

Testing Monopole-Dipole Interaction using Astrophysical Sources

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Introduction....

Potential from Interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = g \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi A_\mu$$

$$i\mathcal{M} = \left(\bar{u}_{s'_1}(p'_1)(-i g_1) \gamma_\mu u_{s_1}(p_1) \right) \frac{-i}{q^2 - m_\gamma^2} \left(\bar{u}_{s'_2}(p'_2)(-i g_2) \gamma^\mu u_{s_2}(p_2) \right)$$

NR Limit



$$u_s(p, m) = N \left(\frac{\chi_s}{\sigma \cdot p / 2m} \chi_s \right)$$

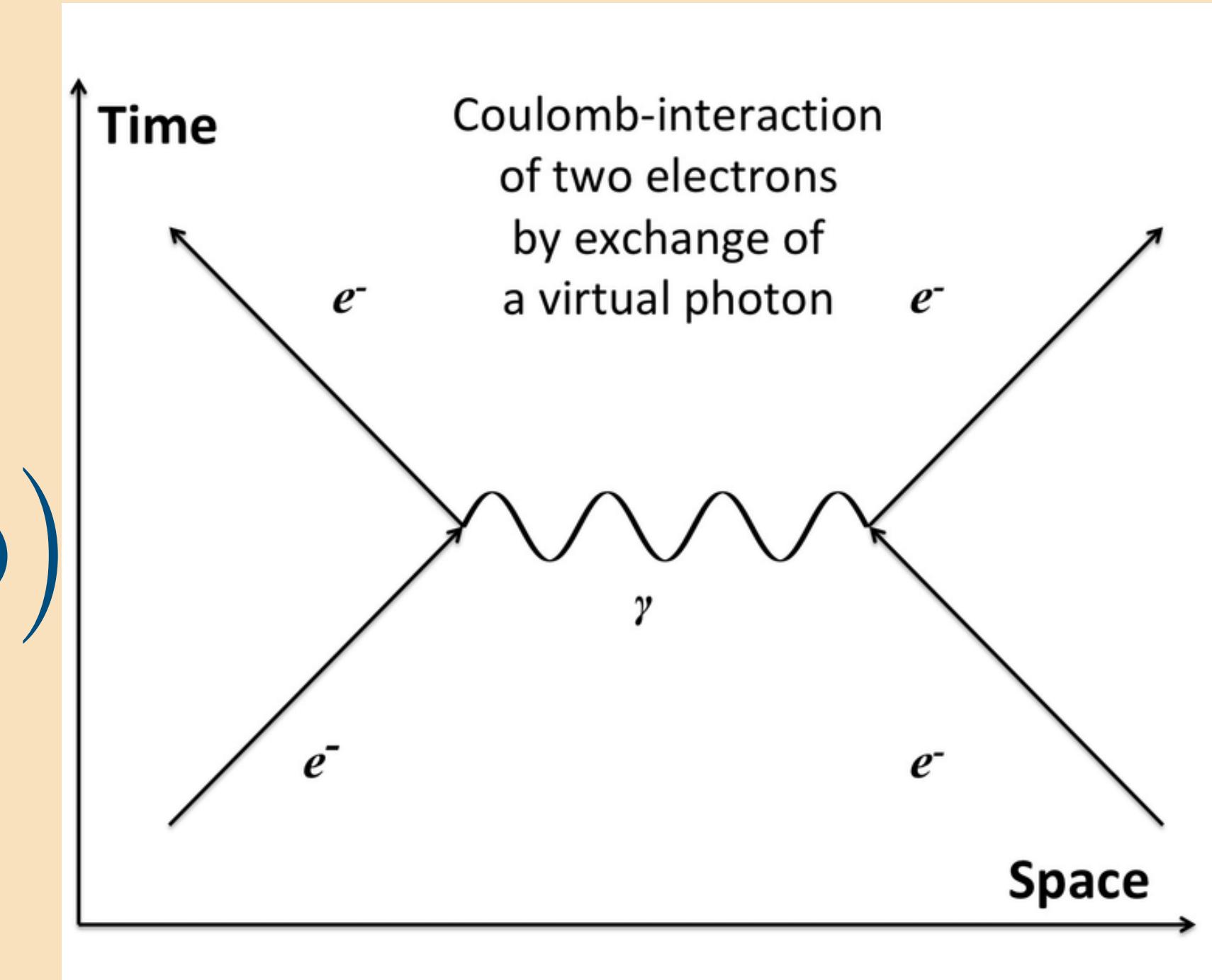
$$\bar{u}_{s'_1}(p'_1) \gamma_\mu u_{s_1}(p_1) \rightarrow \chi_{s_1}^\dagger \chi_{s'_1} \rightarrow \delta_{s_1 s'_1}$$

$$V(\mathbf{x}) = - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \mathcal{M}$$



$$V(r) = \frac{g_1 g_2}{4\pi r} e^{-m_\gamma r}$$

$$\text{Range} \sim \frac{1}{m_\gamma}$$



Axions and ALPs

- Standard model extensions are flooded with new particles like scalars, pseudo-scalars, bosons, fermions etc.
- Axions or Axion Like Particles (ALPs) are **pseudo scalars** which gain much attention for its ability to address several SM limitations.
- Axions and ALPs have same characteristics like **low mass** and **weak couplings** with SM particles.

Potential Due to Axion Exchange

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$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = g_s (\bar{\psi}_1 \psi_1) a + g_p (i \bar{\psi}_2 \gamma^5 \psi_2) a$$

$$V_{m-m} = -\frac{g_s^2}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-m_\phi r}}{r}$$

$$V_{d-d} = \frac{g_P^2}{4\pi m_{\psi_2}^2} (s_1 \cdot \nabla) (s_2 \cdot \nabla) \left(\frac{e^{-m_\phi r}}{r} \right)$$

P and T conserving

$$V_{m-d} = \frac{g_s g_P}{4\pi m_{\psi_2}} (s_2 \cdot \hat{r}) \left(\frac{m_\phi}{r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \right) e^{-m_\phi r}$$

