# 1250 nm Booster Optical Amplifier, PM Fiber 

Thorlabs' BOA1250P Booster Optical Amplifier (BOA) is designed to amplify polarized optical signals around 1250 nm . The semiconductor device is housed in a standard 14 -pin butterfly package with FC/APC connectors. Polarization maintaining fiber (PM980-XP) is used on both input and output sides. An integrated TEC and thermistor provide temperature control to stabilize the gain and optical spectrum.

## Specifications

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\mathrm{CW} ; \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{CHIP}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ; \mathrm{T}_{\text {CASE }}=0-70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}
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| BOA1250P Specifications |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Symbol | Min | Typical | Max |
| Center Wavelength ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\lambda_{c}$ | 1230 nm | 1250 nm | 1270 nm |
| Operating Current | Iop | - | 600 mA | 700 mA |
| Optical 3 dB Bandwidth | BW | 70 nm | 78 nm | - |
| Small Signal Gain @ $\mathrm{P}_{\text {IN }}=-20 \mathrm{dBm}{ }^{\text {b,c }}$ | G | 27 dB | 32 dB |  |
| Saturation Output Power (@-3 dB) ${ }^{\text {b,c }}$ | $\mathrm{P}_{\text {SAT }}$ | 15 dBm | 17 dBm | - |
| Gain Ripple (RMS) ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | סG | - | 0.13 dB | 0.3 dB |
| Noise Figure ${ }^{\text {b,c }}$ | NF | - | 7 dB | 9 dB |
| Forward Voltage ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{F}}$ | - | 1.6 V | 2.1 V |
| TEC Operation (Typical/Max @ $\mathrm{T}_{\text {CASE }}=25{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / 70{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) |  |  |  |  |
| TEC Current | $\mathrm{I}_{\text {TEC }}$ | - | 0.34 A | 1.5 A |
| TEC Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TEC }}$ | - | 0.40 V | 4.0 V |
| Thermistor Resistance | $\mathrm{R}_{\text {TH }}$ | - | $10 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | - |


a. This is the center wavelength of the amplified spontaneous emission (ASE), and is not necessarily the operating wavelength. An operating wavelength of 1250 nm was selected for testing to yield the specified saturated output power ( $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{SAT}}$ ).
b. At $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{op}}$.
c. At 1250 nm

| BOA1250P Absolute Maximum Ratings ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Symbol | Min | Max |
| Operating Current | $I_{\text {Op }}$ | - | 700 mA |
| Optical Output Power, CW | $\mathrm{P}_{\text {out }}$ | - | 250 mW |
| Chip Temperature (TEC) | $\mathrm{T}_{\text {Chip }}$ | $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Case Temperature | $\mathrm{T}_{\text {Case }}$ | $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

a. Absolute maximum rating specifications should never be exceeded. Operating at or beyond these conditions can permanently damage the amplifier.

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## Fiber Specifications

|  | Value |
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| Fiber Type | PM980-XP |
| Mode Field Diameter | $6.6 \pm 0.5 \mu \mathrm{~m} \mathrm{@} 980 \mathrm{~nm}$ |
| Numerical Aperture | 0.12 |
| Fiber Pigtail Length | 1.5 m |
| Connector | FC/APC, 2.0 mm Narrow Key |

## Performance Plots



## Drawings



Pin Identification

1. TEC +
2. TEC -
3. Thermistor
4. Case
5. Not Used
6. Not Used
7. Not Used
8. Device Cathode
9. Thermistor
10. Device Anode
11. Not Used
12. Not Used
13. Not Used
14. Not Used

Recommended mounting torque is $10-20 \mathrm{oz} \cdot \mathrm{in}(0.07-0.14 \mathrm{~N} \cdot \mathrm{~m})$


