

Resonance effects in axisymmetrically-forced bubble oscillations. "R. Glynn Holt, Eugene H. Trinh (Microgravity Research Group, Mail Stop 183-401, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 4800 Oak Grove Dr., Pasadena, CA 91109)

Large ($0.02 \leq kR \leq 0.5$) bubbles are levitated in a primary acoustic field, trapped slightly above the pressure nodes. A secondary, amplitude-modulated acoustic field is superimposed to directly force the axisymmetric shape modes at a variety of pressures and frequencies. By satisfying the condition for external resonance (when the external modulation frequency f_d is nearly equal to one of the mode-number-dependent shape oscillation frequencies f_n , $n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$) we investigate the possibility of coupling energy into the volume mode via internal resonance (when the volume mode frequency f_0 is nearly an integral multiple of f_n). In particular, we discuss the viability for such an experiment in 1 g at reduced ambient pressures. Finally, we discuss the possibility for performing such an experiment in 0g. [Work supported by NASA]

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