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First Measurement of the Jet Charge in $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ pp Collisions at STAR

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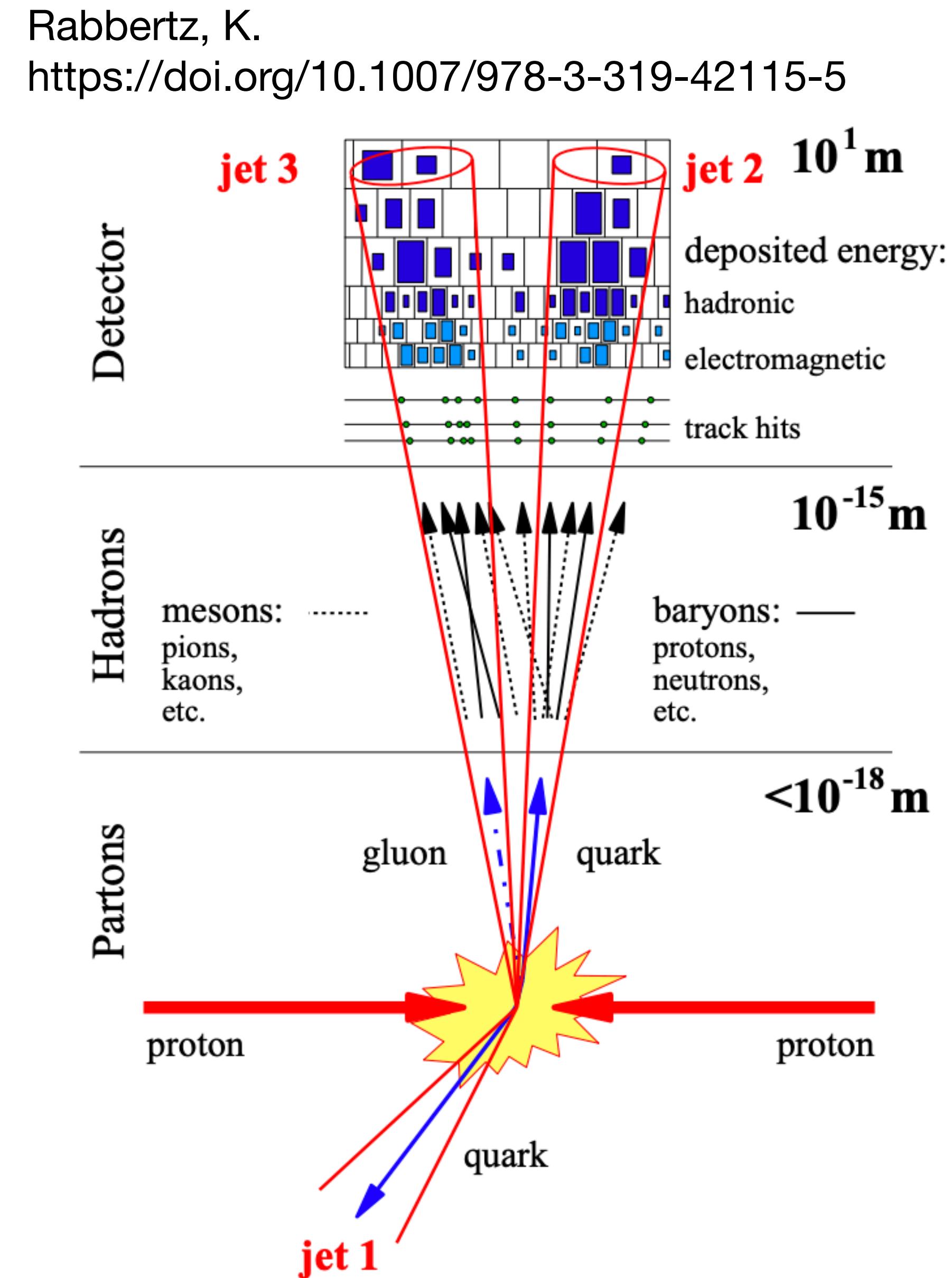
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Introduction: Jets

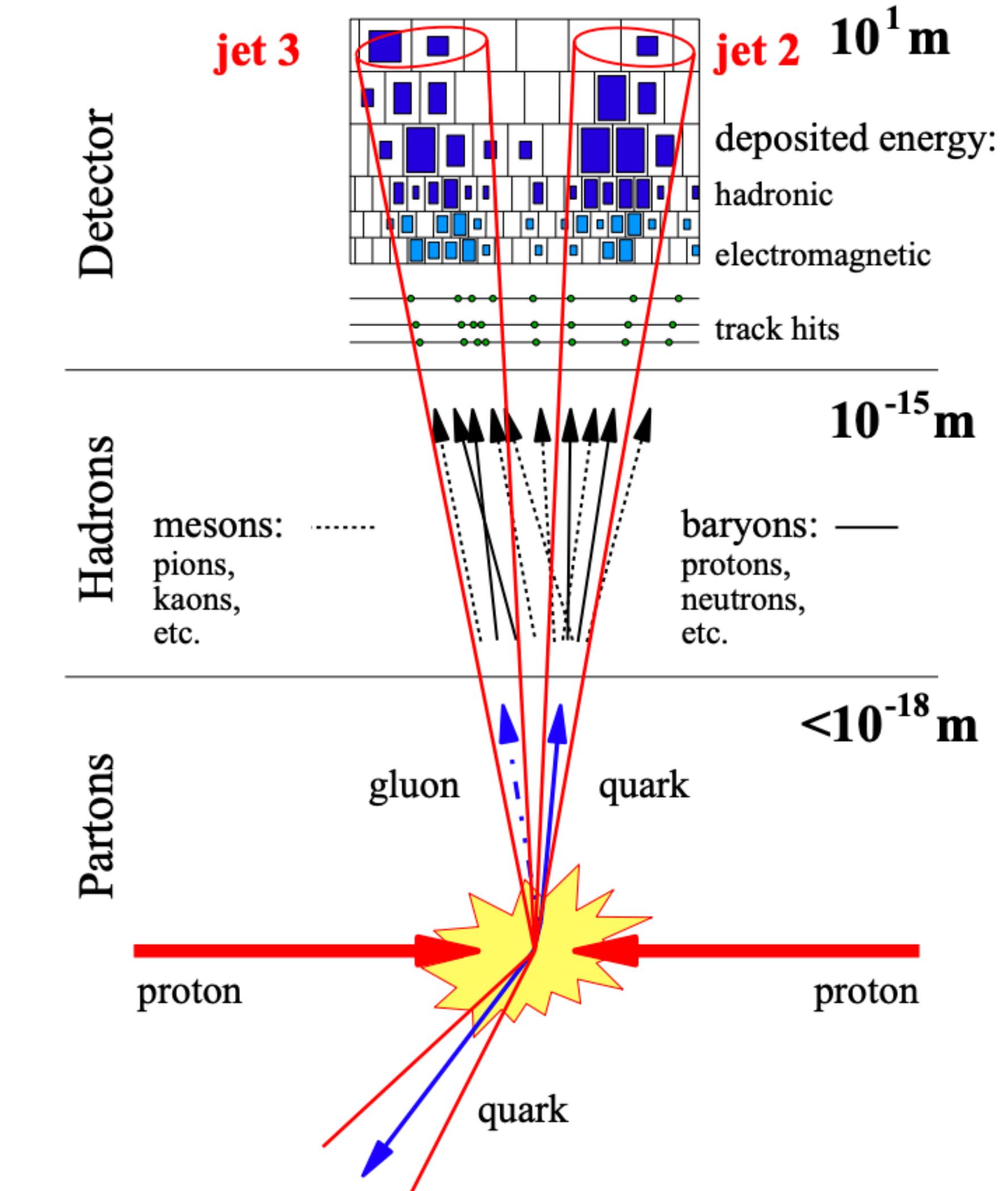
- Jets are collimated sprays of hadrons produced from hard scatterings of partons (quarks and gluons)
- Goal is to study the initiating parton that participates in this hard scattering
- Electric charge is conserved
 - Different partons have different charges
 - Total electric charge of a jet contains information about the initiating parton



