## Sixteenth Marcel Grossmann Meeting



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## **Ghosts in metric-affine gravity**

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In this talk we will explicitly show how ghost degrees of freedom arise in a sub-class of metric-affine theories unless projective symmetry is enforced. Then, we will generalise the techniques employed in that particular case to argue why ghosts will arise in generic metric-affine theories of gravity around arbitrary backgrounds. We will also discuss some results on possible ways to avoid them.

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