

# TAMUHACK

## Reflection & Statistics

We are proud to wrap up **TAMUhack 2018**, our fourth hackathon at Texas A&M University! This year, we boasted over 500 hackers, 40 mentors, 30 volunteers, and 10 organizers, all who took on their own challenges and projects throughout the course of the event.

Like last year, we wanted to show how we have been growing as an organization and as a community. We are always curious to learn about different factors that contribute to a successful hackathon, so that the next iteration of TAMUhack is better than ever before.

Here are some highlights from 2018:

- **500+ hackers came from 35 schools** across the nation, which is 6 more schools than last year
- **Continued representation** of STEM and non-STEM majors with a variety of educational and hackathon experience
- **Increase in participation of minorities**, particularly women, Hispanic/Latino White, and Black/African American participants

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Thank you to our hackers, sponsors, volunteers, partners, mentors, and judges for making **TAMUhack 2018** a great success. We look forward to seeing you at TAMUhack 2019!

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# Education—Schools

TAMUhack hosted students from all over the nation from our local **Aggies** to students at **Georgia Tech**! The majority came from within Texas, including students from UT Austin, UT Dallas, and the University of Houston. We have the biggest Hackathon in Texas based on project submissions, boasting **over 100 demos**!

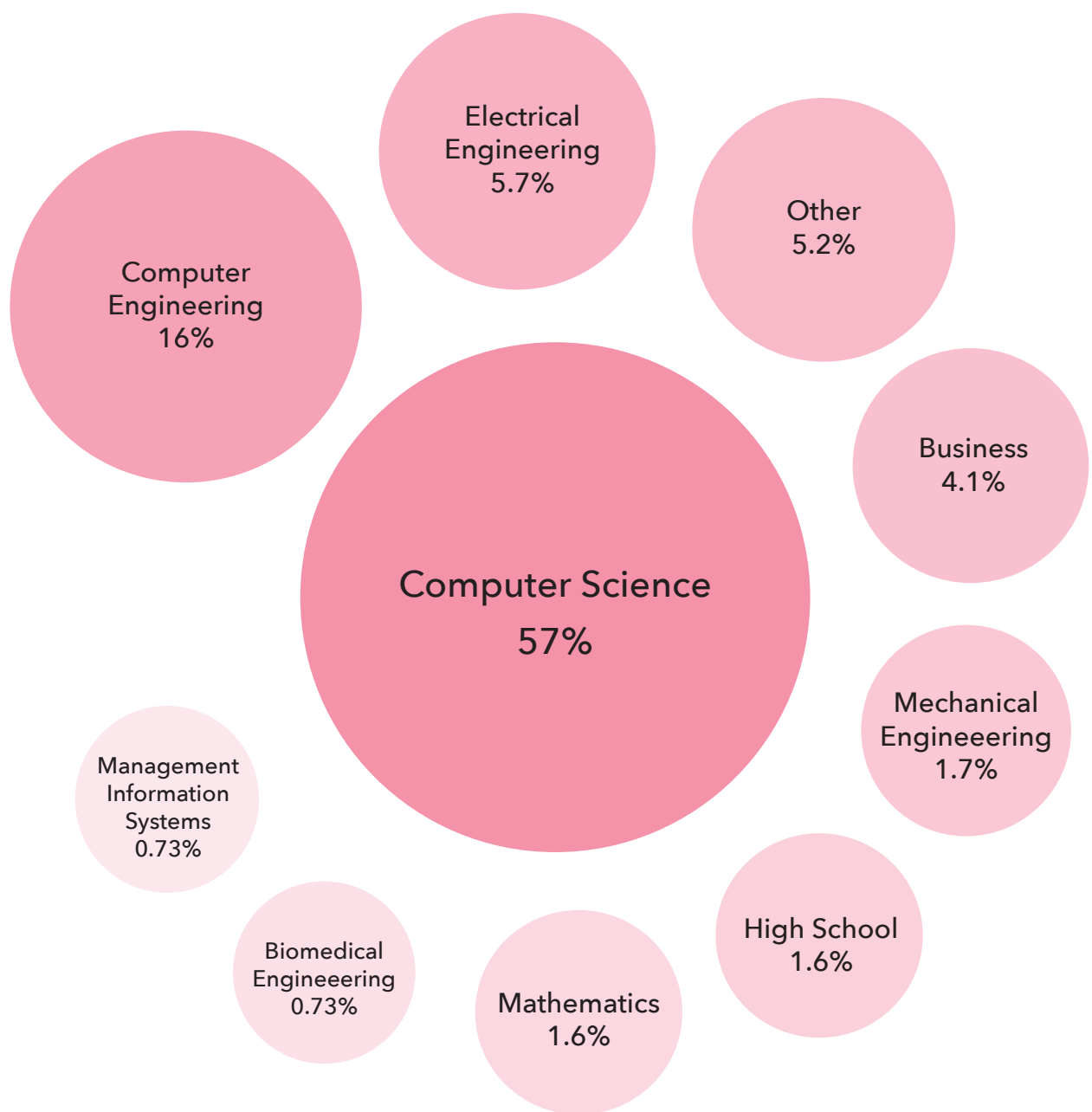
We are proud of how much we have grown in the past couple of years and look forward to making TAMUhack accessible to even more schools!



