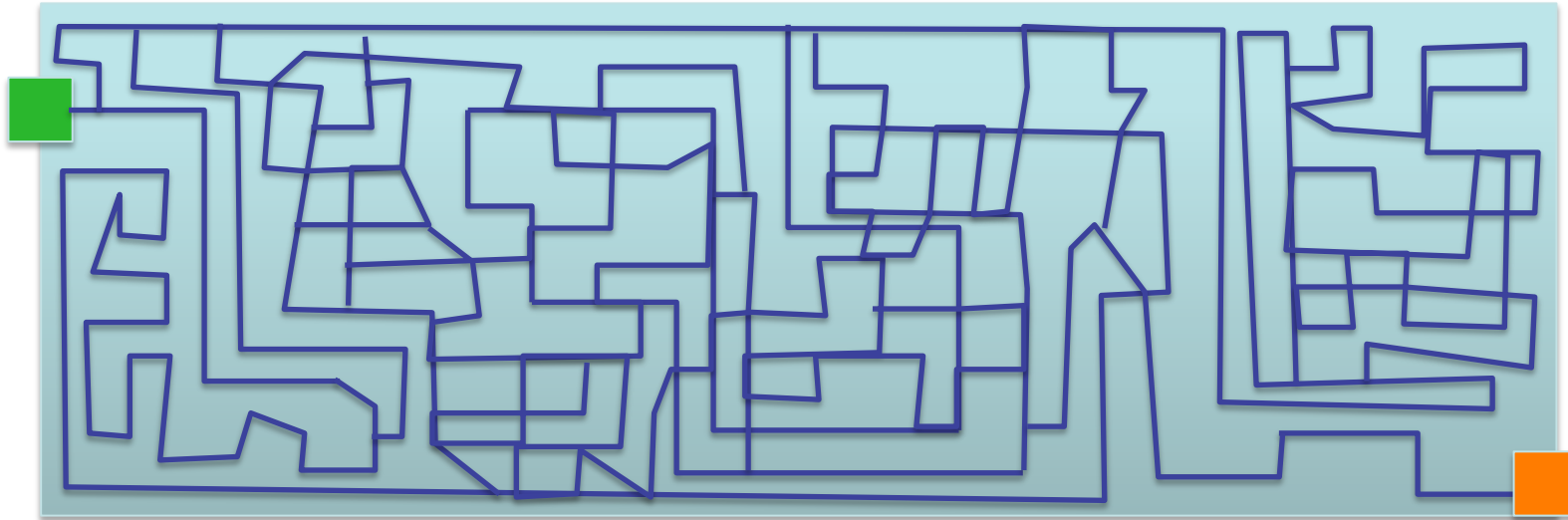
```
trans T = {  
  (0 as x / (neighborsfold(+, 0, x)==1)  
  => 1)  
}
```

Hamiltonian path



```
trans hamiltonian_path = {  
    x* as p / size(p) = N => return(p)  
};;
```

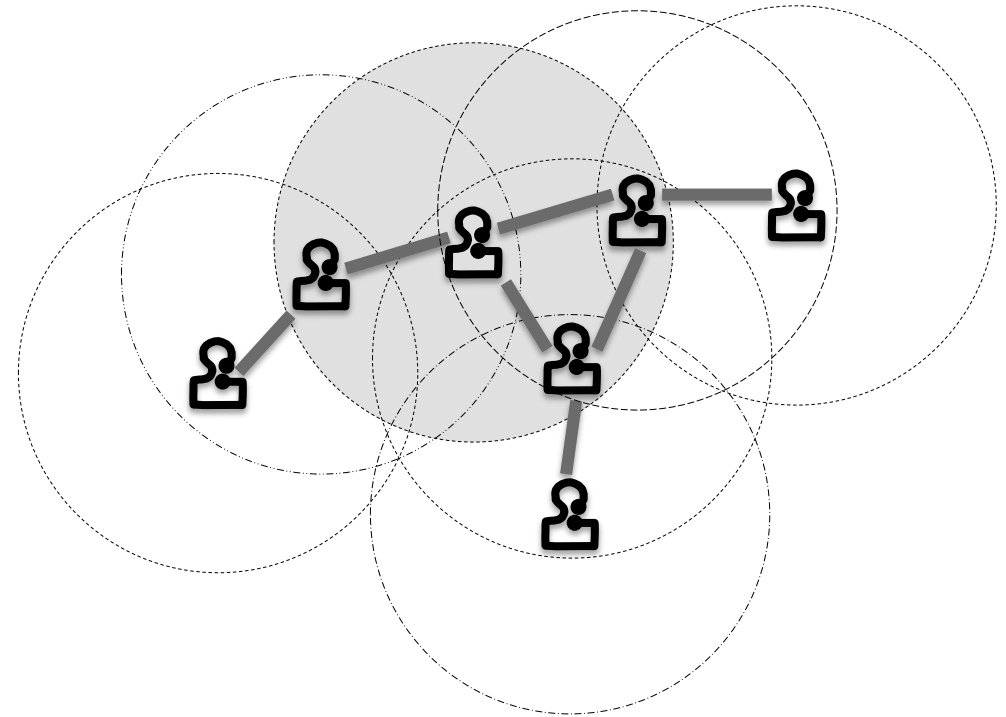
Path in a Maze



```
trans maze = { `input, c* as p, `output => return p }
```

Graphs defined by a metric

Proximal



record agent = { x : float, y: float }

proximal P[agent] = fun a b -> (a.x - b.x)^2 + (a.y - b.y)^2

Proximal and Flocking Birds

```

trans Flocking = {

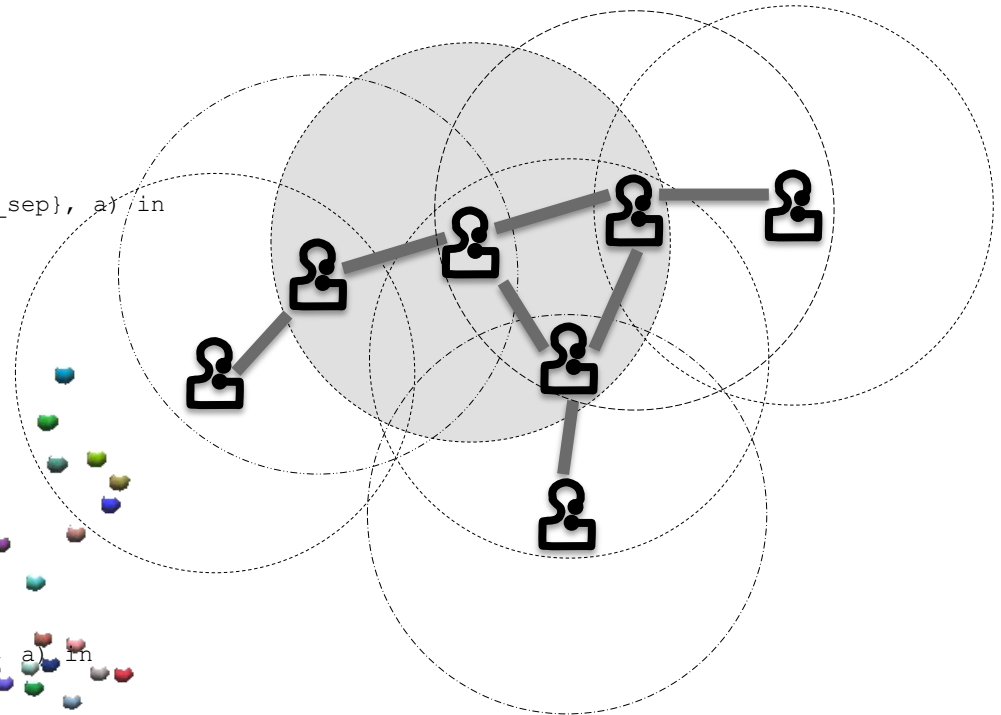
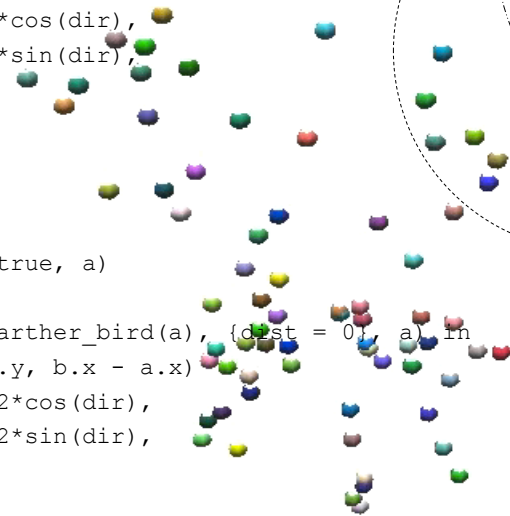
  separation =
    a / neighborsfold(to_close(a), false, a)
    => begin
      let b = neighborsfold(closer_bird(a), {dist = 2*d_sep}, a) in
      let dir = if (random(2) == 0)
        then b.theta + 'PI_2
        else b.theta - 'PI_2 fi
      in a + {x = a.x + speed*cos(dir),
              y = a.y + speed*sin(dir),
              theta = dir}
    end;

  cohesion =
    a / neighborsfold(to_far(a), true, a)
    => begin
      let b = neighborsfold(farther_bird(a), {dist = 0}, a) in
      let dir = atan2(b.y - a.y, b.x - a.x)
      in a + {x = a.x + speed2*cos(dir),
              y = a.y + speed2*sin(dir),
              theta = dir}
    end;

  alignment =
    a => begin
      let phi = neighborsfold(add_theta, 0, a)
      and nb = neighborsfold(nb_neighbors, 0, a) in
      let dir = phi / nb
      in a + {x = a.x + speed*cos(dir) + random(bruit),
              y = a.y + speed*sin(dir) + random(bruit),
              theta = dir}
    end;

};

