

(e) Write expressions for the velocity and acceleration of the object as a function of time.

Solution:

The linear velocity of the object has the x-component.

$$V_x = \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = - (0.50 \text{ m}) \cdot (2.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}) \sin \left[(2.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}})t + \frac{\pi}{6} \right]$$

$$= - 1.00 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot \sin \left[(2.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}})t + \frac{\pi}{6} \right]$$

The linear acceleration of the object then has the x-component

$$a_x(t) = \frac{dV_x(t)}{dt} = - \left(1.00 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \right) \left(2.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2} \right) \cos \left[(2.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}})t + \frac{\pi}{6} \right] =$$

$$= - 2.00 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \cos \left[(2.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}})t + \frac{\pi}{6} \right]$$

(f) Write 2 expressions for the force acting on the object, one as a function of time and the other as a function of X.
What is the value of the spring coupling constant?

Solution: The force as a function of time is most easily determined by