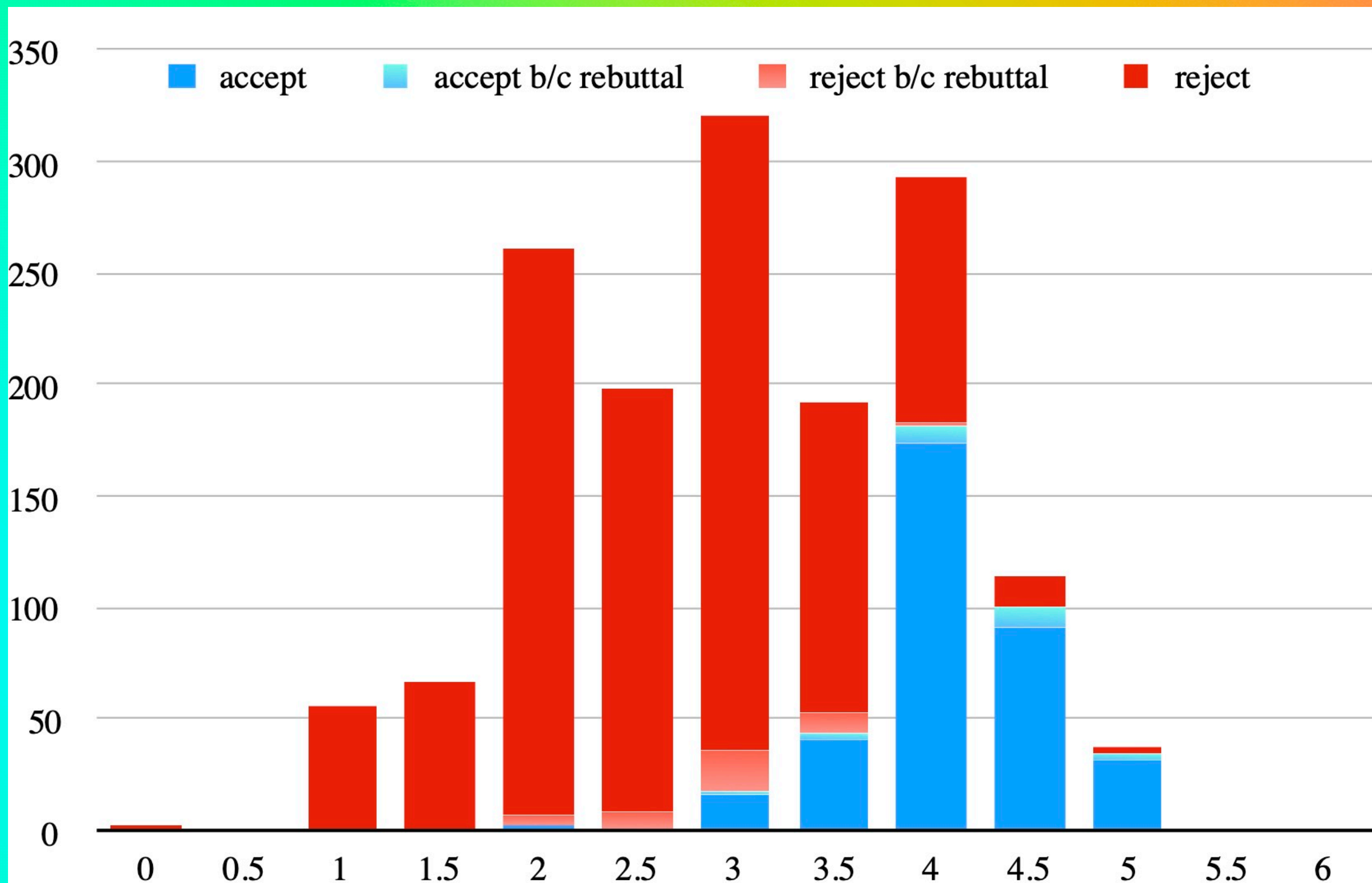


# **REBUTTING REBUTTALS**

**SUBMITTED AN ARTICLE ON SUBJECT WITH RAKESH VERMA**



# ACL 2018



# FSCD 2022

**33 rebuttals for potential rejects**

**9 increased**

**5 decreased**

**19 unchanged**

**Of those 9**

**2 rejected**

**3 mere consensus change (lowest score nudged up)**

**1-2 would've been accepted anyway**

**2-3 had a positive impact**

**1-2 had negative impact**



# GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

**Except at extremes, outcomes are almost random (NIPS)**

**Almost all score changes are towards consensus**

**Rebuttals have almost as much negative impact on outcome as positive**

**Zero-sum for most conferences**

**Major investment of time and energy**

**Provides intangible value for the feelings of some authors (others remain frustrated)**