



# HOT SUBDWARF STARS OBSERVED IN LAMOST DR1—ATMOSPHERIC PARAMETERS FROM SINGLE-LINED SPECTRA

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## ABSTRACT

We present a catalog of 166 spectroscopically identified hot subdwarf stars from LAMOST DR1, 44 of which show the characteristics of cool companions in their optical spectra. Atmospheric parameters of 122 subdwarf stars with non-composite spectra were measured by fitting the profiles of hydrogen (H) and helium (He) lines with synthetic spectra from non-LTE model atmospheres. Most of the sdB stars scatter near the Extreme Horizontal Branch in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  diagram and two well defined groups can be outlined. A clustering of He-enriched sdO stars appears near  $T_{\text{eff}} = 45,000$  K and  $\log g = 5.8$ . The sdB population separates into several nearly parallel sequences in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--He}$  abundance diagram with clumps corresponding to those in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  diagram. Over 38,000 K (sdO) stars show abundance extremes; they are either He-rich or He-deficient and we observe only a few stars in the abundance range  $-1 < \log y < 0$ . With increasing temperature these extremes become less prominent and the He abundance approaches  $\log y \sim -0.5$ . A unique property of our sample is that it covers a large range in apparent magnitude and galactic latitude, therefore it contains a mix of stars from different populations and galactic environments. Our results are consistent with the findings of Hirsch and we conclude that He-rich and He-deficient sdB stars ( $\log y < 1$ ) probably originate from different populations. We also find that most sdO and sdB stars lie in a narrow strip in the plane of luminosity and helium abundance, which suggests that these atmospheric parameters are correlated.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Hot subdwarf stars are core He-burning stars with a canonical mass of  $M \sim 0.5 M_{\odot}$ , having a very thin hydrogen envelope (Heber 2009). They are located at the blue end of the horizontal branch (HB), also named the extreme horizontal branch (EHB; Heber et al. 1984) in the Hertzsprung–Russell diagram (HRD). In general, they can be classified into cooler sdB stars, whose spectra typically show dominant H lines and weak He I lines, and hotter sdO stars, which are characterized by He I lines and weak He II lines in their spectra and exhibit a higher He abundance on average (Drilling et al. 2003; Stroeer et al. 2007; Heber 2009). There are other classes named He-sdB and He-sdO stars. They are different from sdB and sdO stars and have almost pure He atmospheres. The origin of hot subdwarf stars is still unknown and the subject of extensive research, largely because they are the main source of the UV-upturn in the spectra of elliptical galaxies and the bulge of spiral galaxies (O’Connell 1999; Han et al. 2007). Hot subdwarfs are also important for understanding the horizontal branch morphology of globular clusters (Han 2008; Lei et al. 2013, 2015). They are also very important in stellar astrophysics. The discovery of pulsating subdwarfs provided an excellent environment in which to probe their interior structure using the tools of asteroseismology (Fontaine et al. 2012). Moreover, they are even relevant for cosmology, as some of them may qualify as progenitors of Type Ia supernovae (Geier et al. 2007; Wang & Han 2010).

A number of scenarios trying to explain the formation and evolution of hot subdwarf stars have been put forward. In the canonical formation scenarios binary evolution (Han et al. 2002, 2003) and enhanced mass loss (Han et al. 1994) from

single red-giant stars are responsible for sdB stars, and double white dwarf (WD) mergers for He-rich sdO stars (Webbink 1984; Han et al. 2002; Justham et al. 2011; Zhang & Jeffery 2012). Among non-standard formation scenarios the hot-flasher scenario (D’Cruz et al. 1996; Sweigart 1997; Lanz et al. 2004; Miller Bertolami et al. 2008) can reproduce the observed abundance diversities. Although these models can account for the observed properties of hot subdwarfs, none of them appears entirely satisfactory, largely because some key physical processes (mass loss on the red-giant branch (RGB), surface element diffusion, common-envelope evolution, mass transfer, etc.) are not dealt with satisfactorily (Heber 2009; Han et al. 2010; Németh et al. 2012). The currently available observations (Edelmann et al. 2003; Lisker et al. 2005; Stroeer et al. 2007; Hirsch 2009; Németh et al. 2012; Geier 2013; Geier et al. 2013, 2015) cannot provide enough information on their origin and evolutionary status. Therefore, spectral analyses on large and homogeneous samples are still very valuable because some new observational constraints can be outlined.

LAMOST (the Large Sky Area Multi-Object Fiber Spectroscopic Telescope, also named the Guo Shou Jing Telescope) is a 4 m specially designed Schmidt survey telescope at the Xinglong Station of the National Astronomical Observatories of Chinese Academy of Sciences, which can simultaneously take the spectra of 4000 objects in a field of view of about  $5^{\circ}$  (diameter; Cui et al. 2012). It is equipped with 16 low-resolution spectrographs, 32 CCDs, and 4000 optical fibers. The LAMOST survey set an objective of observing at least 2.5 million stars in a contiguous area in the Galactic halo and more than 7.5 million stars at low galactic latitudes within four years (Deng et al. 2012; Zhao et al. 2012). From 2011 October to

2013 June, the LAMOST survey obtained more than 2 million spectra, which were released as the DR1 catalog, in which the signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) of about 1.2 million spectra is more than 10 (Liu et al. 2014; Zhao 2014). Therefore, this huge spectral database provides an opportunity to search for hot subdwarfs and perform a spectral analysis of this large and homogeneous sample.

This paper, as our first work, reports 166 spectroscopically identified hot subdwarfs from LAMOST DR1 and presents a spectral analysis for 122 targets with non-composite spectra. In Section 2, we describe the data and target selection. Section 3 contains a brief description of the atmospheric models and the determination of atmospheric parameters. Our results and discussions are given in Section 4 and a summary follows in Section 5.

## 2. LAMOST DR1 DATA AND TARGET SELECTION

LAMOST DR1 has released more than 2 million spectra, including about 700,000 spectra from the pilot survey (Luo et al. 2012). There are 1.7 million spectra of stars, in which the stellar parameters (effective temperature, surface gravity, metallicity and radial velocity) of over 1 million stars were acquired (Zhao 2014). The target selection algorithm, survey design and observations in the LAMOST Spectroscopic Survey have been presented in Carlin et al. (2012), Chen et al. (2012), Zhang et al. (2012), Yang et al. (2012), Xiang et al. (2015), and Yuan et al. (2015). The LAMOST spectra are similar to the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS) data, having a resolving power of  $R \sim 1800$  and covering the wavelength range from 3800 to 9100 Å. Three data pipelines have been developed for the LAMOST survey (Luo et al. 2012, 2014). The raw spectra were reduced by using the standard LAMOST 2D pipeline, including bias subtraction, cosmic-ray removal, spectral trace and extraction, flat-fielding, wavelength calibration, sky subtraction, and combination. The classification and redshift measurement of the extracted spectra were done with the 1D pipeline and the stellar parameters were measured by the LASP (LAMOST Stellar Parameters) pipeline. Recently, another stellar parameter pipeline LSP3 (Xiang et al. 2015) has been developed by another group at Peking University to compare with the LASP.

However, the classification of LAMOST spectra is not suitable for hot subdwarf stars, because they are not included in the stellar templates. Therefore, our selection of hot subdwarf candidates was done differently, in two ways. First, we used the SDSS *ugr* magnitudes to select the candidates from the LAMOST DR1 catalog. Hot stars are found easily by color cuts on SDSS photometry (Geier et al. 2011). Our initial 320,734 spectra with SDSS *ugr* magnitudes were selected from the LAMOST DR1 catalog, in which the S/N of 115,791 spectra is more than 10. Next, we obtained 462 candidates by taking advantage of the color cuts  $[-0.6 < u-g < 0.4$  and  $-0.7 < g-r < 0.1]$  defined by Geier et al. (2011) on the basis of a hot subdwarf sample from UV excess surveys (Green et al. 1986; Jester et al. 2005). As described in Geier et al. (2011), the color criteria ensure that sdB spectroscopic binaries with dwarf companions of spectral type F or later are included while the huge numbers of QSOs (quasi-stellar objects) are not. After rejecting bad spectra and other targets (QSOs, white dwarfs, main-sequence stars), we obtained 74 stars by visual comparisons with reference spectra

of hot subdwarfs. Second, we cross-correlated our sample with the archived database of hot subdwarf candidates. We collected 3868 archived hot subdwarf candidates from the VizieR database (Ochsenbein et al. 2000) and from the Hot Subdwarf Database (Østensen 2004), 196 of which we also found in the LAMOST DR1 catalog. The resulting 145 stars have good spectra (S/N > 10), making them suitable for a spectral analysis.

By combining the two parts, a final sample of 166 hot subdwarf stars has been obtained from LAMOST DR1, in which 44 stars show strong double-line composite spectra. They show noticeable Mg II triplet lines at 5170 Å or Ca II triplet lines at 8650 Å, which were taken as indications of a late-type companion (Heber 2009). But the latter are seriously polluted by sky emission lines in LAMOST spectra. Their parameters are listed in Table 1. Figure 1 shows a two-color diagram of  $V - J$  versus  $J - H$  for only 148 hot subdwarf stars in our sample because these two colors are not available for the other 18 stars. Optical  $V$  magnitudes were collected from GSC2.3.2 (Lasker et al. 2008) and UCAC4 (Zacharias et al. 2013) and infrared (IR)  $JH$  magnitudes from 2MASS (Cutri et al. 2003). At least 22% of our sample has  $V - J > 0$  and  $J - H > 0$  and shows IR excess. This number is close to 19% in the *GALEX* sample (Németh et al. 2012).

## 3. ATMOSPHERIC PARAMETERS

We applied the non-LTE model atmosphere code TLUSTY (Hubeny & Lanz 1995) and spectral synthesis code SYNSPEC (Lanz & Hubeny 2007) to calculate subdwarf spectral models with H–He composition. TLUSTY calculates model atmospheres in hydrostatic and radiative equilibrium in plane-parallel geometry. Atomic data were taken from the TLUSTY website and Stark broadening data for the hydrogen lines from Lemke (1997) and Tremblay & Bergeron (2009).

Atmospheric parameters (effective temperature  $T_{\text{eff}}$ , surface gravity  $\log g$ , and He abundances  $y = n(\text{He})/n(\text{H})$ ) were measured by fitting synthetic spectra, normalized in 80 Å sections, to the flux-calibrated observations. We applied our steepest-descent spectral analysis procedure using chi-square minimization (XTGRID; Németh et al. 2012) to fit the sample. XTGRID was designed to work with TLUSTY models and perform a fully automatic parameter determination for large samples. The procedure calculates new models in the direction of decreasing chi-squares, therefore it does not require a grid and seamlessly covers the transition between the sdO and sdB spectral types, where spectra show a great diversity. We used the range 3800–7200 Å, which includes all the significant H and He lines in the LAMOST spectra. Two example are shown in Figure 2. The data range was limited to a small subset of the spectra to avoid artifacts changing the results. Although some spectra show metal lines, in particular C, N, Mg, and Si lines, the S/N in general does not allow for a detailed abundance analysis.

We analyze only the 122 stars with non-composite spectra in this paper and leave the composite spectra for a forthcoming work. The median parameter errors are  $T_{\text{eff}} = 1030$  K,  $\log g = 0.16$  cm s<sup>-2</sup>, and  $\log y = 0.29$  dex, although we note that the error bars show a strong correlation with spectral type and the S/N of the data.