```



separation =

```
a / neighborsfold(to_close(a), false, a)
```

```
=> begin
```

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                           {dist = 2*d_sep},  
                           a ) in
```

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              then b.theta + 'PI_2  
              else b.theta - 'PI_2 fi
```

```
    in a + {x = a.x + speed*cos(dir),  
           y = a.y + speed*sin(dir),  
           theta = dir}
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```
end;
```

cohesion =

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a / neighborsfold(to_far(a), true, a)
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=> begin
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  let dir = atan2(b.y - a.y, b.x - a.x)
```

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  in a + {x = a.x + speed2*cos(dir),
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          y = a.y + speed2*sin(dir),
```

```
          theta = dir}
```

```
end;
```

alignment =

a => begin

let phi = neighborsfold(add_theta, 0, a)

and nb = neighborsfold(nb_neighbors, 0, a) in

let dir = phi / nb

in a + {x = a.x + speed*cos(dir) + random(noise),

y = a.y + speed*sin(dir) + random(noise),

theta = dir}

end;

The Growth of a Meristem

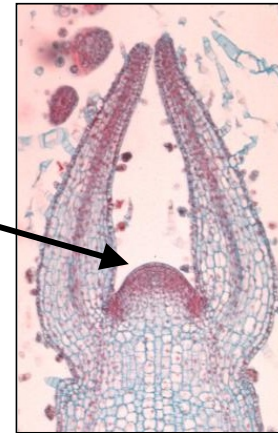
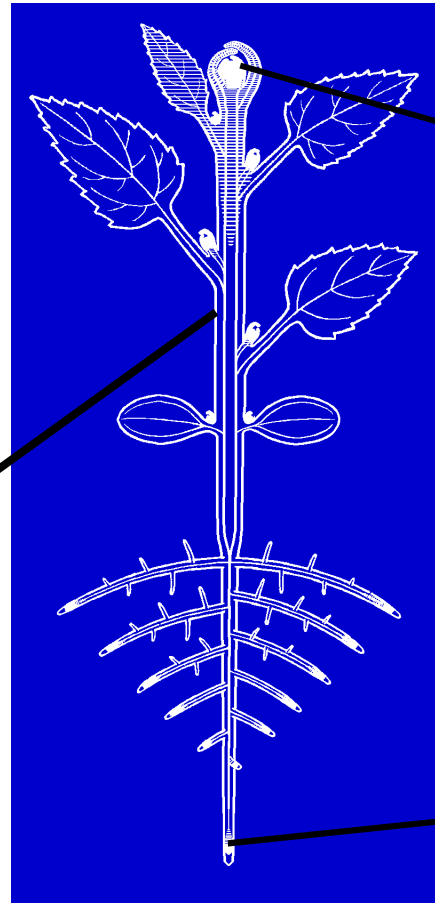
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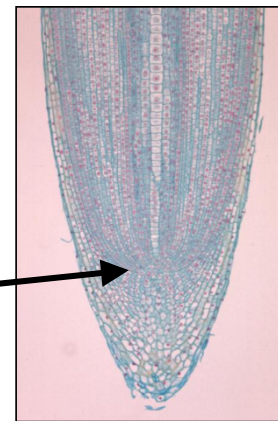


