

IEEE in Asia and Pacific: History of Region 10

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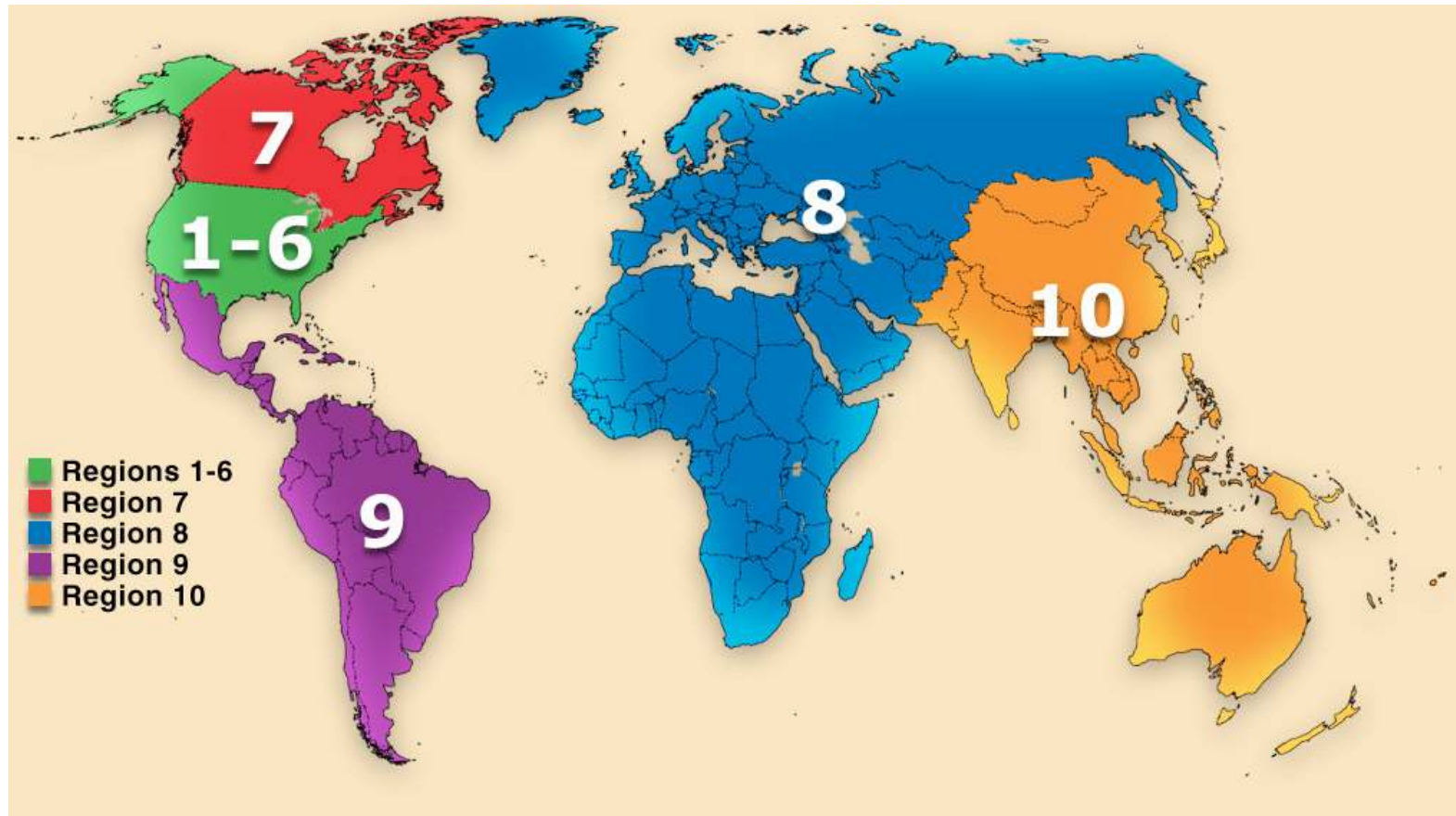
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Outline

