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(54) **OPTICS FOR CHIP-ON-BOARD ROAD AND AREA LIGHTING**

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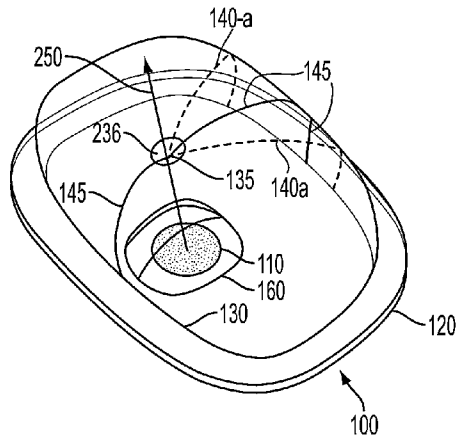
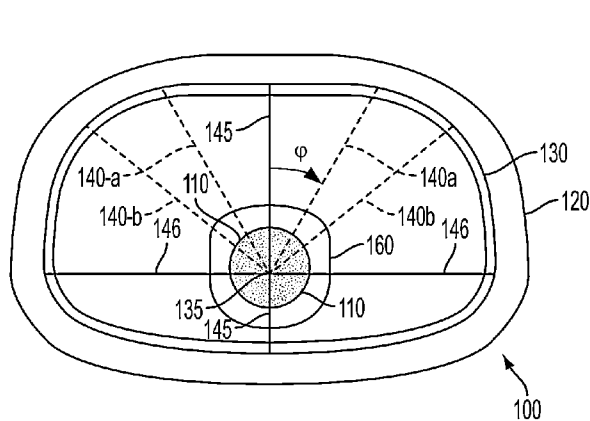
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A lamp includes an extended planar light source, and an optical element arranged with the light source, wherein the optical element comprises an outer surface having an indented cusp substantially over the light source. A lamp includes an extended planar light source, and an optical element arranged with the light source, wherein the optical element comprises an outer surface having a portion at a peripheral edge comprising a curvature configured to redirect light emitted from the light source by total internal reflection.

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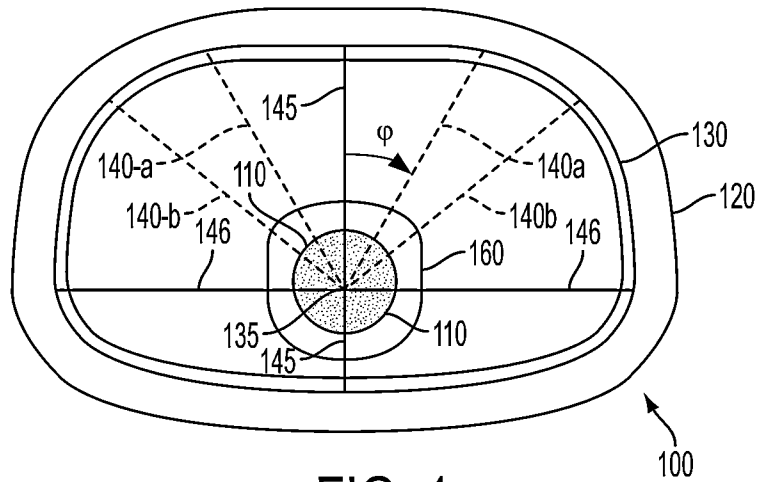


