

$$p(A_n, t+dt) - p(A_n, t) =$$

$$\frac{P_m}{2} dt \left[ p(A_{n-1}, O_n, t) - p(O_{n-1}, A_n, t) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{P_m}{2} dt \left[ p(O_n, A_{n+1}, t) - p(A_n, O_{n+1}, t) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{P_m}{2} p dt \left[ p(A_{n-1}, O_n, t) + p(O_{n-1}, A_n, t) \right]$$

$$- \frac{P_m}{2} p dt \left[ p(O_n, A_{n+1}, t) + p(A_n, O_{n+1}, t) \right]$$

$$\therefore \frac{p(A_n, t+dt) - p(A_n, t)}{dt} = \frac{P_m}{2} \left[ p(A_{n-1}, t) - p(A_{n-1}, A_n, t) - \{ p(A_n, t) - p(A_{n-1}, A_n, t) + p(A_{n+1}, t) - p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) - \{ p(A_n, t) - p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) \} \right] + p \left\{ \frac{P_m}{2} \left[ p(A_{n-1}, t) - 2p(A_n, t) + p(A_{n+1}, t) \right] \right\}$$

We cannot do the same for the  $p \left\{ \right\}$

term because we would obtain

$$\frac{p P_m}{2} \left[ p(A_{n-1}, t) - p(A_{n-1}, A_n, t) + p(A_n, t) - p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) - \{ p(A_{n+1}, t) - p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) + p(A_n, t) - p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) \} \right]$$

$$= \frac{p P_m}{2} \left[ p(A_{n-1}, t) - p(A_{n+1}, t) + 2p(A_{n-1}, A_n, t) + 2p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) \right]$$

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Now we see that we have terms  $p(A_{n-1}, A_n, t)$ ,

$p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t)$  so we need to use the

independent assumption

$$p(A_n, A_{n+1}, t) = p(A_n, t) p(A_{n+1}, t)$$

etc.

Hence, we obtain  $\frac{p_m}{2} \left[ \begin{aligned} & p(A_{n-1}, t) - p(A_{n+1}, t) \\ & - 2 p(A_{n-1}, t) p(A_n, t) \\ & + 2 p(A_n, t) p(A_{n+1}, t) \end{aligned} \right]$

[ ] we can write as

$$\begin{aligned} & [p(A_{n-1}, t) - p(A_{n+1}, t)] [1 - p(A_n, t)] \\ & + p(A_n, t) [p(A_{n+1}, t) - p(A_{n-1}, t)] \end{aligned}$$

Now write  $p(A_n, t+dt) = p(\underbrace{ndx}_x, t+dt)$  etc.

$\therefore$  the  $p$  term becomes

$$[p(x-dx, t) - p(x+dx, t)] [1 - p(x, t)]$$

$$+ p(x, t) [p(x+dx, t) - p(x-dx, t)]$$

Note: we can write this as [ ]  $[1 - 2p(x, t)]$

$$\text{ie } \left( \begin{array}{l} p(x) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2} \frac{dx^2}{2} + \dots \\ - p(x) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2} \frac{dx^2}{2} + \dots \end{array} \right) (1 - 2p(x,t)) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{ie } \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} (1 - 2p(x,t)) dx$$

which is the same as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (p(1-p)) dx$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (p(1-p)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (p - p^2) \\ = (1 - 2p) \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \end{array} \right]$$