

# Ramesh Adhikari

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## Research Interests

Distributed Algorithms; Blockchain; Fault-Tolerant Distributed Systems; Fog-Cloud Computing, Distributed Transaction Scheduling; Stability Analysis; Cybersecurity.

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## Education

**Ph.D. in Computer and Cyber Sciences** (Expected 07/2026)

Augusta University, Augusta, GA, USA

Advisor: **Dr. Konstantin (Costas) Busch**

Supported by NSF Grant #2131538

**M.E. in Computer Engineering** (GPA: 3.75/4.0)

Pokhara University, Kathmandu, Nepal, 2018 – 2021

**B.E. in Computer Engineering** (78.15%)

Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal, 2013 – 2017

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## Professional Appointments & Employment

**Graduate Research Assistant**, Augusta University, USA, 08/2022 – Present

**Instructor**, Zenlab, Kathmandu, Nepal, 01/2021 – 12/2021

**Software Engineer**, Sanima Bank, Kathmandu, Nepal 05/2019 – 06/2022

**Software Engineer**, SmartMobe Solutions Pvt. Ltd, Kathmandu, Nepal 02/2018 – 04/2019

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## Publications

### Conference Proceedings

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Miroslav Popovic. *On the Efficiency of Dynamic Transaction Scheduling in Blockchain Sharding*. Proceedings of the 39th International Symposium on Distributed Computing (**DISC 2025**), Dagstuhl, Germany.

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Dariusz R. Kowalski. *Stable Blockchain Sharding under Adversarial Transaction Generation*. Proceedings of the 36th ACM Symposium on Parallelism in Algorithms and Architectures (**SPAA 2024**), Nantes, France.

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Pavan Poudel. *A Poly-Log Approximation for Transaction Scheduling in Fog–Cloud and Beyond*. Proceedings of the 27th International Symposium on Stabilization, Safety, and Security of Distributed Systems (**SSS 2025**), Kathmandu, Nepal [**Best Student Paper Award**].

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Dariusz R. Kowalski. *Near-Optimal Stable Transaction Processing in Blockchain Sharding*. Proceedings of the 27th International Symposium on Stabilization, Safety, and Security of Distributed Systems (**SSS 2025**), Kathmandu, Nepal.

**Ramesh Adhikari** and Costas Busch. *Lockless Blockchain Sharding with Multiversion Control*. Proceedings of the 30th International Colloquium on Structural Information and Communication Complexity (**SIROCCO 2023**), Alcalá de Henares, Spain.

### Journal Articles (Published)

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, Dariusz R. Kowalski, and Abdullah Al-Mamun. *Transaction Processing in Blockchain Sharding: Current Trends and Future Research Directions*. ACM Distributed Ledger Technologies: Research and Practice (**ACM: DLT**), 2025.

**Ramesh Adhikari** and Suresh Pokharel. *Performance Evaluation of Convolutional Neural Networks Using Synthetic Medical Data Augmentation Generated by GANs*. International Journal of Image and Graphics, 2023.

### Journal Articles (Under Review)

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Dariusz R. Kowalski. *Stable Blockchain Sharding under Adversarial Transaction Generation*. Distributed Computing (**DC Springer**), *First Round Revision*.

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Miroslav Popovic. *On the Efficiency of Dynamic Transaction Scheduling in Blockchain Sharding*. ACM Transactions on Parallel Computing (**ACM TOPC**).

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Pavan Poudel. *A Poly-Log Approximation for Transaction Scheduling in Fog–Cloud and Beyond*. Theoretical Computer Science (**TCS**), Elsevier, *Invited for Special Issues*.

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Dariusz R. Kowalski. *Near-Optimal Stable Transaction Processing in Blockchain Sharding*. Theoretical Computer Science (**TCS**), Elsevier. *Invited for Special Issues*.

### Preprints

**Ramesh Adhikari**, Costas Busch, and Miroslav Popovic. *Fast Transaction Scheduling in Blockchain Sharding*. arXiv preprint, 2024.

