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Holographic optical element and its manufacturing method

Conversion of depth information linearly into planar information!

Overview

In 3D imaging, it is important to effectively encode z information, which is the image formation displacement of the target object, into XY information, which is displacement from the optical axis of the image surface. On the other hand, in single-pixel imaging using only a single detector, it is important to encode in efficient manner the XY information of the target into the time information. However, the conventional encoding method has a limit on distance resolution, imaging distance range, z information decoding accuracy and encryption uniqueness.

This invention provides a new and improved hologram optical element, its manufacturing method and an optical device able to mutually convert Z & XY information with simple configuration. This invention is able to realize high accuracy and high spatial resolution for high-speed 3D imaging (patent US10816474) by converting the object depth direction information of the optical detection system into the planar direction information at the detecting surface.

Product Application

- Optical field such as optical microscope
- Fast sensing for depth direction in 3D space

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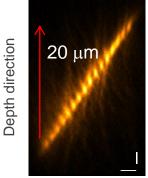
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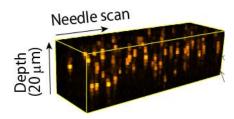
Concept of linear z-x transformation Detected signal (reflected light, scattered light, fluorescence, etc.) Objective lens Holographic optical element 2π

Demonstrated linear shit behavior



Lateral direction (detector plane)

Video-rate 3D acquisition



- The image position in the detecting surface shifts linearly in the planar direction according to the object depth position.
- Axial position is retrieved without further calibration processes.

Related Works

[1] T. Nakamura et al., Opt. Lett. 43, 5949 (2018).

Detection object placed

in z direction

- [2] Y. Kozawa et al., Biomed. Opt. Express 13, 1702 (2022)
- [3] Press release (Tohoku Univ.)

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