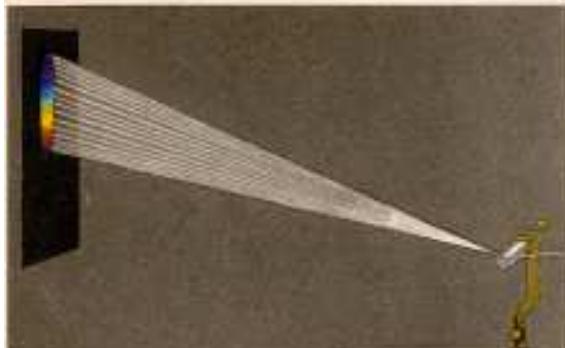


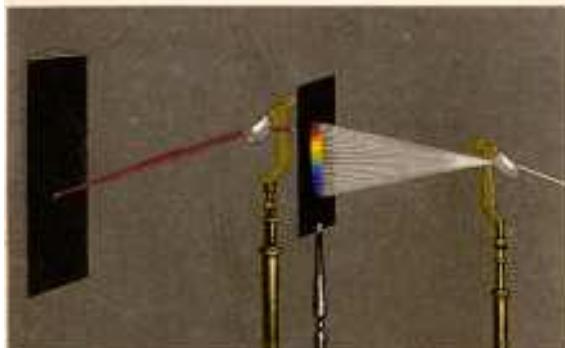
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Spectrum showing the absorptive power of Sodium vapour (Fig 4)



Solar Spectrum (Fig 59)



Action of a prism on a ray of light (Fig 1c)

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