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## Grants and Funding Experience

- Contributed to the preparation of **two NSF research grant proposals (CSR, AF)** in distributed systems and blockchain sharding.
  - PhD Supported by NSF Grant #2131538.
  - Multiple NSF and university travel awards (SPAA, DISC, CANS).
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## Teaching Experience

**Instructor (Part-Time)**, Zenlab, Kathmandu, Nepal (2021)

Courses taught (Undergraduate level): - Programming Languages (Python, C, C++) - Database Systems (MySQL, SQL Server) - Web Technologies (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)

**Teaching Interests:** Algorithms; Distributed Systems; Blockchain; Databases; Parallel Computing; Cybersecurity; Cloud Computing.

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## Awards and Honors

- **Best Student Paper Award**, International Symposium on Stabilization, Safety, and Security of Distributed Systems (SSS 2025).
  - Full Tuition Waiver and Graduate Research Assistantship, Augusta University (2022–present).
  - Full Scholarship for M.E. in Computer Engineering, Pokhara University (2018).
  - **NSF Student Travel Awards** (Multiple) totaling **\$2,090** (SPAA 2024, DISC 2022, CANS 2023).
  - **University Travel Awards** (Multiple) totaling **\$2,000**, Augusta University (2023–2024).
  - Star Performance Excellence Award, Sanima Bank Ltd. (2021).
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## Talks and Presentations

### Invited Talks

- Stable Blockchain Sharding under Adversarial Transaction Generation, EECS Department, Syracuse University, USA, Nov 2024.
- Stable Blockchain Sharding under Adversarial Transaction Generation, School of Computer and Cyber Sciences, Augusta University, USA, Nov 2024.

### Conference Presentations

- Near-Optimal Stability for Distributed Transaction Processing in Blockchain Sharding, SSS 2025, Kathmandu, Nepal, Oct 2025.
- Stable Blockchain Sharding under Adversarial Transaction Generation, SPAA 2024, Nantes, France, Jun 2024
- Lockless Blockchain Sharding with Multiversion Control, SIROCCO 2023, Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jun 2023.

### Poster Presentations

- Fast Transaction Scheduling in Blockchain Sharding, Graduate Research Day, Augusta University, Mar 2025.

- Efficient Transaction Processing in Blockchain Sharding, The Cyber-Physical Systems Innovation Symposium 2025, Georgia Cyber Center, USA, Sept 2025.
  - Lockless Blockchain Sharding with Multiversion Control, Emerging Data Science Workshop, Augusta University, Mar 2023.
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## Student Supervision

- **Dhiraj Sharma**, M.S. Thesis (Co-supervisor), Pokhara University, 2023
  - **Sushant Dahal**, B.Sc. in Computer Science (Undergraduate Thesis, Co-supervisor), Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology, Patiala, Punjab, India, 2025
  - **Dipesh Bhattarai**, B.Sc. in Computer Science (Undergraduate Thesis, Co-supervisor), Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology, Patiala, Punjab, India, 2025
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## Academic Service

- Registration Chair, International Symposium on Stabilization, Safety, and Security of Distributed Systems (SSS'25)
- Web Chair, NSF Innovation Engine Symposium on Cyber-Security and Cyber-Physical Systems (2025)

**Reviewer (Journals):** IEEE TGCN; IEEE TMC; Journal of Network and Computer Applications; Blockchain: Research and Applications

**Reviewer (Conferences):** DISC'25, PODC'24, SIROCCO'24, IEEE Blockchain'23 & Blockchain'24

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## Industry Experience

**Software Engineer**, Sanima Bank, Nepal (2019–2022)

Led development of secure, scalable banking applications; integrated APIs with core banking systems.

**Software Engineer**, SmartMobe Solutions, Nepal (2018–2019)

Developed APIs for mobile and web platforms; integrated payment gateways.

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## Technical Skills

Programming: C, C++, Python, Go, Java

Distributed & Parallel: MPI, OpenMP, CUDA

Systems & Tools: Linux, Git, AWS, LaTeX

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