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ABSTRACT

An OLED display device according to an embodiment includes a substrate; a black matrix, in which openings are formed, disposed on the substrate; a color filter layer disposed in the openings; and a transparent insulation layer disposed on the substrate, which is provided with the color filter layer, and configured to include optical patterns which are arranged in a shape of plural polygons. As such, the OLED display device can enhance an output efficiency of light.

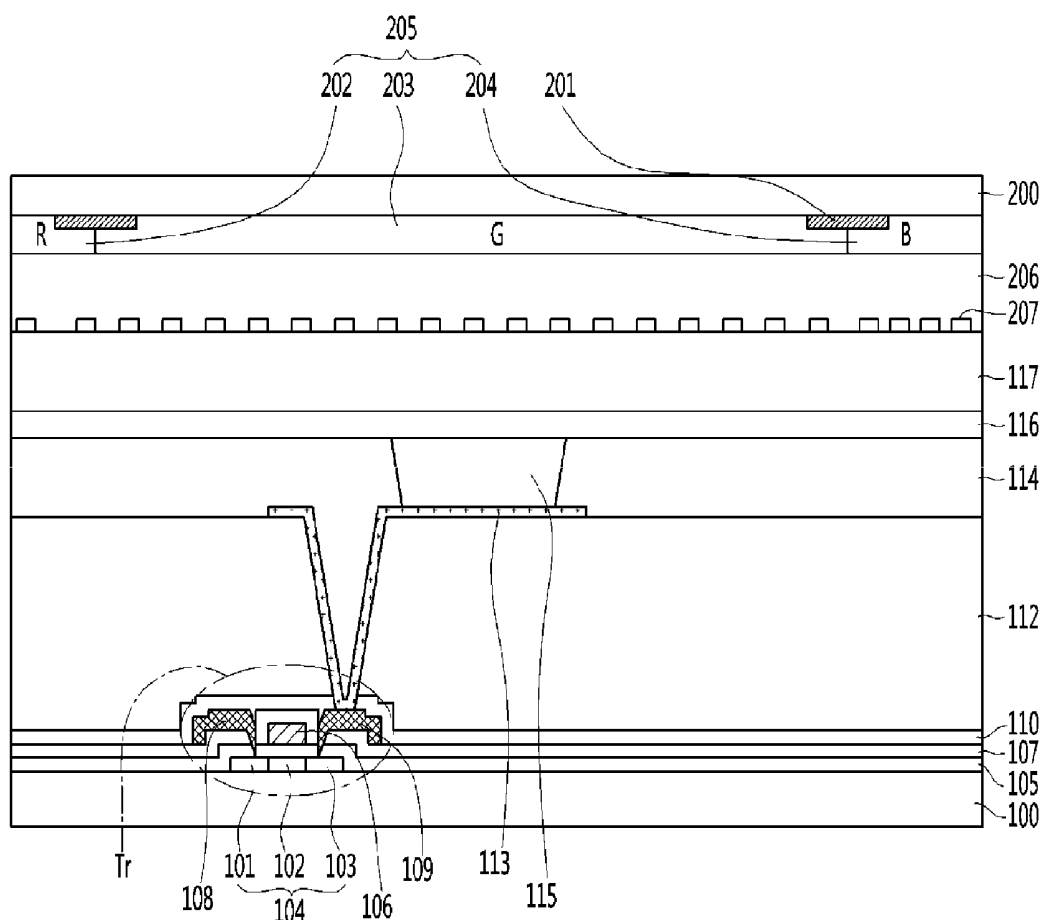


Fig. 1

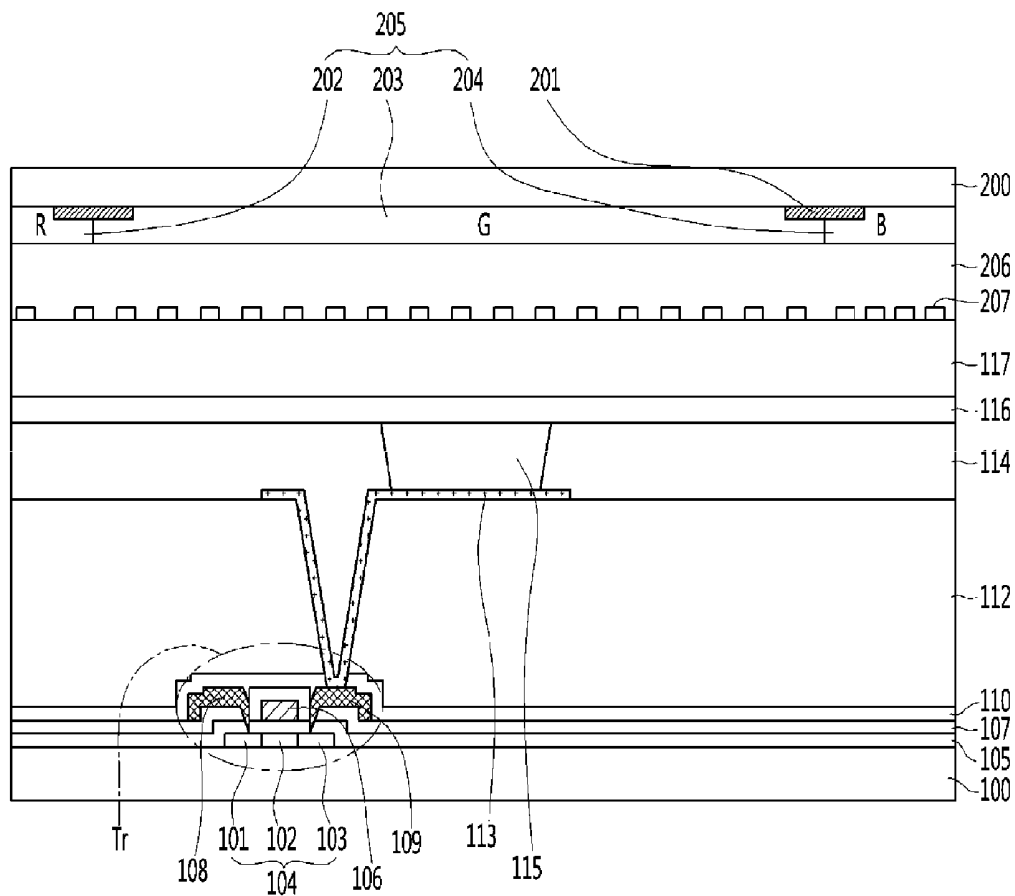


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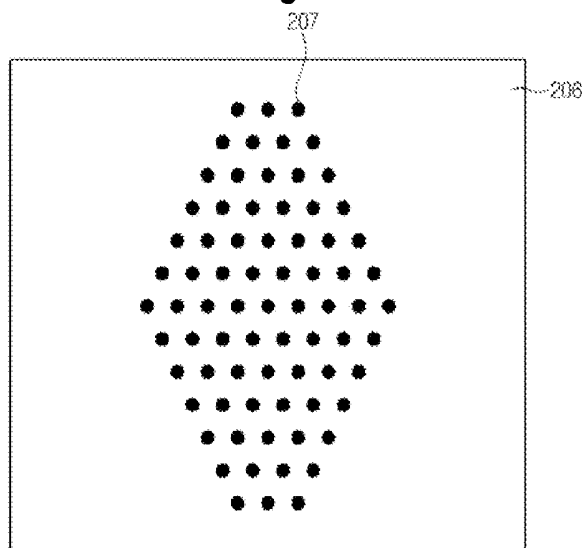


