

A Zoom Lens Set for Mega Pixel CCTV with an Aspheric Lens

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Abstract

It was difficult to verify the car number or face of inspector in the closed circuit television because of low CCD pixels and low brightness of lens. So CCTV lens should have higher pixels and brightness. In this paper, the design of zoom lens for mega pixel Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) was introduced. We applied aspheric lens in order to reduce the spherical aberration and distortional aberration. And we applied focal length of 5-50mm, F number of 1.4, 3 million pixel resolution and magnifying power of 10 times. Also we applied infrared correction in order to use the CCTV camera in day and night effectively. These norms are the most powerful in CCTV zoom lens of focal length of 5-50mm. And if we apply this lens to the box style CCTV camera, we can verify the car number or face within 50m.

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1. Introduction

In general, variable focal lenses are using in CCTV camera in order to verify the viewing angle. The CCTV camera seems to be important because it contained important evidence in order to arrest a suspect of victim. But the system always has a dark place because the angle of view is not enough. Wide angle lens has a wide angle of view and it can have an angle of wide up to 180 degree. The lens sets which can vary the angle of view are variable focal lens and zoom lens. If the angle of view is big, we can see widely but the object is too small to figure out. Also if the angle of view is small, we can see narrow view but the object is big enough to figure out. So variable focal or zoom lens can control the angle of view and the object size in order to figure it out¹.

2. The Design of Zoom Lens

We can choose the size and structure of zoom lens in order to fit to the purpose. The quality of lens set can be

obtained by minimizing the aberrations and maximizing the transference. There are six kinds of aberrations such as spherical aberration, coma, astigmatism, curvature of field, distortion and chromatic aberration². Spherical aberration and distortion can be adjusted by aspheric lens. Also chromatic aberration can be adjusted by combined lens set. The 50mm standard lens of full frame camera has an aspheric lens, five convex lenses and 2 concave lenses.

In order to receive enough light, the diameter of lens should be larger and lens pipe should be shorter.

The f-number N is given by focal length over effective aperture. Focal length of fitted object is defined by

$$f = v \times \frac{D}{V}, f = h \times \frac{D}{H} \quad (1)$$

where f : focus length, V : vertical size of object, H : horizontal size of object, D : distance between lens and object, v : vertical size of image, h : horizontal size of image.

Image sizes of CCTV camera are classified by 1", 2/3", 1/2", 1/3", 1/4" and lenses are classified by image sizes.

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Table 1. Typical one-half-stop f-number scale

AV	-1	-.5	0	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	4.5	5	5.5	6	6.5	7	7.5	8	8.5	9	9.5	10
f/No	0.70	0.84	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.7	2	2.4	2.8	3.3	4	4.8	5.6	6.7	8	9.5	11	13	16	19	22	27	32

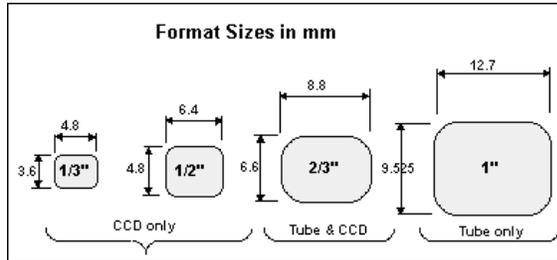


Figure 1. Image size of CCTV.

Figure 2 shows the structure of lens which explains the back focal length and flange back length.

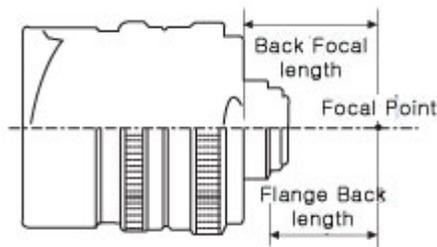


Figure 2. The structure of lens set.

Lens set has a tale of C-mount or CS-mount. The shape is similar but distance from flange is different. Figure 3 shows the C-mount and the CS-mount. In order to make a fine lens set, we should minimize the aberration. We can minimize these aberrations by using the aspheric lens in the lens set.

