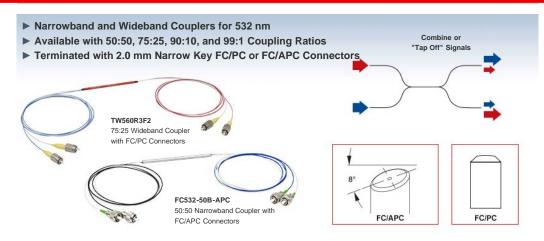


FC532-50B-FC - Nov. 15, 2016

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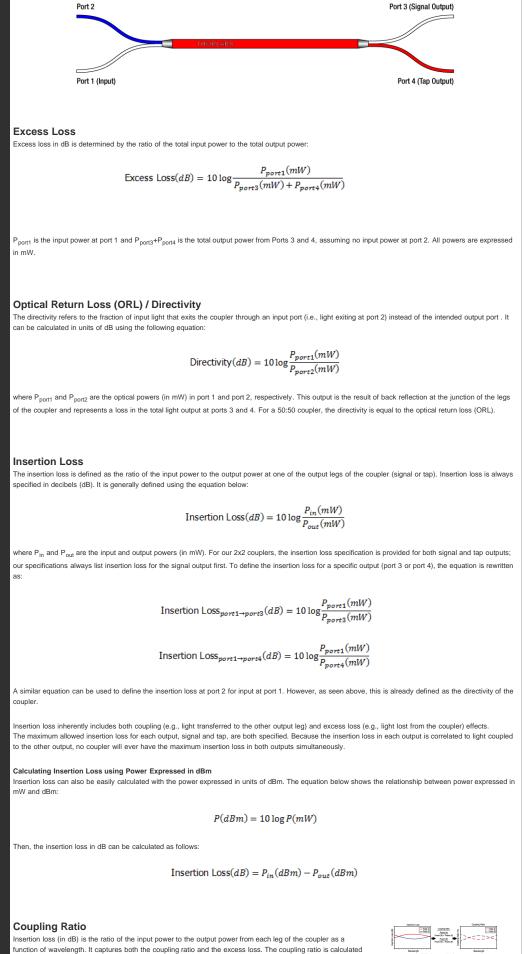
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Definition of 2x2 Fused Fiber Optic Coupler Specifications

This tab provides a brief explanation of how we determine several key specifications for our 2x2 couplers. The ports of the coupler are defined as shown in the coupler schematic below. In the sections below, the light is input into port 1. Ports 3 and port 4 would then be considered the signal and tap outputs, respectively.



Click to Enlarge A graphical representation of the coupling ratio calculation.

from the measured insertion loss. Coupling ratio (in %) is the ratio of the optical power from each output port (A and B) to the sum of the total power of both output ports as a function of wavelength. It is not impacted by spectral features such as the water absorption region because both output legs are affected equally. Persistence plots showing the coupling ratio of our wideband couplers can be viewed by clicking on the blue info icons below.

Uniformity

The uniformity is also calculated from the measured insertion loss. Uniformity is the variation (in dB) of the insertion loss over the bandwidth. It is a measure of how evenly the insertion loss is distributed over the spectral range. The uniformity of Path A is the difference between the value of highest insertion loss and the solid red insertion loss curve (in the Insertion Plot above). The uniformity of Path B is the difference between the solid blue insertion loss curve and the value of lowest insertion loss. Persistence plots showing the uniformity of our wideband couplers can be viewed by clicking on the blue info icons below.

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General Coupling Examples

Animated example of 90:10 splitting and 50:50 mixing.

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2x2 fused fiber optic couplers can split or mix light between two optical fibers with minimal loss and at a specified coupling ratio. Thorlabs' couplers are available from stock in one of four ratios: 50:50, 75:25, 90:10, or 99:1. All of our fused fiber optic couplers are bidirectional, meaning that all ports can be used as an input. The animation to the right shows several simple coupling examples.

The terms "Signal Output" and "Tap Output" refer to the higher and lower power outputs, respectively. To illustrate this, if light is input into the white port of the TW1064R1A2A coupler (99:1 coupling ratio), 99% of the transmitted light is coupled into the white port on the other side of the coupler while the other 1% is coupled into the red port. In this example, the second white port is referred to as the signal output port, and the red port is referred to as a tap output port. For a 50:50 coupler, the signal and tap ports would have the same power output.