FIG. 1

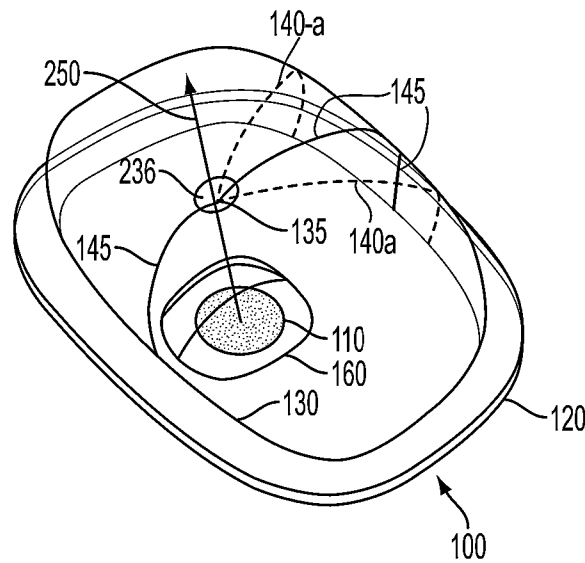


FIG. 2

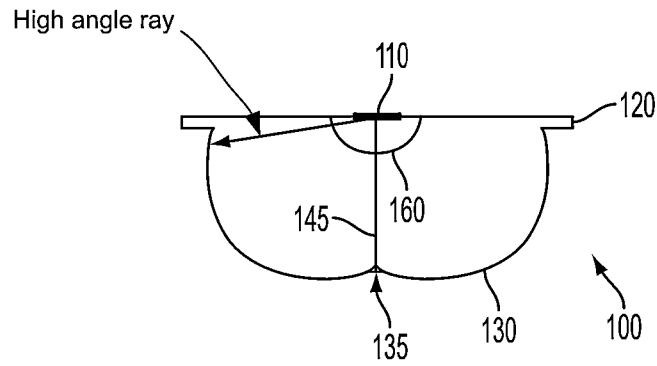


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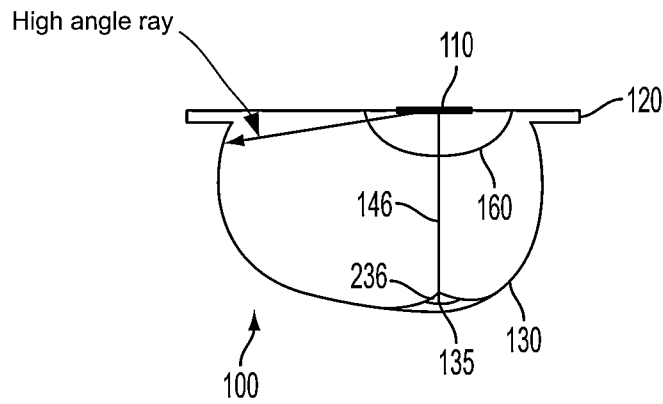


