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## Higher-Order Cumulants of Net-Proton Multiplicity Distributions from RHIC-STAR

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In the study of QCD phase structure and search of the QCD phase boundary and critical point, higher-order cumulants of conserved quantities are proposed as promising observables and have been studied extensively both experimentally and theoretically. For  $4^{th}$ -order cumulants it is predicted that there will be a non-monotonic energy dependence trend. For  $5^{th}$ - and  $6^{th}$ -order cumulants results from Lattice calculations suggest that they are connected to the smooth crossover transition at  $\mu_B = 0$ . At high baryon density region, on the other hand, the higher-order cumulants are also sensitive to the first-order phase boundary.

In this talk, we will present net-proton cumulants up to  $6^{th}$ -order in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}} = 7.7 - 200$  from STAR Beam Energy Scan phase I and  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV p+p collisions. Analysis update on STAR fixed target energy  $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}} = 3$  GeV will also be shown. Physics implication as well as comparisons with various models will be discussed.

## Collaboration

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