**Table 1**  
Parameters of 44 Hot Subdwarf Stars with Composite Spectra Observed in LAMOST DR1

LAMOST	Name	Type	$u$ (mag)	$g$ (mag)	$r$ (mag)	$V$ (mag)	$V - J$ (mag)	$J - H$ (mag)
J001227.76+035431.7	PG0009+036	sdB+MS	...	13.01	13.28	13.134	-0.221	-0.076
J011929.04+242531.2	PG0116+242	sdB+MS	...	11.93	11.61	11.716	1.062	0.255
J012952.60+320209.6	PG0127+3146	sdB+MS	...	14.13	14.52	14.423	0.003	0.128
J015055.13+025239.5	...	sdB+MS	16.17	16.29	16.49	16.354	0.331	0.421
J020001.63+140942.5	2MassJ02000162+1409419	sdB+MS	...	...	12.11	12.970	1.038	0.255
J030342.80+012854.8	KUV03011+0117	sdB+MS	17.82	16.75	16.49	16.534	0.917	0.182
J034252.43+045305.7	...	sdB+MS	14.02	...	14.13	...	...	0.359
J042634.61+165526.2	...	sdB+MS	...	14.00	13.86	13.945	1.154	0.286
J071007.73+342453.0	BD+34 1543	sdB+MS	...	...	9.95	10.156	0.671	0.159
J073712.27+264224.7	SDSSJ073712.27+264224.7	sdB+MS	...	15.00	15.21	15.147	0.356	0.265
J081406.83+201901.1	...	sdB+MS	15.93	15.74	15.91	15.563	0.115	0.228
J082517.99+113106.3	...	sdB+MS	14.77	14.69	14.74	14.376	0.364	0.354
J084408.20+310211.0	PG0841+312	sdB+MS	...	14.46	14.70	14.599	0.411	0.324
J093541.33+162110.9	PG0932+166	sdB+MS	14.61	14.67	14.97	14.816	0.476	0.443
J101317.96+362507.3	KUV10104+3640	sdB+MS	16.03	15.14	14.94	15.000	0.855	0.235
J101640.84-010900.5	SDSSJ10640.84-010900.5	sdB+MS	16.45	16.29	16.42	...	...	0.356
J102234.91+460058.7	SDSSJ102234.91+460058.7	sdB+MS	17.17	16.70	16.62	16.932	0.814	-0.027
J103638.93+195202.2	PG1033+201	sdB+MS	...	15.40	15.80	15.637	0.180	0.299
J110403.08+523712.6	PG1101+529	sdB+MS	15.19	14.86	14.86	14.878	0.574	0.129
J111436.51+334027.0	FBS1111+339	sdB+MS	...	12.52	12.35	12.400	1.128	0.486
J112213.10+142621.7	PG1119+147	sdB+MS	16.22	16.33	16.62	16.262	0.414	0.413
J120341.17+253111.4	PG1201+258	sdB+dM	14.77	14.98	15.44	15.164	0.037	0.308
J121238.56+424002.2	PG1210+429	sdB+MS	15.09	14.98	15.04	14.960	0.484	0.270
J121735.90+375824.9	FBS1215+382	sdB+MS	15.84	15.78	15.99	15.693	0.382	0.235
J123451.01+494720.2	PG1232+501	sdB+MS	14.03	16.24	14.13	13.955	0.249	0.140
J125004.42+550602.1	GD 319	sdB+MS	...	12.26	12.28	12.259	0.711	0.461
J130013.83-024952.5	PG1257-026	sdB+MS	...	...	13.62	14.036	0.506	0.211
J130025.53+004530.1	PG1257+010	sdB+MS	15.85	15.98	16.19	15.847	0.438	0.402
J131248.79+174101.6	PG1310+179	sdB+MS	15.24	15.48	15.78	15.37	0.192	0.290
J132917.48+542027.5	PG1327+546	sdB+MS	...	14.91	14.54	14.676	0.790	0.256
J140117.20+273841.7	PG1359+279	sdB+MS	16.26	16.01	16.11	16.201	0.641	0.212
J140203.86+072539.1	PG1359+077	sdB+MS	15.96	16.15	16.49	16.099	0.442	0.239
J153203.25+425745.8	PG1530+431	sdB+MS	15.18	15.23	15.41	15.240	0.306	0.279
J154124.97+290130.1	PG1539+292	sdB+MS	14.90	14.98	16.36	14.630	0.444	0.191
J154210.88+015557.2	...	sdB+MS	16.33	16.21	16.24	15.947	0.713	0.235
J163201.35+075940.0	PG1629+081	sdB+MS	...	12.61	12.90	12.762	-0.074	0.225
J170716.53+275410.4	...	sdB+MS	17.10	16.98	17.11	16.568	0.461	0.436
J170959.18+405450.1	PG1708+409	sdB+MS	...	15.04	15.30	15.222	0.255	0.279
J172627.93+370919.4	FBS1724+372	sdB+MS	...	...	11.86	13.363	0.572	0.141
J175403.69+534135.6	2MassJ17540354+5341359	sdB+MS	15.41	15.36	15.41	15.298	0.525	0.278
J221830.58+184808.8	HS2216+1833	sdB+MS	...	13.84	13.92	16.095	-0.429	0.099
J230233.84+260257.9	2MassJ23023384+2602579	sdB+MS	15.33	14.80	14.61	14.684	0.872	0.211
J232105.80+241039.0	PG2318+239	sdB+MS	...	...	14.00	13.656	-0.218	-0.090
J232147.42+251650.8	Balloon93738002	sdB+MS	...	13.48	13.47	13.470	0.643	0.242

### 3.1. Overlaps with Other Catalogs

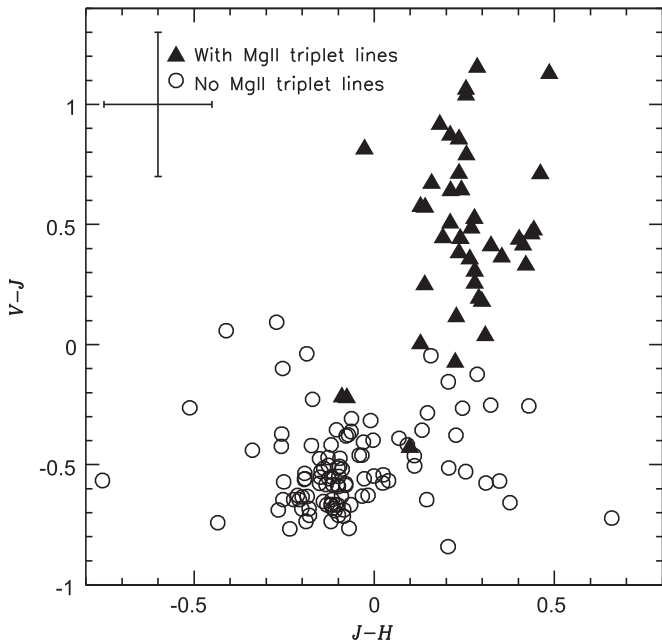
#### 3.1.1. GALEX Survey

Two of our targets have been reported in the low-resolution survey of hot subluminescent stars in the *GALEX* survey (Németh et al. 2012), which used the same analysis procedure. For LAMOST J011928.87+490109.3 they found  $T_{\text{eff}} = 43720^{+510}_{-500}$  K,  $\log g = 5.86^{+0.07}_{-0.21}$  cm s<sup>-2</sup>, and helium abundance  $\log y = 0.158^{+0.442}_{-0.048}$  in agreement with the current parameters  $T_{\text{eff}} = 42660 \pm 780$  K,  $\log g = 5.84 \pm 0.21$  cm s<sup>-2</sup>, and helium abundance  $\log y = 0.295 \pm 0.315$ . For LAMOST J085649.26+170114.6 they found  $T_{\text{eff}} = 29270^{+380}_{-450}$  K,  $\log g = 5.39^{+0.20}_{-0.03}$  cm s<sup>-2</sup>, and an upper limit on the helium abundance  $\log y < -2.81$  in agreement with our parameters  $T_{\text{eff}} = 29360 \pm 230$  K,  $\log g = 5.48 \pm 0.06$  cm s<sup>-2</sup>, and helium abundance  $\log y = -3.101 \pm 0.199$ . These numbers

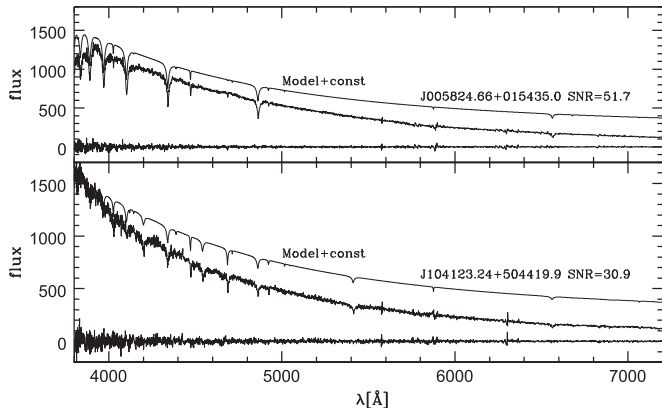
show a reassuring internal consistency between the two analyses.

#### 3.1.2. SDSS Survey and PG Survey

Many of our stars have been observed in the Palomar–Green (PG) Survey (Green et al. 1986) and the SDSS, and their spectra have been analyzed with a variety of methods. In Table 2 we list the identifications of these targets with references to past works. To find systematic effects we collected atmospheric parameters on these stars and calculated the differences from our parameters in Figure 3. We found that the mean shifts in  $T_{\text{eff}}$ ,  $\log g$ , and He abundance  $\log y$  are  $\Delta(T_{\text{eff}}) = 1660 \pm 4910$  K,  $\Delta(\log g) = 0.13 \pm 0.35$ ,  $\Delta(\log y) = 0.04 \pm 0.26$  for sdO stars, and  $\Delta(T_{\text{eff}}) = 410 \pm 2510$  K,  $\Delta(\log g) = 0.18 \pm 0.38$ ,  $\Delta(\log y) = 0.11 \pm 0.61$  for sdB stars. These numbers show that our sample is comparable



**Figure 1.** Two-color plot of  $V - J$  vs.  $J - H$  for 148 hot subdwarf stars in LAMOST DR1. The triangles denote the spectra with Mg II triplet lines and the circles represent the spectra without Mg II triplet lines.



**Figure 2.** Example fits of the observed spectra with model atmospheres for two hot subdwarfs in our fitting range. Top:  $T_{\text{eff}} = 32350 \pm 450$  K,  $\log g = 5.713 \pm 0.118$ ,  $\log y = -1.925 \pm 0.114$ . Bottom:  $T_{\text{eff}} = 51720 \pm 1690$  K,  $\log g = 5.884 \pm 0.199$ ,  $\log y = 0.588 \pm 0.569$ .

to published results. Such systematic shifts are quite general when parameters from different model atmosphere codes are compared. Our results are based on non-LTE model atmospheres with H+He composition, while the majority of the PG sample were analyzed with metal line-blanketed LTE models. The Stark line-broadening tables we used also change  $T_{\text{eff}}$  and  $\log g$  upward.

#### 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Table 2 summarizes the results of our analysis of 122 non-composite stars, including the effective temperatures  $T_{\text{eff}}$ , surface gravities  $\log g$ , and He abundances ( $y = n(\text{He})/n(\text{H})$ ). Our spectral classification follows the scheme of Németh et al. (2012). Out of the 122 stars we identified 27 sdO and 88 sdB stars. We discuss the subdwarf formation channels and evolutionary status based on the statistical properties of the LAMOST sample in the planes  $T_{\text{eff}} - \log g$ ,  $T_{\text{eff}} - \log y$ , and

$\log(L/L_{\text{edd}}) - \log y$ . In order to clearly display the statistical properties, sdB stars are grouped into He-rich and He-deficient ones by using the solar He abundance  $\log y = -1$  (Edelmann et al. 2003). Similarly, sdO stars are divided into He-rich and He-deficient groups.

