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Optimal Output Level Selection for Multilevel Halftoning Based on Visual Experiments Using Spatially Modulated Gratings

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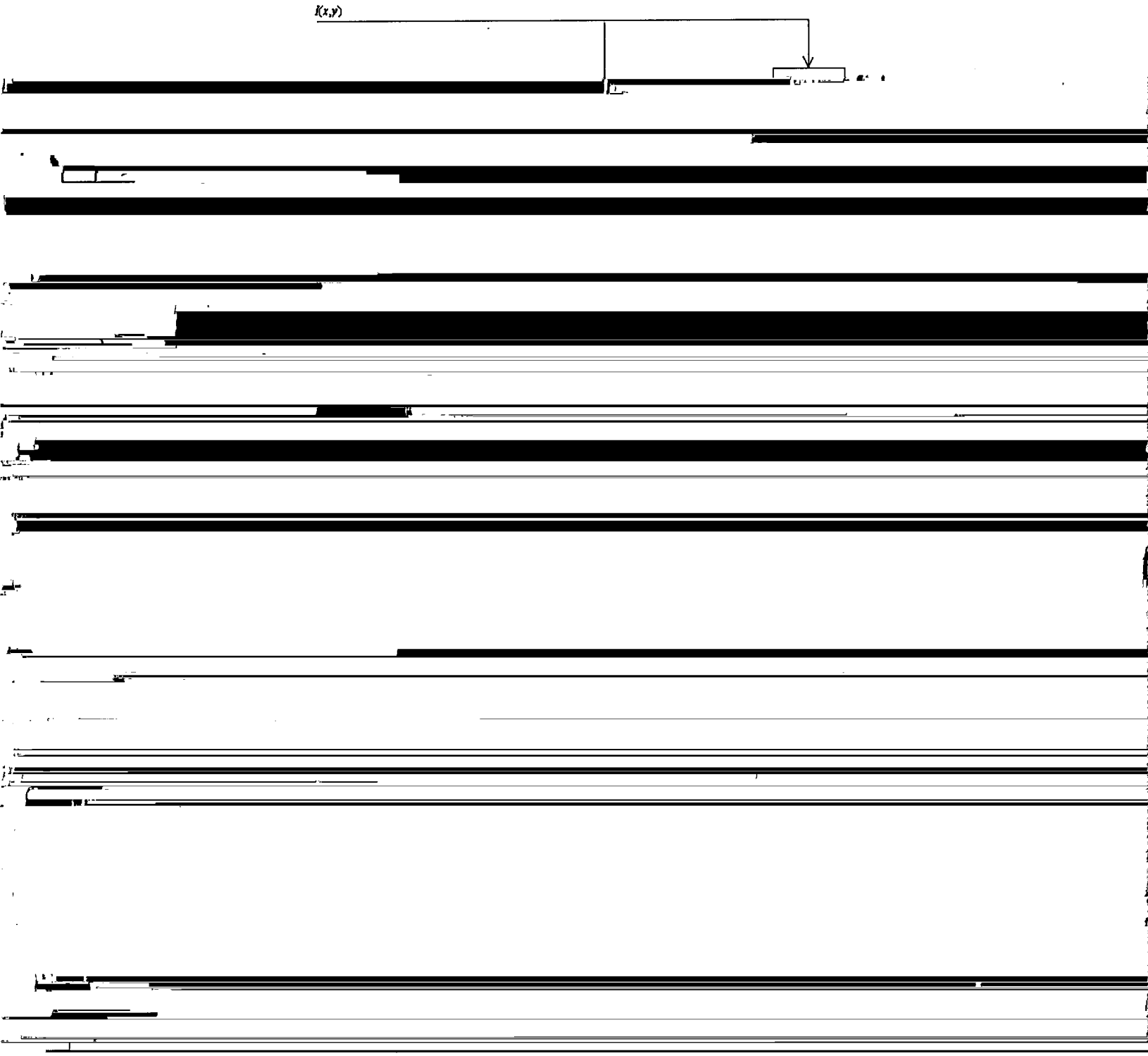

Figure 1. Multilevel halftoning using a stochastic screen.

space was designed to be linearly related to the human

Experimental Design

TABLE II. The p-Values of the Two-Tailed Student T-Test.

session 1: $\Delta L^* = 6.39$	sequence numbers										
p-value	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
f = 0.5, 8 cpd	0.256	0.239	0.272	0.522	0.824	0.664	0.802	0.145	0.296	0.491	0.568

session 2: $\Delta L^* = 12.7$	sequence numbers										
p-value	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
f = 0.5 and 8 cpd	0.264	0.081	0.527	0.762	0.762	0.687	0.015	0.077	0.828	0.236	0.905