- Region 10 Status
- Region 10 History

IEEE Geographic Regions

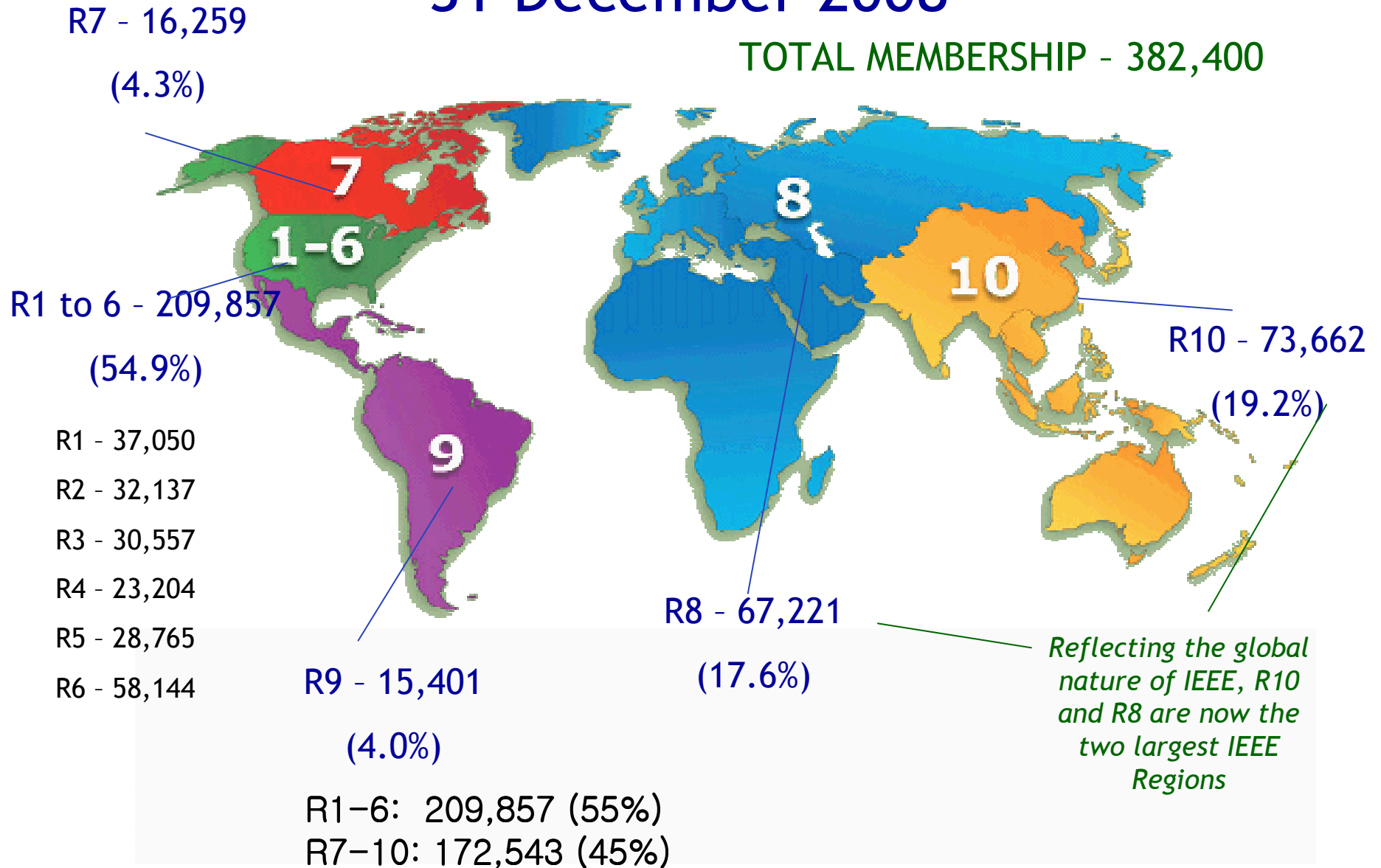


R10 has 3.5B population (56%)

