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We strive to be the ultimate resource for the photonics community-a place to find the products you need to enable your experiments, as well as the information you need to get your application working.

Thorlabs designs, develops, and manufactures building blocks for the photonics industry including equipment for opto-mechanics, motion control, nano-positioning, alignment, optical components, laser diodes, tunable lasers and vibration isolation systems. In addition to core photonics building blocks, we now provide system level solutions including complete OCT and imaging systems.

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Revision History

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8 mm Travel High Precision Differential Adjuster

Model Number DM10A

1.1 Introduction

The Thorlabs High Precision Adjuster offers exceptional resolution and repeatability, with 8mm of travel. The unique lever mechanism provides a precision mechanical advantage, which multiplies the resolution of its high-precision fine adjustment threads, that results in a small displacement of the spindle. This approach provides uniformly smooth motion that is largely independent of loading.

Two large knobs are provided for coarse and fine adjustment. The coarse adjustment provides 8 mm of travel at 1 μm resolution, while the fine adjustment provides 0.3 mm travel at 100 nm resolution.

The DM10A has a 9.5 mm (3/8") mounting barrel and is compatible with our RollerBlock™ series of linear stages, or any stage with a 3/8" (9.5 mm) mounting clamp.



Fig. 1.1 DM10A Differential Actuator

1.2 Specification

Coarse Travel Range:	8 mm
Coarse Travel Per Revolution:	0.5mm
Coarse Resolution:	1 μm
Fine Travel Range:	300 μm
Fine Travel Per Revolution:	50 μm
Fine Resolution:	100 nm

1.3 Dimensions

all dimensions in inches (mm)

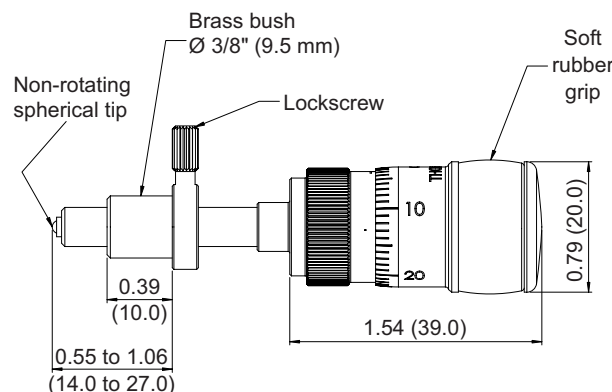


Fig. 1.2 Dimensions

1.4 Fitting the Adjuster

The spindle of the DM10A features a 3/8" (9.5 mm) mounting bush which can be fitted into any stage with a 3/8" (9.5 mm) mounting clamp.

- 1) Loosen the Lock Screw on the adjuster.
- 2) Rotate the coarse adjuster knob *counter-clockwise* a few turns to retract the drive rod. For motor drives, retract the drive rod by turning the manual adjuster *clockwise*.
- 3) Insert the drive into the stage ensuring that mounting bush is seated correctly in the clamp.
- 4) Tighten the clamp locking mechanism to secure the drive in position. Do not overtighten.

1.5 Using The DM10A Differential Drives

Turn the coarse adjustment clockwise until the platform of the stage begins to move. By use of the fine adjustment, sub-micron resolution is now achievable.

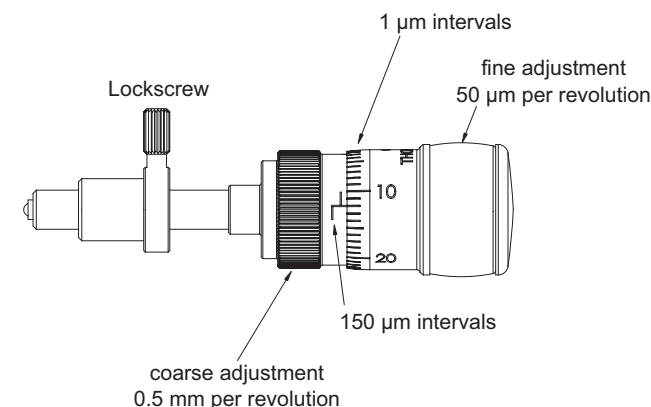


Fig. 1.3 DM10A Scale Graduations

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