

Call for Papers The 9th Asian Conference on Machine Learning November 15 - 17, 2017, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea

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The 9th Asian Conference on Machine Learning (ACML 2017) will take place on November 15 - 17, 2017 at Baekyang Hall of Yonsei University campus, Seoul, Korea. We invite professionals and researchers to discuss research results and ideas in machine learning. We seek original and novel research papers resulting from theory and experiment of machine learning. The conference also solicits proposals focusing on disruptive ideas and paradigms within the scope. We encourage submissions from all parts of the world, not only confined to the Asia-Pacific region.

#### **Conference Scope**

#### **Publications**

Topics of interest include but are not limited to: Learning problems Active learning Bayesian machine learning Deep learning, latent variable models **Dimensionality reduction** Feature selection Graphical models Learning for big data Learning in graphs Multiple instance learning Multi-objective learning Multi-task learning Semi-supervised learning Sparse learning Structured output learning Supervised learning **Online** learning Transfer learning Unsupervised learning Analysis of learning systems

Computational learning theory Experimental evaluation Knowledge refinement Reproducible research Statistical learning theory **Applications** Bioinformatics

**Biomedical information** Collaborative filtering Healthcare Computer vision Human activity recognition Information retrieval Natural language processing Social networks Web search Learning in knowledgeintensive systems Knowledge refinement and theory revision Multi-strategy learning Other systems

# We are running two publication tracks following the last year's practice: authors may submit either to the conference track, for which the proceedings will be published as a volume of Journal of Machine Learning Research: Workshop and Conference Proceedings (JMLR W&CP) series, or to the journal track for which accepted papers will appear in a special issue of the Machine Learning Journal. Please note that submission arrangements for the two tracks are different.

#### Conference Track

Please be aware that ACML runs two submission rounds to the conference track: The first round can result in an Accept, Reject or Conditional Acceptance (i.e. subject to changes made by the second round) decision. There is no author rebuttal phase in this round. The second round has the more usual Accept or Reject outcomes and does include an author rebuttal phase.

Manuscripts must be written in English, be a maximum of 16 pages (including references, appendices etc.) and follow the JMLR W&CP style. If required supplementary material may be submitted as a separate file, but reviewers are not obligated to consider this, and your manuscript should therefore stand on its own merits without any supplementary material. Submissions must have all detail identifying the author(s) removed from the original manuscript.

Papers will be published in a dedicated volume of the JMLR Workshop & Conference Proceedings.

# Journal Track

In addition to the Conference Track, the Asian Conference on Machine Learning will be running a Journal Track. In order to ensure an efficient reviewing process, we encourage submissions of papers up to 20 pages. However papers accepted to the journal track must still be presented at the conference in order to be published. Therefore it must be possible to describe at least the major parts of your submission in a talk of around 20 minutes duration. The journal track will follow the reviewing process of the Machine Learning journal. This includes allowing papers that require minor changes to be resubmitted after a first round review. The Journal Track committee will aim to complete the reviewing process in time for this year's conference. In the unlikely event that the reviewing process for a paper could not be completed in time (for this year's conference), the paper will not be considered for the conference and the review will be completed with the paper considered as a regular submission to the Machine Learning journal.

### **Call for Workshops and Tutorials**

Workshops and tutorials will be held on Wednesday, November 15. The workshops will provide an excellent opportunity to address a specific machine learning related topic. We are looking for half-day or full-day workshop and tutorial proposals. For proposal format and submission, refer to the website.

# **Important Dates**

March 31, 2017
Journal Track Submission Deadline
May 10, 2017
Workshop and Tutorial Proposals
May 10, 2017
Early Submission Deadline
June 20, 2017
Early Notification Date
August 5, 2017
Final Submission Deadline
September 15, 2017
Final Notification Date
October 2, 2017
Final Manuscript Deadline

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