

## THIRTY-FIVE NEW PULSATING DA WHITE DWARF STARS

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### ABSTRACT

We present 35 new pulsating DA (hydrogen atmosphere) white dwarf stars discovered from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS) and the Hamburg Quasar Survey (HQS). We have acquired high-speed time series photometry of preselected DA white dwarfs with a prime focus CCD photometer on the 2.1 m telescope at McDonald Observatory over 15 months. We selected these stars on the basis of prior photometric and spectroscopic observations by the SDSS and HQS. For the homogeneous SDSS sample, we achieve a success rate of 80% for finding new variables at a detection threshold of 0.1%–0.3%. With 35 newly discovered DA variable white dwarfs, we almost double the current sample of 39.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

White dwarfs are the evolutionary end points of most stars in the universe, and their structures provide constraints on their prior evolution. Their high gravities and temperatures make them good cosmic laboratories for the study of physics under extreme conditions. Pulsations are seen along the white dwarf cooling track in three temperature regions and are believed to be an evolutionary effect in otherwise normal white dwarfs (Robinson 1979; Fontaine et al. 1985, 2003). As the white dwarfs pass through these instability strips, we observe them as nonradial  $g$ -mode pulsators (see the review paper Winget 1998 and references therein). Asteroseismology is the technique of using these global pulsations to probe the stellar interiors.

Since 80% of all white dwarf stars have atmospheres dominated by hydrogen (DAs; Fleming et al. 1986), to understand the DA variables (DAVs) is to understand the most common type of white dwarf. The DAVs, also known as ZZ Ceti stars, are observed to pulsate in the temperature range of 11,000–12,500 K for  $\log g \approx 8$  (Bergeron et al. 1995; Koester & Allard 2000). The pulsation periods range from  $\sim 100$  to 1200 s and are consistent with nonradial  $g$ -mode pulsations. Pulsation modes in a spherical gravitational potential can be characterized by a unique set of indices ( $k, l, m$ ), similar to the quantum numbers that describe the state of a bound electron in the spherical electrostatic potential of a nucleus. The mode indices

$l$  and  $m$  are associated with spherical harmonics, and  $k$  corresponds to the radial quantum number (see Winget 1998).

The pulsation periods and amplitudes of the DAV stars show a distinct trend with temperature (Clemens 1993 and references therein). The hot DAVs (hDAVs) in the hotter half of the instability strip show relatively few pulsation modes, with low amplitudes ( $\sim 0.1\%$ – $3\%$ ) and periods around 100–300 s. The cooler DAVs (cDAVs) show longer periods, around 600–1000 s, larger amplitudes (up to 30%), and greater amplitude variability (Kleinman et al. 1998). This well-established period-temperature and amplitude-temperature correlation allows us to classify DAV stars meaningfully into the hDAVs and the cDAVs (see § 6 for further discussion).

### 2. MOTIVATION: WHY SEARCH FOR DAVS?

Understanding the structure and evolution of a statistically significant sample of DAVs has implications for other areas of astronomy, some of which are discussed below:

#### 2.1. Stellar Structure

Each pulsation mode is an independent constraint on the structure of the star; the more modes we detect, the better our understanding of the stellar structure. Apart from our current search, there are 39 DAVs in the literature (see Bergeron et al. 2004; Warner & Woudt 2003); additional pulsators and additional modes will help us understand the DAVs as a class.

We can probe stellar structure and composition by finding a single star rich in pulsation modes and/or by finding a large number of pulsators to use the method of ensemble asteroseismology. We can determine stellar mass, core composition, age, rotation rate, magnetic field strength, and parallax using asteroseismology. Measuring the rotation period for DAVs and comparing it with other classes of white dwarf pulsators at different temperatures can give us clues about the evolution of angular momentum. The carbon-oxygen ratio in white dwarf cores contains the rate of the astrophysically important, but experimentally uncertain,  $^{12}\text{C}(\alpha, \gamma)^{16}\text{O}$  nuclear reaction (Metcalf 2003; Metcalfe et al. 2002).

A search for a large number of DAVs is bound to yield extreme-mass pulsators. Low-mass ( $\log g \leq 7.6$ ) DAVs could

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well be helium core white dwarfs; pulsating He core white dwarfs should allow us to probe their equation of state. High-mass ( $\log g \geq 8.5$ ) DAVs are potentially crystallized, paving the way for the first possible empirical test of the theory of crystallization in stellar plasma (see 2.3.2). This should also have implications for models of neutron stars and pulsars, which are thought to have crystalline crusts.

## 2.2. Stable Clocks Can Be Used to Find Planets

Hot DAVs such as G117-B15A, R548 (ZZ Ceti), and L19-2 have been monitored since 1970. The dominant mode ( $l = 1$ ,  $k = 2$ ) in these stars has been found to exhibit extreme amplitude and frequency stability, implying that they can serve as reliable clocks. The unidirectional drift rate of these clocks has been constrained to be smaller than a few times  $10^{-15} \text{ s s}^{-1}$  (O'Donoghue & Warner 1987; Kepler et al. 2000; Mukadam et al. 2003b). To put this number in perspective, these clocks are expected to lose one cycle in a few billion years. Clemens (1993) showed that the hDAVs form a homogeneous class, and on the basis of his work we expect that all hDAVs should show comparable frequency stability at least for this mode. Should such stable clocks have an orbiting planet around them, their reflex motion around the center of mass of the system would become measurable, providing a means of detecting the planet (e.g., Mukadam et al. 2001; Winget et al. 2003; Kepler et al. 1991). These hDAVs were once main-sequence stars, suitable hosts for planet formation. Some theoretical work indicates outer terrestrial planets and gas giants will survive the red giant phase (e.g., Vassiliadis & Wood 1993) with orbits stable on timescales longer than a fraction of a billion years (Duncan & Lissauer 1998). These timescales are comparable to the cooling time required by a newly formed white dwarf to reach the pulsational DAV strip. The success of a planet search around these stable clocks rests on finding a statistically significant number of hDAV stars.

## 2.3. Seismology of DAVs Helps Reduce Uncertainties in White Dwarf Cosmochronometry

White dwarfs at  $T_{\text{eff}} \sim 4500 \text{ K}$  are among the oldest stars in the solar neighborhood. As 98%–99% of all main-sequence stars will eventually become white dwarfs (Weidemann 1990), we can use these chronometers to determine the ages of the Galactic disk and halo (e.g., Winget et al. 1987; Hansen et al. 2002). This method, known as white dwarf cosmochronometry, has a different source of uncertainties and model assumptions than main-sequence stellar evolution. The white dwarf luminosity function also places an upper limit on the rate of change of the gravitational constant (Isern et al. 2002).

Most of the theoretical uncertainty in the age estimation of white dwarfs comes from uncalibrated model cooling rates and effects like crystallization and phase separation, which delay white dwarf cooling by releasing latent heat. The outer nondegenerate layers and the core composition play an important role in dictating the cooling rates. Although these cool white dwarfs ( $T_{\text{eff}} \sim 4500 \text{ K}$ ) have not been observed to pulsate, we can still use asteroseismology to calibrate theoretical cooling curves, thus reducing the uncertainties in determining white dwarf ages.

### 2.3.1. Stable Pulsators Provide a Calibration of White Dwarf Cooling Curves

There are two competing internal evolutionary processes that govern the change in pulsation period with time ( $\dot{P}$ ) for a

single mode in the models of the ZZ Ceti stars. Cooling of the star increases the periods as a result of the increasing degeneracy, and residual gravitational contraction decreases the periods (Winget et al. 1983). Kepler et al. (2000) conclude that the rate of cooling dominates the drift rate ( $\dot{P} = dP/dt$ ) for the DAV stars. Since at least the  $l = 1$ ,  $k = 2$  mode is expected to show extreme amplitude and frequency stability in all hDAVs, we can monitor these stars to obtain meaningful measurements of their cooling rates. Cooling rates for a large sample of hDAVs with different masses and internal compositions will prove fruitful in calibrating the DA white dwarf cooling curves. Note that a stable clock with an orbital companion will show both the parabolic cooling and the periodic variations due to the companion (see Mukadam et al. 2001); these effects are discernible and will most likely have different timescales.

### 2.3.2. Massive Pulsators Help Us Study Crystallization

For a  $0.6 M_{\odot}$  model white dwarf ( $\log g \approx 8.0$ ), the onset of crystallization begins at  $T_{\text{eff}} = 6000 \text{ K}$  for a carbon core and at  $T_{\text{eff}} = 7200 \text{ K}$  for an oxygen core (Wood 1992). These temperatures are well below the cool edge of the DAV instability strip, implying that ordinarily we cannot study effects such as crystallization using asteroseismology. However, because of the larger central pressures in massive solar mass pulsators ( $\log g \approx 8.6$ ), they should be substantially crystallized even at  $12,000 \text{ K}$  (Winget et al. 1997; Montgomery & Winget 1999). These variables can provide the first test of the theory of crystallization in stellar plasma. Crystallization affects the cooling rate of a white dwarf by releasing latent heat (Van Horn 1968). Theoretical calculations also suggest that some phase separation occurs between carbon and oxygen, providing an additional energy source, which delays the cooling of the star (Montgomery et al. 1999; Isern et al. 2000). Our ignorance of stellar crystallization and phase separation is the largest source of uncertainty when white dwarfs are used as chronometers to determine the age of the Galactic disk.

### 2.3.3. Hydrogen Layer Masses from DAV Seismology Help Improve Models

The outer nondegenerate layers control the rate at which the residual thermal energy of the core is radiated into space. Poorly determined hydrogen mass fractions increase the uncertainty of white dwarf ages (Wood 1990). Although we can utilize pulsating white dwarfs to measure cooling rates directly, we can do so only in select temperature ranges. Hence, determining hydrogen layer masses from asteroseismology will be helpful in improving our models and better determining white dwarf ages.

## 2.4. Asteroseismological Distances from a Flickering Candle

Obtaining a unique model fit to the pulsation modes allows us to determine an asteroseismological distance by matching the observed luminosity of the star with the model luminosity. Typically, the asteroseismological distance is more accurate than what we determine from measured parallax (e.g., Petersen & Hog 1998; Bradley 2001). Variable white dwarfs with a rich pulsation spectrum should therefore be of great interest for an independent calibration of the Galactic distance scale.

Alternatively, Salaris et al. (2001) derived distances to globular clusters by fitting a local template DA white dwarf sequence to the cluster counterpart. Uncertainties in this technique can be reduced via asteroseismology by measuring

stellar masses and hydrogen layer thicknesses for DA pulsators and extending the results systematically to other DAs.

### 2.5. Establishing the ZZ Ceti Instability Strip

Pulsation models indicate that the limits of the ZZ Ceti instability strip depend on the effective temperature and mass of the star (Bradley & Winget 1994). This was observationally confirmed by Giovannini et al. (1998) and Bergeron et al. (2004). Most model atmospheres of DAV stars treat convection with a mixing-length prescription, assuming some parameterization, the choice of which can shift the edges of the instability strip in temperature by a few  $\times 1000$  K (Bergeron et al. 1995; Koester & Allard 2000). Determining the location of the red edge in theoretical models is difficult because of convective and nonlinear effects (Brickhill 1983; Bradley & Winget 1994; Wu & Goldreich 1999, 2001). Kanaan et al. (2000a, 2002) conclude that the observed red edge for the ZZ Ceti instability strip at 11,000 K is not an observational selection effect. Finding more DAVs at different temperatures and masses will improve our observational determination of the edges of the ZZ Ceti strip, as well as determine its mass dependence.

Here we list basic data about our observed variables and nonvariables. We will explore the implications of this paper (Paper I) on the shape of the instability strip, its mass dependence, and its purity in Paper II (Mukadam et al. 2004) while taking a closer look at some of the interesting objects found during this search.

## 3. ARGOS: AN IDEAL CCD PHOTOMETER FOR THE DAV SEARCH

We have designed and placed into operation a CCD camera system optimized for high-speed time series measurements of oscillating white dwarf stars (Nather & Mukadam 2004), which we have named Argos. Our practical limit using the photomultiplier tube (PMT) photometers on the 2.1 m telescope was about magnitude 17.0. We now obtain light curves of comparable quality at magnitude 19.4, a gain of about a factor of 9 in overall sensitivity, essential to observe many of the fainter ZZ Ceti candidates. After light reflects from the primary mirror, it focuses directly onto the small CCD chip without any intervening optics; lack of multiple reflections makes the instrument highly efficient.

We acquire an image scale of 3.05 pixels arcsec<sup>-1</sup> for our 512  $\times$  512 pixel CCD chip and a field of view of 2'.8 on a side. Frame transfer, initiated by pulses from a Global Positioning System, allows us to obtain contiguous exposures, which can be as short as 1 s. The CCD is back-illuminated for improved blue sensitivity and provides a quantum efficiency of 80% in the wavelength range 4500–6500 Å, dropping to 30% at 3500 Å. With thermoelectric cooling, we maintain the chip at a temperature of -45°C and obtain a dark current of 1–2 ADU s<sup>-1</sup> pixel<sup>-1</sup>. The readout time for the entire chip with no binning is 0.28 s; the readout noise is less than 8 electrons rms. The combination of an efficient instrument and a large amount of telescope time ( $\simeq 100$  nights yr<sup>-1</sup>) at the 2.1 m telescope gives us a unique opportunity to search for many pulsators.

## 4. SELECTION OF DAV CANDIDATES

### 4.1. Candidate Databases

In order to find a substantial number of ZZ Ceti stars, we required a large homogeneous database for candidate selection;

we decided to turn to the ongoing Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS) and the Hamburg Quasar Survey (HQS).

