



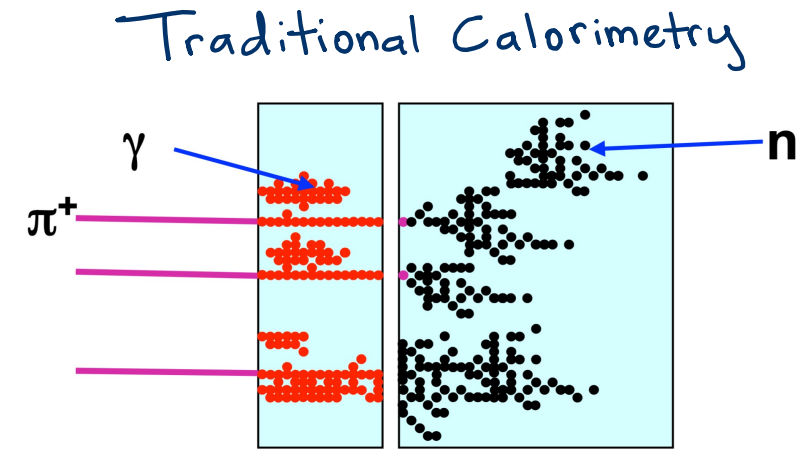
# Particle Flow in a $\mu\mu$ Environment: The Pandora Algorithm

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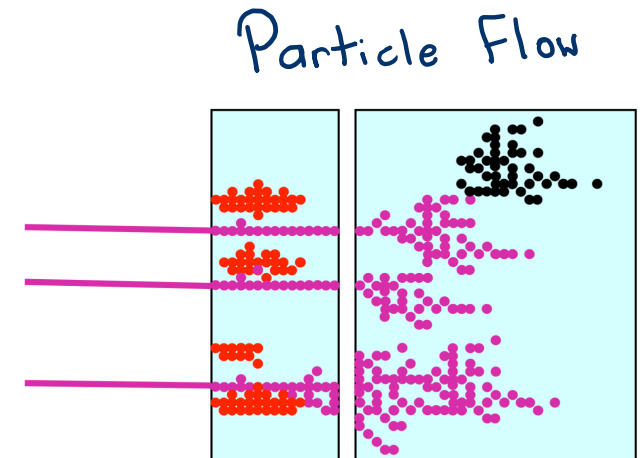


# What is Particle Flow?

- **Traditional Calorimetry:**
  - Not all stable particles are identified
  - Jets: measure energy entirely in calorimeter
    - High reliance on poor HCal resolution
- **Particle Flow:** Coherently combine information from all detector components
  - Identify all stable particles in an event
  - Jets are formed from list of particles
- Advantages of Particle Flow:
  - Use tracker measurement to measure charged particles
  - More natural for substructure measurements
- Disadvantages of Particle Flow:
  - Requires high granularity detectors
  - The reconstruction software becomes complicated



$$E_{\text{JET}} = E_{\text{ECAL}} + E_{\text{HCal}}$$



$$E_{\text{JET}} = E_{\text{TRACK}} + E_{\gamma} + E_n$$

Images from [1]

# The Pandora Particle Flow Algorithm

- Designed for detectors (ILD) at a linear  $e^+e^-$  collider (ILC,  $\sqrt{s} \sim 500$  GeV)
  - Extended to detectors at CLIC ( $\sqrt{s} = 3$  TeV)
- It reads and accounts for calorimeter parameters  $\rightarrow$  *flexible*!

## Event Preparation

- Track selection
- Calorimeter hit selection

## Clustering

1. Photon Clustering
2. Fast photon ID
3. Main clustering
4. Topological merging
5. Reclustering
6. Photon recovery + ID
7. Fragment removal

## Particle Flow Object Creation

Set of basic ID algorithms

links to code in backup

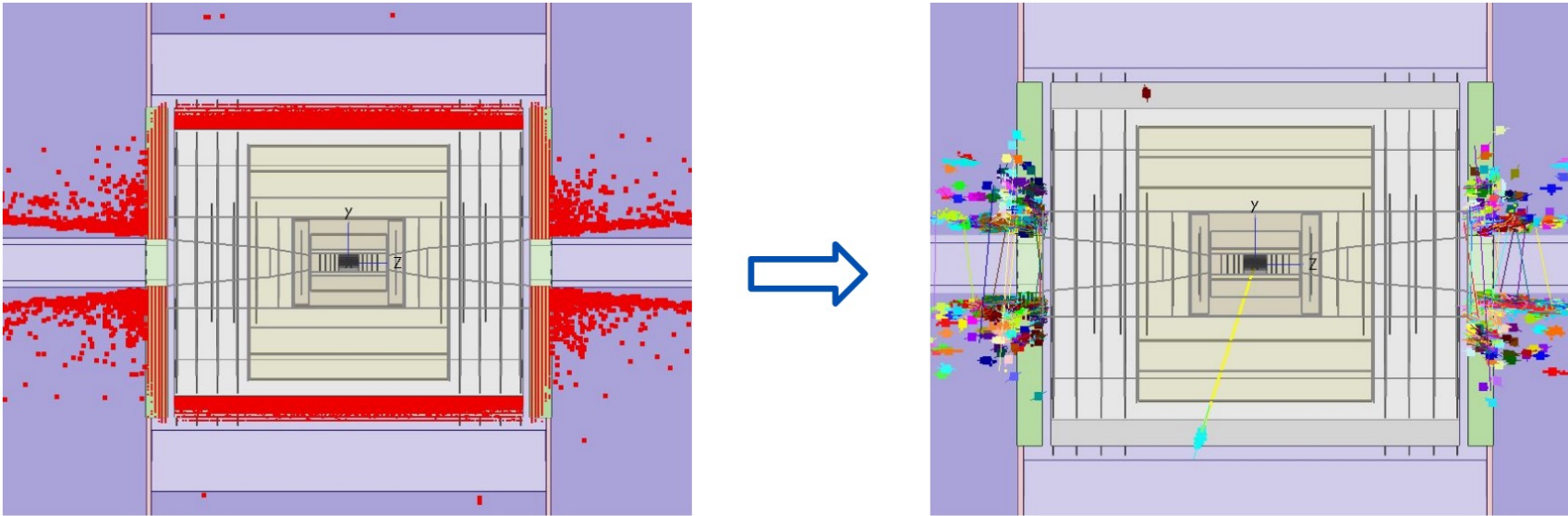
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Pandora requires tweaking  
and / or reworking to perform  
optimally in a 10 TeV  
muon collider

