A Study on Blockchain Base for Students Marks Data Management Using PBFT Algorithm

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Introduction

- Some academic centers allow a quick and simple online query to verify the authenticity of student's academic information without even asking who requires that information.
- This leads to academic frauds and information stealing from the students and misusing it.
- Hence Blockchain come in handy to store students information encrypted in the database.
- Blockchain acts as a ledger system where data stored in a transparent and immutable format.
- The PBFT algorithm is the key method to make the blockchain consistent.



Objectives of the Project

- The main objective of the project the keyword dictionary sent by the data owner
- The smart contract can perform the search algorithm according to the user's query keywords, and return the abstract and encrypted keywords of the corresponding data file found.
- After the query is completed, the transaction between the data owner and the user, that is, the query record can be published in the block chain.



Literature Survey

SI No	Year	Title Of The Paper	Author	Description
1.	2023	Improved PBFT Consensus Algorithm Based on Node Role Division	Ren, X., Tong, X. and Zhang, W.	This paper discusses the core of the PBFT consensus algorithm that is composed of consistency protocol, checkpointing protocol, and view change protocol.
2.	2023	Improved PBFT Algorithm Based on Comprehensi ve Evaluation Model	Xiaoxiong Wu, Mingyang	systems and traditional distributed systems is that the

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3.	2022	Blockchain-based model to track and verify official certificates	Pooja Mara, Ravi kanth Motupalli	In this paper, the Authors have developed a web-based application that is using Blockchain technology to store academic certificates to avoid certificate counterfeit as lots of fake certificates are being stolen and used to get jobs
4.	2021	Revolutionizing Verification and Management of Educational Certificates with Self-Sovereign Student Identities using Blockchain	Bhosale,	In this paper, a framework which is a decentralized system is discussed. It performs a mechanism for the system to enable us to validate and track the operations performed by these institutions.



Existing storage management System

- Centralized storage and management mode is usually adopted, which makes systems that use this mode vulnerable to various attacks.
- The records of different educational stages are stored in separate storage servers of education institutions and these storage servers are usually designed to allow access only by internal staff
- In this system, a server failure could easily cause a data loss or leakage



Blockchain Algorithm

Some Blockchain Algorithm Name-

- Proof of Work (PoW)
- Direct Acyclic Graph (DAG)
- Practical Byzantine Fault Tolerance (PBFT)
- Proof of Capacity (PoC)
- Delegated Proof of Stake (DPoS)
- Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)



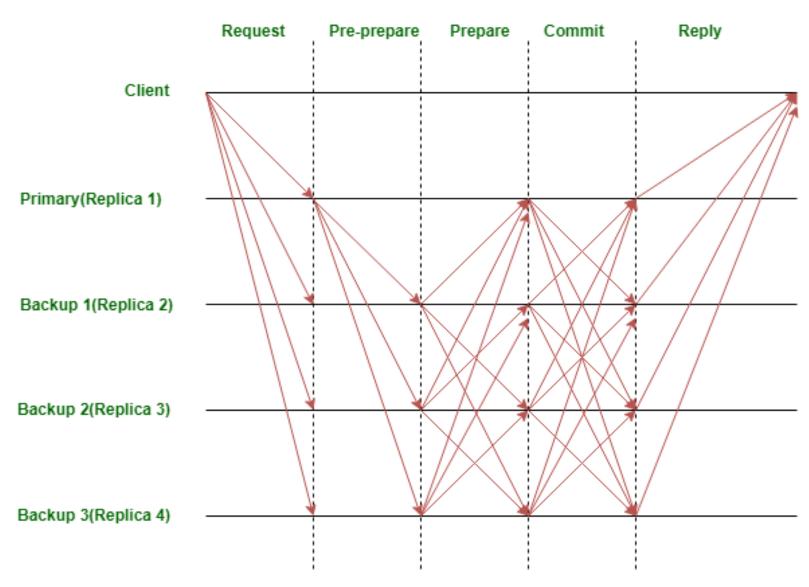
PBFT Algorithm

PBFT consensus rounds are broken into 4 phases(refer with the image in next slide):

