



# Stellar feedback and the energy budget of late-type Galaxies: missing baryons and core creation

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## ABSTRACT

In a  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology, galaxy formation is a globally inefficient process: it is often the case that far fewer baryons are observed in galaxy discs than expected from the cosmic baryon fraction. The location of these ‘missing baryons’ is unclear. By fitting halo profiles to the rotation curves of galaxies in the SPARC data set, we measure the ‘missing baryon’ mass for individual late-type systems. Assuming that haloes initially accrete the cosmological baryon fraction, we show that the maximum energy available from supernovae is typically not enough to completely eject these ‘missing baryons’ from a halo, but it is often sufficient to heat them to the virial temperature. The energy available from supernovae has the same scaling with galaxy mass as the energy needed to heat or eject the ‘missing baryons’, indicating that the coupling efficiency of the feedback to the ISM may be constant with galaxy virial mass. We further find that the energy available from supernova feedback is always enough to convert a primordial cusp into a core and has magnitude consistent with what is required to heat the ‘missing baryons’ to the virial temperature. Taking a census of the baryon content of galaxies with  $10^9 < M_{\text{vir}}/M_{\odot} < 10^{12}$  reveals that  $\sim 86$  per cent of baryons are likely to be in a hot phase surrounding the galaxies and possibly observable in the X-ray,  $\sim 7$  per cent are in the form of cold gas, and  $\sim 7$  per cent are in stars.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

In the early Universe, it is predicted that dark matter and baryons are well mixed (Spergel et al. 2003). As dark matter haloes form by gravitational collapse, the baryons cool, dissipate energy, and fall to the centres of the haloes (White & Rees 1978; Fall & Efstathiou 1980). Assuming a simple model where no other processes are at play, the total mass of a galaxy should then be composed of  $\sim 15$  per cent baryons and  $\sim 85$  per cent dark matter (Planck Collaboration XIII 2015). However, only in the most massive galaxy clusters does the observed baryon fraction begin to approach this value (Giodini et al. 2009; Gonzalez et al. 2013), while at dwarf

galaxy masses, only  $\sim 1$  per cent of the expected baryon content is actually detected (McGaugh et al. 2010; Papastergis et al. 2012; Bradford, Geha & Blanton 2015). A simple observational census of the baryonic content of the Universe therefore reveals that most baryons have not been identified.

Many of these ‘missing baryons’ may reside in the intergalactic medium, although this is unlikely to account for the full expected quantity (Fukugita, Hogan & Peebles 1998; Danforth & Shull 2005; Shull, Smith & Danforth 2012). Alternatively, these ‘missing baryons’ may exist in a phase that is difficult to detect (Bregman et al. 2015). Accretion on to dark matter haloes can shock heat the gas up to the virial temperature ( $T_{\text{vir}}$ ), which would make the gas emit primarily in the X-ray (White & Frenk 1991; Cen & Ostriker 1999). Many hydrodynamic simulations show that galaxies, especially at high redshift, are primarily fed by cold flows which penetrate deep into the centres of the haloes (Kereš et al. 2005).

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However, this may not be the case at low redshift. Strong feedback processes resulting from galaxy formation can reheat much of this gas into a hot phase, placing the primary emission in the X-ray (Mathews & Baker 1971; McKee & Ostriker 1977; Cen & Ostriker 1999). Hot gaseous haloes have been detected around a number of galaxies (Anderson & Bregman 2011; Anderson, Bregman & Dai 2013; Miller & Bregman 2015; Bregman et al. 2018), although for massive spirals, this may not completely account for the entire budget of ‘missing baryons’ (Bregman et al. 2018; Li et al. 2018). Hot baryons may also be detected by the thermal Sunyaev-Zel’dovich (kSZ) effect (de Graaff et al. 2017; Tanimura et al. 2017). As observations improve more of the ‘missing baryons’ are being found, but it is unclear whether they are sufficient to make up the baryon content of the Universe.

This inefficiency by which galaxies either obtain or retain their baryons translates directly into the stellar content of galaxies. Abundance matching techniques predict that even for the most efficient star-forming galaxies, the fraction of stars present remains far below the cosmic baryon fraction at all masses (Behroozi, Wechsler & Conroy 2013; Moster, Naab & White 2013; Moster, Naab & White 2017). Explanations for the low fraction of stars come from feedback in three regimes. At the very lowest halo masses,  $M_{\text{halo}} \lesssim 10^9 M_{\odot}$ , reionization may have completely prevented galaxies from forming by limiting their ability to accrete gas (Babul & Rees 1992; Efsthathiou 1992; Gnedin 2000; Okamoto, Gao & Theuns 2008). At slightly higher masses, supernova (SN) feedback can limit star formation by either ejecting gas from the halo or keeping it at a temperature  $T \sim T_{\text{vir}}$  (Dekel & Silk 1986). Finally, at the highest mass systems, feedback from an active galactic nucleus (AGN) may be the dominant mechanism that regulates galaxies (Silk & Rees 1998; Bower et al. 2006).

Feedback processes can impact galaxies in many different ways. For example, the slope of the predicted black hole mass–stellar velocity dispersion relation depends on whether AGN outflows are ‘momentum-driven’ or ‘energy-driven’ (King 2003; Costa, Sijacki & Haehnelt 2014). For stellar feedback, the impulsiveness of the energy injection can determine whether or not a dark matter cusp can be converted into a core (Navarro, Eke & Frenk 1996a; Pontzen & Governato 2012). The way in which the feedback is modelled has drastic effects on observable quantities such as the stellar mass function and the galaxy distribution along the Hubble sequence (e.g. Dubois et al. 2014; Vogelsberger et al. 2014; Schaye et al. 2015; Hopkins et al. 2017), bulge formation (e.g. Hopkins et al. 2012), central black hole mass (e.g. Curtis & Sijacki 2016; Di Cintio et al. 2017), gas fractions, and X-ray luminosities (e.g. Puchwein, Sijacki & Springel 2008). Understanding the energy scales involved and how the feedback energy couples to the local medium is key to developing a complete model for galaxy formation.

Historically, one of the most well-studied effects of feedback is how the density profile of the dark matter halo responds to large-scale inflows or outflows of baryons (Blumenthal et al. 1986; Navarro, Frenk & White 1996b; Gnedin et al. 2004; Read & Gilmore 2005; Pontzen & Governato 2012; Martizzi, Teyssier & Moore 2013; Katz et al. 2014; Read, Agertz & Collins 2016a). Peñarrubia et al. (2012) calculated the range of energies required to transform a cuspy density profile to one with a core and compared it to the energy budget of an SN. They identified that Milky Way dSphs require  $10^{53-55}$  erg of energy in order to form cores with sizes comparable to the luminous size of the galaxies. Using similar analytic reasoning, we focus here on how stellar feedback impacts the slope of the  $M_{*}-M_{\text{halo}}$  relation for late-type galaxies (spirals and dIrr) as well as dark matter density profiles.

We focus on two halo profiles: NFW (Navarro et al. 1996b), which is a prediction from cosmological DM-only simulations, and DC14 (Di Cintio et al. 2014b,a), which is a fit to the haloes produced in the MaGICC simulations (Brook et al. 2012; Stinson et al. 2013) that include the effects of galaxy formation. This model includes a dependence of halo shape on  $M_{*}/M_{\text{halo}}$  such that the dark matter profiles of low- and high-mass galaxies are cuspy at the centre, while intermediate-mass galaxies exhibit cores. Although this model is successful at accounting for the kinematics of a range of galaxy types (Di Cintio et al. 2014b; Katz et al. 2017), it is important to bear in mind that the formation of cores is a contentious issue among the current generation of cosmological hydrodynamic simulations. For example, although other high-resolution simulations produce cores of roughly the DC14 type (e.g. Chan et al. 2015; Read, Agertz & Collins 2016b), others do not produce cores at all (e.g. Sawala et al. 2016). The exact mechanism of core formation has yet to be determined and there are indeed degeneracies in sub-grid implementations of star formation and feedback that may lead to the same results. Nevertheless, since the DC14 model fits the properties of observed rotation curves well, we aim to use the energy scales of real galaxies as a further test of whether an SN can provide enough energy to both regulate star formation and produce cores in real galaxies.

We begin by presenting observational results on the fraction of cold gas and stars of  $\sim 150$  late-type galaxies from the SPARC data set (Lelli, McGaugh & Schombert 2016) (Section 2). We then review the theoretical motivation for how SN feedback regulates galaxy formation and show that in two simple models it naturally leads to a logarithmic slope of 5/3 for the  $M_{*}-M_{\text{vir}}$  relation (Section 3). These models are then tested against the SPARC data where this slope can be independently measured: we then check whether this energy budget is sufficient to generate a core in low-mass galaxies or reverse adiabatic contraction in higher mass systems (Section 4). Finally, in Section 5, we use these results to take a cosmic census of the distribution of baryons in late-type galaxies with  $10^9 < M_{\text{vir}} < 10^{12}$ . Throughout this work, we assume a WMAP3 cosmology with  $H_0 = 73 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ ,  $\Omega_m = 0.24$ ,  $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.76$ ,  $\Omega_b = 0.04$ , and  $\sigma_8 = 0.76$  (Spergel et al. 2007), and we define the virial radius to be the radius that contains a mean density equal to  $93.6 \rho_{\text{crit}}$ .

