Astrometric Observations of the sd?M6pec LSR 1610-0040

Dahn et al. (2008, astroph, 0806.2336)

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History of LSR 1610

LSR 1610 was discovered by Lepine et al. as a high proper motion star (µ=1.46 arcsec / yr).



Lepine et al. (2003, ApJ, 591, L49)

History of LSR 1610, sdL



Lepine et al.→sdL

- Rb, CrH, FeH \rightarrow L dwarf
- CaH, TiO, VO → subdwarf
- Redder than LSR 1425 (sdM8)

History of LSR 1610, sd/dM6



Cushing & Vacca → sd/dM6

- SED, CO, Ca, Na, K → dM
- Ti, CIA $H_2(?) \rightarrow sdM$
- 0.93 μ m band, Al \rightarrow ?

Cushing & Vacca (2005, AJ, 131, 1797)

History of LSR 1610, sd/dM6

Reiners & Basri came to a similar conclusion based on high resolution red optical spectra.



LSR 1610, GI 406 (M6 V), 2M 1439 (L1)

Reiners & Basri (2005, AJ, 131, 1806)

Astrometric Observations



- Parallax observations of LSR 1610 at the USNO began in June 2003 and consist of 219 observations over 4 yrs.
- Residuals to parallax and proper motion fits indicate that LSR 1610 is a (unresolved) binary.

Astrometric Observations

Result	Value
d	32.3 pc
M _∨ (A+B)	16.56 mag
U	+36 km s⁻¹
V	-232 km s⁻¹
W	-61 km s⁻¹

LSR 1610 looks normal in Color-Magnitude Diagrams



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- The photocentric orbital parameters are:

Result	Value
Period	1.66 yr
α	8.91 mas
а	0.276 AU
i	83 deg
е	0.444

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 Dark Secondary
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 $I_B / (I_A + I_B) = 0.0$ $I_B / (I_A + I_B) = 0.1$
 $M_A = 0.095 M_{\odot}$ $M_A = 0.095 M_{\odot}$
 $M_B = 0.059 M_{\odot}$ $M_B = 0.082 M_{\odot}$

Can its binarity explain spectral peculiarities of LSR 1610A?

- Peculiar abundances point to accretion of material, but LSR 1610B is too low mass to be a WD.
- Start with a 0.05 M_☉ star with [Fe/H] ~ -2 and accrete <0.05 M_☉ from a massive AGB star. Results in enhanced Ti, C, Na and AI, etc.

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AIH band heads at ~400 nm?

