

# A hybrid strong/weak coupling approach to jet quenching



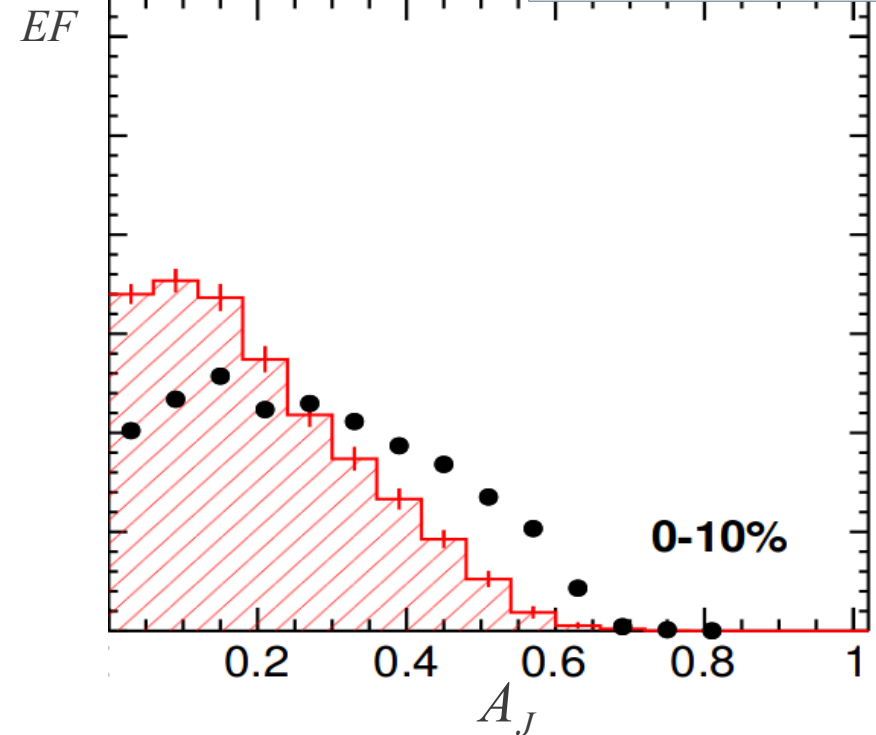
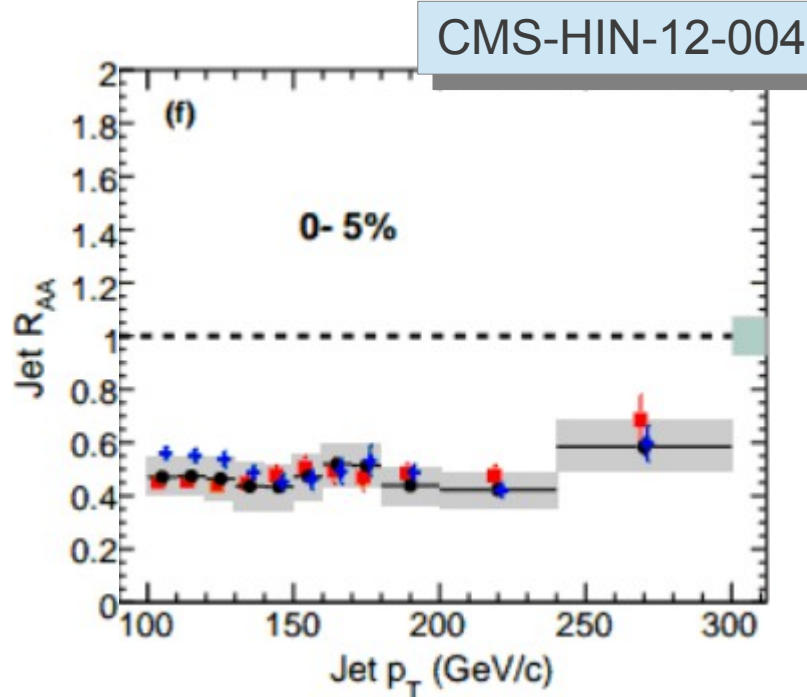
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# Motivation

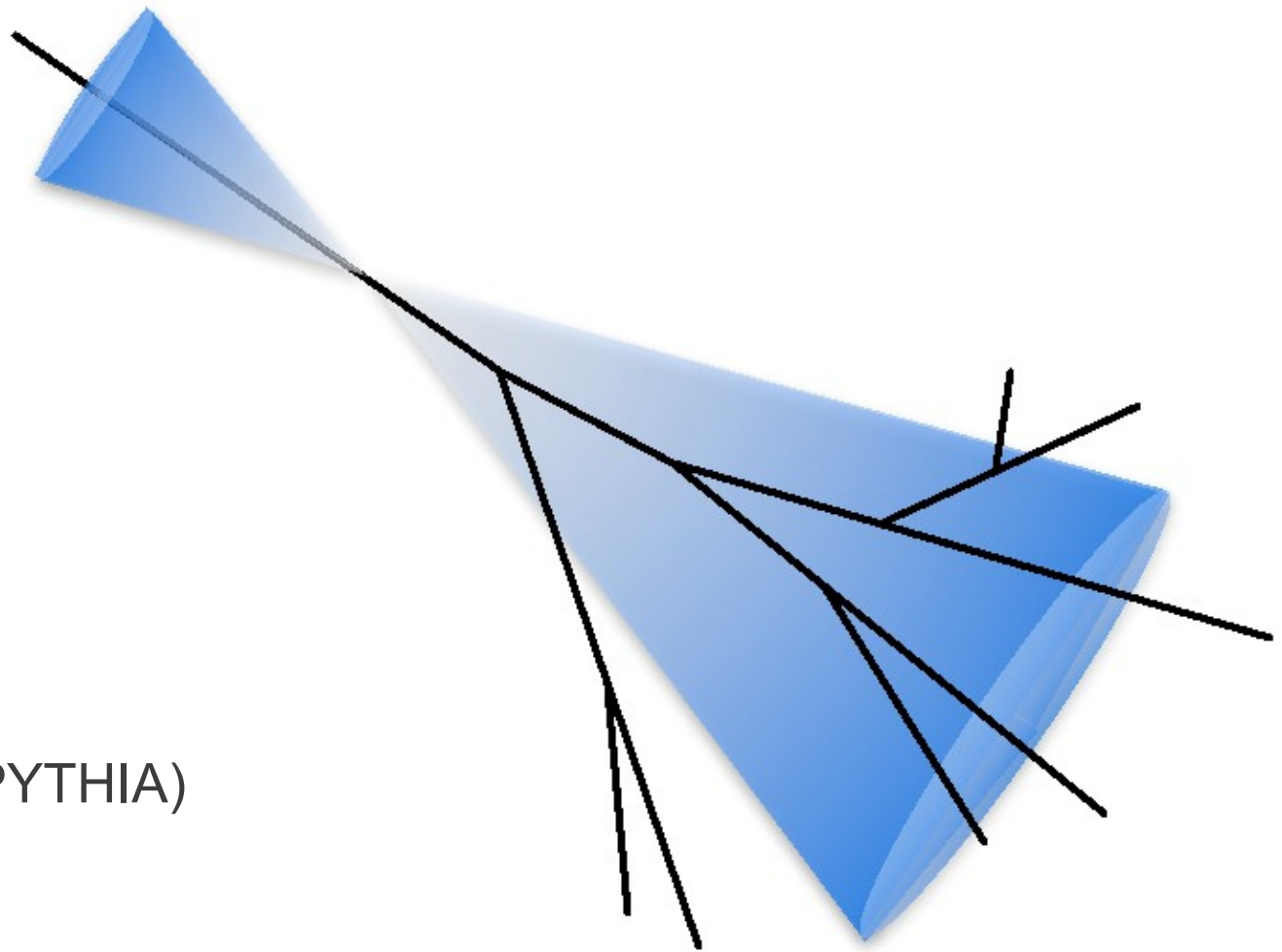
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- Jets get modified: Energy Loss
- Many models include:
  - Radiative Energy Loss (perturbative) plus
  - Collisional Energy Loss (soft momentum energy transfer of order  $\mu_D \sim T < 1$  GeV)
- We explore strongly coupled models

Quin et al, 1012.5280  
Young et al 1103. 5769  
Y. He et al 1105.2566  
Renk 1112.2503  
Zapp et al 1212.1599

# Hybrid Model



- Jet shower perturbative (PYTHIA)
- Additional loss in rungs  $\rightarrow$  strongly coupled, non-perturbative
- Assign lifetime to every rung  $\tau_f = \frac{2E}{Q^2}$ . Final partons fly until critical temperature is reached.
- We always stay at parton level !

