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### IMAGE CAPTURING OPTICAL SYSTEM

#### Abstract

An image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements which are, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path: a first lens element having positive refractive power, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element having negative refractive power. Each of the ten lens elements has an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side. The image-side surface of the second lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof. At least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

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## Background/Summary

**RELATED APPLICATIONS [0001]** This application is a divisional patent application of U.S. application Ser. No. 18/233,639, filed on Aug. 14, 2023, which is a continuation patent application of U.S. application Ser. No. 17/125,733, filed on Dec. 17, 2020, which claims priority to Taiwan Application 109138434, filed on Nov. 4, 2020, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

### BACKGROUND

#### Technical Field

[0002] The present disclosure relates to an image capturing optical system, an image capturing unit and an electronic device, more particularly to an image capturing optical system and an image capturing unit applicable to an electronic device.

#### Description of Related Art

[0003] With the development of semiconductor manufacturing technology, the performance of image sensors has improved, and the pixel size thereof has been scaled down. Therefore, featuring high image quality becomes one of the indispensable features of an optical system nowadays.

[0004] Furthermore, due to the rapid changes in technology, electronic devices equipped with optical systems are trending towards multi-functionality for various applications, and therefore the functionality requirements for the optical systems have been increasing. However, it is difficult for a conventional optical system to obtain a balance among the requirements such as high image quality, low sensitivity, a proper aperture size, miniaturization and a desirable field of view.

### SUMMARY

[0005] According to one aspect of the present disclosure, an image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements. The ten lens elements are, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element. Each of the ten lens elements has an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side.

[0006] The first lens element has positive refractive power. The image-side surface of the second lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element has negative refractive power. At least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0007] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and an image surface is TL, a maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, an axial distance between the first lens element and the second lens element is T12, an axial distance between the second lens element and the third lens element is T23, an axial distance between the third lens element and the fourth lens element is T34, an axial distance between the fourth lens

element and the fifth lens element is T45, and an axial distance between the fifth lens element and the sixth lens element is T56, the following conditions are satisfied:  
[00001] $0.5 < TL / ImgH < 4$ .; and  $0 < (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56) / T23 < 3.5$ .

[0008] According to another aspect of the present disclosure, an image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements. The ten lens elements are, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element. Each of the ten lens elements has an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side.

[0009] The first lens element has positive refractive power. The image-side surface of the second lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element has negative refractive power. At least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0010] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and an image surface is TL, a maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, an axial distance between the fourth lens element and the fifth lens element is T45, and an axial distance between the sixth lens element and the seventh lens element is T67, the following conditions are satisfied:  
[00002] $0.5 < TL / ImgH < 4$ .; and  $1.4 < T67 / T45$ .

[0011] According to another aspect of the present disclosure, an image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements. The ten lens elements are, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element. Each of the ten lens elements has an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side.

[0012] The first lens element has positive refractive power. The image-side surface of the second lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof. The object-side surface of the eighth lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element has negative refractive power. At least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0013] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and an image surface is TL, a maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, a focal length of the image capturing optical system is f, and a curvature radius of the object-side surface of the eighth lens element is R15, the following conditions are satisfied:  
[00003] $0.5 < TL / ImgH < 4$ .; and  $0.1 < f / R15 < 2.5$ .

[0014] According to another aspect of the present disclosure, an image capturing unit includes one of the aforementioned image capturing optical systems and an image sensor, wherein the image sensor is disposed on the image surface of the image capturing optical system.

[0015] According to another aspect of the present disclosure, an electronic device includes the aforementioned image capturing unit.

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## Description

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0016] The disclosure can be better understood by reading the following detailed description of the embodiments, with reference made to the accompanying drawings as follows:

[0017] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 1st embodiment of

the present disclosure;

[0018] FIG. 2 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 1st embodiment;

[0019] FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 2nd embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0020] FIG. 4 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 2nd embodiment;

[0021] FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 3rd embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0022] FIG. 6 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 3rd embodiment;

[0023] FIG. 7 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 4th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0024] FIG. 8 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 4th embodiment;

[0025] FIG. 9 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 5th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0026] FIG. 10 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 5th embodiment;

[0027] FIG. 11 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 6th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0028] FIG. 12 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 6th embodiment;

[0029] FIG. 13 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 7th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0030] FIG. 14 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 7th embodiment;

[0031] FIG. 15 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 8th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0032] FIG. 16 shows spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 8th embodiment;

[0033] FIG. 17 is a perspective view of an image capturing unit according to the 9th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0034] FIG. 18 is one perspective view of an electronic device according to the 10th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0035] FIG. 19 is another perspective view of the electronic device in FIG. 18;

[0036] FIG. 20 is a block diagram of the electronic device in FIG. 18;

[0037] FIG. 21 is one perspective view of an electronic device according to the 11th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0038] FIG. 22 is one perspective view of an electronic device according to the 12th embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0039] FIG. 23 shows a schematic view of Y11, Y62, Y71, Y82, Y91, Y92, Y102, Yc82, Yc91, Yc92, inflection points and critical points of the lens elements according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0040] FIG. 24 shows a schematic view of a configuration of a light-folding element in an image capturing optical system according to one embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0041] FIG. 25 shows a schematic view of another configuration of a light-folding element in an image capturing optical system according to one embodiment of the present disclosure; and

[0042] FIG. 26 shows a schematic view of a configuration of two light-folding elements in an image capturing optical system according to one embodiment of the present disclosure.

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0043] An image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements. The ten lens elements are, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element. Each of the ten lens elements has an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side. Therefore, it is favorable for increasing the field of view and the size of the image surface in a limited space and improving image quality.

[0044] The first lens element has positive refractive power. Therefore, it is favorable for reducing the size of the image capturing optical system. The object-side surface of the first lens element can be convex in a paraxial region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for light in various fields of view to evenly enter the image capturing optical system, thereby increasing the field of view and illuminance on the periphery of the image surface.

[0045] The image-side surface of the second lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the light path, thereby increasing the field of view and correcting aberrations.

[0046] The object-side surface of the eighth lens element can be convex in a paraxial region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the eighth lens element, thereby properly arranging the size distribution of the image capturing optical system.

[0047] The object-side surface of the ninth lens element can be convex in a paraxial region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape of the ninth lens element, thereby improving off-axis aberration corrections. The image-side surface of the ninth lens element can be concave in a paraxial region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for being coupled with the tenth lens element so as to correct aberrations and increase the size of the image surface.

[0048] The tenth lens element has negative refractive power. Therefore, it is favorable for balancing refractive power of the image capturing optical system and adjusting the back focal length. The object-side surface of the tenth lens element can be concave in a paraxial region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the tenth lens element so as to correct aberrations.

[0049] At least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least three lens elements of the image capturing optical system can have at least one inflection point. Therefore, it is favorable for increasing the variation of lens surface, thereby correcting aberrations and reducing the lens size. Moreover, at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least four lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also have at least one inflection point. Moreover, at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least five lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also have at least one inflection point. Moreover, at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least six lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also have at least one inflection point. Moreover, each of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system can also have at least one inflection point. Therefore, it is favorable for further increasing the variation of lens surfaces so as to correct aberrations and reduce the lens size. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of inflection points P of the lens elements according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure. The inflection points on the image-side surface of the second lens element, the object-side surface of the third lens element, the image-side surface of the third lens element, the object-side surface of the fourth lens element, the object-side surface of the fifth lens element, the image-side surface of the fifth lens element, the object-side surface of the sixth lens element, the image-side surface of the sixth lens element, the object-side surface of the seventh lens element, the image-side surface of the seventh lens element, the object-side surface of the eighth lens element, the image-side surface of the eighth lens element, the object-side surface of the ninth lens element, the image-side surface

of the ninth lens element, the object-side surface of the tenth lens element and the image-side surface of the tenth lens element in FIG. 23 are only exemplary. The other lens elements may also have one or more inflection points.

[0050] At least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for increasing the variation of lens surface, thereby correcting aberrations, reducing the size of the image capturing optical system and increasing the field of view and the size of the image surface. Moreover, at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least two lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also have at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. Moreover, at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one of the eighth lens element and the ninth lens element can also have at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for further improving image quality by disposing the critical point on the eighth lens element or the ninth lens element. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of critical points C of the lens elements according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure. The critical points on the object-side surface of the third lens element, the object-side surface of the fourth lens element, the object-side surface of the fifth lens element, the image-side surface of the fifth lens element, the object-side surface of the sixth lens element, the object-side surface of the seventh lens element, the image-side surface of the seventh lens element, the object-side surface of the eighth lens element, the image-side surface of the eighth lens element, the object-side surface of the ninth lens element, the image-side surface of the ninth lens element, the object-side surface of the tenth lens element and the image-side surface of the tenth lens element in FIG. 23 are only exemplary. The other lens elements may also have one or more critical points.

[0051] The image-side surface of the eighth lens element can have at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for correcting off-axis aberrations such as field curvature. When a vertical distance between a convex critical point on the image-side surface of the eighth lens element and an optical axis is  $Y_{c82}$ , and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the eighth lens element is  $Y_{82}$ , the image-side surface of the eighth lens element can have at least one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof satisfying the following condition:  $0.20 < Y_{c82}/Y_{82} < 0.75$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape of the eighth lens element so as to further correct off-axis aberrations. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of  $Y_{c82}$ ,  $Y_{82}$  and the convex critical point C on the image-side surface **182** of the eighth lens element **180** according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0052] The object-side surface of the ninth lens element can have at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for being coupled with the eighth lens element so as to correct off-axis aberrations. When a vertical distance between a concave critical point on the object-side surface of the ninth lens element and the optical axis is  $Y_{c91}$ , and a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface of the ninth lens element is  $Y_{91}$ , the object-side surface of the ninth lens element can have at least one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof satisfying the following condition:  $0.20 < Y_{c91}/Y_{91} < 0.70$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape of the ninth lens element so as to further correct off-axis aberrations. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of  $Y_{c91}$ ,  $Y_{91}$  and the concave critical point C on the object-side surface **191** of the ninth lens element **190** according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0053] The image-side surface of the ninth lens element can have at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. Therefore, it is favorable for improving image quality on the periphery of the image surface. When a vertical distance between a convex critical point on the image-side surface of the ninth lens element and the optical axis is  $Y_{c92}$ , and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the ninth lens element is  $Y_{92}$ , the image-side surface of the ninth lens element can have at least one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof satisfying the

following condition:  $0.25 < Y_{c92}/Y_{92} < 0.70$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape of the ninth lens element so as to further improve image quality. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of  $Y_{c92}$ ,  $Y_{92}$  and the convex critical point C on the image-side surface 192 of the ninth lens element 190 according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0054] According to the present disclosure, at least five lens elements of the image capturing optical system can be made of plastic material. Therefore, it is favorable for increasing mass production capacity and reducing the weight of the image capturing optical system. Moreover, at least six lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also be made of plastic material. Moreover, at least seven lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also be made of plastic material. Moreover, at least eight lens elements of the image capturing optical system can also be made of plastic material.

[0055] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image surface is  $TL$ , and a maximum image height of the image capturing optical system (which can be half of a diagonal length of an effective photosensitive area of the image sensor) is  $ImgH$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $0.50 < TL/ImgH < 4.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for obtaining a balance between reducing the total track length and increasing the size of the image surface; it is also favorable for increasing the field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.60 < TL/ImgH < 2.8$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.70 < TL/ImgH < 1.8$ .

[0056] When an axial distance between the first lens element and the second lens element is  $T_{12}$ , an axial distance between the second lens element and the third lens element is  $T_{23}$ , an axial distance between the third lens element and the fourth lens element is  $T_{34}$ , an axial distance between the fourth lens element and the fifth lens element is  $T_{45}$ , and an axial distance between the fifth lens element and the sixth lens element is  $T_{56}$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $0 < (T_{12} + T_{34} + T_{45} + T_{56})/T_{23} < 3.5$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution at the object side of the image capturing optical system, thereby reducing the size of the object side of the image capturing optical system and increasing the field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0 < (T_{12} + T_{34} + T_{45} + T_{56})/T_{23} < 3.0$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.10 < (T_{12} + T_{34} + T_{45} + T_{56})/T_{23} < 2.5$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.10 < (T_{12} + T_{34} + T_{45} + T_{56})/T_{23} < 2.0$ .

[0057] When the axial distance between the fourth lens element and the fifth lens element is  $T_{45}$ , and an axial distance between the sixth lens element and the seventh lens element is  $T_{67}$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.40 < T_{67}/T_{45}$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution and balancing the size distribution between the object side and the image side of the image capturing optical system. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $2.00 < T_{67}/T_{45} < 70.0$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $2.50 < T_{67}/T_{45} < 50.0$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $3.00 < T_{67}/T_{45} < 30.0$ .

[0058] When a focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and a curvature radius of the object-side surface of the eighth lens element is  $R_{15}$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.10 < f/R_{15} < 2.5$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the eighth lens element, thereby adjusting the size distribution of the image capturing optical system. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.35 < f/R_{15} < 2.2$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.55 < f/R_{15} < 2.0$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.70 < f/R_{15} < 1.8$ .

[0059] When an Abbe number of the first lens element is  $V_1$ , an Abbe number of the second lens element is  $V_2$ , an Abbe number of the third lens element is  $V_3$ , an Abbe number of the fourth lens element is  $V_4$ , an Abbe number of the fifth lens element is  $V_5$ , an Abbe number of the sixth lens element is  $V_6$ , an Abbe number of the seventh lens element is  $V_7$ , an Abbe number of the eighth lens element is  $V_8$ , an Abbe number of the ninth lens element is  $V_9$ , an Abbe number of the tenth

lens element is V10, an Abbe number of the i-th lens element is  $V_i$ , a refractive index of the first lens element is N1, a refractive index of the second lens element is N2, a refractive index of the third lens element is N3, a refractive index of the fourth lens element is N4, a refractive index of the fifth lens element is N5, a refractive index of the sixth lens element is N6, a refractive index of the seventh lens element is N7, a refractive index of the eighth lens element is N8, a refractive index of the ninth lens element is N9, a refractive index of the tenth lens element is N10, a refractive index of the i-th lens element is  $N_i$ , and a minimum value of  $V_i/N_i$  is  $(V_i/N_i)_{\min}$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $8.00 < (V_i/N_i)_{\min} < 11.0$ , wherein  $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$  or  $10$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the material distribution of the image capturing optical system so as to reduce the size of the image capturing optical system and correct aberrations.

[0060] When a sum of axial distances between each of all adjacent lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $\Sigma AT$ , and the axial distance between the sixth lens element and the seventh lens element is T67, the following condition can be satisfied:  $3.00 < \Sigma AT/T67 < 15.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution, thereby reducing the total track length.

[0061] When a central thickness of the second lens element is CT2, a central thickness of the third lens element is CT3, and the axial distance between the second lens element and the third lens element is T23, the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.55 < (CT2+CT3)/T23 < 1.8$ . Therefore, it is favorable for coupling the second lens element with the third lens element, thereby increasing the field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.70 < (CT2+CT3)/T23 < 1.6$ .

[0062] When a curvature radius of the object-side surface of the first lens element is R1, and a central thickness of the first lens element is CT1, the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.2 < R1/CT1 < 7.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape of the first lens element, thereby increasing the field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $1.8 < R1/CT1 < 5.0$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $2.2 < R1/CT1 < 4.0$ .

[0063] When the Abbe number of the third lens element is V3, the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and a focal length of the third lens element is  $f_3$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $|V3 \times f/f_3| < 8.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the material and refractive power of the third lens element, thereby correcting aberrations.

[0064] When the axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image surface is TL, the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , the maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, and an entrance pupil diameter of the image capturing optical system is EPD, the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.00 < (TL \times f)/(ImgH \times EPD) < 3.00$ . Therefore, it is favorable for obtaining a balance among the sizes of the aperture stop, the image capturing optical system, the field of view and the image surface. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $1.20 < (TL \times f)/(ImgH \times EPD) < 2.35$ .

[0065] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , a focal length of the second lens element is  $f_2$ , the focal length of the third lens element is  $f_3$ , a focal length of the fourth lens element is  $f_4$ , a focal length of the fifth lens element is  $f_5$ , a focal length of the sixth lens element is  $f_6$ , a focal length of the seventh lens element is  $f_7$ , a focal length of the eighth lens element is  $f_8$ , a focal length of the ninth lens element is  $f_9$ , and a focal length of the i-th lens element is  $f_i$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $\Sigma |f/f_i| < 4.0$ , wherein  $i=2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$  and  $9$ . Therefore, it is favorable for coupling refractive power of lens elements with one another, thereby increasing the field of view, reducing the size of the image capturing optical system and correcting aberrations. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $\Sigma |f/f_i| < 3.0$ , wherein  $i=2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$  and  $9$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $\Sigma |f/f_i| < 2.5$ , wherein  $i=2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$  and  $9$ .

[0066] When a minimum value among Abbe numbers of all lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $V_{\min}$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $10.0 < V_{\min} < 20.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the material distribution so as to correct chromatic aberration. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $12.0 < V_{\min} < 18.5$ .



[0067] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image-side surface of the second lens element is  $Dr1r4$ , and an axial distance between the object-side surface of the third lens element and the image-side surface of the sixth lens element is  $Dr5r12$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.60 < Dr1r4/Dr5r12 < 1.5$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution, thereby reducing the size of the object side of the image capturing optical system.

[0068] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image-side surface of the sixth lens element is  $Dr1r12$ , and an axial distance between the object-side surface of the seventh lens element and the image-side surface of the tenth lens element is  $Dr13r20$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.60 < Dr1r12/Dr13r20 < 1.3$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution, thereby obtaining a balance among the sizes of the field of view, the image capturing optical system and the image surface.

[0069] When an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image-side surface of the tenth lens element is  $TD$ , and the axial distance between the second lens element and the third lens element is  $T23$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $8.00 < TD/T23 < 30.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution, thereby increasing the field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $10.0 < TD/T23 < 25.0$ .

[0070] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and a curvature radius of the image-side surface of the second lens element is  $R4$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.55 < f/R4 < 2.5$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the second lens element, thereby correcting aberrations such as astigmatism.

[0071] When half of a maximum field of view of the image capturing optical system is  $HFOV$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $30.0 [deg.] < HFOV < 60.0 [deg.]$ . Therefore, it is favorable for featuring a wide field of view of the image capturing optical system and preventing aberrations such as distortion generated due to an overly large field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $35.0 [deg.] < HFOV < 50.0 [deg.]$ .

