

A Galaxy-Independent Radial Variable Reveals Universal Dark-Matter Profiles

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ABSTRACT

Standard parametric halo models fail to provide a universal description of the dark-matter (DM) distribution in SPARC galaxies, motivating a non-parametric approach to identify common DM properties across systems of different sizes and masses. Assuming that in the DM-dominated regime the baryonic mass enters only through a global scale, we define a galaxy-independent radial variable r_{sc} by factorizing the physical radius as $r = r_0 r_{\text{sc}}$, where r_0 is determined by the condition $g_{\text{bar}}(r_0) = 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2$.

Using all 2693 rotation-curve measurements from 153 SPARC galaxies, we derive unified radial distributions of observed acceleration, circular velocity, and DM mass. The combined data reveal:

- the onset of DM effects at $r_{\text{sc}} \approx 0.1$,
- with DM dominating the baryonic contribution for $r_{\text{sc}} \gtrsim 0.2$.
- a linear growth of DM mass with radius,
 $m_{\text{DM}}/M_{\text{bar}} = (6.9 \pm 0.2) r_{\text{sc}} - (0.30 \pm 0.04)$,
- a density profile $\rho \propto r_{\text{sc}}^{-2}$ indicative of an isothermal-like halo,
- and a nearly constant unified rotation velocity for $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.2$.

These empirical relations are not apparent in galaxy-by-galaxy rotation-curve fits. They suggest that SPARC galaxies share a common outer-halo structure, providing a model-independent benchmark for evaluating theoretical profiles such as NFW and Burkert and offering new constraints on the nature of dark matter.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Dark-matter halos and the failure of universal parametric models

The distribution of dark matter (DM) in galaxies has been extensively studied through fits of rotation curves to parametric halo profiles such as NFW, Burkert, Einasto, DC14, and variants of cored or contracted models. Despite decades of effort, these approaches have not converged on a universal halo structure.

A comprehensive SPARC-based analysis by [Li et al. \(2020\)](#) demonstrated this most clearly: after fitting seven widely used halo models individually to 175 galaxies with a full Bayesian treatment of observational uncertainties, they concluded that “the halo mass–concentration relation is not reproduced in detail by any halo model.” This confirms that standard DM halo profiles fail to describe the SPARC sample in a unified way.

Subsequent work has reinforced this picture. Analyses allowing non-spherical or triaxial/prolate halo geometries show that even the shape of the dark-matter distribution varies significantly from galaxy to galaxy, preventing any universal description within standard halo parametrizations (e.g. [Peters et al. \(2021\)](#); [Sellwood & Sanders \(2022\)](#)).

Studies incorporating baryon-driven contraction demonstrate that baryonic physics can systematically steepen or

modify inner density profiles in ways that differ across galaxies, thereby introducing additional galaxy-to-galaxy diversity ([Li et al. 2022](#)).

Other investigations comparing fuzzy dark matter, self-interacting dark matter, and disk+halo composite models to classical cold-dark-matter halos find that none of these parametrized profiles provides a consistently superior fit to the SPARC rotation curves ([Bar et al. \(2022\)](#); [Loizeau & Farrar \(2021\)](#)).

Together, these results indicate that galaxy-by-galaxy parametric halo fits tend to mask large-scale regularities and may therefore not be optimal for uncovering universal features of galactic dark-matter structure.

1.2 A unified, galaxy-independent approach

In view of these difficulties, it is natural to ask whether universal features of galactic DM can be revealed only when one avoids parametric assumptions and instead identifies an appropriate galaxy-independent scaling of the data.

In this work, we introduce such a variable: a scaled radial coordinate r_{sc} that normalizes the physical radius by a baryonic mass–dependent scale r_0 . This transformation allows all 2693 SPARC rotation-curve measurements from 153 galaxies to be combined into a single unified radial domain without assuming any particular halo profile.

1.3 Main Results

Using this scaling, we obtain:

- a universal relation between r_{sc} , observed acceleration, and DM acceleration;
- a universal DM mass profile, growing approximately linearly with radius;
- a corresponding density profile $\rho \propto r_{\text{sc}}^{-2}$;
- and a nearly constant unified rotation velocity at larger values of r_{sc} , consistent with an isothermal-like halo.

These empirical relations are not visible in standard rotation-curve fits. The results suggest that a simple, universal structure underlies the outer dark-matter halos of SPARC galaxies, independent of galactic size, mass, or morphology.

The factorization of the radial galactic distance into the two components — the galaxy-dependent scale r_0 (set by baryonic mass) and the dimensionless radial coordinate r_{sc} — is described in Section 2. In Section 3 we investigate unified radial distributions using the 2693 observed data points from 153 galaxies provided by the SPARC collaboration [McGaugh et al. \(2020\)](#). The results are discussed and compared to expectations in Section 4, followed by conclusions in Section 5.

2 THE FACTORIZATION OF RADIAL DISTANCE OF GALAXIES

Ansatz:

In the radial domain where dark matter begins to dominate ($g_{\text{bar}} \gtrsim 10^{-11} \text{ m/s}^2$), we assume that the only dependence on the host galaxy enters through the *total baryonic mass* and the *distance from the center*. This implies that the DM-related physics is insensitive to additional structural properties (e.g. morphology, scale length, gas–star distribution), and therefore the radius can be factorized into a galaxy-dependent scale r_0 and a universal, dimensionless coordinate r_{sc} .

