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Higher order net baryon number cumulants in the strong coupling lattice QCD

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In the Beam Energy Scan Phase-1 (BES-1), net proton number fluctuations have been measured in search for the QCD critical point [1]. Finding the critical point is one of the most challenging subjects also in lattice QCD due to the sign problem. In the strong coupling limit of QCD, one can investigate the finite density region by employing the Auxiliary Field Monte-Carlo (AFMC) method [2] or monomer-dimer-polymer simulation [3] in which the sign problem becomes milder.

We will report results on the baryon number fluctuations in the chiral limit with AFMC and discuss the influence of the mesonic fluctuations on the critical behavior of the cumulants.

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