**Professor F**

Dear Professor ***Nobel***:

Thank you so much for taking a look at my work.

As Dr. Berberich (my pediatrician of many years ago) may have told you, I have a BA and MA in physics from the City University of New York. I am now in the middle of a master’s program in statistics at Cal State. For most of the past ten years, however, I lived in China, earning my living teaching English to children. I was not in touch with other physicists or physics students. I worked in isolation to develop a new theory of gravity.

I have been unable to get anyone to look at my work seriously or even to criticize it. Maybe they think my ideas are the equivalent of amateur attempts to square the circle or design a perpetual motion machine – and so they dismiss my work out of hand. Maybe they are right. But I would like someone to tell me plainly – however briefly – where I am right or wrong.

I propose that the attraction of mass to mass known as “gravity” can be explained, not by the bending of space-time, as in Einstein’s theory of General Relativity, but by incorporating the background radiation of the universe into Maxwell's equations of electromagnetism.

Einstein used his theory (1) to calculate the bending of a light ray by a massive object, (2) to calculate the ***blue*** shift of light ***falling*** in a gravity well, and (3) to account for some portion of the precession of Mercury’s perihelion. As a first step toward establishing my proposal, I calculate the first two using a semi-classical approximation of my underlying theory. I show this work on the following pages. I have also calculated the precession of Mercury's perihelion without usinggeneral relativity, but recently discovered that my work replicates previous work by B. Mashhoon. *See*,  B. Mashhoon (2008). "Gravitoelectromagnetism: A Brief Review". [arXiv](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ArXiv):[gr-qc/0311030](https://arxiv.org/abs/gr-qc/0311030).

I would be happy to show you my own work reaching the same result.

I would appreciate it no end if you could comment on my work. Needless to say, I would be delighted to meet you face to face to discuss this material.

Again, I thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely yours,