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RODOLFO ROSALES, JOHN BUSH, MIT — We examine the orbital dynamics of  
droplets self-propelling along the surface of a vibrating bath. Circular orbital mo-  
tion may arise when the walking droplet is subjected to one of three external force  
fields, the Coriolis force, a simple harmonic force, and a Coulomb force. Particu-  
lar attention is given to a theoretical characterization of the onset of chaos that  
accompanies the destabilization of such circular orbits.

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