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In this talk, I will describe how the non-trivial topology of curved spacetime induces quantum tunnelling between vacuum states that profoundly affect the properties and interactions of elementary particles. Namely, I will argue that gravitational instantons cause combined parity violation.

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