- The **client** sends a request to the primary(**leader**) node.
- The primary(leader) node **broadcasts the request** to the all the secondary(backup) nodes.
- The nodes(primary and secondaries) perform the service requested and then send back a reply to the client.
- The request is served successfully when the client receives 'm+1' replies from different nodes in the network with the same result, where m is the maximum number of faulty nodes allowed.
- The Communication complexity of the PBFT algorithm: C1= 2n 2 n+1



PBFT Algorithm





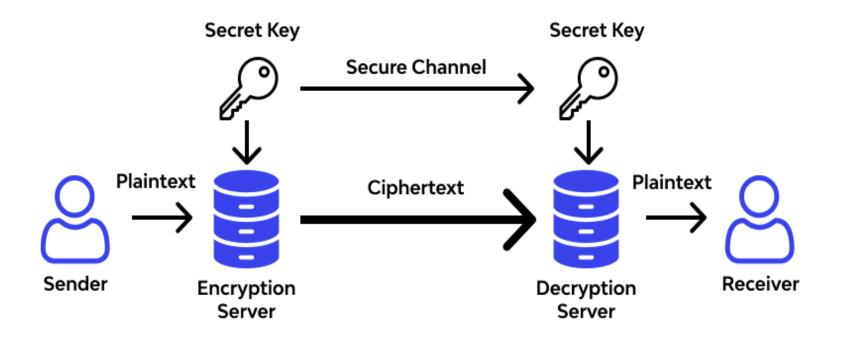
AES Algorithm

- The AES algorithm is a symmetrical block cipher algorithm that takes plain text in blocks of 256 bits and converts them to ciphertext using keys of 128, 192, and 256 bits
- SHA-256 in cryptographic hash function.
- Uses 256 bit key to encrypt data into unrecognizable text.
- Plain text(32 bits words)-Block size(256 bits)
- No of rounds-10 –cipher text(256 bits)



AES Algorithm

AES Algorithm Working





BlockChain System Model For Students Marks Management

- The blockchain is responsible for ensuring the security and auditability of the data, the smart contract is used to define the permissions of the records and to regulate the behaviours of the member nodes
- We remark that public blockchain is not suited in this case, because educational records are related to personal privacy and contain sensitive information, such as family address, age, contact details, etc.



BlockChain System Model For Students Marks Management (1)

- Moreover, even if the institutions put encrypted data on the public blockchain, it still will expose their operation situations and statistical data.
- We firstly use data masking for the part of the student's private data and then encrypt it and store it on the server.
- The user must have the authorization of the data owner to query the data, and the verification of the user's authority is realized using a smart contract. Students can take their documents using key from the server.



Blockchain System Algorithm For Students Marks Management

- 1. studLoginId=XYZ
- if(StudEnteredID== studLoginId)

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Login to DB;
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Gives request to view data;

if(request accepted && key sent to student)

Enters key;

View Academic Data;

else if(request not accepted && key not sent)

No access to data

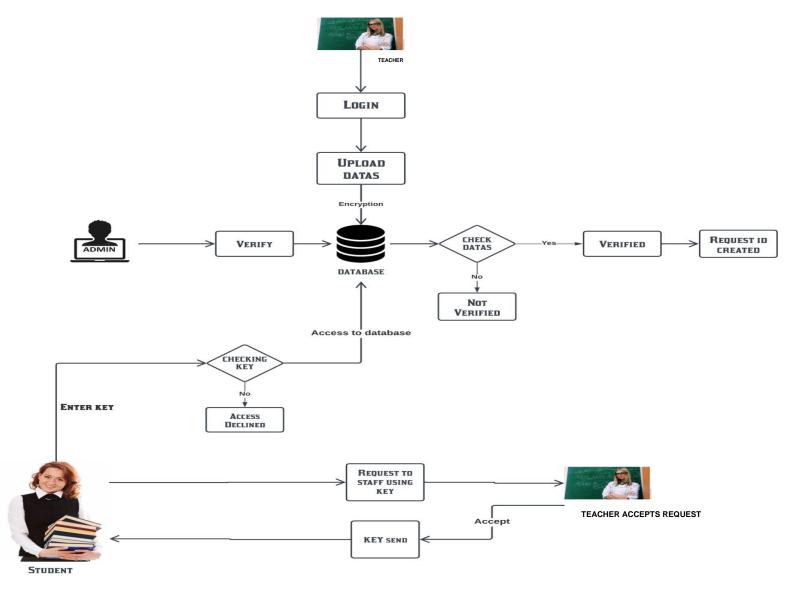
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Login access not provided;

