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Title: Baryogenesis and Dark Matter from Gravitational Waves

Theories of asymmetric dark matter provide a simultaneous solution to two of the most intriguing open questions in particle physics: What is the nature of dark matter? What is the origin of the observed matter-antimatter asymmetry of the Universe? I will demonstrate how this class of models can be probed via their gravitational wave signatures. I will focus on a theory in which the Standard Model gauge symmetry is extended by an additional $SU(2)$ group, with the leptons forming doublets with new fermionic partners. Interestingly, one of the new fermions is a dark matter candidate. The breaking of this extra $SU(2)$ symmetry occurs at a high scale, inaccessible in conventional particle physics experiments, and allows for a successful mechanism of baryogenesis. This is achieved via a first order phase transition in the early Universe, which, in turn, gives rise to a stochastic gravitational wave background. As I will show, the expected signal is within the reach of the upcoming gravitational wave detectors: Einstein Telescope, Cosmic Explorer, Big Bang Observer and DECIGO.