Organs
positioning
at the shoot
apex

Cambium



Shoot
apical
meristem

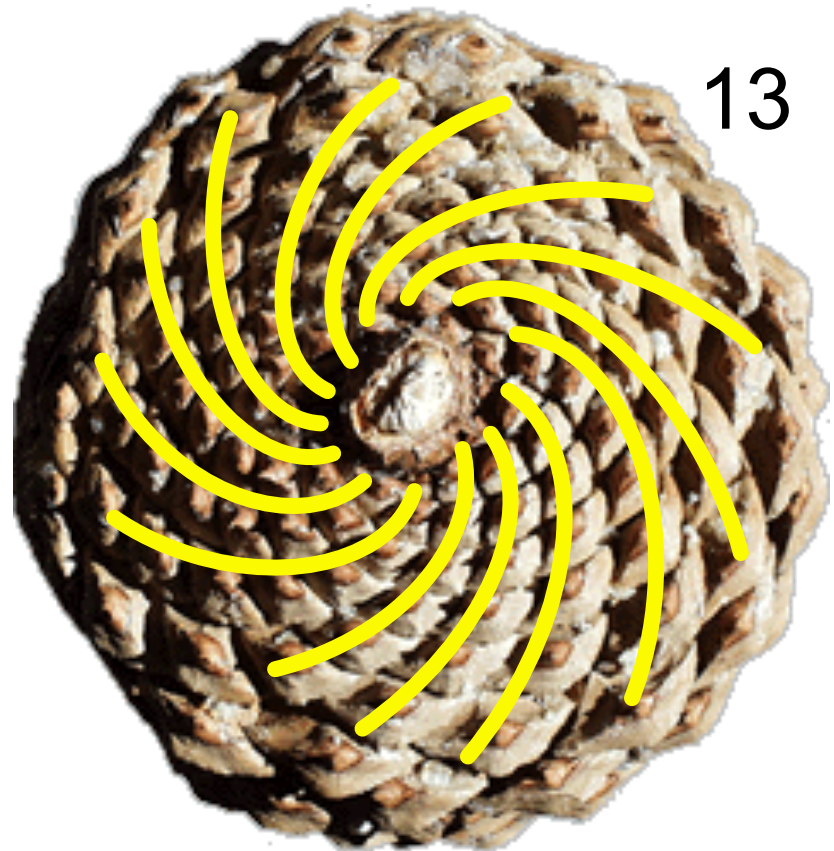


Root apical
meristem

Fibonacci and phyllotaxis



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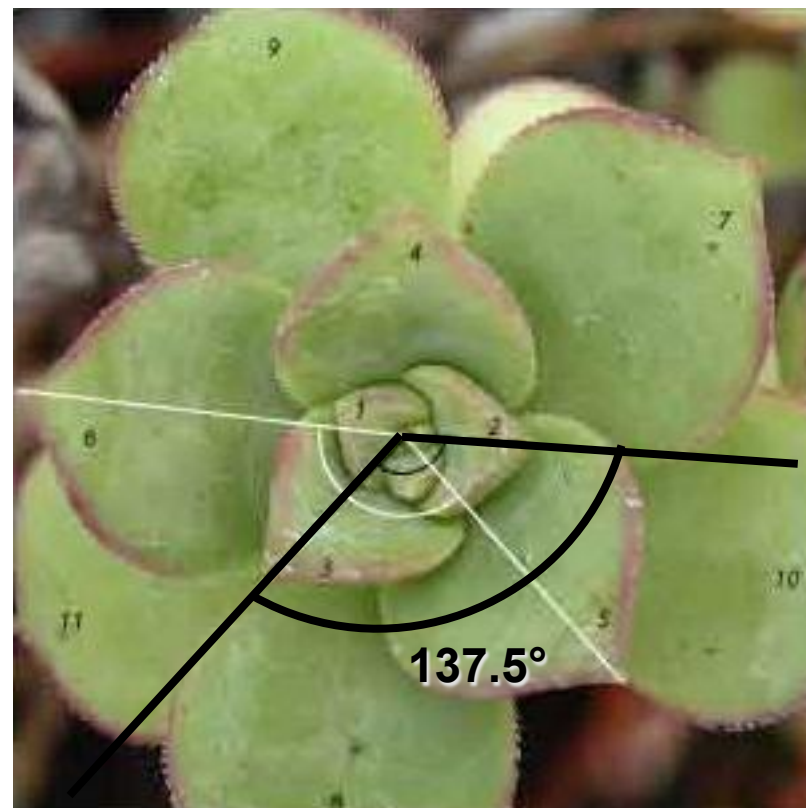
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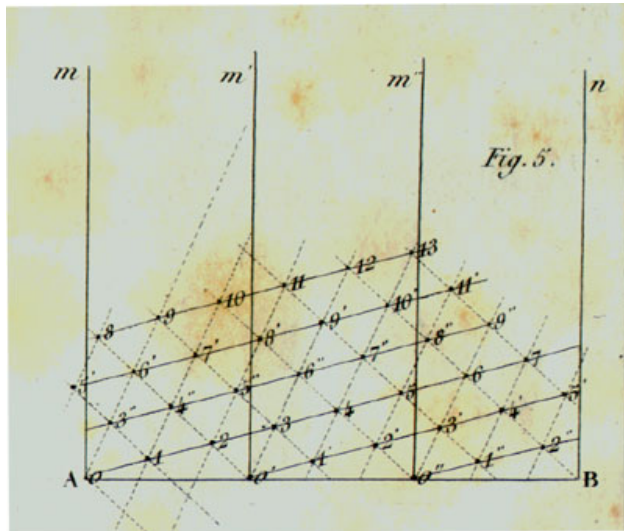
Two successive numbers of the Fibonacci series

Phyllotaxis : divergence angle



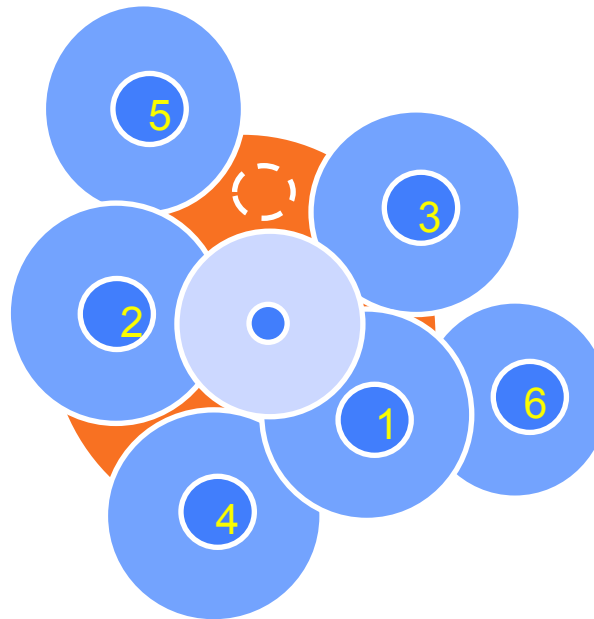
Phyllotaxis models: three kinds of approaches

Geometrical



(Bravais & Bravais, 1837)

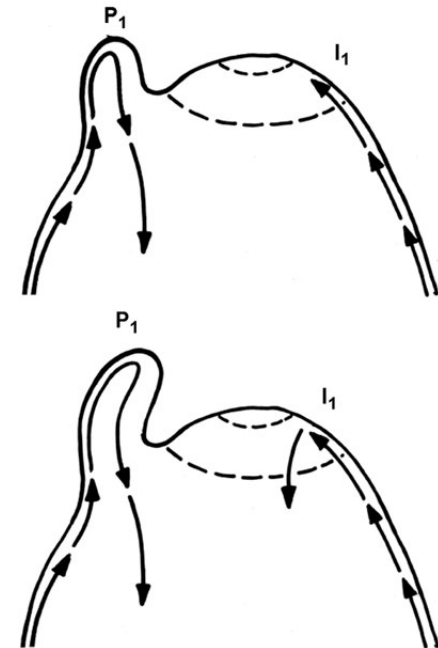
Dynamical



(Hofmeister, 1868)

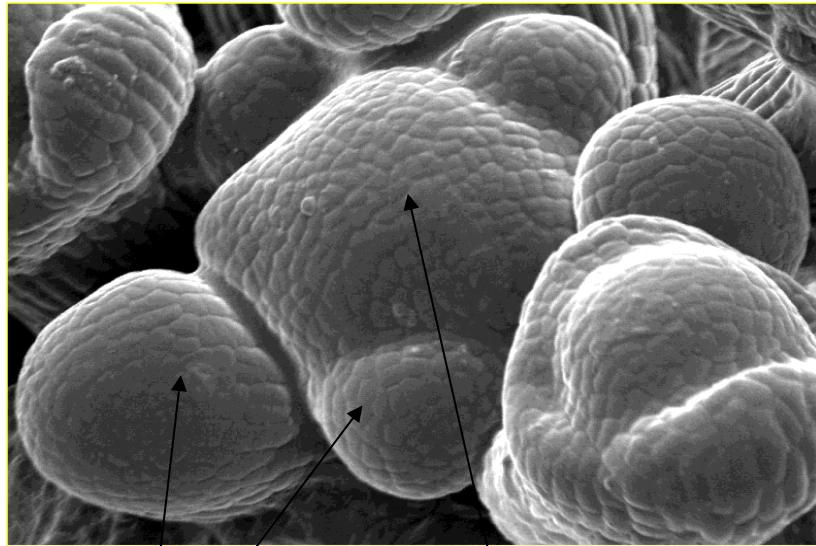
(Snow and Snow, 1962)

Physiological



(Reinhardt et al., 2000)

A shoot apical meristem



Primordia

Central zone

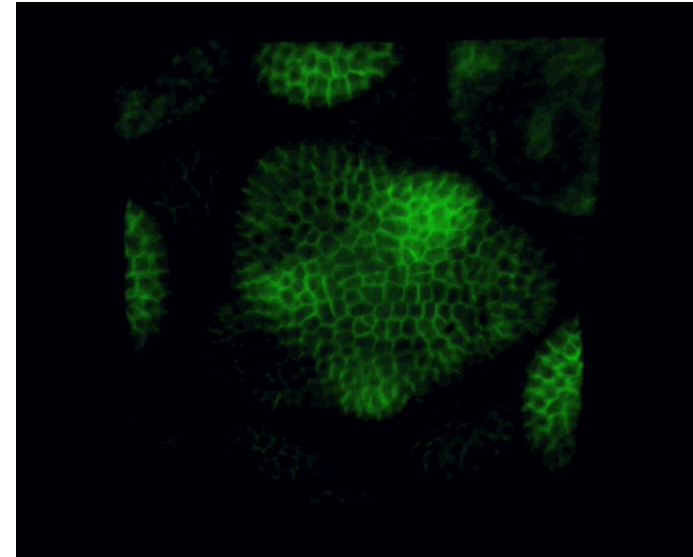
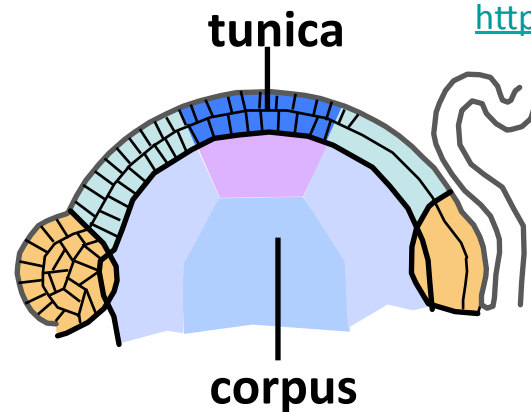


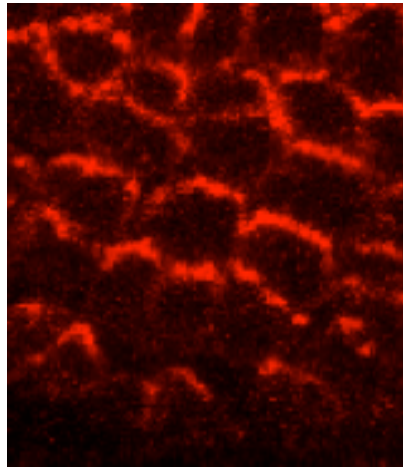
Image sequence showing cell division patterns via membrane-bound PIN1, in Shoot Apical Meristem (SAM), nearby floral meristems, and the boundaries between them (M. Heisler).