# Plasma Modelling

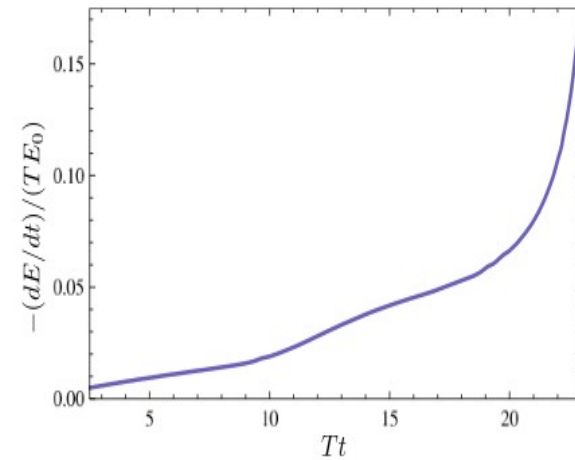
- Woods-Saxon density profile
- Entropy and Temperature related by ideal gas E.O.S
- Entropy density is assumed to be proportional to number of participants
- Bjorken hydro for time dependence (neglecting transverse expansion)
- No quenching before 0.5 fm (transverse frame)
- Initial temperature at zero impact parameter is 0.4 GeV. Stop quenching when T reaches 0.175 GeV

# Three Models

- Light  $\rightarrow \frac{dE}{dt} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{(t-t_s)}} \rightarrow \frac{dE(t)}{dt} = -\left(\frac{C_R}{C_F}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \alpha_L \frac{E_i^{5/3} T^{4/3}}{E(t)}$

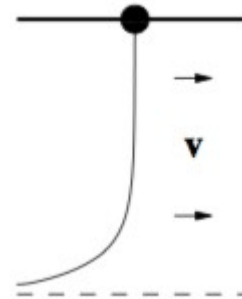
- Heavy  $\rightarrow \frac{dE(t)}{dt} = -\frac{C_R}{C_F} \alpha_H E(t) T \quad \gamma < \left(\frac{M}{T \sqrt{(\lambda)}}\right)^2$

Chesler et al 0810.1895



(out of the validity range)

Herzog et al 0605158



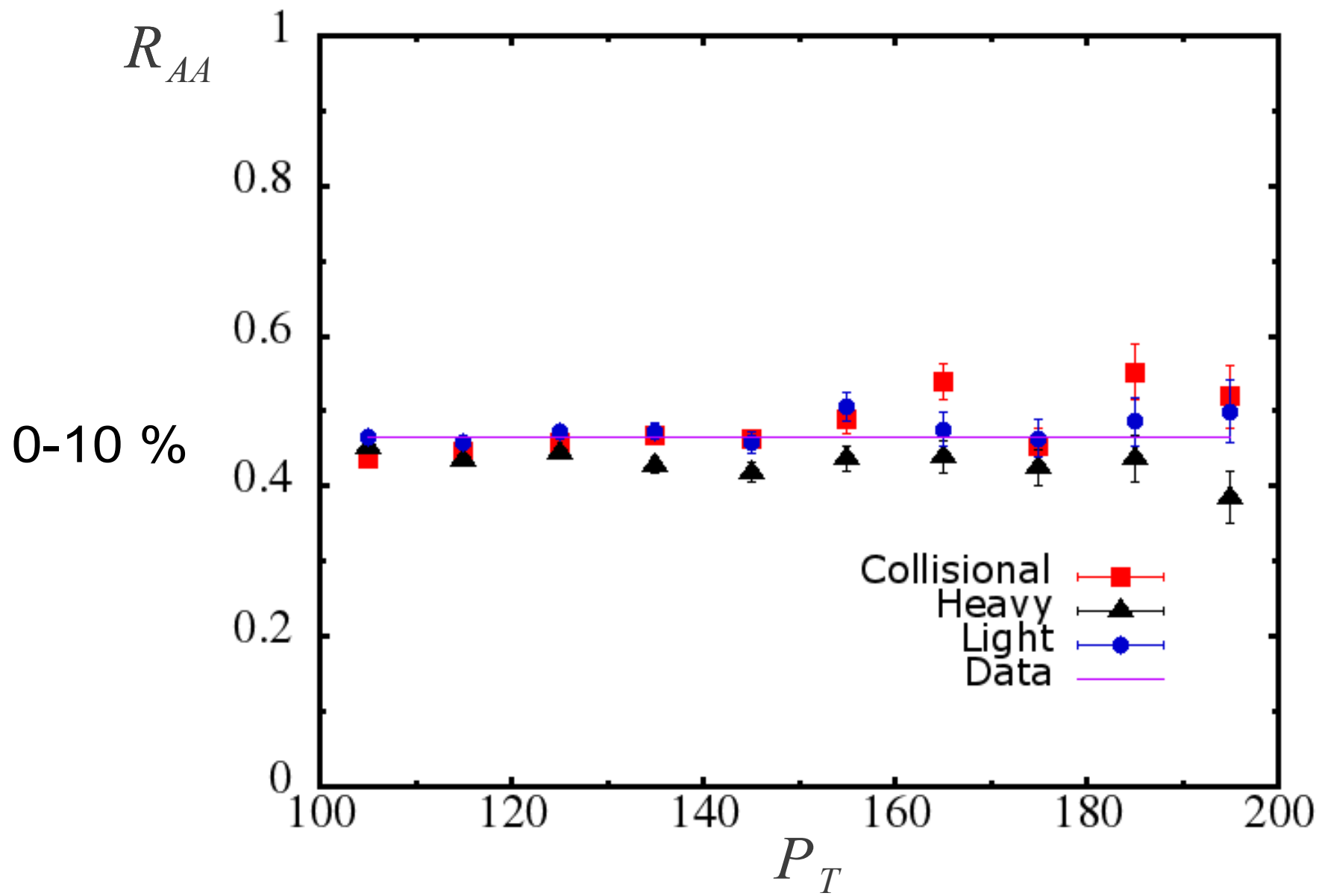
as control also:

- Collisional  $\rightarrow \frac{dE(t)}{dt} = -\frac{C_R}{C_F} \alpha_C T^2$

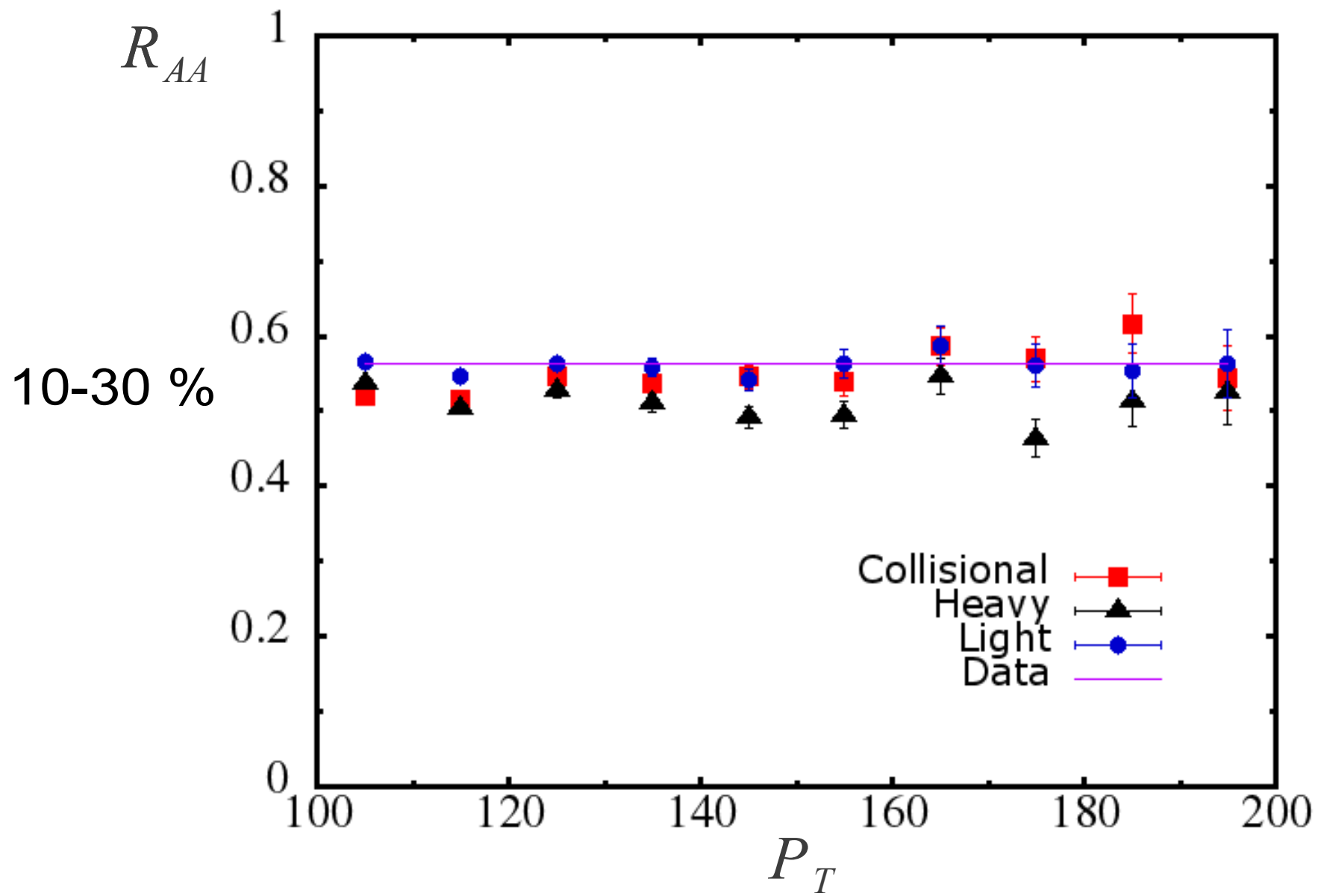
Wicks et al. nucl-th/0512076



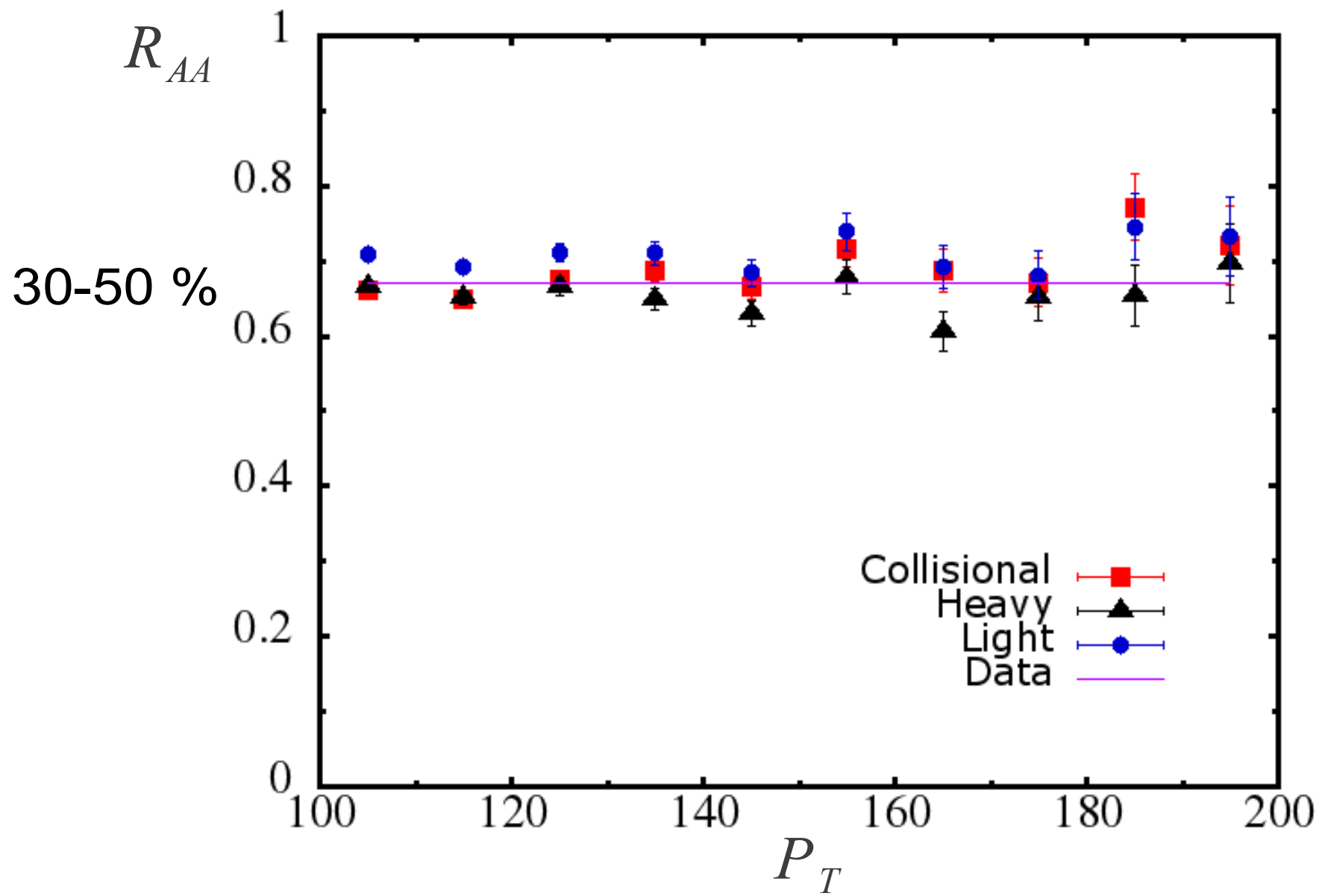
$\alpha_i \equiv$  fitting parameter



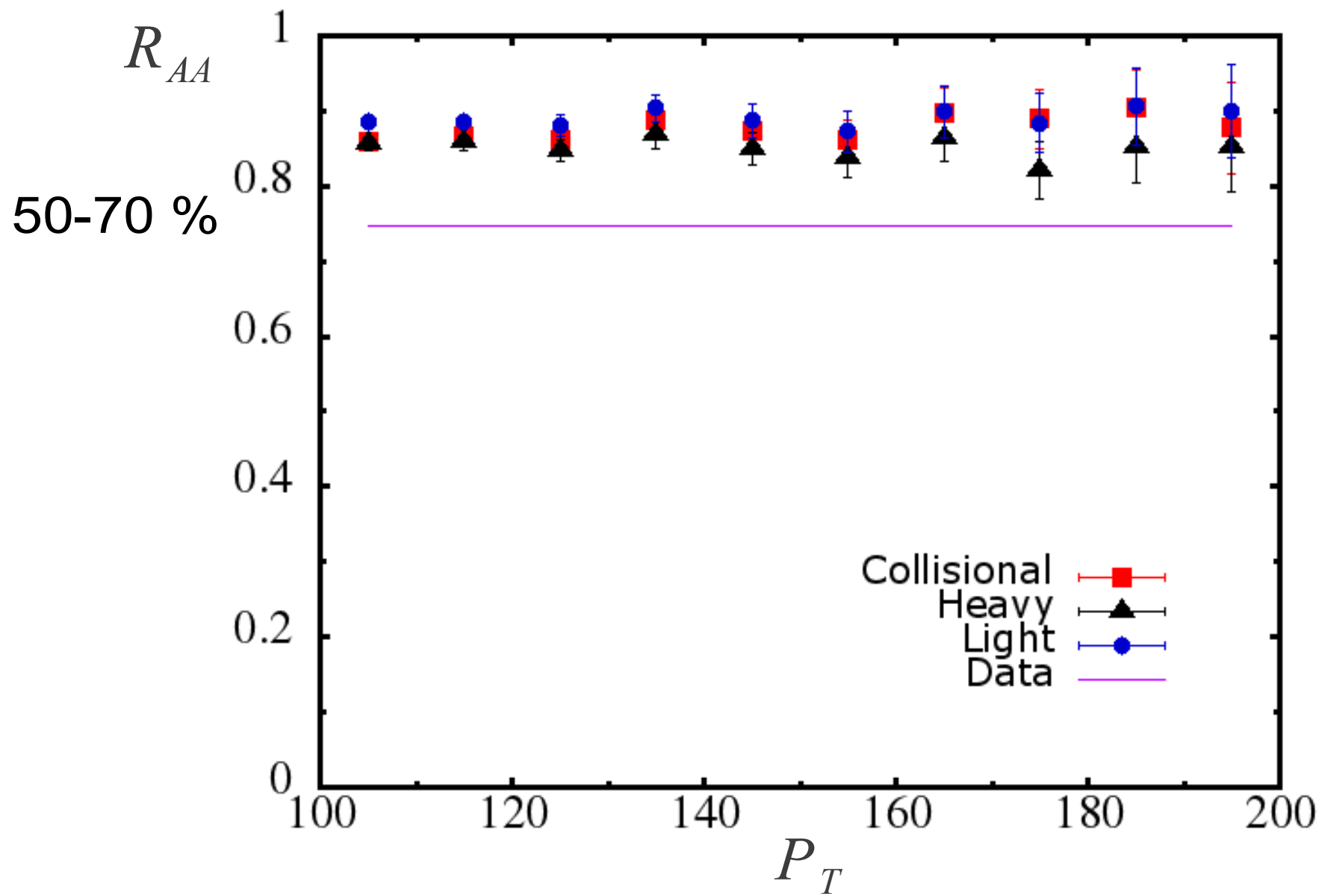