In our wideband couplers, the signal always propagates from blue to red or white to white, while the tap always propagates from blue to white or white to red. For our narrowband couplers, please refer to the datasheet included with the coupler to determine signal and tap propagation paths.

Specific Coupling Examples

In the examples below, two 2x2 1300 nm Wideband Fiber Optic Couplers (50:50 and 90:10 coupling ratios) are used with input signals A and B. The table to the right lists typical insertion loss (signal and tap outputs) for each coupler. To calculate the power at any given output, subtract the insertion loss for the signal or tap output from the input power (in dBm).

	Coupling Ratio	Insertion Loss (Signal)	Insertion Loss (Tap)
9	90:10	0.6 dB	10.1 dB
h	50:50	3.2 dB	3.2 dB

Example 1: Splitting Light from a Single Input

For this example, the couplers are used to split light from a single input into the signal and tap outputs as indicated in the diagrams below. In the table below, the output ports are highlighted in green.

	90:10 Coupling Ratio	50:50 Coupling Ratio
Port	Signal A	Signal A
1 (Input)	10 dBm (10 mW)	10 dBm (10 mW)
2 (Not Used)		-
3 (Signal Output)	9.4 dBm (8.7 mW)	6.8 dBm (4.8 mW)
4 (Tap Output)	-0.1 dBm (1.0 mW)	6.8 dBm (4.8 mW)
Click on the Diagram for Power Distributions at Each Port	Port 3: Output A (Signal)	Port 3: Output A (Signal) 50:50 Coupling Ratio Port 1: Input A Port 4: Output A (Tap)

Example 2: Mixing Two Signals from Two Inputs

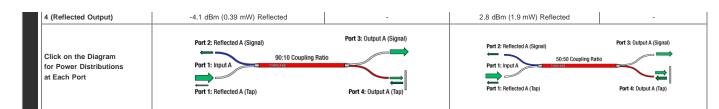
In this example, the couplers are used to mix light from two inputs, designated Signal A and Signal B. The outputs contain a mixed signal composed of both Signal A and Signal B in ratios depending on the coupling ratio. All ports are indicated in the diagrams below. In the table below, the output ports are highlighted in green.

	90:10 Co	upling Ratio	50:50 Coupling Ratio					
Port	Signal A	Signal B	Signal A	Signal B				
1 (Input A)	5 dBm (3.2 mW)	-	5 dBm (3.2 mW)	-				
2 (Input B)	-	8 dBm (6.3 mW)	-	8 dBm (6.3 mW)				
3 (Output)	4.4 dBm (2.8 mW)	-2.1 dBm (0.6 mW)	1.6 dBm (1.4 mW)	4.8 dBm (3.0 mW)				
4 (Output)	-5.1 dBm (0.3 mW)	7.4 dBm (5.5 mW)	1.6 dBm (1.4 mW)	4.8 dBm (3.0 mW)				
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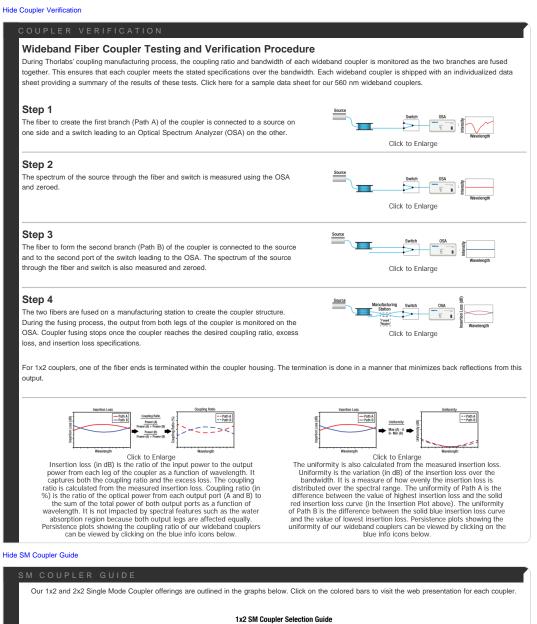
Example 3: Coupling a Return Signal with a Reflector on Port 4

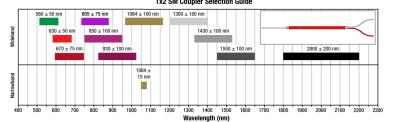
Here, the couplers are used to split light from a single input, however, in this example there is a 100% reflector on port 4, as shown in the diagrams below. As a result, the light is reflected back into the coupler and split again. The ports are indicated in the diagrams below. In the table below, the output ports for the initial pass are highlighted in green.