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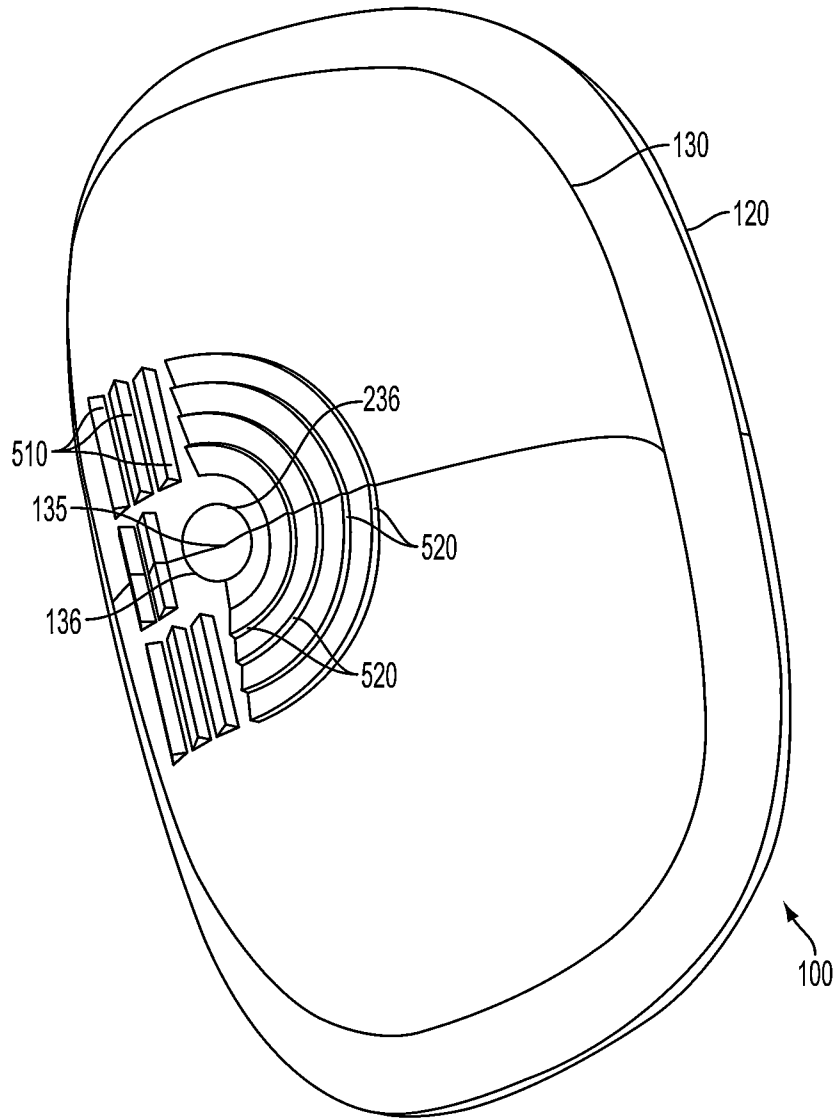
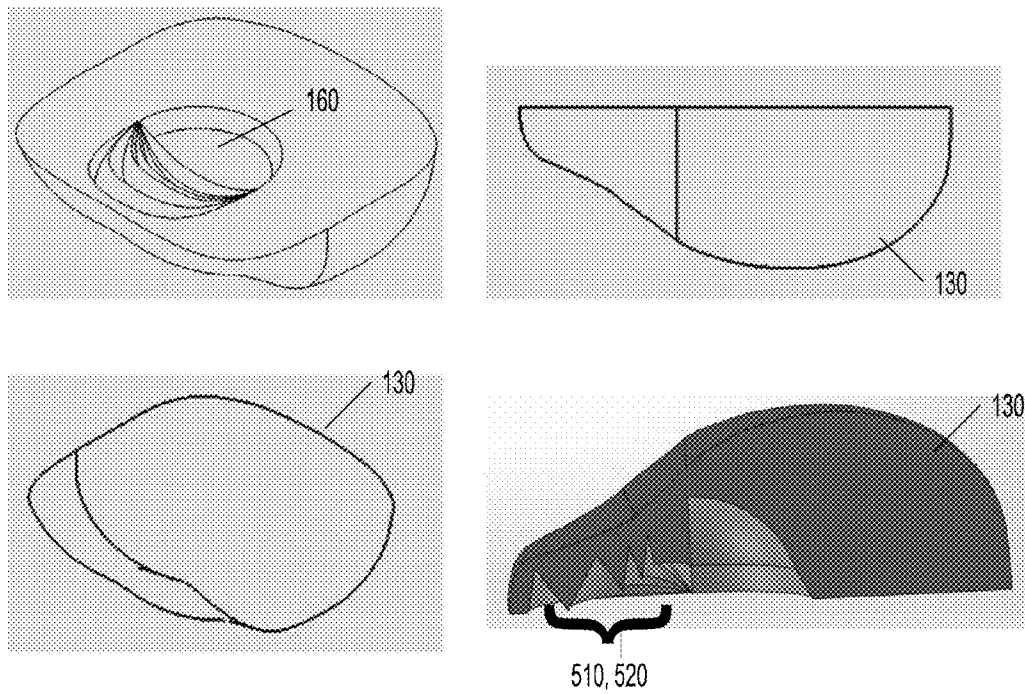
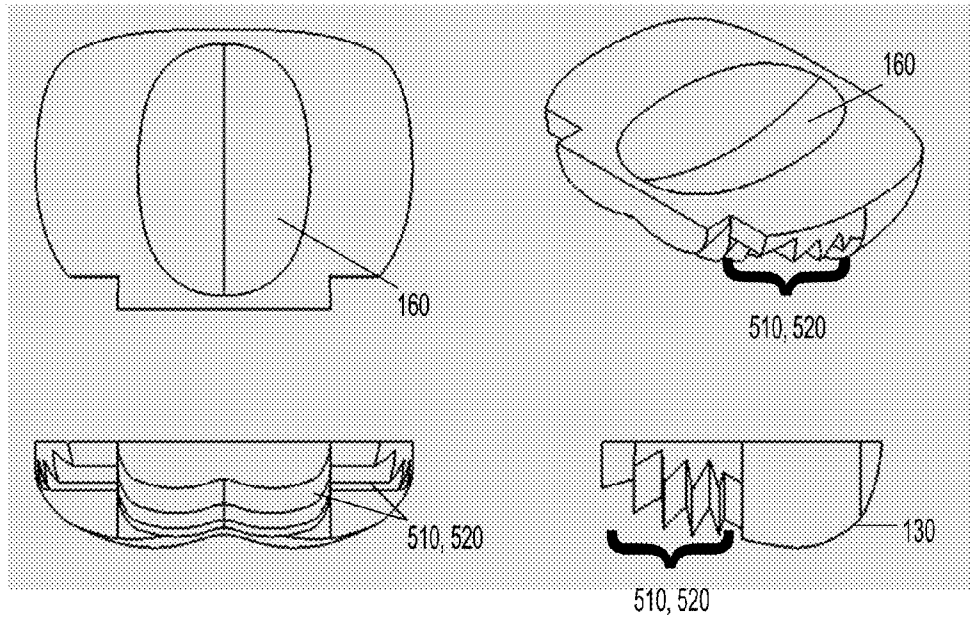


