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Thanks Bryan! I have never heard of Le Sage but that gives me some reading to do. It is intuitively the most likely explanation without hocus pocus and presumably relates to magnetism as well. And it fits well with the modern tendency such as Krauss to talk about space not really being empty. Of course it's not, there are "particles" flowing everywhere and in all directions.

Quote

Le Sage's theory of gravitation is a kinetic theory of [gravity](#) originally proposed by [Nicolas Fatio de Duillier](#) in 1690 and later by [Georges-Louis Le Sage](#) in 1748. The theory proposed a mechanical explanation for Newton's gravitational force in terms of streams of tiny unseen particles (which Le Sage called ultra-mundane corpuscles) impacting all material objects from all directions. According to this model, any two material bodies partially shield each other from the impinging corpuscles, resulting in a net imbalance in the pressure exerted by the impact of corpuscles on the bodies, tending to drive the bodies together. This mechanical explanation for gravity never gained widespread acceptance.