# Theory-choice, transient diversity and the efficiency of scientific inquiry

Appendix

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## 1 Easy landscape

#### 1.1 Success of agents on the easy landscape

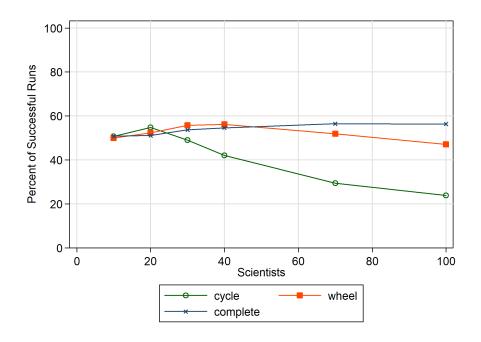


Figure 1: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment D, with no thresholds, on the easy landscape.

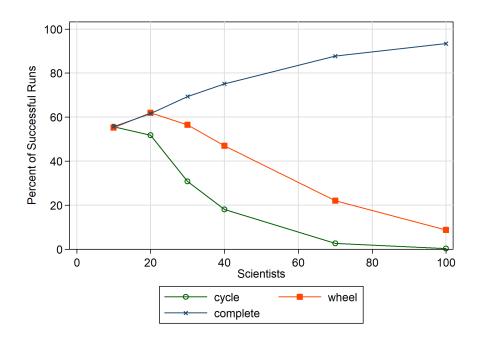


Figure 2: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment D, with temporal threshold of 10 and epistemic threshold of 0.9, on the easy landscape.

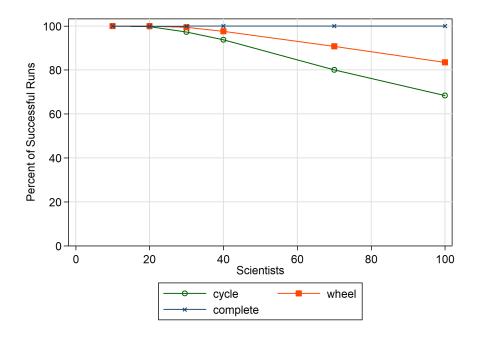


Figure 3: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment A, with no thresholds, on the easy landscape.

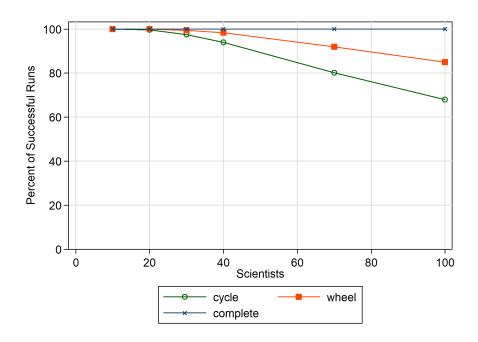


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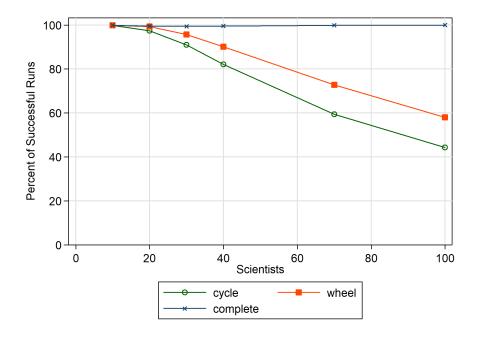


Figure 5: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment M, with no thresholds, on the easy landscape.