Introduction: Jet Finding

- Need to connect experiment to theory
 - Theoretically and experimentally well-defined
- Toward a standardization of jet definitions Research directions for the decade pp 134-136
- FastJet provides jet finding algorithms: anti- k_T
 - Resolution parameter $R = 0.4$

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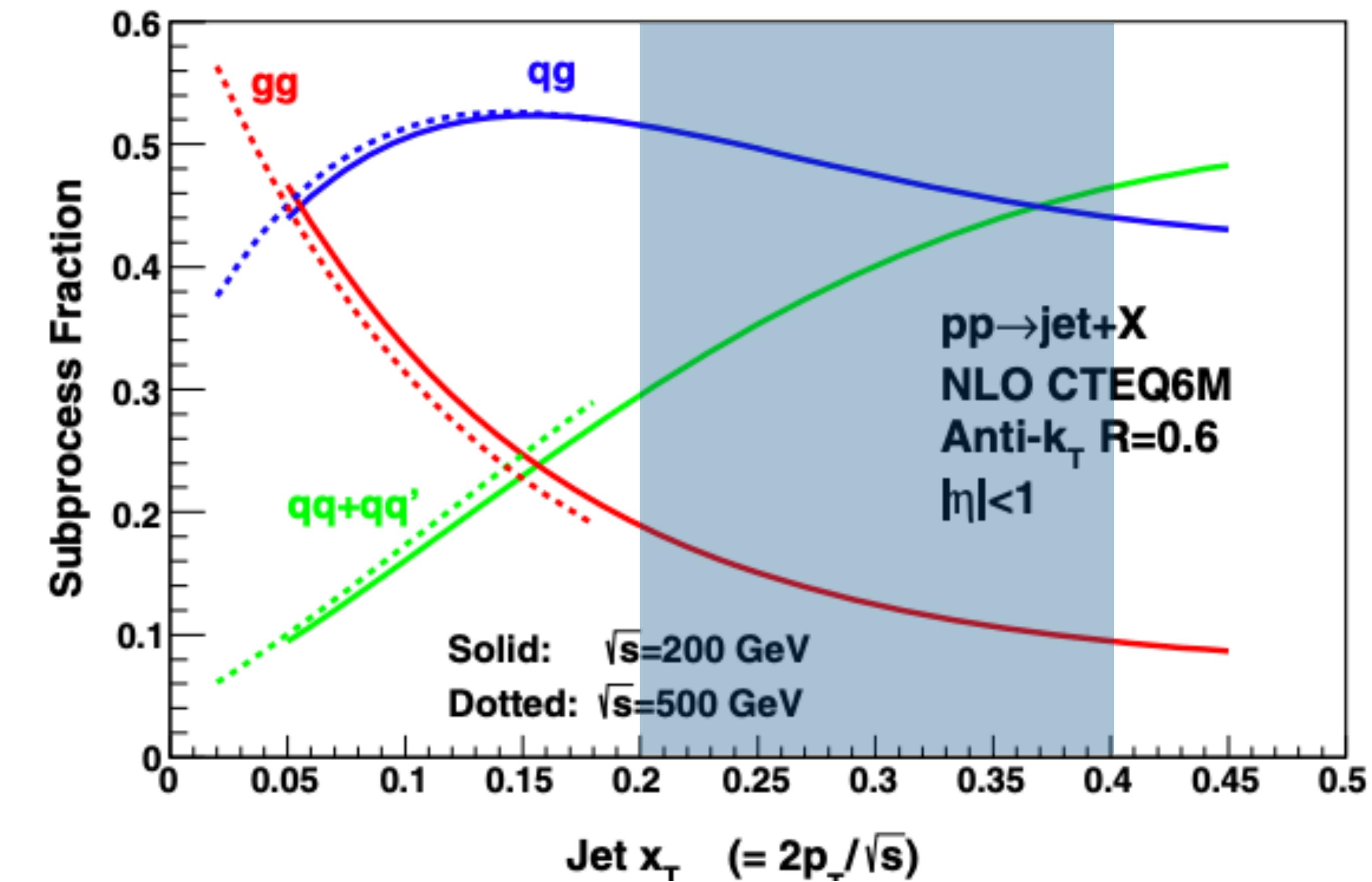


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Motivation

- Measure quark vs gluon fraction of jets in pp collisions to constrain theory
- The energy loss in AuAu collisions depends on the flavor of parton
- Jet charge is sensitive to the quark vs gluon fraction



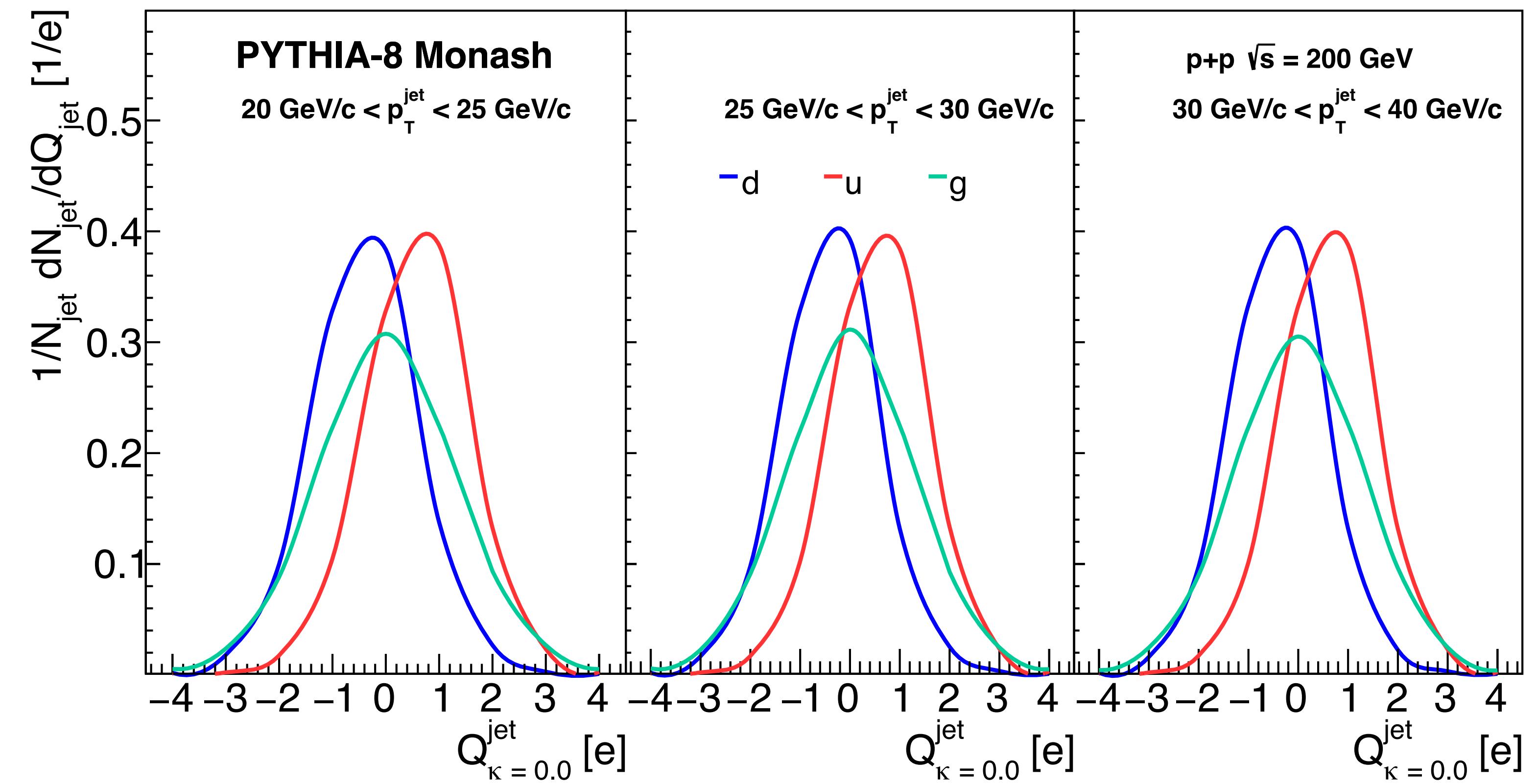
STAR Collaboration, Phys.Rev. D 100 (2019) no.5, 052005

