

# On the nonlinear stability of higher dimensional triaxial Bianchi-IX black holes

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## Abstract

In this paper, we prove that the five-dimensional Schwarzschild–Tangherlini solution of the Einstein vacuum equations is orbitally stable (in the fully non-linear theory) with respect to vacuum perturbations of initial data preserving triaxial Bianchi-IX symmetry. More generally, we prove that five-dimensional vacuum spacetimes developing from suitable asymptotically flat triaxial Bianchi-IX symmetric initial data and containing a trapped or marginally trapped homogeneous 3-surface necessarily possess a complete null infinity  $\mathcal{I}^+$ , whose past  $J^-(\mathcal{I}^+)$  is bounded to the future by a regular event horizon  $\mathcal{H}^+$ , whose cross-sectional volume in turn satisfies a Penrose inequality, relating it to the final Bondi mass. In particular, the results of this paper give the first examples of vacuum black holes which are not stationary exact solutions.