Business Meeting 2018

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- **Proceedings Chair:** Matt Kusner
- **Registration Chair:** Alejandro Molina

Review process

- Each paper was assigned 3 PC members and all were reviewed by <u>at least</u> 3 reviewers.

- Most reviewers were assigned 5 papers.

- Most SPCs were assigned 10 papers.

- Final decisions by co-chairs based on SPC + reviews, emergency reviews, discussion, reading.

- **Many thanks to**
  - 36 SPC members
 - 285 PC members (~35 helpers)

Some numbers

Year	Submissions	Accepted	Acceptance Rate
2018	337	104	0.31
2017	282	87	0.31
2016	275	85	0.31
2015	299	99	0.33
2014	292	94	0.32
2013	233	73	0.31
2012	304	95	0.31
2011	285	96	0.34
2010	260	88	0.34
2009	243	76	0.31
2008	256	72	0.28
2007	180	57	0.32
2006	213	68	0.32

Submissions By Primary Subject Area

Comparison to 2017

Principles 14%
Data 3%
Applications 13%
Methodology 7%
Models 13%
Representation 2%
Algorithms 10%
Learning 38%
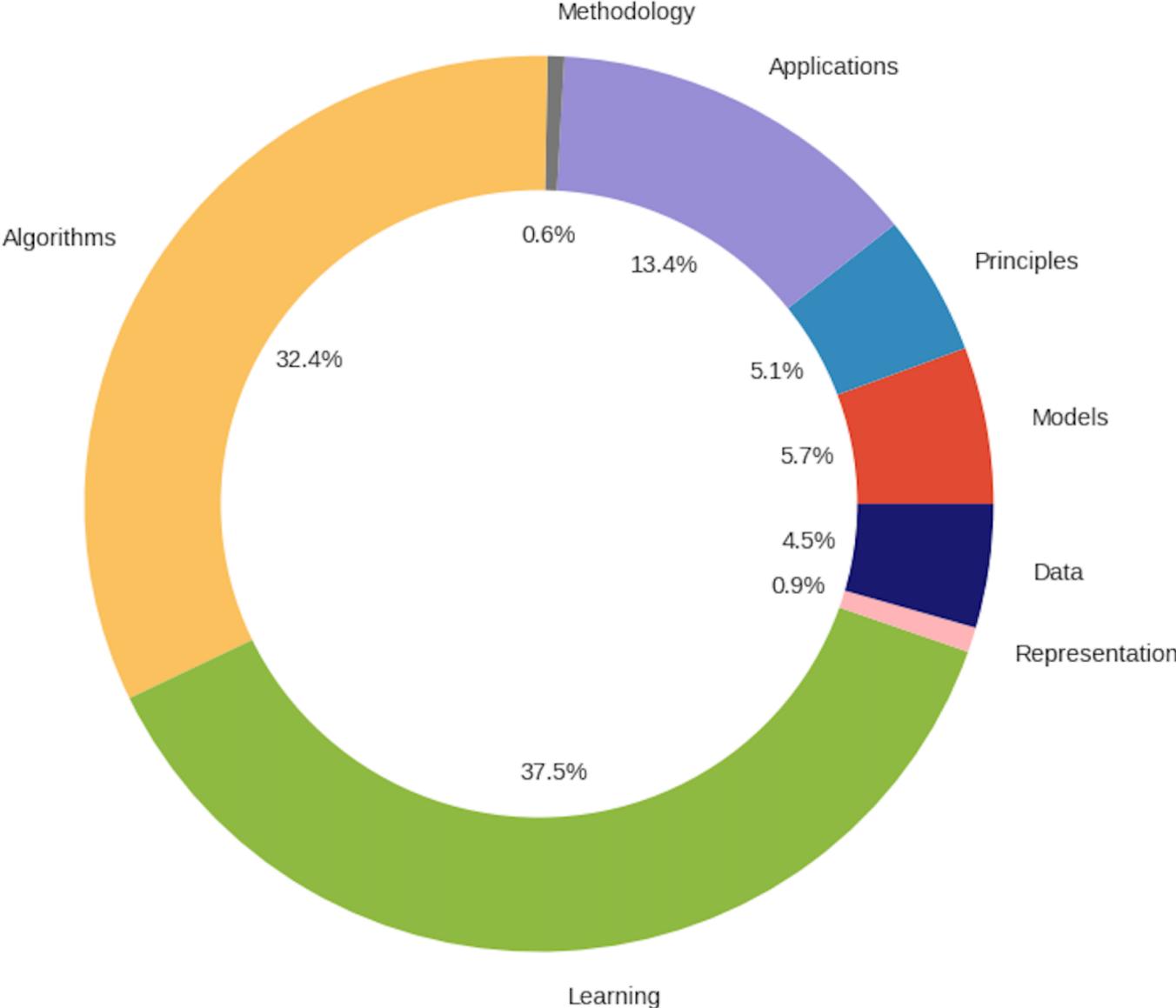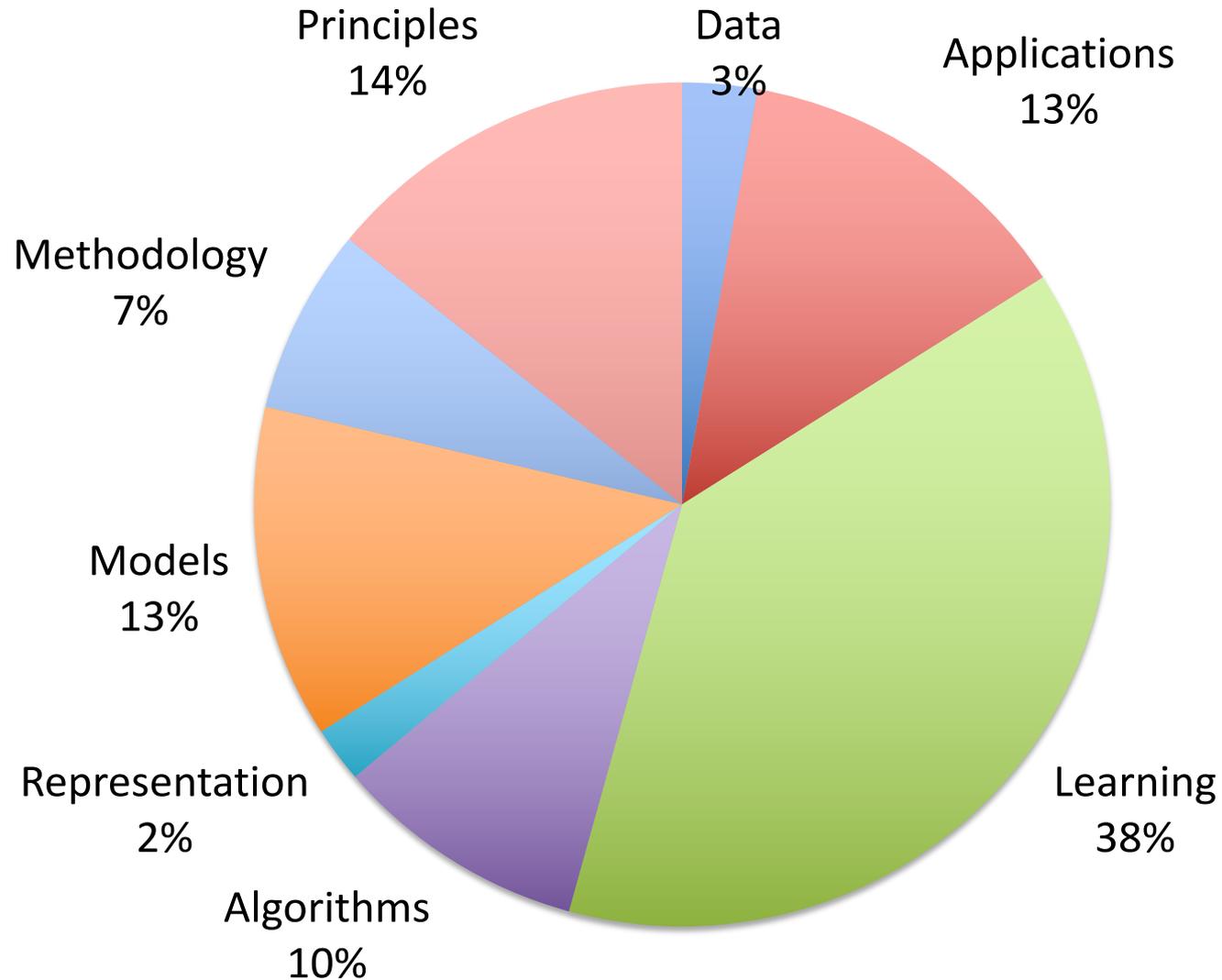
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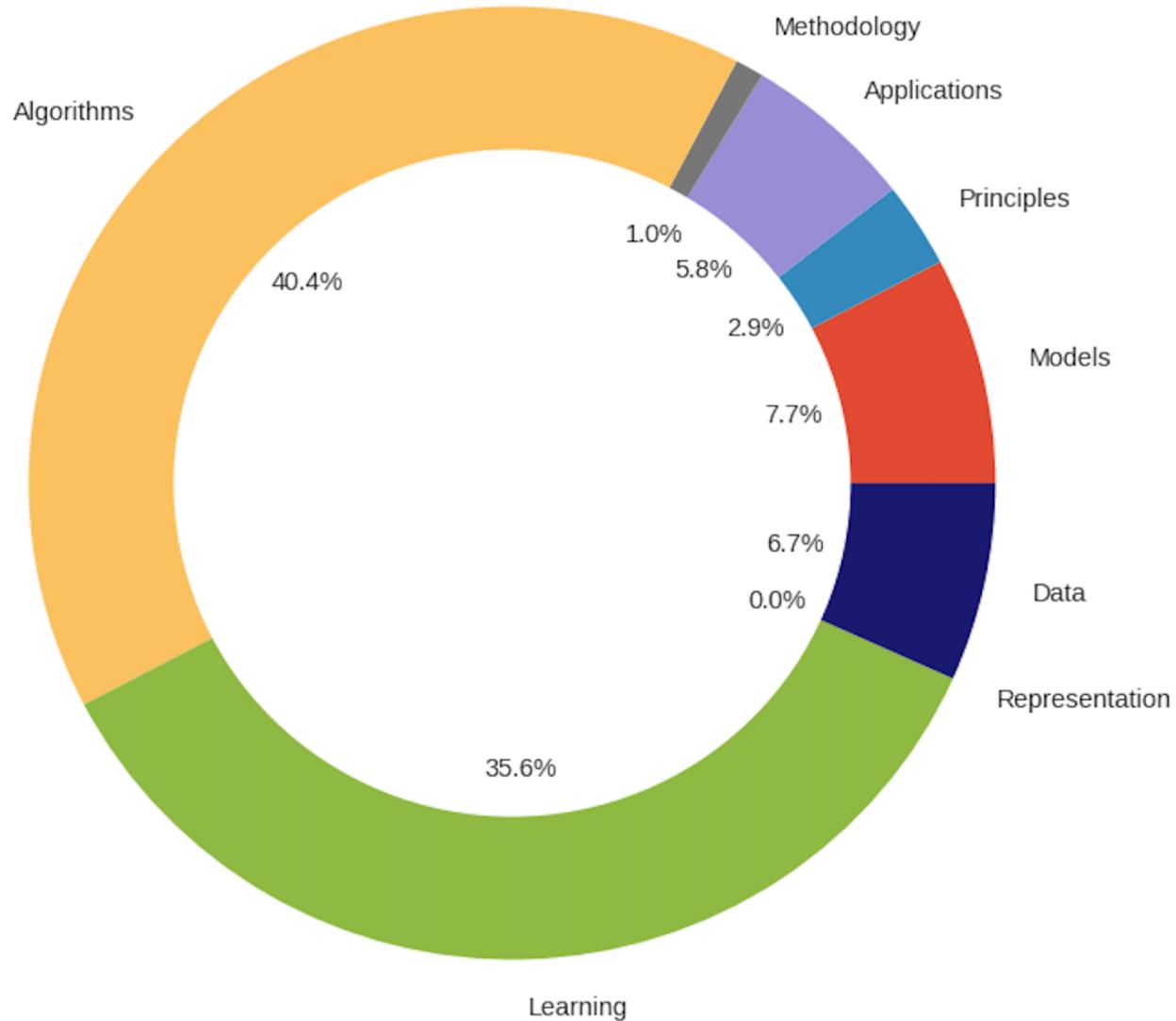