FIG. 5A



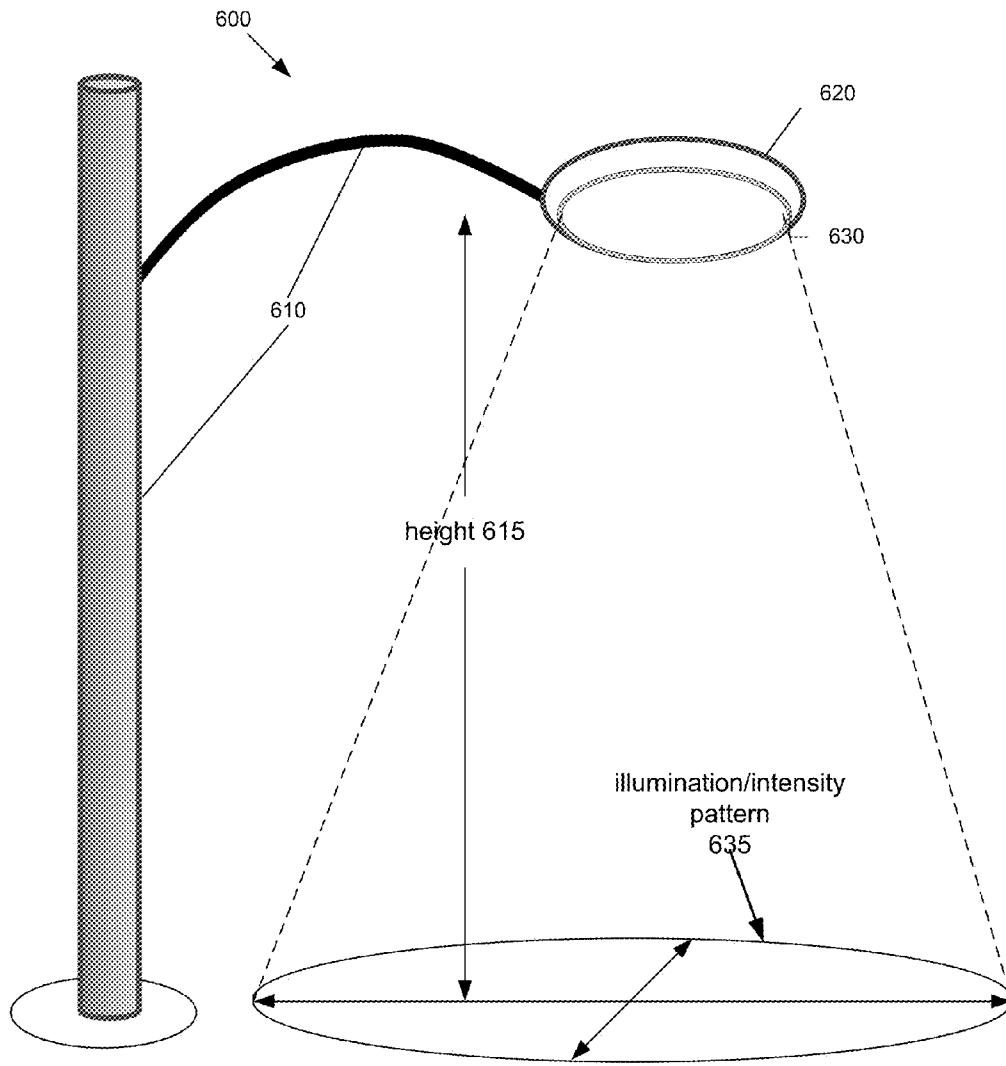


FIG. 6

OPTICS FOR CHIP-ON-BOARD ROAD AND AREA LIGHTING

FIELD

The present application relates generally to light emitting diode (LED)-based illumination, and more particularly, to street and area lighting using chip-on-board (COB) LED lighting sources.

BACKGROUND

Street lighting luminaires generate light patterns that may be evaluated in a classification system known as BUG, for Backlight, Uplight and Glare. BUG is a reference tool, and other metrics may exist to characterized street light performance with respect to an angular altitude direction from vertical down, where upward pointing light has a direction angle from 90° up to 180°, and whether light is directed toward an intended area of illumination or outside at altitude angles from 0° to 90°, as well as azimuth direction in a horizontal plane.

Glare may be generally termed as downward directed light pointing in the intended illumination direction but which may also produce annoying or visually disabling levels of light. Backlight creates generally downward pointing light trespassing onto adjacent sites that may be illuminated by other luminaires, or is altogether undesirable illumination. To a certain extent, Backlight is wasteful and/or undesirable. Uplight is undesirable artificial skyglow, which may adversely affect astronomy with backscattered light pollution, and is mostly wasted energy. Control of the beam pattern and intensity produced by a luminaire may depend at least on the type of light source selected, focusing and redirection of emitted light, including, but not limited to, the use of reflectors, optical correction (e.g., lenses), and shielding (e.g., chimney- or tunnel-type restrictors).

One type of light source is a light emitting diode (LED), which may typically produce satisfactory levels of light intensity at power levels lower than may be needed for incandescent, vapor glow or other light sources. A light emitting diode comprises a semiconductor material impregnated, or doped, with impurities. These impurities add “electrons” and “holes” to the semiconductor, which can move in the material relatively freely. Depending on the kind of impurity, a doped region of the semiconductor can have predominantly electrons or holes, and is referred to as an n-type or p-type semiconductor region, respectively.

In LED applications, an LED semiconductor chip includes an n-type semiconductor region and a p-type semiconductor region. A reverse electric field is created at the junction between the two regions, which causes the electrons and holes to move away from the junction to form an active region. When a forward voltage sufficient to overcome the reverse electric field is applied across the p-n junction, electrons and holes are forced into the active region and combine. When electrons combine with holes, they fall to lower energy levels and release energy in the form of light. The ability of LED semiconductors to emit light has allowed these semiconductors to be used in a variety of lighting devices. For example, LED semiconductors may be used in general lighting devices for interior applications or in various exterior applications.

During manufacture, an array comprising a large number of LED semiconductor devices (or dies) are produced on a substrate. Chip-on-board (COB) lights include multiple LED chips packaged together as one lighting module form-

ing a large effective emitting surface, giving the appearance of an “extended” light source. In comparison to a single die (i.e., single chip) LED, which approximates a point source, it is more difficult to design optical lenses for use with large COB LEDs to control the illumination light pattern projected for street lighting to avoid undesirable glare, backlight and uplight. It may be generally desirable to limit glare, for example, beyond 60°-70°, and somewhat similarly for backlight, so as to avoid undesirable illumination, such as may be directed toward residential windows

Accordingly, what is needed is a lens design for COB LEDs that form highly efficient optical beam patterns for various applications including street lighting that limit light pollution.

SUMMARY

In an aspect of the disclosure, a lamp includes a light source, and an optical element having an index of refraction greater than 1, wherein the optical element includes an inner surface arranged opposite the light source, and an outer surface of varying curvature originating from a single point above the light source to an edge of the optical element, wherein a portion of the outer surface at a peripheral edge of the optical element is configured to redirect light emitted from the light source by total internal reflection.

