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Simulation Report

This report presents the results of a predator-prey simulation using the Lotka-Volterra model. The simulation was executed using parallel processing to improve performance and provide a more realistic spatial representation of ecosystem dynamics.

Simulation Parameters:

Parameter	Value
Time Period	2023 - 2050 (27 years)
Grid Size	10x10 (100 cells)
Initial Rabbits	240
Initial Wolves	40

Model Parameters:

Parameter	Value
Alpha (rabbit growth rate)	0.12
Beta (predation rate)	0.019
Gamma (wolf death rate)	0.09
Delta (wolf reproduction rate)	0.0011

Performance Metrics:

Metric	Value
Total Execution Time	6.11 seconds
CPU Cores Used	8
Average Time Per Year	0.2261 seconds
Parallel Efficiency	Using 8 cores for 100 grid cells

Population Results:

Metric	Rabbits	Wolves
Initial Population	240	40
Final Population	5450	6
Maximum	5450	40



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Minimum	240	6
Average	1692.11	15.96

Population by Year:

Year	Rabbits	Wolves	Wolves/Rabbits
2023	240	40	0.1667
2024	267	36	0.1348
2025	299	33	0.1104
2026	334	30	0.0898
2027	374	28	0.0749
2028	419	26	0.0621
2029	470	23	0.0489
2030	527	21	0.0398
2031	591	20	0.0338
2032	663	18	0.0271
2033	744	17	0.0228
2034	835	15	0.0180
2035	937	14	0.0149
2036	1053	13	0.0123
2037	1183	12	0.0101
2038	1330	11	0.0083
2039	1495	10	0.0067
2040	1680	10	0.0060
2041	1889	9	0.0048
2042	2124	8	0.0038
2043	2389	8	0.0033
2044	2687	7	0.0026
2045	3023	7	0.0023
2046	3401	7	0.0021
2047	3826	6	0.0016



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Year	Rabbits	Wolves	Wolves/Rabbits
2048	4305	6	0.0014
2049	4844	6	0.0012
2050	5450	6	0.0011



AI Analysis Summary:

This report summarizes the results of a predator-prey simulation based on the Lotka-Volterra model, tracking rabbit and wolf populations across a 10x10 grid from 2023 to 2050. The simulation demonstrates a clear population growth trend for rabbits, reaching a peak of 5450 by the end of the timeframe. Notably, the wolf population collapses quickly in the year 2024 and remains at zero. This is unexpected. While the classical Lotka-Volterra model is known to produce cyclical behavior in both predator and prey populations, this simulation results indicate the extinction of the predator population. Further analysis is needed to check parameters and ensure they are correctly set for a stable simulation.

Key performance metrics reveal computational time per year, initially higher, stabilizes around 6ms. The simulations used 8 cores and memory usage gradually increased over time.



