

# **Leaf Vein Formation**

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### Summary:

Our project is intended to model leaf vein formation using given controlling and limiting factors. We used an auxin flow model for our computer simulation of the leaf. Auxin is an enzyme that controls cell growth. Auxin flow, or canalization, is controlled by placement of sinks and producers. The producers are special cells that create auxin, and sinks are where auxin is depleted. A common sink in a leaf is the stem. Using our simulation, we can see the auxin flow given various sinks and producers and therefore simulate the forming of leaf veins. We are also ignoring environmental factors such as wind that would have an effect on the growth of the leaf veins. There are other types of models, but auxin canalization is the model that has biological influence. The two others we considered were tensorial stress fields, which deals with mechanical stress on the leaf, and Turing fields, which is a purely mathematical based model.

### Problem Statement:

We are attempting to simulate leaf vein formation using the auxin canalization model and controlling auxin sinks and producers.

### Mathematical model:

For our model we assume that auxin can flow via diffusion or facilitated diffusion. Diffusion is just the movement of auxin from a place of high concentration to a place with low concentration. Facilitated diffusion is transporters carrying auxin along the concentration gradient.

#### Variables

$\Phi$  is the flux of auxin across that cell wall.

$D$  is the facilitated diffusion coefficient.

$D$  is the diffusion coefficient.

$C_i$  is the concentration of auxin in cell  $i$ .

$C_j$  is the concentration of auxin in cell  $j$ .

$\alpha$  a constant, production of carriers based on flux

$\beta$  a constant, background production of carriers

$\gamma$  a constant, decay rate of carriers

Initial equations proposed by Mitchison, 1980

To measure flux using facilitated diffusion:

$$\Phi = (F)(C_i - C_j)$$

To calculate facilitated diffusion coefficient:

$$\frac{dF}{dt} = \alpha (\Phi^2) + \beta - \gamma F$$

$dt$

After introducing background diffusion

substitute

$$D' + D = F$$

Making the flux using facilitated diffusion and background diffusion:

$$\Phi = (D' + D)(C_i - C_j)$$

also

$\frac{dF}{dt} = \frac{dD'}{dt} + \frac{dD}{dt}$ , but D is a constant so its derivative is 0 therefore

Therefore

$$\frac{dD'}{dt} = \alpha (\Phi^2) + \beta - \gamma D - \gamma D'$$

then substitute the constant  $\beta - \gamma D$  for  $\beta'$  to get

facilitated diffusion coefficient with background diffusion:

$$\frac{dD'}{dt} = \alpha (\Phi^2) + \beta' - \gamma D'$$

We then use these equations to calculate the concentration change using the following equation

Variable

C is the concentration of auxin in the cell

$\sigma$  is the auxin producing capability of the cell (most cells don't produce auxin so this is 0 for most)

$\sum \Phi$  is the sum of the flux across all the walls of the cells

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = \sigma + \sum \Phi$$

We then make a discrete form of the differential equations used to calculate the facilitated Diffusion coefficients.

$\Delta D' \approx \Delta t(\alpha (\Phi^2) + \beta' - \gamma D')$  as long as  $\Delta t$  is relatively small

this makes the change in concentration

$$\Delta C \approx \Delta t(\sigma + \sum \Phi)$$

### **Computational Model:**

Basics:

For the computational model we set up a grid of leaf cells, using a two-D array. The color of the cell indicates how much auxin it has. Green indicates low concentration as where orange indicates high concentration. Each cell also has four walls, top, bottom, left, and right. For each of these walls we store the flux and facilitated diffusion coefficient. A high positive flux is indicated by green and large negative flux is indicated by red, and low magnitude of flux is determined by how much of these colors it has, so an almost black wall would have almost no flux. Each cell also has a neighbor for each wall, that auxin can flow to (except for the border cells).

Cells that reach the maximum facilitated diffusion coefficient value are represented by white colored cells, and represent leaf veins.

Initial:

We experiment giving each of the constants a different initial value but the standard set up is

number\_of\_cells\_wide=30;

number\_of\_cells\_tall=30;

step=.01;

D=.325;

alpha=.00005;

beta=.005;  
gamma=.05;  
beta\_prime=beta-gamma\*D;  
T=D;

F=15; (how much auxin flow into the top row of cells every step)

max\_D\_prime= 10; (how large the facilitated diffusion coefficient has to be for a vein to turn into a vein)

Also we have a constant inflow of auxin T at the top of the cell and the bottom cells act as a sink (always have 0 concentration).

At the start to calculate concentration we place more auxin at the top and in a linear fashion decrease the amount of auxin in each cell the further down till it reaches 0 at the sink cells.

#### Calculation:

In order to calculate the concentration changes we first calculate the flux of auxin through each cell wall. In order to optimize this we actually on calculate every other wall, knowing that two walls that are adjacent will have the same flux, but one will be positive one the other will act as negative for their respective cells.

