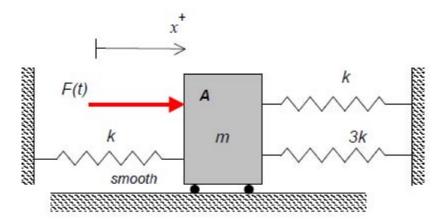
Homework 6.I

Given: Block A, having a mass of m, is able to slide along a smooth horizontal surface. Three springs are connected between block A and ground, as shown in the figure below. A force $F(t) = F_0 \sin \omega t$ acts horizontally on block A. Let x represent the motion of block A measured positively to the right, and let x = 0 m designate the state at which the springs are unstretched.

Find: For this problem:

- (a) Draw a free body diagram of block A;
- (b) Derive the single differential equation of motion for the system in terms of the coordinate x; and
- (c) Derive the particular solution $x_p(t)$ for the equation of motion derived above.



Use the following parameters in your analysis: m=10 kg, k=3200 N/m, $F_0=150$ N, and $\omega=15$ rad/s.

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