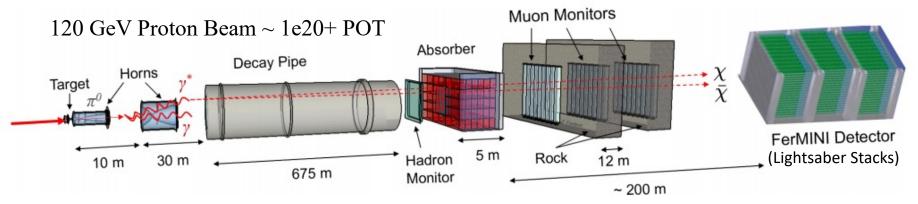


Millicharge and Long-Lived Particle Searches at FerMINI & LongQuest

Low-cost add-on detectors with robust capabilities studying BSM physics

FerMINI: Fixed-Target Millicharged Particle Search



milliQan: Haas et al, PRD (2015)

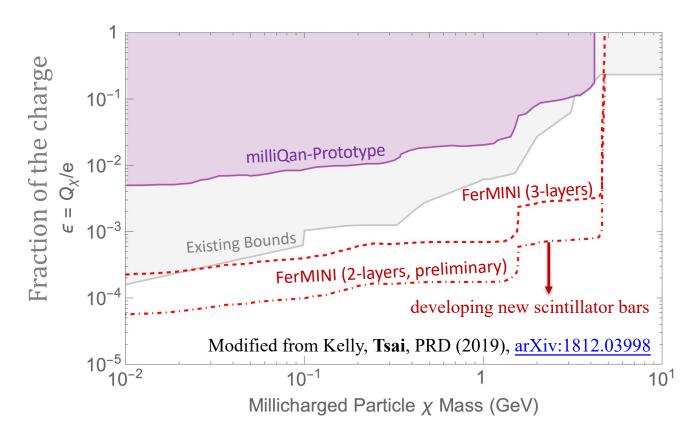
FerMINI: Kelly, **Tsai**, PRD (2019), <u>1812.03998</u>

SUBMET: Kim, Hwang, Yoo, JHEP (2021), <u>2102.11493</u>

Using stacks of scintillators studying triple or double coincident signature for millicharged particles (mCP)

- Consider a 2-Layer setup being tested at J-PARC (SUBMET)
- NuMI beam cycle time is 1.2s, spill duration ~ 8-10 μsec: using timing information to drastically reduce the dark-current background
- Consider double-coincidence signature within ~ 10 ns time window

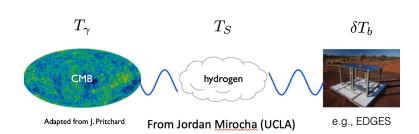
FerMINI at MINOS (& DUNE ND)



Motivations to study mCPs

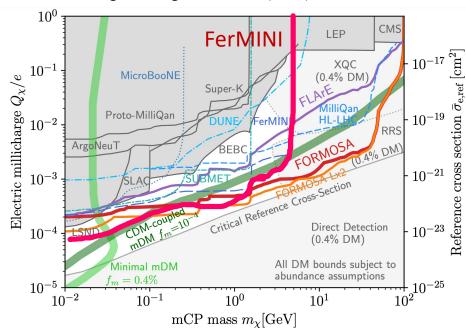
- Charge quantization; GUTs & string compactifications (e.g., Shiu, Soler, Ye, PRL 13)
- Direct link to dark photon models (e.g., Holdom, PLB 85)
- Important implications on 21 cm absorption spectrum studies

Millicharged Dark Matter & EDGES Motivation



- Many 21 absorption spectrum experiments coming on-line soon
- Even a small fraction (<0.1%) of dark matter that has millicharge can have significant implications on such measurements

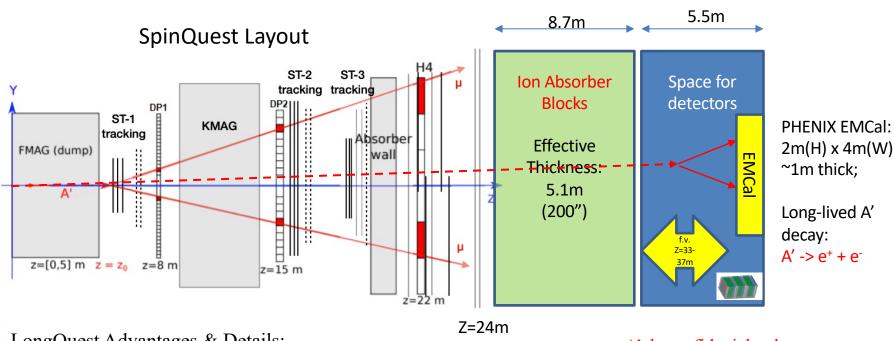




- Green areas are parameters motivated by the EDGES anomaly
- See, Bowman et al, Nature (2018) & follow-up works