Checking the completeness of the sample is very important before looking for the statistical properties and comparing them with the predictions of theoretical models. However, it is ignored in this paper because our sample suffers from some uncertain selection effects. Hot subdwarf stars are not the primary science targets of the LAMOST survey and the target selection was based on different catalogs by using different methods (Carlin et al. 2012; Chen et al. 2012; Zhang et al. 2012) due to the lack of a homogeneous multi-color photometric survey for the LAMOST sky area, unlike for SDSS. The different observational strategies were discussed by Yang et al. (2012) and Xiang et al. (2015). In general, the number ratio between sdB and sdO stars has been found to be around 3 from the previous surveys (Østensen 2004; Heber 2009; Németh et al. 2012). However, this ratio in our sample is about 5, which shows that our sample suffers from selection effects, in particular for sdO stars. Therefore, these selection effects should be taken into account in the following discussions. Although the target selection of the LAMOST surveys does not allow us to do any statistics yet, the sample studied here is just the tip of the iceberg, and the combination with upcoming and present photometric surveys (e.g., UVEX, IPHAS, VPHAS+, PanSTARRS, VST-ATLAS, Skymapper, etc.) might substantially increase the number of sdO and sdB stars found in the LAMOST survey in the future.

##### 4.1. Effective Temperature and Surface Gravity

Figure 4 displays the distribution of our sample in the  $T_{\text{eff}} - \log g$  plane. We also plot the location of the EHB band as shown in Figure 5 in Németh et al. (2012), which is defined as the region between the zero-age extended horizontal branch (ZAEHB) and the terminal-age extended horizontal branch (TAEHB) derived from evolutionary tracks of Dorman et al. (1993) for solar metallicity. We also show the location of the zero-age He main sequence (ZAHMS) by Paczyński (1971) and the observed boundary of  $g$ -mode and  $p$ -mode pulsating sdB stars from Charpinet et al. (2010).

Most of the sdB stars in our sample lie in the EHB band. There is a known shift (Németh et al. 2012) with respect to TAEHB for solar metallicity and it is noticeable in our sample as well. This may be because not enough metals are included in the non-LTE models (Hubeny & Lanz 1995) or because of different He core masses (Han et al. 2002). As seen in Németh et al. (2012), sdB stars show two groups (no. 1 and no. 2) on the EHB. Group 1 is the cooler, He-poor sdB stars that crowd around  $T_{\text{eff}} = 28,000$  K and  $\log g = 5.4$ . They lie to the right of the observed boundary of  $g$ -mode and  $p$ -mode pulsating sdB stars and are potential  $g$ -mode pulsators. Group 2 is the hotter sdB stars that are found around  $T_{\text{eff}} = 33,500$  K and  $\log g = 5.8$  and are on average ten times more He-abundant than group 1. They are located to the left of the observed boundary of  $g$ -mode and  $p$ -mode pulsating sdB stars and possible  $p$ -mode pulsators. We also see two groups (no. 3 and no. 4) among the sdO stars. One is the He-rich sdO group (Group 3) between 40,000 and 50,000 K near  $\log g = 5.8$  around the theoretical HeMS, another (Group 4) is the mixture of He-deficient and He-rich sdO/B stars around  $T_{\text{eff}} = 38,000$  K and  $\log g = 5.3$ .



**Table 2**  
Atmospheric Parameters of 122 Hot Subdwarf Stars with Non-composite Spectra Observed in LAMOST DR1

LAMOST	Name	$T_{\text{eff}}$ (K)	$\log g$ ( $\text{cm s}^{-2}$ )	$\log y$	Type <sup>a</sup>	$u$ (mag)	$g$ (mag)	$r$ (mag)	$V$ (mag)	$V - J$ (mag)	$J - H$ (mag)	S/N	References
J000106.72+110036.3	PG2358+107	27100 $\pm$ 430	5.541 $\pm$ 0.067	-2.724 $\pm$ 0.109	sdB	...	13.46	13.79	13.593	-0.470	-0.128	57.4	...
J002747.80+344026.5	HS0025+3423	32320 $\pm$ -1430	5.746 $\pm$ 0.206	-0.917 $\pm$ 0.156	He-sdB	...	15.54	16.06	15.849	-0.398	-0.003	17.4	1
J005824.66+015435.0	PG0055+016	32350 $\pm$ 450	5.713 $\pm$ 0.118	-1.925 $\pm$ 0.114	sdB	14.52	14.85	15.35	15.099	-0.736	-0.120	41.9	1
J010421.67+041337.0	PG0101+039	27160 $\pm$ 520	5.459 $\pm$ 0.05	-2.771 $\pm$ 0.096	sdB	...	11.86	12.23	11.982	-0.667	-0.107	100.8	7
J011857.19-002545.5	SDSSJ011857.20-002546.5	28650 $\pm$ 1230	5.592 $\pm$ 0.057	-3.031 $\pm$ 0.295	sdB	14.49	14.60	15.07	14.804	-0.380	-0.078	48.4	...
J011928.87+490109.3	GALEXJ011928.88 +490109.39	42660 $\pm$ -780	5.841 $\pm$ 0.211	0.295 $\pm$ 0.315	He-sdO	...	...	13.54	13.432	-0.372	-0.257	21.3	6
J024734.99+364550.3	KUV02445+3633	42590 $\pm$ 340	5.666 $\pm$ 0.101	1.782 $\pm$ 1.058	He-sdO	...	...	13.65	13.013	-0.583	-0.115	108.4	...
J030128.00+301536.6	HS0258+3003	55880 $\pm$ 4670	6.252 $\pm$ 0.182	-2.014 $\pm$ 0.442	sdO	...	...	15.43	14.993	-0.406	-0.030	31.6	...
J032138.67+053839.9	PG0319+055	31690 $\pm$ 240	5.728 $\pm$ 0.068	-2.034 $\pm$ 0.095	sdB	14.86	14.88	15.14	15.048	-0.100	-0.254	62.7	...
J034208.81+090220.7	...	40420 $\pm$ 2450	5.275 $\pm$ 0.222	-2.827 $\pm$ 0.814	sdO	15.81	15.88	16.06	15.913	0.093	-0.271	20.3	...
J035952.18+014208.5	HS0357+0133	28630 $\pm$ 720	5.742 $\pm$ 0.115	-2.392 $\pm$ 0.213	sdB	...	...	15.12	14.936	-0.038	-0.187	41.6	1
J062407.08+294721.6	KUV06209+2949	15120 $\pm$ 420	4.897 $\pm$ 0.094	-1.971 $\pm$ 0.406	BHB	...	16.68	16.75	16.737	0.058	-0.411	14.3	...
J065251.96+290023.7	SDSSJ065251.84+290023.2	32110 $\pm$ 580	5.699 $\pm$ 0.127	-1.912 $\pm$ 0.122	sdB	14.32	14.57	15.03	14.820	-0.559	-0.028	35.2	...
J065658.95+284458.3	SDSSJ065658.94+284457.6	29660 $\pm$ 1100	5.551 $\pm$ 0.162	-3.203 $\pm$ 0.754	sdB	16.42	...	16.97	16.912	...	...	21.4	...
J070147.91+283405.3	KUV06586+283	26070 $\pm$ 930	5.485 $\pm$ 0.129	-1.880 $\pm$ 0.147	sdB	14.72	14.73	15.11	14.834	-0.542	0.025	26.0	...
J072351.47+301916.5	SDSSJ072351.47+301916.5	31820 $\pm$ 1240	5.743 $\pm$ 0.233	-1.496 $\pm$ 0.24	sdB	...	14.73	15.27	15.043	-0.558	-0.126	20.9	4
J074613.16+333307.5	SDSSJ074613.16+333307.7	47270 $\pm$ 2530	5.773 $\pm$ 0.245	0.500 $\pm$ 0.423	He-sdO	...	15.61	16.09	15.944	-0.424	-0.258	20.2	4
J080628.09+323059.4	2MJ080628.09+323059.4	32450 $\pm$ 580	5.924 $\pm$ 0.115	-1.357 $\pm$ 0.097	sdB	...	15.08	15.60	15.472	-0.549	-0.098	39.4	...
J080656.76+152718.1	2MJ08065668+1527200	28960 $\pm$ 1800	5.302 $\pm$ 0.321	-2.726>	sdB	14.41	14.54	15.03	14.775	-0.658	0.377	14.5	...
J081204.87+135205.1	KUV06586+2838	24010 $\pm$ 1940	4.666 $\pm$ 0.225	-3.101 $\pm$ 0.873	BHB	16.94	...	17.54	17.531	...	...	15.7	...
J081351.59+110136.3	...	20120 $\pm$ 3590	4.576 $\pm$ 0.145	-3.228 $\pm$ 0.802	BHB	14.86	15.12	15.61	15.47	-0.566	-0.754	25.2	...
J082226.26+394119.0	KUV08191+3951	31160 $\pm$ 980	5.840 $\pm$ 0.226	-2.244 $\pm$ 0.29	sdB	16.79	...	17.43	17.126	...	...	20.5	...
J082802.03+404008.8	WD0824+408	59350 $\pm$ 18890	4.926 $\pm$ 0.401	-1.800 $\pm$ 1.241	sdO	17.59	...	18.52	17.95	...	...	8.4	4
J083603.96+155215.4	SDSSJ083603.98+155216.4	27100 $\pm$ 640	5.419 $\pm$ 0.069	-2.451 $\pm$ 0.174	sdB	15.07	15.18	15.64	15.406	-0.567	0.04	57.4	...
J085323.65+164935.2	PG0850+170	27090 $\pm$ 740	5.398 $\pm$ 0.079	-2.78 $\pm$ 0.183	sdB	...	13.73	14.18	13.998	-0.548	-0.001	63.3	...
J085649.26+170114.6	GALEXJ085649.30 +170115.0	29360 $\pm$ 230	5.477 $\pm$ 0.064	-3.101 $\pm$ 0.199	sdB	...	12.61	13.07	12.84	-0.586	-0.079	102.9	6
J085902.64+115627.7	PG0856+121	25010 $\pm$ 1040	5.525 $\pm$ 0.106	-3.162>	sdB	...	13.3	13.79	13.48	-0.473	-0.095	39.2	7
J090447.76+313252.7	PG0901+309	38400 $\pm$ 900	5.685 $\pm$ 0.305	-0.57 $\pm$ 0.145	He-sdB	14.55	14.9	15.40	15.172	-0.591	-0.099	25.5	3
J091025.43+120827.0	PG0907+123	27560 $\pm$ 440	5.324 $\pm$ 0.064	-2.836 $\pm$ 0.136	sdB	...	13.75	14.14	13.916	-0.558	-0.192	89.7	7
J091207.29+161320.4	PG0909+164	31670 $\pm$ 950	4.73 $\pm$ 0.291	-2.245 $\pm$ 0.494	sdB	...	13.57	14.09	13.851	-0.634	-0.200	16.1	3, 8
J091251.66+272031.4	PG0909+276	37560 $\pm$ 310	5.970 $\pm$ 0.076	-0.908 $\pm$ 0.042	He-sdB	...	12.06	12.49	12.276	-0.584	-0.102	142.8	8
J091408.68+035804.0	PG0911+042	27980 $\pm$ 1370	5.505 $\pm$ 0.268	-2.993>	sdB	...	...	15.10	15.486	-0.514	0.207	15.0	...
J092128.21+024602.3	PG0918+029	31460 $\pm$ 510	5.788 $\pm$ 0.116	-2.531 $\pm$ 0.144	sdB	...	...	13.75	13.303	-0.646	-0.208	69.3	...
J092239.83+270225.4	PG0919+273	33230 $\pm$ 240	5.997 $\pm$ 0.041	-2.395 $\pm$ 0.129	sdB	...	12.41	12.90	12.658	-0.645	-0.117	72.3	...
J092308.30+024209.9	PG0920+029	29980 $\pm$ 910	5.472 $\pm$ 0.174	-3.515>	sdB	...	...	14.03	14.352	-0.711	-0.180	29.1	...
J092313.41+292657.5	PG0920+297	30810 $\pm$ 1430	5.993 $\pm$ 0.221	-1.284 $\pm$ 0.181	sdB	14.19	14.43	15.79	14.729	-0.683	-0.201	22.3	...
J092830.55+561811.7	PG0924+565	58780 $\pm$ 2740	5.270 $\pm$ 0.175	-1.080 $\pm$ 0.257	sdO	15.49	15.95	16.45	15.911	-0.723	0.659	25.3	4
J093015.51+305034.6	PG0927+311	28140 $\pm$ 490	5.809 $\pm$ 0.068	-2.679 $\pm$ 0.124	sdB	14.49	14.65	15.11	14.956	-0.475	-0.152	49.2	...
J093512.15+311000.4	PG0932+314	33440 $\pm$ 670	5.841 $\pm$ 0.139	-1.595 $\pm$ 0.133	sdB	15.08	15.35	15.87	15.634	-0.765	-0.070	38.6	4
J093716.27+182511.2	PG0934+186	34970 $\pm$ 1060	5.575 $\pm$ 0.139	-2.525>	sdB	...	12.86	13.37	13.131	-0.628	-0.213	107.3	...
J093820.35+550550.0	PG0934+553	44340 $\pm$ 350	5.373 $\pm$ 0.056	-0.432 $\pm$ 0.231	He-sdO	...	11.87	12.21	12.019	-0.284	0.148	148.8	...
J094623.10+040456.0	PG0943+043	37110 $\pm$ 1020	5.771 $\pm$ 0.200	-1.453 $\pm$ 0.204	sdB	15.23	15.49	15.97	15.735	-0.529	0.254	15.9	4
J094729.40+271627.0	PG0944+275	28320 $\pm$ 1720	5.893 $\pm$ 0.228	-2.262>	sdB	16.21	...	16.89	16.706	...	...	11.0	...
J095058.04+182618.5	PG0948+187	35340 $\pm$ 970	5.847 $\pm$ 0.192	-1.844 $\pm$ 0.202	sdB	15.93	16.21	16.72	16.046	-0.256	0.429	36.4	4
J095101.34+034757.3	PG0948+041	31000 $\pm$ 1360	5.531 $\pm$ 0.206	-3.543 $\pm$ 1.122	sdB	15.59	15.73	16.12	15.817	-0.155	0.206	30.9	...

