

OA-pSDF BPOF의 특성 및 광학적 구현

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The Characteristics and Optical Implementation of OA-pSDF BPOF

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要 約

본 논문에서는 이축 투사 합성 분리함수(OA-pSDF) 근기한 가간섭성 광상관 시스템을 해석하고 이를 광학적으로 구현하고, 사용된 정합필터는 진형적인 pSDF와 단일 기준 평면파를 다중화하여 합성하였다.

합성된 pSDF는 이진위상필터(BPOF)로 변환되어 고가의 공간광변조기 대신 실시간 광상관 시스템에 사용될 수 있도록 컴퓨터 홀로그램(CGH)으로 제작되었다.

특성시험에서 OA-pSDF는 변형불변 특성과 부분집합 영상의 분별에도 좋은 성능을 보임을 알 수 있었다. 시뮬레이션과 광실험에서 제안된 OA-pSDF BPOF는 기존 BPOF의 크기, 회전, 비동일 평면에서의 변위 등에 성능이 저하되는 단점을 극복하고 출력 평면상에서 주어진 위치에서의 상관값을 관측함으로써 클래스간의 분별 또는 동일 클래스로의 인식 등에 훌륭한 분별력을 가짐을 확인할 수 있었다.

ABSTRACT

In this paper, an coherent optical correlator system based on the off-axis projection synthetic discriminant function (OA-pSDF) was analyzed and implemented optically. The filter was synthesized by combining conventional pSDF with single reference plane wave multiplexing.

Synthesized pSDF were transformed to binary phase only filters(BPOFs) and fabricated as computer generated holograms(CGHS), which was used in the real time optical correlator system instead of using expensive spatial light modulators(SLMs).

From the characteristic test, it was found that OA-pSDF showed distortion invariance and good performances in discriminating subset images.

The proposed OA pSDF BPOF could overcome the limitations of conventional BPOFs:that is distortion variance such as scale and rotation, especially out of plane variance.

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I. Introduction

Optical correlators are well known to be powerful systems and architectures that can recognize multiple occurrences of object in the presence of noise by the nature of high speed and parallel processing. Optical systems using holographic matched spatial filters easily perform the correlation function.

The basic Vander Lugt correlator¹ employs a matched filter in the frequency plane. However, the performance of a correlator rapidly degrades as distortions are present in the input image. The synthetic discriminant function filter² and its variations^{3,4} have advanced in decades of years to improve the performance of filters.

But the conventional projection synthetic discriminant function(pSDF) has some limitations to be used in optical correlator: i.e., since the conventional pSDF discriminates patterns in inter class discrimination or intraclass recognition problem by the relative correlation peak values or their combinations, if the classes to be classified increase, the number of filters also increases, so the physical filter dimension becomes larger or correlation peak level must be divided into smaller sub-levels which may make an ambiguous decision.

To solve these limitations, an off-axis pSDF(OA-pSDF)^{5,6} which is constructed by combining conventional pSDF with angular multiplexing is suggested and implemented optically.

To improve optical efficiency of filters, described filter is fabricated as binary phase only filter(BPOF)⁷, and from which computer generated hologram(CGH)^{8,9} is constructed to be used in the real time optical correlator.

II. Off-Axis pSDF

1. Unified pSDF Formulation

In most cases, pSDF synthesis contains inverse matrix operation. Pseudoinverse algorithm can be introduced to solve this problem efficiently¹⁰.

Let a training image be denoted by $x_j^{(i)}$ where $i=1,2,\dots,K$ is the image class, K is the total number of classes, $j=1,2,\dots,M_i$ is the image sample, and M_i is the total number of training images in the its class, $x_j^{(i)}$ is a column vector of length N obtained by lexicographically scanning the training set images. All training images are columnwise ordered in a

$[N \text{ by } \sum_{i=1}^k M_i]$ matrix W ; i.e.,

$$W = [x_1^{(1)} \dots x_{M_1}^{(1)}, x_1^{(2)} \dots x_{M_2}^{(2)}, \dots, x_1^{(k)} \dots x_{M_k}^{(k)}] \quad (1)$$

In pSDF problem, the pseudoinverse method seeks a $[K \text{ by } N]$ linear transformation matrix S , such that the i th row vector of S will map all the sample training images into the i th row vector in a K dimensional decision space.

That is,

$$S \cdot W = U \quad (2)$$

where W is the training image data base matrix expressed by a $[N \text{ by } KM]$, and U is a $[K \text{ by } KM]$ orthogonal matrix.