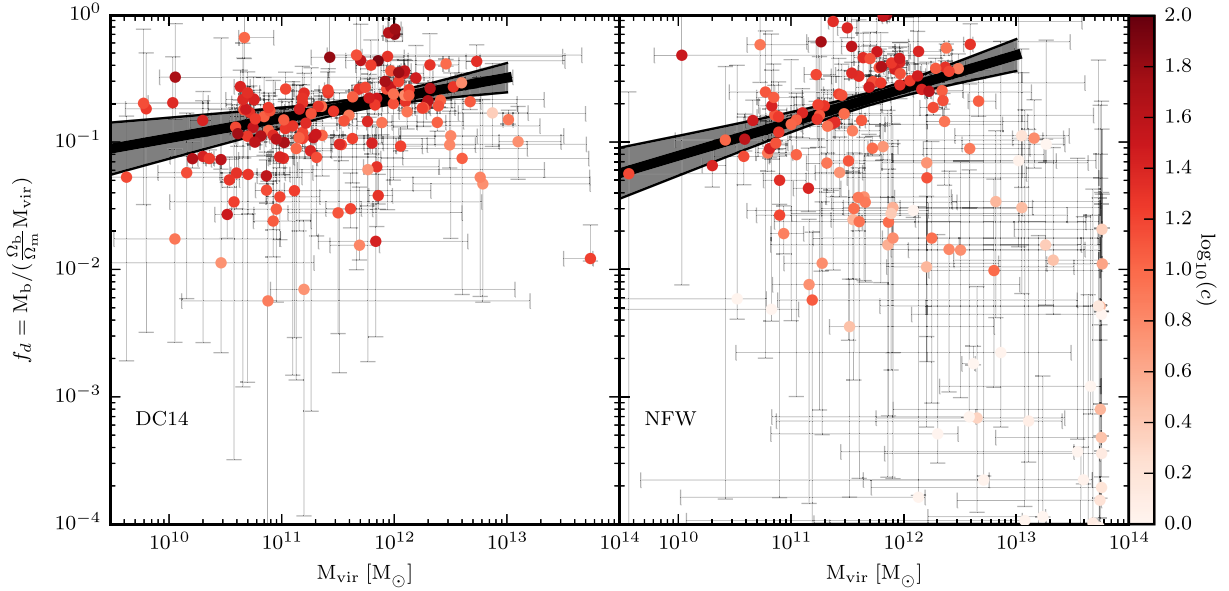
## 2 OBSERVATIONAL CONSTRAINTS

### 2.1 SPARC data set and rotation curve fitting

The SPARC sample<sup>1</sup> contains 175 galaxies with high-quality rotation curves, interferometric observations at 21 cm, and baryon mass models from *Spitzer* [3.6  $\mu\text{m}$ ] photometry. We use this data to measure  $f_d \equiv (M_{\text{gas, cold}} + M_{*})/([\Omega_b/\Omega_m]M_{\text{vir}})$ , the fraction of the galaxy mass that has settled into a cold disc, relative to the cosmological value, and  $f_{*} \equiv M_{*}/(M_{\text{gas, cold}} + M_{*})$ , the fraction of baryons in stars. SPARC is ideal for this purpose as it contains late-type galaxies with a wide range of properties:  $3 \times 10^7 \lesssim M_{*} (M_{\odot}) \lesssim 3 \times 10^{11}$ ,  $20 \lesssim V_c (\text{km s}^{-1}) \lesssim 300$ , and  $3 \lesssim \Sigma_{*} (M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}) \lesssim 1500$ . We extract from the SPARC data set a subsample of 147 galaxies that pass a series of selection criteria: (1)  $i \geq 30^\circ$ , (2) at least five observed rotation curve points, and (3) no major kinematic asymmetries between the approaching and receding sides of the disc (quality flag  $Q < 3$ ).

We follow Katz et al. (2017) in fitting the rotation curves with either NFW or DC14 profiles. We fit these profiles using an MCMC

<sup>1</sup>astroweb.cwru.edu/SPARC/



**Figure 1.**  $f_d$  as a function of the virial mass of the galaxy for the DC14 model (left) and the NFW model (right). The points represent the maximum-likelihood fits to the observed rotation curves and they are coloured by the log of the concentration. The error bars represent the  $2\sigma$  uncertainties on the parameters for individual galaxies. Note that the concentrations measured for the DC14 model are in much better agreement with the expected mass–concentration relation than for the NFW model Katz et al. (2017). The thick black line shows the best-fitting values to the function given in equation (5) when the RANSAC algorithm is used, and the grey shaded region shows the  $1\sigma$  uncertainty on this fit.

algorithm with three free parameters:  $V_{\text{vir}}$ ,  $c_{\text{vir}}$ , and  $M_*/L$  where  $L$  is measured at  $3.6 \mu\text{m}$ . We define a set of ‘flat’ priors such that  $10 < V_{\text{vir}}(\text{km s}^{-1}) < 500$ ,  $1 < c_{\text{vir}} < 100$ , and  $0.3 < M_*/L < 0.8$ . The first two priors ensure that no walkers end up in extremely unphysical regimes. The prior on  $M_*/L$  is set to be consistent with McGaugh & Schombert (2014), who demonstrated that  $M_*/L$  shows no significant colour trends. Katz et al. (2017) demonstrated that the fitting results are rather robust to a variety of choices on  $M_*/L$ . Note that Katz et al. (2017) also fit each galaxy while assuming an additional set of ‘ $\Lambda$ CDM’ priors, where both the  $M_{\text{halo}}-c$  and  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relations were imposed as lognormal priors on the fits. We do not include these priors here as we wish to constrain  $f_d$  and  $f_*$  from the data alone.

From the observations, we obtain the gas velocity,  $V_{\text{cold, gas}}(r)$ , stellar velocity (dependent on  $M_*/L$ ),  $V_*(r)$ , and the circular velocity,  $V_c(r)$ . Hence,

$$V_c^2(r) = V_{\text{cold, gas}}^2(r) + (M_*/L)V_*^2(r) + V_{\text{dark}}^2(r). \quad (1)$$

By fitting the rotation curves, we constrain  $V_{\text{dark}}^2(r) = V_{\text{hot, gas}}^2(r) + V_{\text{halo}}^2(r)$ .  $V_{\text{hot, gas}}^2(r) = 0$  corresponds to a feedback model where we assume that all unseen gas has been ejected from the halo. Alternatively, if we assume that the gas is heated to  $T_{\text{vir}}$  then it still resides in the halo and  $V_{\text{hot, gas}}^2(r) \neq 0$ . Given

$$M_{\text{vir}} = M_{\text{halo}} + M_* + M_{\text{gas, cold}} + M_{\text{gas, hot}}, \quad (2)$$

$$M_{\text{dark}} = M_{\text{halo}} + M_{\text{gas, hot}}, \quad (3)$$

and

$$M_{\text{halo}} = \frac{\Omega_{\text{DM}}}{\Omega_{\text{m}}} M_{\text{vir}}, \quad (4)$$

we can separate the mass in hot gas from the dark matter component. We assume that the distribution of hot gas follows the same density profile as the dark matter. This is unlikely to be completely true as the hot gas probably has a higher concentration than the dark matter,

although it is doubtful that introducing this additional freedom into the fitting would be fruitful. The difference between the models is subtle since  $M_{\text{gas, hot}}$  is at most  $\sim 20$  per cent of the halo mass.

## 2.2 Estimating $f_d$ and $f_*$

With the rotation curve fits in hand, we can now derive  $f_d$  and  $f_*$  directly from the observational data. In Fig. 1, we plot  $f_d$  as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$ . We fit these galaxies<sup>2</sup> with a linear model in log-space such that<sup>3</sup>

$$\log_{10}(f_d) = A \log_{10}(M_{\text{vir}}) + B. \quad (5)$$

In order to make these fits, we take into account the uncertainties on both  $M_{\text{dark}}$  and  $M_*/L$  that come from our MCMC fits. Unfortunately, the confidence intervals on our maximum posterior fits are both asymmetric and non-Gaussian, so we cannot perform an ordinary least square fit. Instead, we adopt a bootstrap approach, as follows. First, we randomly choose a point in the 3D parameter space from 100 000 steps taken by the 100 walkers used in our MCMC chains, for each galaxy. We fit this resampled catalogue with a RANSAC linear fitting algorithm (Fischler & Bolles 1981; Pedregosa et al. 2011) in order to deal with potential outliers.<sup>4</sup> We repeat this procedure 10 000 times. The relation we quote is given by the mean of the fits to these catalogues, and the uncertainty in the fits is given by the standard deviation of the fitting parameters. Note that we only consider galaxies with  $M_{\text{vir}} < 10^{13} M_{\odot}$  in our fits.

<sup>2</sup>For all fits in this paper, we only consider galaxies with virial mass  $< 10^{13} M_{\odot}$ . We find similar results when fitting when using a maximum mass of  $< 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ .

<sup>3</sup>The  $p$ -value of Pearson’s test on the  $f_d$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  correlation for the DC14 model is 0.02, indicating a statistically significant linear relation.

<sup>4</sup>The RANSAC algorithm is completely different from sigma clipping and uses an iterative method to robustly search the data set for inliers and outliers.

**Table 1.** Fitting parameters for  $f_d$  as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  as given in equation (5) along with their uncertainties.  $\sigma_A$  and  $\sigma_B$  are the  $1 - \sigma$  uncertainties on the slope and normalization of relation calculated from the 10 000 RANSAC fits to the resampled catalogues.  $\sigma_{f_d}$  is the scatter in  $f_d$  calculated as 1.48 times the average median absolute deviation of the inliers of the 10 000 RANSAC fits.

Halo model	$A$	$\sigma_A$	$B$	$\sigma_B$	$\sigma_{f_d}$
DC14	0.16	0.09		1.02	0.14 dex
			−2.55		
NFW	0.26	0.09		1.02	0.24 dex
			−3.74		

In Table 1, we list the fitting parameters measured from the data for equation (5). It is clear that as the mass of the galaxy increases, so does the efficiency of cold disc formation. For the DC14 model, the evolution is rather weak and  $f_d \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{0.16}$ . There is still a reasonably large amount of scatter around this relation but the general trend persists. For the NFW model, the RANSAC algorithm finds a fit where the efficiency of disc formation also increases with galaxy mass. However, there is so much scatter in this relation that the RANSAC algorithm classifies many of the points as outliers and this fit is not particularly trustworthy as there is no clear underlying relation. Within the uncertainties, the slopes of the DC14 and NFW relations are consistent. This is not particularly surprising since in certain regimes of  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$ , the DC14 model reduces to NFW. Outside of this regime, the DC14 model provides statistically better fits to the rotation curves than the NFW model (Katz et al. 2017): these galaxies are therefore outliers in the relation for the NFW model, driving our fitted relations closer to those of the DC14 model. These results agree with the  $M_b$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  relation derived by combining the stellar mass abundance matching of Moster et al. (2013) with the  $M_*$ – $M_{\text{gas}}$  relation of Dutton et al. (2011).

Interestingly, the trend in  $f_d$  never comes close to unity, indicating that most of the baryons in late-type galaxies do not reside in cold discs, consistent with many other works in the literature (Fukugita et al. 1998; Danforth & Shull 2005; Shull et al. 2012). Rather,  $f_d \ll 1$  implies that galaxy formation is a globally inefficient process.

Possible scenarios that may lead to  $f_d < 1$  include (1) the baryons never cooled and settled into a disc in the first place or (2) the baryons settled into a disc and then feedback processes heated them up or ejected them from the galaxy. Of course, these two scenarios are not mutually exclusive. There is evidence for galactic winds in many star-forming galaxies (e.g. Veilleux, Cecil & Bland-Hawthorn 2005) and the presence of metals in the CGM confirms a degree of recycling and ejection of gas from inside the galaxy (e.g. Tumlinson, Peeples & Werk 2017). Likewise, the observation of hot halo gas surrounding galaxies indicates that there is a substantial heating process (e.g. Anderson & Bregman 2011), although this may be due to virial shocks. It is important to note however that significant controversy still remains about the ubiquity of winds in star-forming systems, with some studies finding little evidence for them (Lelli, Verheijen & Fraternali 2014; Concas et al. 2017). If the mechanism that we describe here is responsible for setting the cold baryon fractions of late-type galaxies, we would expect some observational signatures of gas motion, at least in the most massive systems.

For the lowest mass galaxies,  $M_{\text{vir}} \sim 10^9 M_\odot$ , the virial temperatures approach the temperature of ionized gas ( $\sim 10\,000$  K) and reionization may have prevented accretion of gas on to some of these galaxies (Gnedin 2000; Okamoto et al. 2008). For more massive galaxies, this should not be an issue, although stellar and AGN

feedback can still inhibit accretion on to a galaxy (e.g. Mitchell et al. 2017). In the remainder of this work, we will assume the ‘worst-case’ scenario where all baryons that could have accreted on to the galaxy have done so, and subsequent feedback processes are entirely responsible for heating the ‘missing baryons’ into a hot halo or ejecting them from the galaxy. There are many effects that may prevent gas accreting on to a halo; we discuss this assumption further and the effect it has on the required feedback strength in Section 5.4.

