Changing of Plants Over Time

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Learning Outcomes

- Distinguish between monocot and eudicots.
- Understand the major stages in plant evolution.
- Be able to identify key characteristics of major plant groupings.

Outline

- Definitions
- Stages of plant evolution
- Major plant groups

Definitions



What is a Plant?

- A multicellular organism
- Creates sugars from sunlight
- Is made up of a shoot system and root system.



What is Botany?

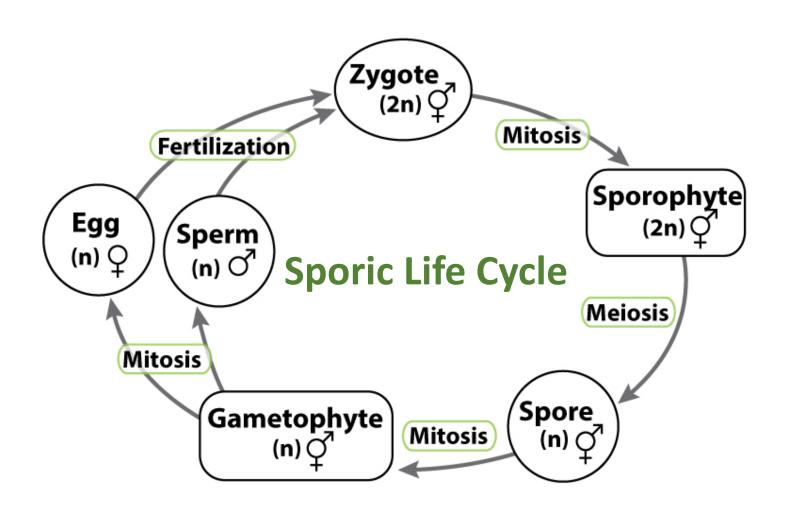
- The scientific study of plants
 - Classification/Evolution
 - Anatomy/Morphology
 - Physiology
 - Uses



What is Horticulture?

• The art and science of cultivating plants, including ornamentals, fruit, and vegetables.

Plant Evolution



1. Establishment on Land

Challenges

Adaptations

- Dry
- Grow low and close to water
- Reproduction ———
- Water required for reproduction

Gametophyte life stage is dominant.



Liverworts



Mosses



Hornworts



Key Take Away

- 1st major step is land adaptation.
- Non-vascular plants took this step.



