**4.5.** A parts assembly station on a production line exhibits a severe vibration problem. A simplified schematic representation is shown in Fig. 4.26. Two large tables of mass  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are each mounted to a sliding metal plate on resilient rubber mounts with shear stiffness  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ , as shown. The tables are each subjected to a vibrational excitation force,  $F_1(t)$  and  $F_2(t)$ . The plates are able to slide viscously on a second pair of deformable rubber mounts, with shear stiffnesses  $K_3$  and  $K_4$ . The viscous sliding coefficients are  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ . The two plates are coupled by a shaft with longitudinal stiffness  $K_5$ . Draw a linear graph for the system using the two forces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  as inputs.

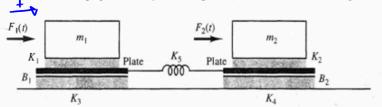


Figure 4.26: A parts assembly station.

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