[McGaugh et al. \(2016\)](#) analyzed observations of 2693 stellar objects in 153 galaxies and determined the accelerations expected from baryonic mass (g_{bar}) and the observed centripetal acceleration (g_{obs}) derived from circular velocities. They found that averages of g_{obs} in bins of g_{bar} describe a tight relation between the two accelerations that is independent of galactic type, size, mass, or morphology. They also provided a widely used empirical fit:

$$g_{\text{obs}} = \frac{g_{\text{bar}}}{1 - e^{-\sqrt{g_{\text{bar}}/g_{\text{f}}}}}, \quad (1)$$

valid in the acceleration range

$$10^{-10} \text{ m/s}^2 > g_{\text{bar}} > 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2.$$

At such low accelerations, the radial distances from galactic centers are so large that only the *total baryonic mass* contributes significantly. In this regime g_{bar} serves as a proxy for radius via

$$g_{\text{bar}} = \frac{G M_{\text{bar}}}{r^2}, \quad (2)$$

where G is the gravitational constant and M_{bar} is the baryonic mass of the galaxy.

Equation 1 uses g_{bar} as a radial indicator, but Equation 2 shows that g_{bar} depends explicitly on M_{bar} . Thus two galaxies with identical g_{bar} values correspond to different radii if

their baryonic masses differ. This prevents a unified radial description across galaxies.

To resolve this, we *factorize* the physical radius as

$$r = r_0 r_{\text{sc}},$$

where r_0 is defined as the radius at which g_{bar} equals a reference value $2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2$, covering the complete range of the SPARC data:

$$r_0 = \sqrt{\frac{G M_{\text{bar}}}{2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2}}. \quad (3)$$

Using equation 2, the dimensionless scaled radial coordinate becomes

$$r_{\text{sc}} = \frac{r}{r_0} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2}{g_{\text{bar}}}}. \quad (4)$$

Thus: - r_0 represents the *gravitational reach* of a galaxy: the radius where baryonic acceleration becomes negligible. - r_{sc} removes the dependence on M_{bar} and maps all galaxies to the same normalized radial range.

For all SPARC galaxies, the choice $g_{\text{bar}}(r_0) = 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2$ yields a convenient domain

$$0 < r_{\text{sc}} < 1,$$

from the galactic center ($r_{\text{sc}} = 0$) to the edge of gravitational relevance ($r_{\text{sc}} = 1$).

Because r_{sc} is directly tied to g_{bar} , independent of M_{bar} , it provides a natural common radial coordinate for all galaxies. To recover the physical radius of a specific system, one multiplies by its r_0 :

$$r = r_{\text{sc}} \cdot r_0.$$

In addition, unified mass quantities are expressed in terms of *scaled mass*,
$$m_{\text{sc}} \equiv \frac{m}{M_{\text{bar}}}, \quad (5)$$

where m is the enclosed DM mass and M_{bar} is the galaxy's baryonic mass. This scaling enables a direct comparison of mass profiles across galaxies without dependence on absolute mass normalization.

3 THE UNIFIED RADIAL DISTRIBUTIONS OF THE SPARC DATA

Observations of 2693 stellar tracers in 153 SPARC galaxies are used to construct unified, galaxy-independent radial distributions. All individual measurements of g_{bar} and g_{obs} are employed. The logarithmic accelerations provided by the SPARC collaboration were transformed to linear units of 10^{-12} m/s^2 , which allows a more transparent physical interpretation of acceleration scales and a straightforward treatment of statistical uncertainties.

Figure 1a shows the individual values of g_{obs} as red dots for different r_{sc} values. They are determined from g_{bar} using Eq. (4). The original equidistant bins in $\log(g_{\text{bar}})$ used by [McGaugh et al. \(2016\)](#) were transformed into corresponding r_{sc} bins via Eq. (4) and are listed in Table 1.

For each r_{sc} bin, averages of g_{bar} and g_{obs} were determined using a robust two-step procedure. First, the lowest and highest 5% of values were excluded. In a second step, only data

within 2.5 standard deviations of the preliminary mean were retained. In addition, the median was determined for each bin to control for asymmetric distributions. The resulting averages (with uncertainties derived from the scatter) are shown in Fig. 1a,b as thick black points.

Below $r_{\text{sc}} \approx 0.10$, the difference between g_{obs} and g_{bar} is small, but beyond this radius the deviation increases monotonically. The prediction of Eq. (1) from [McGaugh et al. \(2016\)](#) (converted to $g_{\text{obs}}(r_{\text{sc}})$) is shown as the red curve in Fig. 1b and agrees well with the averages.

Importantly, the unified relations appear only after applying the scaling $r = r_0 r_{\text{sc}}$; in the physical radius r , the SPARC galaxies do not display a common profile.

3.1 Unified Radial Velocity Distribution

The observed centripetal acceleration is related to circular velocity through

$$g_{\text{obs}} = \frac{v_{\text{obs}}^2}{r}. \quad (6)$$

Using r_{sc} and r_0 , a galaxy-independent (unified) velocity is introduced:

$$v_{\text{obs}} = \sqrt{g_{\text{obs}} r} = \sqrt{g_{\text{obs}} r_0 r_{\text{sc}}} = v_{\text{u}} \sqrt{r_0}, \quad (7)$$

where v_{u} is the unified velocity. Averaged values of v_{u} are listed in Table 1 and shown in Fig. 2 (thick black points). For comparison, the velocity expected from baryons alone is shown as black points.