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J095932.25+361825.8	CBS 115	27180 $\pm$ 230	5.224 $\pm$ 0.031	-2.694 $\pm$ 0.078	sdB	...	12.65	13.12	12.905	-0.516	-0.140	119.9	...
J095952.08+033032.6	PG0957+037	36640 $\pm$ 1630	5.152 $\pm$ 0.145	-3.505 $\pm$ 1.116	sdB	14.89	15.16	15.68	15.448	-0.390	0.069	32.0	...
J100154.98+301805.6	SDSSJ100154.98+301805.6	23290 $\pm$ 2160	4.665 $\pm$ 0.314	-2.141 >	BHB	15.84	...	16.44	16.148	...	...	6.2	...
J100354.27+403418.1	PG1000+408	40990 $\pm$ 1030	5.220 $\pm$ 0.070	-2.884 $\pm$ 0.290	sdO	...	12.97	13.57	13.289	-0.689	-0.266	83.9	...
J101342.12+260620.0	SDSSJ101342.12+260619.9	47160 $\pm$ 5190	5.807 $\pm$ 0.310	-1.701 $\pm$ 0.425	sdO	16.32	...	17.24	16.638	...	...	24.7	4
J101420.74-025228.1 <sup>b</sup>	...	50660 $\pm$ 3280	5.702 $\pm$ 0.378	0.579 $\pm$ 1.168	He-sdO	15.56	15.96	16.51	16.334	-0.417	-0.120	20.8	...
J102029.80+425021.9	PG1017+431	40230 $\pm$ 1340	5.114 $\pm$ 0.095	-2.783 $\pm$ 0.252	sdO	14.6	14.95	15.53	15.309	-0.711	-0.099	68.4	3
J102120.45+444636.9	SDSSJ102120.44+444636.9	48250 $\pm$ 3920	5.746 $\pm$ 0.592	0.721 $\pm$ 0.979	He-sdO	17.31	...	18.29	18.241	...	...	9.6	4
J103516.57+402114.4	PG1032+406	31920 $\pm$ 210	5.840 $\pm$ 0.063	-2.253 $\pm$ 0.056	sdB	...	11.31	11.72	11.474	-0.692	-0.109	168.8	...
J104123.24+504419.9	PG1038+510	51720 $\pm$ 1690	5.884 $\pm$ 0.199	0.588 $\pm$ 0.569	He-sdO	14.33	14.73	15.27	15.008	-0.645	-0.224	28.2	...
J105418.52+494959.7	PG1051+501	34120 $\pm$ 300	5.130 $\pm$ 0.053	-1.458 $\pm$ 0.061	sdB	...	13.12	13.64	13.381	-0.715	-0.085	93.6	...
J105428.85+010514.8	SDSSJ105428.85+010514.7	27600 $\pm$ 2150	5.853 $\pm$ 0.270	-2.978 $\pm$ 0.787	sdB	16.56	...	17.24	...	...	...	19.9	...
J111904.87+295153.5	PG1116+301	31580 $\pm$ 1030	6.165 $\pm$ 0.249	-2.359 $\pm$ 0.333	sdB	13.85	14.04	14.56	14.369	-0.576	0.31	15.4	...
J112637.06+115959.8	PG1124+123	27910 $\pm$ 1090	5.144 $\pm$ 0.216	-3.572 $\pm$ 0.790	sdB	15.67	15.78	16.3	15.695	-0.463	0.111	29.1	...
J112829.30+291504.7	PG1125+295	49710 $\pm$ 1530	5.847 $\pm$ 0.249	-2.073 $\pm$ 0.520	sdO	14.46	14.86	15.38	15.187	-0.742	-0.434	18.2	4
J113003.83+013738.1	PG1127+019	43650 $\pm$ 680	5.944 $\pm$ 0.191	1.947 $\pm$ 1.158	He-sdO	13.19	13.57	14.09	13.853	-0.645	-0.253	31.1	7
J113257.47+050648.8	PG1130+054	30630 $\pm$ 520	5.960 $\pm$ 0.132	-3.211 >	sdB	14.65	14.71	15.18	14.885	-0.440	-0.338	35.0	...
J113340.54+560624.2	PG1130+564	31900 $\pm$ 1160	5.060 $\pm$ 0.244	-2.696 $\pm$ 0.493	sdB	14.82	15.03	15.41	15.275	-0.046	0.157	24.9	...
J113942.01+464349.4	PG1137+470	30700 $\pm$ 460	5.533 $\pm$ 0.091	-3.982 >	sdB	...	15.29	15.78	15.595	-0.569	0.348	55.8	...
J115435.80+582956.7	SBSS1152+587	35510 $\pm$ 1980	5.931 $\pm$ 0.197	-0.503 $\pm$ 0.136	He-sdB	17.11	...	17.78	17.803	...	...	8.0	...
J120624.41+570936.3	PG1203+574	35080 $\pm$ 880	5.805 $\pm$ 0.127	-1.866 $\pm$ 0.147	sdB	14.24	14.52	15.08	14.894	-0.682	-0.115	40.7	...
J123551.14+422239.7	PG1233+427	26590 $\pm$ 490	5.479 $\pm$ 0.049	-2.543 $\pm$ 0.129	sdB	...	11.26	12.35	12.046	-0.551	-0.119	68.8	...
J123652.66+501513.5	PG1234+505	42190 $\pm$ 1200	5.372 $\pm$ 0.068	-2.220 $\pm$ 0.225	sdO	...	14.4	14.96	14.68	-0.768	-0.234	45.7	...
J124201.73+434023.3	PG1239+439	37400 $\pm$ 1720	5.669 $\pm$ 0.225	-0.229 $\pm$ 0.198	He-sdB	16.66	...	17.47	16.819	...	...	12.9	4
J124451.20+435252.5	PG1242+442	29760 $\pm$ 1790	5.496 $\pm$ 0.259	-2.823 >	sdB	16.11	...	16.72	16.498	...	...	19.4	...
J125050.26+161003.1	PG1248+164	24830 $\pm$ 1450	5.453 $\pm$ 0.202	-2.517 $\pm$ 0.255	sdB	...	14.23	14.75	14.46	-0.577	0.024	24.4	...
J125229.60-030129.6	PG1249-028	30780 $\pm$ 480	5.694 $\pm$ 0.128	-4.500 $\pm$ 1.336	sdB	15.46	15.71	16.22	15.618	-0.541	-1.430	34.4	...
J125318.50+300629.3	PG1250+304	32550 $\pm$ 510	5.809 $\pm$ 0.098	-2.278 $\pm$ 0.165	sdB	15.61	15.91	16.45	15.939	-0.448	-1.160	86.9	...
J125627.45+274230.6	PG1254+279	25050 $\pm$ 4010	5.545 $\pm$ 0.377	-2.522 >	sdB	15.52	15.59	16.07	15.861	-0.646	0.146	12.1	...
J125926.03+272122.7	PG1257+276	18430 $\pm$ 390	4.883 $\pm$ 0.073	-1.705 $\pm$ 0.107	BHB	...	15.09	15.56	15.43	-0.263	-0.512	43.5	...
J130346.61+264630.6	PG1301+270	49400 $\pm$ 1280	6.538 $\pm$ 0.175	-0.097 $\pm$ 0.260	He-sdO	...	15.34	15.88	15.71	-0.505	0.112	23.8	...
J130448.68+280729.9	PG1302+284	34580 $\pm$ 1070	5.758 $\pm$ 0.160	-2.841 >	sdB	14.94	15.23	15.77	15.543	-0.631	-0.033	21.0	...
J130615.56+485019.7	PG1304+491	32430 $\pm$ 290	5.682 $\pm$ 0.040	-1.767 $\pm$ 0.054	sdB	13.21	15.51	14.07	13.725	-0.689	-0.084	29.7	...
J132044.38+055901.3	PG1318+062	44560 $\pm$ 1040	5.791 $\pm$ 0.206	1.084 $\pm$ 0.755	He-sdO	14.07	14.5	14.98	14.786	-0.583	-0.134	23.9	...
J132434.93+281802.3	PG1322+286	32500 $\pm$ 1710	5.818 $\pm$ 0.361	-2.348 >	sdB	14.71	14.93	15.47	15.179	-0.736	-0.189	14.5	...
J133153.55+154117.5	PG1329+159	29480 $\pm$ 950	5.560 $\pm$ 0.173	-2.767 >	sdB	...	13.28	13.72	13.507	-0.528	-0.148	30.1	...
J133338.07+584933.7	PG1331+591	33400 $\pm$ 590	5.136 $\pm$ 0.081	-0.988 $\pm$ 0.066	He-sdB	14.48	14.71	15.19	14.981	-0.356	0.133	42.5	...
J134008.83+475151.9	PG1338+481	28360 $\pm$ 300	5.501 $\pm$ 0.049	-2.823 $\pm$ 0.133	sdB	...	13.10	13.79	13.588	-0.578	-0.152	100.2	...
J134131.48+045446.7	PG1339+052	61370 $\pm$ 9290	6.304 $\pm$ 0.218	-1.607 $\pm$ 0.377	sdO	15.87	16.28	16.85	16.152	-0.417	0.092	25.2	...
J135015.85+602438.4	PG1348+607	54360 $\pm$ 1980	5.448 $\pm$ 0.251	-0.062 $\pm$ 0.575	He-sdO	15.59	...	16.61	16.66	...	...	22.8	3
J135153.11-012946.6	PG1349-012	30970 $\pm$ 920	5.671 $\pm$ 0.187	-2.631 >	sdB	15.31	15.45	15.90	15.964	-0.228	-0.171	33.7	...
J135824.65+065135.3	PG1355+071	24310 $\pm$ 910	5.705 $\pm$ 0.124	-2.882 $\pm$ 0.418	sdB	...	14.16	14.59	14.346	-0.628	-0.017	11.6	...
J140545.25+014419.0	PG1403+019	30300 $\pm$ 990	5.848 $\pm$ 0.165	-2.264 $\pm$ 0.311	sdB	15.9	15.91	16.33	15.787	-0.519	-0.089	29.6	5
J141702.82+485725.8	PG1415+492	37690 $\pm$ 1790	5.233 $\pm$ 0.248	2.459 $\pm$ 1.151	He-sdB	13.76	14.07	14.56	14.299	-0.667	-0.065	76.5	7
J141736.40-043429.0	PG1415-043	38030 $\pm$ 540	5.884 $\pm$ 0.120	-1.568 $\pm$ 0.117	sdB	...	13.52	13.96	13.724	-0.653	-0.141	53.4	...
J143729.14-021506.0	...	35870 $\pm$ 1180	5.696 $\pm$ 0.125	0.000 $\pm$ 0.135	He-sdB	15.65	15.96	16.44	15.742	-0.841	0.205	30.7	...
J144052.82-030852.6	PG1438-029	29280 $\pm$ 240	5.405 $\pm$ 0.057	-2.893 $\pm$ 0.145	sdB	...	13.60	14.02	13.792	-0.376	-0.072	104.2	...

