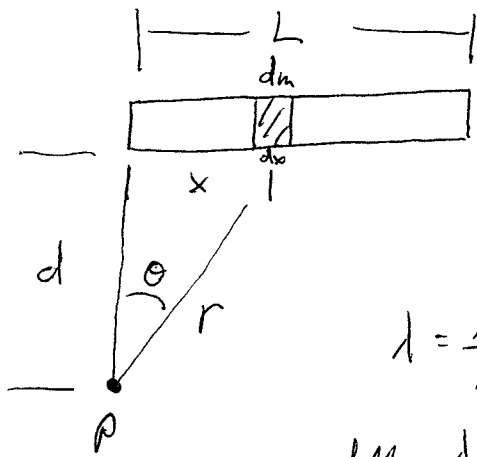


Determine the gravitational field strength at P.

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$$\frac{F}{m} = \frac{GM}{r^2}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$dM = \lambda dx$$

$$r^2 = d^2 + x^2$$

$$\frac{dF}{m} = \frac{G dM}{r^2} = G \lambda \frac{dx}{d^2 + x^2}$$

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Integration of this would involve arc tan.

Break the problem into x and y parts.

$$\frac{dF}{m}_x = G \lambda \frac{dx}{d^2 + x^2} \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dF}{m}_y = G \lambda \frac{dx}{d^2 + x^2} \cos \theta$$

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$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + d^2}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{x^2 + d^2}}$$

$$\frac{dF}{m_x} = G \lambda \frac{dx}{d^2 + x^2} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + d^2}} = G \lambda \frac{x dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\frac{dF}{m_y} = G \lambda \frac{dx}{d^2 + x^2} \frac{d}{\sqrt{x^2 + d^2}} = G \lambda d \frac{dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\frac{F}{m_x} = G \lambda \int_0^L \frac{x dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{3/2}} = G \lambda \left[\frac{-1}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}} \Big|_0^L \right]$$

$$\frac{F}{m_y} = G \lambda d \int_0^L \frac{dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{3/2}} = G \lambda d \left[\frac{x}{d^2 (d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}} \Big|_0^L \right]$$

$$\frac{F}{m_x} = G \lambda \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{d^2 + L^2}} + \frac{1}{d} \right)$$

$$\frac{F}{m_y} = G \lambda d \frac{L}{d^2 (d^2 + L^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{G \lambda L}{d \sqrt{d^2 + L^2}}$$

$$\frac{F}{M_x} = \frac{GM}{L} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{d^2 + L^2}} + \frac{1}{d} \right)$$

$$\frac{F}{m_y} = \frac{GM}{d \sqrt{d^2 + L^2}}$$

leave as components