In an aspect of the disclosure, a luminaire optical assembly emitting light in a confined beam pattern includes a light source, a lens having an index of refraction greater than 1 comprising an inner surface arranged to face the light source, an outer surface of varying curvature originating from a single point above the light source to an edge of the optical element, wherein a portion of the outer surface at a peripheral edge of the optical element is configured to redirect light emitted by the light source by total internal reflection into a confined beam pattern.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 is a plan view illustrating a COB LED arranged within a complex lens in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 2 is a perspective view illustrating the COB LED arranged within the complex lens of FIG. 1 in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 3 is a side-view illustrating a long dimension of the complex lens arranged with the COB LED of FIG. 1 in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 4 is a side-view illustrating a view of in a width direction perpendicular to the long direction of the complex lens arranged with the COB LED of FIG. 1 in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 5A is a perspective view of one embodiment of the complex lens of FIG. 1 with added features for redirecting light emitted by the COB LED in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 5B is a perspective view of a second embodiment of a complex lens with added features for redirecting light emitted by the COB LED in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 5C is a perspective view of a third embodiment of a complex lens with added features for redirecting light emitted by the COB LED in accordance with the disclosure.

FIG. 6 is a representation of an application of a street lamp as an example of a luminaire optical assembly 600 that may include a COB LED and complex optic in accordance with the disclosure.

DESCRIPTION

In various aspects, a lens is provided for desirably controlling a light distribution pattern of light emitted by a COB

LED. The resulting light pattern has clear boundaries, where light intensity decreases quickly beyond the intended area of illumination.

The present invention is described more fully hereinafter with reference to the accompanying Drawings, in which various aspects of the present invention are shown. This invention may, however, be embodied in many different forms and should not be construed as limited to the various aspects presented throughout this disclosure. Rather, these aspects are provided so that this disclosure will be complete enough to provide a thorough understanding of the present invention to those skilled in the art. The various aspects of the present invention illustrated in the drawings may not be drawn to scale. Accordingly, the dimensions of the various features may be expanded or reduced for clarity. In addition, some of the drawings may be simplified for clarity. Thus, the drawings may not depict all of the components of a given apparatus (e.g., device) or method.

Various aspects of the present invention will be described herein with reference to drawings that are schematic illustrations of idealized configurations of the present invention. As such, variations from the shapes of the illustrations as a result, for example, manufacturing techniques and/or tolerances, are to be expected. Thus, the various aspects of the present invention presented throughout this disclosure should not be construed as limited to the particular shapes of elements (e.g., regions, layers, sections, substrates, etc.) illustrated and described herein but are to include deviations in shapes that result, for example, from manufacturing. By way of example, an element illustrated or described as a rectangle may have rounded or curved features and/or a gradient concentration at its edges rather than a discrete change from one element to another. Thus, the elements illustrated in the drawings are schematic in nature and their shapes may not be intended to illustrate the precise shape of an element and are not intended to limit the scope of the present disclosure.

It will be understood that when an element such as a region, layer, section, substrate, or the like, is referred to as being “on” another element, it can be directly on the other element or intervening elements may also be present. In contrast, when an element is referred to as being “directly on” another element, there are no intervening elements present. It will be further understood that when an element is referred to as being “formed” on another element, it can be grown, deposited, etched, attached, connected, coupled, or otherwise prepared or fabricated on the other element or an intervening element.

Furthermore, relative terms, such as “lower” or “bottom” and “upper” or “top,” may be used herein to describe one element’s relationship to another element as illustrated in the drawings. It will be understood that relative terms are intended to encompass different orientations of an apparatus in addition to the orientation depicted in the Drawings. By way of example, if an apparatus in the Drawings is turned over, elements described as being on the “lower” side of other elements would then be oriented on the “upper” sides of the other elements. The term “lower”, can therefore, encompass both an orientation of “lower” and “upper,” depending of the particular orientation of the apparatus. Similarly, if an apparatus in the drawing is turned over, elements described as “below” or “beneath” other elements would then be oriented “above” the other elements. The terms “below” or “beneath” can, therefore, encompass both an orientation of above and below.

Unless otherwise defined, all terms (including technical and scientific terms) used herein have the same meaning as

commonly understood by one of ordinary skill in the art to which this invention belongs. It will be further understood that terms, such as those defined in commonly used dictionaries, should be interpreted as having a meaning that is consistent with their meaning in the context of the relevant art and this disclosure.

As used herein, the singular forms “a”, “an” and “the” are intended to include the plural forms as well, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. It will be further understood that the terms “comprises” and/or “comprising,” when used in this specification, specify the presence of stated features, integers, steps, operations, elements, and/or components, but do not preclude the presence or addition of one or more other features, integers, steps, operations, elements, components, and/or groups thereof. The term “and/or” includes any and all combinations of one or more of the associated listed items.

It will be understood that although the terms “first” and “second” may be used herein to describe various regions, layers and/or sections, these regions, layers and/or sections should not be limited by these terms. These terms are only used to distinguish one region, layer or section from another region, layer or section. Thus, a first region, layer or section discussed below could be termed a second region, layer or section, and similarly, a second region, layer or section may be termed a first region, layer or section without departing from the teachings of the present invention.