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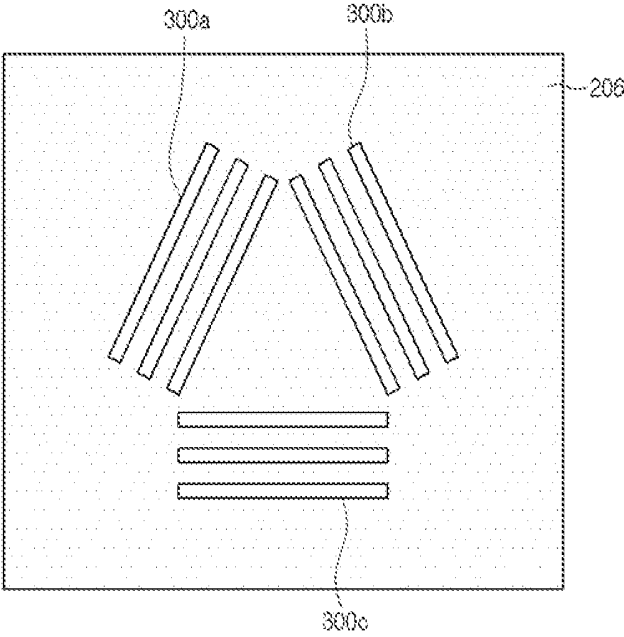


Fig. 4A

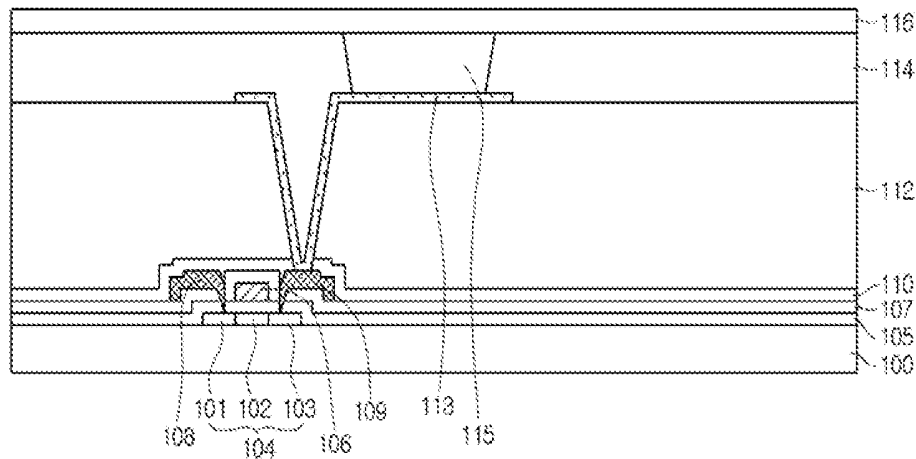


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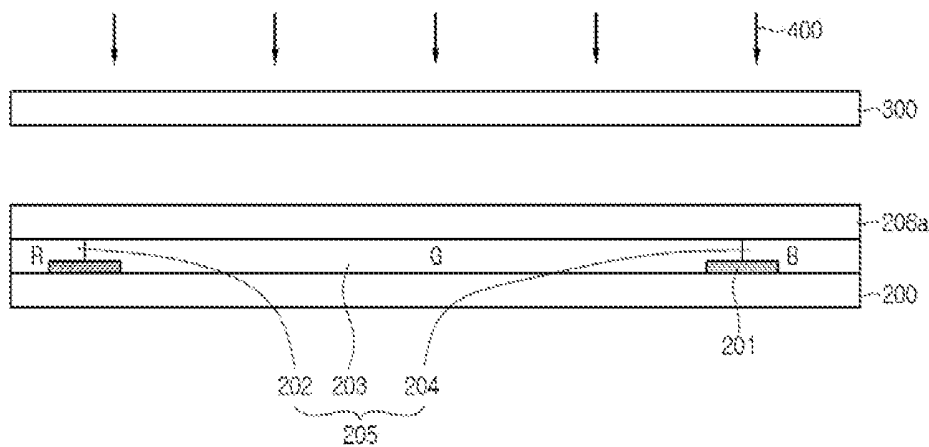


Fig. 4C

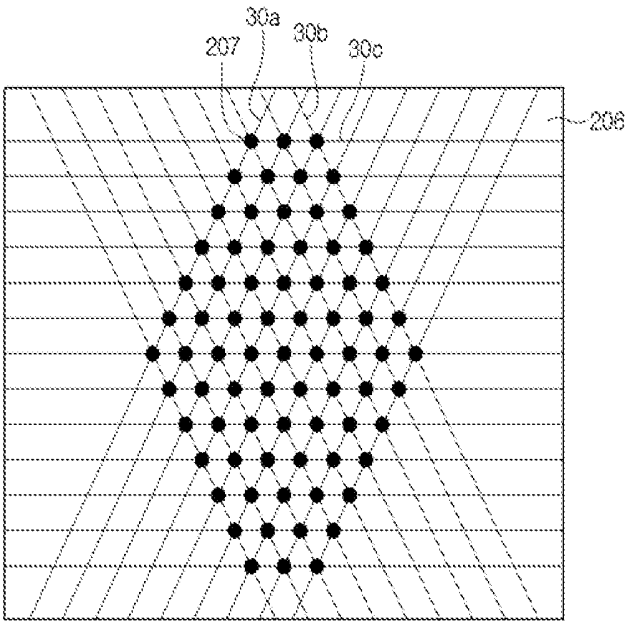


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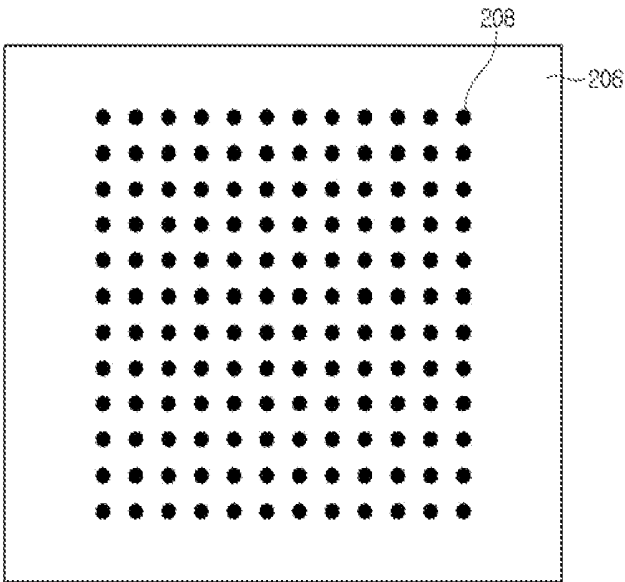