Submissions By All Subject Areas
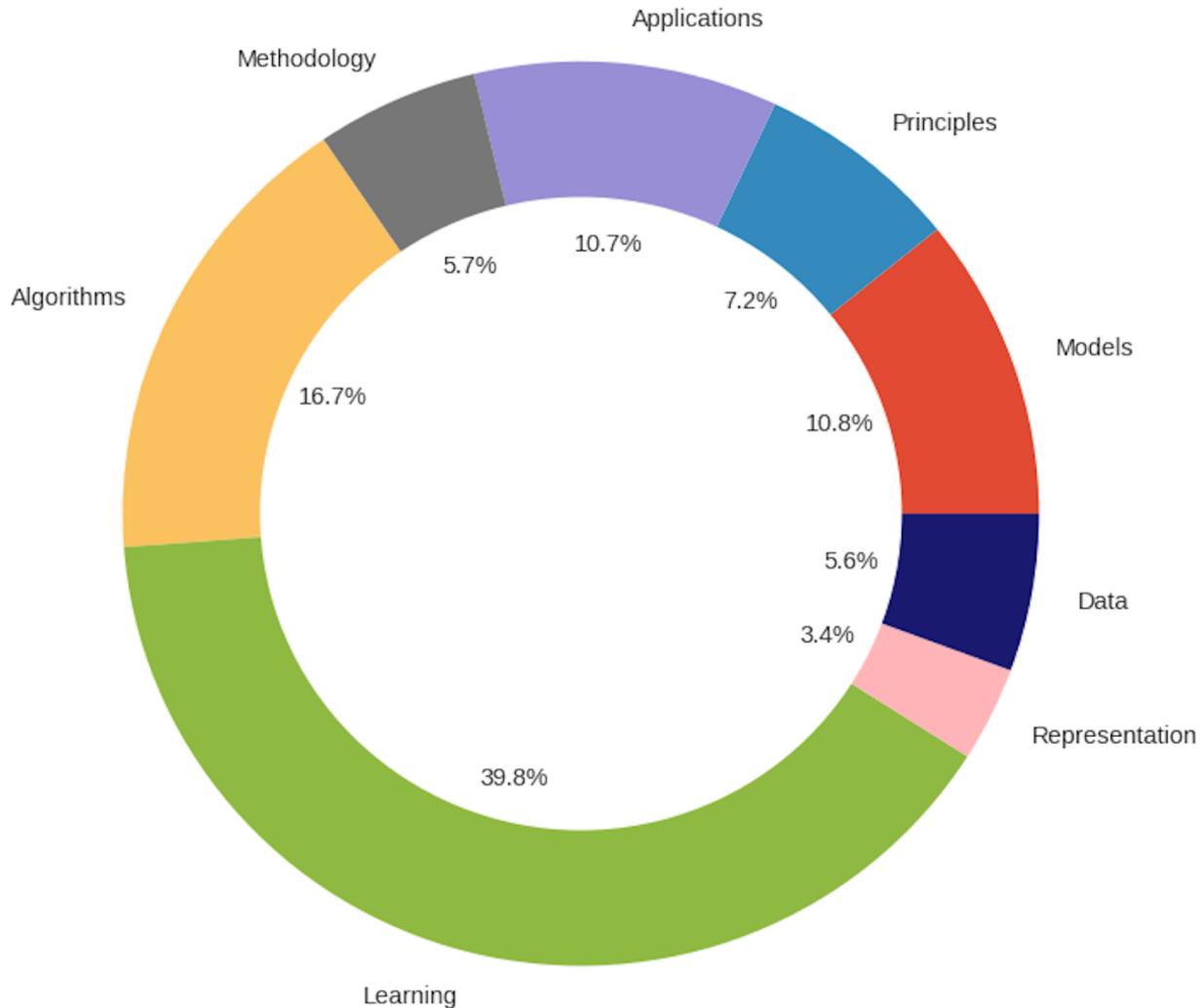
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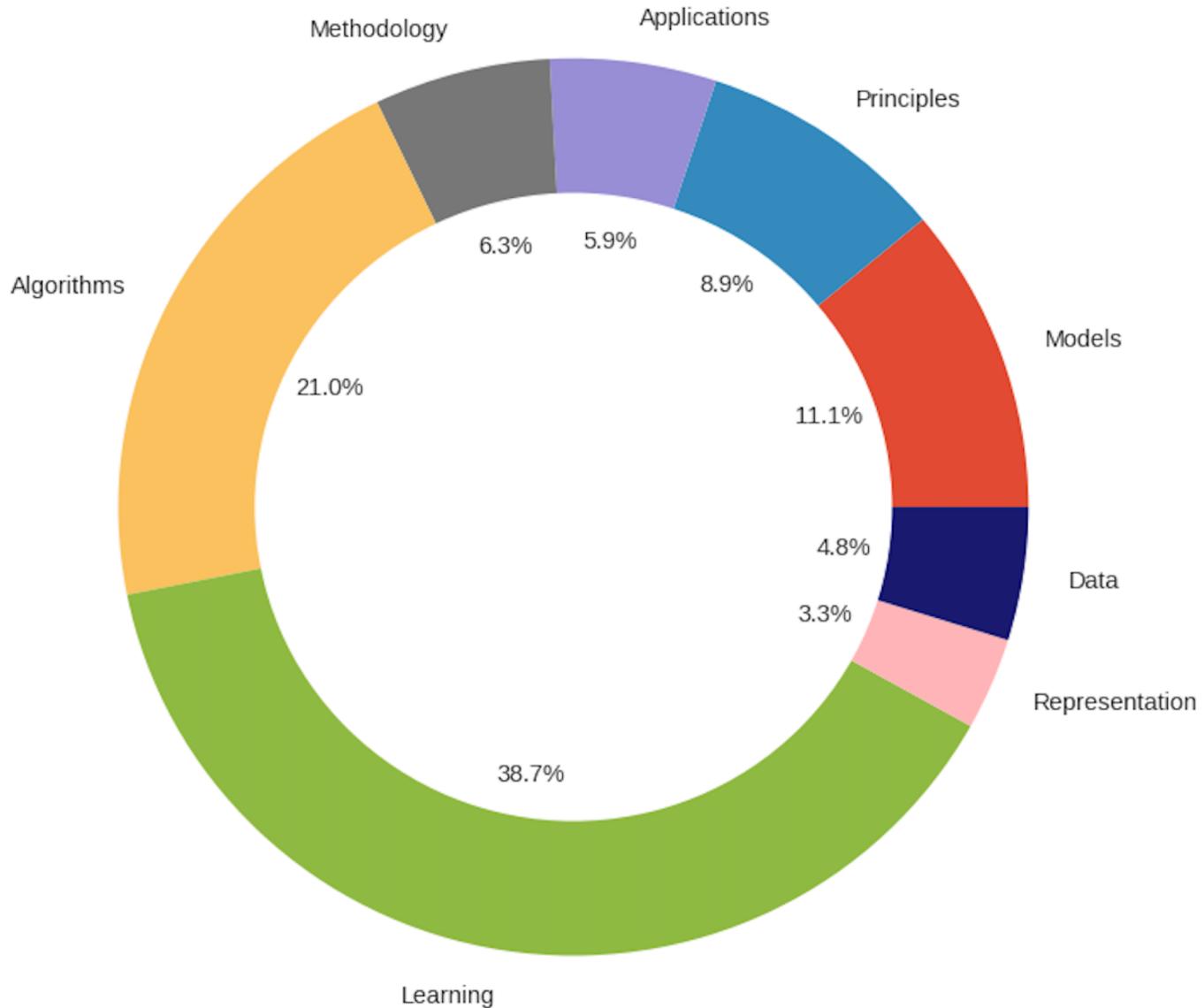
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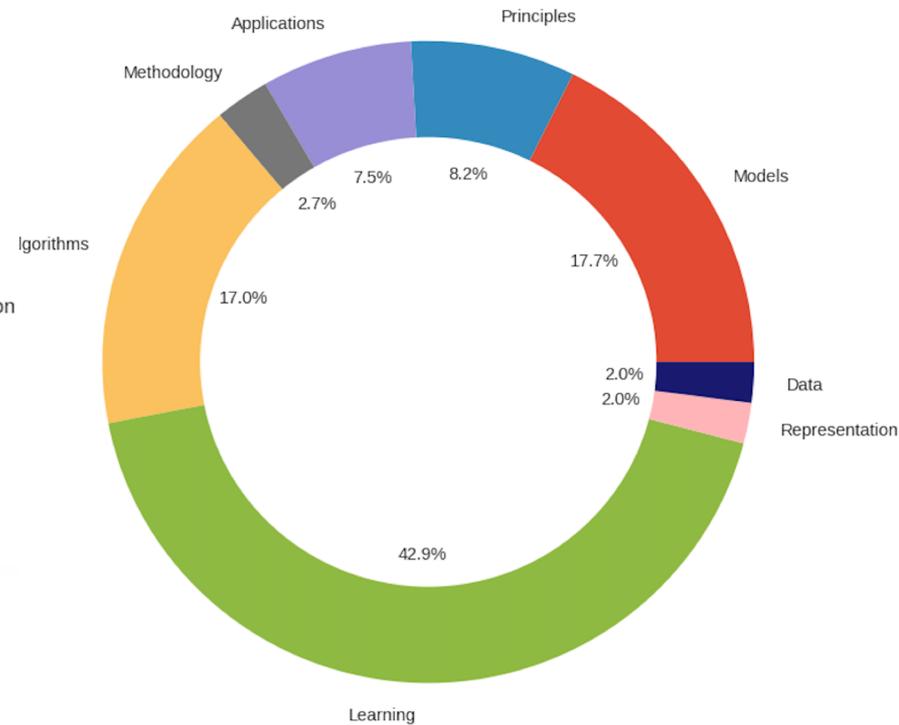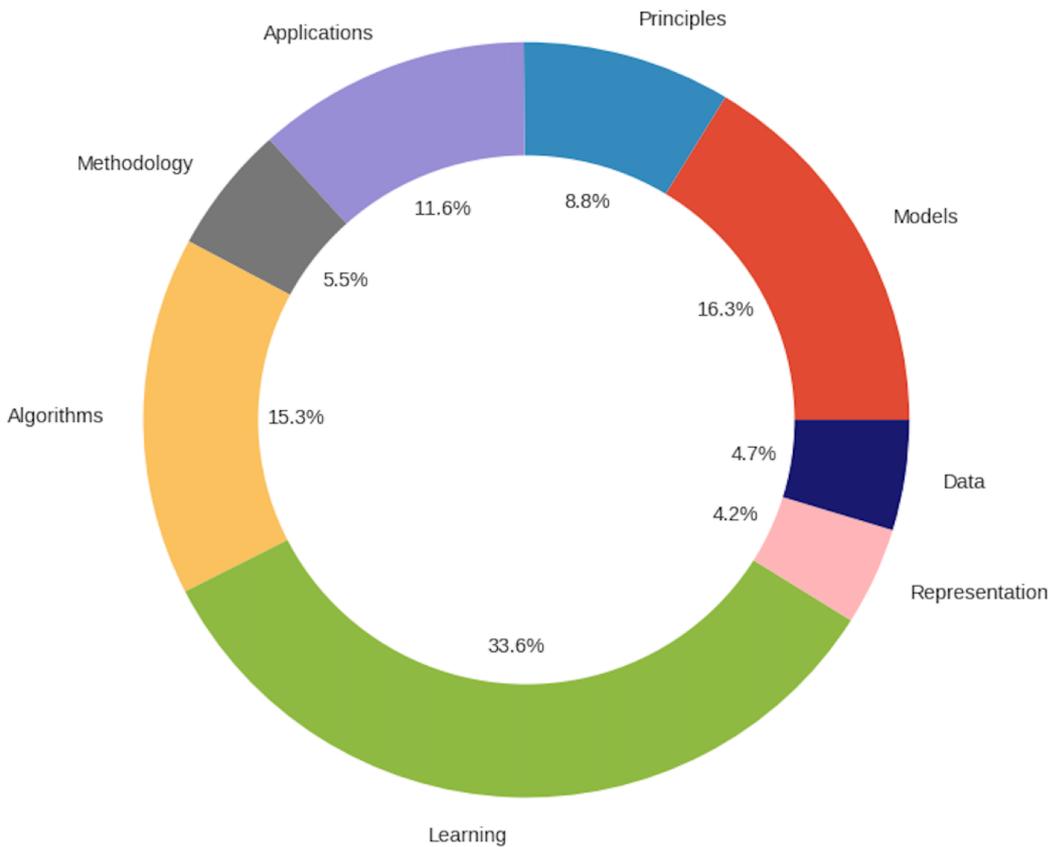
Acceptance Rates By Subject Area