# Education—Majors

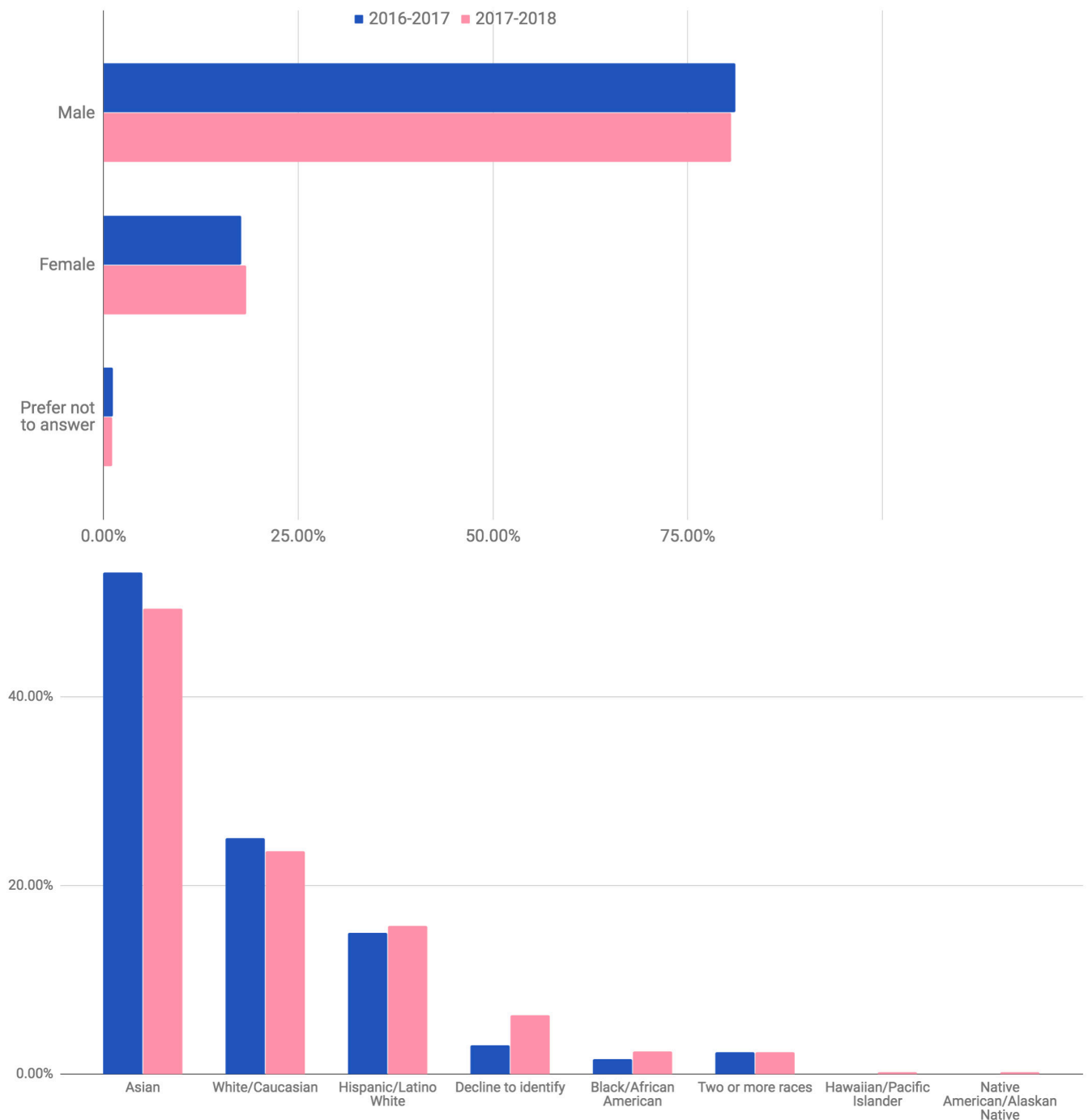
TAMUhack 2018 hosted hackers from a variety of majors and educational backgrounds. While STEM majors (specifically Computer Science) formed a majority of the distribution, we had hackers studying **Computer Science**, **Mechanical Engineering**, and even **Business** and **Nursing**!

