

A SEARCH FOR LYMAN BREAK GALAXIES IN THE CHANDRA DEEP FIELD SOUTH USING *SWIFT* ULTRAVIOLET/OPTICAL TELESCOPE

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ABSTRACT

While the *Swift* satellite is primarily designed to study gamma-ray bursts, its ultraviolet and optical imaging and spectroscopy capabilities are also being used for a variety of scientific programs. In this study, we use the UV/Optical Telescope (UVOT) instrument on board *Swift* to discover $0.5 < z < 2$ Lyman break galaxies (LBGs). UVOT has covered ~ 266 arcmin² at >60 ks exposure time, achieving a limiting magnitude of $u < 24.5$, in the Chandra Deep Field South (CDF-S). Applying UVOT near-ultraviolet color selection, we select 50 UV-dropouts from this UVOT CDF-S data. We match the selected sources with available multiwavelength data from Great Observatories Origins Deep Survey (GOODS) South, Multiwavelength Survey by Yale-Chile, and COMBO-17 to characterize the spectral energy distributions for these galaxies and determine stellar masses, star formation rates (SFRs), and dust attenuations. We compare these properties for LBGs selected in this paper versus $z \sim 3$ LBGs and other CDF-S galaxies in the same redshift range ($0.5 < z < 2$), identified using photometric redshift techniques. The $z \sim 1$ LBGs have stellar masses of $\langle \log M_*/M_\odot \rangle = 9.4 \pm 0.6$, which is slightly lower than $z \sim 3$ LBGs ($\langle \log M_*/M_\odot \rangle = 10.2 \pm 0.4$) and slightly higher compared with the $z \sim 1$ CDF-S galaxies ($\langle \log M_*/M_\odot \rangle = 8.7 \pm 0.7$). Similarly, our sample of $z \sim 1$ LBGs has SFRs (derived using both ultraviolet and infrared data, where available) of $\langle \log \text{SFR}/(M_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1}) \rangle = 0.7 \pm 0.6$, nearly an order of magnitude lower than $z \sim 3$ LBGs ($\langle \log \text{SFR}/M_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1} \rangle = 1.5 \pm 0.4$), but slightly higher than the comparison $z \sim 1$ sample of CDF-S galaxies ($\langle \log \text{SFR}/M_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1} \rangle = 0.2 \pm 0.7$). We find that our $z \sim 1$ UV-dropouts have $\langle A_{\text{FUV}} \rangle = 2.0 \pm 1.0$, which is higher than $z \sim 3$ LBGs ($\langle A_{\text{FUV}} \rangle = 1.0 \pm 0.5$), but similar to the distribution of dust attenuations in the other CDF-S galaxies ($\langle A_{\text{FUV}} \rangle \sim 2.8 \pm 1.5$). Using the GOODS-South multiwavelength catalog of galaxies, we simulate a larger and fainter sample of LBGs to compare their properties with those of the UVOT-selected LBG sample. We conclude that UVOT can be useful for finding and studying the bright end of $0.5 < z < 2.0$ LBGs.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Initial interest in UV-selected galaxies began as an attempt to find the most primeval galaxies (e.g., those that were theoretically predicted by Partridge & Peebles 1967). As young systems, such galaxies are expected to have recent star formation, low metal enrichment, and little dust. In addition to bright UV continua, young, star-forming galaxies are expected to have strong breaks at 912 \AA , which occur as a result of the ground-state hydrogen ionization edge in the stellar absorption features of massive stars. The Lyman break technique exploits this feature in the rest-frame ultraviolet to isolate star-forming galaxies at great distances (Steidel & Hamilton 1992, 1993; Steidel et al. 1995, 2000), and the “UV-dropout” products of this technique are the so-called Lyman break galaxies (LBGs).

Despite having been selected as primordial systems, LBGs exhibit sufficient metal enrichment to exclude them from being the most primitive galaxies (e.g., Pettini et al. 2002 study the gravitationally lensed LBG, cB58, and find Type II supernovae residue, such as O, Mg, Si). Mori & Umemura (2007) have conducted high-resolution hydrodynamic simulations that follow the chemical evolution of primordial galaxies, finding that LBGs resemble infant versions of elliptical and bulge systems in the local universe.

A decade of work has uncovered several significant results about LBGs at $z > 2$ (see, e.g., Giavalisco 2002, and references therein). LBGs form stars at intense rates, dominating the UV luminosity density at $z > 2$. Bouwens et al. (2006, 2008, 2009, 2010) find only a modest decrease in the UV luminosity density out to $z = 6$, indicating that LBGs represent a major phase in the early stages of galaxy formation and evolution. UV-selected galaxies are valuable for mapping the evolution of the global star formation rate (SFR) density (Giavalisco & Dickinson 2001), enriching the intergalactic medium (Adelberger et al. 2003), locating large-scale structure, and quantifying galaxy environments (Ouchi et al. 2005; Adelberger et al. 2005).

Studying UV-selected galaxies at $z > 1$ is valuable, but measuring their physical properties is challenging because high-redshift studies are biased toward observing more luminous galaxies, and faint features are difficult to detect at these great distances. At $z < 1$, Heckman et al. (2005, further refined by Hoopes et al. 2007), employ far-UV (FUV) luminosity and surface brightness criteria to select LBG-analogs, thereby named Lyman break analogs (LBAs). These $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs share several similar properties with LBGs: specific SFRs, metallicities, and attenuations (Heckman et al. 2005; Hoopes et al. 2007; Basu-Zych et al. 2007). When artificially redshifted to $z \sim 3$, even their morphologies (Overzier et al. 2008, 2010) and ionized gas kinematics (Basu-Zych et al. 2009a; Gonçalves et al. 2010) resemble those of actual LBGs. However, these

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galaxies are close enough to permit more detailed study of their physical properties.

Combined, these separate UV-selected samples (LBGs and LBAs) provide insight into the evolution of this important galaxy population. Furthermore, they can provide pertinent information about the cosmic star formation history (SFH). At $z > 1$, UV-selected galaxies are plentiful. They contribute significantly to the total UV luminosity density at those redshifts (Schiminovich et al. 2005; Arnouts et al. 2005), but at $z < 1$ these galaxies appear to be rare. Observations of galaxies at a multitude of wavelengths have shown that the SFR density (SFRD) of the universe declines dramatically between $0 < z < 1$, peaking between $z \sim 1-3$ (Madau et al. 1996; Hopkins & Beacom 2006). The “redshift desert,” named to signify the challenging nature of measuring redshifts for galaxies in the redshift regime $1 < z < 2$ (Renzini & Daddi 2009), contains valuable information that connects the peak of star formation with its rapid decline. It is likely that in this redshift range, the Hubble sequence took shape (Papovich et al. 2005).

A few studies have used UV and optical data to expand the LBG selection to intermediate redshifts: $1 < z < 2$, connecting the low-redshift ($z < 1$) LBA sample with the high-redshift ($z > 2$) LBG sample. Ly et al. (2009) have targeted $1.5 < z < 2.7$ LBGs, selected using the *Galaxy Evolution Explorer* (GALEX) near-UV (NUV) filter and deep Subaru optical filters; this work concludes that the peak of star formation occurred at $1.5 < z < 3$. Burgarella et al. (2006) have selected LBGs using the GALEX FUV–NUV color for galaxies in the COMBO-17 sample with known redshifts between $0.9 \lesssim z \lesssim 1.6$. This study compares infrared with ultraviolet observations and finds two populations: 24 μm detected and non-detected LBGs. The former can be classified as luminous infrared galaxies (LIRGs) with $\log L_{\text{IR}} > 11$, exhibiting significant amounts of dust attenuation, which is anti-correlated with the observed UV luminosity; the latter case appears to have little dust attenuation, because stacking these LBGs constrains the infrared luminosity to be an order of magnitude less than the rest-frame NUV. Recently, two other studies have identified LBGs in this redshift range using *Hubble Space Telescope* (HST) WFC3 data (Hathi et al. 2010; Oesch et al. 2010) and have studied the evolution of luminosity function parameters with redshift. Oesch et al. (2010) find that the faint-end slope of the luminosity function, α , appears to transition from a steep slope at $z > 2$ to a flatter slope in the local universe.

Since the $1 < z < 2$ regime is a pivotal period in galaxy evolution, we ask: How do the properties of galaxies at these redshifts compare to local star-forming galaxies or to LBGs at high redshifts? Deep observations of some fields, such as the Chandra Deep Field South (CDF-S), have detected numerous non-UV-selected galaxies at these redshifts allowing us to investigate how UV-dropouts compare to other galaxies of the same redshifts.

In this paper, we introduce another LBG sample that bridges the other aforementioned LBG samples across this relevant redshift range: $0.5 \lesssim z \lesssim 2$. This sample of LBGs is selected using *Swift* (Gehrels et al. 2004) UV–Optical Telescope (UVOT) observations of the CDF-S. In this field, low-redshift ($z \leq 2$) and high-redshift ($z \geq 3$) LBGs have been identified (Burgarella et al. 2006; Hathi et al. 2010; Oesch et al. 2010; Vanzella et al. 2009; Giavalisco et al. 2004a; Bouwens et al. 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010), yet none using UVOT.

As an UV instrument, *Swift* UVOT offers a unique method for selecting LBGs, complementary to using GALEX and WFC3.

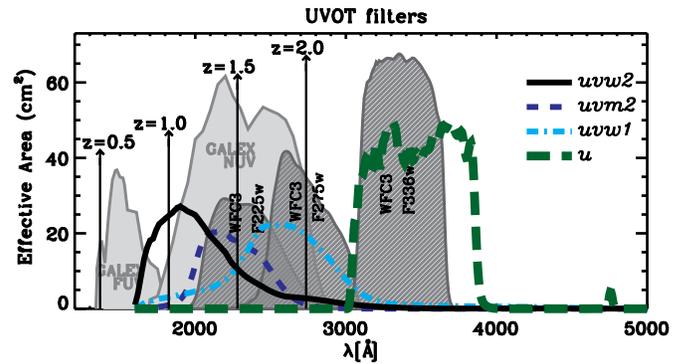


Figure 1. We compare *Swift* UVOT filter curves (*uvw2* in solid black, *uvm2* in dashed blue, *uvw1* in dash-dotted cyan, and *u* in thick dashed dark green) to other UV filter curves—GALEX FUV and NUV (marked and shaded light gray), and WFC3 UV filters (F225W, F275W, and F336W; marked and shaded in dark gray, scaled by 1/500 to fit). The location of the Lyman break feature is shown for $z = 0.5, 1.0, 1.5,$ and 2.0 for reference. The *uvw2* and *uvw1* filters suffer from a “red tail,” with a shallow decrease at longer wavelengths.

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GALEX, with the largest field of view (FOV; $1^{\circ}2$ diameter), covers the largest sky area of all these three UV instruments, yet is not as sensitive as WFC3 (i.e., GALEX has imaged $\sim 4700 \text{ deg}^2$ down to 22.5 mag as of 2010 December⁵ and 80 deg^2 to 25.0 mag in the Deep Imaging Survey). However, UVOT offers two advantages over GALEX: multiple NUV filters (GALEX only has one wide NUV filter), which allow the selection of UV-dropout candidates based on UVOT data alone, and better spatial resolution (FWHM $\approx 2''.7$, compared to FWHM $\approx 5''$ for GALEX). WFC3 has excellent spatial resolution ($0''.2$) and sensitivity (≥ 500 times that of UVOT; see Figure 1); it also has multiple UV filters for UV-dropout selection. However, the UVOT FOV ($17' \times 17'$) is significantly larger than WFC3’s FOV ($2'.7 \times 2'.7$) and *Swift* observations have covered a large area of the sky (e.g., there are 40 gamma-ray burst (GRB) fields with ≈ 200 ks of exposure time in the UV filters). We can use UVOT observations to select these rare objects to study the bright end of the LBG population. Here we discuss the utility of using *Swift* UVOT to select LBGs from the “redshift desert.”

The CDF-S region of the sky has been extensively and deeply covered by multiwavelength observations. We use available data sets in several ways: to constrain various properties of the UVOT-selected LBGs, to provide a large comparison sample of other photometrically determined $0.5 < z < 2.0$ galaxies, and to draw from this large parent population a sample of simulated UV-dropout galaxies to compare their properties with the observed UVOT-selected LBGs. In Section 2, we present the sample selection and data analysis. We discuss the LBG candidates in Section 3 and present our results for the $0.5 < z < 2.0$ LBG sample and compare these LBGs with the other $0.5 < z < 2.0$ galaxies (including a simulated LBG sample, defined in Section 2) and other UV-selected populations (LBAs and $z \sim 3$ LBGs). In Section 4, we summarize our main results and discuss the merit of studying intermediate-redshift ($0.5 < z < 2.0$) LBGs with *Swift*. Throughout our analysis, we use the following cosmology: $H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$, $\Omega_m = 0.30$, and $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.70$, and assume a Kroupa (2001) initial mass function (IMF).

