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Rotating vortex patches.

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ABSTRACT:

In this talk we discuss some special vortex patches for the two-dimensional incompressible Euler equations which preserve their shape during the motion. The simplest examples are given by Rankine and Kirchhoff vortices which are subjected to a uniform rotation around their centers. According to the works of Deem-Zabusky and Burbea there is a general class of rotating vortex patches, called the V-states and bifurcating from the circle at the eigenvalues of a certain linearized operator. We will show that the V-states are convex and C^2 close to the circle. We will also analyze some results on the rotating patches with doubly connected domains. The lecture is based on joint works with Mateu and Verdera.