(Weighted) Jet Charge

Charges
 Up: +2/3
 Down: -1/3
 Gluon: 0

- $$Q_K^i = \sum_{j \in jet} \left(\frac{p_T^j}{p_T^{jet}} \right)^K Q_j$$

- Choice of $\kappa = 0.0$
- $Q_{\kappa=0.0}^{jet}$
- Study change in quark vs gluon fraction as function of jet p_T

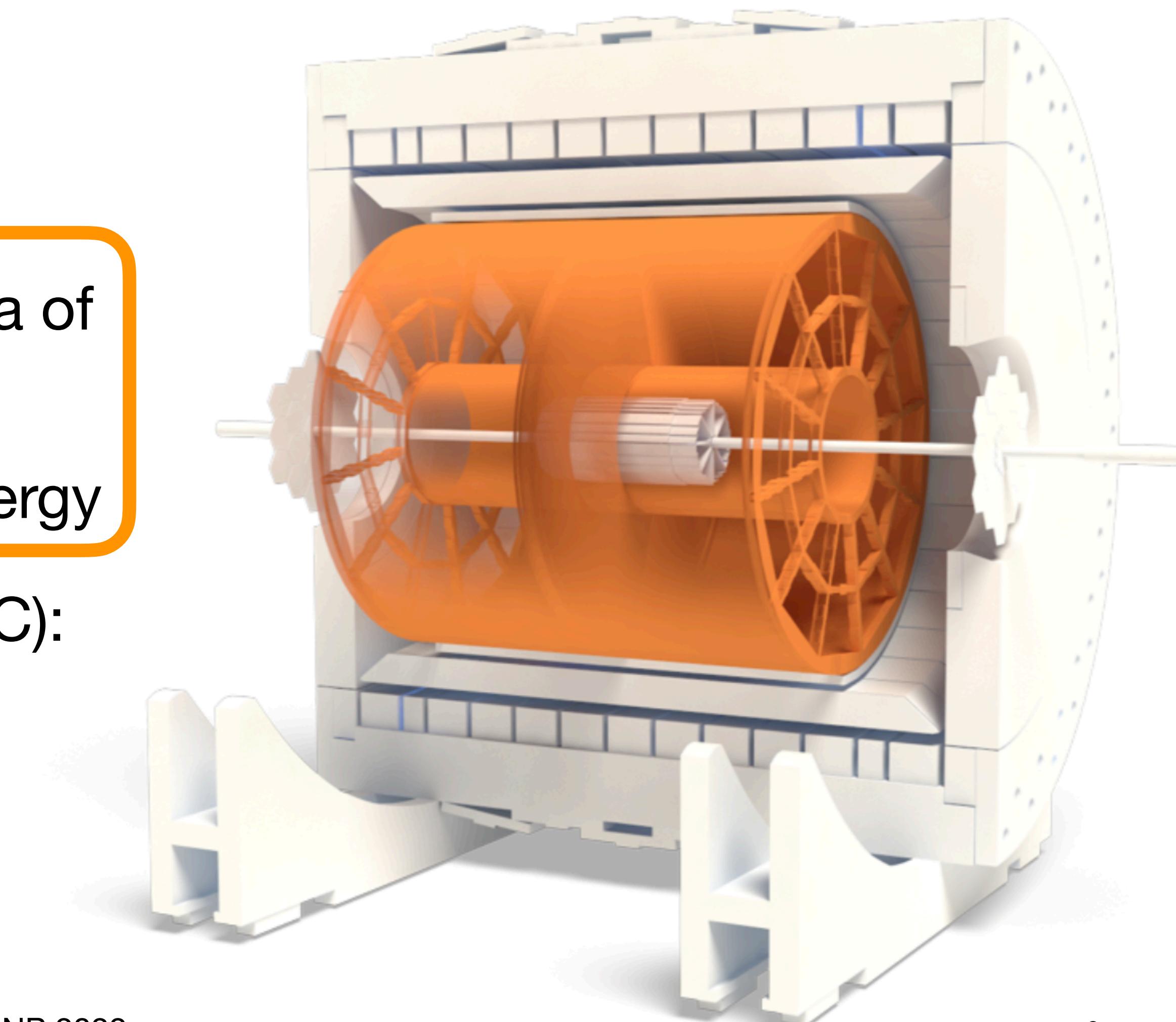




Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC (STAR)

- Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) collides $p+p$ beams at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV

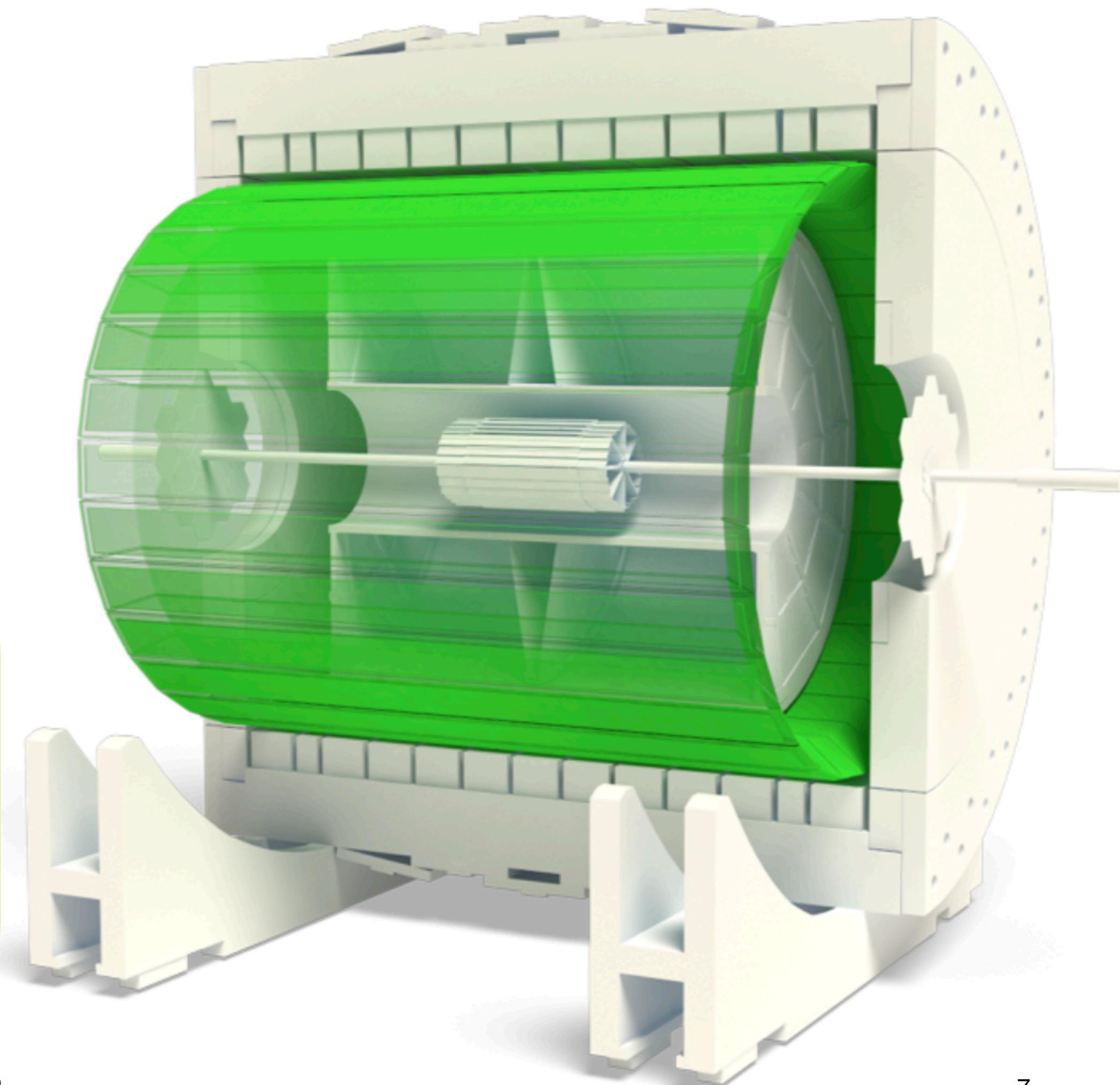
- Time Projection Chamber (TPC): momenta of charged particles
 - Utilized in jet charge, included in jet energy
- Barrel Electromagnetic Calorimeter (BEMC): neutral energy deposits, provides online trigger (Jet Patch)
 - Included in jet energy





