

Charge Light Matching Implementation to SPINE

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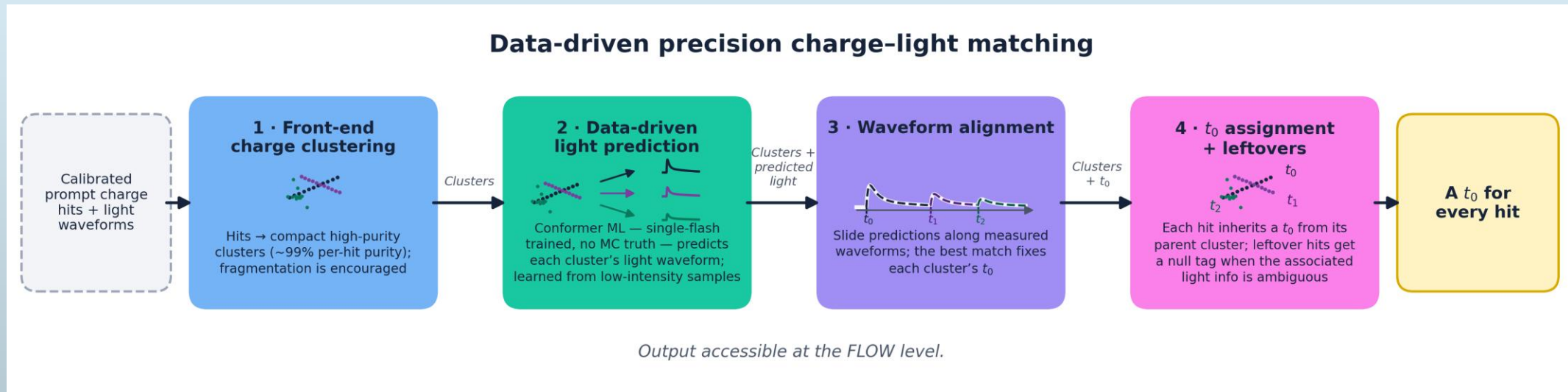


Outline

- Background intro about the clustering stage of charge-light matching (CL matching)
- Comparing clustering methods in SPINE and CL matching
- Conclusion and how time info may come into SPINE

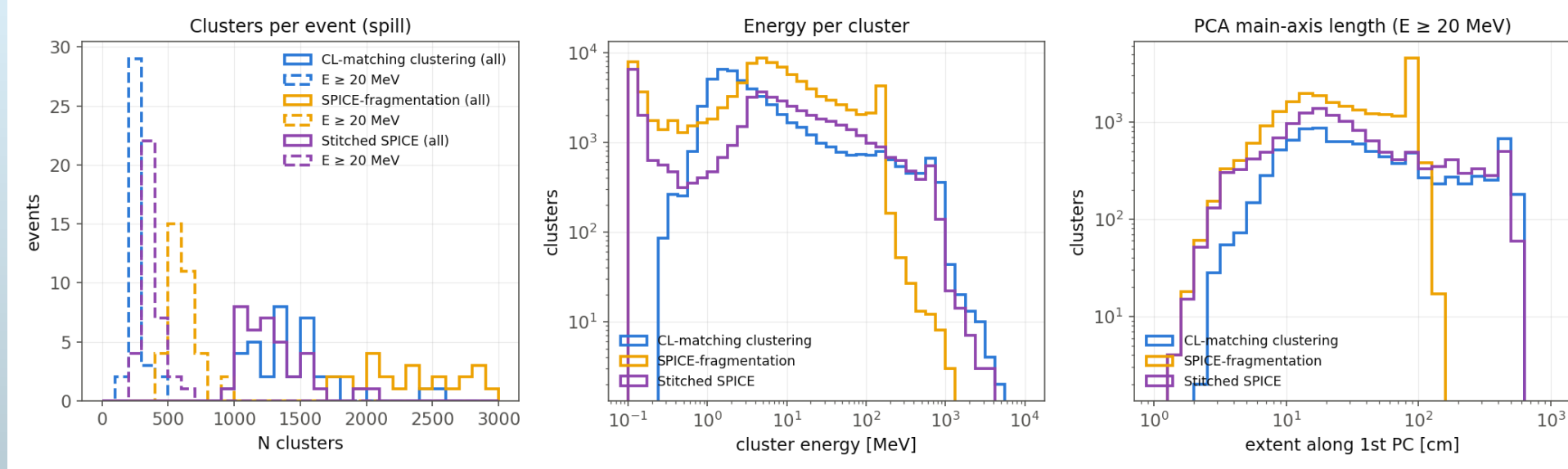
Background introduction

- Charge light matching relies on a front-end clustering to perform Ransac tracking + DBSCAN SCAN + cross-TPC stitching (no MC_truth involved)
light readout has coarse spatial resolution → group charge hits until each cluster emits enough light to match reliably — cluster scale set by the *light* resolution, not the charge
- Spine have something similar, the SPICE fragmentation.
- Question: We can use SPICE directly, the workflow could be much more elegant to avoid “fragmenting two times”?