In Fig. 2, we plot  $f_*$  as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  for both the DC14 and NFW halo models. DC14 haloes convert as low as 10 per cent and up to 60 per cent of their available baryons into stars at  $M_{\text{vir}} \sim 10^{11} M_\odot$ , and  $\sim 50 - 100$  per cent at  $M_{\text{vir}} \sim 10^{12} M_\odot$ . Note that the scatter about the relation is very large even though the general trend is an increasing  $f_*$  with virial mass. The galaxies with the lowest relative baryon content are also the most inefficient at forming stars. Once again, we see a similar trend for the NFW model, although the scatter is larger.

We fit the galaxy formation efficiency as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  to a logistic function (sigmoid curve) of the form

$$f_* = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-C \log_{10}(M_{\text{vir}}/M_0)}}. \quad (6)$$

We constrain both  $C$ , which controls the steepness of the interpolation, and  $M_0$ , which is the point where the galaxy formation efficiency is 50 per cent. The procedure for this fit is exactly analogous to what was done for the  $f_d$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  relation: we create 10 000 mock catalogues with both  $f_*$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$  computed from the MCMC chains, and use the RANSAC algorithm to find the best-fitting logistic function. The fitting parameters reported in Table 2 are calculated as the means over the 10 000 fits, and the uncertainties are the  $1\sigma$  deviations. In Fig. 2, we show the derived relation and confidence intervals as the thick black line and grey-shaded region, respectively.

We find that  $M_0$  and  $C$  are similar between the two different halo models, and that galaxies with  $M_{\text{vir}} \sim 10^{11.1} M_\odot$  convert  $\sim 50$  per cent of available baryons into stars.

### 3 THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

SN feedback can, in principle, impart both momentum and heat to the gas (Taylor 1950; Sedov 1959), each of which can play a role in regulating galaxy growth. If the mechanical feedback is strong enough that gas clouds reach the escape velocity of the halo ( $V_{\text{esc}}$ ), then, absent significant hydrodynamical drag from the ISM, the gas may be completely ejected from the halo. Unless the gas is re-accreted, it is then unable to undergo future star formation. Alternatively, instead of ejecting gas from the halo, SN feedback may simply heat it to near the virial temperature of the halo, where it can either bubble off of the galaxy or be recycled on to the disc (Brook et al. 2014; Christensen et al. 2016). Both of these mechanisms likely play a part in regulating star formation.

We calculate the energy needed to eject the ‘missing baryons’ from the galaxy ( $E_{\text{ej}}$ ) or heat them to the virial temperature ( $E_{\text{heat}}$ ) as a function of the halo mass of the galaxy ( $M_{\text{halo}}$ ), as follows:

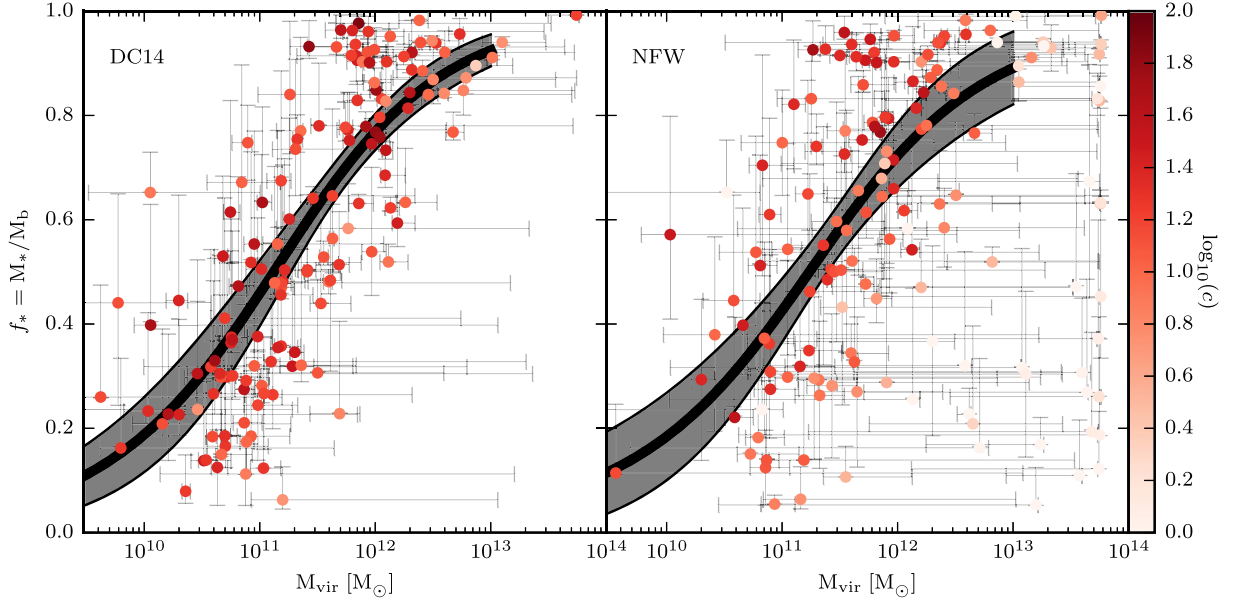
$$E_{\text{ej}} = \frac{1}{2} M_X V_{\text{esc}}^2 \quad (7)$$

and

$$E_{\text{heat}} = \frac{3}{2} M_X \frac{k_B (T_{\text{vir}} - T_{\text{ini}})}{\mu m_p}, \quad (8)$$

where  $M_X$  is the gas mass which we wish to heat or eject,  $T_{\text{vir}}$  is the virial temperature of the halo,  $T_{\text{ini}} = 10\,000$  K (100 K) is the initial





**Figure 2.**  $f_*$  as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  for the DC14 model (left) and the NFW model (right). The points represent the maximum-likelihood fits to the observed rotation curves and they are coloured by the log of the concentration. The error bars represent the  $2\sigma$  uncertainties on the parameters for individual galaxies. The thick black line shows the best-fitting values to the function given in equation (6) as determined by the RANSAC algorithm. The grey shaded region shows the  $1\sigma$  uncertainty on this fit.

**Table 2.** Fitting parameters for  $f_*$  as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  as given by equation (6).  $\sigma_{f_*}$  is the scatter in  $f_*$  calculated as 1.48 times the average median absolute deviation of the 10 000 fits.

Halo model	$C$	$\sigma_C$	$\log_{10}(M_0)$	$\sigma_{\log_{10}(M_0)}$	$\sigma_{f_*}$
DC14	1.38	0.296	11.10	0.17	0.38
NFW	1.28	0.388	11.21	1.13	0.46

temperature of ionized (neutral) gas,  $k_b$  is the Boltzmann constant,  $m_p$  is the proton mass, and  $\mu = 0.59$  (1.22) is the mean molecular weight of the ionized (neutral) gas.

These equations are necessarily very simplified descriptions of gas ejection and heating: equation (7) assumes that the gas cloud resides initially near the centre of the halo, that the halo is in the steady state and not formed hierarchically, that there are no energy losses, and that there is no hydrodynamical drag. While the former two effects would cause overestimation of the energy required for the gas to leave the halo, the latter two would cause the converse. We therefore retain this form for simplicity. Similarly, equation (8) is subject to vagaries in heat transport within the gas between the patch heated specifically by the SNe and the rest of the ISM. Our oversimplification may be most evident in the case of a cold metal-rich cloud moving at high speed through a hot corona: in this case, the differences in metallicities and densities may cause cooling of the coronal gas by the Kelvin–Helmholtz instability (Marinacci et al. 2010). Nevertheless, we believe equations (7) and (8) will give a reliable intuition into the energy scales required to regulate a galaxy.

We aim to apply this model to both the NFW and DC14 models, which are subsets of the more general  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  profile. For this reason, we have derived a series of analytic expressions that allow for quick evaluation of various quantities for the  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  density

profile without requiring numerical integrals.<sup>5</sup> These can be found in Appendix A.

### 3.1 Heating or ejecting the baryons

We now turn to  $T_{\text{vir}}$ , given by

$$T_{\text{vir}} = (\mu m_p / 2k_B) V_{\text{vir}}^2. \quad (9)$$

If  $T_{\text{vir}} \gg T_{\text{ini}}$ , which is true for galaxies with  $M_{\text{vir}} \gtrsim 2 \times 10^9 M_\odot$  if the gas is ionized and always true if the gas is neutral, then  $E_{\text{heat}} \propto M_X M_{\text{vir}}^{2/3}$ . If we plug in our scaling for  $V_{\text{esc}}$ , we also find that  $E_{\text{ej}} \propto M_X M_{\text{vir}}^{2/3}$ . Interestingly, the scaling is the same for both quantities. We can compare this to the energy available from SN feedback ( $E_{\text{fb}}$ ) which is given by

$$E_{\text{fb}}(M_{\text{vir}}) = E_{\text{SN}} \epsilon_c f_{\text{SN}} f_d(M_{\text{vir}}) f_*(M_{\text{vir}}) \frac{\Omega_b}{\Omega_m} M_{\text{vir}}, \quad (10)$$

where  $E_{\text{SN}} = 10^{51}$  erg is the energy of an individual SN explosion,  $\epsilon_c$  is the fraction of that energy that couples to the ISM and contributes to driving a wind,  $f_{\text{SN}} \sim 0.01 M_\odot^{-1}$  is the number of SN explosions per unit solar mass (Salpeter 1955) and is dependent on the stellar IMF,  $f_d(M_{\text{vir}})$  is the fraction of the mass of the galaxy with respect to the cosmological value that settles into a cold disc

$$f_d = (M_{\text{gas,cold}} + M_*) / ([\Omega_b / \Omega_m] M_{\text{vir}}), \quad (11)$$

and  $f_*(M_{\text{halo}})$  is the fraction of baryons that are part of the disc and form stars

$$f_* = M_* / (M_{\text{gas,cold}} + M_*). \quad (12)$$

<sup>5</sup>See Dekel et al. (2017) for an alternative model that also avoids such integrals and provides reasonable fits to rotation curves.

Thus,

$$f_d f_* \frac{\Omega_b}{\Omega_m} M_{\text{vir}} = M_*. \quad (13)$$

A priori, both  $f_d$  and  $f_*$  are unknown and both  $E_{\text{SN}}$  and  $f_{\text{SN}}$  are expected to be constant.<sup>6</sup> For simplicity, we assume that the efficiency with which an SN couples to the ISM ( $\epsilon_c$ ) is independent of galaxy mass. For SN feedback to be the dominant mechanism that regulates galaxies in the mass range  $10^{12} \gtrsim M_{\text{vir}} \gtrsim 10^9 M_\odot$ , one must have  $M_* \propto M_X M_{\text{vir}}^{2/3}$ .

For our back-of-the-envelope calculation, the quantity  $M_X$  is well approximated as  $M_X \sim M_b \sim (\Omega_b/\Omega_m) M_{\text{vir}}$ , where  $M_b = M_* + M_{\text{gas, cold}} + M_{\text{gas, hot}}$  is the baryonic mass of the galaxy. Substituting in for  $M_X$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$  in our scaling relation, we find

$$M_* \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{5/3}, \quad (14)$$

assuming that all of the baryons are either heated to the virial temperature of the galaxy or completely ejected, solely due to SN feedback. What we have just derived is the theoretical slope of the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation assuming that SN feedback is the dominant mechanism that regulates galaxies, and that the majority of baryons are not in stars or cold gas. If higher mass galaxies have fewer missing baryons compared to low-mass galaxies, the slope will be less than 5/3, and vice versa.