⁵ Information available on GALEX Legacy Survey Web site: <http://galexgi.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/galex/Documents/GALEX-Legacy-Survey.html>

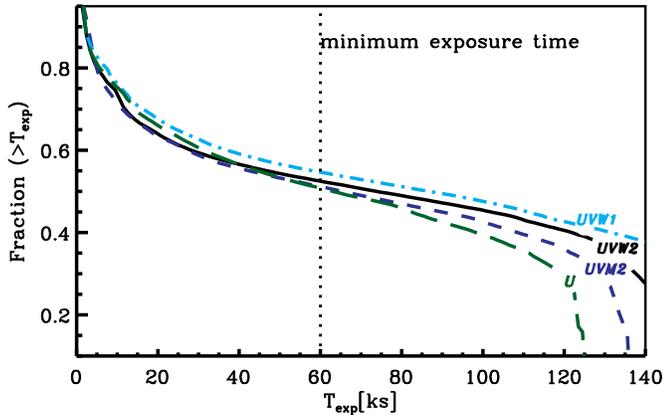


Figure 2. Exposure times across the field vary smoothly for all filters: *uvw2* (solid black), *uvw2* (dashed blue), *uvw1* (dash-dotted cyan), and *u* (thick dashed dark green) between exposure times, $T_{\text{exp}} = 40\text{--}100$ ks. Within this range of exposure times, going deeper (to longer exposure times) does not sacrifice field coverage, while it does increase signal to noise. To ensure 5σ detections, our selection criterion requires $u < 24.5$ and exposure times > 60 ks. More than 50% of the field has been observed longer than this minimum exposure time, 60 ks (marked by dotted line), in all filters.

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2. DATA ANALYSIS

2.1. UVOT Data

While the primary mission of the *Swift* satellite is to study GRBs, the UVOT instrument has served in the study of supernovae, galaxies, and active galactic nuclei (AGNs), among other subjects. The UVOT is a 30 cm telescope with f ratio 12.7 (Romig et al. 2005). The CDF-S was observed by UVOT between 2007 July and 2007 December for ~ 450 ks.

The UVOT instrument has two gratings and seven broadband filters. Poole et al. (2008) and Breeveld et al. (2010) provide detailed discussion about the UVOT filters and detectors. In our analysis, we focus mainly on the ultraviolet filters: *uvw2* ($\lambda_c = 1928$ Å; FWHM = 657 Å), *uvw2* ($\lambda_c = 2246$ Å; FWHM = 498 Å), *uvw1* ($\lambda_c = 2600$ Å; FWHM = 693 Å), and the *u* ($\lambda_c = 3465$ Å; FWHM = 785 Å) filter. Figure 1 shows these filter curves and compares them to *GALEX* and *HST* WFC3 UV filters.

The CDF-S was observed during several separate observations, and the data were combined using standard *Swift* packages.⁶ The maximum exposure times per filter range from 125 to 145 ks, depending on the filter (see Hoversten et al. 2009, for a thorough discussion of the *Swift* CDF-S observations). Figure 2 shows the fraction of the field that was observed longer than some exposure time. In this figure, we show that the exposure times across the field vary smoothly for all filters: *uvw2* (solid red), *uvw2* (dashed black), *uvw1* (dash-dotted blue), and *u* (thick dashed dark green) between exposure times, $T_{\text{exp}} = 40\text{--}100$ ks.

A catalog of sources was generated following Hoversten et al. (2009) with some modifications. A summary of this process with the differences highlighted is as follows. UVOT observations have gone through an initial processing by the UVOT pipeline.⁶ This pipeline provides corrected image files and exposure maps for each observation. The fine aspect correction applied to images is now also applied to the exposure maps. However, this was not the case at the time of the CDF-S observations.

Our CDF-S observations were processed by the *Swift* Data Center using the latest version of the pipeline (version 2.2), but this is not yet available in the *Swift* archive. Alternatively, one can create fine aspect-corrected exposure maps from the images, UVOT housekeeping data, and spacecraft auxiliary files available in the archive as described in Hoversten et al. (2011).

Images and exposure maps were summed using the publicly available UVOT FTOOLS (HEASoft 6.6.1).⁷ This involved two flux conserving interpolations of the images. A correction for known bad pixels was applied in the UVOT pipeline, and cosmic-ray corrections were not necessary for UVOT images. Images were divided by the relevant exposure map to generate count rate images.

The count rate images were analyzed using SExtractor (Bertin & Arnouts 1996). The list of SExtractor parameters used can be found in Table 2 of Hoversten et al. (2009). There are several types of magnitudes which are calculated by SExtractor. The MAG_AUTO magnitudes are designed to measure the total magnitudes of the galaxies. However, for LBG selection it is most important to have accurate colors for the galaxies. For this reason the MAG_ISO isophotal magnitudes, which are the recommended magnitudes for studying colors, were used. Apertures were determined from the *u*-band image and then the same apertures were applied to all four images. The *u* band was used for aperture determination because candidate LBGs are expected to drop out of the bluer filters, and would likely be missed if the apertures were determined from the NUV filters.

The segment map, output by SExtractor, containing the apertures of sources was cleaned using the Markov chain algorithm described in Appendix B of Hoversten et al. (2011). Then the IDL code described in Hoversten et al. (2011) was used to convert SExtractor count rates to magnitudes. This code was created to take a user specified segment map, and additionally to apply UVOT corrections not included within SExtractor. One of these is the “coincidence-loss” correction described in Poole et al. (2008). As UVOT is a photon counting detector, it suffers from an undercounting of photons that becomes progressively worse, and eventually uncorrectable, for brighter sources. At the faint magnitudes of the CDF-S this correction is negligible; only one source in the CDF-S has a correction of more than 1% and even then it is only this large in the *u* filter. Second, this code applies the updated UVOT zero points (found in the UVOT Digest Web site: http://swift.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/swift/analysis/uvot_digest/zeropts.html) and the AB magnitude correction (Breeveld et al. 2011) to put the UVOT magnitudes on the AB system.

To summarize the differences between the Hoversten et al. (2009) photometry and that used here, isophotal magnitudes are used instead of MAG_AUTO “automatic aperture” magnitudes, apertures are defined uniformly in the *u* band rather than on a filter by filter basis, a coincidence-loss correction is applied (although negligible), and updated UVOT zero points and AB corrections are applied.

2.2. Selection of LBG Candidates

In Figure 2, we show that for exposure times between 40 and 100 ks, going deeper (to longer exposure times) does not sacrifice field coverage, while it does increase signal to noise. From the UVOT CDF-S catalog, we selected only sources with exposure times exceeding 60 ks in all filters (shown as a dotted

⁶ <http://heasarc.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/swift/analysis>

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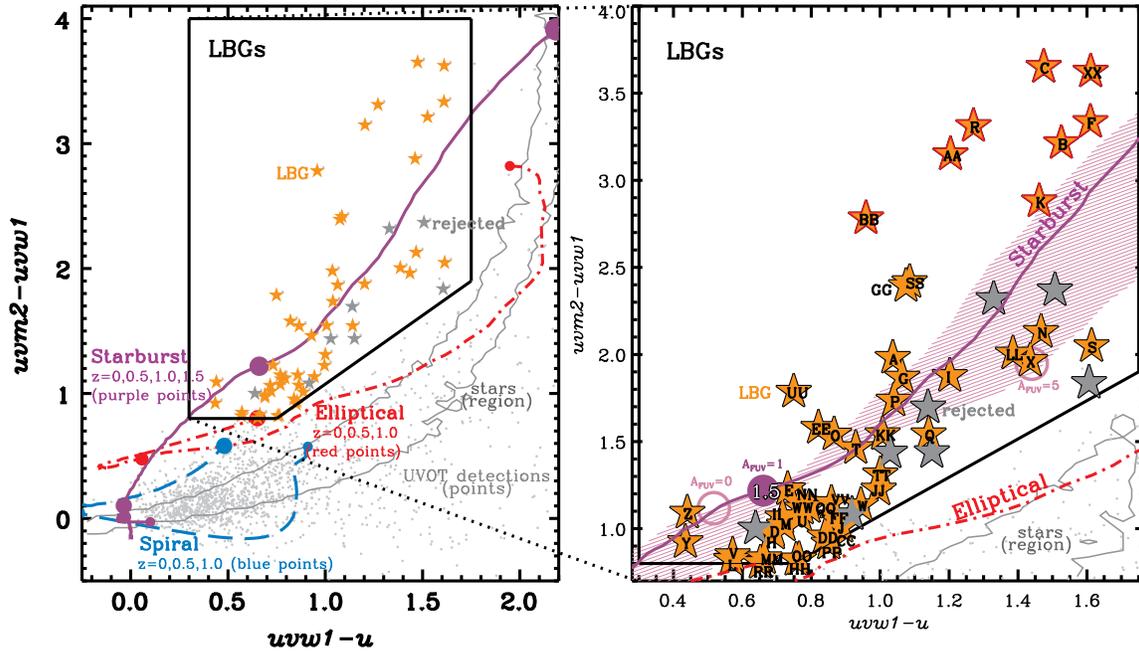


Figure 3. We select LBG candidates based on $uvw1 - u$ and $uvw2 - uvw1$ colors (the selection region is outlined in black based on Equations (2)–(4), with LBGs shown as orange stars and rejected candidates shown as dark gray stars). To compare with other galaxy populations, we show gray points to mark other objects from the CDF-S UVOT catalog, and mark evolution tracks for three types of galaxies (early-type elliptical galaxies, late-type spirals, and starbursts shown with dash-dotted red, long-dashed blue, and solid purple, respectively). The dark gray outline shows the region populated by stars, using the Castelli & Kurucz (2003) model spectra to span a large range of stellar temperatures, surface gravities, metallicities, and alpha enhancements. The tracks include points to mark every $\Delta z = 0.5$ with increasing point size. The right panel zooms into the LBG-selected region, labeling every LBG with a letter (“A” through “ZZ”; see Section 3); the purple point on the starburst track marks $z = 1.5$, as labeled. The shaded region shows the effects of dust attenuation on the starburst track, ranging from $A_{FUV} = 0$ (top edge) to 5.0 (bottom edge), with light purple open circles marking $z = 1.5$; the solid purple starburst track assumes $A_{FUV} = 1.0$. LBGs outlined in red have photometric errors $\sigma(uvw2) > 1$ mag, potentially accounting for their deviation from the starburst model track.

line in Figure 2) and $u < 24.5$ mag in order to ensure reliable detections (signal to noise in u filter exceeding 5σ).

We find that in regions that were observed for at least 60 ks, we are $\sim 29\%$ complete at our limiting magnitude ($u = 24.5$) with completeness increasing for brighter magnitudes and in regions with longer exposure times (e.g., completeness is $\sim 80\%$ at $u = 23$ for 60 ks and $\sim 47\%$ at $u = 24.5$ for 122 ks; see Hoversten et al. 2009 for more details regarding the completeness calculation). We note that this paper focuses on the *Swift* UVOT selection of potential LBG candidates and their properties, which does not rely upon completeness.

The $0.5 < z < 2$ UV-dropout selection takes into account the unique filter curves of the UVOT instrument (see Figure 1). The extended red tails in the $uvw2$ and $uvw1$ filter curves are discussed in more detail in Brown et al. (2010). The color selection requires observations in a minimum of three filters. Observing in three filters, rather than applying the dropout criterion based on two filters, prevents selecting interlopers, such as red stars and red $z \sim 0$ galaxies.

While $uvw2$ is the bluest UVOT filter, the red tail prevents a clean separation of the star-forming galaxies from other types of sources. Rather, we find that the $uvw2$, with its relatively steep edges works nicely as the bluest filter for UV-dropouts. As Figure 1 displays, the Lyman break feature causes objects at $z = 1.5$ to drop out from $uvw2$.

In the left panel of Figure 3 we show where the objects found in the UVOT catalog (described in Section 2.1; gray points) are located in $uvw1 - u$ versus $uvw2 - uvw1$ color space, along with evolutionary tracks of three types of galaxies (early-type elliptical galaxies, late-type spirals, and starbursts shown with dash-dotted red, long-dashed blue, and solid purple, respectively), with points marking $z = 0, 0.5, 1.0$ with increasing

size on all the tracks and additionally $z = 1.5$ on the solid purple starburst track.

The galaxy tracks were calculated using PÉGASE (Fioc & Rocca-Volmerange 1997) galaxy models, redshifted and convolved with the UVOT filters to get magnitudes at each redshift. The elliptical galaxy model assumes a simple stellar population model with solar metallicity at an age of 12 Gyr with $A_V = 1.0$ with Milky Way extinction from Pei (1992). The spiral galaxy model assumes a constant SFH with solar metallicity at an age of 12 Gyr with $A_V = 1.0$ also with Milky Way extinction. The starburst model assumes a constant SFH with solar metallicity at an age of 100 Myr with $A_V = 0.4$ following the Calzetti et al. (1994) dust law (i.e., $A_{FUV} = 2.48 \times A_V \approx 1.0$); in addition, the shaded region (on right panel) shows a range of dust attenuation values ($0 < A_{FUV} < 5$, top edge of region to bottom edge), with $z = 1.5$ marked with light purple open circles. The starburst model track includes the Lyman alpha forest derived in Madau (1995), which becomes more important with increasing redshift.

