Classification

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Criteria for classification as reported in an ancient Chinese encyclopedia (Lakoff 1987):

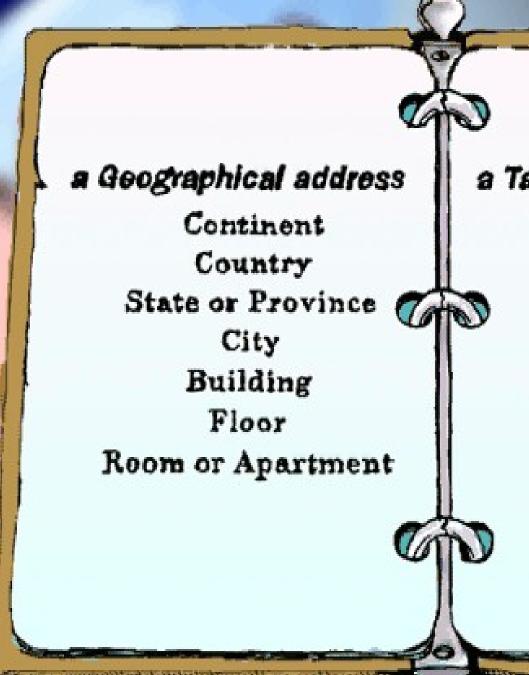
"...it is written that animals are divided into:

- those that belong to the Emperor
- embalmed ones
- those that are trained
- suckling pigs
- mermaids
- fabulous ones
- stray dogs
- those that tremble as if they were mad
- those that have just broken a flower vase

Systematics- studies diversity of life study and classification of organisms with the goal of reconstructing their evolutionary history

Taxonomy- study of classification science of identifying, naming and classifying organisms into groups

Linnaeus- 1700's, Swedish physician/botanist Developed binomial naming system



a Taxonomical address

Kingdom
Phylum
Class
Order
Family
Genus
Species

Example of Coral Classification

The Mushroom Coral Fungia scutaria

Kingdom Animalia
Phylum Cnidaria
Class Anthozoa



Order Scleractinia
Family Fungiidae
Genus Fungia
Species scutaria

Biological Species

Organisms that are genetically similar, and have ability to interbreed and produce viable, fertile offspring

- Mode of Reproduction: binary fission, gametes
- Cell structure: multi or single celled, nucleus/no nucleus, cell wall/no cell wall, chlorophyll present/not present,
- Internal/External skeleton: back bone, bone/cartilage
- Energy: autotrophic, heterotrophic, chemotrophic
- Respiratory system: gills, lungs, gas exchange across skin/epithelium
- Circulatory system: closed/open, # of chambers in a heart

Classification

Five kingdom system:

Monera

Protista

Plantae

Fungi

Animalia

Six kingdom system:

Eubacteria Archaebacteria

Protista

Plantae

Fungi

Animalia

Three domain system:

Eubacteria Archaebacteria

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Eight kingdom system:

Eubacteria

Archaebacteria Archezoa

Chromista

Protista

Plantae

Fungi

Animalia

Six kingdom system:

