

Multimode Scrambler - SpeckleFree™ (MMS-201)



Speckle patterns from a multimode fiber can cause problems in many applications that require uniform, stable light distributions at the fiber output. The MMS-201 multimode scrambler, a superior replacement for the MMS-101, is specially designed to solve this problem. Based on a General Photonics proprietary technology, the MMS-201 effectively randomizes multimode speckle patterns over time at a high frequency over 150kHz. The light distribution at the output appears uniform and stationary when viewed by cameras or detectors with averaging times >80 ms. In addition, the all-fiber optical path minimizes the scrambler's insertion loss. The fiber used for this device undergoes a special surface treatment to prevent breakage under stress, ensuring high device reliability. The MMS-201 can improve performance in various applications including DNA sequencing, multimode fiber sensing and test and measurement of multimode fiber devices.

Specifications:

Operating Wavelength Range	530 to 1630 nm
Fiber Type	50/125 μm step index standard, others optional
Fiber NA	0.2
Scrambling Frequency	150 \pm 5 kHz
Insertion Loss	\leq 1 dB at 635nm, including connectors
Return Loss	>50 dB (with PC connector) >55 dB (with APC connector)
Scrambling Efficiency ^{1,2}	> 80% (effective power)
Flatness ³	< 20% typical
Ripple ⁴	< 10% typical
Optical Power Handling	400 mW
Power Supply	+24VDC/1.5A
Enable/Disable Signal	TTL high = enabled TTL low = disabled
Operating Temperature	10 to 40°C
Storage temperature	-20 to 70°C
Dimensions	23 (L) x 10.5 (W) x 6.5 (H) cm

Notes:

Specifications in this table apply for an MMS-201 made with 50 μm step index multimode fiber.

- Scrambling efficiency is defined as $(\text{Light energy} \geq 80\% \text{ of maximum intensity} / \text{Total energy})^*$ (area over which intensity is $\geq 80\%$ of maximum intensity / total core area).
- Measured over 80 ms integration time at 635 nm.
- Flatness is defined as $(\text{maximum intensity} - \text{minimum intensity})$ expressed as a percentage of maximum intensity, where the maximum and minimum are defined over the center 80% of the fiber core area.
- Ripple is defined as the maximum peak-to valley difference of intensity fluctuations, expressed as a percentage of maximum intensity, where the fluctuation differences and maximum intensity are measured within the center 80% of the fiber core area.

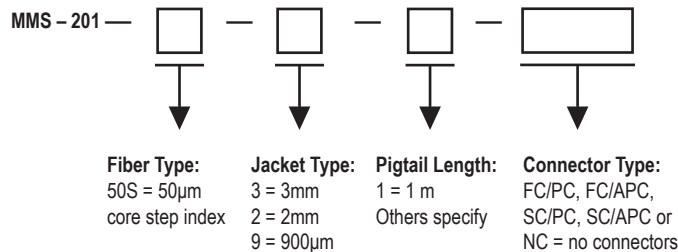
Features:

- Compact
- Reliable
- High speed
- Efficient
- Can be made with custom fiber

Applications:

- DNA sequencing
- Multimode fiber sensing
- Test and measurement
- MM to SM coupling
- Free-space optical communication

Order Information:



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Typical Performance Data:

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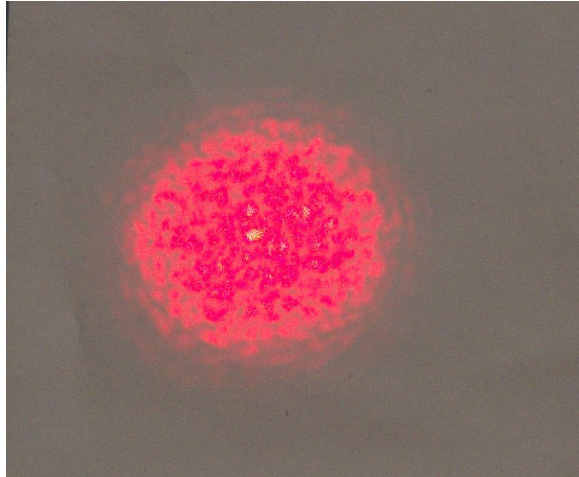
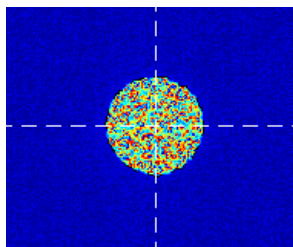


Figure 1. Far-field illumination pattern with scrambler disabled.

2-D Beam Profile



3-D Beam Profile

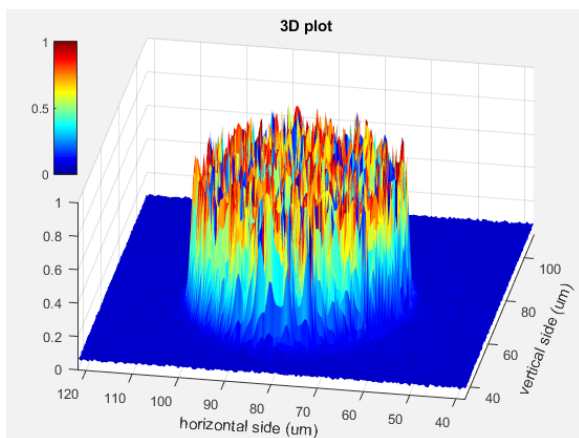


Figure 3. 2D and 3D beam profiles with scrambler disabled.