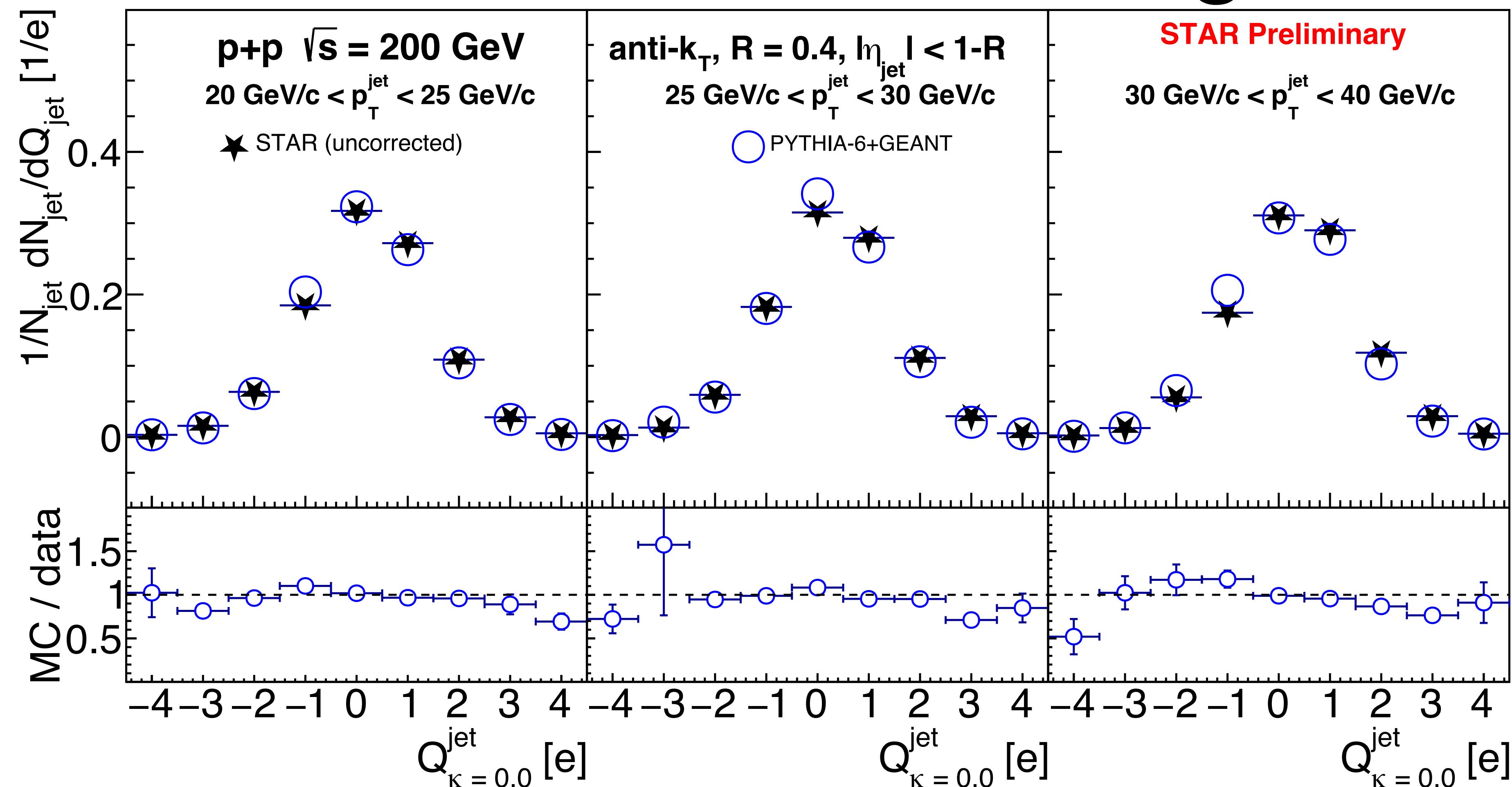
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Uncorrected Jet Charge