<http://comutableplant.ics.uci.edu/> (E. Mjølness)



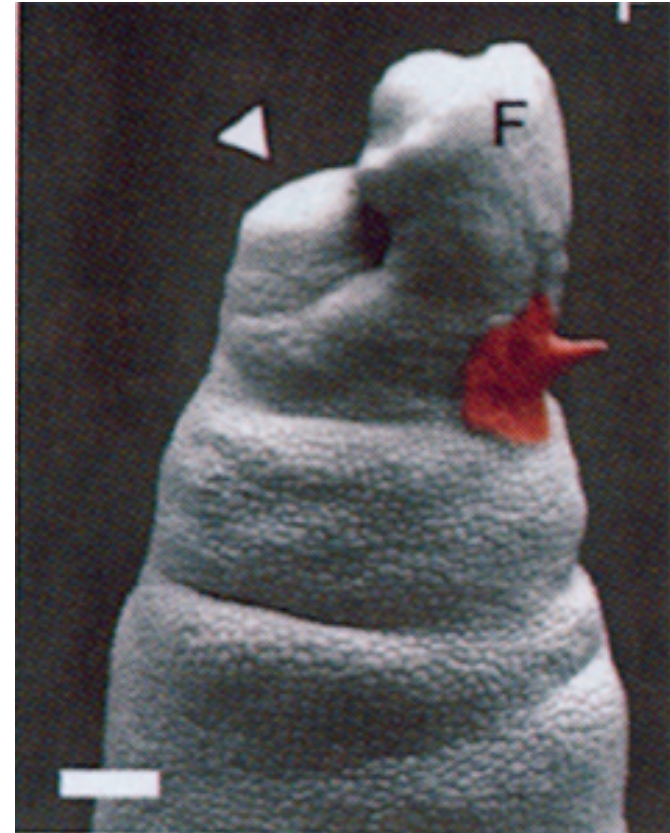
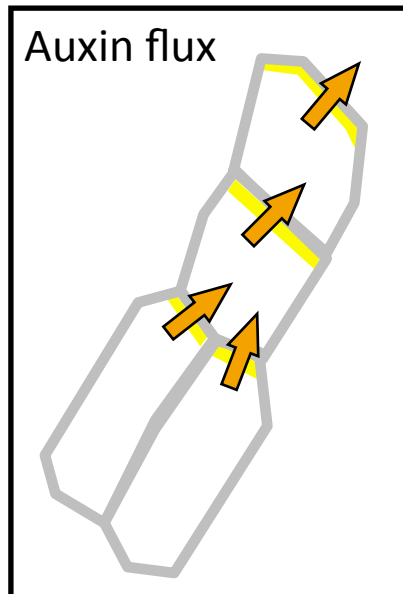
Active transport of auxine

wild type



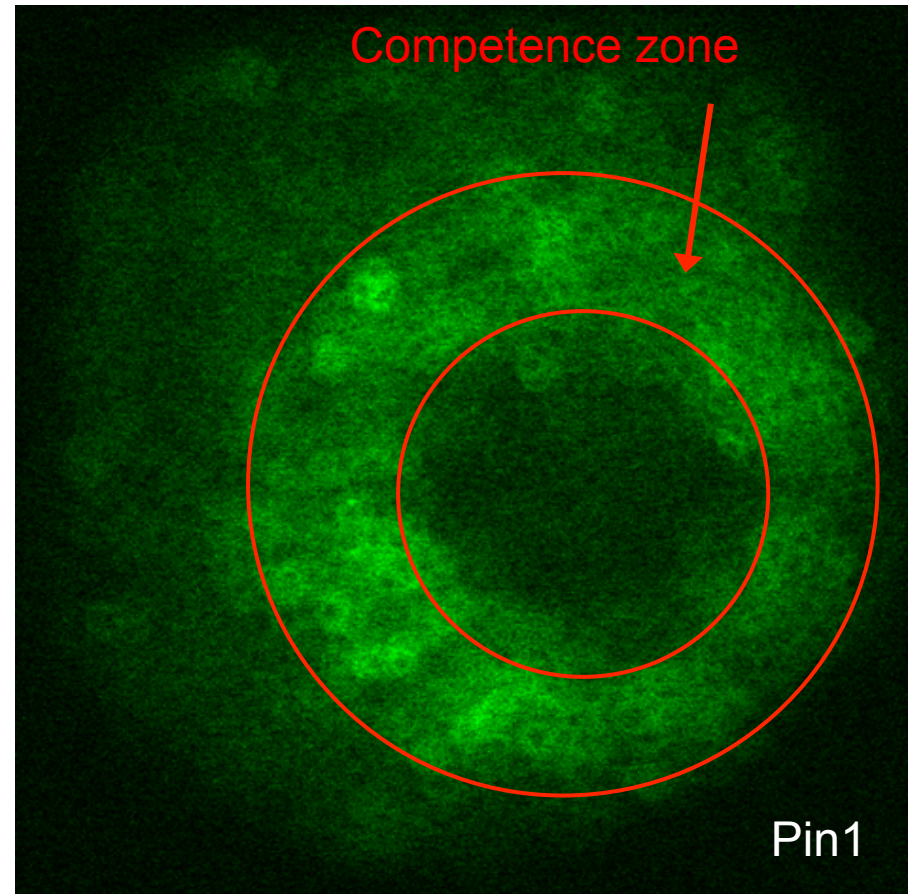
Immunolabelling of PIN-FORMED1 protein

pin-1 mutant



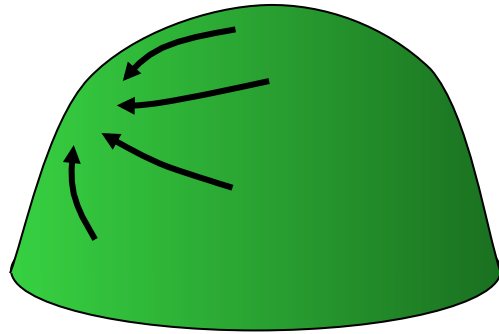
high concentration of auxine induces organ initiation

Genetic labelling

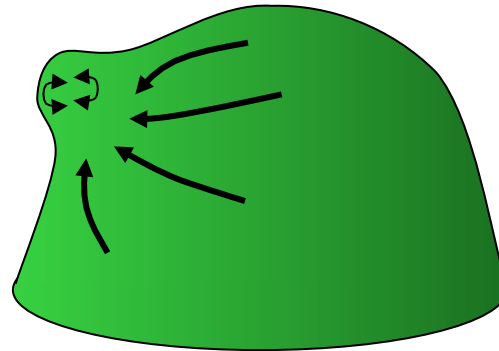


ANT::GFP

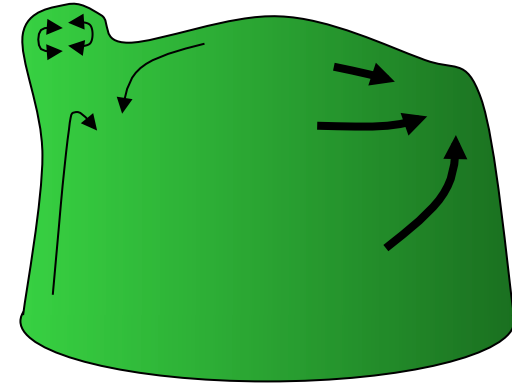
Images : Vernoux & Traas



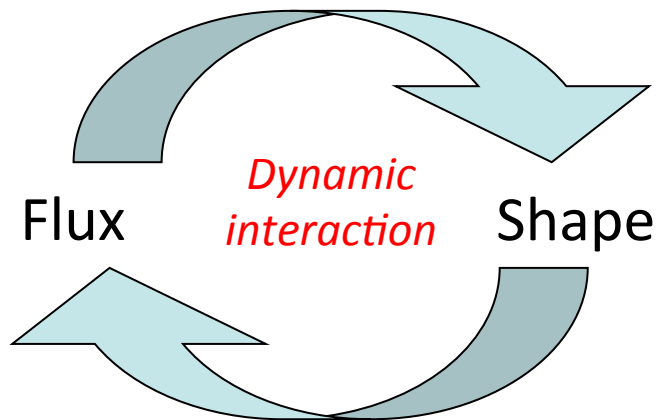
flux...



changes form...