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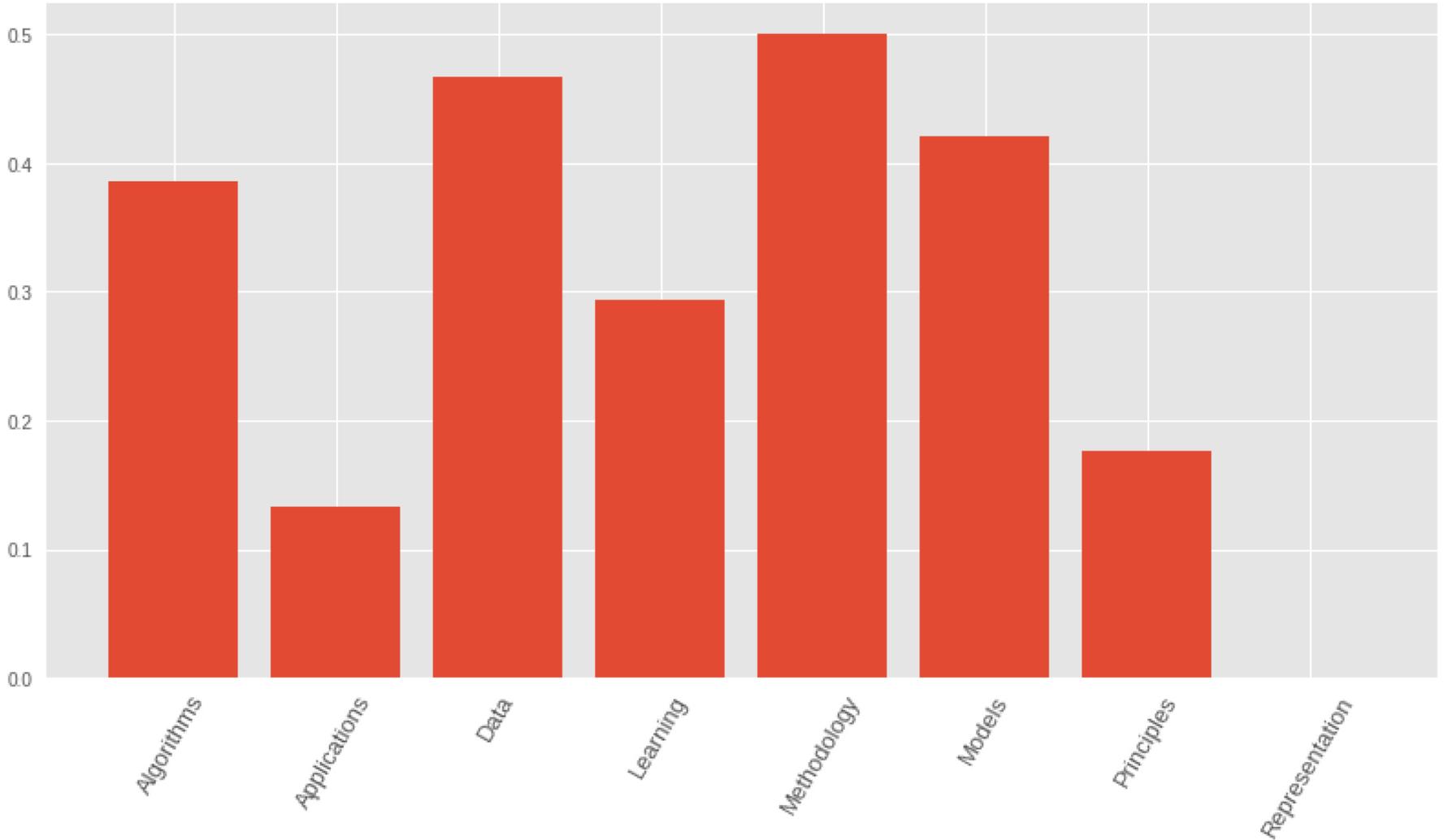
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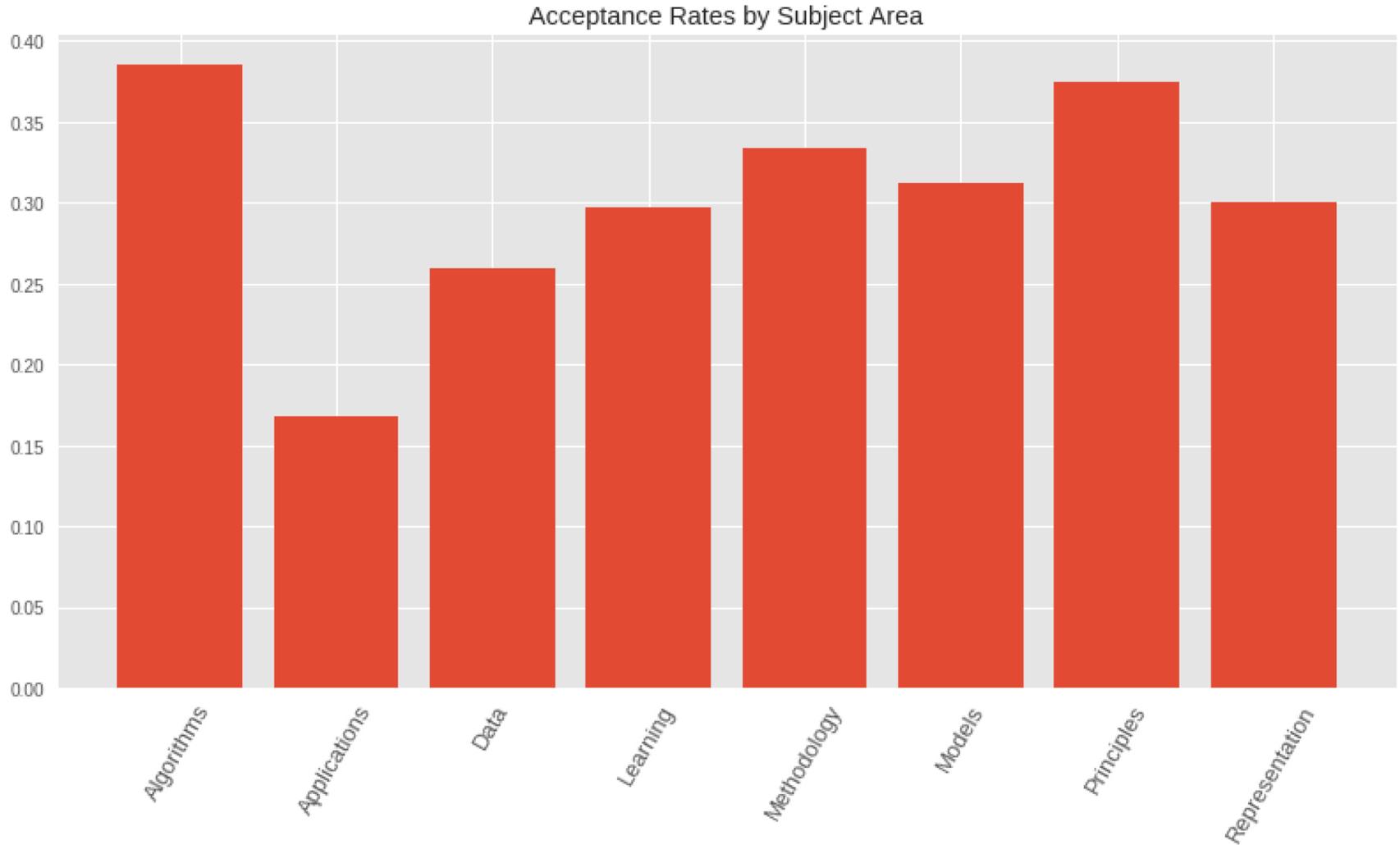
Finances