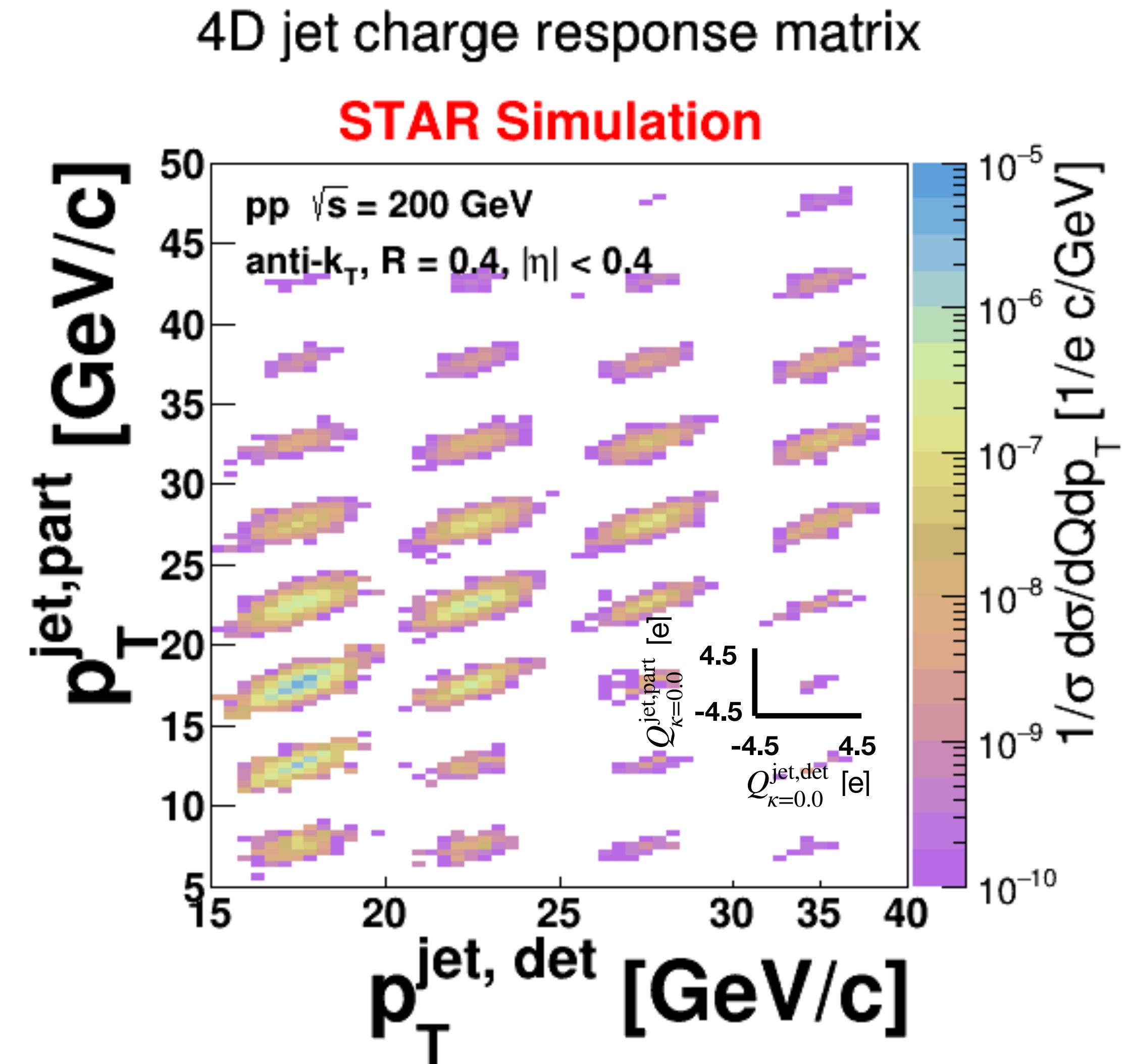


PYTHIA-6+GEANT agrees well
→ Can be used to simulate and correct for detector effects



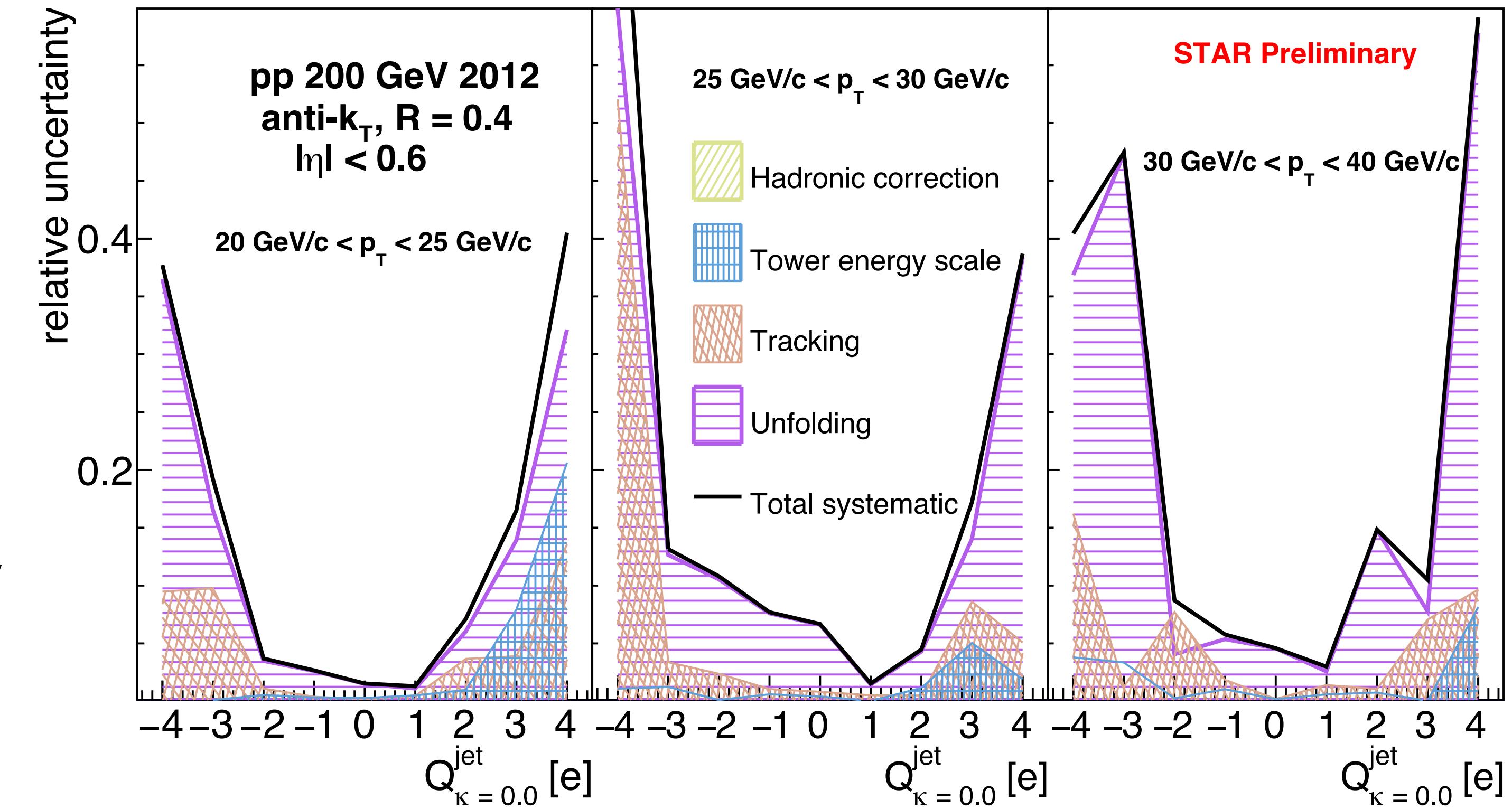
Unfolding

- Correct for detector effects by using a response matrix R
 - $D = RP$ where D is detector-level, P is particle-level
 - Invert matrix R to obtain P
 - Iterative Bayesian procedure from RooUnfold
- Q depends on jet p_T
 - Requires 4D response for 2D unfolding