It was great to see so many interdisciplinary projects and we will continue to advertise TAMUhack to other departments to maintain this innovative, diverse community.



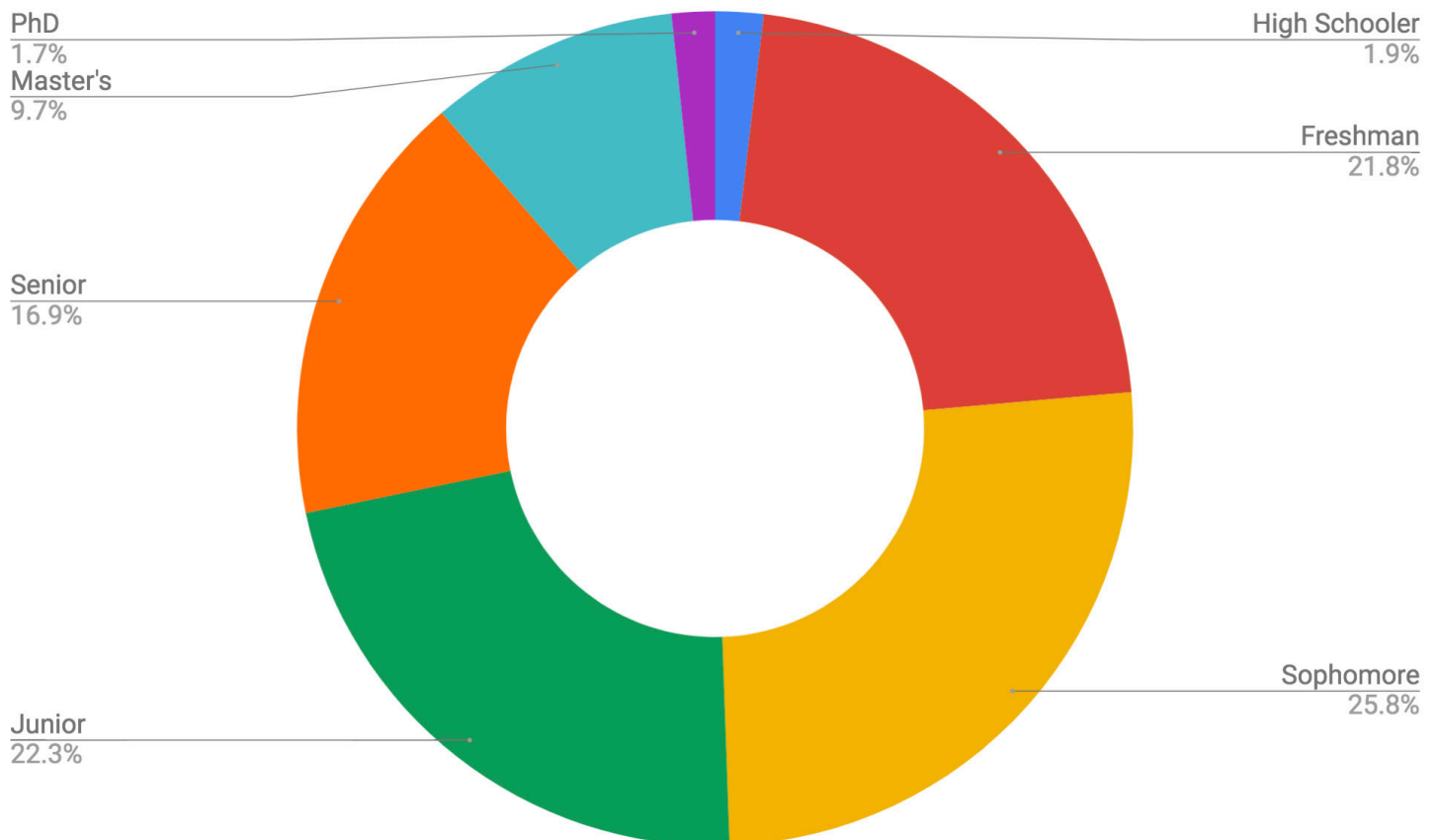
# Diversity—Gender & Race

Although the gender imbalance at TAMUhack 2018 persisted, we did see an **increase in women and minority group participants**, particularly Hispanic/Latino White and Black/African American hackers! We are continuing our efforts to increase participation from minority groups by organizing more events, reaching out to departments with better minority representation, and motivating high schoolers to pursue technical majors in college.