[0072] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , a focal length of the first lens element is  $f1$ , the focal length of the second lens element is  $f2$ , the focal length of the third lens element is  $f3$ , the focal length of the fourth lens element is  $f4$ , the focal length of the fifth lens element is  $f5$ , the focal length of the sixth lens element is  $f6$ , the focal length of the seventh lens element is  $f7$ , the focal length of the eighth lens element is  $f8$ , the focal length of the ninth lens element is  $f9$ , and a focal length of the tenth lens element is  $f10$ , at least one of the following conditions can be satisfied:  $0.45 < f/f1 < 1.6$ ;  $|f/f2| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f3| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f4| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f5| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f6| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f7| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f8| < 1.0$ ;  $|f/f9| < 1.0$ ; and  $-1.5 < f/f10 < -0.40$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting refractive power of lens elements, thereby increasing the field of view and reducing the size of the image capturing optical system.

[0073] When the Abbe number of the second lens element is  $V2$ , the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and the focal length of the second lens element is  $f2$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $|V2 \times f/f2| < 15$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the second lens element so as to correct aberrations.

[0074] When the Abbe number of the second lens element is  $V2$ , and the Abbe number of the third lens element is  $V3$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $20.0 < V2 + V3 < 65.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for coupling the second lens element with the third lens element so as to correct aberrations such as chromatic aberration. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $26.0 < V2 + V3 < 55.0$ .

[0075] When a maximum value among axial distances between each of all adjacent lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $AT_{max}$ , and a minimum value among central thicknesses of all lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $CT_{min}$ , the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.8 < AT_{max}/CT_{min} < 4.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution so as to reduce the total track length.

[0076] When the axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image surface is TL, and the focal length of the image capturing optical system is f, the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.05 < TL/f < 1.40$ . Therefore, it is favorable for obtaining a balance between the field of view and the total track length.

[0077] When an f-number of the image capturing optical system is Fno, the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.0 < Fno < 2.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for obtaining a balance between illuminance and the depth of view.

[0078] When the axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image-side surface of the sixth lens element is Dr1r12, and the axial distance between the second lens element and the third lens element is T23, the following condition can be satisfied:  $3.50 < Dr1r12/T23 < 16.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the lens distribution, thereby reducing the size of the object side of the image capturing optical system and increasing the field of view. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $4.50 < Dr1r12/T23 < 12.0$ .

[0079] When the curvature radius of the image-side surface of the second lens element is R4, and the focal length of the second lens element is f2, the following condition can be satisfied:  $R4/|f2| < 2.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the second lens element so as to correct aberrations. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $R4/|f2| < 1.0$ .

[0080] When the curvature radius of the object-side surface of the eighth lens element is R15, and the focal length of the eighth lens element is f8, the following condition can be satisfied:  $|R15/f8| < 3.5$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the eighth lens element, thereby correcting off-axis aberrations. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $|R15/f8| < 2.0$ . Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $|R15/f8| < 1.0$ .

[0081] When a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface of the first lens element is Y11, and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the sixth lens element is Y62, the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.55 < Y11/Y62 < 1.2$ . Therefore, it is favorable for reducing the outer diameter at the object side of the image capturing optical system. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of Y11 and Y62 according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0082] When the maximum effective radius of the object-side surface of the first lens element is Y11, and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the tenth lens element is Y102, the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.5 < Y102/Y11 < 5.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the light travelling direction, thereby obtaining a balance among the size of the image capturing optical system, the field of view and the image surface. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of Y11 and Y102 according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0083] When a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface of the seventh lens element is Y71, and the maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the tenth lens element is Y102, the following condition can be satisfied:  $1.5 < Y102/Y71 < 3.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the light travelling direction, thereby increasing the size of the image surface. Please refer to FIG. 23, which shows a schematic view of Y71 and Y102 according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0084] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is f, a curvature radius of the object-side surface of the ninth lens element is R17, and a curvature radius of the image-side surface of the ninth lens element is R18, the following condition can be satisfied:  $2.5 < f/R17 + f/R18 < 6.0$ . Therefore, it is favorable for adjusting the surface shape and refractive power of the ninth lens element so as to correct aberrations. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $2.8 < f/R17 + f/R18 < 5.0$ .

[0085] When the Abbe number of the first lens element is V1, the Abbe number of the second lens element is V2, the Abbe number of the third lens element is V3, the Abbe number of the fourth lens element is V4, the Abbe number of the fifth lens element is V5, the Abbe number of the sixth lens

element is V6, the Abbe number of the seventh lens element is V7, the Abbe number of the eighth lens element is V8, the Abbe number of the ninth lens element is V9, the Abbe number of the tenth lens element is V10, and the Abbe number of the i-th lens element is  $V_i$ , at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system can satisfy the following condition:  $25.0 < V_i < 50.0$ , wherein  $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$  or  $10$ . Therefore, it is favorable for balancing the material arrangement, thereby correcting aberrations such as chromatic aberration. Moreover, at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system can also satisfy the following condition:  $26.0 \leq V_i < 45.0$ , wherein  $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$  or  $10$ .

[0086] When a central thickness of the seventh lens element is CT7, and the axial distance between the sixth lens element and the seventh lens element is T67, the following condition can be satisfied:  $0.45 < CT7/T67 < 3.5$ . Therefore, it is favorable for coupling the sixth lens element with the seventh lens element so as to balance the size distribution between the object side and the image side of the image capturing optical system. Moreover, the following condition can also be satisfied:  $0.65 < CT7/T67 < 2.5$ .

[0087] According to the present disclosure, the aforementioned features and conditions can be utilized in numerous combinations so as to achieve corresponding effects.

[0088] According to the present disclosure, the lens elements of the image capturing optical system can be made of either glass or plastic material. When the lens elements are made of glass material, the refractive power distribution of the image capturing optical system may be more flexible, and the influence on imaging caused by external environment temperature change may be reduced. The glass lens element can either be made by grinding or molding. When the lens elements are made of plastic material, the manufacturing costs can be effectively reduced. Furthermore, surfaces of each lens element can be arranged to be spherical or aspheric. Spherical lens elements are simple in manufacture. Aspheric lens element design allows more control variables for eliminating aberrations thereof and reducing the required number of lens elements, and the total track length of the image capturing optical system can therefore be effectively shortened. Additionally, the aspheric surfaces may be formed by plastic injection molding or glass molding.

[0089] According to the present disclosure, when a lens surface is aspheric, it means that the lens surface has an aspheric shape throughout its optically effective area, or a portion(s) thereof.

[0090] According to the present disclosure, one or more of the lens elements' material may optionally include an additive which alters the lens elements' transmittance in a specific range of wavelength for a reduction in unwanted stray light or colour deviation. For example, the additive may optionally filter out light in the wavelength range of 600 nm to 800 nm to reduce excessive red light and/or near infrared light; or may optionally filter out light in the wavelength range of 350 nm to 450 nm to reduce excessive blue light and/or near ultraviolet light from interfering the final image. The additive may be homogeneously mixed with a plastic material to be used in manufacturing a mixed-material lens element by injection molding.

[0091] According to the present disclosure, each of an object-side surface and an image-side surface has a paraxial region and an off-axis region. The paraxial region refers to the region of the surface where light rays travel close to the optical axis, and the off-axis region refers to the region of the surface away from the paraxial region. Particularly, unless otherwise stated, when the lens element has a convex surface, it indicates that the surface is convex in the paraxial region thereof; when the lens element has a concave surface, it indicates that the surface is concave in the paraxial region thereof. Moreover, when a region of refractive power or focus of a lens element is not defined, it indicates that the region of refractive power or focus of the lens element is in the paraxial region thereof.

[0092] According to the present disclosure, an inflection point is a point on the surface of the lens element at which the surface changes from concave to convex, or vice versa. A critical point is a non-axial point of the lens surface where its tangent is perpendicular to the optical axis.

[0093] According to the present disclosure, the image surface of the image capturing optical

system, based on the corresponding image sensor, can be flat or curved, especially a curved surface being concave facing towards the object side of the image capturing optical system.

[0094] According to the present disclosure, an image correction unit, such as a field flattener, can be optionally disposed between the lens element closest to the image side of the image capturing optical system along the optical path and the image surface for correction of aberrations such as field curvature. The optical properties of the image correction unit, such as curvature, thickness, index of refraction, position and surface shape (convex or concave surface with spherical, aspheric, diffractive or Fresnel types), can be adjusted according to the design of the image capturing unit. In general, a preferable image correction unit is, for example, a thin transparent element having a concave object-side surface and a planar image-side surface, and the thin transparent element is disposed near the image surface.

[0095] According to the present disclosure, at least one light-folding element, such as a prism or a mirror, can be optionally disposed between an imaged object and the image surface on the imaging optical path, such that the image capturing optical system can be more flexible in space arrangement, and therefore the dimensions of an electronic device is not restricted by the total track length of the image capturing optical system. Specifically, please refer to FIG. 24 and FIG. 25. FIG. 24 shows a schematic view of a configuration of a light-folding element in an image capturing optical system according to one embodiment of the present disclosure, and FIG. 25 shows a schematic view of another configuration of a light-folding element in an image capturing optical system according to one embodiment of the present disclosure. In FIG. 24 and FIG. 25, the image capturing optical system can have, in order from an imaged object (not shown in the figures) to an image surface IM along an optical path, a first optical axis OA1, a light-folding element LF and a second optical axis OA2. The light-folding element LF can be disposed between the imaged object and a lens group LG of the image capturing optical system as shown in FIG. 24 or disposed between a lens group LG of the image capturing optical system and the image surface IM as shown in FIG. 25. Furthermore, please refer to FIG. 26, which shows a schematic view of a configuration of two light-folding elements in an image capturing optical system according to one embodiment of the present disclosure. In FIG. 26, the image capturing optical system can have, in order from an imaged object (not shown in the figure) to an image surface IM along an optical path, a first optical axis OA1, a first light-folding element LF1, a second optical axis OA2, a second light-folding element LF2 and a third optical axis OA3. The first light-folding element LF1 is disposed between the imaged object and a lens group LG of the image capturing optical system, the second light-folding element LF2 is disposed between the lens group LG of the image capturing optical system and the image surface IM, and the travelling direction of light on the first optical axis OA1 can be the same direction as the travelling direction of light on the third optical axis OA3 as shown in FIG. 26. The image capturing optical system can be optionally provided with three or more light-folding elements, and the present disclosure is not limited to the type, amount and position of the light-folding elements of the embodiments disclosed in the aforementioned figures.

[0096] According to the present disclosure, the image capturing optical system can include at least one stop, such as an aperture stop, a glare stop or a field stop. Said glare stop or said field stop is set for eliminating the stray light and thereby improving image quality thereof.

[0097] According to the present disclosure, an aperture stop can be configured as a front stop or a middle stop. A front stop disposed between an imaged object and the first lens element can provide a longer distance between an exit pupil of the image capturing optical system and the image surface to produce a telecentric effect, and thereby improves the image-sensing efficiency of an image sensor (for example, CCD or CMOS). A middle stop disposed between the first lens element and the image surface is favorable for enlarging the viewing angle of the image capturing optical system and thereby provides a wider field of view for the same.

[0098] According to the present disclosure, the image capturing optical system can include an aperture control unit. The aperture control unit may be a mechanical component or a light

modulator, which can control the size and shape of the aperture through electricity or electrical signals. The mechanical component can include a movable member, such as a blade assembly or a light shielding sheet. The light modulator can include a shielding element, such as a filter, an electrochromic material or a liquid-crystal layer. The aperture control unit controls the amount of incident light or exposure time to enhance the capability of image quality adjustment. In addition, the aperture control unit can be the aperture stop of the present disclosure, which changes the f-number to obtain different image effects, such as the depth of field or lens speed.

[0099] According to the above description of the present disclosure, the following specific embodiments are provided for further explanation.

#### 1st Embodiment

[0100] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 1st embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 2 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 1st embodiment. In FIG. 1, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor **199**. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop **100**, a first lens element **110**, a second lens element **120**, a stop **101**, a third lens element **130**, a stop **102**, a fourth lens element **140**, a fifth lens element **150**, a sixth lens element **160**, a seventh lens element **170**, an eighth lens element **180**, a ninth lens element **190**, a tenth lens element **193**, a filter **197** and an image surface **198**. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (**110**, **120**, **130**, **140**, **150**, **160**, **170**, **180**, **190** and **193**) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0101] The first lens element **110** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **111** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **112** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element **110** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **111** and the image-side surface **112** being both aspheric.

[0102] The second lens element **120** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **121** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **122** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element **120** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **121** and the image-side surface **122** being both aspheric. The image-side surface **122** of the second lens element **120** has one inflection point.

[0103] The third lens element **130** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **131** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **132** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element **130** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **131** and the image-side surface **132** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **131** of the third lens element **130** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **132** of the third lens element **130** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **131** of the third lens element **130** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0104] The fourth lens element **140** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **141** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **142** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element **140** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **141** and the image-side surface **142** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **141** of the fourth lens element **140** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **141** of the fourth lens element **140** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0105] The fifth lens element **150** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **151** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **152** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element **150** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **151** and the image-side surface **152** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **151** of the fifth lens element **150** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **152** of the fifth lens element **150** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **151** of the fifth lens element **150** has

one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **152** of the fifth lens element **150** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0106] The sixth lens element **160** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **161** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **162** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **160** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **161** and the image-side surface **162** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **161** of the sixth lens element **160** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **162** of the sixth lens element **160** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **161** of the sixth lens element **160** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0107] The seventh lens element **170** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **171** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **172** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **170** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **171** and the image-side surface **172** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **171** of the seventh lens element **170** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **172** of the seventh lens element **170** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **171** of the seventh lens element **170** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **172** of the seventh lens element **170** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0108] The eighth lens element **180** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **181** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **182** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **180** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **181** and the image-side surface **182** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **181** of the eighth lens element **180** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **182** of the eighth lens element **180** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **181** of the eighth lens element **180** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **182** of the eighth lens element **180** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0109] The ninth lens element **190** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **191** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **192** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **190** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **191** and the image-side surface **192** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **191** of the ninth lens element **190** has four inflection points. The image-side surface **192** of the ninth lens element **190** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **191** of the ninth lens element **190** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **192** of the ninth lens element **190** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0110] The tenth lens element **193** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **194** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **195** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **193** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **194** and the image-side surface **195** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **194** of the tenth lens element **193** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **195** of the tenth lens element **193** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **194** of the tenth lens element **193** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **195** of the tenth lens element **193** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0111] The filter **197** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **193** and the image surface **198**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **199** is disposed on or near the image surface **198** of the image capturing optical system.

[0112] The equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements of the 1st embodiment is expressed as follows:

$$[00004] X(Y) = (Y^2 / R) / (1 + \sqrt{1 - (1 + k) \times (Y / R)^2}) + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \times (Y^i),$$

where, [0113] X is the displacement in parallel with an optical axis from the intersection point of the aspheric surface and the optical axis to a point at a distance of Y from the optical axis on the

aspheric surface; [0114]  $Y$  is the vertical distance from the point on the aspheric surface to the optical axis; [0115]  $R$  is the curvature radius; [0116]  $k$  is the conic coefficient; and [0117]  $A_i$  is the  $i$ -th aspheric coefficient, and in the embodiments,  $i$  may be, but is not limited to, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24 and 26.

[0118] In the image capturing optical system of the image capturing unit according to the 1st embodiment, when a focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , an  $f$ -number of the image capturing optical system is  $F_{no}$ , and half of a maximum field of view of the image capturing optical system is  $HFOV$ , these parameters have the following values:  $f=7.37$  millimeters (mm),  $F_{no}=1.49$ ,  $HFOV=39.2$  degrees (deg.).

[0119] When an Abbe number of the first lens element **110** is  $V_1$ , an Abbe number of the second lens element **120** is  $V_2$ , an Abbe number of the third lens element **130** is  $V_3$ , an Abbe number of the fourth lens element **140** is  $V_4$ , an Abbe number of the fifth lens element **150** is  $V_5$ , an Abbe number of the sixth lens element **160** is  $V_6$ , an Abbe number of the seventh lens element **170** is  $V_7$ , an Abbe number of the eighth lens element **180** is  $V_8$ , an Abbe number of the ninth lens element **190** is  $V_9$ , an Abbe number of the tenth lens element **193** is  $V_{10}$ , an Abbe number of the  $i$ -th lens element is  $V_i$ , a refractive index of the first lens element **110** is  $N_1$ , a refractive index of the second lens element **120** is  $N_2$ , a refractive index of the third lens element **130** is  $N_3$ , a refractive index of the fourth lens element **140** is  $N_4$ , a refractive index of the fifth lens element **150** is  $N_5$ , a refractive index of the sixth lens element **160** is  $N_6$ , a refractive index of the seventh lens element **170** is  $N_7$ , a refractive index of the eighth lens element **180** is  $N_8$ , a refractive index of the ninth lens element **190** is  $N_9$ , a refractive index of the tenth lens element **193** is  $N_{10}$ , a refractive index of the  $i$ -th lens element is  $N_i$ , and a minimum value of  $V_i/N_i$  is  $(V_i/N_i)_{min}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $(V_i/N_i)_{min}=8.76$ , wherein  $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$  or  $10$ . In this embodiment, among the first through tenth lens elements (**110-193**), the third lens element **130** has a value of  $V_i/N_i$  smaller than that of the other lens elements, and the value of  $(V_i/N_i)_{min}$  is equal to the value of  $V_i/N_i$  of the third lens element **130** (i.e.,  $V_3/N_3$ ).

[0120] When the Abbe number of the second lens element **120** is  $V_2$ , the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and a focal length of the second lens element **120** is  $f_2$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $|V_2 \times f/f_2|=5.87$ .

[0121] When the Abbe number of the third lens element **130** is  $V_3$ , the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and a focal length of the third lens element **130** is  $f_3$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $|V_3 \times f/f_3|=2.01$ .

[0122] When the Abbe number of the second lens element **120** is  $V_2$ , and the Abbe number of the third lens element **130** is  $V_3$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $V_2+V_3=33.3$ .

[0123] When a minimum value among Abbe numbers of all lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $V_{min}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $V_{min}=14.9$ . In this embodiment, among the first through tenth lens elements (**110-193**), the Abbe number of the third lens element **130** is smaller than Abbe numbers of the other lens elements, and  $V_{min}$  is equal to the Abbe number of the third lens element **130**.

[0124] When a sum of axial distances between each of all adjacent lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $\Sigma AT$ , and an axial distance between the sixth lens element **160** and the seventh lens element **170** is  $T_{67}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $\Sigma AT/T_{67}=12.54$ . In this embodiment, an axial distance between two adjacent lens elements is a distance in a paraxial region between two adjacent lens surfaces of the two adjacent lens elements. In this embodiment,  $\Sigma AT$  is a sum of axial distances between the first lens element **110** and the second lens element **120**, the second lens element **120** and the third lens element **130**, the third lens element **130** and the fourth lens element **140**, the fourth lens element **140** and the fifth lens element **150**, the fifth lens element **150** and the sixth lens element **160**, the sixth lens element **160** and the seventh lens element **170**, the seventh lens element **170** and the eighth lens element **180**, the eighth lens element **180** and the ninth lens element **190**, the ninth lens element **190** and the tenth lens element **193**.