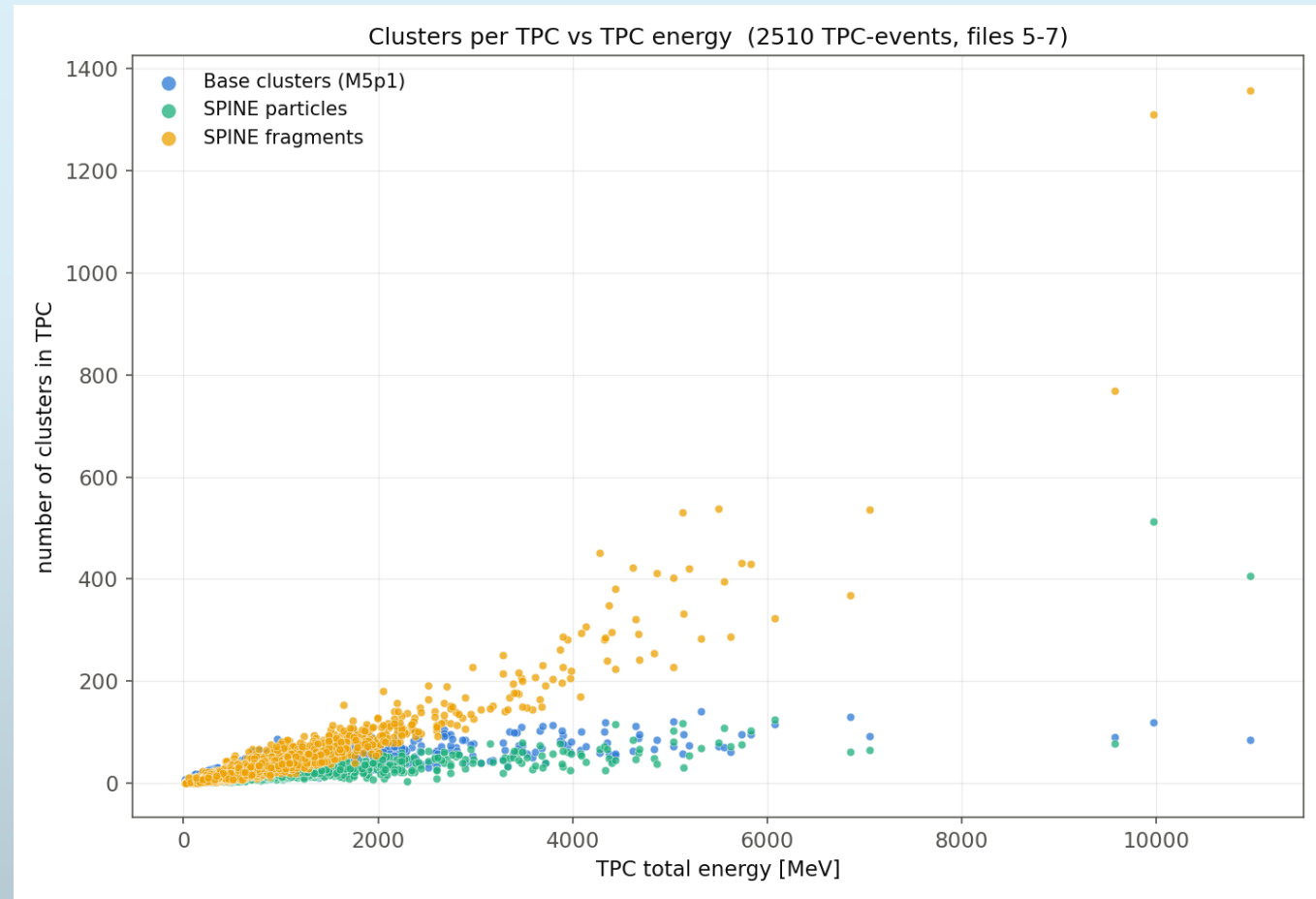
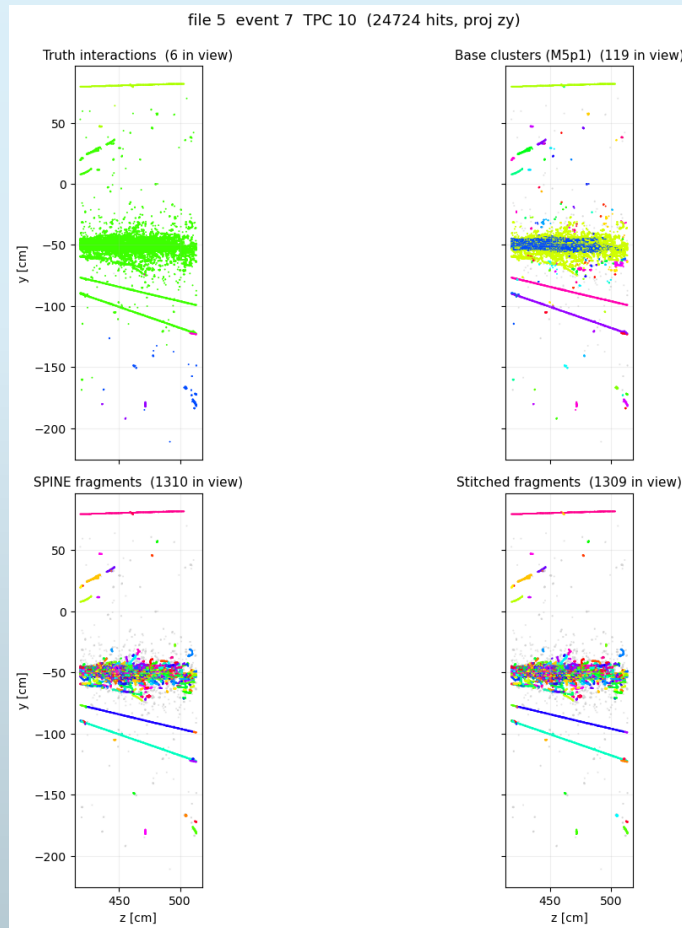
Comparing SPINE clusters vs. charge-light matching