P and T violating

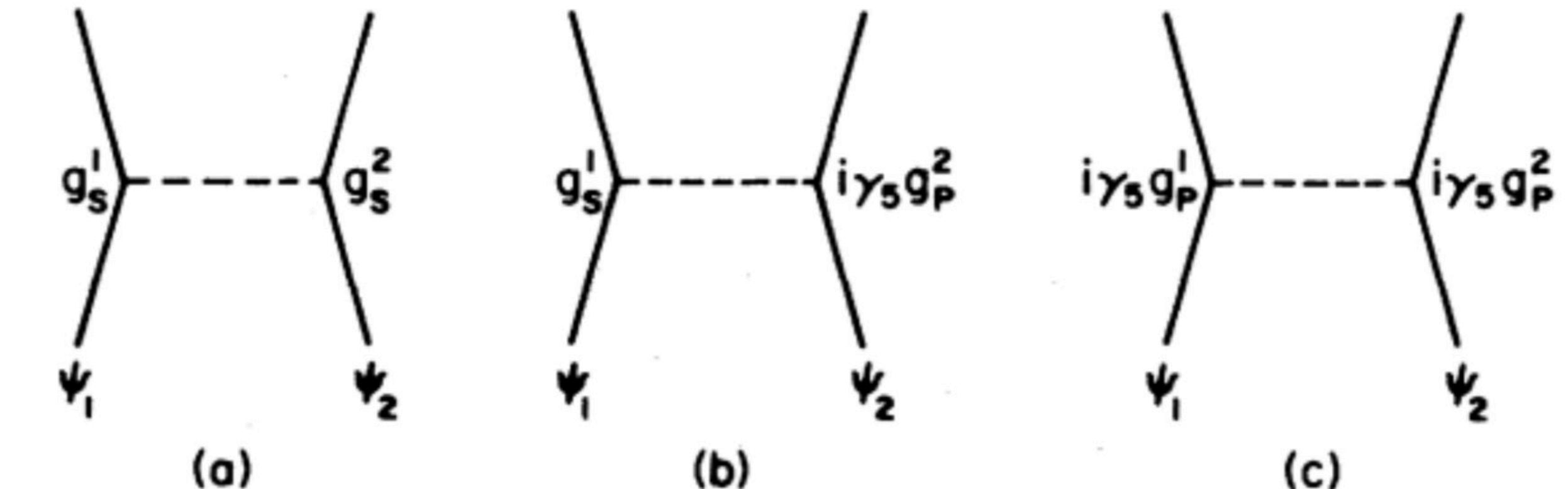


FIG. 1. Graphs for the potentials of Eqs. (4), (5), and (6). (a) (Monopole),² (b) monopole-dipole, (c) (dipole).²

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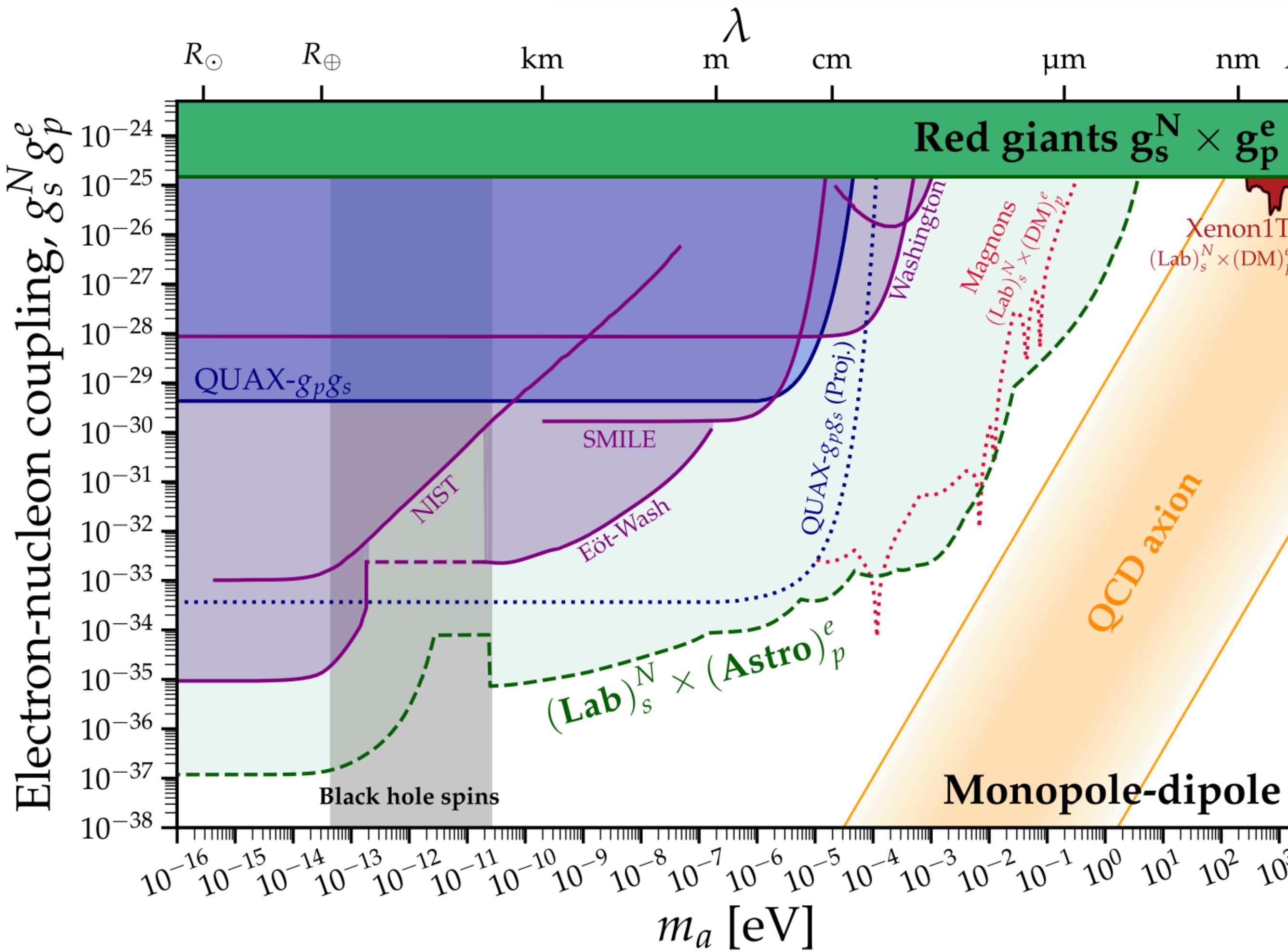
- P and CP violating potential
- Need at least one polarised source to measure
- Only lab experiments available for the measurement of $g_S g_P$
- No Astrophysical bounds : as the sources are considered unpolarised

Cornering the axion with CP -violating interactions

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- Hybrid bounds
- g_S and g_P obtained from two different Observations

Using the Earth as a Polarized Electron Source to Search for Long-Range Spin-Spin Interactions

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Spherically symmetric Earth models yield no net electron spin