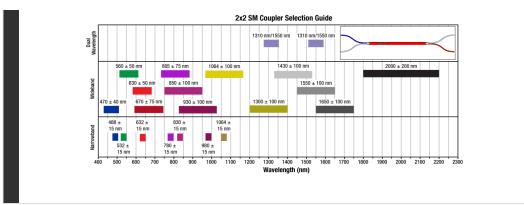
	90:10 Coupling R	atio	50:50 Coupling Ratio			
Port	Signal A	Reflected Signal A	Signal A	Reflected Signal A		
1 (Input)	6 dBm (4.0 mW)	-14.2 dBm (0.04 mW)	6 dBm (4.0 mW)	-0.4 dBm (0.9 mW)		
2 (No Input)	-	-4.7 dBm (0.34 mW)	-	-0.4 dBm (0.9 mW)		
3 (Signal Output)	5.4 dBm (3.5 mW)	-	2.8 dBm (1.9 mW)	-		











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50:50 Fiber Optic Couplers

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		Center		Coupling	Coupling Ratio	Insertion	Excess		Fiber	
Item #	Info	Wavelength	Bandwidth	Ratio ^a (%)	Tolerance	Loss ^a	Loss ^a	Uniformity ^a	Type ^b	Termination
FC532-50B-FC		532 nm	±15 nm	50:50	_	4.0 dB / 4.0 dB	1.0 dB		460HP	FC/PC
FC532-50B-APC		552 mm	±131111	50.50	-	(Typical)	(Typical)	-	400111	FC/APC
TW560R5F2 ^c	0	560 nm	±50 nm	50:50	±6.0%	≤3.9 dB / ≤3.9 dB	≤0.3 dB	≤0.8 dB	460HP	FC/PC
TW560R5A2 ^c	0	500 mm	±50 nm	(Click for Plot)	±0.0%	≤3.9 UB / ≤3.9 UB	120.3 UB	(Click for Plot)	40000	FC/APC

• Please see the 2x2 Coupler Tutorial tab for more information on these terms.

· Other fiber types may be available upon request. Please contact Tech Support with inquiries.

• All values are specified at room temperature over the bandwidth and measured without connectors using the white port as the input, as indicated in the diagram above; performance may vary if the blue port is used as the input.

Part Number	Description	Price	Availability
FC532-50B-FC	2x2 Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 50:50 Split, FC/PC	\$225.00	3-5 Days
FC532-50B-APC	2x2 Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 50:50 Split, FC/APC	\$265.00	Lead Time
TW560R5F2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 50:50 Split, FC/PC	\$350.00	Today
TW560R5A2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 50:50 Split, FC/APC	\$390.00	Today

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75:25 Fiber Optic Couplers

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Item #	Info	Center Wavelength	Bandwidth	Coupling Ratio ^a (%)	Coupling Ratio Tolerance	Insertion Loss ^a	Excess Loss ^a	Uniformity ^a	Fiber Type ^b	Termination
TN532R3F2		532 nm	±15 nm	75:25	±8.0%	≤2.0 dB / ≤8.0 dB	≤0.3 dB		460HP	FC/PC
TN532R3A2		552 1111	±131111	(Click for Plot)	±0.076	22.0 dB / 20.0 dB	⊒0.5 GD	_	40000	FC/APC
TW560R3F2 ^c	1	560 nm	±50 nm	75:25	±3.75%	≤1.8 dB / ≤7.0 dB	≤0.3 dB	≤1.0 dB	460HP	FC/PC
TW560R3A2 ^c	1	000 nm	100 1111	(Click for Plot)	±3.75%	≤1.0 dB / ≤7.0 dB	≥0.5 uB	(Click for Plot)	40000	FC/APC

