# LAB REPORT

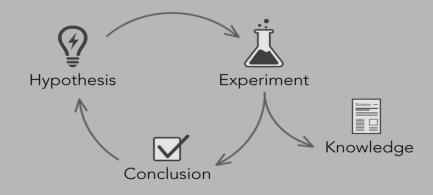


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**<u>Purpose</u>**- The lab is meant to test how animals (bunnies) with different mutations survive in specific environments.

<u>Hypothesis</u>- Bunnies with the same color fur as their environment survive better. Bunnies with bigger teeth may survive better with tough foods, and bunnies with upright ears can survive better against wolves.

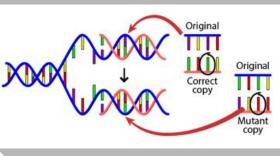


### <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

**Natural selection**: a process by which certain traits become more or less common in a population over time.

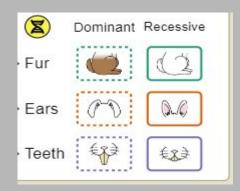


Mutations (Dominant and Recessive), this changes the traits of future generations **Mutation:** a change that occurs in the DNA sequence of an organism's genetic material.



Natural selection, Mutation, Dominant and Recessive mutations, all are affected or change according to the weather

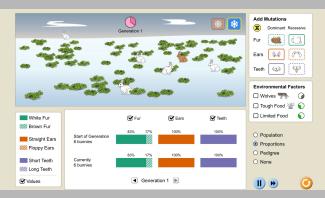
#### Dominant vs Recessive Mutations Dominant mutation is more likely to become common in the bunnies' population, while Recessive mutation is less likely to become common in the bunnies' population



## METHODS & MATERIALS

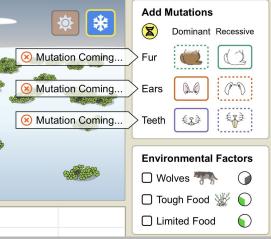
#### How do we start with this experiment?

- 1. First we tested out an idea, the hypothesis then we see if the simulator fits our idea
- 2. Choose weather SUN 🔆 OR SNOWFLAKE 💥
- 3. Choose the mutations which is Dominant or Recessive = to fur, ears and teeth
- 4. Environmental factors = Wolves, tough food and limited food
- 5. As we choose *fur(dominant)*, *ears(recessive)* and *teeth(recessive)* with Snowflake and environment *factors of limitation of food source*
- б. Add a mate
- 7. We observed if our idea was right from observing
- 8. Repeat but Added a few more independent variable (alter mutation) for comparison









# Results 1

<u>**Generation 1**</u> - Started off with two mating descendants .<sup>4</sup>

(both with white fur, both straight ears, and short teeths)

<u>Generation 2</u> - After mating, 6 bunnies intotal was was the total population.

(6 white fur, 0 brown fur, 5 straight ears, 1 floppy ears, 5 short teeth, 1 long teeth)

<u>**Generation 3**</u> - The total population at this point is 18

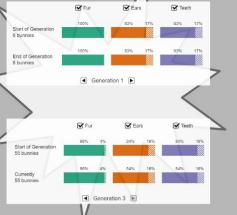
(18 white fur, 0 brown fur, 15 straight ears , 3 floppy ears, 15 short teeths, 3 long teeth)

<u>**Generation 4**</u> - The total population - <mark>55</mark> bunnies

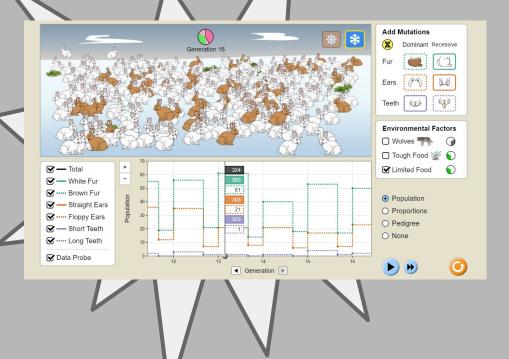
(53 white fur, 3 brown fur , 46 straight ears, 9 floppy ears, 46 short teeth, 9 long teeth)

- The first two generation ended up with the same data
- Yet all ended up relatively the same
- the dominant trait for bunnies in winter like environment through generations is white fur, as for ears there most likely straight ears and short teeths. The limitations in food wasn't a big effect in population rate until it reach peek max pop then it drops significantly.







