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# The MUSE Extremely Deep Field: Evidence for SFR-induced cores in dark-matter dominated galaxies at $z \approx 1$ ★

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## ABSTRACT

**Context.** Disc-halo decompositions  $z = 1$ –2 star-forming galaxies (SFGs) at  $z > 1$  are often limited to massive galaxies ( $M_\star > 10^{10} M_\odot$ ) and rely on either deep integral field spectroscopy data or stacking analyses.

**Aims.** We present a study of the dark-matter (DM) content of nine  $z \approx 1$  SFGs selected among the brightest [O II] emitters in the deepest Multi-Unit Spectrograph Explorer (MUSE) field to date, namely the 140 h MUSE Extremely Deep Field. These SFGs have low stellar masses, ranging from  $10^{8.5}$  to  $10^{10.5} M_\odot$ .

**Methods.** We analyzed the kinematics with a 3D modeling approach, which allowed us to measure individual rotation curves to  $\approx 3$  times the half-light radius  $R_e$ . We performed disk-halo decompositions on their [O II] emission line with a 3D parametric model. The disk-halo decomposition includes a stellar, DM, gas, and occasionally a bulge component. The DM component primarily uses the generalized  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  profile or a Navarro-Frenk-White profile.

**Results.** The disk stellar masses  $M_\star$  obtained from the [O II] disk-halo decomposition agree with the values inferred from the spectral energy distributions. While the rotation curves show diverse shapes, ranging from rising to declining at large radii, the DM fractions within the half-light radius  $f_{DM}(<R_e)$  are found to be 60% to 95%, extending to lower masses (densities) recent results who found low DM fractions in SFGs with  $M_\star > 10^{10} M_\odot$ . The DM halos show constant surface densities of  $\sim 100 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}$ . For isolated galaxies, half of the sample shows a strong preference for cored over cuspy DM profiles. The presence of DM cores appears to be related to galaxies with low stellar-to-halo mass ratio,  $\log M_\star/M_{\text{vir}} \approx -2.5$ . In addition, the cuspieness of the DM profiles is found to be a strong function of the recent star-formation activity.

**Conclusions.** We measured the properties of DM halos on scales from 1 to 15 kpc, put constraints on the  $z > 0$   $c_{\text{vir}}-M_{\text{vir}}$  scaling relation, and unveiled the cored nature of DM halos in some  $z \approx 1$  SFGs. These results support feedback-induced core formation in the cold dark matter context.

**Key words.** galaxies: high-redshift – galaxies: evolution – galaxies: formation – galaxies: kinematics and dynamics – methods: data analysis

## 1. Introduction

The universe's matter content is dominated by elusive dark matter (DM), which has been one of the main topics in astronomical research. The idea of a dark or invisible mass was proposed numerous times based on the motions of stars in the Milky Way disk (Oort 1932), the motion of galaxies in the Coma cluster (Zwicky 1933), and by the lesser known argument made by Peebles & Partridge (1967) using an upper limit on the mean mass density of galaxies from the average spectrum of galaxies (i.e., from the night-sky brightness). Nonetheless, the concept of DM became part of mainstream research only in the 1970s, based

on the remarkable fact that the rotation curves (RC) of massive galaxies remain flat at large galactocentric distances (Rubin & Ford 1970). It was quickly realized that these flat rotation curves at large radii could not be explained by the Newtonian gravity of the visible matter alone, but instead implied the presence of an unobserved mass component attributed to a DM halo.

Today, the cold-DM (CDM) framework in which the large-scale structure originates from the growth of the initial density fluctuations (Peebles & Yu 1970; Peebles 1974) is very successful in reproducing the large-scale structure (e.g., Springel et al. 2006). However, understanding the nature and properties of DM on galactic scales remains one of the greatest challenges of modern physics and cosmology (see Bullock & Boylan-Kolchin 2017, for a review).

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In this context, disentangling and understanding the relative distributions of baryons and dark matter in galaxies is still best achieved from a careful analysis of galaxies' RCs on galactic scales. At redshift  $z = 0$ , this type of analysis is mature with a wealth of studies published in the past 20–30 years, using a variety of dynamics tracers such as HI (e.g. de Blok & McGaugh 1997; de Blok et al. 2001; van den Bosch et al. 2000), H $\alpha$  in the GHASP survey (Spano et al. 2008; Korsaga et al. 2018, 2019) or a combination of HI and H $\alpha$  as in the recent SPARC sample (Allaert et al. 2017; Katz et al. 2017; Li et al. 2020) and the DiskMass survey (Bershady et al. 2010; Martinsson et al. 2013a). These studies have shown that, in low surface brightness (LSB) galaxies, the DM profiles have a flat density inner “core”, contrary to the expectations from DM-only simulations that DM haloes ought to have a steep central density profiles or “cusp” (e.g. Navarro et al. 1997, Navarro-Frenk-White: NFW). This cusp-core debate may be resolved within CDM with feedback processes (e.g. Navarro et al. 1996; Pontzen & Governato 2012; Teyszier et al. 2013; Di Cintio et al. 2014; Lazar et al. 2020; Freundlich et al. 2020a) transforming cusps into cores<sup>1</sup>, a process that could be already present at  $z = 1$  (Tollet et al. 2016). DM-only simulations in the  $\Lambda$ CDM context have made clear predictions for the properties of DM halos, such as their concentration and evolution (e.g. Bullock et al. 2001; Eke et al. 2001; Wechsler et al. 2002; Duffy et al. 2008; Ludlow et al. 2014; Dutton & Macciò 2014; Correa et al. 2015), but the  $c$ – $M$  relation remains untested beyond the local universe in SFGs (e.g. Allaert et al. 2017; Katz et al. 2017).

At high redshifts, where 21 cm observations are not yet available, in order to measure the DM content of high-redshift galaxies, one must measure the kinematics in the outskirts of individual star-forming galaxies (SFGs) using nebular lines (e.g. H $\alpha$ ), at radii up to 10–15 kpc (2–3 times the half-light radius  $R_e$ ) where the signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) per spaxel drops approximately exponentially and quickly falls below unity. Disk-halo decompositions have proven to be possible at  $z \simeq 2$  in the pioneering work of Genzel et al. (2017) using very deep (>30 h) near-IR integral field spectroscopy (IFS) on a small sample of six massive star-forming galaxies (SFGs). Exploring lower mass SFGs, this exercise requires a stacking approach (as in Lang et al. 2017; Tiley et al. 2019) or deep IFS observations (as in Genzel et al. 2020). These studies of massive SFGs with  $M_\star > 10^{11} M_\odot$  showed that RCs are declining at large radii, indicative of a low DM fraction within  $R_e$ ; see also Wuyts et al. (2016), Übler et al. (2017), Abril-Melgarejo et al. (2021) for dynamical estimates of DM fractions.

Recently, 3D algorithms such as GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> (Bouché et al. 2015a) or <sup>3D</sup>BAROLO (Di Teodoro & Fraternali 2015) have pushed the limits of what can be achieved at high-redshifts. For instance, one can study the kinematics of low mass SFGs, down to  $10^8 M_\odot$  (as in Bouché et al. 2021) in the regime of low S/Ns or study the kinematics of SFGs at large galactic radii  $\sim 3 \times R_e$  as in Sharma et al. (2021), when combined with stacking techniques. Most relevant for this paper, disk-halo decompositions of distant galaxies have been performed with <sup>3D</sup>BAROLO at  $z \simeq 4$  on bright submm [CII] ALMA sources (Rizzo et al. 2020; Neeleman et al. 2020; Fraternali et al. 2021). In addition, when used in combination with stacking or lensing, 3D algorithms are powerful tools to extract resolved kinematics at very high-redshifts as in Rizzo et al. (2021).

<sup>1</sup> Recently, Pineda et al. (2017) argued that NFW profiles can be mistaken as cores when the PSF/beam is not taken into account.

This paper aims to show that a disk-halo decomposition can be achieved for individual low-mass SFGs at intermediate redshifts ( $0.6 < z < 1.1$ ) using the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> algorithm combined with the deepest (140 h) Multi-Unit Spectroscopic Explorer (MUSE; Bacon et al. 2010) data obtained on the *Hubble* Ultra Deep Field (HUDF) and presented in Bacon et al. (2021). We show that rotation curves can be constrained up to  $3 R_e$  thanks to the 3D modeling approach on these deep IFU data. This paper is organized as follows. In Sect. 2, we present the sample used here. In Sect. 3, we present our methodology. In Sect. 4, we present our results. Finally, we present our conclusions in Sect. 6.

Throughout this paper, we use a ‘Planck 2015’ cosmology (Planck Collaboration XIII 2016) with  $\Omega_M = 0.307$ ,  $\Lambda = 0.693$ ,  $H_0 = 67.7 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ , yielding  $8.23 \text{ physical kpc arcsec}^{-1}$  at  $z = 1$ , and  $\Delta_{\text{vir}} = 157.2$ . We also consistently use ‘log’ for the base-10 logarithm.

## 2. Sample

In this paper, we selected nine [O II] emitters from the recent MUSE eXtremely Deep Field (MXDF) region of the HUDF. The MXDF consists of a single MUSE field observed within the MUSE observations of the HUDF (Bacon et al. 2017) taken in 2018–2019 (PI. R. Bacon; 1101.A-0127) with the dedicated VLT GALACSI/Ground-Layer Adaptive Optics (AO) facility for a total of 140 h of integration. The MXDF field is thus located within the 9 sq. arcmin mosaic observations (at 10 h depth) and overlaps with the deep 30 h ‘UDF-10’ region, as described in Bacon et al. (2021) (their Fig. 1). The MXDF was observed with a series of 25 min exposures, each rotated by a few degrees yielding a final field of view that is approximately circular with radius  $41''$ , where the deepest 140 h are contained within the central  $31''$  (see Bacon et al. 2021, for details). Thanks to the AO, the resulting point-spread function (PSF) full-width-at-half-max (FWHM) ranges from  $\approx 0.6''$  at  $5000 \text{ \AA}$  to  $0.4''$  at  $9000 \text{ \AA}$ .

The sample of [O II] emitters was selected from the mosaic catalogue (Inami et al. 2017) where we chose galaxies with the highest S/N per spaxel in [O II] that were not face-on (using the [O II] inclinations estimated in Bouché et al. 2021). From the catalog, we found 9 galaxies matching these criteria, listed in Table 1, with some reaching  $S/N_{\text{pix}} \sim 100$  in the central spaxel. All galaxies but one are contained within the deepest 140 h MXDF circle of  $31''$ . One galaxy, ID3, has only 24 h of integration in the MXDF dataset, but is fortuitously located in a deep stripe of the UDF10 region (Bacon et al. 2017) leading to a total of 42 h integration.

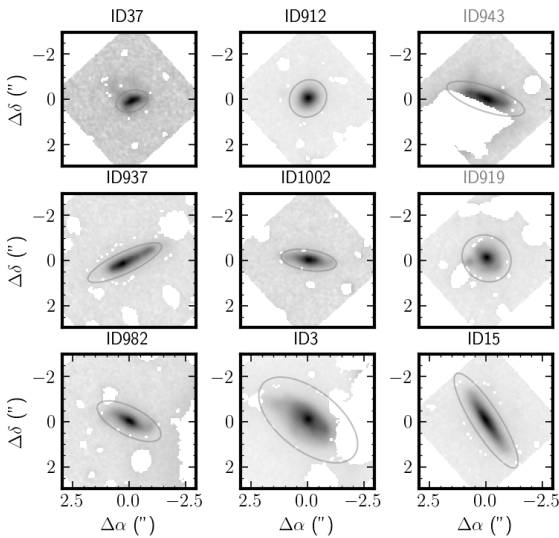
These galaxies have redshifts ranging from 0.6 to 1.1, and have stellar masses from  $M_\star = 10^{8.9} M_\odot$  to  $M_\star = 10^{10.3} M_\odot$  with SFRs from  $1$  to  $5 M_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1}$ . The stellar masses and SFR were determined from spectral energy distribution (SED) fits with the MAGPHYS (da Cunha et al. 2015) software on the HST photometry (as in Maseda et al. 2017; Bacon et al. 2017, 2021) using a Chabrier (2003) initial mass function (IMF). Uncertainties on these quantities are obtained from the marginalized posterior probability distributions given by Magphys under the assumption of smooth star formation histories with additional random bursts (da Cunha et al. 2008, and references therein). The main properties of these galaxies are listed in Table 1.

In Fig. 1, we show the HST/F160W images of the nine SFGs where the background and foreground objects have been masked. This figure shows that not all galaxies are regular and axisymmetric. In particular, ID943 has a large companion  $1''$  away (masked) and ID919 has a small satellite at the same

**Table 1.** Properties of the SFGs selected in the MXDF.

ID	$z$	$t_{\text{exp}}$ (h)	$S/N_{\text{max}}$	$\log M_{\star}/M_{\odot}$	SFR ( $M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ )	$m_{F775W}$ (mag)	$n_{\star}$	$i_{\star}$ (deg)	B/T	$R_{e\star}$ (kpc)	RAFID
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
3	0.62	42	15	$10.08^{+0.02}_{-0.06}$	$2.62^{+0.80}_{-1.2}$	21.68	$0.87/0.81 \pm 0.06$	$64 \pm 5$	0.04	$5.61 \pm 0.04$	24 353
15	0.67	136	9	$10.23^{+0.02}_{-0.10}$	$0.99^{+2.53}_{-0.29}$	23.30	$0.86/0.74 \pm 0.06$	$86 \pm 5$	<0.01	$5.75 \pm 0.03$	10 345
37	0.98	136	61	$8.87^{+0.06}_{-0.17}$	$0.80^{+1.22}_{-0.18}$	24.65	$1.15/0.97 \pm 0.08$	$56 \pm 5$	<0.01	$3.54 \pm 0.06$	9791
912	0.62	136	124	$9.19^{+0.19}_{-0.06}$	$1.29^{+1.60}_{-0.30}$	22.99	$0.97/0.93 \pm 0.06$	$27 \pm 5$	<0.01	$1.87 \pm 0.01$	5082
919	1.10	136	98	$9.83^{+0.02}_{-0.06}$	$4.28^{+0.52}_{-0.55}$	23.23	$1.54/1.20 \pm 0.06$	$28 \pm 5$	0.21	$3.28 \pm 0.03$	23 037
937	0.73	44	18	$9.35^{+0.08}_{-0.06}$	$1.50^{+0.34}_{-0.36}$	23.49	$1.13/0.96 \pm 0.06$	$82 \pm 5$	0.16	$5.39 \pm 0.06$	7734
943	0.66	136	32	$9.28^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$	$1.00^{+0.57}_{-0.40}$	23.63	$0.86/0.59 \pm 0.06$	$77 \pm 5$	<0.01	$5.09 \pm 0.07$	22 950
982	1.10	92	22	$9.75^{+0.09}_{-0.07}$	$3.25^{+0.84}_{-0.97}$	23.95	$1.47/1.02 \pm 0.06$	$70 \pm 5$	0.43	$4.79 \pm 0.05$	22 509
1002	0.99	47	35	$9.43^{+0.02}_{-0.075}$	$1.18^{+0.02}_{-0.26}$	24.15	$1.29/1.05 \pm 0.06$	$73 \pm 5$	0.21	$4.15 \pm 0.03$	25 458

**Notes.** (1) Galaxy MUSE ID from Inami et al. (2017); (2) Redshift; (3) Exposure time (h); (4) Maximum S/N in the brightest [O II] spaxel; (5) Stellar mass  $M_{\star}$  from SED fitting with MAGPHYS; (6) SFR from SED fitting; (7)  $F775W$  magnitude; (8) Sérsic  $n_{\star}$  from van der Wel et al. (2014) and from our GALFIT fits both on HST/ $F160W$  WFC3; (9) Inclination  $i_{\star}$  from HST/ $F160W$  WFC3; (10) B/T ratio at  $2 R_e$  from a two component GALFIT fit to HST/ $F160W$ ; (11)  $R_e$  in kpc measured from HST/ $F160W$  from a single component GALFIT fit to the HST/ $F160W$  data; (12) ID in the Rafelski et al. (2015) catalog. The quoted errors are  $1\sigma$  (68%).



