

that spectral wavelengths residing within the blue and green bands of the electromagnetic spectrum and having a LHCP state are strongly reflected from the subpixel structure, while spectral wavelengths residing within the red band and having a LHCP polarization state are weakly reflected from the layer (i.e. strongly transmitted therethrough);

[0127] FIG. 6J is a schematic representation graphically illustrating the actual spectral reflection characteristics of the "blue, green and red" subpixel regions in the CLC-based spectral filtering structure depicted in FIGS. 5 through 5B1, plotted against the spectral emission characteristics of a cold cathode tungsten backlighting structure, employable within the LCD panel assembly of the present invention;

[0128] FIG. 7A is a chromaticity diagram for an actual LCD panel assembly constructed in accordance with FIGS. 2 through 5C using the CLC-based spectral filtering structure specified by the spectral reflection and transmission characteristics shown in FIGS. 6A through 6J, indicating the color coordinates (CC) of a sample pixel structure on the panel at C, and the color coordinates of the light source employed therein at B for which the CC of the pixel structure is calculated, for purposes of computing the color purity of the pixel structures in LCD panel assembly;

[0129] FIG. 7B is a chromaticity diagram for an actual LCD panel assembly constructed in accordance with FIGS. 2 through 5C using the CLC-based spectral filtering structure specified by the spectral reflection and transmission characteristics shown in FIGS. 6A through 6J, indicating the computed color gamut of each of the pixel structures in LCD panel assembly, plotted against the color gamut achieved by the pixels of a conventional LCD panel employing an absorptive-type spectral filtering structure;

[0130] FIG. 7C is a schematic representation of the extinction ratio characteristics, plotted as function of wavelength, for each pixel structure in the actual LCD panel assembly constructed in accordance with FIGS. 2 through 5C using the CLC-based spectral filtering structure specified by the spectral reflection and transmission characteristics shown in FIGS. 6A through 6J;

[0131] FIG. 7D1 is a chromaticity diagram for an actual LCD panel assembly constructed in accordance with FIGS. 2 through 5C using the CLC-based spectral filtering structure specified by the characteristics shown in FIGS. 6A through 6J, and an absorptive-type Jenmar film diffuser mounted on the spatial-intensity modulation panel of the assembly, in order to simulate the expected improvement in angular performance of the LCD panel assembly for spectral components in the blue-band, when the light condensing (i.e. quasi-collimating) film is installed between the light diffusing layer associated with the backlighting panel and the broad-band CLC-based reflective polarizer, and the light diffusing layer is mounted upon the broad-band analyzer of the spatial-intensity modulation panel, as indicated in FIGS. 2 through 2B;

[0132] FIG. 7D2 is a chromaticity diagram for an actual LCD panel assembly constructed in accordance with FIGS. 2 through 5C using the CLC-based spectral filtering structure specified by the characteristics shown in FIGS. 6A through 6J, and an absorptive-type Jenmar film diffuser mounted on the spatial-intensity modulation panel of the assembly, in order to simulate the expected improvement in

angular performance of the LCD panel assembly for spectral components in the green-band, when the light condensing (i.e. quasi-collimating) film is installed between the light diffusing layer associated with the backlighting panel and the broad-band CLC-based reflective polarizer, and the light diffusing layer is mounted upon the broad-band analyzer of the spatial-intensity modulation panel, as indicated in FIGS. 2 through 2B;

[0133] FIG. 7D3 is a chromaticity diagram for an actual LCD panel assembly constructed in accordance with FIGS. 2 through 5C using the CLC-based spectral filtering structure specified by the characteristics shown in FIGS. 6A through 6J, and an absorptive-type Jenmar film diffuser mounted on the spatial-intensity modulation panel of the assembly, in order to simulate the expected improvement in angular performance of the LCD panel assembly for spectral components in the red-band, when the light condensing (i.e. quasi-collimating) film is installed between the light diffusing layer associated with the backlighting panel and the broad-band CLC-based reflective polarizer, and the light diffusing layer is mounted upon the broad-band analyzer of the spatial-intensity modulation panel, as indicated in FIGS. 2 through 2B;

[0134] FIG. 8A is a schematic representation illustrating a first method of fabricating the two-layer CLC-based spectral filtering structure shown in FIGS. 5 through 5B2;

[0135] FIG. 8B is a schematic representation final structure produced when using the first method of spectral filter fabricating illustrated in FIG. 8A;

[0136] FIG. 8C is a schematic representation illustrating a second alternative method of fabricating the CLC-based spectral filtering structure shown in FIG. 2, wherein the subpixel structures of each pixel structure therein are arranged in a 3x1 array, and the order of the subpixel structures in neighboring pixel structures are periodically reversed to enable manufacturer of CLC layers having double-sized color-band reflection regions;

[0137] FIG. 8D1 is a perspective schematic representation of a second illustrative embodiment of the CLC-based spectral filtering structure shown in FIG. 2, wherein the subpixel structures of each pixel structure therein are arranged in a 2x2 array;

[0138] FIG. 8D2 is a schematic representation of one pixel structure in the first (i.e. bottom) CLC layer of the CLC-based spectral filtering structure of FIG. 8D1, showing the 2-D spatial layout of the individual subpixel structures contained therein;

[0139] FIG. 8D3 is a schematic representation of one pixel structure in the second (i.e. top) CLC layer of the CLC-based spectral filtering structure of FIG. 8D1, showing the 2-D spatial layout of the individual subpixel structures contained therein;

[0140] FIG. 8D4 is a schematic representation of light output from the subpixel structures contained in one pixel structure in the CLC-based spectral filtering structure of FIG. 8D1;

[0141] FIGS. 9A through 9B, taken together, set forth a flow chart illustrating the steps involved when manufacturing the two-layer CLC-based spectral filter of FIG. 5;