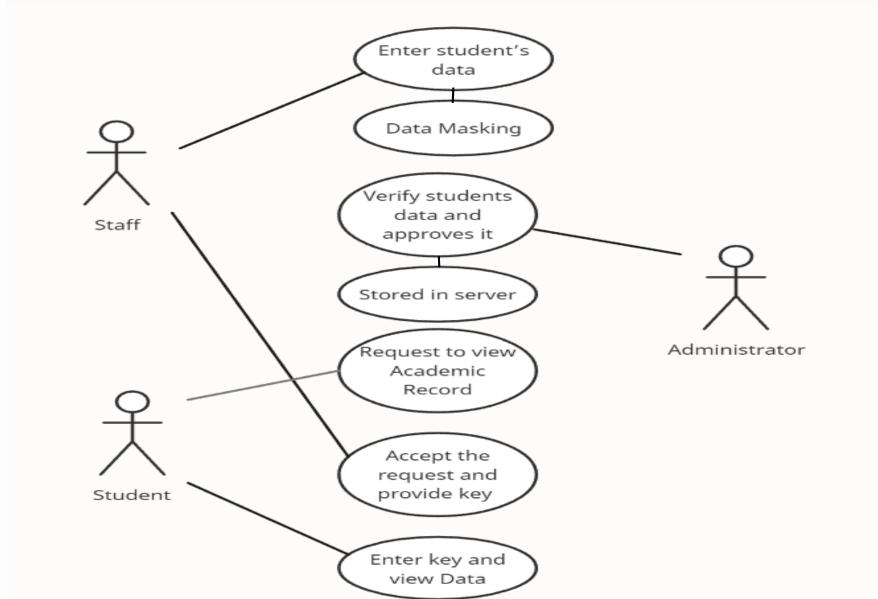
There is Secret key to protect the academic data of students in our proposed system.



System Architecture

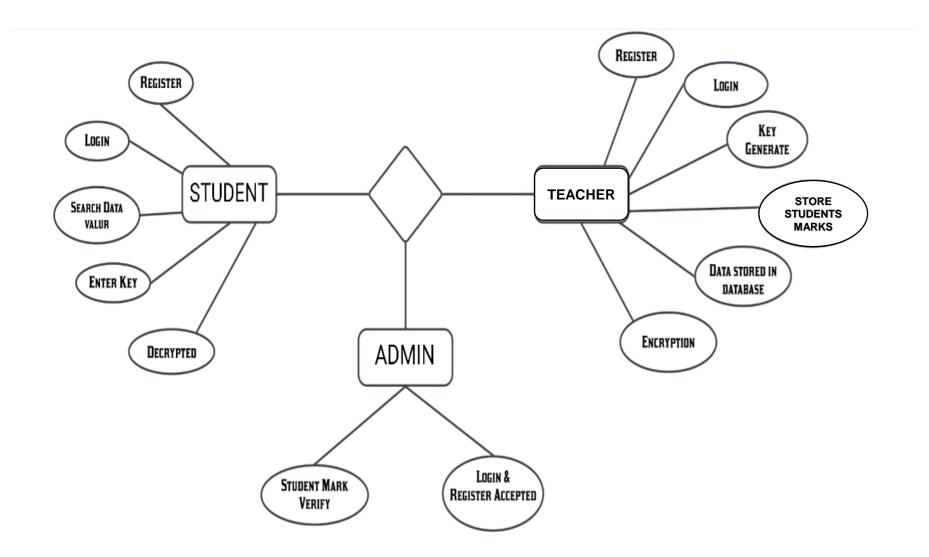


System Design – Use Case Diagram





System Design – ER Diagram





Module Description

Data Request:

- The Students Data that is entered and encrypted in the Blockchain Database can only be accessed through Secret Key.
- Once the student sends Data access request, it then comes under teacher approval.
- When the staff gives approval, the respective secret key for that students data is sent to the student.



