

# 1642 nm, 80 mW (Typ.) DFB Butterfly Laser with Isolator, SM Fiber



DFB1642

## Description

Thorlabs' DFB1642 Distributed Feedback (DFB) laser is a single-frequency laser diode that is well-suited as a low-noise pump source for Methane gas sensing, near infrared spectroscopy (NIRS), and general sensing. The DFB1642 laser includes an integrated dual-stage optical isolator, thermoelectric cooler (TEC), thermistor, and monitor photodiode. It is packaged in a 14-pin butterfly package with SMF28e optical fiber and an FC/APC connector with the connector key aligned to the slow axis of the fiber.

## Specifications

DFB1642 <sup>a</sup>				
	Symbol	Min	Typical	Max
Center Wavelength	$\lambda_C$	1637 nm	1642 nm	1647 nm
Laser Linewidth	$\Delta\nu$	-	50 kHz	-
Output Power CW @ $I_{OP}$	$P_{OP}$	70 mW	80 mW	-
Operating Current	$I_{OP}$	-	-	900 mA
Mode-Hop-Free Operating Current <sup>b</sup>	$\Delta I_{\text{Mode-Hop-Free}}$	350 mA	-	-
SMSR in Mode-Hop-Free Range <sup>c</sup>	SMSR	30 dB	50 dB	-
Threshold Current	$I_{TH}$	-	50 mA	-
Forward Voltage	$V_F$	-	-	3.0 V
Slope Efficiency	$\Delta P / \Delta I$	-	0.11 W/A	-
Current Tuning	$\Delta\lambda / \Delta I$	-	0.005 nm/mA	-
Temperature Tuning	$\Delta\lambda / \Delta T$	-	0.11 nm/°C	-
Monitor Diode Responsivity	$I_{MON}/P$	-	5 μA/mW	-
Internal Isolation	ISO	-	50 dB	-
TEC Operation (Typical / Max @ $T_{CASE} = 25^\circ\text{C} / 50^\circ\text{C}$ )				
TEC Current	$I_{TEC}$	-	0.45 A	2.3 A
TEC Voltage	$V_{TEC}$	-	0.60 V	3.8 V
Thermistor Resistance @ 25 °C	$R_{TH}$	-	10 kΩ	-

- a.  $T_{CASE} = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $T_{CHIP} = 15 - 35^\circ\text{C}$ .
- b. The current range where mode-hops are not observed, allowing for continuous tuning.
- c. As measured with an optical spectrum analyzer (OSA) with spectral resolution of 0.02 nm to empirically determine single frequency range. Laser 30 dB bandwidth and SMSR are subject to monochromator settings and OSA internal algorithms and will differ from instrument to instrument.

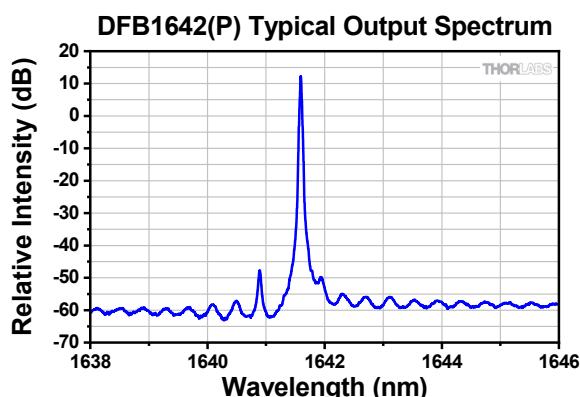


Absolute Maximum Ratings	
Laser Current <sup>a</sup>	See Serialized Datasheet
Laser Power <sup>a</sup>	See Serialized Datasheet
LD Reverse Voltage	2 V
TEC Current	2.5 A
TEC Voltage	4.0 V
PD Reverse Voltage	15 V
Operating Case Temperature	0 to 50 °C
Operating Chip Temperature	15 to 35 °C
Storage Temperature	-10 to 65 °C

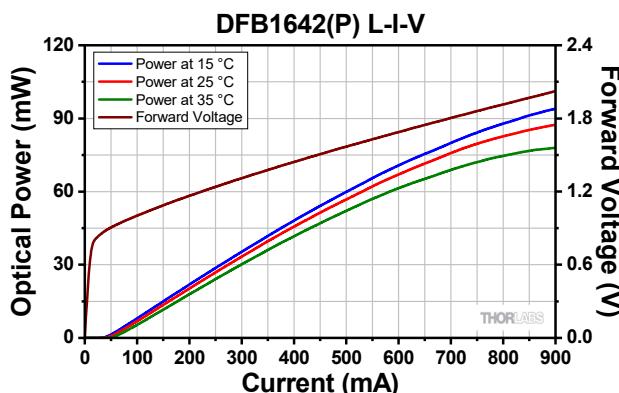
- a. Some devices will produce the max laser power before exceeding the typical operating current. Do not drive the laser diode beyond the absolute max laser current or power. Operating in this regime can cause damage to the device.

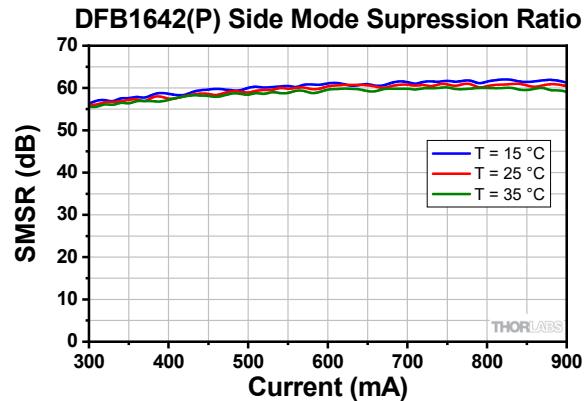
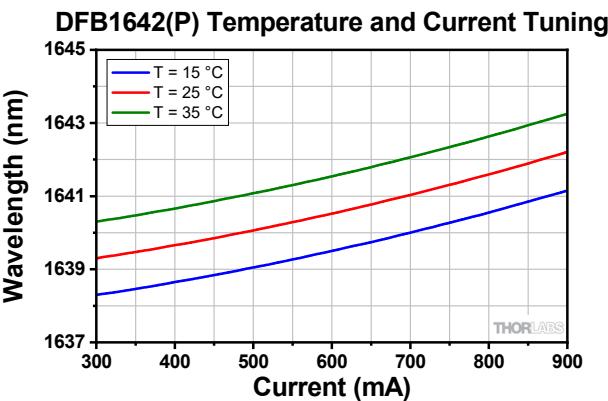
Fiber Specifications	
Fiber Type	SMF-28e
Numerical Aperture	0.14
Core Diameter	8.2 μm
Mode Field Diameter	10.4 ± 0.5 μm at 1550 nm
Fiber Length	1.5 m
Connector	FC/APC, 2.0 mm Narrow Key
Jacket	Ø900 μm, Loose Tube

## Typical Performance Plots



The spectrum was measured using an optical spectrum analyzer with a spectral resolution of 0.02 nm.





## Drawings