IEEE Membership By Region

31 December 2008

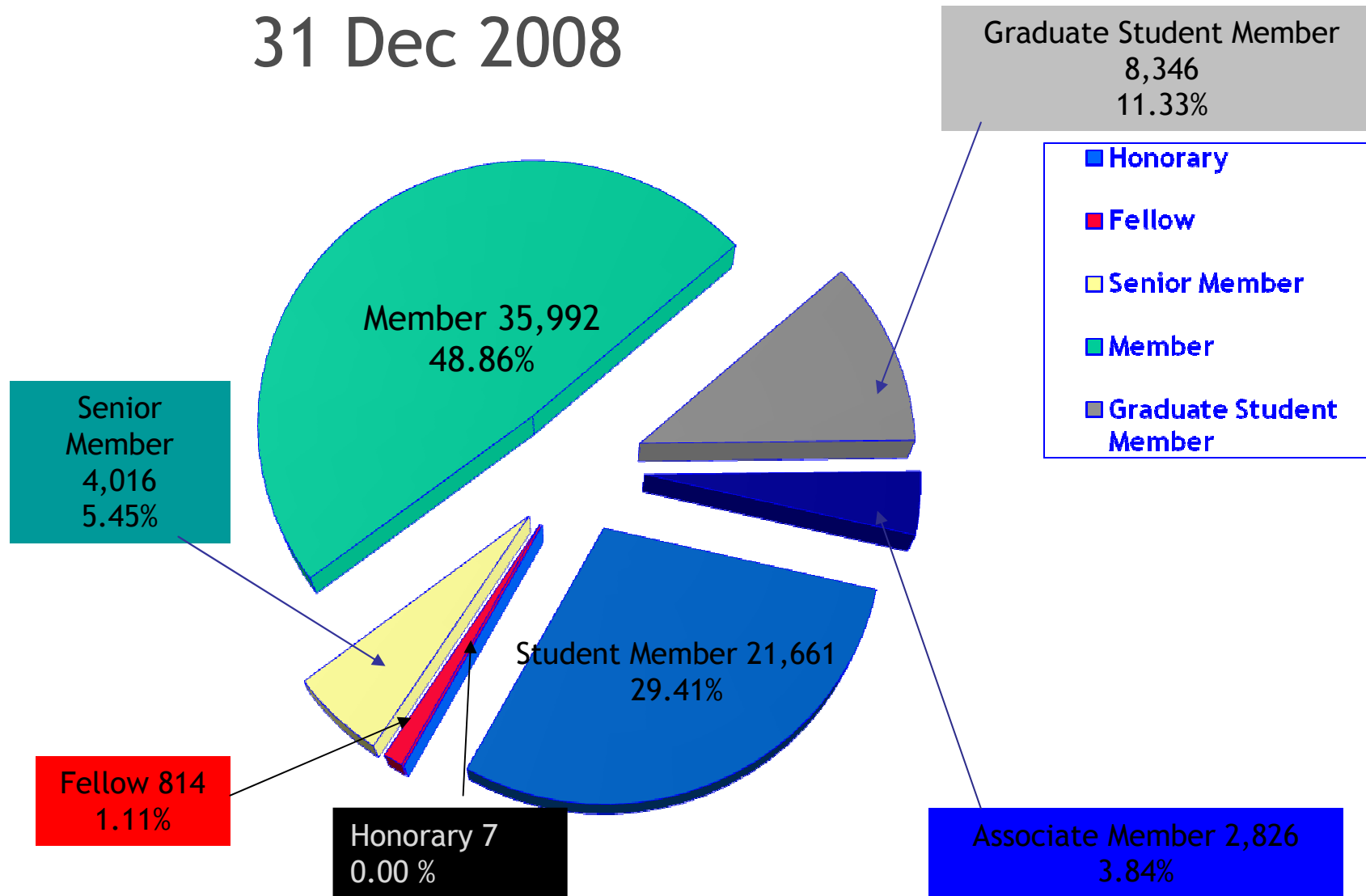
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 382,400