FIG. 1 shows a plan view of an exemplary arrangement of a complex lens **100** arranged with an extended planar light sourced, which may be, for example, a COB LED **110**. The complex lens **100** includes a flange **120** surrounding the COB LED **110** that may be used for fixing the complex lens **100** to the COB LED **110**. The complex lens **100** may be characterized by an outer surface **130** and an inner surface **160**. The inner surface **160** of the complex lens **100** may be arranged over the COB LED **110**, and may further be symmetrically arranged with respect to the COB LED **110**. The curvature of the inner surface **160** may be, for example, bi-axially elliptical and symmetrically positioned over the COB LED **110**, however, other curvatures and asymmetry may be considered within the scope of the disclosure.

The outer surface **130** of the complex lens **100** may be characterized by an indented cusp **135** at a single point. The cusp **135** may preferably be located directly over the COB LED **110** and the inner surface **160** in a symmetrical configuration, however, other placements of the cusp **135** may be considered within the scope of the disclosure. The cusp **135** may serve as an origin from which a plurality of loci 140_x ($x=-a, -b, \dots, a, b, \dots$, etc., where x denotes a value of azimuth angle ϕ) define a surface curvature of the outer surface and diverge toward the flange **120**. When viewed as shown in FIG. 1, the loci 140_x may change, e.g., continuously, as a function of an azimuth angle ϕ . As shown in FIG. 1, a widthwise plane normal to a plane formed by the flange **120** and indicated by a line **145**. The azimuth angle ϕ may be specified with respect to this line, where the single point **135** serves as an origin. Several loci $140_a, 140_b, \dots, 140_x, 140_{-a}, 140_{-b}, \dots, 140_{-x}$, etc., are shown for illustrative purposes in the plan view of FIG. 1, where a, b, \dots, x indicate a value of the azimuth angle ϕ .

In one embodiment, the loci may generate a surface of curvature of the outer surface **130** that is mirror symmetric about the widthwise normal plane indicated by line **145**, which includes the zero of azimuth, i.e., angle $\phi=0^\circ$. That is, loci 140_x and loci 140_{-x} may be symmetrically mirrored across the widthwise normal plane indicated by a line **145** arranged in a widthwise.

In an embodiment where the COB LED **110** is placed centered and symmetric with respect to the cusp **135**, the inner surface **160** is shape symmetric (e.g., biaxially elliptic and also placed centered with respect to the cusp **135**), it may be clear that the loci 140_x form a surface of curvature of the outer surface **130** that is symmetric about the line **145**. Furthermore, it may be clear from this arrangement that light emitted by the light source will be emitted from the complex lens **100** through the outer surface **130** that is also symmetric with respect to the line **145**.

For a line **146** defined by $\phi = \pm 90^\circ$, where a plane normal to the flange **120** is formed through the line **146**, it may be seen that the complex lens **100** has an outer curvature that is asymmetric with respect to the line **146** arranged in a lengthwise direction. As a consequence, it may be seen that light emitted from the COB LED **110** centered with respect to the cusp **135** forms an asymmetric beam with respect to the line **146**.

FIG. **2** shows a perspective view of the complex lens **100** and COB LED **110** showing the various features of the inner surface **160**, outer surface **130**, lines **145** and **146**, and exemplary loci of curvatures 140_a , 140_b , 140_{-a} , 140_{-b} , of the outer surface **130**. The overall light distribution of the light beam pattern produced is mainly controlled by the surface curvature that forms the outer surface **130**, the geometry of the inner surface **260** of the complex lens **100**, a refractive index of the material included in the complex lens **100**, and the geometry and emittance pattern of the COB LED **110**. In an embodiment, the cusp **135**, from which all loci **140** originate, may be, for example, an indentation with an approximately conical surface region **236**. Because it may occur that the brightest illumination from the COB LED **110** may be directed toward the single point **135** substantially along a vector direction **250** normal to a plane containing the COB LED **110** and flange **120**, the indentation provides a somewhat conical surface that may enable sufficient refraction and/or total internal reflection of light away from the normal direction to maintain the emitted light intensity across the beam within a certain range at, e.g., street level, i.e., to reduce "hot spots."

The complex lens **100** may be characterized as transparent and having an optical index of refraction n that is typically greater than air, i.e., $n > 1$. A typical optical index of refraction may be ~ 1.5 , but an actual value depends on the material from which the complex lens **100** is made. The index of refraction n and the shape and extent of the conical region **236** determines the redirection of a portion of light emitted from the COB **110** LED in the approximately normal direction away from the normal vector direction **250**.

FIG. **3** shows a side-view cross-section of the complex lens **100** and COB LED **110** cut through the plane formed by the line **146** of FIG. **1**. For the sake of illustration, the arrangement of the COB LED **110** and complex lens **100** are shown pointing so that light is emitted substantially downward, as would be the case in a street light luminaire. It may be seen that the cross-section of the arrangement of the complex lens **100** and COB LED **110** is symmetric with respect to line **145**. As a consequence, the projected light emission pattern is also substantially symmetric about line **145**. As shown in FIG. **3**, light rays emitted at a high angle are strongly directed toward portions of the complex lens **100** adjacent to the flange **120**. Light emitted in this direction, if emitted through the outer surface **130** at such locations, may contribute undesirably to Glare, Backlight, or potentially even Uplight. For this reason, the curvature of the outer surface **130** at such locations may be inwardly curved sufficiently to cause total internal reflection (TIR),

according to Snell's Law, with the consequence of redirection of light incident at that surface in a direction that is more normal (i.e., downward, in the illustration of FIG. **3**), thereby reducing an amount of light that may radiate sideways, in order to reduce Glare and Backlight.