session 3: $\Delta L^* = 25.5$	sequence numbers										
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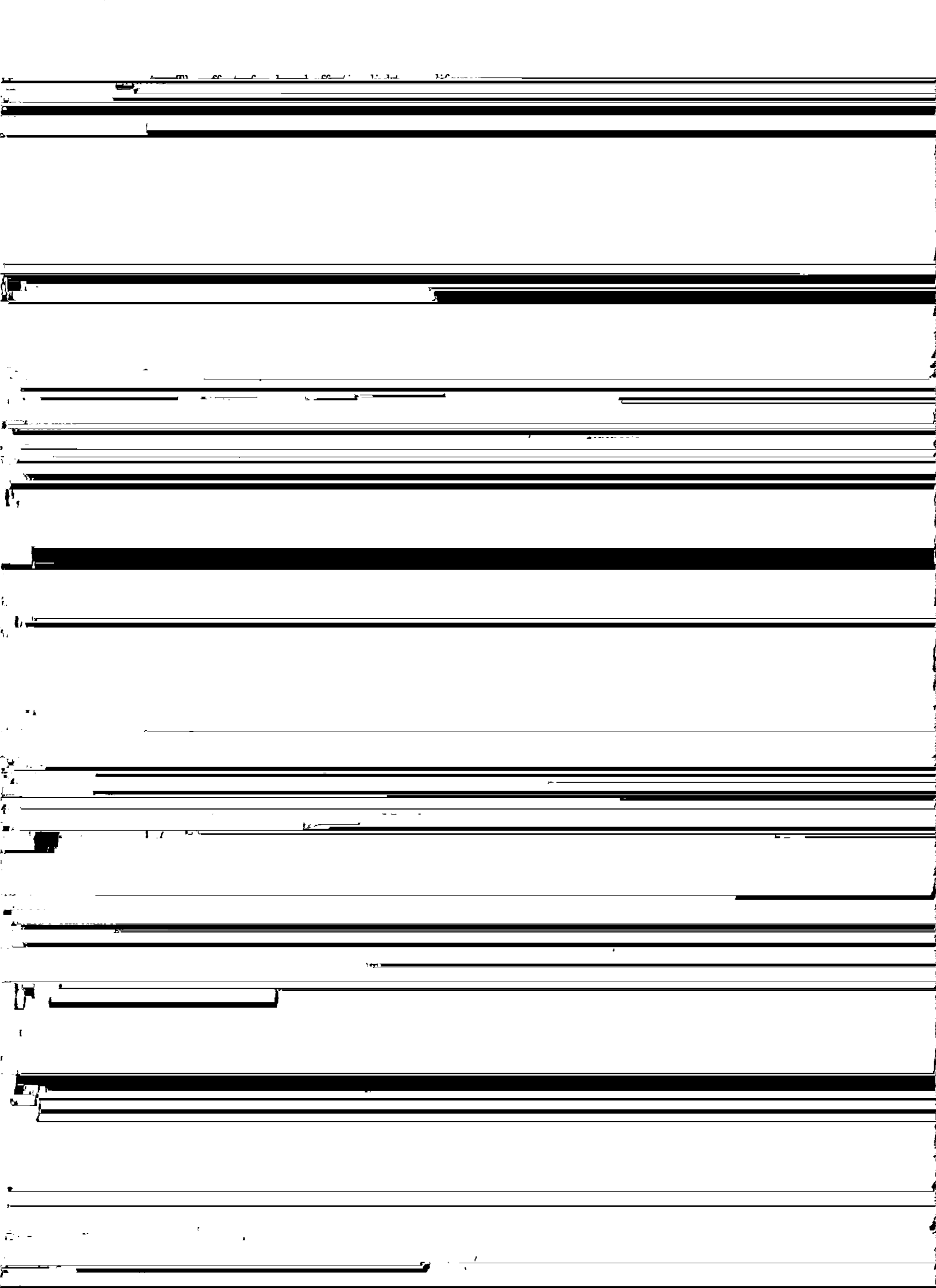

