

Electrical and Optical Characteristics (Tc = 25°C)

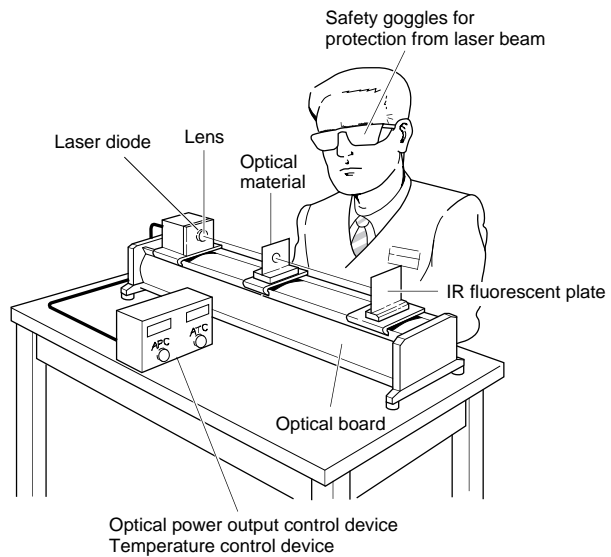
Tc: Case temperature

Item	Symbol	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	
Threshold current	I _{th}			50	70	mA	
Operating current	I _{op}	P _o = 3mW		60	80	mA	
Operating voltage	V _{op}	P _o = 3mW		2.4	3.0	V	
Wavelength	λ	P _o = 3mW	625	635	645	nm	
Radiation angle	Perpendicular	θ _⊥	P _o = 3mW	24	32	40	degree
	Parallel	θ _{//}		5	10	15	degree
Positional accuracy	Position	ΔX, ΔY, ΔZ	P _o = 3mW			±80	μm
	Angle	Δφ _{//}				±3	degree
		Δφ _⊥					±4
Differential efficiency	η _D	P _o = 3mW	0.15	0.35	0.8	mW/mA	
Astigmatism	A _s	Z _{//} - Z _⊥		15		μm	
Monitor current	I _{mon}	P _o = 3mW, V _r = 5V	0.05	0.20	0.60	mA	

Handling Precautions

(1) Eye protection against laser beams

The optical output of laser diodes ranges from several mW to 3W. However the optical power density of the laser beam at the diode chip reaches 1MW/cm². Unlike gas lasers, since laser diode beams are divergent, uncollimated laser diode beams are fairly safe at a laser diode. For observing laser beams, ALWAYS use safety goggles that block infrared rays. Usage of IR scopes, IR cameras and fluorescent plates is also recommended for monitoring laser beams safely.

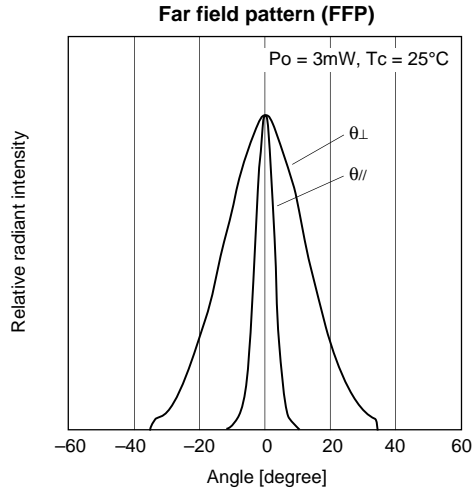
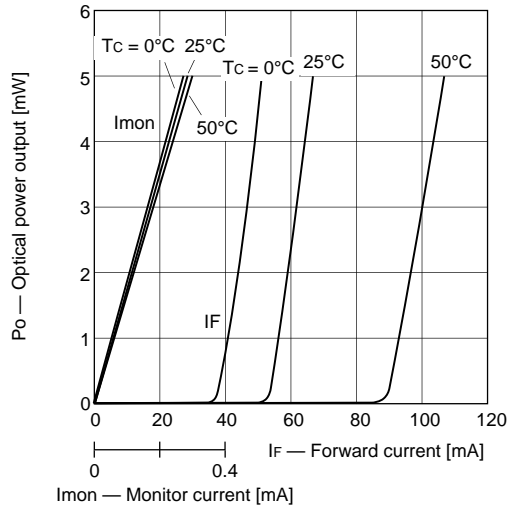


(2) Prevention of surge current and electrostatic discharge

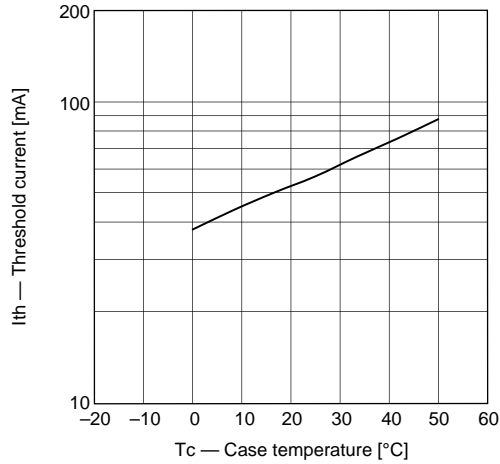
Laser diode is most sensitive to electrostatic discharge among semiconductors. When a large current is passed through the laser diode even for an extremely short time (in the order of nanosecond), the strong light emitted from the laser diode promotes deterioration and then laser diodes are destroyed. Therefore, note that the surge current should not flow the laser diode driving circuit from switches and others. Also, if the laser diode is handled carelessly, it may be destructed instantly because electrostatic discharge is easily applied by a human body. Be great careful about excess current and electrostatic discharge.