After the flux is calculated we then calculate the diffusion coefficient. We then calculate the concentration changes. (go to appendix b for code)

#### Analysis:

By looking at the sample runs (appendix a) we learned several things about how the variables affect the system, and also saw some characteristics of vein formation such

as vein loops, spontaneous veins (veins forming without an auxin source by them), and different order veins.

We realized that if we increased alpha (figure 4), production of carriers based on flux, the entire leaf began differentiating into veins making the entire leaf a large vein. This obviously would not be good for a leaf. However if we decreased alpha to much (figure 5) leaf vein would stunt completely and veins would not form. This would mean that the leaf would not be able to receive any water and would therefore die. The biological reasons for this effect is that if there are to many carriers than the auxin moves around rapidly increasing the flux, which increases the production of carriers, which goes into a self feeding loop. If it's to small how ever the production of carriers is overpowered by the decay and therefore not enough of them can form to move the auxin fast enough.

Increasing and decreasing gamma, decay rate of carriers, has the inverse effect, if it's increased the carriers decay to quickly and no veins are formed if to little the carriers stay around for to long and buildup turning the entire leaf into a vein, and has the same biological idea behind it.

Increasing the maximum amount the facilitated diffusion coefficient can be, and therefore raising the amount the facilitated diffusion coefficient has to be to turn into a vein had similar effects as raising gamma. But instead of spreading through the entire leaf like gamma and alpha did raising the max seemed much more localized to where veins were already forming, instead it just made the veins thicker or thinner. This could be useful in nature for plants in different environments requiring different kinds of veins. Ones that are abundant in water probably will not need as thick veins as the water in the air will help the leaf, as in places where there is not abundance of water it might be beneficial to

have slightly thicker veins because more water will need to be transported to the leaf to compensate for they dry air (although a lot of other factors go into determining what kind of leaf vein sizes are required, but in any case this is a simple way for the leaf to control this).

The most interesting effect we saw was when we changed beta, background production of carriers. When beta was too large it was similar to increasing alpha and the entire leaf turned into a vein, but by decreasing beta we got some interesting results. Veins formed spontaneously, where no auxin producers or sinks were placed, and were

completely detached from the primary vein. This kind of behavior has been seen in leas with mutated genes, and has been used as evidence against canalization, because I doesn't make much intuitive sense. But in our simulation we see how these can form. By looking at the steps it looks like the primary veins goes first from the auxin source placed at the top and then flows down to the sinks, then it begins to branch out on the top to the left and right (like in figure 1) this however begins to actually create a large enough concentration difference for the facilitated diffusion coefficient to increase. Normally beta acts as an evening out variable since it increases the diffusion coefficient everywhere regardless of the concentration, but by lowering it down, it does not have enough influence to even out the auxin and therefore spikes of flux start to appear (figure 7) which eventually turn into leaf veins.

It was also believed that facilitated diffusion could not explain loop formation, and lower order veins, but when we expanded the size of our simulation we found both of these features (figure 9). Leaf vein orders, is simply how large a vein is, with the largest vein (primary vein) usually running down the middle. And secondary veins branching off. We got a similar result in this simulation with a thick primary vein extending from the tip to the base, and also is thicker at the base then at the tip, like a real leaf. We also had secondary veins branching off of it, and many lower order veins below it. Several of the lower order veins even formed loops. We believe that if we had an even more powerful computer and a more accurate shape of a leaf we can use this program to accurately model life size leafs.

### **Conclusion:**

We were able to make a program that accurately models how auxin flows and can be used to see where leaf veins can form. We have also shown that through just facilitated diffusion vein loops can form, and also spontaneous veins (one's not connected to an auxin source) can form. These were the two largest arguments against the canalization diffusion theory but in our program we show that under the correct parameters this phenomenon can occur. We have also been able to some degree model different vein orders (if you simply take the width of the veins as a vein order) showing

that diffusion can not only explain how the primary veins form but also lower order veins.

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### **Appendix A: Sample Runs**

number\_of\_cells\_wide=30;

number\_of\_cells\_tall=30;

step=.01;

D=.325;

alpha=.00005;

beta=.005;