Module Description

Encrypted Data Storing:

- The encrypted data is stored in the storage server and their hash is put on the blockchain and keyword also generated for the each student for the security. The amount of data on student education records is huge.
- For the transmission of big data used Encryption algorithm.
 The original records and files are encrypted and stored in the storage server. The blockchain database is chosen as the storage server to efficiently store and retrieve data and support encrypted storage of files.



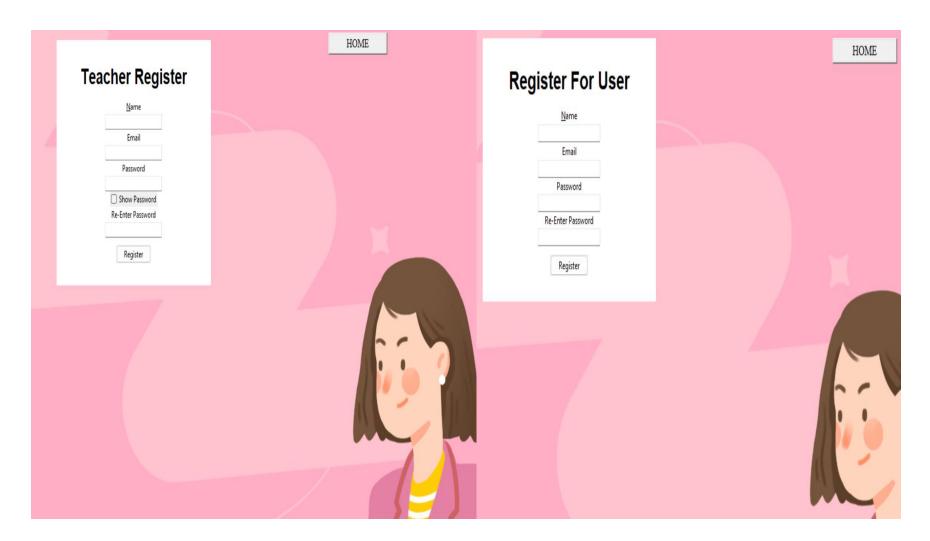
Module Description

Data Access By Entering Key:

- After storing the data into the databases, that is then available
 in the server but the student have to enter the keyword for the
 accessing their data's.
- So, after entering the key, the **student get access** to the storage server and able take his documents easily.
- The blockchain is applied in several domains and acts as a trusted data storage technology. This technology is often used for information secure storage and information traceability, because of its decentralized and anti-tampering characteristics.



