Measurements of time delay for Mg II line in intermediate redshift quasars and resulting constraint on Universe expansion

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Introduction

Dark energy Friedmann equations:

$$H^{2} = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^{2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho - \frac{kc^{2}}{a^{2}} + \frac{\Lambda c^{2}}{3}$$
(1)

where, H - Hubble'a parameter, G - gravitational constant, k - curvature of space, c - speed of light, Λ - cosmological constant (dark energy)



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Distribution of matter and energy in the Universe



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Expansion of the Universe



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New probes to test acceleration of the Universe

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- They are numerous 187 000(DR7 +DR9Q; Schneider et al. 2010; Paris et al. 2012) 500 000 (GAIA mission), very luminous $L_{QSO} = 10^{48} erg \ s^{-1}$ and observed in wide redshift range 0 < z < 7.

\bullet Redshift

$$z = \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda_{emit}} = \frac{\lambda_{obs} - \lambda_{emit}}{\lambda_{emit}} = \frac{\lambda_{obs}}{\lambda_{emit}} - 1$$
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- r is the characteristic scale for a line which has Doppler width ΔV .

$$R_{BLR} = const \ L_V^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{4}$$

• This relation is supported by the model of the Broad line Region formation (FRADO Failed Radiatively Accelerated Dusty Outflow; Czerny & Hryniewicz 2011, Czerny et al. 2015, Czerny et al. 2017).





• A composite spectrum, obtained from the addition of spectra of quasars with different redshifts (courtesy of J. Baldwin).

Why MgII line???



• MgII line is suitable for studies sources with redshift 0.4 < z < 1.5, monitored in optical band. MgII line: 2796 - 2804 Å

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- The first observation of CTS C30.10 was collected at night Dec 6/7 in 2012 and the last one at night Feb 22/23 in 2017 which is equal almost 51 months of observations.
- The first observation of HE 0413-4031 was collected at night Nov 18/19 in 2012 and the last one at night Dec 29/30 in 2016 which is equal almost 49 months of observations.

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- The kinematic shape of each of the doublet component is modelled either as a single Lorentian, single Gaussian, double Lorentzian, double Gaussian, Hermit and Edgenworth.



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• 1 observation, 23 Dec 2012



• 5 observation, 23 Aug 2014



• 9 observation, 6 Oct 2015





• The comparison of the best fits of a single Gaussian shape and a Edgeworth shape (upper panel), Edgeworth and double Lorentzian shape (middle panel), and Edgeworth and Gauss-Hermit shape (lower panel) for observation 4 plotted in the observed frame.



• Three exemplary quasar spectra in the Mg II region, renormalized to 2700 Å flux clearly show variations of Mg II line, but accompanied with variability of the undelying Fe II and the power law slope.



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• First observation of quasar December 2012



• Time evolution of the V-band flux and the Mg II line intensity. The continuum is in units of $3.77 \times 10^{-16} ergs^{-1} cm^{-2}$, and the line flux was scaled by a factor of $1.7 \times 10^{-14} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$.



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• The χ^2 diagram method showing the possible time delay between the line and the continuum. Our results still formally show multiple solution but the minimum at 1050 days became deeper and the other minima shallower when we included three new spectroscopic measurements and two additional photometric points from OGLE.



• One source offers at best a pilot insight into the possible results. However, even for one source we can now convert the measured delay into the absolute luminosity. Taking into account the source redshift z = 0.90052 the delay in the quasar rest frame is 550 days. Using the dust temperature of 900 K from Czerny et al. (2016) we obtain the intrinsic monochromatic flux at 3000 Å equal $5.130e^{46}$ erg s⁻¹. Combined with the observed mean flux 17.1 mag in the observed V band gives the observed flux $3.73e^{-12}$ erg s^{-1} , that is the luminosity distance $3.31e^{28}$ cm (10.1 Gpc). This is more than expected from the standard model for that redshift (6.1 Gpc). Our luminosity distance would require extreme parameter values of the Universe, like e.g. $\Omega_m = 0.1, \ \Omega_{\Lambda} = 1.5.$

Hubble diagram



• From Kirshner Robert P., PNAS 2004; 101:8-13

Supernovae



• Type Ia supernovae occur in binary systems (two stars orbiting one another) in which one of the stars is a white dwarf while the other can vary from a giant star to an even smaller white dwarf.

Hubble diagram



• Risaliti & Lusso, 2015, ApJ, 815, 33; Supernovae Cosmology Project (Sullivan +11, Suzuki +12)

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- Having information like this we have independent measurement of the distance (comparison of the absolute luminosity to observed brightness) and the expansion of the Universe (redshift).

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