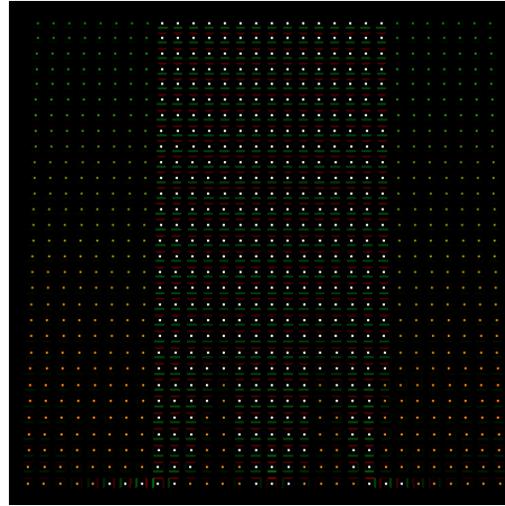
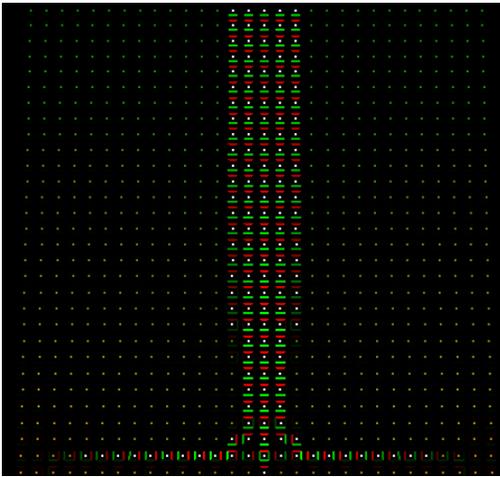
gamma=.05;

beta\_prime=beta-gamma\*D;

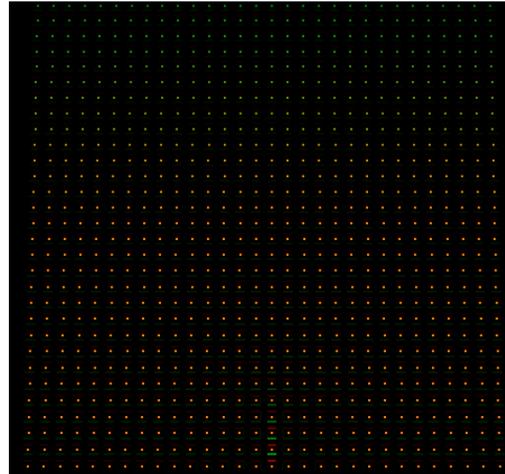
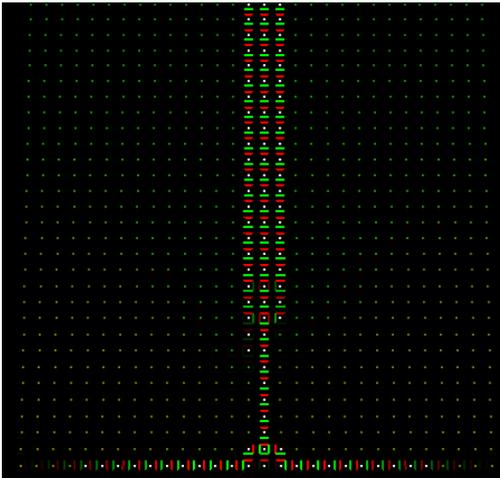
T=D;

F=15;

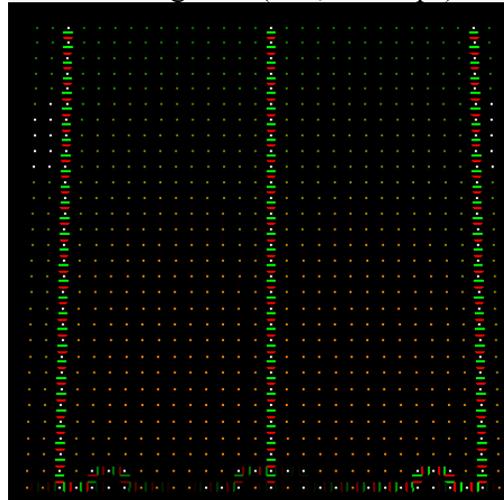
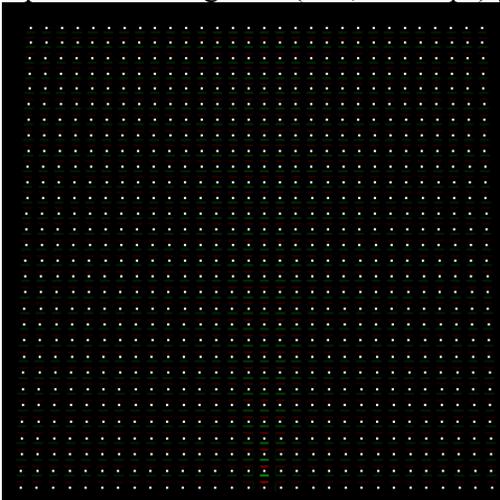
max\_D\_prime= 10; (100,000 steps) figure 1 | max\_D\_prime= 1; (100,000 steps) figure 2



max\_D\_prime= 30; (100,000 steps) figure 3 | alpha = .000005 figure 4 (100,000 steps)