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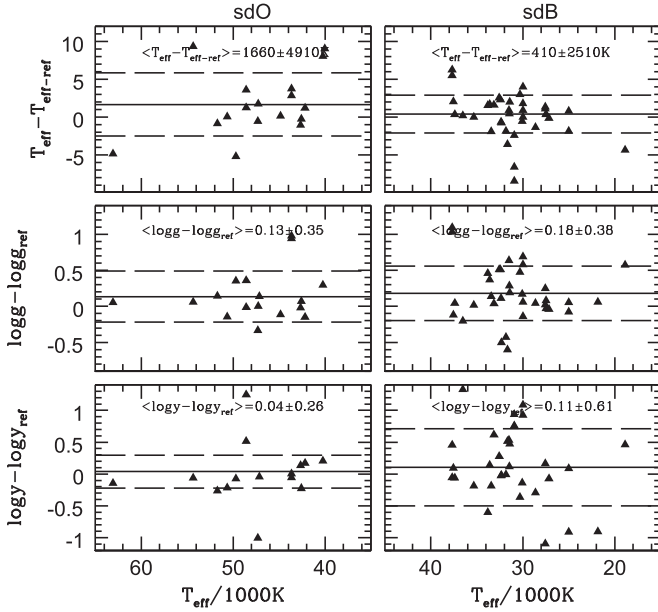
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J144227.47-013245.9	PG1439-013	43080 $\pm$ 2990	4.922 $\pm$ 0.157	-2.696 $\pm$ 0.539	sdO	...	13.64	14.11	13.873	-0.633	-0.186	29.2	...
J144708.27+072349.5	PG1444+076	50640 $\pm$ 860	5.760 $\pm$ 0.102	1.237 $\pm$ 1.075	He-sdO	...	14.42	14.94	14.717	-0.667	-0.119	62.5	...
J144933.64+244336.2	PG1447+249	36590 $\pm$ 950	5.498 $\pm$ 0.156	-1.749 $\pm$ 0.288	sdB	...	15.45	15.96	15.799	-0.572	-0.251	17.4	...
J151030.69-014345.8	PG1507-015	45800 $\pm$ 1210	6.251 $\pm$ 0.256	0.297 $\pm$ 0.460	He-sdO	15.91	16.25	16.71	...	...	-0.403	15.8	4
J153329.95+520648.7	PG1532+523	31510 $\pm$ 470	5.894 $\pm$ 0.112	-2.401 $\pm$ 0.172	sdB	13.45	16.10	14.23	14.007	-0.683	-0.181	48.9	3
J154039.03+395549.0	PG1538+401	33800 $\pm$ 1510	5.906 $\pm$ 0.185	2.756>	sdB	...	12.80	13.46	13.216	-0.666	-0.120	106.7	3
J154611.68+483837.2	PG1544+488	40030 $\pm$ 1560	6.413 $\pm$ 0.242	4.717 $\pm$ 2.177	He-sdO	...	12.48	13.04	12.792	-0.668	-0.101	19.8	3
J154720.93+055937.7	SDSSJ154720.93+055937.00	28570 $\pm$ 1240	5.462 $\pm$ 0.134	-1.816 $\pm$ 0.375	sdB	16.64	16.42	16.77	16.361	-0.265	0.245	15.4	...
J154837.17+042126.9	PG1546+045	32210 $\pm$ 1150	5.709 $\pm$ 0.228	-2.483 $\pm$ 0.471	sdB	...	15.31	15.74	15.549	-0.316	-0.010	32.7	...
J155144.87+002948.8	PG1549+006	33610 $\pm$ 1660	5.659 $\pm$ 0.285	-1.931 $\pm$ 0.252	sdB	...	14.97	15.43	15.211	-0.355	-0.105	19.0	3
J155537.94+270648.6	PG1553+273	20810 $\pm$ 310	4.809 $\pm$ 0.055	-2.810 $\pm$ 0.195	BHB	13.44	13.39	13.77	13.53	-0.461	-0.042	61.2	...
J160112.12+531151.9	PG1559+533	31410 $\pm$ 520	5.690 $\pm$ 0.145	-2.344 $\pm$ 0.212	sdB	...	13.9	14.54	14.288	-0.667	-0.131	19.0	3
J160131.27+044027.0	PG1559+048	36520 $\pm$ 20	5.399 $\pm$ 0.003	0.394 $\pm$ 0.235	He-sdB	...	14.22	14.66	14.455	-0.503	-0.127	45.3	3
J160803.68+070428.7	PG1605+072	32550 $\pm$ 370	5.289 $\pm$ 0.065	-2.512 $\pm$ 0.138	sdB	...	12.68	13.11	12.827	-0.579	-0.079	40.1	3
J161200.65+514943.5 <sup>b</sup>	PG1610+519	40270 $\pm$ 2060	5.580 $\pm$ 0.162	-2.700 $\pm$ 0.306	sdO	13.26	13.54	13.90	13.344	-0.252	0.323	31.4	...
J162935.90+003149.1	PG1627+006	18860 $\pm$ 510	5.770 $\pm$ 0.100	-2.436 $\pm$ 0.287	sdB	...	14.76	15.13	15.000	-0.362	-0.064	54.8	3
J163212.26+175318.3	PG1629+179	37440 $\pm$ 2100	5.716 $\pm$ 0.192	-3.198 $\pm$ 0.691	sdB	15.78	...	16.54	15.991	...	...	25.6	...
J164609.24+401725.5	PG1644+404	29990 $\pm$ 300	5.643 $\pm$ 0.074	-1.915 $\pm$ 0.078	sdB	13.68	13.87	14.37	14.101	-0.632	-0.091	76.5	7
J164959.85+533131.7	PG1648+536	32430 $\pm$ 840	5.515 $\pm$ 0.141	-7.466 $\pm$ 0.001	sdB	...	13.68	14.34	14.092	-0.461	-0.034	29.7	3
J170040.65+333747.9	PG1658+337	26540 $\pm$ 940	5.350 $\pm$ 0.155	-3.038 $\pm$ 0.394	sdB	15.84	15.99	16.46	16.010	-0.377	0.227	28.2	...
J170237.68+243522.5	PG1700+247	26420 $\pm$ 620	5.294 $\pm$ 0.128	-2.389 $\pm$ 0.205	sdB	15.93	16.02	16.46	15.970	-0.589	0.808	18.2	...
J170534.62+245326.9	...	35140 $\pm$ 1090	5.5744 $\pm$ 0.157	-1.431 $\pm$ 0.119	sdB	16.65	...	17.41	16.911	...	...	19.4	...
J171218.75+485835.7	PG1710+490	30050 $\pm$ 310	5.830 $\pm$ 0.065	-2.565 $\pm$ 0.145	sdB	...	12.63	13.09	12.858	-0.561	-0.194	74.9	8
J213526.03-065743.4	PHL48	22470 $\pm$ 690	4.951 $\pm$ 0.080	-2.726 $\pm$ 0.269	BHB	...	13.32	13.68	13.464	-0.514	-0.101	37.0	...
J220716.49+034219.7	PG2204+035	33130 $\pm$ 600	5.957 $\pm$ 0.112	-1.889 $\pm$ 0.108	sdB	...	14.10	14.52	14.313	-0.536	-0.193	74.9	3
J220800.64+023343.5	PG2205+023	27480 $\pm$ 980	5.594 $\pm$ 0.143	-3.350>	sdB	...	13.94	14.31	14.099	-0.508	-0.096	37.1	3, 8
J221045.47+014135.6	HE2208+0126	21850 $\pm$ 1760	5.571 $\pm$ 0.298	-2.603 $\pm$ 0.633	sdB	...	15.59	16.00	13.192	-0.124	0.286	8.9	2
J222122.56+052458.3	PG2218+052	35950 $\pm$ 740	5.921 $\pm$ 0.146	-0.696 $\pm$ 0.120	He-sdB	...	15.11	15.50	15.374	-0.420	-0.174	32.0	...
J222159.16+093725.7	PG2219+094	24860 $\pm$ 370	4.532 $\pm$ 0.077	-1.333 $\pm$ 0.047	BHB	...	11.72	12.09	11.907	-0.308	-0.063	117.6	...
J235517.34+182015.3	PG2352+181	48570 $\pm$ 1340	5.859 $\pm$ 0.194	1.513 $\pm$ 1.110	He-sdO	...	13.13	13.62	13.414	-0.552	-0.150	31.6	7

**Notes.**  $n(\text{He}) + n(\text{H}) = 1$  and  $\log y = \log(n(\text{He})/(1 - n(\text{He})))$ .

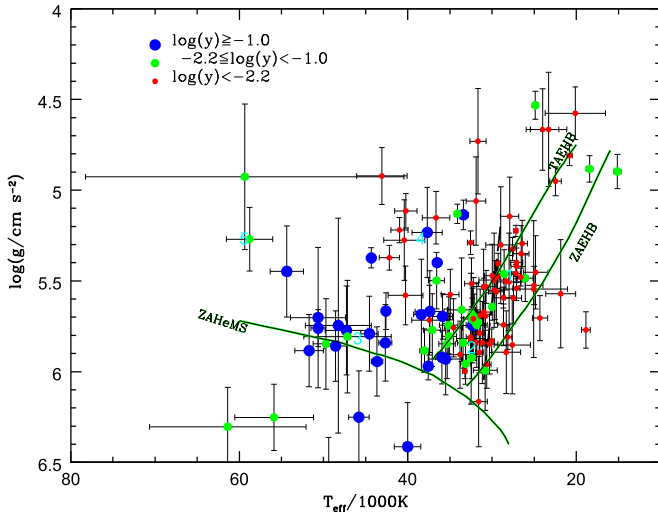
<sup>a</sup> He-deficient sdB = sdB, He-rich sdB = He-sdB, He-deficient sdO = sdO, and He-rich sdO = He-sdO.