- Comparing the charge-light matching clusters vs. SPINE fragments/particles
- Way too many number of fragments in SPICE than in the current CL matching front-end
→ **Need some level of stitching**
- Note: 20.3% of the SPINE fragments have ≤ 2 hits (0.3% of energy)



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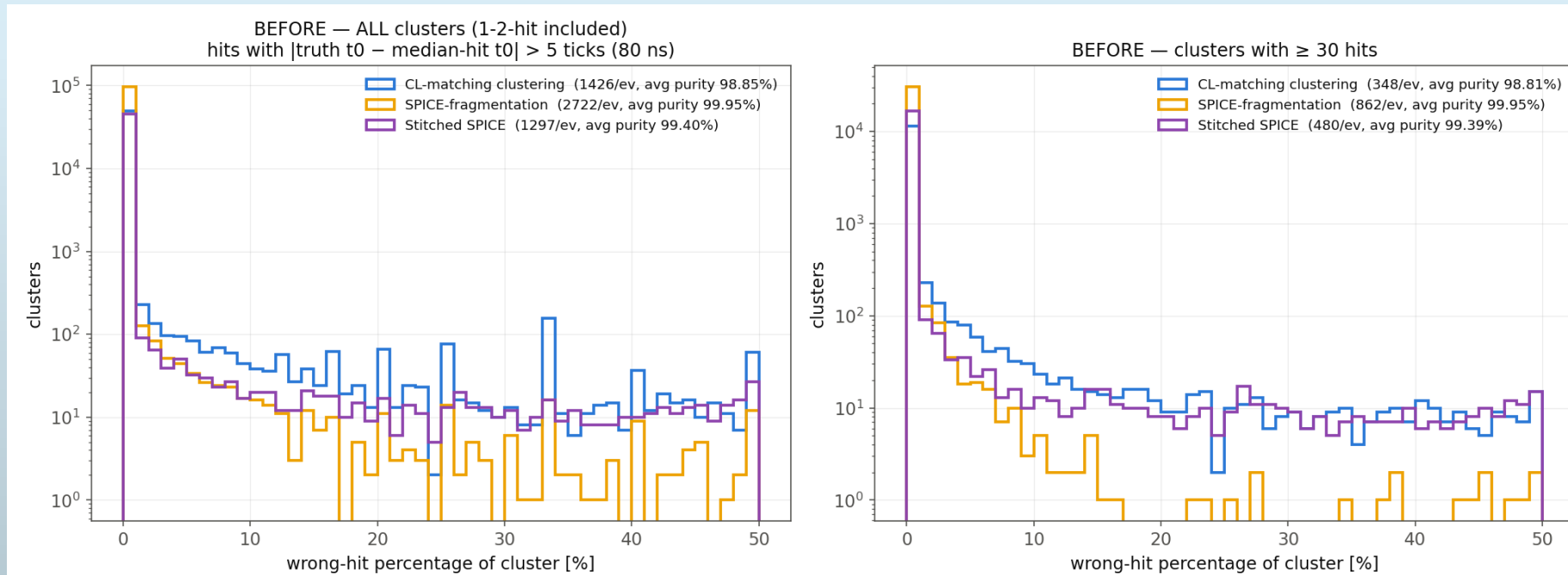
- Example showering TPC: SPINE fragments produces an overwhelmingly lot of clusters