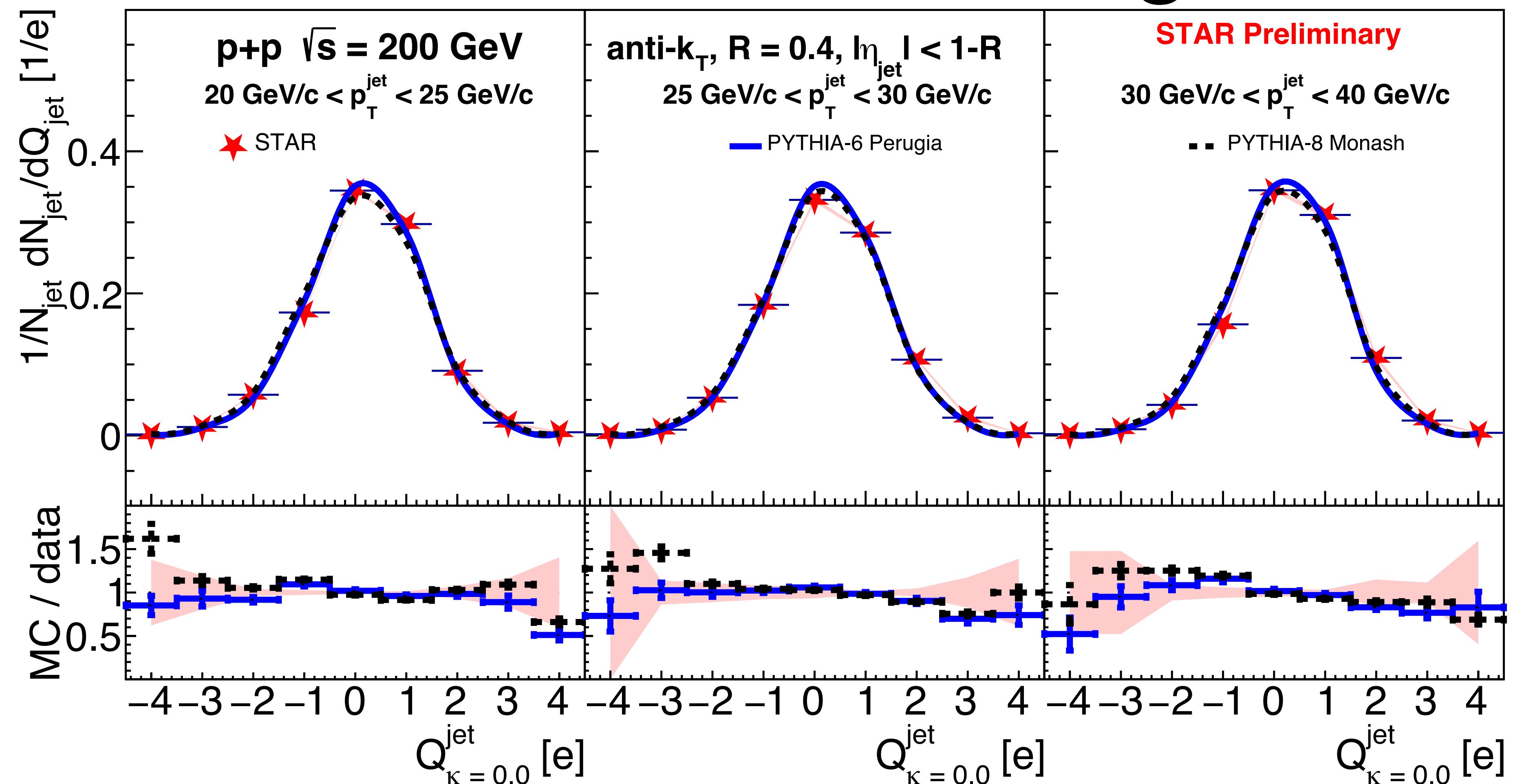


Systematic Uncertainties

- **Unfolding:** maximum envelope of the following systematic sources
 - Unfolding iteration parameter variation: nominal 4 iterations changed to 2, 6
 - Prior variation: p_T , Q spectra varied independently
- **Tower Energy Scale Uncertainty**
 - +3.8%: scale tower energy uniformly by 3.8%
- **Tracking Uncertainty**
 - -4%: randomly remove 4% of tracks
- **Hadronic Correction**
 - Variation: from nominal 100% to 50%