In the linear equations of Eq.(2) each row vector s_i of S , has N free variables, and therefore N training images are needed to determine s_i uniquely. In the case of underdetermined problem which is $KM < N$ the minimum-norm solution of Eq.(2) is given by

$$S = U R^{-1} W^T, \quad (3)$$

where R is an image correlation matrix for all the training images, and T denotes the transpose operation¹⁰.

The linear mapping transformation is related to the inverse of the image correlation matrix R . The image correlation matrix R is a $[KM \text{ by } KM]$ matrix (KM being the rank of R and the number of linearly independent training images), therefore the inverse matrix R^{-1} exists.

Let row vector of length N be $s_i (i=1,2,\dots,K)$, Eq.(3) can be rewritten as

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ \vdots \\ s_k \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

Form Eq.(4), it is recognized that each s_i is linear mapping of each class or pSDF for each class.

2. Angular Multiplexing of pSDF

The Vander Lugt filter of a function $f(x,y)$, created through conventional holographic techniques, yields the transmittance function, i.e.,

$$H(u,v) = A^2 + |F(u,v)|^2 + A \cdot F(u,v) \exp[i2\pi(au+bv)] + A \cdot F^*(u,v) \exp[-i2\pi(au+bv)] \quad (5)$$

where $F(u,v)$ is the Fourier transform of $f(x,y)$, $A \exp[-i2\pi(au+bv)]$ is the off-axis reference wave used to create the hologram, and $*$ denotes complex conjugate of a function.

From Eq.(5), only the fourth term plays an important role in filter synthesis, and is needed.

In this case, substituting each $s_i(x,y)$ of Eq.(4) into $f(x,y)$ of Eq.(5) can result in OA-pSDF; that is the desired OA-pSDF $J(u,v)$ is described by

$$J(u,v) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^k k_i \{s_i(x,y) \exp[i2\pi(au+bv)]\} \right]^* \quad (6)$$

where $J(u,v) = \mathcal{F}\{J(x,y)\}$, and a_i and b_i are the direction cosines of the i th plane wave carrier, and k_i denotes amplitude of i th plane wave carrier and can be chosen such that the autocorrelation peaks have the same amplitude. And properly chosen, correlation peaks for each class can be separated in the output correlation plane by properly choosing a_i and b_i .

III. Experiments and Discussions

1. Set-up for Experiments

The fundamental set-up for computer simulation and optical verification is as shown in Fig.1

The system in Fig.1 can reduce the system length by a factor of 2-3 with respect to the conventional 4-f system by introducing concave lens.^[1]

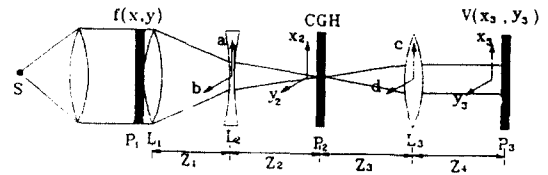


Fig. 1. Set up for experiments

In this case, the calculated focal length f which will be determined in designing CGH and may be unmatched to focal length of the common lenses, is 1741.37mm, and so the conventional system with the length of 4- f is 1741.37 \times 4=6965.48mm. But using the suggested system as Fig.1, the focal length can be varied by combination of concave and convex lens. As a result, the total length of suggested system is 2962.816mm.

2. Computer Simulations

2.1 Characteristics of OA-pSDF BPOF

The conventional BPOF(CBPOF) shows high output S/N, but has a minor effect that can not discriminate similar images between subset ones. For example, as shown in Fig.2 character F is a subset image of character E , and so CBPOFs can show very high cross-correlation peak, about more than 70% of auto-correlation.

But OA-pBPOF has an improved performance to compensate this minor effect of CBPOFs. The input patterns for simulations are composed 16 \times 11 pixels.



(a) Input-E

(b) Input-F

Fig. 2. Input patterns 'E' and 'F'

The computer simulation results are shown in Fig.3 and Fig.4 for CBPOF, and OA-pSDF BPOF, respectively.

