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# Mini-review on periodic properties of MEMS oscillators

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This paper features a survey of the periodic property of micro-electro-mechanical systems by the homotopy perturbation method, the variational iteration method, the variational theory, He's frequency formulation, and Taylor series method. Fractal MEMS systems are also introduced, and future prospective is elucidated. The emphasis of this min-review article is put mainly on the developments in last decade, so the references, therefore, are not exhaustive.

## KEYWORDS

micro-electro-mechanical system (MEMS), variational theory, Taylor series, frequency-amplitude relationship, two-scale fractal

## 1 Introduction

A micro-electro-mechanical system (MEMS) [1–3] is the most fundamental micro device, integrating micro-mechanical structures with electronic technology to achieve micro-scale dimensions, minimal power consumption, and high-performance mechanical and electronic functions. Its remarkable versatility stems from its low cost, compact size, advanced intelligence, and high degree of control. It has a wide range of applications as an extremely sensitive sensor [4] and can now be fabricated using three-dimensional printing technology [5, 6]. The system operates periodically under normal conditions [7]; however, failure may occur when the phenomenon known as pull-in instability [8] arises. The governing equation can be expressed in the following form [9]:

$$\ddot{x} + x - \frac{k}{1-x} = 0 \quad (1)$$

with zero initial conditions

$$x(0) = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 0 \quad (3)$$

where  $x$  is the dimensionless displacement, and  $k$  is a voltage-related constant. This is a special oscillator with zero initial conditions and a singularity at  $x = 1$ . It differs from traditional nonlinear oscillators in the literature, such as those described in references [10, 11], making the solution process extremely challenging using known analytical methods. In this section, we will review some effective approaches to determining the periodic properties of the MEMS oscillator.

## 2 Homotopy perturbation method

The homotopy perturbation method, which was first proposed in 1999, involves decomposing a nonlinear equation into a linear system through the use of homotopy

technology [12]. The method has become a mature approach for nonlinear oscillators, making it an effective tool for analyzing MEMS systems [13–15]. Li-He’s modification is particularly well-suited for analyzing such singular oscillators [16, 17].

In order to employ the aforementioned method, we must first rewrite Equation 1 in the following form:

$$\ddot{x} + x - \ddot{x}x - x^2 - k = 0 \tag{4}$$

The homotopy equation can be constructed in the following form:

$$(\ddot{x} + \omega^2 x) - (\ddot{x}_0 + \omega^2 x_0) + p[(1 - \omega^2)x - \ddot{x}x - x^2 - k + (\ddot{x}_0 + \omega^2 x_0)] = 0 \tag{5}$$

where p represents a homotopy parameter,  $\omega$  is to be determined at a later stage. When p = 0, in accordance with the initial conditions specified in Equation 2, we commence with

$$x_0 = A \sin^2 \omega t \tag{6}$$

When p = 1, Equation 4 becomes Equation 3. The homotopy perturbation method is to assume that

$$x = x_0 + px_1 + p^2x_2 + L \tag{7}$$

From Equation 4 we obtain a series of linear equations:

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{x}_1 + \omega^2 x_1 + (1 - \omega^2)x_0 - \ddot{x}_0 x_0 - x_0^2 - k + (\ddot{x}_0 + \omega^2 x_0) = 0 \\ x_1(0) = 0, \dot{x}_1(0) = 0 \end{cases} \tag{8}$$

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{x}_2 + \omega^2 x_2 + (1 - \omega^2)x_1 - \ddot{x}_0 x_1 - \ddot{x}_1 x_0 - 2x_0 x_1 = 0 \\ x_2(0) = 0, \dot{x}_2(0) = 0 \end{cases} \tag{9}$$

The values of A and  $\omega$  can be determined in view of no secular terms in x1 and x2.