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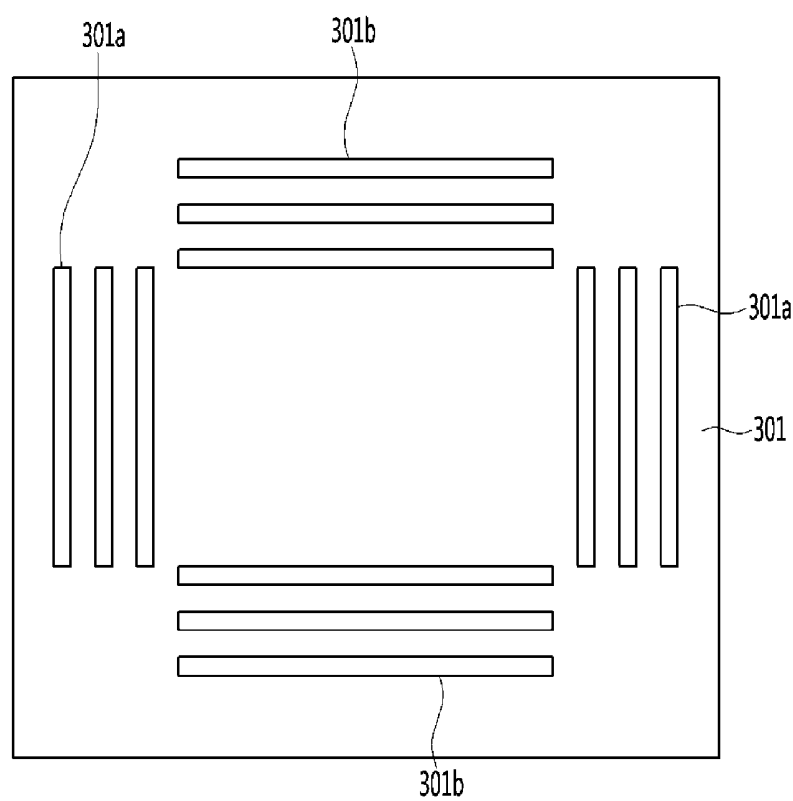
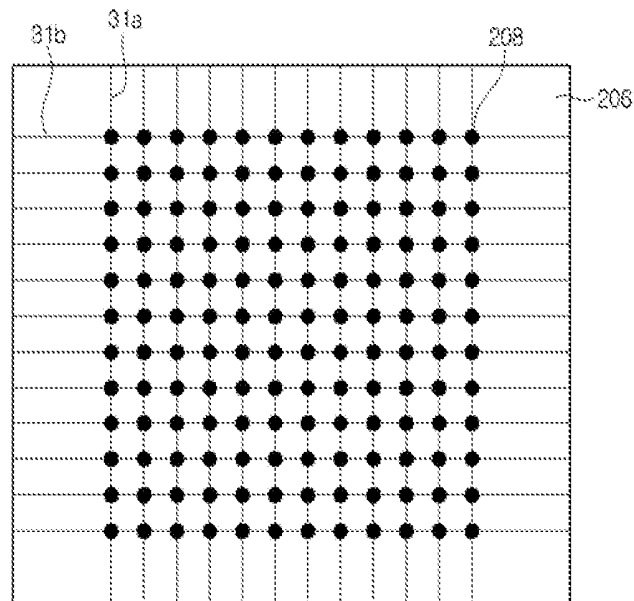


Fig. 7



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**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED
APPLICATION**

[0001] This application claims the priority benefit of Korean Patent Application No. 10-2014-0156322, filed on Nov. 11, 2014, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety into this application.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] 1. Field of the Disclosure

[0003] The present application relates to an organic light emitting diode display device and a fabricating method thereof. More particularly, the present application relates to an organic light emitting diode display device and a fabricating method thereof adapted to enhance an output efficiency of light in a perpendicular direction.

[0004] 2. Description of the Related Art

[0005] Nowadays, a display field for visually representing an electrical information signal has been rapidly developed with the spread of information society. In accordance therewith, a variety of flat panel display devices with features, such as slimness, light weight and low power consumption have been developed. Also, the flat panel display devices have been rapidly replacing the existing cathode ray tubes (CRTs).

[0006] As examples of the flat panel display devices, liquid crystal display (LCD) devices, organic light emitting diode (OLED) display devices, electrophoretic display (electric paper display (EPD)) devices, plasma display panel (PDP) devices, field emission display (FED) devices, electroluminescence display (ELD) devices, elector-wetting display (EWD) devices, and so on can be introduced. Such flat panel display devices commonly include a flat display panel, which realizes an image, as a necessary component. The flat display panel is configured with a pair of combined substrates which face each other with having an inherent light emitting or polarizing material layer therebetween.

[0007] The OLED display device belonging to such flat panel display devices corresponds to a self-luminous device. Such an OLED display device does not require a separate light source which is used in the LCD device being a non-luminous device. As such, the OLED display device can become lighter and thinner. Also, the OLED display device has a wider viewing angle, a higher contrast ratio, lower power consumption and lower DC (direct current) voltage drive and a faster response speed, compared to the LCD device. Moreover, the OLED display device endures external impacts and is used in a wide temperature range because of having solidified internal components.

[0008] In the OLED display device, light emitted from an organic light emitting element must pass through a plurality of layers when being output to the exterior along a perpendicular direction. Then, a total reflection phenomenon is caused by reflectance differences between the plurality of layers. Due to this, light leaks in lateral directions. In view of this point, it is necessary to enhance an output efficiency of light in the perpendicular direction.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0009] Accordingly, embodiments of the present application are directed to an OLED display device and a fabricating method thereof that substantially obviate one or more of problems due to the limitations and disadvantages of the related art.

[0010] The embodiments are to provide an OLED display device and a fabricating method thereof which are adapted to enhance an output efficiency of light by providing a transparent insulation layer with an optical pattern on a substrate having a color filter layer.

[0011] Additional features and advantages of the embodiments will be set forth in the description which follows, and in part will be apparent from the description, or may be learned by practice of the embodiments. The advantages of the embodiments will be realized and attained by the structure particularly pointed out in the written description and claims hereof as well as the appended drawings.

[0012] In order to solve the above-mentioned problems and other limitations associated with the related art, an OLED display device according to an aspect of the present embodiments includes: a substrate; a black matrix, in which openings are formed, disposed on the substrate; a color filter layer disposed in the openings; and a transparent insulation layer disposed on the substrate, which is provided with the color filter layer, and configured to include optical patterns which are arranged in a shape of plural polygons. As such, the OLED display device can enhance an output efficiency of light.

[0013] A fabrication method of an organic light emitting diode display device according to another aspect of the present embodiments includes: disposing a thin film transistor on a first substrate; disposing an organic light emitting element, which is electrically connected to the thin film transistor, on the first substrate; disposing a black matrix, in which openings are formed, on one surface of a second substrate opposite to the first substrate; disposing a color filter layer in the openings; and disposing a transparent insulation layer with optical patterns on the second substrate provided with the color filter layer. The optical patterns are arranged in a shape of plural regular polygons.