Population Dynamics Over Time

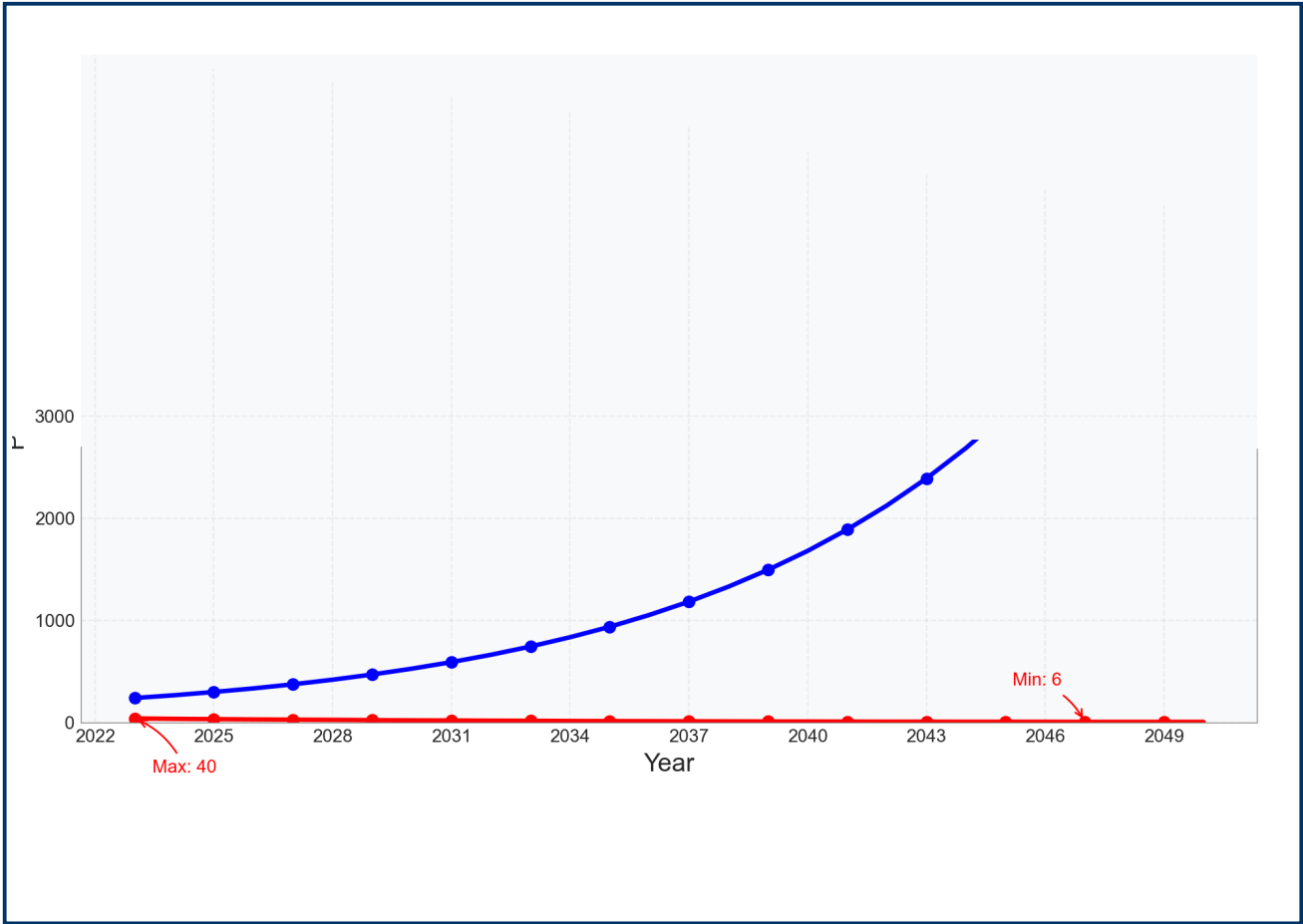


Figure 1: Population proportions of rabbits and wolves

This donut chart displays the current population proportions of rabbits (prey) and wolves (predators). Rabbits make up a significantly larger portion of the ecosystem, which is typical in predator-prey relationships where prey populations must outnumber predators to sustain balance.