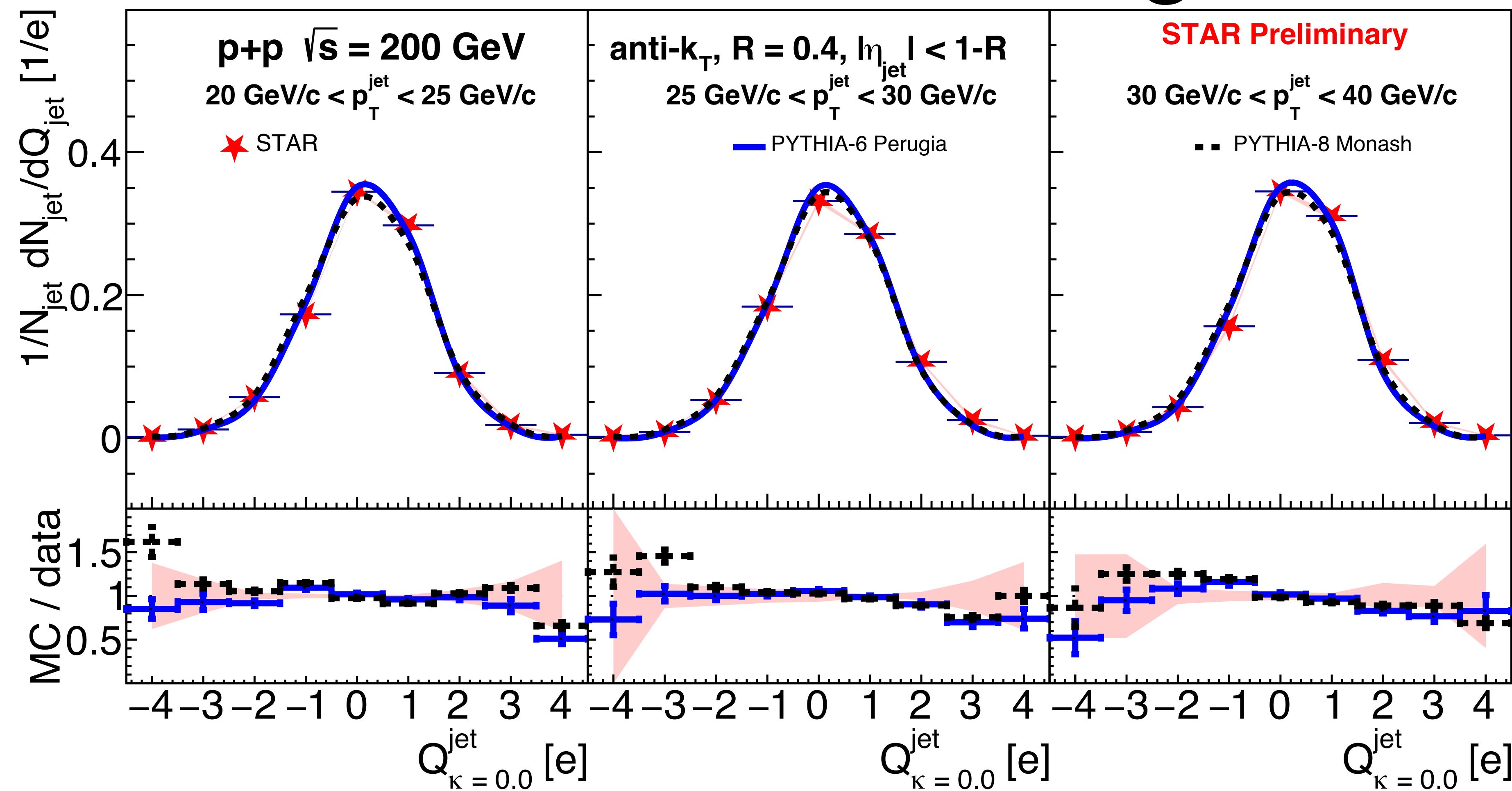


Corrected Jet Charge



Good agreement with PYTHIA-6 and PYTHIA-8

Corrected Jet Charge



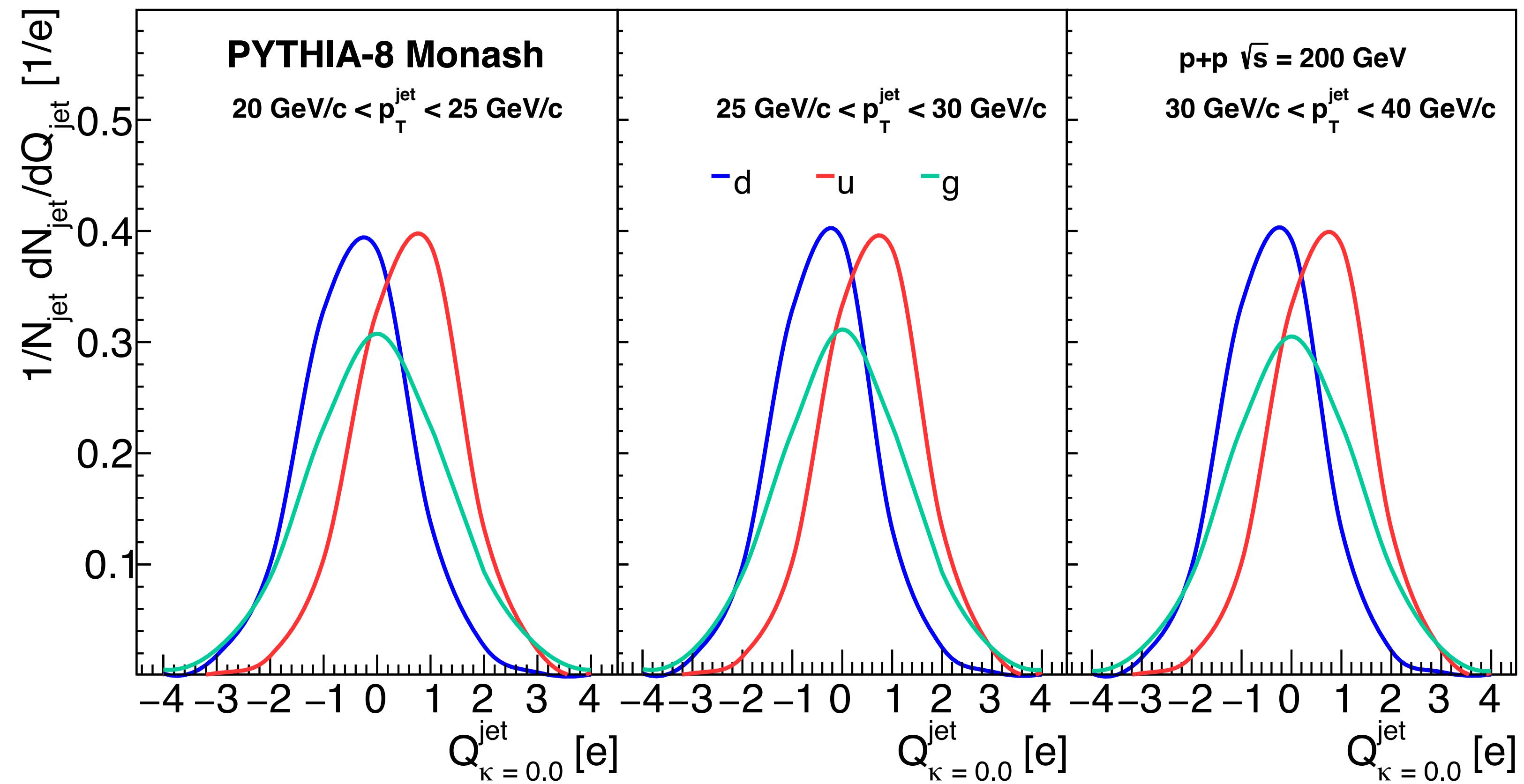
Mean shifts from ~ 0.22 to ~ 0.33 with increasing jet p_T
 → Consistent with more quark initiated jets

Future: Extracting Parton Information

Normalized Templates per jet

- Template fitting to extract quark vs gluon fraction in data

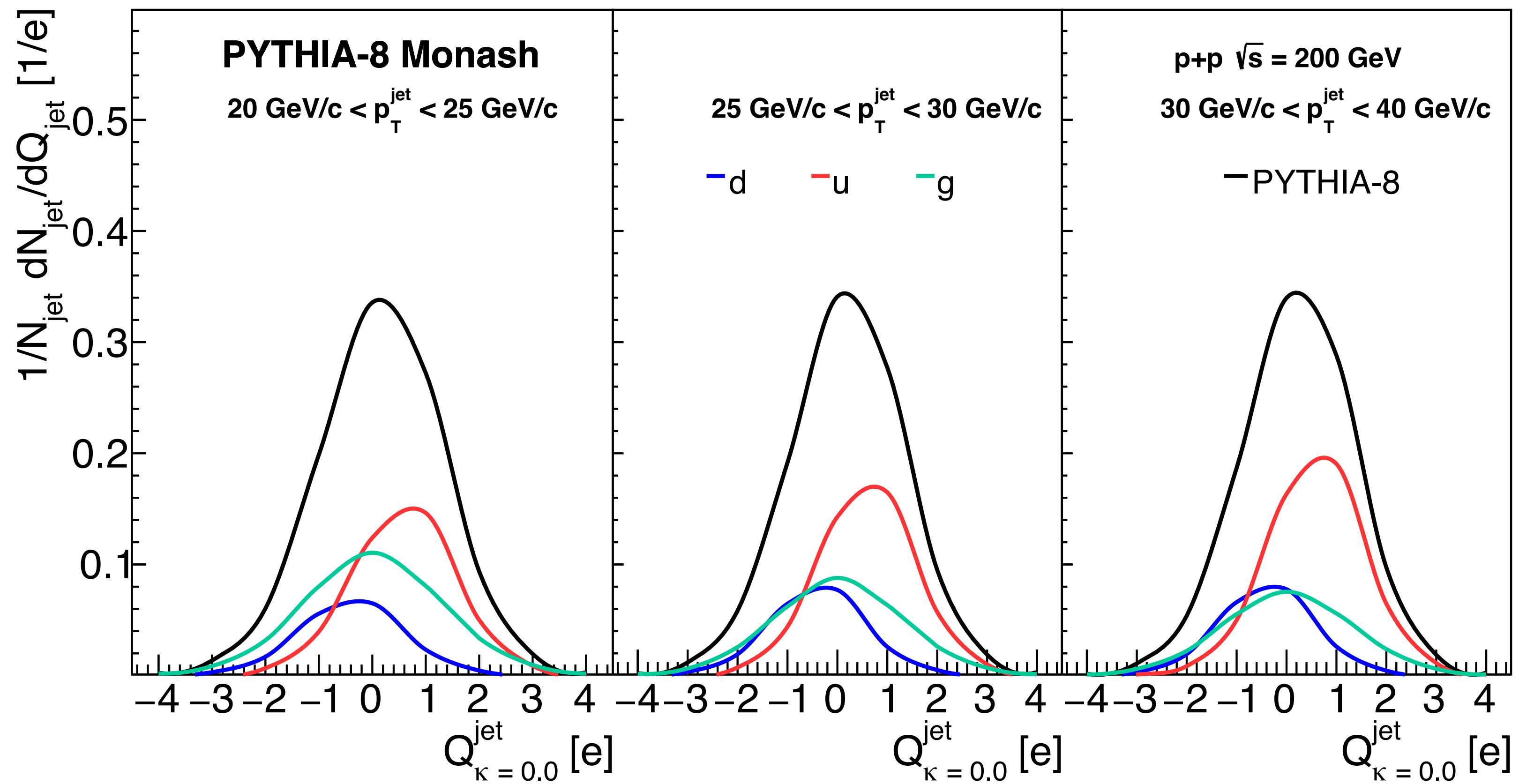
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Proof of Principle: Fit Result to PYTHIA-8

- Template fitting to extract quark vs gluon fraction in data
 - Observe the change in quark vs gluon fraction as a function of p_T^{jet}
 - PYTHIA-8 Monash: Gluon initiated jet fraction shifts from $\sim 36\%$ to $\sim 25\%$
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Conclusion and Outlook

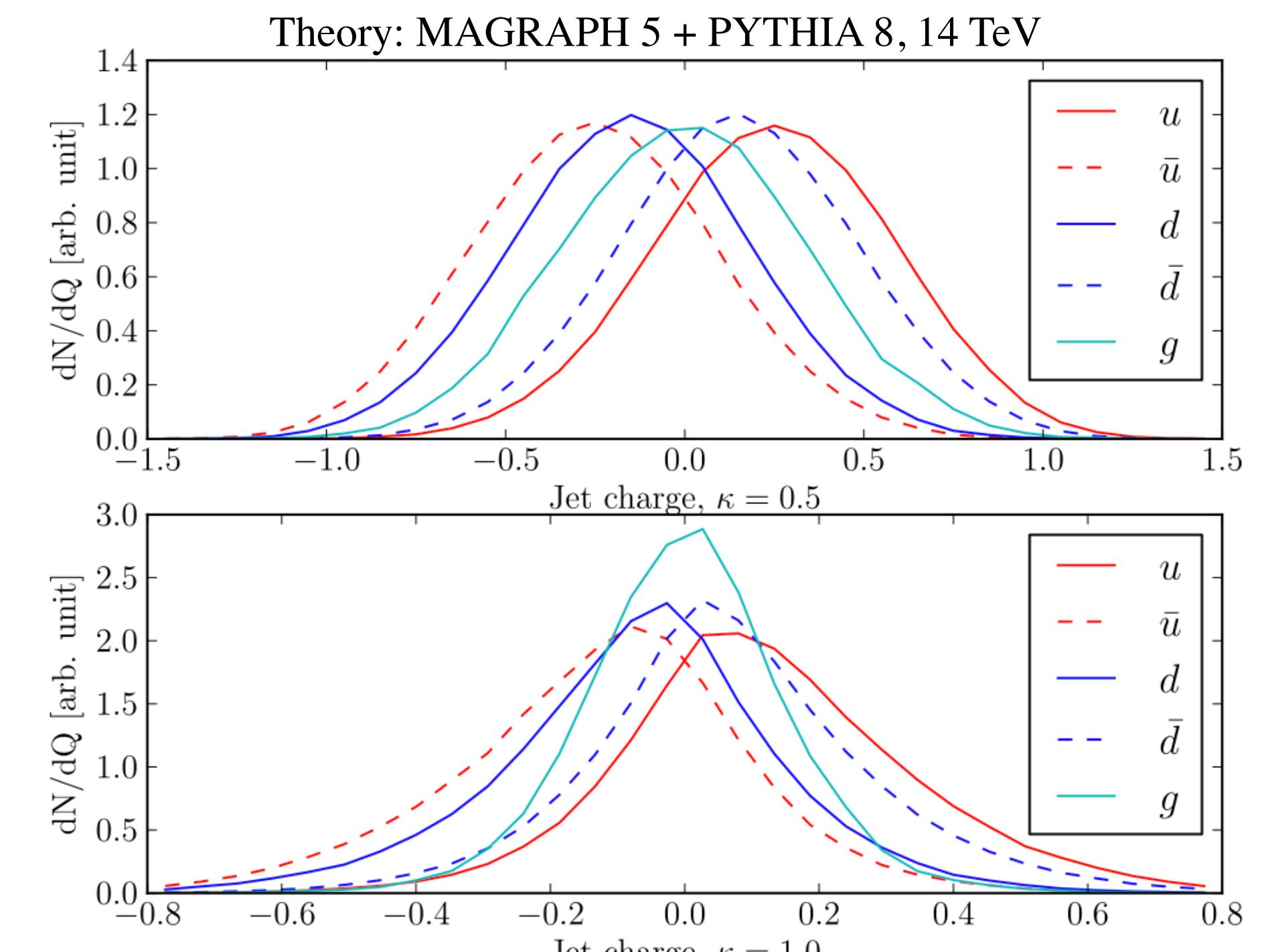
**Mean shifts towards positive Q as jet p_T increases in jets in
STAR $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV p+p collisions}$**
→ Indicates more quark dominated jets as jet p_T increases

- Use Monte Carlo templates to extract quark vs gluon fraction from data
- Extend analysis to other jet resolution parameter R values
- Extend analysis to additional values of κ to repeat the analysis to study flavor discrimination as function of κ

Backup

Jet Charge

- $$Q_\kappa^i = \sum_{j \in jet} \left(\frac{p_T^j}{p_T^{\text{jet}}} \right)^\kappa Q_j$$
- Discriminating power between flavors as a function of κ
- To extract the quark vs gluon fraction as a function of jet p_T

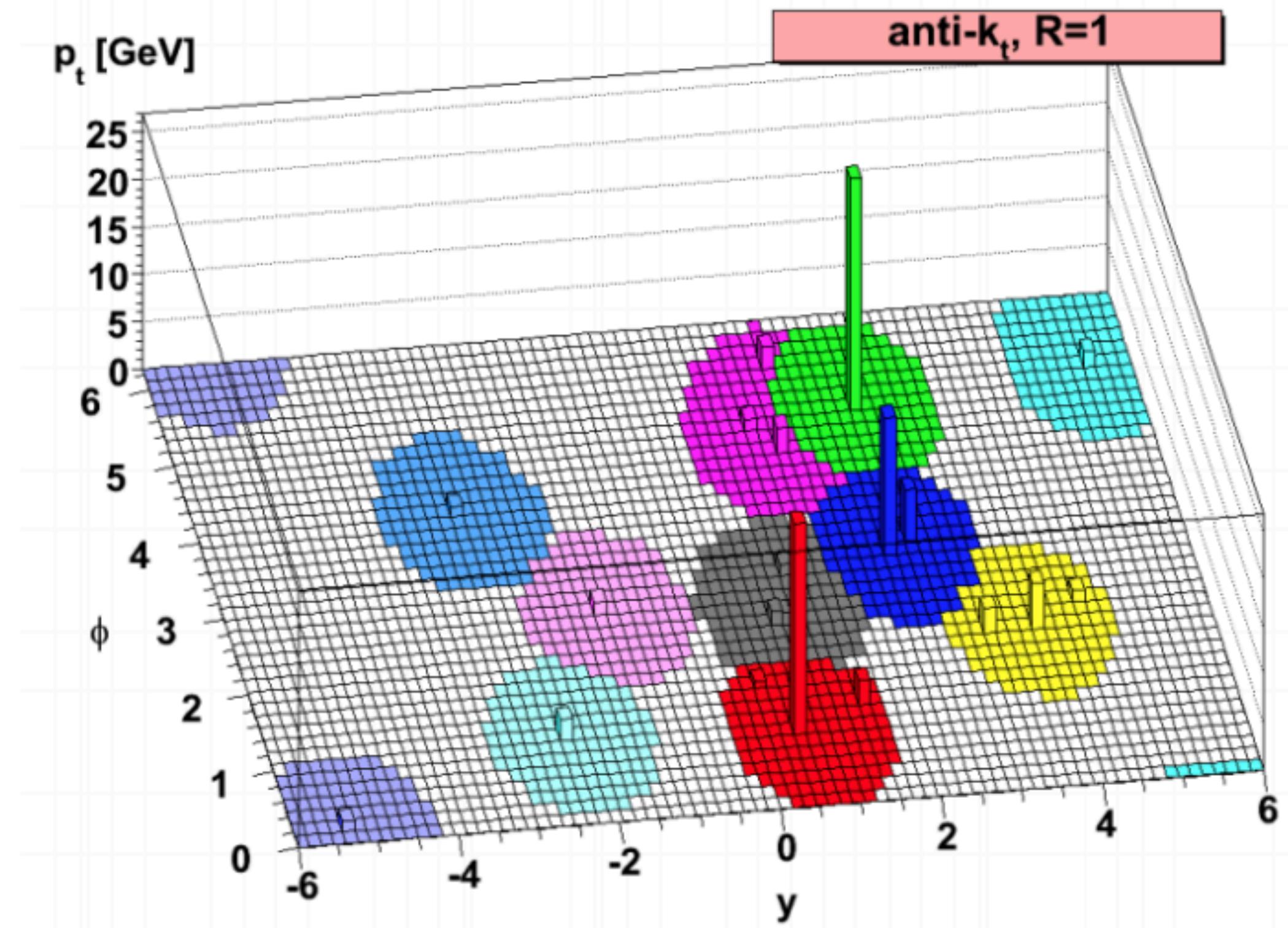


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