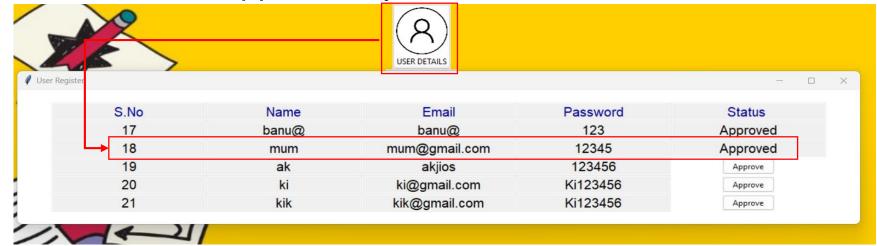
Teacher & User Create Account



Teacher Account Approved by admin

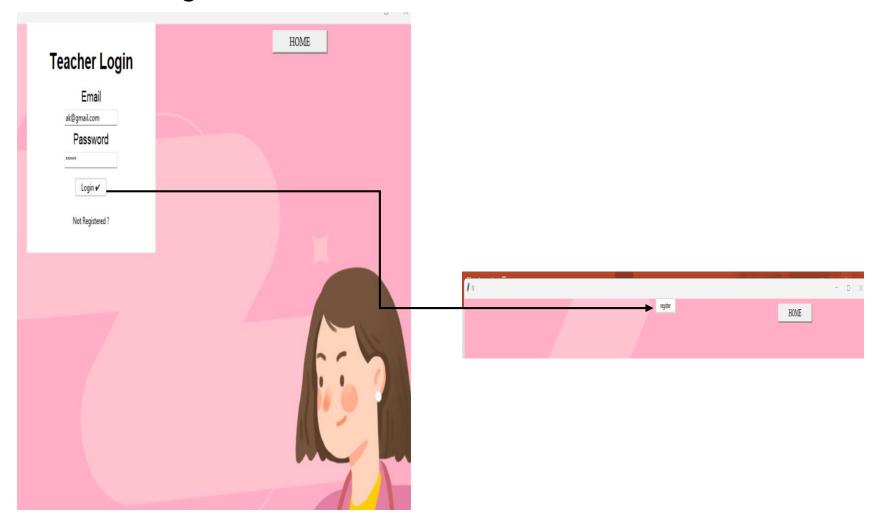


User Account Approved by admin

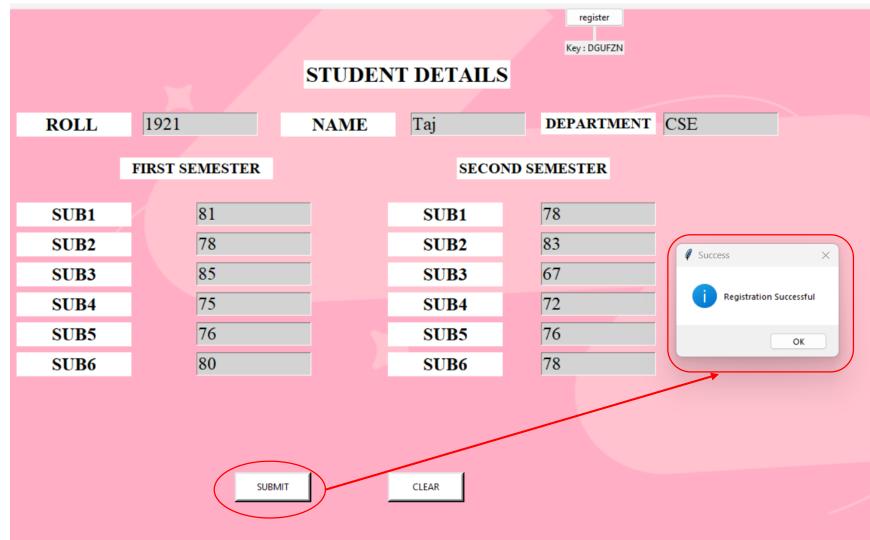




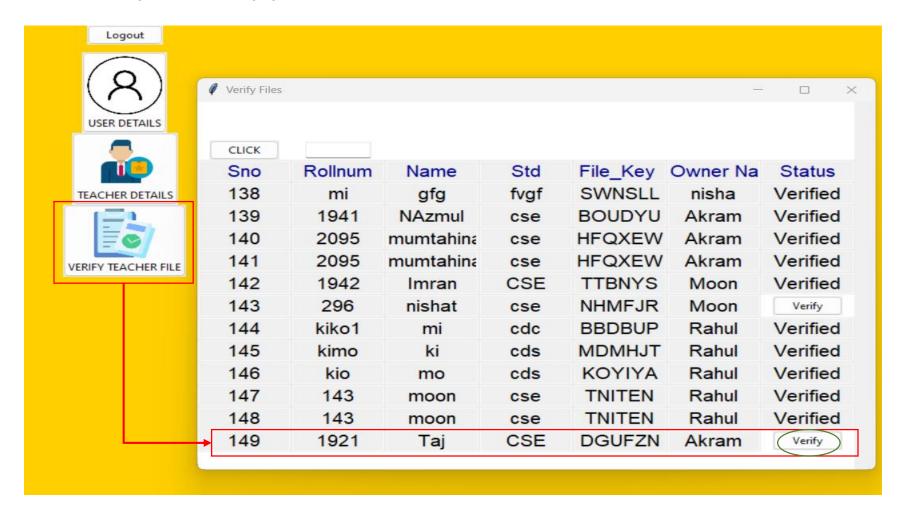
Teacher login



Teacher Register student info & Submit Mark



Admin panel Approve Submitted mark file:

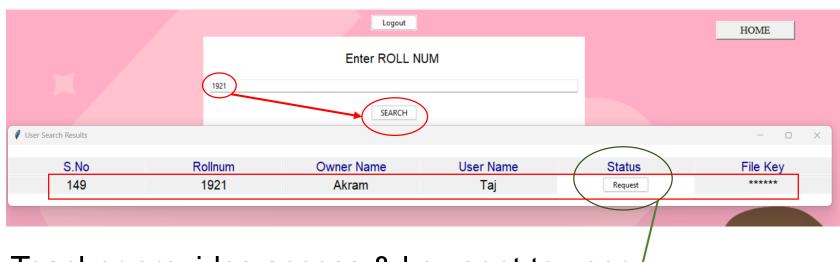




• User login



Search academic data

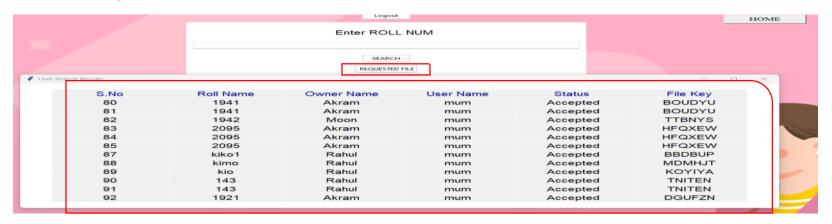


Teacher provides access & key sent to user





User Requested File



Enters teacher approved uniqe key





Access to Encrypted data

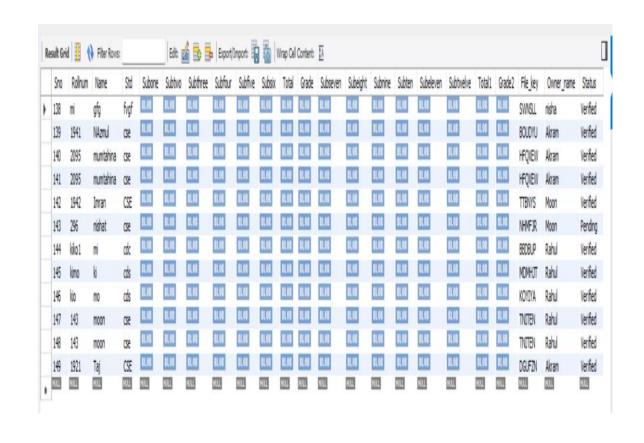
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Enter Show Button & Seen Academic data

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SUB THREE: 85	SUB THREE: 67
SUB FOUR: 75	SUB FOUR: 72
SUB FIVE: 76	SUB FIVE: 76
SUB SIX: 60	SUB SIX: 78
TOTAL: 475	TOTAL: 454
GRADE: 3.88	GRADE: 3.67

Stored Database

Table: studentr	eg
Columns:	
<u>Sno</u>	int UN AI PK
Rollnum	varcha
Name	varcha
Std	varcha
Subone	longblo
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Subthree	longble
Subfour	longblo
Subfive	longblo
Subsix	longblo
Total	longbl
Grade	longbl
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Subeight	longblo
Subnine	longblo
Subten	longblo
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Grade2	longbl
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Status	varcha





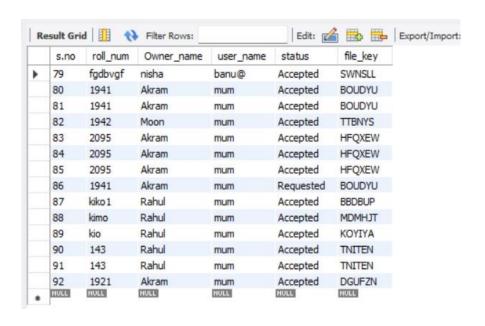
Stored Database

Table: file_request

Columns:

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user_name	varchar(4:
status	varchar(4:
file_key	varchar(4!

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Conclusion and Future Scope



 The EduRSS scheme proposes a secure storage and sharing solution for educational records using blockchain technology, ensuring data integrity and security through a consortium chain and distributed institution authentication. The scheme combines blockchain and storage server for secure storage, and employs an anti-tampering inspection mechanism for record protection.

Future Scope Further research can focus on optimizing performance and scalability, enhancing privacy with advanced encryption techniques, incorporating smart contracts or digital signatures, real-world implementation, and evaluating effectiveness in different educational settings to validate the practicality and identify potential challenges.



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