## 4 COMPARISON WITH OBSERVATION

### 4.1 Individual galaxies

With both  $f_d$  and  $f_*$  measured for 147 galaxies from the SPARC data set, along with their masses and concentrations derived in Katz et al. (2017), we can now compare  $E_{\text{ej}}$ ,  $E_{\text{heat}}$ , and  $E_{\text{fb}}$ . In the top row of Fig. 3, we plot the energy required to eject or heat the ‘missing baryons’ for each individual galaxy in our sample and compare it to the energy available in SN feedback. Here, we show the case where  $\epsilon_c = 1$  (i.e. that all SN energy contributes to ejecting or heating the gas). We caution however that this is the most optimistic case. Not only will some SN energy fail to be transformed into kinetic energy, but gas along the plane of the disc will be less likely to escape if the outflow is primarily perpendicular. Hydrodynamical models predict that this may result in  $\epsilon_c$  values significantly less than unity (Rogers & Pittard 2013; Walch & Naab 2015; Gentry et al. 2017). In addition, we have assumed that all the SN energy couples to the central regions of a halo to make a core. If this is not true, the efficiency of the feedback for core formation will be reduced by a further factor. Since  $E_{\text{fb}}$  depends linearly on  $\epsilon_c$ , it is trivial to transform our results to other values. In the bottom row of Fig. 3, we show the ratios of  $E_{\text{fb}}/E_{\text{heat}}$  and  $E_{\text{fb}}/E_{\text{ej}}$ , which gives insight into the exact values of  $\epsilon_c$  needed to either eject or heat the missing baryons.

For the DC14 model, the scatter is relatively tight. There are a few outliers as expected, but many of these have large uncertainties on the halo fits (Katz et al. 2017). We expect variation for individual galaxies because galaxy properties such as disc size, metallicity, star formation history, merger history, and environment may cause deviations from our simple model. It is however promising that we find relatively good agreement between the scalings of  $E_{\text{fb}}$  and  $E_{\text{heat}}$  or  $E_{\text{ej}}$  and that the scatter for individual galaxies is not huge.

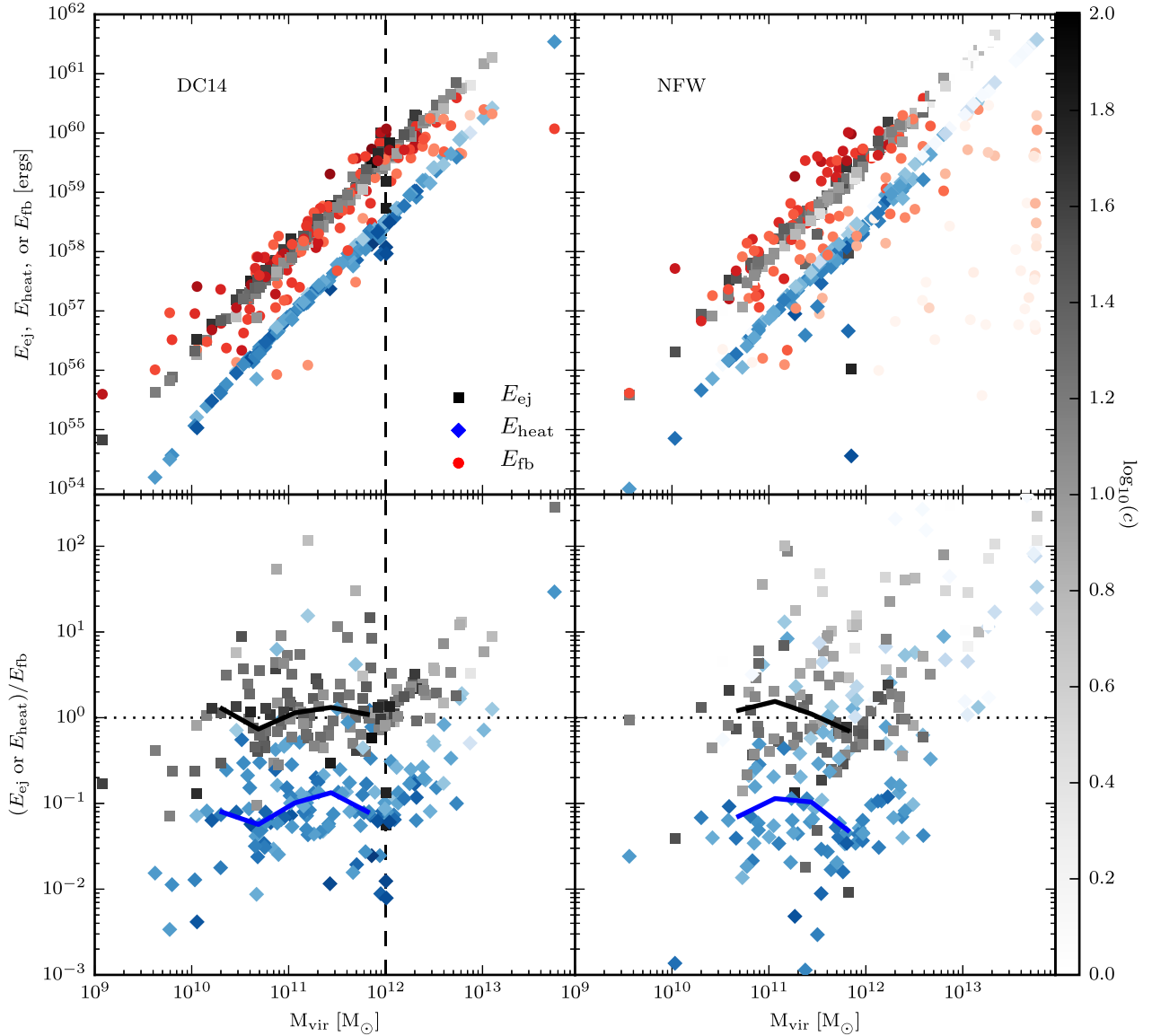
There is significantly more scatter for the NFW model than for DC14. In Fig. 3, the points that represent  $E_{\text{fb}}$  are merely a rescaling of the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation presented in Katz et al. (2017), where it was shown that the scatter in this plane was too large for the NFW model to be consistent with observations. For the NFW model, the scatter in  $E_{\text{ej}}$  and  $E_{\text{heat}}$  is dependent on the scatter in  $c$  through  $V_{\text{esc}}$  and weakly dependent on the scatter in  $M_b$  since for the most part  $M_{\text{vir}} \gg M_b$ . The scatter in  $c$  is clearly smaller than the scatter in  $M_*$  which is why there is much more observed scatter in  $E_{\text{fb}}$  for the NFW model compared to the scatter in  $E_{\text{ej}}$  and  $E_{\text{heat}}$ . This is not true for the DC14 model where the scatter in  $M_*$  is much smaller.

Looking at galaxies with  $M_{\text{vir}} > 10^{12} M_\odot$  which corresponds to stellar mass just under  $10^{11} M_\odot$ , there is very tentative evidence for a slight turnover in the energy available from SN feedback while the energy needed to eject or heat the ‘missing baryons’ continues to increase. At these masses, we are using an extrapolation of the DC14 model so our interpretation needs to be taken with caution. This would however be consistent with the idea that at these masses other feedback mechanisms are starting to play a role (Schaye et al. 2015). This picture is in line with the observed luminosity function where we see a turnover in the slope at these masses (Li & White 2009; Bernardi et al. 2013).

Since the red points overlap the black points in the left-hand panel of Fig. 3, 100 per cent of the energy available from an SN would need to couple to the gas in order to eject all of the ‘missing baryons’ from the halo. This value is rather unrealistic as it is well established that this coupling is inefficient (Rogers & Pittard 2013; Walch & Naab 2015) and dependent on the density of the ambient medium (Cowie, McKee & Ostriker 1981). As has been shown before (e.g. Yepes et al. 1997; Efsthathiou 2000), more energy is required to eject the ‘missing baryons’ from the galaxy than to heat them to  $T_{\text{vir}}$ . Less than  $\sim 10$  per cent of the SN feedback energy needs to couple to the ISM in order to heat the gas to the virial temperature and have the red points overlap the blue points in the left-hand panel of Fig. 3. This value is strongly degenerate with the chosen stellar IMF: for more top heavy IMFs such as Chabrier (Chabrier 2003), the required coupling would be less than the value derived here. Nevertheless, it is likely that more of the ‘missing baryons’ are located in a hot halo surrounding the galaxy than that they were ejected, even for our lowest mass systems of  $\sim 10^9 M_\odot$ . The key aspect of this diagram is that the slope of the red points is consistent with the slope of the black and blue points indicating that the amount of feedback energy available is a simple rescaling of the amount needed to heat or eject the ‘missing baryons’. This can be seen in the bottom panels of Fig. 3 where we plot the median coupling efficiency, in bins of halo mass between  $10^{10} < M_{\text{vir}}/M_\odot < 10^{12}$ , required to heat or eject the ‘missing baryons’. This value is roughly constant as a function of halo mass. At lower masses, there are few galaxies in our sample and thus the median may not be truly representative. If SNe are the dominant feedback mechanism regulating the galaxies, our work suggests that the coupling efficiency is constant across a wide range of halo masses.

In summary, even with 100 per cent coupling efficiency of SN energy, there is often not enough energy to eject all of the ‘missing baryons’ from the galaxy. For the DC14 model, only  $\sim 9$  per cent of the total energy available from an SN needs to couple to the gas to heat it to the virial temperature of the halo. We find that this value is reasonably independent of halo mass. We remind the reader however that our model is idealized: we have assumed that galaxies initially accrete the cosmological baryon fraction, all SN energy couples with constant efficiency to dark matter in the central regions, and that haloes begin with a NFW profile. More detailed

<sup>6</sup>This assumes that the stellar IMF is constant as a function of halo mass.



**Figure 3.** The top panel shows a comparison of energy available from an SN, when all the energy is coupled to the ISM, i.e.  $\epsilon_c = 1$  (red points), with the energy required to heat the ‘missing baryons’ (blue points), or eject the ‘missing’ baryons from the galaxy (black points) as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$ . The shading of the points is by the log of the concentration. The vertical dashed line represents the mass at which the DC14 model is expected to break down. The bottom panel shows the ratio of  $E_{\text{ej}}$  or  $E_{\text{heat}}$  to  $E_{\text{fb}}$ ; a value of 1 (shown the horizontal dotted line) indicates that SN energy is exactly sufficient to remove the gas or heat it to  $T_{\text{vir}}$ . The black and blue lines show the median fraction of the SN energy that needs to couple to the gas (in bins of  $\Delta \log_{10}(M_{\text{vir}}) = 0.375$  for systems with  $M_{\text{vir}} < 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ ) in order to eject or heat the baryons to the virial temperature of the halo, respectively. Bins with fewer than five galaxies are not shown.

conclusions will require hydrodynamical simulations where these assumptions are not necessary.