Purity

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	CLM front-end	SPICE-frag	Stitched SPICE-frag
Average Number of clusters / event	1427	2722	1297
avg energy-weighted purity	98.85%	99.95%	99.40%
Proportion of energy that are clustered	98.6%	93.9%	98.3%
total wrong hits	0.85%	0.05%	0.57%



Stitching needed

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 - median ~ 15 hits / 6 MeV, hard cutoff at the module boundary (~ 100 cm, ≤ 200 MeV), only 0.9% of clusters span TPCs; ~ 2700 objects per spill
- CL-matching clustering follows the same purity-first ethic, but with
 1. Some level of lower bound (< 3 hits $\rightarrow$ not clustered) to guarantee that enough light is produced by this cluster to make sure there is incident photon.
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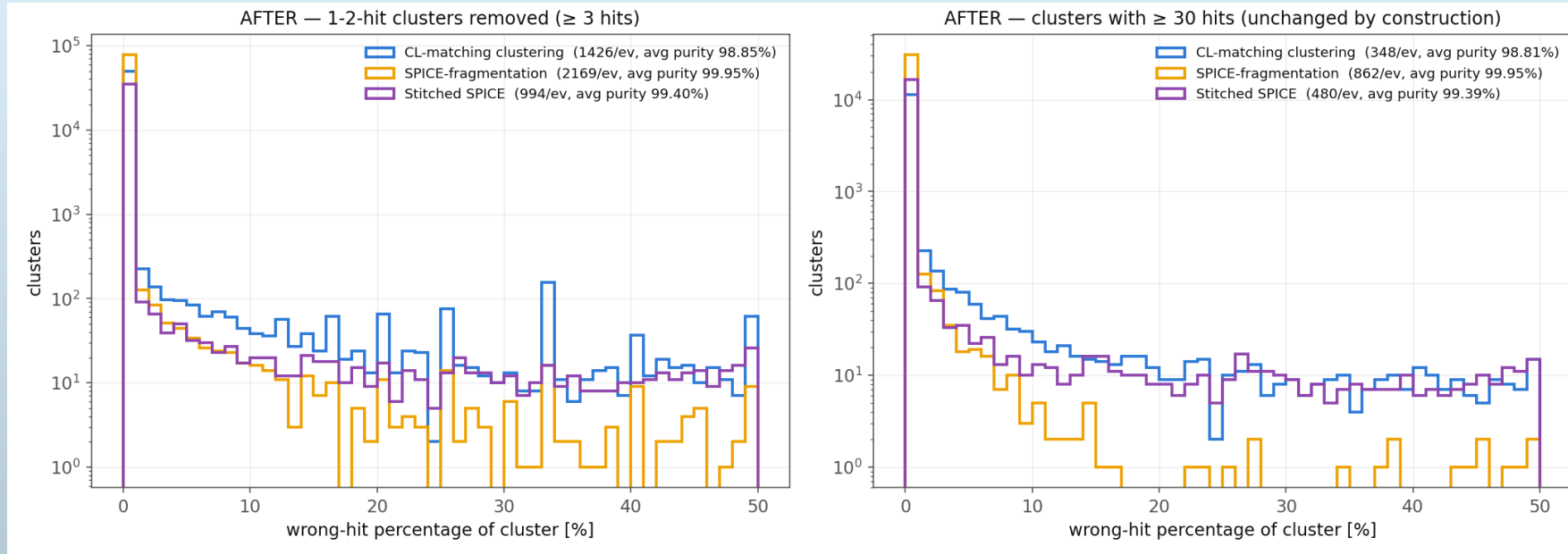
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- What if we tried to stitch SPICE a little?
 1. tracks — collinear chaining: join fragment ends across module boundaries
 2. showers — density-peak aggregation (per TPC): fragment centroids weighted by energy; local density peaks = shower cores, every other fragment attaches to its nearest-higher-density neighbor
 3. left-over low energy hits: perform a left-over DBSCAN for the low energy hits and others