Our selection region aims to avoid the region occupied by stars (shown by the dark gray outline). This region was calculated using a grid of model stellar spectra from Castelli & Kurucz (2003), spanning a range of effective temperatures ($3500 \text{ K} < T_{\text{eff}} < 50,000 \text{ K}$), surface gravities ($0.0 < \log g < 5.0$), and metallicities ($-4.0 < [M/H] < 0.5$, where $[M/H]$ is the ratio of metals to hydrogen) and two values of alpha enhancements ($[\alpha/Fe] = 0.0$ and 0.4 , where $[\alpha/Fe]$ is the ratio of α -elements, i.e., O, Mg, Si, Ca, Ti, to iron).

We used the COMBO-17 photometric catalog to get preliminary redshifts for all the galaxies with $uvw2 - uvw1 > 0.5$ and $0 < uvw1 - u < 2$ and then determined the boundaries of the selection region based on maximizing the number of galaxies

with redshifts $z > 0.5$. For example, the slope and lower limit in $uvm2 - uvw1$ were set by minimizing the number of $z < 0.5$ contaminating sources (stars and low-redshift elliptical galaxies). Based on this exercise, we determined that the following equations best separate intermediate-redshift LBG candidates from other populations:

$$20.75 \text{ mag} < u < 24.5 \text{ mag} \wedge \quad (1)$$

$$0.3 \text{ mag} < uvw1 - u < 1.75 \text{ mag} \wedge \quad (2)$$

$$0.8 \text{ mag} < uvm2 - uvw1 < 4 \text{ mag} \wedge \quad (3)$$

$$1.1(uvw1 - u) - 0.025 \text{ mag} < (uvm2 - uvw1). \quad (4)$$

In Figure 3, the black outline encloses the LBG selection region described by Equations (2)–(4). Applying this selection, we select 58 LBG candidates; 50 of these candidates have photometric ($(\Delta z / (1+z)) \sim 0.1$ for these galaxies) or spectroscopic redshifts consistent with our selection ($0.5 < z < 2.0$; shown as orange stars) while the remaining eight candidates were rejected because of inconsistent or questionable redshifts or photometry (described in more detail in Section 2.4; shown as gray stars). The sources outlined in red have large UVOT photometric errors (specifically, $\sigma(uvm2) > 1 \text{ mag}$); generally, these are also the objects farthest from the starburst model track. The medians of other UVOT photometric errors are $\sigma(uvm2)$, $\sigma(uvw1)$, and $\sigma(u) = 0.5, 0.2$, and 0.1 mag .

The observed UVOT magnitudes and relative exposures (exposure time compared to the maximum exposure for the field) for the candidates are shown in Table 1; the photometric (or spectroscopic, where available) redshifts for the candidates are shown in the fifth column of Table 2 along with other derived properties based on multiwavelength data, which are discussed in the following sections.

A magnified view of the selection region is shown in the right panel of Figure 3. Note that the LBG candidates are selected to lie close to the starburst curve between $0.5 < z < 2$ (the marked and labeled purple point on the starburst track shows $z = 1.5$ in this panel). Candidates are labeled by letter (likely LBGs) or identification name (rejected candidates)—we discuss the characteristics of all the candidates in Section 3. To differentiate between the LBG sample and the rejected candidates throughout this paper, we label the LBGs as A through XX, arbitrarily named by their position (ordered clockwise) in Figure 4. The thumbnails surrounding the UVOT CDF-S image show enlarged views for the LBGs—each thumbnail is $20''$ per side (corresponding to a physical scale of $\sim 170 \text{ kpc}$ at $z = 1.5$), and the orange circles have diameters of $2''.7$, which roughly corresponds to the UVOT point-spread function (PSF).

2.3. Multiwavelength Data and Broadband SED Fitting

To study these galaxies in detail, we benefit from the availability of rich multiwavelength data in this field. Figure 5 shows the UVOT image compared to several other well-studied programs for the CDF-S and extended CDF-S. We match our candidates with sources in the K -band-selected Multiwavelength Survey by Yale-Chile (MUSYC; Taylor et al. 2009), Advanced Camera for Surveys (ACS) images in the Great Observatories Origins Deep Survey (GOODS) South (ACS-GOODS; Dahlen et al. 2010), and COMBO-17 (Wolf et al. 2004, 2008) data sets. These catalogs contain photometric data covering the optical, near-infrared wavelengths with several filters (MUSYC, ACS-GOODS, and COMBO-17 have 10, 7, and 17 filters, respectively).

The UVOT imaging resolution is $\approx 2''.7$. For proper matching between the 58 UVOT-selected LBG candidates (including the rejected candidates) and these other catalogs, we first compared the astrometry of > 5000 sources in the UVOT catalog with brightest sources within $2''$ from the COMBO-17 catalog (which was found to match MUSYC and ACS-GOODS astrometry). We find that the UVOT positions are slightly offset: $\text{R.A.}(\text{COMBO-17}) = \text{R.A.}(\text{UVOT}) + 0''.9 (\pm 0''.4)$ and $\text{decl.}(\text{COMBO-17}) = \text{decl.}(\text{UVOT}) - 0''.5 (\pm 0''.4)$. After applying these corrections, the UVOT candidates were matched to sources in the other catalogs within $2''$, which allows matching a COMBO-17 (FWHM = $1''.5$) source with a UVOT (FWHM = $2''.7$) source. Only six cases were matched to a single source (S, T, X, DD, HH, and J033145.7–275003.5). In cases of multiple matches, the brightest R -band (or z_{850} , for ACS-GOODS) source was selected. J033207.4–274400.4 was eliminated from our analysis since it appeared to have no optical match and the UVOT image showed a possible artifact from a nearby bright object.

We tested the likelihood for multiple matches between any UVOT catalog source and a source in COMBO-17 or ACS-GOODS. We find that multiple sources are matched $\sim 30\%$ of the time. Therefore, it is significant that only six sources (or 10%) of LBG cases have matches to single sources and may suggest that these are galaxies found in pairs or group environments, as seen for $z \sim 1$ LBAs by Basu-Zych et al. (2009b), and may be experiencing triggered star formation.

Combining the UVOT photometry with matched photometry from these other catalogs poses some challenges, since the techniques used to determine the photometry in each case vary. For MUSYC photometry, the “color flux” in each filter is determined by SExtractor’s MAG_ISO, which measures the flux within the isophote (set to be at least $2''.5$) corresponding to the lowest detection threshold. This value is corrected to the total flux by applying a correction factor calculated based on the ratio of total flux in the K band (using SExtractor’s MAG_AUTO, which accounts more fully for the size and shape of the light distribution) to the color flux in the K band. COMBO-17 has a similar method, also correcting the color flux of each filter into a total flux by using the R band to scale the R color flux into the total flux in R . However, they do not use SExtractor for the color fluxes, but another package which uses seeing-adaptive, weighted aperture photometry to equalize the effects of seeing on data from different bands; they use SExtractor’s MAG_BEST, which is similar to MAG_AUTO but also corrects for contamination from neighboring sources, to determine the total flux (for more details, see Wolf et al. 2004). The ACS-GOODS photometry uses a template fitting technique which matches the high-resolution ($\sim 0''.1$) z -band image to the lower resolution ($\sim 2''$) infrared (IR) images to reduce blending effects and provide consistent photometry in all bands regardless of the PSF size (Dahlen et al. 2010).

Taylor et al. (2009) compares MUSYC photometric offsets with different data sets, including COMBO-17 and ACS data, and with stellar spectral energy distributions (SEDs). We note that the ACS data compared in their work are from FIREWORKS (Wuyts et al. 2008), which is K_s -selected, whereas our ACS-GOODS data are z -selected; however, this distinction has negligible effect for comparing the photometry from these data sets. Our own comparisons of the photometry for matched sources between the COMBO-17, ACS-GOODS, and MUSYC data sets agree with Taylor et al. (2009). For our sample, we analyze all these data sets together in order to provide the most

Table 1
Summary of UVOT Photometry for LBG Candidates

ID	J2000 ID	R.A.	Decl.	<i>uvw</i> 2 (mag)	<i>uvm</i> 2 (mag)	<i>uvw</i> 1 (mag)	<i>u</i> (mag)	T^a (<i>uvw</i> 2) (%)	T^a (<i>uvm</i> 2) (%)	T^a (<i>uvw</i> 1) (%)	T^a (<i>u</i>) (%)
LBG sample											
A	J033226.8–274156.6	53.1117	–27.6991	25.4	26.0	24.0	23.0	94.5	89.6	79.1	82.5
B	J033230.3–274241.0	53.1264	–27.7114	28.2	28.8	25.6	24.0	96.0	93.7	83.7	87.1
C	J033228.0–274249.9	53.1167	–27.7139	26.5	28.6	25.0	23.5	96.1	97.6	85.8	89.2
D	J033230.6–274345.6	53.1279	–27.7293	26.6	26.0	25.0	24.3	100.0	100.0	98.4	94.3
E	J033226.8–274425.0	53.1119	–27.7403	25.8	25.9	24.6	23.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
F	J033218.8–274500.0	53.0784	–27.7500	27.2	29.1	25.7	24.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
G	J033219.8–274516.2	53.0827	–27.7545	27.1	27.3	25.4	24.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
H	J033149.4–274456.3	52.9560	–27.7490	25.6	24.7	23.7	23.1	51.9	49.3	45.1	51.0
I	J033157.1–274525.0	52.9881	–27.7570	26.8	26.6	24.7	23.5	95.2	95.5	95.0	94.6
J	J033203.1–274543.3	53.0132	–27.7620	27.4	25.5	24.5	23.6	98.3	97.2	99.0	98.4
K	J033206.9–274720.6	53.0290	–27.7891	...	27.8	25.0	23.5	98.3	97.9	99.0	98.4
L	J033202.2–274859.7	53.0093	–27.8166	26.4	25.5	24.7	24.1	98.3	97.2	99.0	98.4
M	J033204.1–274930.2	53.0175	–27.8251	27.0	26.2	25.2	24.4	98.3	97.9	99.0	98.4
N	J033159.5–275020.2	52.9981	–27.8390	26.6	27.0	24.8	23.4	98.2	97.2	98.8	98.4
O	J033152.7–274928.6	52.9699	–27.8246	...	26.3	24.8	23.9	93.1	96.0	95.1	97.0
P	J033149.0–274950.3	52.9543	–27.8307	27.1	27.2	25.4	24.4	92.0	89.0	83.1	83.6
Q	J033142.8–274938.0	52.9287	–27.8272	27.3	27.0	25.5	24.3	82.0	77.8	74.0	66.8
R	J033144.4–275021.1	52.9353	–27.8392	30.3	29.0	25.6	24.4	87.0	83.7	78.9	69.9
S	J033147.3–275218.6	52.9474	–27.8719	...	28.0	26.0	24.4	90.5	90.1	85.5	83.8
T	J033202.1–275242.1	53.0088	–27.8784	26.8	26.6	25.1	24.2	98.0	97.9	99.0	98.4
U	J033214.9–275302.0	53.0625	–27.8839	25.8	25.2	24.1	23.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
V	J033217.2–275353.4	53.0720	–27.8982	26.5	25.9	25.0	24.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
W	J033202.4–275333.4	53.0102	–27.8926	25.7	26.0	24.8	23.9	98.0	97.9	99.0	98.7
X	J033200.4–275459.2	53.0018	–27.9165	28.3	27.3	25.4	23.9	97.1	97.2	97.6	98.4
Y	J033151.5–275453.6	52.9650	–27.9149	25.8	25.3	24.3	23.9	71.5	78.3	74.5	82.8
Z	J033149.7–275440.9	52.9574	–27.9114	26.1	25.6	24.5	24.1	54.4	58.0	62.1	65.5
AA	J033150.1–275506.2	52.9588	–27.9184	29.2	28.6	25.5	24.3	45.4	51.3	58.8	58.9
BB	J033158.6–275732.2	52.9946	–27.9590	...	28.1	25.3	24.4	53.5	54.3	64.9	72.8
CC	J033211.6–275735.7	53.0486	–27.9599	26.8	25.3	24.4	23.5	92.1	91.6	91.9	93.6
DD	J033216.0–275703.0	53.0669	–27.9509	...	26.2	25.3	24.4	92.8	94.4	93.2	95.9
EE	J033225.5–275706.2	53.1063	–27.9517	26.5	26.8	25.2	24.4	91.1	92.3	94.2	94.5
FF	J033242.9–275511.7	53.1789	–27.9199	28.8	26.1	25.0	24.2	95.8	94.7	98.3	97.9
GG	J033246.8–275448.8	53.1954	–27.9136	26.9	27.7	25.3	24.2	96.5	94.2	97.9	96.6
HH	J033235.5–275447.0	53.1481	–27.9131	26.1	25.3	24.5	23.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
II	J033232.0–275326.6	53.1337	–27.8907	26.4	26.2	25.1	24.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
JJ	J033231.4–275137.6	53.1310	–27.8605	27.0	26.3	25.1	24.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
KK	J033223.9–275031.8	53.0997	–27.8422	25.8	26.4	24.8	23.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
LL	J033224.4–275034.5	53.1019	–27.8429	30.1	27.4	25.4	24.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
MM	J033237.2–275013.2	53.1554	–27.8370	25.2	24.5	23.7	23.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
NN	J033244.9–275005.0	53.1871	–27.8347	27.5	26.0	24.8	24.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
OO	J033221.1–274950.6	53.0881	–27.8307	25.7	26.0	25.2	24.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
PP	J033228.9–274908.4	53.1208	–27.8190	25.6	24.8	23.9	23.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
QQ	J033235.3–274920.2	53.1472	–27.8223	26.3	26.4	25.3	24.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
RR	J033235.9–274850.3	53.1499	–27.8140	25.0	23.9	23.1	22.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SS	J033220.8–274822.7	53.0869	–27.8063	27.9	27.3	24.9	23.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
TT	J033234.6–274727.3	53.1445	–27.7909	28.8	26.7	25.4	24.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
UU	J033238.4–274725.1	53.1603	–27.7903	26.7	26.8	25.1	24.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
VV	J033237.7–274641.5	53.1574	–27.7782	26.7	26.2	25.1	24.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
WW	J033246.1–274529.6	53.1924	–27.7582	27.3	26.3	25.2	24.4	95.7	95.2	97.2	91.4
XX	J033253.2–274644.3	53.2218	–27.7790	26.4	29.2	25.6	23.9	87.8	74.6	76.3	74.7
Rejected candidates											
	J033145.7–275003.5	52.9406	–27.8343	26.7	26.9	25.5	24.3	89.3	86.4	81.3	71.2
	J033203.4–275059.5	53.0143	–27.8499	26.4	27.5	25.2	23.9	98.3	97.9	99.0	98.4
	J033206.8–274208.6	53.0286	–27.7024	25.6	25.9	24.9	24.3	54.1	60.5	49.2	53.8
	J033207.4–274400.4	53.0310	–27.7335	25.8	25.3	23.8	22.8	98.3	97.9	99.0	98.3
	J033215.2–275039.8	53.0636	–27.8444	26.0	26.0	24.9	24.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	J033215.3–275044.1	53.0639	–27.8456	25.2	25.6	23.9	22.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	J033254.6–275008.3	53.2278	–27.8356	26.9	27.5	25.1	23.6	98.6	96.7	100.0	94.5
	J033258.4–274955.4	53.2436	–27.8321	26.1	26.1	24.2	22.6	91.6	86.1	95.4	82.7