A nearly constant velocity

$$v_{\text{u}} \approx 4.2 \pm 0.3 \quad (8)$$

is observed for $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.2$. Using Eq. (4), a fixed relation between g_{obs} and g_{bar} is obtained in case of a constant v_{u} :

$$v_{\text{u}} = \sqrt{g_{\text{obs}} r_{\text{sc}}} = \sqrt{g_{\text{obs}} \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 10^{-12}}{g_{\text{bar}}}}} \quad (9)$$

Thus, the near constancy of v_{u} naturally leads to the empirical correlation between g_{obs} and g_{bar} reported by [McGaugh et al. \(2016\)](#) rather than an exact function.

Therefore an independent fit is performed which is described in section 3.2. The resulting fit values are transformed to v_{u} and shown in the figure. They describes the drift of v_{u} quite well for $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.10$.

3.2 Unified Radial Distribution of DM Masses

The DM acceleration is obtained from

$$g_{\text{DM}} = g_{\text{obs}} - g_{\text{bar}}. \quad (10)$$

A division by g_{bar} gives

$$\frac{g_{\text{DM}}}{g_{\text{bar}}} = \frac{g_{\text{obs}}}{g_{\text{bar}}} - 1, \quad (11)$$

resulting in the mass ratio enclosed within radius r_{sc}

$$\frac{g_{\text{DM}}}{g_{\text{bar}}} = \frac{G \cdot m_{\text{DM}}/r^2}{G \cdot M_{\text{bar}}/r^2} = \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{M_{\text{bar}}}. \quad (12)$$

Observed mass ratios are shown in Fig. 3a as a function of r_{sc} as red dots. Averaged values are listed in Table 1 and shown in Fig. 3a and b as thick black dots. The relation is

almost perfectly linear for $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.10$. A least-squares fit to the medians and the average values with the inverse squared errors as weights results in

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{M_{\text{bar}}} &= (6.93 \pm 0.17) r_{\text{sc}} - (0.25 \pm 0.04) \quad (\text{fit of medians}), \quad (13) \\ &= (7.03 \pm 0.21) r_{\text{sc}} - (0.25 \pm 0.04) \quad (\text{fit of averages}). \quad (14) \end{aligned}$$

The negative intercept reflects the fact that the fit is applied only for $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.1$; physically, the DM contribution is consistent with zero below this threshold. The DM signal becomes significant only for $r_{\text{sc}} \approx 0.1$; below this threshold, the measurements are consistent with zero. A linear fit performed over the range $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.1$ therefore approximates the true relation, which passes through the origin, with a small negative offset that is purely geometric and statistical in nature.

The linear parameters of the two fits agree well with each other, and the constant terms are identical. The fit quality of the observed median values is slightly better as compared to the fit of the observed average values: $R^2 = 0.995$ (medians) and 0.992 (averages), and $\text{rms}(\text{residuals}) = 0.072$ (median) and 0.091 (averages). Therefore the fit of the medians and its corresponding values of other variables is used as reference.

At $r_{\text{sc}} \gtrsim 0.2$ the DM signal becomes dominant. The fit values are shown in Fig. 3b as blue points and line.

For comparison, the transformed prediction of Eq. (1) from [McGaugh et al. \(2016\)](#) is also shown in Fig. 3b as red points. As the observed averages, they are nearly all lower than the observed averages. Therefore the fitted curve of equation 13 is generally used as reference.

The last two binned points show the largest deviations from the fitted line. They partially compensate each other. The difference is 2.5 and 1.4 standard deviation taking into account the uncertainties of observations and fit. The last bin is based on only 69 measurements across the 153 galaxies, which may introduce a statistical bias. These outer bins dominate the contribution to the total dark-matter mass discussed in Sec. 3.4. Future observations with improved coverage at large radii would help to clarify the behavior in this region.

3.3 DM Mass and Mass Density in Radial Shells

The linear relation of Eq. (13) implies a differential mass growth:

$$\frac{d(m_{\text{DM}}/M_{\text{bar}})}{dr_{\text{sc}}} = 6.93 \pm 0.17. \quad (15)$$

Thus, the DM mass in a shell between r_{min} and r_{max} is

$$\Delta \left(\frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{M_{\text{bar}}} \right) = k (r_{\text{max}} - r_{\text{min}}), \quad k = 6.93 \pm 0.17 \quad (16)$$

They are listed in Table 1. The corresponding shell volume is

$$\Delta V = \frac{4\pi}{3} (r_{\text{max}}^3 - r_{\text{min}}^3), \quad (17)$$

resulting in

$$\rho_{\text{shell}} = \frac{k (r_{\text{max}} - r_{\text{min}})}{\frac{4\pi}{3} (r_{\text{max}}^3 - r_{\text{min}}^3)} = \frac{k}{4\pi} \frac{1}{r_{\text{eff}}^2}, \quad (18)$$

where the effective radius is defined by

$$r_{\text{eff}}^2 = \frac{r_{\text{max}}^2 + r_{\text{max}} r_{\text{min}} + r_{\text{min}}^2}{3}. \quad (19)$$

The 3 of the spherical volume ($4\pi/3$) gets absorbed in the definition of r_{eff} . Using r_{eff} removes the purely geometric bin-width effect that arises when shell densities are parametrized by the mean r_{sc} . In this representation the normalization is fixed by the slope k .

