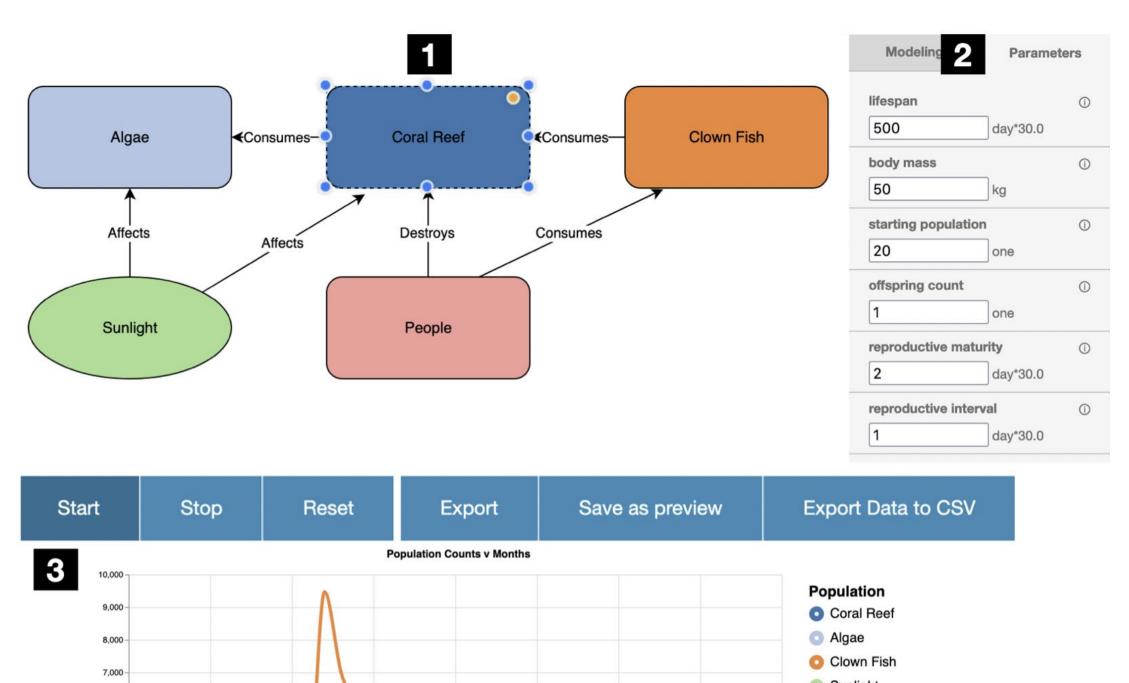
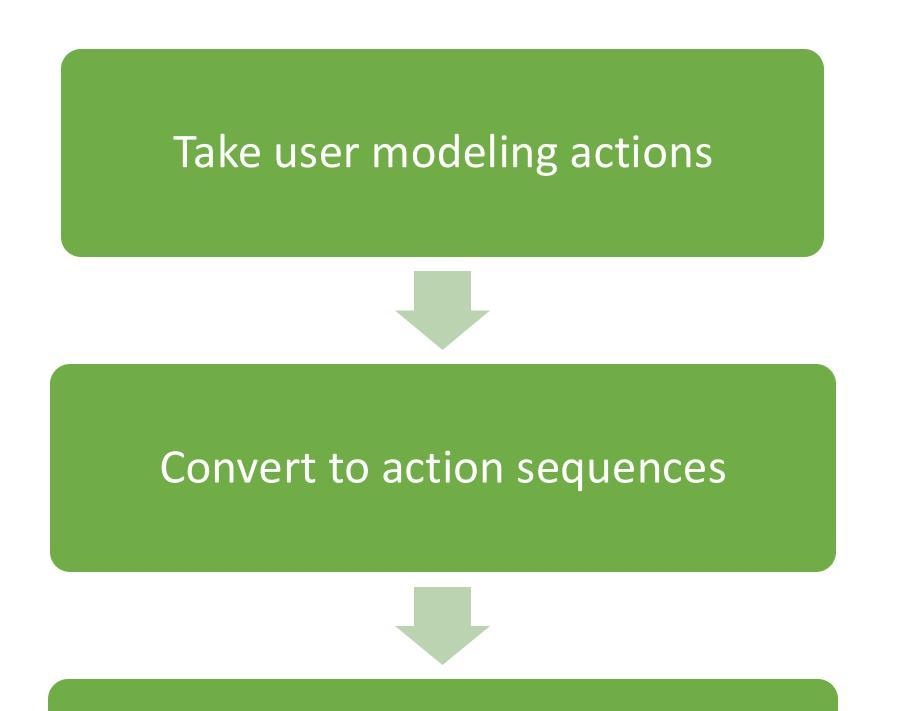
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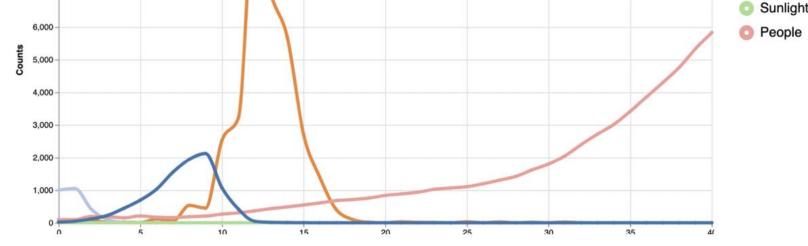