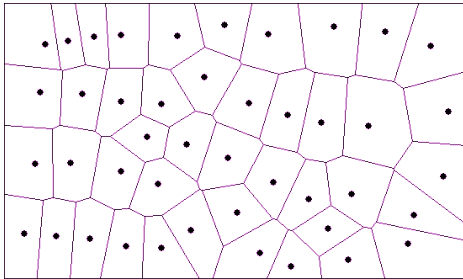


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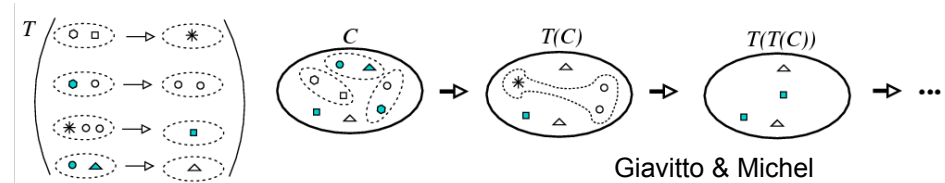


Virtual meristem

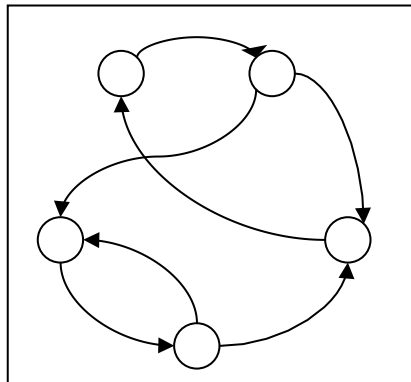
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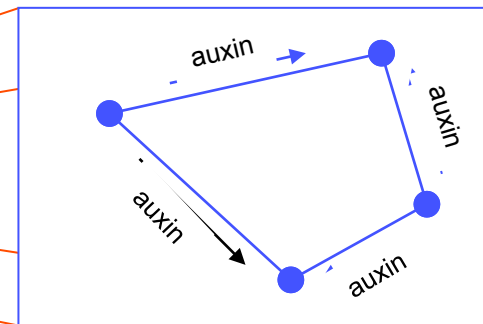
2 – Growth model (DS)²