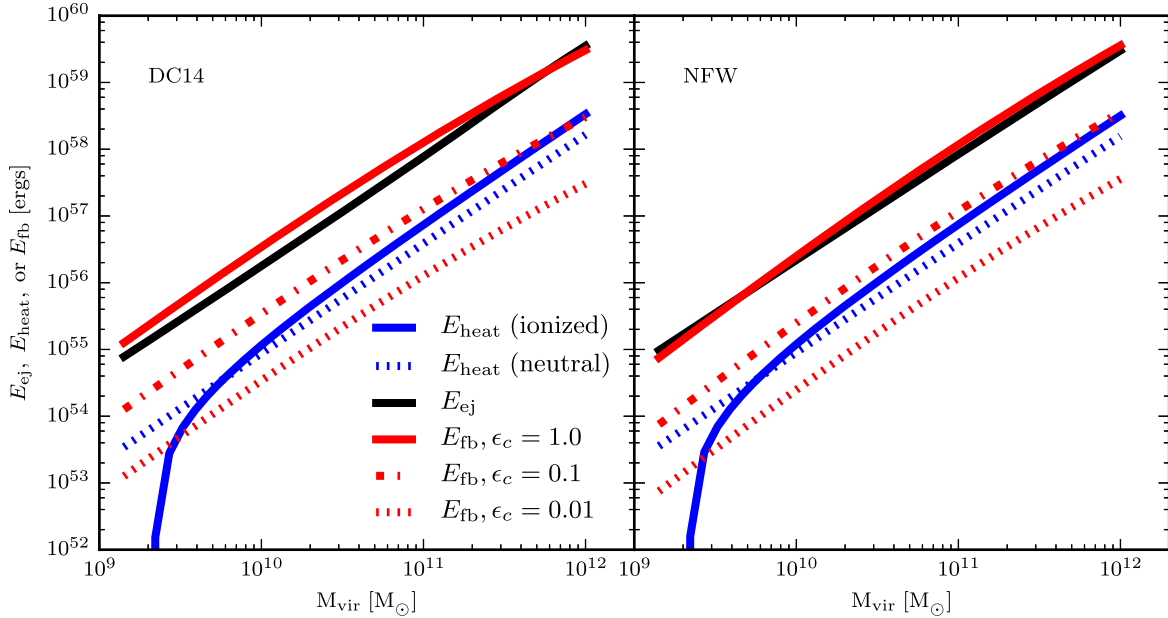
#### 4.2 Mean relations

Rather than perform this exercise for individual galaxies, we can use the mean relations for  $f_d$  and  $f_*$  derived in Section 2. In Fig. 4, we plot the energy needed to either heat the ‘missing baryons’ or eject them completely from the halo for both the DC14 and NFW models, and compare this to the energy available in SN feedback for three different constant values of  $\epsilon_c$ . The mass in ‘missing baryons’ is simply

$$M_X = (1 - f_d) \frac{\Omega_b}{\Omega_m} M_{\text{vir}}. \quad (15)$$

To calculate  $E_{\text{ej}}$ , we assume that all galaxies lie on the  $M_{\text{halo}}-c$  relation as given in Dutton & Macciò (2014). Furthermore, to calculate  $V_{\text{esc}}$  for the DC14 model, we need to know  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  which can make up to  $\sim 7$  per cent difference in this velocity (see Fig. A1). These can be determined from our fits of  $f_d$  and  $f_*$ , given the scaling relations presented in DC14. We plot two different quantities for  $E_{\text{heat}}$ , one assuming that the gas that is being heated starts out ionized ( $T_{\text{ini}} = 10\,000$  K and  $\mu = 0.59$ ) and the other that the gas begins neutral ( $T_{\text{ini}} = 100$  K and  $\mu = 1.22$ ).

Fig. 4 shows that  $E_{\text{fb}}$ ,  $E_{\text{ej}}$ , and  $E_{\text{heat}}$  scale in the same way with  $M_{\text{vir}}$  for both the DC14 and NFW models. The relation between  $f_d$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$  has a large scatter and for the NFW model, it is not clear that the function we have fit to the data is truly representative. This likely stems from the fact that the NFW halo profile does not provide good



**Figure 4.** Comparison of energy available from SN feedback (red lines) with the energy required to heat the ‘missing’ baryons (blue), or eject the ‘missing’ baryons from the galaxy (black) as a function of  $M_{\text{vir}}$ . The different line styles for the red lines represent different coupling efficiencies of the SN energy to the ISM. The different line styles for the blue lines represent if the gas starts out ionized or neutral.

fits to the rotation curves of SPARC galaxies (Katz et al. 2017), and therefore it is unwise to draw strong conclusions about the NFW halo from these mean relations. For the DC14 model, there is a much clearer indication that  $f_d$  increases with  $M_{\text{vir}}$ , and that the slope is roughly linear in log-space. It is encouraging that the DC14 model naturally predicts the scaling one would expect if SN feedback is the dominant mechanism regulating star formation and gas cooling in galaxies.

### 4.3 Comparison to other $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$ relations

In Katz et al. (2017), it was claimed that the maximum-likelihood parameters for the DC14 halo model fits adhered well the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation predicted by Moster et al. (2013), even without  $\Lambda$ CDM priors. For the mass range we consider here ( $10^{12} \gtrsim M_{\text{vir}}/M_{\odot} \gtrsim 10^9$ ), Moster et al. (2013) find  $M_* \propto M_{\text{halo}}^{2.376}$ . This scaling is clearly different than the relation of  $M_* \propto M_{\text{halo}}^{5/3}$  predicted for galaxy regulation by an SN. How then can our results be consistent with both?

In Fig. 5, we plot the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation of the maximum-likelihood fits from each galaxy in our sample compared to the predicted relations from Moster et al. (2013) and Behroozi et al. (2013). As was shown in Katz et al. (2017), the fits for the DC14 model adhere reasonably well to the  $2\sigma$  scatter in the relation from Moster et al. (2013). Overplotted on this diagram is a red line with a scaling of  $M_* \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{5/3}$  and an arbitrary normalization. Note that this is not a fit to the data. It is clear that the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  predicted by Moster et al. (2013) is slightly steeper than this relation, although within  $2\sigma$  they are not in terrible disagreement. Although we find a different slope, we maintain approximate agreement with both relations.

The  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation of Behroozi et al. (2013) is shallower at the low-mass end than Moster et al. (2013) and is therefore in better agreement with our predicted slope. Our normalizations tend to be slightly higher than Behroozi et al. (2013), although the disagreement is marginal at best. We should note however that their stellar

masses are derived in a different band than the SPARC galaxies. There is a much larger uncertainty in  $M_*/L$  in visual bands than at  $3.6 \mu$  (McGaugh & Schombert 2014) and there can be systematic differences between bands. Any disagreement between the normalization of the DC14 model and these relations is marginal and can be readily reconciled with a change in  $M_*/L$ . Finally, the relations derived by Behroozi et al. (2013) and Moster et al. (2013) consider all galaxies, while we consider only late-type galaxies. Part of the difference in slope may well derive from morphological selection effects.

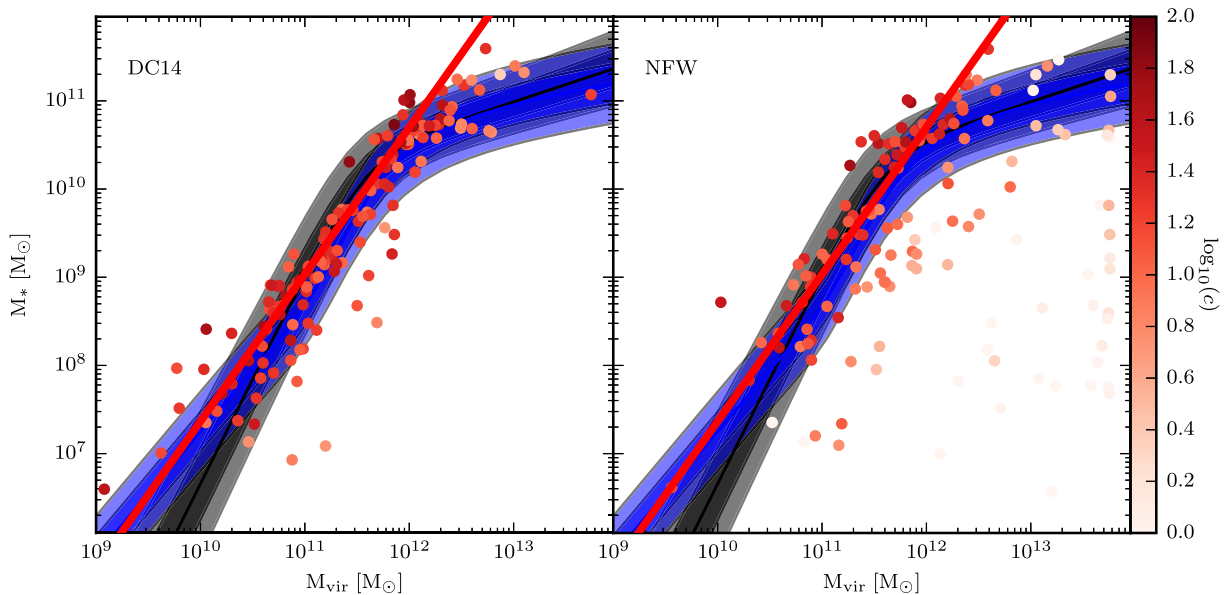
If we measure the slope of the  $\log_{10}(M_*)$ – $\log_{10}(M_{\text{vir}})$  relation directly from the data for systems with  $M_{\text{vir}} < 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ , we find this value to be  $1.51 \pm 0.13$  for the DC14 model and  $1.67 \pm 0.20$  for the NFW model. As expected, the slope is slightly less than  $5/3$  for DC14 because there is a weak scaling of  $f_d$  with galaxy mass. For the NFW case the slope is  $5/3$ , albeit with a significant number of outliers. Note that ‘preventative feedback’ that is biased towards low-mass galaxies (e.g. radiative feedback from reionization) would lead to an  $f_d$  scaling that would also cause the slope of this relation to become shallower than  $5/3$ .

## 5 DISCUSSION

### 5.1 The effect of cooling

It is clear from the previous section that there is not enough energy to eject all of the ‘missing baryons’ out of the galaxy. If the gas is only heated to  $T_{\text{vir}}$  and remains in the halo, it has a chance to cool and settle back on to the disc. The simulations of Christensen et al. (2016) find that  $\sim 50$  per cent of material kicked out of the cold disc due to SN feedback is re-accreted on a time-scale of  $\sim 1$  Gyr, independent of halo mass. This would imply that in order to maintain the gas at the virial temperature of the halo, one would have to couple 50 per cent more energy than we concluded from equation (8).





**Figure 5.**  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation of the maximum posterior fits for each individual galaxy in our sample compared to the predicted relation from Moster et al. (2013) (grey shaded region) and Behroozi et al. (2013) (blue shaded region). The shaded regions map out the  $1\sigma$  and  $2\sigma$  scatter in the relations. Points are coloured by  $\log_{10}(c)$ . The red line shows an arbitrary scaling of  $M_* \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{5/3}$ . For  $M_{\text{vir}} > 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ , the  $5/3$  scaling no longer well represents the data which may indicate that other processes, such as an AGN, might be affecting these galaxies.