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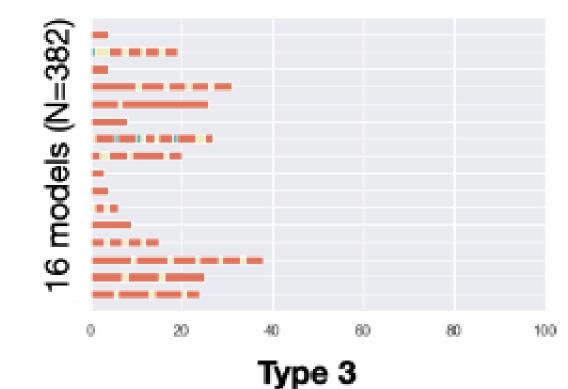
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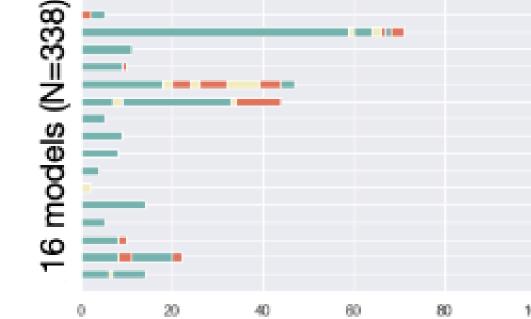




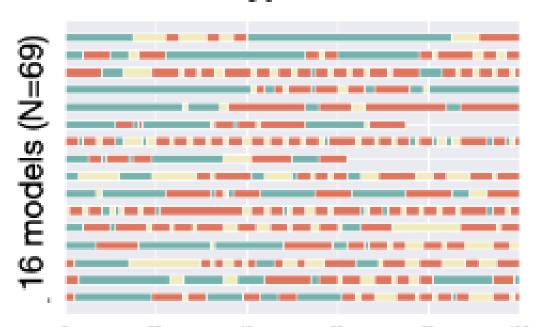


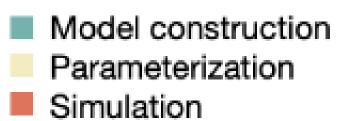
Type 1





Type 2





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Find string edit distance to closest user type cluster

Offer personalized feedback to nudge users toward exploration

Encourage users to plan, and then reflect on their actions

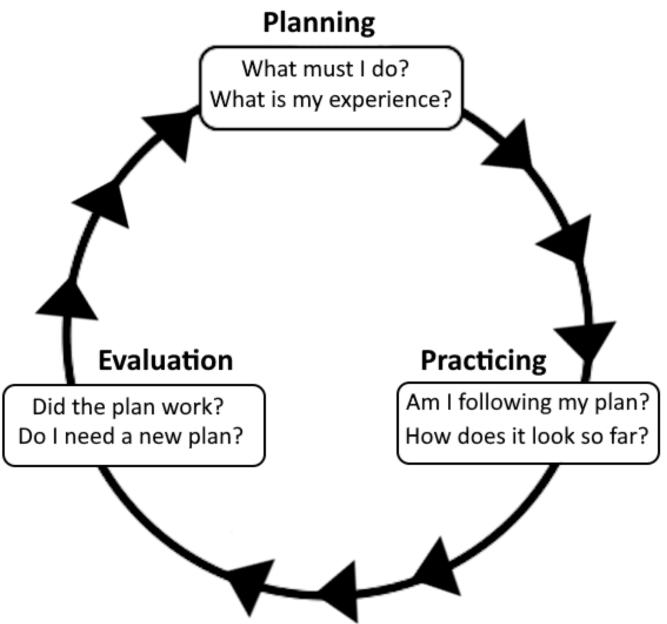
## **User Clusters**

**Observers**: Mainly simulated the model and did not make changes

**Constructors:** Mostly added new nodes to the model but did not parameterize or simulate

**Full Explorer**: Engaged in a balance of all three activities

#### **Self-Directed Learning Cycle**



- 1. **Planning**, as found in the self-regulated learning cycle, is a process that occurs fully in the mind. For this reason, we do not have action logs that correspond to the planning phase.
- 2. **Practicing**, in the self-regulated learning cycle is when a learner is taking steps toward completing their plan. This corresponds to constructors who focus solely on the practice step of the cycle by only constructing within VERA.

3. Evaluation, typically occurs after the learner has taken steps toward their goal in the self-regulated learning cycle. Observers in VERA are continuously evaluating their current model by simulating without planning or practicing.

**Self-Directed Learning promotes greater learning and life outcomes!** 

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