★: Denotes potential projects

# Pandora: Event Preparation

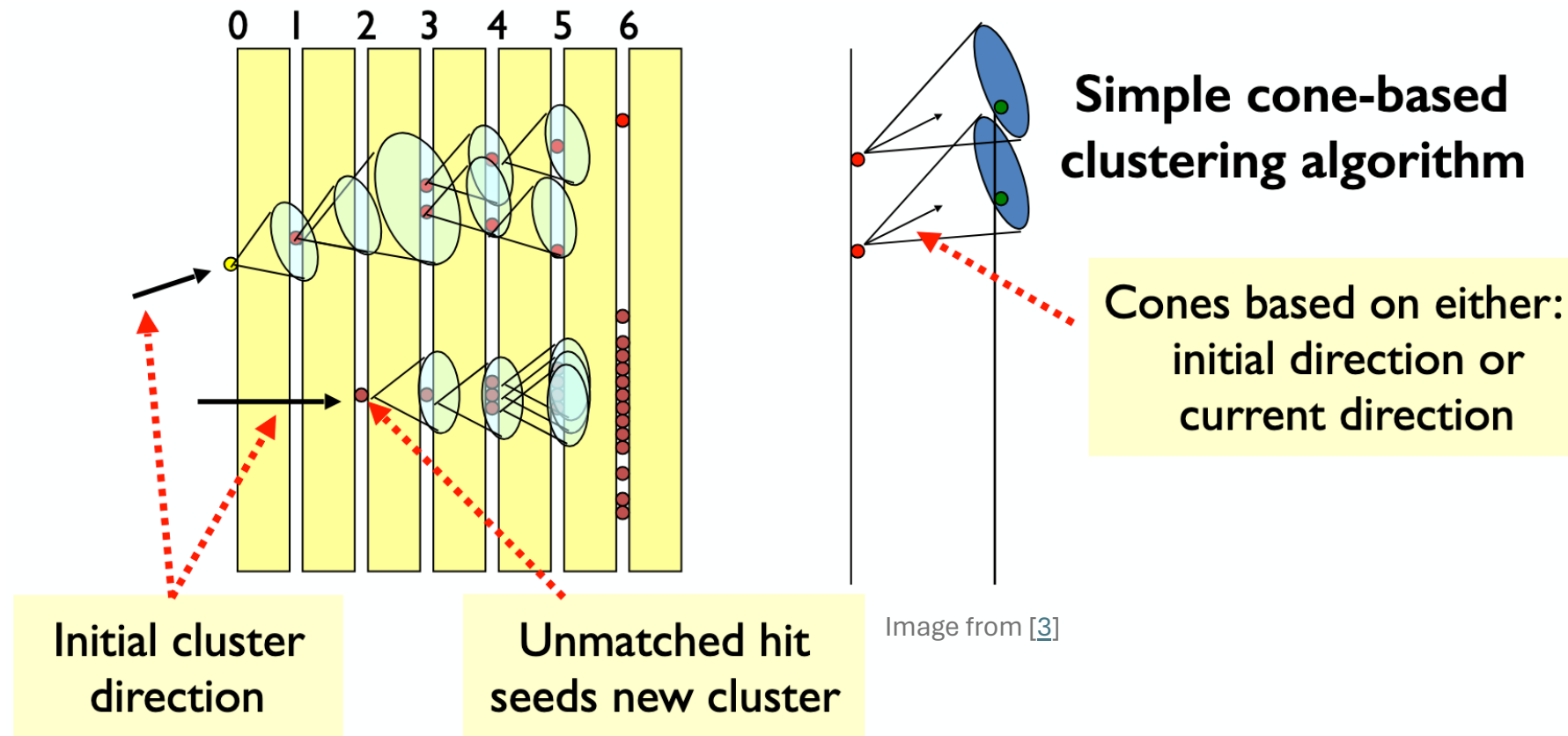
- Track selection
  - $\frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T}$  requirement to match to clusters
- Calorimeter hit selection
  - Categorization for isolated hits to be excluded from clustering
  - MUSIC: Reject hits with  $< 3$  other hits in the neighboring 3x3 detector cell matrix \* Potential MAIA study



Reconstruction of single photon, Leonardo Palombini, MUSIC detector [2]

# Pandora: Cone Clustering Algorithm

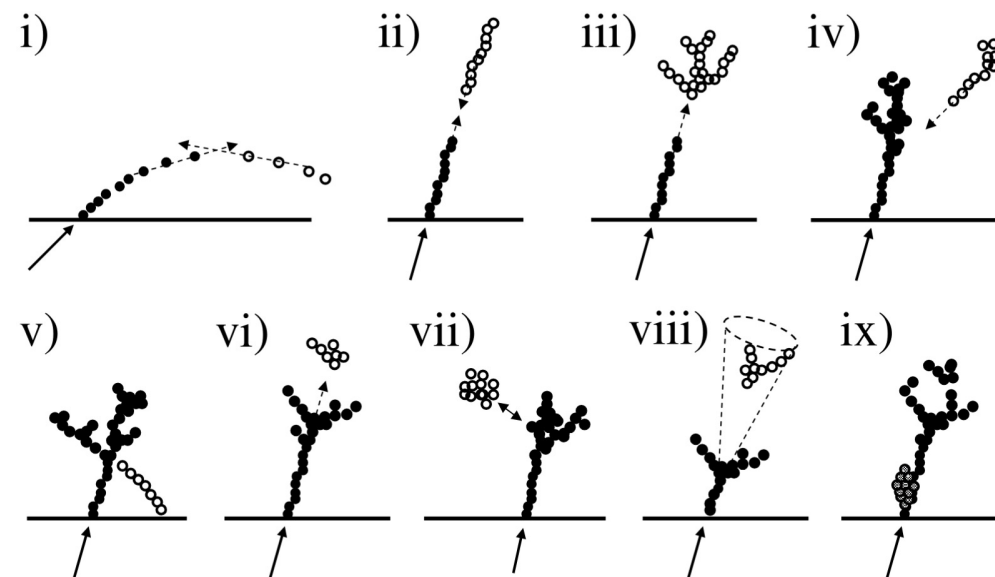
- First seeds clusters with tracks projected to ECal face
- Then seeds clusters with remaining hits, beginning at innermost layers
- Work from inner layer of ECal, iteratively adding hits outward through calorimeter
- Errs on the side of forming smaller clusters. *Easier to put things together than to split them up.*



# Pandora: Clustering

- Fast photon ID
- Cone clustering
- Topological cluster merging algorithms
- Recluster to achieve better track – cluster consistency
- Photon recovery and fragment removal
- **50 GeV jets:** Frag. Rem. and Topo. Merging are important
- **250 GeV jets:** Reclustering is the most important

## Topology-based cluster merging



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ILD

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\* Potential  $\mu$ C study

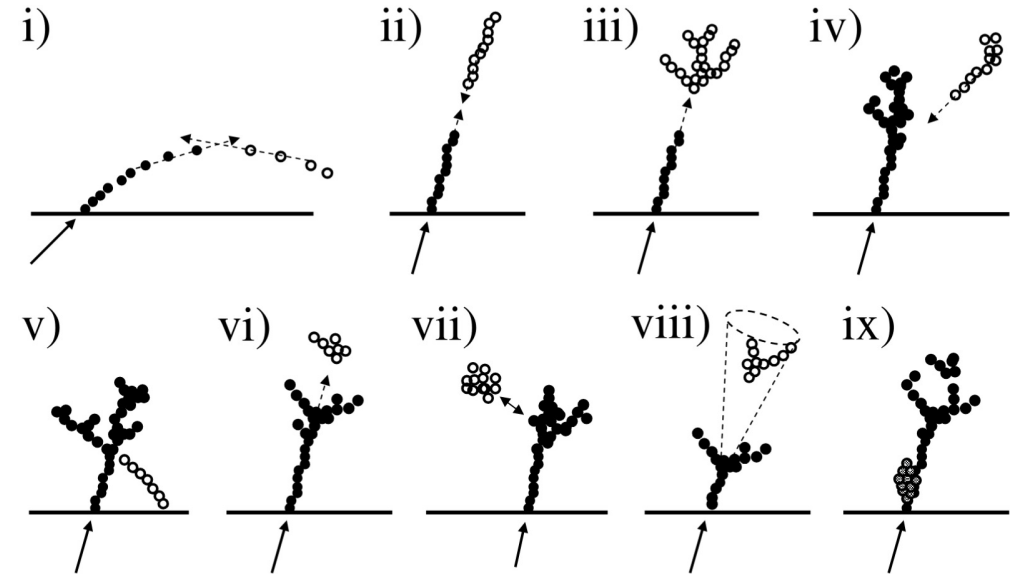
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★ : computationally expensive!