To compare performance of filters, a parameter Q which means that the smaller the value is, the better the performance is, can be defined as

$$Q = \frac{\text{cross correlation value}}{\text{auto-correlation peak value}} \quad (7)$$

table. 1. Parameter Q of CBPOF and OA pSDF BPOF

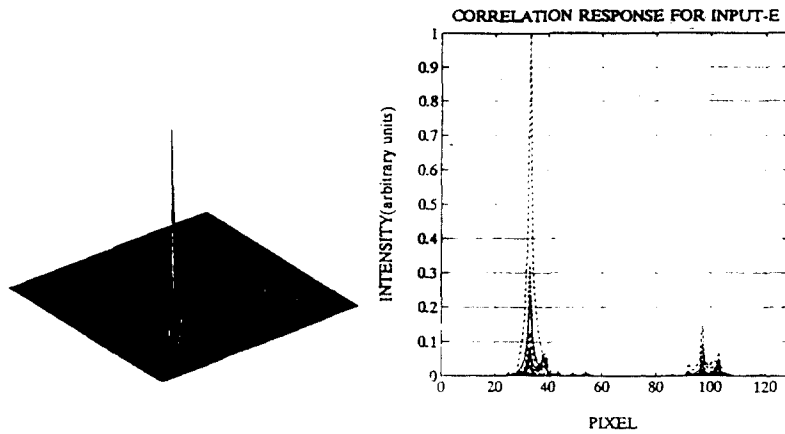
Input \ Filter	CBPOF	OA pSDF
E	0.19	0.25
F	0.71	0.41

Parameter Q indicates that filter with smaller Q value can discriminate subset images more effectively.

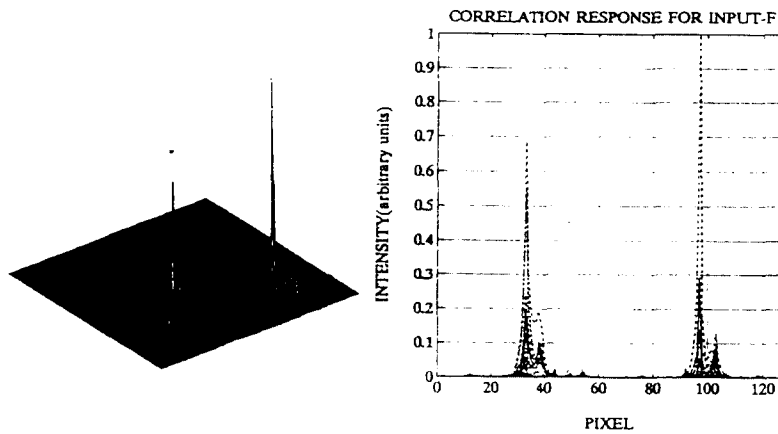
From Fig.3, Fig.4 and Table 1, it is noted that OA pSDF can discriminate between sub pattern images more efficiently than CBPOF.

Another characteristic of OA pSDF is that it can recognize distortion images of original training images.

To show this characteristic, two class problem is considered and each class has five training images. The patterns used and two of correlation