For our individual galaxies, a coupling efficiency of  $\sim 9$  per cent is roughly what is required to heat all of the ‘missing baryons’ to  $T_{\text{vir}}$ . To maintain this temperature if cooling is included, one would then require  $\sim 13.5$  per cent (assuming 50 per cent of the baryons are re-accreted) of the total available energy from an SN to couple thermally to the ISM. Once again, this is degenerate with the choice of stellar IMF. Assuming a Chabrier IMF (Chabrier et al. 2005) would decrease this value by a further  $\sim 20$  per cent. This of course neglects any energy input pre-SN which may come in the form of stellar winds, radiation pressure, or photoheating of species other than hydrogen. Likewise, cosmic rays created in the SN may play a role in driving an outflow (e.g. Breitschwerdt, McKenzie & Voelk 1991). Furthermore, our estimates here are the absolute upper limits of the amount of energy one needs to account for the ‘missing baryons’ as they assume that all baryons that should be in the halo have, at one point, accreted on to the cold disc. As has been shown from cosmological hydrodynamics simulations, the feedback energy can eject baryons as well as prevent accretion on to the halo which would reduce the amount of energy needed (e.g. Mitchell et al. 2017). For the more massive haloes, we may expect strong virial shocks. The actual amount of baryons that actually cool on to the disc is likely to be closer to 50 per cent, independent of halo mass (Christensen et al. 2016), bringing our absolute upper limit for the net  $\epsilon_c$  back down to  $\sim 9$  per cent if cooling is considered. It is well known that radiative cooling is a very efficient process, making the coupling of thermal energy relatively inefficient. Our upper limit of  $\epsilon_c \sim 9$  per cent puts our model in the realistic regime of what can be expected from simulations (e.g. Walch & Naab 2015; Gentry et al. 2017).

## 5.2 Energy needed to restructure the halo

Thus far, we have only been concerned with the energy required to remove the ‘missing baryons’ from the centres of their host haloes. If we believe that the primordial haloes for these galaxies have

NFW profiles, similar to Peñarrubia et al. (2012), we can calculate the change in gravitational potential energy needed to convert them to a DC14 profile:

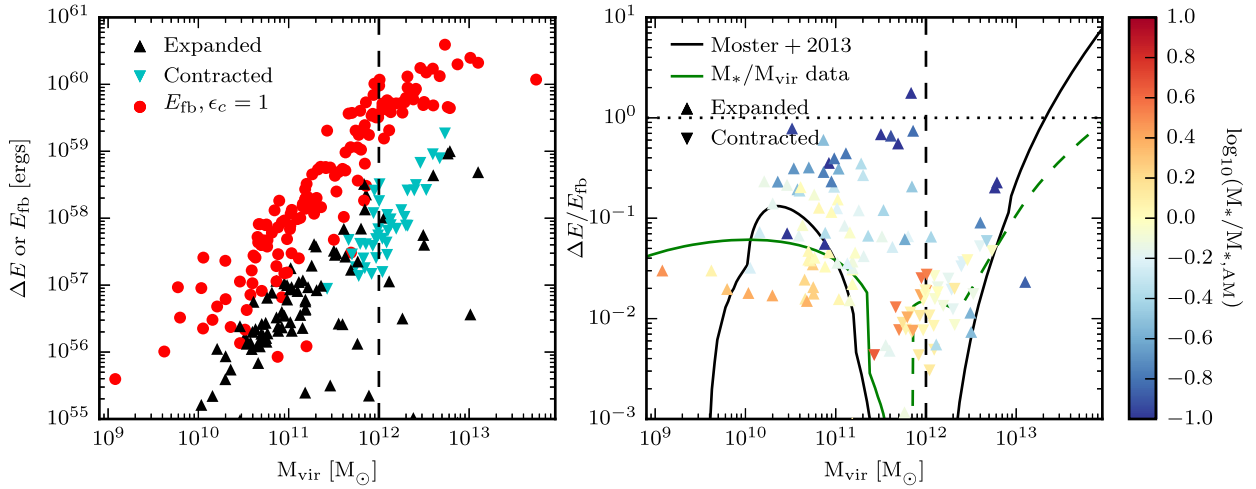
$$\Delta E = \frac{W_{\text{DC14}} - W_{\text{NFW}}}{2}, \quad (16)$$

where

$$W = -4\pi G \int_0^{R_{\text{max}}} \rho(r) M(r) r dr. \quad (17)$$

In the low-mass regime, DC14 reverts back to NFW, so  $\Delta E = 0$ . At high masses, adiabatic contraction is expected to be the dominant effect, resulting in  $\Delta E < 0$ . It is only at intermediate masses, between  $10^6 < M_*/M_{\odot} < 10^{10}$ , where the inner slope is shallower than  $-1$ , that we expect mass to have been removed from the centre of the galaxy and hence  $\Delta E > 0$ . Peñarrubia et al. (2012) have set  $R_{\text{max}} = R_{\text{vir}}$  as the upper bound for the integral in equation (17). Maxwell, Wadsley & Couchman (2015) have pointed out that the upper bound for this integral should be set by a condition where both the mass and the density are equal between the two different halo density profiles. There is no generic radius where this is true when comparing DC14 to NFW and thus we have chosen the radius where the mass profiles first converge. Integrating out to  $R_{\text{vir}}$  does not change our results substantially and using our current method, we find that our results are consistent with both Maxwell et al. (2015) and Brook & Di Cintio (2015).

In Fig. 6, we use the DC14 model fits to calculate  $\Delta E$ , and compare with the available energy from SN feedback assuming  $\epsilon_c = 1$ . Nearly all of the red points fall above the black points indicating that there is more energy available in the form of energetic feedback than is required to transform the halo. This can more easily be seen in the right-hand panel of Fig. 6 where we show the ratio of SN energy to the amount required to restructure the halo. At higher masses, adiabatic contraction takes over and  $\Delta E$  becomes negative. The points in the right-hand panel have been coloured by the ratio of their stellar mass to the empirically determined  $M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$  relation.



**Figure 6.** (Left) Energy needed to transform the halo from NFW to DC14 (black and cyan) versus the energy available in feedback (red). Black points represent that this process requires energy (i.e. that the DC14 model has removed mass from the centre compared to the primordial NFW halo) while cyan points represent contracted haloes and thus the energy difference is negative (i.e. mass has moved closer to the halo centre). The available feedback energy is shown for  $\epsilon_c = 1$ . (Right) The ratio of the energy needed to restructure the halo to the maximum energy available from an SN. Upwards and downwards triangles represent cored and adiabatically contracted haloes, respectively. Galaxies falling below the dotted line have enough SN energy to either form a core or counter-balance adiabatic contraction. Points are colour coded by the logarithmic distance from the empirically determined  $M_*$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  relation. Red points have higher than average stellar mass while blue points have lower than average stellar mass. The solid black line shows the expectation for galaxies that fall on the  $M_*$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  relation and the  $M_{\text{vir}}$ – $c_{\text{vir}}$  relation from Moster et al. (2013) and Macciò, Dutton & van den Bosch (2008), respectively. The green line is the same as the black line but considers the empirically determined  $M_*$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  and  $M_{\text{vir}}$ – $c_{\text{vir}}$  relations from halo fits to the SPARC rotation curves. The solid and dashed portions of these curves indicate haloes that have been expanded and contracted, respectively. Galaxies that follow the  $M_*$ – $M_{\text{vir}}$  relation from Moster et al. (2013) and the  $M_{\text{vir}}$ – $c_{\text{vir}}$  relation from Macciò et al. (2008) should always exhibit some degree of central expansion.

The points that scatter high tend to have stellar masses that are lower than average, while the red points tend to fall lower and have higher than average stellar masses.

For the systems that exhibit cores, we find no mass strong dependence in the ratio of  $\Delta E/E_{\text{fb}}$ . The green curve is mostly flat between  $10^9 < M_{\text{vir}}/M_\odot < 3 \times 10^{11}$ . A median (IMF dependent) coupling efficiency of  $\sim 5$  per cent is required for an SN to be the dominant mechanism driving core formation. There is once again significant scatter; however, this value is very consistent with the coupling efficiency that was obtained earlier when measuring how much energy was required to heat the ‘missing baryons’ to the virial temperature of the halo. The  $\Delta E$  that we require to create cores is in good agreement with what is found in Maxwell et al. (2015) for their larger core models (see their fig. 3). Note that our choice of  $R_{\text{max}}$  is often much larger than what is chosen in Maxwell et al. (2015) and hence we can expect to require slightly more energy. However, most of our systems do not exhibit central density slopes that are exactly zero and thus our energy requirement is lessened compared with the density profiles used in Maxwell et al. (2015) and thus we find a reasonable agreement.

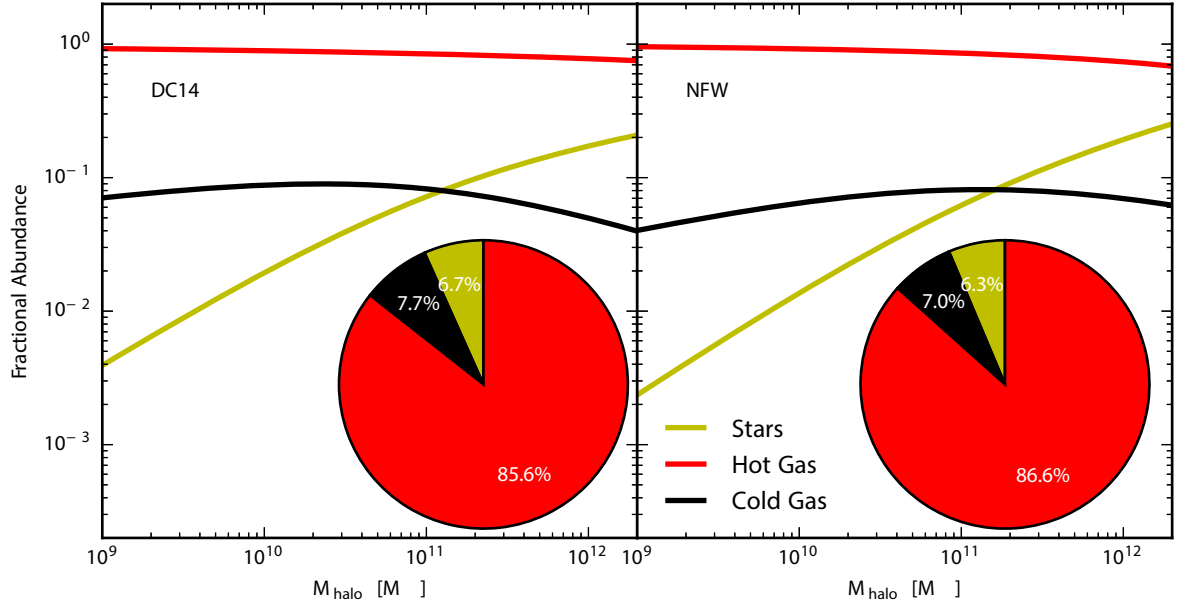
Interestingly, the maximum energy available from an SN is always greater than the energy loss during contraction. If the SN energy couples efficiently to the gas at a constant  $\epsilon_c$ , as suggested earlier, one may wonder how contraction is possible for such systems. For this, we must understand how the dark matter responds to changes in the potential. Pontzen & Governato (2012) have shown that transformations of the dark matter halo require non-adiabatic changes in the potential, which depends on the star formation history. For instance, a galaxy that formed all of its stars in a single burst is likely to have a larger core than a galaxy with a similar stellar and halo mass but a more protracted star formation history. It is well established that the specific star formation rate scales with

stellar mass such that low-mass galaxies have higher sSFRs compared to higher mass galaxies (e.g. Elbaz et al. 2007; Karim et al. 2011). Furthermore, simulations show that lower mass galaxies tend to have more bursty star formation histories compared to more massive galaxies (e.g. Brook et al. 2012). In the sample of galaxies presented here, a larger fraction of the higher mass galaxies exhibit contraction compared to lower mass systems which is consistent with this argument. However, Peñarrubia et al. (2012) have shown that the transformation is degenerate with formation redshift and other galaxy properties which may complicate our interpretation.