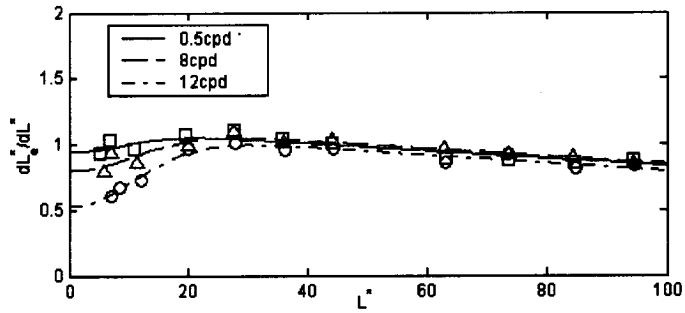
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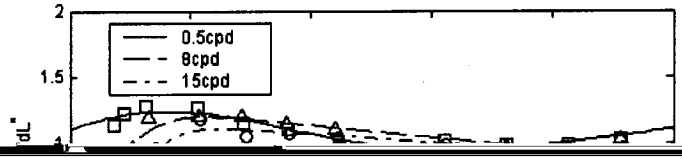
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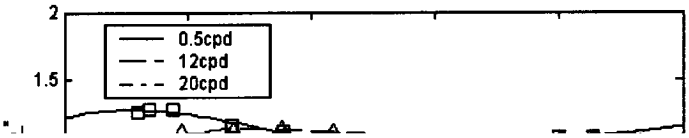
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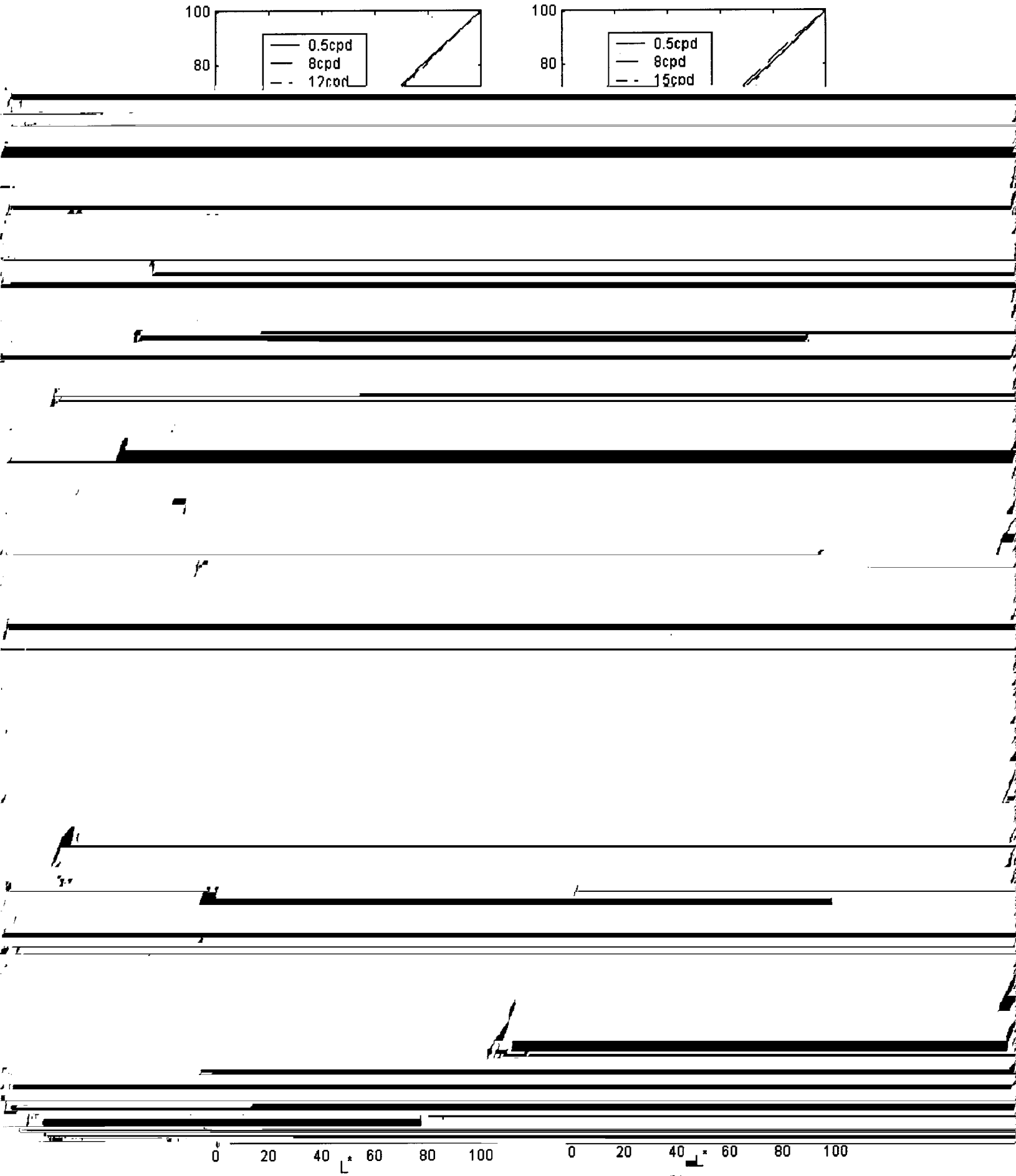
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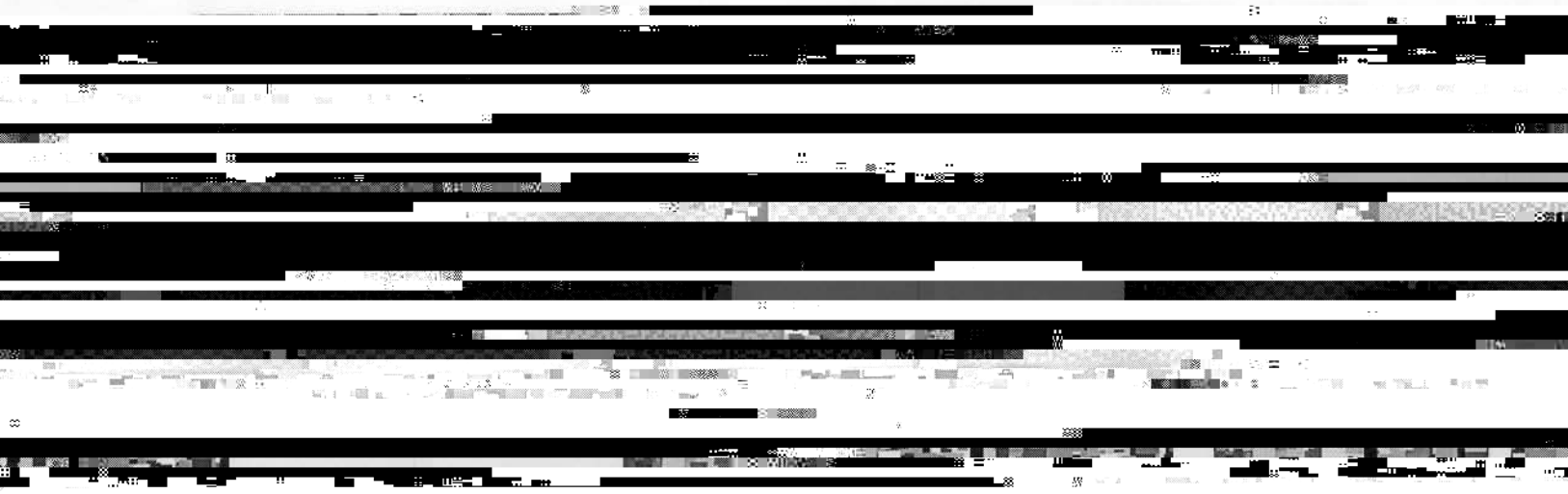
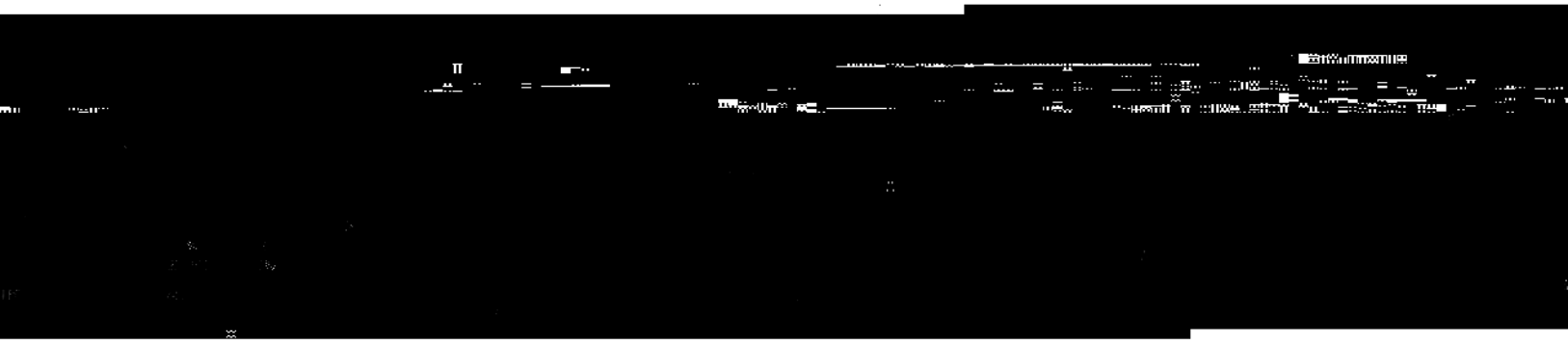