[0014] Other systems, methods, features and advantages will be, or will become, apparent to one with skill in the art upon examination of the following figures and detailed description. It is intended that all such additional systems, methods, features and advantages be included within this description, be within the scope of the present disclosure, and be protected by the following claims. Nothing in this section should be taken as a limitation on those claims. Further aspects and advantages are discussed below in conjunction with the embodiments. It is to be understood that both the foregoing general description and the following detailed description of the present disclosure are exemplary and explanatory and are intended to provide further explanation of the disclosure as claimed.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0015] The accompanying drawings, which are included to provide a further understanding of the embodiments and are incorporated herein and constitute a part of this application, illustrate embodiment(s) of the present disclosure and together with the description serve to explain the disclosure. In the drawings:

[0016] FIG. 1 is a cross-sectional view showing a color filter array substrate and an OLED display device including the same according to a first embodiment of the present invention;

[0017] FIG. 2 is a planar view showing a transparent insulation layer with optical patterns according to the first embodiment of the present invention;

[0018] FIG. 3 is a planar view showing a mask according to the first embodiment of the present invention;

[0019] FIGS. 4A through 4C are views illustrating a method of fabricating an OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present invention;

[0020] FIG. 5 is a planar view showing a transparent insulation layer with optical patterns according to a second embodiment of the present invention;

[0021] FIG. 6 is a planar view showing a mask according to the second embodiment of the present invention; and

[0022] FIG. 7 is a planar view showing a method of forming optical patterns of a transparent insulation layer of an OLED display device according to the second embodiment of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EMBODIMENTS

[0023] Reference will now be made in detail to embodiments of the present disclosure, examples of which are illustrated in the accompanying drawings. These embodiments introduced hereinafter are provided as examples in order to convey their spirits to the ordinary skilled person in the art. Therefore, these embodiments might be embodied in a different shape, so are not limited to these embodiments described here. In the drawings, the size, thickness and so on of a device can be exaggerated for convenience of explanation. Wherever possible, the same reference numbers will be used throughout this disclosure including the drawings to refer to the same or like parts.

[0024] FIG. 1 is a cross-sectional view showing a color filter array substrate and an OLED display device including the same according to a first embodiment of the present disclosure. Referring to FIG. 1, the OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure include a first substrate 100 loaded with a thin film transistor Tr, an organic light emitting element 113, 115 and 116, and a second substrate 200 which is disposed to face the first substrate 100 and include a color filter layer 205. Meanwhile, the color filter array substrate according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure includes the second substrate 200 coated with the color filter layer 205.

[0025] In detail, the thin film transistor Tr is disposed on the first substrate 100. Such a thin film transistor Tr includes a gate electrode 106, a semiconductor layer 104, a source electrode 108 and a drain electrode 109. The semiconductor layer 104 is disposed on the first substrate 100. Also, the semiconductor layer 104 includes a source domain 101, a channel domain 102 and a drain domain 103.

[0026] A gate insulation film 105 is disposed on the first substrate 100 provided with the semiconductor layer 104. The gate electrode 106 is disposed on the gate insulation film 105. Also, the gate electrode 106 can be formed from one of copper Cu, silver Ag, aluminum Al, chromium Cr, titanium Ti, tantalum Ta, molybdenum Mo and alloys thereof. Although the gate electrode 106 is formed in a single metal layer, it is formed by stacking at least two metal layers as needed.

[0027] An interlayer insulation film 107 is disposed on the entire surface of the first substrate 100 provided with the gate electrode 106. Contact holes exposing the source domain 101 and the drain domain 103 are formed in the interlayer insulation film 107 and the gate insulation film 106. The source electrode 108 and the drain electrode 109 separated from each other are disposed on regions of an upper surface of the interlayer insulation film 107. In this case, the source electrode 108 and the drain electrode 109 are connected to the source and drain domains 101 and 103 of the semiconductor layer 104 through the contact holes which each penetrate through the interlayer insulation film 107 and the gate insulation film 105.

[0028] Such source and drain electrodes 109 can be formed from one of copper Cu, silver Ag, aluminum Al, chromium Cr, titanium Ti, tantalum Ta, molybdenum Mo and alloys thereof. Although the source and drain electrodes 108 and 109 are formed in a single metal layer, they can be formed by stacking at least two metal layers as needed. In this manner, the thin film transistor Tr is formed on the first substrate 100.

[0029] A protective film 110 used to protect the source electrode 108 and the drain electrode 109 is disposed on the entire surface of the first substrate 100 provided with the source electrode 108 and the drain electrode 109. A planarization film planarizing the surface of the first substrate 100 is disposed on the protective film 112.

[0030] A contact hole exposing the drain electrode 109 of the thin film transistor Tr is formed in the protective film 110 and the planarization film 112. Also, a first electrode 113 of an organic light emitting element is disposed on the planarization film 112 in such manner as to be connected to the drain electrode through the contact hole.

[0031] Such a first electrode 113 can be used as an anode electrode. To this end, the first electrode 113 can be formed in a single layer which is formed from a transparent conductive material with a relatively high work function value. Alternatively, the first electrode 113 can further include a reflective layer disposed under the transparent conductive layer.

[0032] Alternatively, the first electrode 113 can be formed in a multi-layered structure without limiting to the shape shown in the drawing. For example, the first electrode 113 can be formed in a triple-layered structure which includes a first layer, a second layer formed on the first layer and a third layer formed on the second layer.

[0033] The first layer and the third layer can be formed from a transparent conductive material. For example, the transparent conductive material can become one of indium-tin-oxide ITO and indium-zinc-oxide IZO. The second layer can become a reflective layer. In this case, the second layer can be formed from one of a metal and a metal alloy. For example, the second layer can become one of a silver (Ag) layer and a metal alloy layer including silver Ag. As such, the organic light emitting element enables the first electrode 113 to reflect light emitted from the second electrode 116. In accordance therewith, a top emission type OLED display device can be realized.

[0034] A bank pattern 114 can be disposed on the planarization film 112 where the first electrode 113 is formed. The bank pattern 114 can be formed in a shape exposing a part of an upper surface of the first electrode 113.

[0035] An organic emission layer 115 can be disposed on the exposed first electrode 113. The organic emission layer 115 can be configured with a single layer which is formed from a light emission material. In order to enhance a light

emission efficiency, the organic emission layer **115** can be configured with a plurality of layers which includes a hole injection layer HIL, a hole transport layer HTL, an emission material layer EML, an electron transport layer ETL and an electron injection layer EIL.

[0036] The second electrode **116** can be disposed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the organic emission layer **115** and the bank pattern **114**, in such a manner as to face the second first electrode. Such a second electrode **116** can be used as a cathode electrode.

[0037] The first substrate **100** with the above-mentioned structure can be provided as a thin film transistor array substrate.

[0038] The second substrate **200** can be disposed in such a manner as to face the first substrate **100** provided with the organic light emitting element **113**, **115** and **116**. A black matrix **201** can be disposed on one surface of the second substrate **200** which faces the first substrate **100**. The black matrix **201** can form a plurality of openings.

[0039] The color filter layer **205** is disposed in the openings. Also, the color filter layer **205** can be disposed in such a manner as to partially overlap with an upper surface of the black matrix **201**. Such a color filter layer **205** can include a red color filter pattern **202**, a green color filter pattern **203** and a blue color filter pattern **204**.