**Fig. 1.** Stellar continuum postage stamps. HST/ $F160W$  flux map for the nine [O II] emitters from the MXDF used in this study (ordered by increasing  $M_{\star}$  from top left to bottom right). Background and foreground objects have been masked. The ellipse shows a constant isophote on the models.

redshift, as seen in Fig. 2, and both of these galaxies show signs of tidal tails. ID3 has also a companion  $2''2$  away (masked).

Using Sérsic (1963) fits with the GALFIT tool (Peng et al. 2002) on the HST/ $F160W$  WFC3 images, we find that these galaxies have surface brightness profiles consistent with an exponential. More specifically, we modeled the flux distribution using a single Sérsic profile with its total magnitude, effective radius, Sérsic index  $n$ , position angle (PA) and axis ratio ( $b/a$ ) as free parameters, in combination with a sky component to take into account the sky background in the HST images. We used the  $F160W$  WFC3 images since these probe older stellar populations which better trace the underlying mass distribution and also because they have the best spatial resolution available. In order to improve the fits, we additionally masked the nearby objects appearing in the HST segmentation maps.

In order to get a measure of the galaxies bulge to total ratio (B/T), we remodeled them performing a multicomponent decomposition. This time, we used a combination of an exponential disk (with fixed  $n = 1$ ) with a de Vaucouleurs bulge (with fixed  $n = 4$ , PA and  $b/a$ ) on the same masked HST images.

### 3. Methodology

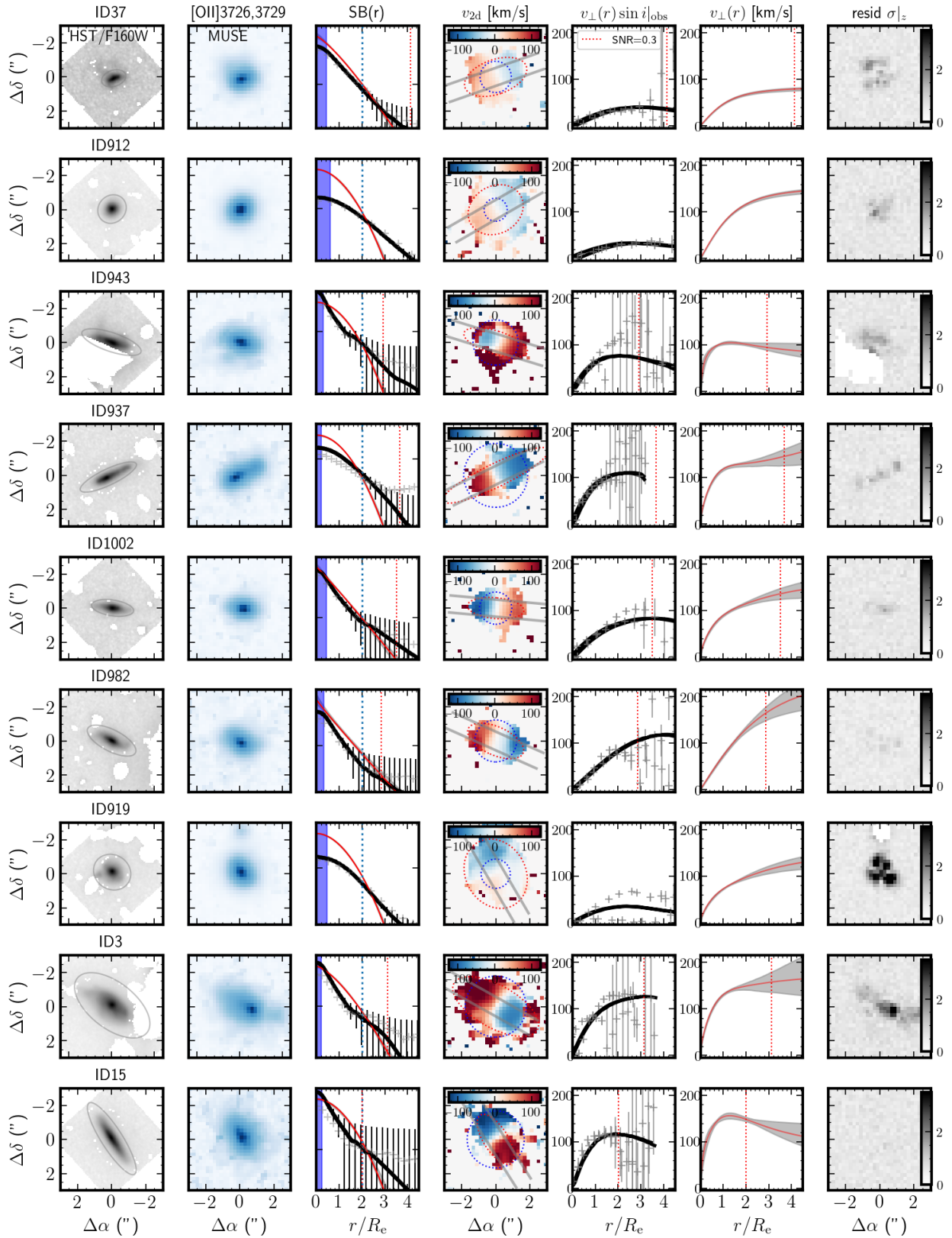
In order to measure the DM content of high-redshift galaxies, one must measure individual RCs in the outskirts of individual SFGs, at radii up to 10–15 kpc ( $2\text{--}3 R_e$ ) where the S/N per spaxel falls below unity. This is possible thanks to the combination of the deep MUSE data and 3D analysis tools such as GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> (Bouché et al. 2015a). In Sect. 3.1, we describe the 3D algorithm and our parameterization designed to analyze the shape of the RCs in order to characterize the outer slope of RCs. In Sect. 3.2, we describe our methodology for performing a full disk-halo decomposition directly to the 3D MUSE data-cubes.

#### 3.1. Simultaneous measurements of the morphology and kinematics from 3D modeling

The GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> algorithm (Bouché et al. 2015a) compares 3D parametric models directly to the 3D data, taking into account the instrumental resolution and PSF<sup>2</sup>. Briefly, GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> performs a parametric fit of the 3D emission line data, simultaneously fitting the morphology and kinematics using a 3D  $(x, y, \lambda)$  disk model, which specifies the morphology and kinematic parametric profiles. GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> convolves the 3D model with the Point Spread Function and Line Spread Function, which implies that all the fitted parameters are “intrinsic” (i.e., corrected for beam smearing and instrumental effects).

For the morphology, the model assumes a Sérsic (1963) surface brightness profile  $\Sigma(r)$ , with Sérsic index  $n$ . The disk model is inclined to any given inclination  $i$  and orientation or positional angle (PA). The thickness profile is taken to be Gaussian whose scale height  $h_z$  is  $0.15 \times R_e$ . For [O II] emitters, as in this analysis, we add a global [O II] doublet ratio  $r_{O2}$ .

<sup>2</sup> See <http://galpak3d.univ-lyon1.fr>



**Fig. 2.** Morpho-kinematics of each SFG. The columns shows (from left to right) the stellar continuum from HST/F160W, the [O II] flux map from MUSE, the [O II] surface brightness profile (SB( $r$ )), the observed projected velocity field ( $v_{2d}$ ), the observed 1d velocity profile  $v_{\perp} \sin i$ , the intrinsic (i.e., deprojected, corrected for beam smearing) modeled rotation curve ( $v_{\perp}$ ) using the URC model of PSS96 (see Sect. 3.1), and the residuals map obtained from the residual cube (see text). The red solid lines show the intrinsic SB( $r$ ) and  $v_{\perp}$  model. The solid black lines show the convolved SB profile and modeled 1d velocity profile. The gray symbols represent the data extracted from the flux and velocity maps. The blue vertical dotted lines represent  $2R_e$ , while the red dotted lines show the radius at which the S/N per spaxel reaches 0.3.

**Table 2.** Kinematics results from the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> fits with our disk-halo decomposition.

ID	$n_{O2}$	$i_{O2}$ (deg)	$R_{eO2}$ (kpc)	Model	$\sigma_0$ (km s <sup>-1</sup> )	$V_{vir}$ (km s <sup>-1</sup> )	$c_{vir,-2}$	$\log M_*/M_\odot$	$\log M_{vir}/M_\odot$	$\ln \mathcal{Z}$
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
3 <sup>(a)</sup>	0.75 ± 0.05	65 ± 1	6.4 ± 0.1	DC14.MGE	27 ± 3	122 ± 12	12 ± 2	10.02 ± 0.23	11.71 ± 0.12	17 317 <sup>(d)</sup>
15	0.6 ± 0.1	63 ± 1	6.0 ± 0.2	DC14.MGE	35 ± 2	115 ± 15	15 ± 2	10.19 ± 0.27	11.61 ± 0.16	8019
37	0.9 ± 0.1	55 ± 1	3.7 ± 0.1	DC14.MGE	25 ± 3	143 ± 35	6.6 ± 1	8.89 ± 0.30	11.80 ± 0.32	9514
912 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.5 ± 0.1	35	2.4 ± 0.1	DC14.MGE	27 ± 3	154 <sup>+35</sup> <sub>-26</sub>	17 ± 2	9.34 ± 0.21	12.01 ± 0.25	8829
919 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.6 ± 0.1	35	3.6 ± 0.1	DC14.Freeman	39 ± 2	122 ± 15	16 ± 1	9.53 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.24</sub>	11.54 ± 0.16	27 552 <sup>(d)</sup>
937 <sup>(c)</sup>	0.5 ± 0.1	84 ± 1	7.1 ± 0.1	NFW.MGE	18 ± 5	112 ± 13	9 ± 1	9.29 <sup>+0.22</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	11.56 ± 0.16	8632
943	1.0 ± 0.1	72 ± 1	4.8 ± 0.1	DC14.MGE	48 ± 2	89 ± 6	15 ± 4	9.97 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.35</sub>	11.27 ± 0.09	15 374 <sup>(d)</sup>
982	1.2 ± 0.1	63 ± 1	5.4 ± 0.3	DC14.MGE	35 ± 3	203 <sup>+52</sup> <sub>-33</sub>	7 ± 1	9.57 ± 0.25	12.22 <sup>+0.30</sup> <sub>-0.23</sub>	6736
1002	0.95 ± 0.5	70 ± 1	3.9 ± 0.1	DC14.Freeman	36 ± 2	122 <sup>+25</sup> <sub>-29</sub>	7 ± 1	9.67 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.34</sub>	11.60 <sup>+0.25</sup> <sub>-0.35</sub>	8151

**Notes.** (1) Galaxy ID; (2) Sérsic index from MUSE data ([O II]); (3) Inclination from [O II]; (4) Half-light radius from [O II]; (5) Model used for the disk-halo decomposition; (6) Velocity dispersion  $\sigma_0$  (see text); (7) Virial velocity  $V_{vir}$  for the DM halo component; (8) Halo concentration parameter  $c_{vir}$ ; (9) Stellar mass  $M_*$  from GALPAK<sup>3D</sup>; (10) Halo mass  $M_{vir}$ ; (11) Logarithm of the evidence  $\mathcal{Z}$ . The quoted errors are  $2\sigma$  (95%).  
<sup>(a)</sup>This galaxy is located on the edge of the MXDF deep footprint, and we use the deeper data in the UDF10 pointing from Bacon et al. (2017).  
<sup>(b)</sup>The inclination for this galaxy ( $i_{[OII]}$  was  $\sim 45^\circ$ ) is restricted to  $i_* < 35^\circ$ .  
<sup>(c)</sup>The disk mass was restricted to the SED mass  $\log M_*/M_\odot \pm 0.2$  dex.  
<sup>(d)</sup>Large residuals are associated with galaxies with companions.

For the kinematics, the 3D model uses a parametric form for the rotation curve  $v(r)$  and the dispersion  $\sigma(r)$  profile as discussed in Bouché et al. (2021). In order to assess the shape of the RCs, we can use several RC models which allow for a rising or declining RC, such as in Rix et al. (1997), Courteau (1997) or the universal RC (URC) of Persic et al. (1996, PSS96). After experimentation, the latter is often our preferred choice because it has fewer parameter degeneracies. The URC of PSS96 has three parameters, the core radius  $r_c$ , the velocity  $V_2$  (at  $R_{opt} \simeq 2R_c$ ) and the outer slope  $\beta$  of  $v(r)$ .

Finally, as described in Bouché et al. (2015a, 2021), the velocity dispersion profile  $\sigma(r)$  consists of the combination of a thick disk  $\sigma_{thick}$ , defined from the identity  $\sigma_{thick}(r)/v(r) = h_z/r$  (Genzel et al. 2006; Cresci et al. 2009) where  $h_z$  is the disk thickness (taken to be  $0.15 \times R_c$ ) and a dispersion floor,  $\sigma_0$ , added in quadrature (similar to  $\sigma_0$  in Genzel et al. 2006, 2008; Förster Schreiber et al. 2006, 2018; Cresci et al. 2009; Wisnioski et al. 2015; Übler et al. 2019).

Altogether, this 3D model (hereafter ‘URC’ model) has 13 parameters:  $x_c, y_c, z_c, f_{O2}, R_{eO2}, n_{O2}, i_{O2}, PA_{O2}, r_t, V_2, \beta, \sigma_0$  and the [O II] doublet ratio  $r_{O2}$ . We use flat priors on these parameters and fit them simultaneously with a Bayesian Monte-Carlo algorithm. GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> can use a variety of Monte-Carlo algorithms and here we use the python version of MULTINEST (Feroz et al. 2009) from Buchner et al. (2014) because it is found to be very robust and insensitive to initial parameters. Moreover, it also provides the model evidence  $\mathcal{Z}$ .