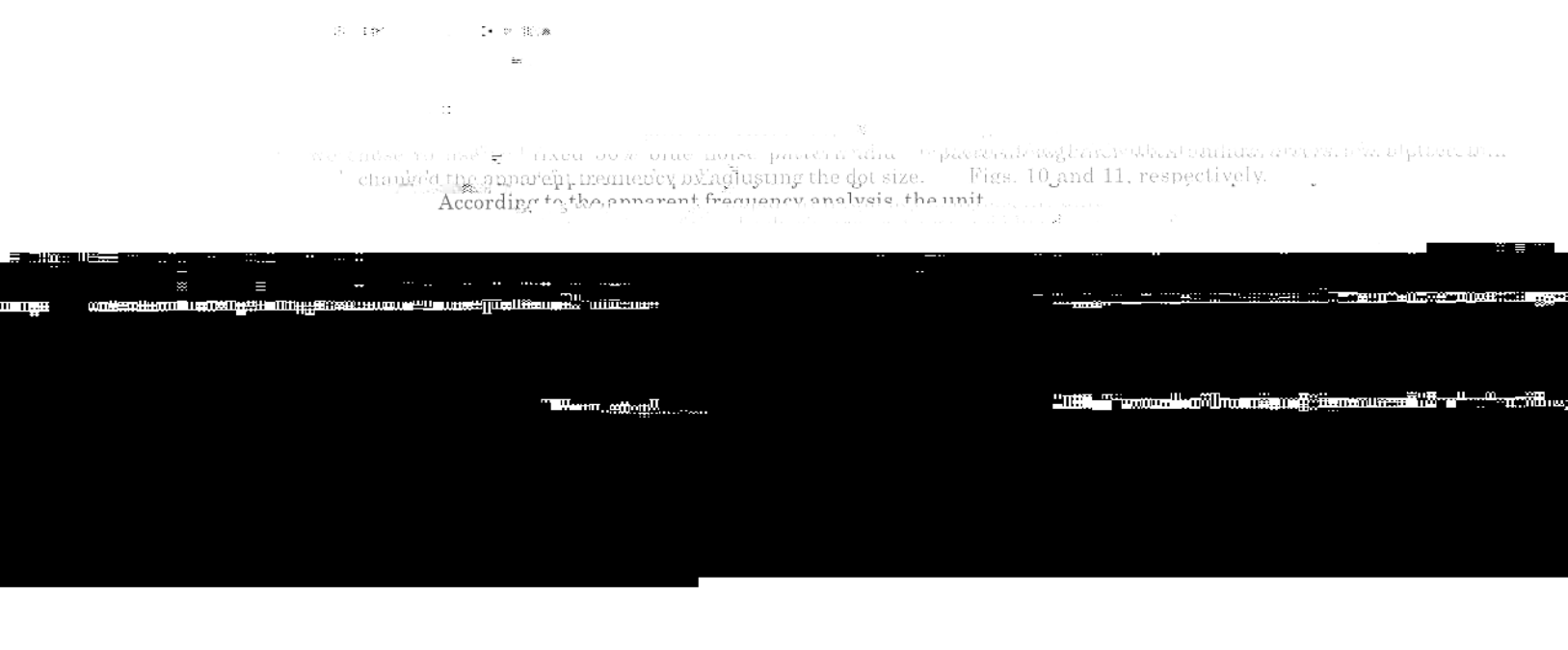
is the test patch.