#### 4.1.1. Sloan Digital Sky Survey

Using a dedicated 2.5 m telescope with a CCD camera (see Gunn et al. 1998), the SDSS will ultimately result in five-band photometry of 10,000 deg<sup>2</sup> in the north Galactic cap (York et al. 2000). It is a calibrated photometric and astrometric digital survey (see Hogg et al. 2001; Pier et al. 2003) with follow-up spectroscopy of selected objects, mainly targeting bright galaxies and quasars from the imaging survey. Potential white dwarfs are allocated fibers for spectroscopy only when the number of targets is insufficient to fill the 640-fiber spectroscopic plug plates (Kleinman et al. 2004). There have been two public data releases by the SDSS: the Early Data Release (EDR; Stoughton et al. 2002) and Data Release 1 (DR1; Abazajian et al. 2003). Kleinman et al. (2004) present 2561 spectroscopically identified white dwarfs from DR1; Harris et al. (2003) presented the initial survey of the SDSS white dwarfs.

#### 4.1.2. Hamburg Quasar Survey

Hagen et al. (1995) describe the HQS as a wide-angle objective prism survey to find bright quasars in the northern sky in an area of 14,000 deg<sup>2</sup> by using plates taken at the Calar Alto Schmidt telescope. Homeier & Koester (2001a) have produced a catalog of about 3000 DA white dwarfs in the temperature range of 9000–30,000 K using an automated classification of the low-resolution digitized photographic spectra, 1100 of which were found to have effective temperatures close to the ZZ Ceti instability strip. Homeier et al. (1998) present  $T_{\text{eff}}$  and  $\log g$  values from follow-up spectroscopy of 80 HQS DA white dwarfs.

### 4.2. Techniques to Select the SDSS DAV Candidates

We outline below the different techniques that we used to select the SDSS DAV candidates along with the corresponding success rates. The success rate of discovering ZZ Ceti stars depends not only on the number of variables found but also on our definition of a nonvariable, i.e., at what detection threshold do we stop pursuing a DAV candidate and call it a nonvariable. The success rate for all search techniques is higher for brighter stars ( $14.5 \leq B \leq 17.5$ ), for which we obtain a typical noise level of 1–3 mma<sup>11</sup> in 1–1.5 hr runs with Argos on the 2.1 m telescope. However, most of our targets are fainter ( $18 \leq B \leq 19.5$ ) and require a larger amount of telescope time to achieve the same noise level. For such stars, our typical 2 hr observing runs lead to a detection threshold of 3–6 mma with Argos.

#### 4.2.1. Photometric Technique for the SDSS DAV Candidates

Greenstein (1982) acquired multichannel spectrophotometry for 14 DAVs and found that they lie in a narrow range in color space  $-0.41 \leq G-R \leq -0.29$ . He concluded that the narrowband ( $G-R$ ) color is an excellent temperature indicator for DAs. The SDSS color system comprising the filters  $u$ ,  $g$ ,  $r$ ,  $i$ , and  $z$ , calibrated by Smith et al. (2002), is a broadband color system like that of Johnson. Fontaine et al. (1982) show that DAV candidate selection based on the Johnson filter system

<sup>11</sup> One millimodulation amplitude (mma) corresponds to 0.1% change in intensity.

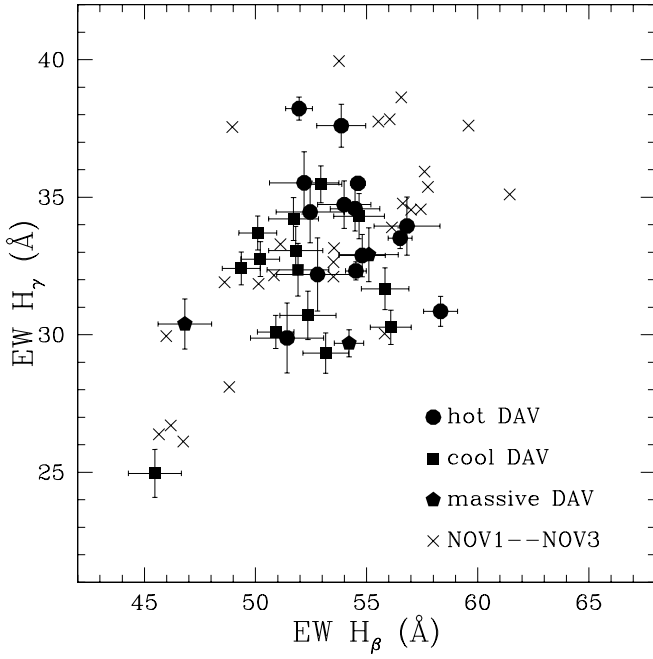


FIG. 1.—Plot of equivalent widths of  $H\gamma$  and  $H\beta$  lines for the observed SDSS DA white dwarfs: all but one of the SDSS pulsators are localized, and in this region we find a success rate of 56% at a detection threshold of 1–3 mma.

yields a 30% success rate for spectroscopically identified DA white dwarfs. Hence, we expected to find one pulsator for every three candidates observed at the telescope and started using the photometric technique in the initial stages of the project.

Selection of candidates from the SDSS EDR (Stoughton et al. 2002) required us to calibrate the DAV strip in the SDSS colors as the EDR did not include any known DAVs. The original SDSS filter system  $u'$ ,  $g'$ ,  $r'$ ,  $i'$ , and  $z'$  is described in Fukugita et al. (1996). Stoughton et al. (2002) describe how the current adaptation  $u$ ,  $g$ ,  $r$ ,  $i$ , and  $z$  differs from the original filters. We utilized this technique in the early stages of the search, and hence the following description alone is given in terms of the original SDSS filter system.

Lenz et al. (1998) derived synthetic colors in the SDSS filter system for white dwarfs with multichannel spectrophotometric (MCSP) data from Greenstein & Liebert (1990). We used DA white dwarfs common to both papers and compared their MCSP  $G-R$  colors with their synthetic SDSS  $g'-r'$  colors and also  $U-V$  colors with  $u'-g'$  colors. By neglecting higher order terms, a best-fit parabola to the resultant plots gave us the following transformations:

$$g' - r' = a + b(G - R) + c(G - R)^2, \quad (1)$$

$$u' - g' = d + e(U - V) + f(U - V)^2, \quad (2)$$

where  $a = 0.0296 \pm 0.0057$ ,  $b = 0.679 \pm 0.010$ ,  $c = 0.000 \pm 0.024$ ,  $d = 0.137 \pm 0.011$ ,  $e = 0.776 \pm 0.029$ , and  $f = 0.013 \pm 0.021$ .

With our semitheoretical transformation in hand, we chose spectroscopically identified DA white dwarfs in the color range  $0.3 \leq u' - g' \leq 0.6$  and  $-0.26 \leq g' - r' \leq -0.16$  as our highest priority candidates. We achieved a success rate of 25% at the detection threshold of 1–3 mma for the candidates so

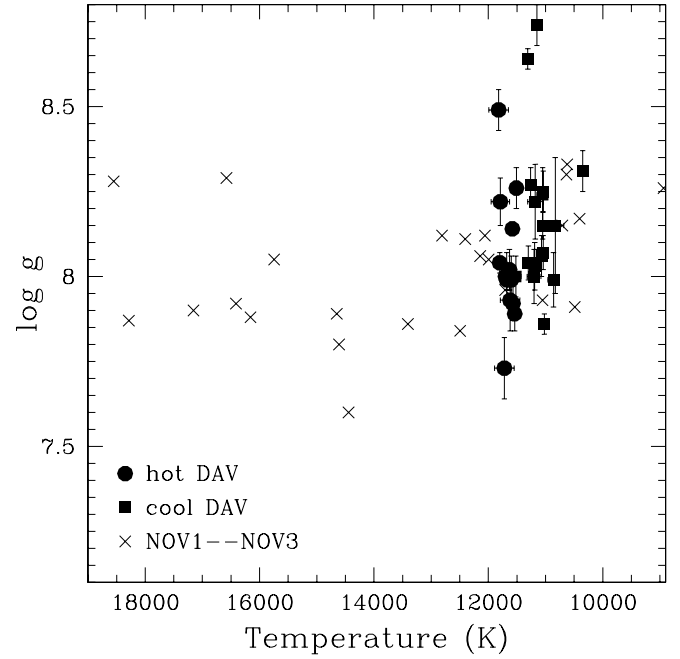


FIG. 2.—Temperature and  $\log g$  determinations of the observed SDSS DA white dwarfs using Koester's model atmospheres. By restricting our observations in the range  $11,000 \text{ K} < T_{\text{eff}} < 12,500 \text{ K}$ , we achieve a success rate of 80% in identifying new DAV stars with this method.

chosen. We found the success rate to be 13% for the detection threshold of 3–6 mma. We found five pulsators with this technique (Mukadam et al. 2003a) before moving to spectroscopic selection techniques with a higher yield.

#### 4.2.2. Equivalent Width Technique for the SDSS DAV Candidates

Although the primary goal of the SDSS is extragalactic objects, spectroscopy of interesting stellar objects is also obtained. The SDSS program to target quasars and other blue objects resulted in many white dwarf spectra. DA white dwarf spectra show Balmer absorption lines, pressure broadened by the extremely high gravity. The SDSS spectra cover a wavelength range of 3800–9200 Å and have a resolving power of  $\sim 2000$ , sufficient to resolve the absorption lines clearly. The equivalent widths of the  $H\beta$  and  $H\gamma$  lines correlate well with the effective temperature of the star, which essentially determines whether or not the star will pulsate.

We have measured the equivalent widths of the  $H\beta$  and  $H\gamma$  lines for all the observed variables and nonvariables, which had been previously selected by the photometric method. We find that the variables form a cluster in equivalent width space (except for the unusual pulsator WD 2350–0054), as shown in Figure 1, suggesting a new technique to preselect ZZ Ceti candidates. It is not necessary to derive the absolute temperature of a DAV candidate for this relative method but to compare its equivalent widths (for  $H\beta$  and  $H\gamma$ ) with those from a homogeneous set of observed variables and nonvariables. We find a success rate of 30% at the detection threshold of 3–6 mma and a success rate of 56% at the detection threshold of 1–3 mma for this technique. This is effectively a low-resolution spectroscopic technique and hence has a lower success rate compared with the following spectroscopic technique. Except for the opacity maximum, there are generally two temperature solutions for a given equivalent width of  $H\beta$  and  $H\gamma$  (see Fig. 4 in Bergeron et al.

