

51. We solve for  $m$  using the formula  $r = \sqrt{(2m + 1)R\lambda/2}$  obtained in problem 49 and find  $m = r^2/R\lambda - 1/2$ . Now, when  $m$  is changed to  $m + 20$ ,  $r$  becomes  $r'$ , so  $m + 20 = r'^2/R\lambda - 1/2$ . Taking the difference between the two equations above, we eliminate  $m$  and find

$$R = \frac{r'^2 - r^2}{20\lambda} = \frac{(0.368 \text{ cm})^2 - (0.162 \text{ cm})^2}{20(546 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm})} = 100 \text{ cm} .$$