Fit  $R_{AA}$  to match data at central collisions



We let it evolve with centrality





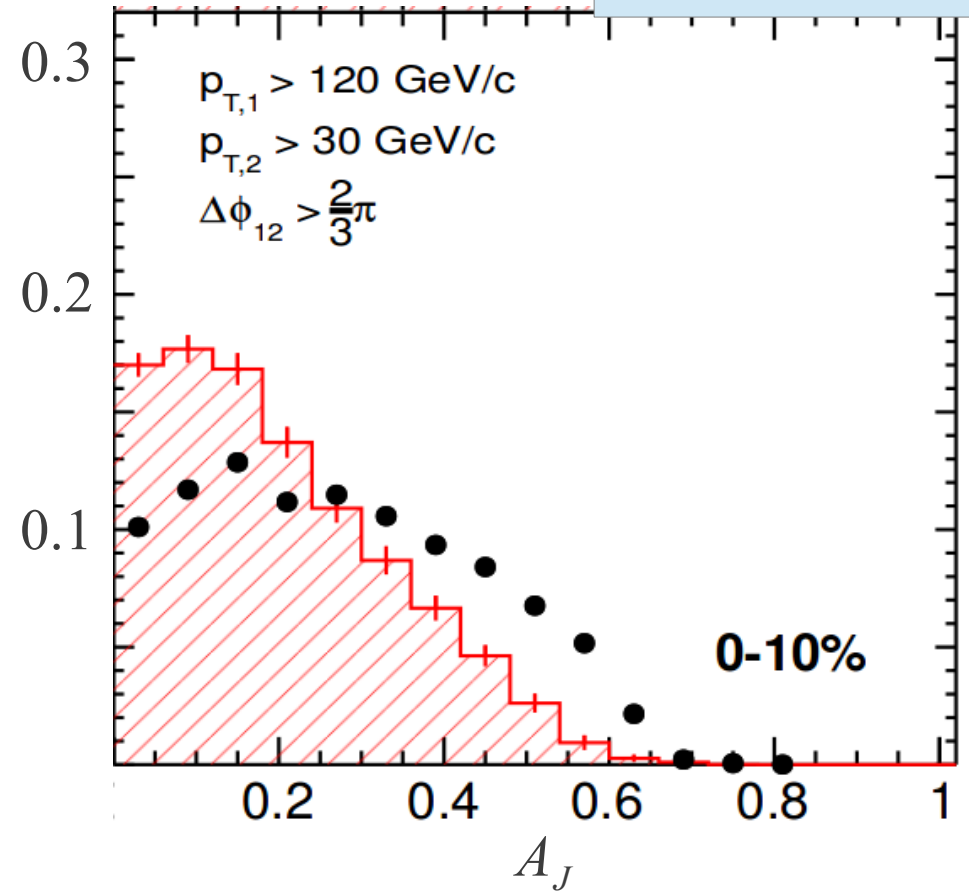
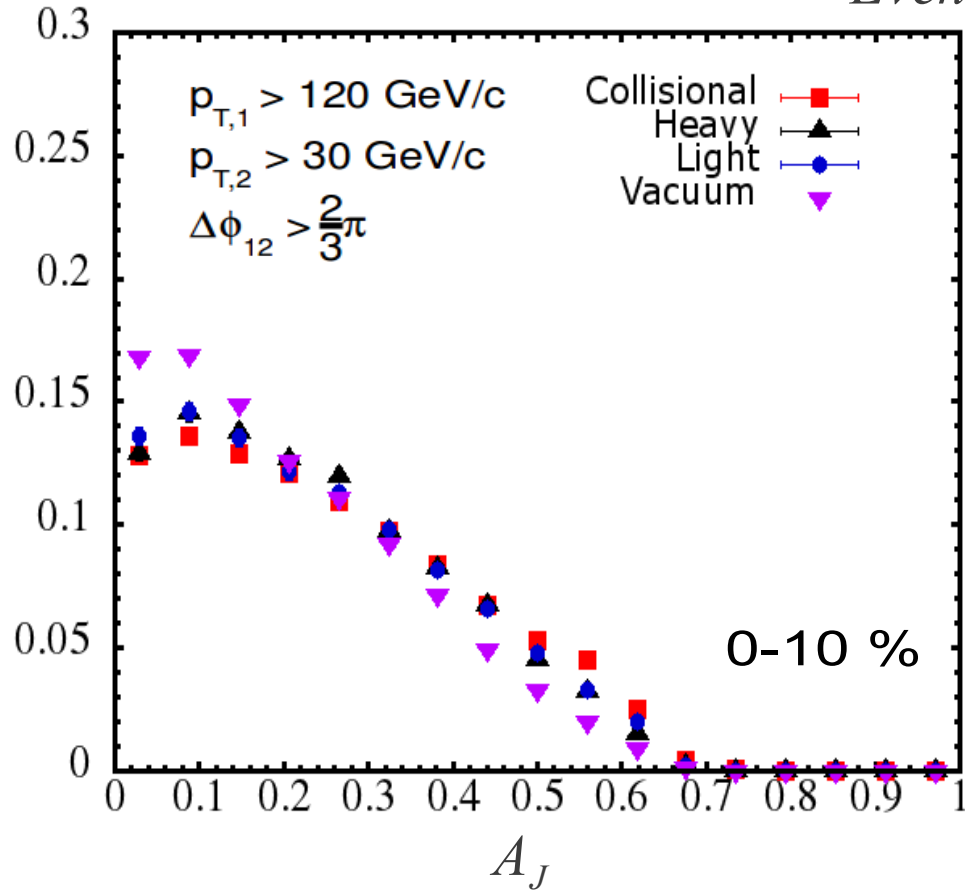


The model describes  $R_{AA}$  dependence on centrality at central and mid-peripheral bins, but deviates at most peripheral.