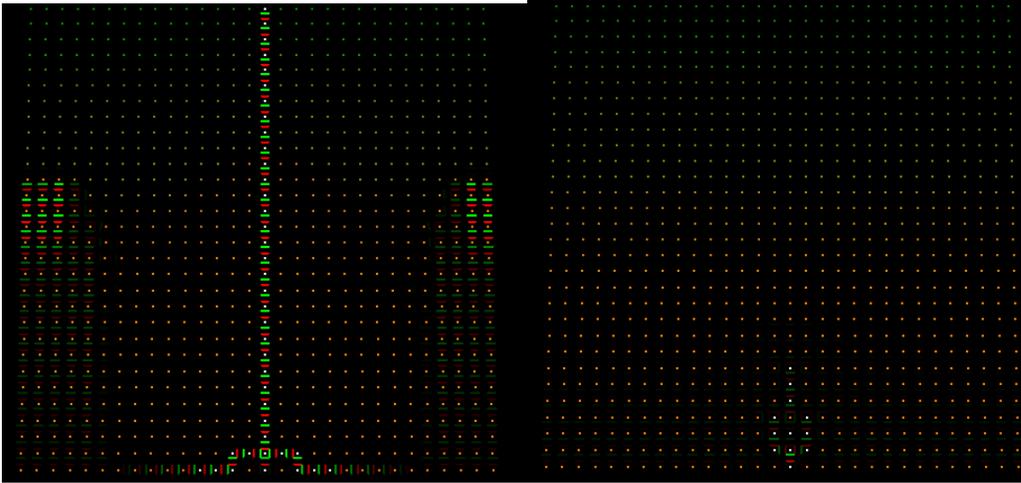


alpha = .0005 figure 5 (100,000 steps) | beta = .0005 figure 6 (100,000 steps)

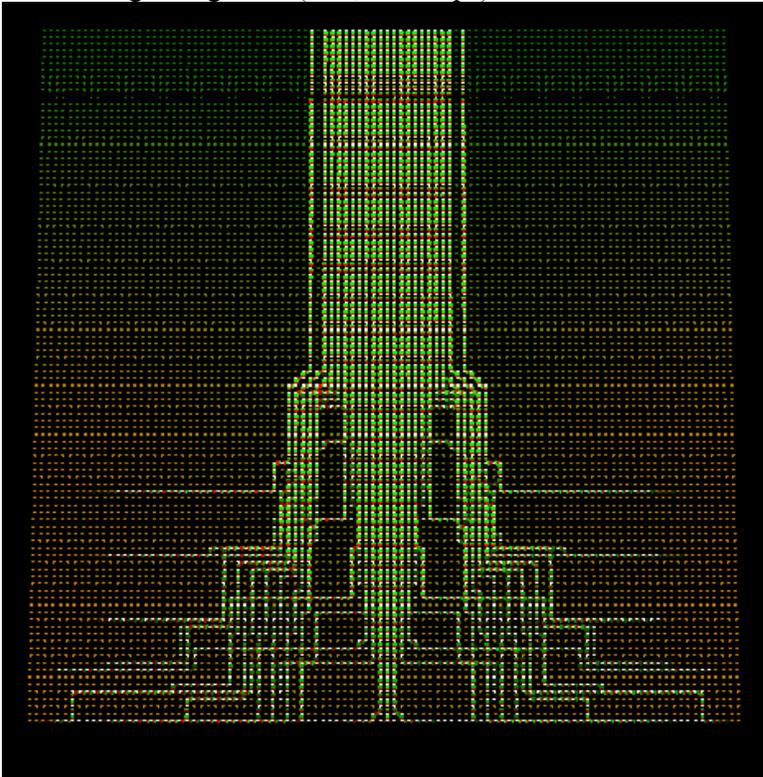


beta = .0005  
39000 steps figure 7

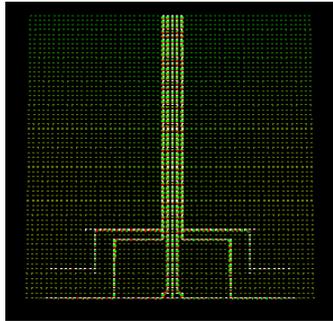
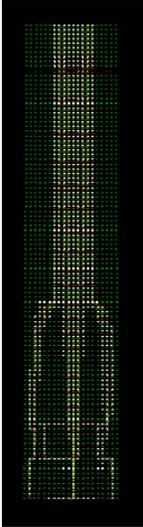
gamma=.5 figure 8 (100,000 steps)



100X100 grid figure 9 (100,000 steps)



20X 100 figure 10 | 60X60 max\_D\_prime = 30 figure 11  
max\_D\_prime = 30(100,000 steps) | (100,000 steps)