Region 10

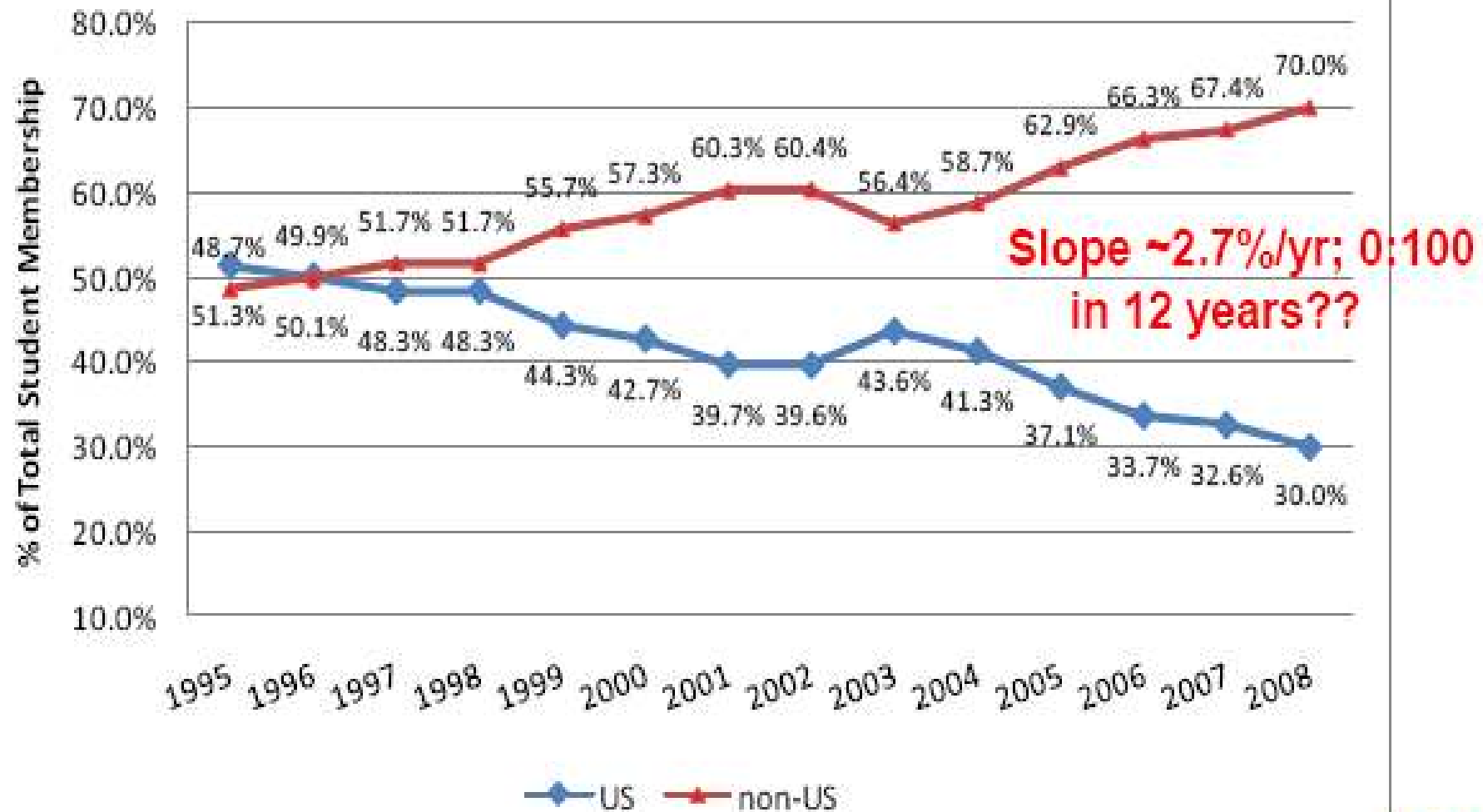
- Region 10 is the largest region in IEEE
 - Membership: 73,662
 - Sections: 68
 - Student Branches: 535
 - Chapters: 329