LongQuest: Long-Lived Particle Searches at SpinQuest Facility

LongQuest: Tsai, de Niverville, Liu, PRL (2021), 1908.07525



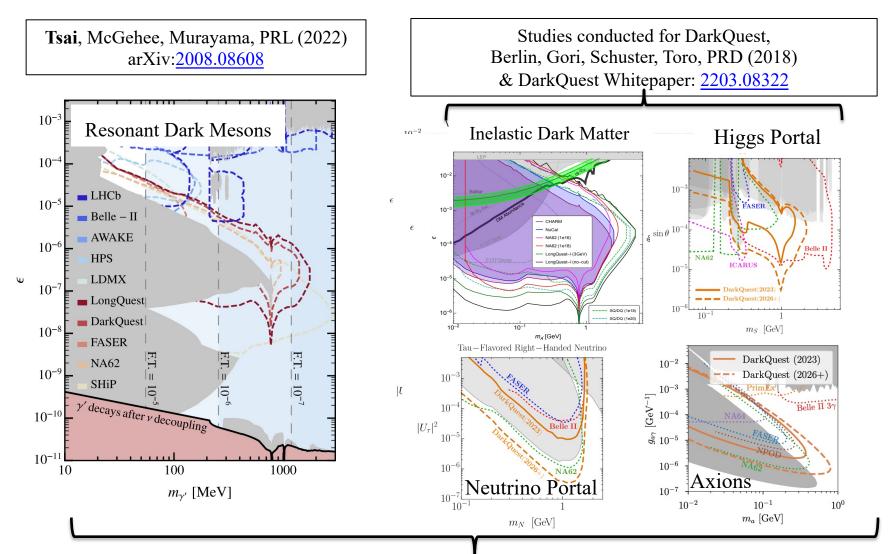
LongQuest Advantages & Details:

- Better shielded; no interference with SpinQuest operations
- An alternative site for FerMINI
- Additional upgrades adding particle ID detectors and front dump (see David Sperka's talk)

A' decay fiducial volume:

- Baseline distance = $33 \sim 37$ m
- To measure di-electrons (or di-photons)
- w/ EMCal + pre-Shower Det.
- $POT \sim 1e18$ to 1e20

LongQuest Decay Search Sensitivity

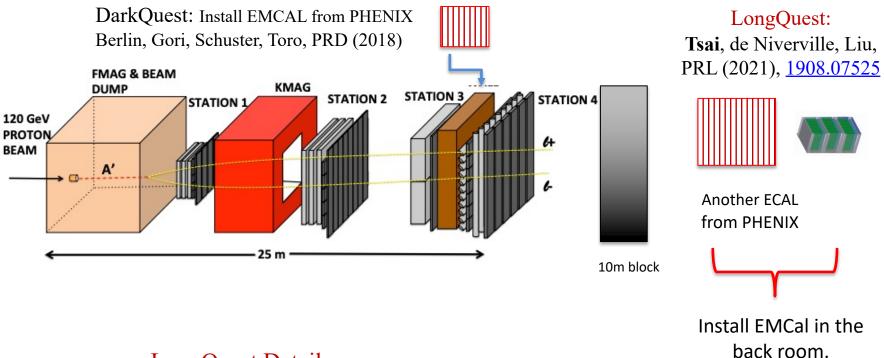


Detailed analyses of LongQuest physics cases in progress

Plan & Timeline

- 1. FerMINI & LongQuest papers regarding updated sensitivity & physics cases are in progress (expect to appear this summer)
- 2. In preparation of 2023 & 2024 LDRD applications
- 3. In coordination with NuMI Facility, DUNE, and DarkQuest

LongQuest: LLP Search at SpinQuest Site



LongQuest Details:

- Baseline distance: ~ 35 meters from the target
- POT $\sim 1e20+$
- Better shielded; installation has much less interference with SpinQuest operations
- Additional upgrades adding particle ID detectors and front dump