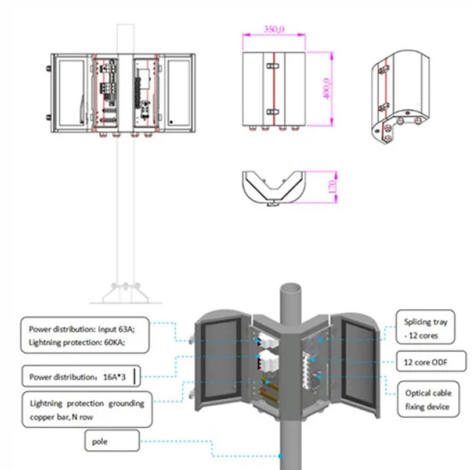


Characteristics of beam splitters with different ratios



Overview

While most beam splitters have a fixed splitting ratio, variable beam splitters allow for the continuous adjustment of the ratio between reflected and transmitted power. These are often realized as rotating disks with a gradient dielectric or metallic coating, where the local reflectance changes. Beamsplitters are optical components used to split incident light at a designated ratio into two separate beams. Beamsplitters are often classified according to their construction: cube or plate. Similarly, our polarizing splitters feature principal transmittance and reflectance ratios of $T_p > 95\%$ and $T_s < 1\%$ and $R_s > 98\%$ and $R_p < 1\%$. See the Comprehensive Guide for worked examples, SVG diagrams, and full references. Introduction A beam splitter divides incident light into reflected and transmitted beams at a specified R/T. A lossless beam-splitter has certain (complex-valued) probability amplitudes for sending an incoming photon into one of two possible directions. Different split angles are achieved by changing the magnitude of the phase.



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