

CMY 133 Report sheet

Experiment 6: Emission Spectra & Spectroscopy

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Pre-lab ex.	/8	
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Pre-laboratory exercise: (No flow diagram)

1. Make a labelled drawing of the complete electromagnetic spectrum.

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2. If an electron in Helium is excited to the $n=4$ level, how many emission lines will be seen in the emission spectrum. Show your reasoning using an appropriate diagram.

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Experiment: The Mini Spectroscope (Schwabacher, 1999)

Show your tutor your completed mini spectroscope

Construction mark: __ /2

Tutor signature: _____

1. How is the piece of CD in your mini spec similar to a prism? [2]

2. What is the purpose of the slit in your Mini Spec? What would happen if the slit was too large? Or too small? [4]

3. Complete the following table by marking the correct colours using an (X) [6]

	Light source	Colour observed							Type of spectrum	
		Red	Orange	Yellow	Green	Blue	Indigo	Violet	Discrete	Continuous
a	Overhead fluorescent light									
b	Energy saver light									
c	Incandescent light									
d	Natural sunlight									

4. Compare natural light (d) to the artificial light sources (a,b,c) in terms of the colours observed with your Mini Spec and the Type of spectrum observed. Fully explain these findings. [2]

5. For a particular light source, some of the emission lines appear brighter (or more intense) than others. What is the significance of this finding? [2]