

Abstract Submitted  
for the DFD08 Meeting of  
The American Physical Society

**Gravitationally forced surface waves in a rotating cylinder** MATS  
NIGAM, Noss — A thin layer of fluid, flowing axially along the inner surface of a  
horizontal rotating cylinder is subjected to a periodic forcing due to the gravitational  
acceleration. Since the frequency of the forcing lies within the critical range  $([0, 2\Omega])$   
for which the inviscid problem is of a hyperbolic nature, the solution which in this  
case may be obtained on closed form displays a characteristic “Mach wave”-like  
behavior.

Mats Nigam  
Noss

Date submitted: 11 Jul 2008

Electronic form version 1.4