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We are pleased to present the 13th and final (September 2025) issue of PVLDB Volume 18, which contains 16 papers from all 4 categories: Vision (1), Scalable Data Science (1), Experiment, Analysis & Benchmark (3), and Regular Research (11).

These papers cover a variety of primary subject areas, including: Database Engines (2); Data Mining and Analytics (2); Database Performance and Manageability (1); Distributed Database Systems (2); Graph and Network Data (2); Information Integration and Data Quality (1); Languages (1); Machine Learning, AI, and Databases (3); Novel Database Architectures (1); and Specialized and Domain-Specific Data Management (1). As they are published after VLDB 2025 (London), all of these papers will roll over to be presented at VLDB 2026 (Boston).

Finally, this issue also contains one errata presenting corrections for a paper that was published in PVLDB Volume 17 and presented at VLDB 2024 (Guangzhou).

Overall, we received a total of 1613 paper submissions to PVLDB Volume 18, 1324 of which went through our multi-round review process after excluding withdrawals and desk-rejects. 370 of these submissions were accepted, resulting in an acceptance rate of 22.9%. The top-3 primary subject areas for the accepted papers were: Database Engines (16%), Graph and Network Data (15%), and Machine Learning, AI, and Databases (13%).

In our final letter, we would like to highlight the role of the Proceedings Chairs, who were instrumental in handling the camera-ready process for the timely publication of all of the accepted papers throughout the 13 issues. This not only included the 370 research track papers, but also all of the non-research track contributions that were published as part of Issue 12.

Putting together PVLDB Volume 18 and the VLDB 2025 Conference was an enormous team effort, which ran over a period of almost two years and involved 500+ conference officers and reviewers as well as 6500+ authors. We would like to close the volume by thanking everyone once again for their dedicated service and contributions.

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