Note. ^a T are ratios of the observed exposure time at the location of the source to maximum exposure time for the field. See Hoversten et al. (2009) for maximum exposure times.

Table 2
Derived Quantities

ID	J2000 ID	R.A.	Decl.	z	z ref ^a	SFR _{UV} (M_{\odot} yr ⁻¹)	SFR _{tot} ^b (M_{\odot} yr ⁻¹)	log (M_{*}) (M_{\odot})	A_{FUV}	Phot ^c
LBG sample										
A	J033226.8–274156.6	53.1117	–27.6991	1.614 ^d	1	5.3	26.2	9.4	1.7	2,4
B	J033230.3–274241.0	53.1264	–27.7114	1.890 ^d	1	3.8	27.6	9.8	2.0	2,3,4
C	J033228.0–274249.9	53.1167	–27.7139	1.9 ^e	2	2.5	3.2	9.8	0.2	2,4
D	J033230.6–274345.6	53.1279	–27.7293	1.3 ^e	4	1.4	5.0	9.2	1.4	2,4
E	J033226.8–274425.0	53.1119	–27.7403	1.613 ^d	1	2.6	53.4	9.1	3.0	2,4
F	J033218.8–274500.0	53.0784	–27.7500	1.572 ^d	1	1.5	6.8	9.3	1.6	2,4
G	J033219.8–274516.2	53.0827	–27.7545	1.3 ^e	4	0.9	14.0	9.1	2.7	2,4
H	J033149.4–274456.3	52.9560	–27.7490	1.2 ^e	4	3.5	(3.5)	9.7	...	3
I	J033157.1–274525.0	52.9881	–27.7570	1.237 ^d	1	2.3	(2.3)	9.5	...	3
J	J033203.1–274543.3	53.0132	–27.7620	0.707 ^d	1	0.5	11.3	9.6	3.1	3
K	J033206.9–274720.6	53.0290	–27.7891	1.9 ^e	2	...	...	...	...	...
L	J033202.2–274859.7	53.0093	–27.8166	1.3 ^e	4	1.4	(1.4)	9.6	...	4
M	J033204.1–274930.2	53.0175	–27.8251	1.2 ^e	4	1.0	9.4	8.9	2.3	4
N	J033159.5–275020.2	52.9981	–27.8390	1.1 ^e	4	1.2	(1.2)	9.7	...	3
O	J033152.7–274928.6	52.9699	–27.8246	1.3 ^e	3	...	...	...	...	...
P	J033149.0–274950.3	52.9543	–27.8307	0.7 ^e	4	0.2	(0.2)	8.1	...	4
Q	J033142.8–274938.0	52.9287	–27.8272	1.2 ^e	4	1.1	(1.1)	9.8	...	3
R	J033144.4–275021.1	52.9353	–27.8392	1.0 ^e	4	0.6	(0.6)	8.7	...	4
S	J033147.3–275218.6	52.9474	–27.8719	1.2 ^e	4	...	...	...	...	...
T	J033202.1–275242.1	53.0088	–27.8784	0.7 ^e	4	0.4	(0.4)	8.5	...	4
U	J033214.9–275302.0	53.0625	–27.8839	1.359 ^d	1	3.1	6.5	9.3	0.8	2,4
V	J033217.2–275353.4	53.0720	–27.8982	1.350 ^d	1	1.1	5.7	9.4	1.7	2,3,4
W	J033202.4–275333.4	53.0102	–27.8926	0.8 ^e	4	0.6	(0.6)	8.5	...	4
X	J033200.4–275459.2	53.0018	–27.9165	1.2 ^e	4	0.9	(0.9)	9.0	...	4
Y	J033151.5–275453.6	52.9650	–27.9149	1.7 ^e	4	3.0	(3.0)	10.7	...	4
Z	J033149.7–275440.9	52.9574	–27.9114	1.2 ^e	4	2.0	(2.0)	9.4	...	3
AA	J033150.1–275506.2	52.9588	–27.9184	2.0 ^e	4	2.8	(2.8)	9.6	...	4
BB	J033158.6–275732.2	52.9946	–27.9590	1.6 ^e	4	...	...	...	...	...
CC	J033211.6–275735.7	53.0486	–27.9599	1.6 ^e	4	2.9	26.4	11.1	2.2	4
DD	J033216.0–275703.0	53.0669	–27.9509	0.5 ^e	4	...	...	...	...	...
EE	J033225.5–275706.2	53.1063	–27.9517	1.3 ^e	4	1.1	16.7	9.0	2.7	4
FF	J033242.9–275511.7	53.1789	–27.9199	1.4 ^e	4	1.6	212.8	9.2	4.9	2,4
GG	J033246.8–275448.8	53.1954	–27.9136	1.552 ^d	1	2.1	7.5	9.3	1.3	2,3,4
HH	J033235.5–275447.0	53.1481	–27.9131	1.2 ^e	4	1.9	2.9	9.4	0.5	2,3,4
II	J033232.0–275326.6	53.1337	–27.8907	0.998 ^d	1	0.3	2.0	8.5	2.0	2,4
JJ	J033231.4–275137.6	53.1310	–27.8605	1.382 ^d	1	1.4	6.2	9.7	1.5	2,4
KK	J033223.9–275031.8	53.0997	–27.8422	1.0 ^e	4	0.5	25.4	8.9	3.8	2,4
LL	J033224.4–275034.5	53.1019	–27.8429	1.552 ^d	1	1.3	8.6	9.1	1.9	2,3,4
MM	J033237.2–275013.2	53.1554	–27.8370	1.389 ^d	1	3.1	41.1	9.3	2.6	2,3,4
NN	J033244.9–275005.0	53.1871	–27.8347	1.296 ^d	1	1.1	5.1	9.0	1.6	2,4
OO	J033221.1–274950.6	53.0881	–27.8307	0.965 ^d	1	0.5	6.3	9.7	2.6	2,3,4
PP	J033228.9–274908.4	53.1208	–27.8190	1.094 ^d	1	1.6	68.5	10.6	3.6	2,3,4
QQ	J033235.3–274920.2	53.1472	–27.8223	0.666 ^d	1	0.3	2.6	8.8	2.1	2,3,4
RR	J033235.9–274850.3	53.1499	–27.8140	1.309 ^d	1	5.8	48.6	10.1	2.1	2,3,4
SS	J033220.8–274822.7	53.0869	–27.8063	1.9 ^e	2	3.1	6.7	9.1	0.9	2,4
TT	J033234.6–274727.3	53.1445	–27.7909	1.438 ^d	1	1.3	7.9	8.8	1.9	2,4
UU	J033238.4–274725.1	53.1603	–27.7903	1.9 ^e	2	2.2	9.8	9.5	1.6	2,4
VV	J033237.7–274641.5	53.1574	–27.7782	1.307 ^d	1	0.8	1.4	8.7	0.6	2,4
WW	J033246.1–274529.6	53.1924	–27.7582	1.298 ^d	1	0.6	4.0	9.2	1.9	2,4
XX	J033253.2–274644.3	53.2218	–27.7790	1.9 ^e	2	2.4	3.5	11.0	0.4	4
Rejected candidates										
	J033145.7–275003.5	52.9406	–27.8343	0.0 ^e	4	0.0	(0.0)	6.3	...	4
	J033203.4–275059.5	53.0143	–27.8499	0.00 ^d	1	...	...	...	...	4
	J033206.8–274208.6	53.0286	–27.7024	0.286 ^d	1	0.0	0.4	9.3	3.2	2,3,4
	J033207.4–274400.4	53.0310	–27.7335	–99.0 ^e	4	...	...	...	...	...
	J033215.2–275039.8	53.0636	–27.8444	0.246 ^d	1	0.0	0.9	8.8	3.9	2,3,4
	J033215.3–275044.1	53.0639	–27.8456	0.230 ^d	1	0.0	0.4	10.0	2.8	2,3,4
	J033254.6–275008.3	53.2278	–27.8356	0.0 ^e	4	...	...	...	...	3
	J033258.4–274955.4	53.2436	–27.8321	0.00 ^d	1	...	...	...	...	3

Notes.

^a **References:** (1) Spectroscopic redshift from the literature, (2) ACS-GOODS photometric redshift (Dahlen et al. 2007), (3) photometric redshift from MUSYC K -selected sample (Taylor et al. 2009), (4) photometric redshift from COMBO-17 (Wolf et al. 2004).

^b SFR_{tot} = SFR_{TIR} + SFR_{UV}. Parentheses mark where no IR data are available, and SFR_{tot} = SFR_{UV}.

^c Photometric catalogs used in the SED fit; references are the same as for the redshift determination (see above, note a).

^d Spectroscopic redshift: quoted to the typical precision for the spectroscopic redshifts reported in the GOODS spectroscopic catalog: http://www.eso.org/sci/activities/garching/projects/goods/MASTERCAT_v2.0.dat

^e Photometric redshift: $(\Delta z / (1+z)) \sim 0.1$ for these galaxies.

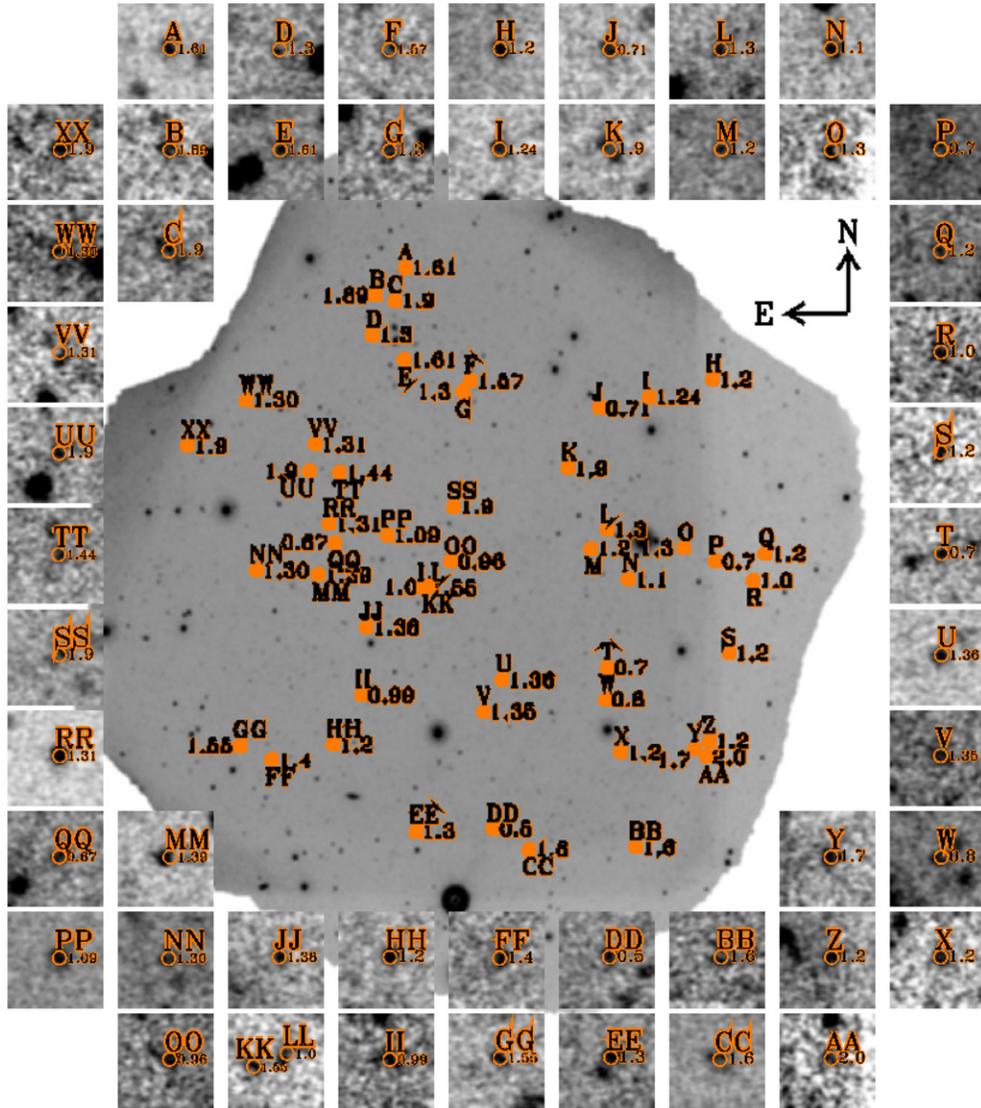


Figure 4. *Swift* UVOT *u* image: LBGs are marked on the center CDF-S field image as orange points, and labeled A–XX, with corresponding redshifts labeled. Zoomed-in views of the UVOT images for each LBG are shown in the surrounding panels, $20''$ per side (corresponding to ~ 170 kpc at $z = 1.5$); the orange circles have $2''$ diameters, roughly the UVOT PSF FWHM.

