

APPENDIX A: THE METAL LINE SPECTRUM IN
BD+10°2179**Table A1.** Line by line abundances of the non-LTE analysis of BD+10°2179. Abundances ϵ with respect to $\log \mu_X \epsilon X = 12.15$, where μ_X is the atomic weight of element X .

| Line | $\lambda(\text{\AA})$ | $\chi(\text{eV})$ | $\log gf$ | Accu. | Source | Abun. |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|
| H α | 6562.819 | 10.20 | 0.71000 | AAA | WF | 8.37 |
| H β | 4861.333 | 10.20 | -0.01996 | AAA | WF | 8.36 |
| H γ | 4340.471 | 10.20 | -0.44666 | AAA | WF | 8.36 |
| H δ | 4101.742 | 10.20 | -0.75243 | AAA | WF | 8.36 |
| C I | 4762.313 | 7.48 | -2.463 | C | WFD | 9.77 |
| C I | 4762.533 | 7.48 | -2.335 | C | WFD | |
| C I | 4771.742 | 7.49 | -1.866 | C | WFD | 9.70 |
| C I | 4775.898 | 7.49 | -2.304 | C | WFD | 9.84 |
| C I | 4932.049 | 7.68 | -1.703 | B | LP | 9.57 |
| C I | 5052.167 | 7.68 | -1.447 | C | LP | 9.67 |
| C I | 5380.337 | 7.68 | -1.615 | B | WFD | 9.65 |
| C I | 6013.213 | 8.65 | -1.673 | D | WFD | 9.56 |
| C I | 6587.610 | 8.54 | -1.003 | B | WFD | 9.58 |
| C I | 7115.172 | 8.64 | -0.935 | B- | WFD | 9.72 |
| C I | 7115.182 | 8.64 | -1.473 | B | WFD | |
| C II | 4267.001 | 18.05 | 0.562 | C+ | WFD | 9.78 |
| C II | 4267.261 | 18.05 | 0.717 | C+ | WFD | |
| C II | 4267.261 | 18.05 | -0.584 | C+ | WFD | |
| C II | 4737.966 | 13.72 | -3.444 | B+ | WFD | 9.57 |
| C II | 4744.766 | 13.72 | -3.111 | B+ | WFD | 9.52 |
| C II | 4747.279 | 13.72 | -3.820 | B+ | WFD | 9.55 |
| C II | 5137.257 | 20.70 | -0.911 | B | WFD | 9.76 |
| C II | 5139.174 | 20.70 | -0.707 | B | WFD | 9.82 |
| C II | 5143.495 | 20.70 | -0.212 | B | WFD | 9.89 |
| C II | 5145.165 | 20.71 | 0.189 | B | WFD | 9.93 |
| C II | 5535.353 | 19.49 | -1.493 | B | WFD | 9.93 |
| C II | 5537.609 | 19.49 | -1.794 | B | WFD | 9.90 |
| C II | 6578.052 | 14.45 | -0.087 | C+ | N02 | 9.65 |
| C II | 6582.882 | 14.45 | -0.388 | C+ | N02 | |
| C II | 6727.070 | 22.53 | -1.065 | B | WFD | 9.74 |
| C II | 6727.260 | 22.53 | -0.919 | B | WFD | |
| C II | 6731.070 | 22.53 | -0.862 | B | WFD | 9.77 |
| C II | 6733.581 | 22.53 | -1.066 | B | WFD | 9.75 |
| C II | 6734.003 | 22.53 | -1.009 | B | WFD | |
| C II | 6738.606 | 22.53 | -0.529 | B | WFD | 9.82 |
| C II | 6742.428 | 22.53 | -0.920 | B | WFD | 9.78 |
| C II | 6750.536 | 22.54 | -0.229 | B | WFD | 9.79 |
| C II | 6755.161 | 22.54 | -1.010 | B | WFD | 9.75 |
| C II | 6779.942 | 20.70 | 0.025 | B | WFD | 9.96 |
| C II | 6783.908 | 20.71 | 0.304 | B | WFD | 9.86 |
| C II | 6787.207 | 20.70 | -0.377 | B | WFD | 9.93 |
| C II | 6791.466 | 20.70 | -0.270 | B | WFD | 9.92 |
| C II | 6798.104 | 20.70 | -1.077 | B | WFD | 9.82 |
| C II | 6800.683 | 20.71 | -0.343 | B | WFD | 9.80 |
| C II | 6812.280 | 20.71 | -1.300 | B | WFD | 9.54 |
| C III | 4186.900 | 40.01 | 0.918 | B | WFD | 9.76 |
| C III | 4647.418 | 29.53 | 0.070 | B+ | WFD | 9.67 |
| C III | 4650.246 | 29.53 | -0.151 | B+ | WFD | 9.73 |
| N I | 7442.298 | 10.33 | -0.384 | B+ | WFD | 7.99 |
| N I | 7468.312 | 10.34 | -0.189 | B+ | WFD | 7.86 |
| N I | 8680.282 | 10.34 | 0.346 | B+ | WFD | 7.88 |
| N I | 8683.403 | 10.33 | 0.086 | B+ | WFD | 7.93 |
| N I | 8686.149 | 10.33 | -0.305 | B+ | WFD | 8.01 |
| N I | 8703.247 | 10.33 | -0.310 | B+ | WFD | 7.93 |

Table A1 continued.