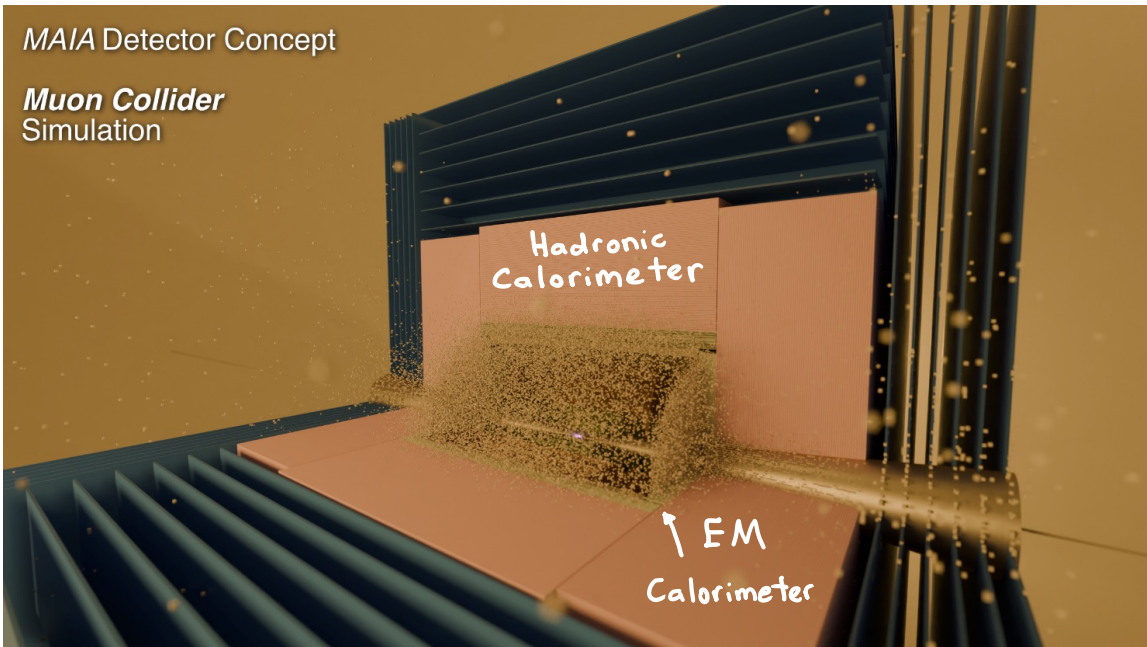
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# $\mu\mu$ : Other Clustering Algorithms

- BIB creates a high detector occupancy, particularly in the first few layers in the Ecal
- Forward-projective clustering algorithm starts in the busiest environment
- Is it better to seed clustering elsewhere?
  - From the back of the HCal, cluster outwards  $\rightarrow$  inwards (Larry Lee, Federico Meloni)

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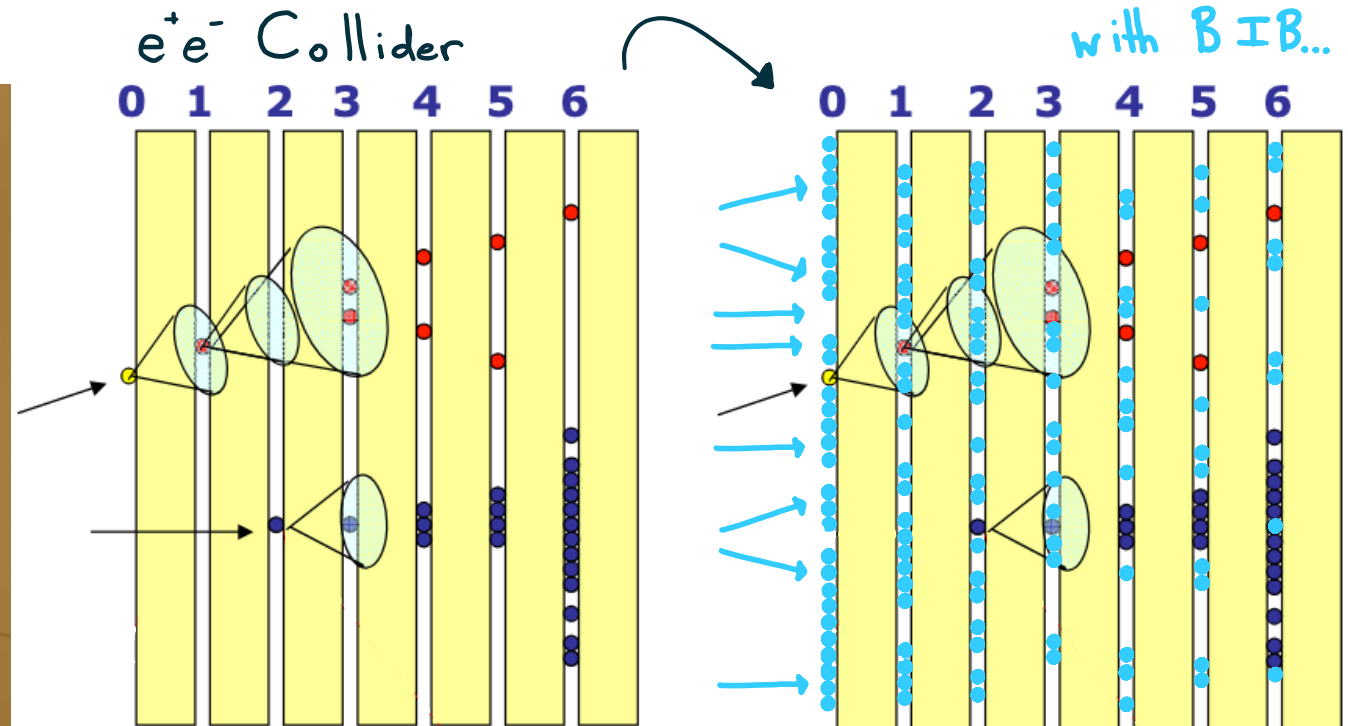


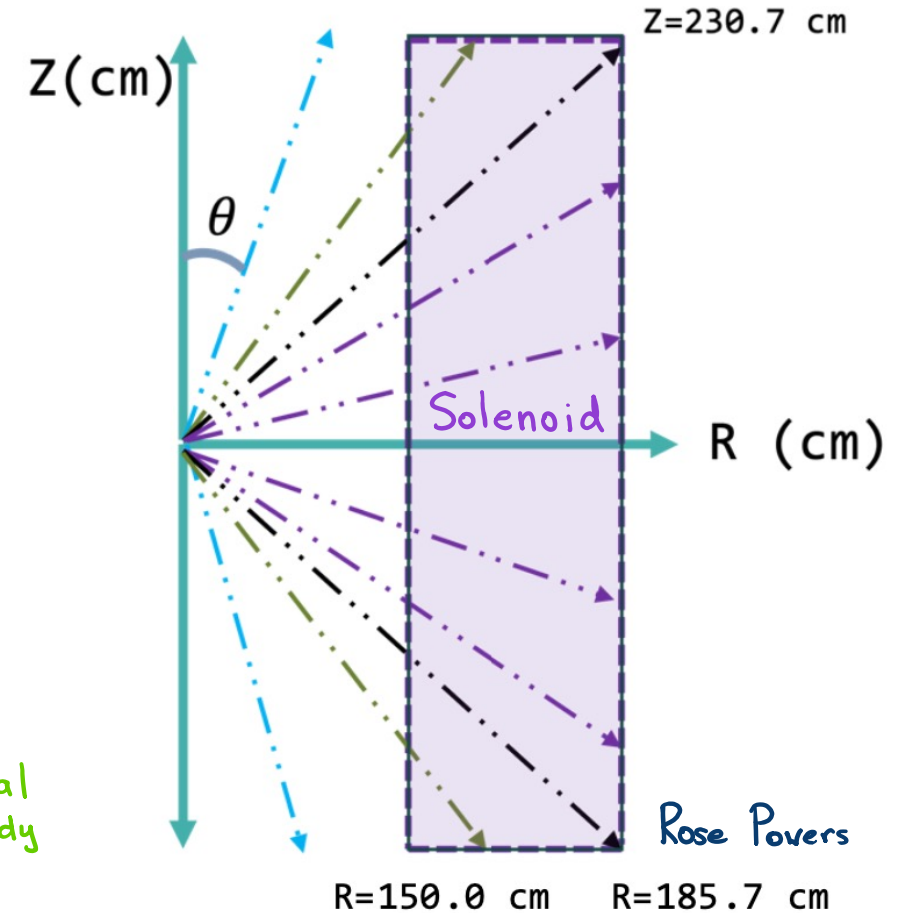
Image from [3]

