

- (b) Bar code scanners read the bright-to-dark-to-bright light level changes, and how long they last (which depends on the code line width) as an information signal.

SECTION 3.8 QUESTIONS

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Understanding Concepts

1. Laser light is *monochromatic* (one colour/wavelength/frequency), *coherent* (acts like one long continuous wave), and *collimated* (rays are quite precisely parallel).
2. Lasers work on a principle of raising many electrons to a higher energy level, and then stimulating them to drop to a lower level all at once, producing an output of a very large number of photons.
3. Applications of the principles of quantum mechanics in medical diagnosis include the use of infrared spectrometers to detect traces of substances in body tissues and fluids; and the use of MRI machines to scan the inside of the body by causing tissues to emit microwave radiation.

Making Connections

4. (Student reports will vary, but should include a basic description and diagrams of X-ray diffraction due to interference of the very short electromagnetic wavelengths with the similarly sized spacings between entities in solid crystals—which provides information about the sizes, shapes, charges, and arrangements of these entities in condensed phases. A simple parallel phenomenon is the diffraction pattern created when a pocket laser pointer beam is reflected from the surface of a CD. The angular displacement of the secondary images is proportional to the line spacing on the CD. Students with physics background in calculations of the diffraction of light from diffraction gratings can easily calculate the CD line spacing using the same technique.)

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Making Connections

1. (A typical report would include information such as:)
In the field of Biochemistry, a gene medicine scientist may do precise mass determinations of purified peptides, proteins, and oligosaccharides, using MALDI (Matrix Assisted Laser Desorption/Ionization time of flight) mass spectroscopic analysis. A scientist in charge of this area for a company would also prepare complex biological samples and determine atomic sequencing in organic molecules, in order to identify and develop new therapeutic materials. Such a position would require a Ph.D. in biochemistry or chemistry, preferably with a few years postdoctoral experience, or an M.Sc. in biochemistry with 10+ years of related experience. People in this area are in demand worldwide, and annual salaries on the order of \$100 000 are not uncommon in industrial areas.

CHAPTER 3 LAB ACTIVITIES

INVESTIGATION 3.1.1 THE NATURE OF CATHODE RAYS

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Evidence/Analysis

(a)

Observations of a Cathode Ray and Laser Light		
	Cathode ray	Laser light
Effect of bar magnet	ray moves perpendicular to the long axis of bar magnet	no effect
Effect of charged plates	ray moves toward positive plate and away from negative plate	no effect