	2012 Cat.Isl.	2013 Bell.	2014 QC	2015 Ams	2016 NJ	2017 Sydney	2018 Monterey
#Papers	95	73	94	99	85	87	104
Reg. fees	$60K	$65K	$40K	$64K	$89K	$69k	$130K*
Sponsor $	$27K	$27K	$27K	$24K	$26.7K	$31k	$50k
#Sponsors	6	8	7	7	5	7	9
$ Schol	$10K	$7.8K	$7.8	$8.8K	$6.9K	$9k	$13.8
# Schol	32	36	27	26	30	20	32
Reg. Total	220	225	186	221	~ 220	202	358
Students %	30%	38%	47%	43%	39%	38%	39%

* Includes MLTrain

Registrants by Location
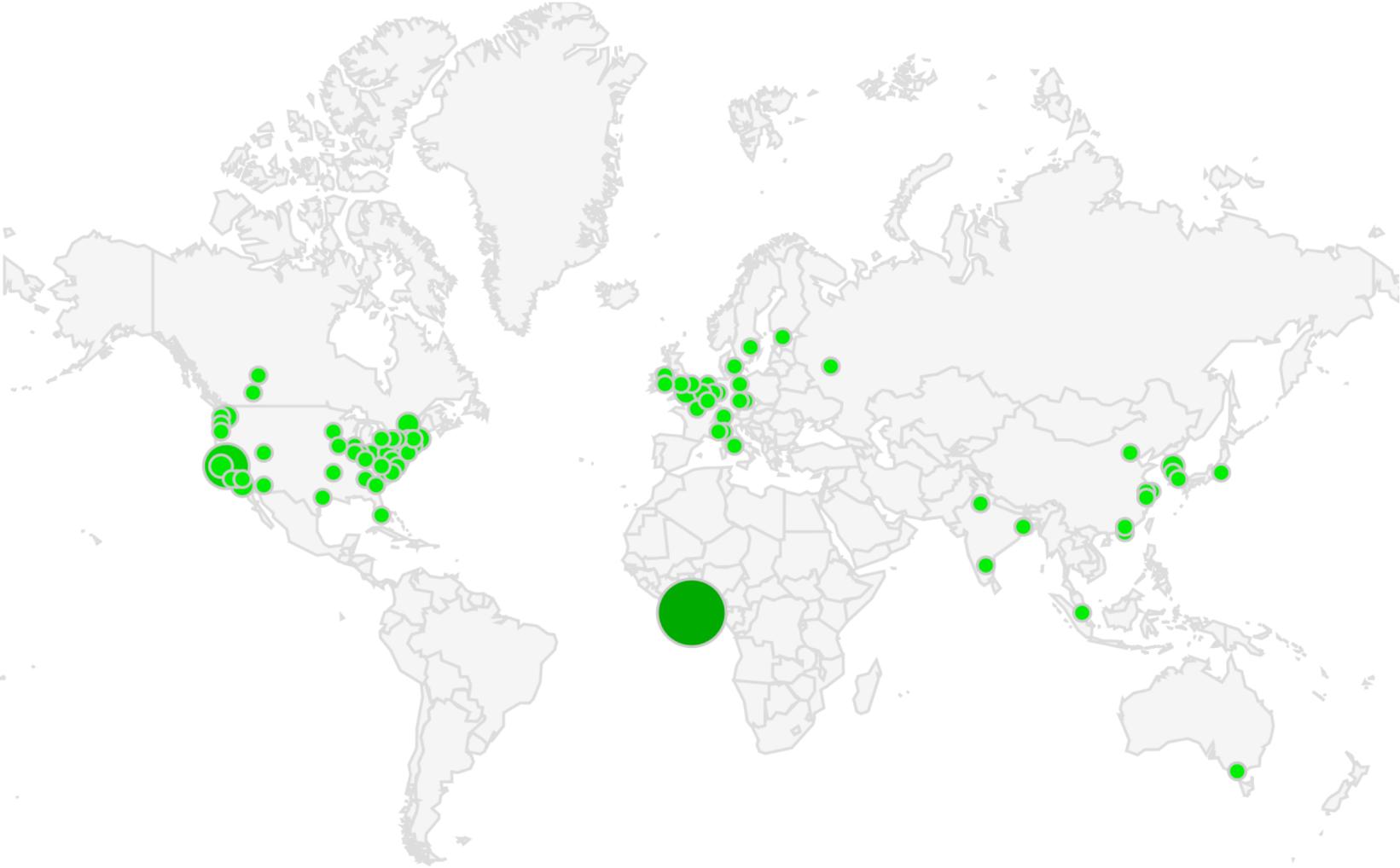
Registration Visitors by Location