# Pandora: Particle Flow Object Creation

- Final track-cluster matching
- Three basic ID algorithms:
  - Muons
  - Photons
    - Neutral hadrons are neutral PFOs that are not photons
  - Electrons
    - $\pi^\pm$  are charged PFOs that are not electrons
- Algorithms aren't necessarily suitable for our environment
- Expected electron profile independent of  $\theta$

- *Not the case for MAIA!*

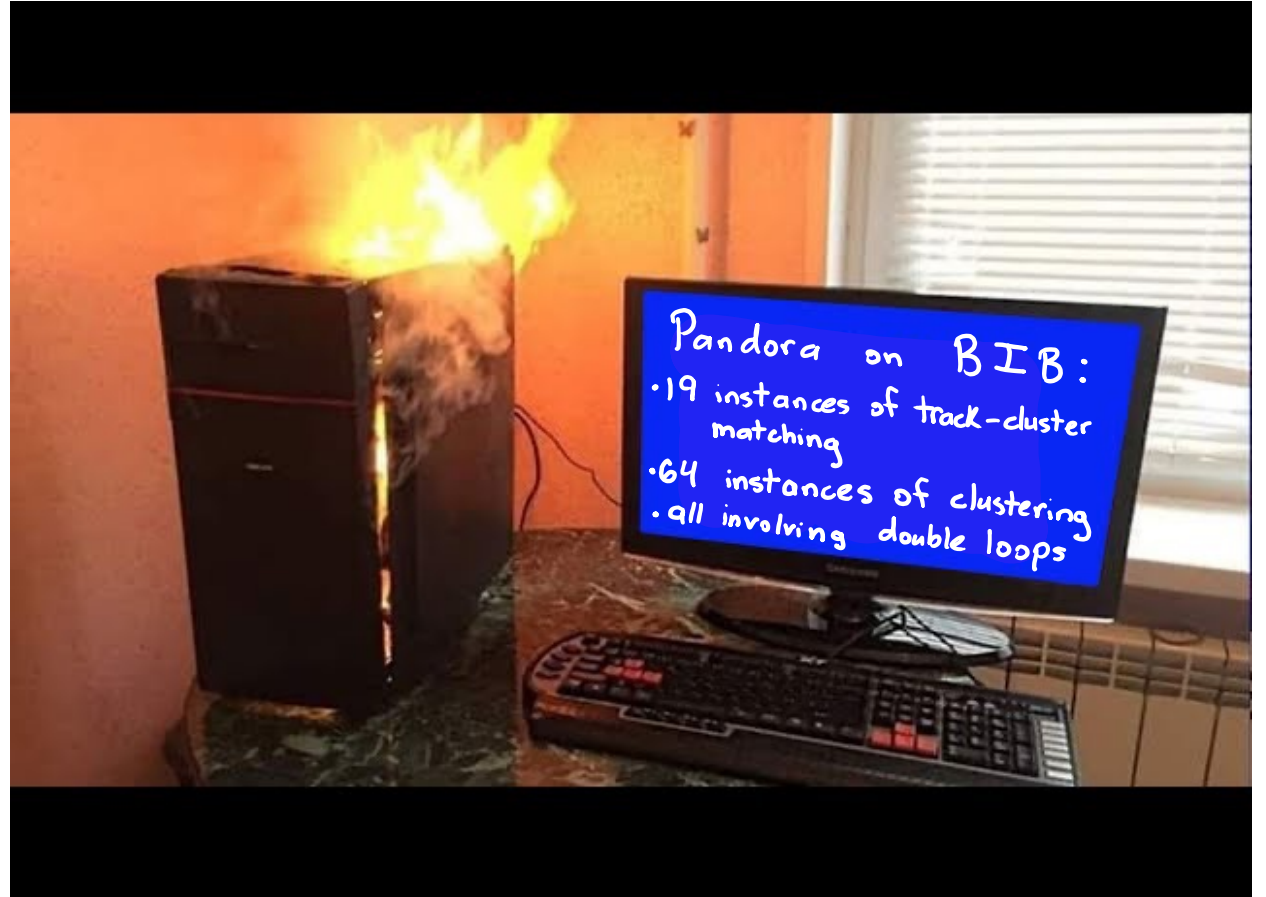
Potential  
MC study



① determines how many  $\chi_0$  of solenoid (A) particle traverses through (MAIA)

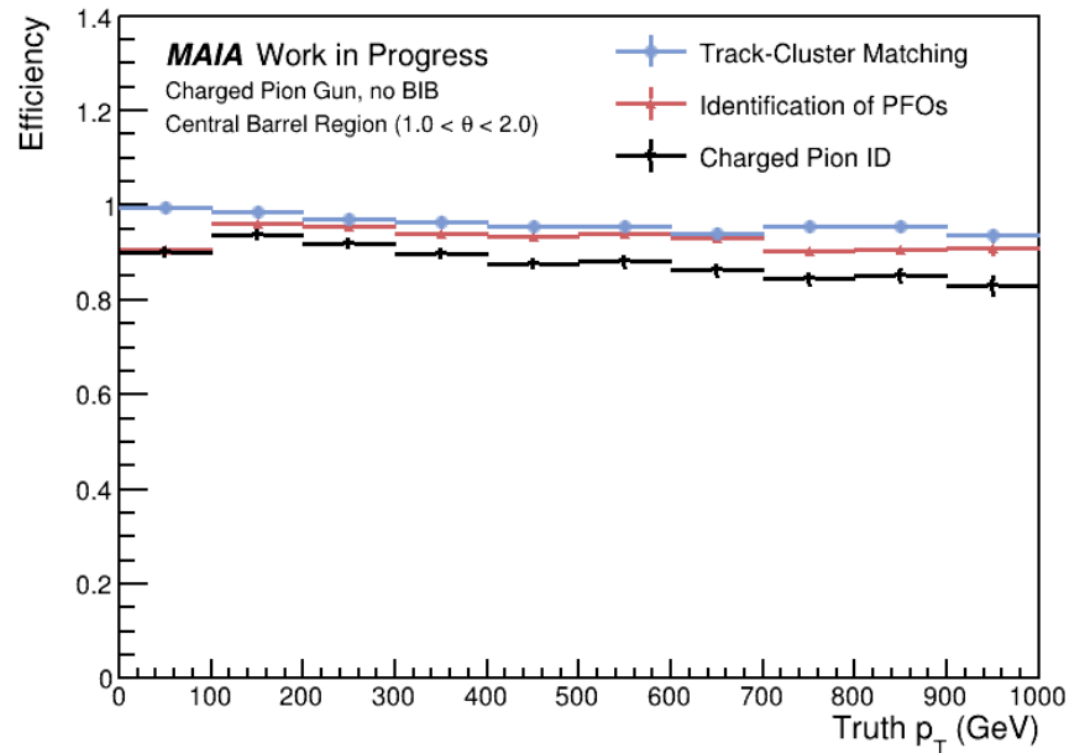
# $\mu\mu$ : Simplified Versions of Pandora

