



Parallel, Batch and Multi-objective BO

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Multi-output \mathcal{GP} s



BO optimization algorithm

In order to find:

$$\mathbf{x}_{max} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} f(\mathbf{x}) \quad (1)$$

The Bayesian optimization procedure is as follows. For $t = 1, 2, \dots$ repeat [2]:

- ① Find the next sampling point \mathbf{x}_t by optimizing the acquisition function over the GP: $\mathbf{x}_t = \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{x}} \alpha(\mathbf{x}; \mathcal{I}_{t-1})$
- ② Obtain a possibly noisy sample $y_t = f(\mathbf{x}_t) + \varepsilon_t$ from the objective function f .
- ③ Add the sample to previous samples
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where \mathcal{I}_{t-1} represents the available data set $\mathcal{D}_{1:t-1}$ and the GP structure (kernel, likelihood and parameter values) at $t - 1$ step.



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- Composite, multi-fidelity problems, and many more.

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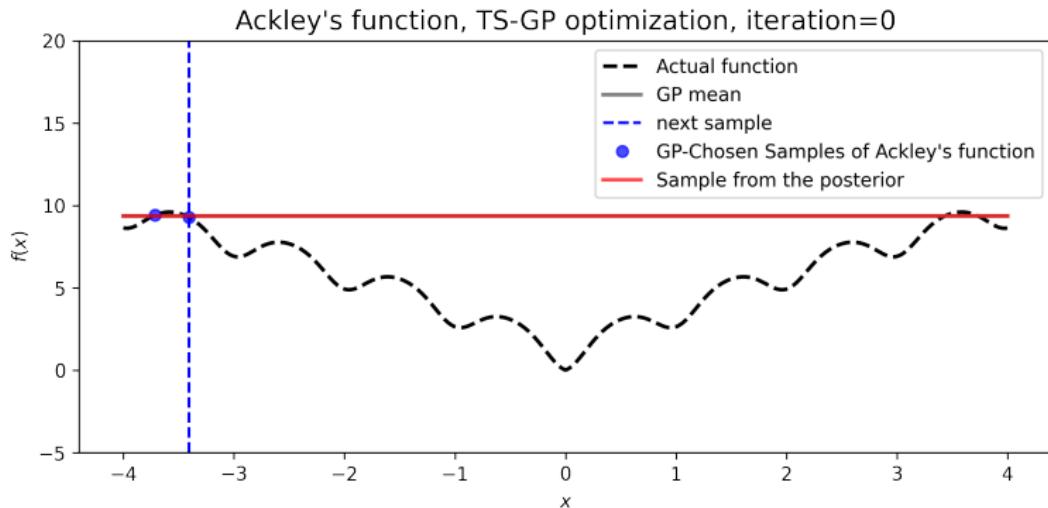


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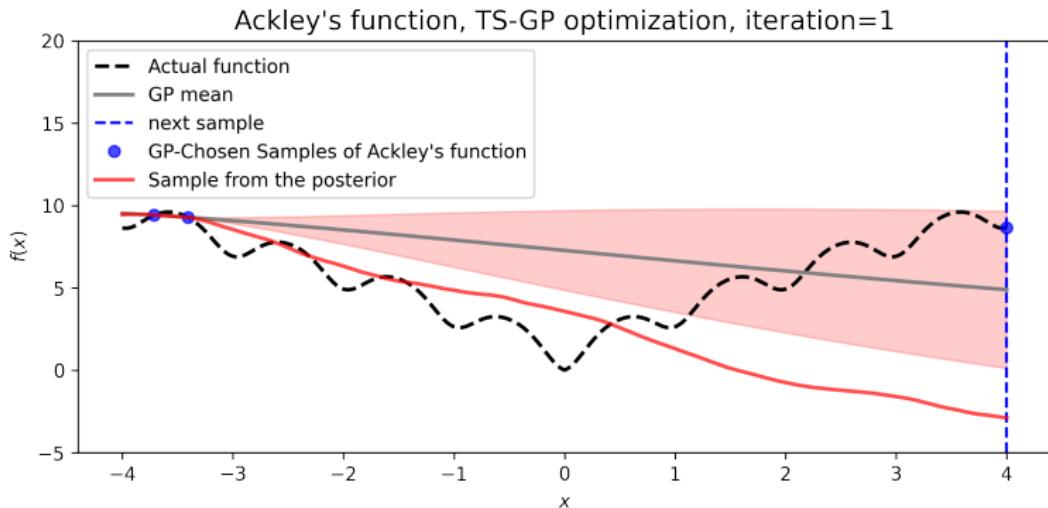


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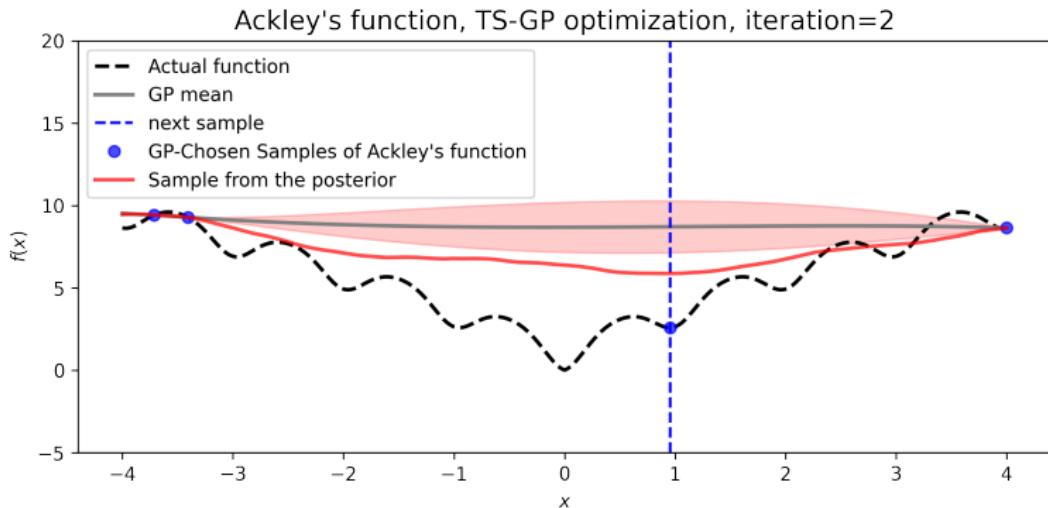


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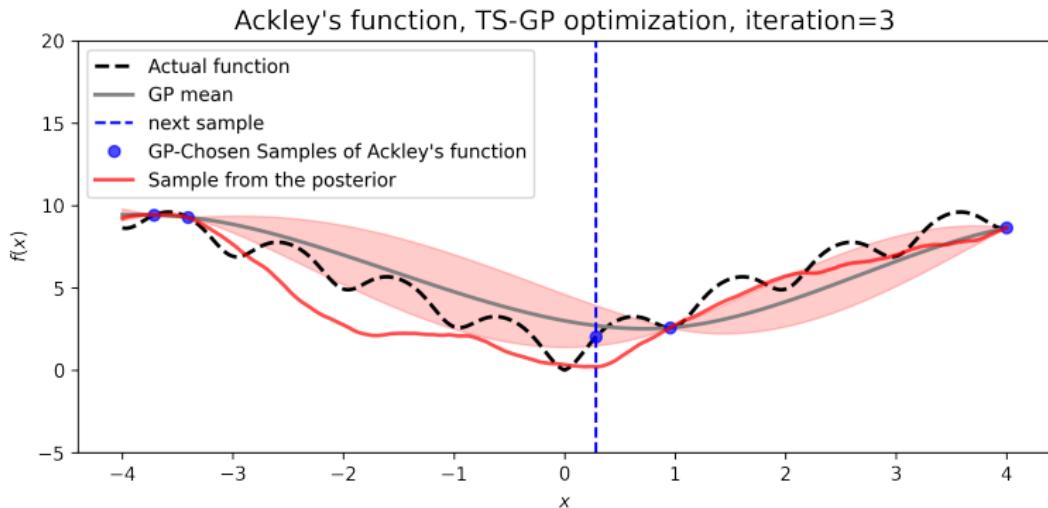


