

METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CHARACTERIZING OPTICAL ABERRATIONS OF AN OPTICAL SYSTEM

Technological advantages

- Evaluation of optical aberrations from 2 or more images,
- Can be applied to images with slight additional aberrations.

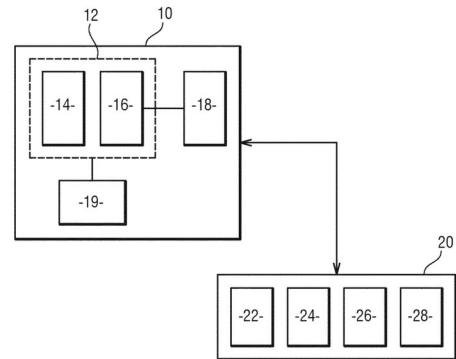
Invention synthesis

The invention relates to a characterization process of at least one optical aberration in an optical system.

Two images of the same area of the field of view are acquired with a differential aberration between the images. Each image acquisition has its own optical transfer function. An image convolutive model is applied using an optical transfer function depending on at least one aberration. At least one parameter characterizing at least one optical aberration is computed by minimizing a functional using a relative estimation method.

Potential applications

- Active optics,
- Space imagery,
- Pushbroom imaging devices,
- Imaging consumer devices (camera, ...)



Logic diagram of the main steps

- 10) Image acquisition device
- 12) Optical system
- 14) Optics to acquire the image
- 16) sensors
- 18) digitizing module
- 19) focal plane offset module
- 20) processing device
- 22) image acquisition module
- 24) image processing module
- 26) computational module
- 28) module using the characterized optical aberration parameters

Commercial benefits

- Method to compensate for optical defects,
- Applicable to common defects such as focusing issues,
- Reduction in the optical systems complexity.

Patented invention - under license.