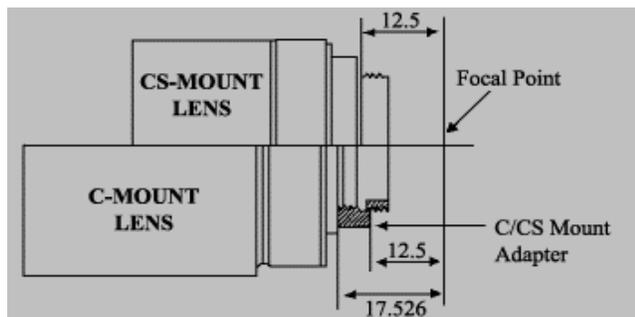


Figure 3. C-mount and CS-mount.

3. Computer Simulation for Optimizing

CCTV camera is more useful in the night than day time because several accidents occur in the night time. So we applied infrared ray correction to the lens set design by optical path length optimization of lenses array. Also we used aspheric lens in order to minimize spherical aberration and distortion². Optimizing process can be performed by computer simulation³.

3.1 Trajectory Analysis of 4 Group Lenses

We can obtain the desired solution of the four group lenses throughout the trajectory analysis of the 4 group zoom lenses. In the case of 4 group zoom lens, 16 solutions can be obtained by 4th differential equation, so we can choose 4 answers of 16 solutions.

If the infinitive object points G1, G2 are fixed, we can obtain the trajectory of 4 group lens by varying the k and bf.

$$[k_1, -z_1, k_2, -z_2, k_3, -z_3, k_4] = K \tag{2}$$

$$[k_1, -z_1, k_2, -z_2, k_3, -z_3] = Kbf \tag{3}$$

$$z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + bf = T \tag{4}$$

$$[k_1, -z_1, k_2, -z_2, k_3, -z_3] k_4 + [k_1, -z_1, k_2, -z_2, k_3] = K \tag{5}$$

$$[k_1, -z_1, k_2, -z_2, k_3, -z_3] = (1 - k_1z_1 - k_1z_2 - k_2z_2 - k_1z_2z_1z_2) * k_3 + k_1 + k_2 - (k_1 * k_2 * z_1) \tag{6}$$

$$x_2 = T_1 - z_1 \tag{7}$$

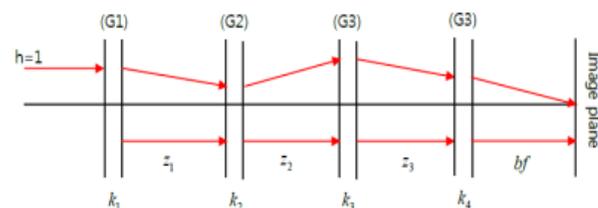


Figure 4. 4 group lens system.

