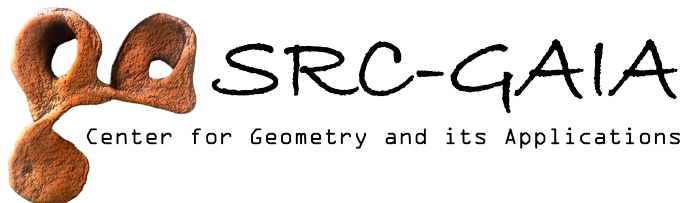


SoCG – Boston 2016

Why at Tufts downtown campus?

- privacy (at selected location)
- admin support
- near zero cost
- close to residences, hotels, restaurants...

Thank you to our sponsors!



Attendance: > 210

Regular: 103 (including invited, and 10 non-academic)

Young: 107 (27 postdoc, 63 PhD, 5 MS, 12 undergrad)

107/210: 51% young researchers (historically almost never over 42%)

Friday BC60 workshop: +15 extras (not registered for SoCG)

* Not included: at least 6 late cancelations (all refunded)

Attendance

118 USA	3 Australia
11 Germany	2 Czech Republic
10 France	2 Hungary
10 Japan	2 Italy
7 Denmark	2 Poland
7 Netherlands	2 China
7 Israel	1.5 India
5 Canada	1.5 Norway
4 Austria	1 Spain
4 Switzerland	1 Slovenia
4 Belgium	1 Iran
3 S. Korea	1 Sweden

SoCG-STOC day

Intention to participate:

(via poll on registration form; actual attendance not monitored)

101 yes

38 probably yes

17 maybe

44 no, or probably no

Cost for SoCG: ~ **\$6,400**

(just over \$30 per SoCG participant; est. \$45 per actual attendee)

SoCG participants attending STOC: ~ 20-30

(via registration list cross-check about 10 days prior)

SoCG consumption (incl. tips, admin fees, rentals, etc)

- 5.6K Opening lunch barbecue (26 pp)
- 11K Black Rose reception (52 pp)
- 2.6K Dim sum lunch (12 pp)
- <20K Skywalk banquet (95 pp)
- 8.1K 6 coffee breaks ... + next morning's breakfast
(38 pp ; 6 per break per person)
- 1.3K beer, water, granola bars, 21 kilos of Belgian chocolate
(6 pp)
- >6K 7th coffee break and BC60 reception: covered by Princeton
- 3.3K SoCG-STOC day coffee break (our share)

Accommodation

NEU residence: 120 guests

80 chose \$80 option (private room, sharing bath with one other)

10 chose \$62 shared option (like above but two per room)

30 chose \$125 fully private option

Final bill: > \$54K

Registration:

including new factors:

\$30 for SoCG-STOC and \$25 for CG fund = \$55 for every participant

Young researchers: \$195 but essentially zero (10 declined waiver)

Regular: \$395

... Pure \$340 for SoCG is in standard range for last 12 years:

9 known fees within last 12 years, sorted and omitting lowest/highest outliers:

(<<, 300, 340, 345, 350, 350, 350, 375, 380, >>)



2016

Young researcher funding ~ \$43,500

- ~ 25 applied on time (only N. America eligible initially)
- ~ 30 more from N. America later on
- ~ 40 from outside N. America --- after late offer for sponsorship
(possible only via external sponsors)

Registration

- No late fee for young researchers (remained at \$195)
- **Waiver / reimbursement was offered to everyone**
- 97 accepted offer, 10 declined
- Total value of registration reimbursement: \$18,915

Total accommodation sponsored: \$15,200

Total transportation reimbursed: \$9,400

Expenses (not counting 32.5K waived student fees*, or BC60)

39.5K barbecue, dim sum and two evening social events
9.5K coffee breaks and extra food/drink
6.5K SoCG-STOC day (coffee br., rental, A/V, internet, invited speaker)
0.5K PC/SC expenses
2.5K misc. (printing, programs, name tags, setup supplies, awards, etc)
1.7K staff
3.5K invited speaker expenses (not incl. SoCG-STOC)
1.2K proceedings
11K extra student support (* beyond waived registration and NEU)
54K NEU accommodation bill

Subtotal ~130K

Income:

83K from participants for registration and accommodation
(after 32.5K waiver / reimbursements to students)

52K from sponsors (including NSF 33,6K)

Subtotal ~ 135K

Result: 5.2K for CG fund

Notes:

2.5K Registration waived for non- young researchers
(e.g. invited speakers, workshop speakers not including students)
(PC and organizing committee paid full registration)

4.5K support to young researcher workshop participants
(included in total amount quoted for Y.R. support)

Other support:

Tufts:

free rooms, supplies, programs, admin, child care (although none used)

Princeton:

Friday afternoon coffee break + evening reception

Where was money saved?

- Euro / check / bank transfers
(avoided credit card fees up to 4%)
- Eliminated / reduced overhead for website and processing fee
(e.g. didn't use expensive RegOnline, used DIY website and Paypal)
- Waiving (instead of reimbursing) student expenses
(avoided credit card fees up to 4% on registration and accommodation)
- State tax exemption via Tufts on many expenses
- Lots of negotiating, bargaining, shopping around