[0040] A transparent insulation layer **206** is disposed on the entire surface of the second substrate **200** provided with the color filter layer **205**. The transparent insulation layer **206** can become one of an overcoat layer and a planarization film. As such, the second substrate **200** can have a planarized surface.

[0041] In such an OLED display device, light emitted from the organic light emitting element must pass through a plurality of layers when being output to the exterior along a perpendicular direction. Then, a total reflection phenomenon is caused by reflectance differences between the plurality of layers. Due to this, light must leak in lateral directions.

[0042] To address this matter, the OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure includes the transparent insulation layer **206** with a refractive index of above 1.5. In this case, the second electrode **116** of the first substrate **100** disposed under the transparent insulation layer **206** has a refractive index of above 2.0 and the color filter layer **205** disposed on the transparent insulation layer **205** has a reflective index of about 1.45~1.50. In other words, the refractive index of the transparent insulation layer **206** is set to be a value between the refractive index of the second electrode **116** of the first substrate **100** and the refractive index of the color filter layer **205**. As such, the light output efficiency of the OLED display device can be enhanced.

[0043] In order to prevent the light leakage in the lateral directions and enhance the light output efficiency in the perpendicular direction, the OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure allows the transparent insulation layer **206** with optical patterns **207** to be disposed on the color filter layer **205**. The optical pattern **207** can become one of concave and protrusive shapes.

[0044] The transparent insulation layer **206** can be formed from a transparent photoreactive material. The transparent photoreactive material can become one of a transparent positively-photoreactive material and a transparent negatively-photoreactive material.

[0045] If the transparent insulation layer **206** is formed from the transparent positively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **207** can have the concave shape. On the con-

trary, when the transparent insulation layer **206** is formed from the transparent negatively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **207** can have the protrusive shape. The optical pattern **207** with one of the concave and protrusive shapes changes a path (or course) of light progressing toward a lateral direction and allow path-changed light to be output in a perpendicular (or vertical) direction.

[0046] Such a transparent insulation layer **206** includes a plurality of optical patterns **207**. The plurality of optical patterns **207** is arranged in a shape forming a plurality of regular trigons or regular tetragons. In other words, the optical patterns **207** formed on the transparent insulation layer **206** are arranged in a periodic lattice shape. In accordance therewith, the output efficiency of light passing through the transparent insulation layer **205** can be enhanced throughout the transparent insulation layer **206**.

[0047] The optical patterns **207** are arranged in such a manner as to overlap with the color filter layer **205**. In detail, the optical patterns **207** are arranged in an overlapping manner with the red, green and blue color filter patterns **202**, **203** and **204**. Also, the optical patterns **207** overlapping with the red color filter pattern **202**, the optical patterns **207** overlapping with the green color filter pattern **203** and the optical patterns **207** overlapping with the blue color filter pattern **204** are arranged in different intervals (or distances) from one another.

[0048] In other words, the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** can be varied along regions overlapping with the color filter patterns. As such, light output efficiencies for red, green and blue pixels emitting lights of different wavelengths can be effectively enhanced.

[0049] More specifically, the optical patterns **207** overlapping with the red color filter pattern **202** can be arranged in an interval of about 270 nm~450 nm. The optical patterns **207** overlapping with the green color filter pattern **203** can be arranged in another interval of about 240 nm~270 nm. The optical patterns **207** overlapping with the blue color filter pattern **204** can be arranged in still another interval of about 220 nm~240 nm.

[0050] In other words, the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** adjacent to one another has the greatest length in the region overlapping with the red color filter pattern **202**. On the contrary, the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** has the smallest length in the region overlapping with the blue color filter pattern **204**.

[0051] Also, the arrangement of the optical patterns **207** is not limited to the above-mentioned manner. Alternatively, the optical patterns **207** can be arranged only in the region overlapping with the organic emission layer **115**.

[0052] In this manner, the color filter array substrate, which corresponds to the second substrate **200** of the OLED display device, according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure can be prepared. The first substrate **100** and the second substrate **200** can be combined with each other. To this end, a sealant layer **117** can be interposed between the first substrate **100** and the second substrate **200**.

[0053] The color filter array substrate and the OLED display device with the same allow the transparent insulation layer **207** with the optical patterns, which are arranged in a shape of plural regular polygons, to be disposed on the color filter layer **205** of the second substrate **200**. In accordance therewith, the light leak in the lateral directions can be prevented and the light output efficiency in the perpendicular direction can be enhanced. Moreover, the transparent insula-

tion layer **206** with the plurality of optical patterns **207** is used as one of an overcoat layer and a planarization film. As such, it is not necessary to add any additional component for enhancing the light output efficiency.

[0054] Secondly, the transparent insulation layer according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure will be described in detail with reference to FIG. 2. FIG. 2 is a planar view showing a transparent insulation layer with optical patterns according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0055] Referring to FIG. 2, a plurality of optical patterns **207** are arranged on a transparent insulation layer **206**. The transparent insulation layer can be formed from a transparent photoreactive material. The transparent photoreactive material can be one of a transparent positively-photoreactive material and a transparent negatively-photoreactive material.

[0056] If the transparent insulation layer **206** is formed from the transparent positively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **207** can have the concave shape. On the contrary, when the transparent insulation layer **206** is formed from the transparent negatively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **207** can have the protrusive shape. The optical patterns **207** can be arranged in a shape of plural regular trigons.

[0057] The optical patterns **207** are arranged in the transparent insulation layer **206** overlapping with red, green and blue color filter patterns. The interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** within a region overlapping with the red color filter pattern is longer than that between the optical patterns **207** within the other regions overlapping with the green and blue color filter patterns. Also, the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** within a region overlapping with the blue color filter pattern is shorter than that of the optical patterns **207** within the other regions overlapping with the red and green color filter patterns.

[0058] In detail, the optical patterns **207** overlapping with the red color filter pattern can be arranged in an interval of about 270 nm~450 nm. If the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** arranged in the overlapping manner with the red color filter pattern is less than 270 nm, interference can be caused by light of ultraviolet wavelength. Also, the light output efficiency can deteriorate when the interval (distance) between the optical patterns **207** arranged in the overlapping manner with the red color filter pattern is more than 450 nm.

[0059] The optical patterns **207** overlapping with the green color filter pattern **203** can be arranged in another interval of about 240 nm~270 nm. If the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** arranged in the overlapping manner with the green color filter pattern is less than 240 nm, interference can be caused by light of ultraviolet wavelength. Also, the light output efficiency can deteriorate when the interval (distance) between the optical patterns **207** arranged in the overlapping manner with the green color filter pattern is more than 270 nm.

[0060] The optical patterns **207** overlapping with the blue color filter pattern **204** can be arranged in still another interval of about 220 nm~240 nm. If the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** arranged in the overlapping manner with the blue color filter pattern is less than 220 nm, interference can be caused by light of ultraviolet wavelength. Also, the light output efficiency can deteriorate when the interval

(distance) between the optical patterns **207** arranged in the overlapping manner with the green color filter pattern is more than 240 nm.

