

# UPDATE RESULTS AMC@NLO

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Merged samples (0-, 1-, and 2-parton) with  $\mu_Q = 30, 50, \text{ and } 70 \text{ GeV}$

Anti- $k_T$  jets,  $R = 0.4$ , only those with  $|\eta| \leq 5$  considered

▶ cuts<sub>1</sub>:

at least two jets, both with  $p_T \geq 25 \text{ GeV}$

▶ cuts<sub>2</sub>:

$M_{j_1 j_2} \geq 400 \text{ GeV}$  &&  $|\Delta y_{j_1 j_2}| \geq 2.8$  && cuts<sub>1</sub>

# NORMALIZATION

	$\mu_Q = 30$	$\mu_Q = 50$	$\mu_Q = 70$
no cuts	13.91 (58.8+29+12.2)%	14.09 (77.5+18.7+3.8)%	14.08 (86.4+12+1.6)%
cuts <sub>1</sub>	1.65 (0.2+14.6+85.2)%	1.62 (16.1+51+32.9)%	1.58 (36+49.8+14.2)%
cuts <sub>2</sub>	0.125 (0.2+7.5+92.3)%	0.170 (21.8+43.5+34.7)%	0.207 (43.6+43.4+13)%

Inclusive total rate (without multi-jet merging): 13.4  
(3.8% smaller than merging with  $\mu_Q=30$ )

Inclusive total rate is consistent with POWHEG results that  
Paolo sent earlier today.

What is the Sherpa result without merging?

# COMPARING WITH ALPGEN

- ✱ In AlpGen, the total cross section of the merged result (with up to three partons) is equal to 8.922, i.e. more than 50% lower than our result
  - ✱ This factor is of course due to the large NLO corrections
  - ✱ So perhaps more interestingly are the scaling behaviors of the cross sections after applying the various cuts
- ✱ AlpGen results are obtained with merging up to 3 partons and showered with Herwig6 (and  $\mu_Q=30$  GeV, cone=0.375 and maximum rap=5; same as in the FxFx merging paper, as suggested by Michelangelo)

# COMPARING EFFICIENCY

Numbers computed from cross sections shown by Gavin in the Higgs WGXS meeting

	AlpGen (up to 3 partons)	aMC@NLO ( $\mu_Q=30$ )	Sherpa	MiNLO	HEJ
cuts1/total	0.12563	0.11870	0.15657	0.13426	
cuts2/total	0.00897	0.00899	0.01480	0.01315	
cuts2/cuts1	0.07145	0.07575	0.09453	0.09790	0.05772
cuts2/cuts1 compared to AlpGen	---	+6.0%	+32.3%	+37.0%	-19.2%