[0125] When a maximum value among axial distances between each of all adjacent lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $AT_{max}$ , and a minimum value among central thicknesses of all lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $CT_{min}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $AT_{max}/CT_{min}=3.54$ . In this embodiment, among the first through tenth lens elements (**110-193**), the axial distance between the ninth lens element **190** and the tenth lens element **193** is larger than the axial distances between all the other two adjacent lens elements of the image capturing optical system, and  $AT_{max}$  is equal to the axial distance between the ninth lens element **190** and the tenth lens element **193**. In this embodiment, among the first through tenth lens elements (**110-193**), a central thickness of the third lens element **130** is substantially equal to a central thickness of the fifth lens element **150** and is smaller than central thicknesses of the other lens elements of the image capturing optical system, and  $CT_{min}$  is equal to the central thickness of the third lens element **130** or the fifth lens element **150**.

[0126] When a central thickness of the second lens element **120** is  $CT_2$ , the central thickness of the third lens element **130** is  $CT_3$ , and the axial distance between the second lens element **120** and the third lens element **130** is  $T_{23}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $(CT_2+CT_3)/T_{23}=1.17$ .

[0127] When a central thickness of the seventh lens element **170** is  $CT_7$ , and the axial distance between the sixth lens element **160** and the seventh lens element **170** is  $T_{67}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $CT_7/T_{67}=2.14$ .

[0128] When an axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image-side surface **122** of the second lens element **120** is  $Dr_{1r4}$ , and an axial distance between the object-side surface **131** of the third lens element **130** and the image-side surface **162** of the sixth lens element **160** is  $Dr_{5r12}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Dr_{1r4}/Dr_{5r12}=0.74$ .

[0129] When an axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image-side surface **162** of the sixth lens element **160** is  $Dr_{1r12}$ , and an axial distance between the object-side surface **171** of the seventh lens element **170** and the image-side surface **195** of the tenth lens element **193** is  $Dr_{13r20}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Dr_{1r12}/Dr_{13r20}=1.08$ .

[0130] When the axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image-side surface **162** of the sixth lens element **160** is  $Dr_{1r12}$ , and the axial distance between the second lens element **120** and the third lens element **130** is  $T_{23}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Dr_{1r12}/T_{23}=7.77$ .

[0131] When the axial distance between the first lens element **110** and the second lens element **120** is  $T_{12}$ , the axial distance between the second lens element **120** and the third lens element **130** is  $T_{23}$ , the axial distance between the third lens element **130** and the fourth lens element **140** is  $T_{34}$ , the axial distance between the fourth lens element **140** and the fifth lens element **150** is  $T_{45}$ , and the axial distance between the fifth lens element **150** and the sixth lens element **160** is  $T_{56}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $(T_{12}+T_{34}+T_{45}+T_{56})/T_{23}=0.83$ .

[0132] When the axial distance between the fourth lens element **140** and the fifth lens element **150** is  $T_{45}$ , and the axial distance between the sixth lens element **160** and the seventh lens element **170** is  $T_{67}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $T_{67}/T_{45}=3.38$ .

[0133] When an axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image-side surface **195** of the tenth lens element **193** is  $TD$ , and the axial distance between the second lens element **120** and the third lens element **130** is  $T_{23}$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $TD/T_{23}=15.37$ .

[0134] When an axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image surface **198** is  $TL$ , the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , a maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is  $ImgH$ , and an entrance pupil diameter of the image capturing optical system is  $EPD$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $(TL \times f)/(ImgH \times EPD)=2.31$ .

[0135] When the axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image surface **198** is  $TL$ , and the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , the



following condition can be satisfied:  $TL/f=1.29$ .

[0136] When the axial distance between the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** and the image surface **198** is  $TL$ , and the maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is  $ImgH$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $TL/ImgH=1.55$ .

[0137] When a curvature radius of the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** is  $R1$ , and a central thickness of the first lens element **110** is  $CT1$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $R1/CT1=3.11$ .

[0138] When a curvature radius of the image-side surface **122** of the second lens element **120** is  $R4$ , and the focal length of the second lens element **120** is  $f2$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $R4/|f2|=0.23$ .

[0139] When a curvature radius of the object-side surface **181** of the eighth lens element **180** is  $R15$ , and a focal length of the eighth lens element **180** is  $f8$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $|R15/f8|=0.19$ .

[0140] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , a focal length of the first lens element **110** is  $f1$ , the focal length of the second lens element **120** is  $f2$ , the focal length of the third lens element **130** is  $f3$ , a focal length of the fourth lens element **140** is  $f4$ , a focal length of the fifth lens element **150** is  $f5$ , a focal length of the sixth lens element **160** is  $f6$ , a focal length of the seventh lens element **170** is  $f7$ , the focal length of the eighth lens element **180** is  $f8$ , a focal length of the ninth lens element **190** is  $f9$ , and a focal length of the tenth lens element **193** is  $f10$ , the following conditions are satisfied:  $f/f1=0.99$ ;  $|f/f2|=0.32$ ;  $|f/f3|=0.13$ ;  $|f/f4|=0.40$ ;  $|f/f5|=0.33$ ;  $|f/f6|=0.13$ ;  $|f/f7|=0.09$ ;  $|f/f8|=0.28$ ;  $|f/f9|=0.43$ ; and  $f/f10=-1.04$ .

[0141] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , the focal length of the second lens element **120** is  $f2$ , the focal length of the third lens element **130** is  $f3$ , the focal length of the fourth lens element **140** is  $f4$ , the focal length of the fifth lens element **150** is  $f5$ , the focal length of the sixth lens element **160** is  $f6$ , the focal length of the seventh lens element **170** is  $f7$ , the focal length of the eighth lens element **180** is  $f8$ , the focal length of the ninth lens element **190** is  $f9$ , and a focal length of the  $i$ -th lens element is  $fi$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $\Gamma|f/fi|=2.12$ , wherein  $i=2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$  and  $9$ .

[0142] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and the curvature radius of the image-side surface **122** of the second lens element **120** is  $R4$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $f/R4=1.39$ .

[0143] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , and the curvature radius of the object-side surface **181** of the eighth lens element **180** is  $R15$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $f/R15=1.46$ .

[0144] When the focal length of the image capturing optical system is  $f$ , a curvature radius of the object-side surface **191** of the ninth lens element **190** is  $R17$ , and a curvature radius of the image-side surface **192** of the ninth lens element **190** is  $R18$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $f/R17+f/R18=4.12$ .

[0145] When a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** is  $Y11$ , and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface **162** of the sixth lens element **160** is  $Y62$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Y11/Y62=0.92$ .

[0146] When the maximum effective radius of the object-side surface **111** of the first lens element **110** is  $Y11$ , and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface **195** of the tenth lens element **193** is  $Y102$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Y102/Y11=2.15$ .

[0147] When a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface **171** of the seventh lens element **170** is  $Y71$ , and the maximum effective radius of the image-side surface **195** of the tenth lens element **193** is  $Y102$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Y102/Y71=1.95$ .

[0148] When a vertical distance between the convex critical point on the image-side surface **182** of the eighth lens element **180** and the optical axis is  $Yc82$ , and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface **182** of the eighth lens element **180** is  $Y82$ , the following condition is satisfied:

$$Yc82/Y82=0.61.$$

[0149] When a vertical distance between the concave critical point on the object-side surface **191** of the ninth lens element **190** and the optical axis is  $Yc91$ , and a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface **191** of the ninth lens element **190** is  $Y91$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Yc91/Y91=0.48$ .

[0150] When a vertical distance between the convex critical point on the image-side surface **192** of the ninth lens element **190** and the optical axis is  $Yc92$ , and a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface **192** of the ninth lens element **190** is  $Y92$ , the following condition is satisfied:  $Yc92/Y92=0.52$ .

[0151] The detailed optical data of the 1 st embodiment are shown in Table 1 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 2 below.

TABLE-US-00001 TABLE 1 1st Embodiment  $f = 7.37$  mm,  $Fno = 1.49$ ,  $HFOV = 39.2$  deg. Surface # Curvature Radius Thickness Material Index Abbe # Focal Length 0 Object Plano Infinity 1 Ape. Stop Plano  $-0.856$  2 Lens 1  $3.5140$  (ASP)  $1.130$  Plastic  $1.545$   $56.1$   $7.41$  3  $24.0021$  (ASP)  $0.100$  4 Lens 2  $8.1991$  (ASP)  $0.367$  Plastic  $1.679$   $18.4$   $-23.14$  5  $5.2910$  (ASP)  $0.398$  6 Stop Plano  $0.156$  7 Lens 3  $13.2628$  (ASP)  $0.280$  Plastic  $1.701$   $14.9$   $-54.63$  8  $9.7652$  (ASP)  $0.160$  9 Stop Plano  $0.046$  10 Lens 4  $16.7741$  (ASP)  $0.496$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $18.36$  11  $-24.4404$  (ASP)  $0.066$  12 Lens 5  $-12.7462$  (ASP)  $0.280$  Plastic  $1.587$   $28.3$   $-22.34$  13  $-455.2130$  (ASP)  $0.089$  14 Lens 6  $-149.2481$  (ASP)  $0.735$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $58.42$  15  $-26.2467$  (ASP)  $0.223$  16 Lens 7  $30.4099$  (ASP)  $0.477$  Plastic  $1.587$   $28.3$   $-82.30$  17  $18.5566$  (ASP)  $0.170$  18 Lens 8  $5.0429$  (ASP)  $0.606$  Plastic  $1.562$   $44.6$   $26.18$  19  $7.3421$  (ASP)  $0.397$  20 Lens 9  $3.0724$  (ASP)  $0.628$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $16.95$  21  $4.2758$  (ASP)  $0.991$  22 Lens 10  $-11.5576$  (ASP)  $0.720$  Plastic  $1.534$   $56.0$   $-7.11$  23  $5.7768$  (ASP)  $0.500$  24 Filter Plano  $0.210$  Glass  $1.517$   $64.2$  — 25 Plano  $0.278$  26 Image Plano —  
Note: Reference wavelength is  $587.6$  nm (d-line). An effective radius of the stop 101 (Surface 6) is  $2.140$  mm. An effective radius of the stop 102 (Surface 9) is  $2.050$  mm.

TABLE-US-00002 TABLE 2 Aspheric Coefficients Surface # 2 3 4 5 7  $k = -6.90423E-01$   
 $-1.63198E+01$   $-1.78458E+00$   $-7.33793E-01$   $-6.80415E+01$   $A4 = 1.2983374E-03$   
 $1.3509565E-02$   $1.7359448E-02$   $6.7869073E-03$   $-6.7603019E-03$   $A6 = 6.8736491E-04$   
 $-1.0026935E-02$   $-1.4211708E-02$   $-7.6982839E-03$   $-6.6056661E-03$   $A8 = -3.1165687E-04$   
 $3.7703329E-03$   $5.4990501E-03$   $2.3163033E-03$   $1.4211184E-03$   $A10 = 7.7919386E-05$   
 $-7.6644006E-04$   $-1.0948409E-03$   $-2.6653269E-04$   $2.7558014E-04$   $A12 = -1.0393063E-05$   
 $8.1869755E-05$   $1.1385920E-04$   $-2.0557515E-05$   $-1.1852506E-04$   $A14 = 5.6604963E-07$   
 $-3.5187221E-06$   $-4.7507924E-06$   $4.4595070E-06$   $1.0704605E-05$  Surface # 8 10 11 12 13  $k =$   
 $1.02354E+01$   $-9.90000E+01$   $6.00000E+01$   $-4.83061E+01$   $0.00000E+00$   $A4 =$   
 $-6.3222040E-03$   $9.7115898E-03$   $1.0165081E-02$   $-5.9868093E-04$   $-2.6251024E-03$   $A6 =$   
 $-8.9692870E-03$   $-8.4749903E-03$   $-2.5288668E-03$   $8.6699482E-03$   $5.4604804E-03$   $A8 =$   
 $2.6991319E-03$   $1.1333517E-03$   $-3.9933021E-03$   $-9.1731475E-03$   $-4.5422233E-03$   $A10 =$   
 $2.4191453E-04$   $5.4504280E-04$   $2.2672224E-03$   $3.9462678E-03$   $1.6848348E-03$   $A12 =$   
 $-1.8514447E-04$   $-2.5288850E-04$   $-4.8830614E-04$   $-8.4584918E-04$   $-3.4662827E-04$   $A14 =$   
 $2.9026795E-05$   $4.1175776E-05$   $4.7973626E-05$   $9.0097121E-05$   $3.7130117E-05$   $A16 =$   
 $-1.5505729E-06$   $2.6665994E-06$   $-1.8335225E-06$   $-3.7844277E-06$   $-1.5719250E-06$  Surface #  
14 15 16 17 18  $k = 0.00000E+00$   $0.00000E+00$   $0.00000E+00$   $0.00000E+00$   
 $-2.13292E+00$   $A4 = -5.1326048E-04$   $-4.0830009E-03$   $-3.6949650E-03$   $3.7830163E-03$   
 $1.9023726E-02$   $A6 = 1.7083304E-03$   $2.6521782E-03$   $1.2030326E-03$   $-1.7636438E-02$   
 $-1.7554213E-02$   $A8 = -1.5674596E-03$   $-7.0835492E-03$   $-3.5901395E-03$   $8.4507338E-03$   
 $6.6170259E-03$   $A10 = 8.6904466E-04$   $3.9941956E-03$   $1.4690491E-03$   $-2.5679335E-03$   
 $-1.6852569E-03$   $A12 = -1.7603833E-04$   $-1.2175493E-03$   $-2.8153721E-04$   $5.3883474E-04$   
 $2.9192054E-04$   $A14 = 1.9001766E-05$   $2.3265606E-04$   $2.7108263E-05$   $-7.7367904E-05$   
 $-3.3435353E-05$   $A16 = -1.0614811E-06$   $-2.7496628E-05$   $-1.1772665E-06$   $7.0287675E-06$   
 $2.2942506E-06$   $A18 = 2.1346136E-08$   $1.8205796E-06$   $1.5503426E-08$   $-3.5136446E-07$

$-7.9103568E-08$   $A20=$  —  $-5.1345677E-08$  —  $7.2027472E-09$   $7.5936661E-10$   $A22=$  — — —  
 $1.2244325E-11$  Surface # 19 20 21 22 23  $k=$   $0.00000E+00$   $-1.09460E+00$   
 $-1.15805E+00$   $-6.26306E+00$   $0.00000E+00$   $A4=$   $-8.2182127E-03$   $-2.8392670E-02$   
 $-1.6704786E-03$   $-1.1676537E-02$   $-1.3580889E-02$   $A6=$   $5.0417274E-03$   $-2.3990375E-03$   
 $-1.1941345E-02$   $-4.4308895E-03$   $-2.3434748E-03$   $A8=$   $-2.3904424E-03$   $2.4419987E-03$   
 $5.5208066E-03$   $2.1618748E-03$   $1.2977476E-03$   $A10=$   $5.6025607E-04$   $-6.7907295E-04$   
 $-1.4327095E-03$   $-3.8467258E-04$   $-2.8348514E-04$   $A12=$   $-7.3192605E-05$   $8.9748214E-05$   
 $2.3787246E-04$   $3.8112263E-05$   $3.7956980E-05$   $A14=$   $4.6213244E-06$   $-5.3677361E-06$   
 $-2.6481469E-05$   $-2.3378646E-06$   $-3.4188466E-06$   $A16=$   $-1.8458608E-08$   $3.1208050E-08$   
 $1.9998880E-06$   $9.2138010E-08$   $2.1400845E-07$   $A18=$   $-1.4854929E-08$   $1.2982060E-08$   
 $-1.0091966E-07$   $-2.3321034E-09$   $-9.3490543E-09$   $A20=$   $7.8694586E-10$   $-6.2664826E-10$   
 $3.2493635E-09$   $3.6512813E-11$   $2.7965482E-10$   $A22=$   $-1.3014307E-11$   $9.3102582E-12$   
 $-6.0190284E-11$   $-3.2021207E-13$   $-5.4557923E-12$   $A24=$  — —  $4.8681757E-13$   
 $1.1940918E-15$   $6.2476499E-14$   $A26=$  — — — —  $-3.1823605E-16$

[0152] In Table 1, the curvature radius, the thickness and the focal length are shown in millimeters (mm). Surface numbers 0-26 represent the surfaces sequentially arranged from the object side to the image side along the optical axis. In Table 2,  $k$  represents the conic coefficient of the equation of the aspheric surface profiles. A4-A26 represent the aspheric coefficients ranging from the 4th order to the 26th order. The tables presented below for each embodiment are the corresponding schematic parameter and aberration curves, and the definitions of the tables are the same as Table 1 and Table 2 of the 1st embodiment. Therefore, an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

## 2nd Embodiment

[0153] FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 2nd embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 4 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 2nd embodiment. In FIG. 3, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 299. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop 200, a first lens element 210, a second lens element 220, a stop 201, a third lens element 230, a stop 202, a fourth lens element 240, a fifth lens element 250, a sixth lens element 260, a seventh lens element 270, an eighth lens element 280, a ninth lens element 290, a tenth lens element 293, a filter 297 and an image surface 298. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290 and 293) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0154] The first lens element 210 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 211 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 212 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element 210 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 211 and the image-side surface 212 being both aspheric.

[0155] The second lens element 220 with negative refractive power has an object-side surface 221 being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 222 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element 220 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 221 and the image-side surface 222 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 221 of the second lens element 220 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 222 of the second lens element 220 has one inflection point. The object-side surface 221 of the second lens element 220 has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0156] The third lens element 230 with positive refractive power has the object-side surface 231 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 232 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element 230 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 231 and the image-side surface 232 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 231 of

the third lens element **230** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **232** of the third lens element **230** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **231** of the third lens element **230** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **232** of the third lens element **230** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0157] The fourth lens element **240** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **241** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **242** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element **240** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **241** and the image-side surface **242** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **241** of the fourth lens element **240** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **242** of the fourth lens element **240** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **242** of the fourth lens element **240** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0158] The fifth lens element **250** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **251** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **252** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element **250** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **251** and the image-side surface **252** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **251** of the fifth lens element **250** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **252** of the fifth lens element **250** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **252** of the fifth lens element **250** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0159] The sixth lens element **260** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **261** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **262** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **260** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **261** and the image-side surface **262** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **261** of the sixth lens element **260** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **262** of the sixth lens element **260** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **261** of the sixth lens element **260** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0160] The seventh lens element **270** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **271** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **272** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **270** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **271** and the image-side surface **272** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **271** of the seventh lens element **270** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **272** of the seventh lens element **270** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **272** of the seventh lens element **270** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0161] The eighth lens element **280** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **281** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **282** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **280** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **281** and the image-side surface **282** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **281** of the eighth lens element **280** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **282** of the eighth lens element **280** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **281** of the eighth lens element **280** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **282** of the eighth lens element **280** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0162] The ninth lens element **290** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **291** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **292** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **290** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **291** and the image-side surface **292** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **291** of the ninth lens element **290** has four inflection points. The image-side surface **292** of the ninth lens element **290** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **291** of the ninth lens element **290** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **292** of the ninth lens element **290** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0163] The tenth lens element **293** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **294** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **295** being concave in a

paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **293** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **294** and the image-side surface **295** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **294** of the tenth lens element **293** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **295** of the tenth lens element **293** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **294** of the tenth lens element **293** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **295** of the tenth lens element **293** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0164] The filter **297** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **293** and the image surface **298**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **299** is disposed on or near the image surface **298** of the image capturing optical system.