In contrast to the cored galaxies, we find a mass dependence in the ratio of  $\Delta E/E_{\text{fb}}$  for the contracted systems such that  $|\Delta E|/E_{\text{fb}} \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{0.9}$ . This indicates that more massive systems require a higher coupling efficiency in order to erase the contraction compared to lower mass systems. The coupling efficiencies required to erase the contraction are rather low compared to what is required to create a core. All contracted systems require a coupling efficiency  $< 10$  per cent to erase the contraction. Although there is always enough energy available from an SN to complete this transformation, it remains to be determined how efficiently that energy eventually couples to the dark matter as a function of halo mass for these contracted systems.

### 5.3 Where are the baryons?

Having formulae for  $f_d$  and  $f_*$  as functions of  $M_{\text{vir}}$  allows us to take a census of the baryons in late-type galaxies in various phases. We have shown in Fig. 4 that it is unlikely that the ‘missing baryons’ have all been ejected from the haloes, but it is likely that many are in the hot phase surrounding galaxies. The fractional abundances of hot gas ( $f_{\text{M}_{\text{gas,hot}}}$ ), cold gas ( $f_{\text{M}_{\text{gas,cold}}}$ ), and stars ( $f_{\text{M}_*}$ ) in the mass



**Figure 7.** Fraction of cold gas (black), hot gas (red), and stars (yellow) as a function of  $M_{\text{halo}}$ . The inset pie charts show the fractional abundances integrated over the halo mass function.

range  $10^9 < M_{\text{vir}}/M_{\odot} < 10^{12}$  can be calculated as follows:

$$f_{\text{gas,hot}} = \frac{\int_{10^9 M_{\odot}}^{10^{12} M_{\odot}} (1 - f_d(M)) M \frac{dn}{dM}(M) dM}{\int_{10^9 M_{\odot}}^{10^{12} M_{\odot}} M \frac{dn}{dM}(M) dM}, \quad (18)$$

$$f_{\text{gas,cold}} = \frac{\int_{10^9 M_{\odot}}^{10^{12} M_{\odot}} f_d(M) M \frac{dn}{dM}(M) dM}{\int_{10^9 M_{\odot}}^{10^{12} M_{\odot}} M \frac{dn}{dM}(M) dM} - f_{M_*}, \quad (19)$$

and

$$f_{M_*} = \frac{\int_{10^9 M_{\odot}}^{10^{12} M_{\odot}} f_*(M) f_d(M) M \frac{dn}{dM}(M) dM}{\int_{10^9 M_{\odot}}^{10^{12} M_{\odot}} M \frac{dn}{dM}(M) dM}, \quad (20)$$

where  $\frac{dn}{dM}(M)$  is the mass function of dark matter haloes for late-type galaxies. In this case only the slope of the halo mass function matters, and we assume this to be independent of the morphology of the central galaxy.

In Fig. 7, we use these formulae to plot the fractional abundances of the three baryon phases as a function of halo mass. For this calculation, we have used the halo mass function for WMAP3 cosmology<sup>7</sup> (Spergel et al. 2007). Over the entire mass range,  $\sim 85$  per cent of the gas is expected to be in the hot phase,  $\sim 7 - 8$  per cent of the total gas is in the cold phase, and  $\sim 6 - 7$  per cent in stars. At least over this mass range, galaxy formation is therefore extremely inefficient: only  $\sim 13 - 15$  per cent of the baryons exist as cold gas or stars.

As the mass of the halo increases, so does the fraction of the total baryons in stars. For the DC14 models, the fraction of cold gas remains relatively constant as a function of halo mass and has a peak of  $\sim 8$  per cent at  $M_{\text{halo}} \sim 6-8 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ . The NFW model exhibits a similar amplitude peak for the cold gas mass fraction, although this occurs at a marginally higher halo mass. These curves

may be used to constrain feedback models in simulations: not only should such models produce the right amount of stars, they should also give the correct proportion of cold gas. Although one would expect a significant amount of galaxy-to-galaxy scatter (visible in Figs 1 and 2), these baryon phase relations should be obtained on average over the galaxy population of a cosmological box.

#### 5.4 Caveats

Star formation happens throughout the galaxy, and our assumption that all gas needs to be kicked from  $r = 0$  means that we overestimate to some extent the energy needed to eject the gas completely from the halo. Furthermore, simply heating the gas to the virial temperature via an SN is probably not enough to prevent all further star formation: the gas will buoyantly rise and then rain back down on to the disc as it cools. The specifics of this gas cycle can only really be teased out from numerical simulations that include all the relevant processes; however, results are still dependent on subgrid models of stellar feedback and resolution. Therefore, there are still large uncertainties in the amount of gas that actually re-accretes on to a galaxy as not all simulations can include all of the potentially important physics such as magnetic fields, thermal conduction, and cosmic rays (Armillotta, Fraternali & Marinacci 2016).

Our model assumes that if there were no stellar feedback, the cosmic fraction of baryons would settle into a cold disc of gas and stars. This is not necessarily the case as environment, mergers, and a variety of other cosmic mechanisms can disrupt this process. Indeed, both hydrodynamical simulation and semi-analytic models (Nelson et al. 2016; Mitchell et al. 2018) predict that a significant fraction of the baryons do not accrete in the first place, and observations indicate that some gas is shocked and remains hot. Since galaxies form hierarchically in  $\Lambda$ CDM, the actual amount of baryons that are needed to be removed from the cold disc of gas and stars is almost certainly less than what we have assumed in this paper as it is easier to eject baryons from one of the less massive progenitors. This makes our estimate of the required energy conservative. These

<sup>7</sup>This mass function was computed with HMFcalc (Murray, Power & Robotham 2013).

processes may also introduce a mass dependence to the required feedback energy that our model does not account for.

‘Missing baryons’ may also be explained by heating the gas to a temperature that is not currently accessible by observations. This is not necessarily given by  $T_{\text{vir}}$ , so one could replace  $T_{\text{vir}}$  in equation (8) with a fixed temperature, changing the mass dependence in the equation.

We have completely neglected other forms of feedback related to star formation such as photoionization, radiation pressure, cosmic rays, or stellar winds. It is known that the energy input from stars in the form of radiation is roughly two orders of magnitude higher than the mechanical input from an SN (e.g. Dalla Vecchia & Schaye 2008; Hopkins et al. 2014). Simulations have shown that this radiation or even earlier stellar feedback in the form of winds can help regulate galaxy growth (Hopkins et al. 2014). The scalings presented here will continue to hold as long as the feedback energy scales linearly with  $M_*$ . If, however, any of these processes are related to the mass of the galaxy, the predicted slope for the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation will cease to be 5/3. As noted above, it may be that ‘preventative feedback’ may be more effective at lower masses which could decrease the slope of the relation.

We have assumed that once a NFW cusp has been destroyed by feedback it will not reform. If it did, energy would have to be supplied continuously to maintain the core, which would significantly increase the required feedback efficiency for a given star formation rate. It is possible for mergers to recreate a cusp, but it has been shown that a core can be recreated even after the merger (e.g. Tollet et al. 2016). Galaxies likely evolve through a cyclic pattern of having cores and cusps depending on their ratio of  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  (Tollet et al. 2016). Thus, while cusps tend to form again in dark matter-only simulations (Laporte & Peñarrubia 2015), this may not necessarily be the case when full hydrodynamics is considered. In particular, it is during mergers that cusps tend to form again in  $N$ -body-only simulations, but mergers also trigger star formation which drives the outflows that may oppose this transformation.

Finally, all of our conclusions are subject to any selection effects that may be present in the SPARC sample. This sample is a representative of the overall galaxy population in most key properties (Lelli et al. 2016), but is neither complete nor volume-limited. We only consider late-type galaxies, which may in part cause our derived slope for the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation to systematically disagree with literature relations (Behroozi et al. 2013; Moster et al. 2013). Performing these same experiments with data sets that are either more or less representative or compiled in a more or less homogeneous fashion may lead to different results.

Given these uncertainties, we do not intend our analysis to prove that SN energy couples efficiently to the gas. We have however demonstrated that were this the case, this energy would be sufficient to create cores and produce rotation curves that match the SPARC sample. This is consistent with other results from the literature that present similar findings (Tollet et al. 2016; Katz et al. 2017; Santos-Santos et al. 2018).

## 6 CONCLUSION

We have calculated the fraction of ‘missing baryons’ in 147 galaxies from the SPARC data base, using empirically estimated halo masses from rotation curve fits for two different halo models: NFW and DC14 (see Katz et al. 2017). Our main results are as follows:

(i) We confirm that galaxy formation is a globally inefficient process. The observed fraction of baryons present in the cold disc

is in general much smaller than the cosmic baryon fraction. This fraction scales weakly with the virial mass of the galaxy such that  $f_d \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{0.16}$ , although there is significant scatter about this relation. Likewise, the fraction of baryonic mass comprised of stars scales strongly with mass; the most massive galaxies in our sample are completely dominated by stars. At  $M_{\text{vir}} \sim 10^{11.1}$ , roughly 50 per cent of the observed baryonic content is in cold gas and the other 50 per cent is in stars.

(ii) When comparing the energy required to heat the ‘missing baryons’ to the virial temperature versus eject them from the halo, we find that far less energy is required for the former. For SN feedback to regulate the heating,  $\lesssim 10$  per cent of the total SN energy available needs to couple to the gas (dependent on the stellar IMF). We find that a constant coupling efficiency is sufficient to explain the ‘missing baryons’ for late-type spiral galaxies in the mass range  $10^9 < M_{\text{vir}}/M_{\odot} < 10^{12}$  when haloes are modelled with a DC14 profile. This then sets the slope of the  $M_*/M_{\text{vir}}$  relation to be slightly less than 5/3 due to the weak scaling of  $f_d$  with  $M_{\text{vir}}$ . However, there is typically not enough SN energy to eject all of the missing baryons from the halo.