Thus, the linear growth of m_{DM} implies an isothermal-like density profile $\rho_{DM} \propto r^{-2}$ with a normalization fixed by the slope k . Propagating the uncertainty of k (Eq. 15) gives

$$\rho_{shell}(r_{eff}) = (0.552 \pm 0.014) r_{eff}^{-2} \quad (20)$$

in the natural units of the unified coordinate system. The values of r_{eff} and $\rho_{DM}(r_{eff})$ are listed in Table 1. and shown in Fig. 4.

Possible additional contributions (constant, linear, or cubic in $1/r_{sc}$) were tested and found to be consistent with zero within uncertainties; they are therefore omitted in the final representation.

3.4 Total DM Mass Determination

The enclosed DM masses within the spherical volumes are listed in Table 1. The largest accessible volume corresponds to the last bin, giving

$$\left. \frac{M_{DM}}{M_{bar}} \right|_{\text{observed}} = 7.32 \pm 0.34. \quad (21)$$

The linear fit of Eq. (13), evaluated at $r_{sc} = 0.983$, yields a lower value,

$$\left. \frac{M_{DM}}{M_{bar}} \right|_{\text{fit}} = 6.48 \pm 0.17, \quad (22)$$

where the uncertainty is derived from the parameter errors of the fit.

As noted in Sec. 3.2, the last data point is based on only 69 observations across 153 galaxies, thus, a statistical bias in this outermost bin cannot be excluded. For this reason, the fit value is taken as the final result:

$$\frac{M_{DM}}{M_{bar}} = 6.48 \pm 0.17. \quad (23)$$

4 DISCUSSION

4.1 Empirical Results and Physical Interpretation

Note that the radial range of $r_{sc} > 0.10$ covers about 99.9% of the volume of the galactic gravitational reach. All information in this reach is valid for the considered galaxies.

The unified scaling

$$r = r_0 \cdot r_{sc} \quad (24)$$

enables direct comparison of DM properties across galaxies of different size and baryonic mass. The scale r_0 represents the gravitational reach at which the baryonic acceleration drops to $2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2$, while r_{sc} provides a dimensionless distance covering the full range of observed accelerations,

$$2 \times 10^{-10} \gtrsim g_{bar} \gtrsim 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2.$$

Using 2693 observations from 153 SPARC galaxies, binned in r_{sc} , we obtain galaxy-independent distributions of g_{obs} , v_u , and m_{DM}/M_{bar} .

The DM acceleration

$$g_{DM} = g_{obs} - g_{bar}$$

becomes significant at $r_{sc} \gtrsim 0.1$ and exceeds the baryonic contribution for $r_{sc} \gtrsim 0.2$.

The DM mass profile follows a linear form,

$$\frac{m_{DM}}{M_{bar}} = (6.9 \pm 0.2) r_{sc} - (0.25 \pm 0.04), \quad (25)$$

implying a steady accumulation of DM with radius. Evaluating the linear fit at the maximum sampled radius yields

$$\frac{M_{DM}}{M_{bar}} = 6.5 \pm 0.2, \quad (26)$$

slightly above the cosmological value ≈ 5.5 inferred from [Planck Collaboration \(2020\)](#). However, the SPARC data extend only to $r_{sc} \approx 1$, therefore this value may be a lower limit.

The unified circular velocity v_u becomes approximately constant,

$$v_u \approx 4.2 \pm 0.3 \quad (r_{sc} > 0.2),$$

implying a nearly flat rotation curve. Since $v_c^2 = GM(r)/r$, a constant velocity requires $M(r) \propto r$, which corresponds to

$$\rho_{DM}(r_{sc}) \propto r_{sc}^{-2}.$$

The density is discussed as a function of the unified radial coordinate r_{sc} ; for quantities of the binned shells, the corresponding radial position is given by the effective shell radius r_{eff} . A direct fit confirms this:

$$\rho_{DM}(r_{sc}) = (0.551 \pm 0.014) r_{sc}^{-2} \quad (27)$$

Thus both the mass and velocity distributions indicate an isothermal-like outer halo structure common to all SPARC galaxies.

4.2 Comparison with Theoretical Density Profiles

The empirical scaling $\rho_{DM} \propto r_{sc}^{-2}$ matches the prediction of a classical isothermal halo ([Bahcall & Soneira 1980](#); [Binney & Tremaine 2008](#)). Such halos naturally produce flat rotation curves over extended radial ranges.

Navarro–Frenk–White (NFW) halos ([Navarro et al. 1997](#)) also exhibit a $1/r^2$ behavior near their characteristic scale radius r_s , but deviate to $1/r$ at small radii and $1/r^3$ at large radii. The broad interval $0.2 < r_{sc} < 1$ in which the unified velocity is flat therefore pushes NFW fits toward low concentrations and a large r_s , $r_s > r_0$, to reproduce the data.

Burkert halos ([Burkert 1995](#); [Salucci & Burkert 2000](#)), which feature central cores and a steep $1/r^3$ falloff, do not develop extended flat rotation curves and do not generate a linear $M_{DM}(r)$ relation. They might be compatible only at $r_{sc} \lesssim 0.1$, where the data are sparse.

Overall, both the kinematic and mass-based constraints favor isothermal-like behavior over NFW or Burkert forms for the outer regions of SPARC galaxies.