FIG. **4** shows a cross-section side-view illustrating the complex lens **100** and COB LED **110** cut through the plane formed by the line **145** of FIG. **1**, and oriented to illuminate in a downward direction, as in FIG. **3**. It may be seen that the cross-section of the arrangement of the complex lens **100** and COB LED **110** is asymmetric with respect to line **146**. As a consequence, the projected light emission pattern is also substantially asymmetric about line **146**. As in the view shown in FIG. **3**, light rays emitted at a high angle (not shown) are strongly directed toward portions of the complex lens **100** adjacent to the flange **120**, where again, the curvature of the outer surface is inwardly curved sufficiently to cause total internal reflection (TIR), with the consequence again of redirection of light incident at that surface in a direction that is more normal to the plane of the flange **120** and COB LED **110**.

Referring to FIG. **3**, in operation, high angle rays emitted by the COB LED **110** will be refracted by the inner surface **160** (toward the normal direction of the inner surface **160**, according to Snell's Law). The high angle rays intersect a portion of the outer surface **130** (e.g., adjacent or near the flange **120**) at an angle beyond the critical angle for total internal reflection (TIR) and consequently are totally internally reflected toward other areas of the outer surface **230** where the angle of incidence is closer to normal, resulting in a portion of the light ray being emitted through the outer surface in a direction that is more usefully concentrated to the street and/or sidewalk. A beam shape of the emitted light, and the sharpness of the boundary between the bright region of the beam, and a darker surrounding space outside the beam is determined by the detailed combination of the various loci of curvatures of the inner surface **160**, the outer curved surface **230**, particularly nearer the flange **120**, and the relative optical index n between (1) the complex lens **100** and the space inside the inner surface **260** (e.g., where presumably $n_{air} \sim 1$) and (2) the region outside the outer curved surface **230** (again, e.g., presumably $n_{air} \sim 1$).

FIG. **5A** shows a perspective view of another embodiment of the complex lens **100**. The angular distribution of the output rays coming out from the outer surface **130** of the complex lens **100** may be further modified or redistributed by means of additional features **510**, **520** integrated with or added to the lens surfaces. The features **510**, **520** may be reflective, diffractive, refractive scattering features and any combination thereof. The complex lens **100**, and additional features **510**, **520** may be any of clear (i.e., optically transparent), semi-transparent, translucent, color tinted. Additionally, the complex lens may have a combination of phosphors on either or both inner and outer surfaces **160**, **130** to alter a color balance of light emitted by the COB LED **110**.

FIG. **5B** shows several views of another embodiment of the complex lens **100** wherein in the features **510**, **520** may include designed indentations in the outer surface **130** rather than being added outside the outer surface **130**. Additionally, using an embodiment of this nature, the curvature of the outer surface **130** at the intersection with the flange **120** may not necessarily include undercuts to induce total internal reflection at this periphery, although such undercutting may be retained. An advantage of eliminating the indentation of the curvature of the outer surface **130** at the flange **120** is an

easier molding and mold removal operation that does not have to deal with undercuts in the complex lens **100**.

FIG. **5C** shows several views of still another embodiment of the complex lens **100** wherein in the features **510**, **520** may include designed indentations in the inner surface **160** rather than being added to the outer surface **130**. In this embodiment the outer surface **130** is smooth. Furthermore, the outer surface **130** may be formed with or without the undercutting, as in the embodiment in FIG. **5B**.

FIG. **6** is an example of an application of a street lamp as an example of a luminaire optical assembly **600** that may include the COB LED **110** and complex optic **100**. The luminaire optical assembly **600** may include a lamp pole **610** and a head **620** attached to the pole **610**. The head **620** may include a lamp, which may include a light source. The light source may be the COB LED **110**. The lamp may include the complex optic **100** configured to emit light from the COB LED **110** in a directed beam **630** to provide an illumination and intensity pattern **635**. Outside the pattern **635** the intensity falls off to a lower level.

In another aspect, among the characteristics that may be taken into account include the height **615** of the lamp pole **610**, and the illumination pattern/intensity **635** sought for the application, which is determined at least by the combination of the COB LED **110**, the index of refraction n and the details of curvature of the inner and outer surfaces **160**, **130** of the complex lens **100**.

In one aspect of a street light, the collimated light beam may emulate a point source of light, which enables a light distribution pattern (e.g., Type I, II, III, IV, or V, and may also be characterized by BUG description) to be determined by the design of the complex lens **100** positioned below the COB LED **110** (e.g., planar LED array or other light source).

The street lamp of FIG. **6** is merely exemplary of one embodiment, and is not to be construed as so limited, as the components may be arranged to form, for example, a free standing lamp or table lamp including the COB LED **110** and complex lens **100** to provide a light illumination pattern **635** of a similar nature as described above.

