

Figure 4.3: Experimental images from six-step phase-shifting photoelasticity for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$: Caustic shadows obscure the data at the crack tip due to the stress concentration, and the weak high density fringes overlaying the photoelastic fringes are due to the interference of the reflections from the front and back faces of the specimen.

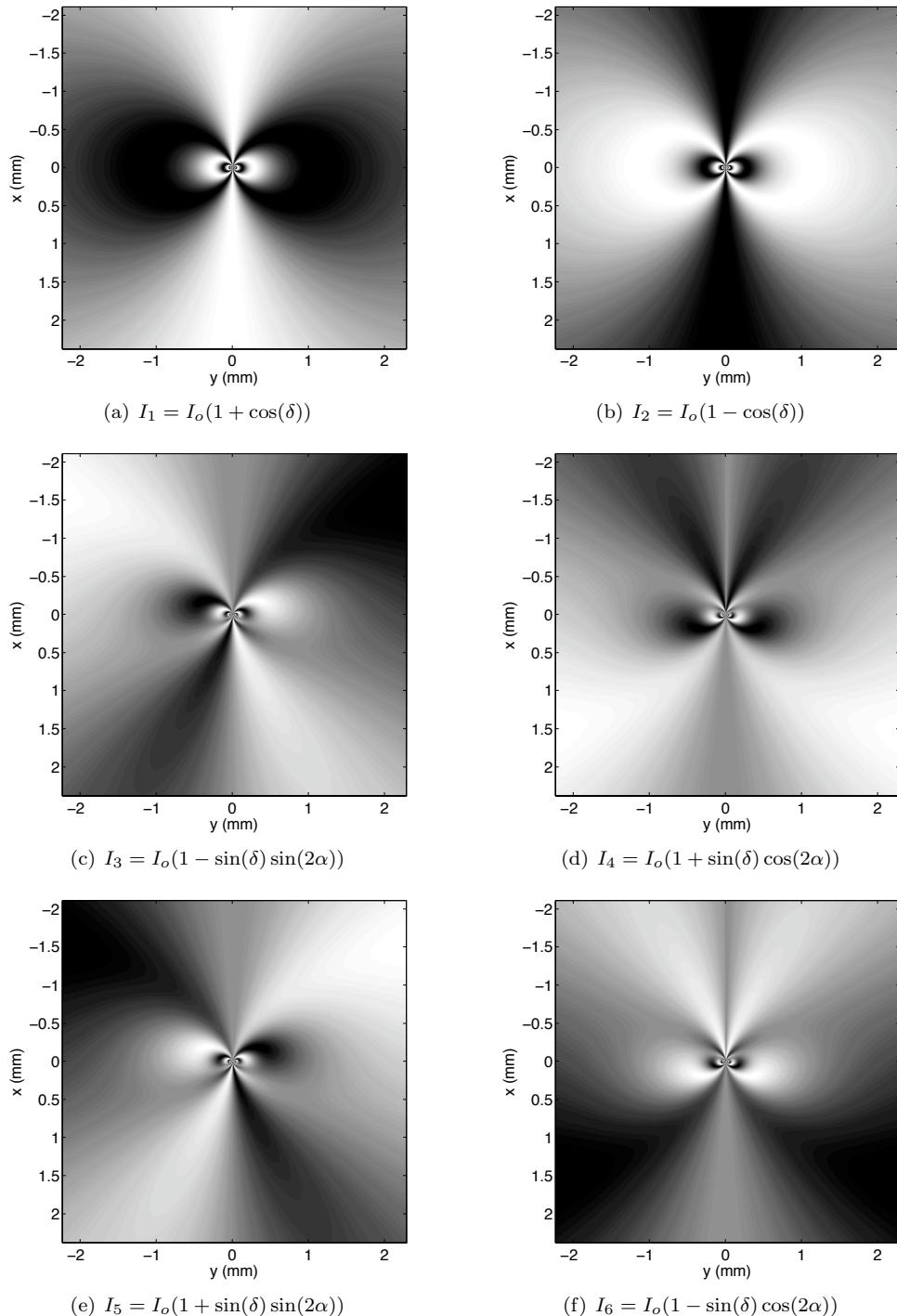


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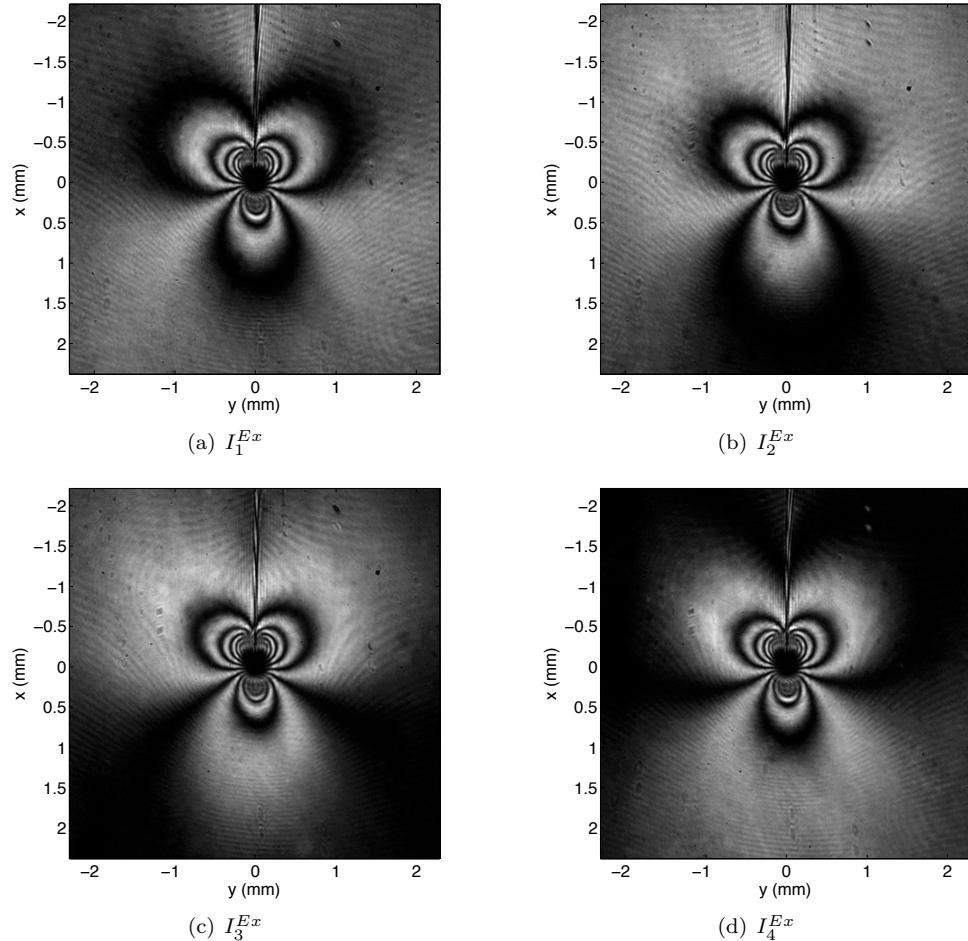


Figure 4.5: Experimental phase-shifted images from vertical shearing CGS using pure $E_x \hat{i}$ input for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