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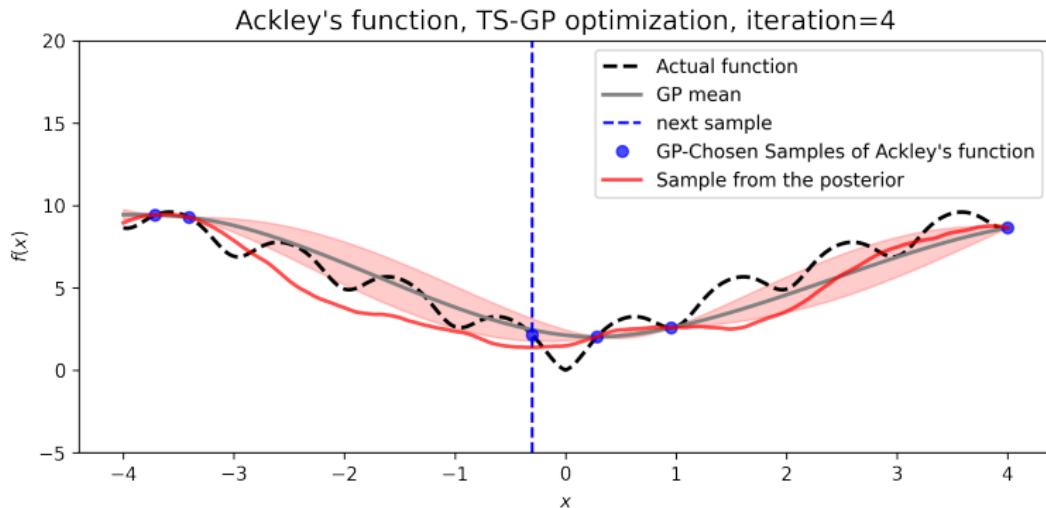


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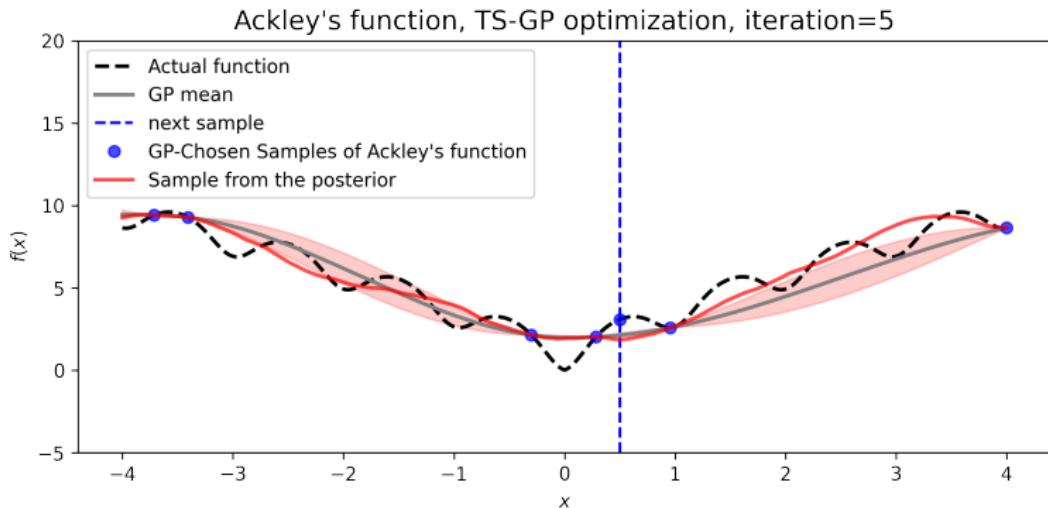


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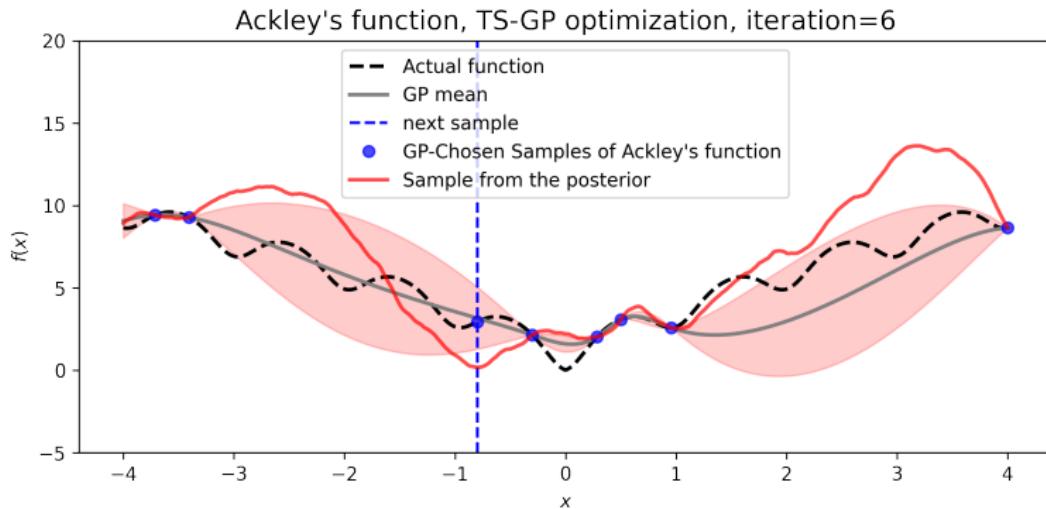


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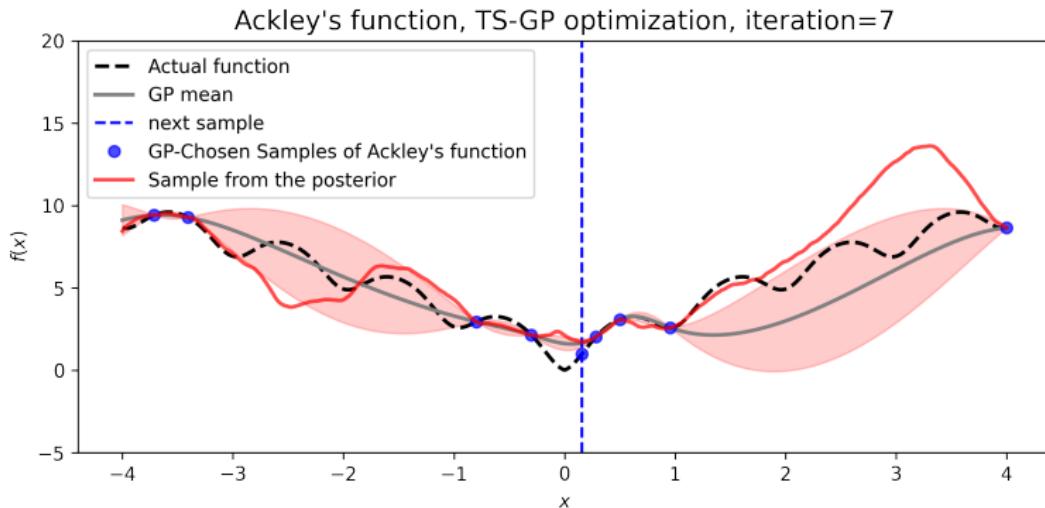


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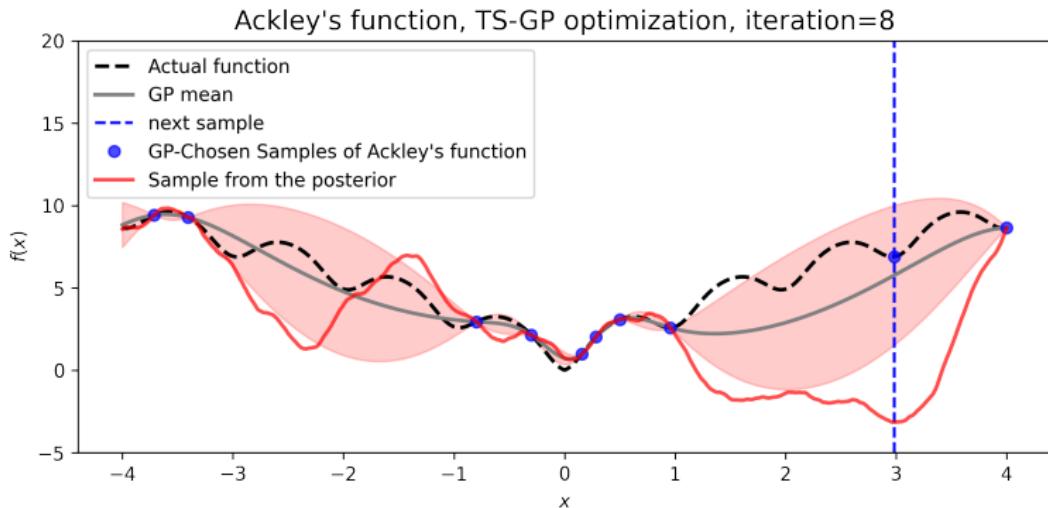