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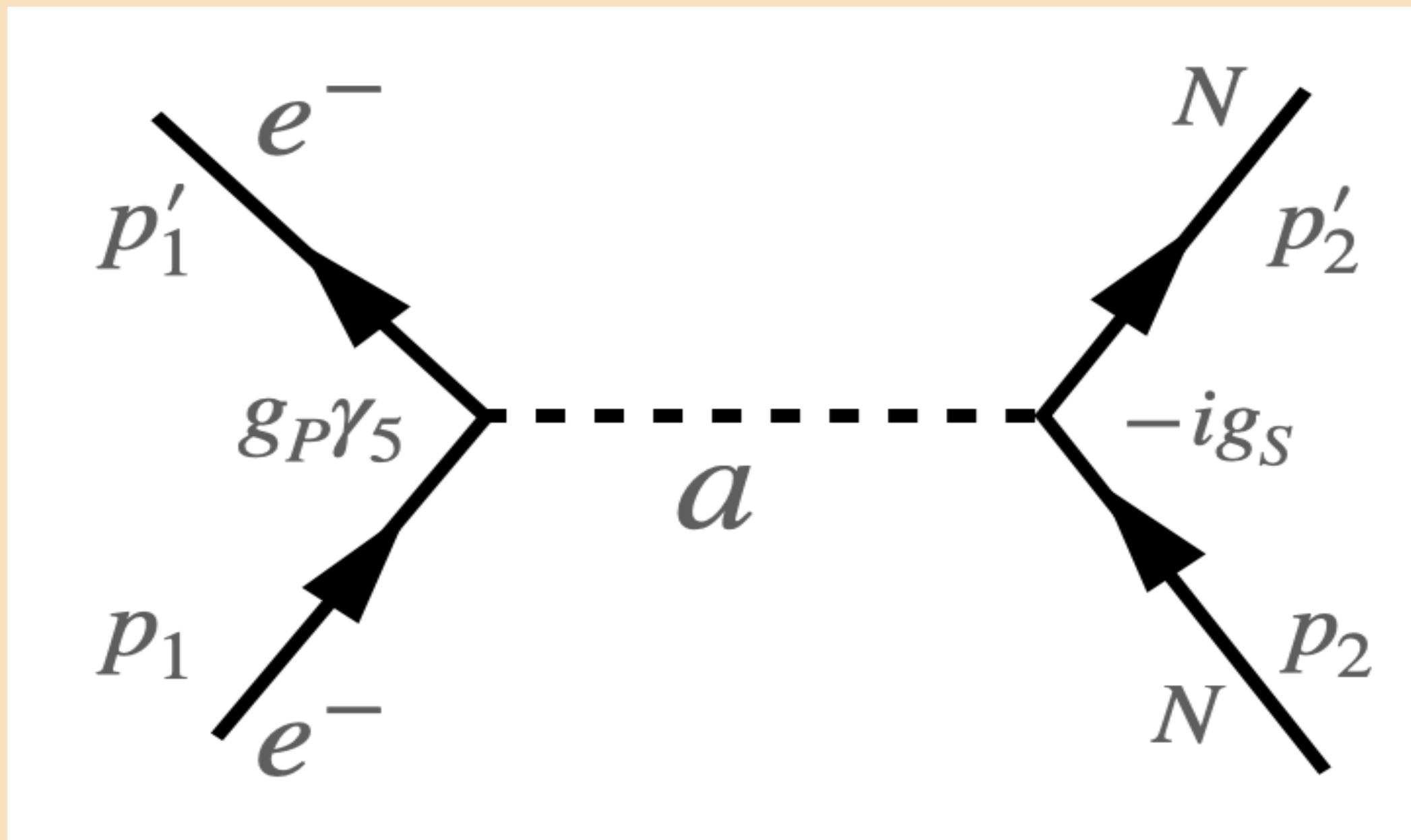
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Terrestrial experiments that use electrons in Earth as a spin-polarized source have been demonstrated to provide strong bounds on exotic long-range spin-spin and spin-velocity interactions. These bounds constrain the coupling strength of many proposed ultralight bosonic dark-matter candidates. Recently, it was pointed out that a monopole-dipole coupling between the Sun and the spin-polarized electrons of Earth would result in a modification of the precession of the perihelion of Earth. Using an estimate for the net spin-polarization of Earth and experimental bounds on Earth's perihelion precession, interesting constraints were placed on the magnitude of this monopole-dipole coupling. Here we investigate the spin associated with Earth's electrons. We find that there are about 6×10^{41} spin-polarized electrons in the mantle and crust of Earth oriented anti-parallel to their local magnetic field. However, when integrated over any spherically-symmetric Earth model, we find that the vector sum of these spins is zero. In order to establish a lower bound on the magnitude of the net spin along Earth's rotation axis we have investigated three of the largest breakdowns of Earth's spherical symmetry: the large low shear-velocity provinces of the mantle, the crustal composition, and the oblate spheroid of Earth. From these investigations we conclude that there are at least 5×10^{38} spin-polarized electrons aligned anti-parallel to Earth's rotation axis. This analysis suggests that the bounds on the monopole-dipole coupling that were extracted from Earth's perihelion precession need to be relaxed by a factor of about 2000.

Earth as a spin polarised source ...

- Used the Earth as a spin polarised source
- There are almost 10^{42} electrons are polarised inside the Earth due its magnetic field antiparallel to its rotation axis
- When integrated over a spherical volume, net spin is zero
- In reality, Earth is not a sphere (oblate spheroid)
- For a non-spherical Earth, at least $\sim 10^{39}$ electrons remain polarised antiparallel to the Earth's rotation axis



Perihelion precession due to the V_{m-d}

$$V_{\text{eff}} = -GMu + \frac{L^2 u^2}{2} (1 - 2GMu) - \frac{\beta m_a u}{M_P} e^{-\frac{m_a}{u}} - \frac{\beta u^2}{M_P} e^{-\frac{m_a}{u}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{4\pi m_e}$$

$$\frac{d^2 u}{d\phi^2} + u = \frac{GM}{L^2} + 3GMu^2 + \frac{2\beta u}{L^2 M_P} - \frac{\beta m_a^3}{3L^2 M_P u^2}$$

$$u(\phi) = \frac{GM}{L^2} \left(1 + \varepsilon \cos [(1 - \alpha')\phi] \right)$$

$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi\alpha' = \frac{6\pi GM}{a(1 - \varepsilon^2)} + \frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{2GMa(1 - \varepsilon^2)M_P m_e} + \frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n a^2 m_a^3 (1 - \varepsilon^2)}{6M_P G M (1 + \varepsilon) m_e} + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(g_S g_P\right)^2, m_a^4\right)$$