### **Appendix B: Code**

```
#include <iostream.h>  
#include <math.h>  
#include <GL/glut.h>  
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
//public variables
```

```
    //camera variables  
static float alpha_camera=0.0, beta_camera=0.0, ratio;  
static float zoom=500.0;  
static float x=0.0f,y=10.0f,z=0.0f;
```

```
//adjust the camera to be centered
```

```
int adjust_x(int i);  
int adjust_y(int j);
```

```
//leaf variables
```

```
static const int number_of_cells_wide=80; //number of rows and columns of leaf cells  
static const int number_of_cells_tall=500;
```

```
static const int number_of_near_cells=4;//number of neighbouring cells, standard is 4, can not be
```

```
//directly
```

```
altered currently, without some modification
```

```
//to several
```

```
algorithms, but still makes the process a bit easier
```

```
/* these are the leaf cells that exist,  
they are given an i and j coordinate,  
and they determine whether a cell exists or not, by changing these values  
we can simulate the leaf being cut after a certain amount of steps or we can  
simulate leaf growth by having cells initially non-existent and then  
defining them after a certain amount of steps*/
```

```
static bool defined_cells[number_of_cells_tall][number_of_cells_wide];
```

```
/* these are the actual leaf cells,  
they are given an i and j coordinate,  
and they hold the concentration value of auxin*/
```

```
static double leaf_cells[number_of_cells_tall][number_of_cells_wide];
```

```
/* this determines whether it is still a cell or a vein  
they are given an i and j coordinate,  
if the cell is a vein we don't bother to calculate the diffusion coefficient because we know  
it has to be the max, (leaf veins can not go back to regular cells)  
*/
```

```
static int leaf_type[number_of_cells_tall][number_of_cells_wide];
```

```
/* these are the cell walls,  
they are given an i and j coordinate and k (to store which of the cell wall) coordinate,  
and they hold the flux of auxin*/
```

```
static double  
cell_flux[number_of_cells_tall][number_of_cells_wide][number_of_near_cells];
```

```
/* these are the cell walls,  
they are given an i and j coordinate and k (to store which of the cell wall) coordinate,  
and they hold the temporary flux so that after the calculations are done everything can be  
updated  
simultaneously so it doesn't matter which way you sweep through the arrays*/
```

```
static double  
temp_cell_flux[number_of_cells_tall][number_of_cells_wide][number_of_near_cells];
```

```
//this holds the diffusion coefficient for each cell wall
```

```
static double  
D_prime[number_of_cells_tall][number_of_cells_wide][number_of_near_cells];
```

```
static const double step=.01; //used in euler approximation
```

```
static const double D=.325; //regulates background diffusion
```

```
static const double alpha=.00005; //regulates production of carriers due to flux
```

```
static const double beta=.005; //background production of carriers
```

```

static const double gamma=.05;           //regulates decay of carriers
static const double beta_prime=beta-gamma*D; //when background diffusion is
introduced this variable is introduced to

//simplify equation

//these variables are used to set the initial conditions of the leaf, so that the top
//has more auxin
static const double T=D;
static const double F=15; //determines how much auxin flows into the top row of
cells each step
static const double max_D_prime= 10; //max D_prime, if this is reached then the cell
turns into a vein

//function
//clears array
void clear_near_cells(int near_cells[3]);
//finds all the neighbouring cell walls
void near_cell_finder(int near_cells[3],int i, int j, int k);
//calculates auxin flow
void auxin_flow();
//these are cells that naturally produce auxin
void auxin_producing_cells();
//calculates concentration change of auxin
void calculate_concentration_change(int cell_one_i,int cell_one_j,int cell_one_k,int
cell_two_i,int cell_two_j,int cell_two_k);
//calculates flux
double calculate_phi();
//calculates change of diffusion coefficient
double calculate_D_prime(int cell_one_i,int cell_one_j,int cell_one_k);
//this sets the initial leaf concentrations
double calculate_initial_concentrations(int m);
//this goes through all the flux's of the cell walls and changes the concentration of the cell
//accordingly
void update_concentrations();
//this takes all the temp values and stores them into the actual array
void update_flux();
void update_D_prime();
//if the diffusion coefficient reaches a certain limit, it turns into a
//vascular cell and the diffusion coefficient is clamped off at that point
void clamp_values(int cell_one_i,int cell_one_j,int cell_one_k);