Example of Representative Characteristics

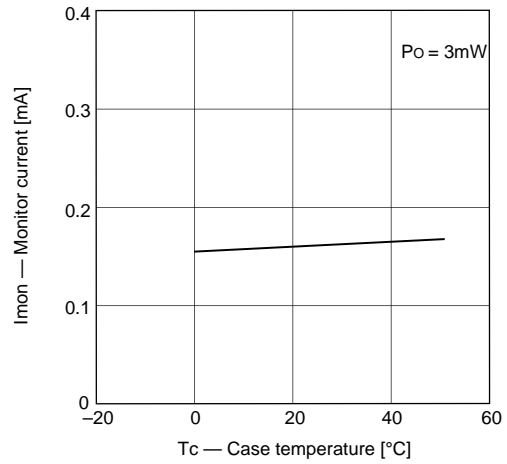
Optical power output vs. Forward current characteristics
 Optical power output vs. Monitor current characteristics



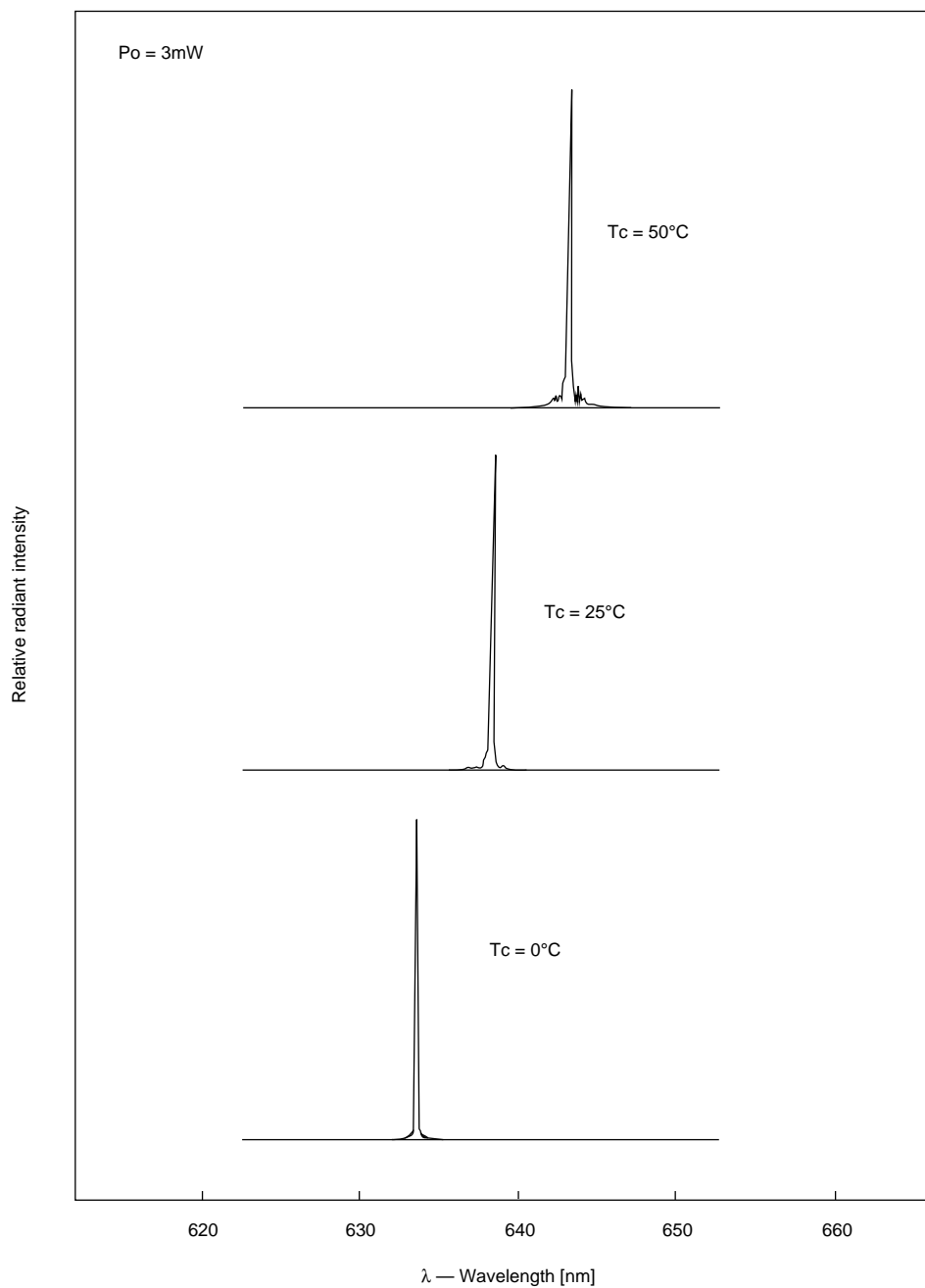
Threshold current vs. Temperature characteristics



Monitor current vs. Temperature characteristics



Temperature dependence of spectrum



Power dependence of spectrum