- It can take **1 day** to reconstruct a single event with BIB using Pandora
- Increasing effort to run with a subset of Pandora algorithms
- Main benefit: can lead to  **$\sim 10x$  speed-up** with BIB

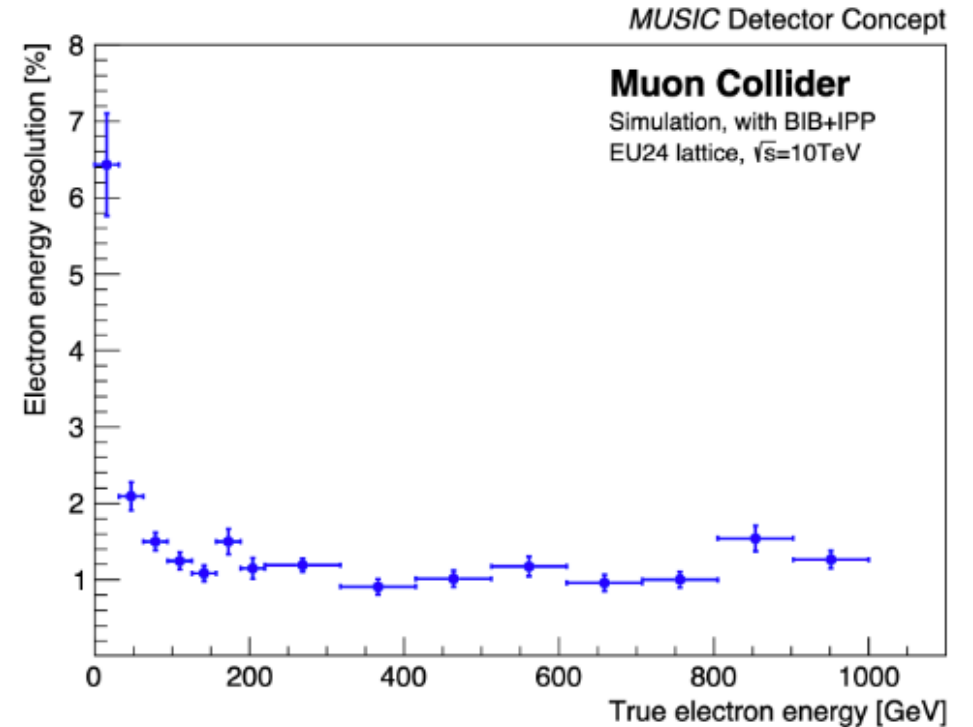
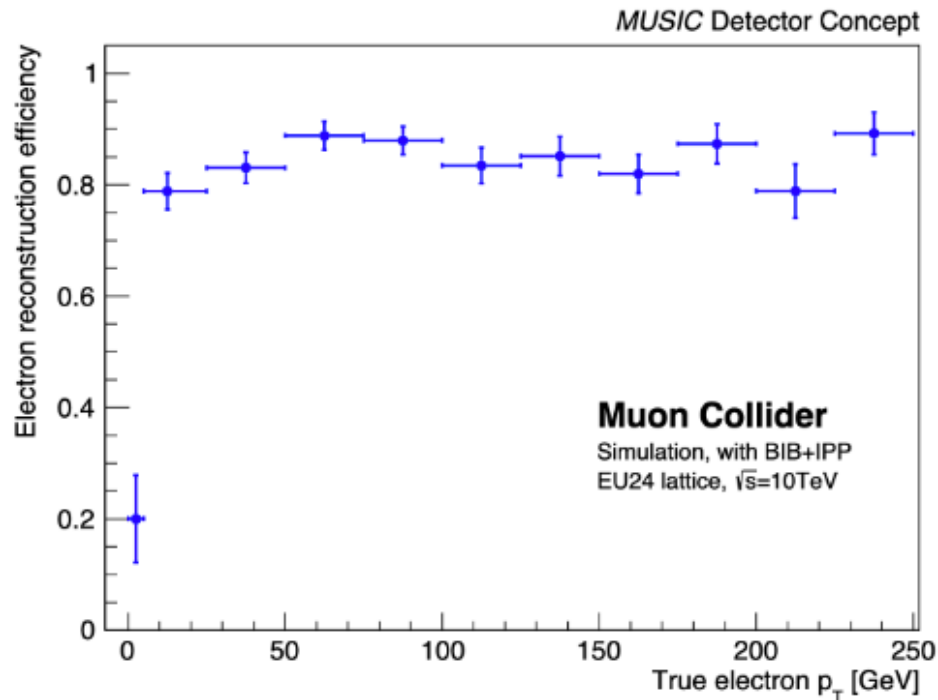
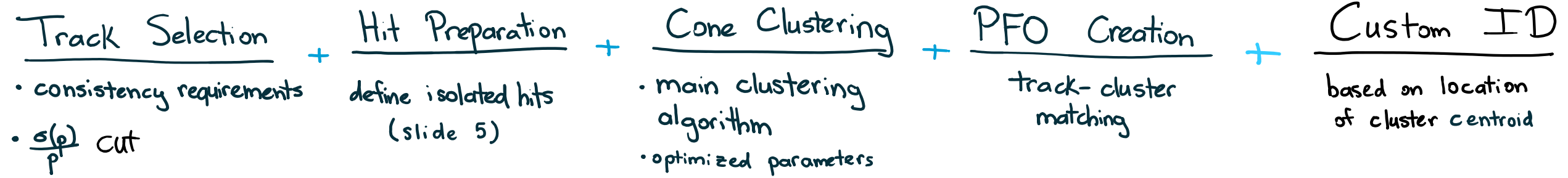


# Simplified Pandora: Charged Pions (MAIA)

- Track Selection + Hit Preparation + Cone Clustering + Resolve Track Associations + PFO Identification
- consistency requirements
  - $\frac{s(p)}{p}$  cut
- define isolated hits
- main clustering algorithm
- $\chi^2$ -based consistency between track, cluster
- track-cluster matching
  - basic ID algorithms