(A color version of this figure is available in the online journal.)

complete information about their SEDs. However, reconciling differences between photometry from different data sets can add complexity to interpreting the cause of those inconsistencies. We point out specific examples of this in Section 3.2.

We use *kcorrect* (version 4.2; Blanton & Roweis 2007) to perform SED fitting, *k*-corrections, and estimate masses. The *kcorrect* program uses the non-negative matrix factorization technique to fit a set of basis template models to the photometry; the full set of templates include 450 instantaneous burst templates from Bruzual & Charlot (2003) stellar synthesis models and 35 emission-line templates for ionized gas from MAPPINGS-III (Kewley et al. 2001). Blanton & Roweis (2007) have determined that the linear combination of five basis templates are sufficient to describe the spectra of most galaxies.

In our sample, 25 candidates have spectroscopic redshifts and all have photometric redshifts (except J033207.4–274400.4 has no optical match, thus no known redshift). Based on comparing the spectroscopic redshifts (where available) to the photometric redshifts from the other data sets, we find that COMBO-17 gives the most reliable redshifts. Therefore, we use the spectroscopic

redshifts when available and COMBO-17 redshifts (Wolf et al. 2008) in other cases. However, in six cases (LBGs C, K, O, SS, UU, and XX), the COMBO-17 redshifts were too low and did not fit the SED well. The photometric redshift from MUSYC was used for LBG O, and the photometric redshifts from GOODS (Dahlen et al. 2010) were used for the other five galaxies, since we found that these catalogs provided the best redshifts for these galaxies. The redshifts used for SED fitting and their source are listed in Table 2, as well as the estimated stellar masses and rest-frame UV SFRs.

2.4. Our LBG Candidates

We use the redshifts derived from other catalogs (see Table 2) either spectroscopically or photometrically to determine whether the LBG selection identified high-redshift ($0.5 < z < 2.0$) galaxies rather than low-redshift interlopers or artifacts. Out of the 58 candidates, 50 are satisfactory. These 50 LBGs are marked with their corresponding redshifts in Figure 4. Figure 6 shows the *HST*/*ACS* optical images for these LBGs. These images come from the GOODS-S and Galaxy Evo-

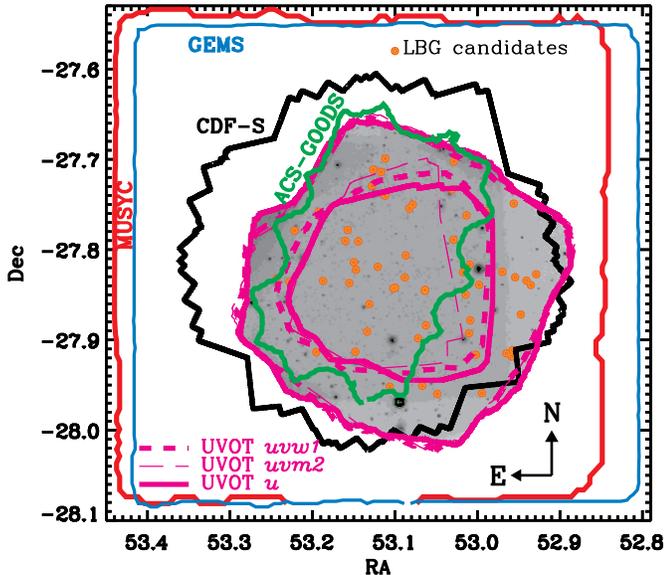


Figure 5. Schematic of CDF-S coverage by various multiwavelength programs: COMBO-17 (encompassing this entire field and too large to display outlines), MUSYC (red), *HST* GEMS (cyan), *Chandra* (black), *HST* ACS-GOODS (green), and *Swift* UVOT (magenta; thick dashed, thin dashed, and solid lines mark *uvw1*, *uvw2*, and *u* filters, inner contours refer to regions within 98% of maximum exposure time). Background image is UVOT *u*. LBG candidates are marked with orange circles.

lution through Morphology and SEDs (GEMS) data sets. The GOODS-S and GEMS z_{850} -band ACS images are displayed. The $2''.7$ diameter circles marking the UVOT PSF appear in orange, with larger $5''$ squares in green for GOODS-S (33 sources), and in cyan for GEMS (17 sources). The smaller apertures correspond to the MUSYC (thick dashed red; $1''.0$ FWHM), COMBO-17 (dotted blue; $1''.5$ FWHM), and ACS (solid green; $0''.11$ FWHM) PSFs.

The remaining eight objects are eliminated from any further analysis and briefly discussed below. We display the images for the rejected candidates in Figure 7. In five cases (J033203.4–275059.5, J033207.4–274400.4, J033215.3–275043.7, J033254.6–275008.3, and J033258.4–274955.4) visual inspection of the optical images confirm our choice to reject candidates with photometric redshift $z < 0.5$. In the other cases, however, this choice is not so obvious—we have elected to discard sources with confusing or ambiguous matches.

1. J033145.7–275003.5. The photometric redshift for this object in COMBO-17 is $z = 0.03$, and the object is not found in any other catalog. While it is possible that the photometric redshift is incorrect and that this object may be an LBG, we choose to remove it from further analysis.
2. J033203.4–275059.5. The nearest and brightest optical match is a star (appearing with diffraction spikes in Figure 7). While a fainter source to the southeast has been identified as a galaxy in the $0.5 < z < 2$ range, contamination from the bright star makes the detection and analysis of this source unreliable. Therefore, we reject this object from our analysis.
3. J033206.8–274208.6. The optical match for this source appears to be an elliptical galaxy, with a spectroscopic redshift of $z = 0.29$. Since, this object is unlikely to be an LBG, we remove it from our sample.
4. J033207.4–274400.4. The UVOT image shows a bright object in the southeast and the detected “source” appears to

be an artifact from this brighter object. The optical image shows no obvious counterpart. We reject this source based on the questionable UVOT detection.

5. J033215.2–275039.8. The bright optical counterpart appears to be a red, elliptical galaxy at $z = 0.2$. There is a very blue, fainter object to the south (within the UVOT $2''.7$ FWHM PSF). But we exclude this object because we find no optical match for the fainter, blue object in COMBO-17, ACS-GOODS, or MUSYC.
6. J033215.3–275044.1. The optical image for this source clearly displays a red, elliptical galaxy. With a spectroscopic redshift of $z = 0.23$, this object is unlikely to be an LBG and is removed from our sample.
7. J033254.6–275008.3. The optical match is a very bright object (appearing with diffraction spikes in the image, see Figure 7). Therefore, we reject this object from our analysis.
8. J033258.4–274955.4. The only obvious source in the optical image is a bright star. Therefore, we eliminate this object from our analysis.

To summarize, we reject J033145.7–275003.5, J033206.8–274208.6, J033207.4–274400.4, J033215.3–275044.1, J033254.6–275008.3, and J033258.4–274955.4 because we believe that these are unlikely to be $0.5 < z < 2.0$ LBGs; we reject J033203.4–275059.5 and J033215.2–275039.8 since they are difficult to study because of insufficient spatial resolution of UVOT to avoid source confusion from bright objects nearby (star in former case and elliptical galaxy in latter) and missing optical counterpart in latter case. Therefore, of the 58 candidates six appear to be low-redshift ($z < 0.5$) interlopers ($\sim 10\%$) and two are undetermined sources.

2.5. AGN Contribution

We match our 58 candidates with sources in the *Chandra* 2 Ms CDF-S catalog (Luo et al. 2008) in order to determine AGN contribution in these sources. We find three matches (within $2''$): LBGs N, RR, and UU. LBG N was detected in both hard (2–8 keV) and full (0.5–8 keV) X-ray bands, with luminosities $\sim 10^{43}$ erg s^{-1} . LBG RR was detected in all bands: hard (2–8 keV), soft (0.5–2 keV), and full (0.5–8 keV) X-ray bands, with luminosities 2.5×10^{42} erg s^{-1} , 1.5×10^{42} erg s^{-1} , and 4×10^{42} erg s^{-1} , respectively. LBG UU was only detected in the hard X-ray band (2–8 keV) with luminosity of 4×10^{42} erg s^{-1} . Based on the study by Silverman et al. (2008), low-luminosity AGNs ($L_X < 10^{44}$ erg s^{-1}) do not affect the optical magnitudes or colors of the host galaxy; therefore, we do not expect that the presence of low-luminosity AGNs in these three LBGs will have significant effect on their analysis.

The AGN fraction for this sample of $0.5 < z < 2.0$ LBGs is $\sim 5\%$ – 6% , consistent with AGN fractions of other star-forming galaxies in CDF-S ($z < 1$ late-type galaxies and $z = 3$ LBGs; Lehmer et al. 2008).

2.6. Morphology Analysis

To measure the morphology of the galaxies, we use the *HST*/ACS V_{606} -band images from either the GEMS (Rix et al. 2004) or GOODS (Giavalisco et al. 2004b) South data sets. These images are shown in Figures 6 and 7. However, we apply the morphology analysis only to the 50 LBGs (not to the eight rejected candidates).

We have used the methodology described by Zamojski et al. (2007) to derive morphological parameters, including concentration (C), asymmetry (A), clumpiness (S), Gini (G), and

