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Question 1

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Suppose that you have two random variables A and B, and you know that A takes on a specific value a. The conditional PDF of B is given by which of the following?

- a. The joint PDF divided by the product of the two marginal PDFs
- b. The joint PDF divided by the sum of the two marginal PDFs
- c. The joint PDF divided by the marginal PDF of B
- ullet d. The joint PDF divided by the marginal PDF of A ullet

Explanation

The conditional PDF of B given what you know about A would be calculated as the joint PDF divided by the marginal PDF of A, to "condition" the representation of the distribution of B based on what you know about A. In mathematical terms:

<u>Joint, Marginal, and</u> <u>Conditional Distributions</u>

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 $f_{B|A}=rac{f_{AB}(a,b)}{f_{A}(a)}$

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