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nia — Boussinesq convection in a rotating circular cylinder is investigated numer-
ically. For low Raleigh numbers, a steady wall mode is established which develops
into a steady cellular target pattern (circular waves) on increasing the Raleigh num-
ber (analogous to the onset of Taylor cells from endwall vortices as the Reynolds
number is increased). Beyond a critical Raleigh number, the circular waves begin
to drift radially inward. Centrifugal buoyancy (nonzero Froude number) effects play
an important role in this flow.

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