# Simplified Pandora: Electrons (MUSIC)

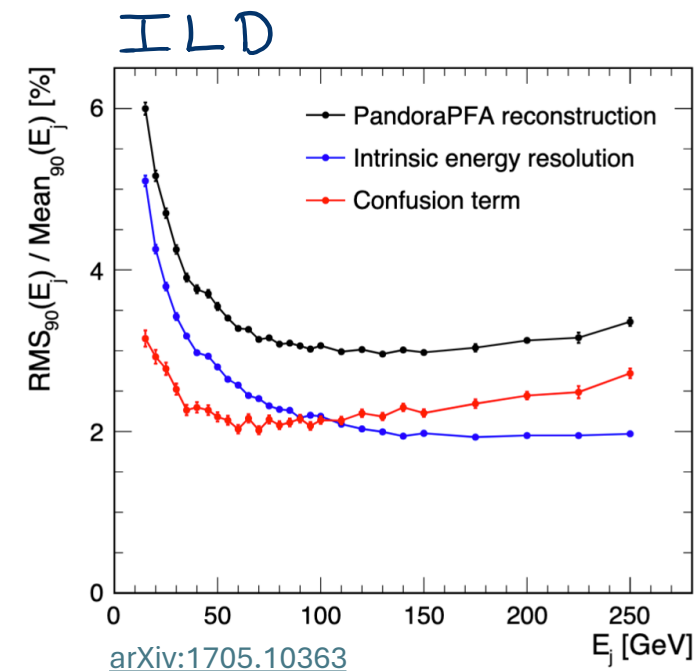


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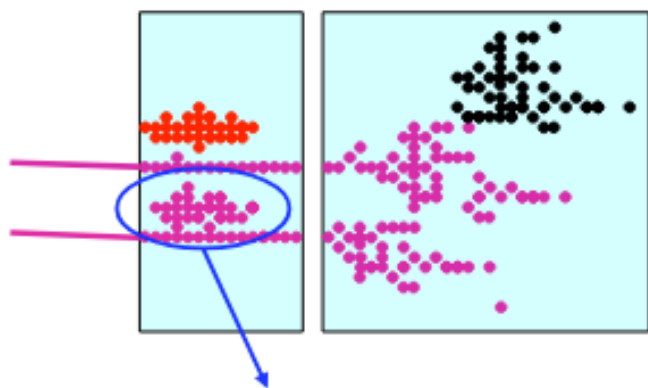
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for any Particle Flow  
algorithm at a 10 TeV  
 $\mu^+\mu^-$  Collider.

# Interpretation of PFlow Performance

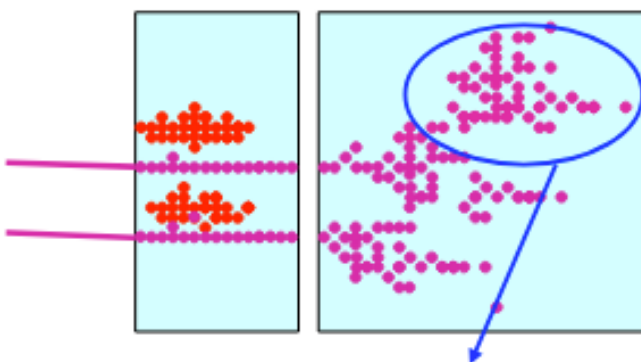
- Particle flow performance parameterized into two components:
  - Intrinsic energy resolution
  - Confusion term
- Confusion dominates particle flow performance at high jet energies
  - Separation of particles within jet decreases
- *Poses challenge for  $\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV } \mu\mu$  collider!*



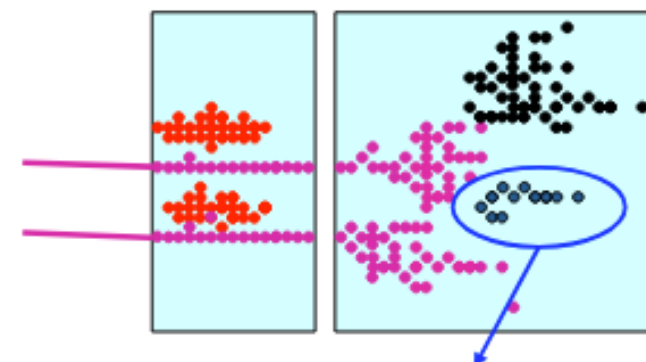
## Types of confusion



Failure to resolve photons



Failure to resolve neutral hadrons



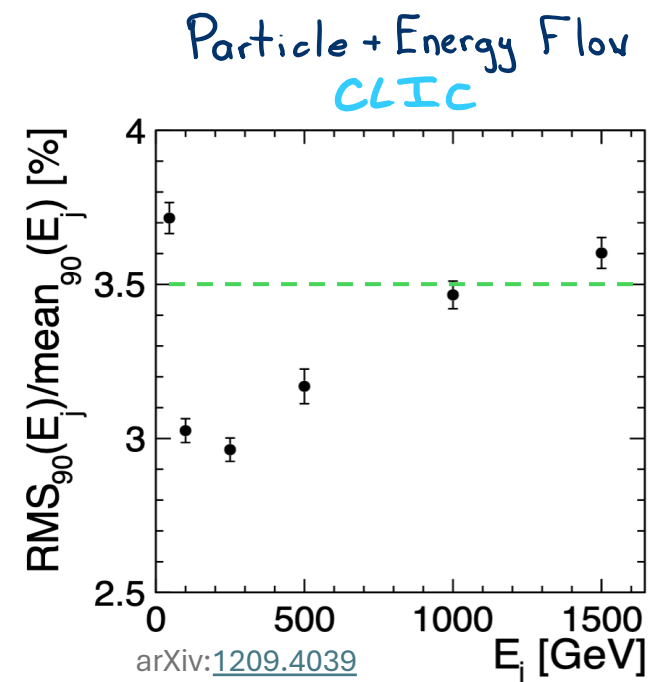
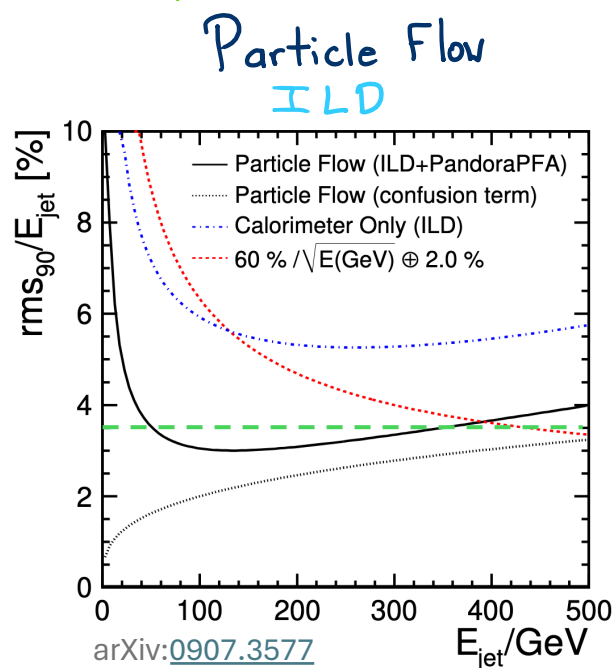
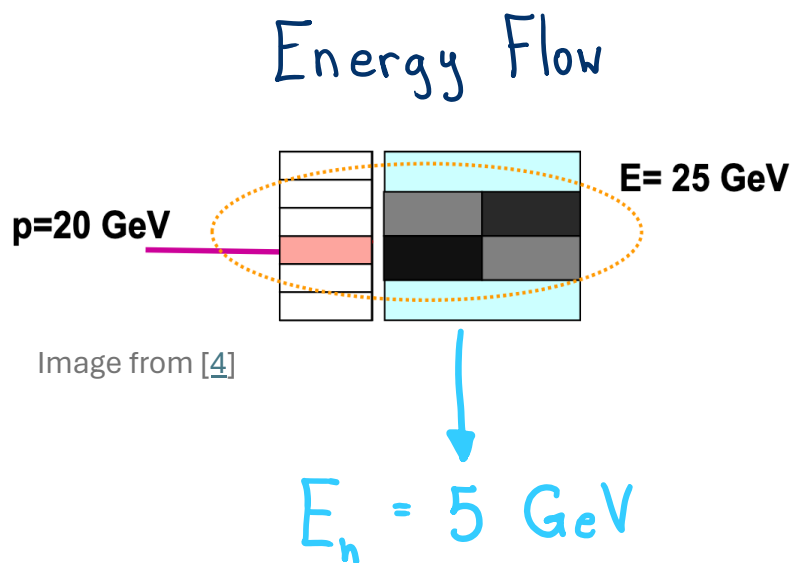
Reconstruct fragments as separate neutral hadrons



