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- **Analysis and complexity of distributed computing**
- **Scalability and scalable solutions**
- **Fault tolerance, availability, and self stabilization**
- **Concurrent programming**
- **Networking and communication**
- **Locality**
- **Distributed systems and middleware platforms**
- **Security of distributed systems**
- **Correctness and verification of distributed and parallel programming**

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