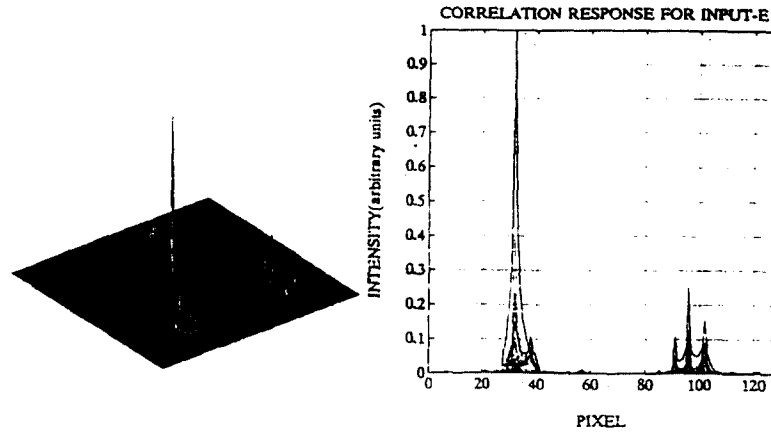


(a) Correlation response for input-E

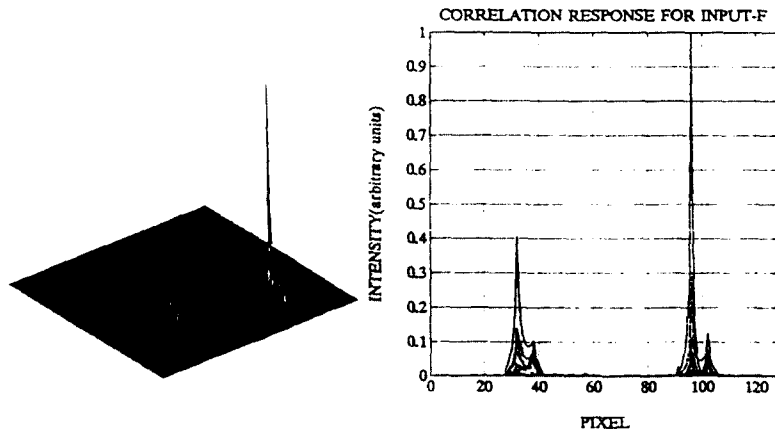


(b) Correlation response for input-F

Fig. 3. Computer simulation results for CBPOF



(a) Correlation response for input-E



(b) Correlation response for input-F

Fig. 4. Computer simulation results for OA pSDF BPOF



(a) Training images for class-A



(b) Training images for class-B

Fig. 5. Training images

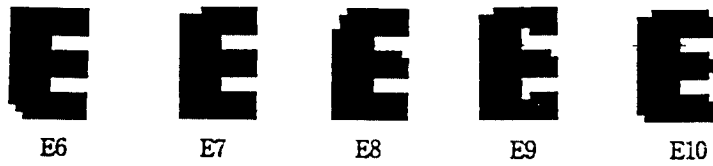
outputs are shown in Fig.5 and Fig.6

Each one of the input patterns in Fig.5 and 6 is composed of 16×11 pixels and the locations of output correlation peaks are (92, 32) for class-A and (96, 96) for class-B for 128×128 output correlation plane size.

2.2 Correlation Responses of OA-pSDF BPOF

The input patterns used for computer simulations are composed of 16×16 pixel images, which are shown in Fig.7

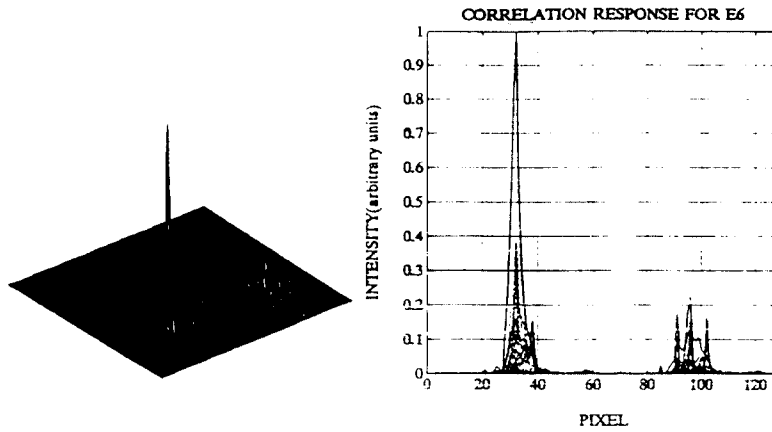
In Fig.1, input plane, filter plane and corre-



