

# ***The Potential Force Yielding a Periodic Motion whose Period is an Arbitrary Continuously Differentiable Function of the Amplitude***

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## **1. Introduction**

In the previous paper [2], the author has given a method to determine the potential force  $g(x)$  so that the period of the periodic solution of the equation

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + g(x) = 0$$

may be an arbitrary given continuous function of the amplitude of the velocity.

In the present paper, first, we shall give a method to determine  $g(x)$  so that the period of the periodic solution of (1.1) may be an arbitrary given continuously differentiable function  $\omega_1(a)$  of the positive maximum displacement  $a$  of  $x$  whose derivative  $\omega_1'(a)$  with respect to  $a$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition. Our method is based on solution of a certain integral equation to which the problem is reduced by the techniques used in the previous paper [2].

Next there will be given a method to determine the desired potential force  $g(x)$ , namely  $g(x)$  such that the period of the periodic solution of (1.1) may be an arbitrary given continuously differentiable function  $\omega(A)$  of the amplitude  $A$  whose derivative  $\omega'(A)$  with respect to  $A$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition. By the same techniques as in the first problem, the present problem is reduced to solution of an integral equation which is of a particular type of the integral equation solved already in the first problem.

Lastly, in illustration of our method, there will be given a potential force  $g(x)$  such that the period  $\omega$  of the periodic solution of (1.1) is a linear function of the amplitude  $A$ .

Since the work of the present paper is based on the main theorem in the previous paper [2], it is restated here for the convenience of the readers.

**THEOREM 0.** *In case  $g(x)$  is continuous in the neighborhood of  $x=0$  and differentiable at  $x=0$ , if any solution of the equation (1.1) near  $x=\dot{x}=0$  ( $\cdot = d/dt$ ) oscillates around  $x=\dot{x}=0$  with a bounded period, then*