TABLE 1  
NEW ZZ CETI VARIABLES

| Object                            | SDSS Object Name         | Plate | MJD   | Fiber | R.A. (J2000) | Decl. (J2000) | $T_{\text{eff}}$<br>(K) | $\log g$        | EW(H $\beta$ )<br>(Å) | EW(H $\gamma$ )<br>(Å) | $u-g$ | $g-r$ | $g$   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| WD 0102-0032 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J010207.17-003259.4 | 396   | 51816 | 262   | 01 02 07     | -00 32 59     | 11050 $\pm$ 100         | 8.24 $\pm$ 0.08 | 54.66 $\pm$ 1.14      | 34.31 $\pm$ 0.82       | 0.43  | -0.04 | 18.21 |
| WD 0111+0018 .....                | SDSS J011100.63+001807.2 | 694   | 52209 | 597   | 01 11 01     | +00 18 07     | 11510 $\pm$ 110         | 8.26 $\pm$ 0.06 | 52.19 $\pm$ 1.56      | 35.52 $\pm$ 1.13       | 0.41  | -0.19 | 18.76 |
| WD 0214-0823 .....                | SDSS J021406.78-082318.4 | 668   | 52162 | 354   | 02 14 07     | -08 23 18     | 11570 $\pm$ 090         | 7.92 $\pm$ 0.05 | 54.80 $\pm$ 1.04      | 32.88 $\pm$ 0.77       | 0.28  | -0.14 | 17.92 |
| WD 0318+0030 <sup>a,b</sup> ..... | SDSS J031847.09+003029.9 | 413   | 51821 | 483   | 03 18 47     | +00 30 30     | 11040 $\pm$ 070         | 8.07 $\pm$ 0.05 | 56.09 $\pm$ 0.92      | 30.27 $\pm$ 0.62       | 0.44  | -0.18 | 17.81 |
| WD 0332-0049 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J033236.61-004918.3 | 415   | 51810 | 211   | 03 32 37     | -00 49 18     | 11040 $\pm$ 070         | 8.25 $\pm$ 0.06 | 53.16 $\pm$ 1.03      | 29.33 $\pm$ 0.73       | 0.42  | -0.11 | 18.18 |
| WD 0815+4437 .....                | SDSS J081531.75+443710.3 | 547   | 51959 | 350   | 08 15 32     | +44 37 10     | 11620 $\pm$ 170         | 7.93 $\pm$ 0.09 | 52.79 $\pm$ 1.83      | 32.19 $\pm$ 1.33       | 0.34  | -0.06 | 19.30 |
| WD 0825+4119 .....                | SDSS J082547.00+411900.0 | 760   | 52264 | 604   | 08 25 47     | +41 19 00     | 11820 $\pm$ 170         | 8.49 $\pm$ 0.06 | 55.10 $\pm$ 1.33      | 32.91 $\pm$ 0.98       | 0.34  | -0.11 | 18.50 |
| WD 0842+3707 .....                | SDSS J084220.73+370701.7 | 864   | 52320 | 548   | 08 42 21     | +37 07 02     | 11720 $\pm$ 170         | 7.73 $\pm$ 0.09 | 56.82 $\pm$ 1.48      | 33.95 $\pm$ 1.06       | 0.54  | -0.18 | 18.75 |
| WD 0847+4510 .....                | SDSS J084746.81+451006.3 | 763   | 52235 | 144   | 08 47 47     | +45 10 06     | 11680 $\pm$ 110         | 8.00 $\pm$ 0.07 | 53.99 $\pm$ 1.20      | 34.73 $\pm$ 0.86       | 0.42  | -0.22 | 18.32 |
| WD 0906-0024 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J090624.26-002428.2 | 470   | 51929 | 081   | 09 06 24     | -00 24 28     | 11520 $\pm$ 090         | 8.00 $\pm$ 0.06 | 52.94 $\pm$ 0.95      | 35.47 $\pm$ 0.67       | 0.44  | -0.18 | 17.73 |
| WD 0923+0120 .....                | SDSS J092329.81+012020.0 | 473   | 51929 | 074   | 09 23 29     | +01 20 20     | 11150 $\pm$ 70          | 8.74 $\pm$ 0.06 | 46.82 $\pm$ 1.20      | 30.39 $\pm$ 0.91       | 0.29  | -0.16 | 18.34 |
| WD 0939+5609 .....                | SDSS J093944.89+560940.2 | 556   | 51991 | 476   | 09 39 45     | +56 09 40     | 11790 $\pm$ 160         | 8.22 $\pm$ 0.07 | 52.46 $\pm$ 1.53      | 34.46 $\pm$ 1.12       | 0.43  | -0.17 | 18.70 |
| WD 0942+5733 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J094213.13+573342.5 | 452   | 51911 | 023   | 09 42 13     | +57 33 43     | 11260 $\pm$ 070         | 8.27 $\pm$ 0.05 | 50.91 $\pm$ 0.82      | 30.10 $\pm$ 0.60       | 0.39  | -0.13 | 17.43 |
| WD 0949-0000 <sup>b</sup> .....   | SDSS J094917.04-000023.6 | 266   | 51630 | 037   | 09 49 17     | -00 00 24     | 11180 $\pm$ 130         | 8.22 $\pm$ 0.11 | 51.42 $\pm$ 1.65      | 29.88 $\pm$ 1.27       | 0.45  | -0.13 | 18.80 |
| WD 0958+0130 .....                | SDSS J095833.13+013049.3 | 500   | 51994 | 163   | 09 58 33     | +01 30 49     | 11680 $\pm$ 060         | 7.99 $\pm$ 0.03 | 51.96 $\pm$ 0.60      | 38.22 $\pm$ 0.42       | 0.41  | -0.23 | 16.70 |
| WD 1015+0306 .....                | SDSS J101548.01+030648.4 | 503   | 51999 | 329   | 10 15 48     | +03 06 48     | 11580 $\pm$ 030         | 8.14 $\pm$ 0.02 | 54.61 $\pm$ 0.34      | 35.50 $\pm$ 0.24       | 0.37  | -0.10 | 15.66 |
| WD 1015+5954 .....                | SDSS J101519.65+595430.5 | 559   | 52316 | 330   | 10 15 20     | +59 54 31     | 11630 $\pm$ 110         | 8.02 $\pm$ 0.06 | 54.48 $\pm$ 1.11      | 34.58 $\pm$ 0.81       | 0.65  | -0.31 | 17.95 |
| WD 1056-0006 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J105612.32-000621.7 | 276   | 51909 | 073   | 10 56 12     | -00 06 22     | 11020 $\pm$ 050         | 7.86 $\pm$ 0.03 | 49.36 $\pm$ 0.85      | 32.41 $\pm$ 0.60       | 0.15  | -0.20 | 17.52 |
| WD 1122+0358 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J112221.10+035822.4 | 836   | 52376 | 214   | 11 22 21     | +03 58 22     | 11070 $\pm$ 080         | 8.06 $\pm$ 0.06 | 51.71 $\pm$ 1.12      | 34.21 $\pm$ 0.78       | 0.47  | -0.01 | 18.13 |
| WD 1125+0345 .....                | SDSS J112542.84+034506.3 | 836   | 52376 | 050   | 11 25 43     | +03 45 06     | 11600 $\pm$ 120         | 7.99 $\pm$ 0.07 | 53.86 $\pm$ 1.10      | 37.60 $\pm$ 0.78       | 0.46  | -0.12 | 18.07 |
| WD 1157+0553 .....                | SDSS J115707.43+055303.6 | 841   | 52375 | 377   | 11 57 07     | +05 53 04     | 11050 $\pm$ 050         | 8.15 $\pm$ 0.04 | 50.22 $\pm$ 0.87      | 32.75 $\pm$ 0.63       | 0.32  | -0.04 | 17.59 |
| WD 1345-0055 .....                | SDSS J134550.93-005536.5 | 300   | 51666 | 288   | 13 45 51     | -00 55 37     | 11800 $\pm$ 060         | 8.04 $\pm$ 0.03 | 56.51 $\pm$ 0.54      | 33.51 $\pm$ 0.38       | 0.38  | -0.17 | 16.70 |
| WD 1354+0108 .....                | SDSS J135459.89+010819.3 | 301   | 51641 | 322   | 13 55 00     | +01 08 19     | 11700 $\pm$ 050         | 8.00 $\pm$ 0.02 | 54.52 $\pm$ 0.47      | 32.32 $\pm$ 0.33       | 0.42  | -0.17 | 16.36 |
| WD 1417+0058 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J141708.81+005827.2 | 304   | 51609 | 345   | 14 17 09     | + 00 58 27    | 11300 $\pm$ 080         | 8.04 $\pm$ 0.05 | 55.83 $\pm$ 1.07      | 31.67 $\pm$ 0.76       | 0.47  | -0.22 | 18.03 |
| WD 1443+0134 <sup>c</sup> .....   | SDSS J144330.93+013405.8 | 537   | 52027 | 279   | 14 43 31     | +01 34 06     | 10830 $\pm$ 150         | 8.15 $\pm$ 0.20 | ...                   | ...                    | 0.46  | -0.12 | 18.72 |
| WD 1502-0001 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J150207.02-000147.1 | 310   | 51990 | 229   | 15 02 07     | -00 01 47     | 11200 $\pm$ 120         | 8.00 $\pm$ 0.08 | 52.36 $\pm$ 1.26      | 30.70 $\pm$ 0.88       | 0.37  | -0.14 | 18.68 |
| WD 1524-0030 <sup>a,d</sup> ..... | SDSS J152403.25-003022.9 | ...   | ...   | ...   | 15 24 03     | -00 30 23     | ...                     | ...             | ...                   | ...                    | 0.38  | -0.23 | 16.03 |
| WD 1617+4324 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J161737.63+432443.8 | 815   | 52374 | 390   | 16 17 38     | +43 24 44     | 11190 $\pm$ 100         | 8.03 $\pm$ 0.07 | 51.81 $\pm$ 1.22      | 33.06 $\pm$ 0.88       | 0.45  | -0.19 | 18.33 |
| WD 1700+3549 <sup>a</sup> .....   | SDSS J170055.38+354951.1 | 820   | 52433 | 110   | 17 00 55     | +35 49 51     | 11160 $\pm$ 050         | 8.04 $\pm$ 0.04 | 50.10 $\pm$ 0.85      | 33.70 $\pm$ 0.62       | 0.47  | -0.16 | 17.26 |
| WD 1711+6541 .....                | SDSS J171113.01+654158.3 | 350   | 51691 | 362   | 17 11 13     | + 65 41 58    | 11310 $\pm$ 040         | 8.64 $\pm$ 0.03 | 54.32 $\pm$ 0.63      | 28.54 $\pm$ 0.46       | 0.19  | -0.11 | 16.89 |
| WD 1724+5835 <sup>b</sup> .....   | SDSS J172428.42+583539.0 | 366   | 52017 | 264   | 17 24 28     | +58 35 39     | 11540 $\pm$ 080         | 7.89 $\pm$ 0.05 | 58.33 $\pm$ 0.77      | 30.85 $\pm$ 0.54       | 0.43  | -0.19 | 17.54 |
| WD 1732+5905 <sup>b</sup> .....   | SDSS J173235.19+590533.4 | 366   | 52017 | 591   | 17 32 35     | +59 05 33     | 10860 $\pm$ 100         | 7.99 $\pm$ 0.08 | 51.91 $\pm$ 1.39      | 32.36 $\pm$ 0.96       | 0.47  | -0.10 | 18.74 |
| WD 2350-0054 .....                | SDSS J235040.72-005430.9 | 386   | 51788 | 135   | 23 50 41     | -00 54 31     | 10350 $\pm$ 060         | 8.31 $\pm$ 0.06 | 45.81 $\pm$ 1.23      | 27.16 $\pm$ 0.90       | 0.42  | -0.11 | 18.10 |

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<sup>a</sup> Large pulsation amplitudes in cDAVs imply that the true uncertainty in their photometric magnitudes can be as high as 0.1–0.2.

<sup>b</sup> Multiple spectra: WD 0318+0030 (413 51929 494), WD 0949-0000 (266 51602 31), WD 1724+5835 (356 51779 271), WD 1732+5905 (356 51779 584), WD 1345-0055 (300 51943 282), WD 1354+0108 (301 51942 324), and WD 1417+0058 (304 51957 338).

<sup>c</sup> The SDSS spectrum of WD 1443+0134 shows only half of the H $\gamma$  line; its temperature and  $\log g$  values are not reliable.

<sup>d</sup> WD 1524-0030 does not have a spectrum; photometric ID information: Run = 756, Rerun = 8, Camcol = 2, and Field ID = 769.

