

Reflection Measurement Integrating Sphere



Description

The 4P4 Integrating Sphere features four modular faces. Two faces are by default opposite each other and fitted with one 4P13 Ø14 mm dual ports insert and one 4P11 Ø1" port insert. The other two modular faces are closed with two 4P10 port plug inserts, and the two remaining square faces are closed with tapped plates to be mounted to the included rail system. The 4P4 has two additional Ø5 mm fixed ports on triangular faces to attach detectors, spectrometers, or light sources. All ports are SM1 threaded.

The 4P4 Integrating Sphere is a general purpose sphere manufactured from PTFE high reflectance bulk material. This makes the 4P4 sphere resistant to heat, humidity and high levels of radiation, as well as covering a large wavelength range. The dual ports are designed with 8° geometry so that a light source input to one Ø14 mm port will reflect off a sample mounted in the opposing Ø1" port and the direct reflection can be detected from the second Ø14 mm port. Indirect reflectance can be detected using a fixed Ø5 mm port.

Possible applications for the 4P4 Integrating Sphere include direct and indirect reflectance measurement, light measurement of lasers and LEDs, or camera calibration using the 4P4 as homogeneous illumination.

A custom integrating sphere with four modular faces (inserts chosen by the user) and up to eight fixed Ø5 mm ports is available on our website as item # 4P4-CUSTOM:

Specifications

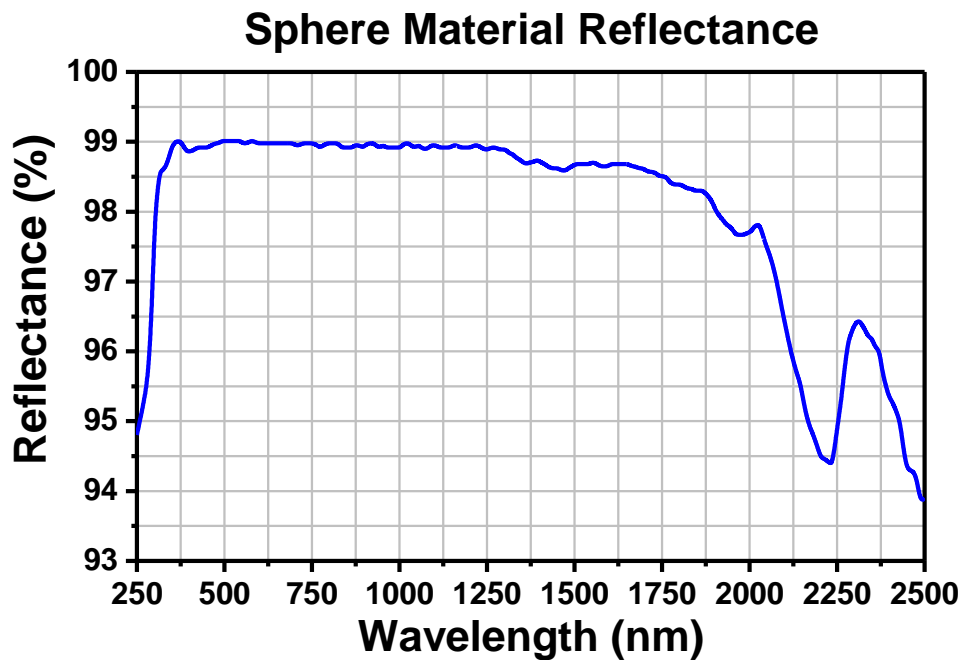
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| Inner Sphere Diameter | 100 mm (3.94") |
| # of Modular Faces | 4 |
| Interchangeable Port Inserts | Ø1" Port (4P11) Dual Ø14 mm Ports (4P13) Two Port Plugs (4P10) |
| Fixed Ports | Two Ø5 mm Ports (SM1 Threaded) |
| Maximum Reflectance | >95% @ 250 nm - 2500 nm >99% @ 350 nm - 1500 nm |
| Wavelength Range | 250 nm to 2500 nm |
| Operating Temperature | -20 °C to 60 °C |
| Operating Humidity | 5% - 95% |
| Laser Damage Threshold | Pulsed: 7 J/cm ² CW: 10 W/cm ² |
| Weight of Unmounted Sphere | 2505 g |
| Dimensions of Unmounted Sphere (L x W x H) | 134.2 mm x 150.0 mm x 134.2 mm (5.28" x 5.91" x 5.28") |
| Weight of Sphere Mounted to Rail System Stand | 3385 g |
| Dimensions of Sphere Mounted to Rail System Stand (L x W x H) | 163.0 mm x 205.4 mm x 226.3 mm (6.42" x 8.09" x 8.91") |



Calibration

Upon request, Thorlabs offers calibration of each 4P4 Integrating Sphere with the individual sensors of choice. Thorlabs then provides NIST and/or PTB-traceable certificates of calibration.

Typical Performance Plot



Exchanging Port Inserts

Any of the inserts in the four modular faces can be swapped for other interchangeable port inserts, including additional inserts sold separately. Please wait until the integrating sphere has reached a temperature lower than 26 °C to change inserts. Each port insert is fastened to the modular face with two M3 screws. The inserts can be exchanged by loosening the screws with a 2 mm (5/64") balldriver or hex key.

Maintenance and Safety

There are no serviceable parts in the 4P4 Integrating Sphere. The housing may be cleaned by wiping with a soft damp cloth. The integrating sphere inner surface cannot be cleaned; do not touch this surface. Gently blow off any debris using compressed air. If you suspect there is a problem with your 4P4 Integrating Sphere, please contact Thorlabs and an engineer will be happy to assist you.