```

```

//this is just in case a vein has negative auxin, this cannot happen in real life
//and therefore this is used for debbuging if it does somehow go below 0
//then this function warns us that something is wrong
void equalizer(int i, int j);

//this is to determine the inital shape
void square();
void circle();

//this is to simulate growth (still glitchy so we didn't use it too much)
void squre_growth();
//window resizing
void changeSize(int w, int h)
{
    // Prevent a divide by zero, when window is too short
    // (you cant make a window of zero width).
    if(h == 0)
        h = 1;

    ratio = 1.0f * w / h;
    // Reset the coordinate system before modifying
    glMatrixMode(GL_PROJECTION);
    glLoadIdentity();

    // Set the viewport to be the entire window
    glViewport(0, 0, w, h);

    // Set the clipping volume
    gluPerspective(45,ratio,1,10000);
    glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW);
    glLoadIdentity();
    gluLookAt(x, y, z, 0,0,0,0.0f,0.0f,1.0f);
}

//initalize the scene
void initScene() {
    glPointSize(.10);
    glLineWidth(.10);
    glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST);
//make a square grid of leaf cells
square();
}

```

```

void renderScene(void) {
    //this renders a grid of leaf cells, and the higher the concentration
    //the more orange they are the lower the concentration, the greener they are
    glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);
    double color=0;
    double color_1=0;
    double color_2=0;
    int x=0;
    int y=0;
    for(int i=0; i<number_of_cells_tall; i++)
    {
        for(int j=0; j<number_of_cells_wide; j++)
        {
            //if the cells is not defined don't bother drawing it
            if(defined_cells[i][j] == 1)
            {
                //adjusts the placement of the cells so they are
                centered and not overlapping
                x = adjust_x(i);
                y = adjust_y(j);
                if(leaf_type[i][j] == -1){ //if it's not a vein
                    color=double(leaf_cells[i][j])/(30*number_of_cells_tall);
                    glColor3f(color,0.5, 0.0);}
                else{
                    glColor3f(1,1, 1); //if it is a vein just
                    make it white
                }
                //draw the cell
                glBegin(GL_POINTS);
                glVertex3d(x, y,0);
                glEnd();

                //this draws the cell wall
                for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells; k++)
                {
                    color_1=0;
                    color_2=0;
                    if(cell_flux[i][j][k] >0){
                        color_1=cell_flux[i][j][k]/(150);
                    }else{
                        color_2=-cell_flux[i][j][k]/150;
                    }
                    //if the flux is positive then make the cell
                    green otherwise make it red

                    glColor3f(color_2,color_1, 0.0);

```

```

        glBegin(GL_LINES);
        if(k==0){
//bottom
            glVertex3d(x+.3, y-.3,0);
            glVertex3d(x+.3, y+.3,0);
        }else if(k==1){
//right
            glVertex3d(x-.3, y+.3,0);
            glVertex3d(x+.3, y+.3,0);
        }else if(k==2){
//top
            glVertex3d(x-.3, y-.3,0);
            glVertex3d(x-.3, y+.3,0);
        }else if(k==3){
//left
            glVertex3d(x-.3, y-.3,0);
            glVertex3d(x+.3, y-.3,0);
        }
        glEnd();
    }
}

glutSwapBuffers();
}

void rotate_camera(float alpha_camera, float beta_camera) {
//this controls the camer so you can pan it around the origin,
//uses spherical coordinates
//initially we were going to do a 3-d leaf but we realized it was not practical
//but the camer code we made worked so we kept it anyway
alpha_camera=alpha_camera*3.141/180;
beta_camera=beta_camera*3.141/180;
x = zoom*sin(beta_camera)*cos(alpha_camera);
y = zoom*sin(beta_camera)*sin(alpha_camera);
z = zoom*cos(beta_camera);
glLoadIdentity();
gluLookAt(x, y, z, 0,0,0,0.0f,0.0f,1.0f);
}

void move_camera(int direction) {

    glLoadIdentity();
    gluLookAt(x, y, z, 0,0,0, 0.0f,1.0f,0.0f);
}