[0165] The detailed optical data of the 2nd embodiment are shown in Table 3 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 4 below.

TABLE-US-00003 TABLE 3 2nd Embodiment  $f = 7.76$  mm,  $Fno = 1.62$ ,  $HFOV = 37.7$  deg.

Surface #	Curvature	Radius	Thickness	Material	Index	Abbe #	Focal Length	0 Object	Plano
Infinity	1	Ape. Stop	Plano	-0.870	2	Lens 1	3.5372 (ASP)	1.176	Plastic
1.545	56.1	7.26	3	29.5909 (ASP)	0.290	4	Lens 2	-153.1323 (ASP)	0.280
Plastic	1.679	18.4	-18.09	5	13.3657 (ASP)	0.331	6	Stop	Plano
0.140	7	Lens 3	12.1723 (ASP)	0.280	Plastic	1.679	18.4	412.33	8
12.6070 (ASP)	0.103	9	Stop	Plano	-0.020	10	Lens 4	16.6757 (ASP)	0.282
Plastic	1.544	56.0	-69.62	11	11.5094 (ASP)	0.044	12	Lens 5	14.3543 (ASP)
0.339	Plastic	1.614	26.0	289.20	13	15.4770 (ASP)	0.266	14	Lens 6
89.9140 (ASP)	0.886	Plastic	1.544	56.0	16.84	15	-10.1652 (ASP)	0.293	16
Lens 7	-24.5671 (ASP)	0.430	Plastic	1.582	30.2	-20.97	17	24.4486 (ASP)	0.241
18	Lens 8	5.0103 (ASP)	0.614	Plastic	1.562	44.6	23.07	19	7.8082 (ASP)
0.506	20	Lens 9	3.3337 (ASP)	0.626	Plastic	1.544	56.0	24.15	21
4.1716 (ASP)	0.993	22	Lens 10	-11.6873 (ASP)	0.701	Plastic	1.534	56.0	-7.20
23	5.8492 (ASP)	0.500	24	Filter	Plano	0.210	Glass	1.517	64.2
—	25	Plano	0.272	26	Image	Plano	—	Note: Reference wavelength is 587.6 nm (d-line). An effective radius of the stop 201 (Surface 6) is 2.000 mm. An effective radius of the stop 202 (Surface 9) is 2.050 mm.	

TABLE-US-00004 TABLE 4 Aspheric Coefficients

Surface #	2	3	4	5	7	k=
2	-6.24800E-01	-6.22887E+01	-9.90000E+01	4.44502E+00	-9.85744E+01	A4= 1.5682861E-03
3	3.3230270E-03	1.0114447E-02	5.3317664E-03	-7.1647565E-03	A6= 4.9501467E-04	-1.2510953E-03
6	6.0270567E-03	-6.6271654E-03	-1.4083846E-02	A8= -2.0951196E-04	2.5008266E-04	2.2680869E-03
2	2.6277077E-03	7.5752943E-03	A10= 6.0096288E-05	1.2546411E-06	-4.0985152E-04	-4.6295331E-04
-1.7405386E-03	A12= -8.4273055E-06	-7.6587250E-06	3.1569087E-05	2.1982912E-05	1.8737278E-04	A14= 4.4067012E-07
8.3163183E-07	-3.6447566E-07	1.1896030E-06	-7.4916096E-06	Surface #	8	10
11	12	13	k=	1.17862E+01	-3.66241E+01	-9.90000E+01
-9.90000E+01	0.00000E+00	A4= 2.0750950E-03	6.3608096E-03	2.9747392E-04	3.0287336E-03	5.1068882E-04
A6= -2.1880457E-02	-1.5094586E-02	-4.7994105E-03	-1.5870525E-03	1.6085195E-03	A8= 1.6026536E-02	1.5185916E-02
6.2220152E-03	-4.2145715E-04	-3.1639928E-03	A10= -5.9003109E-03	-7.8484201E-03	-3.5415676E-03	4.6998570E-04
1.5101979E-03	A12= 1.2510463E-03	2.0590526E-03	9.5163103E-04	-1.3947087E-04	-3.6184097E-04	A14= -1.3947203E-04
-2.6344874E-04	-1.1971755E-04	1.8619521E-05	4.3399543E-05	A16= 6.3610569E-06	1.3118125E-05	5.6127570E-06
-9.2417087E-07	-2.0169705E-06	Surface #	14	15	16	17
18	k=	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	-1.85768E+00
A4= -5.5715371E-03	-6.3565652E-03	-2.7404688E-03	-6.9622834E-04	9.2498320E-03	A6= 2.9924443E-03	-2.2440361E-04
-4.7513501E-03	-1.2321509E-02	-9.7587405E-03	A8= -3.2947279E-03	-9.0803411E-04	1.6392858E-03	5.9969002E-03
4.0671660E-03	A10= 1.5695521E-03	1.2811864E-04	-7.8626880E-04	-1.8914472E-03	-1.2400143E-03	A12= -4.4398418E-04
1.1773349E-04	2.7752068E-04	4.0535257E-04	2.6622991E-04	A14= 7.6180935E-05	-5.2506547E-05	-5.4419587E-05
-5.7416481E-05	-4.0425336E-05	A16= -6.8867930E-06	9.4937398E-06	5.2832217E-06	4.9806476E-06	

4.2486212E-06 A18= 2.4310689E-07 -8.1436523E-07 -1.9727108E-07 -2.3176228E-07  
-2.9525910E-07 A20= — 2.6975374E-08 — 4.3317299E-09 1.2156170E-08 A22= — — —  
— -2.2119690E-10 Surface # 19 20 21 22 23 k= 0.00000E+00 -1.06414E+00  
-1.21321E+00 -4.46531E+00 0.00000E+00 A4= -6.8206694E-03 -2.7217359E-02  
-9.1487628E-03 -1.6407422E-02 -1.8033611E-02 A6= 3.5362157E-03 -8.7653582E-05  
-6.0685423E-03 -8.4432751E-04 4.1826716E-04 A8= -1.2765379E-03 1.0985354E-03  
3.0498802E-03 9.9829303E-04 4.5315438E-04 A10= 2.1459973E-04 -3.1495076E-04  
-7.8310719E-04 -1.6768614E-04 -1.1975400E-04 A12= -1.8605533E-05 3.5618640E-05  
1.2487592E-04 1.2382496E-05 1.6586206E-05 A14= 3.2029150E-07 -9.5408837E-07  
-1.3096098E-05 -3.1633105E-07 -1.4893023E-06 A16= 9.2784156E-08 -1.4321200E-07  
9.1450675E-07 -1.4471163E-08 9.2041625E-08 A18= -8.8786729E-09 1.4082309E-08  
-4.1860355E-08 1.4008247E-09 -3.9663166E-09 A20= 3.2904421E-10 -4.9328190E-10  
1.1988712E-09 -4.6696909E-11 1.1722831E-10 A22= -4.5320189E-12 6.2915325E-12  
-1.9354964E-11 7.4750038E-13 -2.2640944E-12 A24= — — 1.3341254E-13  
-4.7999590E-15 2.5707942E-14 A26= — — — — -1.3001982E-16

[0166] In the 2nd embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 2nd embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0167] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 3 and Table 4 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00005 2nd Embodiment f [mm] 7.76 R4/|f2| 0.74 Fno 1.62 |R15/f8| 0.22 HFOV [deg.] 37.7 f/f1 1.07 (Vi/Ni)min 10.98 |f/f2| 0.43 |V2 × f/f2| 7.92 |f/f3| 0.02 |V3 × f/f3| 0.35 |f/f4| 0.11 V2 + V3 36.9 |f/f5| 0.03 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.46 ΣAT/T67 10.88 |f/f7| 0.37 ATmax/CTmin 3.55 |f/f8| 0.34 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 1.19 |f/f9| 0.32 CT7/T67 1.47 f/f10 -1.08 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 0.80 Σ|f/fi| 2.08 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 1.07 f/R4 0.58 Dr1r12/T23 9.34 f/R15 1.55 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 1.45 f/R17 + f/R18 4.19 T67/T45 6.66 Y11/Y62 0.94 TD/T23 18.69 Y102/Y11 2.20 (TL × f)/(ImgH × EPD) 2.59 Y102/Y71 2.03 TL/f 1.26 Yc82/Y82 0.63 TL/ImgH 1.60 Yc91/Y91 0.48 R1/CT1 3.01 Yc92/Y92 0.53

### 3rd Embodiment

[0168] FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 3rd embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 6 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 3rd embodiment. In FIG. 5, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 399. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop 300, a first lens element 310, a second lens element 320, a stop 301, a third lens element 330, a fourth lens element 340, a fifth lens element 350, a sixth lens element 360, a seventh lens element 370, an eighth lens element 380, a ninth lens element 390, a tenth lens element 393, a filter 397 and an image surface 398. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390 and 393) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0169] The first lens element 310 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 311 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 312 being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element 310 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 311 and the image-side surface 312 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 311 of the first lens element 310 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 312 of the first lens element 310 has two inflection points. The image-side surface 312 of the first lens element 310 has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0170] The second lens element **320** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **321** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **322** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element **320** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **321** and the image-side surface **322** being both aspheric.

[0171] The third lens element **330** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **331** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **332** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element **330** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **331** and the image-side surface **332** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **331** of the third lens element **330** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **332** of the third lens element **330** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **331** of the third lens element **330** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **332** of the third lens element **330** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0172] The fourth lens element **340** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **341** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **342** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element **340** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **341** and the image-side surface **342** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **341** of the fourth lens element **340** has one inflection point.

[0173] The fifth lens element **350** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **351** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **352** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element **350** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **351** and the image-side surface **352** being both aspheric. The image-side surface **352** of the fifth lens element **350** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **352** of the fifth lens element **350** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0174] The sixth lens element **360** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **361** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **362** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **360** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **361** and the image-side surface **362** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **361** of the sixth lens element **360** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **362** of the sixth lens element **360** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **361** of the sixth lens element **360** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **362** of the sixth lens element **360** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0175] The seventh lens element **370** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **371** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **372** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **370** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **371** and the image-side surface **372** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **371** of the seventh lens element **370** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **372** of the seventh lens element **370** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **371** of the seventh lens element **370** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **372** of the seventh lens element **370** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0176] The eighth lens element **380** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **381** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **382** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **380** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **381** and the image-side surface **382** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **381** of the eighth lens element **380** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **382** of the eighth lens element **380** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **381** of the eighth lens element **380** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **382** of the eighth lens element **380** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof, wherein one of the two critical points of the image-side surface **382** of the eighth lens element **380** is a convex critical point.

[0177] The ninth lens element **390** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **391** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **392** being concave in a

paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **390** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **391** and the image-side surface **392** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **391** of the ninth lens element **390** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **392** of the ninth lens element **390** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **391** of the ninth lens element **390** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **392** of the ninth lens element **390** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0178] The tenth lens element **393** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **394** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **395** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **393** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **394** and the image-side surface **395** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **394** of the tenth lens element **393** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **395** of the tenth lens element **393** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **394** of the tenth lens element **393** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **395** of the tenth lens element **393** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0179] The filter **397** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **393** and the image surface **398**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **399** is disposed on or near the image surface **398** of the image capturing optical system.

[0180] The detailed optical data of the 3rd embodiment are shown in Table 5 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 6 below.

TABLE-US-00006 TABLE 5 3rd Embodiment  $f = 7.59$  mm,  $Fno = 1.70$ ,  $HFOV = 38.3$  deg.

Surface #	Curvature	Radius	Thickness	Material	Index	Abbe #	Focal Length	0 Object	Plano
Infinity	1	Ape. Stop	Plano	-0.790	2	Lens 1	3.4511 (ASP)	1.358	Plastic
1.544	56.0	6.25	3	-192.5595 (ASP)	0.096	4	Lens 2	17.8294 (ASP)	0.250
Plastic	1.679	18.4	-12.68	5	5.7750 (ASP)	0.427	6	Stop	Plano
0.117	7	Lens 3	17.2054 (ASP)	0.285	Plastic	1.679	18.4	23.51	8
-220.9701 (ASP)	0.065	9	Lens 4	-24.2502 (ASP)	0.368	Plastic	1.544	56.0	73.24
10	-15.1558 (ASP)	0.020	11	Lens 5	-13.9950 (ASP)	0.250	Plastic	1.650	21.8
-17.84	12	67.9498 (ASP)	0.197	13	Lens 6	114.5049 (ASP)	0.520	Plastic	1.570
60.1	-205.68	14	57.8323 (ASP)	0.326	15	Lens 7	16.7922 (ASP)	0.645	Plastic
1.544	56.0	81.96	16	26.5715 (ASP)	0.428	17	Lens 8	6.5163 (ASP)	
0.756	Plastic	1.544	56.0	11.73	18	-296.7359 (ASP)	0.637	19	Lens 9
5.2238 (ASP)	0.622	Plastic	1.544	56.0	-102.90	20	4.5775 (ASP)	0.595	21
Lens 10	-12.5418 (ASP)	0.700	Plastic	1.544	56.0	-7.24	22	5.8594 (ASP)	0.500
23	Filter	Plano	0.210	Glass	1.517	64.2	—	24	Plano
0.281	25	Image	Plano	—	Note: Reference wavelength is 587.6 nm (d-line). An effective radius of the stop 301 (Surface 6) is 1.880 mm.				

TABLE-US-00007 TABLE 6 Aspheric Coefficients

Surface #	2	3	4	5	7	k=
2	1.92028E+01	2.00000E+01	2.62346E+00	-9.90000E+01	A4=	2.1040748E-03
3	1.7154016E-02	2.0023106E-02	5.1249740E-03	-9.5983900E-03	A6=	1.1394927E-04
4	-1.2377233E-02	-1.8794437E-02	-1.0558041E-02	-4.5914162E-03	A8=	9.1167594E-06
5	5.4547625E-03	9.6054581E-03	5.7662557E-03	-4.6654244E-04	A10=	-1.1362586E-05
7	-1.4536966E-03	-2.7224383E-03	-1.6489840E-03	8.6445327E-04	A12=	2.2413334E-06
8	2.0919665E-04	4.1942697E-04	2.4147307E-04	-1.5328922E-04	A14=	-3.5245438E-07
9	-1.2525731E-05	-2.5727279E-05	-1.1405366E-05	6.0370691E-06	Surface #	8 9 10 11 12 k=
10	-3.85194E+01	1.29649E+01	3.63131E+01	1.68082E+01	0.00000E+00	A4=
11	-3.4888080E-03	9.5889614E-03	3.0348533E-03	7.4433359E-03	1.2618613E-02	A6=
12	-1.8057139E-02	-2.0467177E-02	-6.5282125E-03	-6.4603409E-03	-9.2870463E-03	A8=
13	1.1983814E-02	1.7812236E-02	5.4814870E-03	-8.6328420E-04	1.9504078E-03	A10=
14	-5.0406252E-03	-8.8809826E-03	-3.2332909E-03	1.7144564E-03	-9.6145535E-06	A12=
15	1.5032374E-03	2.4203599E-03	1.0293649E-03	-4.8652112E-04	-6.6470756E-05	A14=
16	-2.4357356E-04	-3.3180247E-04	-1.5515402E-04	5.2199152E-05	1.1431493E-05	A16=
17	1.5565825E-05	1.7940525E-05	8.6591634E-06	-1.7626932E-06	-6.1460588E-07	Surface #



13 14 15 16 17 k= 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00  
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8.3928018E-03 A6= -1.2025706E-02 -1.5118050E-02 -1.3993869E-02 -1.4436232E-02  
-1.1942546E-02 A8= 9.2193328E-03 1.1361904E-02 7.8622697E-03 8.4150632E-03  
5.9182424E-03 A10= -4.6473392E-03 -5.2062148E-03 -2.8724031E-03 -3.1389435E-03  
-2.0236562E-03 A12= 1.3620796E-03 1.4974669E-03 6.5917974E-04 7.7045841E-04  
4.5216016E-04 A14= -2.1877486E-04 -2.6927294E-04 -9.3288114E-05 -1.2236366E-04  
-6.6749317E-05 A16= 1.8220881E-05 2.9656174E-05 7.3981358E-06 1.1912959E-05  
6.5399892E-06 A18= -6.2682644E-07 -1.8276116E-06 -2.4758252E-07 -6.3631727E-07  
-4.1677487E-07 A20= — 4.7892788E-08 — 1.4185254E-08 1.5856116E-08 A22= — — —  
— -2.7333915E-10 Surface # 18 19 20 21 22 k= 0.00000E+00 -6.70741E-01  
-1.31026E+00 -5.05760E+01 0.00000E+00 A4= 6.5537136E-03 -2.2218851E-02  
-9.5240758E-03 -9.0888064E-03 -1.1326937E-02 A6= -6.1657095E-03 -2.4616693E-03  
-4.5989082E-03 -2.9612207E-03 -3.1526269E-03 A8= 3.0487200E-03 3.8475133E-04  
1.1957998E-03 1.6068741E-03 1.5881425E-03 A10= -1.0102280E-03 2.1849288E-04  
-8.2463116E-05 -3.0861898E-04 -3.2951656E-04 A12= 2.0253579E-04 -9.5116901E-05  
-1.2980480E-05 3.3318852E-05 4.1262487E-05 A14= -2.5289789E-05 1.6912108E-05  
3.4166423E-06 -2.2630372E-06 -3.4218414E-06 A16= 1.9911913E-06 -1.6341017E-06  
-3.5859996E-07 1.0056072E-07 1.9459740E-07 A18= -9.6125274E-08 8.9528250E-08  
2.1854333E-08 -2.9256133E-09 -7.6478237E-09 A20= 2.5928793E-09 -2.6195350E-09  
-8.0682025E-10 5.3735805E-11 2.0461468E-10 A22= -2.9824330E-11 3.1872167E-11  
1.6812144E-11 -5.6515811E-13 -3.5632424E-12 A24= — — -1.5215188E-13  
2.5909838E-15 3.6464872E-14 A26= — — — — -1.6657361E-16

[0181] In the 3rd embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 3rd embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0182] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 5 and Table 6 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00008 3rd Embodiment f [mm] 7.59 R4/|f2| 0.46 Fno 1.70 |R15/f8| 0.56 HFOV [deg.] 38.3 f/f1 1.22 (Vi/Ni)min 10.98 |f/f2| 0.60 |V2 × f/f2| 11.04 |f/f3| 0.32 |V3 × f/f3| 5.95 |f/f4| 0.10 V2 + V3 36.9 |f/f5| 0.43 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.04 ΣAT/T67 8.92 |f/f7| 0.09 ATmax/CTmin 2.55 |f/f8| 0.65 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 0.98 |f/f9| 0.07 CT7/T67 1.98 f/f10 -1.05 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 1.00 Σ|f/fi| 2.30 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 0.90 f/R4 1.31 Dr1r12/T23 7.27 f/R15 1.16 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 0.69 f/R17 + f/R18 3.11 T67/T45 16.30 Y11/Y62 0.89 TD/T23 15.92 Y102/Y11 2.50 (TL × f)/(ImgH × EPD) 2.68 Y102/Y71 2.18 TL/f 1.27 Yc82/Y82 0.32 TL/ImgH 1.57 Yc91/Y91 0.36 R1/CT1 2.54 Yc92/Y92 0.44

#### 4th Embodiment

[0183] FIG. 7 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 4th embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 8 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 4th embodiment. In FIG. 7, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 499. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop 400, a first lens element 410, a second lens element 420, a stop 401, a third lens element 430, a stop 402, a fourth lens element 440, a fifth lens element 450, a sixth lens element 460, a seventh lens element 470, an eighth lens element 480, a ninth lens element 490, a tenth lens element 493, a filter 497 and an image surface 498. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490 and 493) with no additional

lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0184] The first lens element **410** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **411** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **412** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element **410** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **411** and the image-side surface **412** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **411** of the first lens element **410** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **412** of the first lens element **410** has one inflection point.