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Part Number	Description	Price	Availability
TN532R3F2	2x2 Narrowband Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 75:25 Split, FC/PC	\$225.00	Today
TN532R3A2	2x2 Narrowband Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 75:25 Split, FC/APC	\$265.00	Today
TW560R3F2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 75:25 Split, FC/PC	\$350.00	Today
TW560R3A2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 75:25 Split, FC/APC	\$390.00	Today

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90:10 Fiber Optic Couplers

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Item #	Info	Center Wavelength	Bandwidth	Coupling Ratio ^a (%)	Coupling Ratio Tolerance	Insertion Loss ^a	Excess Loss ^a	Uniformity ^a	Fiber Type ^b	Termination
TN532R2F2		532 nm	±15 nm	90:10	±6.0%	≤1.1 dB / ≤14.3 dB	≤0.3 dB	_	460HP	FC/PC
TN532R2A2		332 mm	101111	(Click for Plot)	±0.0 %	S1.1 0B / S14.3 0B	⊒0.5 0D	-	40000	FC/APC
TW560R2F2 ^c	1	560 nm	±50 nm	90:10	±3.0%	≤0.9 dB / ≤11.8 dB	≤0.3 dB	≤1.0 dB	460HP	FC/PC
		500 nm	±30 nm		±3.0%	20.8 0D / 211.8 0B 50	≤0.5 ub		460HP	

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Part Number	Description	Price	Availability
TN532R2F2	2x2 Narrowband Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 90:10 Split, FC/PC	\$225.00	3-5 Days
TN532R2A2	2x2 Narrowband Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 90:10 Split, FC/APC	\$265.00	Today
TW560R2F2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 90:10 Split, FC/PC	\$350.00	Today
TW560R2A2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 90:10 Split, FC/APC	\$390.00	Today

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99:1 Fiber Optic Couplers

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				Coupling		Insertion	Excess		Fiber	
Item #	Info	Center Wavelength	Bandwidth	Ratio ^a (%)	Coupling Ratio Tolerance	Loss ^a	Loss ^a	Uniformity ^a	Type ^b	Termination
FC532-99B-FC	1	532 nm	+15 nm	99:1		0.7 dB / 21 dB	≤1.0 dB		460HP	FC/PC
FC532-99B-APC	1	552 1111	±13 IIII	39.1	-	(Typical)	(Typical)	-	40000	FC/APC
TW560R1F2 ^c	1	560 nm	±50 nm	99:1	±0.6%	≤0.4 dB / ≤24.3 dB	≤0.3 dB	≤2.0 dB	460HP	FC/PC
TW560R1A2 ^c	1	500 1111	±30 mm	(Click for Plot)	±0.0 %	20.4 0B / 224.3 0B	≤0.5 UB	(Click for Plot)	40000	FC/APC

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Part Number	Description	Price	Availability
FC532-99B-FC	2x2 Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 99:1 Split, FC/PC	\$225.00	Today
FC532-99B-APC	2x2 Fiber Optic Coupler, 532 ± 15 nm, 99:1 Split, FC/APC		3-5 Days
TW560R1F2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 99:1 Split, FC/PC	\$350.00	Today
TW560R1A2	2x2 Wideband Fiber Optic Coupler, 560 ± 50 nm, 99:1 Split, FC/APC	\$390.00	Today

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Specs

Specific	cations ^a	
Coupling Ratio	50:50	
Center Wavelength	532 nm	
Bandwidth	±15 nm	
Insertion Loss	4.0 dB / 4.0 dB (Typ.)	
Excess Loss	1.0 dB (Typ.)	
Polarization-Dependent Loss (PDL)	≤0.22 dB	
Directivity	>50 dB	
Fiber Type	460HP	
Port Configuration	2x2	
Fiber Lead Length and Tolerance	0.8 m +0.075 m/-0 m	
Termination	2.0 mm Narrow Key FC/PC	
Package Size	Ø0.16" x 2.36" (Ø4.0 mm x 60.0 mm)	
Jacket	Ø900 µm Loose Furcation Tubing	
Operating Temperature All specifications are measured view 	-40 to 85 °C without connectors during the manufact	uring process