

High sensitivity of laser diodes



Overview

Laser diodes are very sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD), current/ voltage transients, and temperature changes, and extra care must be taken to ensure the laser diode is protected during all operating conditions. Until now, however, the feedback sensitivity of high-power devices such as single-frequency DBR tapered laser diodes has not been investigated in quantitative. Linewidth reduction of an extended cavity diode laser at 657 nm was accomplished by negative feedback to an intra-cavity ADP crystal. High resolution (170 kHz wide) saturated absorption signals were recorded of the calcium intercombination line which is of interest for a frequency standard. The. In general, high temperature testing is used to determine LED and laser diode lifetimes, even though laser diode failure mechanisms are more sensitive to increases in current density. Unlike general-purpose power supplies or current supplies, laser diode.



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