Registration by type

1 (0.3%)
2 (0.6%)
12 (3.4%)
40 (11.3%)
56 (15.8%)
172 (48.5%)
72 (20.3%)
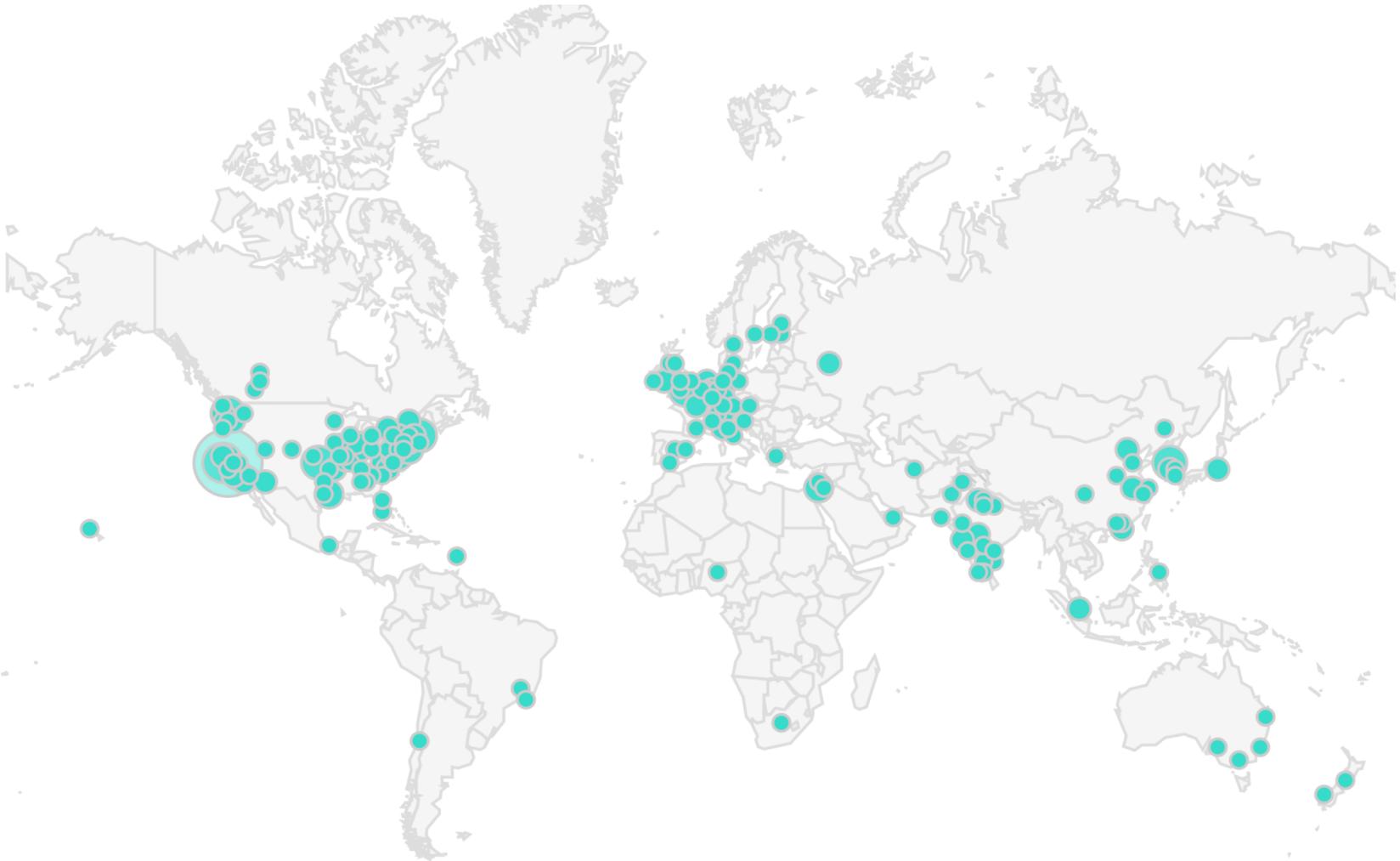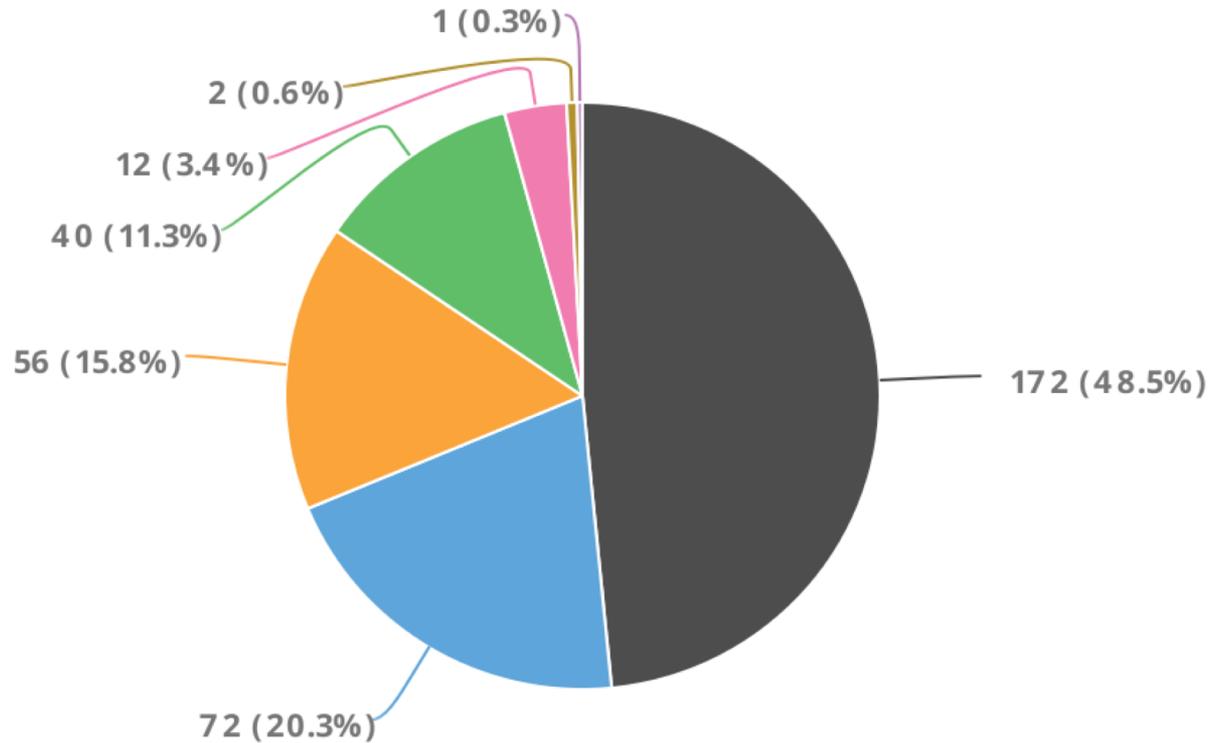
- Main Conference, Tutorials, and Workshops
- Main Conference & Tutorials (no Workshops)
- Main Conference & Workshops (no Tutorials)
- Workshops Only
- No Registration (for MLTrain Only)
- Tutorials Only
- Tutorials & Workshops Only (No Main Conference)

