

ence, sharpness or blurriness, tonal balance, color balance, etc., associated with MCD 110 and/or the display of graphical objects (e.g., 150) on MCD 110.

**[0023]** Embodiments of the present invention also enable MCD image display adjustment by processing graphical data prior to display on the MCD (e.g., 110). For example, distortion or image alteration caused by transmitting or viewing graphical objects through interstitial layers (e.g., 140) and/or display screens (e.g., 130) of the MCD (e.g., 110) may be compensated for prior to display. In one embodiment, the graphical data used to display the graphical objects (e.g., 150) may be modified (e.g., to account for distortion or image alteration of the MCD components) to generate updated graphical data. As such, the graphical objects (e.g., 150) generated from the updated graphical data may be displayed on MCD 110 (e.g., after passing through optical component 140 and front display screen 130) with improved optical characteristics (e.g., sharpness, tonal balance, color balance, etc.).

**[0024]** Accordingly, embodiments can be used to improve the display quality of MCDs, where those MCDs use optical components that introduce a tradeoff between two or more optical characteristics. For example, where optical component 140 comprises a diffuser, a tradeoff between Moiré interference associated with MCD 110 and sharpness of the display of graphical objects 150 is introduced. The attributes and/or positioning of component 140 may be varied to improve image quality with respect to at least one of the optical characteristics (e.g., reducing Moiré interference). Graphical data processing may then be performed to further improve the previously-adjusted optical characteristics and/or improve other optical characteristics (e.g., reduce blurriness, etc.). As such, embodiments enable the use of a wide variety of optical components (e.g., 140), where the display quality of the MCD (e.g., 110) may be improved regardless of the number, type, or attributes of the optical component or components used.

**[0025]** Although FIG. 1 shows optical component 140 disposed between the front and rear display screens (e.g., 120 and 130), it should be appreciated that optical component 140 may be alternatively positioned (e.g., disposed in front of front display screen 130) in other embodiments. Additionally, although FIG. 1 shows only one optical component (e.g., 140), it should be appreciated that MCD 110 may comprise more than one optical component in other embodiments, where each optical component may be placed in front of or behind display screen 120 and/or display screen 130. As such, graphical data processing may be performed to compensate for optical distortion or blur caused by optical components regardless of the position of the optical component (e.g., 140, etc.) with respect to display screens (e.g., 120, 130, etc.) of the MCD (e.g., 110).

**[0026]** Additionally, although FIG. 1 shows two display screens (e.g., 120 and 130), it should be appreciated that MCD 110 may comprise a larger or smaller number of display screens in other embodiments, where any additional display screens may be positioned behind, between or in front of (or any combination thereof) the MCD components (e.g., display screen 120, display screen 130, optical component 140, etc.) depicted in FIG. 1. As such, in one embodiment, graphical data processing may be performed to compensate for optical distortion or blur caused by a touchscreen or other optical component positioned in front of a single-layer display screen. Further, it should be appreciated that the elements

(e.g., 110-160) depicted in FIG. 1 are not drawn to scale, and thus, may comprise different shapes, sizes, etc. in other embodiments.

**[0027]** FIG. 2 shows diagram 200 of exemplary effects of multi-component display components on the frequency spectrum of displayed graphical objects in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention. As shown in FIG. 2, graphical objects 150 displayed by rear display screen 120 of MCD 110 travel along paths 210-230 to observer 160. More specifically, graphical objects 150 travel along path 210 from rear display screen 120 to optical component 140, along path 220 from optical component 140 to front display screen 130, then along path 230 from front display screen 130 to observer 160. Displayed graphical objects 150 have a respective spatial frequency spectrum in each path segment (e.g., 210-230) as represented by exemplary frequency spectrum groupings 240 and 250, where each grouping depicts different effects on the frequency spectrum given different characteristics of the MCD components (e.g., display screen 120, display screen 130 and optical component 140) in accordance with different embodiments of the present invention.

**[0028]** Frequency spectrum grouping 240 may represent an embodiment where an optical component (e.g., 140) dampens the high frequency components of the displayed graphical objects (e.g., 150), while the front display screen (e.g., 130) has little effect on the frequency spectrum. As depicted in FIG. 2, path 210 may have an associated frequency spectrum (e.g., 242) with amplified or amplified high frequency components to compensate for dampening or reduction of the high frequency components by optical component 140. The high frequency components may be amplified by processing the graphical data used to display graphical objects 150 as discussed above with respect to FIG. 1. As such, when passed through optical component 140, the amplified high frequency components are dampened (e.g., returning them to their pre-amplified levels) as indicated by substantially-flat frequency spectrum 244 associated with path 220. Since the front display screen (e.g., 130) has little effect on the frequency spectrum of the displayed graphical objects (e.g., 150) in this embodiment, frequency spectrum 244 is maintained upon passing the displayed graphical objects through front display screen 130. Therefore, path 230 may share an associated frequency spectrum (e.g., 244) with path 220.

**[0029]** Frequency spectrum grouping 250 may represent an optical component (e.g., 140) and front display screen (e.g., 130) which dampen the high frequency components of the displayed graphical objects (e.g., 150). As depicted in FIG. 2, path 210 may have an associated frequency spectrum (e.g., 252) with amplified or amplified high frequency components to compensate for dampening of the high frequency components by optical component 140 and front display screen 130. The high frequency components may be amplified by processing the graphical data used to display graphical objects 150 as discussed above with respect to FIG. 1. As such, when passed through optical component 140, the high frequency components are dampened as indicated by frequency spectrum 254 associated with path 220. Thereafter, the high frequency components are further dampened (e.g., returning them to their normal levels) when passed through front display screen 130 as indicated by substantially-flat frequency spectrum 254 associated with path 230.

**[0030]** In one embodiment, optical component 140 may comprise a diffuser (e.g., with a predetermined angular spread distribution, Gaussian profile, etc.) which blurs dis-