The Egoists vs. Altruists

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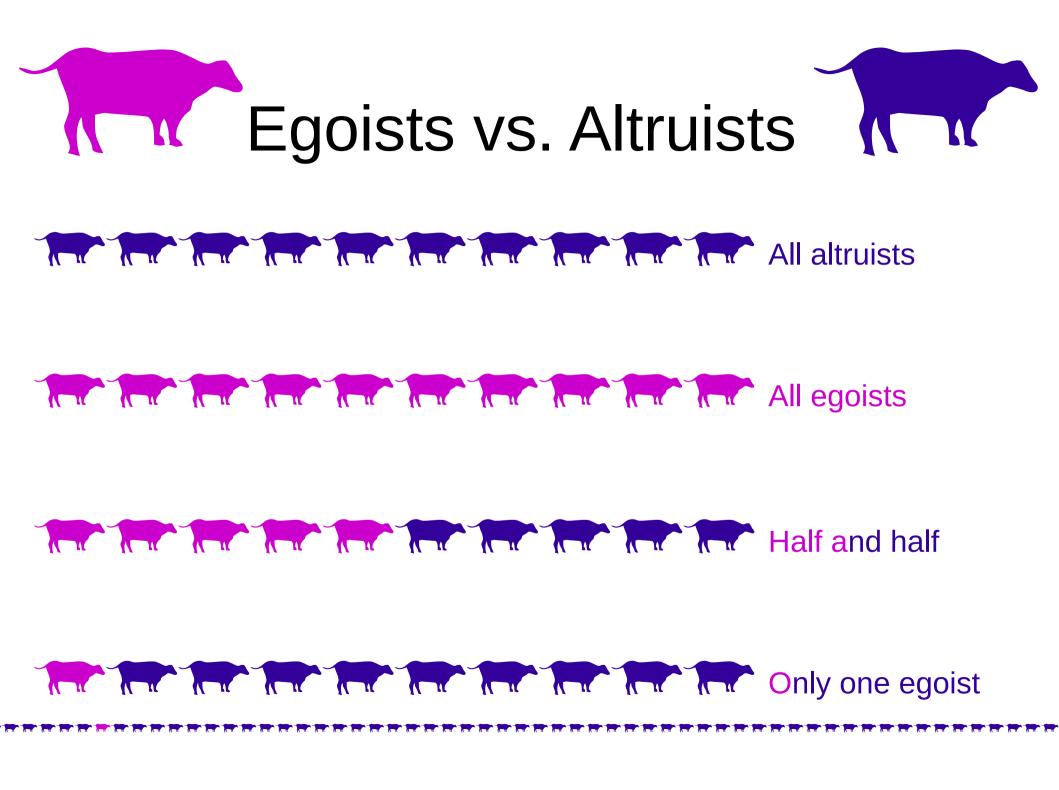




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→ Who is more successful?





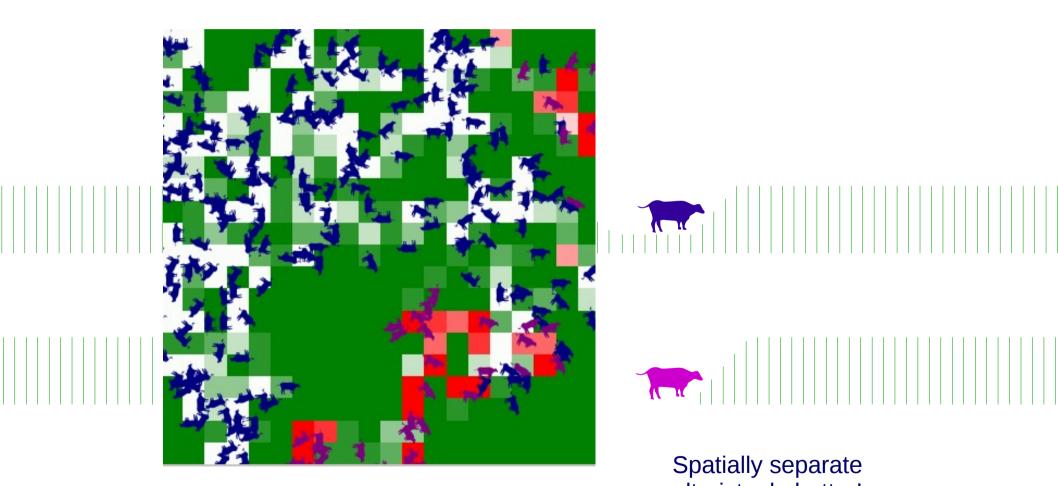
(Show model live: 10 cows, 9 altruist)