Purity

- After stitching, the Avg Purity are similar between Stitched SPICE-frag and CLM front-end

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Average Number of clusters / event	1427	2722	1297
avg energy-weighted purity	98.85%	99.95%	99.40%
Avg purity	99.36%	99.93%	99.64%
Avg Purity excluding clusters with ≤ 2 hits	99.36%	99.92%	99.53%
Proportion of energy that are clustered	98.6%	93.9%	98.3%



Implementing the stitched SPICE

- If we directly replace the current front-end clustering with SPINE fragments (basically SPICE output), would the performance of charge-light matching degrade too much?
- Note: in the future release version, we are thinking of allowing spatially ambiguous hits remain without any t_0 assignment since their t_0 can be assigned from whatever spatial decisions are made by later

metric	Front-end clustering	SPINE fragments + stitcher
energy efficiency	95.10%	94.15%
hit efficiency	95.37%	94.51%
backbone eff / energy share	98.26% / 70.3%	97.48% / 76.3%
non-shower TPC total eff	95.81%	95.13%
wall time/(2 events)	320 s	349 s

How to put into SPINE?

- The possibility of using Stitched- SPICE to replace front-end exists, but with weaker performance.
- Routes to implement into SPINE:
 1. Using Stitched – SPICE as a front-end, and run charge-light matching inside SPINE. For others who wants this info at flow level, just fill the value back to the flow files after the run.
 2. Keep the current charge-light matching, but integrate it into the SPINE after the SPICE stage by assigning each spice fragments a most probable reconstructed time (potentially just split the cluster if needed) and clusterid information, then proceed to further stages with this new information added

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Potential concerns in separating SPICE clusters

- One thing that could be done is that we ask charge-light matching to split a SPICE cluster into two whenever a SPICE fragment contains conflicting t0 assignment (or even conflicting charge-light matching clustering ids) from hits.
- Braking fragments to insist unique cluster id per fragment is likely the optimal way to carry out all the information from charge-light matching. This is especially important:
 - Two fragments with the same t0 but also the same clusterID, it knew that this might not be highly reliable as it could be just the charge-light matching incorrectly clustered things together at the front-end.
 - If t0 is the same but clusterID is different, than the association shall be considered strong.

splitting rule	extra pieces/event	fragments after	increase
Original fragmentation	0	2722	0
t0 conflict only (>5 ticks)	+32.4	2,746	+1.19%
any CLM cluster-id conflict	+362.2	3,076	+13.35%