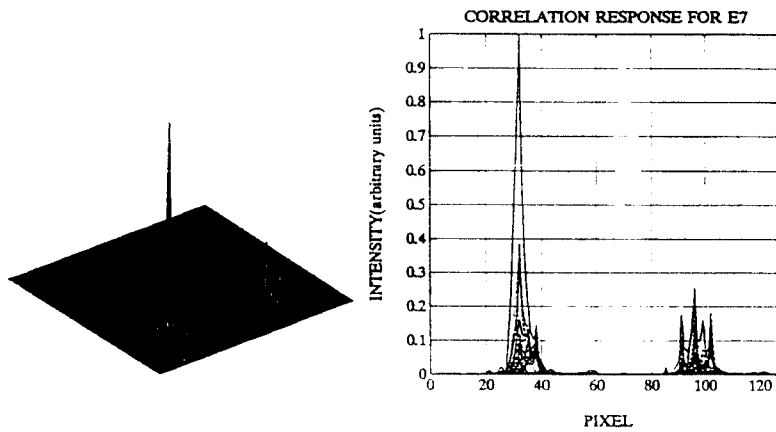
(a) Distorted images for class-A



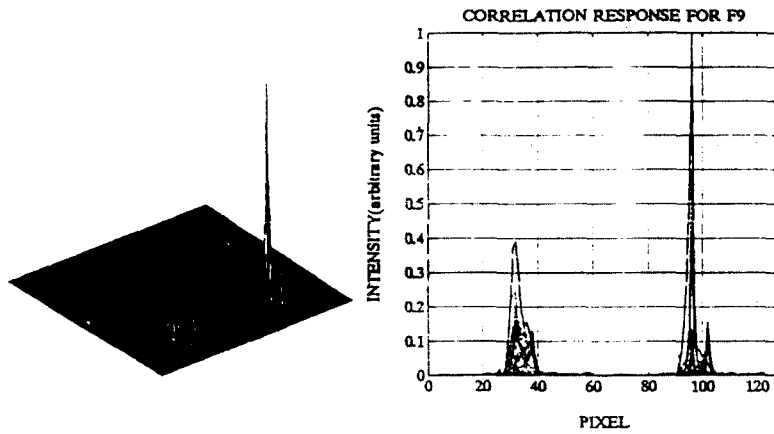
(b) Distorted images for class-B



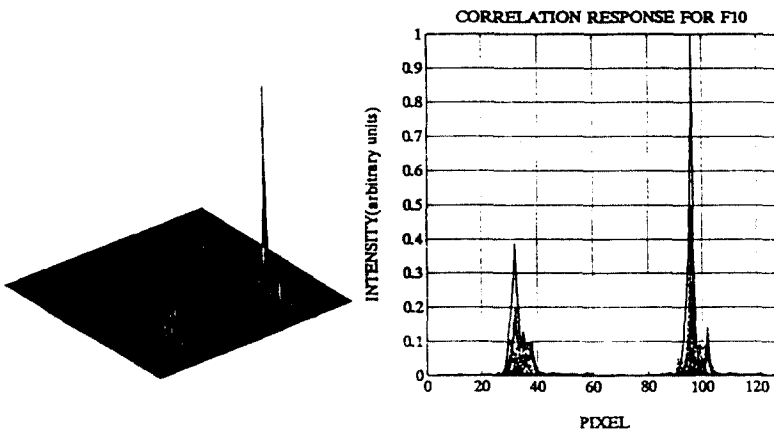
(c) Correlation response for E6



(d) Correlation response for E7



(e) Correlation response for F9



(f) Correlation response for F10

Fig. 6. Distorted input patterns and correlation outputs

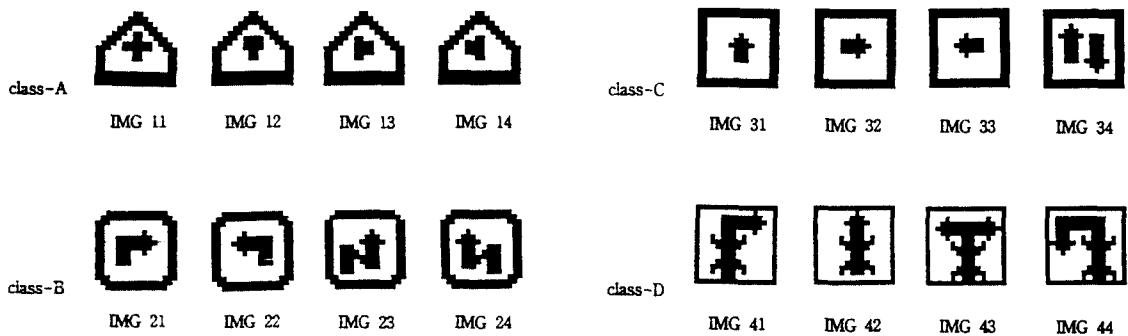


Fig. 7. training images

lation plane, each plane consists of 128×128 pixels.

The simulation is performed for the case of inter and intra problems; i.e. the designed filter must discriminate input patterns between classes and recognize input patterns belonged to any one class as same class. The correlation peak location designated are (96,16), (96,48), (96,80), and (96, 112) of correlation plane for class A class B, class-C, and class-D, respectively. If some regions of output correlation plane are defined as follows:

- region A : 32×32 pixels centered at (90, 16)
- region B : 32×32 pixels centered at (90, 48)
- region C : 32×32 pixels centered at (90, 80)
- region D : 32×32 pixels centered at (90, 112)

discriminant parameter K can be defined as

$$K = \frac{T - F}{T} \tag{8}$$

when T means maximum correlation peak value at the designated location in the region which has the desired peak value, and F means the average value of correlation peaks which are belonged to the rest of output plane except the plane containing T .

From Eq.(8) it is noted that K having value close to 1 shows better recognition capability. Table. 2 shows correlation peak values of each region A, B, C, D and Table 3 summarizes K parameter.