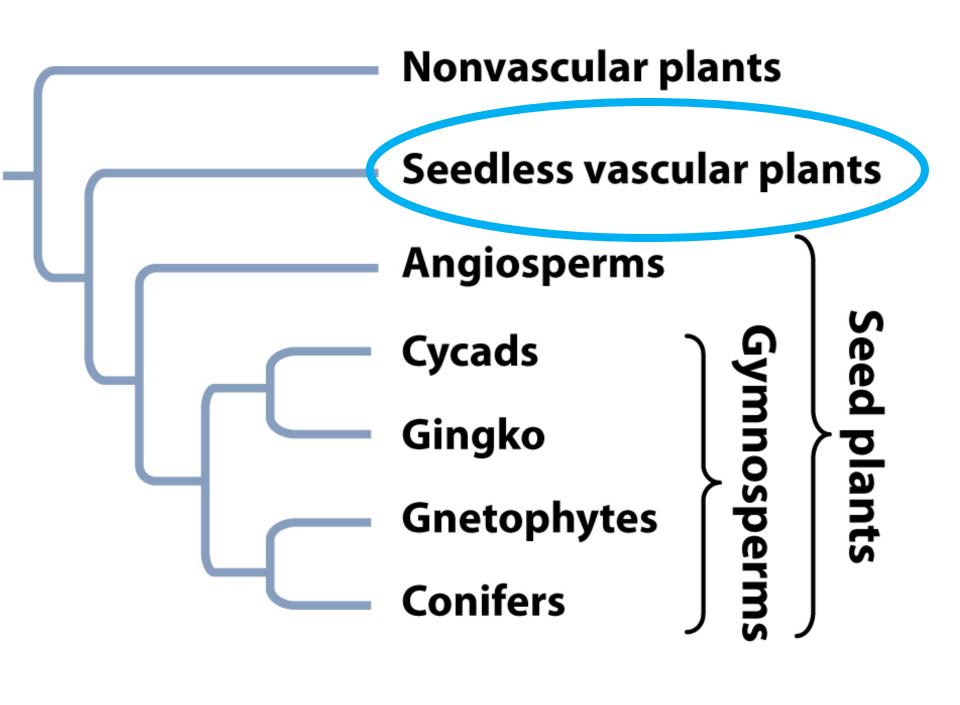
2. Vascular Tissue

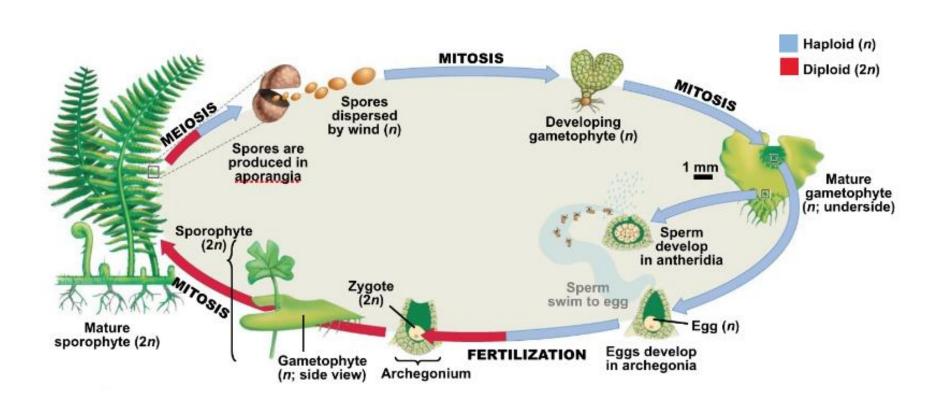
Challenges

Adaptations

- Growing taller • Vascular Tissue
- Loosing water • Cuticle
- Gas Exchange • Stomata

Sporophyte life stage is dominant.





Division Lycophyta





Wisk Fern Horsetails Ferns
Division Monilophyta (a.k.a Pteridophyta):



Key Take Away

- 2nd Major step is vascular tissue
- Seedless vascular plants took this step.