Region 10 Membership 31 Dec 2008



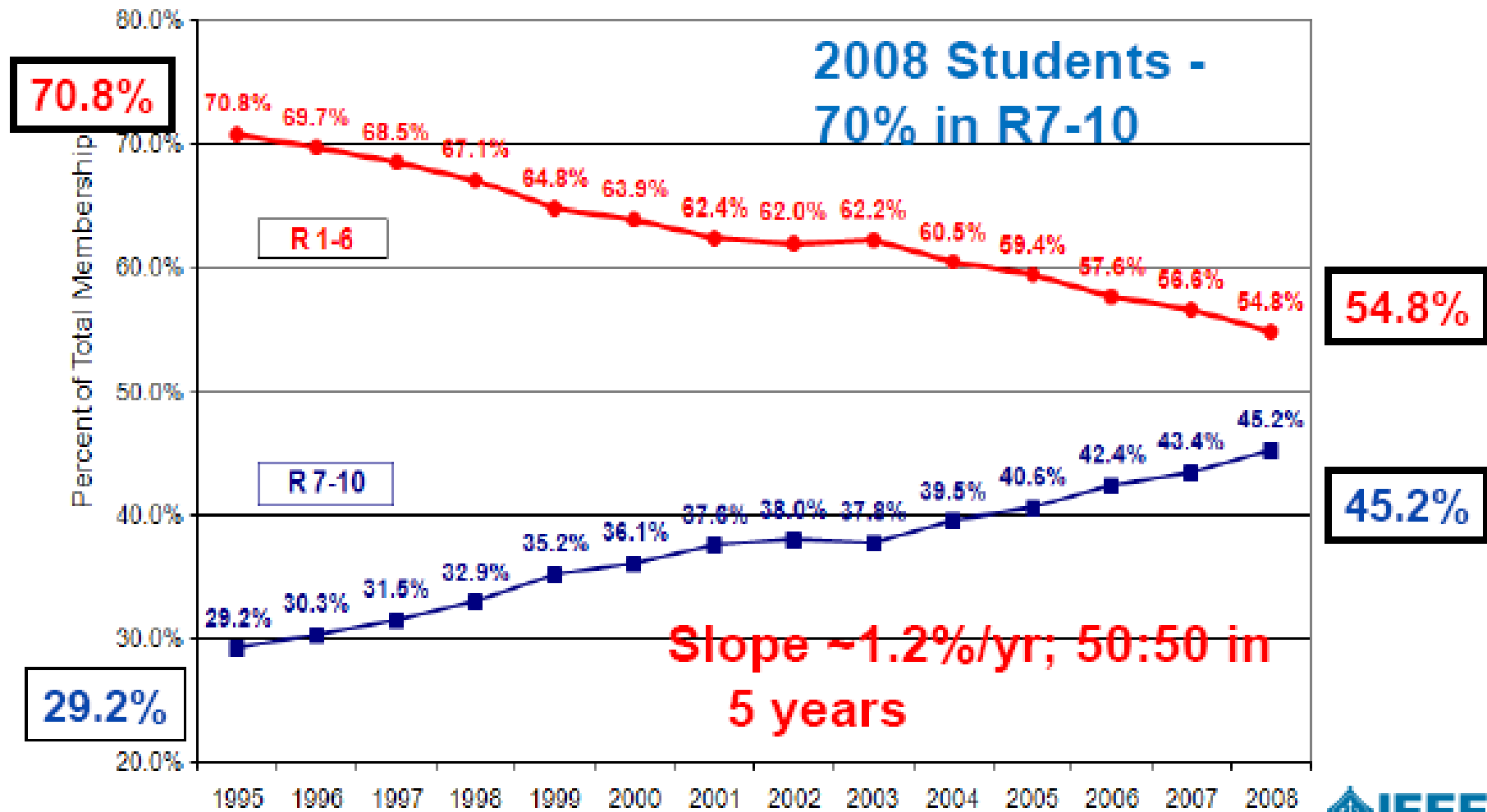
() = Percent of Total Region Membership

Membership Trends - Students 1995 to 2008

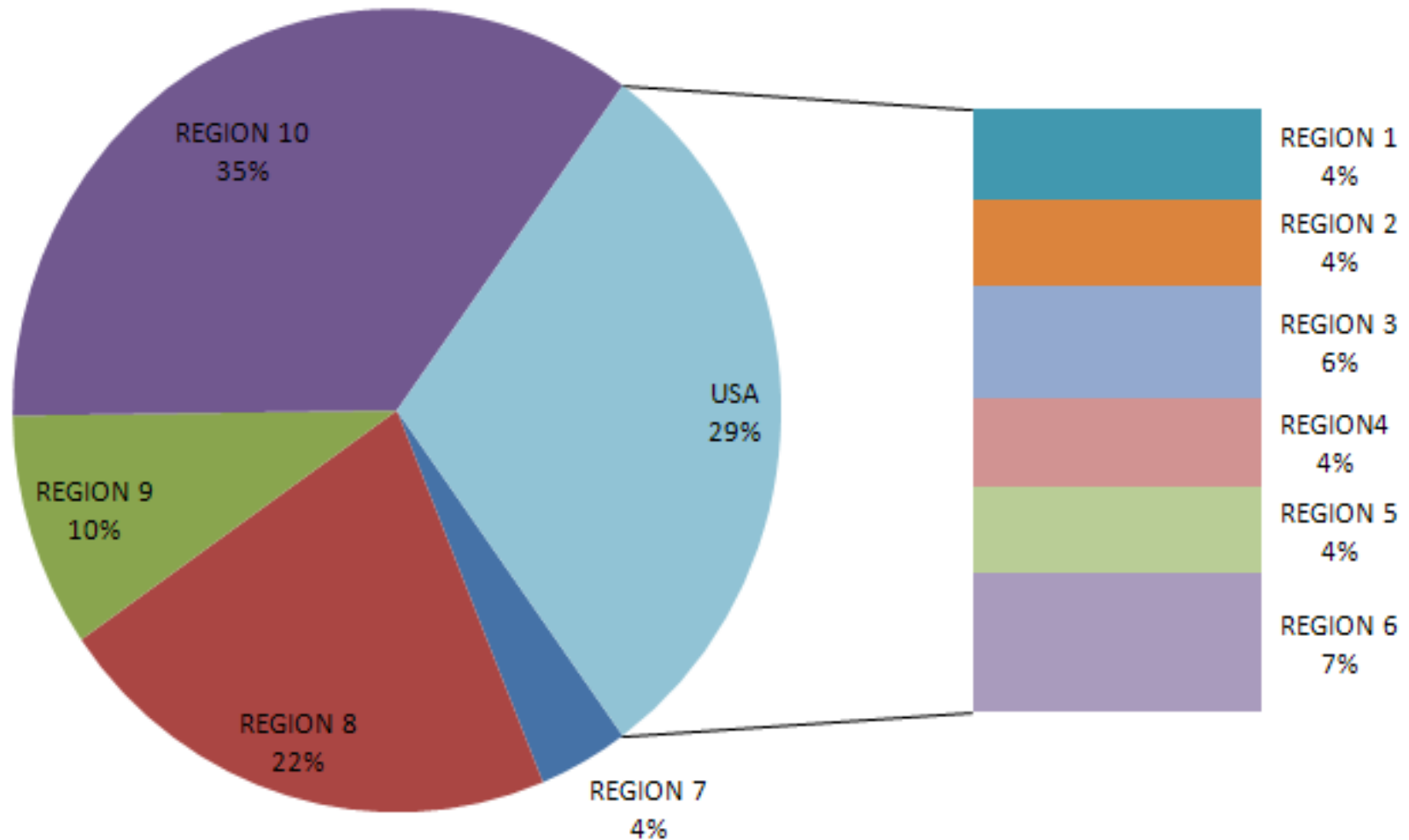


* GSM Included in Student totals

Global Membership – All Members 1995 to 2008



Percent of Student Members (including graduate student members) by Region



Brief History of Region 10 (1/4)

- 1967: Region 10 was created, covering an area refereed to as “The Rest of the World”.
 - 2,507 members
 - 2 Sections: Tokyo Section and India Section
 - IRE India Section (1935), IRE Tokyo Section (1955)
(AIEE and IRE merged to form IEEE in 1963)
- 1971: First R10 Committee Meeting
 - 4 Sections (India, New Zealand, Pakistan, Tokyo)
 - Since then, the Regional Meeting has been held annually.

Brief History of Region 10 (2/4)

- By 1976: Section formation in the countries of R10 was virtually complete.
 - 11 Sections, 1 Council (India)
 - Several Chapters in Tokyo, India, and New Zealand
- 1979: R10 became Asia–Pacific Region, excluded Africa, which was added to R8 territory
- 1980: First TENCON in Hong Kong

