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## The Laser Alarm

## What is it?

These are the famous red laser lines that trigger an alarm when tripped. Usually these are created by a single laser, a series of reflectors/mirrors and an LDR sensor. They are commonplace in bank vaults, museums and they are usually the mechanism that saves people from being crushed by elevator doors.



## How to make it?

**Step 1:** connect the LDR into 3.3V and pin A4 on the Arduino

**Step 2:** Connect a resistor between A4 (same pin where the LDR is and a GND pin

**Step 3:** Place an LED with long leg in A0 and short leg in GND (make sure it's a large LED!

**Step 4:** Place a buzzer with long leg in pin 11 and short leg in GND

Step 5: Upload program called "Laser\_tripwire"





To make your laser alarm go off more easily decrease the number circled in red, to make your laser alarm go off less easily increase the number circled in red:

```
int ldrPin = A4;
                    // the cell and 10K pulldown are connected to a0
int sirenPin = 11; //pin 3 selected!!
int ledPin = A0;
long ldrValuel, ldrValue2;
void setup (void) {
  pinMode (sirenPin,OUTPUT); // set the siren pin as output
  pinMode (ledPin,OUTPUT); // set the siren pin as output
  pinMode (ldrPin,INPUT); // set the siren pin as output
   //Serial.begin(9600);
}
void loop(void) {
  ldrValuel = analogRead(ldrPin);
  delay(10);
  ldrValue2 = analogRead(ldrPin);
  if (ldrValuel-ldrValue2 > 20)
  digitalWrite(sirenPin,HCH);
  digitalWrite(ledPin,HIGH);
  delay(1000);
  }
  else{
    digitalWrite(sirenPin,LOW);
    digitalWrite(ledPin,LOW);
  }
}
```