[0185] The second lens element **420** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **421** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **422** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element **420** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **421** and the image-side surface **422** being both aspheric.

[0186] The third lens element **430** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **431** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **432** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element **430** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **431** and the image-side surface **432** being both aspheric. The image-side surface **432** of the third lens element **430** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **432** of the third lens element **430** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0187] The fourth lens element **440** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **441** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **442** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element **440** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **441** and the image-side surface **442** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **441** of the fourth lens element **440** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **442** of the fourth lens element **440** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **441** of the fourth lens element **440** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0188] The fifth lens element **450** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **451** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **452** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element **450** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **451** and the image-side surface **452** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **451** of the fifth lens element **450** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **452** of the fifth lens element **450** has two inflection points.

[0189] The sixth lens element **460** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **461** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **462** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **460** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **461** and the image-side surface **462** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **461** of the sixth lens element **460** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **462** of the sixth lens element **460** has one inflection point. The object-side surface **461** of the sixth lens element **460** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0190] The seventh lens element **470** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **471** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **472** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **470** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **471** and the image-side surface **472** being both aspheric. The image-side surface **472** of the seventh lens element **470** has one inflection point.

[0191] The eighth lens element **480** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **481** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **482** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **480** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **481** and the image-side surface **482** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **481** of the eighth lens element **480** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **482** of the eighth lens element **480** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **481** of the eighth lens element **480** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **482** of the eighth lens element **480** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0192] The ninth lens element **490** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **491** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **492** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **490** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **491** and the image-side surface **492** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **491** of the ninth lens element **490** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **492** of the ninth lens element **490** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **491** of the ninth lens element **490** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **492** of the ninth lens element **490** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0193] The tenth lens element **493** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **494** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **495** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **493** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **494** and the image-side surface **495** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **494** of the tenth lens element **493** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **495** of the tenth lens element **493** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **495** of the tenth lens element **493** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0194] The filter **497** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **493** and the image surface **498**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **499** is disposed on or near the image surface **498** of the image capturing optical system.

[0195] The detailed optical data of the 4th embodiment are shown in Table 7 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 8 below.

TABLE-US-00009 TABLE 7 4th Embodiment  $f = 7.87$  mm,  $Fno = 1.85$ ,  $HFOV = 37.4$  deg.  
 Surface # Curvature Radius Thickness Material Index Abbe # Focal Length 0 Object Plano  
 Infinity 1 Ape. Stop Plano  $-0.810$  2 Lens 1  $3.2217$  (ASP)  $0.975$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $7.32$  3  
 $15.0880$  (ASP)  $0.046$  4 Lens 2  $10.5846$  (ASP)  $0.283$  Plastic  $1.660$   $20.4$   $-26.62$  5  $6.5349$  (ASP)  
 $0.477$  6 Stop Plano  $0.196$  7 Lens 3  $-211.8644$  (ASP)  $0.280$  Plastic  $1.686$   $18.4$   $-113.68$  8  
 $123.5031$  (ASP)  $0.024$  9 Stop Plano  $0.006$  10 Lens 4  $37.2871$  (ASP)  $0.415$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   
 $24.23$  11  $-20.3119$  (ASP)  $0.068$  12 Lens 5  $-16.7106$  (ASP)  $0.250$  Plastic  $1.582$   $30.2$   $-14.22$  13  
 $16.5036$  (ASP)  $0.170$  14 Lens 6  $16.7255$  (ASP)  $0.693$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $18.02$  15  $-23.3372$  (ASP)  
 $0.390$  16 Lens 7  $-154.6706$  (ASP)  $0.454$  Plastic  $1.679$   $18.4$   $-467.19$  17  $-302.1148$  (ASP)  $0.626$  18  
Lens 8  $7.5742$  (ASP)  $0.688$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $101.68$  19  $8.4949$  (ASP)  $0.407$  20 Lens 9  $3.8931$   
(ASP)  $0.741$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $24.55$  21  $5.1261$  (ASP)  $0.806$  22 Lens 10  $-11.3565$  (ASP)  $0.720$   
Plastic  $1.534$   $56.0$   $-7.19$  23  $5.9396$  (ASP)  $0.500$  24 Filter Plano  $0.210$  Glass  $1.517$   $64.2$  — 25 Plano  
 $0.274$  26 Image Plano — Note: Reference wavelength is  $587.6$  nm (d-line). An effective radius of  
the stop 401 (Surface 6) is  $1.880$  mm. An effective radius of the stop 402 (Surface 9) is  $2.000$  mm.

TABLE-US-00010 TABLE 8 Aspheric Coefficients Surface # 2 3 4 5 7  $k =$   $-5.14964E-01$   
 $-2.25689E+01$   $7.92274E+00$   $5.10911E+00$   $3.25434E+01$   $A4 = 2.4346958E-03$   
 $5.1735892E-03$   $5.3538682E-03$   $1.2771279E-03$   $-1.2545837E-02$   $A6 = -2.7780792E-05$   
 $-4.0183559E-03$   $-5.2494994E-03$   $-3.0374018E-03$   $-7.5311457E-03$   $A8 = 4.1561122E-04$   
 $2.0334805E-03$   $2.5480238E-03$   $1.4594918E-03$   $4.5368564E-03$   $A10 = -2.1437276E-04$   
 $-4.8461778E-04$   $-4.6761249E-04$   $-3.0373646E-04$   $-1.2101361E-03$   $A12 = 5.2997892E-05$   
 $5.9294003E-05$   $3.0095340E-05$   $3.2564619E-05$   $2.0001307E-04$   $A14 = -5.1295230E-06$   
 $-3.6658949E-06$   $1.6143316E-06$   $3.2204092E-07$   $-1.5989806E-05$  Surface # 8 10 11 12 13  $k =$   
 $5.00000E+01$   $-7.25649E+01$   $5.03240E+01$   $9.98665E+00$   $0.00000E+00$   $A4 =$   
 $-1.1763142E-03$   $1.2167469E-02$   $-1.2263944E-04$   $3.0125812E-03$   $-1.2918652E-03$   $A6 =$   
 $-2.3758239E-02$   $-2.2532738E-02$   $1.2575816E-03$   $1.7036654E-03$   $3.3228221E-03$   $A8 =$   
 $1.5745058E-02$   $1.5661393E-02$   $-1.0429583E-03$   $-4.2571925E-03$   $-4.4107684E-03$   $A10 =$   
 $-4.8437649E-03$   $-5.6586685E-03$   $-1.9452354E-04$   $1.9355175E-03$   $2.0721419E-03$   $A12 =$   
 $7.1268983E-04$   $9.7043486E-04$   $2.5501148E-04$   $-3.3123438E-04$   $-4.9693636E-04$   $A14 =$   
 $-2.1766339E-05$   $-5.1514159E-05$   $-5.3956628E-05$   $1.7339187E-05$   $6.0417245E-05$   $A16 =$

-3.0958951E-06 -1.9132050E-06 3.3607902E-06 3.4070225E-07 -2.8895998E-06 Surface #  
14 15 16 17 18 k= 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00  
-1.03932E-01 A4= -9.3491478E-03 -5.9158757E-03 -9.4296012E-03 -6.4574336E-03  
9.1242940E-03 A6= 1.5857801E-03 -1.3649790E-03 1.4718618E-03 -2.6892250E-03  
-8.3784368E-03 A8= -1.4517031E-03 -4.3307293E-04 -2.7670962E-03 7.3071517E-04  
3.0498325E-03 A10= 3.9557282E-04 2.0795854E-04 1.2355778E-03 -2.3342358E-04  
-8.0761075E-04 A12= -3.9433394E-05 -1.9763390E-05 -3.1178186E-04 7.7741607E-05  
1.3721986E-04 A14= 6.1625147E-06 -8.0054344E-06 4.5844251E-05 -1.7375340E-05  
-1.3725365E-05 A16= -1.0380918E-06 4.0543177E-06 -3.6202731E-06 2.1646984E-06  
6.6720032E-07 A18= 4.9909905E-08 -6.2750298E-07 1.1855407E-07 -1.3279640E-07  
-1.9178244E-09 A20= — 3.1697819E-08 — 3.0951050E-09 -1.0912091E-09 A22= — — —  
— 2.9829870E-11 Surface # 19 20 21 22 23 k= 0.00000E+00 -8.89760E-01  
-1.06488E+00 -2.38289E+00 0.00000E+00 A4= 4.0494101E-03 -1.7306202E-02  
-9.3993668E-03 -2.1148227E-02 -2.1906488E-02 A6= -8.2989894E-03 -3.9096479E-03  
-3.4127694E-03 1.3888689E-03 2.2180114E-03 A8= 3.6581134E-03 1.4303493E-03  
1.2074390E-03 1.0677893E-03 9.9022894E-05 A10= -1.0363292E-03 -3.0401687E-04  
-2.2495072E-04 -3.0819036E-04 -6.0608328E-05 A12= 1.8543823E-04 4.1898309E-05  
2.9253503E-05 3.8721846E-05 8.2426577E-06 A14= -2.1138508E-05 -3.5742074E-06  
-2.9109725E-06 -2.6898298E-06 -6.3220416E-07 A16= 1.5278925E-06 1.8835891E-07  
2.1889164E-07 1.0478775E-07 3.1491592E-08 A18= -6.7563287E-08 -6.0799655E-09  
-1.1580037E-08 -1.9174412E-09 -1.0646002E-09 A20= 1.6625394E-09 1.1401474E-10  
3.9398587E-10 -3.2961400E-12 2.4481128E-11 A22= -1.7394954E-11 -1.0002092E-12  
-7.6004064E-12 6.8682720E-13 -3.7000261E-13 A24= — — 6.2481602E-14  
-7.5646637E-15 3.3463242E-15 A26= — — — — -1.3876019E-17

[0196] In the 4th embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 4th embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0197] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 7 and Table 8 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00011 4th Embodiment f [mm] 7.87 R4/|f2| 0.25 Fno 1.85 |R15/f8| 0.07 HFOV [deg.] 37.4 f/f1 1.07 (Vi/Ni)min 10.90 |f/f2| 0.30 |V2 × f/f2| 6.03 |f/f3| 0.07 |V3 × f/f3| 1.27 |f/f4| 0.32 V2 + V3 38.8 |f/f5| 0.55 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.44 ΣAT/T67 8.25 |f/f7| 0.02 ATmax/CTmin 3.22 |f/f8| 0.08 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 0.84 |f/f9| 0.32 CT7/T67 1.16 f/f10 -1.09 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 0.68 Σ|f/fi| 2.09 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 0.87 f/R4 1.20 Dr1r12/T23 5.77 f/R15 1.04 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 0.47 f/R17 + f/R18 3.55 T67/T45 5.74 Y11/Y62 0.88 TD/T23 12.95 Y102/Y11 2.51 (TL × f)/(ImgH × EPD) 2.93 Y102/Y71 2.17 TL/f 1.23 Yc82/Y82 0.54 TL/ImgH 1.58 Yc91/Y91 0.44 R1/CT1 3.30 Yc92/Y92 0.46

#### 5th Embodiment

[0198] FIG. 9 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 5th embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 10 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 5th embodiment. In FIG. 9, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 599. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop 500, a first lens element 510, a second lens element 520, a stop 501, a third lens element 530, a stop 502, a fourth lens element 540, a fifth lens element 550, a sixth lens element 560, a seventh lens element 570, a stop 503, an eighth lens element 580, a ninth lens element 590, a tenth lens element 593, a filter 597 and an image surface 598. The image capturing

optical system includes ten lens elements (510, 520, 530, 540, 550, 560, 570, 580, 590 and 593) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0199] The first lens element **510** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **511** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **512** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element **510** is made of glass material and has the object-side surface **511** and the image-side surface **512** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **511** of the first lens element **510** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **512** of the first lens element **510** has one inflection point.

[0200] The second lens element **520** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **521** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **522** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element **520** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **521** and the image-side surface **522** being both aspheric.

[0201] The third lens element **530** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **531** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **532** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element **530** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **531** and the image-side surface **532** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **531** of the third lens element **530** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **532** of the third lens element **530** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **531** of the third lens element **530** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0202] The fourth lens element **540** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **541** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **542** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element **540** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **541** and the image-side surface **542** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **541** of the fourth lens element **540** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **542** of the fourth lens element **540** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **542** of the fourth lens element **540** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0203] The fifth lens element **550** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **551** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **552** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element **550** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **551** and the image-side surface **552** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **551** of the fifth lens element **550** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **552** of the fifth lens element **550** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **551** of the fifth lens element **550** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **552** of the fifth lens element **550** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0204] The sixth lens element **560** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **561** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **562** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **560** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **561** and the image-side surface **562** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **561** of the sixth lens element **560** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **562** of the sixth lens element **560** has three inflection points. The object-side surface **561** of the sixth lens element **560** has three critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **562** of the sixth lens element **560** has three critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0205] The seventh lens element **570** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **571** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **572** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **570** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **571** and the image-side surface **572** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **571** of the seventh lens element **570** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **572** of the seventh lens element **570** has four inflection points. The object-side surface **571** of the seventh lens element **570** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **572** of the seventh lens element **570** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0206] The eighth lens element **580** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **581** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **582** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **580** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **581** and the image-side surface **582** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **581** of the eighth lens element **580** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **582** of the eighth lens element **580** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **581** of the eighth lens element **580** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **582** of the eighth lens element **580** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0207] The ninth lens element **590** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **591** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **592** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **590** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **591** and the image-side surface **592** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **591** of the ninth lens element **590** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **592** of the ninth lens element **590** has three inflection points. The object-side surface **591** of the ninth lens element **590** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **592** of the ninth lens element **590** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0208] The tenth lens element **593** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **594** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **595** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **593** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **594** and the image-side surface **595** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **594** of the tenth lens element **593** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **595** of the tenth lens element **593** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **594** of the tenth lens element **593** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **595** of the tenth lens element **593** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0209] The filter **597** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **593** and the image surface **598**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **599** is disposed on or near the image surface **598** of the image capturing optical system.

[0210] The detailed optical data of the 5th embodiment are shown in Table 9 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 10 below.

TABLE-US-00012 TABLE 9 5th Embodiment  $f = 8.25$  mm,  $Fno = 1.79$ ,  $HFOV = 44.1$  deg.

Surface #	Curvature	Radius	Thickness	Material	Index	Abbe #	Focal Length	0	Object	Plano
Infinity	1	Ape. Stop	Plano	-0.900	2	Lens 1	3.1786 (ASP)	1.089	Glass	1.542
62.9	7.26	3	14.4996 (ASP)	0.037	4	Lens 2	13.7269 (ASP)	0.280	Plastic	1.614
26.0	-21.17	5	6.6235 (ASP)	0.440	6	Stop	Plano	0.074	7	Lens 3
14.2196 (ASP)	0.291	Plastic	1.686	18.4	-54.48	8	10.2152 (ASP)	0.149	9	Stop
-0.051	10	Lens 4	22.7026 (ASP)	0.370	Plastic	1.544	56.0	35.76	11	-135.2214 (ASP)
0.058	12	Lens 5	-82.4855 (ASP)	0.298	Plastic	1.562	44.6	-79.26	13	96.8992 (ASP)
0.102	14	Lens 6	20.9744 (ASP)	0.452	Plastic	1.544	56.0	59.39	15	59.3234 (ASP)
0.547	16	Lens 7	12.6241 (ASP)	0.480	Plastic	1.566	37.4	189.52	17	14.1111 (ASP)
-0.561	18	Stop	Plano	1.128	19	Lens 8	6.6285 (ASP)	0.552	Plastic	1.562
44.6	52.15	20	8.3101 (ASP)	0.496	21	Lens 9	4.5703 (ASP)	0.801	Plastic	1.544
56.0	42.82	22	5.3345 (ASP)	0.813	23	Lens 10	-6.0612 (ASP)	0.735	Plastic	1.544
56.0	-7.63	24	13.7212 (ASP)	0.500	25	Filter	Plano	0.210	Glass	1.517
64.2	—	26	Plano	0.351	27	Image	Plano	—	Note: Reference wavelength is 587.6 nm (d-line). An effective radius of the stop 501 (Surface 6) is 2.000 mm. An effective radius of the stop 502 (Surface 9) is 2.040 mm. An effective radius of the stop 503 (Surface 18) is 3.816 mm.	