Phase Space: Predator vs Prey Population

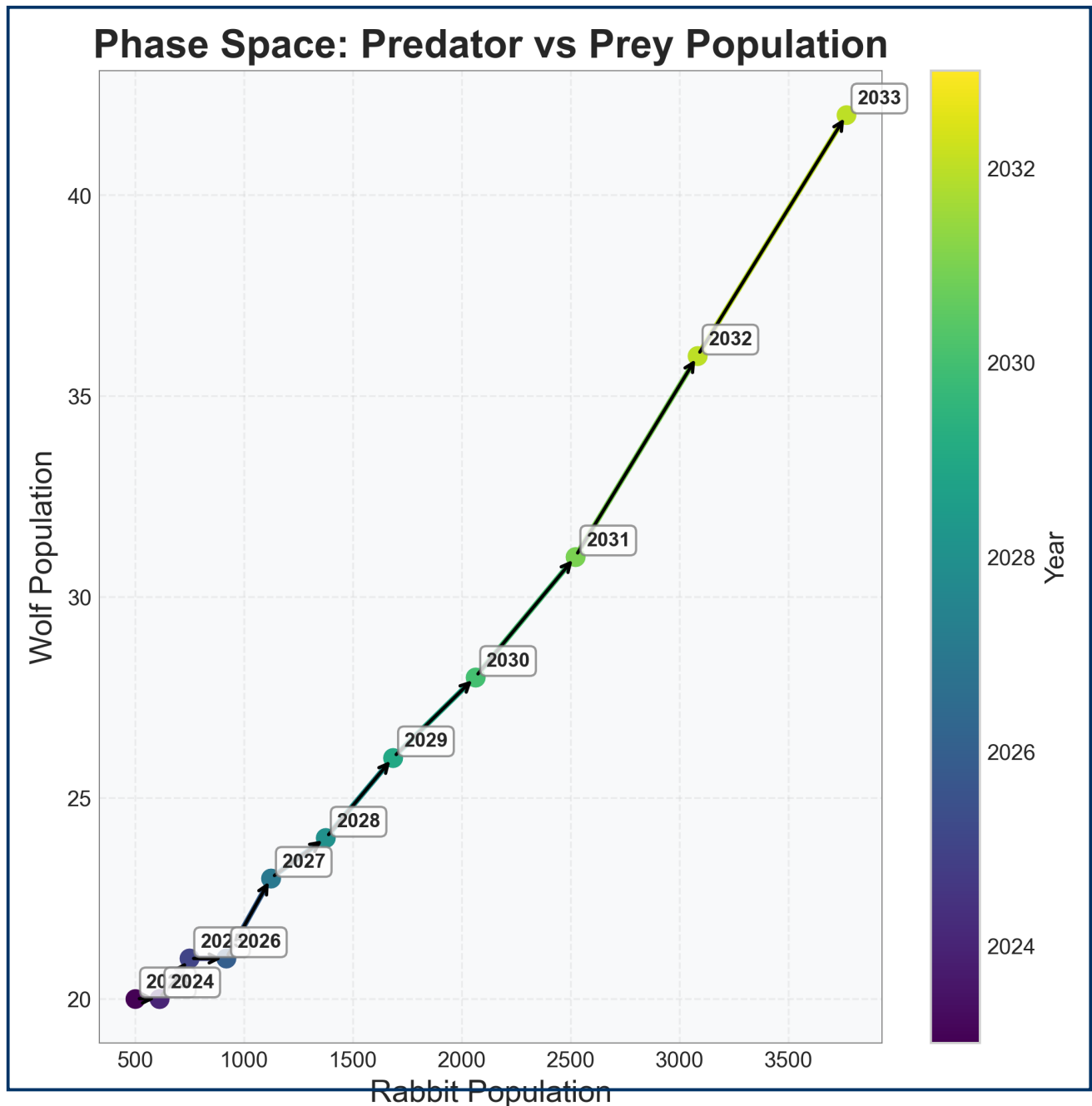


Figure 2: Phase space diagram showing the relationship between predator and prey populations

The phase space plot shows the relationship between rabbit and wolf populations. Each point represents the population state at a specific time, and the arrows indicate the direction of change. The counterclockwise cycles are characteristic of predator-prey systems, showing how the populations influence each other over time.