| Line | λ (Å) | χ (eV) | $\log gf$ | Accu. | Source | Abun. |
|------|---------------|-------------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|
| N II | 3955.851 | 21.15 | -0.813 | B | WFD | 7.99 |
| N II | 3994.997 | 18.50 | 0.163 | B | FFT | 8.03 |
| N II | 4035.081 | 23.12 | 0.599 | B | BB89 | 7.89 |
| N II | 4041.310 | 23.14 | 0.748 | B | MAR | 7.97 |
| N II | 4043.532 | 23.13 | 0.440 | C | MAR | 8.19 |
| N II | 4176.159 | 23.20 | 0.316 | B | MAR | 8.04 |
| N II | 4227.736 | 21.60 | -0.060 | B | WFD | 8.03 |
| N II | 4236.927 | 23.24 | 0.383 | X | KB | 7.84 |
| N II | 4241.755 | 23.24 | 0.210 | X | KB | 7.88 |
| N II | 4447.030 | 20.41 | 0.221 | B | FFT | 7.92 |
| N II | 4507.560 | 20.67 | -0.817 | B | WFD | 7.92 |
| N II | 4530.410 | 23.47 | 0.604 | C+ | MAR | 7.99 |
| N II | 4601.478 | 18.47 | -0.452 | B+ | FFT | 8.10 |
| N II | 4607.153 | 18.46 | -0.522 | B+ | FFT | 8.09 |
| N II | 4613.868 | 18.47 | -0.692 | B+ | FFT | 7.99 |
| N II | 4630.539 | 18.48 | 0.080 | B+ | FFT | 8.22 |
| N II | 4643.086 | 18.48 | -0.371 | B+ | FFT | 8.06 |
| N II | 4654.531 | 18.50 | -1.404 | C+ | WFD | 7.84 |
| N II | 4667.208 | 18.50 | -1.533 | C+ | WFD | 7.94 |
| N II | 4694.642 | 23.57 | 0.100 | X | KB | 8.21 |
| N II | 4788.138 | 20.65 | -0.366 | B | FFT | 7.99 |
| N II | 4793.648 | 20.65 | -1.032 | B+ | FFT | 8.04 |
| N II | 4987.376 | 20.94 | -0.584 | B | FFT | 8.03 |
| N II | 5001.474 | 20.65 | 0.435 | B | FFT | 8.10 |
| N II | 5002.703 | 18.46 | -1.022 | B+ | WFD | 7.99 |
| N II | 5005.150 | 20.67 | 0.587 | B | FFT | 8.24 |
| N II | 5007.328 | 20.94 | 0.145 | B | FFT | 8.15 |
| N II | 5010.621 | 18.47 | -0.607 | B+ | WFD | 8.07 |
| N II | 5025.659 | 20.67 | -0.557 | B | FFT | 8.11 |
| N II | 5452.070 | 21.15 | -0.783 | B | FFT | 8.13 |
| N II | 5462.581 | 21.15 | -0.826 | B+ | FFT | 7.78 |
| N II | 5480.050 | 21.16 | -0.711 | B+ | FFT | 8.08 |
| N II | 5495.655 | 21.16 | -0.220 | B+ | FFT | 8.01 |
| N II | 5666.629 | 18.47 | -0.104 | B+ | MAR | 8.14 |
| N II | 5676.017 | 18.46 | -0.356 | B+ | MAR | 8.10 |
| N II | 5679.558 | 18.48 | 0.221 | B+ | MAR | 8.18 |
| N II | 5686.213 | 18.47 | -0.586 | B+ | FFT | 8.14 |
| N II | 5710.766 | 18.48 | -0.466 | B | MAR | 8.01 |
| N II | 5747.300 | 18.50 | -1.092 | B+ | FFT | 8.09 |
| N II | 5767.446 | 18.50 | -1.447 | B | FFT | 7.98 |
| N II | 5931.782 | 21.15 | 0.047 | A | FFT | 7.99 |
| N II | 5941.654 | 21.16 | 0.307 | A | FFT | 8.18 |
| N II | 6379.627 | 18.47 | -1.188 | C+ | FFT | 8.05 |
| N II | 6482.048 | 18.50 | -0.311 | B+ | FFT | 8.18 |
| N II | 6610.562 | 21.60 | 0.440 | B | FFT | 8.15 |
| O I | 7771.944 | 9.15 | 0.354 | A | FFT | 7.40 |
| O I | 7774.166 | 9.15 | 0.207 | A | FFT | |
| O I | 7775.388 | 9.15 | -0.015 | A | FFT | |
| O II | 3911.957 | 25.66 | -0.014 | B+ | FFT | 7.59 |
| O II | 3912.107 | 25.66 | -0.907 | B+ | FFT | |
| O II | 4345.560 | 22.98 | -0.342 | B+ | FFT | 7.48 |
| O II | 4349.426 | 23.00 | 0.073 | B+ | FFT | 7.50 |
| O II | 4366.892 | 23.00 | -0.333 | B+ | FFT | 7.47 |
| O II | 4414.905 | 23.44 | 0.207 | B | FFT | 7.54 |
| O II | 4596.175 | 25.66 | 0.180 | B+ | FFT | 7.45 |
| O II | 4641.810 | 22.98 | 0.066 | B+ | FFT | 7.50 |
| O II | 4650.839 | 22.97 | -0.349 | B+ | FFT | 7.58 |
| O II | 4676.235 | 23.00 | -0.410 | B+ | FFT | 7.53 |
| O II | 4705.352 | 26.25 | 0.533 | B+ | FFT | 7.53 |

Table A1 continued.

| Line | λ (Å) | χ (eV) | $\log gf$ | Accu. | Source | Abun. |
|--------|---------------|-------------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|
| Ne I | 5764.419 | 18.56 | -0.316 | B | B08 | 8.14 |
| Ne I | 5852.488 | 16.85 | -0.454 | B | B08 | 8.07 |
| Ne I | 5881.895 | 16.62 | -0.792 | B | B08 | 7.91 |
| Ne I | 5944.834 | 16.62 | -0.636 | B | B08 | 8.05 |
| Ne I | 6029.997 | 16.67 | -1.026 | B | FFT | 7.98 |
| Ne I | 6074.338 | 16.67 | -0.473 | B+ | FFT | 7.92 |
| Ne I | 6143.063 | 16.62 | -0.070 | B+ | FFT | 7.90 |
| Ne I | 6163.594 | 16.72 | -0.598 | B+ | FFT | 8.04 |
| Ne I | 6217.281 | 16.62 | -0.943 | B | FFT | 7.88 |
| Ne I | 6266.495 | 16.72 | -0.331 | B+ | FFT | 8.00 |
| Ne I | 6334.428 | 16.62 | -0.277 | B+ | FFT | 7.92 |
| Ne I | 6506.528 | 16.67 | -0.002 | B+ | FFT | 7.90 |
| Ne I | 6532.882 | 16.72 | -0.670 | B+ | FFT | 8.10 |
| Ne I | 6598.953 | 16.85 | -0.360 | B | B08 | 8.18 |
| Ne I | 6717.043 | 16.84 | -0.346 | B+ | FFT | 8.01 |
| Ne I | 7032.413 | 16.62 | -0.222 | B+ | FFT | 7.90 |
| Mg II | 4481.126 | 8.86 | 0.730 | B | FW | 6.89 |
| Mg II | 4481.150 | 8.86 | -0.570 | B | FW | |
| Mg II | 4481.325 | 8.86 | 0.575 | B | FW | |
| Mg II | 4851.082 | 11.63 | -0.424 | C | CA | 6.92 |
| Mg II | 6545.973 | 11.63 | 0.408 | C | CA | 7.06 |
| Mg II | 7877.054 | 10.00 | 0.391 | A+ | FFTI | 6.92 |
| Mg II | 7896.042 | 10.00 | -0.308 | A | FFTI | 7.01 |
| Mg II | 7896.366 | 10.00 | 0.647 | A+ | FFTI | |
| Al II | 4663.046 | 10.60 | -0.241 | A+ | FFTI | 5.84 |
| Al II | 6243.073 | 13.08 | -1.250 | X | KB | 5.79 |
| Al II | 6243.203 | 13.08 | -0.080 | X | KB | |
| Al II | 6243.367 | 13.08 | 0.670 | X | KB | |
| Al II | 7042.083 | 11.32 | 0.332 | A+ | FFTI | 5.86 |
| Al III | 4149.913 | 20.55 | 0.626 | A+ | FFTI | 5.88 |
| Al III | 4149.968 | 20.55 | -0.674 | A+ | FFTI | |
| Al III | 4479.885 | 20.78 | 0.900 | X | KB | 5.78 |
| Al III | 4479.971 | 20.78 | 1.020 | X | KB | |
| Al III | 4480.009 | 20.78 | -0.530 | X | KB | |
| Al III | 4512.565 | 17.81 | 0.408 | A+ | FFTI | 5.78 |
| Al III | 4528.945 | 17.82 | -0.291 | A+ | FFTI | 5.80 |
| Al III | 4529.189 | 17.82 | 0.663 | A+ | FFTI | |
| Al III | 5696.604 | 15.64 | 0.232 | A+ | FFTI | 5.89 |
| Al III | 5722.730 | 15.64 | -0.071 | A+ | FFTI | 5.88 |
| Si II | 4128.054 | 9.84 | 0.31 | C | WSM | 7.12 |
| Si II | 4130.872 | 9.84 | -0.84 | E | WSM | 7.03 |
| Si II | 4130.894 | 9.84 | 0.462 | C | WSM | |
| Si II | 5055.984 | 10.07 | 0.42 | D+ | WSM | 7.07 |
| Si II | 5056.317 | 10.07 | -0.53 | E | WSM | |
| Si II | 6371.371 | 8.12 | -0.126 | C+ | FFTI | 7.24 |
| Si III | 4338.500 | 19.02 | -1.673 | C+ | FFTI | 7.08 |
| Si III | 4567.840 | 19.02 | 0.068 | B+ | FFTI | 7.12 |
| Si III | 4574.757 | 19.02 | -0.409 | B | FFTI | 7.24 |
| Si III | 4813.333 | 25.98 | 0.653 | B | CT | 7.12 |
| Si III | 4828.951 | 25.99 | 0.870 | B | CT | 7.18 |
| Si III | 4829.030 | 25.99 | -0.661 | B | CT | |
| Si III | 4829.111 | 25.99 | -0.682 | B | CT | |
| Si III | 4829.214 | 25.99 | -2.201 | C | CT | |
| Si III | 5739.734 | 19.72 | -0.078 | B | FFTI | 7.13 |