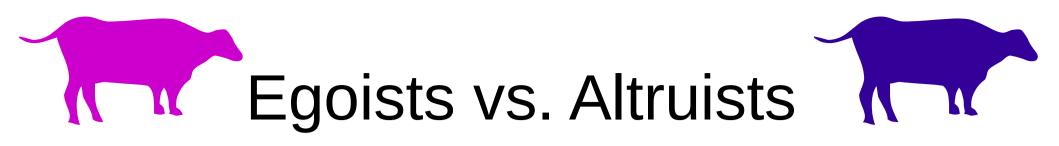
But we want the good guys to win!

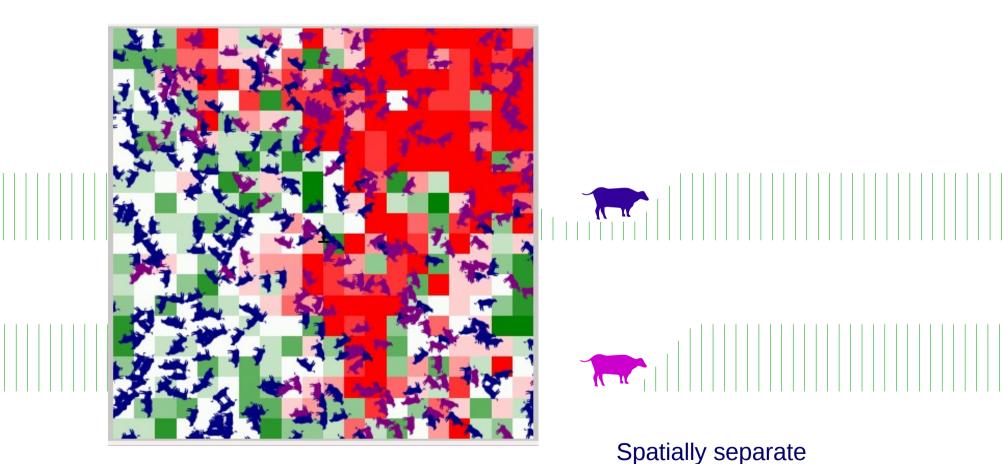






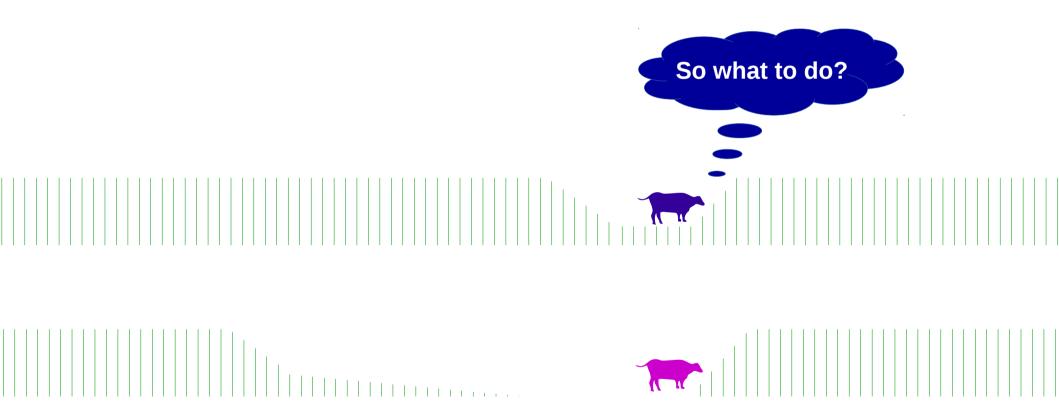
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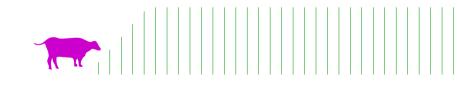
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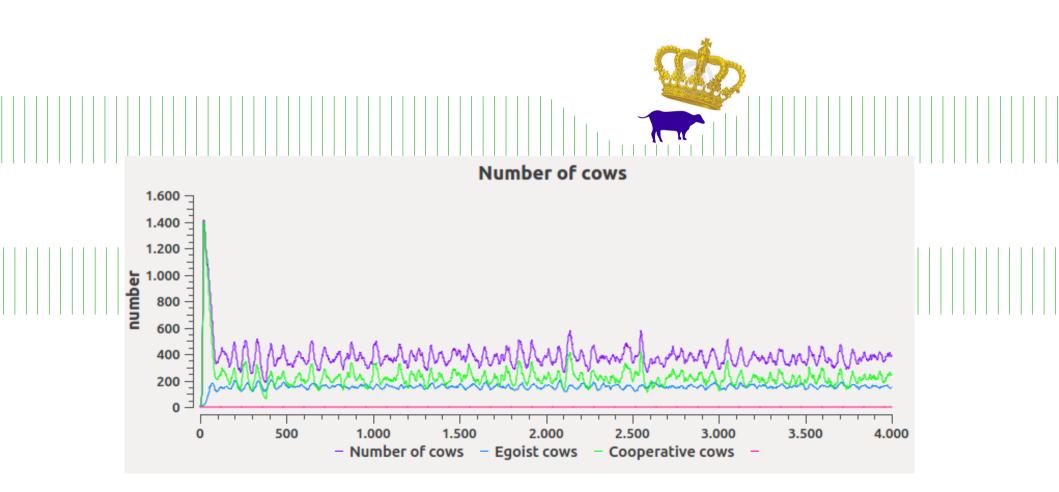