3. Seeds

Challenges

Adaptations

• Spores could not survive long

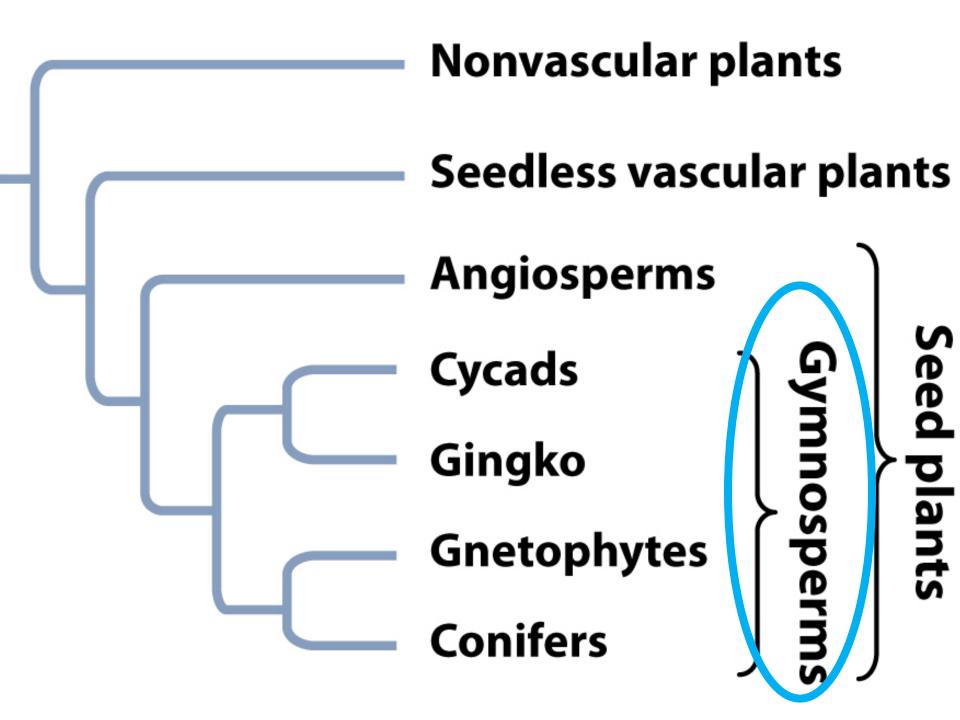
• Seeds can survive a lot longer

Distribution

Seeds could move farther and survive

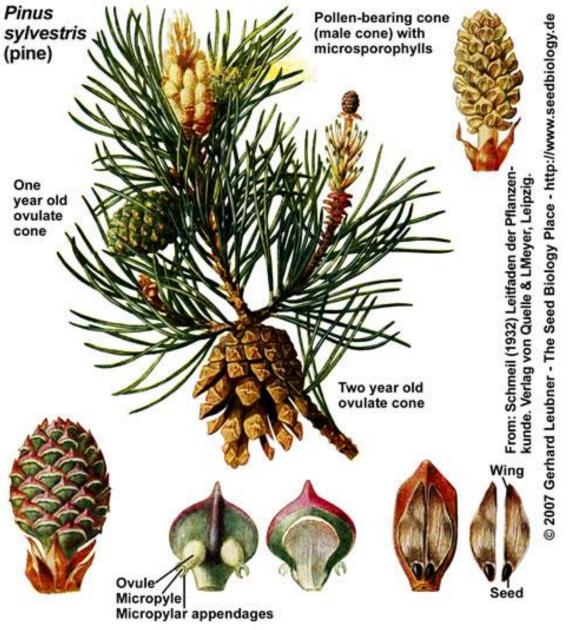
- Extra energy to produce seeds
- Seeds germinated better than spores- worth it.

Sporophyte life stage is dominant. 'Naked Seed'- not enclosed in ovary.



Three key features of the gymnosperm life cycle are

- 1. Miniaturization of their gametophytes
- 2. Production of seeds, a dispersible stage in the life cycle
- 3. The transfer of sperm to ovules by pollen.



Young ovulate cone (female cone) with megasporophylls Ovulate scale (megasporophyll, ovuliferous scale) with two ovules bottom view (left), top view (right) Mature ovulate scale with two winged seeds (left), dispersed seeds (right)



Division Cycadophyta: Cycas revoluta, king sago





Division Cycadophyta: Zamia pumila, coontie







Division Ginkgophyta, Ginkgo biloba

Division Coniferophyta

- These soft wood trees are used in the timber industry.(80% of timber)
- Often used as paper pulp.
- Sap of several species of *Pinus* is used to make turpentine.



Pinaceae, Pinus clausa, sand pine



Pinaceae, Pinus elliottii, slash pine



Pinaceae, Pinus palustris, longleaf pine



Taxodium distichum baldcypress

Key Take Away

- 3rd Major step is seed production
- Gymnosperms took this step.
- 'Naked-Seed'
- Cycads
- Ginkgo
- Conifers

