NEW EVIDENCE FOR NON-COSMOLOGICAL REDSHIFT

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Recently Arp (1997) has published a list of x-ray emitting blue stellar objects (BSO) around 24 Seyfert galaxies. Herewith we present our optical identification of 5 BSOs in the field NGC3516 obtained on April 4-5, 1997 using the 2.16m telescope at Xinlong Station, Beijing Astronomical Observatory. One of the objects Q1107+7232 with z=2.10 ($\theta=4.34'$, θ is the angular distance from the center of NGC3516) is already listed in the Hewitt-Burbidge Catalog (1993). We find the other four objects are all quasars: Q1108+7226 with z=0.328 ($\theta=11.23'$); Q1106+7244, z=0.690 ($\theta=10.23'$); Q1105+7242, z=0.930, ($\theta=10.99'$); Q1105+7238, z=1.399 ($\theta=7.42'$); Q1107+7232, z=2.10($\theta=4.34'$).

We find these quasars show a very good correlation between their redshifts and angular distances from NGC3516. The statistical analyses show that the linear regression is $z=3.06-0.22\theta$, with the correlation coefficient = -0.957 and the standard error of the regression line (Sy/x)=0.23. If these quasars were ejected from central galaxy, it means that the younger the quasar, the closer it is to the center, and the higher its redshift. These 5 quasars located less than 12 arc min from the X-ray Seyfert galaxy NGC3516 and distributed along the minor axis of this galaxy within +/- 20 degree. Moreover, the 5 quasars just have redshift values which very close to the peaks of redshift periodicity: z=0.3, 0.6, 0.96, 1.41, 1.96, which is consistent with the result that multi-quasars are associated with low redshift galaxies(Zhu and Chu, 1990). All of the interesting features indicated above for these 5 quasars in the NGC3516 field are not easily interpreted using a cosmological origin of quasar redshift. We conclude that this is a further new evidence that quasars have significant non-cosmological redshift components.

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