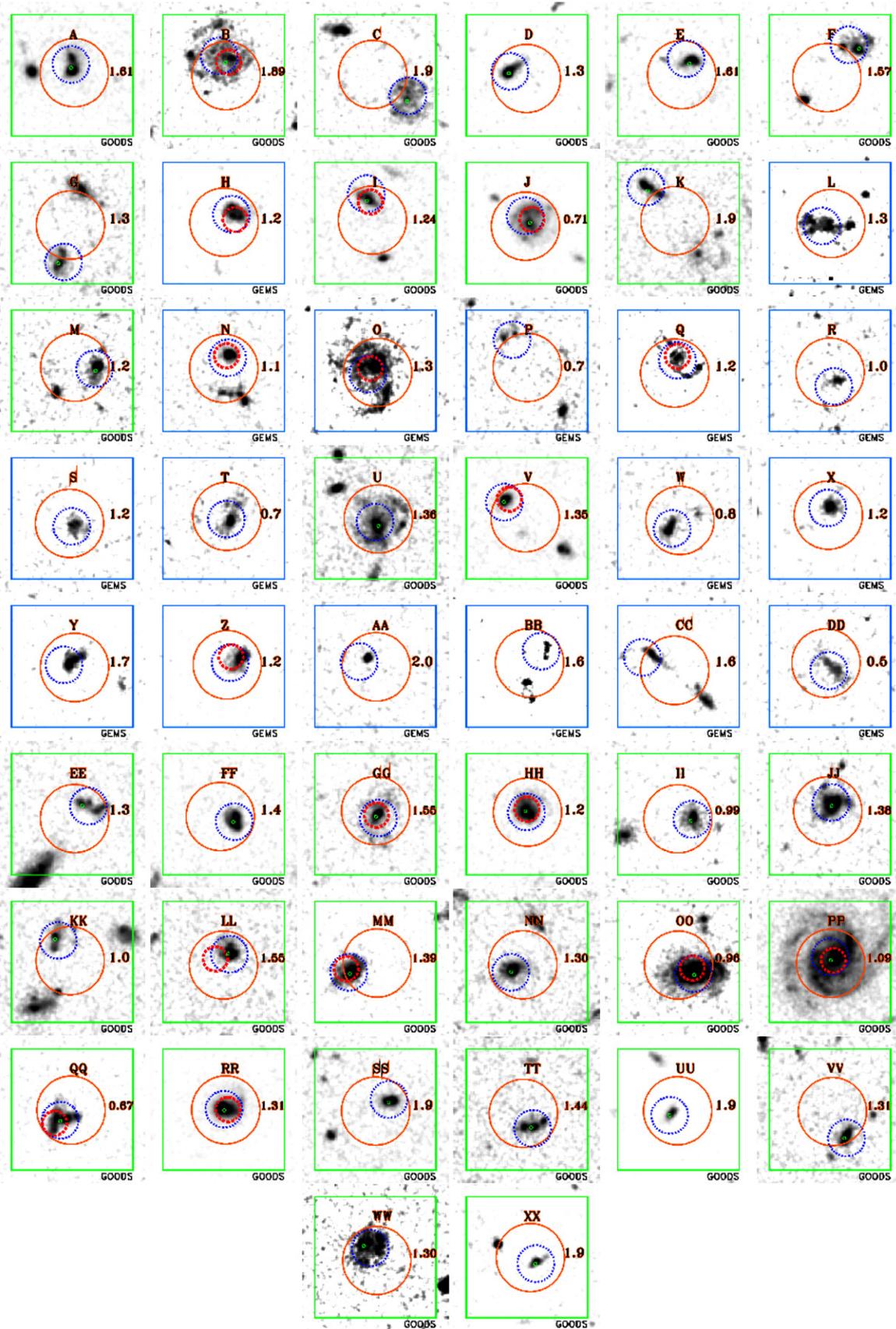


Figure 6. Optical z -band images of $z = 0.5 - 2$ LBGs. *HST*/ACS data come from the GOODS-S or GEMS data sets, labeled on lower right corner and marked with green or cyan (respectively) boxes sized to $5''$ on a side (at $z = 1.5$, ~ 43 kpc). All images are oriented north up and east to the left. LBGs are labeled as in Figure 4, with corresponding redshifts (either photometrically or spectroscopically determined; see Table 2) labeled on the right of the image. Circles mark PSFs for the source detections in UVOT (solid orange; $2.7''$ FWHM), MUSYC (thick dashed red; $1.1''$ FWHM), ACS/GOODS (solid green; $0.11''$ FWHM), and COMBO-17 (thin dotted blue; $1.5''$ FWHM) catalogs.

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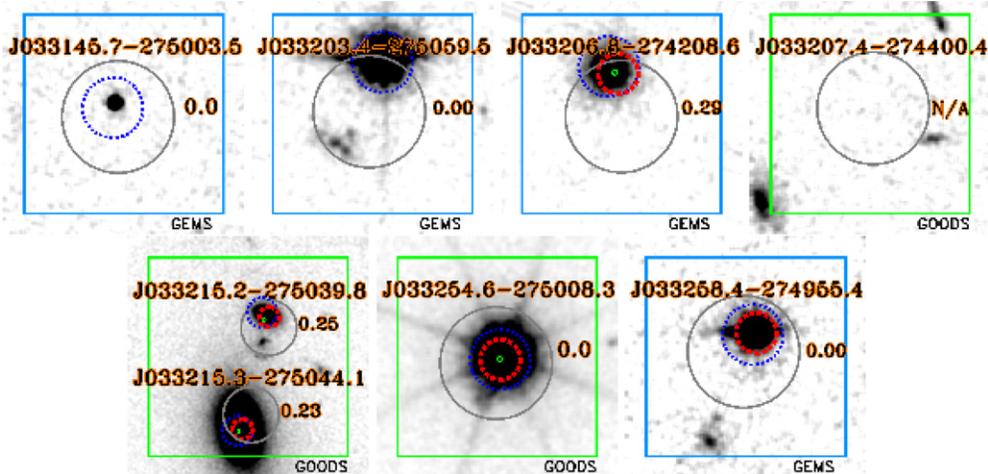


Figure 7. Optical thumbnails of rejected candidates. Same as Figure 6 except that the UVOT apertures marking failed LBGs are gray circles and labeled by their ids. The field of view for objects J033215.2–275039.8 and J033215.3–275044.1 (both shown together in the fourth panel) is twice that of the other images, therefore, the green box surrounding these two objects is 10'' per side (rather than 5'').

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M_{20} . In our analysis, we use only C , G , and M_{20} to compare with other UV-selected galaxies. We will describe those parameters briefly here and refer readers to other relevant papers (Abraham et al. 1996, 2003; Conselice et al. 2000; Conselice 2003; Lotz et al. 2004) for further details.

C measures the concentration of the light distribution, $C \equiv \log \frac{r_{80\%}}{r_{20\%}}$, where $r_{80\%}$ and $r_{20\%}$ are the radii containing 80% of the light and 20% of the light, respectively. The Gini parameter, G , measures the inequality of the light distribution. This is similar to C , but does not depend on the location of the source centroid. G ranges from 0, where all the pixels have uniform intensity, to 1, where most of the flux is concentrated in a single pixel. M_{20} is the normalized second-order moment of the brightest 20% of the galaxy’s flux: $M_{20} = \log \frac{\sum_i f_i r_i^2}{M_{\text{tot}}}$, where f_i and r_i are the flux and distance from the center of the i th pixel, summed over the pixels in order of decreasing brightness until 20% of the total flux is reached and M_{tot} is the total flux over all the pixels. Together, these parameters effectively identify mergers and bulge-like morphologies.

2.7. Derived Dust Attenuation and Total SFR Using MIPS Data

Forty galaxies (34 LBGs and 6 rejected candidates) also appeared in the extended CDF-S *Spitzer* Multiband Imaging Photometer (MIPS; Rieke et al. 2004) infrared catalog, providing 24 μm photometry (Chary et al. 2004; Chary 2007). Using the code from Chary & Elbaz (2001), we estimate the total infrared luminosity and IR-based SFRs (except that we modify the assumed Salpeter IMF to Kroupa IMF), SFR_{TIR} , for these galaxies. Elbaz et al. (2010) use this code to compare L_{TIR} estimated from 24 μm alone ($L_{\text{TIR},24\mu\text{m}}$) to the *Herschel*-derived $L_{\text{TIR},\text{Herschel}}$. They find that there is relatively good agreement for $\log(L_{\text{TIR},24\mu\text{m}}/L_{\odot}) < 12$ for $0.5 < z < 1.5$ galaxies, while L_{TIR} (and therefore SFR_{TIR}) is overestimated when calculated from the 24 μm flux alone for more luminous 24 μm sources. Only one of our sources, “FF,” is more luminous at $\log(L_{\text{TIR},24\mu\text{m}}/L_{\odot}) = 12.6$. According to Elbaz et al. (2010), the *Herschel* value should be $\log(L_{\text{TIR},\text{Herschel}}/L_{\odot}) \approx 12.3$, used for values in Table 2.

We combine these infrared SFRs with dust-uncorrected UV-derived SFRs, SFR_{UV} , to calculate the total SFRs ($\text{SFR}_{\text{tot}} =$

$\text{SFR}_{\text{TIR}} + \text{SFR}_{\text{UV}}$), modifying the Kennicutt (1998) UV SFR relation from Salpeter IMF into Kroupa IMF. Furthermore, we calculate FUV attenuation, A_{FUV} , following Burgarella et al. (2005):

$$A_{\text{FUV}} = -0.028[\log(F_{\text{IR}}/F_{\text{UV}})]^3 + 0.392[\log(F_{\text{IR}}/F_{\text{UV}})]^2 + 1.494[\log(F_{\text{IR}}/F_{\text{UV}})] + 0.546, \quad (5)$$

where the F_{IR} and F_{UV} are the infrared and ultraviolet fluxes. Table 2 presents the derived SFR_{tot} and A_{FUV} parameters for the candidates. We note that the dust law (i.e., the dependence of dust attenuation curve on λ , $k(\lambda)$) in Burgarella et al. (2005) differs from the one we have been assuming in earlier sections (Calzetti et al. 1994). In their work, Burgarella et al. (2005) fit a range of slopes, α , and 2175 Å dust bump strengths, A_{bump} to the dust law given by $k(\lambda) = \lambda^{\alpha} + A_{\text{bump}} \exp^{[(\lambda - 2175 \text{ \AA})/\sigma]^2}$; they find that galaxies span a range of slopes and dust bump strengths and the best estimate for A_{FUV} comes from the far-infrared (FIR). Therefore, when FIR data are unavailable (e.g., in Figure 3), we assume the simple dust law from Calzetti et al. (1994).

2.8. Comparison Samples

We select two comparison samples from the ACS-GOODS catalog. The first comparison sample is comprised of all the $0.5 < z < 2$ galaxies, according to the photometric redshifts (with uncertainties $\langle \Delta z/(1+z) \rangle \sim 0.06$) from the ACS-GOODS catalog (see Dahlen et al. 2010), and we refer to these 8247 galaxies as the “ $z \sim 1$ ACS” sample.

The second comparison sample is derived from this $z \sim 1$ ACS parent sample with the intention of simulating a larger and fainter LBG sample. Similar to our analysis of the UVOT-selected LBGs, we use *kcorrect* to SED fit the ACS-GOODS photometry. We project the best-fit SED (in the observed frame) onto the UVOT filters to simulate UVOT observations for these galaxies. Then we select LBGs, using Equations (2)–(4) and we replace Equation (1) with $20.75 < u < 26.5$, extending to fainter galaxies. We refer to this sample of 1630 galaxies as the “simulated LBG” sample.

Around 7% of simulated LBGs have best-fit spectra dominated by older stellar populations, resembling less star-forming

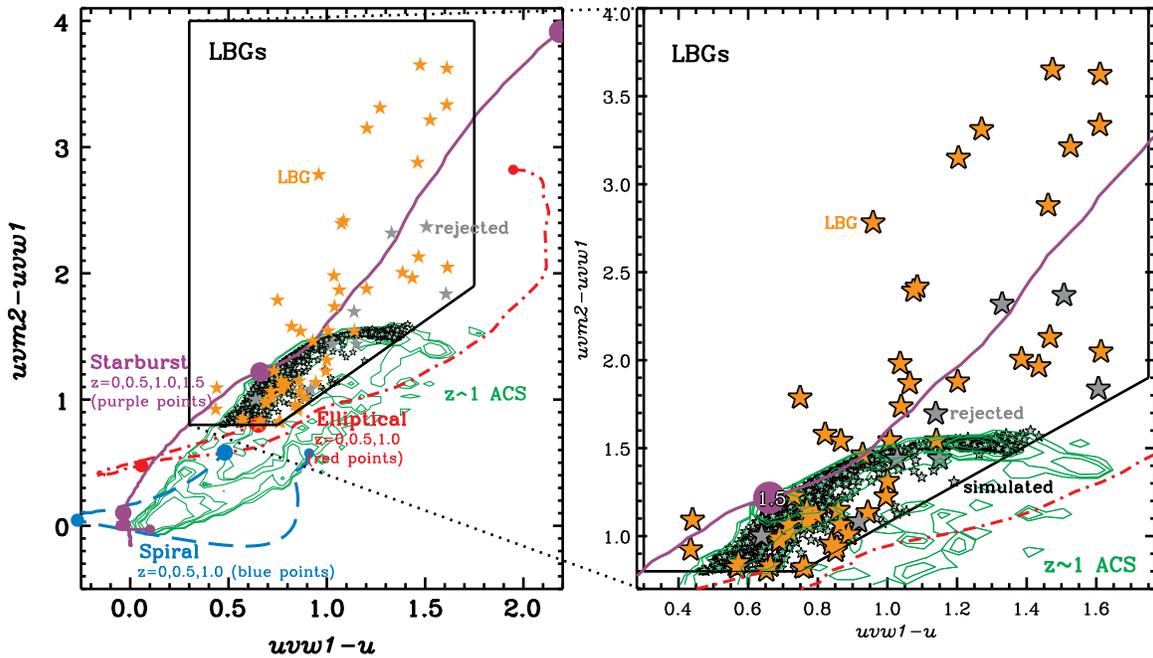


Figure 8. Same as Figure 3 (with omission of the gray CDF-S UVOT catalog points, dark gray outline of region populated by stars, light purple region outlining range of dust attenuation values for starburst track, and LBG candidate names for clarity), but showing the comparison samples: dark green contours showing $z \sim 1$ ACS sample and light green stars, outlined in black, marking the simulated LBG sample.

galaxies. In Figure 8, we show the simulated UVOT colors for the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample and the simulated LBG sample in open green circles and light green stars, respectively.

3. RESULTS

Recent technological advances in ultraviolet detectors have provided us with the opportunity to locate and study $z \sim 1$ LBGs and to compare these LBGs with other galaxy populations at these redshifts and with the higher redshift ($z > 3$) LBG population. In this study, we test the utility of selecting LBGs using *Swift* UVOT. Hathi et al. (2010) and Oesch et al. (2010) have used *HST* WFC3 to select hundreds of LBGs in this regime, benefitting from the sensitivity of WFC3 to select galaxies ≈ 2 mag deeper than our sample. While the *Swift* UVOT is not as sensitive as WFC3, the larger FOV of *Swift* and the number of other deeply observed GRB fields (there are currently 40 fields with > 200 ks of exposure in the UV filters) offer advantages for studying the bright subset of LBGs with *Swift* UVOT.