TABLE-US-00013 TABLE 10 Aspheric Coefficients

Surface #	2	3	4	5	7	k=
2	-5.36831E-01	-2.84826E+01	1.02752E+01	4.94997E+00	-6.69429E+01	A4=
3	2.6581623E-03	4.2055574E-03	3.9555112E-03	2.2348056E-04	-4.8295526E-03	A6=
4	-4.3549055E-05	-7.0646187E-03	-7.2381967E-03	-1.8737023E-03	-1.2610216E-02	A8=
5	1.7764090E-04	4.5318325E-03	5.3186178E-03	1.6807306E-03	8.2600251E-03	A10=
6	-8.8168936E-05					

-1.2856118E-03 -1.5725219E-03 -5.6044521E-04 -2.7256376E-03 A12= 2.1274904E-05  
 1.8385995E-04 2.2891407E-04 7.6380372E-05 4.8469664E-04 A14= -1.9833602E-06  
 -1.0961526E-05 -1.2421346E-05 -1.9855535E-06 -3.5474876E-05 Surface # 8 10 11 12 13 k=  
 1.04092E+01 -1.73851E+01 -2.15767E+01 6.00000E+01 0.00000E+00 A4=  
 -4.8474805E-03 3.1956412E-03 -6.6792828E-03 -3.7742529E-03 5.3368632E-03 A6=  
 -9.7692064E-03 6.5580553E-03 1.1448903E-02 9.1183342E-03 -4.2226793E-03 A8=  
 1.4130353E-03 -1.4354354E-02 -8.1201529E-03 -8.2324030E-03 -2.1839531E-04 A10=  
 1.9458818E-03 9.1558057E-03 2.9736832E-03 3.9851913E-03 7.8224598E-04 A12=  
 -1.0168308E-03 2.8680927E-03 -5.7326102E-04 -1.0933132E-03 -2.8565096E-04 A14=  
 2.1009429E-04 4.5048933E-04 4.9578384E-05 1.5710198E-04 4.4389453E-05 A16=  
 -1.6020659E-05 -2.7883800E-05 -9.3575545E-07 -9.0280587E-06 -2.5189910E-06 Surface  
 # 14 15 16 17 19 k= 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00  
 -2.81906E+00 A4= -7.3254638E-03 -7.5580423E-03 -2.5387830E-03 -1.5938551E-03  
 6.0437110E-03 A6= -1.7838096E-04 -3.6604920E-03 -7.9942844E-03 -8.9768782E-03  
 -4.4068510E-03 A8= -1.9798543E-03 2.2176784E-03 4.4387062E-03 4.1033740E-03  
 2.5740958E-04 A10= 1.0050860E-03 -9.4798210E-04 -1.5119835E-03 -1.0376372E-03  
 1.0267668E-04 A12= -1.8659041E-04 2.2801601E-04 2.8079321E-04 1.3656323E-04  
 -2.5804461E-05 A14= 1.9701928E-05 -1.9766940E-05 -2.8316738E-05 -7.6800982E-06  
 1.9784182E-06 A16= -1.5286605E-06 -8.4419364E-07 1.4556097E-06 -4.9483997E-08  
 1.1319565E-08 A18= 6.3663299E-08 2.1983334E-07 -2.9332306E-08 2.2806307E-08  
 -9.3098473E-09 A20= — -8.8802167E-09 — -6.6619574E-10 4.7122845E-10 A22= — — —  
 — -7.6950499E-12 Surface # 20 21 22 23 24 k= 0.00000E+00 -1.01912E+00  
 -1.00787E+00 -2.86271E+01 0.00000E+00 A4= 2.2836572E-03 -1.8961971E-02  
 -7.8140588E-03 -2.6642632E-02 -2.2033076E-02 A6= -2.3869968E-03 -7.4072147E-04  
 -2.8171138E-03 7.4324124E-03 5.2777342E-03 A8= -1.4756802E-04 -6.9086028E-05  
 8.1588996E-04 -1.1222739E-03 -8.6193646E-04 A10= 1.3356814E-04 3.4294248E-05  
 -1.2847702E-04 1.0277549E-04 9.2343329E-05 A12= -2.5202440E-05 -1.6114342E-06  
 1.3789318E-05 -6.0846834E-06 -6.7001101E-06 A14= 2.3848369E-06 -1.6039819E-07  
 -1.0708531E-06 2.4178170E-07 3.3879963E-07 A16= -1.1576368E-07 2.1072408E-08  
 6.0306521E-08 -6.5287228E-09 -1.2128093E-08 A18= 2.2067253E-09 -9.8720355E-10  
 -2.3674200E-09 1.1834167E-10 3.0729194E-10 A20= 1.9952600E-11 2.2070997E-11  
 6.0375082E-11 -1.3782723E-12 -5.4011929E-12 A22= -9.6854893E-13 -1.9747809E-13  
 -8.8748348E-13 9.3126903E-15 6.2675711E-14 A24= — — 5.6599700E-15  
 -2.7722390E-17 -4.3149675E-16 A26= — — — — 1.3328178E-18

[0211] In the 5th embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 5th embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0212] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 9 and Table 10 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00014 5th Embodiment f [mm] 8.25 R4/|f2| 0.31 Fno 1.79 |R15/f8| 0.13 HFOV [deg.]  
 44.1 f/f1 1.14 (Vi/Ni)min 10.90 |f/f2| 0.39 |V2 × f/f2| 10.12 |f/f3| 0.15 |V3 × f/f3| 2.78 |f/f4| 0.23 V2  
 + V3 44.4 |f/f5| 0.10 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.14 ΣAT/T67 5.91 |f/f7| 0.04 ATmax/CTmin 2.90 |f/f8| 0.16  
 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 1.11 |f/f9| 0.19 CT7/T67 0.88 f/f10 -1.08 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 0.84 Σ|f/fi| 1.41  
 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 0.81 f/R4 1.25 Dr1r12/T23 6.98 f/R15 1.24 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 0.57  
 f/R17 + f/R18 3.35 T67/T45 9.43 Y11/Y62 0.84 TD/T23 16.69 Y102/Y11 2.86 (TL × f)/(ImgH ×  
 EPD) 2.11 Y102/Y71 2.31 TL/f 1.17 Yc82/Y82 0.47 TL/ImgH 1.18 Yc91/Y91 0.34 R1/CT1 2.92  
 Yc92/Y92 0.39

6th Embodiment

[0213] FIG. 11 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 6th embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 12 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 6th embodiment. In FIG. 11, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 699. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop 600, a first lens element 610, a second lens element 620, a stop 601, a third lens element 630, a stop 602, a fourth lens element 640, a fifth lens element 650, a sixth lens element 660, a seventh lens element 670, a stop 603, an eighth lens element 680, a ninth lens element 690, a tenth lens element 693, a filter 697 and an image surface 698. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 670, 680, 690 and 693) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0214] The first lens element 610 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 611 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 612 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element 610 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 611 and the image-side surface 612 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 611 of the first lens element 610 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 612 of the first lens element 610 has one inflection point.

[0215] The second lens element 620 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 621 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 622 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element 620 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 621 and the image-side surface 622 being both aspheric.

[0216] The third lens element 630 with negative refractive power has an object-side surface 631 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 632 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element 630 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 631 and the image-side surface 632 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 631 of the third lens element 630 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 632 of the third lens element 630 has two inflection points. The object-side surface 631 of the third lens element 630 has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0217] The fourth lens element 640 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 641 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 642 being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element 640 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 641 and the image-side surface 642 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 641 of the fourth lens element 640 has two inflection points. The image-side surface 642 of the fourth lens element 640 has one inflection point. The object-side surface 641 of the fourth lens element 640 has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface 642 of the fourth lens element 640 has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0218] The fifth lens element 650 with negative refractive power has an object-side surface 651 being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 652 being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element 650 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 651 and the image-side surface 652 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 651 of the fifth lens element 650 has two inflection points. The image-side surface 652 of the fifth lens element 650 has one inflection point. The object-side surface 651 of the fifth lens element 650 has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface 652 of the fifth lens element 650 has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0219] The sixth lens element 660 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 661 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 662 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element 660 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 661 and the image-side surface 662 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 661 of the sixth lens element 660 has three inflection points. The image-side surface 662 of the sixth lens



element **660** has four inflection points. The object-side surface **661** of the sixth lens element **660** has three critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **662** of the sixth lens element **660** has three critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0220] The seventh lens element **670** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **671** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **672** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **670** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **671** and the image-side surface **672** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **671** of the seventh lens element **670** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **672** of the seventh lens element **670** has four inflection points. The object-side surface **671** of the seventh lens element **670** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **672** of the seventh lens element **670** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0221] The eighth lens element **680** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **681** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **682** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **680** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **681** and the image-side surface **682** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **681** of the eighth lens element **680** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **682** of the eighth lens element **680** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **681** of the eighth lens element **680** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **682** of the eighth lens element **680** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0222] The ninth lens element **690** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **691** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **692** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **690** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **691** and the image-side surface **692** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **691** of the ninth lens element **690** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **692** of the ninth lens element **690** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **691** of the ninth lens element **690** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **692** of the ninth lens element **690** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0223] The tenth lens element **693** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **694** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **695** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **693** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **694** and the image-side surface **695** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **694** of the tenth lens element **693** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **695** of the tenth lens element **693** has three inflection points.

[0224] The filter **697** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **693** and the image surface **698**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **699** is disposed on or near the image surface **698** of the image capturing optical system.

[0225] The detailed optical data of the 6th embodiment are shown in Table 11 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 12 below.

TABLE-US-00015 TABLE 11 6th Embodiment  $f = 8.35$  mm,  $Fno = 1.90$ ,  $HFOV = 44.0$  deg.

Surface #	Curvature	Radius	Thickness	Material	Index	Abbe #	Focal Length	0	Object	Plano
Infinity	1	Ape. Stop	Plano	-0.889	2	Lens 1	3.1624 (ASP)	0.991	Plastic	1.544
56.0	9.23	3	7.5984 (ASP)	0.038	4	Lens 2	10.4460 (ASP)	0.314	Plastic	1.686
18.4	357.44	5	10.7773 (ASP)	0.404	6	Stop	Plano	0.088	7	Lens 3
19.6913 (ASP)	0.280	Plastic	1.686	18.4	-25.17	8	9.1463 (ASP)	0.184	9	Stop
Plano	0.005	10	Lens 4	43.7674 (ASP)	0.404	Plastic	1.544	56.0	30.61	11
-26.7938 (ASP)	0.103	12	Lens 5	-31.3693 (ASP)	0.313	Plastic	1.639	23.3	-88.15	13
-71.1085 (ASP)	0.063	14	Lens 6	25.9111 (ASP)	0.461	Plastic	1.544	56.0	72.16	15
75.7268 (ASP)	0.632	16	Lens 7	12.1232 (ASP)	0.505	Plastic	1.587	28.3	41.36	17
23.8330 (ASP)	-0.685	18	Stop	Plano	1.217	19	Lens 8	9.1619 (ASP)	0.505	Plastic
1.544	56.0	-446.45	20	8.6574 (ASP)	0.417	21	Lens 9	4.3678 (ASP)	0.706	Plastic
1.544	56.0	36.56	22	5.2782 (ASP)	0.849	23	Lens 10	-4.8093 (ASP)		

0.985 Plastic 1.544 56.0 -9.07 24 -200.0000 (ASP) 0.500 25 Filter Plano 0.210 Glass 1.517 64.2  
 — 26 Plano 0.321 27 Image Plano — Note: Reference wavelength is 587.6 nm (d-line). An  
 effective radius of the stop 601 (Surface 6) is 1.905 mm. An effective radius of the stop 602  
 (Surface 9) is 2.000 mm. An effective radius of the stop 603 (Surface 18) is 3.820 mm.

TABLE-US-00016 TABLE 12 Aspheric Coefficients

Surface #	2	3	4	5	7	k=
	-4.86891E-01	-3.67092E+01	1.58180E+00	8.58934E+00	-8.88660E+01	A4= 2.4199687E-03
	7.6813354E-03	1.4054500E-03	5.5316295E-03	-1.3550080E-02	A6= -1.0555021E-03	
	-1.1783090E-02	-7.0721862E-03	-3.6902474E-03	-1.8584567E-03	A8= 1.3531387E-03	
	6.7181088E-03	4.8059338E-03	2.6641814E-03	2.3655224E-03	A10= -6.0686759E-04	
	-1.8709944E-03	-1.3445896E-03	-1.0049630E-03	-1.2340921E-03	A12= 1.2874656E-04	
	2.7562080E-04	1.7686641E-04	1.6226721E-04	3.3638502E-04	A14= -1.0378189E-05	
	-1.7468165E-05	-7.8021697E-06	-7.4704101E-06	-3.3850618E-05	Surface # 8 10 11 12 13 k=	
	1.17101E+01	4.84078E+01	-1.32313E+01	-7.33985E+01	0.00000E+00	A4=
	-1.5333856E-02	2.0072171E-03	-1.0077232E-02	-1.0214081E-02	1.3830836E-03	A6=
	1.1034929E-03	7.8175753E-04	1.8339664E-02	2.1077251E-02	-2.4044236E-04	A8=
	-9.7603642E-05	-4.7156557E-03	-1.5275143E-02	-1.6750819E-02	-1.4656408E-03	A10=
	1.5546431E-04	4.1493722E-03	6.9192553E-03	7.0764228E-03	7.5595499E-04	A12=
	-1.5442884E-04	-1.7455627E-03	-1.7073860E-03	-1.6818885E-03	-1.9340553E-04	A14=
	6.4727563E-05	3.4595005E-04	2.0776718E-04	2.1084769E-04	2.6659763E-05	A16=
	-7.6220631E-06	-2.5282486E-05	-9.2633354E-06	-1.0765891E-05	-1.4682276E-06	Surface
# 14 15 16 17 19 k=	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	
	-1.46621E+00	A4= -5.6230761E-04	-6.1851016E-03	-9.4761463E-03	-4.4004073E-03	
	1.7240794E-02	A6= -1.3261688E-02	-9.3869324E-03	1.4887994E-03	-4.9508168E-03	
	-1.6873126E-02	A8= 7.8207364E-03	6.7183592E-03	1.2690987E-03	2.8270526E-03	
	6.6966882E-03	A10= -2.9238578E-03	-2.9050106E-03	-6.1510270E-04	-9.1718486E-04	
	-1.7385546E-03	A12= 7.5070716E-04	7.8815763E-04	1.3372378E-04	1.6354970E-04	
	2.9462211E-04	A14= -1.1357918E-04	-1.2308354E-04	-1.4853733E-05	-1.6489882E-05	
	-3.3255076E-05	A16= 8.8362260E-06	1.0597495E-05	8.3177739E-07	9.4785119E-07	
	2.4717510E-06	A18= -2.7223890E-07	-4.6238810E-07	-1.8405444E-08	-2.9195658E-08	
	-1.1536388E-07	A20= —	7.8521487E-09	—	3.7735458E-10	3.0542258E-09
	—	—	—	—	—	—
	—	-3.5009260E-11	Surface # 20 21 22 23 24 k=	0.00000E+00	-1.04089E+00	
	-9.88219E-01	-2.09237E+01	0.00000E+00	A4= 1.1418878E-02	-2.0337085E-02	
	-1.6698921E-02	-2.4196499E-02	3.7461004E-03	A6= -1.2832306E-02	6.9613683E-04	
	3.4767889E-03	6.6338498E-03	-2.5401522E-03	A8= 4.6613711E-03	-5.3754749E-04	
	-1.1793129E-03	-1.0035234E-03	5.0326715E-04	A10= -1.0753754E-03	1.1573584E-04	
	2.2821579E-04	9.4581131E-05	-5.7727319E-05	A12= 1.5993768E-04	-1.0307921E-05	
	-2.5900786E-05	-5.9371968E-06	4.2355247E-06	A14= -1.5622134E-05	4.4317319E-07	
	1.8133179E-06	2.5738554E-07	-2.0516975E-07	A16= 9.9936624E-07	-6.5086097E-09	
	-7.9035621E-08	-7.7756341E-09	6.5984692E-09	A18= -4.0270884E-08	-1.8149126E-10	
	2.0718519E-09	1.6101958E-10	-1.3858993E-10	A20= 9.2468455E-10	8.3841185E-12	
	-2.9170255E-11	-2.1786343E-12	1.8082938E-12	A22= -9.1913684E-12	-9.4464051E-14	
	1.4734920E-13	1.7329894E-14	-1.2931468E-14	A24= —	—	4.5155564E-16
	-6.1379961E-17	3.2808489E-17	A26= —	—	—	6.3954531E-20

[0226] In the 6th embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 6th embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0227] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 11 and Table 12 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00017 6th Embodiment f [mm] 8.35 R4/|f2| 0.03 Fno 1.90 |R15/f8| 0.02 HFOV [deg.] 44.0 f/f1 0.91 (Vi/Ni)min 10.90 |f/f2| 0.02 |V2 × f/f2| 0.43 |f/f3| 0.33 |V3 × f/f3| 6.10 |f/f4| 0.27 V2 + V3 36.8 |f/f5| 0.09 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.12 ΣAT/T67 5.25 |f/f7| 0.20 ATmax/CTmin 3.03 |f/f8| 0.02 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 1.21 |f/f9| 0.23 CT7/T67 0.80 f/f10 -0.92 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 0.74 Σ|f/fi| 1.29 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 0.81 f/R4 0.78 Dr1r12/T23 7.41 f/R15 0.91 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 0.80 f/R17 + f/R18 3.50 T67/T45 6.14 Y11/Y62 0.78 TD/T23 17.84 Y102/Y11 2.97 (TL × f)/(ImgH × EPD) 2.28 Y102/Y71 2.22 TL/f 1.17 Yc82/Y82 0.46 TL/ImgH 1.20 Yc91/Y91 0.35 R1/CT1 3.19 Yc92/Y92 0.39

#### 7th Embodiment

[0228] FIG. 13 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 7th embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 14 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 7th embodiment. In FIG. 13, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 799. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, an aperture stop 700, a first lens element 710, a second lens element 720, a stop 701, a third lens element 730, a stop 702, a fourth lens element 740, a fifth lens element 750, a sixth lens element 760, a seventh lens element 770, a stop 703, an eighth lens element 780, a ninth lens element 790, a tenth lens element 793, a filter 797 and an image surface 798. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (710, 720, 730, 740, 750, 760, 770, 780, 790 and 793) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0229] The first lens element 710 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 711 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 712 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element 710 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 711 and the image-side surface 712 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 711 of the first lens element 710 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 712 of the first lens element 710 has one inflection point.

[0230] The second lens element 720 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 721 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 722 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element 720 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 721 and the image-side surface 722 being both aspheric.

[0231] The third lens element 730 with negative refractive power has an object-side surface 731 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 732 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element 730 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 731 and the image-side surface 732 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 731 of the third lens element 730 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 732 of the third lens element 730 has two inflection points. The object-side surface 731 of the third lens element 730 has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0232] The fourth lens element 740 with negative refractive power has an object-side surface 741 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 742 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element 740 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 741 and the image-side surface 742 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 741 of the fourth lens element 740 has two inflection points. The image-side surface 742 of the fourth lens element 740 has two inflection points.