4.3 Implications for Dark-Matter Particle Properties

The stability of rotation curves and the $\rho_{DM} \propto r_{sc}^{-2}$ structure imply a dynamically relaxed DM halo. To maintain such equi-

librium, individual DM particles must have velocities comparable to the circular velocity at each radius. Overly light or strongly interacting particles would either evaporate from the potential well or cause dynamical heating inconsistent with the observed flatness.

Thus, the unified halo relations place nontrivial constraints on DM particle candidates: they must be massive, cold, and predominantly collisionless, with gravitational interactions dominating their orbital structure.

5 CONCLUSION

By factorizing the physical radial distance of galaxies into a baryonic scale r_0 and a dimensionless DM-related variable r_{sc} ,

$$r = r_0 \cdot r_{\text{sc}}, \quad (28)$$

we obtain a unified description of 153 SPARC galaxies that removes galaxy-to-galaxy scaling differences and reveals intrinsic dark-matter (DM) properties.

The main results are:

(i) **Onset of DM effects:** g_{DM} becomes significant at $r_{\text{sc}} \gtrsim 0.1$ and exceeds g_{bar} for $r_{\text{sc}} \gtrsim 0.2$.

(ii) **Mass growth:** The DM mass grows linearly with radius,

$$\frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{M_{\text{bar}}} = (6.9 \pm 0.2) r_{\text{sc}} - (0.25 \pm 0.04),$$

leading to a total enclosed ratio

$$\frac{M_{\text{DM}}}{M_{\text{bar}}} = 6.5 \pm 0.2.$$

(iii) **Density profile:** The derived $\rho_{\text{DM}}(r_{\text{sc}}) \propto r_{\text{sc}}^{-2}$ indicates an isothermal-like halo structure.

(iv) **Kinematic evidence:** A nearly constant unified circular velocity v_{u} for $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.2$ supports the same conclusion.

These findings imply that most detectable DM associated with SPARC galaxies resides at $r_{\text{sc}} > 0.1$ and that there is little evidence for a substantial central DM core within the observed region. The results are consistent with an isothermal-like halo, while placing constraints on both NFW and Burkert profiles.

Future observations extending to larger radii or with higher sensitivities would help test the persistence of the r_{sc}^{-2} behavior and refine constraints on dark-matter particle properties.

DATA AVAILABILITY

The data underlying this article are publicly available from the SPARC database at <http://astroweb.case.edu/SPARC/>.

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Bin	r_{sc} r_{eff}	g_{bar} σ	g_{obs} σ	v_{u} σ	m_{DM} σ	$\Delta(m_{\text{DM}}/M_{\text{bar}})$ σ	$\rho_{\text{DM}}(r_{\text{eff}})$ σ
1	0.0407 0.0248	1209.43 26.88	1234.37 41.99	6.99 0.04	0.000 0.036		
2	0.0518 0.0491	744.09 11.71	789.58 17.51	6.34 0.03	0.096 0.022		
3	0.0660 0.0629	458.48 6.40	526.92 9.21	5.89 0.03	0.148 0.020		
4	0.0837 0.0802	285.16 3.54	391.06 7.32	5.77 0.03	0.380 0.023	0.133 0.003	85.726 2.155
5	0.1083 0.1026	170.53 1.90	254.37 4.51	5.22 0.03	0.479 0.027	0.176 0.004	52.346 1.316
6	0.1391 0.1314	103.39 1.09	170.96 2.99	4.92 0.03	0.738 0.027	0.221 0.006	31.934 0.803
7	0.1764 0.1684	64.31 0.62	119.40 1.65	4.60 0.03	0.950 0.025	0.290 0.007	19.449 0.489
8	0.2249 0.2156	39.53 0.36	90.23 1.49	4.58 0.03	1.344 0.039	0.363 0.009	11.865 0.298
9	0.2884 0.2762	24.05 0.22	67.00 1.03	4.42 0.03	1.818 0.041	0.475 0.012	7.226 0.182
10	0.3683 0.3536	14.74 0.13	48.26 0.67	4.20 0.04	2.236 0.046	0.596 0.015	4.408 0.111
11	0.4720 0.4510	8.98 0.07	37.64 0.50	4.19 0.04	3.169 0.056	0.750 0.019	2.711 0.068
12	0.5990 0.5771	5.57 0.05	26.63 0.39	4.06 0.05	3.786 0.074	0.992 0.025	1.655 0.042
13	0.7576 0.7375	3.48 0.03	19.74 0.39	3.89 0.06	4.754 0.114	1.226 0.031	1.014 0.025
14	0.9707 0.9709	2.12 0.04	18.33 0.74	4.01 0.10	7.318 0.339	1.983 0.050	0.585 0.015

Table 1. Combined unified variables of r_{sc} bins. For each bin, the first line gives the values of the variable, the second line lists the statistical uncertainties; for r_{sc} the listed value corresponds to the effective shell radius r_{eff} . Accelerations are in units of 10^{-12} m/s^2 , unified velocities in $\text{m/s}/\sqrt{r_0}$, masses in units of M_{bar} , and the volume mass density in units of $M_{\text{bar}}/r_{\text{eff}}^3$.