Figure 8. The illustration of the new stimuli. [illegible] grating on the rig



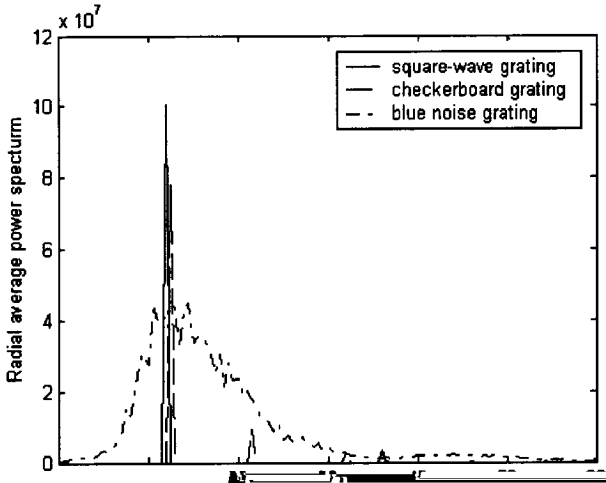
the frequency [illegible] modulation

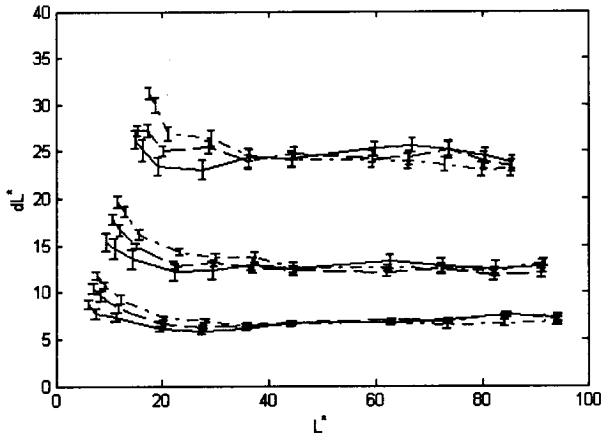
dominant radial frequencies, but the unit feature sizes [illegible] three types gratings have the same [illegible] grating. Thus the rig be analyzed based on



[illegible] fixed dot's brightness [illegible] changed the apparent frequency by adjusting the dot size.

According to the apparent frequency analysis, the unit [illegible] Figs. 10 and 11, respectively.





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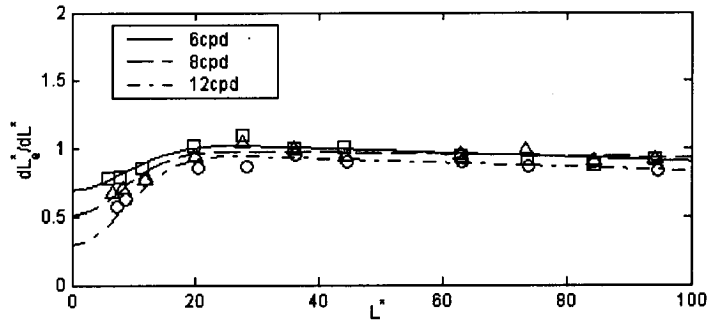

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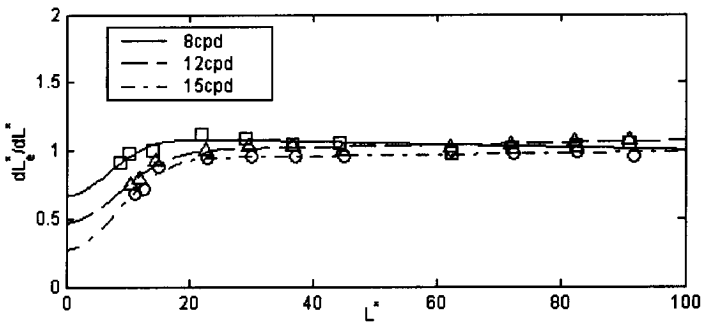