<sup>b</sup> The available spectral range is limited due to poor data quality.

**References.** (1) Edelmann et al. (2003), (2) Lisker et al. (2005), (3) Winter (2006), (4) Hirsch (2009), (5) Geier et al. (2011), (6) Németh et al. (2012), (7) Drilling et al. (2013), (8) Geier et al. (2013).



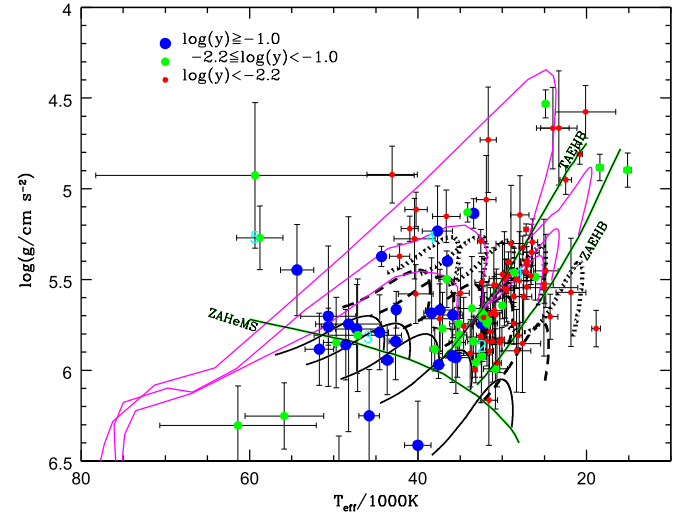
**Figure 3.** Comparison with the literatures for  $T_{\text{eff}}$ ,  $\log g$ , and  $\log y$ . The solid lines represent the averages of the shifts with respect to literature results and the dashed lines denote  $1\sigma$  fitting error.



**Figure 4.**  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  diagram. The zero-age EHB (ZAEHB), terminal-age EHB (TAEHB; Dorman et al. 1993), and zero-age He main sequence (ZAHMS; Paczyński 1971) are marked with the green lines. The dashed line denotes the observed boundary between slow (right) and rapid (left) pulsating sdB stars (Charpinet et al. 2010).

There are one He-rich star and two He-deficient sdO stars in region 5, but our sample is not large enough to outline any significant groups in this region. These observations are in good agreement with the results reported by Hirsch (2009) and Németh et al. (2012).

Furthermore, He-deficient sdO stars are scattered in a wider range in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  plane and no correlation can be detected. The number ratio between He-rich and He-deficient sdO stars is around 1.4, which is closer to 1.6 in the sample of Németh et al. (2012), but lower than 2.5 in the sample of Stroerer et al. (2007), maybe due to selection effects. Our sample supports the idea that He-rich sdO stars are probably more frequent than He-deficient ones (Heber 2009), in agreement with other samples (Stroerer et al. 2007; Németh

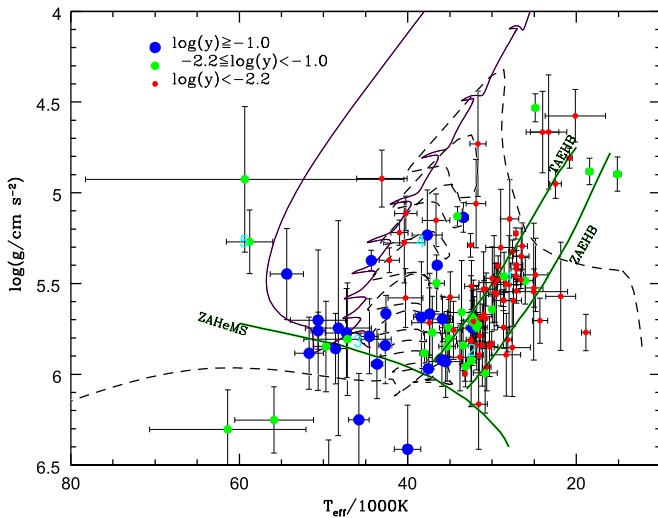


**Figure 5.**  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  diagram for the canonical formation scenario. The magenta curves are the evolutionary tracks of Dorman et al. (1993) for solar metallicity and subdwarf masses from top to bottom: 0.480, 0.473, and 0.471  $M_{\odot}$ . The dark curves from right to left show the sdB evolutionary tracks of Han et al. (2002) for sdB masses of 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65, and 0.75  $M_{\odot}$  from the zero-age horizontal branch to the point of central He exhaustion. The dark solid curves are for an envelope mass of 0.000  $M_{\odot}$ , the dark dashed curves for 0.002  $M_{\odot}$ , and the dark dotted curves for 0.005  $M_{\odot}$ .

et al. 2012). It is likely that these two classes of sdO stars originate from different formation channels: He-rich sdO stars are from double WD mergers (Zhang & Jeffery 2012) and He-deficient ones from the evolution of He-deficient sdB (Dorman et al. 1993).

To solve the puzzle of the origin and evolution of sdB and sdO stars and find potential links between the two classes of stars, a number of scenarios have been put forward. The main scenarios are: the canonical EHB and post-EHB evolution (Dorman et al. 1993), canonical binary evolution (Han et al. 2002; Zhang & Jeffery 2012), and the non-canonical hot-flasher scenario (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008). To test these scenarios, we compare our observational results with their evolutionary tracks. Figure 5 shows subdwarf evolutionary tracks (Dorman et al. 1993) from the EHB through the post-EHB phase for subdwarf masses of 0.471, 0.473, and 0.480  $M_{\odot}$  and solar metallicity. We can see that the post-EHB evolutionary tracks overlap with group 4 around  $T_{\text{eff}} = 38,000$  K and  $\log g = 5.3$ , but they fail to explain this group. The calculations by Dorman et al. (1993) suggest that the evolutionary timescales are practically constant through the post-EHB phase and the lifetime is an order of magnitude shorter than on the EHB. In Figure 5, we also mark the evolutionary tracks (Han et al. 2002) for three sets of hot subdwarf stars with envelope masses of 0.000, 0.002, and 0.005  $M_{\odot}$  and a metallicity of  $Z = 0.02$ . For each set, we distinguish hot subdwarf masses of 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65, and 0.75  $M_{\odot}$ . By comparing our sample with these evolutionary tracks, our sample could be explained by hot subdwarf stars with different He core and envelope masses. This is consistent with the prediction of the canonical model (Han et al. 2002, 2003). The canonical subdwarf formation theory (Han et al. 2002) proposed three main formation channels: the common-envelope ejection channel, the stable Roche-lobe overflow channel, and the double white dwarf (WD) merger channel. They provide a good interpretation for the formation of sdB

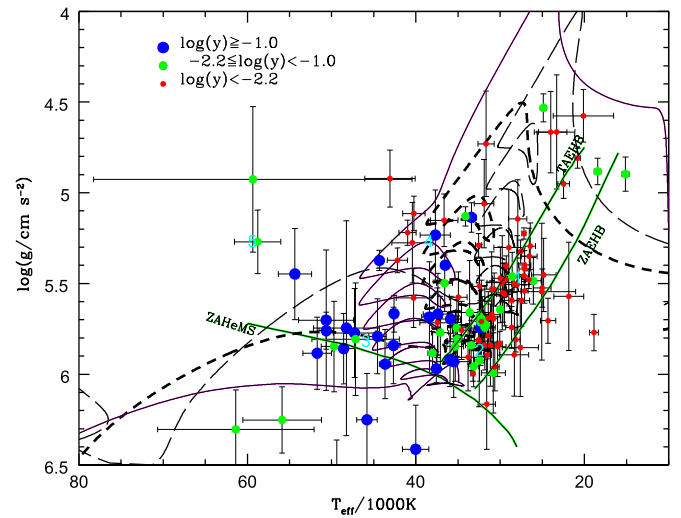




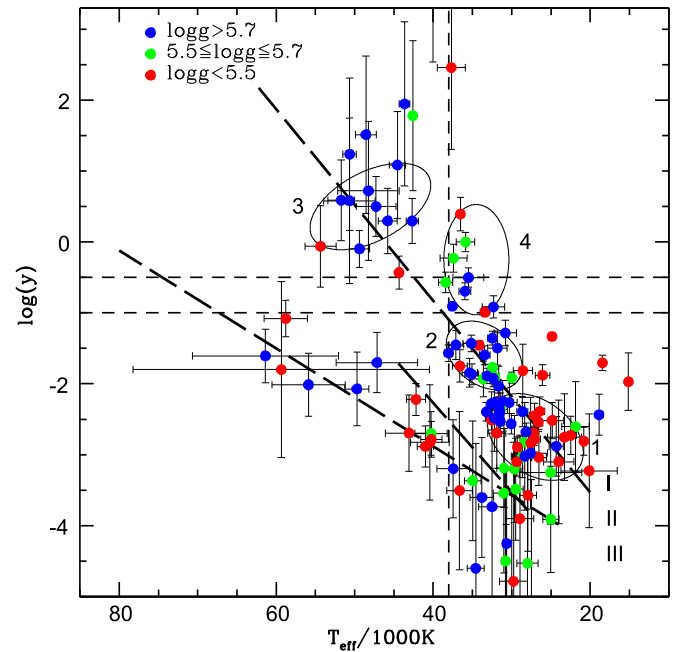
**Figure 6.**  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  diagram for the double WD merger channels. The solid and dashed curves denote the evolutionary tracks for subdwarf mass of  $0.8$  and  $0.5 M_{\odot}$  through the double WD merger channels (Zhang & Jeffery 2012).

and sdO stars. Binary population synthesis models predict distinct properties of subdwarfs from the different channels. Therefore it is tempting to associate group 1, which have lower temperature and surface gravity, with the common-envelope formation channel, and group 2, which have higher temperature and gravity, with the Roche-lobe overflow channel. Németh et al. (2012) found that long-period binaries with composite spectra (sdB+F/G) from the Roche-lobe overflow channel show up exclusively in the group with higher temperature and gravity. However, observations (Kawka et al. 2015; Kupfer et al. 2015) show that both short- and long-period binaries occur in each group, suggesting that they have a mixture of stars with different formation histories. The existence of the two sdB groups in the temperature–gravity plane is an important result, but further investigations are needed to find their significance and whether we can infer from these groups the yield of various formation channels (Han et al. 2003). Recently, Zhang & Jeffery (2012) carried out extensive calculations for the merger of double He WDs. Their evolutionary tracks for subdwarf masses of  $0.5$  and  $0.8 M_{\odot}$  and solar metallicity are presented in Figure 6, which shows that the He-rich sdO group 3 could also be explained well with the merger channel.

Another comparison should be made with a non-canonical scenario named the hot-flasher (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008). Its main feature is that stars experience a delayed core flash after the giant branch. Hot-flasher evolutionary tracks are shown in Figure 7, including three variations of stellar surface mixing: He-flasher with no He enrichment, He-flasher with shallow mixing, and He-flasher with deep mixing. The tracks match the location of He-rich sdB stars better than He-sdO stars in our sample, which suggests that the hot-flasher scenario is more reasonable for He-sdB stars. However, they cannot explain the He-rich stars, because the results of Miller Bertolami et al. (2008) indicate that the lifetime from the core He flash to the zero-age horizontal branch is around  $2 \times 10^6$  yr, which is far shorter than that of the He-core burning stage ( $65\text{--}90 \times 10^6$  yr).