Difference from GR:

$$\Delta\phi' = \frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{2GMa(1 - \varepsilon^2)M_P m_e} + \frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n a^2 m_a^3 (1 - \varepsilon^2)}{6M_P G M (1 + \varepsilon) m_e} \lesssim 10^{-4} \text{arcsecond/century}$$

Light Bending due to V_{m-d}

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{L^2 u^2}{2} (1 - 2GMu) - \frac{\beta m_a u}{M_P} e^{-\frac{m_a}{u}} - \frac{\beta u^2}{M_P} e^{-\frac{m_a}{u}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{4 \pi m_e}$$

$$u(\phi) = \frac{\sin \phi}{b} + \frac{3GM}{2b^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \cos 2\phi \right) - \frac{\beta \phi \cos \phi}{M_P L^2 b} - \frac{\beta m_a^3 b^2}{3M_P L^2} [\cos \phi \ln |\csc \phi + \cot \phi| - 1].$$

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{\frac{4GM}{b^2} - \frac{2\beta m_a^3 b^2}{3M_P L^2} \ln 2}{\frac{1}{b} - \frac{\beta}{M_P L^2 b} + \frac{\beta m_a^3 b^2}{3M_P L^2}}$$

$$\Delta\phi' = \frac{\beta}{M_P L^2} \times \left(\frac{4GM}{b} \right) - \frac{\beta m_a^3 b^3}{3M_p L^2} \times \left(\frac{4GM}{b} \right) - \frac{2\beta m_a^3 b^3}{3M_p L^2} \ln 2 \lesssim 10^{-4} \text{arcsecond}$$

Shapiro Time Delay due to V_{m-d}

- Trajectory of light

$$\frac{E^2}{2} = \frac{E^2}{2\left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)_2} \left(\frac{dr}{dt}\right)_2^2 + \frac{L^2}{2r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right) - \frac{\beta m_a}{M_P r} e^{-m_a r} - \frac{\beta}{r^2 G M_P} e^{-m_a r}$$

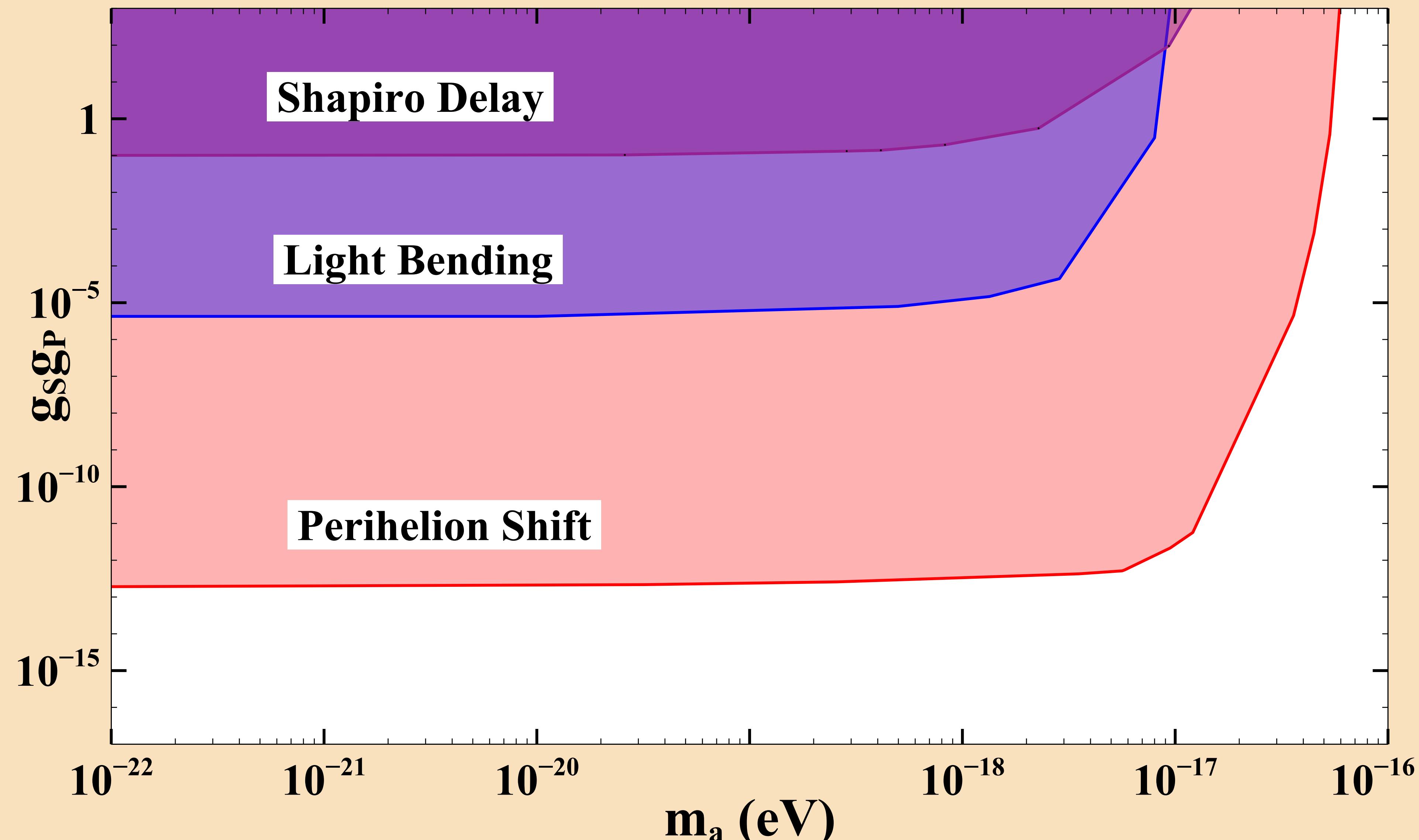
$$t = \int_{r_0}^r \frac{dt}{dr} dr = \int_{r_0}^r dr \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)} \left[1 - \frac{r_0^2}{r^2} \frac{\left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r_0}\right)} (1 + \eta) + \frac{2\beta}{M_P r E^2} \left(m_a + \frac{1}{r}\right) e^{-m_a r} \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

↗ $\eta = \frac{2\beta}{M_P r_0 E^2} \left(m_a + \frac{1}{r_0}\right) e^{-m_a r_0}$

$$\Delta T = 4M \left[1 + \ln \left(\frac{4r_e r_v}{r_0^2} \right) \right] - \frac{4GM}{M_P E^2 r_0^2} \left(\frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{4\pi m_e} \right) + \frac{8GM}{M_P r_0 E^2} \left(m_a + \frac{1}{r_0} \right) e^{-m_a r_0} \left(\frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{4\pi m_e} \right)$$