There are several advantages to note here. The 3D algorithm GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> allows to fit the kinematics and morphological parameters simultaneously and thus no prior information is required on the inclination<sup>3</sup>. The agreement between HST-based and MUSE-based inclinations is typically better than  $7^\circ$  (rms) for galaxies with  $25 < i < 80$  as demonstrated in Contini et al. (2016) and with mock data-cubes (Bouché et al. 2021) derived from the Illustris ‘NewGeneration 50 Mpc’ (TNG50) simulations (Nelson et al. 2019; Pillepich et al. 2019). Nonetheless, we checked that the inclinations  $i$  and Sérsic  $n$  parameters obtained from the [O II] MUSE data are consistent with those obtained

from the HST/F160W images (see Tables 1 and 2). We find good agreement except for ID912 and ID919, which have the most face-on inclination with  $i_* < 30^\circ$ . For these two galaxies, we restrict the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> fits to  $i_{O2} < 35^\circ$ .

### 3.2. Disk-halo decompositions

In most general terms, a disk-halo decomposition of the rotation curve  $v(r)$  is made of the combination of a dark-matter  $v_{dm}$ , a stellar disk  $v_*$ , a molecular  $v_{g,H_2}$  and an atomic a gas  $v_{g,H I}$  component:

$$v_c^2(r) = v_{dm}^2(r) + v_*^2(r) + v_{g,H_2}^2 + v_{g,H I}^2(r). \quad (1)$$

The mass profile for the molecular gas H<sub>2</sub> component is negligible at low redshifts (due to the low gas fraction) (e.g. Frank et al. 2016). At high-redshifts, the molecular gas follows the SFR profile (or [O II]) (Leroy et al. 2008; Nelson et al. 2016; Wilman et al. 2020), and approximately the stellar component, and thus can become significant. However, because of the similar mass profile in molecular gas and stars, the two are inherently degenerate without direct CO measurements, currently inaccessible at our mass range. Depending on the molecular gas fractions, this component could be significant, but given that the molecular gas fractions in our redshift range 0.6–1.1 are typically 30–50% (e.g. Freundlich et al. 2019), this amounts to a systematic uncertainty of 0.1–0.15 dex on the mass of disk component.

The neutral gas profile  $v_{g,H I}$ , however, is important given that (i), locally, it extends much further than the stellar component (e.g. Martinsson et al. 2013a; Wang et al. 2016, 2020) and can extend up to 40 kpc using stacking techniques (Ianjamasimanana et al. 2018), and (ii) at  $z \approx 1$  several absorption line surveys show extended cool structures that extend up to 80 kpc (e.g. Bouché et al. 2013, 2016; Ho et al. 2017, 2019; Zabl et al. 2019) traced by quasar Mg II absorption lines. Because of the roughly constant surface density of H I gas, this neutral gas contribution to  $v(r)$  is important at large distances (e.g. Allaert et al. 2017).

Within the context of this paper, we have implemented a 3D disk-halo decomposition in GALPAK<sup>3D</sup>, where the rotation curve is made of the combination of a dark-matter  $v_{dm}$ , a disk  $v_*$ , a

<sup>3</sup> The traditional  $i$ – $V_{max}$  degeneracy is broken using the morphological information, specifically the axis  $b/a$  ratio.

neutral gas  $v_g$  component (hereafter  $v_g \equiv v_{g,\text{HI}}$ ):

$$v_c^2(r) = v_{\text{dm}}^2(r) + v_\star^2(r) + v_g^2(r) \quad (2)$$

and in some cases an additional central or ‘bulge’ component  $v_{\text{bg}}$ . For instance, ID982 has a B/T greater than 0.2 from the HST/F160W photometry (see Table 1). For these, we add a bulge to the flux profile and a [Hernquist \(1990\)](#) component  $v_{\text{bg}}(r)$  to Eq. (2) whose parameters are the Sérsic index for the bulge  $n_b$  (taken between  $n_b = 2$  and  $n_b = 4$ ), the bulge kinematic mass ( $v_{\text{max},b}$ ), the bulge radius  $r_b$  and the bulge-to-total (BT) ratio.

The disk component  $v_\star$  can be modeled as a [Freeman \(1970\)](#) disk suitable for exponential mass profiles and most of our galaxies have stellar Sérsic indices  $n_\star$  close to  $n_\star \simeq 1$  (see Table 1). For a mass profile of any Sérsic  $n$ , the rotation curve  $v_\star(r)$  can be derived analytically (e.g. [Lima Neto et al. 1999](#)) or approximated using the Multi-Gaussian Expansion (MGE) approach of the spatial distribution ([Emsellem et al. 1994a](#)), assuming axisymmetry, with a sufficiently high number of gaussian components to ensure a given accuracy (e.g. <1%) within  $0.1 < r/R_e < 20$ . Here, we use the MGE approach where the shape of  $v_\star(r)$  is determined by the Sérsic  $n_{\text{O2}}$  index from the [O II] SB profile, and the normalization of  $v_\star$  is given by the disk mass  $M_\star$ , the sole free parameter. Naturally, this assumes that [O II] traces mass, which might not be appropriate. Hence, when preferred by the data (i.e., with a better evidence), we relax this constraint and use a [Freeman \(1970\)](#) disk ( $n \equiv 1$ ) together with  $n_{\text{O2}}$  different than unity for the disk  $v_\star$  component. For two galaxies, we selected this option (‘Freeman’ in Table 2).

The DM component  $v_{\text{dm}}(r)$  can be modeled as a generalized  $\alpha - \beta - \gamma$  double power-law model ([Jaffe 1983](#); [Hernquist 1990](#); [Zhao 1996](#)), hereafter the Hernquist-Zhao profile:

$$\rho(r; \rho_s, r_s, \alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \frac{\rho_s}{\left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\gamma \left(1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha\right)^{(\beta-\gamma)/\alpha}} \quad (3)$$

where  $r_s$  is the scale radius,  $\rho_s$  the scale density, and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the shape parameters, with  $\beta$  corresponding to the outer slope,  $\gamma$  the inner slope and  $\alpha$  the transition sharpness.

The density  $\rho_s$  is set by the halo virial velocity  $V_{\text{vir}}$  (or halo mass  $M_{\text{vir}}$ ), and following [Di Cintio et al. \(2014\)](#), hereafter DC14),  $r_s$  can be scaled as

$$r_{-2} \equiv \left(\frac{2-\gamma}{\beta-2}\right)^{1/\alpha} r_s \quad (4)$$

where  $r_{-2}$  the radius at which the logarithmic DM slope is  $-2$ <sup>4</sup>. The concentration  $c_{\text{vir}}$  is defined as  $c_{\text{vir},-2} \equiv R_{\text{vir}}/r_{-2}$ , where  $R_{\text{vir}}$  is the halo virial radius (using the virial overdensity definition of [Bryan & Norman 1998](#)).

The shape parameters  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  in Eq. (3) are a direct function of the disk-to-halo mass ratio  $\log X \equiv \log(M_\star/M_{\text{vir}})$ , in simulations with supernova feedback (e.g. DC14, [Tollet et al. 2016](#); [Lazar et al. 2020](#)). This parameter  $X$  then uniquely determines the shape of the DM halo profile and its associated  $v_{\text{dm}}(r)$ . Hence, this DM profile  $v_{\text{dm}}(r)$  has three free parameters, namely  $\log X$ ,  $V_{\text{vir}}$  and  $c_{-2}$ . Since we used the  $\alpha(X), \beta(X), \gamma(X)$  parametrisation with  $\log X$  from DC14 (their Eq. (3)), we refer to this model as ‘DC14’, and refer the reader to DC14, [Allaert et al. \(2017\)](#), and [Katz et al. \(2017\)](#) for the details.

<sup>4</sup> For a NFW profile  $r_{-2}$  is equal to  $r_s$ , and  $c_{\text{vir}} = R_{\text{vir}}/r_s$ .

We also use a NFW DM profile, which is a special case of Hernquist-Zhao profiles with  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = (1, 3, 1)$ <sup>5</sup>. In Appendix C, we relax the DC14 assumption and explore Hernquist-Zhao DM profiles with unconstrained  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  parameters (Fig. C.1), and refer this model as the ‘Zhao’ models. The shape of these DM profiles are not linked to  $\log(M_\star/M_{\text{vir}})$  as in DC14, and thus require a prior input for  $M_\star$ .

The gas component  $v_g$  is made of a velocity profile  $v_g(r) \propto \sqrt{\Sigma_g r}$ , appropriate for a gas distribution with a constant surface density  $\Sigma_g$ . This constant  $\Sigma_g$  is appropriate for HI gas profiles in the local universe (e.g. [Martinsson et al. 2013a](#); [Wang et al. 2016, 2020](#)). Empirically, it has been shown that  $v_g(r)$  can be well approximated with  $\propto \sqrt{r}$  at  $z = 0$  (e.g. [Allaert et al. 2017](#)). Here,  $\Sigma_g$  is an additional parameter which can be marginalized over.  $\Sigma_{\text{HI}}$  is typically  $\sim 5 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}$  ([Martinsson et al. 2013a](#)) which is consistent with the well-known size-mass  $D_{\text{HI}} - M_{\text{HI}}$   $z = 0$  relation ([Broeils & Rhee 1997](#); [Wang et al. 2016](#); [Martinsson et al. 2016](#); [Lelli et al. 2016](#)). We allowed  $\Sigma_{\text{HI}}$  to range over  $0 - 12.5 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}$ . The maximum gas surface density at  $\sim 10 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}$  can be thought as of a consequence of molecular gas formation (e.g. [Schaye 2001](#)).

Finally, we include the correction for pressure support (often called asymmetric drift correction) namely  $v_{\text{AD}}^2$  following [Weijmans et al. \(2008\)](#), [Burkert et al. \(2010\)](#), and many others (see Appendix A), such that the circular velocity in Eq. (2) is  $v_c^2(r) = v_\perp^2(r) + v_{\text{AD}}^2(r)$  where  $v_\perp$  is the observed rotation velocity. Since the ISM pressure  $P$  is approximately linearly dependent on the gas surface density  $\Sigma_g$  (e.g. [Blitz & Rosolowsky 2006](#); [Leroy et al. 2008](#)), and can be described with  $P \propto \Sigma_g^{0.92}$  (e.g. [Dalcanton & Stilp 2010](#)), one has

$$v_c^2(r) = v_\perp^2(r) + 0.92\sigma_0^2 \left(\frac{r}{r_d}\right) \quad (5)$$

where  $r_d$  is the disk scale length, (see Eq. (A.5)).

To summarize, the disk-halo 3D-model has 14 parameters:  $x_c, y_c, z_c, f_{\text{O2}}, R_e, i, n_{\text{O2}}, \text{PA}, V_{\text{vir}}, c_{-2}, \log X, \sigma_0, \Sigma_g$  and the [O II] doublet ratio  $r_{\text{O2}}$ . For the halo component, we can use a ‘DC14’ or an NFW model, for which, we use directly  $\log M_\star$  instead of  $\log X$  as a parameter. For the ‘DC14’ halo model, we restrict  $\log X$  to  $[-3.0, -1.2]$  to ensure a solution in the upper branch<sup>6</sup> of the core-cusp vs.  $\log X$  parameter space (see Fig. 1 of [Di Cintio et al. 2014](#)). In the cases with a bulge component, there are 4 additional parameters:  $r_b, n_b, v_{\text{max},b}$  and B/T.

### 3.3. Parameter optimization and model selection

Having constructed disk-halo models in  $3\text{D}(x, y, \lambda)$  within GALPAK<sup>3D</sup>, we optimize the 14 parameters simultaneously with GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> using the python PYMULTINEST package ([Buchner et al. 2014](#)) against the MUSE data where the stellar continuum was removed taking into account the PSF and LSF. As in Sect. 3.1, we use flat priors on each parameter. We also do not use the stellar mass from SED as input/prior on the disk mass (via  $\log X$ ) because the traditional disk-halo degeneracy is

<sup>5</sup> A pseudo-isothermal profile has  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = (2, 2, 0)$ , the modified NFW (used in [Sonnenfeld et al. 2015](#); [Wasserman et al. 2018](#); [Genzel et al. 2020](#)) has  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = (1, 3, \gamma)$  and the [Dekel et al. \(2017\)](#) profile has  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = (0.5, 3.5, a)$  (see [Freundlich et al. 2020b](#)). Other DM profiles include the [Burkert \(1995\)](#), the [Einasto \(1965\)](#) profiles and the core-NFW profile of [Read et al. \(2016a\)](#).

<sup>6</sup> The lower branch is appropriate for dwarfs.

**Table 3.** Bayesian evidences from the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> fits.

ID	$I(r)$	$v(r)$	Prior	$\ln \mathcal{Z}$	$\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
3	Sérsic	DC14.MGE		17 317	0
3	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	17 312	-5
15	Sérsic	DC14.MGE		8019	0
15	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	8023	+4
37	Sérsic	DC14.MGE		9514	0
37	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	9651	+137
912	Sérsic	DC14.MGE	$i_{\star}$	8829	0
912	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$i_{\star}, M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	8931	+102
919	Sérsic+B	DC14.Freeman	$i_{\star}$	27 552	0
919	Sérsic+B	NFW.Freeman	$i_{\star}, M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	27 915	+363
937	Sérsic	DC14.MGE		8632	0
937	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	8625	-7
982	Sérsic	DC14.MGE		6736	0
982	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	7040	+304
943	Sérsic	DC14.MGE		15 374	0
943	Sérsic	NFW.MGE	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	15 372	-2
1002	Sérsic	DC14.Freeman		8151	0
1002	Sérsic	NFW.Freeman	$M_{\star, \text{SED}}$	8155	+4

**Notes.** (1) Galaxy ID; (2) Surface brightness profile; (3) Kinematic model (DM/Baryon); (4) External prior used; (5) Evidence  $\ln \mathcal{Z}$  on the deviance scale; (6) Bayesian factor between ‘NFW’ and the ‘DC14’ models (see Sect. 3.2).

broken from the shape ( $\alpha - \beta - \gamma$ ) of the DM halo profile Eq. (3) which depends on the disk-to-halo mass ratio  $X = M_{\star}/M_{\text{vir}}$  as discussed in the previous section. We do not use priors on the inclination<sup>7</sup> because the  $i$ - $V$  degeneracy is broken from the simultaneous fit of the kinematics with the morphology, as discussed in Sect. 3.1.