[0061] The transparent insulation layer **206** according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure includes the optical patterns **207** which are arranged in the different intervals (or distance) from one another on the basis of overlapping with any one of the red, green and blue color filter patterns. In other words, the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **207** adjacent to one another is varied along with the red, green and blue color filter patterns. In accordance therewith, the light output in the perpendicular direction can be easily performed within all sub-pixels. Also, the transparent insulation layer **206** is formed from the photoreactive material. As such, the optical patterns **207** can be formed without an additional etching process.

[0062] Thirdly, a mask according to a first embodiment of the present disclosure which is used to form the optical patterns of the transparent insulation layer will be described in detail with reference to FIG. 3. FIG. 3 is a planar view showing a mask according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0063] Referring to FIG. 3, the mask **300** used to form optical patterns on the transparent insulation layer includes a plurality of slits. In detail, the mask **300** includes a plurality of first slits **300a** each extending in a first direction, a plurality of second slits **300b** each extending in a second direction, and a plurality of third slits **300c** each extending in a third direction.

[0064] The plurality of first slits **300a** is arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the first direction. The plurality of second slits **300b** is arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the second direction. The plurality of third slits **300c** is arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the third direction. The first slits **300a**, the second slits **300b** and the third slits **300c** can be arranged in a shape of regular trigon lattices.

[0065] The first slits **300a**, the second slits **300b** and the third slits **300c** are arranged in the shape of regular trigon lattices. As such, it can be generated a periodic light interference effect. In accordance therewith, the optical patterns can be formed on the transparent insulation layer in such a manner that they are arranged in a shape forming plural regular trigons.

[0066] The mask **300** according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure, which is used to form the optical patterns on the transparent insulation layer, allows the first slits **300a**, the second slits **300b** and the third slits **300c** to be arranged in the shape of the regular trigon lattices. As such, the periodic light interference effect can be generated.

[0067] Continuously, a fabrication method of the OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure will be described in detail with reference to FIGS. 4A through 4C. FIGS. 4A through 4C are views illustrating a method of fabricating an OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0068] Referring to FIG. 4A, a semiconductor material layer such as an amorphous silicon film is formed on a first substrate **100**. The semiconductor material layer is partially etched using a photoresist process. In accordance therewith, a semiconductor layer **104** is formed.

[0069] Then, a gate insulation film **105** is formed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the semiconductor layer **104**. In order to form a gate electrode **106** on the gate insulation **105**, a gate metal layer is formed on

the entire surface of the first substrate **100** (i.e., the gate insulation film **105**). The gate metal layer is partially etched using a photoresist process, thereby forming the gate electrode **106**.

[0070] The gate metal layer can be formed from a variety of metal materials. For example, the gate metal layer can be formed from one of copper Cu, silver Ag, aluminum Al, chromium Cr, titanium Ti, tantalum Ta and alloys thereof. Although it is shown in the drawing that the gate electrode **106** is formed in a single metal layer, the gate electrode **106** can be formed by stacking at least two metal layers as needed.

[0071] A source domain **101** and a drain domain **103** are formed in the semiconductor layer **104** by doping dopant ions into the semiconductor layer **104** at a high concentration using the gate electrode **106** as a mask. A numeral of '102,' which is inserted in the drawing but not explained, indicates a channel domain.

[0072] Thereafter, an interlayer insulation film **107** is formed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the gate electrode **106**. The interlayer insulation film **107** and the gate insulation film **106** are sequentially and partially etched using a photoresist process. In accordance therewith, contact holes exposing the source and drain domains **101** and **103** of the semiconductor layer **104** are formed.

[0073] A source/drain electrode material layer is formed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the contact holes, i.e., on the interlayer insulation film **107** provided with the contact holes. The source/drain electrode material layer is partially etched using a photoresist process. Therefore, a source electrode **108** and a drain electrode **109** are formed.

[0074] The source/drain electrode material layer can be formed from a variety of metal materials. For example, the source/drain electrode material layer can be formed from one of copper Cu, silver Ag, aluminum Al, chromium Cr, titanium Ti, tantalum Ta and alloys thereof. Although it is shown in the drawing that the source and drain electrodes **108** and **109** are formed in a single metal layer, the source and drain electrodes **108** and **109** can be formed by stacking at least two metal layers as needed. In this way, a thin film transistor Tr is formed on the first substrate **100**.

[0075] A protective film **110** is formed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the thin film transistor Tr. Also, a planarization film **112** is formed on the protective film **110**. In order to form a contact hole exposing the drain electrode **109**, the planarization film **112** is partially etched using a photoresist process. Subsequently, the protective film **110** is partially etched using the partially etched planarization film as a mask. As such, the contact hole exposing the drain electrode **109** is formed in the planarization film **112** and the protective film **110**.

[0076] A first electrode material layer is formed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the contact hole, that is on the planarization film **112** provided with the contact hole. The first electrode material layer is partially etched using a photoresist process, thereby forming a first electrode **113**. Such a first electrode **113** can be formed from one of indium-tin-oxide ITO and indium-zinc-oxide IZO.

[0077] Although it is shown in the drawing that the first electrode **113** is formed in a single layer, the first electrode **113** can be formed in a multi-layered structure as needed. For example, the first electrode **113** can be formed in a triple-layer

structure which includes a first layer, a second layer formed on the first electrode and a third electrode formed on the second electrode.

[0078] In this case, the first layer and the third layer can be formed from a transparent conductive material. For example, the transparent conductive material can be one of indium-tin-oxide ITO and indium-zinc-oxide IZO. Meanwhile, the second layer can be a reflective layer. As such, the second layer can be formed from one of a metal and a metal alloy. For example, the second layer can be formed from one of silver Ag and a metal alloy including silver Ag.

[0079] Continuously, a bank pattern **114** with an opening exposing the first electrode **113** is formed on the first substrate **100** provided with the first electrode **113**. Also, an organic emission layer **115** is formed on the first electrode **113** exposed by the opening which is formed in the bank pattern **114**.

[0080] In order to enhance the light emission efficiency, the organic emission layer **115** can be formed in a multi-layered structure which includes a hole injection layer HIL, a hole transport layer HTL, an emission material layer EML, an electron transport layer ETL and an electron injection layer EIL. As shown in the drawing, the organic emission layer **115** can be configured with a single layer which is formed from a light emission material. However, the present disclosure is not limited to this.

[0081] A second electrode **116** can be disposed on the entire surface of the first substrate **100** provided with the organic emission layer **115**. The second electrode **116** can be a metal material. In this way, the thin film transistor Tr and an organic light emitting element **113**, **115** and **116** can be formed on the first substrate **100**.

[0082] Referring to FIGS. 4B and 4C, a black resin layer is formed on a second substrate **200**. Also, a photoresist is coated on the black resin layer. An exposure process using a mask with transmission and interception portions and a development process are performed for the coated photoresist. As such, the coated photoresist is patterned into a photoresist pattern. The black resin layer is etched using the photoresist pattern as an etch mask, thereby forming a black matrix **201**.

[0083] The black matrix **201** has a lattice shape. As such, a plurality of openings can be formed in the black matrix **201**. In other words, the openings formed in the black matrix **201** can expose formation regions of red, green and blue color filter patterns **202**, **203** and **204**.