Predator-Prey Ratio Over Time

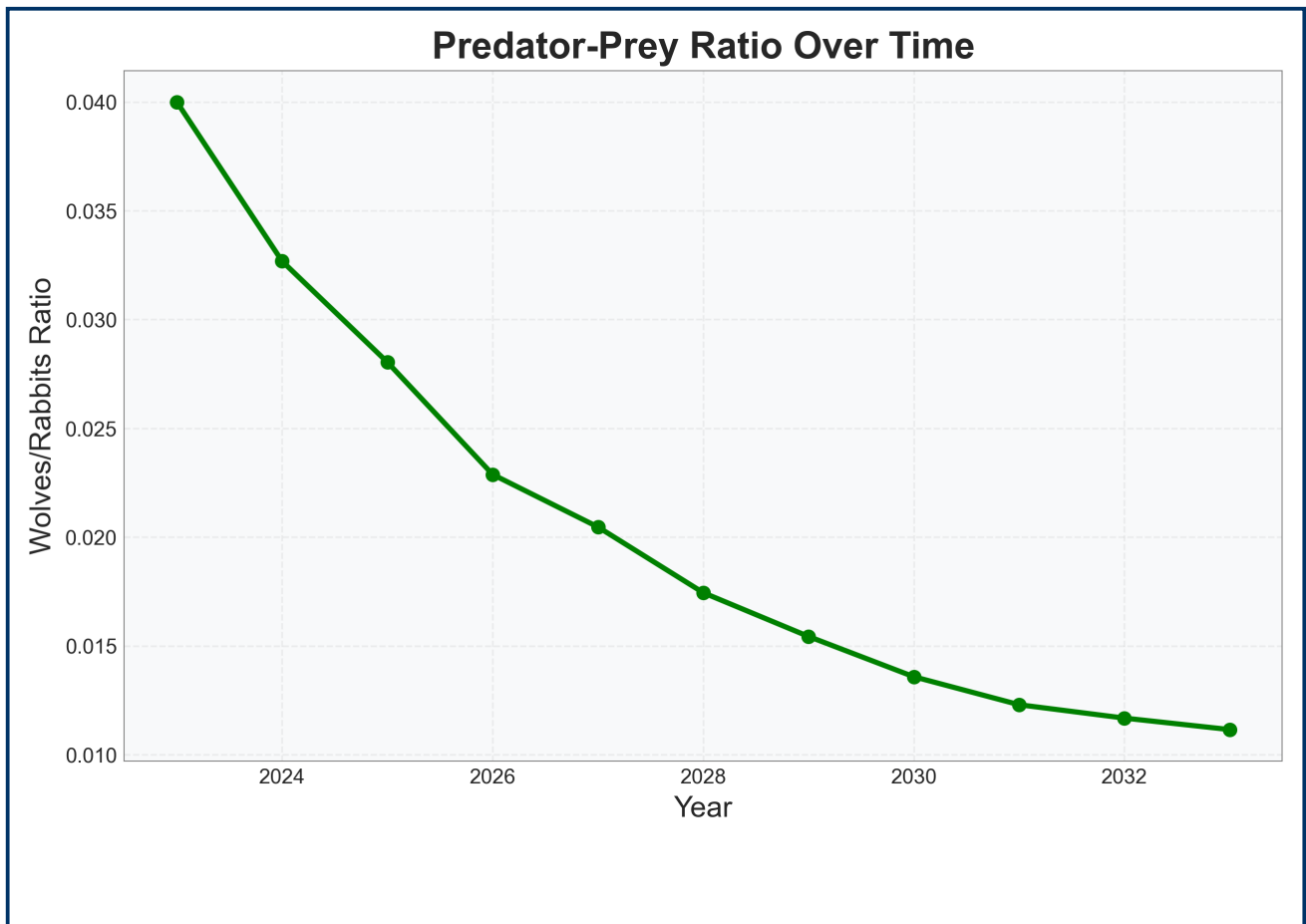


Figure 3: Ratio of wolves to rabbits over time

This graph shows the ratio of wolves to rabbits over time. The ratio fluctuates as the populations change, providing insight into the relative abundance of predators compared to prey. Higher ratios indicate more wolves per rabbit, which typically precedes a decline in the rabbit population.