Regarding model selection between DC14 or NFW DM profiles, we choose the preferred model by comparing the evidence  $\ln \mathcal{Z}$  or marginal probability  $\ln P(y|M_1)$  (namely the integral of the posterior over the parameters space) (Jeffreys 1961; Kass & Raftery 1995; Robert et al. 2009; Jenkins & Peacock 2018) for the DC14 DM model ( $M_1$ ) against the NFW model ( $M_2$ ) and using the Bayes factor defined as the ratio of the marginal probabilities  $B_{12} \equiv P(y|M_1)/P(y|M_2)$ . Throughout this paper, following Kass & Raftery (1995) (see also Gelman et al. 2014), we rescale the evidence by  $-2$  such that it is on the same scale as the usual information criterion (Deviance, Bayesian Information Criterion, etc.). With this factor in mind, as discussed in Jeffreys (1961) and Kass & Raftery (1995), positive (strong) evidence against the null hypothesis (that the two models are equivalent) occurs when the Bayes factor is  $>3$  ( $>20$ ), respectively. This corresponds to a logarithmic difference  $\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$  of 2 and 6, respectively. Thus, we use a minimum  $\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$  of 6 as our threshold to discriminate between models. Table 3 shows the logarithmic difference of the Bayes factors,  $\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$ , for the NFW DM models with respect to the fiducial DC14 models.

### 3.4. Stellar rotation from HST photometry

In order to independently estimate the contribution of the stellar component to the RC, we parameterized the light distribution of HST/*F160W* images with the MGE method (Monnet et al.

1992; Emsellem et al. 1994b)<sup>8</sup>. For each galaxy we made an MGE model by considering the PSF of the HST/*F160W* filter, removing the sky level and masking any companion galaxies or stars. Each MGE model consists of a set of concentric 2D Gaussians defined by the peak intensity, the dispersion and the axial ratio or flattening. The Gaussian with the lowest flattening is critical as it sets the lower limit to the inclination at which the object can be projected (Monnet et al. 1992). Therefore, following the prescription from Scott et al. (2013), we also optimize the allowed range of axial ratios of all MGE models until the fits become unacceptable. In practice, convergence is achieved when the mean absolute deviation of the model for a given axial ratio pair increases by less than 10% over the previous step. Finally, we convert the Gaussian peak counts to surface brightness using the WFC3 zeropoints from the headers, and then to surface density (in  $L_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$ ) adopting 4.60 for the absolute magnitude for the Sun in the *F160W* (Willmer 2018).

We follow the projection formulas in Monnet et al. (1992) and the steps outlined in Emsellem et al. (1994a,b) to determine the gravitational potential for our MGE models (see also Appendix A of Cappellari et al. 2002). The critical parameters here are the distance, inclination, and the mass-to-light ratio of the galaxy. The distances are simply calculated from the redshifts and our assumed *Planck* 2015 cosmology.

As we assume that the stellar component is distributed in a disk, we use the axial ratio of galaxies measured from the HST/*F160W* images to derive the inclinations of galaxies. An alternative approach would be to use the inclinations returned from the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> models, which lead to almost identical results.

We estimate the mass-to-light ratios of galaxies combining the stellar masses obtained from photometric SED fits (see Sect. 2) and the total light obtained from the MGE models. Finally we use the module `mge_vcirc` from the JAM code (Cappellari 2008) to calculate the circular velocity in the equatorial plane of each galaxy.

## 4. Results

### 4.1. The diversity of rotation curve shapes

In Fig. 2, we show the morpho-kinematics of the galaxies used in this study. The first column shows the stellar continuum from HST/*F160W*. The second column shows the [O II] flux map obtained from the CAMEL<sup>9</sup> algorithm (Epinat et al. 2012). The third column shows the [O II] surface brightness profile as a function of radius  $r$ , in units of  $R_e$ . The fourth column shows the observed 2D velocity field  $v_{2d}$  obtained from CAMEL. The fifth column shows the intrinsic rotation velocity  $v_{\perp}(r)$  corrected for inclination and instrumental effects (beam smearing, see Sect. 3), using the parametric model of PSS96 (see Sect. 3.1). The vertical dotted lines represent the radius at which the S/N per spaxel reaches 0.3, and indicates the limits of our data. The last column shows the residual map, obtained from computing the standard deviation in the residual cube along the wavelength direction.

This figure shows that  $z = 1$  RCs have diverse shapes (as in Tiley et al. 2019; Genzel et al. 2020) with mostly increasing but some presenting declining RCs at large radii as in Genzel et al. (2017). The diversity, albeit for a smaller sample, is similar to the diversity observed at  $z = 0$  (e.g. Persic et al. 1996; Catinella et al. 2006; Martinsson et al. 2013b; Katz et al. 2017).

<sup>8</sup> An implementation of the method (Cappellari 2002) is available at <https://www-astro.physics.ox.ac.uk/~mxc/software/>

<sup>9</sup> Available at <https://gitlab.lam.fr/bepinat/CAMEL>

<sup>7</sup> Except for the two low-inclination galaxies (ID912, 919).



#### 4.2. The disk-halo decomposition

We now turn to our disk-halo decomposition using the method described in Sect. 3.2. For each SFG, we ran several combinations of disk-halo models, such as different halo components (DC14/NFW), different disk components (Freeman/MGE), with or without a bulge, with various asymmetric drift corrections and chose the model that best fit the data for each galaxy according to the model evidence. We find that the DC14 halo model is generally preferred over a NFW profile and the resulting model parameters are listed in Table 2. The evidence for the DC14 models is discussed further in Sect. 4.6.

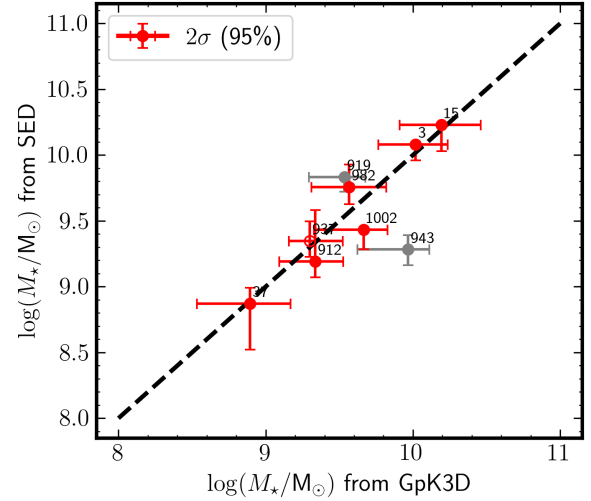
Before showing the disk-halo decompositions, we compare the disk stellar mass  $M_\star$  ( $M_\star$  being one of the 14 free parameters) obtained from the 3D fits with the SED-derived  $M_\star$ . This comparison is performed in Fig. 3 where the total  $M_\star$  (disk+bulge from our fits) is plotted along the  $x$ -axis. This figure shows that there is relatively good agreement between the disk mass estimates from our GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> model fits (described in Sect. 3.2) and the SED-based ones, except for ID919 and ID943. This figure shows that our 3D disk-halo decomposition yields a disk mass consistent with the SED-derived  $M_\star$ , and thus opens the possibility to constrain disk stellar masses from rotation curves of distant galaxies for kinematically undisturbed galaxies.

The disk-halo decompositions (deprojected and ‘deconvolved’ from instrumental effects) using our 3D-modeling approach with GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> are shown in Fig. 4, where the panels are ordered by increasing  $M_\star$  as in Fig. 1. The disk/DM models used are listed in Table 2. In each panel, the solid black line shows the total rotation velocity  $v_\perp(r)$  corrected for asymmetric drift. All velocities are ‘intrinsic’, meaning corrected for inclination and instrumental effects, while the dot-dashed line represents the circular velocity  $v_c(r)$ . The gray band represents the URC model as in Fig. 2. The solid green, red and blue lines represent the dark-matter  $v_{\text{dm}}(r)$ , stellar  $v_\star(r)$ , and gas components  $v_g(r)$ , respectively. The dotted red lines represent the stellar component obtained from the HST/*F160W* images as discussed in Sect. 3.4.

Comparing the solid with the dotted red lines in Fig. 4, one can see that there is generally good agreement between  $v_\star(r)$  obtained from the HST photometry and from our disk-halo decomposition with GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> of the MUSE data, except again for ID919 and ID943. This comparison shows that the disk-halo decomposition obtained from the [O II] line agrees with the  $v_\star$  from the mass profile obtained on the HST photometry. One should note that the stellar mass  $M_\star$  from SED fitting is not used as a prior in our GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> fits, except for ID937 because the data for this galaxy prefers a NFW profile, which then becomes degenerate with  $M_\star$ . For the interested reader, the potential degeneracies between  $M_\star$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$  are shown in Fig. B.2.

#### 4.3. The stellar-to-halo mass relation

The  $M_\star - M_{\text{vir}}$  relation in  $\Lambda$ CDM is a well-known scaling relation that reflects the efficiency of feedback. Hence, measuring this scaling relation in individual galaxies is often seen as a crucial constraint on models for galaxy formation. This scaling relation can be constructed from abundance matching techniques (e.g. Vale & Ostriker 2004; Moster et al. 2010; Behroozi et al. 2013, 2019). Observationally, the  $z = 0$  stellar-to-halo relation has been constrained by numerous authors using a variety of techniques such as weak lensing and/or clustering (e.g.



**Fig. 3.** Comparison of SED-based stellar masses and kinematic-based stellar masses. The kinematic-based stellar mass  $M_\star$  are obtained from GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> disk-halo fits, while the SED-based  $M_\star$  are derived from the HST photometry. The error bars represent the 95% confidence intervals. The  $M_\star$  obtained with GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> (one of the 14 free parameters in Sect. 3.2) and from HST photometry are completely independent, except for ID912 (open circle). The dashed line shows the 1:1 line and this figure shows the two are in excellent agreement, except for ID919 and ID943.

Leauthaud et al. 2012; Mandelbaum et al. 2016). Direct measurements of the  $M_\star - M_{\text{vir}}$  relation on individual galaxies using rotation curves have been made on various samples of dwarfs (Read et al. 2017), spirals (Allaert et al. 2017; Katz et al. 2017; Lapi et al. 2018; Posti et al. 2019; Di Paolo et al. 2019) and early type galaxies (Posti & Fall 2021) among the most recent studies, and these have found a very significant scatter in this relation.

In Fig. 5 (left), we show the stellar-to-halo mass ratio  $M_\star/M_{\text{vir}}$  as a function  $M_\star$ . The blue (gray) contours show the expectation for  $z = 1$  SFGs in the TNG100/50 simulations and the solid lines represent the  $M_\star/M_{\text{vir}}$  relation from Behroozi et al. (2019). Figure 5 (left) shows that our results are qualitatively in good agreement with the Behroozi relation.

Romeo (2020) argued that disk gravitational instabilities are the primary driver for galaxy scaling relations. Using a disk-averaged version of the Toomre (1964)  $Q$  stability criterion<sup>10</sup>, Romeo (2020) find that

$$\langle Q_i \rangle = \frac{j_i \hat{\sigma}_i}{GM_i} = A_i \quad (6)$$

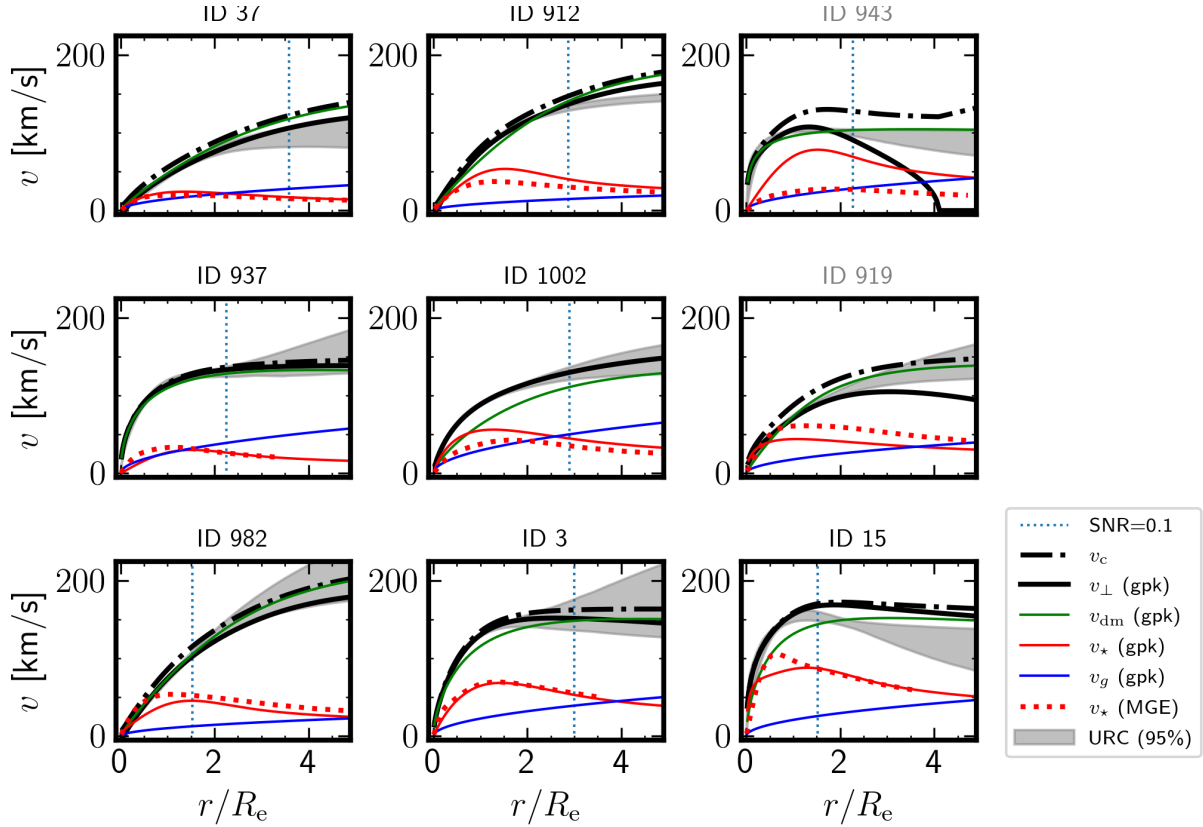
where  $i = \star, \text{HI}$  or  $\text{H}_2$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_i$  is the radially averaged velocity dispersion, and  $j_i$  is the total specific angular-momentum. For  $i = \star$ ,  $A_i \approx 0.6$ .

Consequently, for the stellar-halo mass relation with  $i = \star$ ,  $M_\star/M_{\text{vir}}$  ought to correlate with (Romeo et al. 2020):

$$\frac{M_\star}{M_{\text{vir}}} \approx \frac{j_\star \hat{\sigma}_\star}{GM_{\text{vir}}} \quad (7)$$

where  $j_\star$  is the stellar specific angular momentum,  $\hat{\sigma}_\star$  the radially averaged stellar dispersion. We can estimate  $j_\star$  using the ionized gas kinematics, namely  $\log j_\star = \log j_{\text{gas}} - 0.25$  as in Bouché et al. (2021). The dispersion  $\hat{\sigma}_\star$  is not directly accessible, but we use the scaling relation with  $M_\star$  ( $\hat{\sigma}_\star \propto M_\star^{0.5}$ ) from

<sup>10</sup> Obreschkow et al. (2016) used similar arguments to derive the HI mass fractions.