In optical set-up shown in Fig.1, the focal lengths of lenses, are 600mm for L_2 , -100mm for

table. 2. Maximum correlation peak values of region A, B, C, D

Input \ Region		Region			
		A	B	C	D
Class A	IMG 11	1	0.1767	0.1332	0.0662
	IMG 12	1	0.1644	0.1237	0.0683
	IMG 13	1	0.1403	0.1045	0.0720
	IMG 14	1	0.1484	0.1151	0.0634
Class B	IMG 21	0.1150	1	0.1357	0.0834
	IMG 22	0.1156	1	0.1518	0.0548
	IMG 23	0.11740	1	0.1516	0.0633
	IMG 24	0.1131	1	0.1691	0.0502
Class C	IMG 31	0.0620	0.1524	1	0.0522
	IMG 32	0.0796	0.1673	1	0.0549
	IMG 33	0.0803	0.1473	1	0.0593
	IMG 34	0.1612	0.1971	1	0.0782
Class D	IMG 41	0.0788	0.1130	0.1189	1
	IMG 42	0.1237	0.0610	0.0988	1
	IMG 43	0.1753	0.1411	0.1527	1
	IMG 44	0.1051	0.0968	0.1310	1

concave L_3 , and 550mm for L_1 , and $Z_1=534$, 456mm, $Z_2=190.23$ mm, $Z_3=550$ mm, and $Z_1=1652.13$ mm are obtained. Because of the aberration effects of concave lens such as coma, astigmatism etc., the shorter the length Z_2 between lens L_3 and filter plane is, the better experimental results can be obtained. The output correlation patterns are obtained using CCD camera.

IV. Discussions

The results of interest fell in two categories:(1) characteristics of OA-pSDF

table. 3. K parameter

Input	Class A				Class B			
	IMG 11	IMG 22	IMG 33	IMG 44	IMG 21	IMG 22	IMG 23	IMG 24
K	0.8746	0.8812	0.8944	0.8910	0.8886	0.8926	0.8904	0.8972
Input	Class C				Class-D			
	IMG 31	IMG 32	IMG 33	IMG 34	IMG 41	IMG 42	IMG 43	IMG 44
K	0.9111	0.8994	0.9044	0.8545	0.8964	0.9055	0.8436	0.8890

BPOF(2) computer simulation and bench test for OA-pSDF BPOF.

In the simulations of characteristics of OA-pSDF BPOF, two points of view are considered. One is to test the capability of subset image discrimination and the other is distortion invariance. From Fig.3, CBPOF shows resonable correlation peak located at desired position for input pattern 'E', but ambiguous correlation outputs for input pattern 'F'. In the case of character 'F', the correlation peak difference between the position for input 'E' and that for input 'F', is very small: i.e. Q value is 0.71, and so CBPOF may confuse whether the input pattern is character 'E' or 'F'.

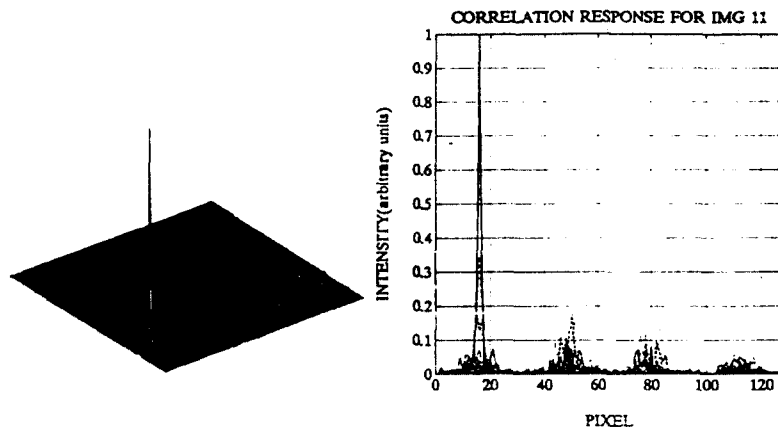
However, as shown in Table 1, OA-pSDF BPOF can reduce the Q value from 0.71 to 0.41, and shows improved performance which results in eliminating incorrection recognition. To test distortion invariance, some training images of chrscter E for class A and chacter F for class B are used for training.