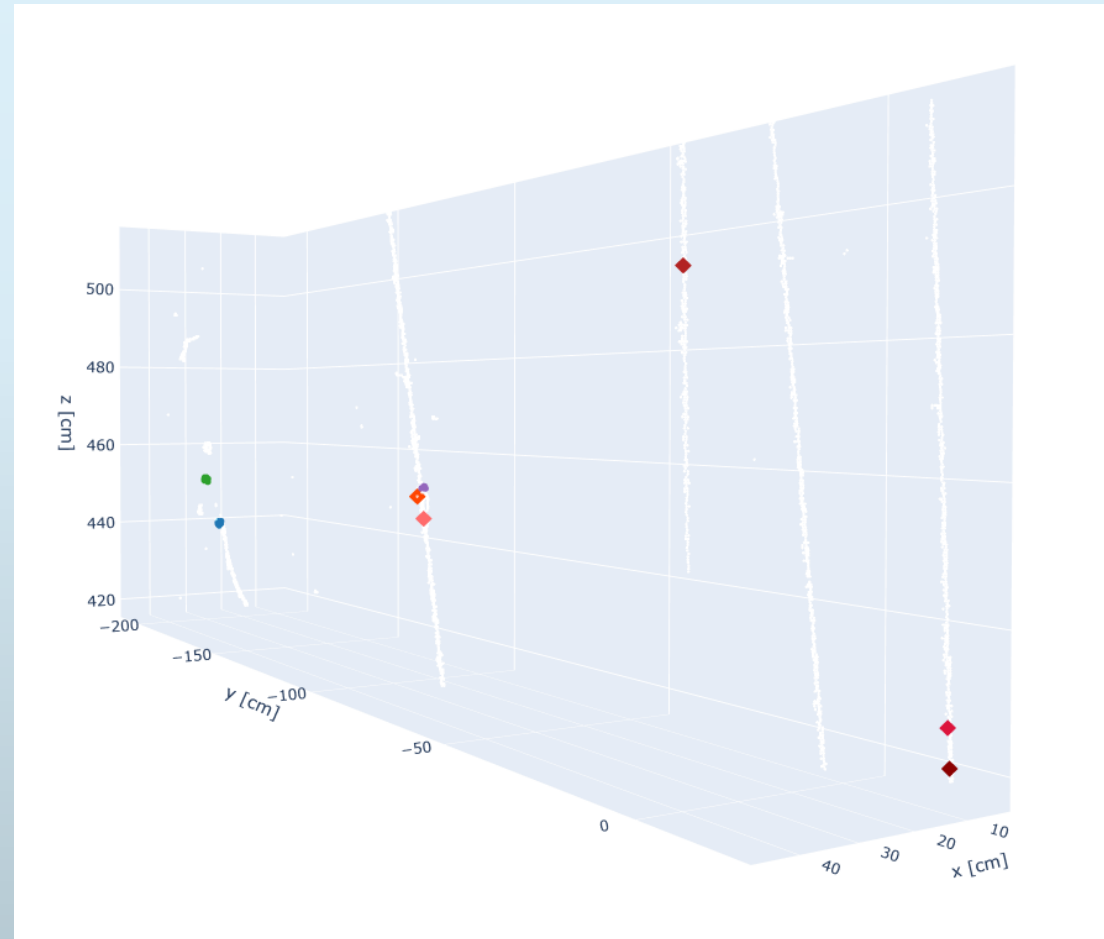
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- Figure out someday to implement charge-light matching without destroying the high purity nature of SPICE

Appendix: how the stitching happens

Looking closely at SPINE things

- A lot of these very small (ultra-low energy clusters = $<1\text{MeV}$ of energy) are just next to a track
- Diamond represent clusters $<1\text{MeV}$
- Colored are clusters $< 5\text{MeV}$



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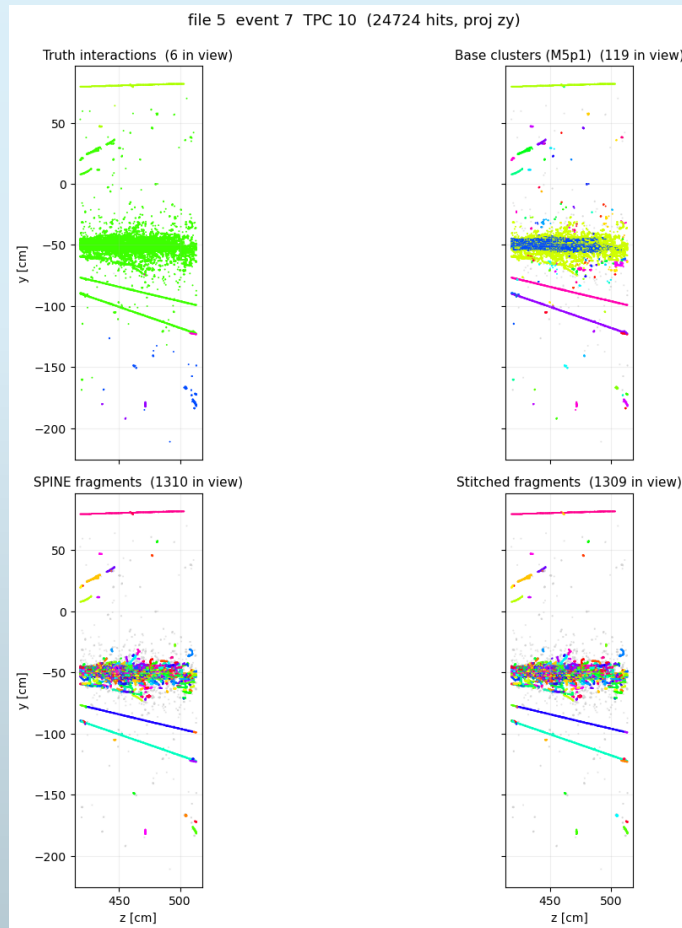
Absorbing clusters to track

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- If we allow track radius to be 3 times as much and absorb immediate ultra=low energy clusters to join:

	count	share
tiny ($<1\text{ MeV}$) clusters total	20,900	581/event
absorbed into 3R track cylinders	13,322	63.7% (54.3% by energy)
not absorbed	7,578	36.3%