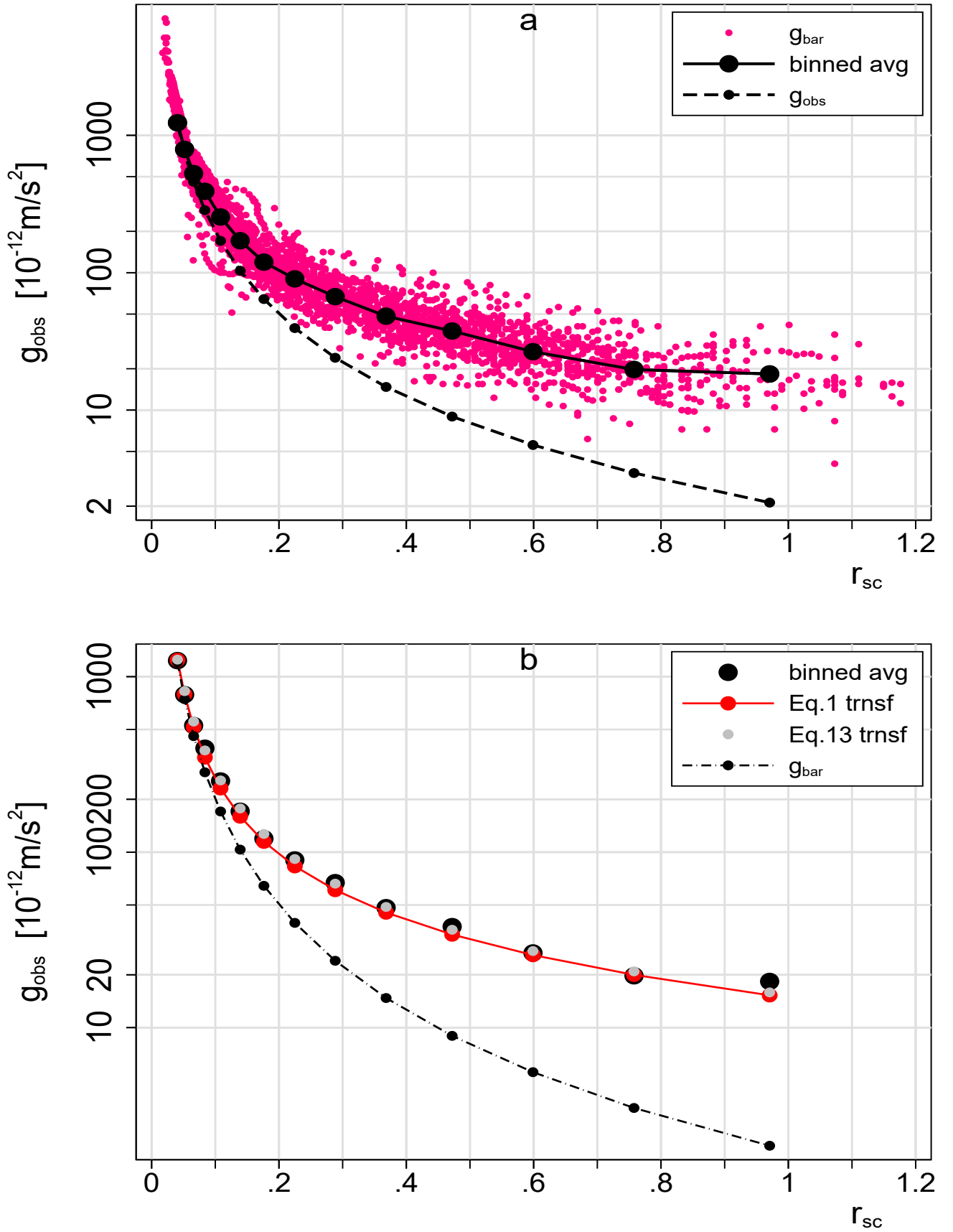


Figure 1. **a:** Distribution of g_{obs} values (red dots) and the binned averages (black thick points). Also shown are average values of the g_{bar} bins (black points/line). **b:** Distribution of g_{obs} averages (black thick points) and the fit of Eq. 1 (red). Average values of g_{bar} are shown as black points and dashed line.