In Fig.5, there are training images, and distorted images and their correlation responses are shown in Fig.6 Comparing these results show no differences in their correlation responses. From this it is pointed out proposed that OA-pSDF BPOF

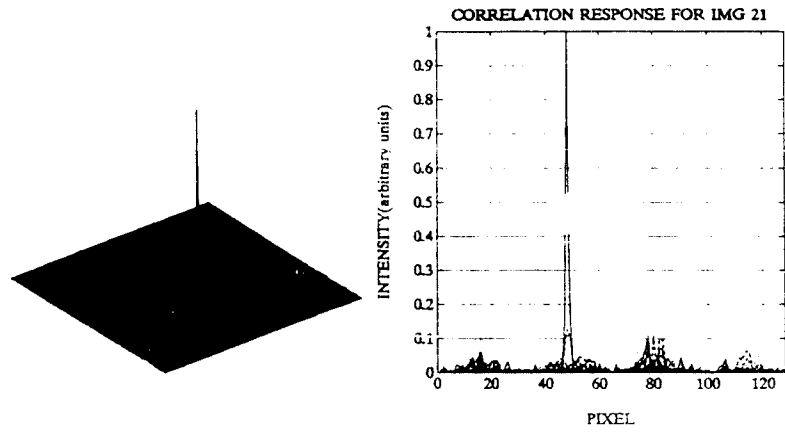
can recognize distorted patterns which do not belong to the training images, and has distortion invariance characteristics.

In the case of OA-pSDF BPOF simulation, as shown in Fig.8, sharp correlation peak can be obtained separately at the desired correlation positions such as location (96,16) of correlation plane for class-A, location (96, 48) for class-B, location (96, 80) for class-C, and location (96,112) for class-D. From Table 3, it is seen that large discriminant factor Ks for each input to be classified are obtained properly. The value of Ks is close to 0.9 or more in most cases, and it is found that proposed OA-pSDF BPOF has high discriminant capability.

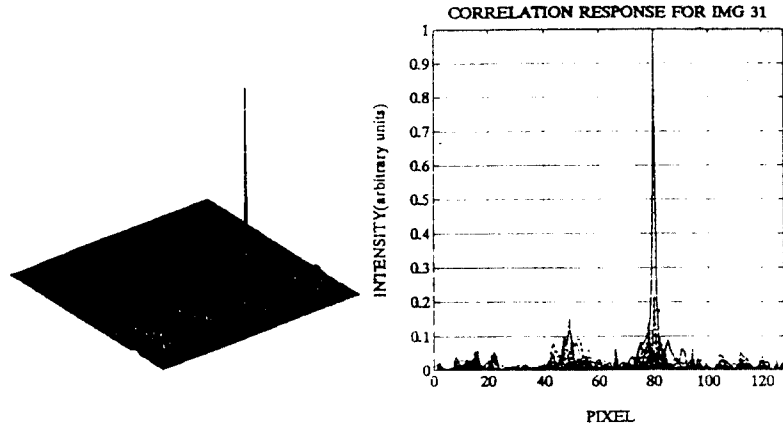
In optical expriments, owing to the nature of the BPOF, unwanted noise terms are appeared at the opposite side centered at the dc terms as shown in Fig.10. Comparing simulation results in Fig.8 with bench test in Fig.10, there exist some differences between them. This seems to be the effects of nonlinear transformation during binarization procedure of making BPOF from POF and approximate phase encoding of CGH rather than exact ' π ' and '0' phase encoding for '1' and '-1', respectively. The phase encoding problem can be solved if SLM is to be used for real time CGH.



