CS 259 Computer Programming Fundamentals

Diffusion-Limited Aggregation

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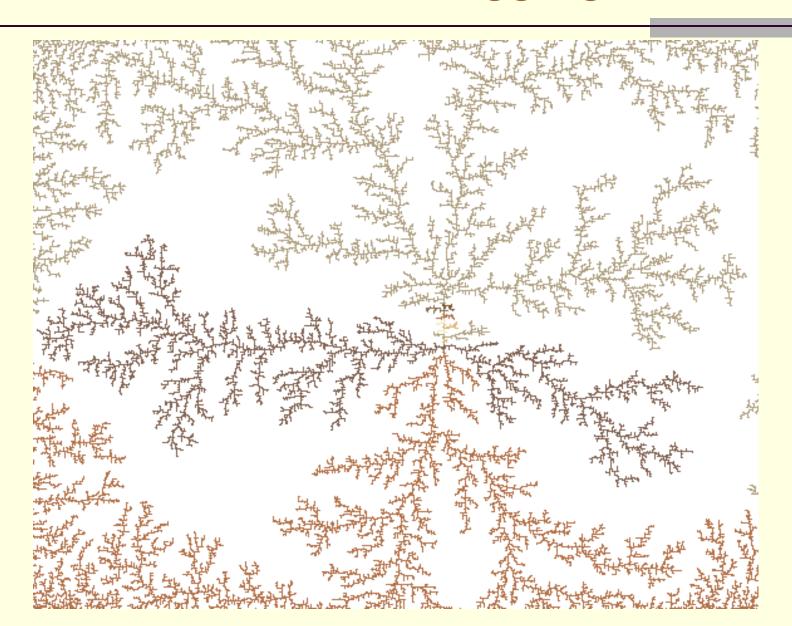
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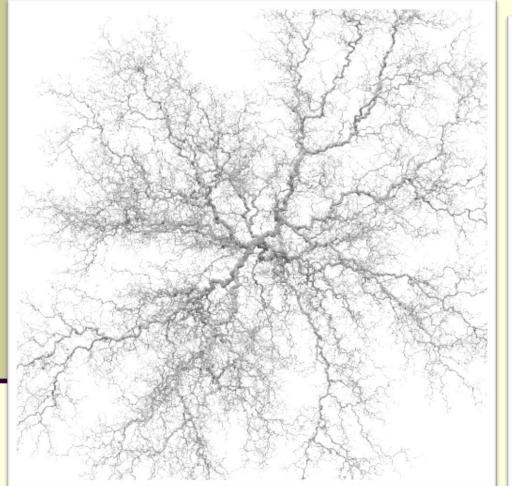
Diffusion-Limited Aggregation

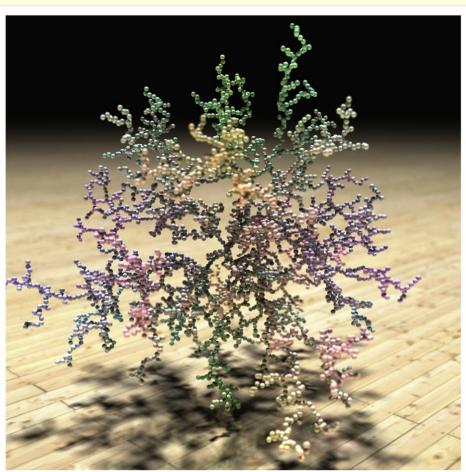
- Start with an immobile seed in a 2D, square grid.
- A walker is then launched from a random position far away and is allowed to diffuse by moving one grid space in a random direction each time step.
- If the walker touches the seed, it is immobilized instantly and becomes part of the aggregate.
- Similar walkers are launched one-by-one and each of them stops upon hitting the cluster.
- Try imagining what the result of this process....

2D Diffusion-Limited Aggregation



3D Diffusion-Limited Aggregation





By Mark Stock

By Simon Chorley

Pyrolusite: Manganese Dioxide, MnO₂





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Manganese Dioxide Dendrites on Limestone



Photograph by Mark A. Wilson (Department of Geology, The College of Wooster).

Copper Crystal



Copper Crystallization from Copper Sulfate Solution

DLA: (1 of 2)

- Create DLA_yourName.java that implements Diffusion-Limited Aggregation on a 2D, 800x800 grid of pixel.
- Initialize the grid with one seed crystal in an interesting spot. Also create *n* particles in random locations along the bottom.
- Each timestep, every non-crystalized particle moves, with equal probability, north, south, east or west by one pixel.
- If a particle moves out of the window, then reset its location, to a random spot along the bottom.

Lab 4 DLA: (2 of 2)

- If a particle moves adjacent (by whatever definition you were assigned) to a crystalized particle, then the moving particle crystalizes:
 - a) Draw it in a color determined by whatever rules you have coloring.
 - b) Sets it x and y values to a random location along the bottom.
- Moving particles may pass through each other.
- All the colors must look good together.

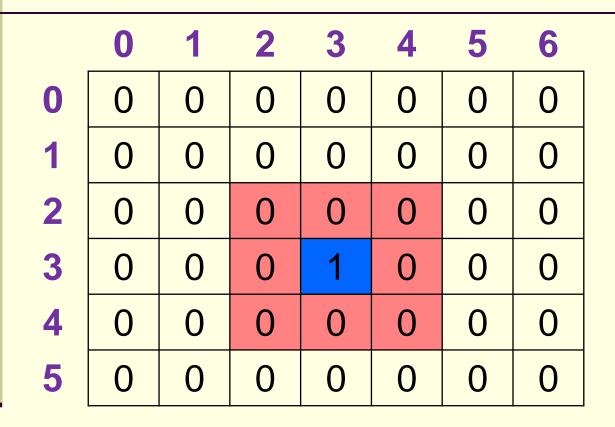
Creating and Using a 2D Array

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int[][] grid = new int[15][9]
grid[2][1] = 1;
grid[1][1] = 5;
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Individualized Assignments

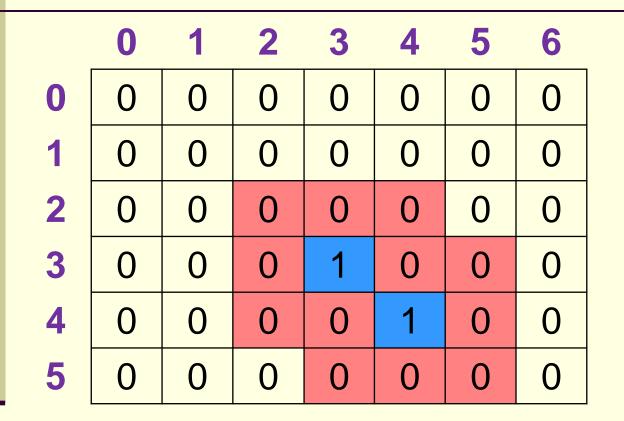
	color by age	color by neighbor count within radius of 2
Stop on edge (N, S, E, W)	Stewart	Moses
Stop on corner (NW, NE, SW, SW)	Ryan	Rafael
Stop on edge or corner (all 8 directions)	tomas, Winston	Jacob, bugra
Layers (6 faces) Color by depth	Zeke, Ben	
Layers (26 faces and edges and corners)		
Color Depth	Jay, Bryant	
Automatic change of most likly		
face/edge/corner	Jarett	

Stop on edge or corner (all 8 directions)



2,55,04,4

Stop on edge or corner (all 8 directions)



2,55,04,5

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private static final int[] dx = \{1, 0, -1, 0\}; private static final int[] dy = \{0, 1, 0, -1\};
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Stop on edge