Table A1 continued.

| Line | λ (Å) | χ (eV) | $\log gf$ | Accu. | Source | Abun. |
|--------|---------------|-------------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|
| S II | 4153.068 | 15.90 | 0.62 | D | WSM | 6.84 |
| S II | 4162.665 | 15.94 | 0.78 | D | WSM | 6.76 |
| S II | 4189.681 | 15.90 | -0.05 | E | WSM | 6.90 |
| S II | 4282.595 | 16.10 | -0.01 | E | WSM | 6.76 |
| S II | 4815.552 | 13.67 | 0.09 | D | WSM | 6.80 |
| S II | 5428.655 | 13.58 | -0.13 | D | WSM | 6.83 |
| S II | 5432.797 | 13.62 | 0.26 | D | WSM | 6.86 |
| S II | 5473.614 | 13.58 | -0.18 | D | WSM | 6.89 |
| S II | 5509.705 | 13.62 | -0.14 | D | WSM | 6.89 |
| Ar II | 4426.001 | 16.75 | 0.195 | B+ | FFTI | 5.89 |
| Ar II | 4430.189 | 16.81 | -0.158 | B | FFTI | 5.90 |
| Ar II | 4657.900 | 17.14 | -0.245 | B | FFTI | 5.86 |
| Ar II | 4764.864 | 17.27 | -0.269 | B | FFTI | 6.06 |
| Ar II | 4806.020 | 16.64 | 0.235 | B+ | FFTI | 5.90 |
| Ar II | 4847.810 | 16.75 | -0.214 | B | FFTI | 5.86 |
| Ar II | 4879.863 | 17.14 | 0.544 | B+ | FFTI | 6.00 |
| Fe II | 4296.566 | 2.70 | -3.01 | D | FMW | 6.67 |
| Fe II | 5018.440 | 2.89 | -1.22 | C | FMW | 6.51 |
| Fe II | 5169.033 | 2.89 | -0.87 | C | FMW | 6.40 |
| Fe III | 4164.731 | 20.63 | 0.92 | X | KB | 6.67 |
| Fe III | 4164.916 | 24.65 | 1.01 | X | KB | |
| Fe III | 4395.755 | 8.26 | -2.60 | X | KB | 6.43 |
| Fe III | 4431.019 | 8.25 | -2.572 | X | KB | 6.57 |
| Fe III | 5156.111 | 8.64 | -2.02 | X | KB | 6.62 |

accuracy indicators – uncertainties within: AAA: 0.3%; AA: 1%; A: 3%;

B: 10%; C: 25%; D: 50%; E: >50%; X: unknown

sources of gf -values – B08: K. Butler, from Breit-Pauli R-matrix calculations as outlined in [Morel & Butler \(2008\)](#); BB89: [Becker & Butler \(1989\)](#); CA: Coulomb approximation, [Bates & Damgaard \(1949\)](#); CT: [Callegari & Trigueiros \(1998\)](#) FFT: [Froese Fischer & Tachiev \(2004\)](#); FFTI: [Froese Fischer et al. \(2006\)](#); FW Fuhr & Wiese (1998); FMW: [Fuhr et al. \(1988\)](#); KB: [Kurucz & Bell \(1995\)](#); LP: [Luo & Pradhan \(1989\)](#); MAR: [Mar et al. \(2000\)](#); N02: [Nahar \(2002\)](#); WF: [Wiese & Fuhr \(2009\)](#); WFD: [Wiese et al. \(1996\)](#); WSM: [Wiese et al. \(1969\)](#).

sources of Stark broadening parameters – H I: [Vidal et al. \(1973\)](#); C I: [Griem \(1974\)](#), [Cowley \(1971\)](#); Si II: [Lanz et al. \(1988\)](#), [Griem \(1974\)](#), [Cowley \(1971\)](#); C II, N I/II, Mg II: [Griem \(1964, 1974\)](#), [Cowley \(1971\)](#); C III, O I/II, Ne I, Al II/III, Si III, S II, Ar II, Fe II/III: [Cowley \(1971\)](#).

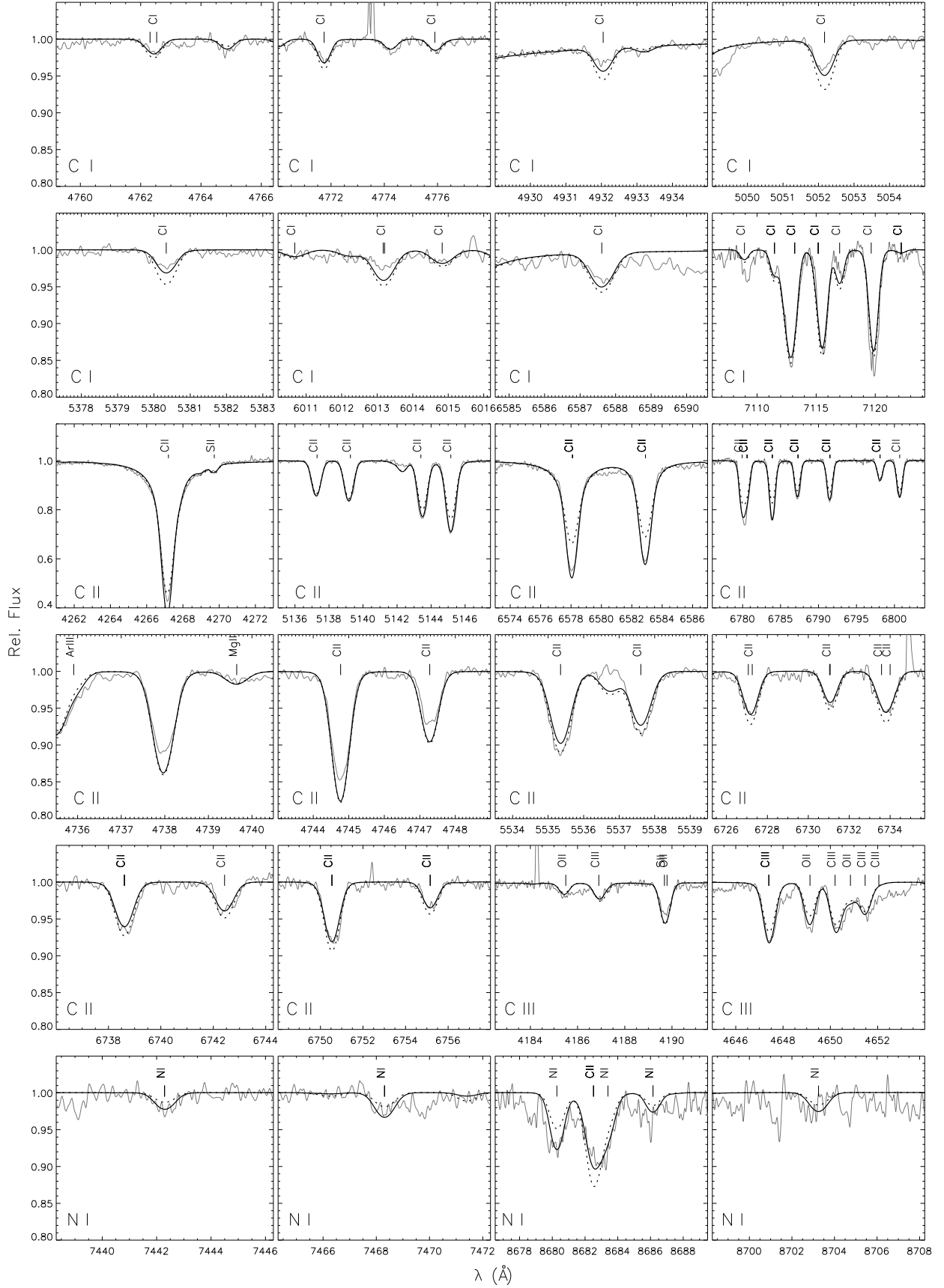


Figure A1. Like Fig. ??, for analysed C I/II/III and N I lines.

