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Homoclinic Orbits for Superquadratic Hamiltonian Systems with Small Forcing Terms

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Abstract: In this paper, we prove the existence of homoclinic orbits for the second order Hamiltonian system: $\ddot{q}(t) + \nabla V(t, q(t)) = f(t)$, where $V \in C^1(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}), V(t,q) = -K(t,q) + W(t,q)$ is *T*-periodic in *t*, *K* satisfies the "pinching" condition $b_1|q|^2 \leq K(t,q) \leq b_2|q|^2$ and *W* is superquadratic at the infinity and needs not satisfy the global Ambrosetti-Rabinowitz condition. A homoclinic orbit is obtained as the limit of 2kT-periodic solutions of a certain sequence of second order differential equations.

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