Monera

Eubacteria Archaebacteria Protista

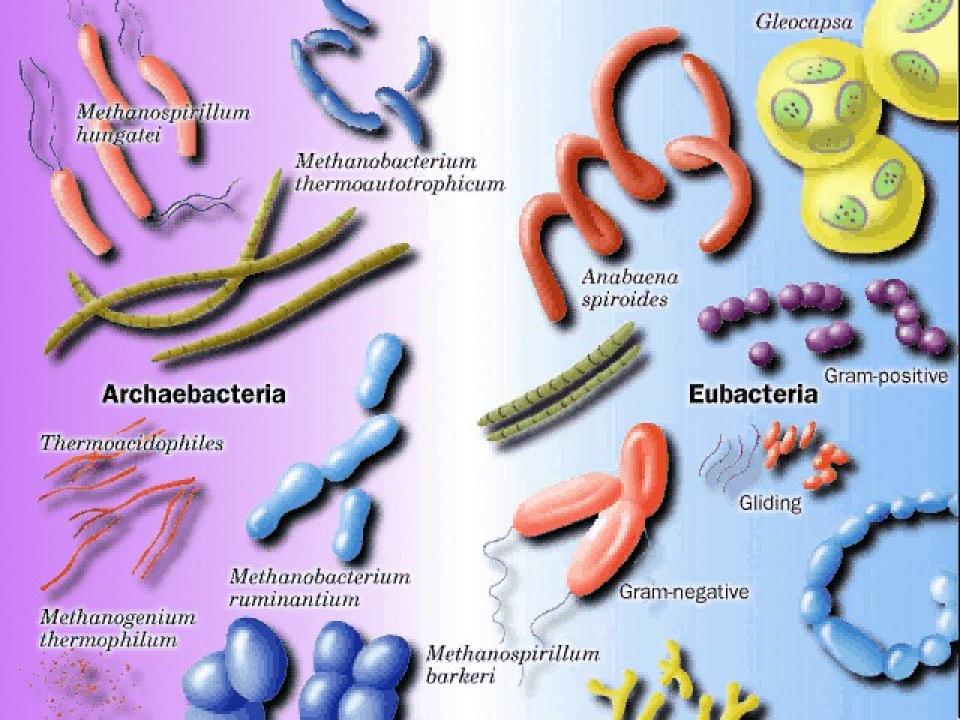
Plantae

Fungi

Animalia

Kingdoms Archaebacteria & Eubacteria (Monera)

- Prokaryotic, single-celled organisms.
- Heterotrophic, photoautotrophic, and chemoautotrophic species.
 - Purple sulfur bacteria- chemoautotrophic
 - Blue-green algae (cyano)- photoautotrophic
 - E. coli- heterotrophic
- Some with cell walls, but cell walls composed of peptidoglycan, not cellulose (as in higher plants).

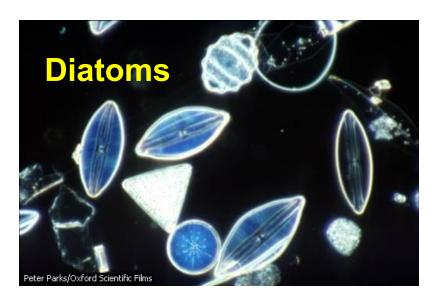


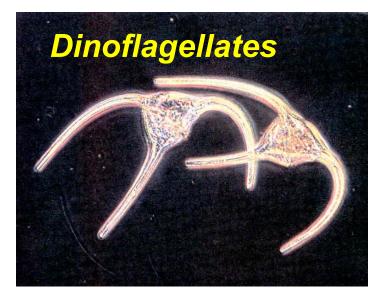
Kingdom Protista

- Eukaryotic, generally single-celled, organisms.
- If multicellular, then cells not well-oganized into tissues and organs (more colonies of cells).
- A very heterogeneous group include both heterotrophic and photoautotrophic forms.
- Includes protozoa (e.g., Paramecium, Amoeba, & Euglena, etc.) and algae (e.g., diatoms, dinoflagellates, Volvox, & most seaweed groups).