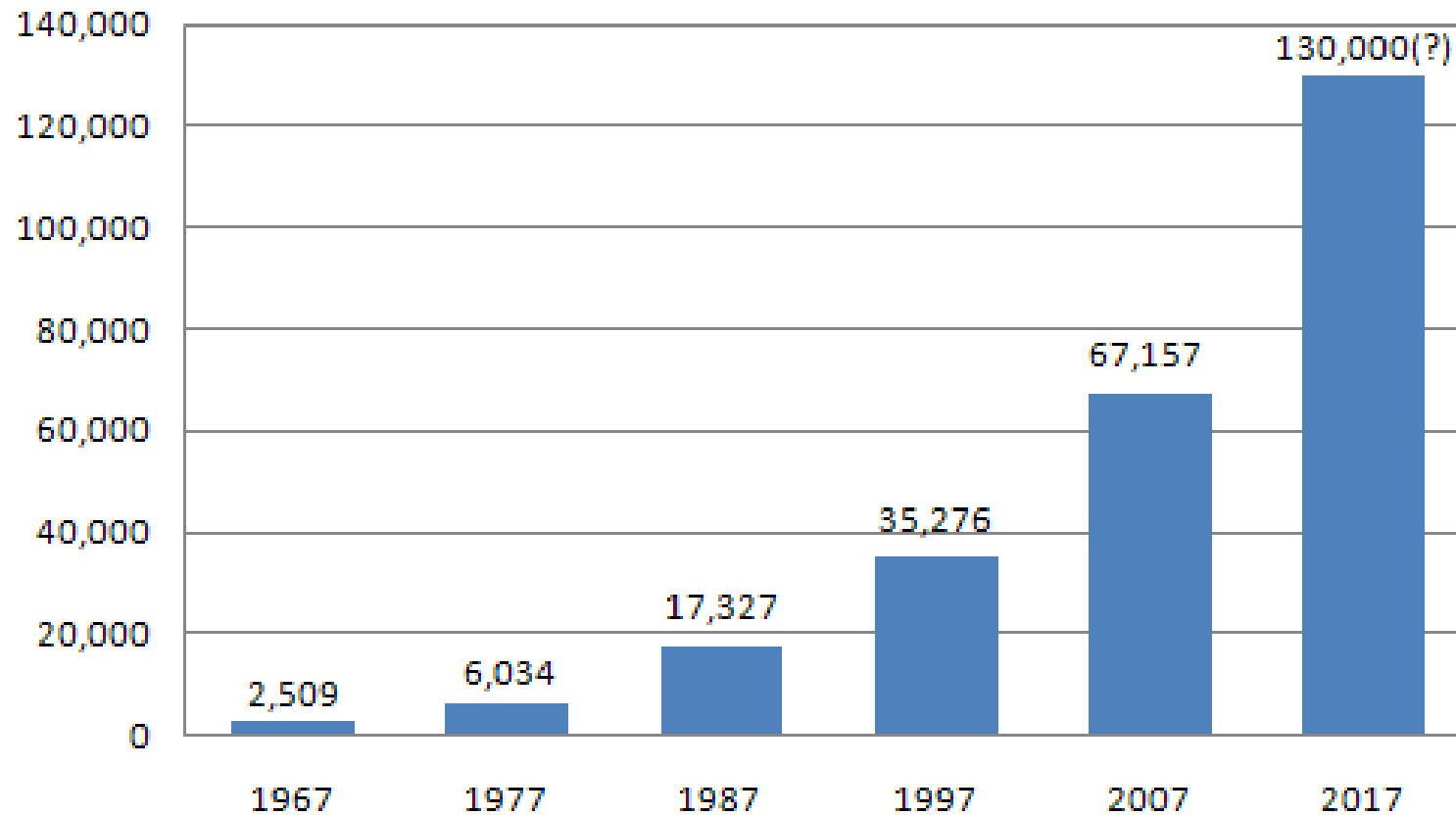
Brief History of Region 10 (3/4)

- 1980: higher grade members 7,000, smaller than R7 and R8
- V Parasad Kodali (1981–2) first director elected by members of R10
- 1982: R10 membership passed 10,000 mark , a growth rate of more than 10% having been sustained for many years, and overtook R8
- 1984: surpassed R7, becoming the largest transnational region.

Brief History of Region 10 (4/4)

- Early in 1990s, R10 played an important role in setting up agreements between IEEE and national academic societies in Japan, India, and China.
- 2002: First R10 Student Congress at Singapore
 - Since then, every two years
 - July 2009: IEEE 125th Anniversary R10 Student Congress: 150 participants

Membership growth in R10



Since 1967, the membership of R10 doubled every ten years.

IEEE Offices in R10

- Asia Pacific Office at Singapore opened in 1994
- China Office
 - Opened in June 2007
 - Helping IEEE standards development
 - Helping China accredit its universities and developing certification programs for engineering
 - Boosting membership

IEEE New Project

- India Initiative
 - Increasing membership, sections, chapters, student branches
 - Increasing technical activities, education, standards activities
 - Creating closer relations with industry and academia

IEEE 125th Anniversary Celebration in Sections

- Austin, USA
- Bangalore, India on Aug 28
- Beijing, China on Sept 22
- London, UK
- Munich, Germany
- San Jose, USA
- Tokyo, Japan on Oct 23
- Boston, USA

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