In the following subsections, we discuss the properties of the UVOT-selected LBGs and compare this sample with the comparison samples and with other LBGs at $z \sim 3$ and $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs.

3.1. Morphology Results

Based on the optical images (Figure 6) most of the LBGs appear compact, blue, and clumpy with mean half-light radii of 2.3 kpc and high surface brightnesses. However, LBGs B, C, J, O, U, OO, PP are large compared to the others ($\sim 2''$ in diameter or ~ 17 kpc). A few appear as disks (or inclined disks) and some others are bulge-dominated, but most have irregular morphologies. In Figure 9, we compare the Gini, M_{20} , and the concentration parameters of these galaxies (labeled orange stars) compared to high-redshift star-forming galaxies, emission-line-selected galaxies at $z = 1.5$ (blue crosses), and LBGs at $z = 4.0$ (magenta diamonds) from Lotz et al. (2006), and low-redshift

LBAs at $z = 0.2$ (black open circles) from Overzier et al. (2008). In the left panel, the left hatched region describes mergers and the upper right hatched region describes bulge-dominated galaxies; in both panels, the red and navy shaded regions mark the simulated parameters for galaxies following de Vaucouleurs and exponential light profiles, respectively. We note that the Lotz et al. (2006) galaxy morphologies are determined from the rest-frame FUV, whereas Overzier et al. (2008) use rest-frame NUV (observed $z \sim 0.2$ galaxies using the F330W HRC filter of *HST*) images. We use rest-frame NUV (observed V_{606} band), since B_{435} -band images were not available for many of the galaxies. We note that the morphology parameters do not change significantly when using the B_{435} -band data for the subset of galaxies with available B_{435} -band images. Our LBGs occupy the same parameter space (with similar scatter and range) as the $z = 1.5$ emission-line-selected star-forming galaxies and $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs. Nineteen of the 50 LBGs resemble “mergers,” according to the $G-M_{20}$ plane.

3.2. SEDs and Photometry

SEDs were fit using MUSYC, COMBO-17, and ACS-GOODS photometry—we tried fitting all three sets of photometry together, combinations of any two sets, and each set separately to determine the best-fit SED. We were not able to fit the SED for five of the galaxies: LBGs K, O, S, BB, or DD. LBG K had both ACS-GOODS and COMBO-17 photometry and LBG O had both MUSYC and COMBO-17; in both cases, neither photometric data set (together nor separately) could be fit to produce a single SED. LBGs S, BB, and DD had only COMBO-17 data, which also could not be fit by any SED. In Figure 10, we show the best-fit rest-frame SEDs for our LBG sample (LBGs A–E are shown in the paper, the rest are available electronically) with all available photometric data marked as colored points: ACS-GOODS in green, COMBO-17 in smaller blue, MUSYC as open red squares, and UVOT in open magenta circles. We note that the SEDs for LBGs OO and PP are more

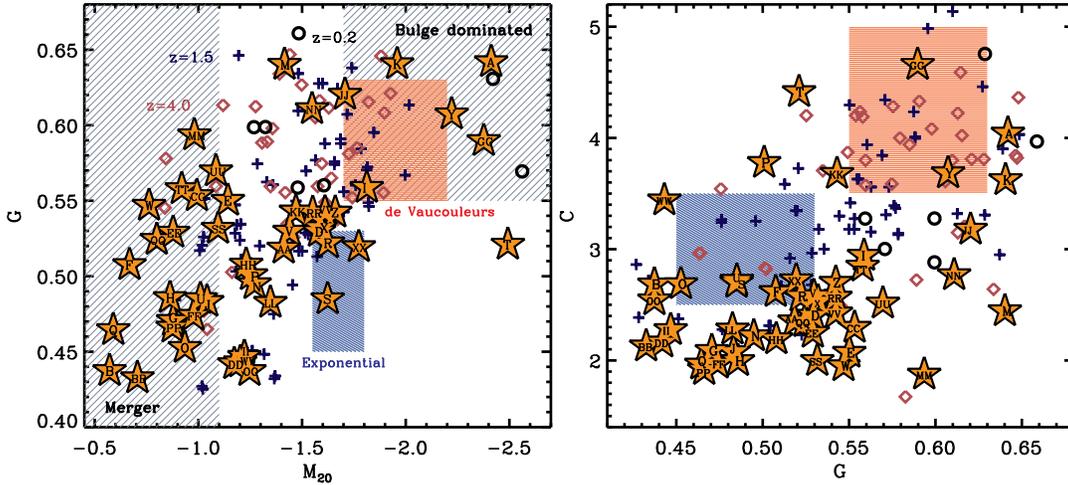


Figure 9. LBGs selected in this study (orange stars) appear similar in morphology (Gini, M_{20} , and concentration) to other LBG or star-forming populations at different redshifts: emission-line-selected galaxies at $z = 1.5$ (blue crosses) from Lotz et al. (2006), LBGs at $z = 4.0$ (magenta diamonds) from Lotz et al. (2006), and low-redshift $z = 0.2$ LBAs (black open circles) from Overzier et al. (2008). As shown in the left panel, a significant fraction of these LBGs ($\geq 35\%$) resembles mergers (the hatched region on left). In this panel we also mark the region inhabited by bulge-dominated galaxies (upper right hatched region); in both panels, the red and navy shaded regions mark the simulated parameters for galaxies following de Vaucouleurs and exponential light profiles. Morphology is determined from rest-frame FUV images for the Lotz et al. (2006) and Overzier et al. (2008) samples, and from rest-frame NUV image for LBGs (or observed V band, since B band was unavailable for many of the galaxies).

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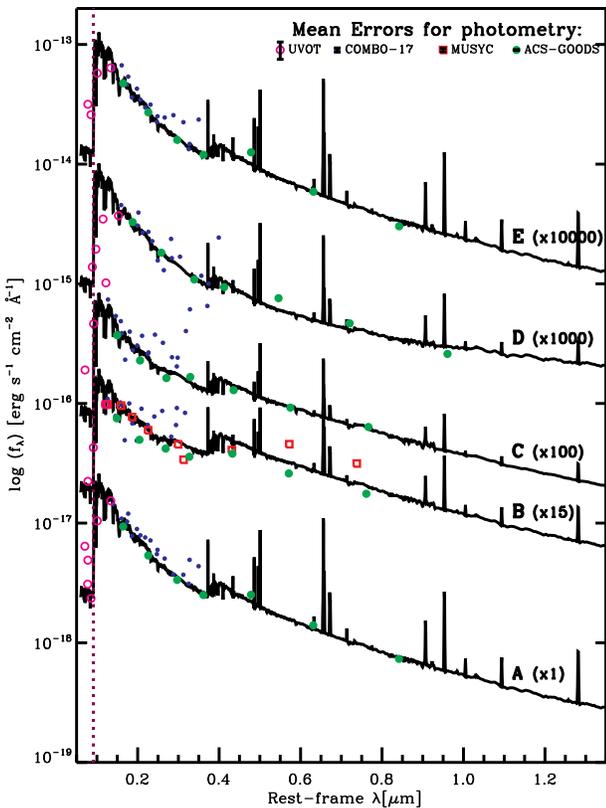


Figure 10. We compare the best-fit SED for each galaxy (LBGs A thru E are shown here; SEDs for the other 45 LBGs are available in the online version) with photometric data (COMBO-17 appears as small blue points, MUSYC as magenta squares, ACS-GOODS as larger green points, and UVOT in open magenta circles). Observed data have been shifted by $(1+z)$ factor into rest frame. Purple dotted line marks the rest-frame Lyman limit at 912 \AA . SEDs are labeled on right with identifying names. Y -axis shows $\log f_\lambda$ in $(\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{\AA}^{-1})$, displaced by some factor (quoted to the right of the ID label) to display five SEDs together, without overlap. Photometric errors are usually smaller than the symbols (except for UVOT). We show typical mean uncertainties for each data set at the top.

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consistent with elliptical galaxies; as Figure 3 indicates, the $z = 1$ elliptical track is on the edge of our selection region.

As discussed in Section 2.3, while offering additional information, we face challenges reconciling and interpreting photometry from different catalogs. For example, differences between photometry from different data sets depend on SExtractor segment maps. In most cases, the photometry from COMBO-17, ACS-GOODS, and MUSYC are fit well by the best-fit spectrum. However, we note a few exceptional cases. LBG B is one of the more extended sources and it is not clear that the different catalogs use consistent apertures for calculating photometry—photometry from COMBO-17 gives brightest fluxes, MUSYC data and ACS-GOODS photometry are well fit by the simultaneous best fit to all of these data sets, but deviate from each other at rest-frame wavelengths, $\lambda_{\text{rf}} > 4500 \text{ \AA}$. LBG G appears brighter in the COMBO-17 catalog than in the ACS-GOODS catalog. The COMBO-17 data for LBGs F, W, II, KK, and TT show some structure, that is not apparent in the broadband ACS-GOODS data and does not match the best-fit SED. The best-fit SED and ACS-GOODS data match COMBO-17 data in LBG VV for $\lambda_{\text{rf}} < 2000 \text{ \AA}$, but then the COMBO-17 data appear to deviate. In LBGs WW and G, the COMBO-17 data are somewhat brighter than the ACS-GOODS data and best-fit SED. While, LBG P was successfully fit with an SED, the significant scatter in the photometry (along with the GEMS optical image in Figure 6) suggest that this candidate may be two separate galaxies.

We note that fits including the NIR (including either MUSYC or ACS-GOODS) give more realistic results. For example, in LBGs Y, CC, and XX, the COMBO-17 points match the best-fit SED well, but the lack of data for $\lambda_{\text{rf}} > 4000 \text{ \AA}$ leaves this regime unconstrained. This results in unrealistically large derived stellar masses, $\log(M_*) = 10.7, 11.1, \text{ and } 11.0$.

3.3. UVOT-selected LBGs Compared to Other Samples

The distributions of derived (e.g., redshift, rest-frame L_{1500} , UV + IR SFR, stellar mass, and dust attenuation in the FUV) and observed (e.g., z_{850} magnitude) properties for the LBGs

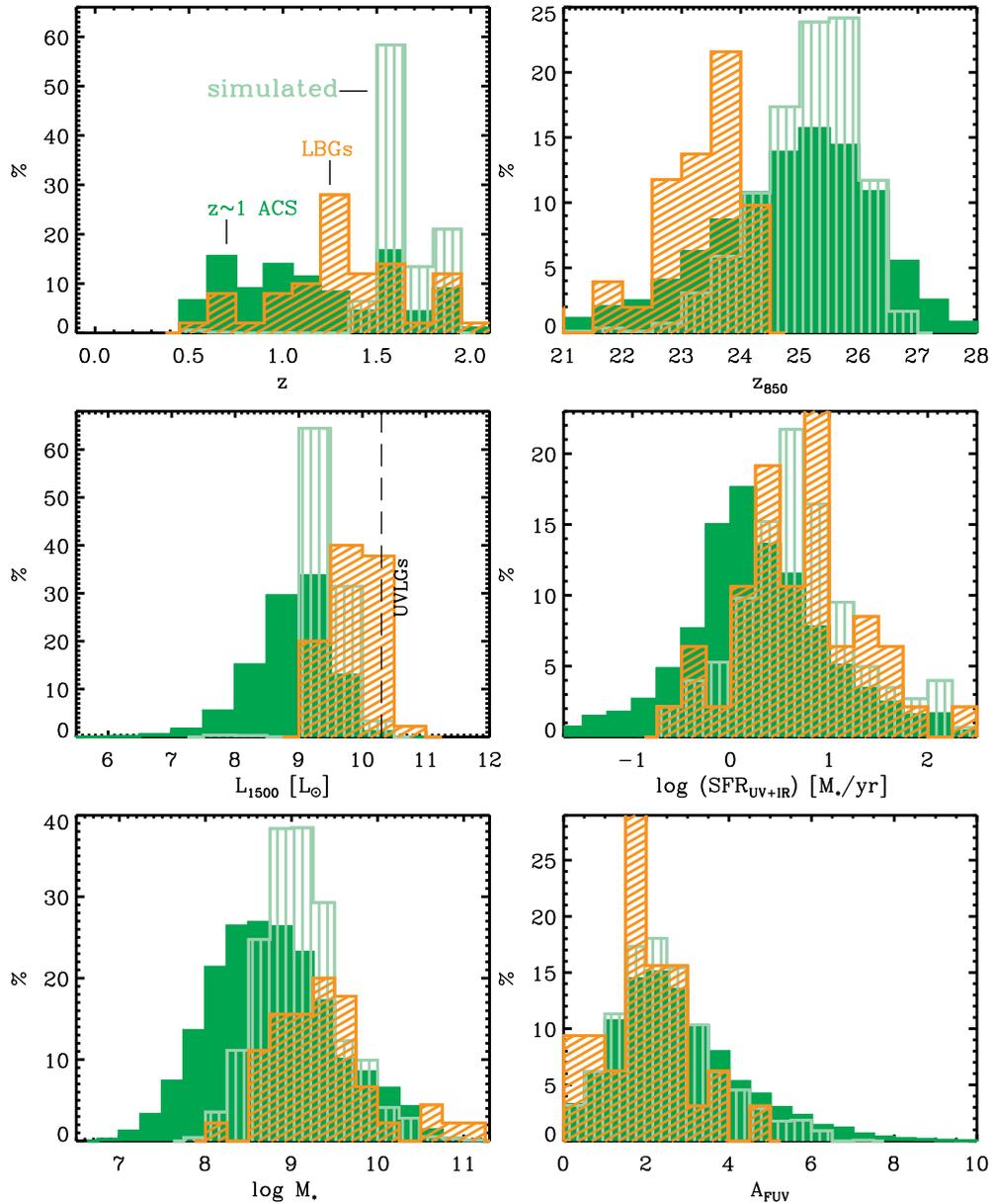


Figure 11. We compare the distributions of observed and derived parameters for $z \sim 1$ ACS (green solid region), simulated LBGs (light green vertically striped region), and UVOT-selected LBGs (orange shaded region): photometric redshift, apparent z_{850} magnitude, rest-frame UV luminosity, the total SFR, stellar mass, and FUV dust attenuation (see the text for details). In the UV luminosity distribution panel (middle row, first column), the selection criterion for $z \sim 0.2$ UVLGs has been marked ($L_{\text{FUV}} = 10^{10.3} L_{\odot}$; see discussion in Section 3.3). Distributions have been normalized using the number of galaxies with valid measurements (i.e., galaxies with fitting errors or missing data were not included in the normalization). While brighter than the simulated or ACS-GOODS sample, the LBGs share similar properties (L_{1500} , SFR, and mass) as the simulated sample.