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Lower reproduction cost Lower loss by metabolism Can eat more grass per time Get more energy from grass

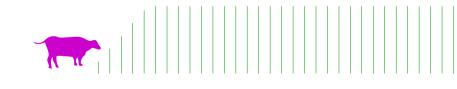




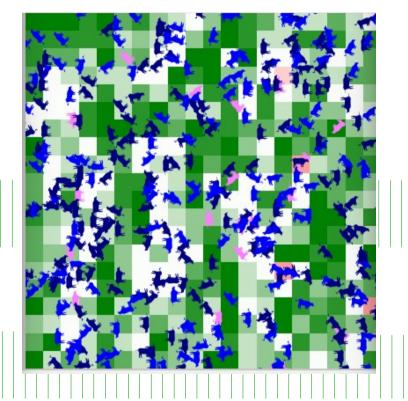


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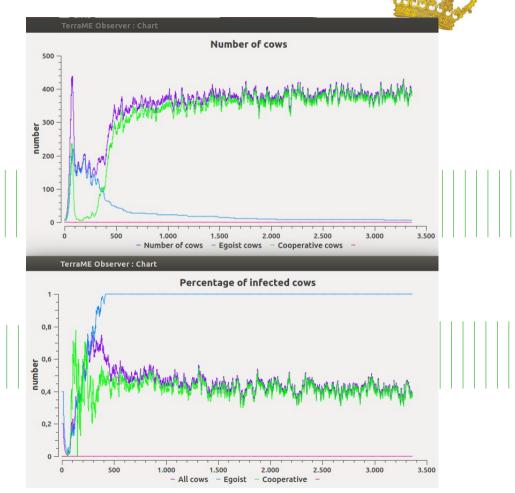
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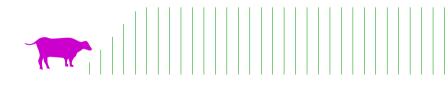