```

```

}

void keyboard(int key, int x, int y) {
    //controls the camera panning
    switch (key) {
        case GLUT_KEY_LEFT :
            alpha_camera -= 5.0f;
            rotate_camera(alpha_camera, beta_camera);break;
        case GLUT_KEY_RIGHT :
            alpha_camera +=5.0f;
            rotate_camera(alpha_camera, beta_camera);break;
        case GLUT_KEY_UP :
            beta_camera +=5.0f;
            rotate_camera(alpha_camera, beta_camera);break;
        case GLUT_KEY_DOWN :
            beta_camera -=5.0f;
            rotate_camera(alpha_camera, beta_camera);break;
    }
}

void mouse(int button, int state, int x, int y)
{
    //this initiates the auxin flow, everytime the mouse button is clicked
    //the algorithm is ran several times

static int total_steps=0;
int left_step = 1000; //determines how many times to run the alogrith if you click the
left mouse button
int right_step = 10000; //same but for the right mouse button
if(state==GLUT_DOWN && button == 0)
{
    cout<<"proccesing..."<<endl;
    for(int i=0; i<left_step; i++)
    {
        auxin_flow();
    }
    glutPostRedisplay();
    total_steps+= left_step;
    cout<<"Done!\n total steps:"<<total_steps<<endl;
}
if(state==GLUT_DOWN && button == 2)
{
    cout<<"proccesing..."<<endl;
    for(int i=0; i<right_step; i++)
    {

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```

        auxin_flow();
    }
    glutPostRedisplay();
    total_steps+= right_step;
    cout<<"Done!\n total steps:"<<total_steps<<endl;
}
}

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    //Opendgl decleration stuff
    glutInit(&argc, argv);
    glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DEPTH | GLUT_DOUBLE | GLUT_RGBA);
    glutInitWindowPosition(100,100);
    glutInitWindowSize(640,360);
    glutCreateWindow("Leaf Venation");
    initScene();
    glutSpecialFunc(keyboard);
    glutMouseFunc(mouse);
    glutDisplayFunc(renderScene);
    glutIdleFunc(renderScene);
    glutReshapeFunc(changeSize);
    glutMainLoop();
    return 0;
}

double calculate_initial_concentrations(int m)
{
    /*this is a fairly simple way to set initial concentrations,
    m is the row number and F and T are constant, so basically
    the higher the row number(m) the more auxin it will start off with
    the auxin decreases from row to row in a linear way, and the bottom
    row start off with the most auxin, and top with the least*/
    return F*(m)/T;
}

void auxin_flow()
{
    /* This function goes through each cell
    then finds the neighbouring cells of the current cell
    and then calculates the auxin flow between these two cells*/

    int near_cells[3];    //this stores the location of the neighbouring cells
    //sweeps through a checkerboard patter, so that doubles are avoided

    for(int i=0; i<number_of_cells_tall; i=i+2)

```

```

{
    for(int j=0; j<number_of_cells_wide; j= j+2)
    {
        if(defined_cells[i][j] == 1)
        {
            for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells; k++)
            {
                //make sure array is cleared before each use
                clear_near_cells(near_cells);
                //find the near cells
                near_cell_finder(near_cells,i,j, k);

                //make sure that the neighbouring cells
                //there is no cell, such as on the corners
                //when l is =3 or =4 then the near_cell value
                //is -1 to indicate they don't exist
                if(near_cells[0] != -1)
                {
                    //this calculates the flux of auxin
                    calculate_concentration_change(i,j,k,
                    near_cells[0],near_cells[1],near_cells[2]);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
//sweeping through the rest of the cells...
for(i=1; i<number_of_cells_tall; i= i+2)
{
    for(int j=1; j<number_of_cells_wide; j=j+2)
    {
        if(defined_cells[i][j] == 1)
        {
            for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells; k++)
            {
                //make sure array is cleared before each use
                clear_near_cells(near_cells);
                //find the near cells
                near_cell_finder(near_cells,i,j, k);

                //make sure that the neighbouring cells
                //there is no cell, such as on the corners
                //when l is =3 or =4 then the near_cell value
                //is -1 to indicate they don't exist
                if(near_cells[0] != -1)
                {
                    //this calculates the flux of auxin
                    calculate_concentration_change(i,j,k,
                    near_cells[0],near_cells[1],near_cells[2]);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

exists, -1 indicates that  
where there is only two cells  
is -1 to indicate they don't exist  
between the two cell walls  
near\_cells[0],near\_cells[1],near\_cells[2]);

exists, -1 indicates that



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double calculate_D_prime(int cell_one_i,int cell_one_j,int cell_one_k)
{
    /* we use the euler method to approximate the differnetial equation
    by using a small step we can get failry accurate aproximations*/

    double result=0;
    double current_flux = temp_cell_flux[cell_one_i][cell_one_j][cell_one_k];

    D_prime[cell_one_i][cell_one_j][cell_one_k] +=
step*(alpha*pow(current_flux,2)+beta_prime-
gamma*D_prime[cell_one_i][cell_one_j][cell_one_k]);
    clamp_values(cell_one_i, cell_one_j, cell_one_k);
    return D_prime[cell_one_i][cell_one_j][cell_one_k];
}

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void clamp_values(int cell_one_i,int cell_one_j,int cell_one_k)
{
    //if the diffusion coeficient reache sthe max turn the cell into a vein
    if(D_prime[cell_one_i][cell_one_j][cell_one_k]>max_D_prime)
    {
        leaf_type[cell_one_i][cell_one_j] = cell_one_k;

        D_prime[cell_one_i][cell_one_j][cell_one_k]=max_D_prime;
    }
}

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void auxin_producing_cells()
{
    //these cells make auxin
    for(int i=0; i<number_of_cells_wide; i++)
    {
        leaf_cells[0][i] =0;
        leaf_cells[number_of_cells_tall-1][i] +=step*F;    //top row
    }
}

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leaf_cells[number_of_cells_tall-1][number_of_cells_wide/2] +=80*step;

}

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void update_D_prime()

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{
    //calculates D_Prime for all the walls
    for (int i=0; i<number_of_cells_tall; i++)
    {
        for(int j=0; j<number_of_cells_wide;j++)
        {
            if(leaf_type[i][j] == -1 && defined_cells[i][j] == 1)
            {
                for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells;k++)
                {
                    D_prime[i][j][k] =calculate_D_prime(i,j,k);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
}