(iii) When comparing the energy required to restructure the halo from a primordial NFW profile to the DC14 form, we find that there is always more energy available from SN feedback than required for the transformation. We find that there is no mass dependence in the SN coupling efficiency required to create cores and that the magnitude of this efficiency is very similar to what is required to heat the ‘missing baryons’. In contrast, there is a mass dependence in the efficiency required to erase the halo transformation for systems that exhibit contraction. This may indicate that halo restructuring is dependent on quantities other than stellar mass such as halo mass, formation redshift, or star formation history.

(iv) We take a cosmic census of the baryons that should be associated with late-type galaxies, finding that  $\sim 86$  per cent of the total baryonic content is likely to be in a hot halo surrounding the galaxy and the remaining 14 per cent split equally between stars and gas. In order for our predictions to be confirmed, future X-ray or kinetic Sunyaev-Zeldovich observations will have to accurately measure the masses in hot gas surrounding these local galaxies.

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## APPENDIX A: ANALYTIC EXPRESSIONS FOR THE $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ PROFILE

The  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  profile (Hernquist 1990) is defined by

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_s}{\left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\gamma \left(1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha\right)^{\frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}}}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where  $r_s$  and  $\rho_s$  are the scale radius and scale density of the halo, respectively. At small  $r$ , the density has a logarithmic slope of  $\gamma$ , while at large  $r$  it falls off as  $\rho \propto r^{-\beta}$ .  $\alpha$  marks the transition strength between these two regimes. In general, the power-law slope of the profile can be derived as

$$s(r) = -\frac{d \log \rho}{d \log r} = -\frac{\gamma + \beta \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha}{1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha}. \quad (\text{A2})$$

To solve for the potential,

$$\Phi(r) = -4\pi G \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r \rho(r') r'^2 dr' + \int_r^\infty \rho(r') r' dr' \right), \quad (\text{A3})$$

we make the following assumptions:  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $0 < \gamma < 2$ ,  $\beta > 2$ ,  $\rho_s > 0$ , and  $r_s > 0$ . Evaluating these integrals, we find two cases:

$$\Phi(r) = \begin{cases} -4\pi G \rho_s (A_1[r] + A_2[r]), & \text{if } r > 0 \\ \frac{-4\pi G \rho_s r_s^2 \Gamma\left[\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha}\right] \Gamma\left[\frac{2-\gamma}{\alpha}\right]}{\alpha \Gamma\left[\frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}\right]}, & \text{if } r = 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{A4})$$

where

$$A_1(r) = \frac{-r^{2-\gamma} r_s^\gamma {}_2F_1\left[\frac{3-\gamma}{\alpha}, \frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}; \frac{3+\alpha-\gamma}{\alpha}; -\left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha\right]}{\gamma - 3} \quad (\text{A5})$$

$$A_2(r) = \frac{r^{2-\beta} r_s^\beta {}_2F_1\left[\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha}, \frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}; \frac{\alpha+\beta-2}{\alpha}; -\left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha\right]}{\beta - 2}. \quad (\text{A6})$$

Here,  ${}_2F_1[a, b; c; z]$  is the Gaussian or ordinary hypergeometric function and  $\Gamma[x]$  is the gamma function.

Our assumptions on  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  were made so that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r \rho(r') r'^2 dr' = 0 \quad (\text{A7})$$

and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(r) = 0. \quad (\text{A8})$$

These minor restrictions encompass the wide range of  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  that real galaxies are expected to exhibit and do not limit our ability to fit rotation curves (Di Cintio et al. 2014b; Katz et al. 2017).

We can now calculate the escape speed,  $V_{\text{esc}}$ , at any chosen radius:

$$V_{\text{esc}} = \sqrt{2|\Phi(r)|}. \quad (\text{A9})$$

The mass distribution within the galaxy is given by

$$M(r) = 4\pi \rho_s \int_0^r \frac{r'^2}{\left(\frac{r'}{r_s}\right)^\gamma \left(1 + \left(\frac{r'}{r_s}\right)^\alpha\right)^{\frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}}} dr'. \quad (\text{A10})$$

Using our previous solution of this integral in calculating the potential:

$$M(r) = 4\pi \rho_s r A_1[r]. \quad (\text{A11})$$

This defines the circular velocity,  $V_c(r)$ , at any given radius by

$$V_c(r) = \sqrt{4\pi G \rho_s A_1[r]}. \quad (\text{A12})$$

These equations have all been given in terms of  $\rho_s$  and  $r_s$ . We can reformulate them in terms of concentration  $c$  and virial velocity  $V_{\text{vir}}$  by using

$$r_s = \frac{r_{-2}}{\left(\frac{2-\gamma}{\beta-2}\right)^{1/\alpha}}, \quad (\text{A13})$$

where

$$r_{-2} = \frac{R_{\text{vir}}}{c}. \quad (\text{A14})$$

Here, we define the concentration as  $R_{\text{vir}}$  divided by the radius,  $r_{-2}$ , where the logarithmic slope of the profile reaches the value of  $-2$ . In the NFW model, this corresponds to  $r_s$ , in a general  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  model,  $r_{-2}$  is given by equation (A13). Hence,

$$r_s = \frac{R_{\text{vir}}}{c \left(\frac{2-\gamma}{\beta-2}\right)^{1/\alpha}}. \quad (\text{A15})$$

We can find  $\rho_s$  by inverting equation (A10) and evaluating at  $R_{\text{vir}}$ . For this, we have

$$\rho_s = \frac{M_{\text{vir}}}{4\pi R_{\text{vir}} A_1[R_{\text{vir}}]}. \quad (\text{A16})$$

We can then place this in the context of  $V_{\text{vir}}$  by using

$$R_{\text{vir}} = \left( \frac{M_{\text{vir}}}{\frac{4\pi\Delta}{3} \rho_{\text{crit}}} \right)^{1/3} \quad (\text{A17})$$

and

$$M_{\text{vir}} = \frac{V_{\text{vir}}^3}{\sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2}} G H_0}, \quad (\text{A18})$$

so

$$R_{\text{vir}} = \frac{V_{\text{vir}}}{H_0 \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2}}}. \quad (\text{A19})$$

Here,  $\Delta$  is the overdensity with respect to the critical density,  $\rho_{\text{crit}}$ , at which a halo is considered virialized,  $G$  is the gravitational constant, and  $H_0$  is the Hubble constant.

Substituting in for  $A_1$  and  $\rho_s$ , we find

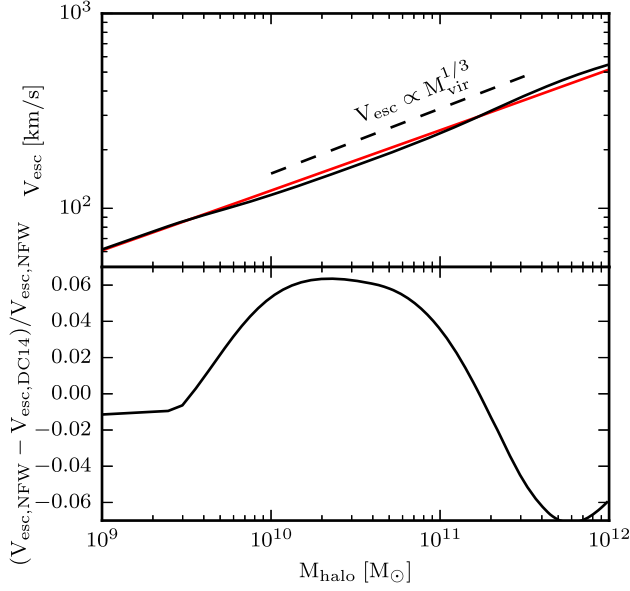
$$A_1(r) = \frac{-r^{2-\gamma} {}_2F_1\left[\frac{3-\gamma}{\alpha}, \frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}; \frac{3+\alpha-\gamma}{\alpha}; -\left(\frac{r\sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2}} H_0 c}{V_{\text{vir}}}\right)^\alpha\right]}{\left(\frac{V_{\text{vir}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2}} H_0 c}\right)^{-\gamma} (\gamma - 3)} \quad (\text{A20})$$

and

$$\rho_s = \frac{V_{\text{vir}}^2}{4\pi G A_1\left[\frac{V_{\text{vir}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2}} H_0}\right]}. \quad (\text{A21})$$

We can now calculate  $\Phi$ ,  $M(r)$ , and  $V_c(r)$  solely from  $c$  and  $V_{\text{vir}}$  without the use of numerical integrals.

In this work, when we consider the ejection model, we will assume that all baryons need to be ejected from the centre of the halo. While it is unlikely that all of the gas is at  $r = 0$ , stars tend to form at the centres of galaxies in the highest density gas, so it is likely that the outflowing gas originates at  $r \ll R_{\text{vir}}$ . While this may be overestimating the true  $V_{\text{esc}}$  of a small parcel of gas, we will assume later that the rest of the baryonic matter is evenly spread throughout the halo, which causes us to underestimate  $V_{\text{esc}}$  from the centre. Although simple, our assumptions are therefore not obviously systematically biased.



**Figure A1.** (Top) Comparison of the escape velocity of a NFW halo (red) versus a DC14 halo (black) with properties that fall on the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation as given in Moster et al. (2013) and the  $M_{\text{vir}}-c$  relation as given by Dutton & Macciò (2014), as a function of halo mass. (Bottom) Percentage difference between the NFW and DC14 halo models.

We now have the means to use an analytic set of functions to calculate  $V_{\text{esc}}$  as a function of  $c$ ,  $V_{\text{vir}}$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$ . Putting this all

together, we find

$$V_{\text{esc}}(r=0) = \sqrt{2 \left| \frac{(\gamma-3)V_{\text{vir}}^2 \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{\beta-2}\right)^{(2-\gamma)/\alpha} \Gamma\left(\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{2-\gamma}{\alpha}\right)}{\alpha c^{2-\gamma} \Gamma\left(\frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}\right) {}_2F_1\left[\frac{3-\gamma}{\alpha}, \frac{\beta-\gamma}{\alpha}; \frac{3+\alpha-\gamma}{\alpha}; -c\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{\beta-2}\right)\right]} \right|}. \quad (\text{A22})$$

For the NFW halo ( $\alpha=1$ ,  $\beta=3$ ,  $\gamma=1$ ), these equations simplify considerably. In this special case, we find that

$$\Phi_{\text{NFW}}(r=0) = \frac{-c V_{\text{vir}}^2}{\log(1+c) - \frac{c}{1+c}}. \quad (\text{A23})$$

Therefore,

$$V_{\text{esc,NFW}} = \sqrt{2 \left| \frac{-c V_{\text{vir}}^2}{\log(1+c) - \frac{c}{1+c}} \right|}. \quad (\text{A24})$$

To demonstrate the difference between the two halo models, in Fig. A1 we compare  $V_{\text{esc}}$  for the NFW and DC14 models as a function of halo mass for galaxies that fall on the  $M_*/M_{\text{halo}}$  relation as given in Moster et al. (2013) and the  $M_{\text{vir}}-c$  relation as given by Dutton & Macciò (2014). The maximum difference in  $V_{\text{esc}}$  for these galaxies is  $\sim 7$  per cent. Since we expect galaxies to fall close to these relations, it is reasonable to assert that for both of these two halo models,  $V_{\text{esc}} \propto V_{\text{vir}} \propto M_{\text{vir}}^{1/3}$ . This scaling can be seen in Fig. A1.

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