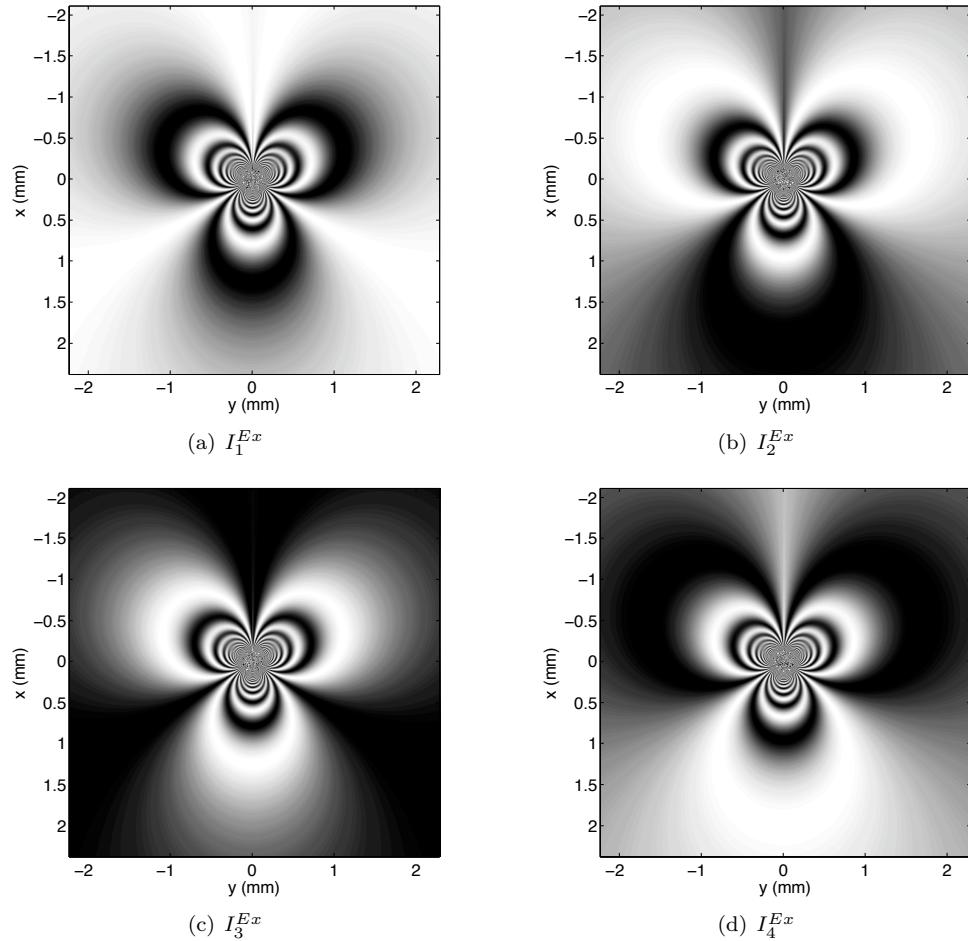


Figure 4.6: Theoretical phase-shifted images from vertical shearing CGS using pure $E_x \hat{i}$ input for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

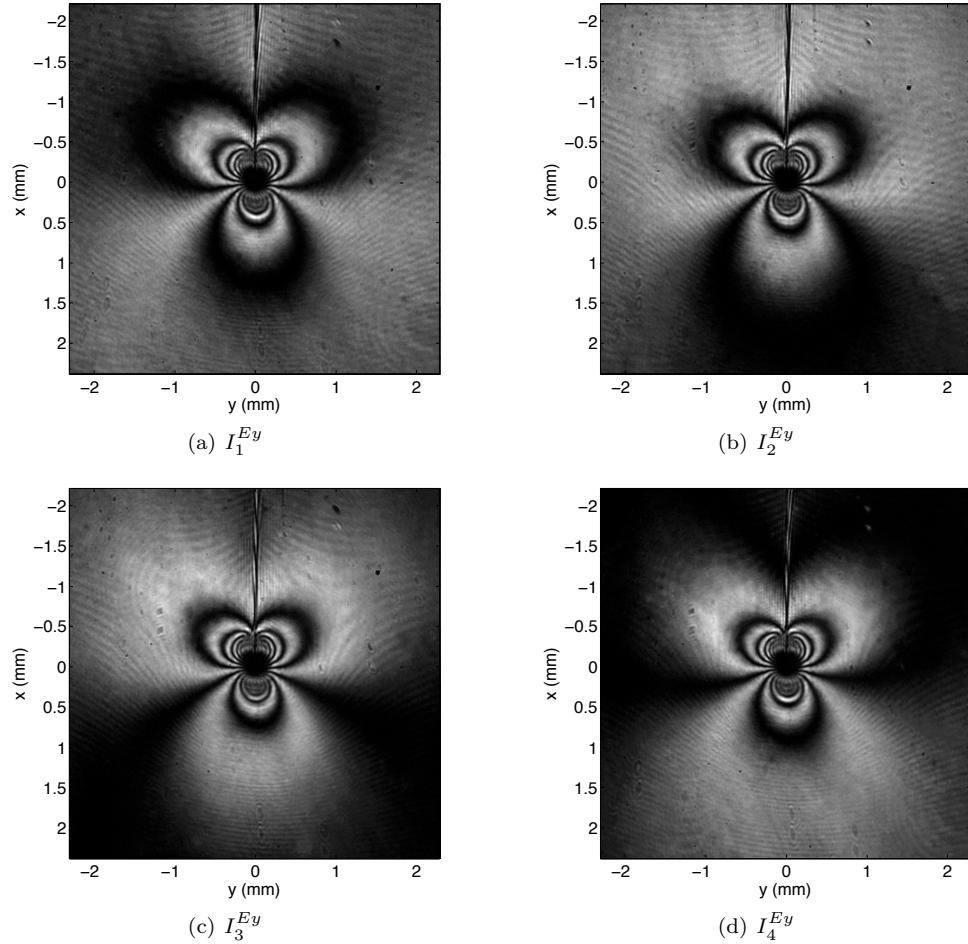


Figure 4.7: Experimental phase-shifted images from vertical shearing CGS using pure $E_y \hat{j}$ input for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