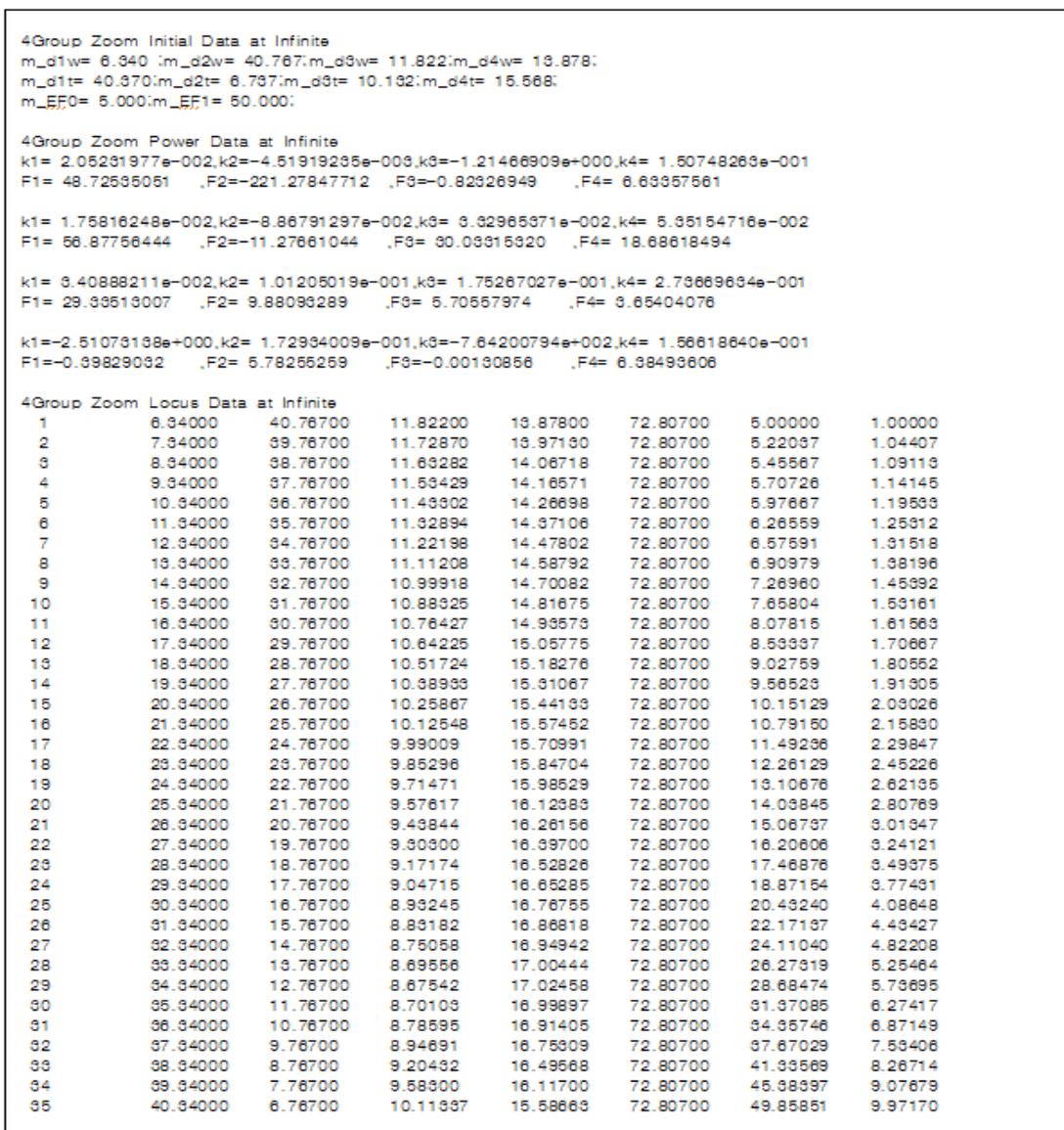


Figure 5. Solutions of 4th differential equation in 4 group lens.

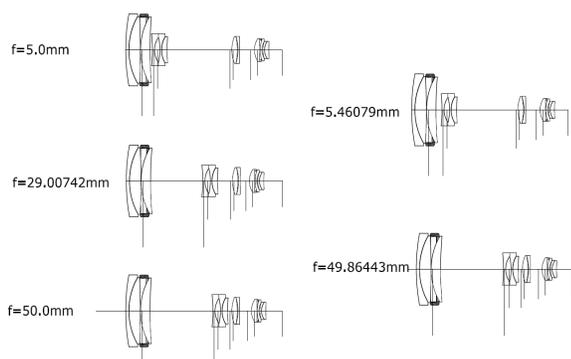


Figure 6. First design by zoom trajectory.

After first design we applied these data to Code-V program and optimized data. Figure 7 and Figure 8 shows 2 and 3 dimensional zoom lens design.

3.2 Infrared Correction

The relative contrast is given by the absolute value of the optical transfer function, a function commonly referred to as the Modulation Transfer Function (MTF). We varied F-no. and improved MTF in the region of visible and infrared.

