- Probing the parton shower and hadronization with novel jet substructure measurements in $\sqrt{s}=200~{\rm GeV}~pp$ collisions at STAR
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Jets are collimated sprays of final-state particles produced from initial high-momentum-transfer partonic scatterings in particle collisions. We present measurements of jet substructure observables with data from $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV pp collisions at STAR. To explore the interplay between different stages of the parton shower, we measure CollinearDrop jet mass and its correlation with SoftDrop groomed jet observables, the former of which has an enhanced sensitivity to the soft radiation within jets. These measurements are fully corrected for detector effects with a novel machine learning method, MultiFold, which preserves the correlations in the multi-dimensional observable phase space. To further our understanding of non-perturbative QCD and potentially provide tests for various phenomenological models for hadronization, we also measure the charge correlation ratio (r_c) with hadrons in jets. This observable characterizes the fraction of string-like fragmentation by distinguishing the charge signs of leading and subleading charged particles within jets.