# Confusion term: CLIC

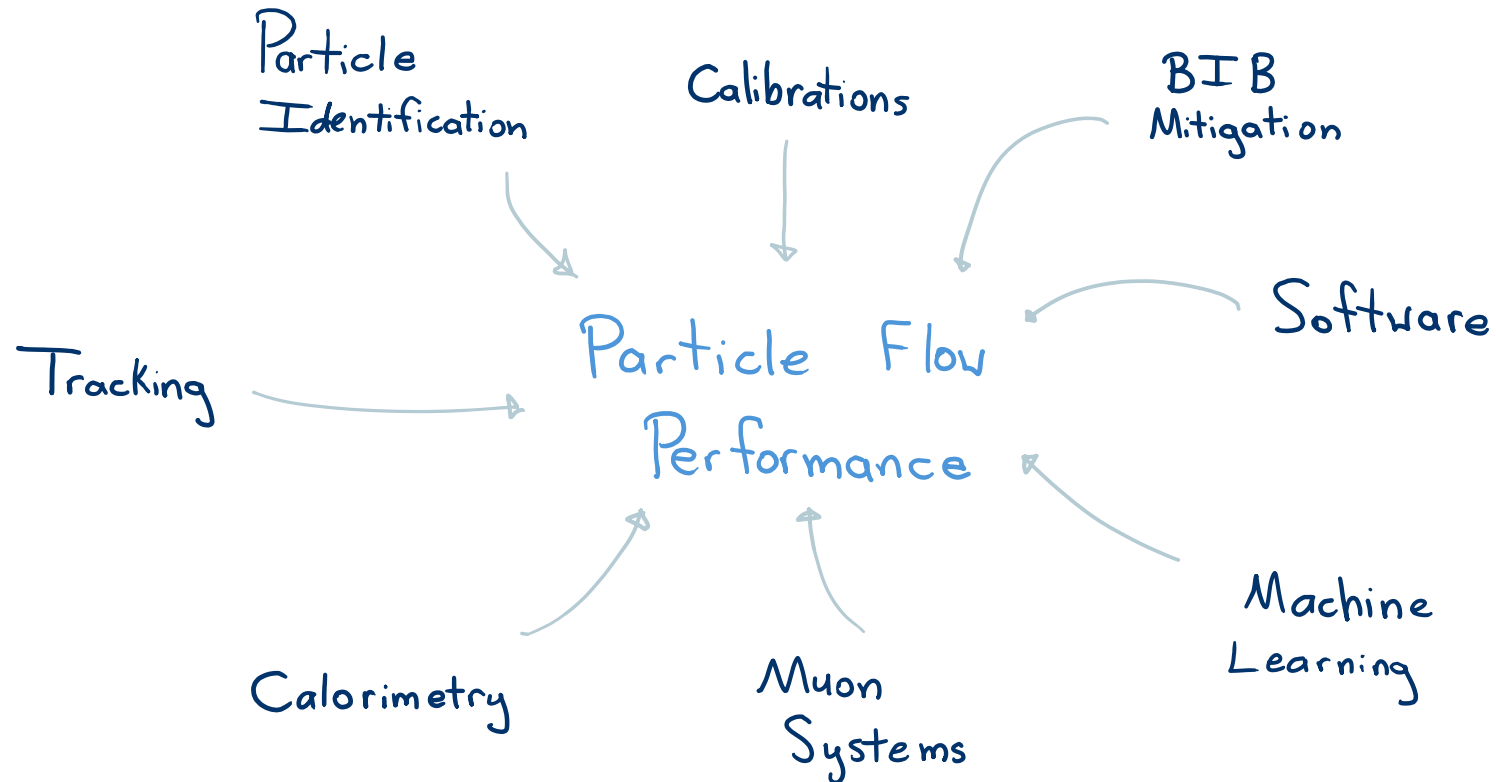
MAIA example in backup

- Confusion term has been studied at CLIC ( $\sqrt{s} = 3 \text{ TeV}$ )
- Solution:** Transition from particle flow to **energy flow**
  - Neutral hadrons identified as excesses of energy, *not directly reconstructed*
- At what  $E_{jet}$  scale do we become dominated by the confusion term? \* Potential  $\mu C$  study
- Will a transition to energy flow help? \* Potential  $\mu C$  study
- Do we have to rely on high-momentum tracking? \* Potential  $\mu C$  study



# Outlook

- Pandora is an excellent starting tool, but needs significant re-thinking to operate under BIB environment
- Physics goal for in  $\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV } \mu\mu$  collider: Study of 4-5 TeV W / Z / H
  - *Boosted topology  $\rightarrow$  narrow, overlapping jets  $\rightarrow$  challenging environment for any particle flow algorithm*
- Optimal performance comes from combining efforts across many fronts



# Backup

# Pandora: Links to Code

- Event preparation:
  - Track selection ([code](#))
  - Calorimeter hit selection ([code](#))
- Clustering:
  - Fast photon clustering and ID ([code](#))
  - Cone clustering ([code](#))
  - Topological cluster merging ([code](#))
  - Reclustering ([code](#))
  - Photon recovery ([code](#))
  - Fragment Removal ([code](#))
- PFO Identification:
  - Electrons ([code](#))
  - Photons ([code](#))
  - Muons ([code](#))
- Rough instructions for local installation of Pandora ([link](#))

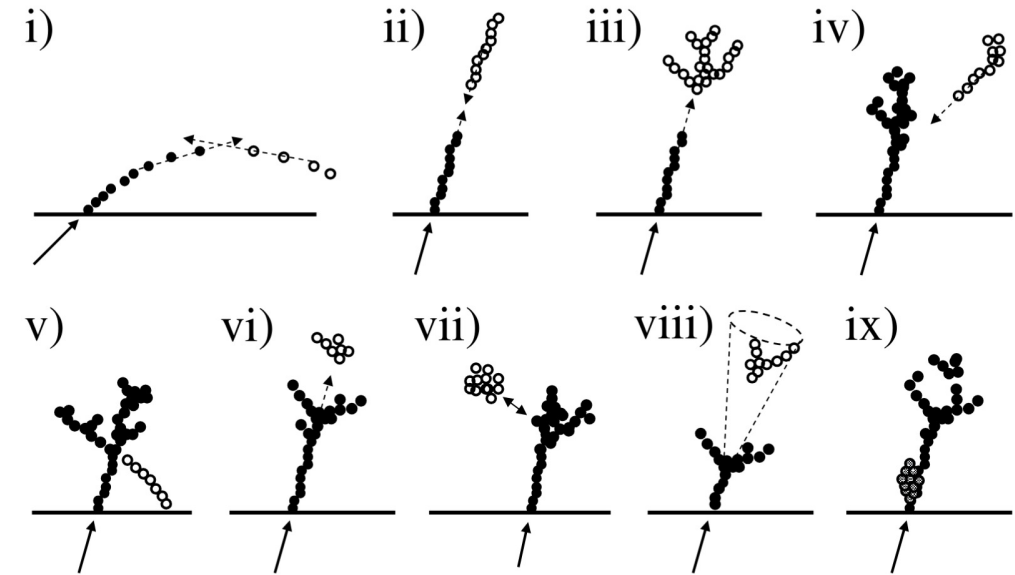
# Topological Cluster Merging Algorithms

- i) Looping track segments ([code](#))
- ii) Track segments with gaps ([code](#))
- iii, iv) Track segments pointing to hadronic showers
  - ([code1](#), [code2](#), [code3](#), [code4](#))
- v) Back-scattered tracks from hadronic showers ([code1](#), [code2](#))
- vi, vii) Neutral clusters nearby a charged shower ([code](#))
- viii) Cone association ([code](#))
- ix) Recovery of photons which overlap with track segment ([code](#))