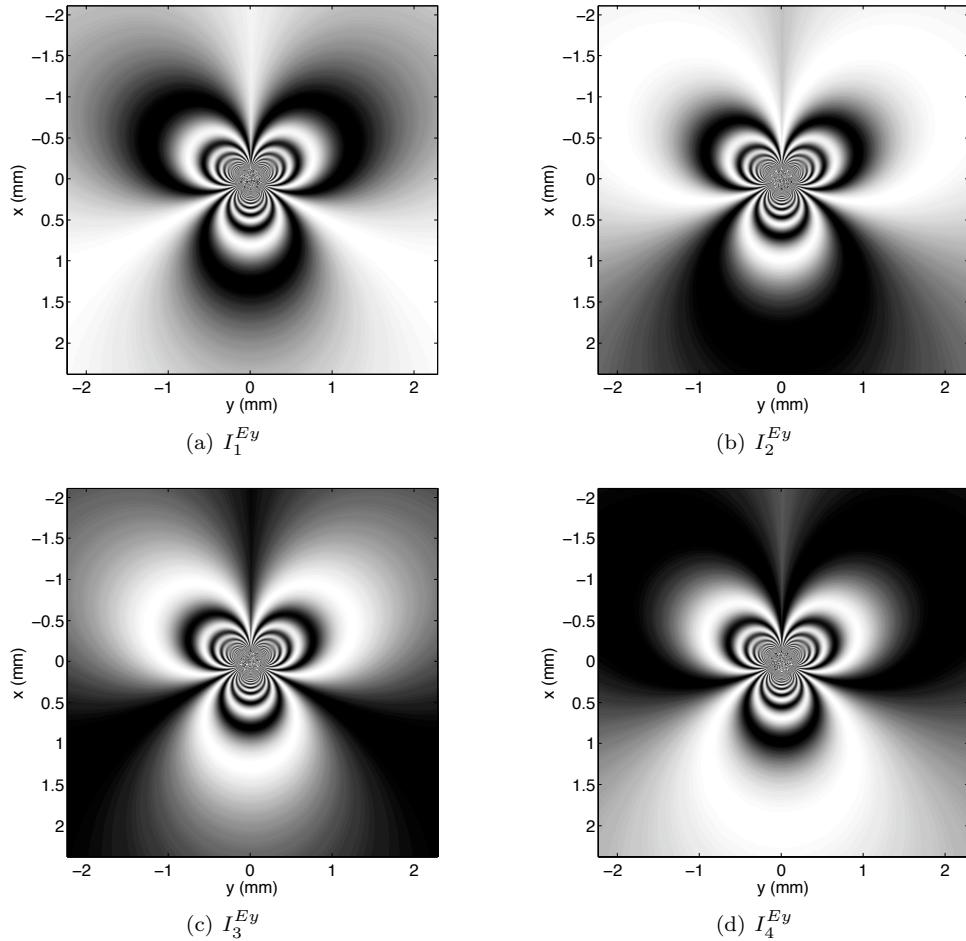


Figure 4.8: Theoretical phase-shifted images from vertical shearing CGS using pure $E_y \hat{j}$ input for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

