

Dynamic Beam Stabilization



Application highlights

- Stabilization of laser beam position and direction
- Adjustment of laser setups
- Beam tracking with PSD

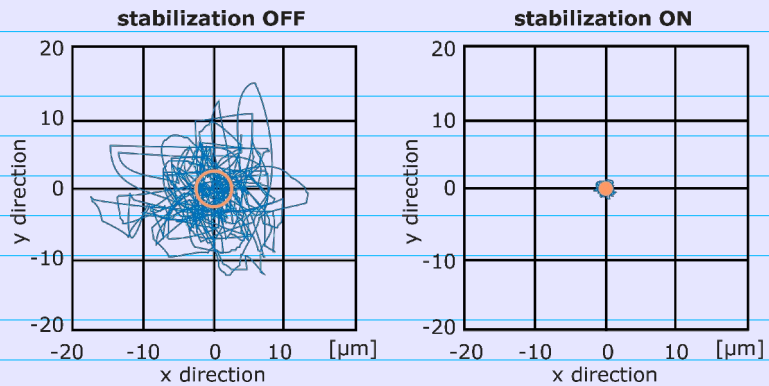
Features

- Closed-loop active control
- No user actions required
- For pulsed and cw lasers
- Easy adjustment
- High bandwidths up to 1 kHz
- Works with very low laser powers (~50 nW)
- No additional dispersion since detectors can be placed behind HR mirrors
- Variable intensity gain
- Safety features: low power switch-off, switch on activity delay, status signals, interlock



Application examples

- Stabilization of laser beams against thermal and mechanical drift
- Compensation of laser beam pointing, vibrations, and shocks
- Stabilization of beam coupling in MOPA setups
- Stabilization of laser beams for material processing
- Adjustment of lasers in pump-probe experiments
- Laser beam adjustment into hollow fibers
- Stabilization of lasers that are distributed over several optical tables
- Alignment of lasers onto common beam paths
- Fast delivery of beams to changing applications



System components

Position detectors

	Si 4-QD visible	Si-PIN 4-QD UV	Ge 4-QD IR	Si PSD visible (UV)
Wavelength	320-1.100 nm	190-1.000 nm	800-1.800 nm	400(200)-1.100nm
Detection area	10 x 10 mm ²	3 x 3 mm ²	Ø = 5 mm	10 x 10 mm ²

Piezo-actuated steering mirrors

	Type 1: PKS (K-700-31)	Type 2: PSH (K-102-10)	
Bandwidth	< 700 Hz	< 840 Hz	(measured with 1" mirrors, thickness: 0,125")
Maximum tilt	< 1 mrad (± 0.5 mrad)	< 2 mrad (± 1 mrad)	

Mechanical dimensions

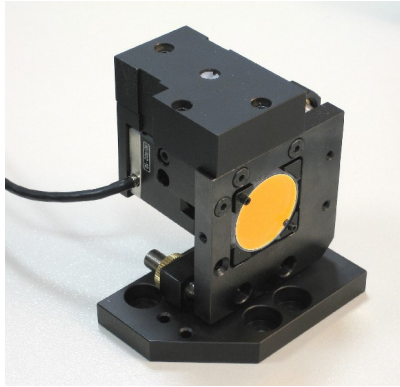
Controller housing	147 x 471 x 331 mm ³
Detector housing (without base plate)	60 x 35 x 30 mm ³

Options & accessories

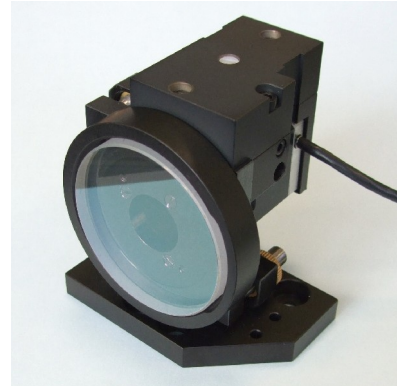
Mirror mount type 1



Mirror mount type 2



Adapters for large beam sizes



Adapters for motorized mounts with large tilts



Fast position detectors



Laser shutters (with flexible controllers)



Beam tracking

Semi-automatic adjustment of experiments with PSDs and steering mirrors

If the beam position is an important parameter of your laser setup, use a new combination of our devices to optimize your application:

1. Place PSDs (position sensitive detectors) behind your mirrors
2. Change the target points on the PSDs by simply setting a position voltage
3. The steering mirrors will automatically track the beam direction
4. In that way, you can vary the laser beam direction with highest resolution until you have the optimal result

The system will then fix and stabilize the position with the best alignment.

Customisation / OEM

Vacuum adaption (thermal management and sealing)

Additional electronics (sample & hold, pulse-picking, triggers, etc.)

Mechanical modifications

System integration

Any questions? Please feel free to contact us!

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