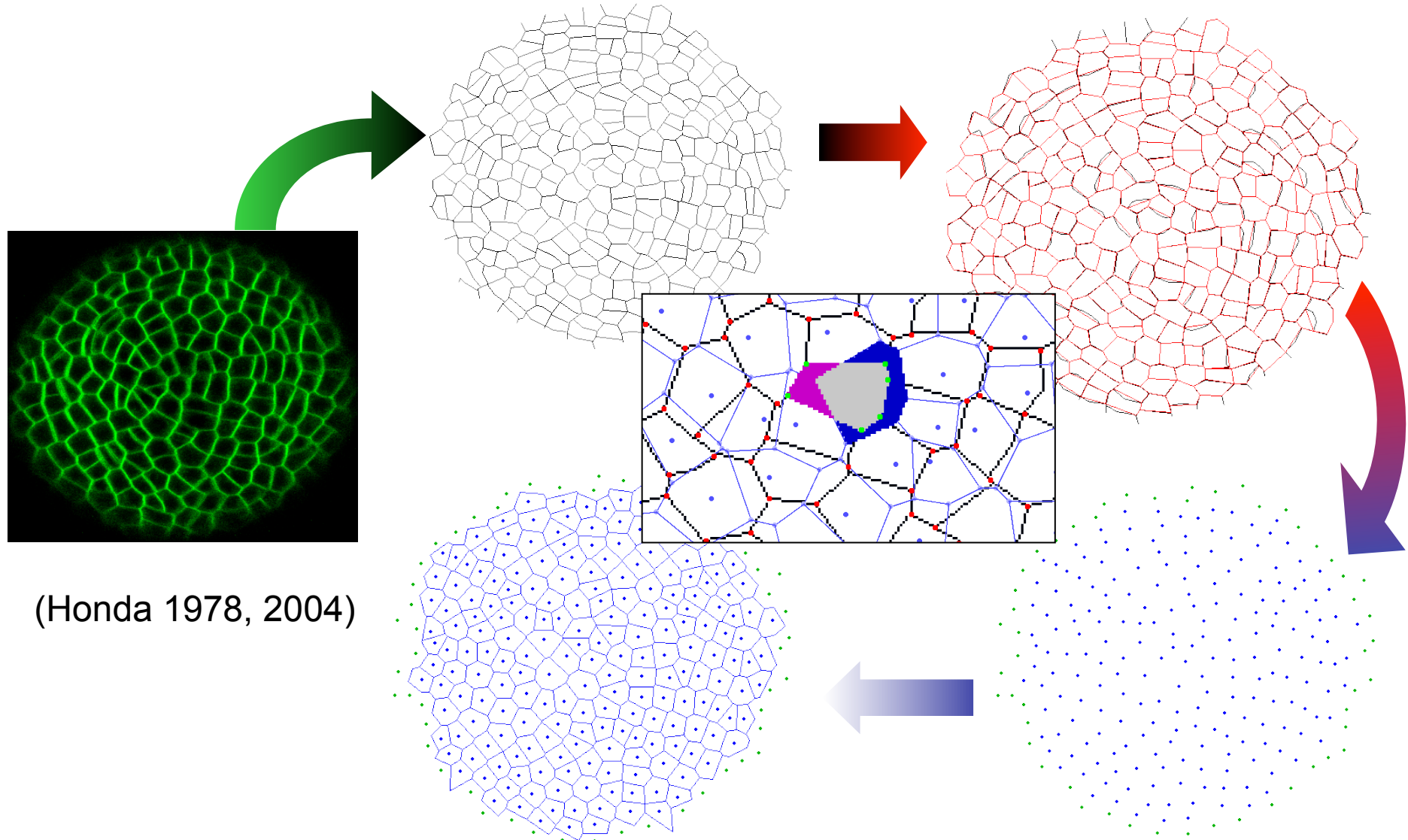
4 – Cell model



3 – Transport model



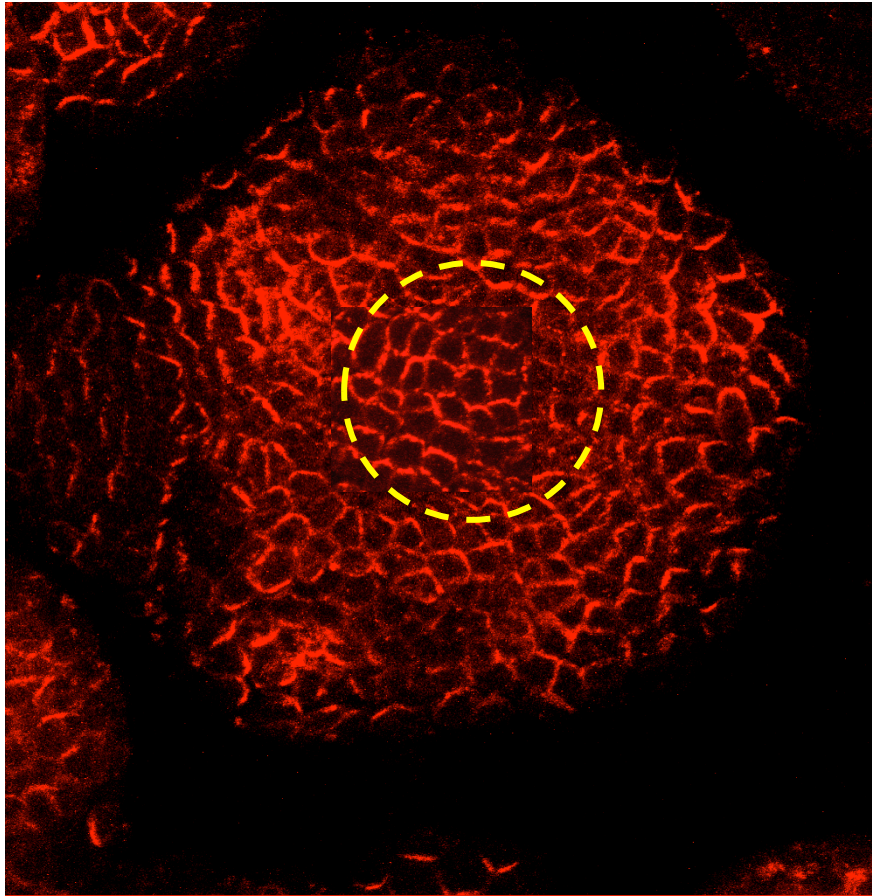
Meristem representation



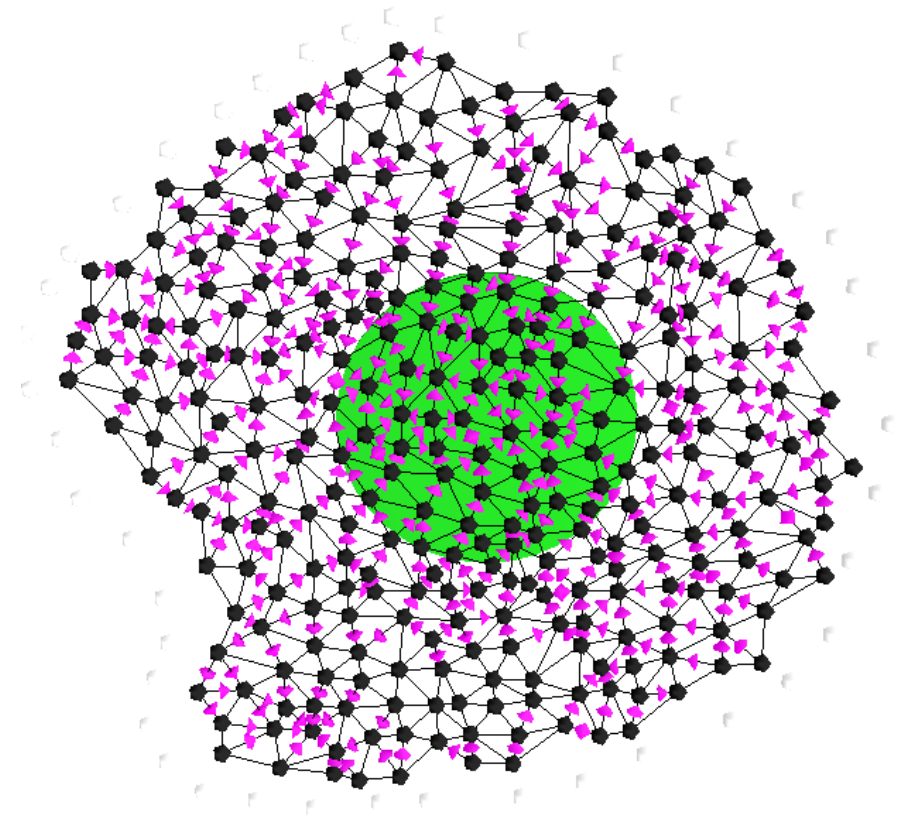
(Honda 1978, 2004)

(Barbier de Reuille et al. 2003)

Meristem representation



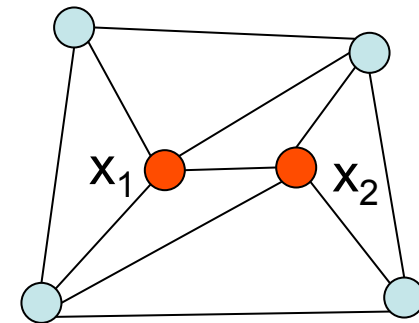
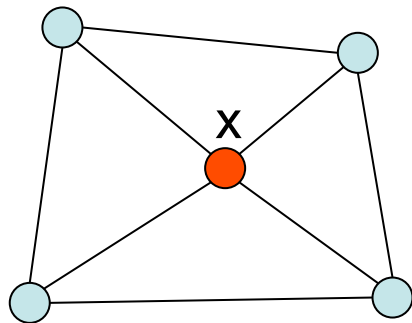
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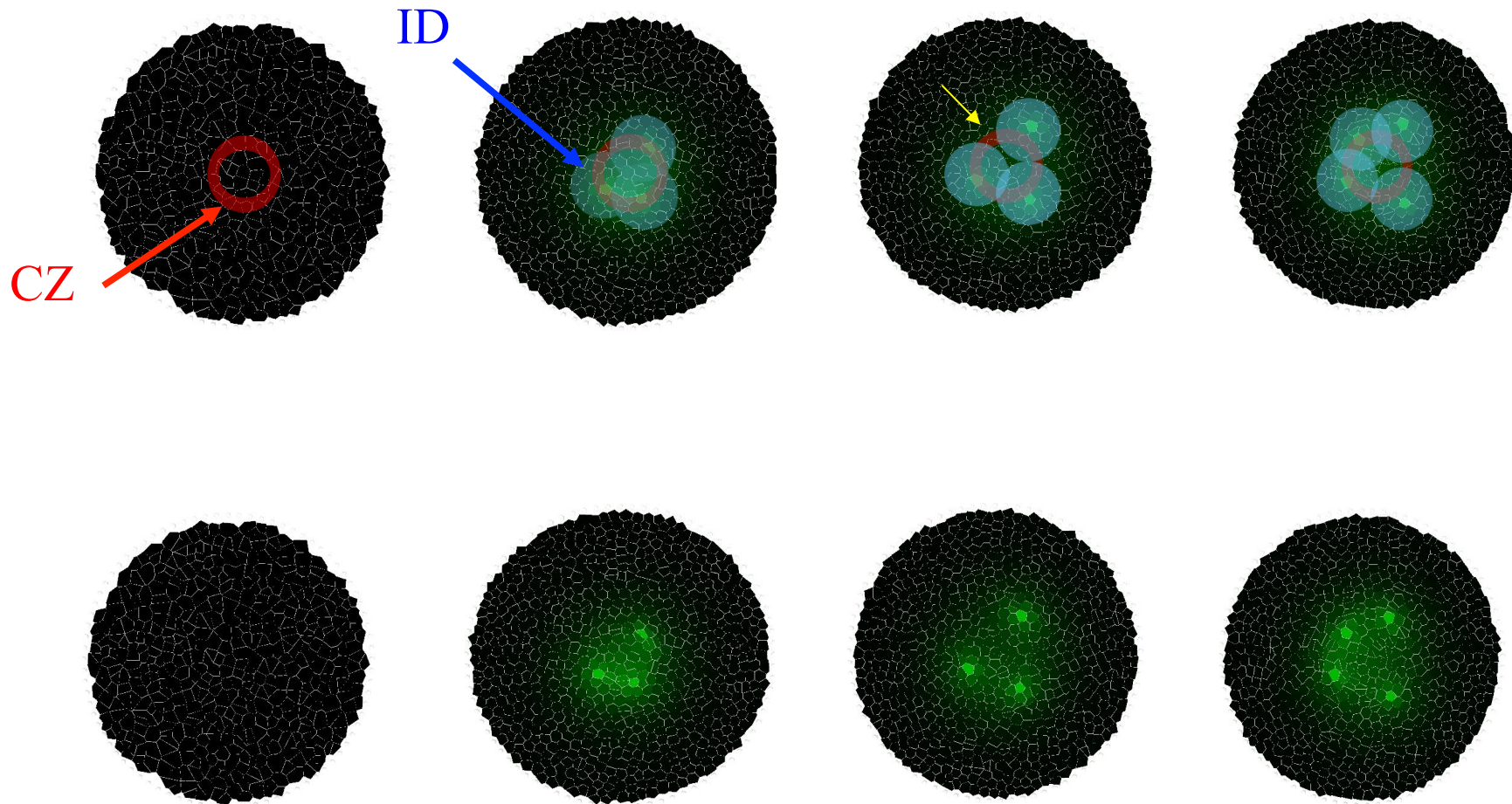
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MGS – dynamic structure rules

