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10.1007/978-3-642-13666-5_83 Ed./Año: Springer Verlag, 2010Abstract:In this work we study how the BI-RADS assessment could help to improve the performance of a CAD (Computer Aided Diagno- sis) image-based system in the task of masses diagnosis. Our system is based on the use of Independent Component Analysis (ICA) as feature extractor from mammographic images, and Neural Networks as a final classifier. For our tests, the "Digital Database for Screening Mammog- raphy― (DDSM) has been used, particularly the subset BCRP MASS1. The best results were obtained when we used the image data (with fea- ture extraction by means of ICA) together with the BI-RADS assessment provided by DDSM database. Keywords: CAD, breast cancer, mammo- gram, independent component analysis, neural networks.