TABLE 2  
NOT OBSERVED TO VARY (NOV; MOSTLY SINGLE 2 hr OBSERVING RUNS) AT A DETECTION THRESHOLD OF 1–3 mma

| Object                            | SDSS Object Name         | Plate | MJD   | Fiber | R.A. (J2000) | Decl. (J2000) | $T_{\text{eff}}$<br>(K) | $\log g$        | EW(H $\beta$ )<br>(Å) | EW(H $\gamma$ )<br>(Å) | $u-g$ | $g-r$ | $g$   | NOV<br>(mma) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| WD 0040–0021 .....                | SDSS J004022.88–002130.1 | 392   | 51793 | 063   | 00 40 23     | –00 21 30     | 16160 $\pm$ 060         | 7.88 $\pm$ 0.01 | 53.51 $\pm$ 0.25      | 32.64 $\pm$ 0.17       | 0.39  | –0.13 | 14.83 | NOV1         |
| WD 0152+0100 .....                | SDSS J015259.20+010018.4 | 402   | 51793 | 523   | 01 52 59     | +01 00 18     | 12490 $\pm$ 070         | 7.84 $\pm$ 0.02 | 59.59 $\pm$ 0.47      | 37.60 $\pm$ 0.33       | 0.53  | –0.16 | 16.43 | NOV2         |
| WD 0210+1243 .....                | SDSS J021028.69+124319.0 | 428   | 51883 | 138   | 02 10 29     | +12 43 19     | 17160 $\pm$ 090         | 7.90 $\pm$ 0.02 | 55.81 $\pm$ 0.58      | 30.04 $\pm$ 0.36       | 0.19  | –0.37 | 16.86 | NOV3         |
| WD 0222–0100 .....                | SDSS J022207.04–010050.3 | 406   | 51817 | 252   | 02 22 07     | –01 00 50     | 12060 $\pm$ 120         | 8.12 $\pm$ 0.05 | 56.56 $\pm$ 1.03      | 38.63 $\pm$ 0.71       | 0.39  | –0.16 | 18.04 | NOV3         |
| WD 0257+0101 .....                | SDSS J025746.41+010106.1 | 410   | 51816 | 578   | 02 57 46     | +01 01 06     | 16580 $\pm$ 210         | 8.29 $\pm$ 0.04 | 57.61 $\pm$ 0.86      | 35.93 $\pm$ 0.57       | 0.16  | –0.27 | 17.66 | NOV3         |
| WD 0318+0044 .....                | SDSS J031802.34+004439.8 | 413   | 51821 | 466   | 03 18 02     | +00 44 40     | 18290 $\pm$ 240         | 7.87 $\pm$ 0.04 | 48.82 $\pm$ 1.13      | 28.10 $\pm$ 0.74       | 0.11  | –0.29 | 18.35 | NOV3         |
| WD 0733+2831 .....                | SDSS J073356.99+283123.8 | 754   | 52232 | 226   | 07 33 57     | +28 31 24     | 14610 $\pm$ 290         | 7.80 $\pm$ 0.06 | 56.63 $\pm$ 1.44      | 34.77 $\pm$ 1.01       | 0.32  | –0.25 | 18.83 | NOV3         |
| WD 0740+2505 .....                | SDSS J074033.49+250511.9 | 857   | 52314 | 388   | 07 40 33     | +25 05 12     | 18560 $\pm$ 190         | 8.28 $\pm$ 0.04 | 53.51 $\pm$ 0.93      | 32.11 $\pm$ 0.64       | 0.13  | –0.35 | 17.83 | NOV2         |
| WD 0746+3510 .....                | SDSS J074633.01+351022.8 | 542   | 51991 | 476   | 07 46 33     | +35 10 23     | ...                     | ...             | 51.12 $\pm$ 0.57      | 33.29 $\pm$ 0.40       | 0.24  | –0.30 | 16.69 | NOV2         |
| WD 0747+2503 .....                | SDSS J074724.61+250351.1 | 857   | 52314 | 625   | 07 47 25     | +25 03 51     | 11050 $\pm$ 110         | 7.93 $\pm$ 0.08 | 53.53 $\pm$ 1.01      | 33.15 $\pm$ 0.71       | 0.44  | –0.12 | 18.39 | NOV3         |
| WD 0751+4335 .....                | SDSS J075115.11+433513.9 | 434   | 51885 | 445   | 07 51 15     | +43 35 14     | 19330 $\pm$ 200         | 8.11 $\pm$ 0.03 | 48.61 $\pm$ 1.23      | 31.91 $\pm$ 0.82       | 0.12  | –0.33 | 18.38 | NOV3         |
| WD 0814+4608 .....                | SDSS J081451.28+460803.6 | 441   | 51868 | 280   | 08 14 51     | +46 08 04     | 14450 $\pm$ 230         | 7.60 $\pm$ 0.06 | 50.83 $\pm$ 0.90      | 32.16 $\pm$ 0.62       | 0.39  | –0.20 | 17.79 | NOV2         |
| WD 0827+4224 .....                | SDSS J082716.89+422418.7 | 761   | 52266 | 476   | 08 27 17     | +42 24 19     | 16410 $\pm$ 090         | 7.92 $\pm$ 0.02 | 50.14 $\pm$ 0.82      | 31.85 $\pm$ 0.56       | 0.19  | –0.29 | 17.44 | NOV3         |
| WD 0946+5814 .....                | SDSS J094624.31+581445.4 | 453   | 51915 | 124   | 09 46 24     | +58 14 45     | 08940 $\pm$ 020         | 8.26 $\pm$ 0.04 | 27.02 $\pm$ 0.89      | 17.62 $\pm$ 0.66       | 0.48  | –0.04 | 17.39 | NOV3         |
| WD 0949–0019 .....                | SDSS J094901.28–001909.5 | 266   | 51630 | 026   | 09 49 01     | –00 19 10     | 10710 $\pm$ 030         | 8.15 $\pm$ 0.03 | 46.75 $\pm$ 0.57      | 26.12 $\pm$ 0.43       | 0.46  | –0.16 | 16.51 | NOV3         |
| WD 1136–0136 .....                | SDSS J113604.01–013658.2 | 327   | 52294 | 535   | 11 36 04     | –01 36 58     | 11710 $\pm$ 070         | 7.96 $\pm$ 0.04 | 57.00 $\pm$ 0.89      | 34.54 $\pm$ 0.63       | 0.37  | –0.19 | 17.76 | NOV2         |
| WD 1138+6239 .....                | SDSS J113854.36+623903.4 | 776   | 52319 | 511   | 11 38 54     | +62 39 03     | 14650 $\pm$ 230         | 7.89 $\pm$ 0.05 | 53.76 $\pm$ 1.24      | 39.95 $\pm$ 0.87       | 0.24  | –0.28 | 18.38 | NOV3         |
| WD 1235+5206 .....                | SDSS J123541.62+520611.9 | 885   | 52379 | 231   | 12 35 42     | +52 6 12      | 12140 $\pm$ 100         | 8.06 $\pm$ 0.04 | 57.76 $\pm$ 0.63      | 35.37 $\pm$ 0.45       | 0.41  | –0.22 | 16.87 | NOV2         |
| WD 1243+6248 .....                | SDSS J124341.27+624836.3 | 782   | 52320 | 360   | 12 43 41     | +62 48 36     | 11990 $\pm$ 130         | 8.05 $\pm$ 0.06 | 57.44 $\pm$ 0.98      | 34.56 $\pm$ 0.71       | 0.50  | –0.22 | 17.85 | NOV3         |
| WD 1302–0050 .....                | SDSS J130247.98–005002.7 | 294   | 51986 | 293   | 13 02 48     | –00 50 03     | 10640 $\pm$ 030         | 8.30 $\pm$ 0.02 | 46.18 $\pm$ 0.55      | 26.70 $\pm$ 0.39       | 0.40  | –0.13 | 16.55 | NOV3         |
| WD 1444–0059 .....                | SDSS J144433.80–005958.9 | 308   | 51662 | 256   | 14 44 34     | –00 59 59     | 15750 $\pm$ 070         | 8.05 $\pm$ 0.02 | 56.14 $\pm$ 0.45      | 33.90 $\pm$ 0.32       | 0.36  | –0.18 | 16.22 | NOV2         |
| WD 1529+0020 <sup>a,b</sup> ..... | SDSS J152933.26+002031.2 | 314   | 51641 | 354   | 15 29 33     | +00 20 31     | 10490 $\pm$ 060         | 7.91 $\pm$ 0.06 | 48.96 $\pm$ 1.04      | 37.55 $\pm$ 0.71       | 0.48  | –0.12 | 18.21 | NOV3         |
| WD 1659+6209 .....                | SDSS J165935.59+620934.0 | 351   | 51780 | 372   | 16 59 36     | +62 09 34     | 12410 $\pm$ 080         | 8.11 $\pm$ 0.03 | 56.04 $\pm$ 0.45      | 37.83 $\pm$ 0.33       | 0.42  | –0.19 | 16.25 | NOV2         |
| WD 1659+6352 .....                | SDSS J165926.58+635212.9 | 349   | 51699 | 520   | 16 59 27     | +63 52 13     | 10410 $\pm$ 030         | 8.17 $\pm$ 0.03 | 45.65 $\pm$ 0.93      | 26.38 $\pm$ 0.65       | 0.44  | –0.14 | 17.88 | NOV3         |
| WD 1718+5621 .....                | SDSS J171857.82+562150.2 | 367   | 51997 | 416   | 17 18 58     | +56 21 50     | 12810 $\pm$ 090         | 8.12 $\pm$ 0.03 | 55.53 $\pm$ 0.73      | 37.75 $\pm$ 0.50       | 0.38  | –0.21 | 17.47 | NOV3         |
| WD 1735+5730 .....                | SDSS J173513.30+573011.5 | 366   | 52017 | 053   | 17 35 13     | +57 30 12     | 13410 $\pm$ 160         | 7.86 $\pm$ 0.03 | 61.44 $\pm$ 0.48      | 35.10 $\pm$ 0.33       | 0.37  | –0.25 | 16.51 | NOV2         |
| WD 2326–0023 .....                | SDSS J232659.21–002348.0 | 383   | 51818 | 111   | 23 26 59     | –00 23 47     | 10620 $\pm$ 050         | 8.33 $\pm$ 0.04 | 45.98 $\pm$ 0.87      | 29.95 $\pm$ 0.63       | 0.49  | –0.09 | 17.52 | NOV2         |

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<sup>a</sup> The star is a member of a DA4M binary system.

<sup>b</sup> The nonvariability limit of 3 mma comes from a half-hour long observing run and must be regarded with prudence.

TABLE 3  
NOV AT A DETECTION THRESHOLD  $\geq 4$  mma (MOSTLY SINGLE 2 HR OBSERVING RUNS)

| Object                          | SDSS Object Name         | Plate | MJD   | Fiber | R.A.<br>(J2000) | Decl.<br>(J2000) | $T_{\text{eff}}$<br>(K) | $\log g$        | EW(H $\beta$ )<br>( $\text{\AA}$ ) | EW(H $\gamma$ )<br>( $\text{\AA}$ ) | $u-g$ | $g-r$ | $g$   | NOV<br>(mma) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| WD 0037+0031 .....              | SDSS J003719.13+003139.2 | 392   | 51793 | 531   | 00 37 19        | +00 31 39        | $10960 \pm 050$         | $8.41 \pm 0.03$ | $51.11 \pm 0.84$                   | $30.54 \pm 0.61$                    | 0.38  | -0.07 | 17.48 | NOV5         |
| WD 0050-0023 .....              | SDSS J005047.62-002316.9 | 394   | 51876 | 225   | 00 50 48        | -00 23 17        | $11490 \pm 090$         | $8.98 \pm 0.03$ | $55.53 \pm 1.39$                   | $31.15 \pm 0.99$                    | 0.31  | -0.10 | 18.81 | NOV6         |
| WD 0054-0025 <sup>a</sup> ..... | SDSS J005457.61-002517.1 | 394   | 51812 | 118   | 00 54 58        | -00 25 17        | $10100 \pm 060$         | $8.02 \pm 0.07$ | $50.75 \pm 1.37$                   | $30.84 \pm 0.92$                    | 0.32  | -0.16 | 18.55 | NOV8         |
| WD 0106-0014 <sup>b</sup> ..... | SDSS J010622.99-001456.3 | 396   | 51816 | 068   | 01 06 23        | -00 14 56        | $14360 \pm 210$         | $7.50 \pm 0.05$ | $48.98 \pm 1.20$                   | $35.95 \pm 0.83$                    | 0.50  | -0.22 | 18.18 | NOV9         |
| WD 0135-0057 .....              | SDSS J013545.62-005740.1 | 400   | 51820 | 060   | 01 35 46        | -00 57 40        | $12570 \pm 500$         | $7.80 \pm 0.10$ | $56.67 \pm 1.30$                   | $36.91 \pm 0.92$                    | 0.40  | -0.20 | 18.52 | NOV5         |
| WD 0215-0015 .....              | SDSS J021553.99-001550.5 | 703   | 52209 | 174   | 02 15 54        | -00 15 51        | $15820 \pm 160$         | $7.85 \pm 0.04$ | $51.88 \pm 1.42$                   | $34.60 \pm 0.95$                    | 0.21  | -0.28 | 18.65 | NOV8         |
| WD 0217+0058 .....              | SDSS J021744.29+005823.9 | 405   | 51816 | 601   | 02 17 44        | +00 58 24        | $13600 \pm 240$         | $7.94 \pm 0.04$ | $57.35 \pm 0.86$                   | $38.99 \pm 0.58$                    | 0.37  | -0.22 | 17.53 | NOV7         |
| WD 0224+0038 .....              | SDSS J022435.46+003857.5 | 406   | 51817 | 501   | 02 24 35        | +00 38 58        | $09790 \pm 080$         | $8.11 \pm 0.12$ | $37.19 \pm 1.65$                   | $26.94 \pm 1.16$                    | 0.45  | +0.05 | 19.06 | NOV4         |
| WD 0236-0038 .....              | SDSS J023613.64-003822.2 | 407   | 51820 | 029   | 02 36 14        | -00 38 22        | $14280 \pm 440$         | $7.65 \pm 0.09$ | $56.92 \pm 1.68$                   | $29.72 \pm 1.19$                    | 0.44  | -0.27 | 19.25 | NOV5         |
| WD 0238+0049 .....              | SDSS J023808.09+004908.8 | 408   | 51821 | 420   | 02 38 08        | +00 49 09        | $13300 \pm 300$         | $7.88 \pm 0.06$ | $61.18 \pm 1.43$                   | $38.66 \pm 1.00$                    | 0.27  | -0.19 | 18.79 | NOV5         |
| WD 0303-0808 .....              | SDSS J030325.22-080834.9 | 458   | 51929 | 188   | 03 03 25        | -08 08 34        | $11400 \pm 110$         | $8.49 \pm 0.06$ | $51.61 \pm 1.43$                   | $30.33 \pm 1.03$                    | 0.33  | -0.06 | 18.78 | NOV4         |
| WD 0326+0018 .....              | SDSS J032619.44+001817.5 | 414   | 51869 | 467   | 03 26 19        | +00 18 18        | $12150 \pm 080$         | $8.09 \pm 0.03$ | $60.16 \pm 0.76$                   | $34.24 \pm 0.53$                    | 0.38  | -0.20 | 17.42 | NOV5         |
| WD 0329-0007 .....              | SDSS J032959.57-000732.5 | 414   | 51869 | 037   | 03 30 00        | -00 07 33        | $16690 \pm 330$         | $7.82 \pm 0.07$ | $49.62 \pm 1.71$                   | $29.20 \pm 1.18$                    | 0.35  | -0.21 | 19.13 | NOV7         |
| WD 0330+0024 .....              | SDSS J033031.48+002454.9 | 414   | 51869 | 583   | 03 30 31        | +00 24 55        | $14500 \pm 600$         | $7.75 \pm 0.09$ | $54.75 \pm 1.51$                   | $35.38 \pm 1.01$                    | 0.29  | -0.20 | 18.97 | NOV8         |
| WD 0336-0006 .....              | SDSS J033648.33-000634.2 | 415   | 51810 | 595   | 03 36 48        | -00 06 34        | $10400 \pm 040$         | $8.26 \pm 0.04$ | $44.31 \pm 0.95$                   | $27.49 \pm 0.67$                    | 0.39  | -0.06 | 17.93 | NOV5         |
| WD 0340+0106 .....              | SDSS J034044.10+010621.9 | 416   | 51811 | 420   | 03 40 44        | +01 06 22        | $12060 \pm 140$         | $8.06 \pm 0.05$ | $57.95 \pm 1.10$                   | $40.45 \pm 0.76$                    | 0.50  | -0.17 | 18.23 | NOV5         |
| WD 0345-0036 .....              | SDSS J034504.20-003613.5 | 416   | 51811 | 015   | 03 45 04        | -00 36 14        | $11430 \pm 150$         | $7.76 \pm 0.09$ | $54.81 \pm 1.29$                   | $30.30 \pm 0.91$                    | 0.45  | -0.17 | 19.00 | NOV5         |
| WD 0753+3543 .....              | SDSS J075328.74+354304.9 | 757   | 52238 | 284   | 07 53 29        | +35 43 05        | $16620 \pm 240$         | $8.28 \pm 0.04$ | $53.20 \pm 1.30$                   | $35.20 \pm 0.89$                    | 0.11  | -0.27 | 18.46 | NOV6         |
| WD 0756+3803 .....              | SDSS J075607.77+380331.7 | 543   | 52017 | 550   | 07 56 08        | +38 03 32        | $16040 \pm 250$         | $7.84 \pm 0.05$ | $54.61 \pm 1.37$                   | $34.33 \pm 0.95$                    | 0.30  | -0.29 | 18.72 | NOV5         |
| WD 0816+3307 .....              | SDSS J081625.01+330740.4 | 862   | 52325 | 277   | 08 16 25        | +33 07 40        | $15460 \pm 200$         | $7.75 \pm 0.05$ | $51.92 \pm 0.92$                   | $35.19 \pm 0.64$                    | 0.29  | -0.32 | 17.78 | NOV4         |
| WD 0853+0005 .....              | SDSS J085325.55+000514.2 | 468   | 51912 | 132   | 08 53 26        | +00 05 14        | $11750 \pm 110$         | $8.11 \pm 0.06$ | $56.19 \pm 1.14$                   | $33.77 \pm 0.83$                    | 0.39  | -0.15 | 18.23 | NOV4         |
| WD 0953-0051 .....              | SDSS J095329.20-005100.7 | 267   | 51608 | 099   | 09 53 29        | -00 51 01        | $10690 \pm 100$         | $8.64 \pm 0.11$ | $43.13 \pm 1.53$                   | $25.88 \pm 1.10$                    | 0.40  | -0.05 | 18.85 | NOV4         |
| WD 1019+0000 .....              | SDSS J101911.51+000017.3 | 272   | 51941 | 307   | 10 19 12        | +00 00 17        | $12760 \pm 150$         | $8.35 \pm 0.06$ | $59.71 \pm 1.13$                   | $37.16 \pm 0.83$                    | 0.51  | -0.21 | 18.16 | NOV4         |
| WD 1031+6122 .....              | SDSS J103116.34+612232.6 | 772   | 52375 | 090   | 10 31 16        | +61 22 33        | $11480 \pm 180$         | $7.68 \pm 0.11$ | $52.79 \pm 1.46$                   | $34.85 \pm 1.03$                    | 0.57  | -0.20 | 18.71 | NOV4         |
| WD 1045-0018 <sup>a</sup> ..... | SDSS J104517.79-001833.9 | 275   | 51910 | 230   | 10 45 18        | -00 18 34        | $09540 \pm 040$         | $8.09 \pm 0.06$ | $49.30 \pm 1.19$                   | $30.40 \pm 0.81$                    | 0.16  | -0.14 | 18.36 | NOV4         |
| WD 1103+0037 .....              | SDSS J110326.71+003725.9 | 277   | 51908 | 513   | 11 03 27        | +00 37 26        | $10540 \pm 050$         | $8.22 \pm 0.05$ | $46.22 \pm 0.96$                   | $29.22 \pm 0.70$                    | 0.43  | -0.19 | 17.64 | NOV6         |
| WD 1105+0016 .....              | SDSS J110515.32+001626.1 | 277   | 51908 | 596   | 11 05 15        | +00 16 26        | $12850 \pm 060$         | $8.26 \pm 0.02$ | $59.82 \pm 0.29$                   | $37.05 \pm 0.21$                    | 0.35  | -0.19 | 15.20 | NOV4         |
| WD 1126+5144 .....              | SDSS J112638.75+514430.9 | 879   | 52365 | 472   | 11 26 39        | +51 44 31        | $11900 \pm 150$         | $8.03 \pm 0.07$ | $53.61 \pm 1.27$                   | $34.85 \pm 0.91$                    | 0.37  | -0.19 | 18.41 | NOV4         |
| WD 1216+6158 .....              | SDSS J121613.37+615817.0 | 779   | 52342 | 169   | 12 16 13        | +61 58 16        | $12200 \pm 180$         | $8.19 \pm 0.07$ | $56.49 \pm 1.13$                   | $37.49 \pm 0.80$                    | 0.29  | -0.16 | 18.19 | NOV8         |
| WD 1229-0017 .....              | SDSS J122959.23-001714.5 | 289   | 51990 | 109   | 12 29 59        | -00 17 15        | $13160 \pm 180$         | $7.89 \pm 0.04$ | $58.84 \pm 0.78$                   | $40.72 \pm 0.54$                    | 0.45  | -0.21 | 17.36 | NOV5         |
| WD 1315-0131 .....              | SDSS J131557.18-013125.5 | 340   | 51691 | 587   | 13 15 57        | -01 31 26        | $12550 \pm 210$         | $8.12 \pm 0.08$ | $55.85 \pm 1.22$                   | $35.85 \pm 0.89$                    | 0.47  | -0.21 | 18.24 | NOV4         |
| WD 1337+0104 .....              | SDSS J133714.44+010443.8 | 298   | 51662 | 604   | 13 37 14        | +01 04 44        | $11830 \pm 210$         | $8.39 \pm 0.11$ | $54.18 \pm 1.56$                   | $33.14 \pm 1.15$                    | 0.35  | -0.11 | 18.57 | NOV4         |
| WD 1338-0023 .....              | SDSS J133831.75-002328.0 | 298   | 51662 | 021   | 13 38 32        | -00 23 27        | $11650 \pm 090$         | $8.08 \pm 0.05$ | $54.89 \pm 0.68$                   | $34.48 \pm 0.50$                    | 0.45  | -0.18 | 17.09 | NOV4         |
| WD 1342-0159 .....              | SDSS J134230.14-015932.8 | 912   | 52427 | 590   | 13 42 30        | -01 59 33        | $11320 \pm 160$         | $8.42 \pm 0.09$ | $48.05 \pm 1.57$                   | $34.00 \pm 1.14$                    | 0.43  | -0.15 | 18.80 | NOV4         |
| WD 1345+0328 .....              | SDSS J134552.01+032842.6 | 529   | 52025 | 609   | 13 45 52        | +03 28 43        | $11620 \pm 140$         | $7.80 \pm 0.08$ | $51.58 \pm 1.23$                   | $36.92 \pm 0.89$                    | 0.49  | -0.22 | 18.58 | NOV6         |
| WD 1431-0012 .....              | SDSS J143154.57-001231.2 | 306   | 51637 | 196   | 14 31 55        | -00 12 31        | $12200 \pm 180$         | $7.92 \pm 0.07$ | $57.84 \pm 1.22$                   | $35.27 \pm 0.85$                    | 0.45  | -0.16 | 18.40 | NOV7         |
| WD 1432+0146 .....              | SDSS J143249.11+014615.6 | 536   | 52024 | 318   | 14 32 49        | +01 46 16        | $11290 \pm 070$         | $8.23 \pm 0.06$ | $53.62 \pm 0.86$                   | $33.21 \pm 0.63$                    | 0.52  | -0.16 | 17.49 | NOV5         |
| WD 1443-0006 .....              | SDSS J144312.69-000657.9 | 308   | 51662 | 357   | 14 43 13        | -00 06 58        | $11960 \pm 150$         | $7.87 \pm 0.07$ | $56.96 \pm 1.35$                   | $34.07 \pm 0.96$                    | 0.44  | -0.14 | 18.66 | NOV5         |
| WD 1450+5543 .....              | SDSS J145040.50+554321.4 | 792   | 52353 | 311   | 14 50 41        | +55 43 21        | $15010 \pm 120$         | $7.48 \pm 0.03$ | $49.33 \pm 0.83$                   | $32.91 \pm 0.58$                    | 0.31  | -0.33 | 17.21 | NOV4         |