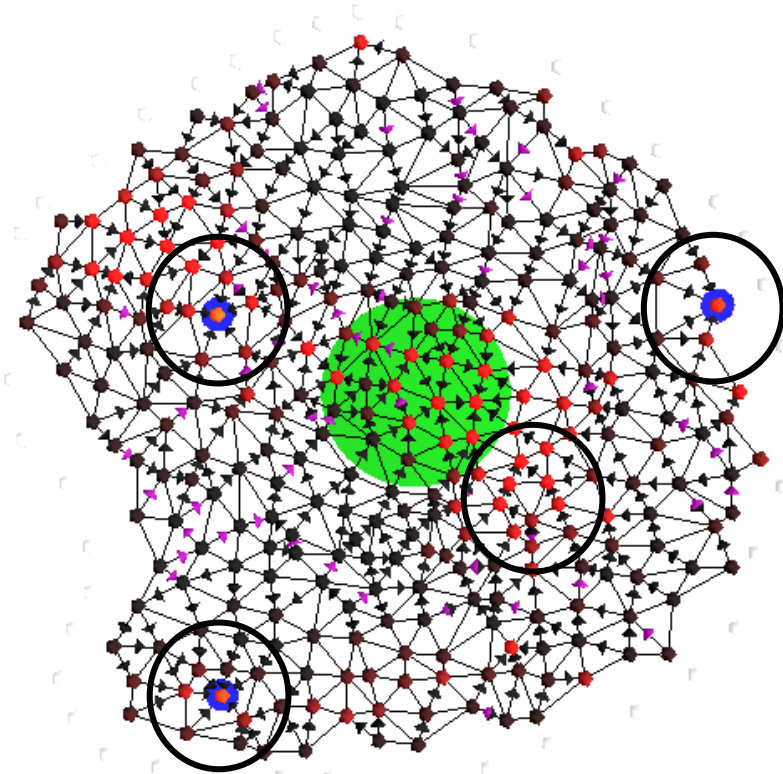
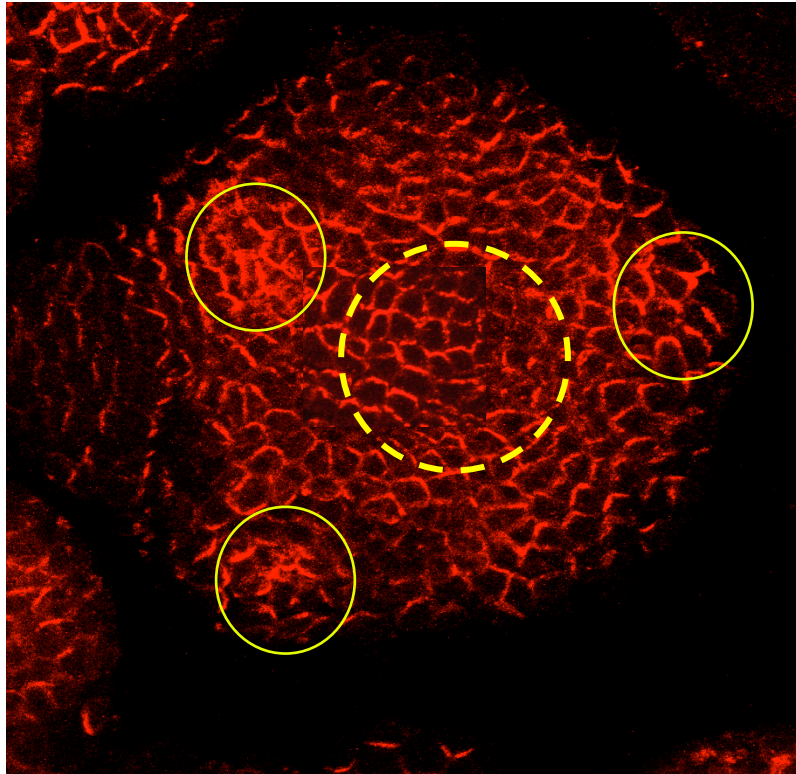
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Model 3 - “Inhibitor fields” and diffusion



Simulation results



Model 4 : Active pumping of auxin

- *Cell internal state and processes* =>

capacity of division,
spring relaxed length,
primordium/center,
concentration of auxin (inhibitor),
saturation,
auxin degradation / evacuation
promotion to primordium
“pump magnetism”

- *Movement* =>

due to cell growth

- *Growth* =>

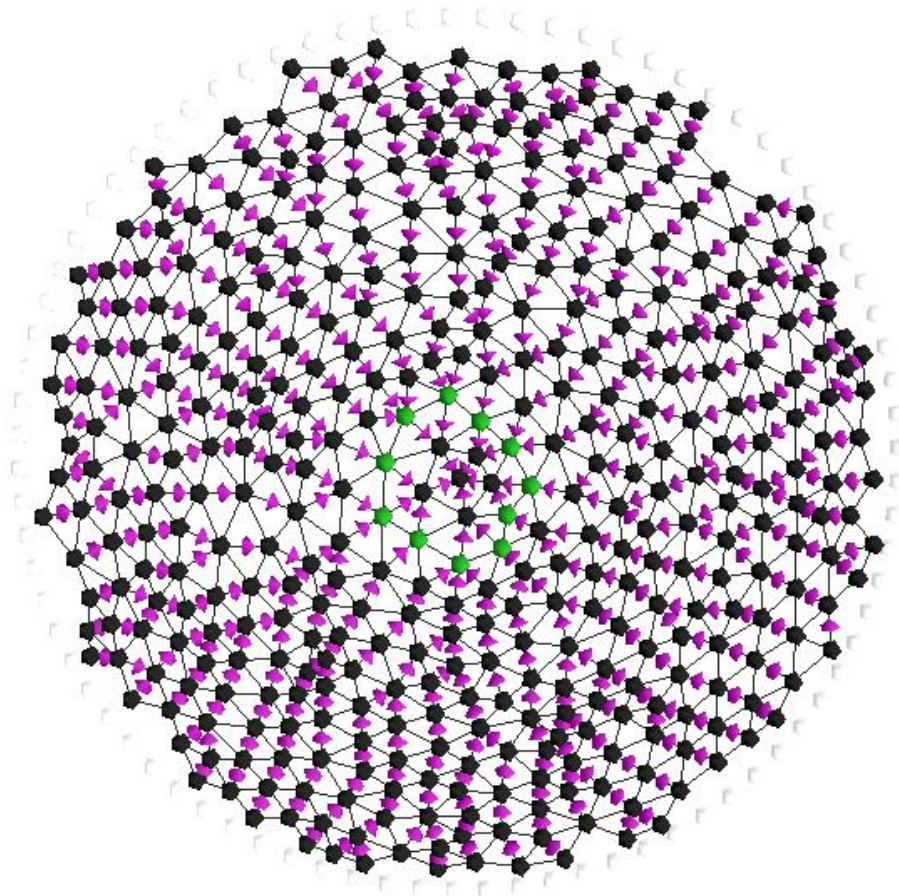
increase of spring relaxed length

- *Division* =>

when size > threshold

- *Cell interaction* =>

Passive diffusion of auxin,
active pumping of auxin



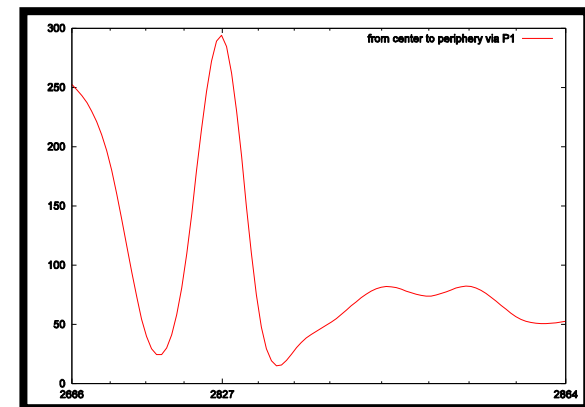
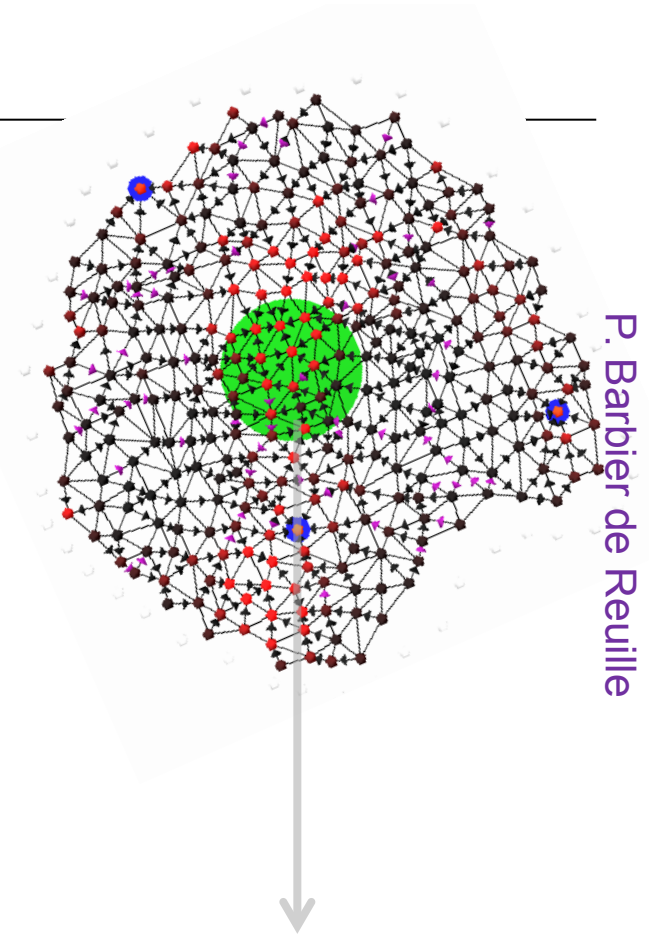
Model