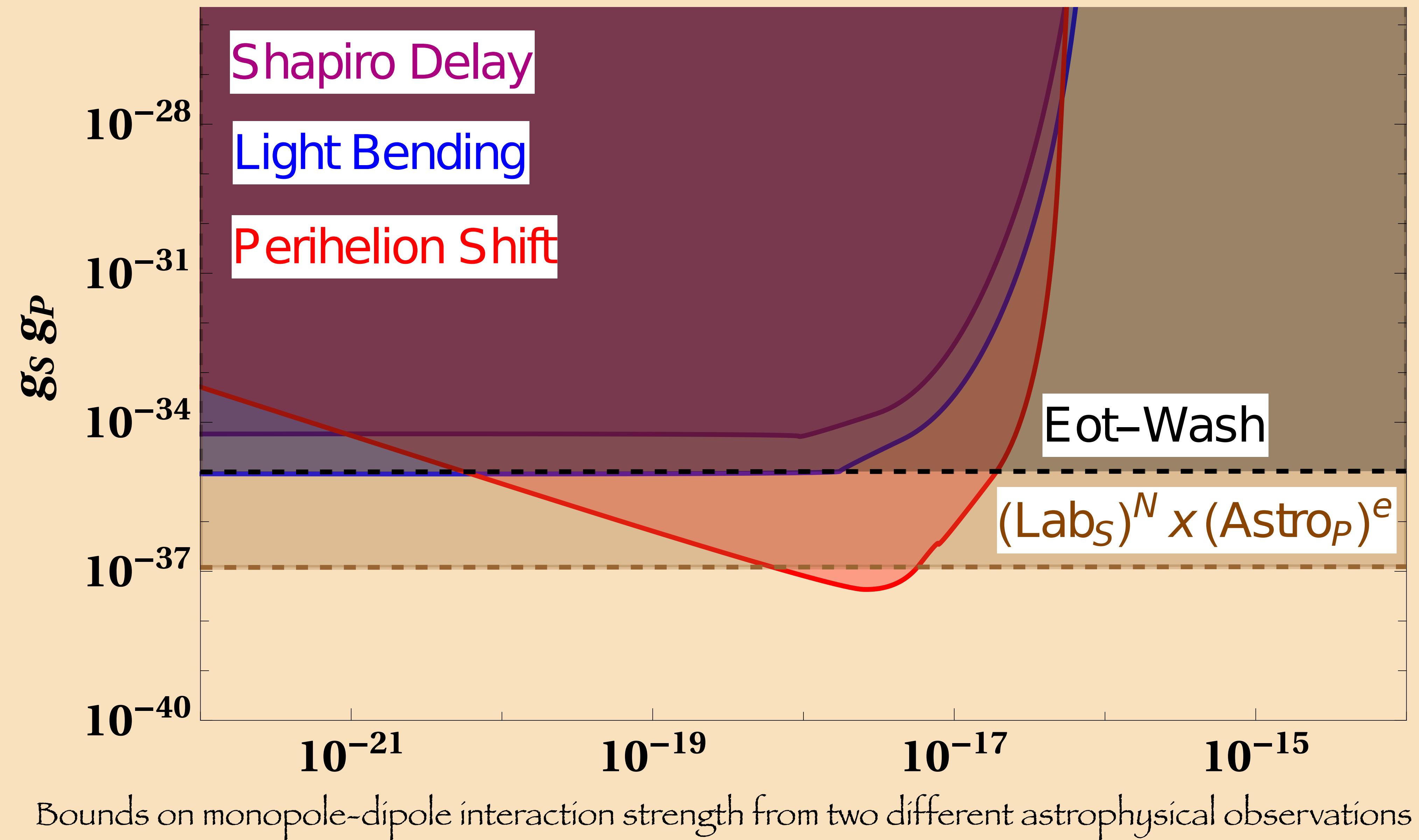
$$\Delta T' = \frac{8GM}{M_P r_0 E^2} \left(m_a + \frac{1}{r_0} \right) e^{-m_a r_0} \left(\frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{4\pi m_e} \right) - \frac{4GM}{M_P E^2 r_0^2} \left(\frac{g_S g_P N_e N_n}{4\pi m_e} \right) \lesssim 10^{-5} \text{ second}$$

RESULTS



Bounds on monopole-dipole interaction strength from single astrophysical observation

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Conclusion

- It is the **first attempt** to study $g_S g_P$ from a single Astrophysical Observation
- Perihelion precession gives the strongest bound on $g_S g_P$ as
$$g_S g_P \lesssim 1.75 \times 10^{-13} \quad \text{for} \quad m_a \lesssim 10^{-18} \text{ eV}$$
- In the case of hybrid bound, obtained $g_S g_P$ gives **three order magnitude strong bound** (5.61×10^{-38}) than the proposed Eöt-Wash experiment and **one magnitude stronger** than current hybrid bound.
- Only **order of magnitude** calculations considered.
- The bounds can be **significantly improved** or relaxed by accurate incorporation of the number of polarized spins at each layer of Earth from **geochemical and geological surveys**.