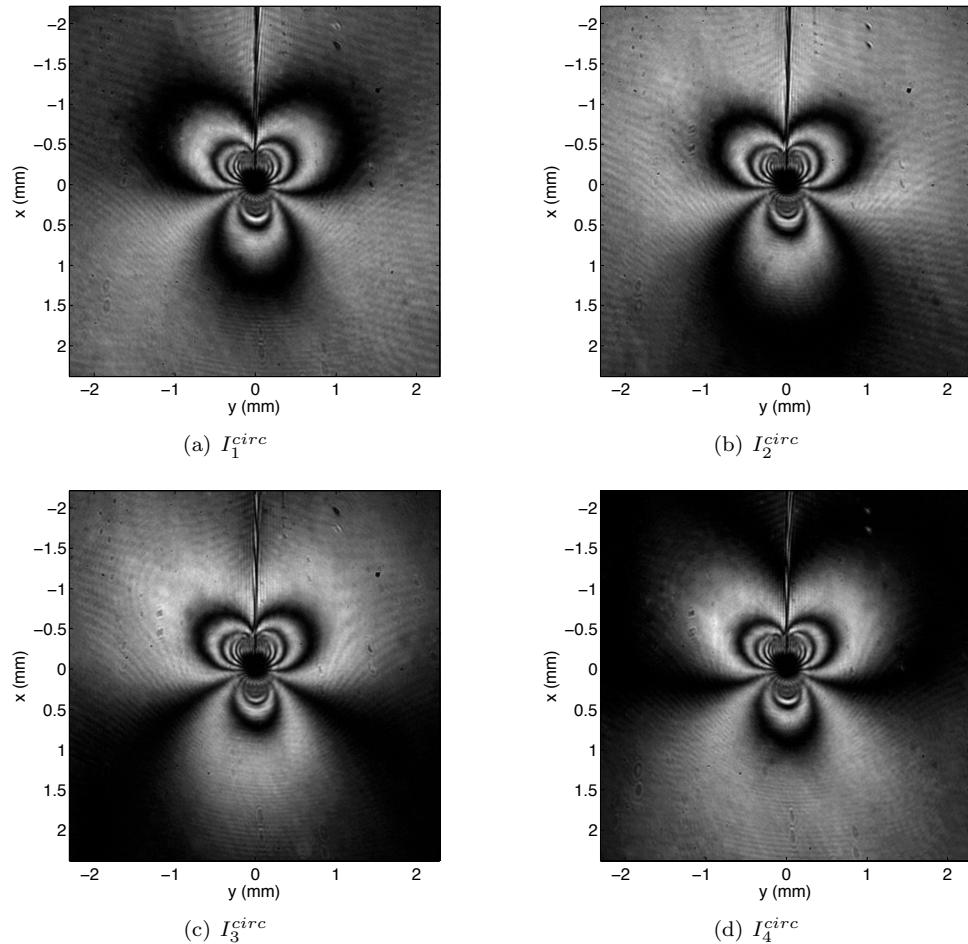


Figure 4.9: Experimental phase-shifted images from vertical shearing CGS using the $\lambda/4$ polarization method for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$

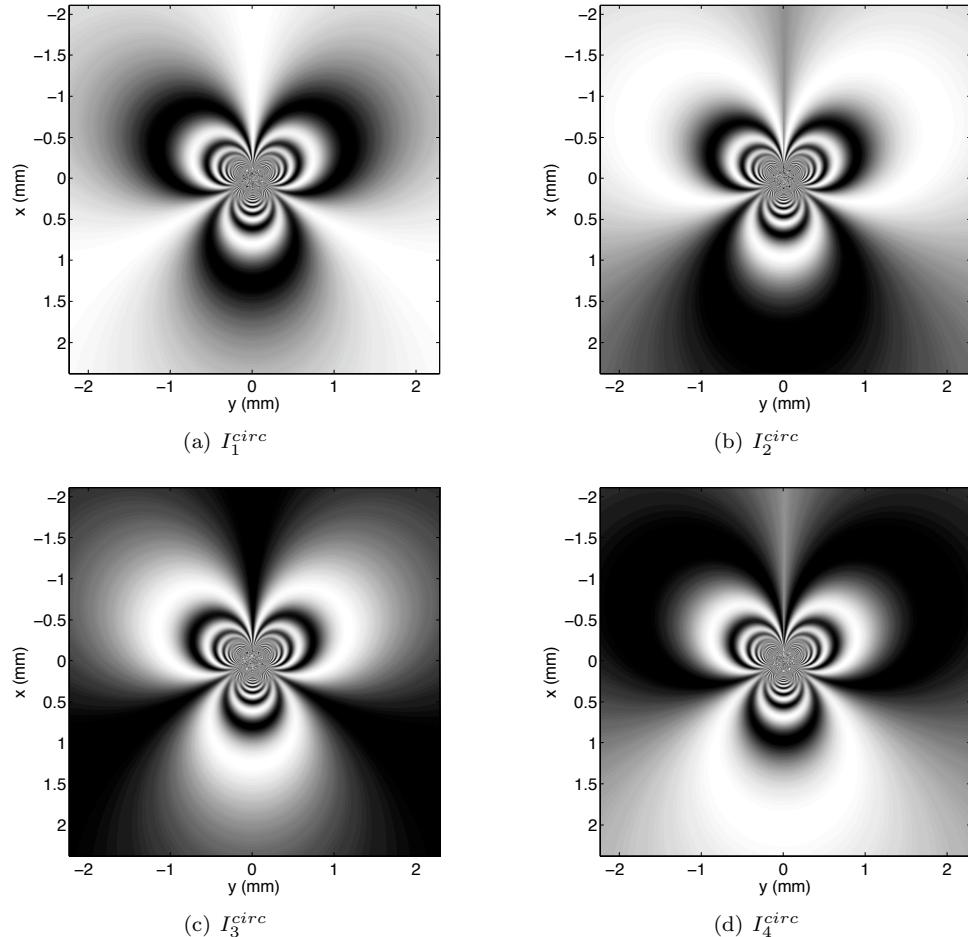


Figure 4.10: Theoretical phase-shifted images from vertical shearing CGS using the $\lambda/4$ polarization method for specimen HomC1 for $K_I = 0.514 \text{ MPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$ and $K_{II} = 4.4 \text{ kPa}\sqrt{\text{m}}$