Open source CI software is ready to make easier and faster the adoption of CI techniques in other disciplines, for both academy and industry.

The third paper "Probabilistic Graphical Models on Multi-Core CPUs using Java 8" was authored by Masegosa, Martínez, and Borchani. It deals with software design issues related to the development of parallel CI algorithms on multi-core CPUs using the new Java 8 functional programming features [6]. These functional primitives are quite appealing for developing CI software due to the fact that they allow us to decouple the problem of *what can be parallelized* from the problem of *how to run an algorithm in parallel*. The proposed approach was validated with the development of the software AMIDST[4], intended for the analysis of massive data streams.

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[4]http://amidst.github.io/toolbox/

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