**Fig. 4.** Disk-halo decompositions for the nine galaxies in our sample (ordered by increasing  $M_\star$ ). The solid black line represents the total rotation velocity  $v_\perp(r)$ . All velocities are ‘intrinsic’, that is corrected for inclination and instrumental effects. The dot-dashed line represents the circular velocity  $v_c(r)$ , that is  $v_\perp(r)$  corrected for asymmetric drift. The gray band represents the intrinsic universal rotation curve (URC) using the parameterization of PSS96 as in Fig. 2. The solid red (blue) line represents the stellar (gas) component  $v_\star(r)$  obtained from GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> modeling of the MUSE [O II] data. The dotted red line represents the stellar component obtained using a MGE decomposition of the HST/F160W stellar continuum images. The green line represents the DM component. The vertical dotted lines are as in Fig. 2.

Romeo et al. (2020) which followed from the Leroy et al. (2008) analysis of local galaxies. Figure 5 (right) shows the resulting stellar-to-halo mass ratio using  $M_\star$  from SED and the  $M_{\text{vir}}$  values obtained from our disk-halo decomposition, where the inset shows the sample has  $\langle Q_\star \rangle \approx 0.7$ , close to the expectation (Eq. (6)).

#### 4.4. DM fractions in $z = 1$ SFGs

Using the disk-halo decomposition shown in Fig. 4, we turn toward the DM fraction within  $R_e$ ,  $f_{\text{DM}}(<R_e)$ , by integrating the DM and disk mass profile to  $R_e$ <sup>11</sup>. Figure 6 shows that  $f_{\text{DM}}(<R_e)$  for the galaxies in our sample is larger than 50% in all cases, ranging from 60% to 90%. The left (right) panel of Fig. 6 shows  $f_{\text{DM}}(<R_e)$  as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  ( $\Sigma_{\star,1/2}$  the surface density within  $R_e$ ), respectively. Compared to the sample of 41 SFGs from Genzel et al. (2020) (open circles), our sample extends their results to the low mass regime, with  $M_\star < 10^{10.5} M_\odot$ ,  $M_{\text{vir}} < 10^{12} M_\odot$  and to lower mass surface densities  $\Sigma_\star < 10^8 M_\odot \text{kpc}^{-2}$ .

The relation between  $f_{\text{DM}}$  and  $\Sigma_{\star,1/2}$  in Fig. 6 is tighter and follows the expectation for  $z = 1$  SFGs in the TNG100/50 simulations (blue contour) (Lovell et al. 2018; Übler et al. 2021), except at high masses. Genzel et al. (2020) already noted that the correlation with  $\Sigma_\star$  is better than with  $V_{\text{vir}}$  or  $M_{\text{vir}}$ . This anticor-

relation between the baryonic surface density and DM fraction has been noted at  $z = 0$  in several disk surveys (e.g. Bovy & Rix 2013; Courteau & Dutton 2015, see their Fig. 23).

In Sect. 5.1, we discuss the implications of this  $f_{\text{DM}}-\Sigma_\star$  relation and its relation to other scaling relations.

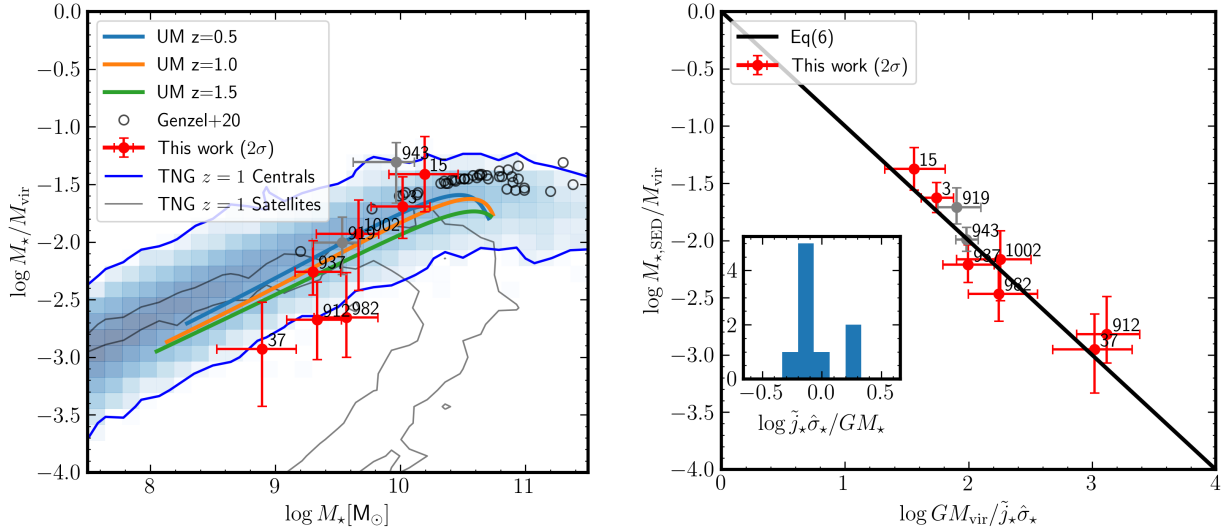
#### 4.5. DM halo properties. The $c-M$ scaling relation

Having shown (Figs. 3 and 4) that the baryonic component from our 3D fits is reliable, we now turn to the DM properties of the galaxies, and in particular to the concentration-halo mass relation ( $c_{\text{vir}}-M_{\text{vir}}$ ).

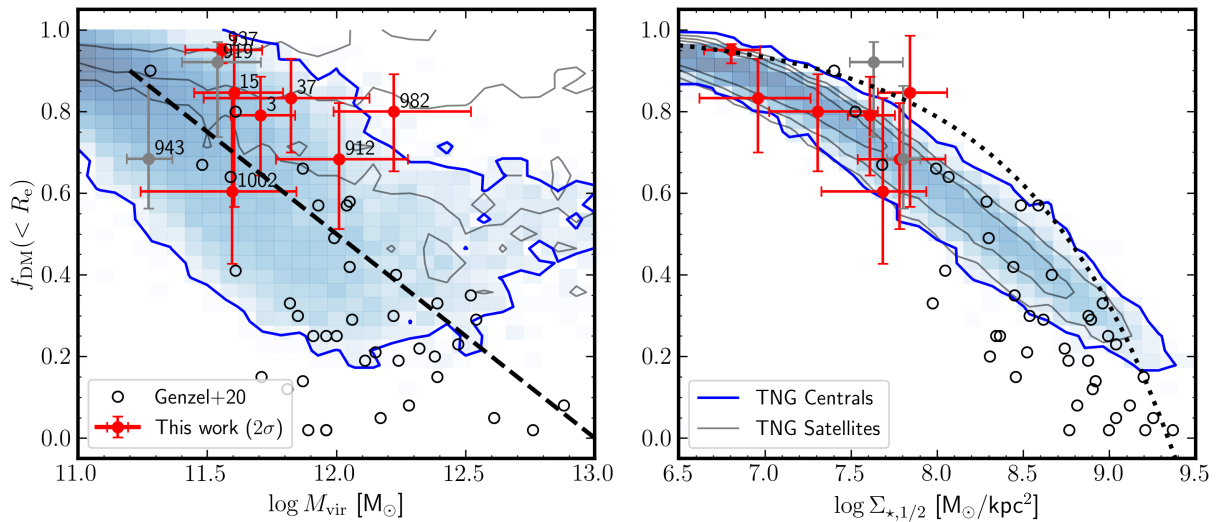
The  $c-M$  relation predicted from  $\Lambda$ CDM models (e.g. Bullock et al. 2001; Ludlow et al. 2014; Dutton & Macciò 2014; Correa et al. 2015) is often tested in the local universe (e.g. Allaert et al. 2017; Katz et al. 2017; Leier et al. 2012, 2016, 2022; Wasserman et al. 2018), but rarely beyond redshift  $z = 0$  except perhaps in massive clusters (e.g. Buote et al. 2007; Ettori et al. 2010; Sereno et al. 2015; Amodeo et al. 2016; Biviano et al. 2017). These generally agree with the predicted mild anticorrelation between concentration and virial mass.

Figure 7 (left) shows the  $c_{\text{vir}}-M_{\text{vir}}$  relation for the best 6 cases in our sample, that is excluding the two interacting galaxies (ID919, ID943) as well as ID15 because its concentration parameter remains unconstrained and degenerate with  $V_{\text{vir}}$  (see Fig. B.2b). The error bars represent  $2\sigma$  (95%) and are color-coded according to the galaxy redshift. In Fig. 7 (left), the solid

<sup>11</sup> Genzel et al. (2020) used the ratio of velocities  $f_{\text{DM}}^v \equiv v_{\text{dm}}^2/v_{\text{tot}}^2$ , whereas we use the mass ratio,  $f_{\text{DM}}^m$  using the Übler et al. (2021) notation, derived from the mass profiles.



**Fig. 5.** Total stellar-to-halo fraction. *Left:* total stellar-to-halo fractions  $M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$  as a function of the stellar mass  $M_*$  obtained from our 3D fits. The error bars from our data are 95% confidence intervals, and the open circles show the sample of Genzel et al. (2020). The shaded (blue contours) histogram shows the location of SFGs in the TNG simulations for  $z = 1$  centrals, while the gray contours show the satellites. The colored lines show the Behroozi et al. (2019) relation inferred from semi-empirical modeling at redshifts  $z = 0.5, 1.0, 1.5$ , respectively. *Right:* total stellar-to-halo fractions  $M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$  as a function of  $GM_{\text{vir}}/j_*\sigma_*$  (Eq. (7)) for the galaxies in our sample. The inset histogram shows that the sample has  $j_*\sigma_*/GM_* \approx 0.7$  ( $\equiv \langle Q_* \rangle$ , Eq. (6)), see text.



**Fig. 6.** DM fractions for our SFGs. *Left:* DM fractions within the half-light radius  $R_e$ ,  $f_{\text{DM}}(<R_e)$ , as a function of halo mass,  $M_{\text{vir}}$ . The dashed line represent the downward trend of Genzel et al. (2020). *Right:* DM fractions within  $R_e$  as a function of stellar mass surface density  $\Sigma_{*,1/2}$  within  $R_e$ . In both panels, the error bars from our data are 95% confidence intervals, and the open circles show the sample of Genzel et al. (2020). The shaded (blue contours) histogram shows the location of SFGs in the TNG100 simulations for  $z = 1$  central SFGs, while the gray contours show the satellites. The dotted line represents the toy model derived from the TF relation (Eq. (9)).

lines color coded with redshift represent to the  $c-M$  relation from Dutton & Macciò (2014).

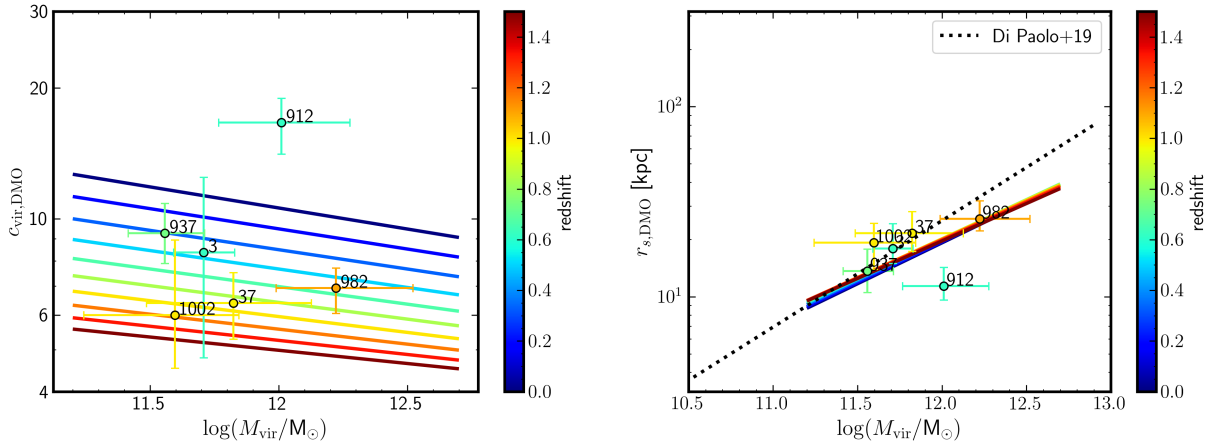
We note that in order to fairly compare our data to such predictions from DM-only (DMO) simulations, we show, in Fig. 7, the halo concentration parameter  $c_{\text{vir}}$  corrected to a DM-only (DMO) halo following DC14<sup>12</sup>:

$$c_{\text{vir,DMO}} = \frac{c_{\text{vir},-2}}{1 + 0.00003 \times \exp[3.4(\log X + 4.5)]}. \quad (8)$$

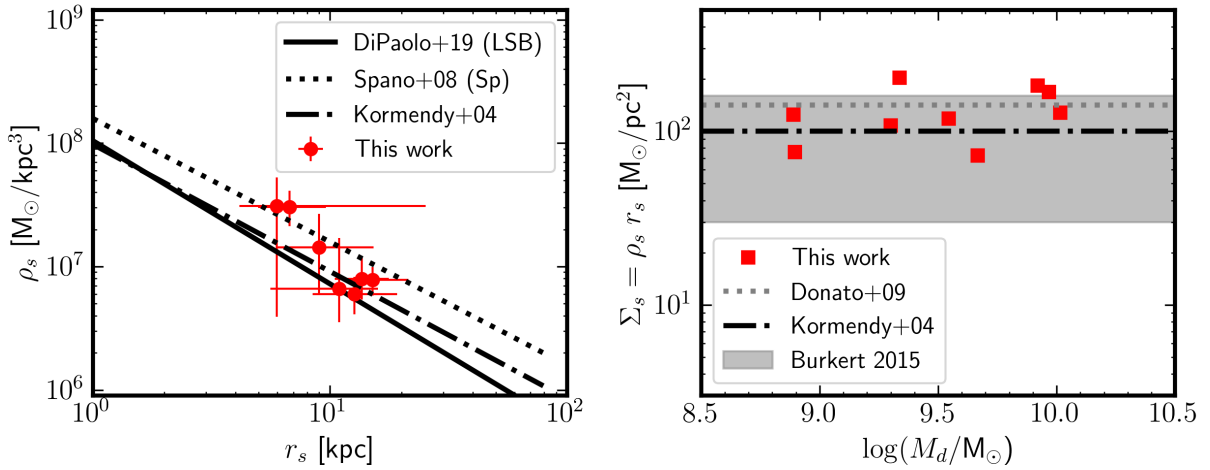
<sup>12</sup> See Lazar et al. (2020) and Freundlich et al. (2020b) for variations on this conversion.