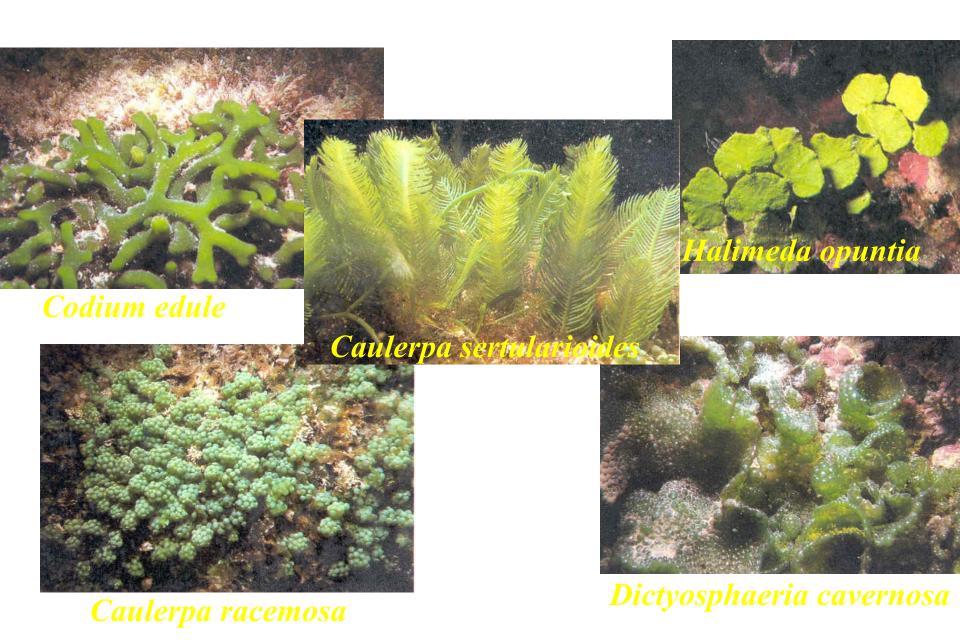
Kingdom Protista

- Diatoms
- Dinoflagellates
- Green algae
- Brown Algae
- Red algae

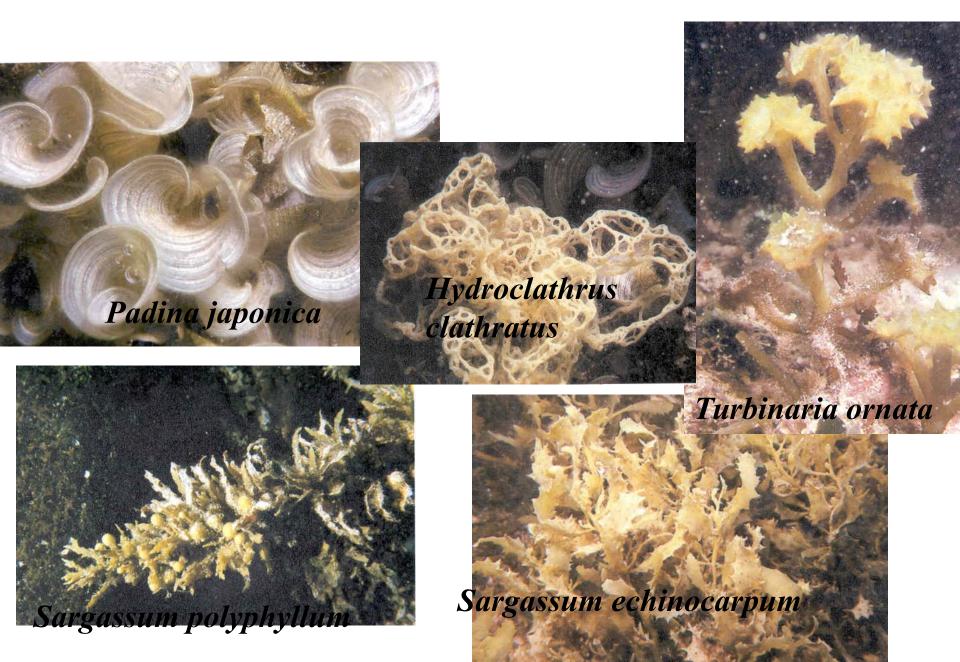




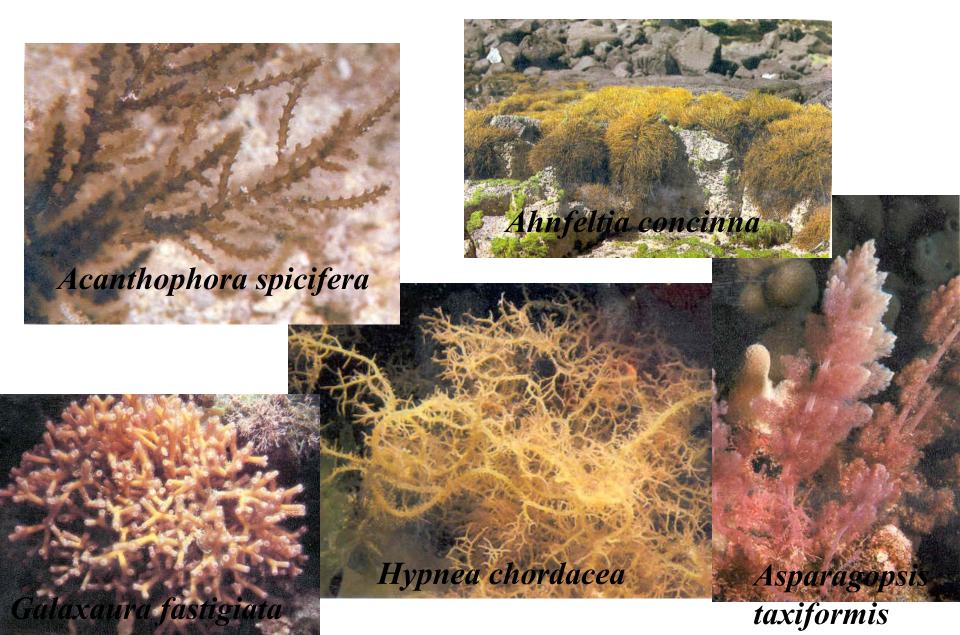
Chlorophyta: Green Algae



Phaeophyta: Brown Algae



Rhodophyta: Red Algae



Kingdom Plantae

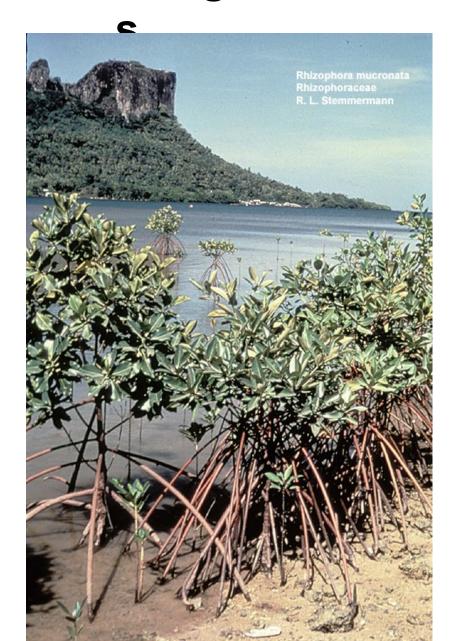
- Eukaryotic, multicellular organisms with cells organized into distinct tissues.
- Photoautotrophic nutrition.
- Most adapted for a terrestrial existence and possessing vascular tissues.
- Cells with chloroplasts and cellulose cell walls.
- Includes mosses, ferns, pine trees, cycads, ginkgos, and flowering plants.

Kingdom Plantae

Sea grasses mage provided by Ronald C. Phillips