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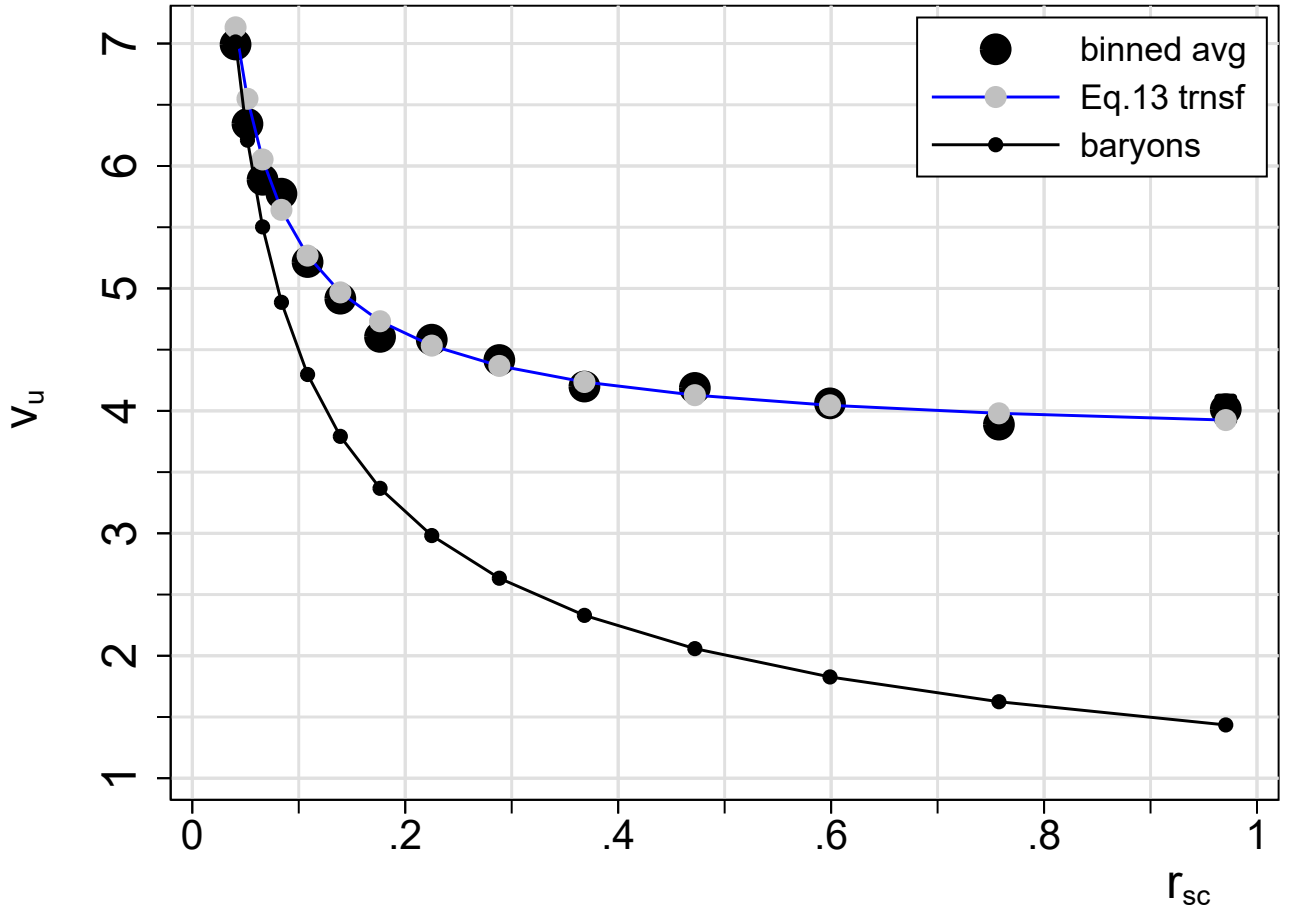


Figure 2. Unified velocities v_u as a function of r_{sc} (thick black points). Gray points and blue line show the transformed values from the linear mass fit (Eq. 13). Black points and line show the velocities expected from baryonic mass alone.