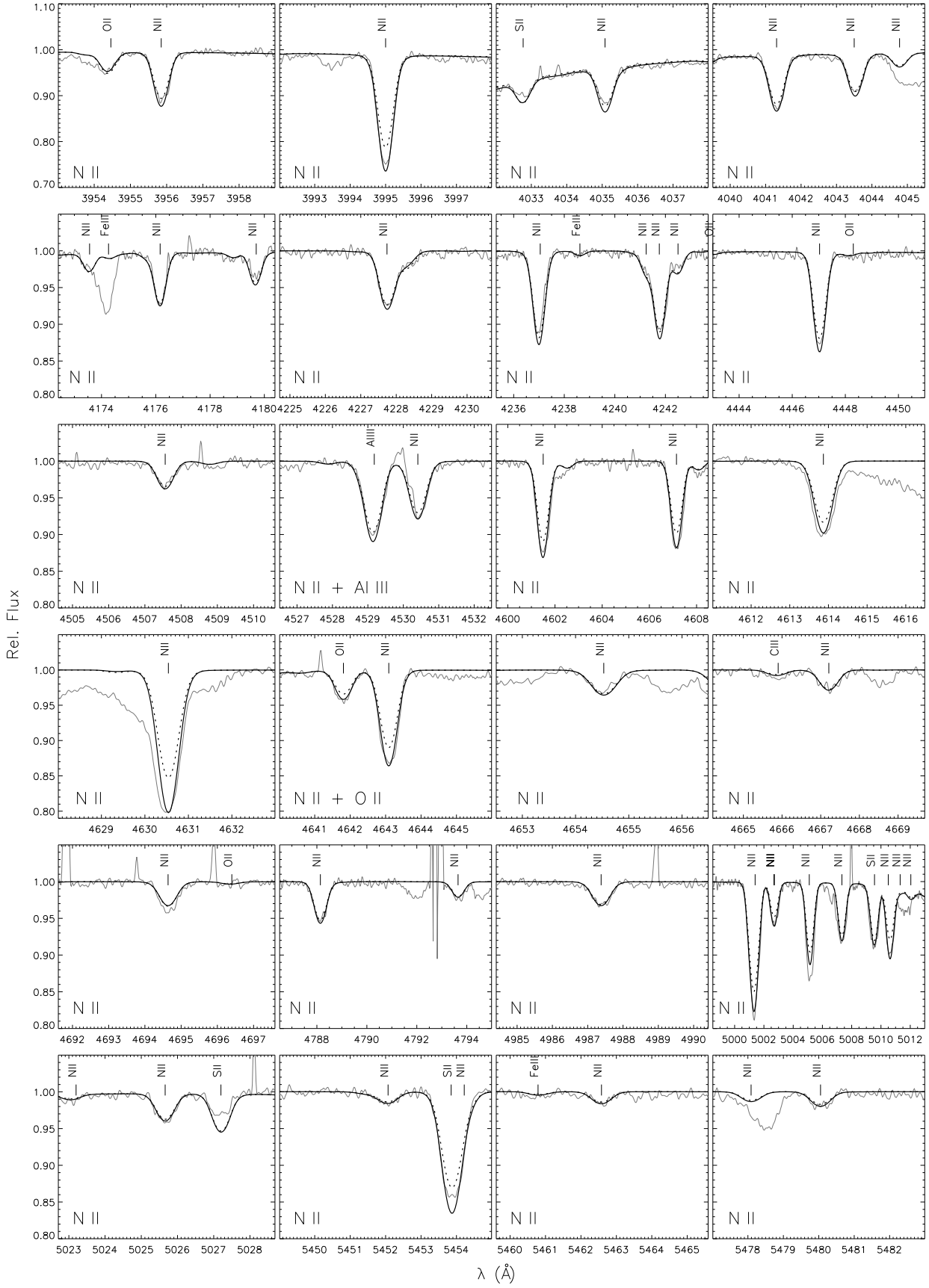


Figure A2. Like Fig. ??, for analysed N II lines.