TABLE 3—*Continued*

| Object                          | SDSS Object Name         | Plate | MJD   | Fiber | R.A.<br>(J2000) | Decl.<br>(J2000) | $T_{\text{eff}}$<br>(K) | $\log g$        | EW(H $\beta$ )<br>(Å) | EW(H $\gamma$ )<br>(Å) | $u-g$ | $g-r$ | $g$   | NOV<br>(mma) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| WD 1503–0052 .....              | SDSS J150330.49–005211.3 | 310   | 51990 | 133   | 15 03 30        | –00 52 11        | $11600 \pm 130$         | $8.21 \pm 0.07$ | $55.35 \pm 1.12$      | $36.85 \pm 0.77$       | 0.43  | –0.15 | 18.39 | NOV4         |
| WD 1545+0321 .....              | SDSS J154545.35+032150.0 | 594   | 52027 | 500   | 15 45 45        | +03 21 50        | $15050 \pm 370$         | $7.88 \pm 0.07$ | $54.82 \pm 1.45$      | $37.91 \pm 0.98$       | 0.29  | –0.24 | 18.76 | NOV4         |
| WD 1642+3824 .....              | SDSS J164248.61+382411.2 | 818   | 52395 | 476   | 16 42 49        | +38 24 11        | $18810 \pm 200$         | $8.40 \pm 0.04$ | $52.73 \pm 1.15$      | $31.70 \pm 0.82$       | 0.07  | –0.31 | 17.98 | NOV4         |
| WD 1651+6334 .....              | SDSS J165128.84+633438.3 | 349   | 51699 | 265   | 16 51 29        | +63 34 38        | $14190 \pm 150$         | $7.68 \pm 0.03$ | $54.33 \pm 1.09$      | $33.08 \pm 0.76$       | 0.38  | –0.31 | 18.21 | NOV4         |
| WD 1653+6254 .....              | SDSS J165356.29+625451.4 | 349   | 51699 | 208   | 16 53 56        | +62 54 51        | $13230 \pm 170$         | $7.94 \pm 0.05$ | $62.35 \pm 1.30$      | $39.68 \pm 0.91$       | 0.43  | –0.21 | 18.71 | NOV8         |
| WD 1657+6244 .....              | SDSS J165747.03+624417.5 | 349   | 51699 | 097   | 16 57 47        | +62 44 18        | $13610 \pm 250$         | $7.77 \pm 0.05$ | $59.75 \pm 1.40$      | $37.82 \pm 0.96$       | 0.41  | –0.21 | 18.87 | NOV8         |
| WD 1658+3638 .....              | SDSS J165815.53+363816.0 | 820   | 52433 | 514   | 16 58 16        | +36 38 16        | $11110 \pm 120$         | $8.36 \pm 0.09$ | $50.04 \pm 1.85$      | $27.03 \pm 1.38$       | 0.43  | –0.13 | 19.15 | NOV4         |
| WD 1706+6316 .....              | SDSS J170654.01+631659.6 | 349   | 51699 | 030   | 17 06 54        | +63 17 00        | $13140 \pm 100$         | $8.51 \pm 0.03$ | $58.84 \pm 0.81$      | $32.88 \pm 0.58$       | 0.40  | –0.13 | 17.72 | NOV4         |
| WD 1718+5909 .....              | SDSS J171853.27+590927.5 | 366   | 52017 | 342   | 17 18 53        | +59 09 28        | $12430 \pm 350$         | $7.94 \pm 0.11$ | $59.89 \pm 1.28$      | $35.29 \pm 0.91$       | 0.43  | –0.16 | 18.64 | NOV7         |
| WD 1720+6350 <sup>a</sup> ..... | SDSS J172045.09+635031.7 | 350   | 51691 | 007   | 17 20 45        | +63 50 32        | $11690 \pm 170$         | $8.08 \pm 0.09$ | $50.79 \pm 1.34$      | $30.68 \pm 0.89$       | 0.28  | –0.21 | 18.63 | NOV8         |
| WD 1723+5546 <sup>a</sup> ..... | SDSS J172346.69+554619.0 | 367   | 51997 | 512   | 17 23 47        | +55 46 18        | $11730 \pm 120$         | $8.07 \pm 0.06$ | $49.54 \pm 1.40$      | $38.52 \pm 0.96$       | 0.37  | –0.14 | 18.91 | NOV5         |
| WD 1724+6205 .....              | SDSS J172405.37+620501.4 | 352   | 51694 | 085   | 17 24 05        | +62 05 01        | $13590 \pm 300$         | $7.81 \pm 0.06$ | $59.10 \pm 1.24$      | $38.11 \pm 0.84$       | 0.38  | –0.25 | 18.41 | NOV6         |
| WD 1724+6323 .....              | SDSS J172452.91+632324.9 | 352   | 51694 | 595   | 17 24 53        | +63 23 25        | $14530 \pm 390$         | $7.79 \pm 0.09$ | $52.60 \pm 1.59$      | $32.63 \pm 1.06$       | 0.31  | –0.28 | 19.01 | NOV6         |
| WD 1726+5331 .....              | SDSS J172600.16+533104.1 | 359   | 51821 | 178   | 17 26 00        | +53 31 03        | $11000 \pm 110$         | $8.23 \pm 0.08$ | $49.55 \pm 1.37$      | $27.98 \pm 1.01$       | 0.49  | –0.14 | 18.75 | NOV7         |
| WD 1735+5356 .....              | SDSS J173536.49+535658.1 | 360   | 51816 | 212   | 17 35 36        | +53 56 58        | $12940 \pm 280$         | $7.85 \pm 0.07$ | $60.11 \pm 1.34$      | $34.77 \pm 0.95$       | 0.45  | –0.19 | 18.65 | NOV4         |
| WD 2334–0014 .....              | SDSS J233454.18–001436.2 | 384   | 51821 | 151   | 23 34 54        | –00 14 36        | $13370 \pm 250$         | $7.86 \pm 0.05$ | $56.55 \pm 1.28$      | $41.01 \pm 0.91$       | 0.41  | –0.20 | 18.33 | NOV6         |
| WD 2336–0051 .....              | SDSS J233647.01–005114.7 | 384   | 51821 | 008   | 23 36 47        | –00 51 15        | $13250 \pm 250$         | $7.86 \pm 0.05$ | $56.61 \pm 1.23$      | $40.05 \pm 0.88$       | 0.57  | –0.25 | 18.28 | NOV5         |
| WD 2341+0032 .....              | SDSS J234110.13+003259.9 | 385   | 51877 | 481   | 23 41 10        | +00 33 00        | $13380 \pm 330$         | $7.90 \pm 0.08$ | $57.18 \pm 1.99$      | $36.38 \pm 1.38$       | 0.41  | –0.14 | 19.16 | NOV6         |
| WD 2341–0109 .....              | SDSS J234141.64–010917.1 | 385   | 51877 | 124   | 23 41 42        | –01 09 17        | $13090 \pm 170$         | $7.92 \pm 0.04$ | $58.98 \pm 1.07$      | $38.34 \pm 0.75$       | 0.47  | –0.21 | 18.04 | NOV4         |
| WD 2346–0037 .....              | SDSS J234639.77–003716.0 | 386   | 51788 | 297   | 23 46 40        | –00 37 16        | $12980 \pm 330$         | $7.97 \pm 0.08$ | $56.63 \pm 1.34$      | $36.16 \pm 0.95$       | 0.32  | –0.20 | 18.34 | NOV6         |

NOTE.—Units of right ascension are hours, minutes, and seconds, and units of declination are degrees, arcminutes, and arcseconds.

<sup>a</sup> The star is a member of a DAM binary system.