### 3 Variational iteration method

The variational iteration method, initially proposed in 1999, entails the construction of a correction function involving a generalized Lagrange multiplier, which is determined by the variational theory [18], Tang, et al. gave a standard schedule for solving MEMS oscillators [19], Anjum, et al. recommended a new approach to dealing with the zero initial conditions [20], Zhang, et al. demonstrated that the method can be used to determine frequency-amplitude relationship with ease [21], Rastegar, et al. employed the method to determine diaphragm deflection [22]. According to the variational iteration method, the following correction functional can be written:

$$x_{n+1}(t) = x_n + \int_0^t \lambda(s, t) \left\{ \frac{d^2 x_n(s)}{ds^2} + x_n(s) - x_n(s) \frac{d^2 x_n(s)}{ds^2} - (x_n(s))^2 - k \right\} ds \tag{10}$$

where  $\lambda$  is the generalized Lagrange multiplier.

The identification of the multiplier represents a key objective in the context of its applications. In its original formulation, this can be determined by variational theory [18]. Anjum and his colleague introduced two Lagrange multipliers into the correction functional, as detailed in reference [23]. In 2019, the Laplace transform was successfully incorporated into the variational iteration method,

thereby enhancing its appeal considerably [24, 25]. The He transform, a generalized Laplace transform [26], has recently facilitated a significant advancement in the variational iteration method [27].

### 4 He’s frequency formulation

In 2019, the frequency formulation [28, 29] was proposed as a means of solving nonlinear oscillators, and has since been regarded as the most straightforward method of doing so. Chinese mathematician Chun-Hui He and his colleague provided a rigorous mathematical analysis and proposed an amendment [30].

We re-write Equation 1 in the form

$$\ddot{x} + f(x) = 0, \quad x(0) = 0, \quad \dot{x}(0) = 0 \tag{11}$$

Here

$$f(x) = x - \frac{k}{1-x} \tag{12}$$

It is obvious that x moves from x = 0 to A, and then from x = A to negative A, where A is the maximal displacement. It is easy to find that the equilibrium point locates at x = A/2, that means

$$f(A/2) = 0 \tag{13}$$

That implies

$$\frac{A}{2} - \frac{k}{1-\frac{A}{2}} = 0 \tag{14}$$

or

$$A = -1 + \sqrt{1+4k} \tag{15}$$

For given k, the maximal displacement can be easily determined by Equation 14. According to He’s frequency formulation [28, 29], we have

$$\omega^2 = \frac{f(A/2) - f(A/4)}{A/2 - A/4} = \frac{f(A/4)}{A/4} \tag{16}$$

That is

$$\omega^2 = 1 - \frac{k}{\left(1 - \frac{A}{4}\right)^{\frac{A}{4}}} = \frac{4A - A^2 - 16k}{(4 - A)A} \tag{17}$$

In view of Equation 14,  $\omega$  can be solved with ease.

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{-6 + 6\sqrt{1+4k} - 20k}{-6 + 6\sqrt{1+4k} - 4k}} \tag{18}$$

For a given value of k, its frequency can be obtained easily. For periodic solution, it requires that  $\omega > 0$ , i.e.,

$$-6 + 6\sqrt{1+4k} - 20k > 0 \tag{19}$$

i.e.,

$$k < 0.19 \tag{20}$$

The precise value is k < 0.20363, the relative error is 6.68%, which is deemed acceptable for engineering applications. The simplicity and reliability of the formulation make it a valuable

mathematical tool for gaining physical insight into the periodic properties of nonlinear oscillators. Zhang et al. extended the formulation to nonlinear vibration systems with generalized initial conditions [31]. Ji-Huan He and his colleagues applied it to nonlinear oscillators with quadratic nonlinearity [32]. Tian found the formulation is also valid for fractal vibration systems [33]. Additionally, numerous other researchers have also found it to be a straightforward method for nonlinear oscillators [34, 35].