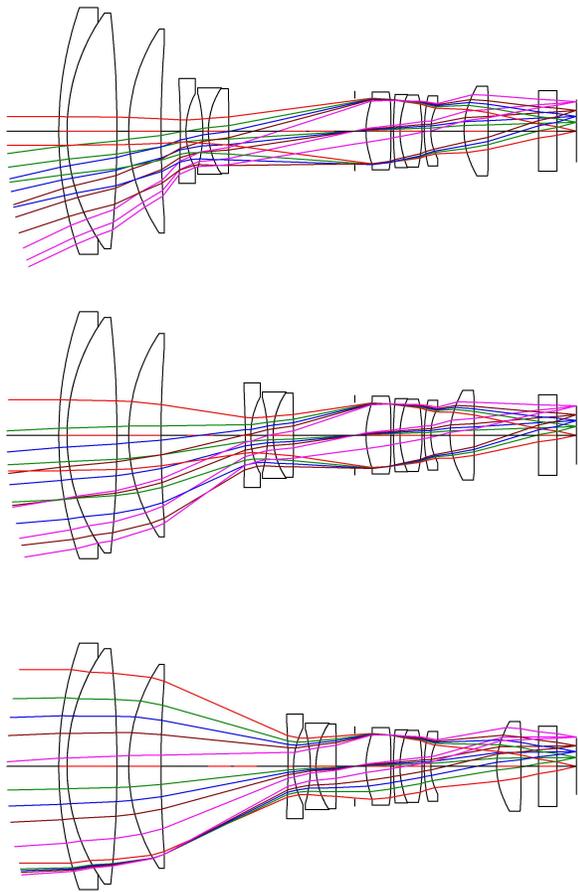


Figure 7. Design of zoom lens.

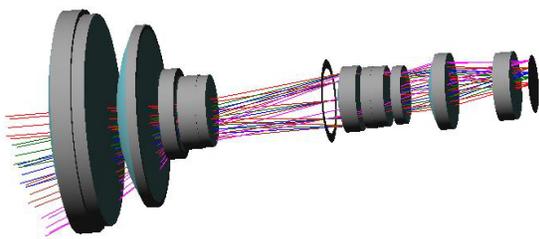


Figure 8. 3D modeling of zoom lens.

Designed lens set parameters are as follow. Focal length of lens: 5~50mm, iris: F1.4-Infinite, lens mount: CS, CMOS size: 1/3", horizontal angle of view: 1/3": 42°~4.5°, 1/4": 32°~3.4°, minimum of working distance: 0.5m . Also out look of designed lens set is shown in Figure 11 and Figure 12. First of all, the special parameter of this lens set is pupil. We applied 1.4 in nearest focus of CCTV camera lens.

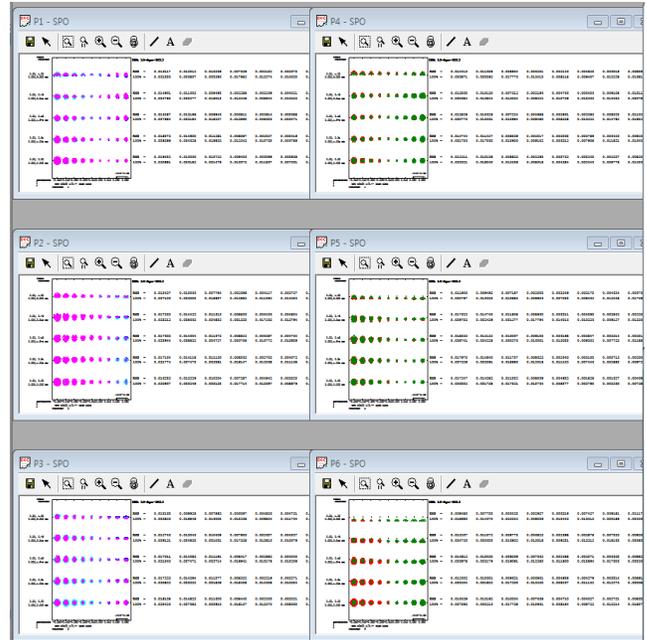


Figure 9. IR Correction in the Visible and Near Infra Red.