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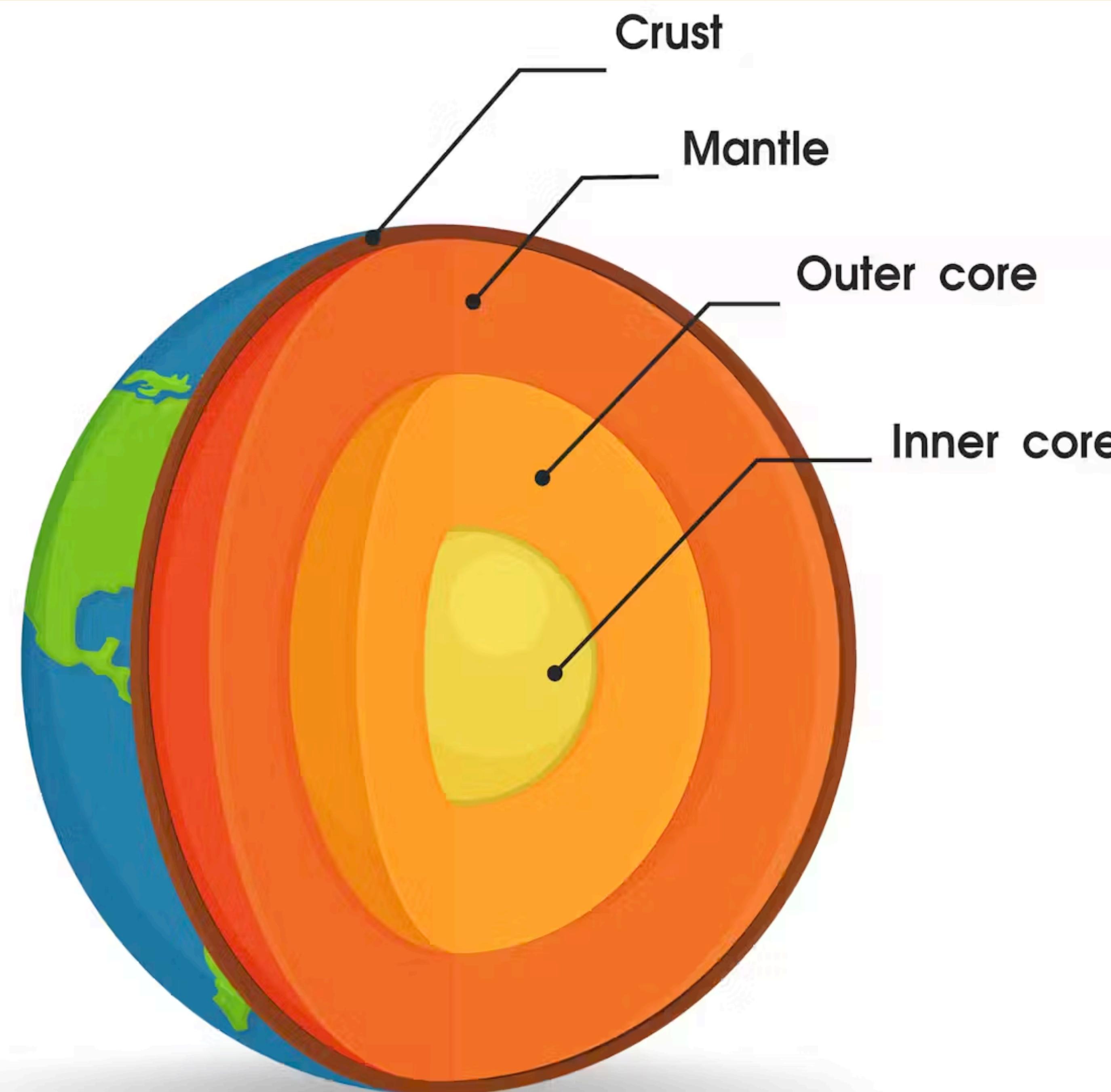
BACK UP SLIDES

Axions

- Axions  proposed for
“Strong CP Problem”
(Absence of observable CP Violation in
Strong Int.)
- Low mass, $\mu eV \lesssim m_a \lesssim meV$
- $m_a \propto \frac{1}{f_a^2}$ $m_a \rightarrow$ Mass of axion ,
 $f_a \rightarrow$ Symmetry breaking scale

ALPs

- ALPs arises in several BSM (String theories) to address DM,DE etc
- Masses can vary over a wide range, model dependent
- Mass and symmetry breaking scale is independent



Compositions:

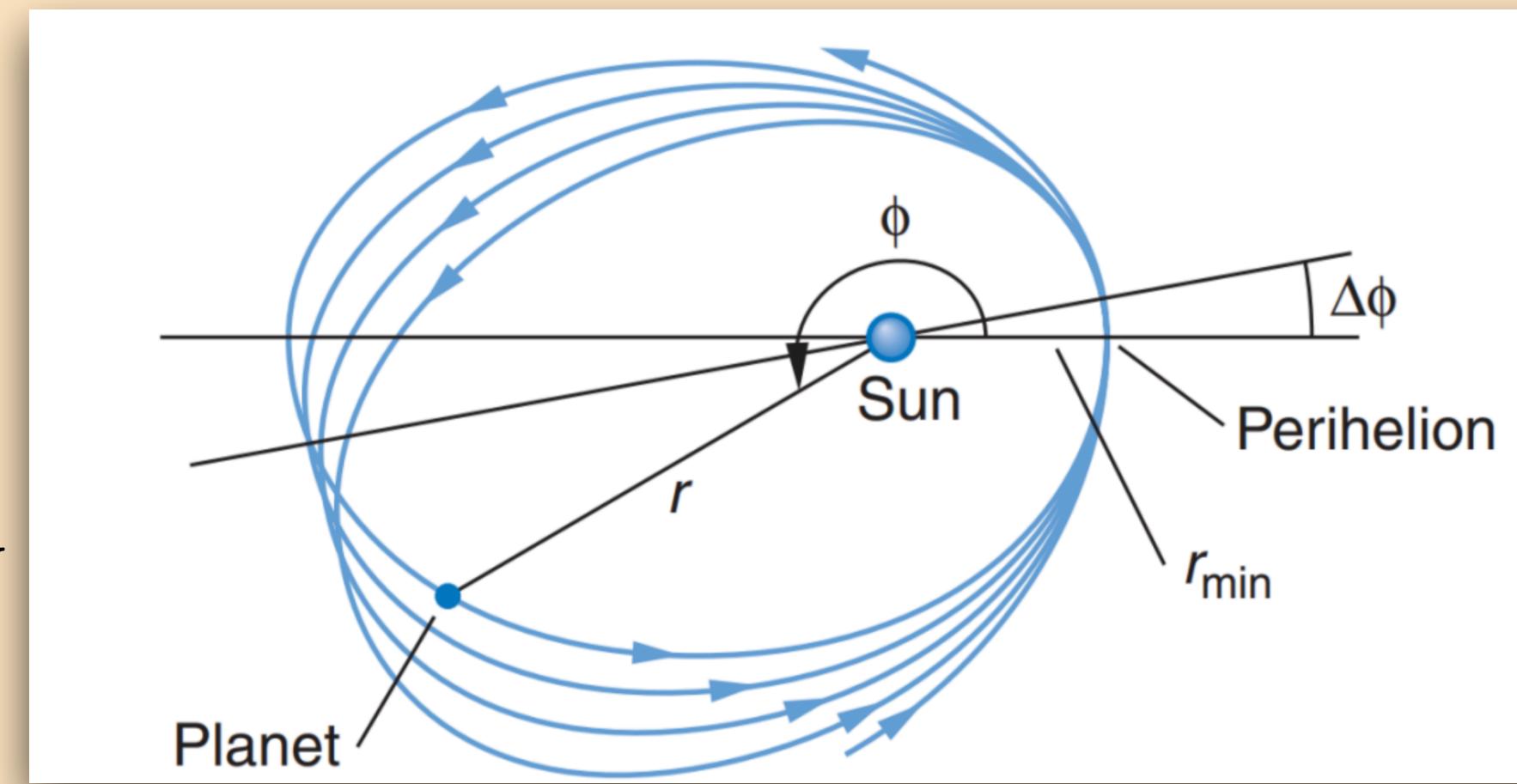
Core:

- Fe-Ni alloy
- No magnetization
- Fe with partially filled d shell in oxides and silicates
- Fe dominates the paramagnetism
- Other elements e.g. Al, Mg, Si

Mantle, crust: 19

Perihelion Precession of Earth

- A slight change in the perihelion position observed after it revolves around the Sun
- For Mercury, $\Delta\phi = 42.999 \text{ arcs/century}$ is observed which can't be explained by classical newtonian gravity
- The discrepancy can be explained by GR



$$M_P \left(\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau} \right) = 0$$

$$u(\phi) = \frac{GM}{L^2} \left(1 + \varepsilon \cos \left[(1 - \alpha)\phi \right] \right)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \left\{ 1 - \frac{2GM}{r}, \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r} \right)^{-1}, r^2, r^2 \sin^2 \theta \right\}$$

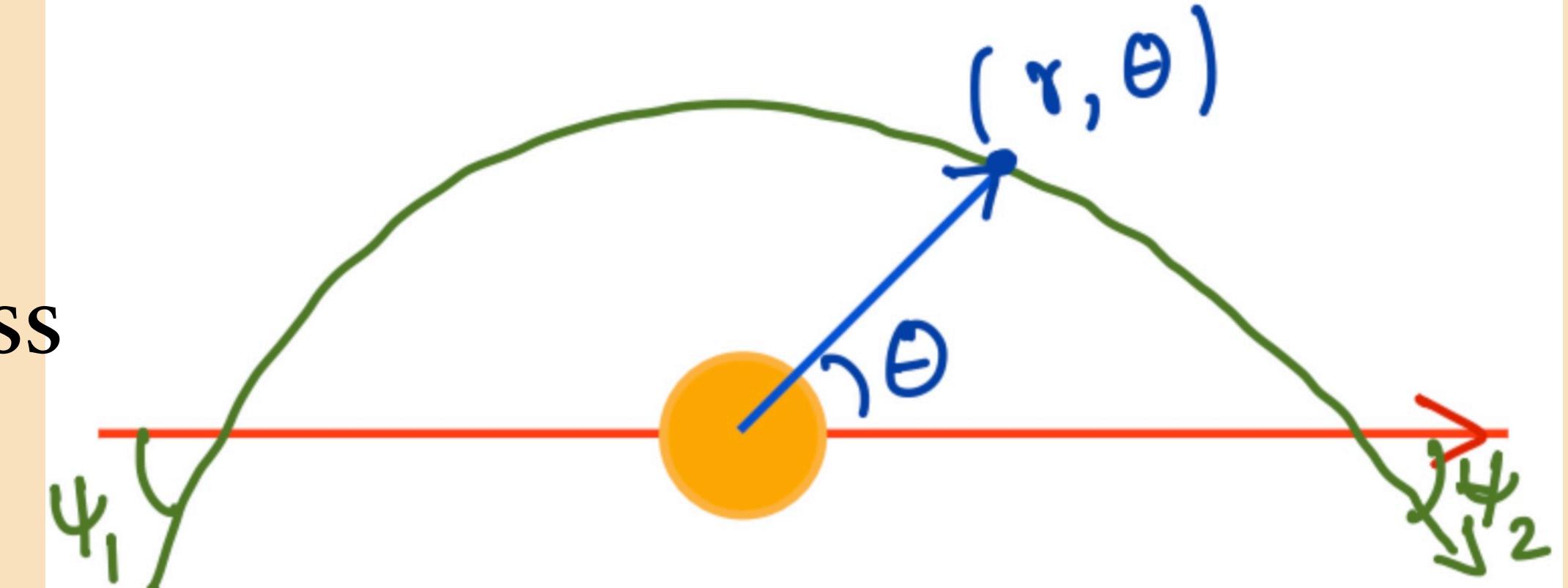
$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi\alpha = \frac{6\pi GM}{a(1 - \varepsilon^2)}$$

ε is eccentricity of the orbit

- $\Delta\phi \approx 43.03''/\text{century}$ is predicted by GR

Gravitational Light Bending

- massive objects distort the space time
- Increase gravitational potential due to the Mass
- Reduces speed of light and it bends



$$\frac{d^2x^\mu}{d\lambda^2} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^\beta}{d\lambda} = 0 \quad (\text{Null geodesic})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dr}{d\lambda} \right)^2 + V_{eff} = E$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = 0 \quad (\text{Light-like})$$

$$V_{eff} = \frac{L^2}{2r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r} \right)$$

$$u(\theta) = \frac{\sin \theta}{b} + \frac{2GM}{b^2} - \frac{GM \sin^2 \theta}{b^2}$$

$r \rightarrow -\infty, \quad \theta \approx -\psi_1$ and $\quad r \rightarrow +\infty, \quad \theta \approx \pi + \psi_2$

