

Prieto, Olmos-Migueláñez, & García-Peñalvo, 2014), ubiquitous learning (Conde González, Muñoz Martín, & García-Peñalvo, 2008; Joo-Nagata, Martínez Abad, García-Bermejo Giner, & García-Peñalvo, 2017; Yang, 2006) and Massive Open On-line Courses (MOOC) (García-Peñalvo, 2015d; García-Peñalvo, Fidalgo-Blanco, & Sein-Echaluce, 2018; López Meneses, Vázquez-Cano, & Román Graván, 2015; Martínez Abad, Rodríguez Conde, & García-Peñalvo, 2014; Martínez-Núñez, Borrás-Gene, & Fidalgo-Blanco, 2016).

A technological ecosystem is a metaphor to express a needed evolution of the traditional information systems (García-Peñalvo, 2016b, 2018a). These are solutions based on the composition of different software components and services that share a set of semantically defined data flows. The result is a complex ecosystem that provides a set of services that each component separately does not offer and is able to evolve as a whole in a better way when its components does or when some components are dropped out or when new components are included. Moreover, the technological ecosystem is thought to offer a better user experience in the way that use part or components of the ecosystem.

The internal structure of the technological ecosystem is more complex than a traditional information system (García-Peñalvo, 2017a, 2017b), this implies that these solutions do not count in those cases in which the knowledge management systems (Sein-Echaluce, & García-Peñalvo, 2014, 2015; Pardo, 2017; Pardo, Nelson-Santana, & Delgado Rodríguez, & Occorina, 2018). These solutions are based on heterogeneous architectures (García-Peñalvo et al., 2015).

The technological ecosystem concept is derived from the Biology field and it has been transferred to the Information Technology field because it reflects so well the evolutionary nature of the technological ecosystem. Several authors that use the definition of natural ecosystem to support their own technological ecosystem definition systems (García-Peñalvo, 2014, 2015; Pardo, 2017; Dhungana, Groher, Schludermann, & B. 2018; Pardo, 2017; Pardo, Claes, Grosjean, & Serebrenik, 2014; Yu & Deng, 2011). This way, a technological ecosystem may be defined through a mapping with the main elements that appear in every natural ecosystem (García-Holgado & García-Peñalvo, 2014, 2016), i.e., the organisms or biotic factors, the physical environment in which they inhabit or abiotic factors and the relationships between organisms and organisms with the environment. Specifically, within a technological ecosystem there are a set of persons and software components that represent the role of the biotic factors; a set of elements that allow that ecosystem runs (hardware, communications, etc.), these are the abiotic factors; and a set of data flows that mean the relationships among the software components and among these components and the involved users (Cruz-Benito et al., 2018).

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Chen et al. (2018) model a multilevel object template set that can be stratified by different updating time spans in order to solve visual tracking problems by linearly representing objects with a few templates.

Balasaraswathi and Kalpana (2018) present a technique that performs classification on huge data using PSO.

Krishna Kumar Mohbey (2018) uses utility as the preference of the accessed mobile web services. In particular, the proposed approach obtains more accurate and filtered mobile web service sequences. The experimental results show that the proposed approach has a good performance in terms of execution efficiency and memory utilization.

Kumar and Kumar (2018) investigate the initial center selection process for the categorical data and after that present a new support based initial center selection algorithm. The proposed algorithm measures the weight of unique data points of an attribute with the help of support and then integrates these weights along the rows, to get the support of every row. Further, a data object having the largest support is chosen as an initial center followed by finding other centers that are at the greatest distance from the initially selected center.

Chandani and Gupta (2018) have the objective to make requirement analysis phase exhaustive by estimating risk at requirement level using requirement defect information and execution flow dependency as early as possible to inhibit them from being incorporated in design and implementation. The proposed approach works as a two-fold process which computes risk involved with each requirement twice. The whole process is divided into a three-layered framework to finalize requirements with clear vision and scope of a project.

Vidarthi and Jha (2018) apply a hybrid heuristic using College Admission Problem and Analytical Hierarchical Process for stable matching of the users' job with cloud's virtual machine.

Suruchi Chawla (Chawla, 2018) proposes a method that uses hybrid of genetic algorithm and trust for generating the optimal ranking of trusted clicked URLs for web page recommendations.

Gupta and Gupta (2018) present a systematic approach to prioritize requirements and estimate risk associated with each requirement. It first aims at providing a short training to both developers and stakeholders to bridge the gap of understanding and comprehending requirements so that a refined priority value for each requirement can be obtained. Secondly, it presents a requirement risk and re-prioritization estimation model to make sure that a right decision has been taken by stakeholder and developers.

Kumar and Sarkar (2018) have designed a hybrid prediction model for medical domain data sets by combining the decision tree based classifier (mainly C4.5) and the decision table based classifier.

Finally, Kim and Kim (2018) present a method of developing a text warehouse that provides a machine-learning-based text classification service.

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