# Asymmetry

Event Fraction

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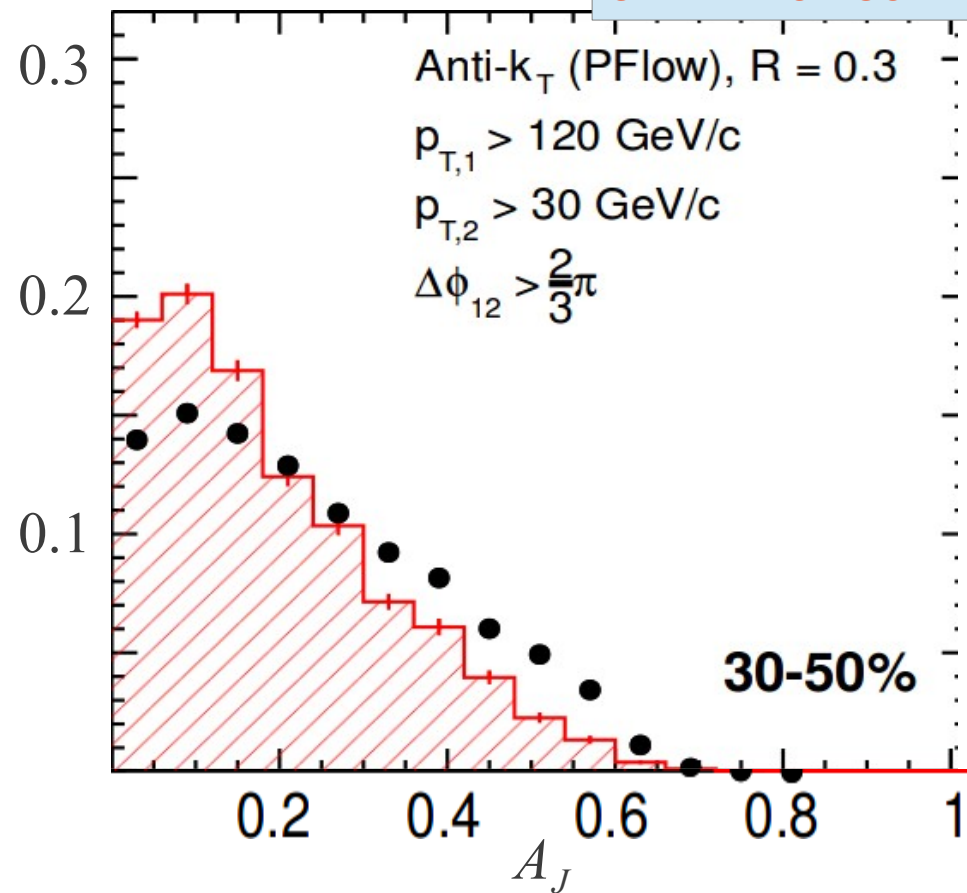
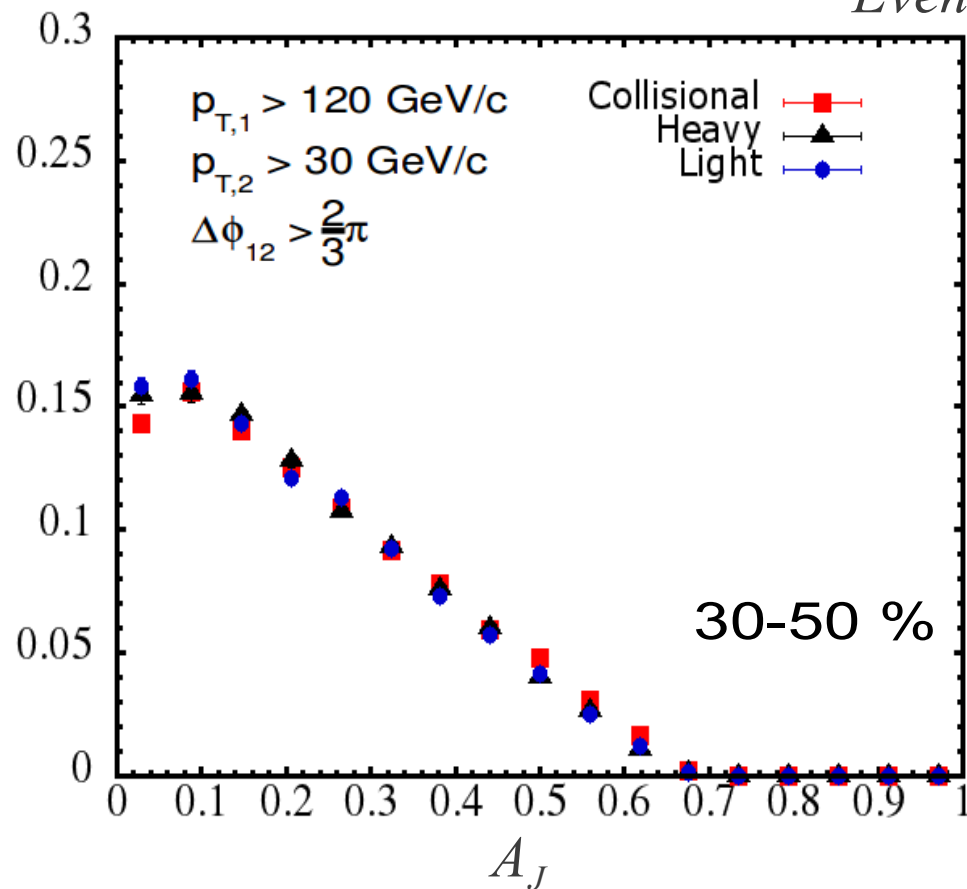
$$A_J \equiv \frac{P_{T1} - P_{T2}}{P_{T1} + P_{T2}}$$

