# Lecture 21: Scharfetter-Gummel scheme

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# Final presentation

Please show your plan for the final presentation.

#### Calendar

- Plan for remaining lectures
  - IEDM business trip
  - Four make-up sessions will be made.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		16 (L18)	17	18	19	20
21 (L19)	22	23 (L20)	24	25 (L21)	26	27
28 (No lecture)	29	30 (L22)	Dec.1	2 (L23)	3	4
5 (No lecture)	6	7 (No lecture)	8	9	10	11
12 (L24)	13	14 (L25)	15	16 (Final)	17	18

## **Summary**

Continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}n + \nabla_{r} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{n} = 0$$

Current density equation

$$\mathbf{J}_n = q\mu_n n\mathbf{E} + qD_n \nabla_r n$$

### **Scharfetter-Gummel**

- "The equation that started it all"
  - 1D approximation
  - The current density is discretized as

$$J_{n,i+0.5} = qD_n \frac{1}{x_{i+1} - x_i} \left[ n_{i+1} B\left(\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{V_T}\right) - n_i B\left(\frac{\phi_i - \phi_{i+1}}{V_T}\right) \right]$$

Here, the Bernoulli function is

$$B(x) = \frac{x}{e^x - 1}$$

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#### **Last Homework**

Write a code for 1D drift-diffusion equation.