Workshop Registrations
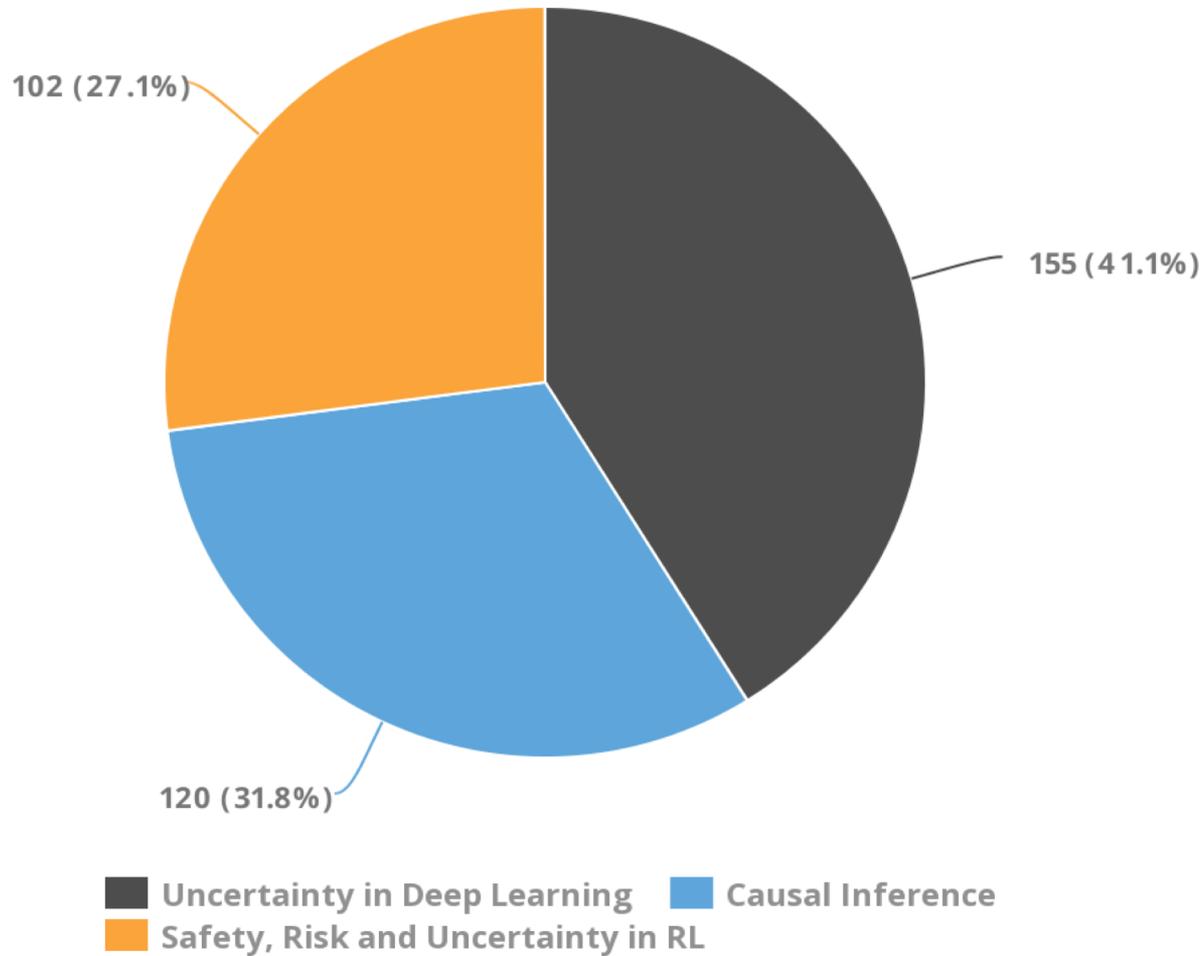
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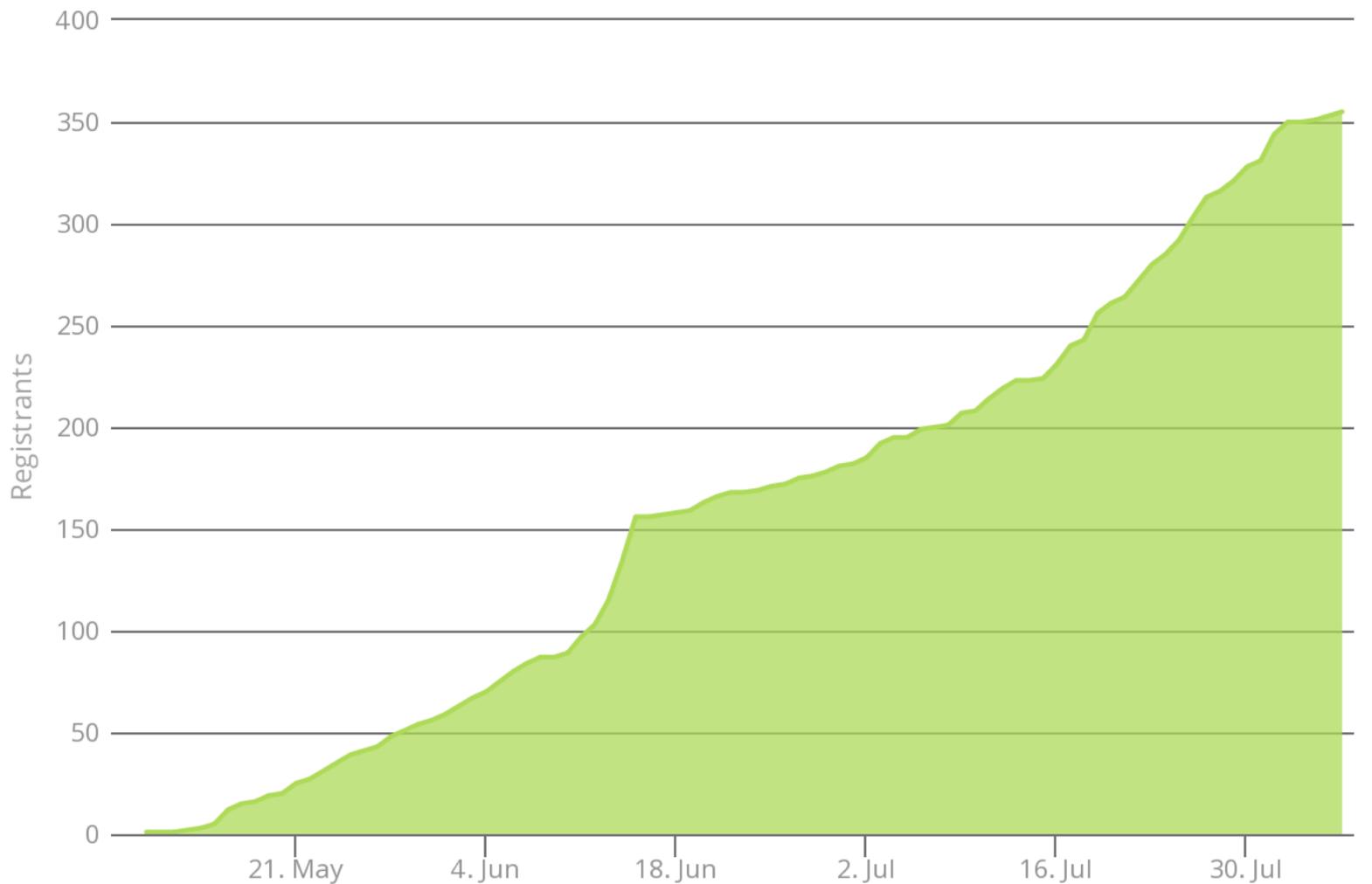
Registration fees

Main Conference

	Early	Reg.	Late	Early Stu	Student	Late Stu	
Monterey 2018	575	725	850	350	475	600	(US$)
Sydney 2017	525	675	800	300	430	425	(US$)
Jersey City 2016	550	600	700	250	300	350	(US$)
Amsterdam 2015	360	460	560	180	230	280	(Euro)
Quebec City 2014	320	420	500	160	210	250	(Euro)
Bellevue 2013	380	460	500	180	260	300	(US$)
Catalina 2012	320	400	480	160	200	240	(US$)

Workshops

	Early	Reg.	Late	Early Stu	Student	Late Stu	
Monterey 2018	175	225	275	125	150	175	(US$)
Sidney 2017	150	200	250	100	125	150	(US$)
Jersey City 2016	120	150	180	100	125	150	(US$)
Amsterdam 2015	100	140	180	50	70	90	(Euro)
Quebec City 2014	70	100	120	35	50	60	(Euro)

UAI 2019

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Program Chairs: **TBA**

Location considerations:

- Colocation with large conferences probably not suitable, but are there other events to take into consideration (e.g. Machine Learning Summer School)?

- Move 'away' from locations where ICML/IJCAI are located?

- Proposals are still open ended (Europe or Israel, North America for specific places like Toronto – can we get logistics support from non-profits like universities, Vector Institute etc.?)

Open Discussion

- Submission deadline:
  - Our objective function was to maximize gap wrt ICML subject to releasing results before the NIPS deadline. Getting harder as NIPS keeps anticipating deadline. Keep it?
  - Dual submission / withdrawal might help to relax this if necessary (ICML will be earlier next year though. But will also NIPS?)
- Conference program:
  - Workshops, yes/no? Invitation only proposals?
  - Spotlights removed, any appetite for them?
- Using OpenReview:
  - Again, some glitches but also extremely responsive team
  - Discussion facilities somewhat underused, but more incentives could have been given (emails etc.)
  - Making reviews of accepted papers public? Public comments?