**Figure 7.**  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  diagram for the hot-flasher scenario. The long dashed curve represents the evolutionary track for a subdwarf mass of  $0.47426 M_{\odot}$  through the hot-flasher scenario with no He enrichment, the short dashed curve for a subdwarf mass of  $0.47378 M_{\odot}$  with shallow mixing (SM), and the solid curve for a subdwarf mass of  $0.47112 M_{\odot}$  with deep mixing (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008).



**Figure 8.** Helium abundance vs. effective temperature. The long dashed lines are the best fit of the two sdB sequences from Edelmann et al. (2003) and one sdO sequence from Németh et al. (2012). Four thin dashed lines denote  $\log y = -0.5$ ,  $\log y = -1$ ,  $\log y = -4$  and  $T_{\text{eff}} = 38,000$  K. Ellipses 1–3 are similar to those in Németh et al. (2012) and ellipse 4 shows the clustering of the He-rich sdB stars.

#### 4.2. Effective Temperature and Helium Abundance

The He abundance plays a key role in understanding the formation and evolution of hot subdwarf stars. The plane of effective temperature and He abundance is another important parameter space in looking for the evolutionary links between sdB and sdO stars. The distribution of stars in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$  plane is shown in Figure 8. We can see that sdB and sdO stars form two sequences having clear trends: at higher temperatures they have higher He abundances on average. In order to

compare with previous results, we plot the two best-fit trends for sdB stars from Edelmann et al. (2003):

$$\text{I: } \log y = -3.53 + 1.35(T_{\text{eff}}/10^4 \text{ K} - 2.00), \quad (1)$$

$$\text{II: } \log y = -4.79 + 1.26(T_{\text{eff}}/10^4 \text{ K} - 2.00); \quad (2)$$

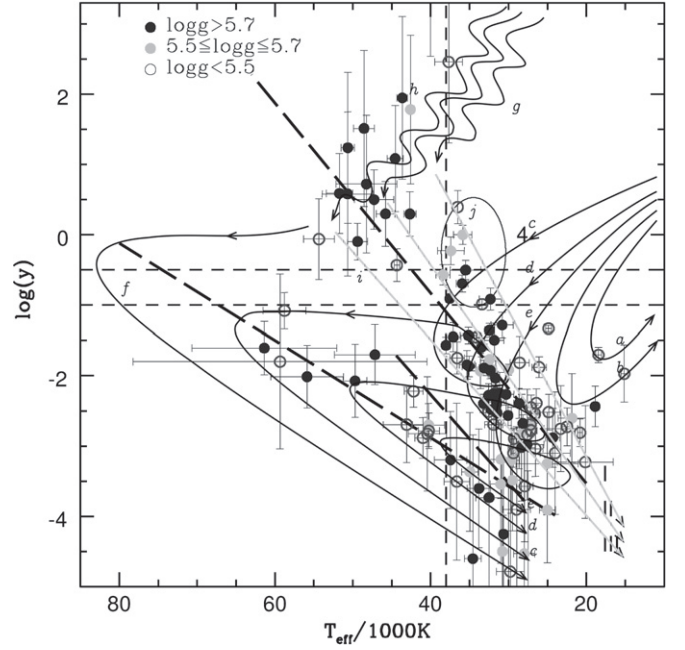
and the one for sdO stars from Németh et al. (2012):

$$\text{III: } \log y = -4.26 + 0.69(T_{\text{eff}}/10^4 \text{ K} - 2.00). \quad (3)$$

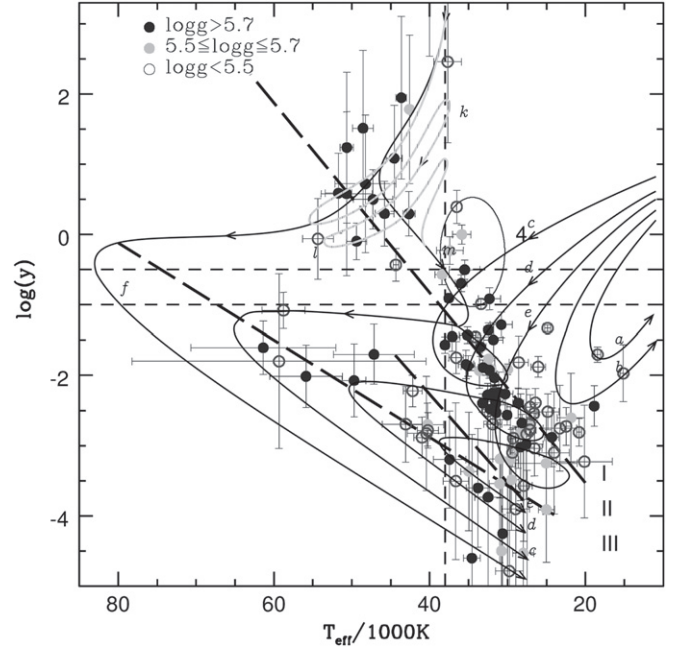
First, the majority of our stars lie near or above the first sequence. The first best-fitting trend is able to match the He-deficient sdB stars in the first sequence, but cannot fit the He-rich ones. This is in agreement with the report of Hirsch (2009). One can deduce that He-deficient and He-rich stars may originate from different formation channels. Unlike sdB stars, He-rich sdO stars are more dispersive above the first sequence. Although it seems that some He-rich sdO stars lie in the extension of the first best-fit line, He-rich sdO stars with  $\log y > 0$  appear to follow a probable contrary tendency, having higher temperatures and a lower helium abundance, which is consistent with the observations of Stroeer et al. (2007). In the second sequence, He-deficient sdO and sdB stars are found. Except for three sdB stars with  $\log y < -4$ , all stars in the second sequence can be matched with the third best-fitting trend. In the range of the second trend line we have a few sdB stars, but they show too large a scatter to be associated with the trend. As reported in Németh et al. (2012), there are different correlations for sdB and sdO stars, and the distribution of stars is more complex than linear trends. To date, its nature is still uncertain though it has appeared in many observations (Edelmann et al. 2003; Lisker et al. 2005; O'Toole 2008; Németh et al. 2012).

Besides the above sequences, a clustering of He-rich sdB stars was found and marked in Figure 8 by an ellipse (no. 4). They are separated from sdB stars by a gap in the He abundance round  $\log y = -1$  and from sdO stars by another gap in the temperature near  $T_{\text{eff}} = 40,000 \text{ K}$ . Németh et al. (2012) reported only five stars in this region from the *GALEX* sample. As the *GALEX* sample was limited to bright stars ( $V < 15 \text{ mag}$ ) and our sample reaches deeper, the most likely reason for the clustering of He-rich sdB stars is that the LAMOST sample has a mixture of the thin-disk and thick-disk populations of hot subdwarfs. As reported above, these stars do not follow the best-fit line of He-deficient sdB stars in the first sequence and the differences are very obvious. These also suggest that they probably originate from different formation channels and/or belong to different populations. The other three groups, similar to groups 1–3 in Németh et al. (2012) can also be seen in Figure 8. As reported in Németh et al. (2012), sdO stars show a gap between  $\log y > -1.5$  and  $\log y < -0.5$  and abundance extremes exist. They are either He-rich or He-deficient and we observe only a few stars in the abundance range  $-1 < \log y < 0$ . With increasing temperature these extremes become less prominent and the He abundance approaches  $\log y \sim -0.5$ . In addition, one can also see that most stars with  $\log g < 5.5$  crowd around  $\log y = -2.7$ , while other stars with  $\log g \leq 5.5$  are scattered over the whole region, which is also similar to the results of Németh et al. (2012).

There are no formation and evolution models for hot subdwarf stars that are able to make detailed calculations for the evolution of the surface He abundances and would allow



**Figure 9.** Possible evolutionary sketches for hot subdwarf stars through the canonical evolution and double WD merger channels (Németh et al. 2012).

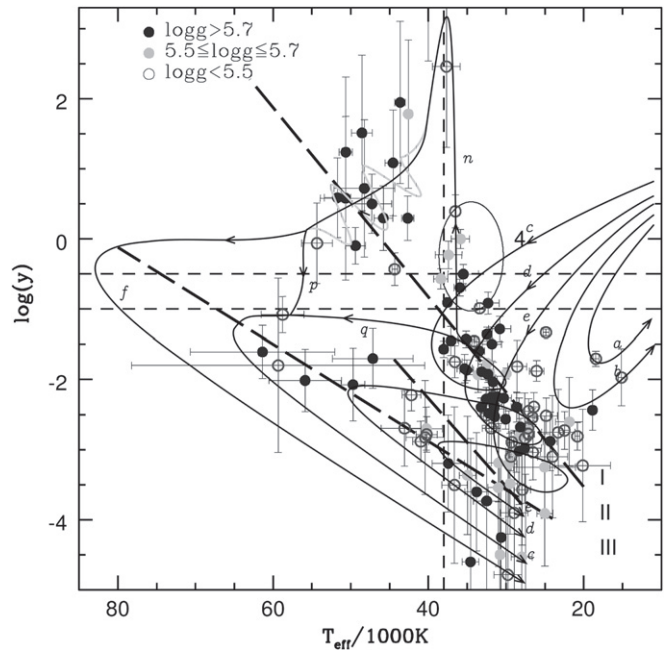


**Figure 10.** Possible evolutionary sketches for hot subdwarf stars through the hot-flasher scenario (Németh et al. 2012).

for a direct comparison with observations in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$  plane. Therefore, we make just a simple comparison with evolutionary sketches derived by Németh et al. (2012) based on observations and theoretical predictions. Figure 9 shows the canonical scenarios (Han et al. 2002; Zhang & Jeffery 2012) and Figure 10 displays the hot-flasher scenarios (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008). In Figure 9, lines a and b represent the canonical evolution of blue horizontal branch (BHB) stars. The He abundance decreases with surface temperature until core He burning is on. When core He burning stops, these stars evolve toward the asymptotic giant branch at lower surface

temperatures and the He abundance gradually increases. Lines c, d, and e denote the canonical evolution of sdB stars. The He sinks to about 24,000 K. Over 24,000 K the increasing UV flux starts a steady increase of the surface He abundance until about 36,000–38,000 K where core He burning is exhausted (O’Toole 2008). Next, a He shell-burning episode starts in the post-EHB phase. After passing the post-EHB, stars reach a maximum temperature and rapidly evolve to WDs and He sinks again. Lines g and h show the evolution of He-rich sdO stars via the slow and fast double WD merger channels (Zhang & Jeffery 2012). Lines i, j, and f represent the evolution of He-rich sdO stars following the core He exhaustion. When core He burning stops, stars either evolve directly to lower temperatures and He abundances or reach a maximum temperature before evolving to WDs. In Figure 10, lines k and m are from the predictions of the hot-flasher scenarios (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008). Line m shows a proposed evolutionary link between He-rich sdO and He-rich sdB stars. Line k denotes larger loops from He shell flashes than the canonical theory during the evolution of He-rich sdO stars. The canonical evolution (lines c, d, and e) is also shown in Figure 10 as the dominant channel to which the hot-flasher scenario contributes. We can see that the canonical evolutionary tracks (lines c, d, and e) can successfully describe the He-deficient sdB stars in the first sdB sequence and associate the formation of He-deficient sdO stars with evolved sdB stars as their successors. The second sdB sequence may need to be reconsidered because it represents an intermediate evolutionary stage of sdB stars after core He exhaustion. But this needs to be confirmed with a larger and more complete sample. The third sequence is a limit; no subdwarfs are observed at a higher temperature and gravity than this. The double WD merger channels (lines g and h) could explain the distribution of He-rich sdO stars and the evolution of surface He abundance from He-sdB to He-rich sdO stars. These are consistent with our results derived from the above  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  plane. The hot-flasher scenario (lines k and m) could provide a possible explanation for He-rich sdO stars, but it fails to interpret the clustering of He-rich sdO stars in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  plane. The hot-flasher evolutionary tracks cover He-rich sdB stars not only in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  plane but also in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$  plane. However, they do not show a good interpretation for the clustering of He-rich sdB stars in  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$  plane. Their atmospheric parameters are similar to those of blue hook (BHk) stars in globular clusters (Moehler et al. 2004). A recent result by Lei et al. (2015) shows that tidally enhanced stellar wind in binary evolution is able to naturally provide the huge mass loss on the RGB needed for the hot-flasher scenario and it is a possible and reasonable formation channel for BHk stars in globular clusters. We conclude that the hot-flasher scenario can provide a plausible interpretation for He-rich sdB stars and explain some loops in the region of He-rich sdB stars. Identifying such stars in binaries with composite spectra and deriving precise abundance patterns would help in understanding these stars.