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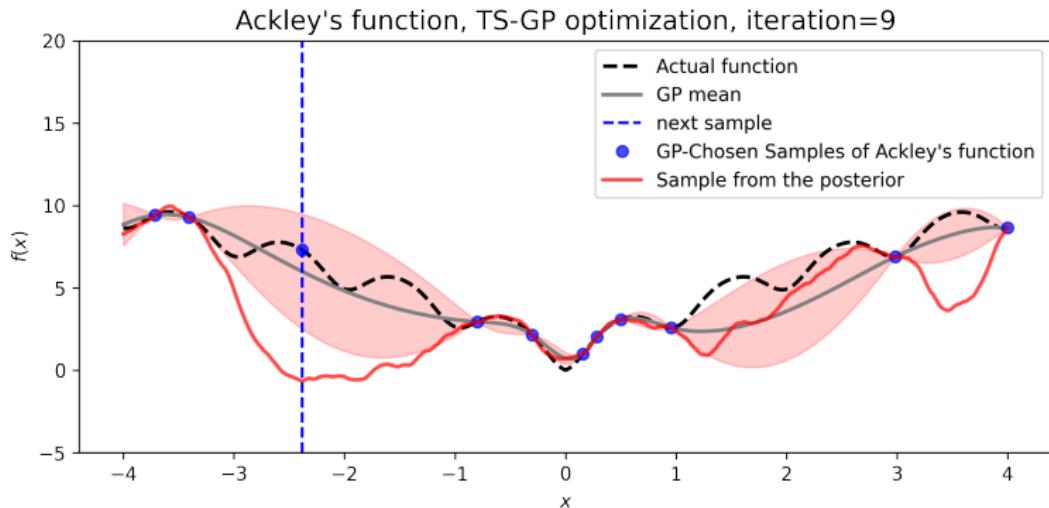


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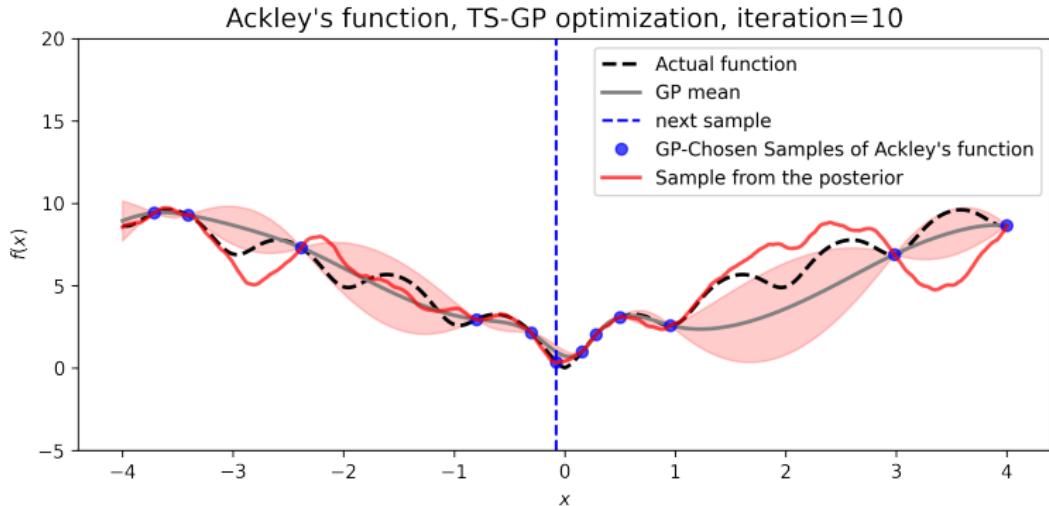


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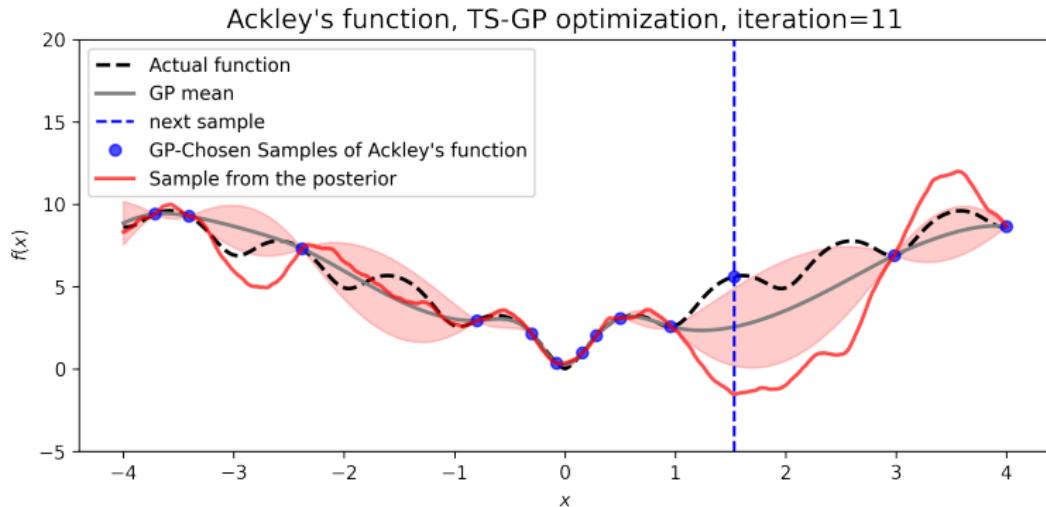


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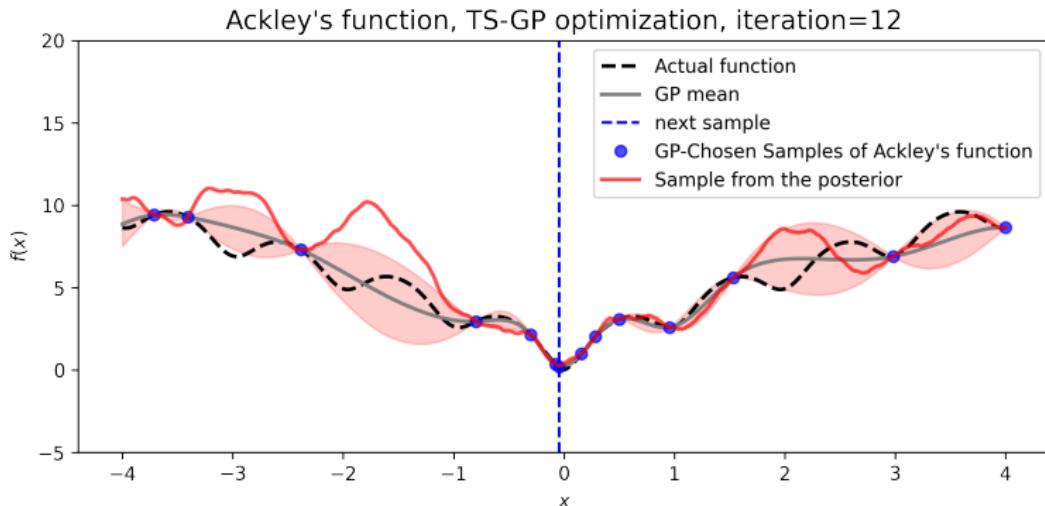


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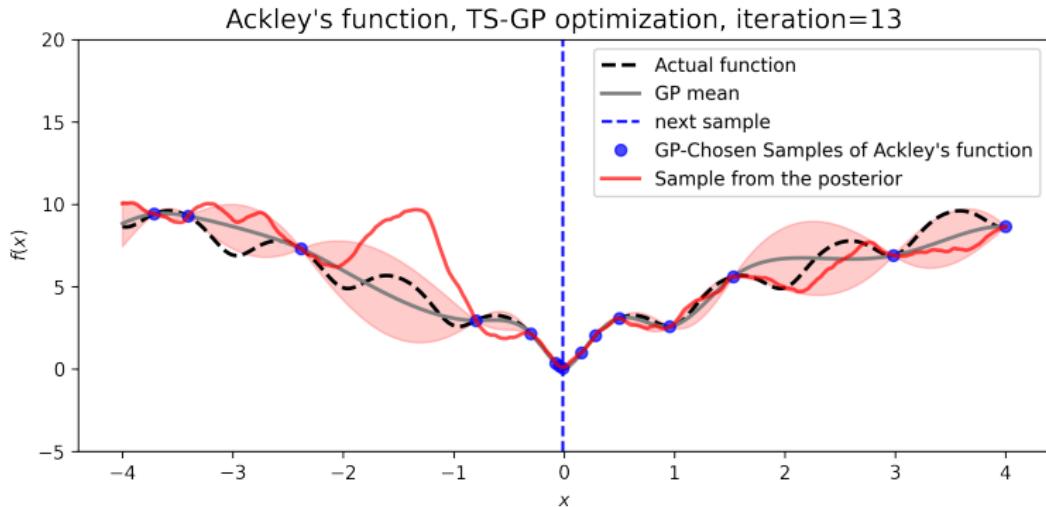


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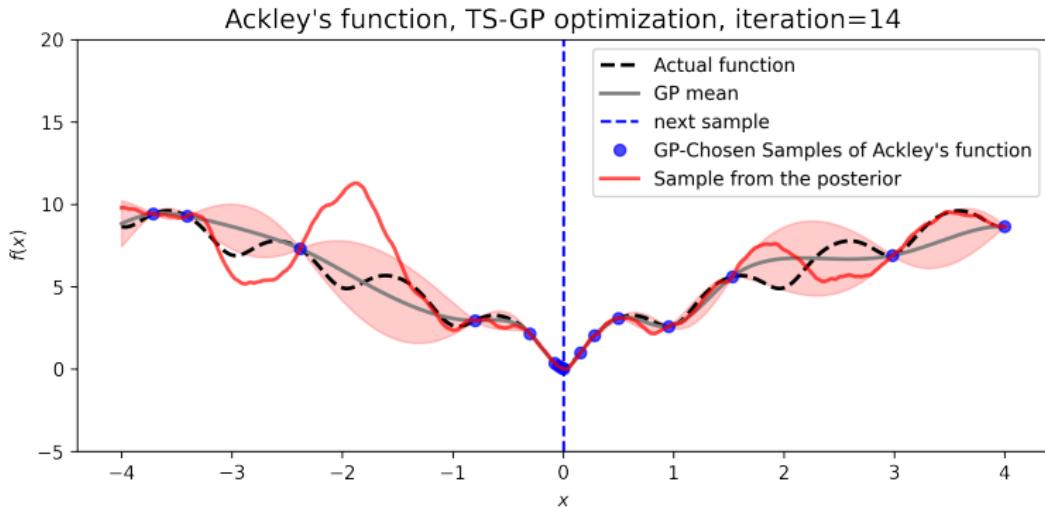


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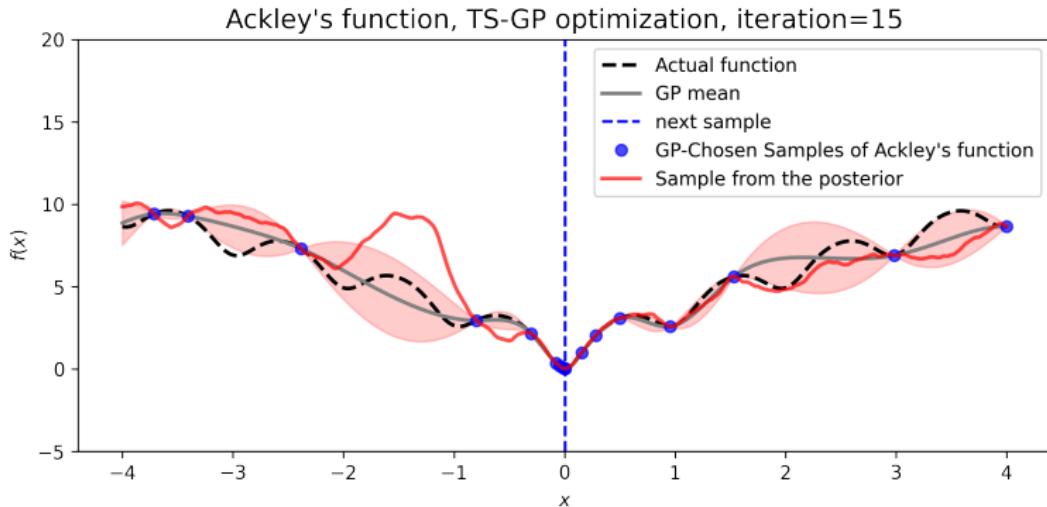


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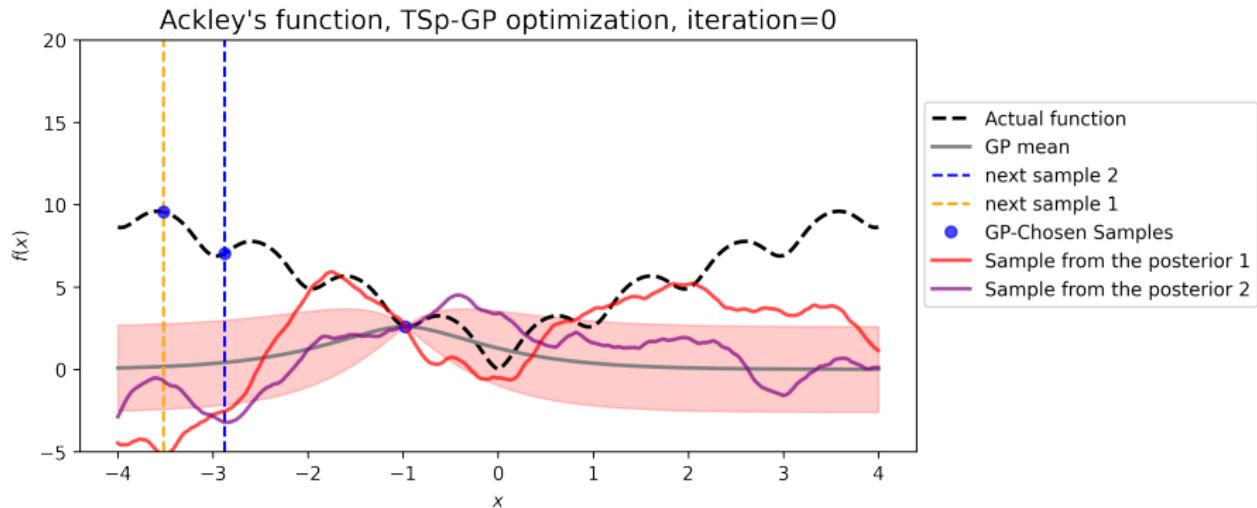


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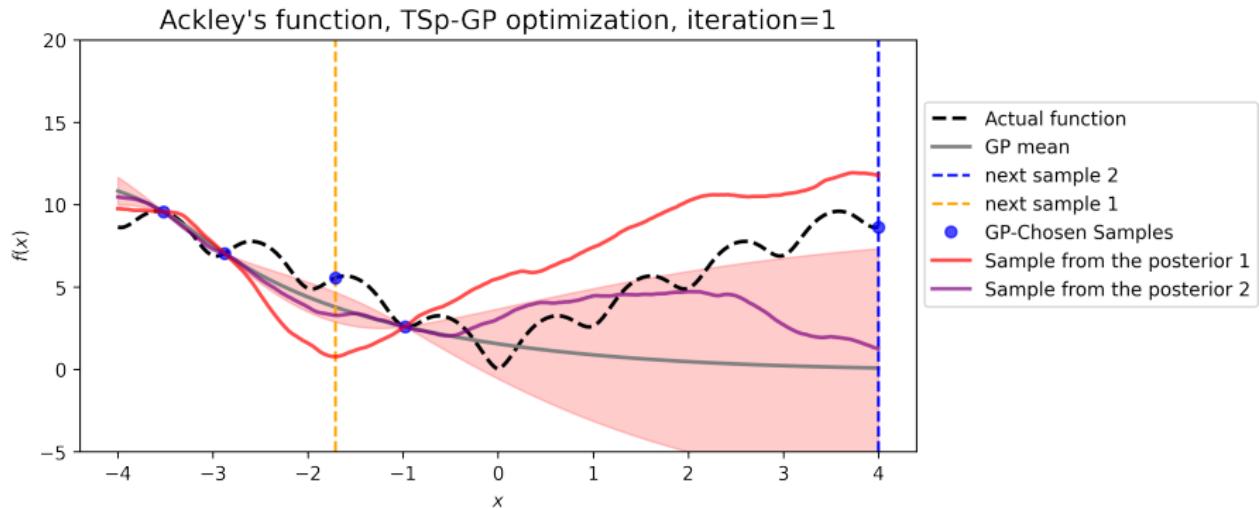


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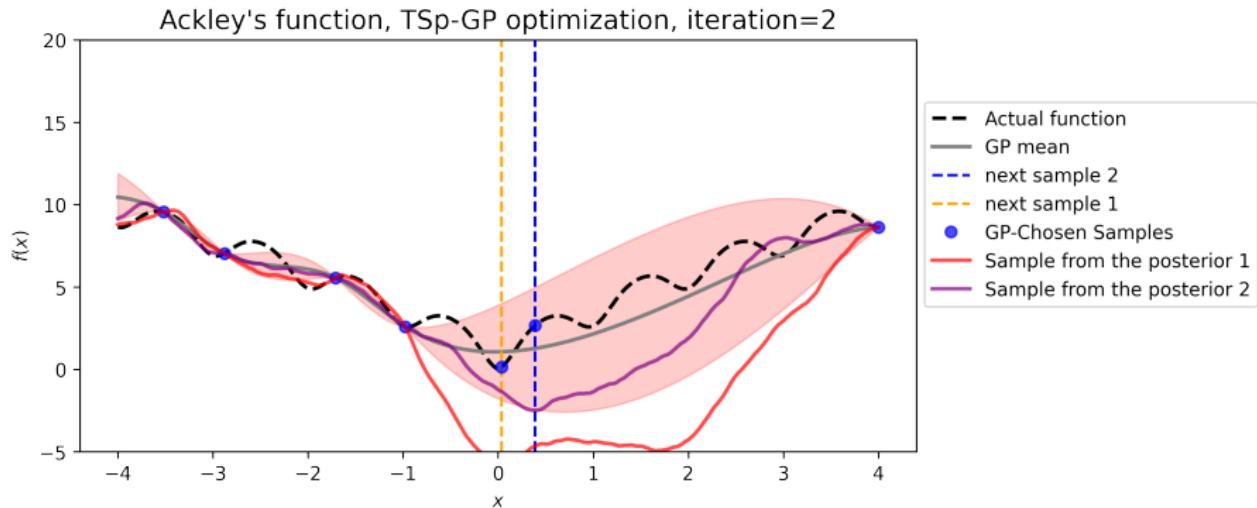


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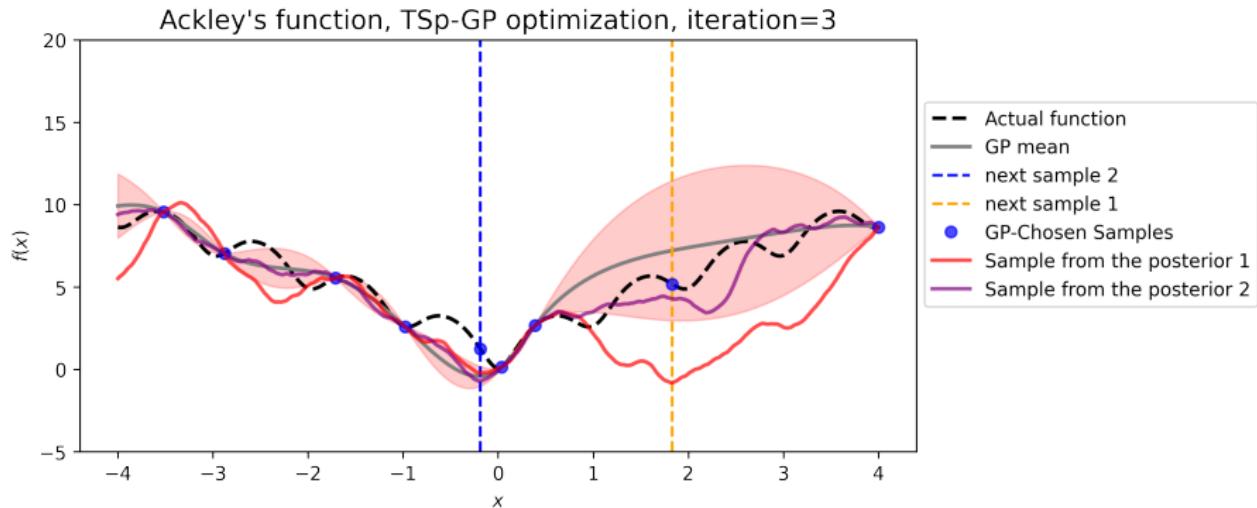


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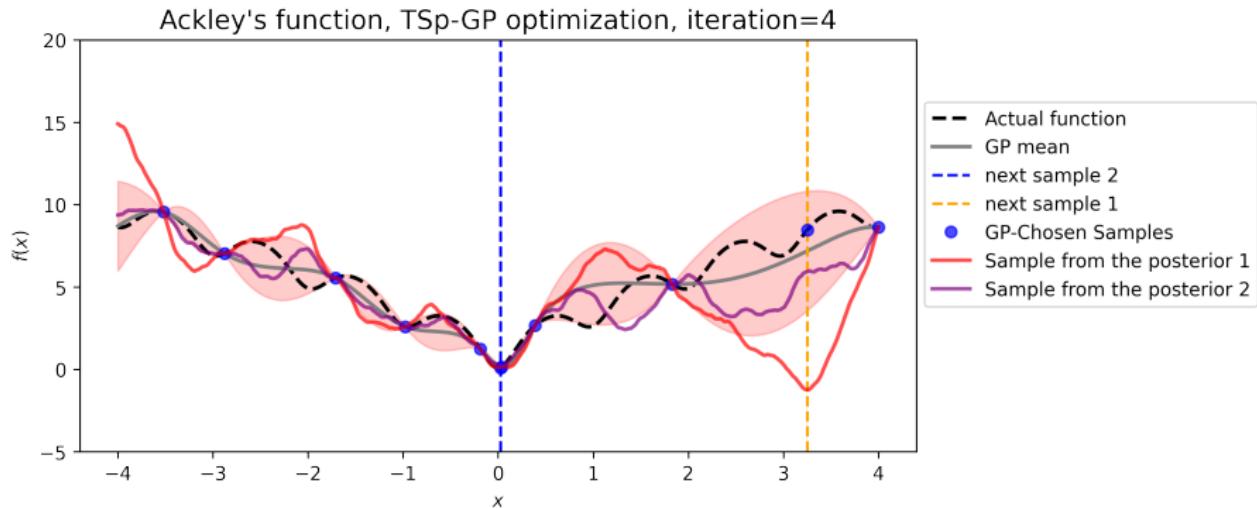


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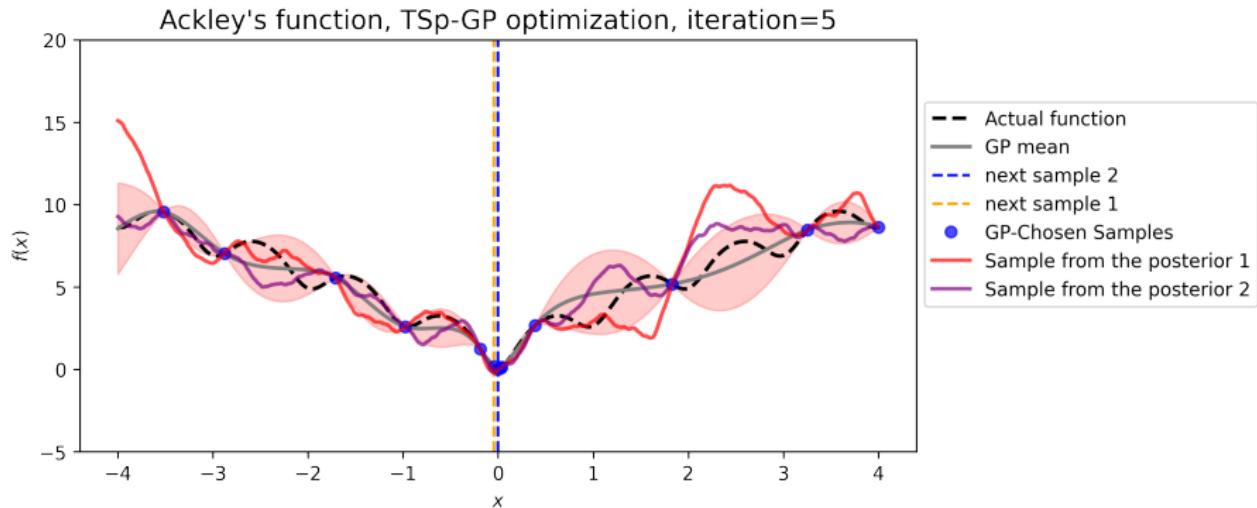


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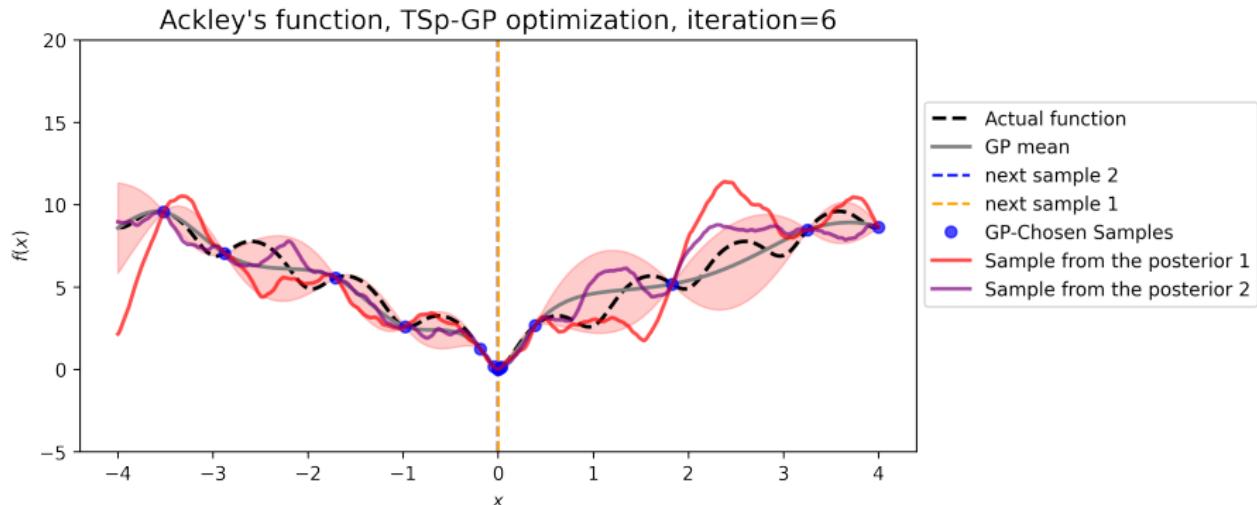


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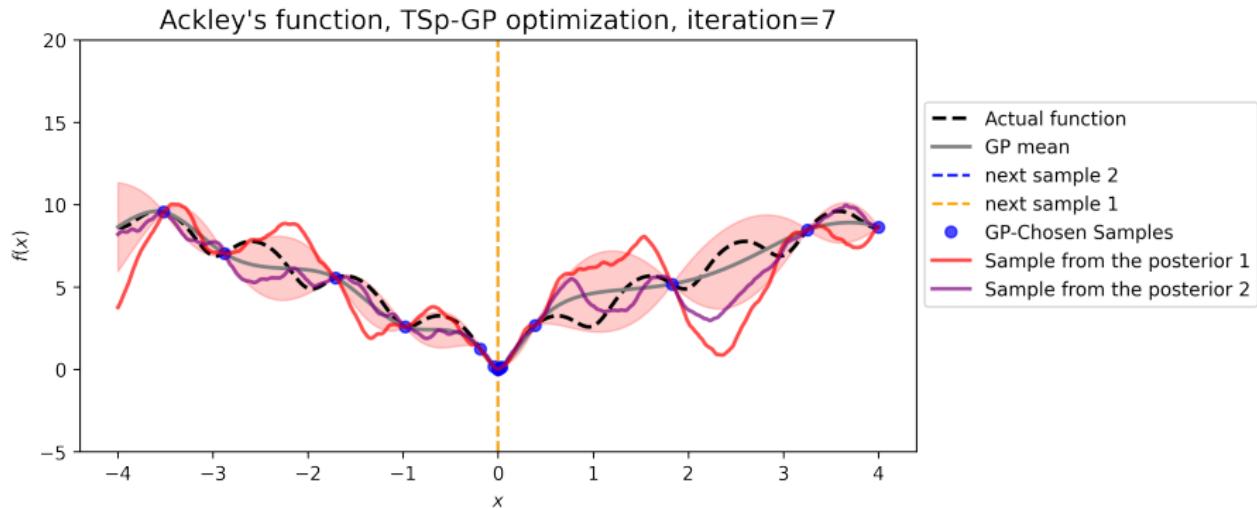


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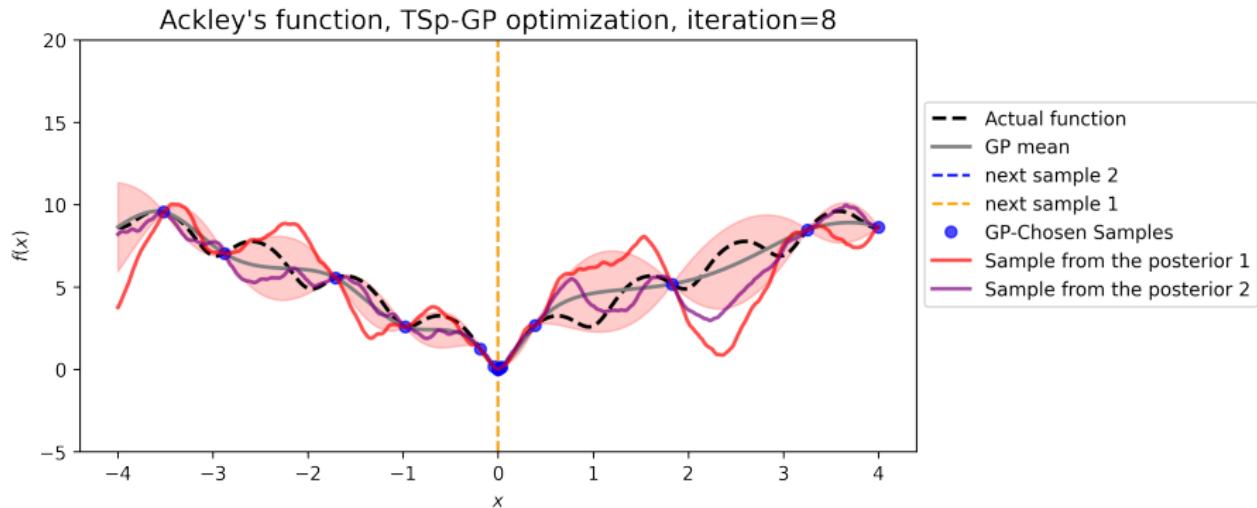


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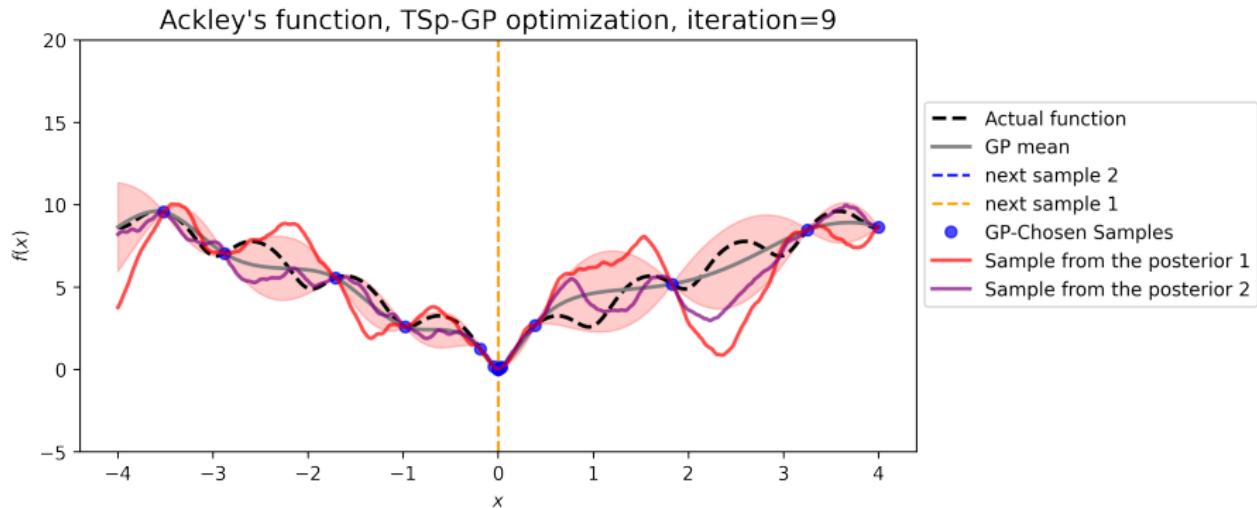


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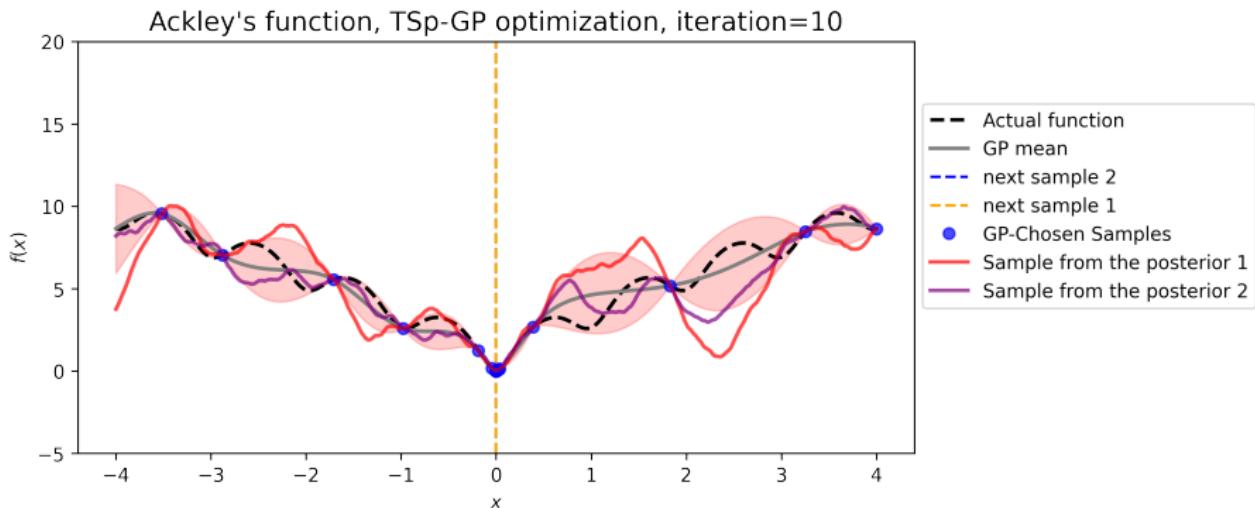