FIG. **7** presents examples of luminous flux distribution of various embodiments of the complex lens **100** as described in FIGS. **5A-5C**. It may be appreciated that the various embodiments, and combinations and variations thereof, may realize uniform illumination at the target area, while satisfying criteria according to BUG classifications.

The previous description is provided to enable any person skilled in the art to practice the various aspects described herein. Various modifications to these aspects will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art, and the generic principles defined herein may be applied to other aspects. Thus, the claims are not intended to be limited to the aspects shown herein, but is to be accorded the full scope consistent with the language claims, wherein reference to an element in the singular is not intended to mean "one and only one" unless specifically so stated, but rather "one or more." Unless specifically stated otherwise, the term "some" refers to one or more. All structural and functional equivalents to the elements of the various aspects described throughout this disclosure that are known or later come to be known to those of ordinary skill in the art are expressly incorporated herein by reference and are intended to be encompassed by the claims. Moreover, nothing disclosed herein is intended to be dedicated to the public regardless of whether such disclosure is explicitly recited in the claims. No claim element is to be construed as a means plus function unless the element is expressly recited using the phrase "means for."

The invention claimed is:

1. A lamp, comprising:

a light source; and

an optical element arranged with the light source, wherein the optical element comprises an outer surface having an indented cusp comprising a conical shape that forms a single point positioned over the light source, wherein the cusp is symmetrical about a plane that runs through the single point of the indented cusp, wherein a portion of the outer surface comprises a plurality of surface indentations, and wherein the light source is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to a plane of the light source.

2. The lamp of claim **1**, wherein a portion of the outer surface at a peripheral edge of the optical element comprises a curvature configured to redirect light emitted from the light source by total internal reflection.

3. The lamp of claim **1**, wherein the outer surface is asymmetric with respect to a plane in a lengthwise direction intersecting at the indented cusp normal to the light source.

4. The lamp of claim **1**, wherein the indented cusp is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to a plane of the light source.

5. The lamp of claim **1**, wherein the outer surface comprises at least one of a refractive, diffractive, prismatic, scattering, semitransparent, and translucent surface.

6. A lamp comprising:

a light source; and

an optical element arranged with the light source, wherein the optical element comprises an outer surface having a portion at a peripheral edge comprising a curvature configured to redirect light emitted from the light source by total internal reflection, wherein a portion of the outer surface comprises a plurality of surface indentations and wherein the outer surface comprises an indented cusp, wherein the cusp comprises a conical shape that forms a single point, wherein the cusp is symmetrical about a plane that runs through the single point of the indented cusp, and wherein the outer surface is asymmetric with respect to a plane in a lengthwise direction intersecting at the indented cusp normal to the light source.

7. The lamp of claim **6**, wherein the point of the indented cusp is over the light source.

8. The lamp of claim **7**, wherein the indented cusp is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to a plane of the light source.

9. The lamp of claim **6**, wherein light source is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to a plane of the light source.

10. The lamp of claim **6**, wherein the outer surface comprises at least one of a refractive, diffractive, prismatic, scattering, semitransparent, and translucent surface.

11. A luminaire optical assembly emitting light in a directed beam pattern comprising:

a pole;

a boom extending from the pole;

a lamp supported at an end of the boom comprising:

an extended light source;

an optical element arranged with the light source, wherein the optical element comprises an outer surface having an indented cusp comprising a conical shape that forms a single point positioned over the light source, wherein the cusp is symmetrical about a plane that runs through the single point of the indented cusp, wherein a portion of the outer surface comprises a plurality of surface indentations.

12. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 11, wherein a portion of the outer surface at a peripheral edge of the optical element comprises a curvature configured to redirect light emitted from the light source by total internal reflection.

13. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 11, wherein the outer surface is asymmetric with respect to a plane in a lengthwise direction intersecting at the indented cusp normal to the light source.

14. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 11, wherein the light source is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to a plane of the light source.

15. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 11, wherein the outer surface comprises at least one of a refractive, diffractive, prismatic, scattering, semitransparent, and translucent surface.

16. A luminaire optical assembly emitting light in a directed beam pattern comprising:

- a pole;
- a boom extending from the pole;
- a lamp supported at an end of the boom comprising:
 - an extended light source;
 - an optical element arranged with the light source, wherein the optical element comprises an outer surface having a portion at a peripheral edge comprising

a curvature configured to redirect light emitted from the light source by total internal reflection, wherein a portion of the outer surface comprises a plurality of surface indentations and wherein the outer surface comprises a cusp comprising a conical shape that forms a single point, and wherein the cusp is symmetrical about a plane that runs through the single point of the indented cusp.

17. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 16, wherein the point of the indented cusp is over the light source.

18. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 17, wherein the indented cusp is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to the light source.

19. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 16, wherein the outer surface is asymmetric with respect to a plane in a lengthwise direction intersecting at the indented cusp normal to the light source.

20. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 16, wherein light source is offset from a center axis of the outer surface normal to a plane of the light source.

21. The luminaire optical assembly of claim 16, wherein the outer surface comprises at least one of a refractive, diffractive, prismatic, scattering, semitransparent, and translucent surface.

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