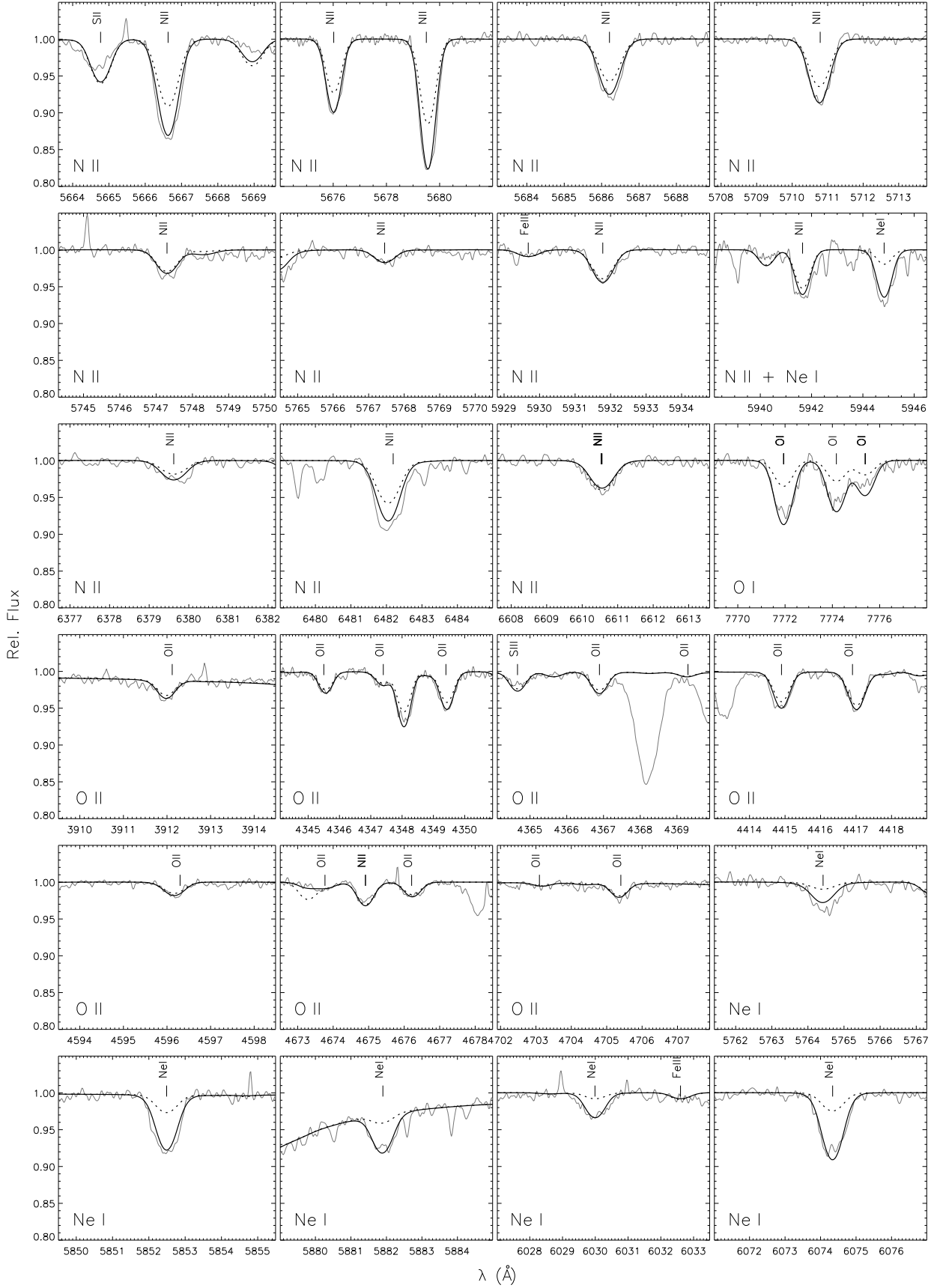


Figure A3. Like Fig. ??, for analysed N II, O I/II and Ne I lines.

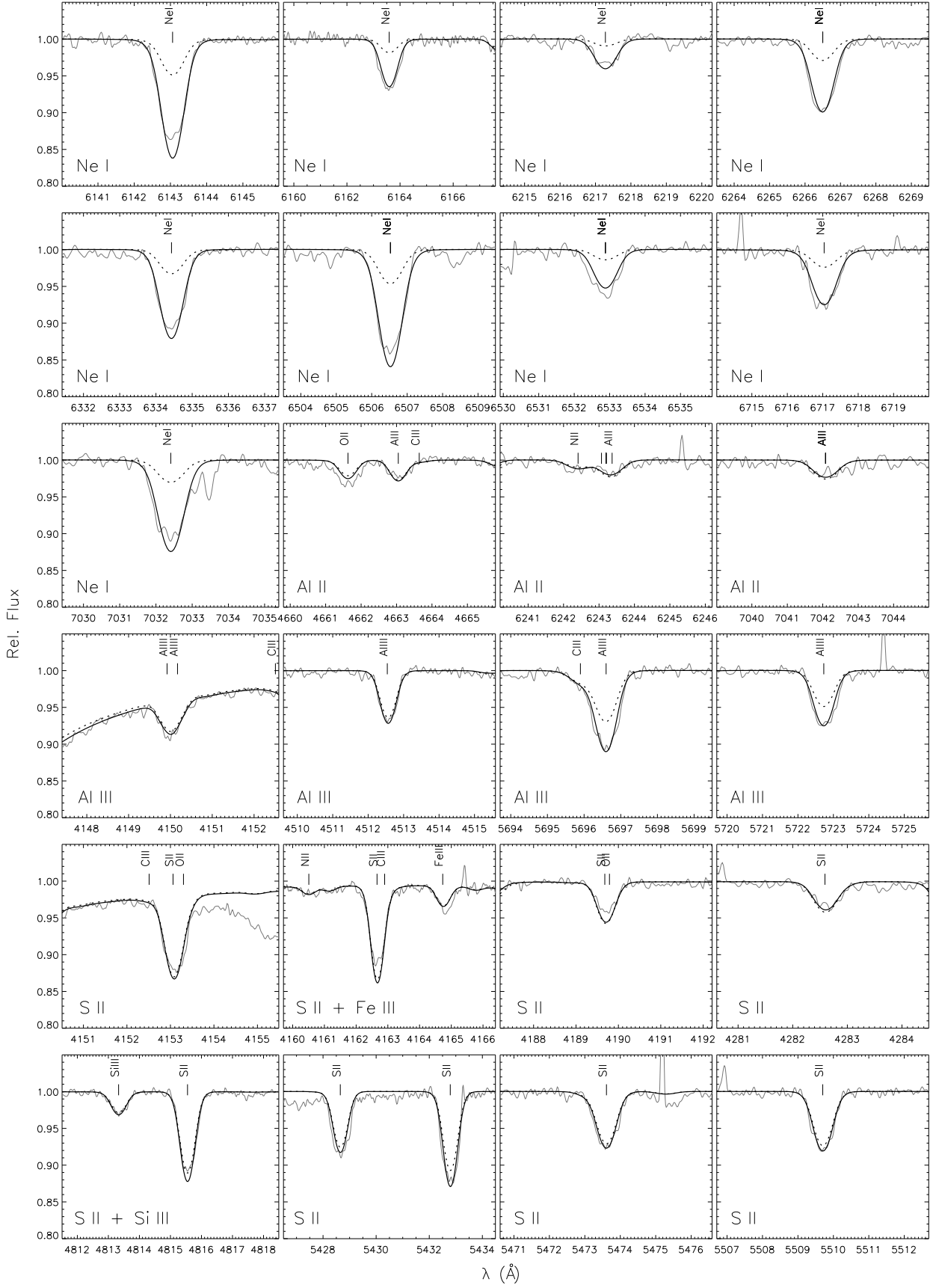


Figure A4. Like Fig. ??, for analysed Ne I, Al II/III and S II lines.