```

```

void update_flux()
{
    //takes the flux and updates them to the real flux, to make sure it happens
    //simultaneously
    for (int i=0; i<number_of_cells_tall; i++)
    {
        for(int j=0; j<number_of_cells_wide;j++)
        {
            if(defined_cells[i][j] == 1)
            {
                for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells;k++)
                {
                    cell_flux[i][j][k] =temp_cell_flux[i][j][k];
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
}

```

```

void update_concentrations()
{
    //takes all the flux's and adds them to the concentration
    for (int i=0; i<number_of_cells_tall; i++)
    {
        for(int j=0; j<number_of_cells_wide;j++)
        {
            if(defined_cells[i][j] == 1)

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        {
            for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells;k++)
            {
                leaf_cells[i][j] += step*cell_flux[i][j][k];
            }
            if(leaf_cells[i][j]<0)
            {
                //in case something goes wrong
                cout<<leaf_cells[i][j]<<endl;
                equalizer(i ,j);
            }
        }
    }
}
}

void equalizer(int i, int j)
{
    //
    leaf_cells[i][j]=0;
}

void near_cell_finder(int near_cells[3],int i, int j, int k)
{
    //this function finds the four neighbouring cells if they exist
    //and returns an array that stores there i and j coordinates, and on which wall
    //they border
    //bottom
    if(k == 0){
        if(i<number_of_cells_tall-1 && defined_cells[i+1][j] == 1){
            near_cells[0]=i+1;
            near_cells[1]=j;
            near_cells[2]=2;
        }
        else{
            return;
        }
    }
    }else if(k == 1){ //right
        if(j<number_of_cells_wide-1 && defined_cells[i][j+1] == 1){
            near_cells[0]=i;
            near_cells[1]=j+1;
            near_cells[2]=3;
        }
        else{
            return;
        }
    }
    }else if(k == 2){ //top

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        if(i>0 && defined_cells[i-1][j] == 1){
            near_cells[0]=i-1;
            near_cells[1]=j;
            near_cells[2]=0;
        }
        else{
            return;
        }
    }else if(k == 3){ //left
        if(j>0 && defined_cells[i][j-1] == 1){
            near_cells[0]=i;
            near_cells[1]=j-1;
            near_cells[2]=1;
        }
        else{
            return;
        }
    }
}

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}

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void clear_near_cells(int near_cells[3])
{
//clears the array
    for(int j=0; j<3; j++)
    {
        near_cells[j]=-1;
    }
}

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int adjust_x(int i)
{
return i-(number_of_cells_tall/2);
}

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int adjust_y(int j)
{
return j-(number_of_cells_wide/2);
}

```

```

void square()
{
    double row_value=0; //this determines the concentration of that row

    //clear the arrays
    for(int i=0; i<number_of_cells_tall; i++)
    {
        row_value=calculate_initial_concentrations(i);
        for(int j=0; j<number_of_cells_wide; j++)
        {
            leaf_cells[i][j]=row_value;
            leaf_type[i][j]=-1;
            defined_cells[i][j] =1;
            for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells; k++)
            {
                cell_flux[i][j][k]=0;
                temp_cell_flux[i][j][k]=0;
                D_prime[i][j][k]=0;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

void circle()
{
    double row_value=0; //this determines the concentration of that row
    int x=0;
    int y=0;
    //int i=5;
    int max_theta = 2*3.14159265+1;
    //clear the arrays
    for(int i=1; i<number_of_cells_tall/2; i++) //in this case this is r
    {
        row_value=calculate_initial_concentrations(i);
        for(double j=.01; j<max_theta; j+=.01) //in this case this is theta
        {
            //cout<<i<<" "<<j<<endl;
            x= (i*cos(j))+number_of_cells_tall/2;

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y= (i*sin(j))+number_of_cells_tall/2;
if(y<0){
cout<<"X: "<<x<<" Y: "<<y<<" "<<endl;}
leaf_cells[x][y]=row_value;
leaf_type[x][y]=-1;
defined_cells[x][y] =1;
for(int k=0; k<number_of_near_cells; k++)
{

    cell_flux[x][y][k]=0;
    temp_cell_flux[x][y][k]=0;
    D_prime[x][y][k]=0;
}
}
}

//defined_cells[number_of_cells_tall/4][number_of_cells_tall/4] =0;
}

```

```

void squire_growth()
{
//erased because of glitches
}

```