Dijet imbalance not quite strong enough

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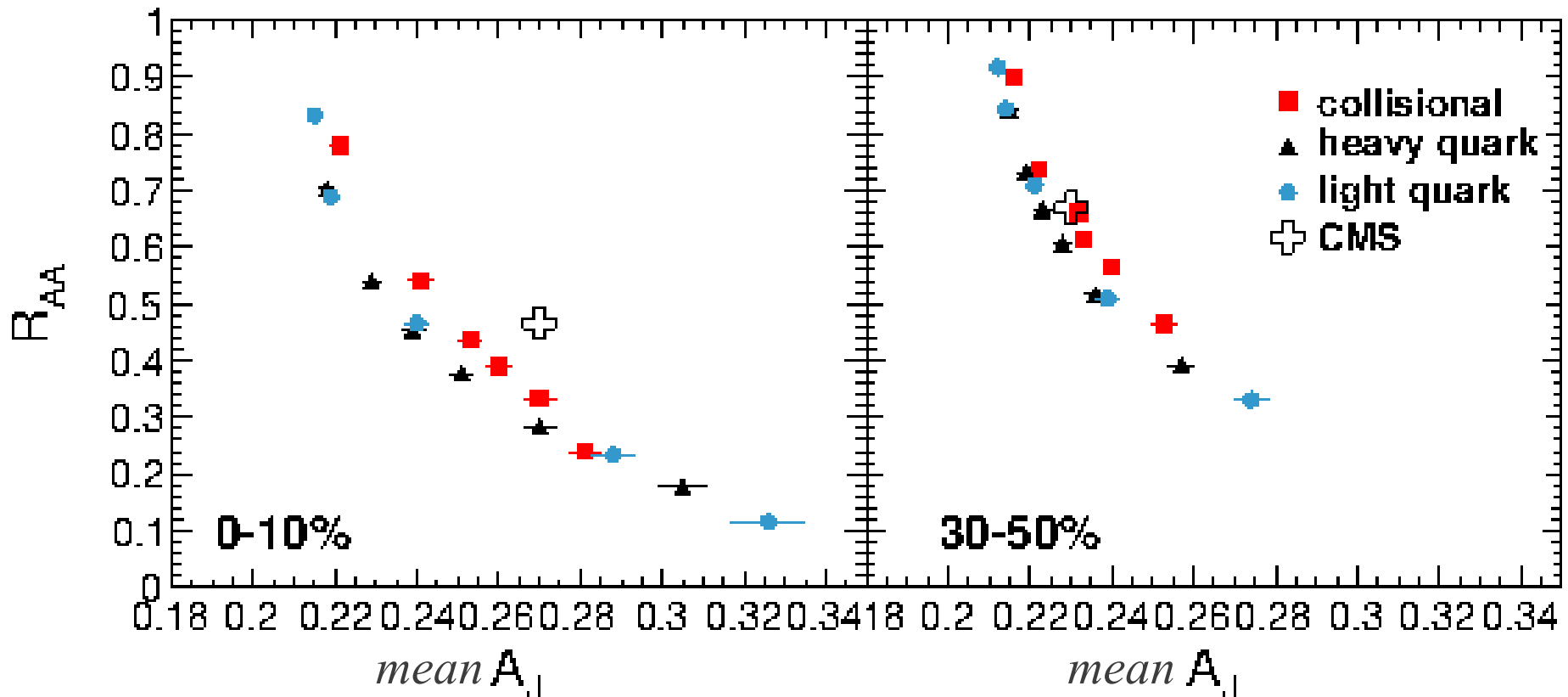
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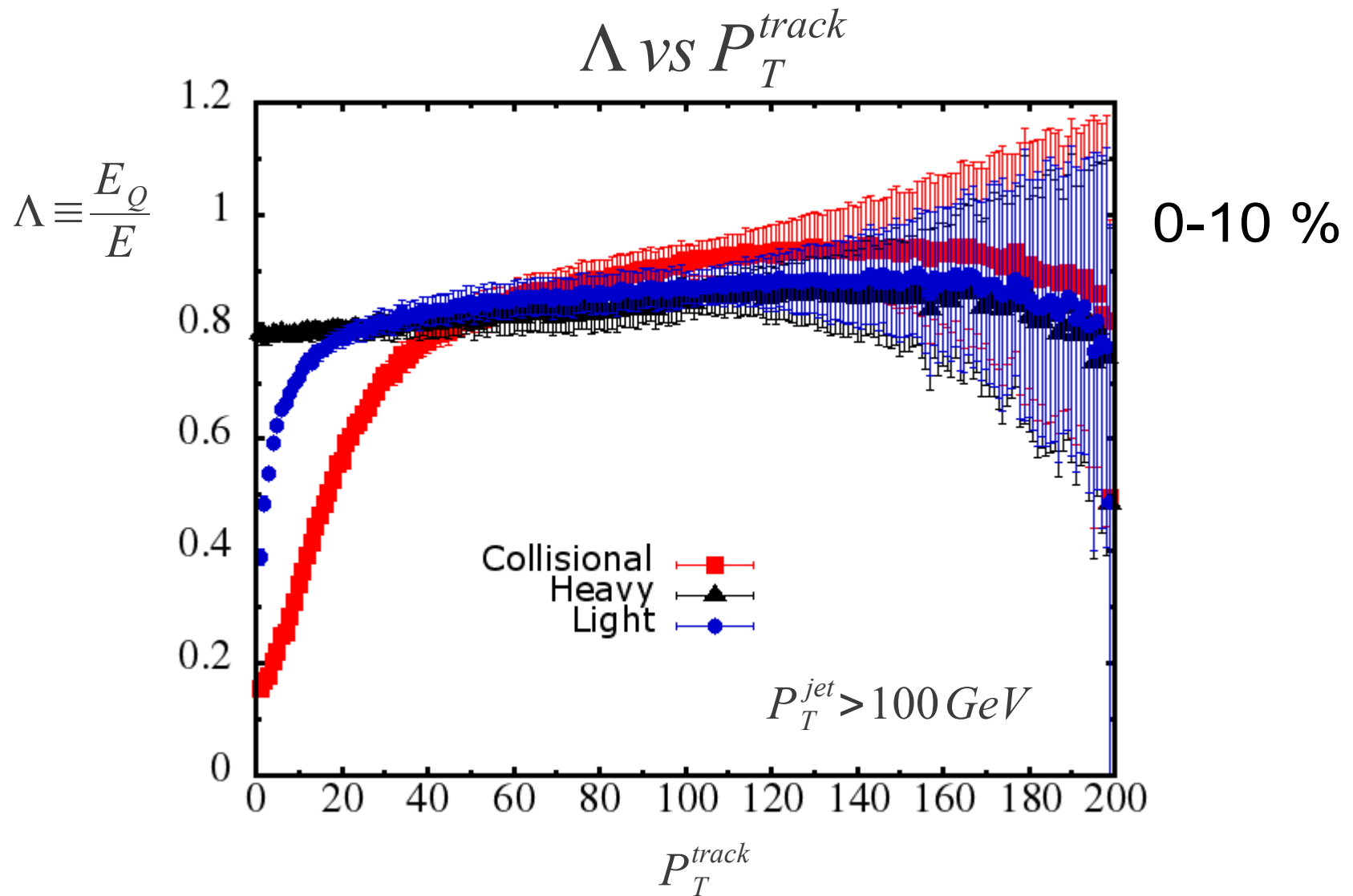
# Scanning Parameter Space : $R_{AA}$ vs mean $A_J$



The models don't show significant differences

Mild disagreement in most central bin may point to an additional source of energy loss... (Radiative?)