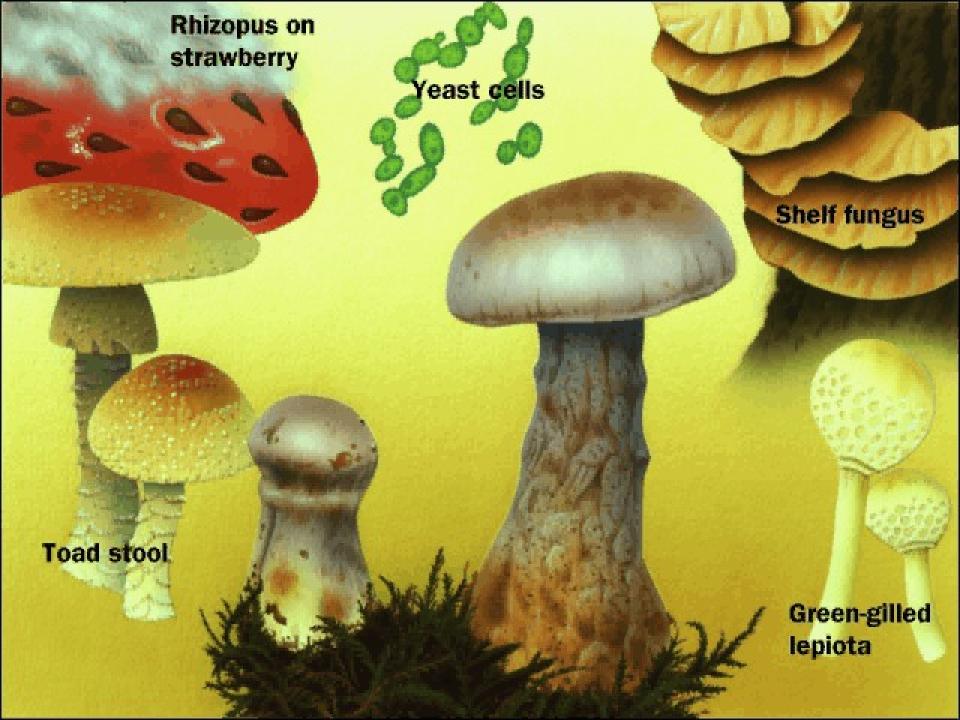
Halophilia hawaiiana- only form of seagrass in Hawaii

Mangrove



Kingdom Fungi

- marine fungi
- Eukaryotic, generally multicellular, organisms (a few species, e.g., yeast are unicellular).
- Heterotrophic, saprophytic (absorptive) nutrition.
- Most with cell walls (usually composed of chitin) and complex life histories.
- Includes molds, yeasts, rusts, and mushrooms.



Kingdom Animalia

- Eukaryotic, multicellular organisms with cells organized into distinct tissues.
- Heterotrophic nutrition
- Most exhibit significant capacity for locomotion.
- Cells not surrounded by cell walls.
- Includes sponges, sea anemones, snails, insects, sea stars, fish, reptiles, birds, and human beings.

Phylogentic Relationships of Animals