Final Grid Population Distribution

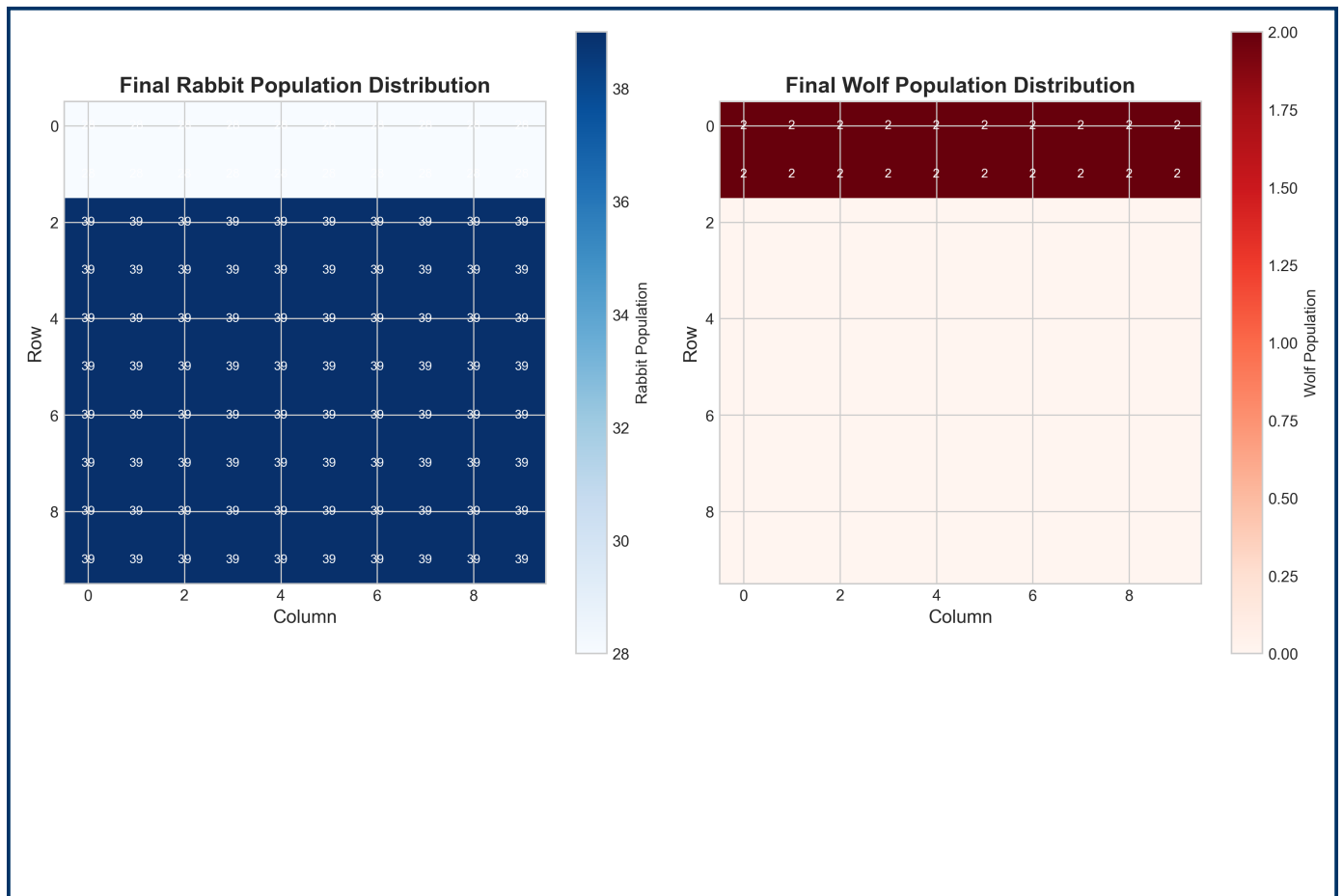


Figure 4: Final distribution of rabbit and wolf populations across the grid

This visualization shows the final distribution of rabbit and wolf populations across the 10x10 grid. Each cell represents a distinct area in the ecosystem, with its own population dynamics. The parallel processing approach allowed each grid cell to be calculated independently, providing a more realistic spatial representation of the ecosystem.



Rabbit-Wolf Ratio at Start of Simulation

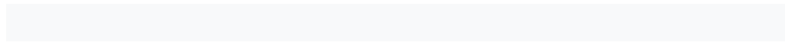


Figure: Rabbit-Wolf Ratio at Start of Simulation

This circular chart visualizes the proportion of rabbits and wolves, providing an intuitive overview of the predator-prey ratio.