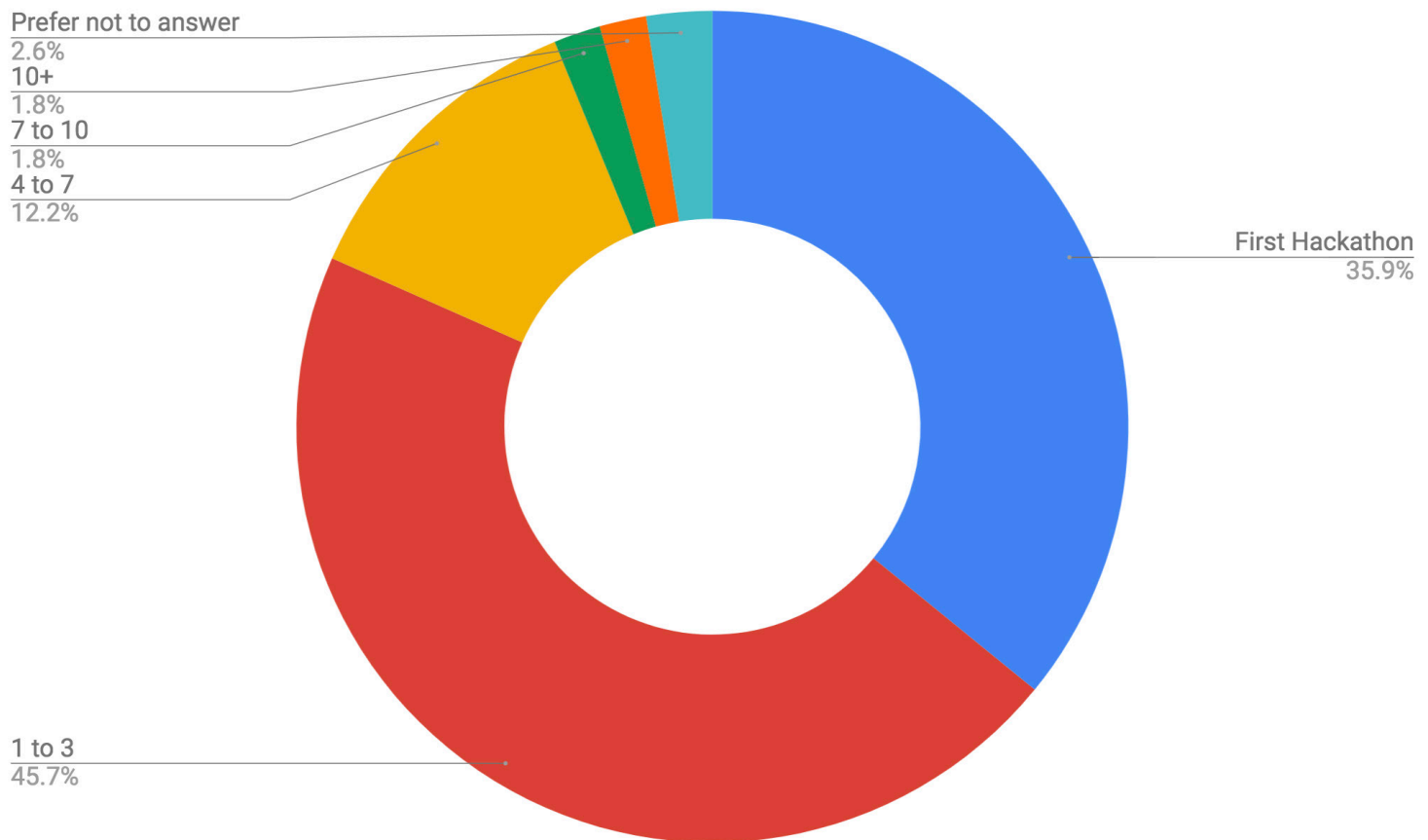
# Experience—Classification

Our efforts to reach out to underclassmen continue to show in our participant demographics. In addition to encouraging underclassmen, upperclassmen, and graduate students, we invited **high schoolers** to apply and experience the hackathon community at TAMUhack this year! This turned out to be a great opportunity for students to exchange information and learn from each other and we will continue to encourage everyone to apply.



# Experience—Hackathons

TAMUhack strives to create a welcoming environment for **first-time hackers** and we could not have asked for a better distribution of first-timers and experienced hackers. We host **workshops** and **tech talks** to give hackers the opportunity to learn from both mentors and their peers as they build new and unique projects. For the upcoming year, we will be hosting even more workshops leading up to **TAMUhack 2019**! We value each and every applicant because they make TAMUhack the collaborative and supportive community our team envisions.



# Conclusion

Every year, we try to make TAMUhack **more inclusive** than the previous. This year, we're partnering with many diversity student organizations at A&M like Women in Computer Science and Society of Hispanic and Black Engineers. Our goal is to create a safe and open environment where anyone, regardless of their major or background, is able to creatively express themselves through technology.

This entire endeavor would not be possible without our hackers, sponsors, volunteers, partners, mentors, and judges. Thank you for the overwhelming support and we look forward to seeing you at TAMUhack 2019!

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