

HIGH RESOLUTION MOTORIZED POLARIZATION CONTROLLER

PRELIMINARY

Features

- Precision rotation of half wave plates, quarter wave plates and polarizers to manipulate polarization
- Built-in encoder for closed loop operation
- Compact handheld plug-and-play device with touch screen control or with a computer via a USB port
- User-friendly software with an intuitive GUIs
- Can be pigtailed with single-mode, polarization maintaining or multimode fibers
- Customizable software and GUI upon request
- Interchangeable optics, holders and receptacles

Applications

- Automation of multi-polarization state analysis
- Quantum state tomography
- Polarization calibration
- Polarization state analyzer and controller
- Polarized fiber optic source
- Polarization extinction ratio controller and PM fiber axes conversion
- Optical Interferometric systems
- Laser to fiber coupling and coherent detection

Product Description

OZ Optics handy and cost-effective motorized rotators enable precise control of the polarization states of a single optical stage or multi-stage system with multiple optical paths. These rotators can be controlled and synchronized to perform precise rotations sequentially or in parallel using a single compact control unit. The control unit is incorporated along with a processor and touch screen in a palm-sized



A single rotation stage along with a control unit and built-in touch-screen is powered up using 5V DC power supply.



A dual-stage rotation stage coupled to optical fibers at the input and output ports

enclosure to control multiple motors via an intuitive graphical user interface (GUI). Plug-and-play features are realized and enabled via a customizable GUI regardless of the system complexity for demanding applications.

The input and output ports of a given stage can be fiber-connector receptacles, pinholes for free-space applications, or pigtailed with single mode, polarization maintaining or multimode fibers. The light beam is directed through one or more rotators, where the polarization state (the electric field of the propagating wave) is manipulated via rotating waveplates, polarizer plates, polarizer prisms or polarization beam splitters with sub-degree resolution.

High power optics, connectorized fibers for wide ranges of operating wavelengths are available.

The software and the associated GUI can be modified upon request and a Python library is available.



Standard Specifications¹

Performance						
Travel	360° Continuous ²					
Bidirectional Repeatability ³	0.05°					
Homing Repeatability	0.1°					
Bidirectional Accuracy ⁴	0.4°					
Backlash	0.013°					
Encoder Resolution	143360 counts/360° typical (0.0025°/count)					
Minimum Incremental Motion	0.05°					
Axis Wobble⁵	0.014°					
Maximum Total Load ⁶	50 g					
Minimum Lifetime ⁷	>600 000 Revolutions (100 km)					

Note:

2. A duty cycle of 15 sec running should be followed by 20 sec cooling down. A shorter running time requires a shorter cool down time.

Maximum difference between clockwise and counter clockwise

movement to the same position

4. Maximum deviation from true

Electrical					
Motor Type	Resonant Piezo				
DC Voltage Input	4.5 to 5.5 V				
Current Consumption	800 mA typical				
Standby Current Consumption	50 mA typical				
Communications					
Bus	TTL RS232				
Speed	9600 baud				
Data Length (1 Stop Bit, No Parity)	8 bit				
Protocol Data Format	ASCII HEX				

5	Maximum	deviation	from	the	center	of	rotation
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6. Must be centered in the mount.

7. This rotation stage is not designed for continuous operation

Mechanical					
Mounting Thread	14-20 UNC-2B TAP				
Dimensions	7.4 x 8.8 x 2.3 cm				
Weight	230 g				
Environmental Operating Conditions					
Temperature Range	15 to 40 °C				
Maximum Relative Humidity	<80% at 31 °C (Non-Condensing)				
Maximum Altitude	2000				

^{1.} Performance specifications with a load of 64 g and a moment of inertia of 6600 g·mm2.





Notes:

1. For Highly Stable Polarized Sources (HIPFOSS) which include an isolator and Peltier cooler circuit please refer to the Highly Stable Polarized Source data sheet

2. Add -BL to the part number to have blocking style attenuator added to the PFOSS

3. Add -ISOL to the part number for an isolator. For wavelengths less than 1290 nm, order a HIPFOSS instead