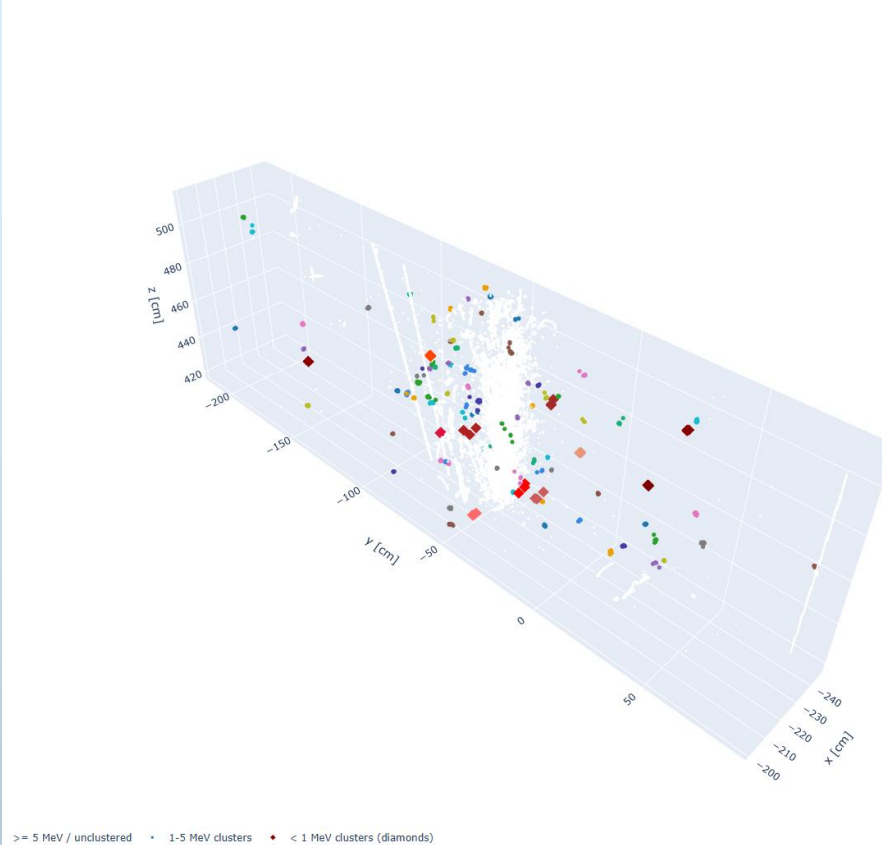
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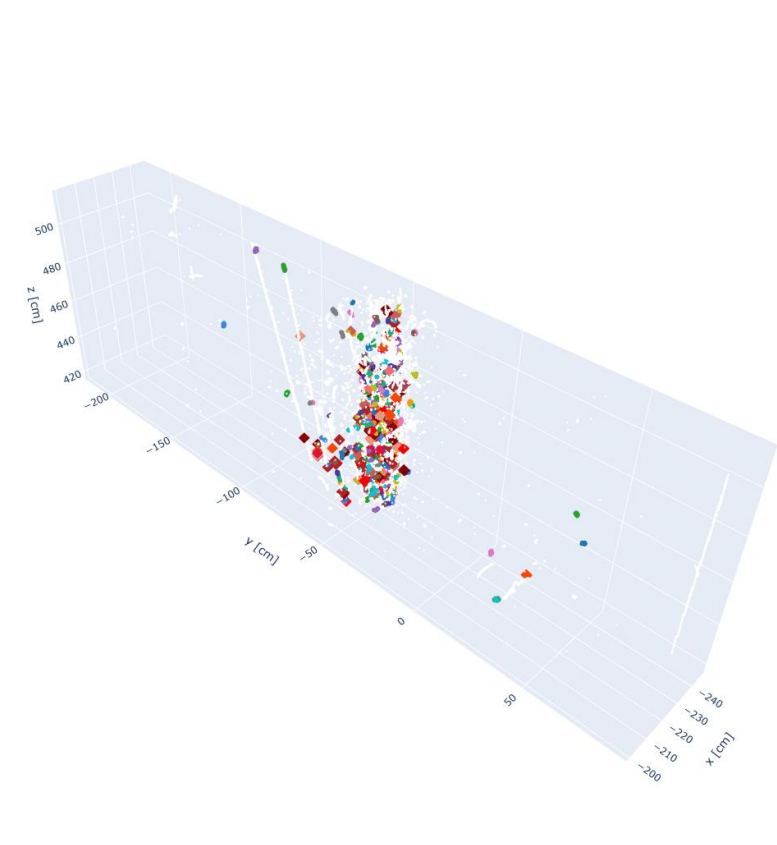