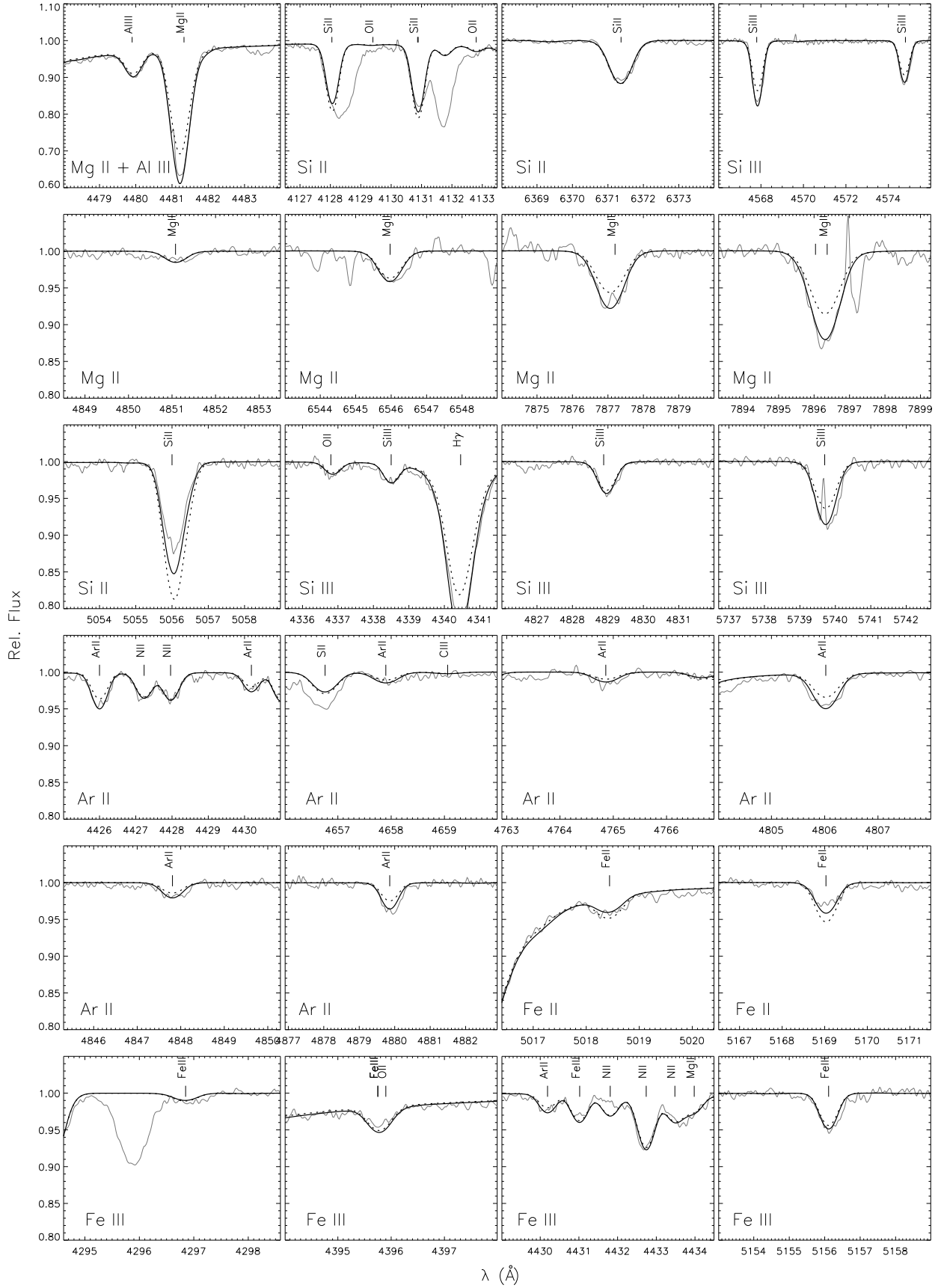


Figure A5. Like Fig. ??, for analysed Mg II, Si II/III, Ar II and Fe II/III lines.

Table B1. He I line series covered in our spectrum of BD+10°2179

| transition | n_{\min} | n_{\max} | transition | n_{\min} | n_{\max} |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| $2s^3S - np^3P^\circ$ | 3 | 4/15* | $3p^3P^\circ - ns^3S$ | 7 | 14 |
| $2s^1S - np^1P^\circ$ | 3 | 15 | $3p^3P^\circ - nd^3D$ | 7 | 14 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - ns^3S$ | 3 | 20 | $3d^3D - np^3P^\circ$ | 7 | 12 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - nd^3D$ | 3 | 20 | $3d^3D - nf^3F^\circ$ | 7 | 14 |
| $2p^1P^\circ - ns^1S$ | 3 | 16 | $3d^1D - nf^1F^\circ$ | 7 | 14 |
| $2p^1P^\circ - ns^1S$ | 3 | 16 | $3d^1D - np^1P^\circ$ | 7 | 14 |
| $3s^3S - np^3P^\circ$ | 5 | 12 | $3p^1P^\circ - nd^1D$ | 7 | 11 |
| $3s^1S - np^1P^\circ$ | 6 | 10 | $3p^1P^\circ - ns^1S$ | 8 | 8 |

* using HST STIS spectra

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The peculiar composition of EHe stars in combination with low gravities facilitates a detailed empirical study of the helium line spectrum like in no other class of astronomical objects. While the spectral lines in the optical range can be modelled well with existing line data, see Sect. ??, this is not the case for neighbouring wavelength ranges to such a degree of completeness. In order to stimulate work to improve, in particular, the availability of line-broadening data, we want to describe the rich He I line features of BD+10°2179 in the optical-UV and the IzY -bands covered by our spectra. We therefore also make available the spectrum in electronic form via CDS. Throughout the optical-UV to IzY wavelength range covered by our spectrum we identify dipole-allowed transitions from about 150 multiplets of He I (plus 11 in the HST STIS range). In addition, we want to draw attention to the presence of many forbidden components in the optical spectrum, even several so far unknown ones. The spectral lines were identified based on the compilations of Wiese & Fuhr (2009), Beauchamp & Wesemael (1998), Cann & Thakkar (2002) and the He I line list of Kurucz¹.

B1 Optical-UV

Figure B1 displays the spectrum of BD+10°2179 in the optical-UV range near the atmospheric cut-off to ~ 3860 Å. This region is dominated by the series limits originating from the $2s^1S$, $2p^3P^\circ$ and $2p^1P^\circ$ levels. The series limit of lines originating from the $2s^3S$ level is located farther in the UV, covered by HST STIS spectra. Several lines in this series are strong enough to be identified in a low-resolution spectrum, while the series limit is covered at high resolution. Details on the detected components are summarised in Table B1. Note in particular the very broad transitions to the $1,3D$ terms.

B2 IzY bands

Figure B2 displays the spectrum of BD+10°2179 in the IzY bands from ~ 7000 Å to $\sim 10\,200$ Å. No efforts have been made to correct for telluric lines – the He I lines in this spectral range are nonetheless identifiable. This spectral range is dominated by the series members originating from the $3s$, $3p$ and $3d$ levels, see Table B1. The broad features are typically formed by an overlap of several multiplets, facilitated by the close spacing of the involved energy levels.

Table B2. Known/predicted forbidden He I lines present in BD+10°2179

| λ (Å) | transition | λ (Å) | transition |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 3449 | $2s^1S - 6d^1D$ | 4025* | $2p^3P^\circ - 5f^3F^\circ$ |
| 3587* | $2p^3P^\circ - 9f^3F^\circ$ | 4045 | $2p^3P^\circ - 5p^3P^\circ$ |
| 3616 | $2s^1S - 5d^1D$ | 4142 | $2p^1P^\circ - 6p^1P^\circ$ |
| 3634* | $2p^3P^\circ - 8f^3F^\circ$ | 4144* | $2p^1P^\circ - 6f^1F^\circ$ |
| 3705* | $2p^3P^\circ - 7f^3F^\circ$ | 4383 | $2p^1P^\circ - 5p^1P^\circ$ |
| 3711 | $2p^3P^\circ - 7p^3P^\circ$ | 4387* | $2p^1P^\circ - 5f^1F^\circ$ |
| 3820* | $2p^3P^\circ - 6f^3F^\circ$ | 4470 | $2p^3P^\circ - 4f^3F^\circ$ |
| 3830 | $2p^3P^\circ - 6p^3P^\circ$ | 4517 | $2p^3P^\circ - 4p^3P^\circ$ |
| 3971 | $2s^1S - 4f^1F^\circ$ | 4911 | $2p^1P^\circ - 4p^1P^\circ$ |
| 3972 | $2s^1S - 4d^1D$ | 4921 | $2p^1P^\circ - 4f^1F^\circ$ |
| 4008 | $2p^1P^\circ - 7p^1P^\circ$ | 5042 | $2s^1S - 3d^1D$ |
| 4009* | $2p^1P^\circ - 7f^1F^\circ$ | | |

* presence inferred because of line asymmetries

B3 Forbidden components in the optical

Extreme helium stars are a testbed for the detection of isolated forbidden components of He I transitions. Harrison & Jeffery (1997) detected all ten forbidden components listed by Underhill (1966) in their spectrum of the EHe star HD 144941 in the wavelength range 3840–4960 Å². We extend this list to 23 known/predicted lines covered by the wavelength range of our spectra. To our knowledge, these additional forbidden components (electronic quadrupole transitions) are observationally confirmed for the first time by the present work, summarised in Table B2 and visualised in Figure B3. Note the good agreement with the asymmetric line shapes predicted by Beauchamp & Wesemael (1998). The presence of several forbidden components as marked in Table B2 is inferred because of line asymmetries. Line separations between the allowed and forbidden components amount in these cases from a maximum of 0.64 Å for [He I] $\lambda 4025$ Å to a minimum value of 0.17 Å for [He I] $\lambda 3705$ Å. We cannot confirm the presence of the forbidden component $\lambda 6632$ Å (the region is affected by an artifact from the data reduction). Additional (weak) transitions at $\lambda 3809$, 3165, 4054 and 6068 Å and forbidden components in the HST STIS range at $\lambda 2935$ and 2823 Å with lower levels of $n=2$ are also not detected, as well as the forbidden components from lower levels with $n=3$ like $\lambda 8315$, 9360, 9616 Å. Reasons for these are manifold: the transitions being too weak to be detected, blends, insufficient S/N, insufficient resolution of the low-resolution HST STIS data, uncorrectable contamination with nearly opaque telluric lines.