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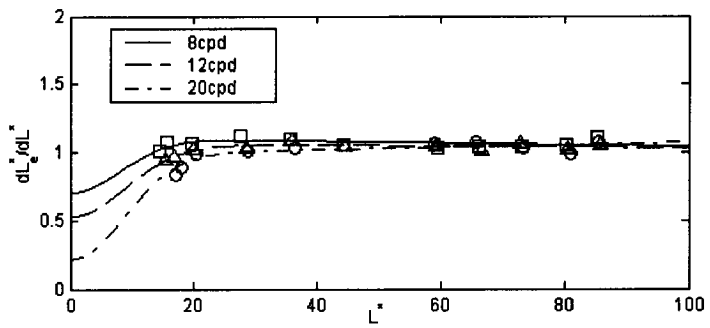
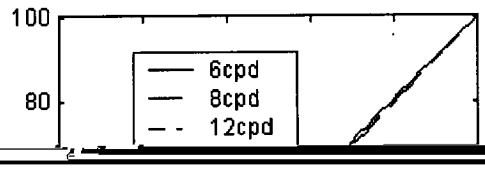


(c)

Figure 12. dL^*_e/dL^* (a) $\Delta L^* = 6.20$, (b) $\Delta L^* = 12.7$, and (c) $\Delta L^* = 25.5$. Checkerboard grating.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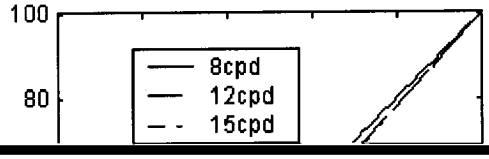
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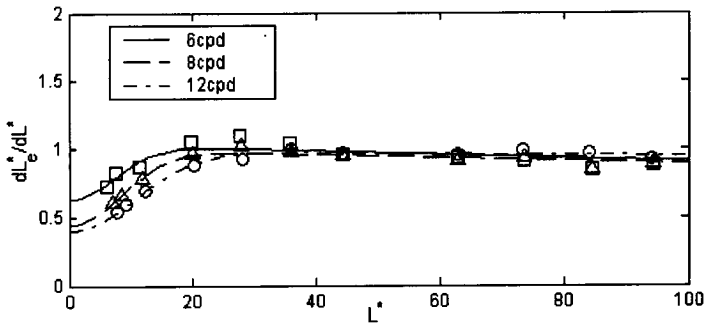

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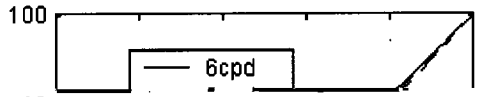
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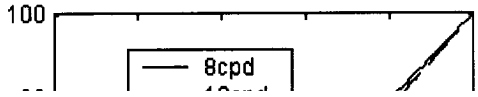
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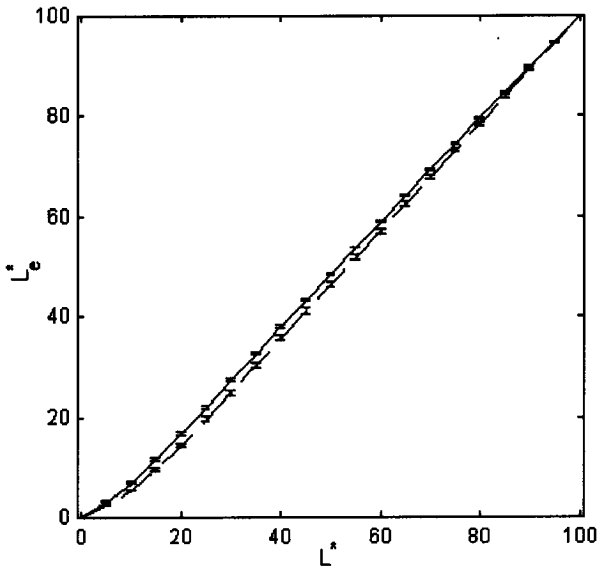
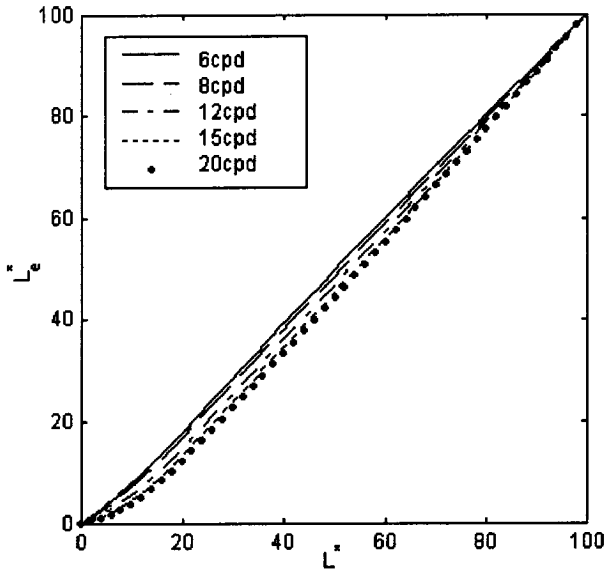
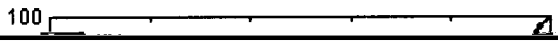
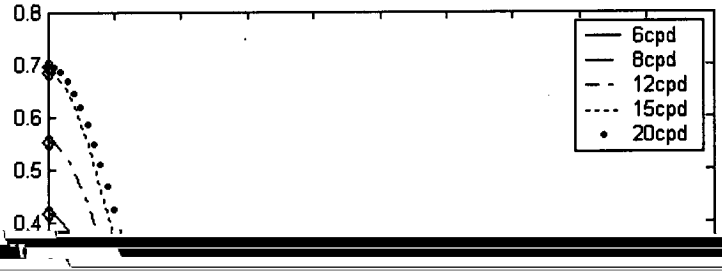