# COMPARING WITH MERGING UP TO 1 PARTON

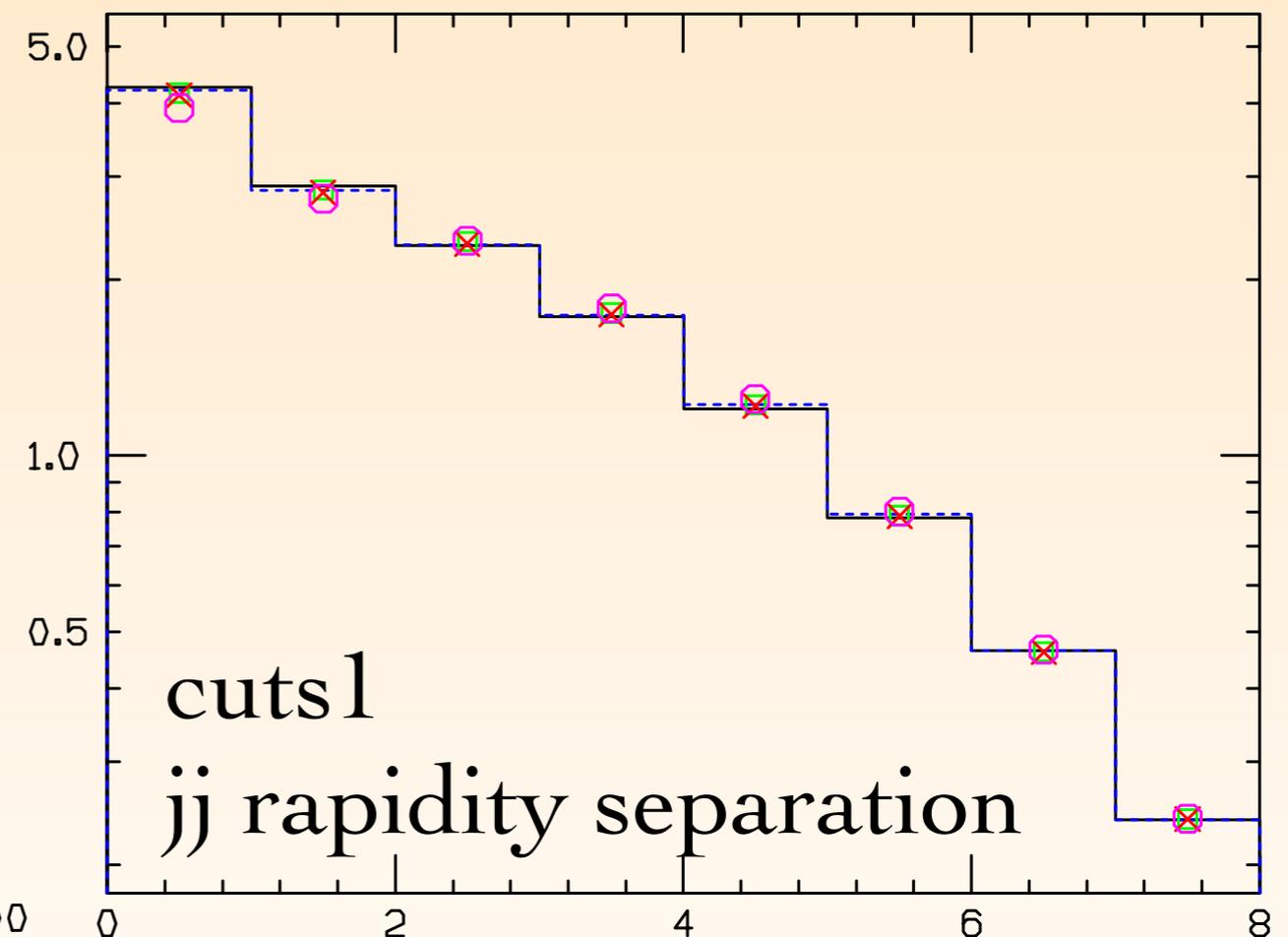
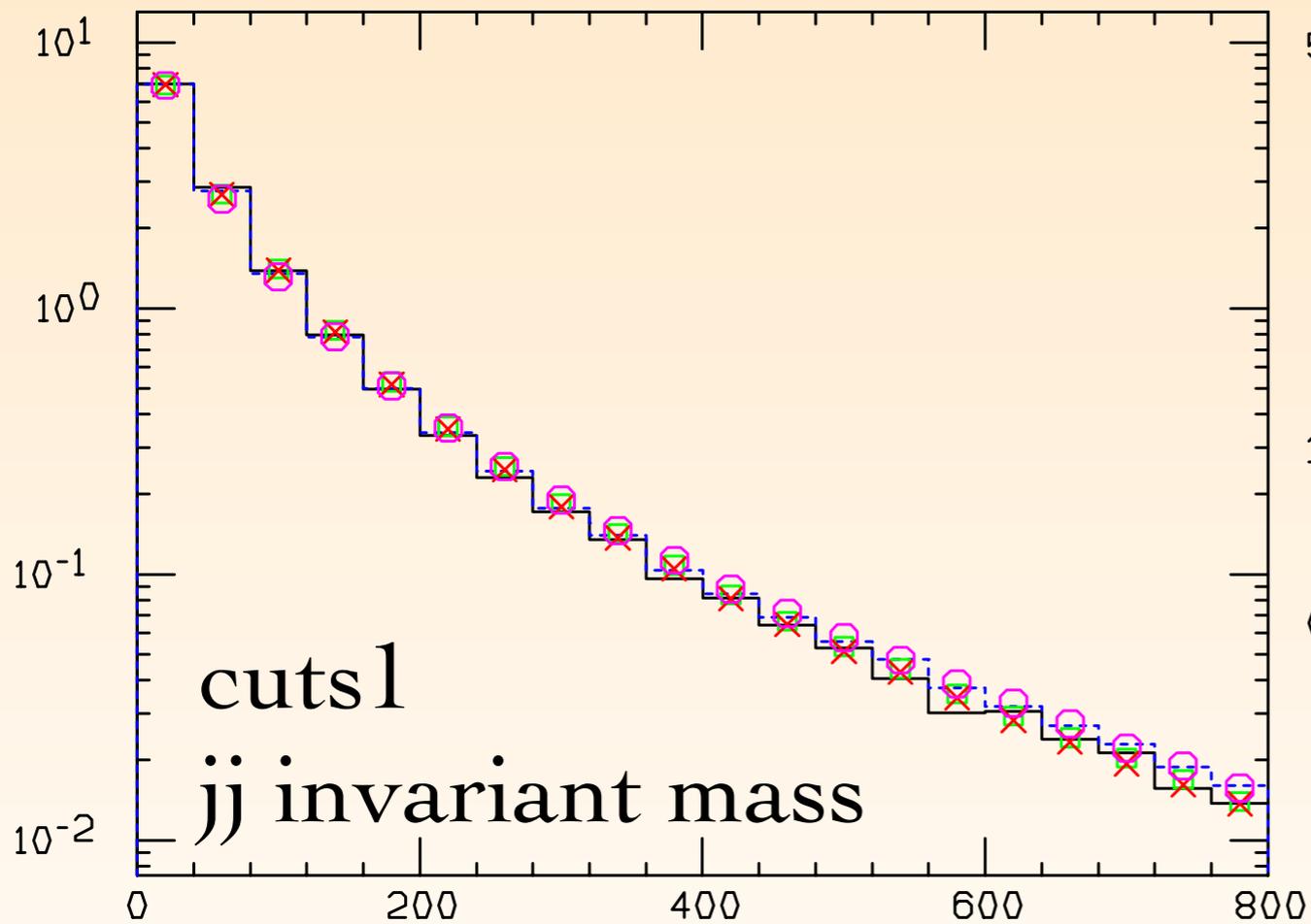
- ✱ Alpgen results on previous page are basically identical for merging with up to 2 partons only
- ✱ **If merging only up to 1 parton, results are vastly different;** however aMC@NLO and Alpgen are consistently different
- ✱ With FxFx merging, aMC@NLO samples behave rather inclusively: probably good news, because renders it easy to control contributions from the various samples