<sup>b</sup> Kleinman et al. (2004) give an interesting discussion of this most probable eclipsing star.



TABLE 4  
OBSERVED STARS FROM THE HAMBURG QUASAR SURVEY

| Object                          | Alternate Name | NOV<br>(mma) | R.A. (B1950) | Decl. (B1950) | $T_{\text{eff}}$<br>(K) | $B_J$      |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|------------|
| HS 0951+1312.....               | ...            | hDAV         | 09 51 03.1   | +13 12 41     | 11,000                  | 16.7       |
| HS 0952+1816.....               | ...            | cDAV         | 09 52 25.4   | +18 16 29     | 11,000                  | 16.2       |
| HS 0406+1700.....               | LB 227         | NOV1         | 04 06 37.0   | +17 00 03     | 16,000                  | 15.4       |
| HS 0843+1956.....               | WD 0843+199    | NOV3         | 08 43 42.5   | +19 56 05     | 10,000                  | 16.4       |
| HS 0848+1213.....               | ...            | NOV2         | 08 48 22.0   | +12 13 14     | 13,000                  | 16.6       |
| HS 0914+0424.....               | ...            | NOV2         | 09 14 18.2   | +04 24 08     | 13,000                  | 16.7       |
| HS 0942+1416.....               | ...            | NOV2         | 09 42 04.4   | +14 16 28     | 13,000                  | 16.9       |
| HS 0950+0745.....               | PG 0950+077    | NOV3         | 09 50 20.4   | +07 45 19     | 12,000                  | 15.6       |
| HS 1102+0032.....               | ...            | NOV2         | 11 02 41.4   | +00 32 37     | 12,000                  | 14.7       |
| HS 1431+1521.....               | PG 1431+153    | NOV2         | 14 31 44.5   | +15 21 25     | 11,000                  | 15.7       |
| HS 1637+1940.....               | ...            | NOV2         | 16 37 58.9   | +19 40 31     | 12,000                  | 16.7       |
| HS 1643+1423 <sup>a</sup> ..... | PG 1643+143    | NOV3         | 16 43 21.5   | +14 23 08     | 25,450 $\pm$ 260        | 15.5       |
| HS 1711+1716.....               | ...            | NOV2         | 17 11 41.1   | +17 16 57     | 11,000                  | 16.7       |
| HS 2157+8152 <sup>b</sup> ..... | ...            | NOV3         | 21 57 18.5   | +81 53 01     | 10,700 $\pm$ 40         | $B = 16.0$ |
| HS 2306+1303.....               | PG 2306+130    | NOV1         | 23 06 00.3   | +13 03 07     | 13,000                  | 15.2       |
| HS 2322+2040.....               | PG 2322+206    | NOV1         | 23 22 05.4   | +20 40 04     | 13,000                  | 15.5       |
| HS 0727+6915 <sup>c</sup> ..... | ...            | NOV4         | 07 27 34.6   | +69 15 57     | 12,100 $\pm$ 250        | $B = 16.9$ |
| HS 0827+0334.....               | ...            | NOV8         | 08 27 38.5   | +03 34 51     | 12,000                  | 16.7       |
| HS 0838+1643.....               | ...            | NOV4         | 08 38 18.7   | +16 43 05     | 11,000                  | 17.1       |
| HS 0852+1916.....               | LB 8888        | NOV3         | 08 52 40.1   | +19 16 06     | 13,000                  | 15.7       |
| HS 0926+0828.....               | ...            | NOV6         | 09 26 56.8   | +08 28 58     | 12,000                  | 16.5       |
| HS 0932+1731.....               | ...            | NOV4         | 09 32 05.5   | +17 31 37     | 12,000                  | 16.8       |
| HS 0949+0823.....               | ...            | NOV4         | 09 49 17.5   | +08 23 44     | 12,000                  | 16.6       |
| HS 1654+1927.....               | ...            | NOV5         | 16 54 17.0   | +19 27 46     | 11,000                  | 16.2       |

NOTE.—Units of right ascension are hours, minutes, and seconds, and units of declination are degrees, arcminutes, and arcseconds.

<sup>a</sup>  $\log g = 7.79 \pm 0.05$  from Finley et al. (1997).

<sup>b</sup>  $\log g = 8.71 \pm 0.08$  from Homeier et al. (1998).

<sup>c</sup>  $\log g = 8.29 \pm 0.14$  from Homeier et al. (1998).

1995), and this additionally explains the low success rate of this technique.

#### 4.2.3. Spectroscopic Technique for the SDSS DAV Candidates

We use D. Koester's atmosphere models that treat convection with  $ML2/\alpha = 0.6$ ,<sup>12</sup> best described in Finley et al. (1997) and references therein, to derive  $T_{\text{eff}}$  and  $\log g$  fits for DA white dwarf spectra in the range 3870–7000 Å. Kleinman et al. (2004) give an elaborate discussion of the method used to derive the temperatures and gravities for these white dwarfs. Since we are empirically establishing the ZZ Ceti strip, as long as we use a consistent set of models for all candidates, we do not need to worry about any minor discrepancies between different theoretical models.

We choose our high-priority ZZ Ceti candidates between an effective temperature of 12,500 and 11,000 K. We achieve a success rate of 80% at a detection threshold of 1–3 mma for this technique and a success rate of 50% at a detection threshold of 3–6 mma. These rates are reflected in Figure 2. We can achieve a higher success rate of 90% by confining

our candidates to the temperature range 12,000–11,000 K, but being mainly interested in finding hDAV stars, we choose to include candidates in the temperature range 12,500–12,000 K in our observations. Our choice of candidates will also help in better establishing the blue edge of the ZZ Ceti strip.

Note that we use the spectroscopic technique in conjunction with the equivalent width method during our search. It is therefore difficult to present meaningful statistics on these two techniques separately. However, we realize that equivalent width information is already contained in the line profiles; the equivalent width method is a low-resolution spectroscopic technique. We concur with Fontaine et al. (2001, 2003) that the spectroscopic technique is the most fruitful way to search for these pulsators.

#### 4.3. Spectroscopic Technique to Select HQS DAV Candidates

The spectroscopic technique can be applied to photographic spectra as well and has been used to obtain temperature estimates of DA candidates from the HQS (Homeier & Koester 2001b; Homeier 2001). Because of the significantly lower signal-to-noise ratio of the prism spectra, which also do not show a resolved line profile, we typically find errors in  $T_{\text{eff}}$  of the order of 1000–2000 K. In some cases, we find solutions on the wrong side of the Balmer line maximum (e.g., PG 1632+153). Also, we estimate that 10%–20% of this sample may not be white dwarfs (Homeier 2003). This collectively explains our low success rate at finding DAVs from this sample and why we focused mainly on the SDSS white

<sup>12</sup> Various parameterizations of the mixing-length theory are used to treat convection in models of ZZ Ceti stars. Böhm & Cassinelli (1971) describe the ML2 version of convection, assuming the ratio of the mixing length ( $l$ ) to the pressure scale height ( $H$ ),  $\alpha \equiv l/H = 1$ . Bergeron et al. (1995) analyzed optical and ultraviolet (UV) spectrophotometric data of ZZ Ceti stars and found that model atmospheres calculated using the ML2 version, assuming  $\alpha = 0.6$ , provide the best internal consistency between the optical and UV temperature estimates, the observed photometry, the trigonometric parallax measurements, and the gravitational redshift masses.

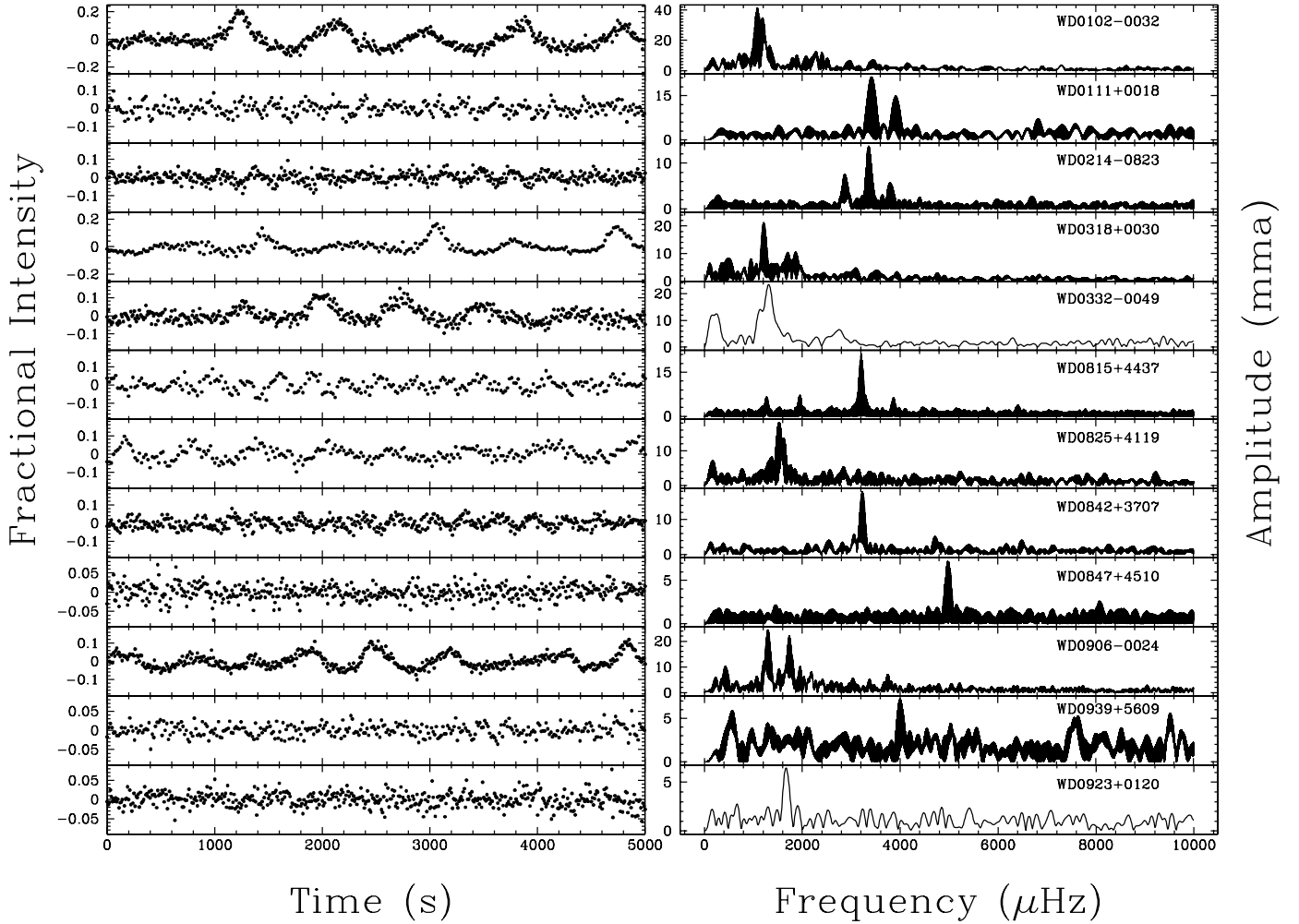


FIG. 3.—Light curves and FTs of the new SDSS DAVs.

dwarfs. We achieve a success rate of 12.5% at the detection threshold of 1–3 mma and 9% for 3–6 mma in finding new DAVs from the HQS.

## 5. DATA ACQUISITION AND ANALYSIS

### 5.1. Observing Strategy

Searching for coherent signals in light curves helps in overcoming noise, as our signal-to-noise ratio improves with the time base until we reach a limit set by photometric precision. In time series photometry, the signal-to-noise ratio can be calculated in Fourier transform (FT) space. Note that the signal-to-noise ratio depends not only on the magnitude of the star and the amplitude of pulsation modes but also on the quality and duration of the data. We typically observe bright candidates ( $14.5 \leq g \leq 17.5$ ) for 1–1.5 hr each and faint candidates ( $18 \leq g \leq 19.5$ ) for about 2 hr each. We run online data extraction routines that allow us to plot the light curve and FT of the star in real time. If any of these show interesting features, we observe the target for longer. If we find a pulsator, we observe it for a few hours and at least twice to confirm its variability. We have been obtaining multiple 4 hr long data sets on the newly discovered hDAVs for our planet search project.

A ZZ Ceti star may have closely spaced modes or multiplet structure, both of which cause beating effects. A fraction of our low success rate with any technique can be attributed to

our single-run investigations of most candidates; an apparent nonpulsator could well be a beating ZZ Ceti star or a low-amplitude variable. Further observations of these stars are interesting to acquire in order to be certain of the purity of the instability strip. We are currently involved in reobserving our apparent nonvariables that lie in our empirically established ZZ Ceti strip.

### 5.2. Data Acquisition

We have obtained high-speed time series photometry with the prime focus CCD photometer Argos on the 2.1 m telescope at McDonald Observatory for 125 nights since 2002 February. During this time, we observed  $\approx 120$  SDSS DA white dwarfs and about  $\approx 20$  HQS stars. We present our journal of observations for the usable data on the new ZZ Ceti variables in the Appendix in Table 6. We used 5–15 s exposures for most of our targets. We have used a 1 mm thick Schott glass BG40 filter<sup>13</sup> for most of our observations. Pulsation amplitudes are a function of wavelength (Robinson et al. 1995; Nitta et al. 1998, 2000), and we underestimate them by as much as 35%–42% for a DAV in using our CCD (Nather & Mukadam 2004). We use the BG40 filter to suppress the red part of the spectrum and to measure amplitudes

<sup>13</sup> The transmission of this filter can be found at <http://www.besoptics.com>.