[0084] A red resin layer is formed on the second substrate **200** provided with the black matrix **201**. The red resin layer is patterned through a photolithography procedure. In accordance therewith, the red color filter pattern **202** is formed.

[0085] Also, a green resin layer is formed on the second substrate **200** provided with the red color filter pattern **202**. The green resin layer is patterned through another photolithography procedure. In accordance therewith, the green color filter pattern **203** is formed.

[0086] Moreover, a blue resin layer is formed on the second substrate **200** provided with the green color filter pattern **203**. The blue resin layer is patterned through still another photolithography procedure. In accordance therewith, the blue color filter pattern **204** is formed.

[0087] The red, green and blue color filter patterns **202**, **203** and **204** can be disposed in the openings of the black matrix **201**. Also, the red, green and blue color filter patterns **202**, **203** and **204** can partially overlap with an upper surface of the black matrix **201**.

[0088] Subsequently, a transparent insulation material layer **206a** for a transparent insulation layer is formed on the entire surface of the second substrate **200** provided with the red, green and blue color filter patterns **202**, **203** and **204**. The transparent insulation material layer **206a** can be formed from a transparent photoreactive material.

[0089] A mask **300** is disposed in such a manner as to face the second substrate **200** provided with the transparent insulation material layer **206a**. The mask **300** includes a plurality of slits. In detail, the mask **300** includes a plurality of first slits each extending along a first direction **30a**, a plurality of second slits each extending along a second direction **30b** and a plurality of third slits each extending a third direction **30c**.

[0090] The plurality of first slits can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the first direction **30a**. Also, the plurality of second slits can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the second direction **30b**. Similarly, the plurality of third slits can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the third direction **30c**. Moreover, the first slits, the second slits and the third slits can be arranged in a shape of regular trigon lattices.

[0091] Thereafter, light **400** is irradiated onto the transparent insulation material layer **206a** through the mask **300** having the plurality of slits. In accordance therewith, the transparent insulation layer **206** with a plurality of optical patterns **207** is formed.

[0092] The optical patterns **207** can be arranged in a shape of plural regular trigons because the slits of the mask **300** are arranged in the shape of regular trigon lattices. Each of the optical patterns **207** can be formed at a position of the transparent insulation material layer **206a** opposite to an intersection of the first, second and third slits. This results from the fact that lights **400** passing through the first, second and third slits and being united into one reinforcement-interfere with one another on the transparent insulation material layer **206a**. Meanwhile, any optical pattern cannot be formed in the other regions of the transparent insulation material layer **206a** not opposite the intersection of the first, second and third slits because lights passing through the first, second and third slits offset-interference with one another.

[0093] Also, the optical pattern **207** can become one of a concave and a protrusion. If the transparent insulation material layer **206a** is formed from a transparent positively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **207** can be formed in a concave shape. On the contrary, when the transparent insulation material layer **206a** is formed from a transparent negatively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **207** can be formed in a protrusion shape.

[0094] In the above-mentioned way, the second substrate **200** used as a color filter array substrate is prepared. Also, an OLED display device can be fabricated by combining the first substrate **100** and the second substrate **200**.

[0095] Such a fabrication method of the OLED display device according to the first embodiment of the present disclosure uses the mask **300** with the plurality of slits which are arranged in the shape of regular trigon lattices. As such, the optical patterns **207** arranged in the shape of plural regular trigons can be formed on the transparent insulation layer **206** without an additional etch process.

[0096] Subsequently, a transparent insulation layer with optical patterns according to a second embodiment of the present disclosure will be described in detail with reference to FIG. 5. FIG. 5 is a planar view showing a transparent insula-

tion layer with an optical pattern according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0097] The transparent insulation layer according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure can include the same components as that of the previous embodiment. As such, the description of the second embodiment overlapping with the previous embodiment will be omitted. Also, the components of the second embodiment having the same as those of the previous embodiment will be referred to by the same reference numbers and names.

[0098] Referring to FIG. 5, a plurality of optical patterns **208** are arranged on a transparent insulation layer **206**. The plurality of optical pattern **208** is arranged in a shape of plural regular trigons. The optical pattern **208** can become one of a concave (or a concave shape) and a protrusion (or protrusive shape).

[0099] The optical patterns **208** are arranged on regions of the transparent insulation layer **206** overlapping with red, green and blue color filter patterns. The interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **208** within a region overlapping with the red color filter pattern is longer than that between the optical patterns **208** within the other regions overlapping with the green and blue color filter patterns. Also, the interval (or distance) between the optical patterns **208** within a region overlapping with the blue color filter pattern is shorter than that of the optical patterns **208** within the other regions overlapping with the red and green color filter patterns.

[0100] In detail, the optical patterns **208** overlapping with the red color filter pattern can be arranged in an interval of about 270 nm~450 nm. The optical patterns **208** overlapping with the green color filter pattern can be arranged in another interval of about 240 nm~270 nm. The optical patterns **208** overlapping with the blue color filter pattern can be arranged in still another interval of about 220 nm~240 nm.

[0101] The transparent insulation layer **206** according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure includes the optical patterns **208** of the transparent insulation layer **206** to be arranged in the different intervals (or distances) from one another. In accordance therewith, the light output in the perpendicular direction can be easily performed within all sub-pixels.

[0102] Next, a mask according to a second embodiment of the present disclosure used to form the optical patterns of the transparent insulation layer will be described in detail with reference to FIG. 6. FIG. 6 is a planar view showing a mask according to a second embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0103] The mask according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure can include the same components as that of the previous embodiment. As such, the description of the second embodiment overlapping with the previous embodiment will be omitted. Also, the components of the second embodiment having the same as those of the previous embodiment will be referred to by the same reference numbers and names.

[0104] Referring to FIG. 6, the mask **301** used to form optical patterns on the transparent insulation layer includes a plurality of slits. In detail, the mask **301** includes a plurality of first slits **301a** each extending in a first direction and a plurality of second slits **300b** each extending in a second direction. The first direction and the second direction can be perpendicular to each other.

[0105] The plurality of first slits **301a** can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the first direction (i.e., in the second direction). The plurality of sec-

ond slits **301b** can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the second direction (i.e., in the second direction). In other words, the first slits **301a** and the second slits **301b** can be arranged in a shape of regular tetragon lattices.

[0106] The first slits **301a** and the second slits **301b** formed on the mask **301** are arranged in the shape of regular tetragon lattices. As such, it can be generated a periodic light interference effect. In accordance therewith, the optical patterns can be formed on the transparent insulation layer in such a manner that they are arranged in a shape forming plural regular tetragons.

[0107] The mask **301** according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure, which is used to form the optical patterns on the transparent insulation layer, allows the first slits **301a** and the second slits **301b** to be arranged in the shape of regular tetragon lattices. As such, the periodic light interference effect can be generated.