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are shown in Figure 11 by orange shaded regions, and the properties for the two comparison samples, $z \sim 1$ ACS sample and simulated LBGs, are shown in solid dark green and vertically striped light green regions. The LBGs appear to be have slightly higher SFRs [$\langle \log \text{SFR} / (M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}) \rangle \sim 0.7 (\pm 0.6)$] and stellar masses [$\langle \log M_{*} / M_{\odot} \rangle \sim 9.4 (\pm 0.6)$] compared to the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample [$\langle \log \text{SFR} / (M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}) \rangle \sim 0.2 (\pm 0.7)$] and $\langle \log M_{*} / M_{\odot} \rangle \sim 8.7 (\pm 0.7)$]. Although the distributions are quite broad for both samples, a K-S test indicates that the distributions of the LBG sample differ from those of the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample in both SFR (K-S probability $\sim 3 \times 10^{-5}$) and M_{*} (K-S probability $\sim 4 \times 10^{-7}$). However, compared to the simulated LBGs, the LBGs do have more similar distributions

in stellar mass (K-S probability ~ 0.008) and extremely similar distributions in $\text{SFR}_{\text{UV+IR}}$ (K-S probability ~ 0.9) while being ~ 2.5 mag brighter in z_{850} (due to selection effects). The redshift distribution of the simulated LBGs looks different from either the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample or the observed LBGs, with a tighter distribution peaked at $z \sim 1.8$.

We compare our LBG sample with other studies. LBAs (see Hoopes et al. 2007; Heckman et al. 2005) are UV luminous galaxies (UVLGs; $L_{1500} > 10^{10.3} L_{\odot}$) with high galaxy-wide mean FUV surface brightnesses ($I_{\text{FUV}} > 10^9 L_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2}$) at $z \sim 0.2$. Based on these requirements, LBGs A and RR are both UVLGs and LBAs. The others are less UV luminous and have lower FUV surface brightnesses, with $\langle L_{1500} \rangle = 10^{9.9} L_{\odot}$

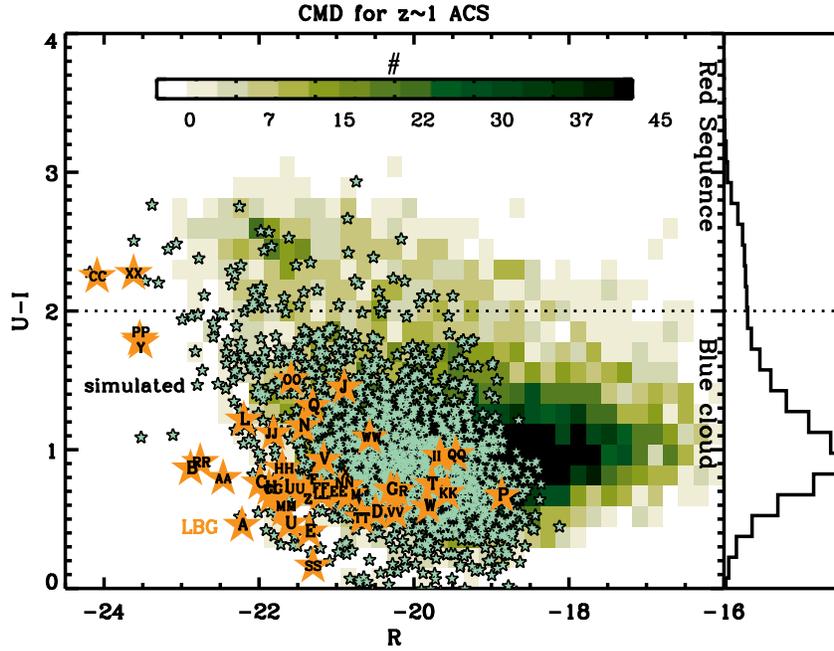


Figure 12. UVOT-selected LBGs (orange stars, labeled by their name) reside in the blue cloud ($U - I < 2$, marked by the dotted line) along with most of the simulated galaxies, shown as light green stars (only $\sim 3\%$ are in the “red sequence”), as shown by this rest-frame color–magnitude diagram. The distribution of the entire $z \sim 1$ ACS (Dahlen et al. 2010) sample, is shown as the dark green background. Histogram on right side shows the $U - I$ color distribution for the $z \sim 1$ ACS galaxies.

and $\langle I_{\text{FUV}} \rangle = 10^{8.7} L_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2}$. LBGs selected in this paper have an order of magnitude lower SFRs (as derived by UV + IR; $-0.7 < \log \text{SFR} / (M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}) < 2.3$) compared with either $z \sim 3$ LBGs ($0.5 < \log \text{SFR} / (M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}) < 2.5$) or $z \approx 0.2$ LBAs ($0.5 < \log \text{SFR} / (M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}) < 2.0$). The stellar masses are in similar range, although the LBGs in this study have masses extending to a slightly wider range ($8.1 < \log M_{*} / M_{\odot} < 11.1$) than $z \sim 3$ LBGs ($9.5 < \log M_{*} / M_{\odot} < 11.0$) or $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs ($9.0 < \log M_{*} / M_{\odot} < 10.7$). Meanwhile the FUV attenuations in these LBGs are similar but extend to slightly larger A_{FUV} values ($0 < A_{\text{FUV}} < 5$) than $z \sim 3$ LBGs ($0 < A_{\text{FUV}} < 3$) or $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs ($0 < A_{\text{FUV}} < 2$).

Burgarella et al. (2006) studied the IR properties of *GALEX*-selected $z \sim 1$ LBGs and find that $\sim 95\%$ of the IR-detected LBGs could be classified as LIRGs (i.e., have $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{11} L_{\odot}$). We also find that a significant fraction of our LBGs are LIRGs, though not as high as that found by Burgarella et al. (2006): out of the 34 LBGs with MIPS counterparts, 11 have $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{11} L_{\odot}$ (i.e., $\sim 32\%$ of the IR-detected LBGs are LIRGs).

We compare the color magnitude diagram of our LBGs to the comparison samples ($z \sim 1$ ACS sample is shown as a dark green density distribution and simulated LBGs are marked as light green stars) in Figure 12. In general, the LBGs (both observed and simulated) appear bluer and more luminous, as expected from the UVOT selection (based on color, see Figure 3, and $U > 24.5$).

As discussed in Section 2.8, $\sim 7\%$ of the simulated LBGs do appear redder and with SEDs dominated by older stellar populations, and from this figure we find that 3% are on the “red sequence” (with $U - I > 2.0$). We have two galaxies (LBGs CC and XX) that appear in the red sequence and three others (LBGs Y, OO, and PP) that appear close to the red sequence. LBGs Y, CC, and XX do not have available NIR data, leaving $\lambda_{\text{rf}} \geq 4000 \text{ \AA}$ unconstrained—these galaxies all have similar SEDs which show a steep upturn for $\lambda_{\text{rf}} > 4000 \text{ \AA}$. For that reason, they also have unusually large derived stellar masses (see discussion in Section 3.2), and the R magnitudes are likely

overestimated from the unconstrained SEDs. LBGs OO and PP are unusual from the other LBGs; they appear both redder and brighter than the other LBGs, and their SEDs, as noted in Section 3.2, do show large 4000 \AA breaks and appear dominated by older stellar populations. LBG PP does appear unusually bright in R , but we note that the redshift for this galaxy was spectroscopically determined. While there are challenges with determining spectroscopic redshifts in this redshift range and it is possible that the redshift for this object is an overestimate; however, photometric redshifts from both COMBO-17 and ACS-GOODS are consistent with the spectroscopic redshift.

4. DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY

In this paper, we used *Swift* UVOT to identify and select LBG candidates. Based on redshifts determined from other multiwavelength catalogs (e.g., MUSYC, COMBO-17, and ACS-GOODS), we determined that 50 candidates were LBGs. We use these multiwavelength catalogs to fit SEDs to determine stellar masses, k -corrected absolute magnitudes and SFRs. Using available MIPS data for 40 of the galaxies, we also determined UV + IR SFRs and FUV dust attenuations, A_{FUV} . GEMS and ACS-GOODS images offer high-resolution optical morphologies of these galaxies. From our study we have determined that *Swift* UVOT can select $0.5 < z < 2.0$ LBGs within deep observed fields, but redshift confirmation or further photometric data are required as we found contamination (in $\sim 10\% - 15\%$ of the candidates) from low-redshift interlopers.

We found that the UVOT-selected LBGs have similar morphologies to $z = 0.2$ LBAs from Overzier et al. (2008), $z = 1.5$ emission-line-selected star-forming galaxies, and $z = 4$ LBGs from Lotz et al. (2006; Figure 9). These LBGs also have similar values for SFR, stellar mass, and FUV dust attenuation, but span larger ranges, compared with $z \sim 3$ LBGs and $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs. However, compared to the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample, these LBGs are bluer and brighter and have slightly higher stellar masses, and marginally higher total SFRs.

We used best-fit SEDs to simulate UVOT photometry for the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample and selected a sample of simulated LBGs based on the same criteria applied on the observed UVOT-selected LBGs. Despite including fainter [$(z_{850}(\text{simulated})) \approx (z_{850}(\text{observed})) + 2.5 \text{ mag}$] galaxies, the simulated sample does exhibit similar properties as the observed UVOT-selected LBG sample: slightly more massive, more UV luminous, and slightly higher SFRs compared to the $z \sim 1$ ACS sample (Figures 11 and 12). The LBGs (observed and simulated) have similar dust attenuation compared to the $z \sim 1$ ACS comparison sample, and the amount of FUV attenuation is not as low as in the $z \sim 3$ LBGs or $z \sim 0.2$ LBAs. We find that $\sim 32\%$ of the IR-detected LBGs are LIRGs. This fraction is not as high as what Burgarella et al. (2006) found for their $z \sim 1$ *GALEX*-selected LBGs, but it is a significant fraction of the LBGs. Red ($U - I > 2$) galaxies were found in both the simulated LBG sample ($\sim 3\%$) and the observed LBG sample (two galaxies, or $\sim 4\%$).

This research investigates the viability of using *Swift* UVOT to select intermediate-redshift ($z = 0.5 - 2$) LBGs. Until recently, there was little opportunity to study LBGs in this redshift desert. However, with the WFC3 upgrades to *HST* the new ultraviolet filters have been used to efficiently select hundreds of LBGs in this regime (Hathi et al. 2010; Oesch et al. 2010). While WFC3 has higher sensitivity and can select fainter LBGs more efficiently, its FOV is small; *GALEX* data have larger sky coverage, yet these suffer source confusion from low spatial resolution and do not have multiple NUV filters. We have shown that UVOT can be valuable for studying the bright end of the LBG sample. Having compared with a simulated LBG sample, we learn that the fainter, simulated LBGs appear to resemble the observed, brighter LBGs in important properties (e.g., stellar mass, SFR, dust attenuation). According to statistical studies of the contribution of UVLGs to the SFRD (Schiminovich et al. 2005), the number of LBGs decreases rapidly in the low-redshift universe ($z < 2$). Since UVOT has covered a larger fraction of the sky than WFC3, UVOT data have the potential to recover a larger (albeit, shallow) sample of LBGs in this redshift range. There are several other deep UVOT fields (40 GRB fields with UV exposure times of ≥ 200 ks) for which a similar analysis can be done to further study LBGs between $0.5 < z < 2$.

As future missions, such as *James Webb Space Telescope*, push to discover more distant (rest-frame UV-selected) galaxies, it becomes more important to understand the selection of these galaxies in the relatively nearby universe, as well as how their properties compare with the higher redshift ($z > 2$) population.

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