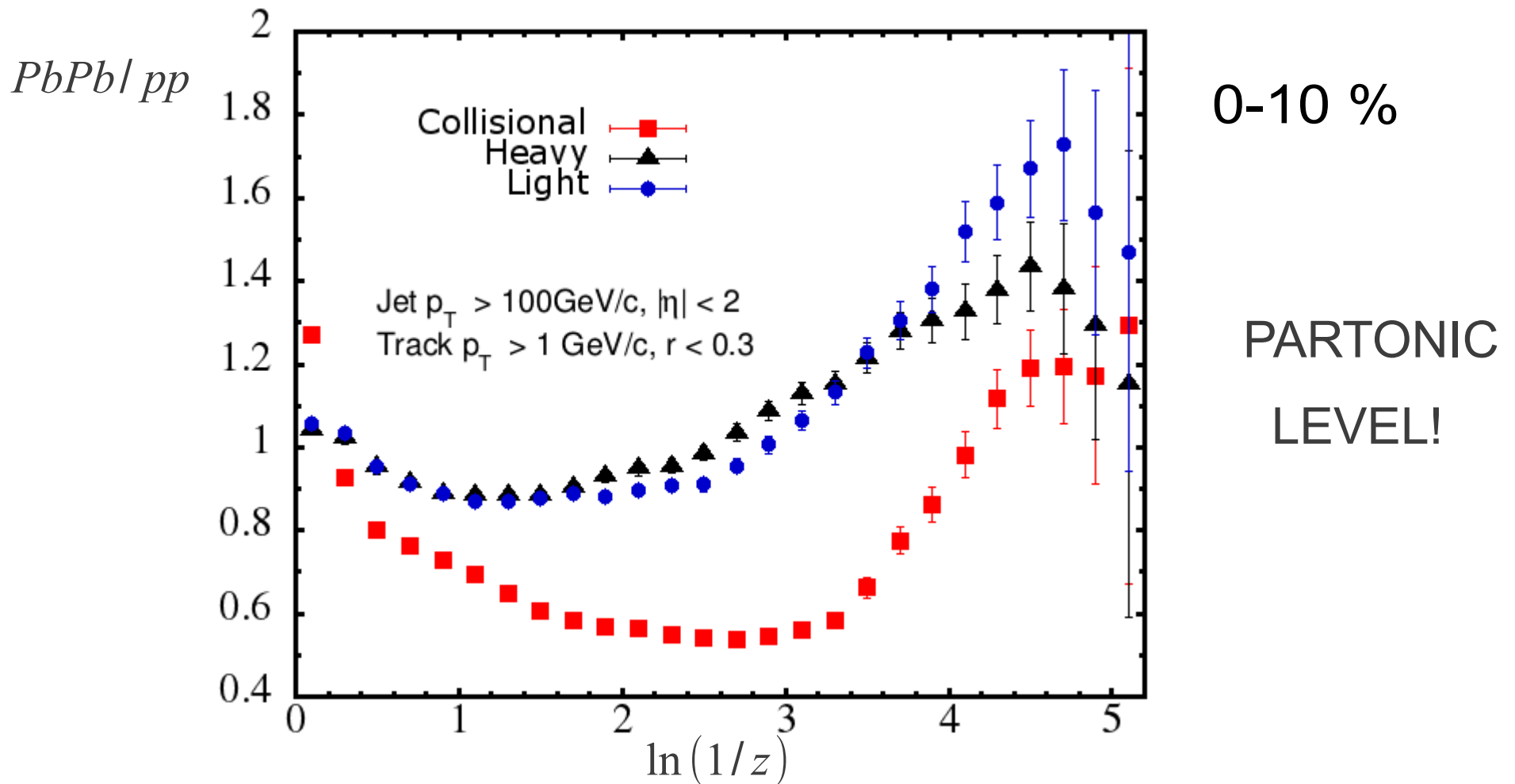
How can we distinguish between models?



The mean quenching factor that a track belonging to a jet gets is different for different models.