We note that the correction is important only for halos with stellar-to-halo mass ratio  $\log X > -1.5$  and that most of our galaxies (7 out of 9) have  $\log X < -1.5$ .

Figure 7 (right) shows the corresponding scaling relation for the scaling radius  $r_s$ , namely the  $r_s-M_{\text{vir}}$  relation. This relation in terms of  $r_s$  is redshift independent. Several authors have shown, in various contexts (i.e., using pseudo-isothermal or Burkert 1995 profiles), that this quantity scales with galaxy mass or luminosity (e.g. Salucci et al. 2012; Kormendy & Freeman 2016; Di Paolo et al. 2019). For illustrative purposes, we show the recent  $z = 0$  sequence for low surface brightness (LSB) galaxies of Di Paolo et al. (2019).



**Fig. 7.** Size of DM cores. *Left:* halo concentration-halo mass relation. The concentrations  $c_{\text{vir}}$  for  $z \simeq 1$  SFGs, derived from our 3D modeling of the [O II] rotation curves, are converted to a DM-only NFW equivalent  $c_{\text{vir,DMO}}$  (see text). *Right:* DM core size  $r_{s,\text{DMO}} \equiv R_{\text{vir}}/c_{\text{vir,DMO}}$  in kpc as a function of halo mass. The dotted line represents the observed core-mass scaling relation for  $z = 0$  LSBs from Di Paolo et al. (2019) (see text). In both panels, the solid lines represent the  $c_{\text{vir}}-M_{\text{vir}}$  relation predicted by Dutton & Macciò (2014) for DM halos, color-coded by redshift. The error bars are 95% confidence intervals ( $2\sigma$ ) and color-coded also by the galaxy redshift.

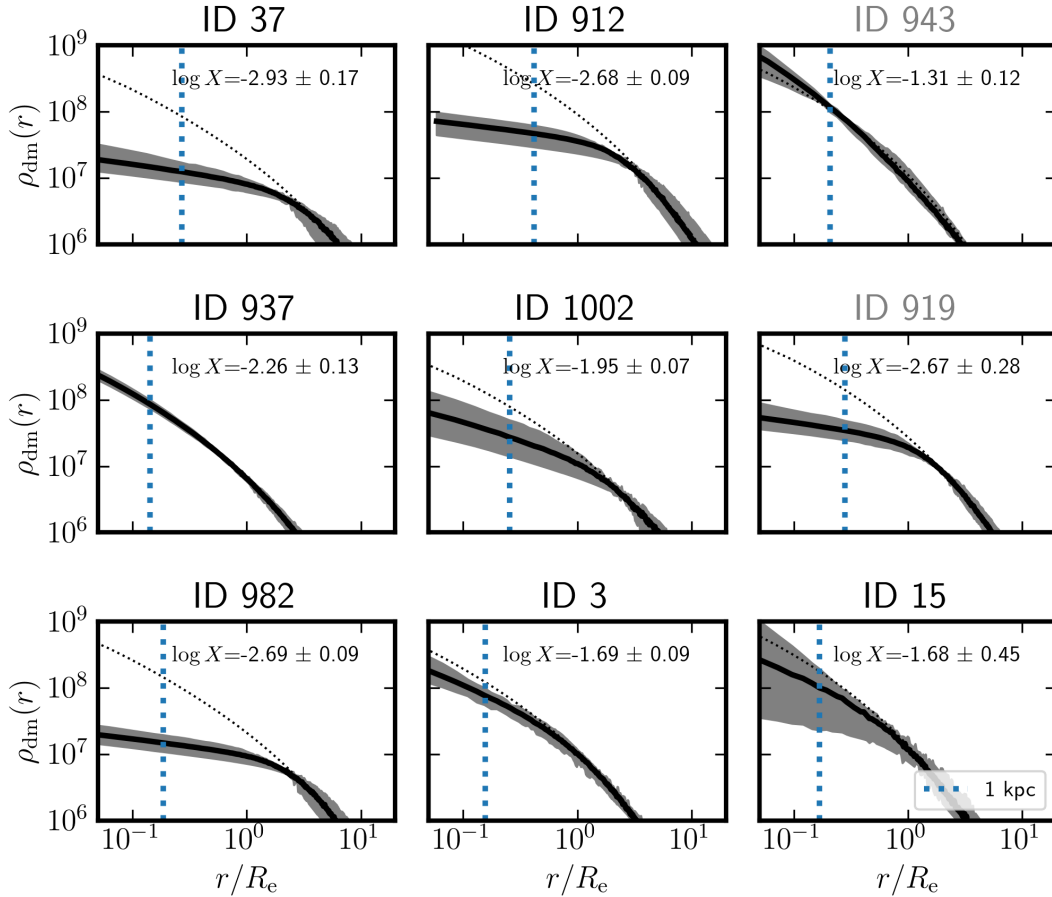


**Fig. 8.** Halo scale radius-density relation at  $z = 1$ . *Left:*  $\rho_s-r_s$  scaling relation for the galaxies shown in Fig. 7. The error bars are 95% confidence intervals ( $2\sigma$ ). For comparison, the anticorrelation of Kormendy & Freeman (2004), Spano et al. (2008) and Di Paolo et al. (2019) are shown. *Right:* DM surface density ( $\Sigma_s \equiv \rho_s r_s$ ) as a function of galaxy mass. The anticorrelation in the left panel implies a constant DM surface density. The gray band represents the range of surface densities from Burkert (2015) for dwarfs. The constant densities of Kormendy & Freeman (2004) and Donato et al. (2009) are shown as the dotted, dot-dashed lines, respectively.

Figure 7 shows that 5 of the 6 SFGs tend to follow the expected scaling relations for DM, the exception being ID912. One should keep in mind that cosmological simulations predict a  $c-M$  relation with a significant scatter (e.g. Correa et al. 2015). To our knowledge, Fig. 7 is the first test of the  $c-M$  relation at  $z > 0$  on halos with  $\log M_{\text{vir}}/M_{\odot} = 11.5-12.5$  and our data appears to support the expectations from  $\Lambda$ CDM.

The  $c_{\text{vir}}-M_{\text{vir}}$  or  $r_s-M_{\text{vir}}$  relations can be recasted as a  $r_s-\rho_s$  relation (from Eq. (3)). Figure 8 (left) shows the  $\rho_s-r_s$  relation and confirms the well-known anticorrelation between these two quantities with a slope of  $\approx -1$  (e.g. Salucci & Burkert 2000; Kormendy & Freeman 2004, 2016; Martinsson et al. 2013b; Spano et al. 2008; Salucci et al. 2012; Ghari et al. 2019; Di Paolo et al. 2019; Li et al. 2019), which has been found in a wide range of galaxies (dwarfs disks, LSBs, spirals). These results are similar in nature, in spite of using different contexts and assumptions (namely  $\rho_0$  vs  $\rho_{-2}$  or  $\rho_s$ ). A detailed investigation of the differences related to these assumptions is beyond the scope of this paper.

As discussed in Kormendy & Freeman (2004), this anticorrelation can be understood from the expected scaling relation of DM predicted by hierarchical clustering (Peebles 1974) under initial density fluctuations that follow the power law  $|\delta k|^2 \propto k^n$  (Djorgovski 1992). Djorgovski (1992) showed that the size  $R$ , density  $\rho$  of DM halos should follow  $\rho \propto R^{-3(3+n)/(5+n)}$ . For  $n \simeq -2$  on galactic scales,  $\rho \propto R^{-1}$ . This anticorrelation is also naturally present in the  $\Lambda$ CDM context as shown by Kravtsov et al. (1998) with numerical simulations. As noted by many since Kormendy & Freeman (2004), the anticorrelation between  $\rho_s$  and  $r_s$  implies a constant DM surface density  $\Sigma_s \equiv \rho_s r_s$  (e.g. Donato et al. 2009; Salucci et al. 2012; Burkert 2015; Kormendy & Freeman 2016; Karukes & Salucci 2017; Di Paolo et al. 2019). Figure 8 (right) shows the resulting DM surface density  $\Sigma_s$  as a function of galaxy mass  $M_d$ . The gray band represents the range of surface densities from Burkert (2015) for dwarfs, while the dashed line represents the range of densities from Donato et al. (2009), Salucci et al. (2012) for disks. Kormendy & Freeman (2004) had found a value of  $\sim 100 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$ .



**Fig. 9.** DM density profiles in  $M_{\odot}/\text{kpc}^3$ . Each panel show  $\rho_{\text{dm}}(r)$  as a function of  $r/R_e$  obtained from our disk-halo decompositions (Fig. 4). The stellar-to-halo-mass ratio ( $\log X \equiv \log M_{\star}/M_{\text{vir}}$ ) is indicated. The gray bands represent the 95% confidence interval and the dotted lines represent NFW profiles. The vertical dotted lines represent the 1 kpc physical scale, corresponding to  $\approx 1$  MUSE spaxel, and indicates the lower limit of our constraints.

#### 4.6. DM halos properties with core or cuspy profiles

We now investigate the shape of DM profiles, and in particular the inner logarithmic slope  $\gamma$  ( $\rho_{\text{dm}} \propto r^{-\gamma}$ ) in order to find evidence against or for core profiles. There is a long history of performing this type of analysis in local dwarfs (e.g. Kravtsov et al. 1998; de Blok et al. 2001; Goerdts et al. 2006; Oh et al. 2011, 2015; Read et al. 2016b, 2018, 2019; Karukes & Salucci 2017; Zoutendijk et al. 2021), in spiral galaxies (e.g. Gentile et al. 2004; Spano et al. 2008; Donato et al. 2009; Martinsson et al. 2013a; Allaert et al. 2017; Katz et al. 2017; Korsaga et al. 2018; Di Paolo et al. 2019) or in massive early type galaxies often aided by gravitational lensing (e.g. Suyu et al. 2010; Newman et al. 2013; Sonnenfeld et al. 2012, 2013, 2015; Oldham & Auger 2018; Wasserman et al. 2018), but the core/cuspy nature of DM is rarely investigated in SFGs outside the local universe (except in Genzel et al. 2020; Rizzo et al. 2021) because this is a challenging task. However, owing to the high DM fractions in our sample (see Fig. 6), the shape the rotation curves are primarily driven by the DM profile.

The DM profiles  $\rho_{\text{dm}}(r)$  as a function of  $r/R_e$  obtained from our 3D fits with the DC14 model are shown in Fig. 9. This figure shows that the NFW profile is not compatible with the majority of the SFGs. Figure 9 shows that at least three galaxies (IDs 37, 912, 982) show strong departures from a NFW profile, in particular they show evidence for cored DM profiles. For these three galaxies, the logarithmic difference of the Bayes factors for the NFW profiles are  $>100$  (see Table 3), indicating very strong

evidence against cuspy NFW profiles. Our results are in good agreement with the RC41 sample of Genzel et al. (2020) where about half of their sample showed a preference for cored profiles (their Fig. 10).

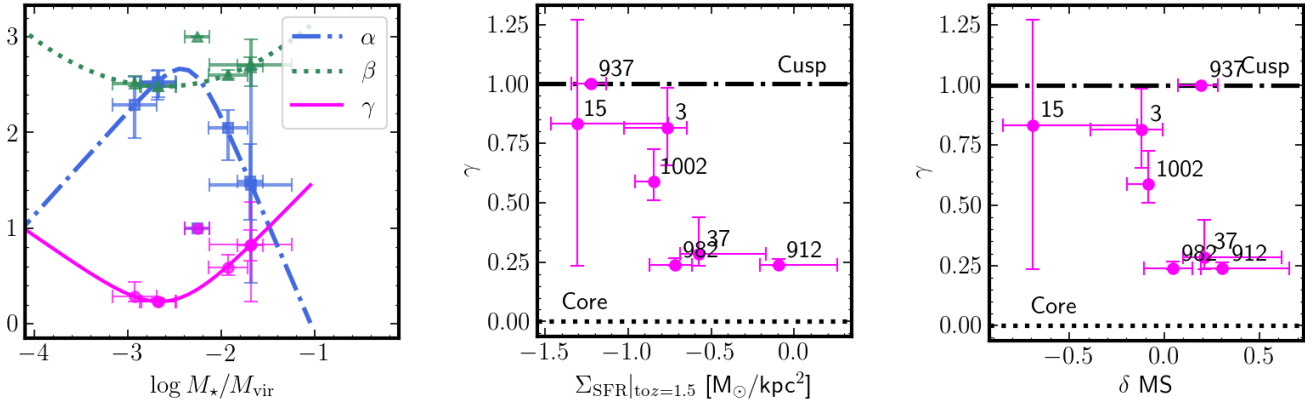
Before discussing the implications of these results in Sect. 5.2, we show in Fig. 10 (left) the constraints on the DM shape parameters ( $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ ) as a function of  $\log X$  in the context of ‘DC14’ models, except for ID937 where we used a ‘NFW’ profile. The errorbars are 95% confidence intervals. For the curious reader, we show in Fig. C.1 (left) the constraints on these shape parameters when we relax the DC14 assumption, i.e. using Hernquist-Zhao DM profiles, and the SED stellar mass as prior.

In a subsequent paper, we will analyze additional DM profiles for CDM (e.g. Einasto 1965; Burkert 1995; Dekel et al. 2017; Freundlich et al. 2020b) including alternative DM models such as “fuzzy” axion-like DM (Weinberg 1978; Burkert 2020), self-interacting DM (SIDM; Spergel & Steinhardt 2000; Vogelsberger & Zavala 2013).

## 5. Discussion

### 5.1. DM fractions in $z = 1$ SFGs

We return to the  $f_{\text{DM}}-\Sigma_{\star}$  relation in Fig. 6 and its implications. The tight  $f_{\text{DM}}-\Sigma_{\star}$  relation can be thought of as a consequence of the tight Tully & Fisher (1977) relation (TFR) for disks as follows (see also Übler et al. 2017). Indeed, if we approximate the DM fraction within  $R_e$  as  $f_{\text{DM}} \approx V_{\text{DM}}^2(R_e)/V_{\text{tot}}^2(R_e)$



**Fig. 10.** Relation between SFR and cores. *Left:*  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  parameters as a function of  $\log M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$ . The curves show the parameterisation of DC14 for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  and the solid symbols represent our SFGs, excluding ID919 and 943. *Middle:* DM inner slope  $\gamma$  as a function of the SFR surface density  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$ , scaled to  $z = 1.5$ . *Right:* DM inner slope  $\gamma$  as a function of the logarithmic offset from the MS,  $\delta(\text{MS})$ , using the Boogaard et al. (2018) MS. DM cores are present in galaxies with higher SFR and SFR surface-densities.