[0233] The fifth lens element 750 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 751 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 752 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element 750 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 751 and the image-side surface 752 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 751 of the fifth lens element 750 has three inflection points. The image-side surface 752 of the fifth lens element 750 has two inflection points. The image-side surface 752 of the fifth lens element 750 has

two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0234] The sixth lens element **760** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **761** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **762** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **760** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **761** and the image-side surface **762** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **761** of the sixth lens element **760** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **762** of the sixth lens element **760** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **761** of the sixth lens element **760** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0235] The seventh lens element **770** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **771** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **772** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **770** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **771** and the image-side surface **772** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **771** of the seventh lens element **770** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **772** of the seventh lens element **770** has four inflection points. The object-side surface **771** of the seventh lens element **770** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **772** of the seventh lens element **770** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0236] The eighth lens element **780** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **781** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **782** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **780** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **781** and the image-side surface **782** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **781** of the eighth lens element **780** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **782** of the eighth lens element **780** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **781** of the eighth lens element **780** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **782** of the eighth lens element **780** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0237] The ninth lens element **790** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **791** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **792** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **790** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **791** and the image-side surface **792** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **791** of the ninth lens element **790** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **792** of the ninth lens element **790** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **791** of the ninth lens element **790** has one concave critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **792** of the ninth lens element **790** has one convex critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0238] The tenth lens element **793** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **794** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **795** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **793** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **794** and the image-side surface **795** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **794** of the tenth lens element **793** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **795** of the tenth lens element **793** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **794** of the tenth lens element **793** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **795** of the tenth lens element **793** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0239] The filter **797** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **793** and the image surface **798**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **799** is disposed on or near the image surface **798** of the image capturing optical system.

[0240] The detailed optical data of the 7th embodiment are shown in Table 13 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 14 below.

TABLE-US-00018 TABLE 13 7th Embodiment  $f = 8.25$  mm,  $Fno = 1.97$ ,  $HFOV = 44.1$  deg.  
Surface # Curvature Radius Thickness Material Index Abbe # Focal Length 0 Object Plano  
Infinity 1 Ape. Stop Plano  $-0.784$  2 Lens 1  $3.1663$  (ASP)  $0.907$  Plastic  $1.544$   $56.0$   $9.55$  3  
 $7.2886$  (ASP)  $0.037$  4 Lens 2  $10.0136$  (ASP)  $0.323$  Plastic  $1.686$   $18.4$   $224.65$  5  $10.5688$  (ASP)

0.324 6 Stop Plano 0.076 7 Lens 3 17.5158 (ASP) 0.281 Plastic 1.686 18.4 -25.20 8 8.6447 (ASP) 0.241 9 Stop Plano -0.051 10 Lens 4 20.5197 (ASP) 0.282 Plastic 1.544 56.0 -392.91 11 18.6318 (ASP) 0.099 12 Lens 5 14.8361 (ASP) 0.477 Plastic 1.544 56.0 29.81 13 172.4138 (ASP) 0.206 14 Lens 6 142.8338 (ASP) 0.411 Plastic 1.562 44.6 123.41 15 -134.6062 (ASP) 0.603 16 Lens 7 15.0834 (ASP) 0.471 Plastic 1.566 37.4 -169.95 17 12.8918 (ASP) -0.553 18 Stop Plano 0.958 19 Lens 8 5.8478 (ASP) 0.587 Plastic 1.544 56.0 32.58 20 8.4190 (ASP) 0.541 21 Lens 9 4.3915 (ASP) 0.768 Plastic 1.544 56.0 34.66 22 5.3721 (ASP) 0.933 23 Lens 10 -5.9855 (ASP) 0.720 Plastic 1.544 56.0 -7.31 24 12.3582 (ASP) 0.500 25 Filter Plano 0.210 Glass 1.517 64.2 — 26 Plano 0.361 27 Image Plano — Note: Reference wavelength is 587.6 nm (d-line). An effective radius of the stop 701 (Surface 6) is 1.880 mm. An effective radius of the stop 702 (Surface 9) is 2.000 mm. An effective radius of the stop 703 (Surface 18) is 3.759 mm.

TABLE-US-00019 TABLE 14 Aspheric Coefficients Surface # 2 3 4 5 7 k= -5.46975E-01  
-4.44743E+01 2.47267E-01 9.18522E+00 -6.58069E+01 A4= 2.5680074E-03  
-1.1370209E-02 -1.6562245E-02 2.8861337E-03 -9.1879638E-03 A6= -1.0685416E-03  
8.1962530E-03 1.4056686E-02 3.3195121E-03 -5.0257806E-03 A8= 1.2922563E-03  
-2.1140795E-03 -5.6564362E-03 -2.9593897E-03 1.9800346E-03 A10= -5.7236870E-04  
1.3084059E-04 1.4081567E-03 1.0850652E-03 -2.3137156E-04 A12= 1.2532047E-04  
5.4865693E-05 -1.9823460E-04 -2.2351751E-04 2.7621693E-05 A14= -1.0932690E-05  
-8.8622478E-06 1.3923788E-05 2.1782781E-05 -5.2670170E-06 Surface # 8 10 11 12 13 k=  
1.31866E+01 1.26217E+01 -9.87249E+01 -3.64626E+01 0.00000E+00 A4=  
-9.1317549E-03 -2.9541674E-03 -8.1755812E-03 -5.9418226E-03 -3.5016433E-03 A6=  
-3.1308512E-03 1.3548312E-02 1.5248025E-02 1.0947159E-02 5.5570313E-03 A8=  
-1.3126475E-03 -1.6475323E-02 -1.2126059E-02 -8.7617714E-03 -4.3823341E-03 A10=  
1.8474978E-03 8.8834125E-03 5.1419766E-03 3.7369614E-03 1.5832909E-03 A12=  
-6.1655673E-04 -2.6156264E-03 -1.1966085E-03 -8.8187181E-04 -3.2132736E-04 A14=  
1.0758089E-04 4.0917036E-04 1.3832676E-04 1.0806181E-04 3.5353757E-05 A16=  
-8.4746458E-06 -2.5958479E-05 -5.7763232E-06 -5.3525508E-06 -1.5965071E-06 Surface  
# 14 15 16 17 19 k= 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00 0.00000E+00  
-3.18169E+00 A4= -1.4984003E-02 -1.3456541E-02 -3.8250017E-03 -1.6085207E-03  
1.4140623E-02 A6= 8.2188965E-03 4.1961897E-03 -3.9013274E-03 -9.2192447E-03  
-1.2334526E-02 A8= -5.9155584E-03 -3.2867713E-03 2.6126438E-03 4.8891108E-03  
3.8956104E-03 A10= 2.3088154E-03 1.3830416E-03 -1.0585578E-03 -1.4624808E-03  
-8.0425536E-04 A12= -5.0913485E-04 -3.6541338E-04 2.1868425E-04 2.4958871E-04  
1.1296856E-04 A14= 7.0029134E-05 7.0933300E-05 -2.3689520E-05 -2.4678560E-05  
-1.1677936E-05 A16= -5.6923835E-06 -9.0376866E-06 1.2741323E-06 1.4038543E-06  
8.9580869E-07 A18= 2.0079327E-07 6.2731463E-07 -2.6256144E-08 -4.2695497E-08  
-4.7249277E-08 A20= -1.7593688E-08 5.3803526E-10 1.4910141E-09 A22= — — —  
— -2.0906467E-11 Surface # 20 21 22 23 24 k= 0.00000E+00 -1.03268E+00  
-9.73677E-01 -1.48611E+01 0.00000E+00 A4= 7.3437391E-03 -1.8793443E-02  
-1.0704849E-02 -2.4579995E-02 -1.8851937E-02 A6= -7.8118128E-03 -8.2360085E-04  
-2.3079412E-04 6.5155341E-03 3.8363853E-03 A8= 2.1521500E-03 -6.5454556E-05  
-8.4060730E-05 -9.7534557E-04 -5.9404233E-04 A10= -3.8616255E-04 4.3216345E-05  
5.3886948E-05 9.1033587E-05 6.4163862E-05 A12= 4.7998584E-05 -4.1688358E-06  
-9.8158494E-06 -5.6043702E-06 -4.9434355E-06 A14= -4.3347307E-06 1.6086702E-07  
9.5134515E-07 2.3525076E-07 2.7777464E-07 A16= 2.8241537E-07 -1.0466108E-09  
-5.5396178E-08 -6.7917388E-09 -1.1395906E-08 A18= -1.2305755E-08 -1.1900324E-10  
1.9962777E-09 1.3280447E-10 3.3490385E-10 A20= 3.1217352E-10 3.7697099E-12  
-4.3565449E-11 -1.6797660E-12 -6.8004122E-12 A22= -3.4224843E-12 -3.6101484E-14  
5.2717469E-13 1.2393376E-14 8.9921759E-14 A24= — — -2.7120600E-15  
-4.0481779E-17 -6.9309226E-16 A26= — — — — 2.3545146E-18

[0241] In the 7th embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 7th embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0242] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 13 and Table 14 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00020 7th Embodiment f [mm] 8.25 R4/|f2| 0.05 Fno 1.97 |R15/f8| 0.18 HFOV [deg.] 44.1 f/f1 0.86 (Vi/Ni)min 10.90 |f/f2| 0.04 |V2 × f/f2| 0.68 |f/f3| 0.33 |V3 × f/f3| 6.02 |f/f4| 0.02 V2 + V3 36.8 |f/f5| 0.28 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.07 ΣAT/T67 5.66 |f/f7| 0.05 ATmax/CTmin 3.32 |f/f8| 0.25 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 1.51 |f/f9| 0.24 CT7/T67 0.78 f/f10 -1.13 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 0.65 Σ|f/fi| 1.27 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 0.82 f/R4 0.78 Dr1r12/T23 9.03 f/R15 1.41 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 1.33 f/R17 + f/R18 3.42 T67/T45 6.09 Y11/Y62 0.77 TD/T23 21.60 Y102/Y11 3.11 (TL × f)/(ImgH × EPD) 2.34 Y102/Y71 2.17 TL/f 1.18 Yc82/Y82 0.48 TL/ImgH 1.19 Yc91/Y91 0.34 R1/CT1 3.49 Yc92/Y92 0.39

#### 8th Embodiment

[0243] FIG. 15 is a schematic view of an image capturing unit according to the 8th embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 16 shows, in order from left to right, spherical aberration curves, astigmatic field curves and a distortion curve of the image capturing unit according to the 8th embodiment. In FIG. 15, the image capturing unit includes the image capturing optical system (its reference numeral is omitted) of the present disclosure and an image sensor 899. The image capturing optical system includes, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element 810, an aperture stop 800, a second lens element 820, a third lens element 830, a fourth lens element 840, a fifth lens element 850, a stop 801, a sixth lens element 860, a seventh lens element 870, an eighth lens element 880, a ninth lens element 890, a tenth lens element 893, a filter 897 and an image surface 898. The image capturing optical system includes ten lens elements (810, 820, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890 and 893) with no additional lens element disposed between each of the adjacent ten lens elements.

[0244] The first lens element 810 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 811 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 812 being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The first lens element 810 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 811 and the image-side surface 812 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 811 of the first lens element 810 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 812 of the first lens element 810 has two inflection points. The image-side surface 812 of the first lens element 810 has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof.

[0245] The second lens element 820 with negative refractive power has an object-side surface 821 being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 822 being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The second lens element 820 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 821 and the image-side surface 822 being both aspheric.

[0246] The third lens element 830 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 831 being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 832 being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The third lens element 830 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 831 and the image-side surface 832 being both aspheric. The image-side surface 832 of the third lens element 830 has two inflection points.

[0247] The fourth lens element 840 with positive refractive power has an object-side surface 841 being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface 842 being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fourth lens element 840 is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface 841 and the image-side surface 842 being both aspheric. The object-side surface 841 of the fourth lens element 840 has one inflection point. The image-side surface 842 of the fourth lens element 840 has one inflection point. The object-side surface 841 of the fourth lens element 840

has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0248] The fifth lens element **850** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **851** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **852** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The fifth lens element **850** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **851** and the image-side surface **852** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **851** of the fifth lens element **850** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **852** of the fifth lens element **850** has one inflection point.

[0249] The sixth lens element **860** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **861** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **862** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The sixth lens element **860** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **861** and the image-side surface **862** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **861** of the sixth lens element **860** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **862** of the sixth lens element **860** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **861** of the sixth lens element **860** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **862** of the sixth lens element **860** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0250] The seventh lens element **870** with positive refractive power has an object-side surface **871** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **872** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The seventh lens element **870** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **871** and the image-side surface **872** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **871** of the seventh lens element **870** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **872** of the seventh lens element **870** has two inflection points.

[0251] The eighth lens element **880** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **881** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **882** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The eighth lens element **880** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **881** and the image-side surface **882** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **881** of the eighth lens element **880** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **882** of the eighth lens element **880** has one inflection point. The image-side surface **882** of the eighth lens element **880** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0252] The ninth lens element **890** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **891** being concave in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **892** being convex in a paraxial region thereof. The ninth lens element **890** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **891** and the image-side surface **892** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **891** of the ninth lens element **890** has three inflection points. The image-side surface **892** of the ninth lens element **890** has three inflection points. The object-side surface **891** of the ninth lens element **890** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof, wherein one of the two critical points of the object-side surface **891** of the ninth lens element **890** is a concave critical point. The image-side surface **892** of the ninth lens element **890** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof, wherein one of the two critical points of the image-side surface **892** of the ninth lens element **890** is a convex critical point.

[0253] The tenth lens element **893** with negative refractive power has an object-side surface **894** being convex in a paraxial region thereof and an image-side surface **895** being concave in a paraxial region thereof. The tenth lens element **893** is made of plastic material and has the object-side surface **894** and the image-side surface **895** being both aspheric. The object-side surface **894** of the tenth lens element **893** has two inflection points. The image-side surface **895** of the tenth lens element **893** has two inflection points. The object-side surface **894** of the tenth lens element **893** has two critical points in an off-axis region thereof. The image-side surface **895** of the tenth lens element **893** has one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

[0254] The filter **897** is made of glass material and located between the tenth lens element **893** and the image surface **898**, and will not affect the focal length of the image capturing optical system. The image sensor **899** is disposed on or near the image surface **898** of the image capturing optical

system.

[0255] The detailed optical data of the 8th embodiment are shown in Table 15 and the aspheric surface data are shown in Table 16 below.

TABLE-US-00021 TABLE 15 8th Embodiment f = 7.51 mm, Fno = 1.99, HFOV = 41.6 deg.

Surface #	Curvature	Radius	Thickness	Material	Index	Abbe #	Focal Length	0	Object Plano
Infinity	1	Lens 1	3.7603 (ASP)	1.028	Plastic	1.545	56.1	6.67	2 -100.0000 (ASP) 0.081
3	Ape.	Stop Plano	-0.051	4	Lens 2	5.7358 (ASP)	0.343	Plastic	1.686
18.4	-19.48	5	3.9160 (ASP)	0.600	6	Lens 3	-21.9081 (ASP)	0.356	Plastic
1.544	56.0	19.50	7	-7.1875 (ASP)	0.077	8	Lens 4	-7.4105 (ASP)	0.615
Plastic	1.544	56.0	166.34	9	-7.0499 (ASP)	0.030	10	Lens 5	-7.1931 (ASP)
0.300	Plastic	1.686	18.4	446.92	11	-7.1475 (ASP)	-0.241	12	Stop Plano
0.456	13	Lens 6	-191.1758 (ASP)	0.338	Plastic	1.544	56.0	-278.43	14
729.9270 (ASP)	0.149	15	Lens 7	-17.1200 (ASP)	0.320	Plastic	1.587	28.3	88.12
16	-12.9530 (ASP)	0.285	17	Lens 8	-5.3224 (ASP)	0.350	Plastic	1.614	26.0
-395.23	18	-5.5779 (ASP)	0.112	19	Lens 9	-56.6429 (ASP)	1.200	Plastic	1.544
56.0	-242.50	20	-100.0000 (ASP)	0.428	21	Lens 10	5.3691 (ASP)	1.300	Plastic
1.544	56.0	-9.46	22	2.4032 (ASP)	0.998	23	Filter Plano	0.300	Glass
1.517	64.2	—	24	Plano	0.235	25	Image Plano	—	Note: Reference wavelength is 587.6 nm (d-line). An effective radius of the stop 801 (Surface 12) is 2.010 mm.

TABLE-US-00022 TABLE 16 Aspheric Coefficients

Surface #	1	2	4	5	6	k=
0.00000E+00	-5.66173E+00	-1.16090E+01	0.00000E+00	A4=	-3.2789341E-04	
1.0094076E-02	-1.8885903E-03	6.7182497E-03	-4.6627527E-03	A6=	2.8357475E-04	
-8.6828500E-03	-5.6221773E-03	-5.6878037E-03	-3.4940349E-03	A8=	-2.5792754E-04	
5.1918484E-03	3.0422039E-03	6.3741775E-04	-1.3685619E-03	A10=	8.8059516E-05	
-1.9803077E-03	-3.5697487E-04	1.0452256E-03	8.8949090E-05	A12=	-1.8842759E-05	
4.3840669E-04	-2.4461781E-04	-5.6748556E-04	1.0573593E-03	A14=	1.7300498E-06	
-5.2785770E-05	1.0613435E-04	1.3596383E-04	-4.2433684E-04	A16=	-1.4309911E-07	
2.6294448E-06	-1.2012412E-05	-9.3226203E-06	4.4433957E-05	Surface # 7	8 9 10 11 k=	
9.61323E-01	1.00215E+00	1.02384E+00	2.40491E+00	2.67441E-01	A4=	
1.6554258E-02	1.6437085E-02	-5.5998210E-02	-4.6562715E-02	3.5109478E-03	A6=	
-2.8296245E-03	5.0959765E-04	7.3552503E-02	5.5753820E-02	-2.2378779E-02	A8=	
-2.4275777E-02	-2.9457078E-02	-6.9630740E-02	-4.8147927E-02	1.5942358E-02	A10=	
1.9765780E-02	2.4325315E-02	3.4673827E-02	2.2446828E-02	-7.5274071E-03	A12=	
-5.9647164E-03	-8.3323493E-03	-9.4051428E-03	-5.8556988E-03	2.1815589E-03	A14=	
7.5845757E-04	1.3307156E-03	1.3003344E-03	8.2002172E-04	-3.3222012E-04	A16=	
-3.3460537E-05	-8.0495166E-05	-6.9867838E-05	-4.7272442E-05	2.0807924E-05	Surface # 13	
14 15 16 17 k=	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	A4=	
1.66106E+00	1.0873633E-02	-4.3208205E-02	-4.4243840E-02	1.7219528E-02	A6=	
-2.5066198E-02	-1.0957598E-02	4.5192229E-02	1.2647931E-02	-3.0993707E-02	A8=	
2.3815114E-02	-4.2670997E-03	-3.3146597E-02	-4.3273585E-03	1.6327182E-02	A10=	
-1.0509376E-02	3.2679241E-03	1.1572145E-02	1.0003735E-03	-4.5268265E-03	A12=	
2.5817374E-03	-7.8853515E-04	-2.1407152E-03	-8.2356338E-05	7.0117228E-04	A14=	
-3.5987681E-04	8.6743691E-05	2.0420215E-04	-8.3073773E-07	-5.6439699E-05	A16=	
2.6911624E-05	-3.7479458E-06	-7.6621939E-06	1.9544837E-07	1.8101168E-06	Surface # 18	
-8.3092241E-07	-8.01390E+00	-9.78446E+01	-9.90000E+01	-2.08523E+01	-5.97161E+00	
A4=	-1.8610793E-02	6.0639631E-02	3.5329701E-02	-2.0804067E-02	-1.2441219E-02	
A6=	1.1274716E-02	-3.6759180E-02	-1.1337805E-02	2.4387590E-03	1.5527914E-03	
A8=	-4.9764234E-03	1.2736446E-02	1.9586087E-03	-2.2001822E-04	-1.5857651E-04	
A10=	1.2239068E-03	-3.2270788E-03	-2.3334898E-04	1.4711096E-05	9.7353300E-06	
A12=	-1.5817521E-04	5.7389348E-04	1.9402878E-05	-5.3183024E-07	-3.0484032E-07	
A14=	1.0307657E-05	-6.8009863E-05	-1.1050611E-06	4.0974633E-09	2.6689912E-09	
A16=	-2.6802962E-07	5.0222759E-06				



4.0767287E-08 3.4897284E-10 1.0142990E-10 A18= — -2.0578355E-07 -8.6605750E-10  
-1.1203818E-11 -2.8889711E-12 A20= — 3.5316393E-09 7.9513668E-12 1.0438024E-13  
2.1950297E-14

[0256] In the 8th embodiment, the equation of the aspheric surface profiles of the aforementioned lens elements is the same as the equation of the 1st embodiment. Also, the definitions of these parameters shown in the following table are the same as those stated in the 1st embodiment with corresponding values for the 8th embodiment, so an explanation in this regard will not be provided again.