Low-energy cluster focus — file 5 event 7, TPC 10

Base clusters (M5p1) — 80 clusters 1-5 MeV, 11 clusters < 1 MeV

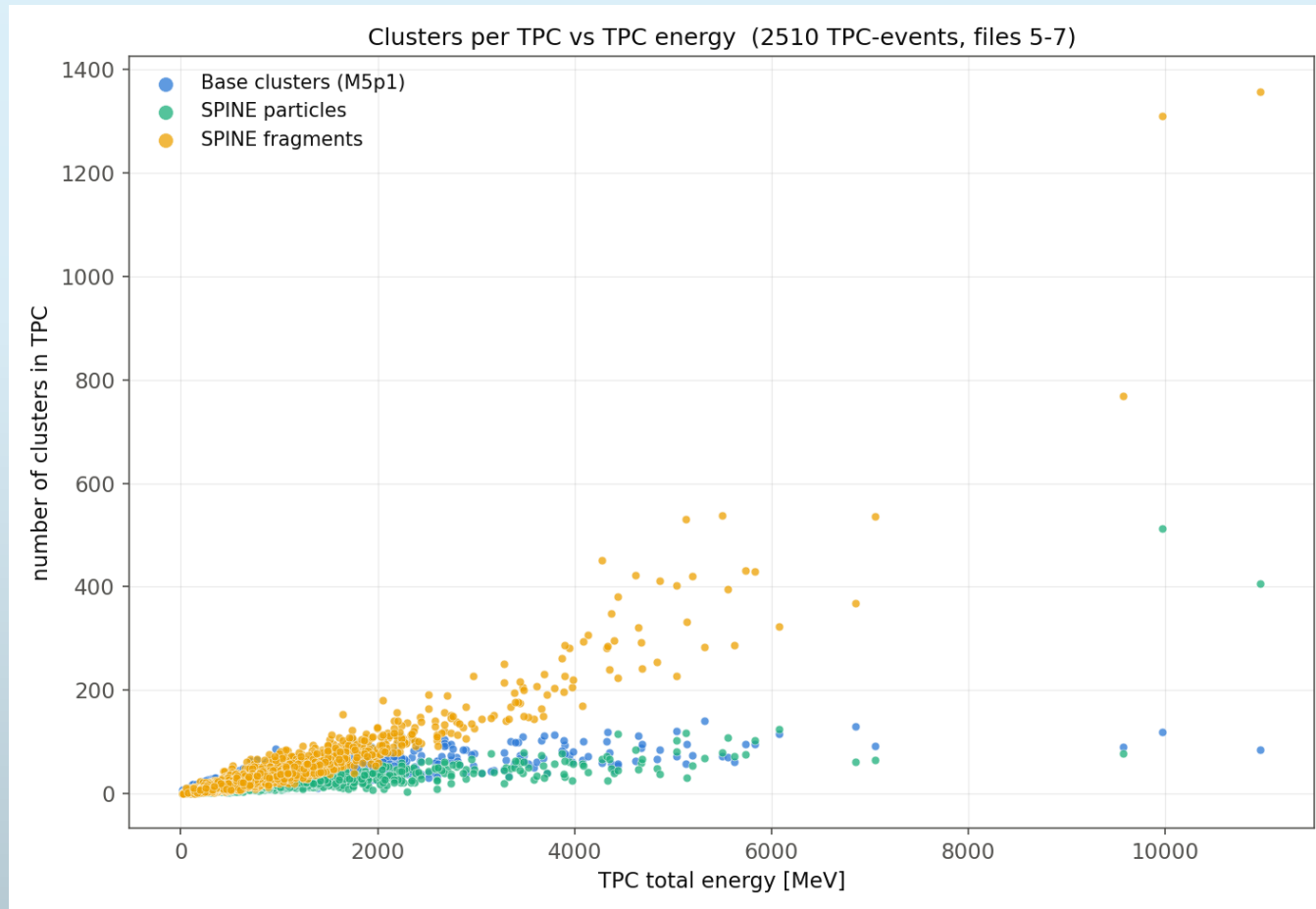


SPINE fragments — 495 clusters 1-5 MeV, 293 clusters < 1 MeV



Too many small clusters in showering TPC

- We will need to merge some of them before performing the charge-light matching analysis



Summary slides

- In either ways, we will need to do some level of SPICE-stitching such that the computation efficiency and accuracy is preserved