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## Probing hadronization with the charge correlator ratio in pp and Ru+Ru/Zr+Zr collisions at $\sqrt{s_{\mathrm{NN}}} = 200~\mathrm{GeV}$ at STAR

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Jet substructure observables can reveal details of the parton fragmentation and hadronization processes that create a jet. We measure a new substructure observable, the charge correlator ratio  $(r_c)$ , that characterizes the fraction of string-like fragmentation by distinguishing the charge signs of leading and subleading charged particles within jets. This can further our understanding of non-perturbative QCD and provide tests for phenomenological hadronization models. Moreover, by measuring  $r_c$  with jets created in heavy-ion collisions, we probe for potential modifications of the hadronization process due to the presence of the Quark Gluon Plasma.

We present the first fully corrected results of  $r_c$  at RHIC, in  $\sqrt{s}=200$  GeV pp collisions recorded by the STAR detector, and compare them with Monte Carlo predictions. Additionally, we present progress on the first measurement of  $r_c$  in heavy-ion collisions, with  $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}}=200$  GeV Ru+Ru and Zr+Zr collisions.

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