(a) Correlation response for input IMG 11



(b) Correlation response for input IMG 21



(c) Correlation response for input IMG 31

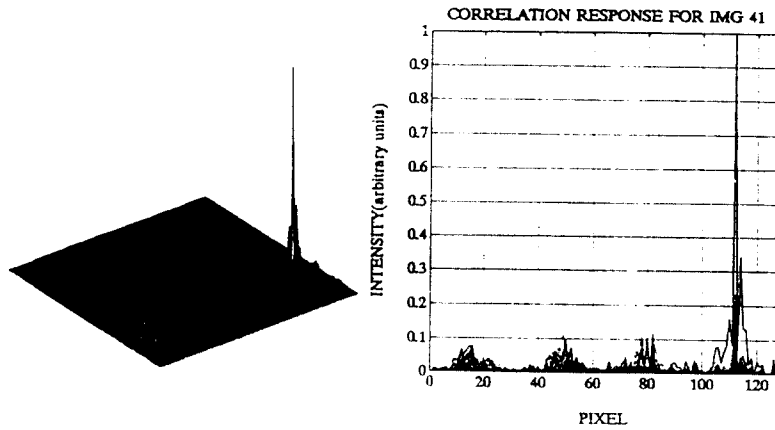


Fig. 8. Correlation outputs for input pattern

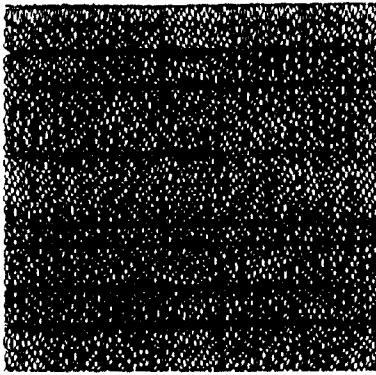


Fig. 9. Designed CGH patterns

V. Conclusions

In this paper, an coherent optical correlator based on the multiplexed pSDF is analyzed and implemented. The proposed OA-pSDF is synthesized by combining conventional pSDF with single reference beam multiplexing. Synthesized pSDFs in this paper are transformed to BPOFs and fabricated as Lee type CGH which is frequently used in the real time optical correlator system instead of expensive spatial light modulators(SLMs).

The designed OA pSDF BPOF shows distortion

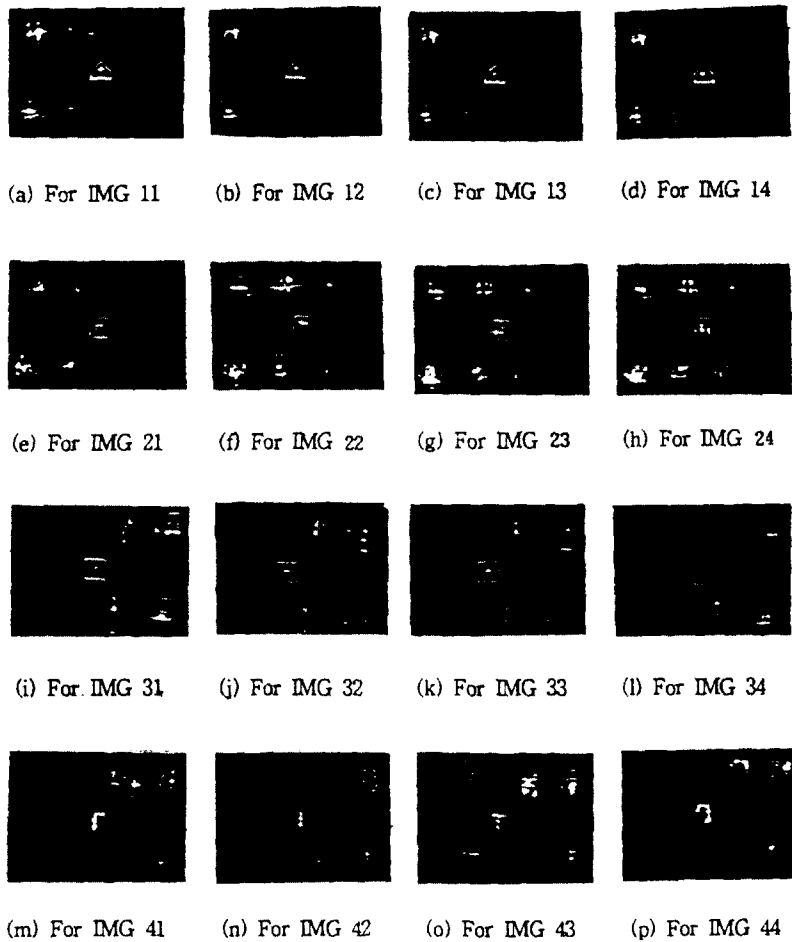


Fig. 10. Optical correlator outputs of OA pSDF BPOF

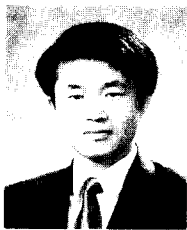
invariance and good performances in discriminating subset images, which are impossible for conventional BPOFs.

The proposed OA-pSDF BPOF can overcome the limitations of conventional pSDFs which discriminate patterns by relative correlation peak values or combinations physical size of the filter also increases in proportional to the number of filters to be combined, or very sensitive photodetector and threshold device is needed to distinguish correlation peaks at their own designated location in the output correlation plane, it is very easy and clear to discriminate patterns in the case of interclass discrimination, intraclass recognition, or mixed problems.

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