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**Figure 1.** Description

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| Bulleted list | 11 | Regular | Justified | 0 | 3 | Tab = 0.63 |
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In 2008 a hybrid approach that combines ant system optimisation and fuzzy logic concept to facilitate the multi-objective HPSP optimisation, such as the makespan, and the processors workload was introduced (Liouane, Yahia & Borne, 2008).

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3. Rampun, A. & Barker, T. (2011). The Design and Development of an eLearning System Based on Social Networking. In *Proceedings of the European Conference on e-Learning* (pp. 646-657).
4. **Wang, H., Li, S., Tian, Y. & Aitouche, A., Intelligent Proportional Differential Neural Network Control for Unknown Nonlinear System,** *Studies in Informatics and Control*, *25*(4), 445-452.
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