(Genzel et al. 2020), one has  $f_{\text{DM}} = (V_{\text{tot}}^2 - V_{\text{max},\star}^2 - V_{\text{gas}}^2)/V_{\text{tot}}^2$ . Thus,

$$1 - f_{\text{DM}}(R_e) = \frac{V_{\text{max},\star}^2}{V_{\text{tot}}^2} (1 + \mu_g) \propto \frac{GM_\star}{R_\star} / M_\star^{0.5} \approx \frac{M_\star^{0.5}}{R_\star} (1 + \mu_g) \propto \Sigma_\star^{0.5} (1 + \mu_g), \quad (9)$$

where we used the stellar TFR,  $M_\star \propto V_{\text{tot}}^4$  (e.g. McGaugh 2005), the definition of gas-to-stellar mass ratio  $\mu_g \equiv M_{\text{gas}}/M_\star$  and the maximum stellar rotation velocity for disks  $V_{\text{max},\star}^2 \propto GM_\star/R_{e,\star}$ . Equation (9) shows the intimate link between the  $f_{\text{DM}}-\Sigma_\star$  diagram and the TFR relation.

More specifically, the TFR has  $M_\star = a V_{\text{tot},2.2}^n$  with  $n \simeq 4$ ,  $a \simeq 10^{10} M_\odot$  (McGaugh 2005; Meyer et al. 2008; Cresci et al. 2009; Pelliccia et al. 2017; Tiley et al. 2016; Übler et al. 2017; Abril-Melgarejo et al. 2021) where  $V_{\text{rot},2.2} \equiv V_{\text{rot}}/10^{2.2} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ . Given that  $V_{\text{max},\star}^2 \equiv 0.38 \frac{GM_\star}{R_d}$  for a Freeman (1970) disk,  $V_{\text{max},\star}^2/V_{\text{tot}}^2$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{V_{\text{max},\star}^2}{V_{\text{tot}}^2} &= 0.38 \times 1.68a \frac{GM_\star}{aR_\star} / \left( \left( \frac{M_\star}{a} \right)^{1/n} 10^{2.2} \right)^2 \\ &\approx 0.63 \sqrt{\pi} \left( \frac{M_{\star,a}^{2(n-2)/n}}{\pi R_\star^2} \right)^{0.5} \text{ Ga} 10^{-4.4} M_\odot \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-2} \\ &\approx 1.1 \left( \frac{M_{\star,a}^{0.94}}{\pi R_\star^2} \right)^{0.5} \times \left( \frac{a}{10^{10}} \right) 1.77 \text{ kpc} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

using  $R_e = 1.68 R_d$ , where  $M_{\star,a} \equiv M_\star/a$ . For a  $z \approx 1$  TFR with  $n = 3.8$  and  $a = 10^{9.8} M_\odot$  (e.g. Übler et al. 2017), Eq. (9) results in  $1 - f_{\text{DM}} = \Sigma_{\star,9.8}^{0.5} (1 + f_g)$ , which is shown in Fig. 6 (right) as the dotted line with  $f_g = 0.5$  (e.g. Tacconi et al. 2018; Freundlich et al. 2019). This exercise shows that the  $f_{\text{DM}}-\Sigma_\star$  relation is another manifestation of the TFR as argued in Übler et al. (2017).

## 5.2. Core/cusp formation

Our results in Sect. 4.6 (Fig. 9) indicate a strong preference for cored DM profiles for four SFGs in our sample. Several mechanisms have been invoked to explain the presence of cored DM profiles such as Warm Dark Matter (WDM, Bode et al. 2001),

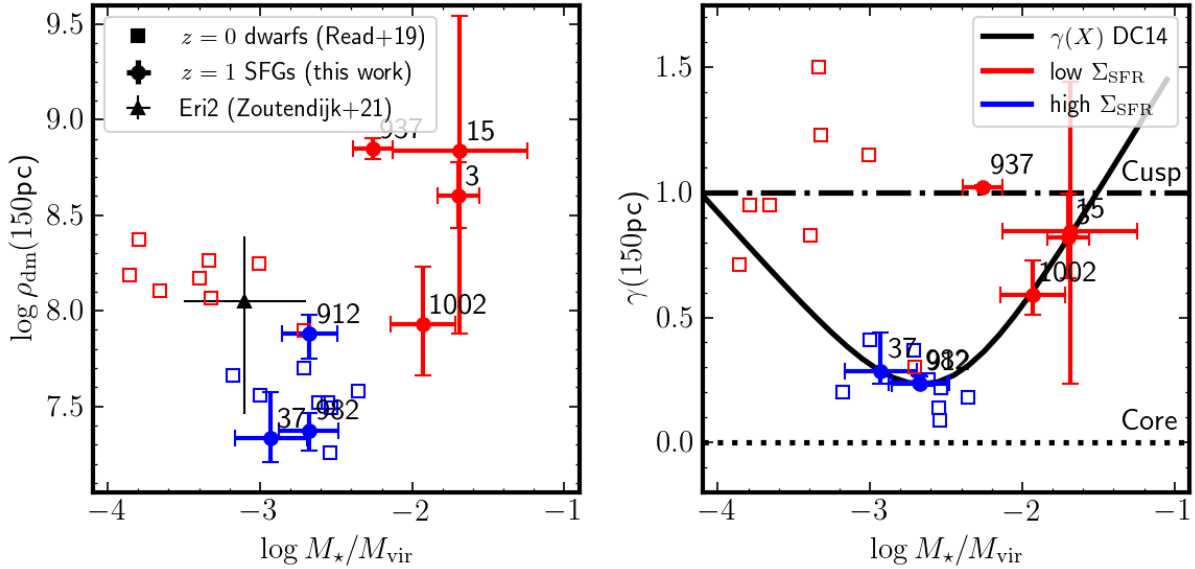
whose free streaming can suppress the small-scale fluctuations, axion-like ‘‘fuzzy’’ DM (Weinberg 1978; Hu et al. 2000; Burkert 2020), baryon-DM interactions (Famaey et al. 2018), SIDM (Spergel & Steinhardt 2000; Burkert 2000; Vogelsberger et al. 2013) or dynamical friction (Read et al. 2006; Goerdt et al. 2010; Orkney et al. 2021) from infalling satellites/minor mergers.

Within the context of CDM, it has long been recognized (see review in Bullock & Boylan-Kolchin 2017) since the original cusp/core problem first observed in dwarfs or low-surface brightness galaxies (e.g. de Blok & McGaugh 1997; de Blok et al. 2001; Kravtsov et al. 1998) that (rapid) changes in the gravitational potential due to star-formation driven outflows can essentially inject energy in the DM, resulting in a flattened DM profile (Navarro et al. 1996; Read & Gilmore 2005; Pontzen & Governato 2012; Teysier et al. 2013; Di Cintio et al. 2014; Dutton et al. 2016, 2020; Chan et al. 2015; El-Zant et al. 2016; Lazar et al. 2020; Freundlich et al. 2020a). Similarly, DM core/cusps can also be linked to active galactic nuclei (AGN) activity (Peirani et al. 2017; Dekel et al. 2021) in more massive galaxies with  $M_{\text{vir}} > 10^{12} M_\odot$ . While most of these analyses focus at cores at  $z = 0$ , Tollet et al. (2016) showed that cores can form in a similar fashion as early as  $z = 1$ .

Observationally, cores are now found up to  $z \approx 2$  (Genzel et al. 2020), but the relation between outflows/star-formation and core formation has not been established, as observations have unveiled cores in galaxies spanning a range of halo or stellar masses (e.g. Wasserman et al. 2018, and references therein) or cusps when cores would be expected (e.g. Shi et al. 2021). At high-redshifts, Genzel et al. (2020) found that cores are preferentially associated with low DM fractions.

In order to investigate the potential relation between SFR-induced feedback and DM cores, we show in Fig. 10 the DM inner slope  $\gamma$  as a function of SFR surface density  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$  (middle) and as a function of the offset from the main-sequence (MS) for SFGs (using Boogaard et al. 2018) (right). This figure indicates that SFGs above the MS or with high-SFR densities are preferentially found to have cores. SFGs below the MS with decaying SFR (like ID15) have low SFR densities owing to the low SFR, and show cuspy DM profiles, indicating that cusps reform when galaxies stop being active.

While the majority of research has focused on the formation of DM cores in order to match observations at  $z = 0$ , DM cusps



**Fig. 11.** *Left:* DM density at 150 pc as a function of  $\log M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$ . The blue (red) solid circles with error bars ( $2\sigma$ ) show our SFGs, except ID919 and 943. *Right:* DM inner slope  $\gamma$  parameter at 150 pc as a function of  $\log M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$ . The blue (red) squares represent the  $z \approx 0$  dwarfs from Read et al. (2019) whose SFR was truncated less (more) than 6 Gyr ago. The blue (red) solid circles with error bars ( $2\sigma$ ) show our SFGs with high (low)  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$ , respectively.

can reform from the accretion of DM substructures (Laporte & Peñarrubia 2015) as first argued in Dekel et al. (2003), or as a result of late mergers as argued in Orkney et al. (2021) for dwarfs.

In Fig. 11, we compare our results to those of Read et al. (2019) who found that dwarfs fall in two categories, where the core/cusp presence is related to the star-formation activity. Read et al. (2019) found that dwarfs whose star-formation stopped over 6 Gyr ago show preferentially cusps (open red squares), while dwarfs with extended star-formation show shallow DM cores (open blue squares). In this figure, the filled red (blue) circles represent our galaxies with  $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$  smaller (larger) than  $\log \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}/M_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2} = -0.7$ . Our results in Fig. 11, together with those of Read et al. (2019), provide indirect evidence for SFR-induced core formation within the CDM scenario, where DM can be kinematically heated by SFR-related feedback processes.

## 6. Conclusions

Using a sample of nine [O II] emitters with the highest S/Ns in the deep (140 h) MXDF (Bacon et al. 2021) dataset, we measure the shape of individual RCs of  $z \approx 1$  SFG out to  $3 \times R_e$  with stellar masses ranging from  $10^{8.5}$  to  $10^{10.5} M_{\odot}$ , covering a range of stellar masses complementary to the analysis of Genzel et al. (2020), whose sample has  $M_* > 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ .

We then performed a disk-halo decomposition on the [O II] emission lines using a 3D modeling approach that includes stellar, dark-matter, gas (and bulge) components (Fig. 4). The dark-matter profile is a generalized Zhao (1996) profile using the feedback prescription of Di Cintio et al. (2014), which links the DM profile shape to the baryonic content.

Our results are as follows. We find that:

- The 3D approach allows to constrain RCs to  $3R_e$  in individual SFGs revealing a diversity in shapes (Fig. 2) with mostly rising and some having declining outer profiles;
- The disk stellar mass  $M_*$  from the [O II] rotation curves is consistent with the SED-derived  $M_*$  (Fig. 3), except for two SFGs (IDs 919, 943) whose kinematics are strongly perturbed by a nearby companion ( $<2''$ );

- The stellar-to-DM ratio  $M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$  follows the relation inferred from abundance matching (e.g. Behroozi et al. 2019), albeit with some scatter (Fig. 5);

- The DM fractions  $f_{\text{DM}}(<R_e)$  are high (60–90%) for our nine SFGs (Fig. 6) which have stellar masses (from  $10^{8.5} M_{\odot}$  to  $10^{10.5} M_{\odot}$ ) or surface densities ( $\Sigma_* < 10^8 M_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2}$ ). These DM fractions complement the low fractions of the sample of Genzel et al. (2020), and globally, the  $f_{\text{DM}}(<R_e) - \Sigma_*$  relation is similar to the  $z = 0$  relation (e.g. Courteau & Dutton 2015), and follows from the TFR;

- The fitted concentrations are consistent with the  $c_{\text{vir}} - M_{\text{vir}}$  scaling relation predicted by DM only simulations (Fig. 7);

- The DM profiles show constant surface densities at  $\sim 100 M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}$  (Fig. 8);

- Similarly to the  $z > 1$  samples of Genzel et al. (2020), the disk-halo decomposition of our  $z \approx 1$  SFGs shows cored DM profiles for about half of the isolated galaxies (Figs. 9 and 10) in agreement with other  $z = 0$  studies (e.g. Allaert et al. 2017; Katz et al. 2017);

- DM cores are present in galaxies with high SFRs (above the MS), or high SFR surface density (Figs. 10b and c), possibly supporting the scenario of SN feedback-induced core formation. Galaxies below the MS or low SFR surface density have cuspy DM profiles (Fig. 11), suggesting that cusps can reform when galaxies become passive (e.g. Laporte & Peñarrubia 2015; Chan et al. 2015; Orkney et al. 2021).

Overall, our results demonstrate the power of performing disk-halo decomposition in 3D on deep IFU data. With larger samples, it should be possible to confirm this type of relation between cores and star-formation histories, and to test further SN feedback induced core formation within the  $\Lambda$ CDM framework.

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## Appendix A: Asymmetric drift

Generally speaking,  $F_g = GMdm/r^2$  is balanced by the centripetal force  $F_c$  and the outward force  $F_p (= -\frac{dP}{dr} dr dA)$  from the pressure gradient such that  $F_g = \frac{v_\perp^2}{r} + F_p$ . Using  $dm = \rho(r) dr dA$ , the gravitational potential  $F_g$  is balanced with

$$\begin{aligned} v_c^2 &\equiv \frac{GM}{r} = v_\perp^2 - r \frac{dP}{dr} dr dA \frac{1}{dm} \\ v_c^2 &= v_\perp^2 - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{d \ln r} \\ v_c^2 &= v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2(r) \frac{d \ln P}{d \ln r} \quad \text{using } P = \rho \sigma_r^2 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where  $\rho$  is the gas density and  $\sigma_r$  is the gas dispersion in the radial direction. For the ISM gas, it is often assumed that the dispersion is isotropic, that is  $\sigma_r = \sigma_\perp$ .

This pressure correction for rotation curves (often referred to as asymmetric drift [AD] correction) is at  $z = 0$  larger for the stellar component than for the gas component (e.g. [Martinson et al. 2013b](#)), but at high-redshifts, the gas velocity dispersion is larger (e.g. [Genzel et al. 2008](#); [Übler et al. 2019](#)) and this correction becomes important (e.g. [Burkert et al. 2010](#); [Förster Schreiber & Wuyts 2020](#)).

In most general terms Eq. A.1 can be expanded as:

$$v_c^2 = v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2(r) \left[ 2 \frac{d \ln \sigma_r}{d \ln r} + \frac{d \ln \rho}{d \ln r} \right] \quad (\text{A.2})$$

as in [Dalcanton & Stilp \(2010\)](#).