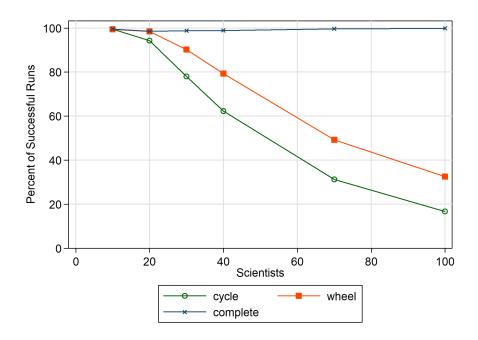


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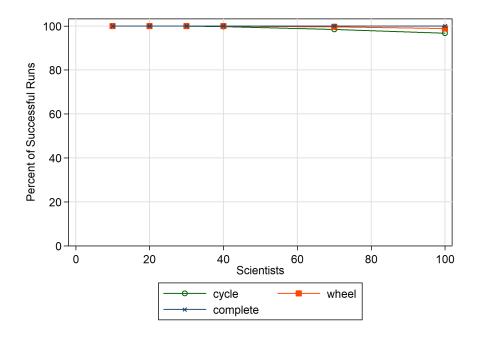


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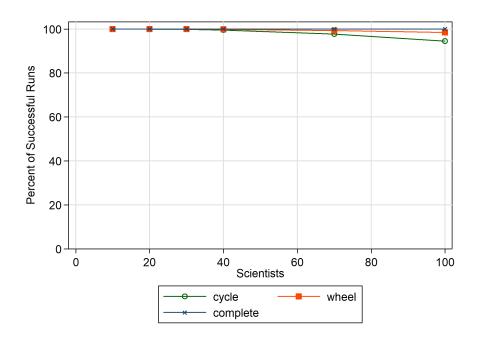


Figure 8: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment N, with temporal threshold of 10 and epistemic threshold of 0.9, on the easy landscape.

### 1.2 Time needed for convergence on the easy landscape

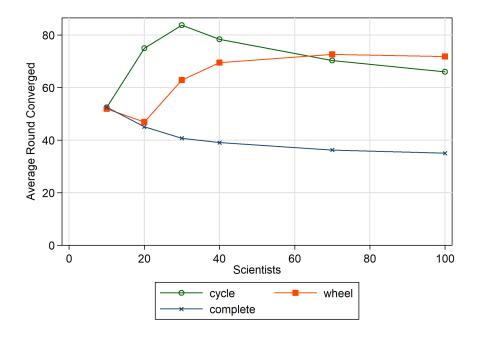


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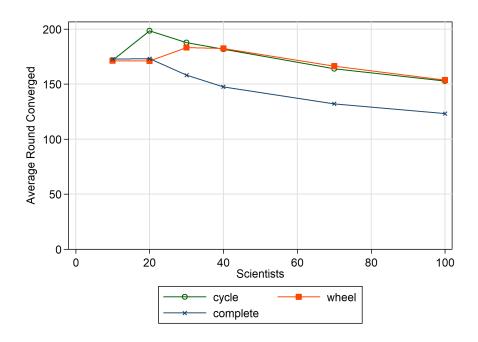


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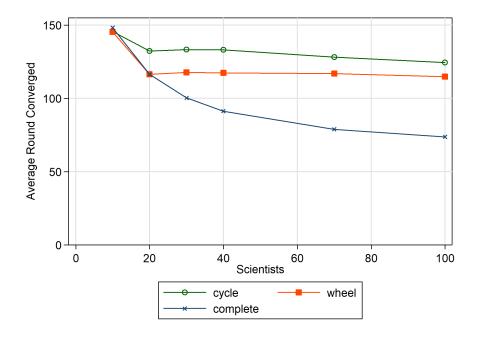


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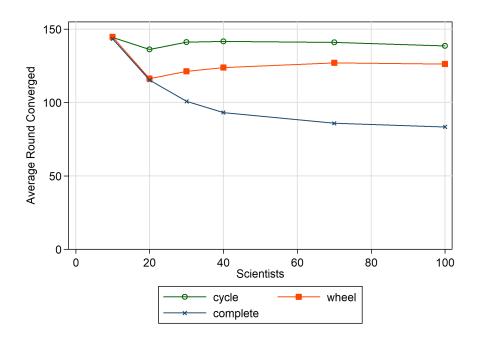


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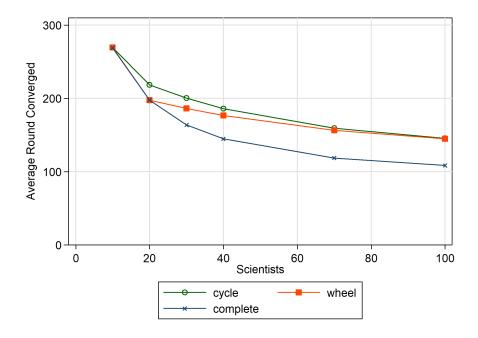