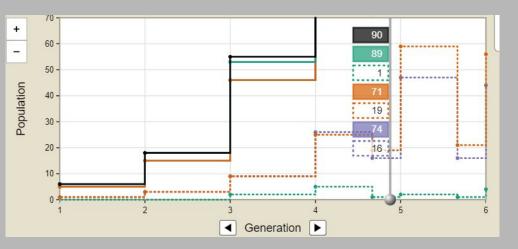


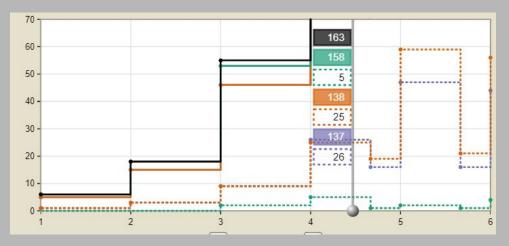
Second set of mutations for comparison to our hypothesis. Which her is Recessive fur, recessive ears and dominant teeth

- Relatively healthy relationship between population
- Even due to the fact this time around there's more browned fur bunnies keeping up through generations
- Meaning bunnies can survive even with brown fur
- Yet the opposite features from our hypothesis is still proven its dominated by what we believed.

## Relationship between High Population and food limitation

Last ¼ of that same 5th generation a low drop in population 55.2%



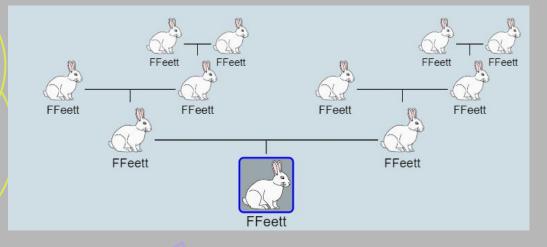


First highest population peak of bunnies ¾ of the 5th generation

 The data highlights how if a environment is limiting factors like water, food and space. An Competition in resource increases, and could result into diseases or simply death which drops population.

## **Break down on dominant and recessive alleles**

- FF , EE, TT dominant genes
- Ff, Ee, Tt- recessive yet paired with a dominant, dominant can over power from how weak it can be (recessive)
- ff, ee, tt recessive



Example

# <u>Discussion</u>

Hypothesis (Theory):

We chose different mutations in specific environmental changes.

We predicted over time these would be the dominant traits throughout the population.

Our reasoning behind it was that these traits seemed most suitable for the environment and the start Over Start Over

Results (Lab):

Generation 6

Our hypothesis and predictions seem to have been correct

The selected mutations were dominant over time and didn't became recessive

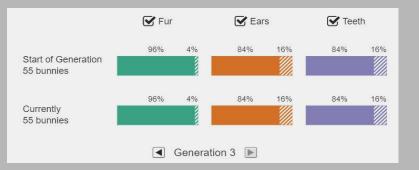
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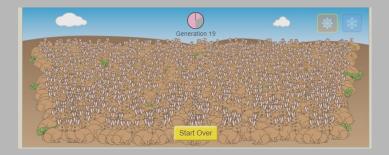
### **Conclusion**

The results vary significantly depending on the changes made, for example, our two labs that we did give us almost the same results at the end of the third generation

Short teeth: plenty to eat Long teeth: unable to eat properly meaning unable to keep it short

Straight ears : more alerted in wild Floppy ears : common to house pets Brown fur: easily spotted in snow White fur : easy to camouflage





However, this is not always the case; in some circumstances, the consequences can vary a lot. While if no predators are introduced, the bunnies' population continues to grow until it becomes too large, but when wolves are introduced, the bunnies' population tends to disappear. This can also change according to mutations and the environment in which the bunnies live. However, there is one exception in this hypothesis: when wolves are introduced from generation 5 onwards, the number of bunnies increases drastically.