The inspection of the optical-UV spectrum with overlaid identifiers of the known He I lines shows a conspicuous series of isolated or blended features between the lines of the higher $2p^3P^\circ$ to nd^3D and ns^3S series, see the 4th and 5th panels of Fig. B1. This so far undocumented series is produced by E2 transitions from $2p^3P^\circ$ to np^3P° with $n \geq 8$, i.e. transitions to higher levels than described in any previous work. We characterise this series in Table B3, providing information on the transition, wavelengths in air λ_{air} and vacuum λ_{vac} , level energies, statistical weights and transition type. The data are given from $n=7$ to 20, despite we can infer the presence of this component only up to $n=16$ or 17 because of line asymmetries. Higher series members may be detectable in EHe stars with lower gravities than BD+10°2179.

² However, resolving the $\lambda 3972$ Å component (and $\lambda 3971$ Å) was hampered by the relatively strong H ϵ line in HD 144931, nearly absent here because of the lower hydrogen content of BD+10°2179.

¹ <http://kurucz.harvard.edu/linelists/gfall/gf0200.all>

Table B3. New detections and extension of the $2p^3P^\circ - np^3P^\circ$ forbidden line spectrum of He I

| Transition | $\lambda_{\text{air}} (\text{\AA})$ | $\lambda_{\text{vac}} (\text{\AA})$ | $E_i - E_k (\text{cm}^{-1})$ | $g_i - g_k$ | Type |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|------|
| $2p^3P^\circ - 7p^3P^\circ$ | 3710.85 | 3711.90 | 169086.9085 – 196027.316 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 8p^3P^\circ$ | 3638.00 | 3639.04 | 169086.9085 – 196566.712 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 9p^3P^\circ$ | 3589.85 | 3590.87 | 169086.9085 – 196935.331 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 10p^3P^\circ$ | 3556.26 | 3557.27 | 169086.9085 – 197198.332 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 11p^3P^\circ$ | 3531.83 | 3532.84 | 169086.9085 – 197392.720 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 12p^3P^\circ$ | 3513.53 | 3514.53 | 169086.9085 – 197540.190 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 13p^3P^\circ$ | 3499.43 | 3500.43 | 169086.9085 – 197654.830 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 14p^3P^\circ$ | 3488.34 | 3489.34 | 169086.9085 – 197745.650 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 15p^3P^\circ$ | 3479.45 | 3480.45 | 169086.9085 – 197818.830 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 16p^3P^\circ$ | 3472.22 | 3473.21 | 169086.9085 – 197878.690 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 17p^3P^\circ$ | 3466.25 | 3467.24 | 169086.9085 – 197928.260 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 18p^3P^\circ$ | 3461.27 | 3462.26 | 169086.9085 – 197969.750 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 19p^3P^\circ$ | 3457.07 | 3458.06 | 169086.9085 – 198004.850 | 9–9 | E2 |
| $2p^3P^\circ - 20p^3P^\circ$ | 3453.49 | 3454.48 | 169086.9085 – 198034.800 | 9–9 | E2 |

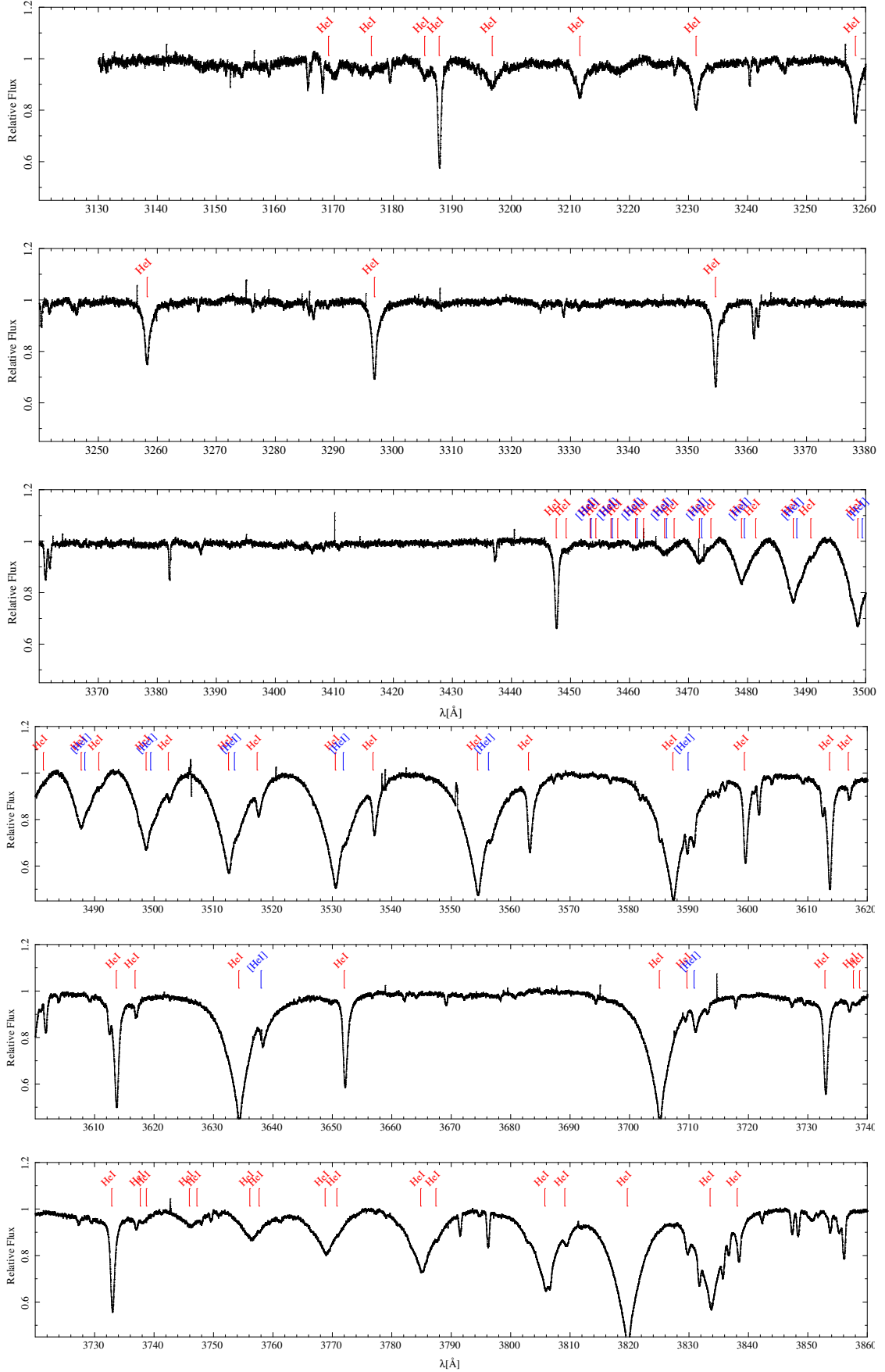


Figure B1. He I lines in the optical-UV as traced by our UVES spectrum. Blue marked are the new detected series of forbidden He I given in Table B3.