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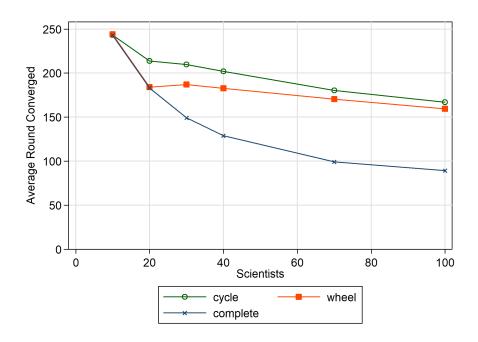


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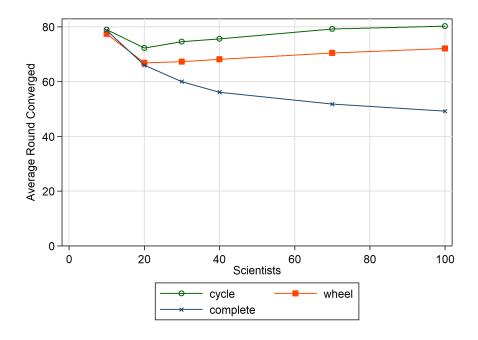


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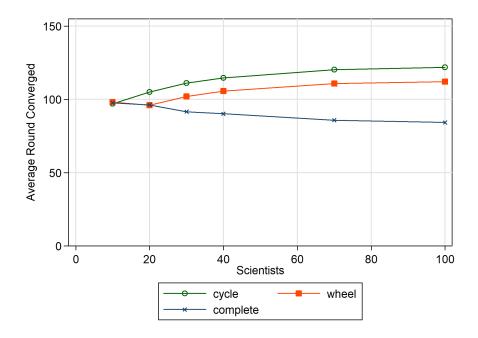


Figure 16: Time needed for convergence by agents who employ assessment N, with temporal threshold of 10 and epistemic threshold of 0.9, on the easy landscape.

# 2 Difficult landscape

#### 2.1 Success of agents on the difficult landscape

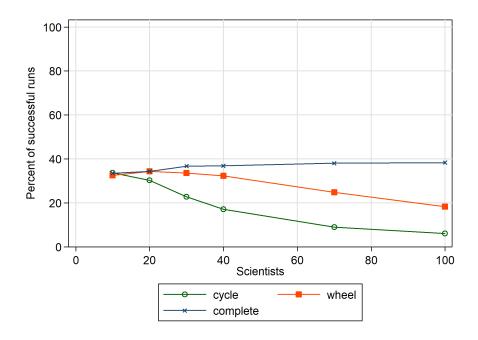


Figure 17: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment D, with no thresholds, on the difficult landscape.

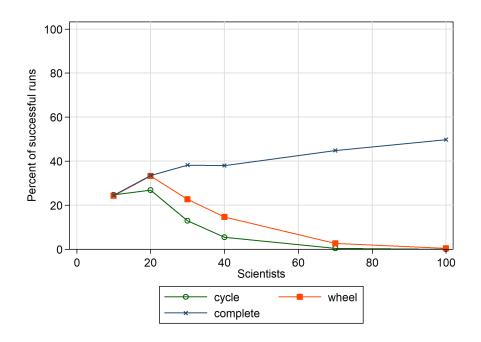


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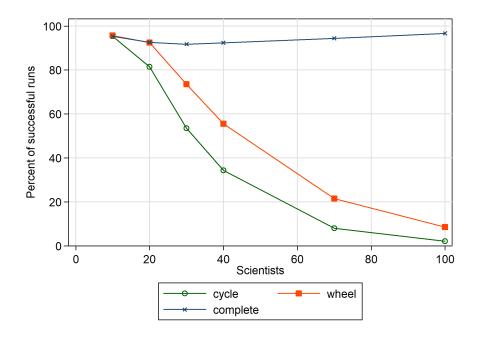


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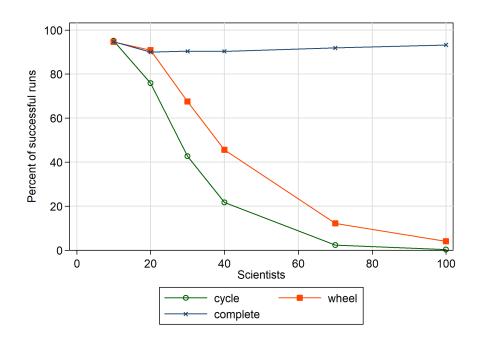


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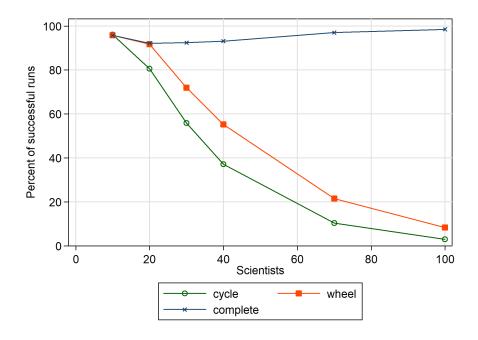


Figure 21: Percentage of successful runs by agents who employ assessment M, with no thresholds, on the difficult landscape.

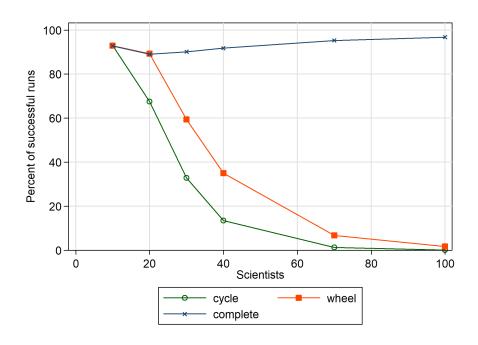


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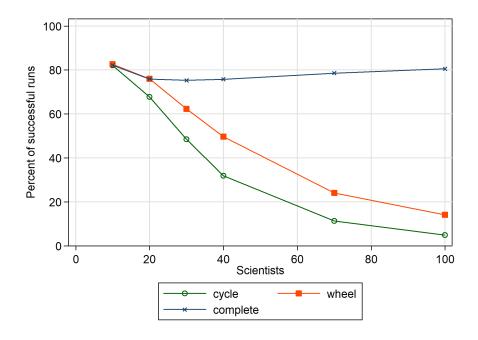


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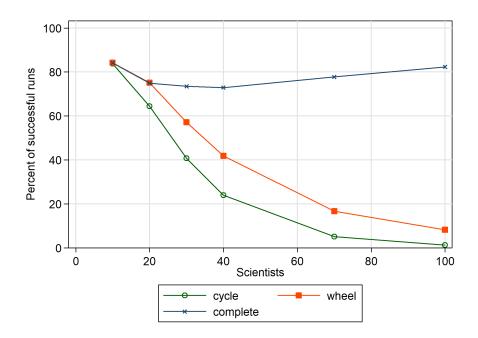


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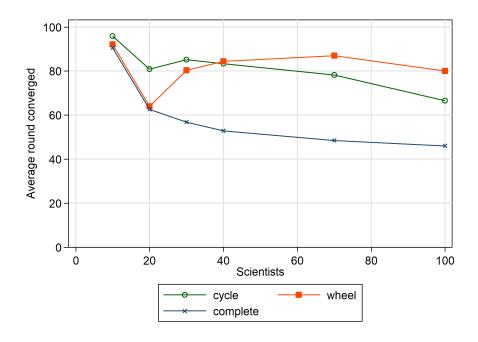


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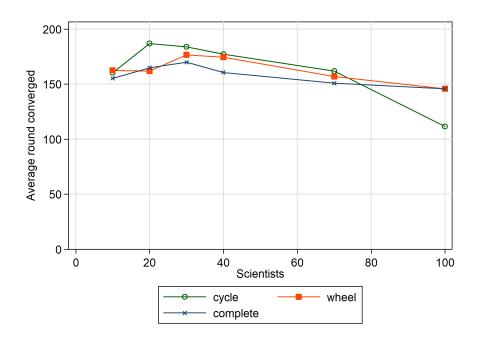


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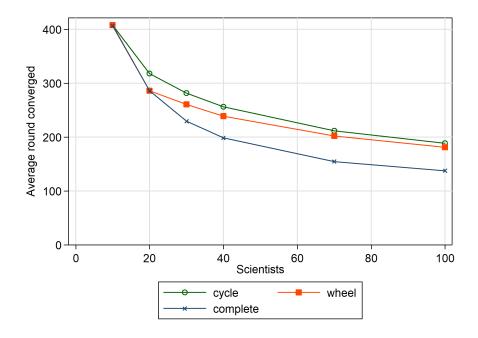


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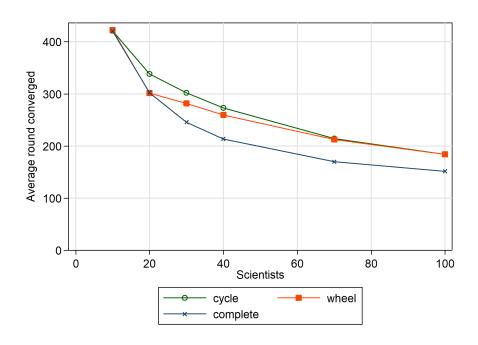


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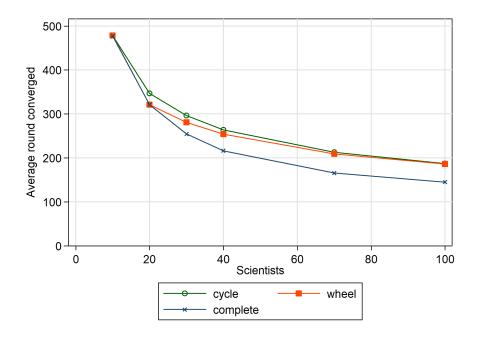


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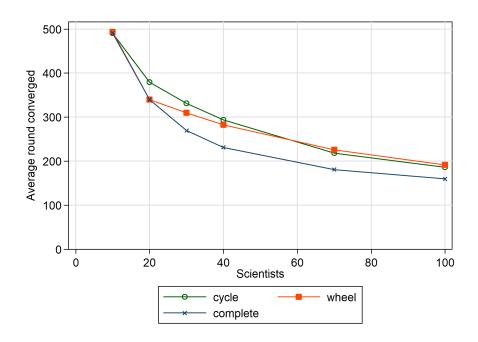


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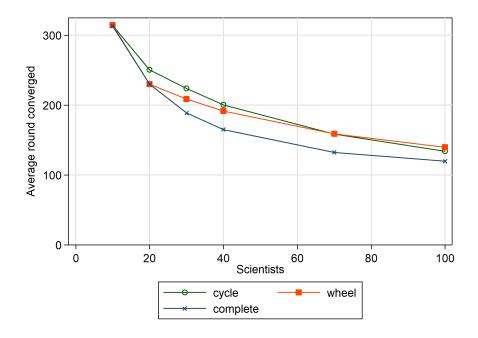


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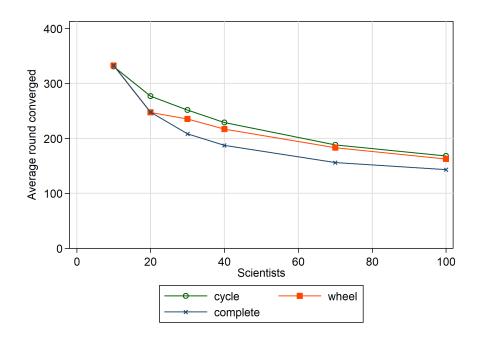


Figure 32: Time needed for convergence by agents who employ assessment N, with temporal threshold of 10 and epistemic threshold of 0.9, on the difficult landscape.