4. Flowers/Fruit

Challenges

Adaptations

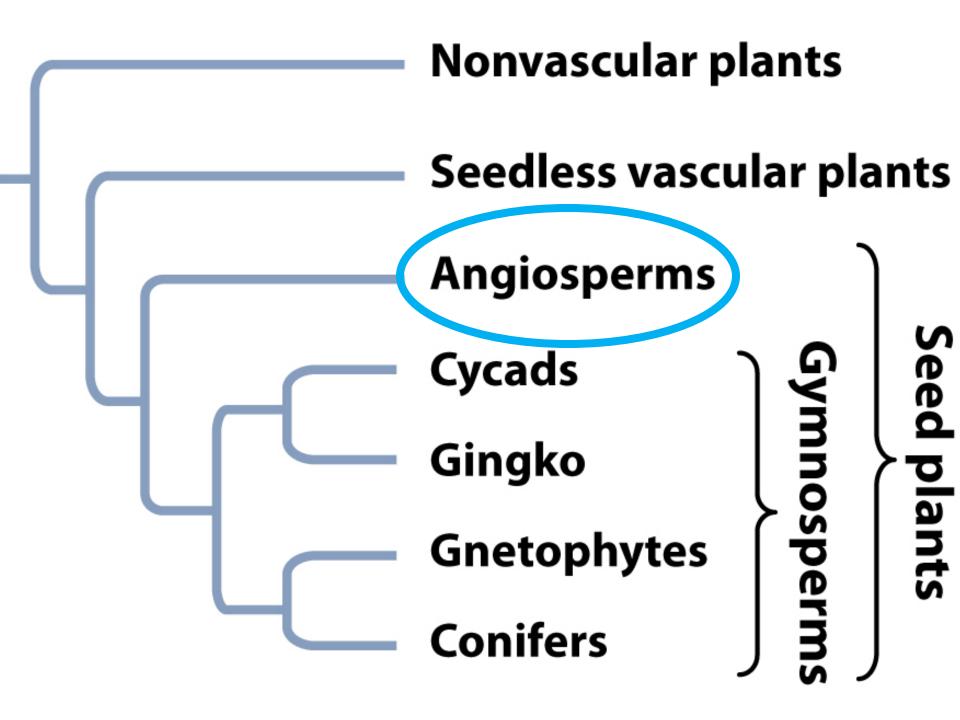
• Pollination —

• Flowers with specific adaptations

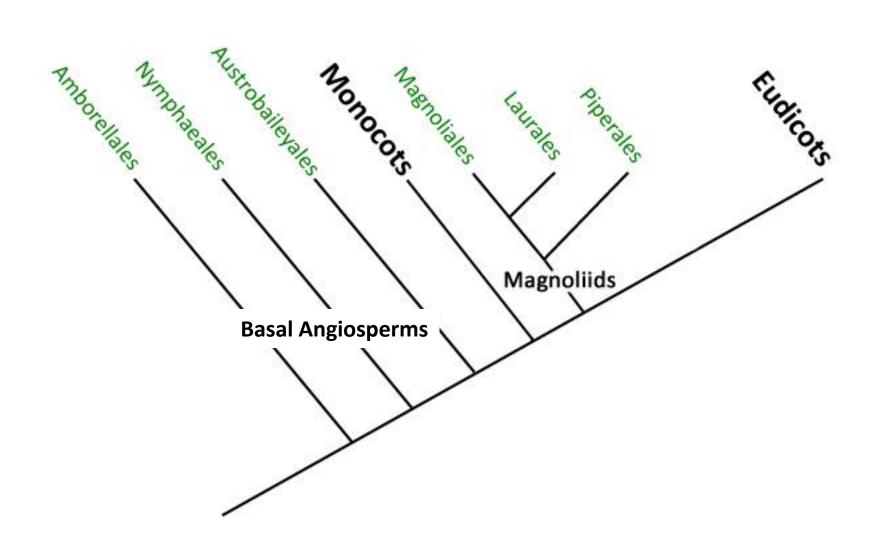
• Seed Distribution —

• Fruit with specific adaptations

Angiosperm means "container seed." Seeds enclosed within an ovary (fruit)



Angiosperms



In the real world...

- Basal Angiosperms and Magnoliids = 2% of all angiosperms.
 - Examples: water lilies, star anise, magnolias, nutmeg, peperomias
- Monocots = 23% of all angiosperms.
 - Examples: grasses, orchids, bromeliads, palms
- Eudicots (true dicots) = 75% of all angiosperms.
 - Examples: oaks, roses, cacti, mints, asters

Basal Angiosperms



Water lily (Nymphaea "Rene Gerard")



Star anise (Illicium)



Amborella trichopoda



Magnoliids: Magnolia grandiflora



Members of the Piperaceae, the black pepper family

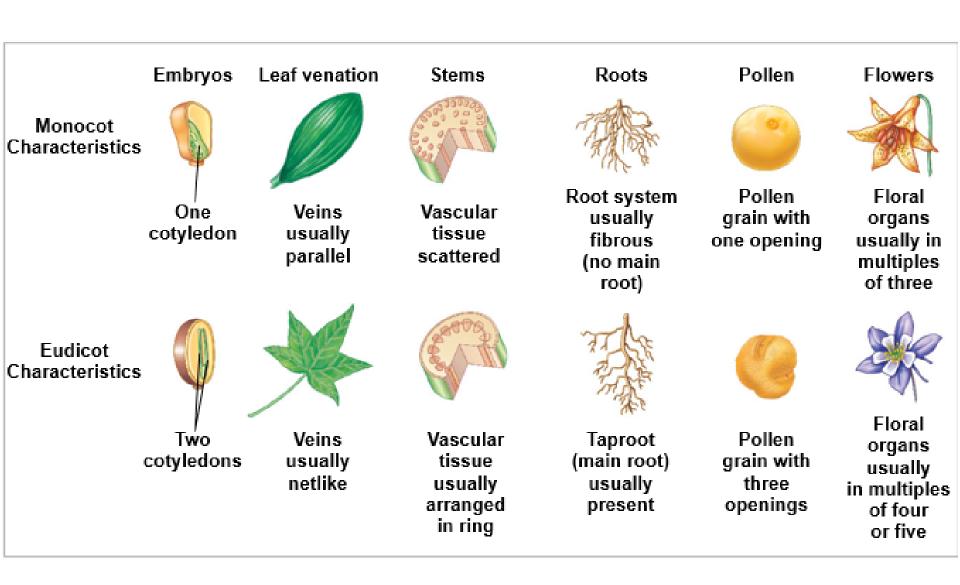
Monocots

- 1. Flower parts in 3's
- 2. One cotyledon
- 3. Parallel venation in leaves
- 4. Vascular system in scattered
- 5. No secondary growth

Eudicots

- 1. Flower parts in 4's and 5's
- 2. Two cotyledons
- 3. Net venation in leaves
- 4. Vascular system in a ring bundles
- 5. Secondary growth (they can make wood.)