$$\Delta\phi = \psi_1 + \psi_2 = \frac{4GM}{b}$$

Shapiro Time Delay

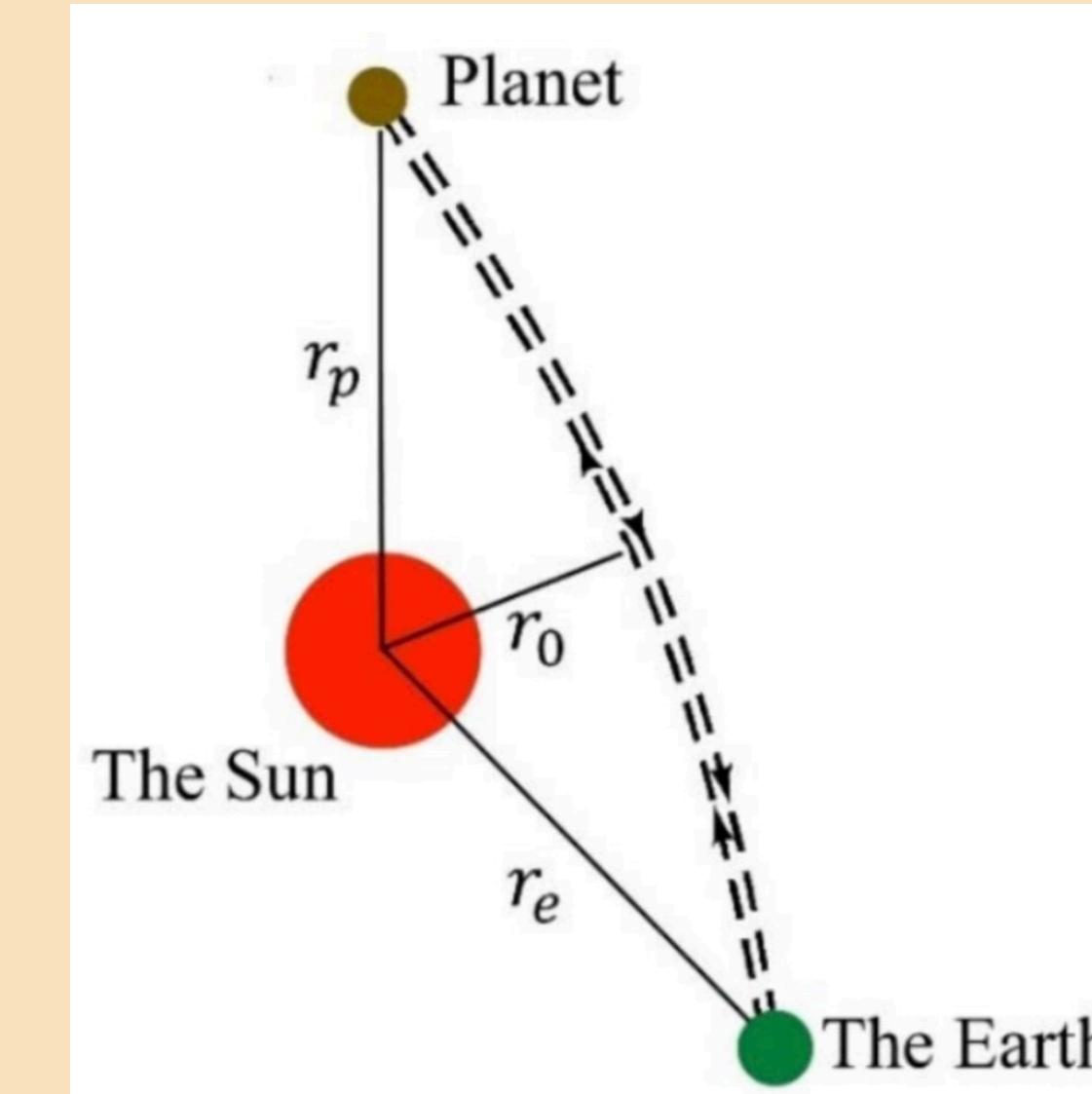
$$t_N = \sqrt{r_p^2 - r_0^2} + \sqrt{r_e^2 - r_0^2}$$

- In GR, $g_{\mu\nu}dx^\mu dx^\nu = 0$

$$\left(\frac{dr}{dt}\right) = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{r_0}{r}\right)^2 \frac{1 - \frac{2GM}{r}}{1 - \frac{2GM}{r_0}} \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)}$$

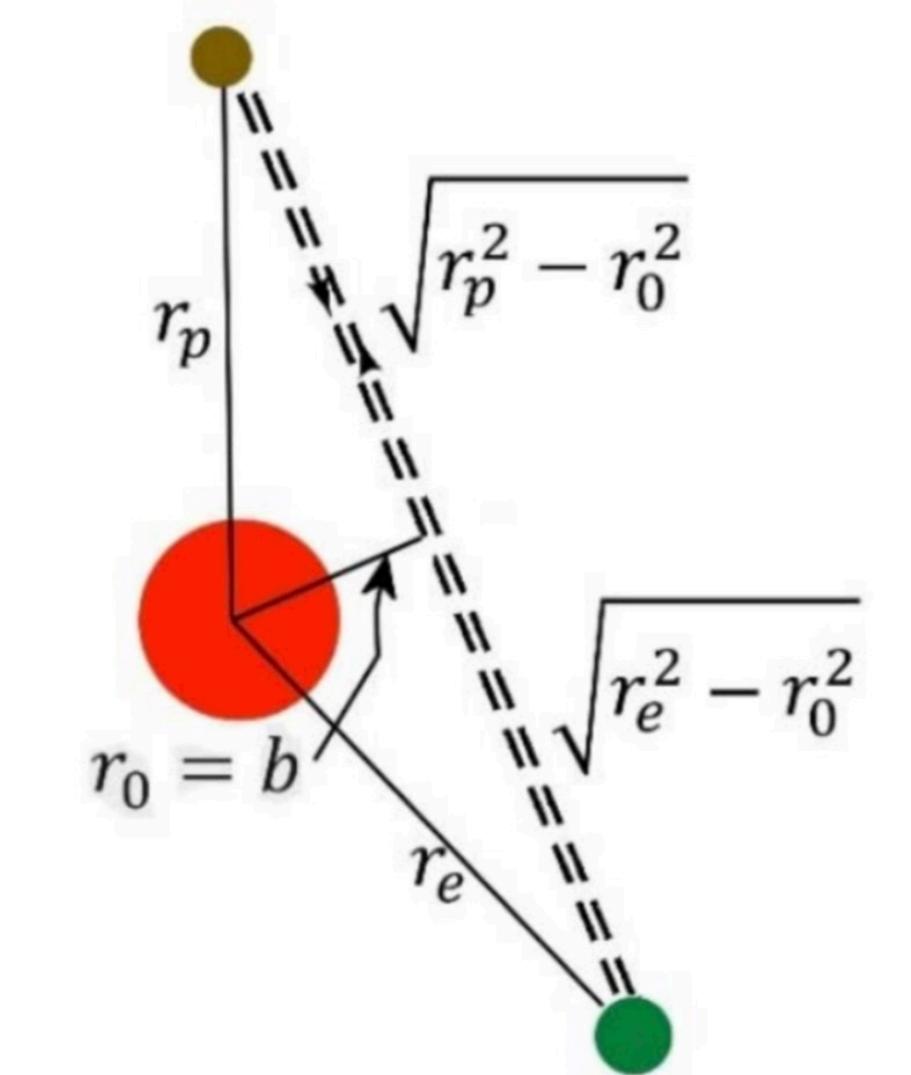
$$t = \int_r^{r_0} dr \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{r_0^2}{r^2} \frac{1 - \frac{2GM}{r}}{1 - \frac{2GM}{r_0}}\right]^{-1/2}$$

- $\Delta t_{me} \approx 200 \mu s$



- $M \rightarrow 0, \quad t = t_{cl}$ and $M \neq 0, \quad t = t_{GR}$
- $\Delta t = t_{GR} - t_{cl} = 4GM \left(1 + \frac{r_e r_v}{r_0^2}\right)$

- $\Delta t_{th} \approx 246 \mu s$



- For large m_a , $\exp\left(-\frac{m_a L^2}{GM}\right)$ is multiplied to incorporate large mass suppression