- **Cell internal state and processes**
capacity of division, springs relaxed length,
primordium/center,
concentration of auxin, auxin degradation /
evacuation, inhibitor
promotion to primordium, “pump magnetism”

- **Movement** (due to cell growth)
- **Growth**: increase of spring relaxed length
- **Division**: when size > threshold

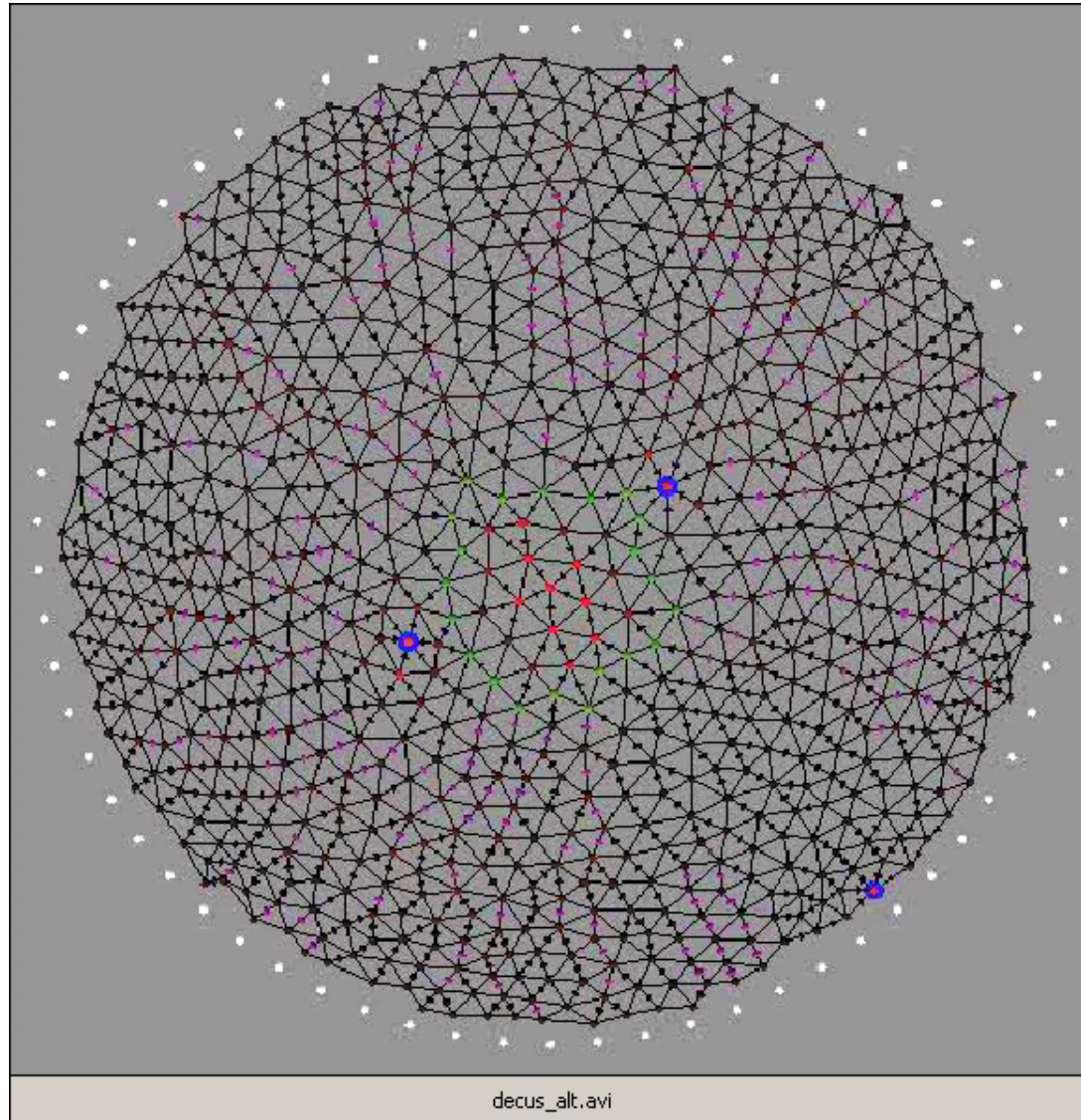
- **Cell interaction**
Passive diffusion of auxin, active pumping of auxin

```
trans Auxin = {  
  x, y / pump(x, y)  
  → x+{x.auxin -= δ}, y+{y.auxin += δ}  
}
```

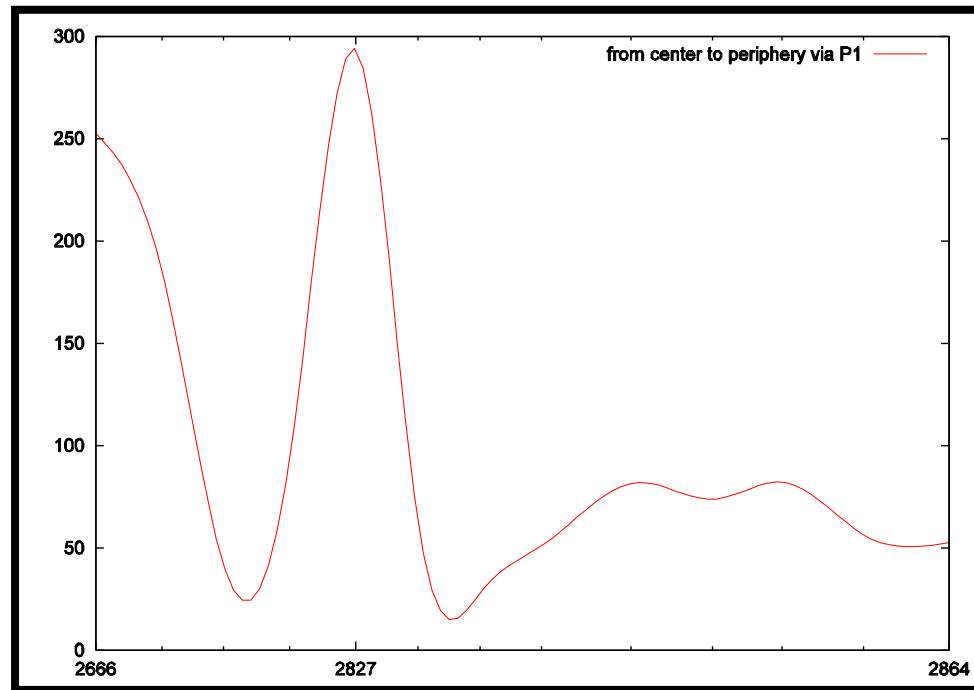


Auxin level

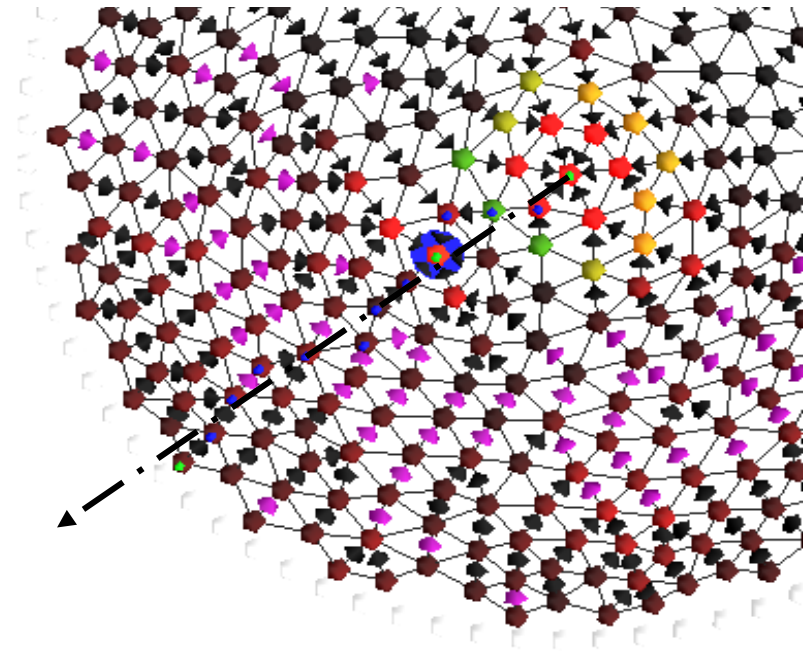
Simulation



Primordium local inhibition



Auxin level



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