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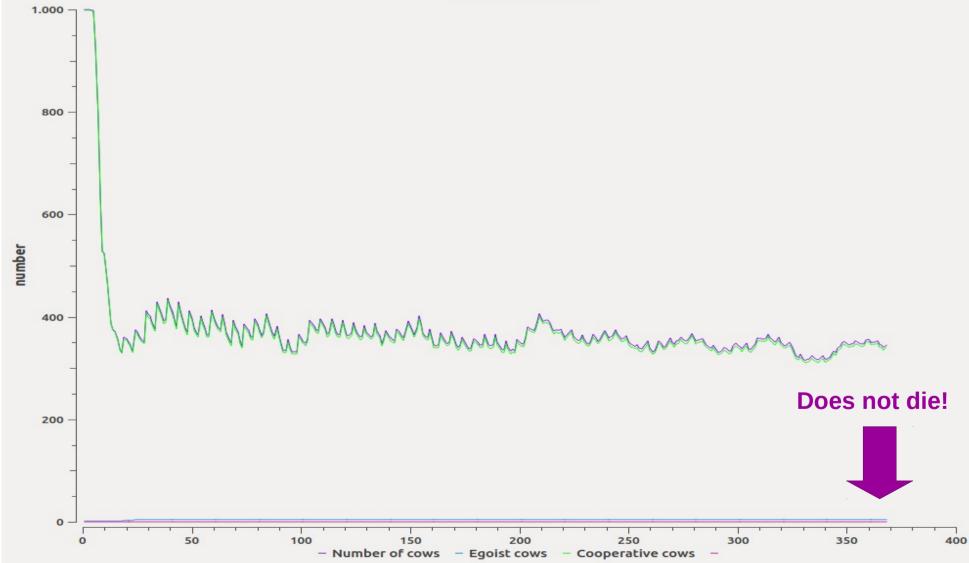
But even with



999 altruists, 1 egoist and a nice parasite epidemia...

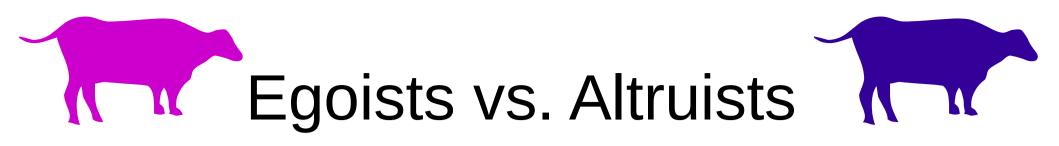


Number of cows



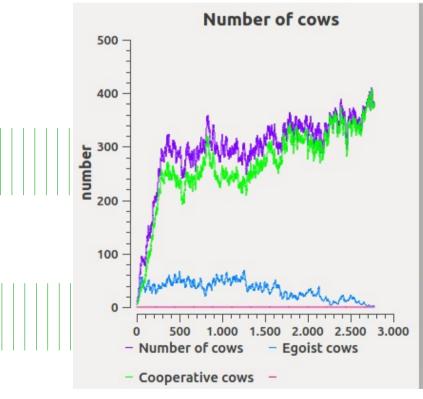


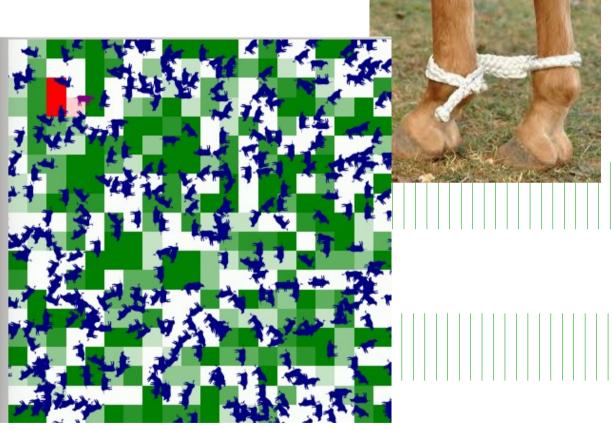
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Parameters: 10 cows, 5 greedy stride_length = 0.2