[0257] Moreover, these parameters can be calculated from Table 15 and Table 16 as the following values and satisfy the following conditions:

TABLE-US-00023 8th Embodiment f [mm] 7.51 R4/|f2| 0.20 Fno 1.99 |R15/f8| 0.01 HFOV [deg.] 41.6 f/f1 1.12 (Vi/Ni)min 10.90 |f/f2| 0.39 |V2 × f/f2| 7.08 |f/f3| 0.39 |V3 × f/f3| 21.56 |f/f4| 0.05 V2 + V3 74.4 |f/f5| 0.02 Vmin 18.4 |f/f6| 0.03 ΣAT/T67 12.93 |f/f7| 0.09 ATmax/CTmin 2.00 |f/f8| 0.02 (CT2 + CT3)/T23 1.17 |f/f9| 0.03 CT7/T67 2.15 f/f10 -0.79 Dr1r4/Dr5r12 0.73 Σ|f/fi| 0.99 Dr1r12/Dr13r20 0.98 f/R4 1.92 Dr1r12/T23 6.55 f/R15 -1.41 (T12 + T34 + T45 + T56)/T23 0.59 f/R17 + f/R18 -0.21 T67/T45 4.97 Y11/Y62 1.00 TD/T23 13.46 Y102/Y11 2.52 (TL × f)/(ImgH × EPD) 2.83 Y102/Y71 2.45 TL/f 1.28 Yc91/Y91 0.54 TL/ImgH 1.42 Yc92/Y92 0.58 R1/CT1 3.66

## 9th Embodiment

[0258] FIG. 17 is a perspective view of an image capturing unit according to the 9th embodiment of the present disclosure. In this embodiment, an image capturing unit 10 is a camera module including a lens unit 11, a driving device 12, an image sensor 13 and an image stabilizer 14. The lens unit 11 includes the image capturing optical system disclosed in the 1st embodiment, a barrel and a holder member (their reference numerals are omitted) for holding the image capturing optical system. However, the lens unit 11 may alternatively be provided with the image capturing optical system disclosed in other abovementioned embodiments, and the present disclosure is not limited thereto. The imaging light converges in the lens unit 11 of the image capturing unit 10 to generate an image with the driving device 12 utilized for image focusing on the image sensor 13, and the generated image is then digitally transmitted to other electronic component for further processing.

[0259] The driving device 12 can have auto focusing functionality, and different driving configurations can be obtained through the usages of voice coil motors (VCM), micro electro-mechanical systems (MEMS), piezoelectric systems, or shape memory alloy materials. The driving device 12 is favorable for obtaining a better imaging position of the lens unit 11, so that a clear image of the imaged object can be captured by the lens unit 11 with different object distances. The image sensor 13 (for example, CCD or CMOS), which can feature high photosensitivity and low noise, is disposed on the image surface of the image capturing optical system to provide higher image quality.

[0260] The image stabilizer 14, such as an accelerometer, a gyro sensor and a Hall Effect sensor, is configured to work with the driving device 12 to provide optical image stabilization (OIS). The driving device 12 working with the image stabilizer 14 is favorable for compensating for pan and tilt of the lens unit 11 to reduce blurring associated with motion during exposure. In some cases, the compensation can be provided by electronic image stabilization (EIS) with image processing software, thereby improving image quality while in motion or low-light conditions.

## 10th Embodiment

[0261] FIG. 18 is one perspective view of an electronic device according to the 10th embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 19 is another perspective view of the electronic device in FIG. 18. FIG. 20 is a block diagram of the electronic device in FIG. 18.

[0262] In this embodiment, an electronic device 20 is a smartphone including the image capturing unit 10 disclosed in the 9th embodiment, an image capturing unit 10a, an image capturing unit 10b, an image capturing unit 10c, an image capturing unit 10d, a flash module 21, a focus assist module

22, an image signal processor 23, a user interface 24 and an image software processor 25. The image capturing unit 10 and the image capturing unit 10a are disposed on the same side of the electronic device 20 and each of the image capturing units 10 and 10a has a single focal point. The image capturing unit 10b, the image capturing unit 10c, the image capturing unit 10d and the user interface 24 are disposed on the opposite side of the electronic device 20 and the user interface 24 is a display unit, such that the image capturing units 10b, 10c, 10d can be front-facing cameras of the electronic device 20 for taking selfies, but the present disclosure is not limited thereto. Furthermore, each of the image capturing units 10a, 10b, 10c and 10d can include the image capturing optical system of the present disclosure and can have a configuration similar to that of the image capturing unit 10. In detail, each of the image capturing units 10a, 10b, 10c and 10d can include a lens unit, a driving device, an image sensor and an image stabilizer, and each of the lens unit can include an optical lens assembly such as the image capturing optical system of the present disclosure, a barrel and a holder member for holding the optical lens assembly.

[0263] The image capturing unit 10 is a wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit 10a is an ultra-wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit 10b is a wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit 10c is an ultra-wide-angle image capturing unit, and the image capturing unit 10d is a ToF (time of flight) image capturing unit. In this embodiment, the image capturing units 10, 10a have different fields of view, such that the electronic device 20 can have various magnification ratios so as to meet the requirement of optical zoom functionality. In addition, the image capturing unit 10d can determine depth information of the imaged object. In this embodiment, the electronic device 20 includes multiple image capturing units 10, 10a, 10b, 10c and 10d, but the present disclosure is not limited to the number and arrangement of image capturing units.

[0264] When a user captures images of an object 26, the light rays converge in the image capturing unit 10 or the image capturing unit 10a to generate images, and the flash module 21 is activated for light supplement. The focus assist module 22 detects the object distance of the imaged object 26 to achieve fast auto focusing. The image signal processor 23 is configured to optimize the captured image to improve image quality. The light beam emitted from the focus assist module 22 can be either conventional infrared or laser. In addition, the light rays may converge in the image capturing unit 10b, 10c or 10d to generate images. The user interface 24 can include a touch screen, and the user is able to interact with the user interface 24 and the image software processor 25 having multiple functions to capture images and complete image processing. Alternatively, the user may capture images via a physical button. The image processed by the image software processor 25 can be displayed on the user interface 24.

#### 11th Embodiment

[0265] FIG. 21 is one perspective view of an electronic device according to the 11th embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0266] In this embodiment, an electronic device 30 is a smartphone including the image capturing unit 10 disclosed in the 9th embodiment, an image capturing unit 10e, an image capturing unit 10f, a flash module 31, a focus assist module, an image signal processor, a display unit and an image software processor (not shown). The image capturing unit 10, the image capturing unit 10e and the image capturing unit 10f are disposed on the same side of the electronic device 30, while the display unit is disposed on the opposite side of the electronic device 30. Furthermore, each of the image capturing units 10e and 10f can include the image capturing optical system of the present disclosure and can have a configuration similar to that of the image capturing unit 10, so the details in this regard will not be provided again.

[0267] The image capturing unit 10 is a wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit 10e is a telephoto image capturing unit, and the image capturing unit 10f is an ultra-wide-angle image capturing unit. In this embodiment, the image capturing units 10, 10e and 10f have different fields of view, such that the electronic device 30 can have various magnification ratios so as to

meet the requirement of optical zoom functionality. Moreover, the image capturing unit **10e** can be a telephoto image capturing unit having a light-folding element configuration, such that the total track length of the image capturing unit **10e** is not limited by the thickness of the electronic device **30**. Moreover, the light-folding element configuration of the image capturing unit **10e** can be similar to, for example, one of the structures shown in FIG. **24** to FIG. **26** which can be referred to foregoing descriptions corresponding to FIG. **24** to FIG. **26** so the details in this regard will not be provided again. In this embodiment, the electronic device **30** includes multiple image capturing units **10**, **10e** and **10f**, but the present disclosure is not limited to the number and arrangement of image capturing units. When a user captures images of an object, light rays converge in the image capturing unit **10**, **10e** or **10f** to generate images, and the flash module **31** is activated for light supplement. Further, the subsequent processes are performed in a manner similar to the abovementioned embodiment, so the details in this regard will not be provided again.

#### 12th Embodiment

[0268] FIG. **22** is one perspective view of an electronic device according to the 12th embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0269] In this embodiment, an electronic device **40** is a smartphone including the image capturing unit **10** disclosed in the 9th embodiment, an image capturing unit **10g**, an image capturing unit **10h**, an image capturing unit **10i**, an image capturing unit **10j**, an image capturing unit **10k**, an image capturing unit **10m**, an image capturing unit **10n**, an image capturing unit **10p**, a flash module **41**, a focus assist module, an image signal processor, a display unit and an image software processor (not shown). The image capturing units **10**, **10g**, **10h**, **10i**, **10j**, **10k**, **10m**, **10n** and **10p** are disposed on the same side of the electronic device **40**, while the display unit is disposed on the opposite side of the electronic device **40**. Furthermore, each of the image capturing units **10g**, **10h**, **10i**, **10j**, **10k**, **10m**, **10n** and **10p** can include the image capturing optical system of the present disclosure and can have a configuration similar to that of the image capturing unit **10**, so the details in this regard will not be provided again.

[0270] The image capturing unit **10** is a wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10g** is a telephoto image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10h** is a telephoto image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10i** is a wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10j** is an ultra-wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10k** is an ultra-wide-angle image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10m** is a telephoto image capturing unit, the image capturing unit **10n** is a telephoto image capturing unit, and the image capturing unit **10p** is a ToF image capturing unit. In this embodiment, the image capturing units **10**, **10g**, **10h**, **10i**, **10j**, **10k**, **10m** and **10n** have different fields of view, such that the electronic device **40** can have various magnification ratios so as to meet the requirement of optical zoom functionality. Moreover, each of the image capturing units **10g** and **10h** can be a telephoto image capturing unit having a light-folding element configuration. Moreover, the light-folding element configuration of each of the image capturing unit **10g** and **10h** can be similar to, for example, one of the structures shown in FIG. **24** to FIG. **26** which can be referred to foregoing descriptions corresponding to FIG. **24** to FIG. **26** so the details in this regard will not be provided again. In addition, the image capturing unit **10p** can determine depth information of the imaged object. In this embodiment, the electronic device **40** includes multiple image capturing units **10**, **10g**, **10h**, **10i**, **10j**, **10k**, **10m**, **10n** and **10p**, but the present disclosure is not limited to the number and arrangement of image capturing units.

[0271] When a user captures images of an object, the light rays converge in the image capturing unit **10**, **10g**, **10h**, **10i**, **10j**, **10k**, **10m**, **10n** or **10p** to generate images, and the flash module **41** is activated for light supplement. Further, the subsequent processes are performed in a manner similar to the abovementioned embodiments, so the details in this regard will not be provided again.

[0272] The smartphone in this embodiment is only exemplary for showing the image capturing unit **10** of the present disclosure installed in an electronic device, and the present disclosure is not limited thereto. The image capturing unit **10** can be optionally applied to optical systems with a

movable focus. Furthermore, the image capturing optical system of the image capturing unit **10** features good capability in aberration corrections and high image quality, and can be applied to 3D (three-dimensional) image capturing applications, in products such as digital cameras, mobile devices, digital tablets, smart televisions, network surveillance devices, dashboard cameras, vehicle backup cameras, multi-camera devices, image recognition systems, motion sensing input devices, wearable devices and other electronic imaging devices.

[0273] The foregoing description, for the purpose of explanation, has been described with reference to specific embodiments. It is to be noted that TABLES 1-16 show different data of the different embodiments; however, the data of the different embodiments are obtained from experiments. The embodiments were chosen and described in order to best explain the principles of the disclosure and its practical applications, to thereby enable others skilled in the art to best utilize the disclosure and various embodiments with various modifications as are suited to the particular use contemplated. The embodiments depicted above and the appended drawings are exemplary and are not intended to be exhaustive or to limit the scope of the present disclosure to the precise forms disclosed. Many modifications and variations are possible in view of the above teachings.

## Claims

1. An image capturing optical system comprising ten lens elements, the ten lens elements being, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element, and each of the ten lens elements having an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side; wherein the first lens element has positive refractive power, the object-side surface of the second lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof, the object-side surface of the eighth lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof, and at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof; wherein an axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and an image surface is TL, a maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, a focal length of the image capturing optical system is f, a curvature radius of the object-side surface of the eighth lens element is R15, and the following conditions are satisfied:  $0.5 < TL / \text{ImgH} < 4.$ ; and  $0.1 < f / R15 < 2.5.$

2. The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image surface is TL, the maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, and the following condition is satisfied:  $0.6 < TL / \text{ImgH} < 2.8.$

3. The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the curvature radius of the object-side surface of the eighth lens element is R15, a focal length of the eighth lens element is f8, and the following condition is satisfied:  $\text{Math. } R15 / f8 \text{ Math. } < 3.5.$

4. The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the axial distance between the object-side surface of the first lens element and the image surface is TL, the focal length of the image capturing optical system is f, the maximum image height of the image capturing optical system is ImgH, an entrance pupil diameter of the image capturing optical system is EPD, and the following condition is satisfied:  $1. < (TL \times f) / (\text{ImgH} \times \text{EPD}) < 3.00.$

5. The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the focal length of the image capturing optical system is f, a focal length of the second lens element is f2, a focal length of the third lens element is f3, a focal length of the fourth lens element is f4, a focal length of the fifth lens element is f5, a focal length of the sixth lens element is f6, a focal length of the seventh lens element is f7, a focal length of the eighth lens element is f8, a focal length of the ninth lens element is f9, a focal

length of the i-th lens element is  $f_i$ , and the following condition is satisfied:  $\Gamma|f/f_i| < 4.0$ , wherein  $i=2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$  and  $9$ .

**6.** The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the object-side surface of the first lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof, and the image-side surface of the first lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof; wherein a curvature radius of the object-side surface of the first lens element is  $R1$ , a central thickness of the first lens element is  $CT1$ , and the following condition is satisfied:  $1.2 < R1 / CT1 < 7.0$ .

**7.** The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the second lens element has positive refractive power, and the third lens element has negative refractive power.

**8.** The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the object-side surface of the third lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof, the image-side surface of the third lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof, the fourth lens element has positive refractive power, and the tenth lens element has negative refractive power.

**9.** The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the seventh lens element has positive refractive power, and the eighth lens element has positive refractive power.

**10.** The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein the image-side surface of the seventh lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof, the tenth lens element has negative refractive power, the object-side surface of the tenth lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof, and the image-side surface of the tenth lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof.

**11.** The image capturing optical system of claim 1, wherein at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least three lens elements of the image capturing optical system has at least one inflection point, wherein an Abbe number of the first lens element is  $V1$ , an Abbe number of the second lens element is  $V2$ , an Abbe number of the third lens element is  $V3$ , an Abbe number of the fourth lens element is  $V4$ , an Abbe number of the fifth lens element is  $V5$ , an Abbe number of the sixth lens element is  $V6$ , an Abbe number of the seventh lens element is  $V7$ , an Abbe number of the eighth lens element is  $V8$ , an Abbe number of the ninth lens element is  $V9$ , an Abbe number of the tenth lens element is  $V10$ , an Abbe number of the i-th lens element is  $V_i$ , and at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system satisfies the following condition:  $25.0 < V_i < 50.0$ , wherein  $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$  or  $10$ .

**12.** An image capturing optical system comprising ten lens elements, the ten lens elements being, in order from an object side to an image side along an optical path, a first lens element, a second lens element, a third lens element, a fourth lens element, a fifth lens element, a sixth lens element, a seventh lens element, an eighth lens element, a ninth lens element and a tenth lens element, and each of the ten lens elements having an object-side surface facing toward the object side and an image-side surface facing toward the image side; wherein the object-side surface of the first lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof, the second lens element has positive refractive power, the fourth lens element has positive refractive power, the object-side surface of the fifth lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof, the image-side surface of the seventh lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof, the tenth lens element has negative refractive power, and at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of at least one lens element of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof.

**13.** The image capturing optical system of claim 12, wherein a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface of the first lens element is  $Y11$ , a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the sixth lens element is  $Y62$ , a maximum effective radius of the object-side surface of the seventh lens element is  $Y71$ , a maximum effective radius of the image-side surface of the tenth lens element is  $Y102$ , and the following conditions are satisfied:  $0.55 < Y11 / Y62 < 1.2$ ;  $1.5 < Y102 / Y11 < 5$ ; and  $1.5 < Y102 / Y71 < 3.0$ .

**14.** The image capturing optical system of claim 12, wherein the first lens element has positive refractive power, the image-side surface of the first lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof, the image-side surface of the third lens element is concave in a paraxial region thereof, and

the image-side surface of the fifth lens element is convex in a paraxial region thereof.

**15.** The image capturing optical system of claim 12, wherein at least one of the object-side surface and the image-side surface of each of at least two lens elements of the image capturing optical system has at least one critical point in an off-axis region thereof, wherein a minimum value among Abbe numbers of all lens elements of the image capturing optical system is  $V_{\min}$ , and the following condition is satisfied:  $10. < V_{\min} < 20. .$

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