For a density profile  $\rho = \Sigma/h_z$ , the most general expression is

$$v_c^2 = v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2(r) \left[ 2 \frac{d \ln \sigma_r}{d \ln r} + \frac{d \ln \Sigma}{d \ln r} - \frac{d \ln h_z}{d \ln r} \right] \quad (\text{A.3})$$

as in [Meurer et al. \(1996\)](#).

Assuming a constant disk thickness  $h_z$ , that is  $\rho \propto \Sigma$ , and a constant dispersion profile  $\sigma_r$ , one has

$$v_c^2 = v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2 \left[ \frac{d \ln \Sigma}{d \ln r} \right] \quad (\text{A.4})$$

which becomes

$$= v_\perp^2 + \sigma_r^2 \left( \frac{r}{r_d} \right)$$

for exponential disks with  $\Sigma \propto \exp(-r/r_d)$ .

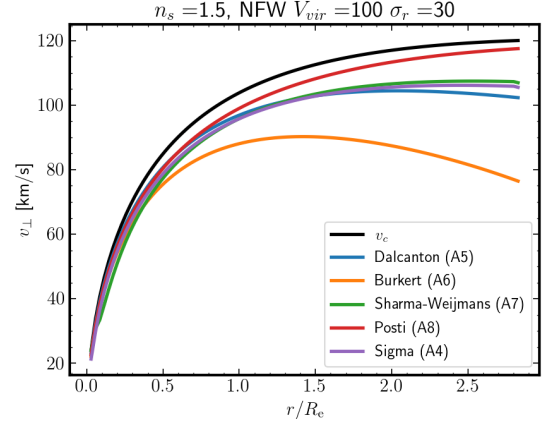
This is close to what one gets for a turbulent disk with an exponential surface density  $\Sigma$ , where the ISM pressure  $P_{\text{turb}}$  is found to follow  $P_{\text{turb}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{sfr}}^{0.66}$  ([Dalcanton & Stilp 2010](#)), and using the [Kennicutt \(1998\)](#) relation ( $\Sigma_{\text{sfr}} = \Sigma_{\text{gas}}^{1.4}$ ), one has

$$v_c^2 = v_\perp^2 + 0.92 \sigma_r^2 \left( \frac{r}{r_d} \right) \quad (\text{A.5})$$

as Eq. 17 in [Dalcanton & Stilp \(2010\)](#).

[Burkert et al. \(2010\)](#) used the hydro-static equilibrium condition for  $h_z$ , finding that the disk thickness  $h_z \propto \exp(r/r_d)$ , that is a flaring disk thickness, leading to

$$\begin{aligned} v_c^2 &= v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2 \left( \frac{d \ln \Sigma}{d \ln r} - \frac{d \ln h_z}{d \ln r} \right) \\ &= v_\perp^2 + 2 \sigma_r^2 \left( \frac{r}{r_d} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6})$$



**Fig. A.1.** The rotation velocity  $v_\perp$  with various asymmetric drift correction for a galaxy with a Sérsic index  $n_s = 1.5$ , a NFW profile with  $V_{\text{vir}} = 100$  km/s,  $c_{\text{vir}} = 10$ , and a velocity dispersion of  $\sigma = 30$  km/s.

Similarly, [Weijmans et al. \(2008\)](#) expanded the formalism of [Binney & Tremaine \(1987\)](#), taking into account the full Jeans equation for spheroids and thin disks. Neglecting the last term of Eq. A17 of [Weijmans et al. \(2008\)](#), [Sharma et al. \(2021\)](#) used the AD correction:

$$\begin{aligned} v_c^2 &= v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2 \left[ \frac{d \ln \Sigma}{d \ln r} + \frac{d \ln \sigma_r^2}{d \ln r} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_r) \right] \\ &= v_\perp^2 - \sigma_r^2 \left[ \frac{d \ln \Sigma}{d \ln r} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_r) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

where  $\alpha_r = \frac{d \ln v_\perp}{d \ln r}$  is the slope of the velocity profile, and the second equation applies for a constant  $\sigma_r$  profile. For an exponential disk, this becomes

$$v_c^2 = v_\perp^2 + \sigma_r^2 \left( \frac{r}{r_d} - \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha_r) \right).$$

[Posti et al. \(2018\)](#) used Eq. A.4 with a constant scale height and an exponentially declining dispersion profile  $\sigma_r(r) \equiv \sigma_0 \exp(-r/2r_d)$  and found with Eq. A.3

$$v_c^2 = v_\perp^2 + \sigma_0^2 \frac{3r}{2r_d} \exp(-r/2r_d) \quad (\text{A.8})$$

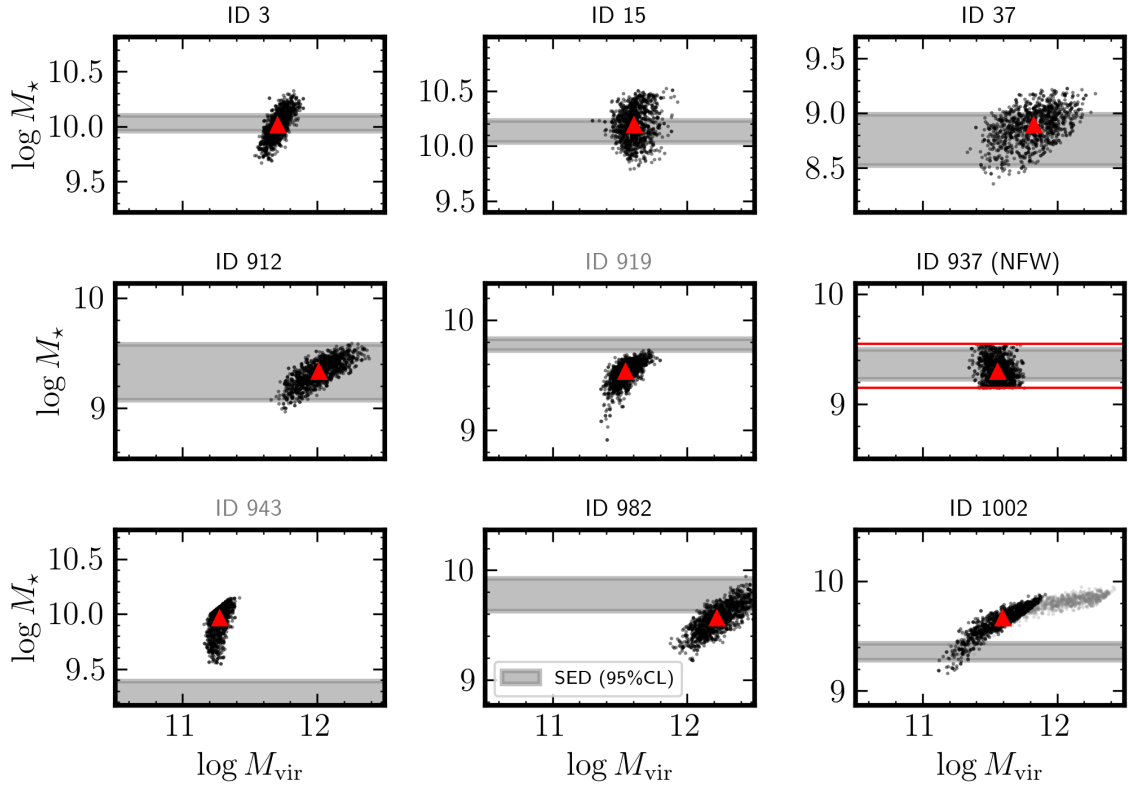
for exponential disks.

In Fig. A.1, we compare the various AD prescriptions such as the ‘Sigma’ (Eq. A.4), the [Dalcanton & Stilp \(2010\)](#) (Eq. A.5), the [Burkert et al. \(2010\)](#) (Eq. A.6), the [Weijmans et al. \(2008\)](#) (Eq. A.7), and the [Posti et al. \(2018\)](#) (Eq. A.8) prescription.

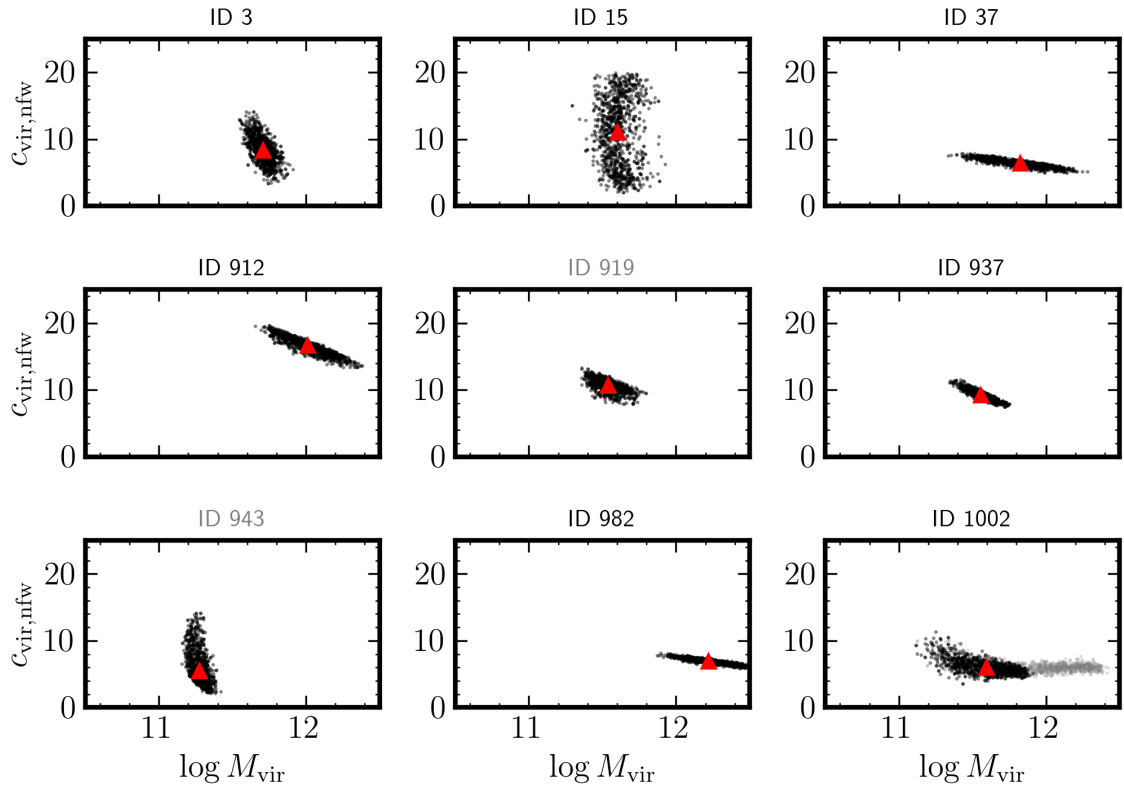
## Appendix B: Parameter degeneracies

Fig. B.1 shows the potential correlations between  $M_\star$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$  from the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> DC14 fits. For ID937, which is better fitted by a NFW profile, the fit was restricted to the SED-derived stellar mass  $M_\star$ . One sees that, generally, there seems to be a good agreement between the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup>-derived  $M_\star$  with the SED-derived ones, except for ID943, ID919. The halo mass for ID1002 and the concentration for ID15 are poorly constrained.

Fig. B.2 shows the potential correlations between  $c_{\text{vir}}$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$  from the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> fits. As in the left panel, the triangles represent the best-fit values. This shows figure shows that the halo concentration is well determined except for ID15 and ID943.



**Fig. B.1.** The  $M_\star - M_{\text{vir}}$  potential correlations from the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup> fits, derived from the  $\log X - V_{\text{vir}}$  fits. The horizontal gray band represents the SED-based  $M_\star$  and its  $2\sigma$  uncertainty. The triangles represent the best-fit values. For ID937, the fit was restricted to the SED  $M_\star$  value. There is good agreement between the GALPAK<sup>3D</sup>-derived  $M_\star$  with the SED-derived ones, except for ID943, ID919.



**Fig. B.2.** The  $c_{\text{vir}} - M_{\text{vir}}$  correlations from the MCMC chain. The triangles represent the best-fit values. One sees that the halo mass for ID1002 and the concentration for IDs15, 943 are poorly constrained.

### Appendix C: Relaxing constraints on $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$

In Fig. C.1, we show the derived  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  parameters using Zhao (1996) DM profile with the 3 parameters (inner & outer slopes, transition sharpness) free. The solid, dotted, dot-dashed lines represent the inner ( $\gamma$ ), outer ( $\beta$ ) slopes of the DM profile and the sharpness of the transition  $\alpha$  as a function of  $\log X = M_\star/M_{\text{vir}}$

from the DC14 (their Eq. 3). Here, the ratio  $M_\star/M_{\text{vir}}$  is degenerate with the profile parameters, so we used the SED stellar mass  $M_{\star, \text{SED}}$  as prior.

This figure shows that the DC14 model is not far from the actual DM profiles and indicates that the Dekel et al. (2017) profile with  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = (0.5, 3.5, \gamma)$  (Freundlich et al. 2020b) would be disfavored.

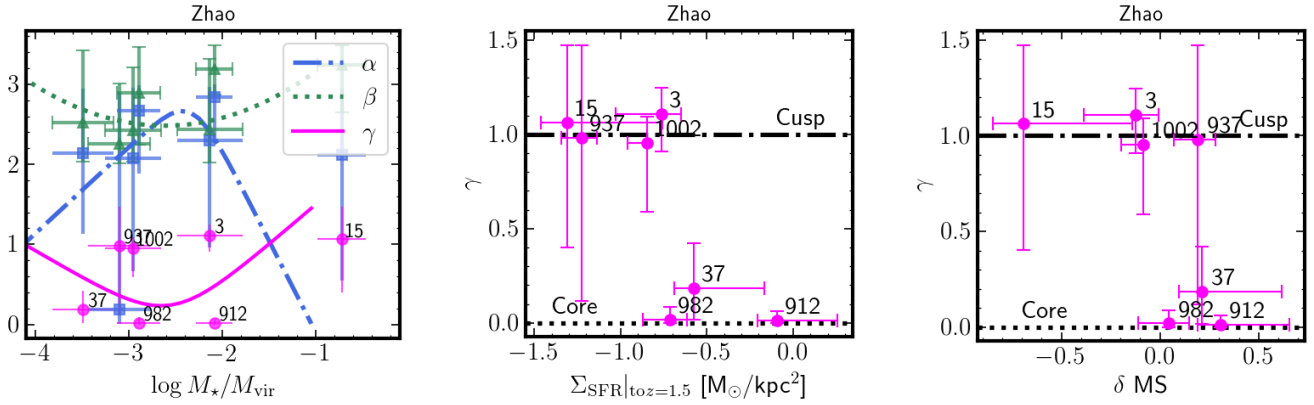


Fig. C.1. Same as Fig. 10, but with the ‘Zhao’ DM profiles with free  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ .