

Finding expected value of a continuous function of a random variable

As you have noted given that X is a continuous random variable with a pdf $f_X(X)$. The expected value of the function $g(X)$ is given by

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f_X(x) dx.$$

As an example, consider the random variable $X \sim U[0,10]$ and the function $h(X) = X^2$. We can find the expected value of $h(X)$ as described above

$$\begin{aligned} E[h(X)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x)f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{10} x^2(.1) dx \\ &= \frac{x^3}{3}(.1) \Big|_0^{10} \\ &= \frac{10^3}{3}(.1) - \frac{0^3}{3}(.1) = 33.\overline{33} \end{aligned}$$

Though this example can be readily solved analytically, we can also find this expected value using the integration tools in GAUSS.