PULSATION IN THE CHEMICALLY PECULIAR HOT STAR ZOO

Simon Jeffery + ...













SUBDWARF B STARS

Subdwarf B stars and bluehorizontal branch stars in the field, ... (Greenstein & Sargent 1966)

with evolution tracks for EHB stars with Mcore=0.5 Msun (Saffer et al. 1997)



NORMAL SDB STAR SURFACES

He and C - S:	⊙ / 10
N, Fe, Ni:	\odot
Ar - Pb:	⊙ × 10-100

Diffusion dominates in a high gravity radiative envelope Gravitational settling and selective radiative levitation Data: Geier 2013, O'Toole+Heber 2006, Ahmad+2007 Michaud et al. 2011 A&A 529, 60: sdB, M=0.51 M_☉, Teff=30100 K, t=25 Myr



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HOT SUBDWARFS BY HELIUM ABUNDANCE



Distribution of helium abundance with Teff for the Galex subdwarf sample, and including IHe subdwarfs. log y = log nHe/nH (from Nemeth et al. 2012). What does surface composition tell us? Which ones pulsate?

LS IV-14°116: PULSATIONS



THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL, 734:59 (8pp), 2011 June 10

 Table 2

 Harmonic Oscillations Detected in the Light Curve of LS IV-14°116

Period (s)	Frequency (mHz)	Amplitude (%)	Phase (s)	S/N
1953.74 ± 0.04	0.51184 ± 0.00001	0.27 ± 0.02	87 ± 17	14.9
2620.27 ± 0.21	0.38164 ± 0.00003	0.11 ± 0.02	114 ± 57	5.8
2872.33 ± 0.18	0.34815 ± 0.00002	0.14 ± 0.02	1645 ± 46	8.0
3581.79 ± 0.27	0.27919 ± 0.00002	0.15 ± 0.02	969 ± 55	8.3
4259.85 ± 0.57	0.23475 ± 0.00003	0.10 ± 0.02	$2714~\pm~96$	5.7
5083.63 ± 0.55	0.19671 ± 0.00002	0.15 ± 0.02	3561 ± 78	8.3



Figure 3. Zoomed-in view of the Fourier transform of the entire data set in the 0–1.0 mHz range where significant signals are found. The lower transforms show the successive steps of prewhitening by three frequencies, and finally by all six frequencies with statistically significant amplitudes. The dotted horizontal lines indicate the 4σ noise level.

Ahmad & Jeffery 2005 Jeffery 2011 Green + 2011



Data: Nemeth+2012, Ahmad+2007, Naslim+2010

LS IV - 14° 116: ZIRCONIUM +

Zr IV, Ge III and Sr III lines never previously seen in optical spectrum of a star. Not AGB, : not s-process. Thin clouds in photosphere supported by radiation?

Naslim+2010





Data: Naslim+2010



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THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, December 28, 2012

She reached for the stars, discovered one



Speaker G. Karthikeyan presenting a memento to Naslim Neelamkodan, who discovered a star, at a function organised by the Kerala State Higher Education Council in Thiruvananthapuram on Thursday. Photo: S. Mahinsha The Hindu

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Thiruvananthapuram

Naslim Neelamkodan was honoured during a special function organised by the Kerala State Higher Education Council

'Star' may now be an overused tag for Naslim Neelamkodan, but it is her discovery of a real star shrouded in glittering zirconium metal, 2,000 light years away, that has earned this most befitting title for the 27-year-old Ph.D. holder.

LS IV-14°116: RADIAL VELOCITIES+



rv peak power: $f_1 = 1953s$. rv amp \sim line depth

2015:VLT/UVES ... being analysed 2015: HST/STIS ... failed due to high PM 2017: K2 Field 16 ...

Meanwhile ...

LEAD!



Pb IV never seen in optical spectra, seen in UV for some sdB stars. Optical spectroscopy of IHe and EHe sdBs (WiFES/FEROS...) **Narrow lines**: v_{rot} sin i < 5 km/s, **Pb**: 4 dex overabundant.



K2 Field 5: EPIC 211623711 "one of Simon's stars"



Subaru/HDS service obs

a new super lead-rich intermediate-helium subdwarf

GALEX J082832.8+145205

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Jeffery+ 2016

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= UVO 0825+15: a UV-bright hot subdwarf



Jeffery+ 2016





Jeffery+ 2016, Data also from Edelman 2003, Naslim+2012



KINEMATICS

Randall+14 noted peculiar RV of LS IV-14 116. We checked RV for other intermediate and extreme helium subdwarfs.

Normal subdwarf kinematics consistent with disk.

Several heavy-metal and other intermediate and extreme helium subdwarfs have halo-like orbits.



HF 2218-202

100

V (km/s)

Martin+2016, under review

200

300

400

Extreme Heliu

LS IV-14

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OTHER SDO PULSATORS

Pulsating hot O subdwarfs in $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ Centauri: mapping a unique instability strip on the extreme horizontal branch

Randall + 2016, A&A 789, A1, 17



Fig. 11. Theoretical instability strip for rapid *p*-mode pulsations in hot subdwarfs. The small black dots identify grid points corresponding to stable models. Each red point identifies a model where unstable modes are predicted, the size of the dot being proportional to the number of excited modes. The large blue dots show the location of sdBV_r variables among the field population, while the black cross indicates the one known rapid sdO variable in the field. The five sdO variables we found in ω Cen are represented by black circles, the dotted extension to higher log *g* for V2 indicating that the polluted spectrum obtained yields only a lower limit on the surface gravity.



Discovery of a pulsating lead-rich hot subdwarf: UVO 0825+15

CSJ + Baran, Behara, Kvammen, Martin, Naslim, Østensen, Preece, Reed, Telting & Woolf: MNRAS 2017 in press

- CP sdOs show g-mode pulsations (probably)
- CP means CP, very CP
- Lead floats on light

CHALLENGES for HEAVY-METAL SUBDWARFS

What masses and luminosities ?

Why surface chemistries ? (mixing, mass transfer, diffusion, ...) What drives pulsations ?

- Why slow rotation ?
- Why high space velocities ?
- What origin ? (merger, common-envelope, ...)



'Thermal' modes _{SJ+HS} 'Acoustic'

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modes HS+DK



'Gravity' modes

Strangford Lough Ireland, 2014