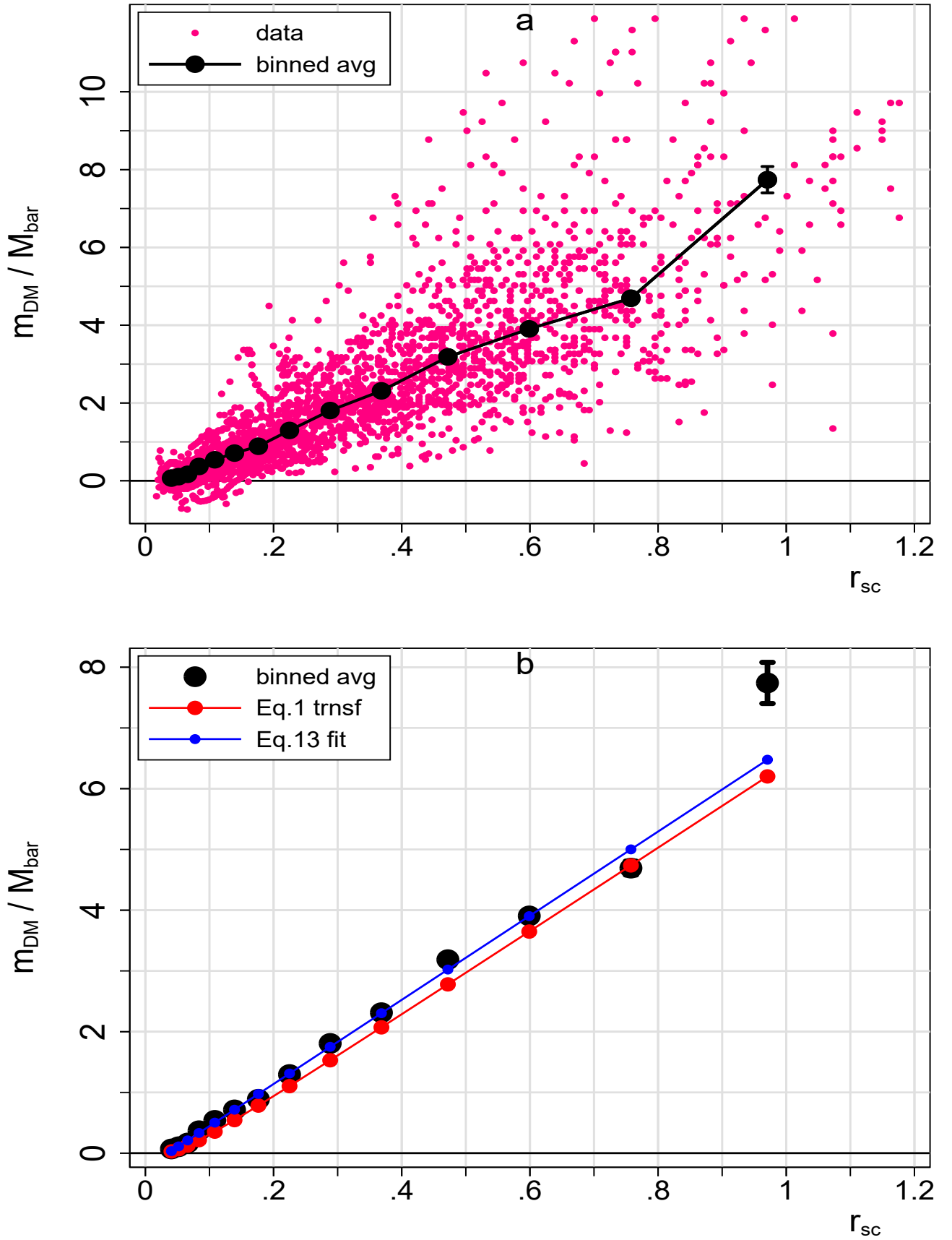


Figure 3. a: Observations of DM mass ratios (red dots) and binned averages (thick black points).

b: Binned averages (thick black points) and fits from Eq. 1 (red) and Eq. 13 (blue).

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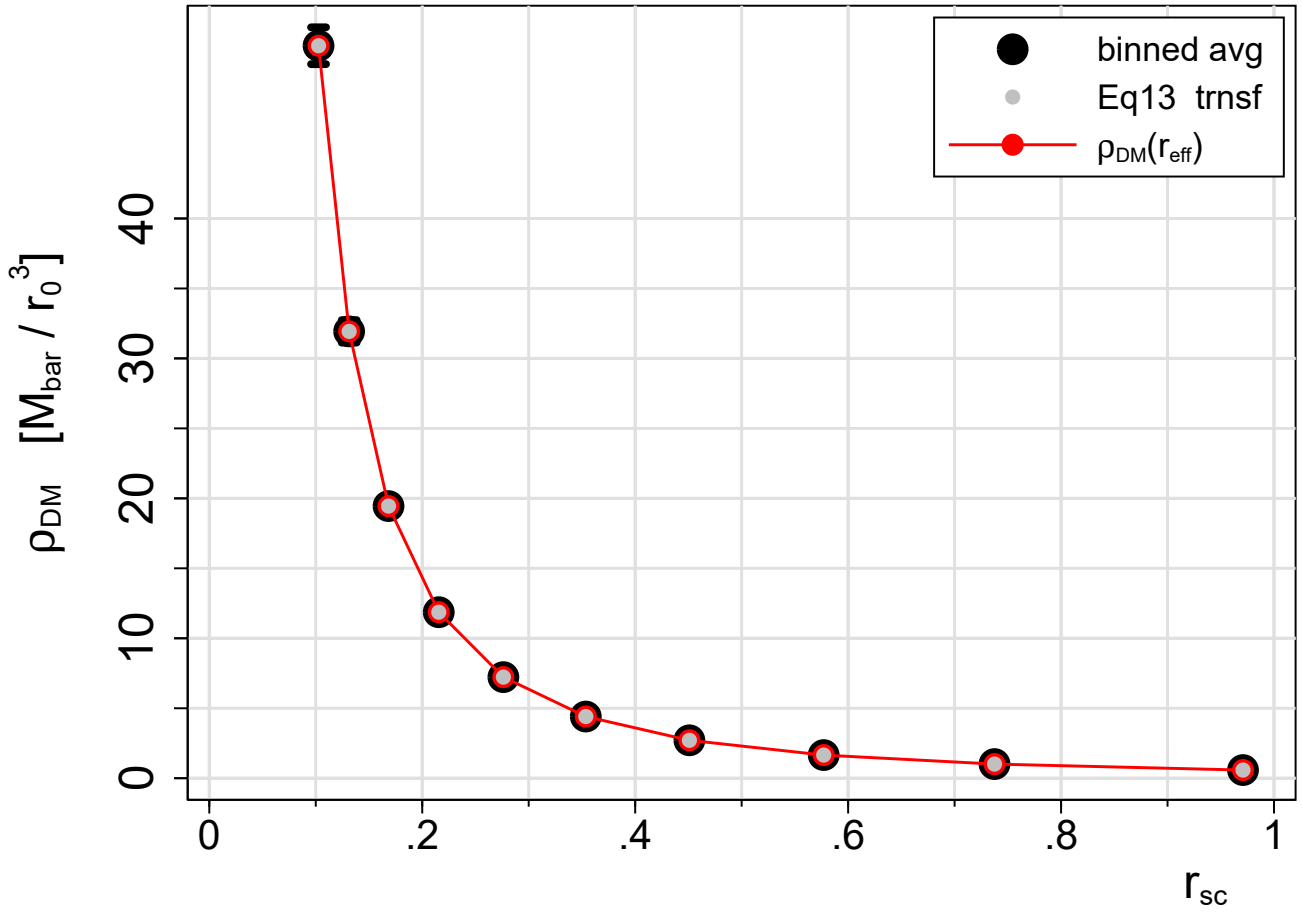


Figure 4. DM density ρ_{DM} in shell volumes (thick black points), and $\rho_{\text{DM}} = (k/4\pi)r_{\text{eff}}^{-2}$ (red points and line).