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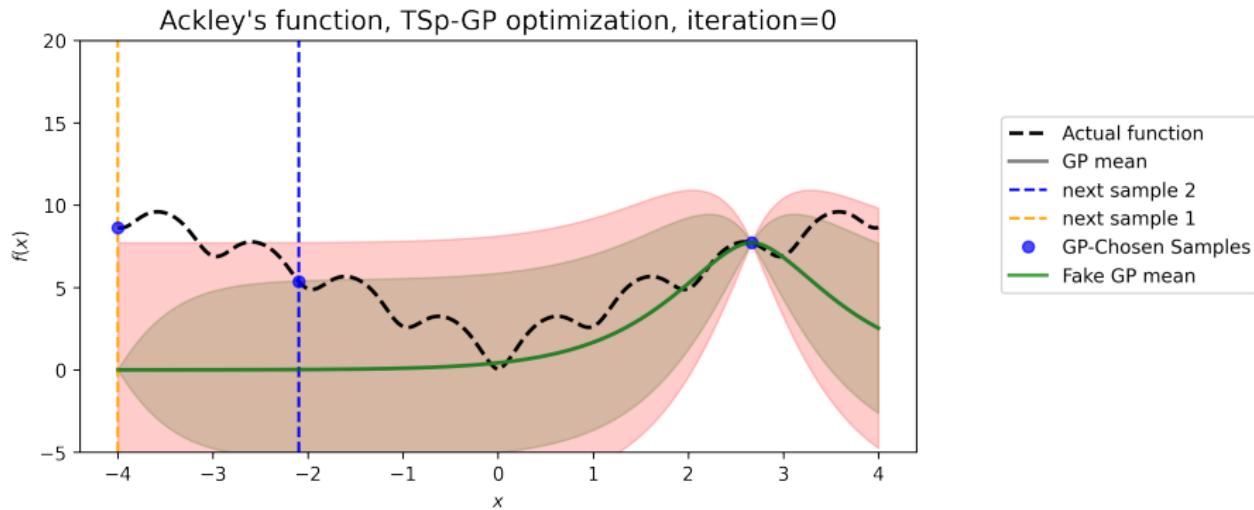


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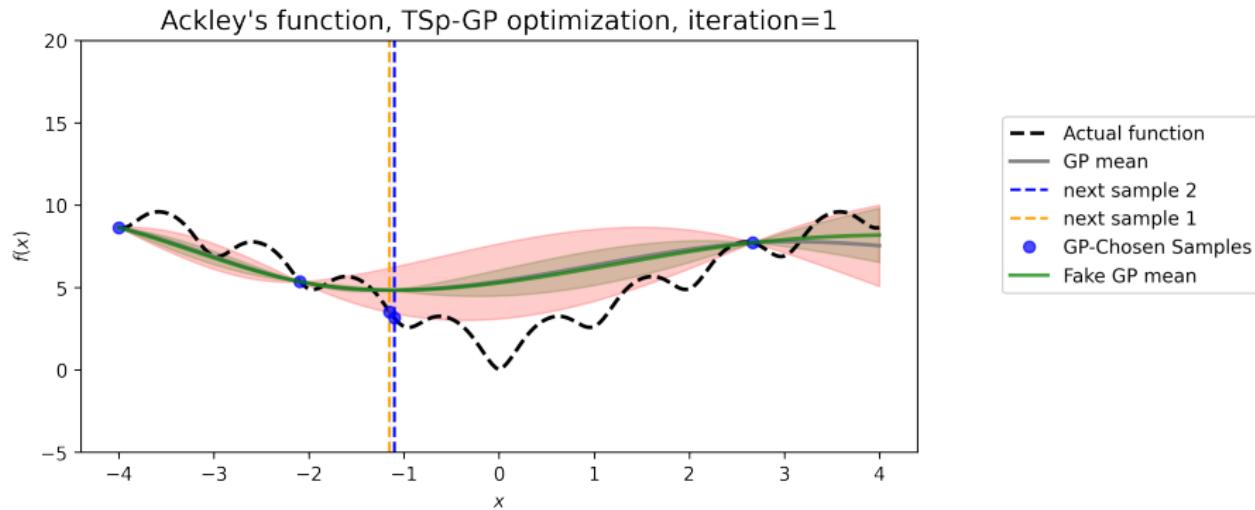


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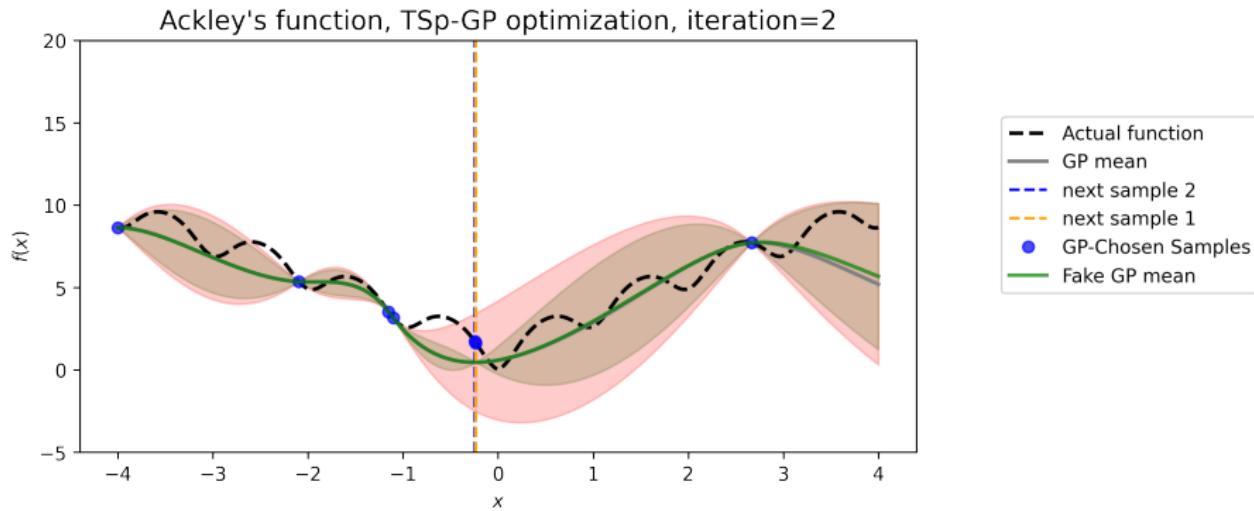


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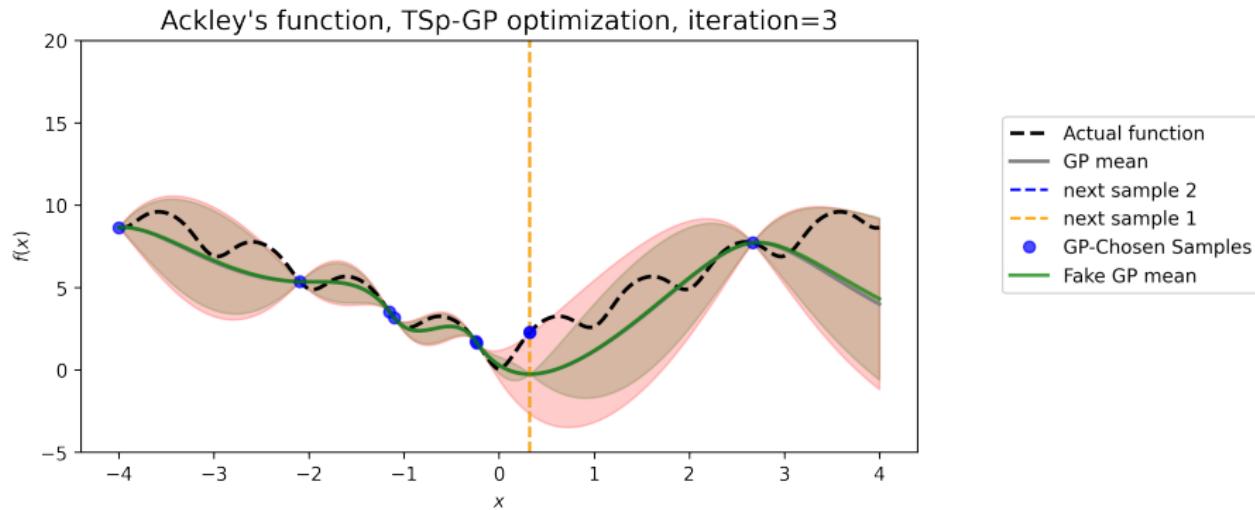