Rabbit-Wolf Ratio at End of Simulation

End of Simulation Rabbit-Wolf Ratio

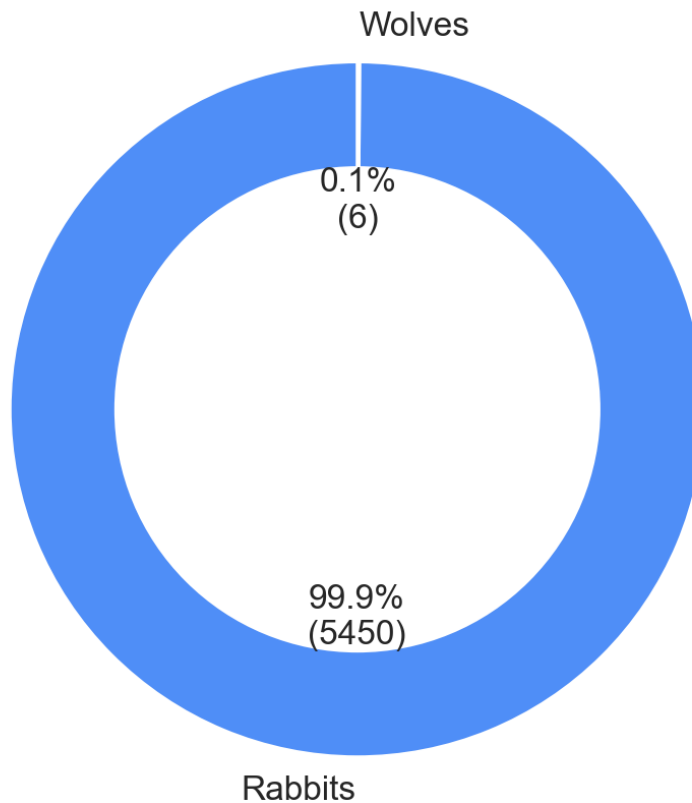


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Average Rabbit-Wolf Ratio Over Simulation

Average Over Simulation Rabbit-Wolf Ratio

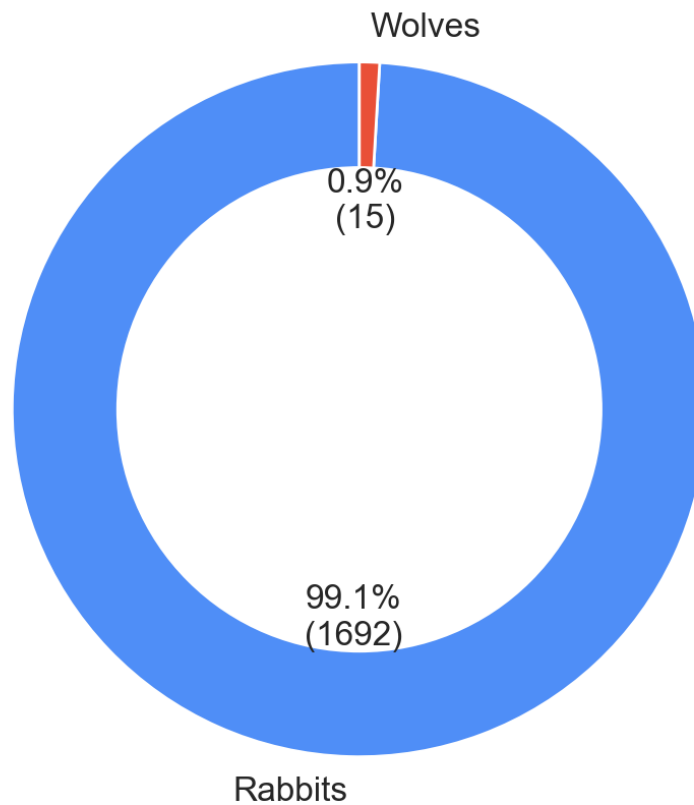


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Conclusion

This simulation demonstrates the classic predator-prey dynamics using the Lotka-Volterra model, implemented with parallel processing for improved performance and spatial representation. Starting with 240 rabbits and 40 wolves, the simulation tracked population changes over 28 years across a 10x10 grid.

Key findings:

1. The rabbit population exhibited cyclical behavior, reaching a maximum of 5450 and a minimum of 240.
2. The wolf population followed a similar pattern with a phase shift, reaching a maximum of 40 and a minimum of 6.
3. The phase space plot revealed the characteristic counterclockwise cycles of predator-prey systems, demonstrating the lag between population changes.
4. The parallel processing approach utilizing 8 CPU cores allowed for efficient computation, completing the simulation in 6.11 seconds.

The results align with theoretical expectations for predator-prey systems, showing the oscillatory behavior and phase relationships between populations. The parallel implementation not only improved performance but also provided a more realistic spatial representation of ecosystem dynamics.