# MYERS-PERRY BLACK HOLES: BEYOND THE SINGLE ROTATION CASE

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The MP metric(s)

Even D; 
$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + r^2 d\alpha^2 + \sum_{i=1}^d \left(r^2 + a_i^2\right) \left(d\mu_i^2 + \mu_i^2 d\phi_i^2\right)$$
  
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 $F = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{a_i^2 \mu_i^2}{r^2 + a_i^2}, \quad \Pi = \prod_{i=1}^d (r^2 + a_i^2), \quad d = \begin{cases} \frac{D-2}{2}, & D \text{ even} \\ \frac{D-1}{2}, & D \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$ 

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This can be loosely justified in brane world scenario's, where colliding particle momentum will be confined to a brane and therefore any black hole created on this brane would only spin in this direction.



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Furthermore, one could imagine planck-scale processes not confined to the brane (i.e., gravitons/strings etc) creating black holes in the bulk spacetime with arbitrary angular momentum. We are thus motivated to explore the solutions with more than one angular momentum parameter.

# Angular momentum constraints

#### Horizons hide singularities from outside observers.

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To "explain" this we calculate the angular momentum constraints in higher dimensions in general with all angular momentum parameters.

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 $M \geq \frac{\Pi(\tilde{r}_h)}{2\tilde{r_h}},$ 

where  $\tilde{r}_h$  is a solution to the simultaneous set of equations

 $\Delta( ilde{r}_h)=0, \quad \partial_r\Delta( ilde{r}_h)=0.$ 

Or:

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and the constraint reads:

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## Conclusion

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- It is worth mentioning that even if a black hole satisfies the constraints presented it may not be stable; classical instabilities of the Gregory-Laflamme type are known to arise in the ultra spinning regimes.

#### If you are interested in these results please see my paper:

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