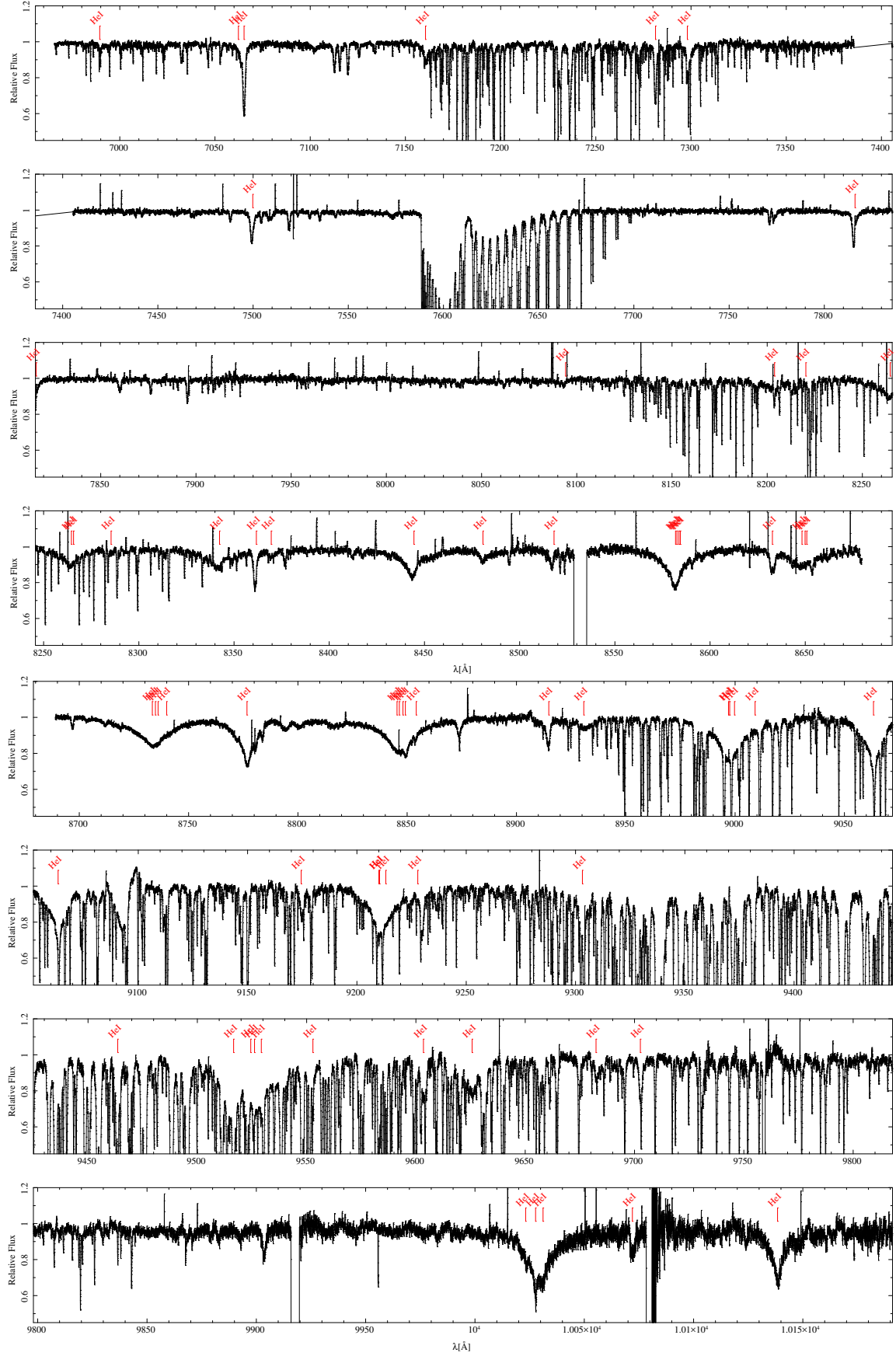


Figure B2. He I lines in the near-IR I_ZY bands as traced by our UVES and FEROS spectra.

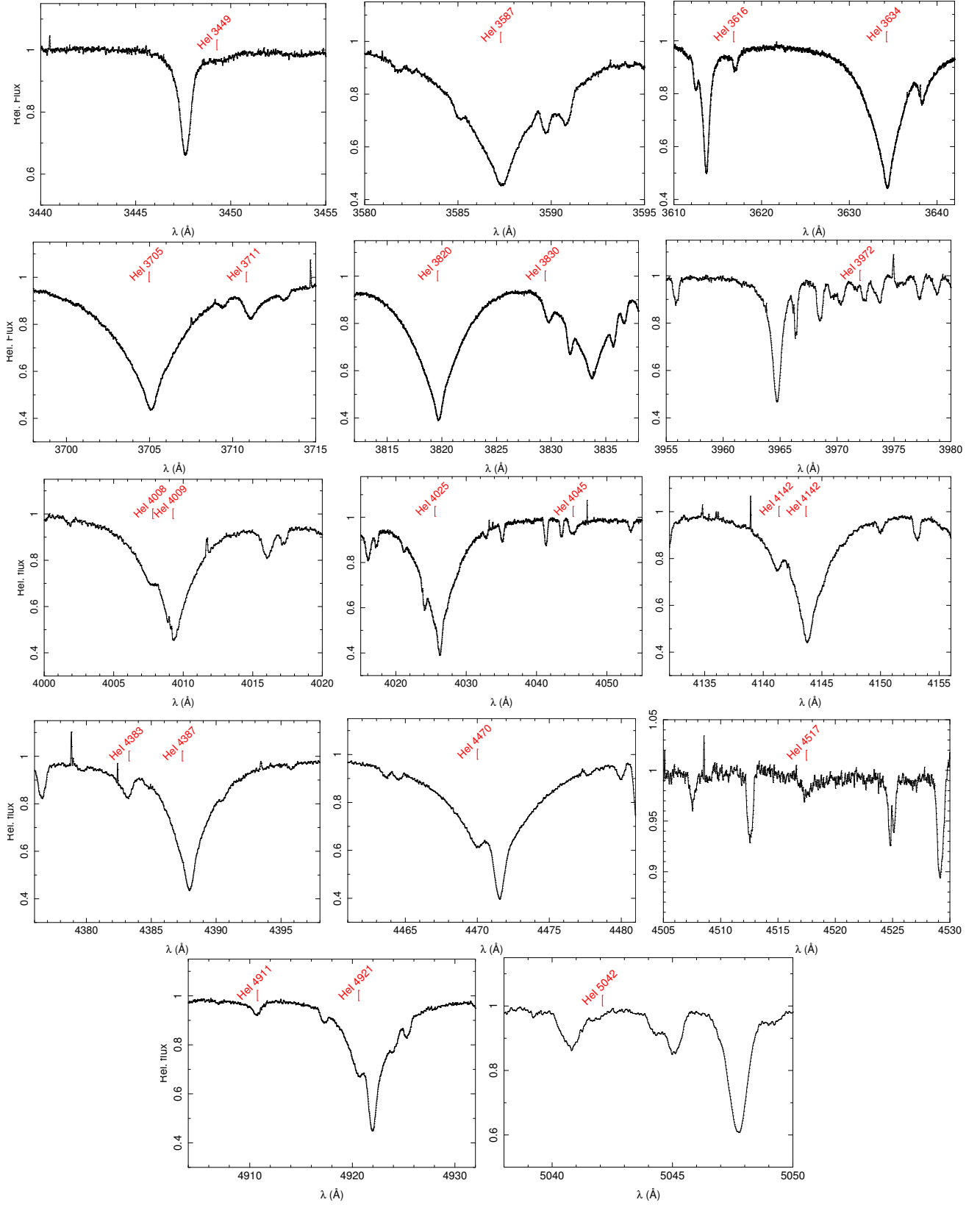


Figure B3. Isolated forbidden He I components in the optical spectrum.

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