Monocot vs. Eudicot







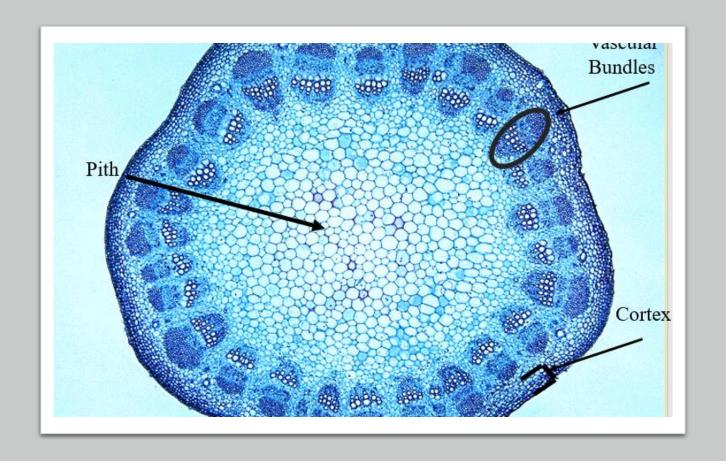
Eudicots Monocots



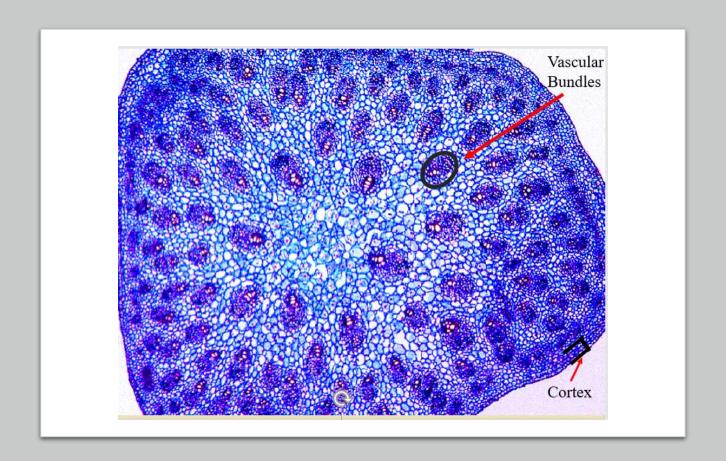
Veins in eudicot leaves form a net-like pattern.



Monocot leaves usually have parallel veins.



The vascular tissue in eudicot stems forms a ring.



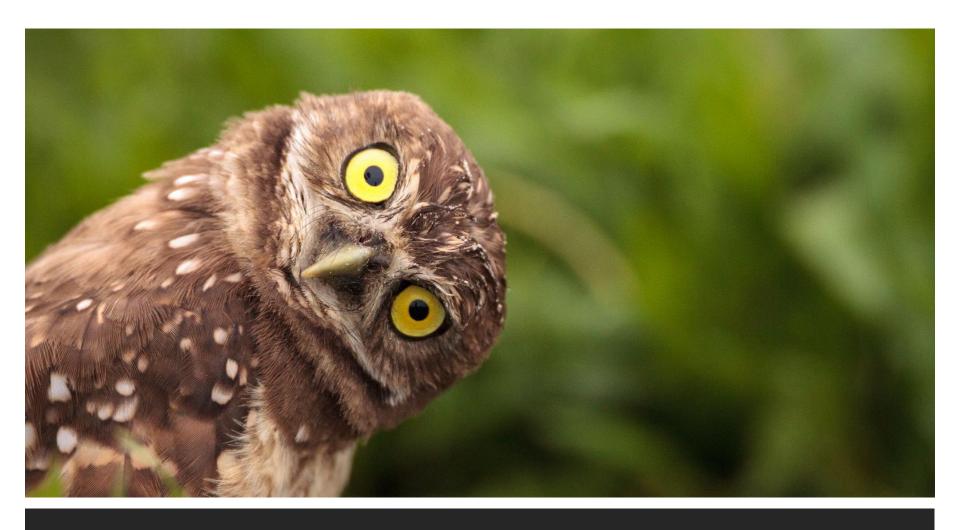
Vascular bundles are scattered in monocot stems.

Key Take Away

- 4th Major step is Flower and Fruit production.
- Angiosperms took this step.
- Contains many plant groups.
- Monocot vs. Eudicot differences

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Questions?