**Not all should occur in MAIA or MUSIC!**

- E.g., no looping tracks in MAIA

## Topology-based cluster merging



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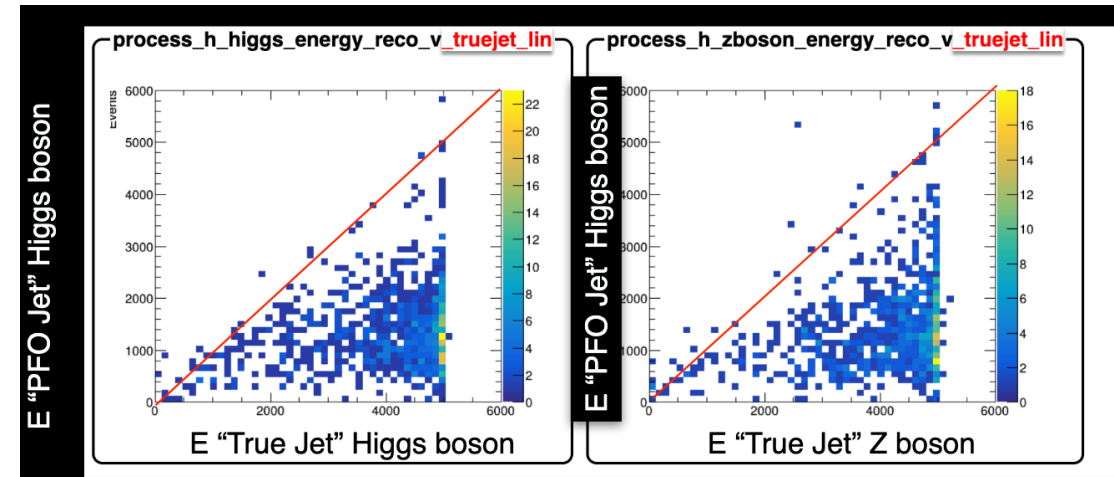
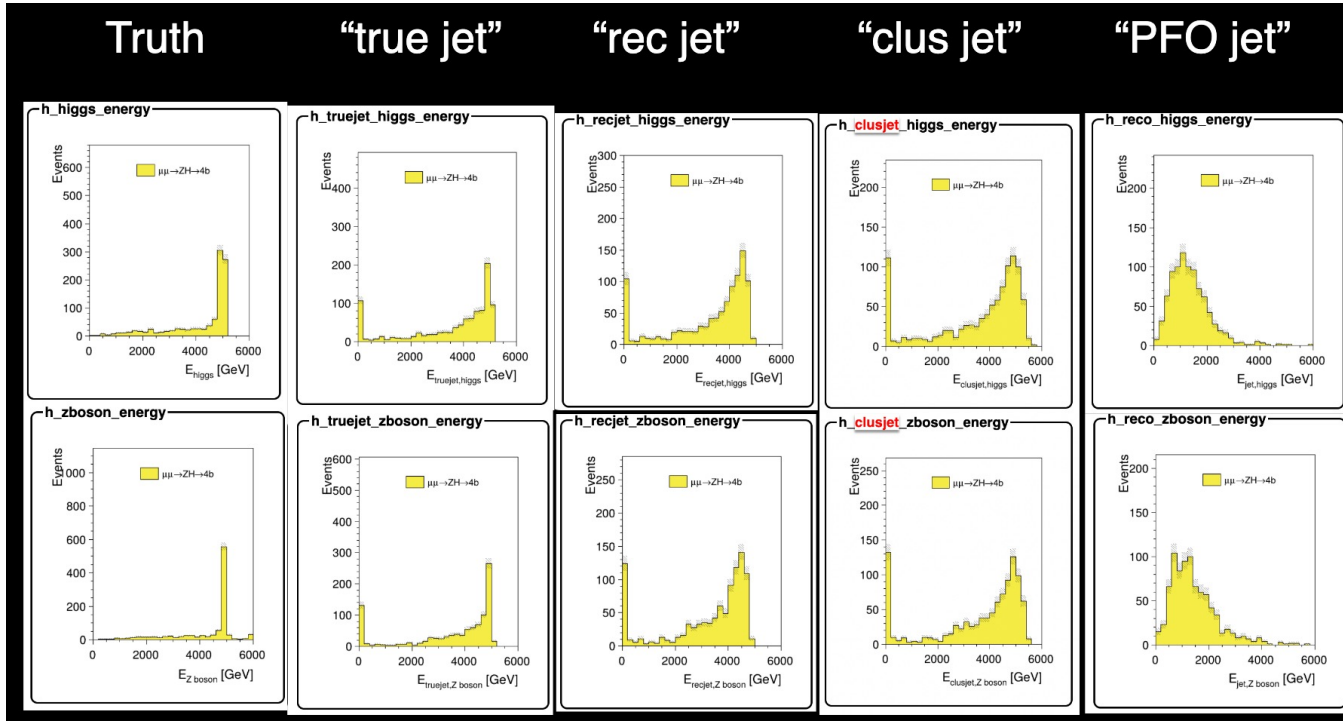
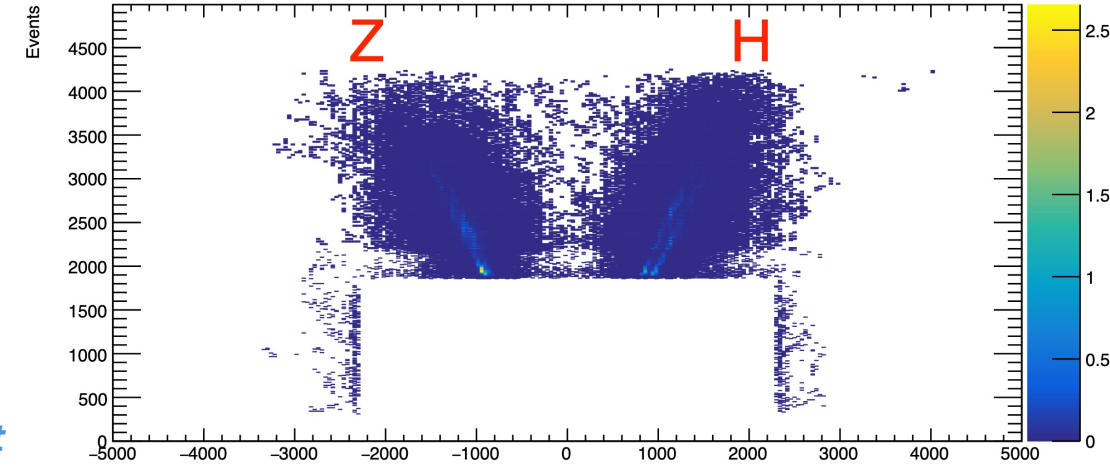
Arrows: Tracks

Filled dots: Hits in charged cluster

Open dots: Hits in neutral cluster

# Example of Confusion: MAIA

- $\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV } \mu^- \mu^+ \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4b$
- “True Jet”: Sum status = 1 particles within  $\Delta R < 0.8$  of H / Z
- “Rec Jet”: Sum of calorimeter hits within  $\Delta R < 0.8$  of H / Z
- “Clus jet”: Sum of Pandora clusters within  $\Delta R < 0.8$  of H / Z
- “PFO jet”: Sum of Pandora PFOs within  $\Delta R < 0.8$  of H / Z
- *Clear demonstration of Particle Flow confusion in our environment*



# High Momentum Tracking

- Particle flow relies on precise tracking measurement
- But tracking resolution decreases as a function of energy
- MAIA: With BIB, ECal (HCal) precision surpasses tracking at  $\sim 400$  GeV (3.4 TeV)
- *Does it make sense to always use the track as the measurement for charged PFOs? Other options?* \* Potential  $\mu$ C study