Turbulent atmospheric mixing makes the tracking of formation theories difficult and might be responsible for the atmospheric properties of He-sdO stars (O’Toole 2008; Németh et al. 2012). Figure 11 shows the other possible evolutionary sketches based on their observations and theoretical predictions related to atmospheric mixing and stellar winds. A detailed explanation of the models can be found in Németh et al. (2012).



**Figure 11.** Possible evolutionary sketches for hot subdwarf stars with atmospheric mixing and stellar winds (Németh et al. 2012).

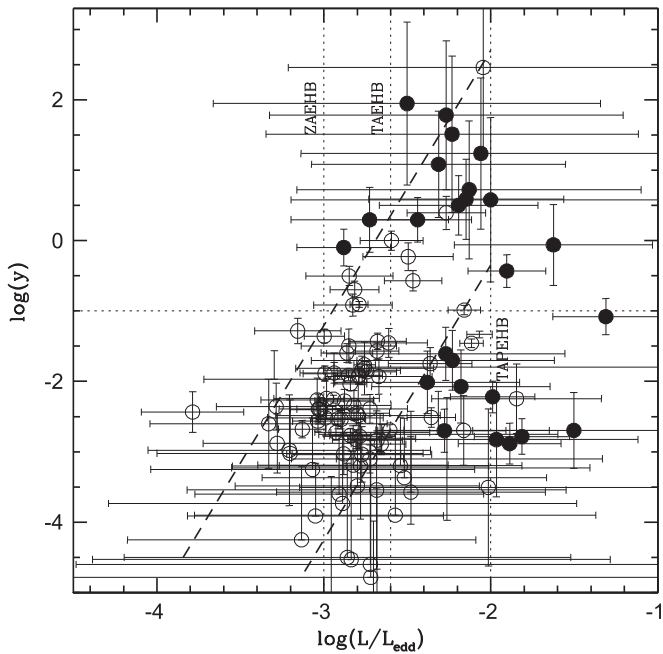
The reasons for the correlation of the helium abundance with temperature and the different structure of the sequences in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$  plane are not fully understood. Although, the evolutionary sketches of Németh et al. (2012) are able to provide a qualitative picture, which should be explored with numerical models. Based on observations, O’Toole (2008) presented two hypotheses, one explaining the trend in helium abundance with effective temperature using the known physics, and the other suggesting that the two separate trends are from two different yet related populations (post-RGB evolution). These hypotheses have far reaching implications for our understanding of hot subdwarf evolution. Most recently, Geier et al. (2013) made a detailed discussion and suggested that the close binary hypothesis (Aznar Cuadrado & Jeffery 2002) cannot explain the helium sequences and the post-RGB evolution (O’Toole 2008) is not able to explain all of the observations in a consistent way. Therefore, further spectroscopic observations will be needed to help resolving these problems.

### 4.3. Luminosity and Helium Abundance

The luminosity distribution function (LDF) is an important tool in comparing the predictions of theoretical models to observations (Lisker et al. 2005). Although our sample suffers from some selection effects, and therefore we cannot directly compare it with the predictions of theoretical models, some important properties can be obtained from the  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}})\text{--}\log y$  plane, which we show in Figure 12. The locations of the ZAEHB, TAEHB, and terminal-age post-EHB (TAPEHB; Németh et al. 2012) are marked in the figure.

From the  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}})\text{--}\log y$  plane we can see that most sdB and sdO stars lie in a narrow strip where the He abundance increases with the average luminosity. This suggests that both sdB and sdO stars may follow a correlation in the  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}})\text{--}\log y$  plane. There is a possible sequence that not only continuously connects He-sdB, He-rich sdO, and He-





**Figure 12.** Helium abundance vs. luminosity with respect to the Eddington luminosity. The open circles represent sdB stars and the filled circles denote sdO stars. The locations of the ZAEHB, TAEHB, and TAPEHB (Németh et al. 2012) are marked by the dotted lines.

rich sdB stars but also extends to He-deficient sdB stars, which suggests that there is an evolutionary link among them as the predictions of the hot-flasher channels (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008) in Figure 10. Moreover, most He-rich sdO stars are crowded in a region between the TAEHB and the TAPEHB but the other three stars are scattered in a wider region on the right of the TAPEHB and are possible post-EHB stars. He-deficient sdO stars concentrate near the TAPEHB and look like the continuous extension of He-deficient sdB stars in luminosity, which is consistent with the prediction of the canonical EHB models (Dorman et al. 1993) that He-deficient sdB stars are evolving toward He-deficient sdO stars.

In addition, there is one He-sdB star near the TAPEHB that is similar to He-rich sdO stars in the  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}})$ – $\log y$  plane. This suggests that there is probably an evolutionary link between He-sdB and He-rich sdO stars, which is also in agreement with the predictions of the double WD merger channels (Zhang & Jeffery 2012) that He-sdB stars are evolving toward He-rich sdO stars.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

We have identified 166 hot subdwarf stars from the spectra of LAMOST DR1 by using SDSS colors and catalogs of archive hot subdwarf stars, among which 44 stars show spectral signatures of cool companions in the observed optical spectra. We have measured the atmospheric parameters (effective temperature  $T_{\text{eff}}$ , surface gravity  $\log g$ , and He abundance  $y = n(\text{He})/n(\text{H})$ ) of 122 non-composite stars by simultaneously fitting the profiles of H and He lines using synthetic spectra calculated from non-LTE TLUSTY model atmospheres. 27 stars are classified as sdO stars and 88 as sdB stars. The properties of the LAMOST sample have been obtained and compared with various formation channels in the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$ ,  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$ , and  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}}) - \log y$  planes. The evolutionary

status of the stars has been discussed based on the observations and theoretical predictions. The following conclusions can be drawn.

1. In the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log g$  plane, most of the sdB stars lie in the EHB band and two well defined groups can be outlined. Binary population synthesis models predict distinct properties of subdwarfs from the different channels. Therefore it is tempting to associate group 1, which has lower temperature and surface gravity, with the common-envelope formation channel, and group 2, which has higher temperature and gravity, with the Roche-lobe overflow channel. Németh et al. (2012) found that long-period binaries with composite spectra (sdB+F/G) from the Roche-lobe overflow channel show up exclusively in the group with higher temperature and gravity. However, observations (Kawka et al. 2015; Kupfer et al. 2015) show that both short- and long-period binaries occur in each group, suggesting that they have a mixture of stars with different formation histories. The existence of the two sdB groups in the temperature–gravity plane is an important result, but further investigations are needed to find their significance and whether we can infer from these groups the yield of various formation channels (Han et al. 2003). Therefore, we will revisit the significance of the sdB groups in a forthcoming publication, where we also include the results from binaries with composite spectra from LAMOST DR1. The sdO stars also show two groups: one is the known He-rich sdO stars near  $T_{\text{eff}} = 45,000$  K and  $\log g = 5.8$ ; the other is the mixture of He-rich and He-deficient sdO and sdB stars around  $T_{\text{eff}} = 38,000$  K and  $\log g = 5.3$ . Both the canonical post-EHB evolution and the non-canonical hot-flasher scenario fail to explain the clustering of He-rich sdO stars, but in the canonical one the double WD binary merger channel is viable, whereas the non-canonical hot-flasher scenario can provide a reasonable option for the He-rich sdB stars. If the evolution of surface He abundances is not taken into account, our sample can be interpreted with the canonical scenario. Our sample also supports the idea that He-rich sdO stars are more frequent than He-deficient ones (Stroeer et al. 2007).
2. In the  $T_{\text{eff}}\text{--}\log y$  plane, sdB and sdO stars show two sequences. A clustering of He-rich sdB stars is found, but published trends (Edelmann et al. 2003) for the first sequence are not suitable for them, which is in agreement with results of Hirsch (2009). In addition, this group of stars is missing from the sample of Németh et al. (2012). Moreover, we see that sdO stars display a big gap in the abundance range  $-1.5 < \log y < 0.5$ . The sdO stars also show abundance extremes: they are either He-rich or He-deficient and we observe only a few stars in the abundance range  $-1 < \log y < 0$ . With increasing temperature these extremes become less prominent and the He abundance approaches  $\log y \sim -0.5$ . We have compared our results with evolutionary sketches derived by Németh et al. (2012) by comparing their observations with theoretical predictions. The evolutionary sketches for the canonical scenarios can cover all stars except He-rich sdB stars. This suggests that He-rich and He-deficient sdB stars may originate from different formation channels. We deduced that the second sequence represents the post-EHB stage. Although the evolutionary

sketches for the hot-flasher scenario, as a non-canonical scenario, can also cover He-rich sdB stars, they may not explain the clustering of these stars. Recent work (Lei et al. 2015) shows that the hot-flasher scenario seems to provide a plausible interpretation for them in cases where a tidally enhanced stellar wind in binary evolution is taken into account. We can also deduce that there are some evolutionary loops in the region of He-rich sdB stars that can be associated with the hot-flasher scenario.

3. In the  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}})-\log y$  plane, one can find that most sdB and sdO stars lie in a narrow strip. This indicates that there may be a correlation between sdB and sdO stars. They show a possible sequence that not only continuously connects He-rich sdO and He-rich sdB stars but also extends to He-deficient sdB stars, which suggests that there is an evolutionary link among them as predicted by the hot-flasher channels (Miller Bertolami et al. 2008) in Figure 10. We also find that He-deficient sdO stars concentrate near the TAPEHB and look like the continuous extension of He-deficient sdB stars in luminosity, which implies that sdB stars evolve into He-deficient sdO stars, whereas He-rich sdO stars are found in a wider luminosity region. Most of them are crowded in a region between the TAEHB and TAPEHB but the other three stars are scattered in a wider region on the right of the TAPEHB and are possible post-EHB stars. There is one He-sdB star that is similar to He-rich sdO stars in  $\log(L/L_{\text{edd}})-\log y$  plane, which suggests that there is an evolutionary link among them as predicted by the double WD binary merger channels. These results are consistent with previous studies (Edelmann et al. 2003; Lisker et al. 2005; Stroeer et al. 2007; Hirsch 2009; Németh et al. 2012; Geier 2013; Geier et al. 2013, 2015).

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