SCRAMBLING ENABLED

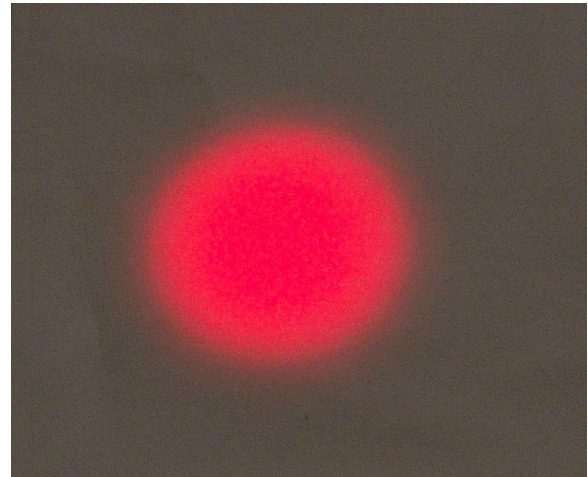
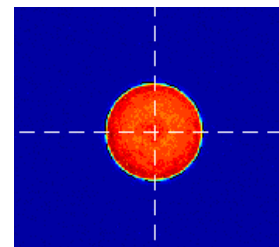


Figure 2. Far-field illumination pattern with scrambler enabled.

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3-D Beam Profile

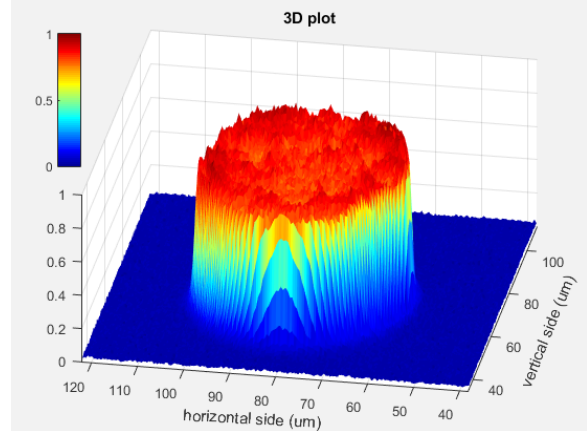


Figure 4. 2D and 3D beam profiles with scrambler enabled.

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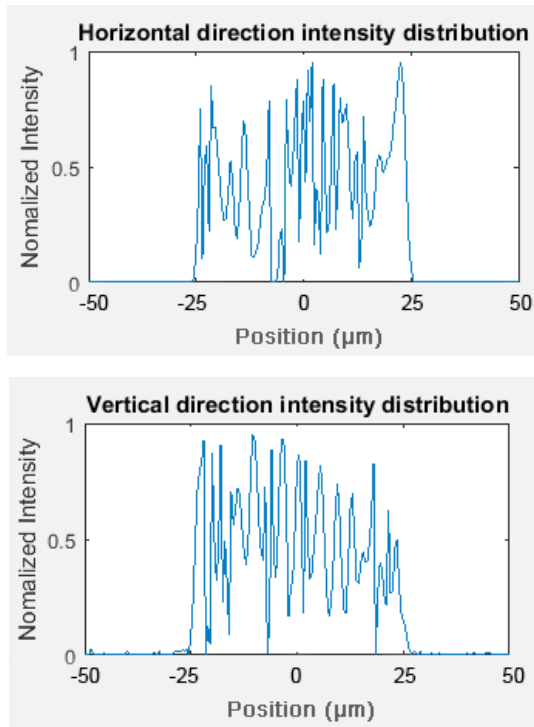


Figure 5. X and Y cross-sectional beam profiles with scrambler disabled.

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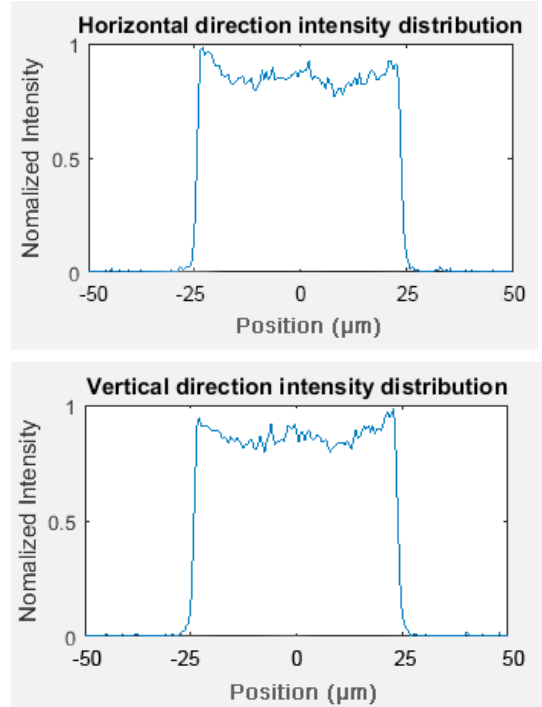


Figure 6. X and Y cross-sectional beam profiles with scrambler enabled.

Note: Data in Figures 3-6 taken at 635nm with 80 ms integration time.

Mechanical Dimensions (in inches):