Directly related to Fragmentation Functions

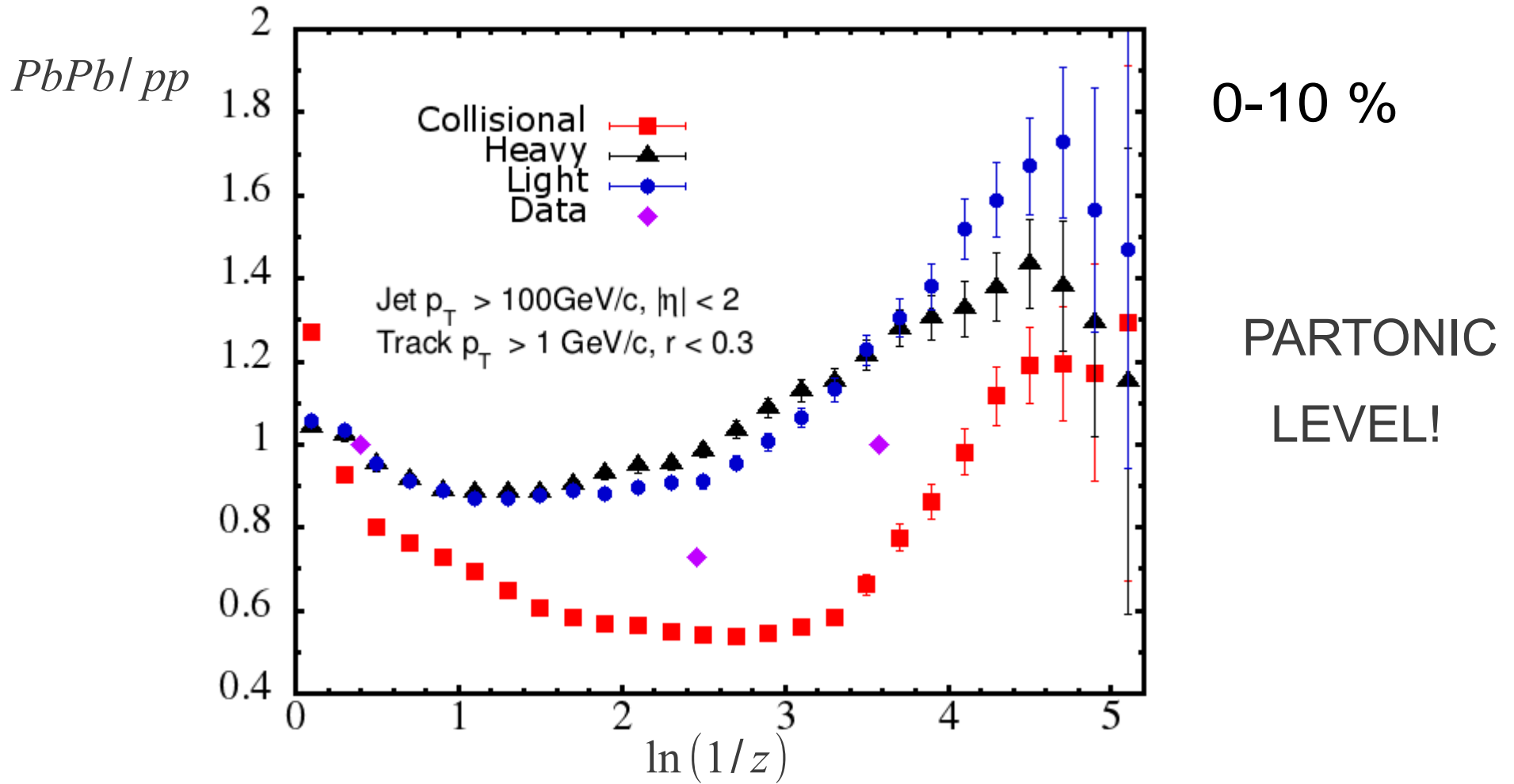
# Fragmentation Functions



Collisional → too strong, soft particles suppression

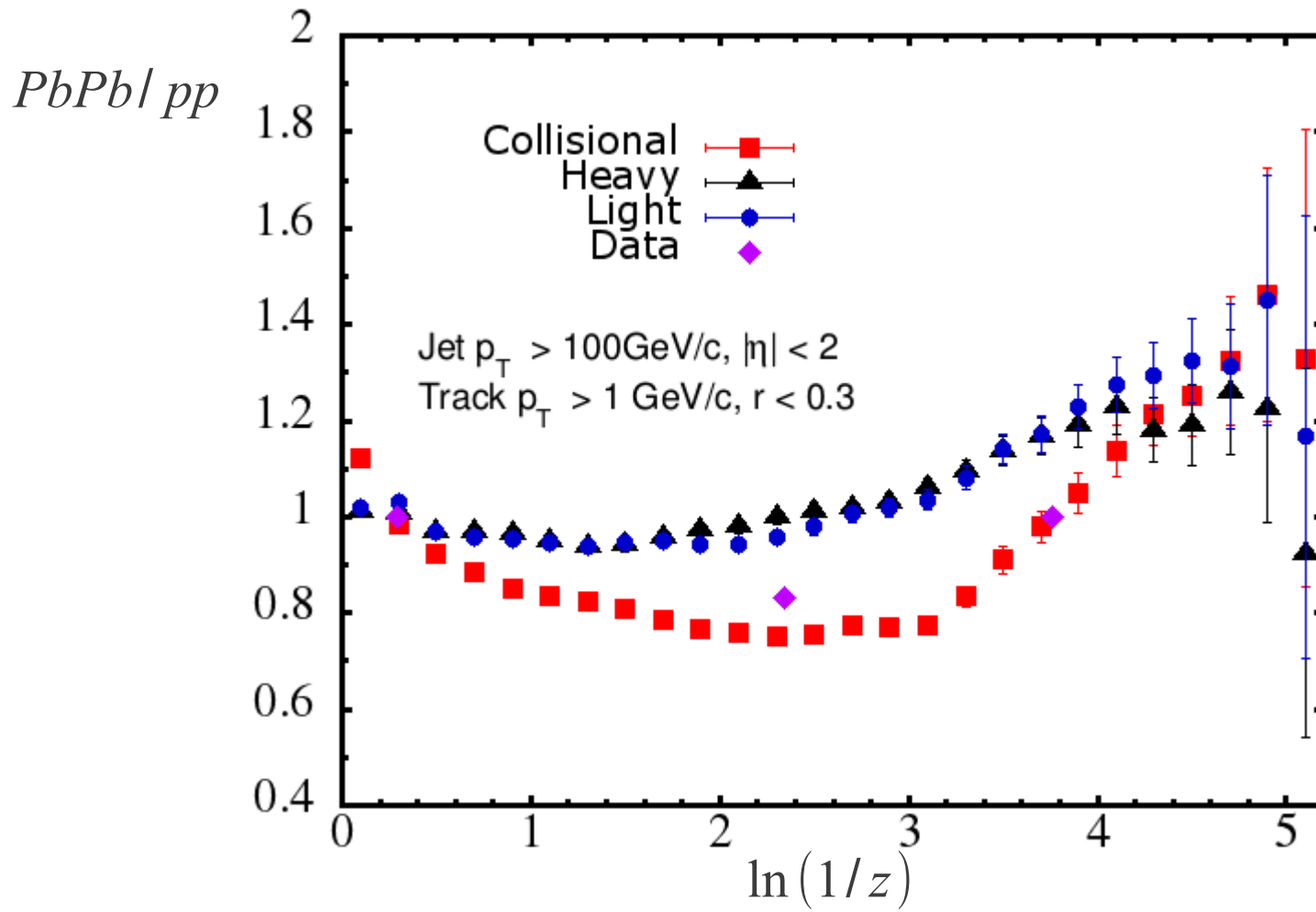
Heavy and Light → mild behaviour: more “consistent” with data

# Fragmentation Functions



One would expect that for the hadronic version the curve should shift to the right

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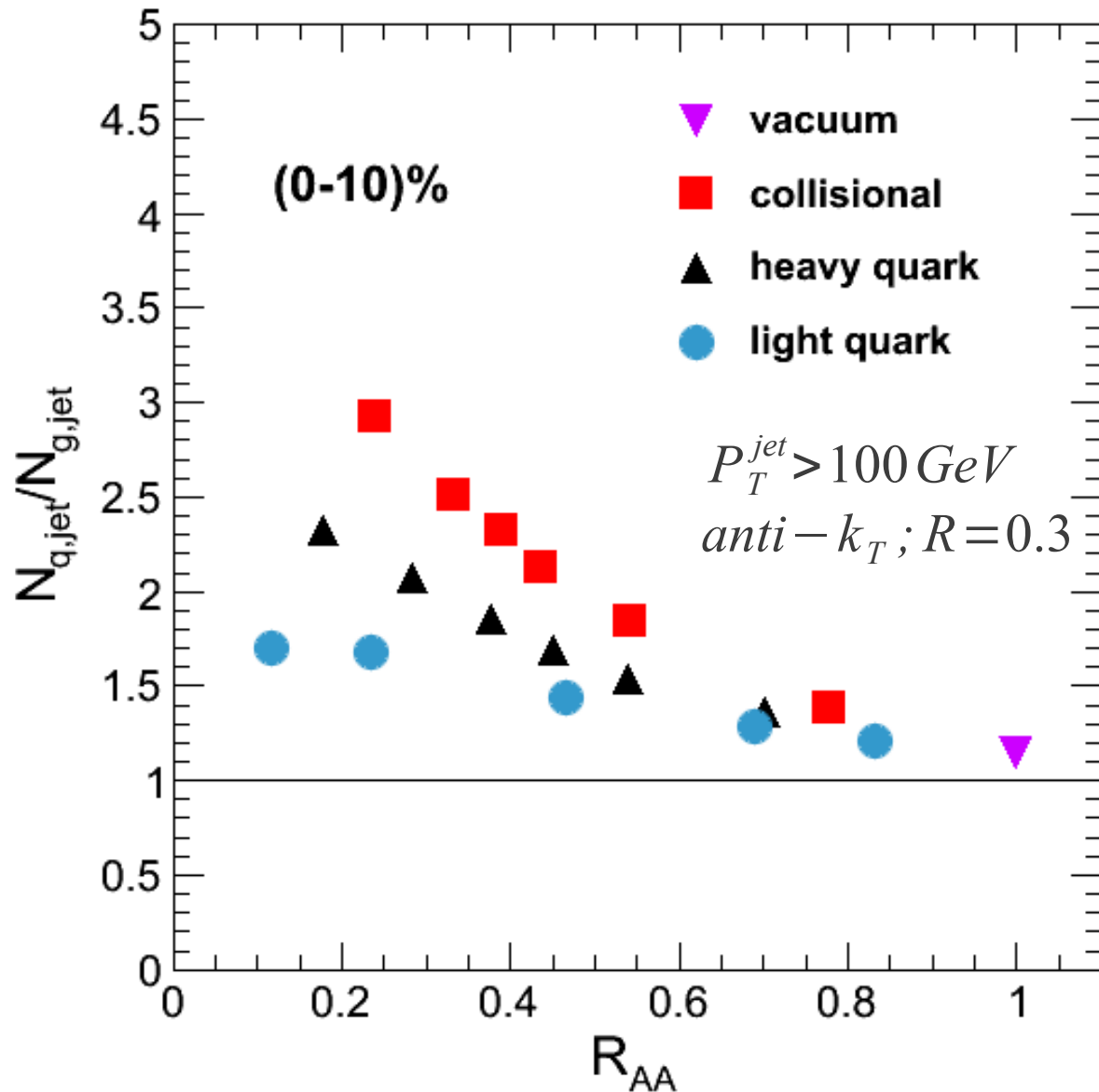


30-50 %

PARTONIC  
LEVEL!



# Colour charge dependence



Non-trivial  $C_R$  dependence  
yields change of species

An additional discriminant  
between models

To be studied:

b to inclusive jet yield as a  
potential observable

# Conclusions

- Hybrid model describes qualitatively (and in some cases quantitatively) many of the features of jet quenching
- Simultaneous description of  $R_{AA}$  and dijet asymmetry points towards additional source(s) of energy loss
- The momentum dependence of quenching favours strongly coupled models for the non-radiative component of energy loss
- The non-trivial  $C_R$  dependence could be used to further discriminate the origin of such a component

Thank you!!!!

Backup

## Alpha Values

- Heavy: 0.025
- Light: 0.2
- Coll.: 9