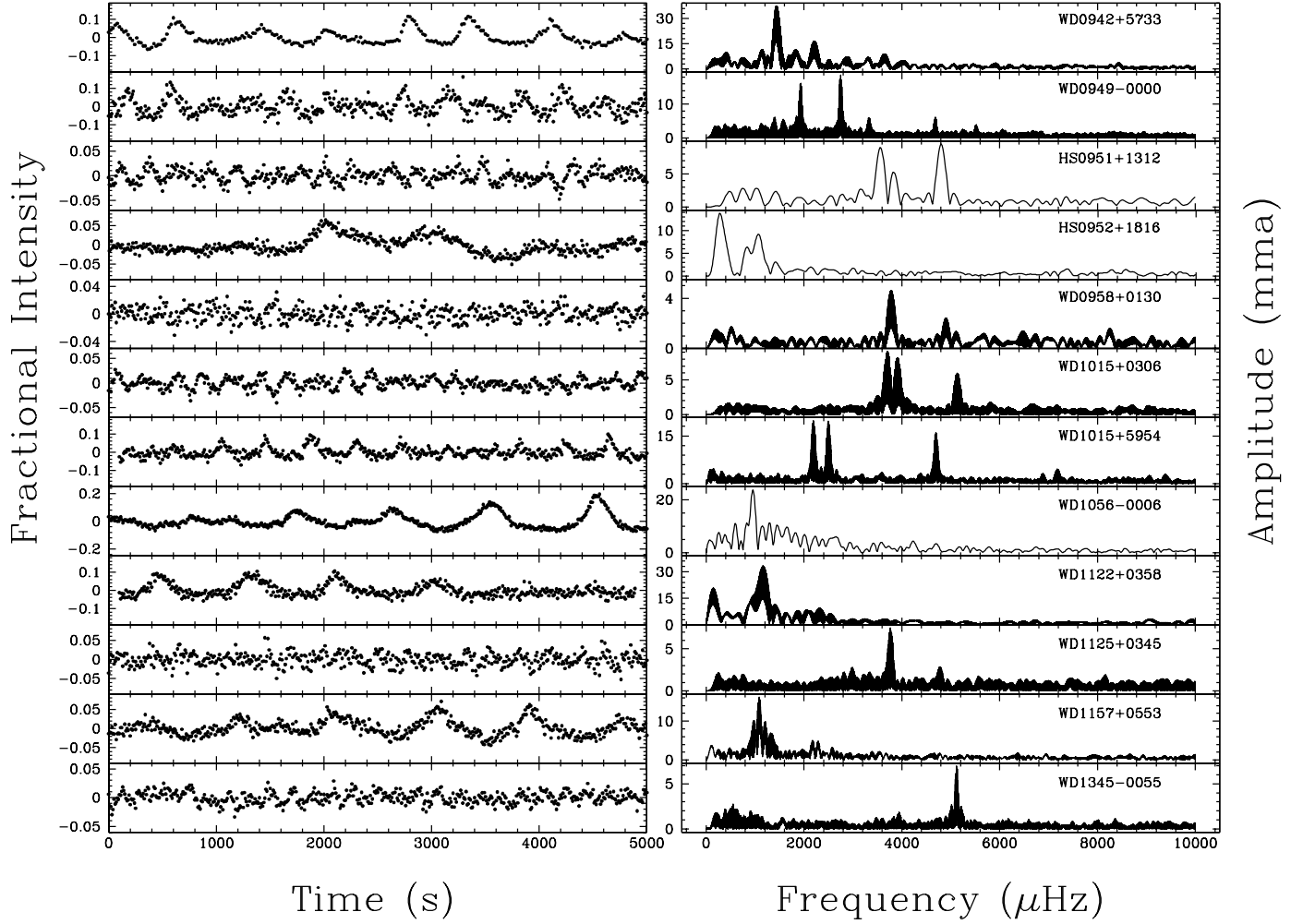


FIG. 4.—Light curves and FTs of the new SDSS DAVs.

comparable to blue-sensitive detectors like PMTs with bi-alkali photocathodes (see Kanaan et al. 2000b), which have been used to observe variable stars since the late 1960s.

### 5.3. Data Reduction and Results

We extract sky-subtracted light curves from the CCD frames using weighted circular aperture photometry (O’Donoghue et al. 2000). We correct for extinction variations and divide the light curve of the target star with a sum of one or more comparison stars; we prefer brighter stars for the division as their light curves have lower noise. After this preliminary reduction, we bring the data to the same fractional amplitude scale and convert the times of arrival of photons to Barycentric Coordinated Time (TCB; Standish 1998). We then compute a discrete FT for all the light curves.

We present the new DAVs in Table 1, listing their coordinates, temperature and  $\log g$  information, colors, equivalent widths, and magnitudes, along with identification numbers required to locate their spectra in the SDSS database. The SDSS spectral objects can be identified on the basis of a plate number, modified Julian date (MJD) of observation, and a fiber number. A single object may have multiple spectra, but the combination of a plate, MJD, and fiber number will always lead to a unique observation. In Tables 2 and 3, we present

similar information for our observed nonvariables from the SDSS. The best rereduced photometry and spectral parameters should be obtained from the SDSS directly. We plan to publish and maintain a table with all the pulsators, complete with the latest photometry and spectral fits, at a future date.<sup>14</sup> We list our observed variables and nonvariables with the non-variability limit, from the HQS in Table 4, some of which are not necessarily DA white dwarfs.

We designate a ZZ Ceti candidate not observed to vary as NOV and add the nonvariability limit as a suffix to this symbol. For example, NOV2 implies a DAV candidate not observed to vary at a detection threshold of 2 mma. If peaks in the FT of a DAV candidate seem to be less than or equal to twice the average amplitude, then these peaks are most probably consistent with noise. The highest white noise peak then defines the detection threshold or the nonvariability limit. If the highest peak is also reflected in the FTs of the reference stars, then we do not use it to define the detection threshold. In that case, we would apply the same test to the second highest peak, and so on. If a peak seems significantly higher than the average amplitude, then we reobserve the candidate to determine whether the peak is real or pure noise. Scargle (1982)

<sup>14</sup> See <http://www.whitedwarf.org>.

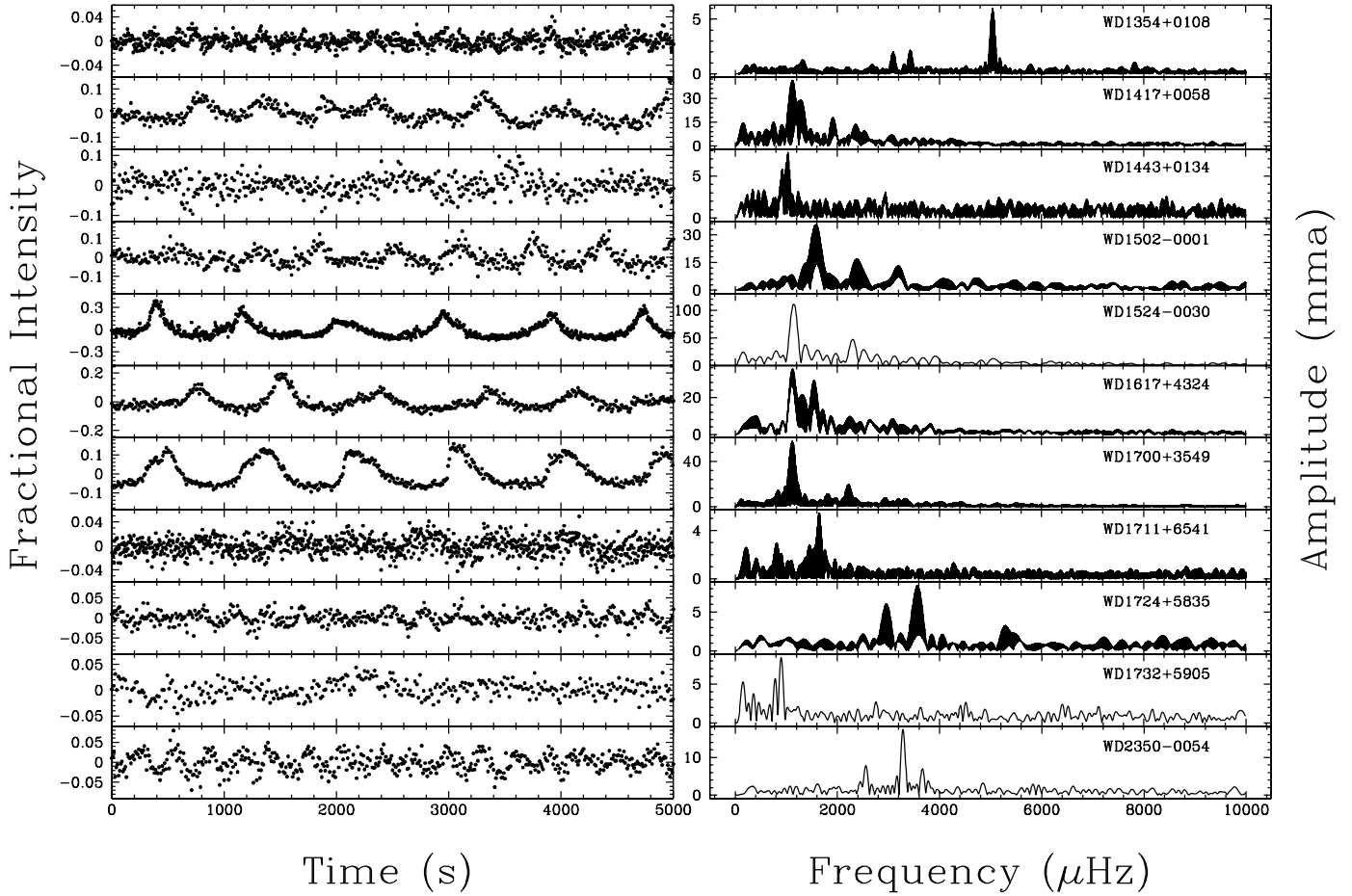


FIG. 5.—Light curves and FTs of the new SDSS DAVs.

gives a thorough discussion of the reliability of detecting a periodic signal in noisy data.

#### 6. PULSATION PROPERTIES OF THE NEW ZZ CETI VARIABLES

We find that the hot DAV stars are mostly distinct from the cool DAV stars in terms of their pulsation characteristics, chiefly the pulsation periods and the pulse shapes. Short pulsation periods typically in the range of 100–300 s are representative of hDAVs, while periods longer than 600 s are typically indicative of cDAVs. Some intermediate-temperature DAVs show a rich pulsation spectrum with periods ranging from a few hundred seconds up to 500 s, exhibiting characteristics of both classes. For our purposes, we classify WD 0111+0018, WD 0214–0823, WD 1015+0306, and WD 1724+5835 as hDAVs since their dominant mode is representative of the hDAV class. We use the same basis to classify WD 0906–0024 as a cDAV. WD 2350–0054 is by far the coolest pulsator and is unusual because it is not expected to pulsate according to our empirical determination of the edges of the ZZ Ceti strip. The effective temperature of WD 2350–0054 derived from its SDSS spectrum places it 650 K below the cool edge of the instability strip. Its spectrum does not show any unusual features that we could attribute to a binary companion or contamination of any sort. Furthermore, it shows pulsation periods and pulse shapes characteristic of the hot DAV stars. The SDSS spectrum of WD 1443+0134 has a

missing section, and hence its temperature and  $\log g$  values are not reliable.

The hot ZZ Ceti stars show pulse shapes distinct from the cDAVs, e.g., see the light curve of WD 0214–0823 compared with WD 1524–0030. The brighter variables have well-defined pulse shapes, while the low-amplitude faint variables do not. Among the hDAVs, only the light curves of the intermediate-temperature DAVs like WD 1015+5954 show pulse shapes distinct from the rest. The light curves of WD 0923+0120 and WD 1711+6541 show pulse shapes and amplitudes distinct from other cDAVs. Their low amplitude is a result of their high gravity  $\log g \geq 8.6$ . The nonradial  $g$ -modes have a non-negligible radial component, the amplitude of which scales with stellar mass and plays a role in dictating the amplitude of the nonradial component.