	Alpgen (up to 1 parton)	aMC@NLO (up to 1 NLO parton)
cuts1/total	0.10922	0.11723
cuts2/total	0.01288	0.01254
cuts2/cuts1	0.11795	0.10699

# ALPGEN VS. AMC@NLO

hist black solid: aMC@NLO (up to 2partons at NLO)  
 hist blue dashed: aMC@NLO (up to 1parton at NLO)

green boxes: Alpgen (up to 3partons)  
 red crosses: Alpgen (up to 2partons)  
 magenta circles: Alpgen (up to 1parton)



- ☼ Consistent change in shape (in the invariant mass) when increasing the largest parton multiplicity

# COMPARING TO RESULTS WITHOUT MERGING

- ✱ We have also checked that the H+2j unmerged aMC@NLO results agrees rather well with the merged results with  $\mu_Q=30$  GeV.
- ✱ Small deviations are seen only for those observables for which the merged results with larger  $\mu_Q$ 's are very different from the  $\mu_Q=30$  ones (see Stefano's original talk). This is a consistency check, that ensures that there are no artifacts due to the FxFx merging.

# COMMENTS

- ✱ Results & plots with  $\mu_Q=20$  GeV are not yet finished
- ✱ We will run with higher statistics over the christmas break
- ✱ We plan to do more comparisons with Alpgen; there are some differences in some distributions.