## 5 Hamilton principle

Variational principles are widely used in physics and engineering, but not every physical problem admit a variational formulation, and Galerkin technology has to be used [36]. Shao, et al. established a variational formulation for a generalized third order equations [37], Zuo established a variational formulation for nano-lubrication problems [38], Jiao et al. studied the variational principle for the Schrödinger-KdV system [39], and Wu and his colleague found a variational theory for the Kaup-Newell system [40]. The study on the variational principle for the MEMS systems was rare and primarily [41]. Among all variational principles, Hamilton principle is the most famous one.

The variational formulation for Equation 1 is

$$J(x) = \int \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 - \left[ \frac{1}{2} x^2 + k \ln(1-x) \right] \right\} dt \quad (21)$$

Hereby  $\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2$  and  $\frac{1}{2} x^2 + k \ln(1-x)$  are, respectively, the kinetic energy and the potential energy of the oscillator. Equation 4 is the well-known Hamilton principle, and the total energy keeps unchanged during the oscillation, that means

$$\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + k \ln(1-x) = H \quad (22)$$

where H is a constant which can be identified by the initial conditions. In view of Equations 2, 3, , we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + k \ln(1-x) = 0 \quad (23)$$

The variational-based analytical method might be powerful applied to the MEMS oscillator.

## 6 Taylor series method

Taylor series method is accessible to all students [42, 43], it is a simple, reliable and promising method for various nonlinear problems [44], here the method is used to study the periodic property of the MEMS system.

Differentiating Equation 1 4 times with respect to time, and setting  $t = 0$ , we can obtain

$$\ddot{x}(0) = k \quad (24)$$

$$\ddot{\ddot{x}}(0) = 0 \quad (25)$$

$$x^{(4)}(0) = k^2 - k \quad (26)$$

$$x^{(5)}(0) = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$x^{(6)}(0) = (1-k)^2 k + 6k^3 \quad (28)$$

We, therefore, obtain the following Taylor series solution

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2!} kt^2 + \frac{1}{4!} (k^2 - k)t^4 + \frac{1}{6!} [(1-k)^2 k + 6k^3]t^6 \quad (29)$$

Its accuracy can be increased if higher order approximate solution is solved. The Taylor series solution provides a good physical insight into the solution properties near  $t = 0$ , we need an approximate solution valid for the whole solution domain.

## 7 Fractal MEMS

The concept of the fractal MEMS system was first proposed by Tian and his colleagues in 2021, it was proposed to solve the pull-in instability [45–47]. The fractal MEMS oscillator can be expressed as.

$$\frac{d^{2\alpha} x}{dt^{2\alpha}} + x - \frac{k}{1-x} = 0, x(0) = 0, \frac{d^\alpha x}{dt^\alpha}(0) = 0 \quad (30)$$

where  $\frac{d^\alpha x}{dt^\alpha}$  is the two-scale fractal derivative [48–50],  $\alpha$  is the two-scale fractal dimensions, its value can be calculated by He-Liu's fractal dimensions formulation [51, 52].

Tian et al. found that in the fractal space, the pull-in instability can be overcome for various MEMS systems [45–47], this was further proved Feng et al. [53], and a new concept of pull-in plateau was recommended in Ref. [54]. The vibration phenomena in a fractal space triggers a new mathematical direction, that is the fractal vibration theory [55–57].

## 8 Summary and conclusion

This paper presents a brief review of the latest developments in MEMS systems, with an emphasis on their periodic properties. The homotopy perturbation method, variational iteration method, Hamilton principle, He's frequency formulation, and fractal MEMS systems are all reviewed. A simple yet relatively accurate estimation of the periodic property is crucial for both theoretical analysis and practical applications. The reviewed analytical methods for MEMS oscillators have shed new light on quickly understanding the periodic property of the pull-in instability of MEMS devices.

As MEMS systems have gained popularity in industrial applications, optimal design considering vibration properties is highly needed. Future research should focus on an improved MEMS oscillator that takes into account the coupled factors of Casimir force, geometrical potential, and Van der Waals force.

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