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**Special Section on Knowledge-Based Software Engineering**

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   - Knowledge technologies for service-oriented systems (SOA), Internet of services, and Internet of things (IoT)
   - Architecture of knowledge-based systems, including intelligent agents and softbots
   - Knowledge-based requirements engineering, domain analysis and modeling
   - Knowledge engineering for process management and project management
   - Intelligent user interfaces and human-machine interaction
   - Methodology and tools for knowledge discovery and data mining
   - Automating software design and synthesis
   - Automating composition of components and services, methods to predict the properties of composites
   - Knowledge-based methods and tools for testing, verification and validation, maintenance and evolution
   - Decision support methods for software engineering
   - Knowledge management for business processes, workflows and enterprise modeling
   - Program understanding, programming knowledge, modelling programs and programmers
   - Knowledge-based methods and tools for software engineering education
   - Knowledge-based methods for software metrics and testing

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