We plot the light curves and FTs of all the new variables in Figures 3, 4, and 5. We present the dominant periods of the new variables in Table 5. We choose a resolution of  $0.1(1/T)$  to calculate the FTs, where  $T$  is the time span of the data. We indicate a column with the resolution of the FT in Table 5 for data on the different pulsators. We also indicate the peak-to-peak amplitude in the light curve in Table 5. In the case of stars that clearly show beating, we choose those sections of the light curve that show the highest peak-to-peak amplitude. We do not have sufficient data on quite a few of the DAVs to discern a multiplet structure if it is present in the pulsation spectrum. Some of the apparent singlets in Table 5 may well

TABLE 5  
PULSATION CHARACTERISTICS OF THE NEW ZZ CETI VARIABLES

| Object             | Period and Amplitude<br>(s, mma)  | FT Resolution<br>( $\mu$ Hz) | Peak-to-Peak Amplitude | Preliminary Classification |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| WD 0102–0032 ..... | 926.1, 37.2; 830.3, 29.2  | 1.01                         | 0.28                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0111+0018.....  | 292.3, 21.9; 255.3, 15.6  | 0.19                         | 0.14                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0214–0823 ..... | 348.1, 8.5; 347.1, 8.3; 297.5, 16.0; 263.5, 7.1                                       | 0.56                         | 0.13                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0318+0030 ..... | 826.4, 21.1; 587.1, 10.1; 536.1, 10.6   | 0.59                         | 0.26                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0332–0049 ..... | 767.5, 15.1   | 11.11                        | 0.21                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0815+4437 ..... | 787.5, 6.6; 511.5, 7.3; 311.7, 22.0; 311.3, 9.3; 258.3, 6.2                           | 0.0175                       | 0.16                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0825+4119 ..... | 653.4, 17.1; 611.0, 11.2  | 0.0215                       | 0.18                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0842+3707 ..... | 309.3, 17.9   | 0.55                         | 0.14                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0847+4510 ..... | 201.0, 7.3  | 0.04                         | 0.07                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0906–0024 ..... | 769.4, 26.1; 618.8, 9.1; 574.5, 23.7; 457.9, 9.5; 266.6, 7.6                          | 0.37                         | 0.18                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0923+0120 ..... | 595.2, 7.4  | 0.04                         | 11.7                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0939+5609 ..... | 249.9, 7.2  | 0.0181                       | 0.06                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 0942+5733 ..... | 694.7, 37.7; 550.5, 12.2; 451.0, 18.4   | 0.0288                       | 0.18                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0949–0000 ..... | 711.6, 6.0; 634.2, 5.1; 516.6, 16.2; 365.2, 17.7; 364.0, 7.3; 363.2, 12.5; 213.3, 6.0 | 0.0557                       | 0.22                   | cDAV                       |
| HS 0951+1312.....  | 281.6, 8.8; 258.6, 3.6; 208.0, 9.3  | 17.6                         | 0.07                   | hDAV                       |
| HS 0952+1816.....  | 1466.0, 4.5; 1159.7, 4.8; 853.8, 3.9  | 12.9                         | 0.10                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 0958+0130 ..... | 264.4, 4.7; 203.7, 2.5  | 0.375                        | 0.05                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1015+0306 ..... | 270.0, 8.4; 255.7, 7.3; 194.7, 5.8  | 0.023                        | 0.06                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1015+5954 ..... | 1116.5, 12.6; 453.7, 15.8; 401.7, 20.8; 292.4, 8.5; 213.0, 9.8                        | 0.0223                       | 0.13                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1056–0006 ..... | 942.2, 62.3; 474.4, 22.9; 314.2, 11.0   | 10.7                         | 0.28                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1122+0358 ..... | 996.1, 17.9; 859.0, 34.3  | 0.29                         | 0.13                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1125+0345 ..... | 265.8, 3.3; 265.5, 7.2; 208.6, 2.8  | 0.142                        | 0.08                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1157+0553 ..... | 1056.2, 5.8; 918.9, 15.9; 826.2, 8.1; 748.5, 5.6; 458.7, 4.2; 436.1, 3.9              | 1.10                         | 0.11                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1345–0055 ..... | 254.4, 2.4; 195.2, 5.5; 195.5, 3.9  | 0.144                        | 0.04                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1354+0108 ..... | 322.9, 1.9; 291.6, 2.2; 198.3, 6.0; 173.3, 1.1; 127.8, 1.5                            | 0.068                        | 0.05                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1417+0058 ..... | 894.5, 44.0; 812.5, 31.5  | 0.375                        | 0.22                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1443+0134 ..... | 1085.0, 5.2; 968.9, 7.5   | 0.369                        | 0.14                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1502–0001 ..... | 687.5, 12.0; 629.5, 32.6; 581.9, 11.1; 418.2, 14.9; 313.6, 13.1                       | 0.381                        | 0.22                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1524–0030 ..... | 873.2, 111.5; 434.0, 47.8   | 14.1                         | 0.54                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1617+4324 ..... | 889.6, 36.6; 626.3, 24.1  | 0.55                         | 0.28                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1700+3549 ..... | 955.3, 20.4; 893.4, 54.7; 450.5, 19.3   | 0.105                        | 0.20                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1711+6541 ..... | 1248.2, 3.2; 690.2, 3.3; 606.3, 5.2   | 0.549                        | 0.06                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 1724+5835 ..... | 337.9, 5.9; 279.5, 8.3; 189.2, 3.2  | 0.986                        | 0.07                   | hDAV                       |
| WD 1732+5905 ..... | 1248.4, 22.5; 1122.4, 10.2  | 8.32                         | 0.08                   | cDAV                       |
| WD 2350–0054 ..... | 391.1, 7.5; 304.3, 17.0; 273.3, 6.2   | 8.69                         | 0.09                   | cDAV                       |

be multiplets. We do not even have sufficient data on the cDAVs to resolve the closely spaced modes. For some hDAVs with multiplet structure, our single-site data may mislead us to aliases, and hence the periods listed below should be considered preliminary determinations.

## 7. CONCLUSIONS

We conclude that the spectroscopic technique, determining temperatures and  $\log g$  values by comparing the stellar spectra to a grid of atmosphere models, is the most fruitful way to search for ZZ Ceti pulsators, in accordance with Fontaine et al. (2001, 2003). We can achieve a 90% success rate by confining our candidates between 12,000 and 11,000 K with this technique at a detection threshold of 1–3 mma. However, our interest in hDAVs and the blue edge of the instability strip leads us to choose candidates between 12,500 and 11,000 K, reducing our success rate to 80%. With the discovery of 35 new DAVs, we hereby almost double the current sample of 39 published ZZ Ceti stars.

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## APPENDIX

Table 6 is our journal of observations for the usable data on the new ZZ Ceti variables.

TABLE 6  
JOURNAL OF OBSERVATIONS FOR USABLE DATA ON NEWLY DISCOVERED DAVS

| Run        | No. of Images | Target       | UTC Start Time                    | Exposure (s) | Filter |
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| A0105..... | 0794          | HS 0952+1816 | 2002 Feb 07 09:19:43              | 10           | None   |
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| A0111..... | 1064          | WD 0949–0000 | 2002 Feb 08 05:42:24              | 10           | None   |
| A0112..... | 0825          | WD 0949–0000 | 2002 Feb 08 08:42:05              | 10           | None   |
| A0140..... | 0955          | WD 0949–0000 | 2002 Feb 13 05:32:52              | 10           | None   |
| A0155..... | 1293          | WD 0949–0000 | 2002 Feb 15 06:09:46              | 10           | None   |
| A0183..... | 0239          | WD 1056–0006 | 2002 Apr 11 07:02:46              | 15           | None   |
| A0199..... | 0551          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Apr 12 07:40:47              | 05           | BG40   |
| A0209..... | 0316          | WD 1056–0006 | 2002 Apr 17 05:25:27              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0242..... | 0506          | WD 1724+5835 | 2002 Jun 08 03:46:45              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0245..... | 1550          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Jun 09 02:46:44              | 05           | BG40   |
| A0247..... | 0510          | WD 1724+5835 | 2002 Jun 09 06:33:08              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0253..... | 0396          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Jun 13 06:28:53              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0258..... | 1293          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Jun 14 03:04:01              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0262..... | 0403          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Jun 15 02:58:08              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0263..... | 0337          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Jun 15 04:41:48              | 10           | BG40   |
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| A0274..... | 0572          | WD 1345–0055 | 2002 Jun 17 02:53:57              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0298..... | 0471          | WD 1524–0030 | 2002 Jul 12 04:38:48              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0308..... | 0486          | WD 1524–0030 | 2002 Aug 03 04:17:37              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0312..... | 1479          | WD 1524–0030 | 2002 Aug 04 02:45:36              | 05           | BG40   |
| A0360..... | 0312          | WD 1724+5835 | 2002 Aug 13 06:43:25              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0369..... | 1444          | WD 1711+6541 | 2002 Oct 01 02:08:22              | 05           | BG40   |
| A0376..... | 1146          | WD 0102–0032 | 2002 Oct 02 05:27:35              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0381..... | 2281          | WD 1711+6541 | 2002 Oct 03 01:35:07              | 05           | BG40   |
| A0383..... | 0616          | WD 0102–0032 | 2002 Oct 03 07:18:14              | 10           | BG40   |
| A0396..... | 0842          | WD 0332–0049 | 2002 Oct 29 08:44:58 <sup>a</sup> | 10           | BG40   |
| A0398..... | 0842          | WD 1732+5905 | 2002 Oct 30 01:17:24 <sup>a</sup> | 10           | BG40   |
| A0403..... | 0978          | WD 2350–0054 | 2002 Nov 03 02:33:38 <sup>a</sup> | 10           | BG40   |
| A0405..... | 0901          | WD 0332–0049 | 2002 Nov 03 08:00:44 <sup>a</sup> | 10           | BG40   |
| A0410..... | 1090          | WD 2350–0054 | 2002 Nov 06 03:40:46              | 10           | BG40   |

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| A0436..... | 0861          | WD 0318+0030 | 2002 Dec 10 03:11:31 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0438..... | 0133          | WD 0906–0024 | 2002 Dec 10 07:52:29 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0439..... | 0748          | WD 0906–0024 | 2002 Dec 10 08:46:59 | 15              | BG40   |
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| A0443..... | 0476          | WD 0214–0823 | 2002 Dec 11 05:02:52 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0446..... | 0877          | WD 1015+0306 | 2002 Dec 11 10:39:54 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0449..... | 0839          | WD 0825+4119 | 2002 Dec 12 09:16:12 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0450..... | 0521          | WD 1015+5954 | 2002 Dec 12 11:42:33 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0452..... | 0741          | WD 0214–0823 | 2002 Dec 13 03:16:55 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0468..... | 0227          | WD 1417+0058 | 2003 Jan 26 12:31:39 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0469..... | 0371          | WD 0111+0018 | 2003 Jan 27 01:30:48 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0474..... | 0122          | WD 0214–0823 | 2003 Jan 28 01:28:47 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0475..... | 0992          | WD 0214–0823 | 2003 Jan 28 01:55:14 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0477..... | 0732          | WD 0949–0000 | 2003 Jan 28 07:09:07 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0480..... | 0702          | WD 0815+4437 | 2003 Jan 29 03:51:05 | 20              | BG40   |
| A0481..... | 1496          | WD 1015+0306 | 2003 Jan 29 08:01:15 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0482..... | 0976          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Jan 29 10:27:17 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0501..... | 0527          | WD 1015+5954 | 2003 Feb 02 06:26:12 | 20              | BG40   |
| A0502..... | 1262          | WD 1157+0553 | 2003 Feb 02 09:34:51 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0506..... | 0541          | WD 1157+0553 | 2003 Feb 03 09:24:12 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0513..... | 0487          | WD 0847+4510 | 2003 Feb 05 04:41:02 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0532..... | 0938          | WD 1056–0006 | 2003 Feb 25 08:56:15 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0533..... | 0405          | WD 1502–0001 | 2003 Feb 25 11:41:10 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0535..... | 0859          | WD 0942+5733 | 2003 Feb 26 03:53:13 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0565..... | 0978          | WD 0847+4510 | 2003 Mar 06 01:53:15 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0566..... | 0870          | WD 0949–0000 | 2003 Mar 06 04:42:54 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0567..... | 0914          | WD 1125+0345 | 2003 Mar 06 07:13:30 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0568..... | 1385          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Mar 06 09:53:23 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0569..... | 0252          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Mar 06 12:17:06 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0572..... | 1481          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Mar 22 05:37:39 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0573..... | 0157          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Mar 22 07:50:54 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0574..... | 1337          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Mar 22 10:30:44 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0575..... | 0331          | WD 0815+4437 | 2003 Mar 23 01:57:17 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0577..... | 4952          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Mar 23 05:35:12 | 05              | BG40   |
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| A0593..... | 0543          | WD 1122+0358 | 2003 Mar 27 06:46:11 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0595..... | 0336          | WD 0815+4437 | 2003 Mar 30 02:00:46 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0597..... | 1450          | WD 0958+0130 | 2003 Mar 30 04:56:35 | 05              | BG40   |
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| A0599..... | 0736          | WD 1700+3549 | 2003 Mar 30 10:06:50 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0606..... | 1074          | WD 0949–0000 | 2003 Apr 02 02:02:14 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0608..... | 1138          | WD 1443+0134 | 2003 Apr 02 07:25:36 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0609..... | 0250          | WD 1443+0134 | 2003 Apr 03 11:18:15 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0611..... | 0459          | WD 1443+0134 | 2003 Apr 04 09:52:52 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0612..... | 0546          | WD 0815+4437 | 2003 Apr 05 01:57:36 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0613..... | 1237          | WD 0923+0120 | 2003 Apr 05 03:41:48 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0615..... | 1033          | WD 1700+3549 | 2003 Apr 05 09:23:59 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0616..... | 0622          | WD 0923+0120 | 2003 Apr 06 02:02:32 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0619..... | 0450          | WD 0942+5733 | 2003 Apr 07 06:32:14 | 20              | BG40   |
| A0622..... | 0565          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 Apr 08 05:43:59 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0625..... | 1046          | WD 1015+5954 | 2003 May 01 02:33:10 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0628..... | 0671          | WD 0939+5609 | 2003 May 02 02:27:38 | 15              | BG40   |
| A0629..... | 2044          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 May 02 05:24:59 | 05              | BG40   |
| A0631..... | 2204          | WD 1345–0055 | 2003 May 03 03:03:00 | 10              | BG40   |
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| A0643..... | 1016          | WD 1354+0108 | 2003 May 08 07:10:43 | 10              | BG40   |
| A0645..... | 1081          | WD 1015+5954 | 2003 May 09 02:34:36 | 10              | None   |
| A0646..... | 1229          | WD 1345–0055 | 2003 May 09 06:04:12 | 10              | None   |
| A0648..... | 2025          | WD 1345–0055 | 2003 May 10 03:02:25 | 10              | None   |
| A0650..... | 0713          | HS 0951+1312 | 2003 May 11 03:27:23 | 10              | None   |
| A0651..... | 0513          | WD 1345–0055 | 2003 May 11 05:40:19 | 10              | None   |
| A0653..... | 0462          | WD 1345–0055 | 2003 May 12 06:12:26 | 10              | None   |
| A0654..... | 0382          | WD 1345–0055 | 2003 May 12 07:32:21 | 10              | None   |
| A0808..... | 0853          | WD 0923+0120 | 2003 Dec 25 10:02:11 | 10              | BG40   |

<sup>a</sup> The absolute time of the run is uncertain to within 1 minute. We acquired the data with an undisciplined PC clock by mistake. The relative times between the images, i.e., the exposures, are correct.

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