Gneisenau
Incrociatore da battaglia
Scala 1:400
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print on normal A4 white paper 190/160 g/m² for best result
After the construction of the first three Panzerschiffe (Panzerschiff A-C: Deutschland, Admiral Scheer and Admiral Graf Spee) various plans for their successors were made. Projects ranged from only slightly modified designs, increased main artillery (like 30 cm guns), ships that later could refitted with a third turret or Panzerschiffe with steam engines.

The developers first weren't allowed to increase the size of the ships, so all projects sooner or later lead into a quite similar design as the older Panzerschiffe. Only after a significant grow in size was allowed, the final development of the Scharnhorst class started. Although often called "battlecruisers", those ships were officially labeled as "battleships".