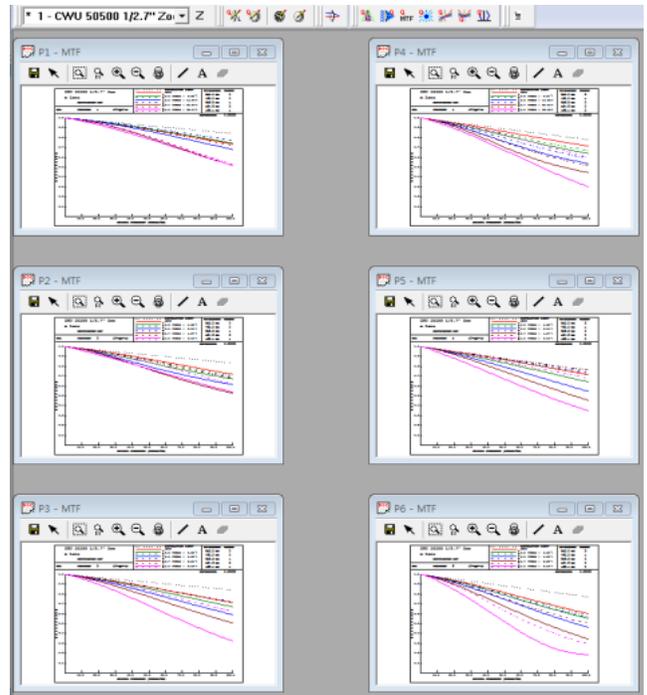


Figure 10. MTF of visible and near infrared (after IR correction).

4. Sample Test

We made test lenses for quality testing. Actually the important item of lens quality is a Modulation Transfer Function (MTF). When optical designers attempt to

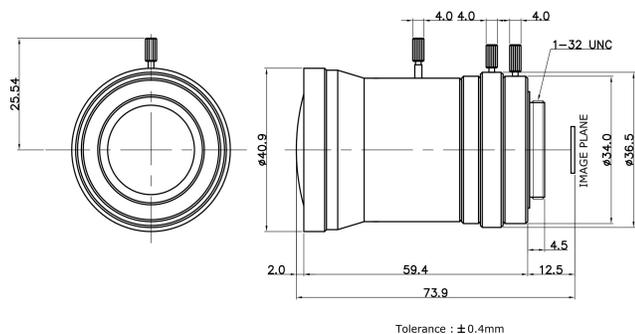


Figure 11. Design of external case of zoom lens.



Figure 12. Sample of external case of zoom lens.



Figure 13. Lens testing equipment in KRISS.

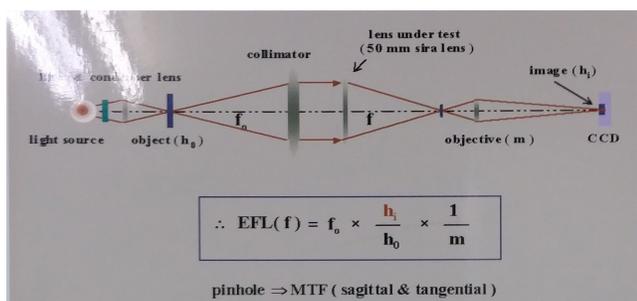


Figure 14. Schematic diagram of lens testing equipment in KRISS.

compare the performance of optical systems, a commonly used measure is the modulation transfer function. Figure 13 and 14 are a picture and a schematic diagram of lens

testing equipment in KRISS. We got a meaningful MTF values with this test. Table 2 shows the MTF values of sample lens.

Table 2. MTF of sample lens

Frequency (mm ⁻¹)	Axial	0.5 Field	
		Tangential	Radial
20	0.931	0.878	0.881
40	0.846	0.693	0.746
60	0.744	0.515	0.607
80	0.639	0.384	0.486
100	0.539	0.295	0.385
120	0.450	0.230	0.302
140	0.369	0.181	0.224
160	0.299	0.145	0.160
180	0.235	0.118	0.113
200	0.182	0.100	0.076

5. Conclusion

We designed zoom lens set which have a focus range of 5-50mm and an F number 1.4 for 3 mega pixel CCTV camera. And we applied infrared ray correction in order to minimize the difference in the focal points of visible and infrared ray. Aspheric lens was used in the lens set in order to minimize the spherical aberration and distortion. Also CS-mount was applied to fit in the old camera system. These norms are the most powerful in CCTV zoom lens of focal length of 5-50mm. And if we apply this lens to the box style CCTV camera, we can verify the car number or face within 50m. Also we constructed the sample lens and got a meaningful MTF values.

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