(a)

Figure 16. Average L_e^* (checkerboard and blue noise pattern) and the deviation from the average L_e^* versus L^* under fre-





L*

Figure 18. $d(L^*, L^*)/dL^*$ as a function of frequency (blue noise pattern). In this figure, for each curve, four points are selected:

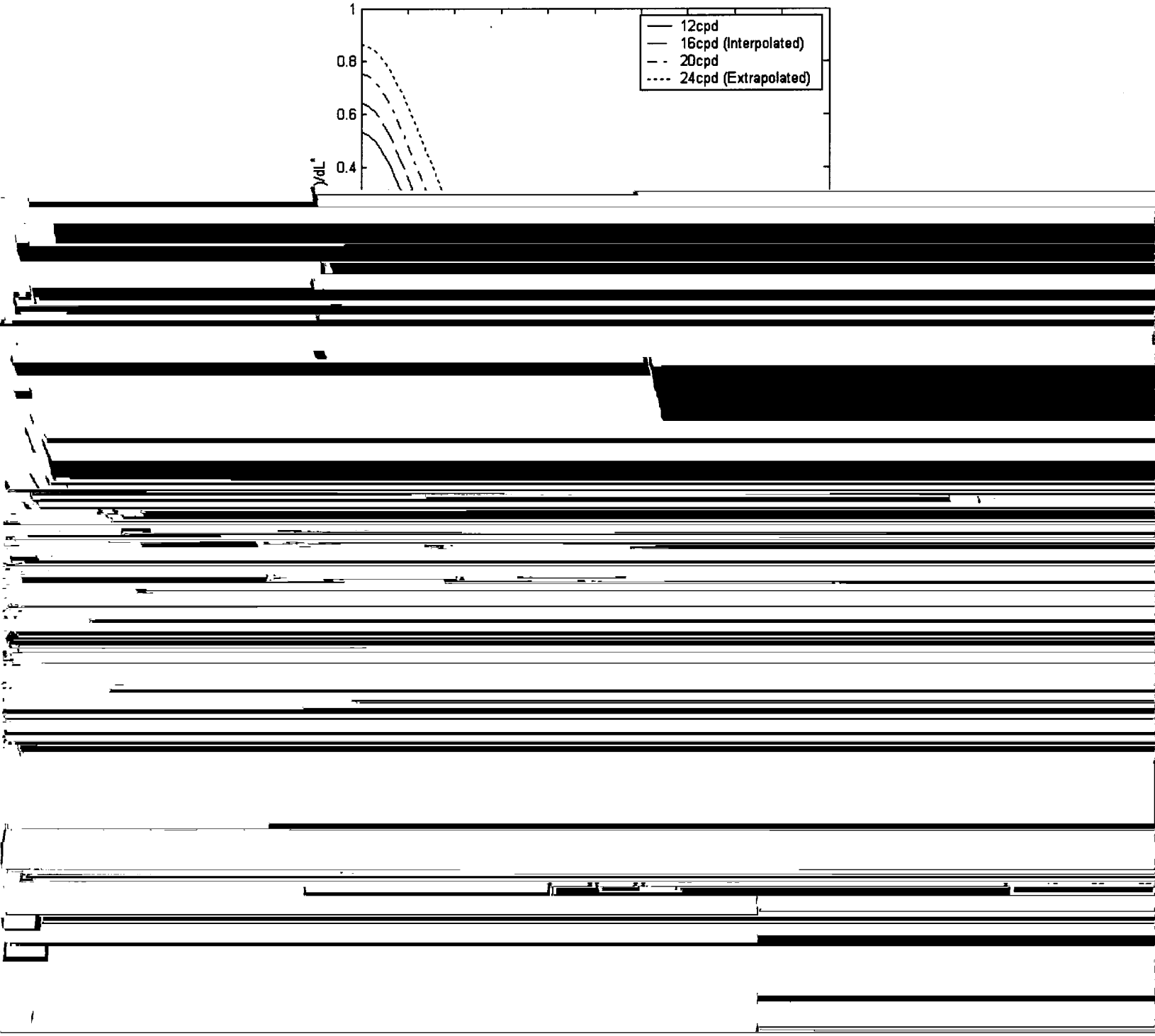
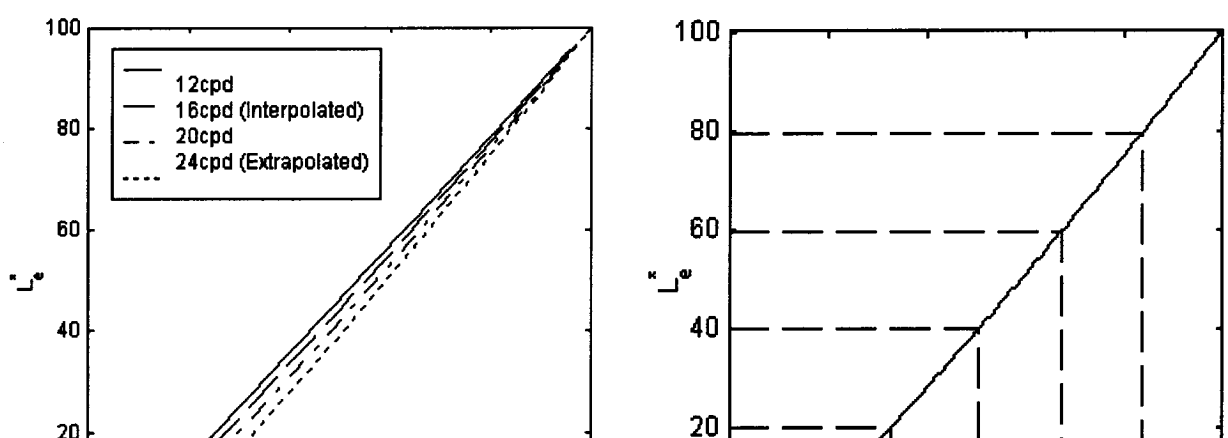
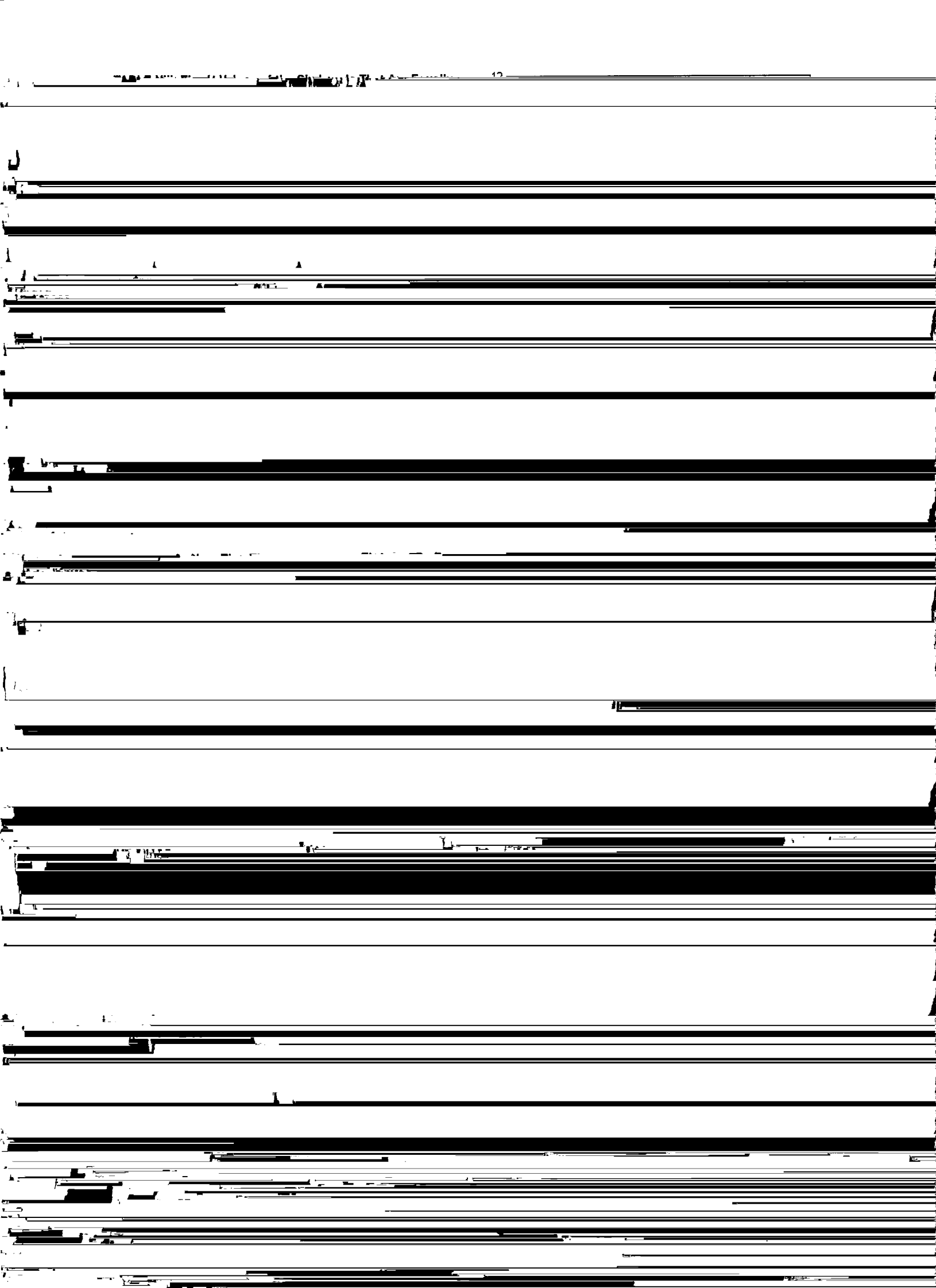


Figure 19. The predicted $d(L^*-L_o^*)/dL^*$ as a function of frequency. Blue noise pattern. The 16 cpd is obtained by interpolation, and the 24 cpd is obtained by extrapolation.





Conclusions

In this study, psychophysical experiments were described investigating lightness difference perception for spatially modulated patterns using a lightness differ-

produced halftone patterns where the pattern visibility is significantly more uniform than when the levels are equally spaced in L^*.