[0108] Finally, a method of forming optical patterns of a transparent insulation layer of an OLED display device according to a second embodiment of the present disclosure will be described in detail with reference to FIG. 7. FIG. 7 is a planar view showing a method of forming optical patterns of a transparent insulation layer of an OLED display device according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0109] Referring to FIG. 7, An OLED display device includes a transparent insulation layer **206** formed on a second substrate provided with a black matrix and a color filter layer. The black matrix with openings is prepared by forming a black resin layer on the second substrate and patterning the black resin layer through a photolithography procedure.

[0110] The color filter layer is formed in the openings corresponding to sub-pixel regions. The color filter layer includes red color filter patterns, green color filter patterns and blue color filter patterns.

[0111] A transparent insulation material layer is formed on the second substrate provided with the color filter layer. The transparent insulation material layer can be formed from a transparent photoreactive material.

[0112] A mask is disposed in such a manner as to face the second substrate **200** provided with the transparent insulation material layer. The mask includes a plurality of slits. In detail, the mask includes a plurality of first slits each extending along a first direction **31a** and a plurality of second slits each extending along a second direction **31b**.

[0113] The plurality of first slits can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the first direction **31a**. Also, the plurality of second slits can be arranged parallel to one another in a perpendicular direction to the second direction **31b**. Moreover, the first slits and the second slits can be arranged in a shape of regular tetragon lattices.

[0114] Thereafter, light is irradiated onto the transparent insulation material layer through the mask having the plurality of slits. In accordance therewith, the transparent insulation layer **206** with a plurality of optical patterns **208** is formed.

[0115] The optical patterns **208** can be arranged in a shape of plural regular tetragons because the slits of the mask are arranged in the shape of regular tetragon lattices. Each of the optical patterns **208** can be formed at a position of the transparent insulation material layer opposite to an intersection of the first slit and second slit. This results from the fact that lights passing through the first and second slits and being collected into one reinforcement-interfere with each other on

the transparent insulation material layer. Meanwhile, any optical pattern cannot be formed in the other regions of the transparent insulation material layer not opposite the intersection of the first slit and the second slits because lights passing through the first slit and the second slit offset-interfere with each other.

[0116] Also, the optical pattern **208** can become one of a concave (or a concave shape) and a protrusion (a protrusive shape). If the transparent insulation material layer is formed from a transparent positively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **208** can be formed in a concave shape. On the contrary, when the transparent insulation material layer is formed from a transparent negatively-photoreactive material, the optical pattern **208** can be formed in a protrusion shape.

[0117] In this way, the transparent insulation layer with the optical patterns arranged in the shape of plural regular tetragons can be formed on the second substrate.

[0118] Such a formation method of the optical pattern of the transparent insulation layer of the OLED display device according to the second embodiment of the present disclosure uses the mask with the plurality of slits which are arranged in the shape of regular tetragon lattices. As such, the optical patterns **208** arranged in the shape of plural regular tetragons can be formed on the transparent insulation layer **206** without an additional etch process.

[0119] The above-mentioned features, structures, effects and so on of the present disclosure are included in at least one embodiment without being limited to only a single embodiment. Moreover, it is apparent to the ordinary skilled person in the art that various variations and modifications are possible to the features, structures, effects and so on which are disclosed by the embodiments. Therefore, it is interpreted that such variations and modifications are included in the scope of the present disclosure.

[0120] Also, although the present disclosure has been limitedly explained regarding only the embodiments described above, it should be understood by the ordinary skilled person in the art that the present disclosure is not limited to these embodiments, but rather that various changes or modifications thereof are possible without departing from the spirit of the present disclosure. More particularly, various variations and modifications are possible in the component parts which are described in the embodiments. Accordingly, the scope of the present disclosure shall be determined only by the appended claims and their equivalents without being limited to the detailed description.

What is claimed is:

1. A color filter array substrate comprising:

a substrate;

a black matrix having openings formed therein, and disposed on the substrate;

a color filter layer disposed in the openings; and

a transparent insulation layer disposed on the substrate, which is provided with the color filter layer, and configured to include optical patterns which are arranged in a shape of plural polygons.

2. The color filter array substrate of claim 1, wherein the transparent insulation layer is one of an overcoat layer and a planarization film.

3. The color filter array substrate of claim 1, wherein the transparent insulation layer is formed from a transparent photoreactive material.

4. The color filter array substrate of claim 1, wherein at least one of the optical patterns has one of a concave shape and a protrusive shape.

5. The color filter array substrate of claim 1, wherein the optical patterns are arranged in one of a shape of plural regular trigons and a shape of plural regular tetragons.

6. The color filter array substrate of claim 1, wherein the color filter layer includes red, green and blue color filter patterns, and

the optical patterns are arranged in an overlapping manner with the red, green and blue color filter patterns.

7. The color filter array substrate of claim 6, wherein an interval between the optical patterns overlapping with the red color filter pattern is different from an interval between the optical patterns overlapping with the green color filter pattern, and from an interval between the optical patterns overlapping with the blue color filter pattern.

8. The color filter array substrate of claim 7, wherein the interval between the optical patterns overlapping the red color filter pattern is about 270 nm~450 nm, the interval between the optical patterns overlapping the green color filter pattern is about 240 nm~270 nm, and the interval between the optical patterns overlapping the blue color filter pattern is about 220 nm~240 nm.

9. The color filter array substrate of claim 1, wherein the transparent insulation layer has a refractive index of above 1.5.

10. An organic light emitting diode display device comprising:

a thin film transistor array substrate; and
the color filter array substrate claimed in claim 1.

11. The organic light emitting diode display device of claim 10, further comprising an electrode disposed on the thin film transistor array substrate,

wherein the transparent insulation layer has a refractive index between those of the electrode, which is disposed on the thin film transistor array substrate, and the color filter layer.

12. An organic light emitting diode display device comprising:

a thin film transistor array substrate; and
the color filter array substrate disposed opposite to the thin film transistor array substrate, and claimed in claim 9.

13. A method of fabricating an organic light emitting diode display device, the method comprising:

disposing a thin film transistor on a first substrate;
disposing an organic light emitting element, which is electrically connected to the thin film transistor, on the first substrate;

disposing a black matrix, in which openings are formed, on one surface of a second substrate opposite to the first substrate;

disposing a color filter layer in the openings; and

disposing a transparent insulation layer with optical patterns on the second substrate provided with the color filter layer,

wherein the optical patterns are arranged in a shape of plural regular polygons.

14. The method of claim 13, wherein the disposing of the transparent insulation layer includes:

disposing a transparent insulation material layer on the second substrate provided with the color filter layer;

disposing a mask with slits, which are arranged in a shape of regular polygon lattices, in opposition to the transparent insulation material layer; and

irradiating light onto the transparent insulation material layer through the mask.

15. The method of claim 14, wherein the mask includes first slits, second slits and third slits which are arranged in a shape of regular trigon lattices.

16. The method of claim 14, wherein the mask includes first slits and second slits which are arranged in a shape of regular tetragon lattices.

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根据一个实施方式的OLED显示装置包括基板;黑矩阵，其中形成有开口，设置在基板上;设置在开口中的滤色层;透明绝缘层设置在基板上，该透明绝缘层设置有滤色器层，并且被配置为包括布置成多个多边形形状的光学图案。这样，OLED显示装置可以提高光的输出效率。