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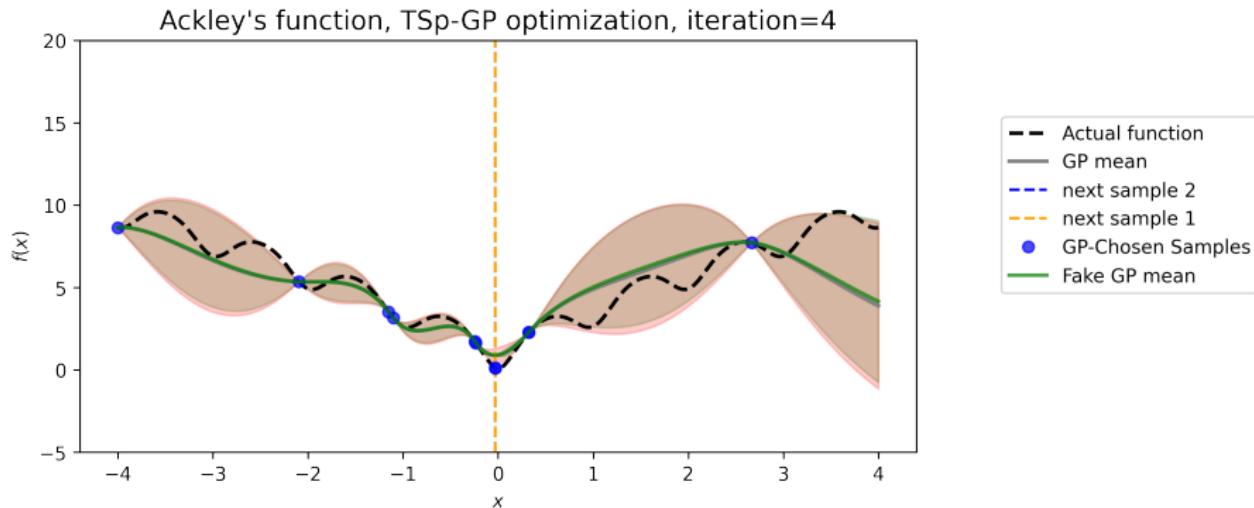


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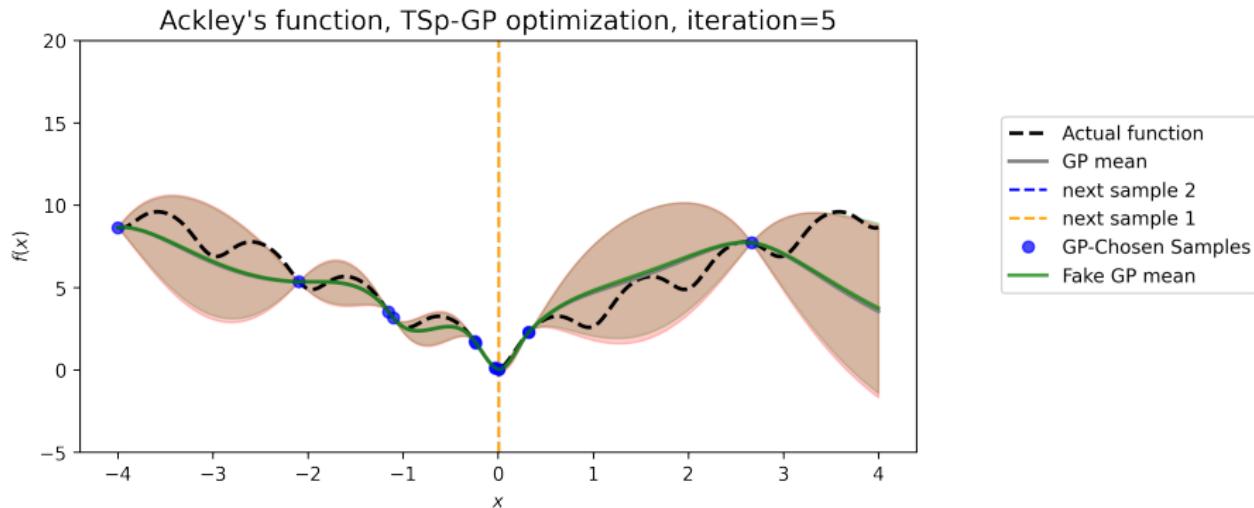


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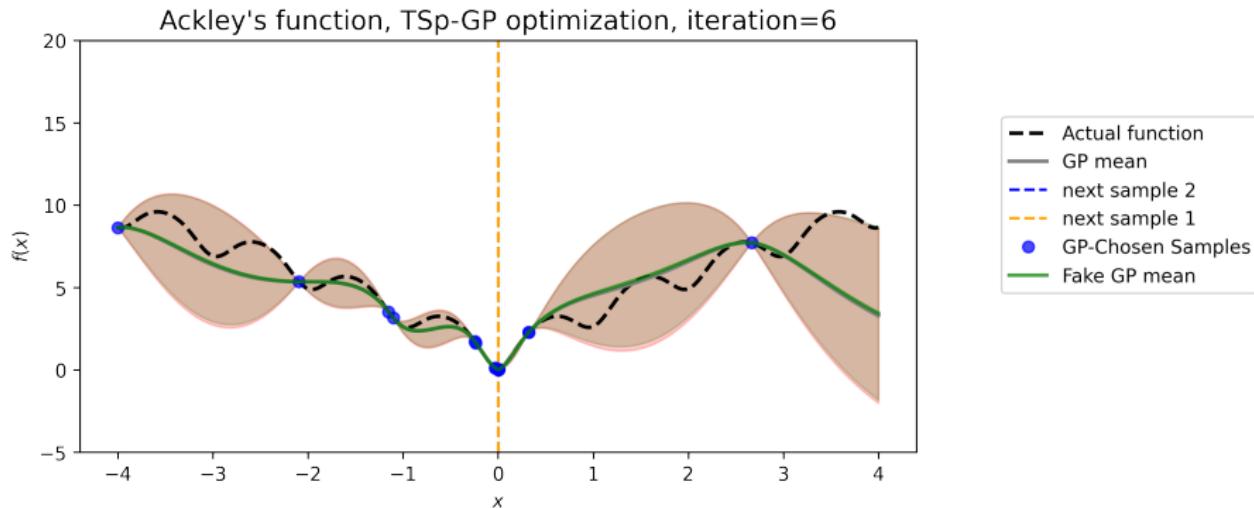


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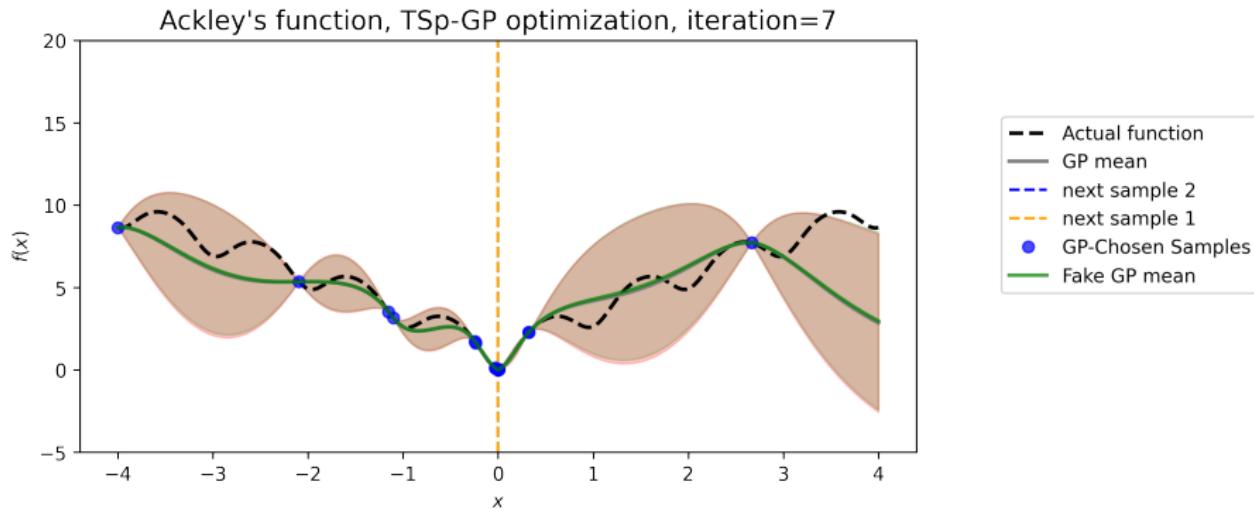


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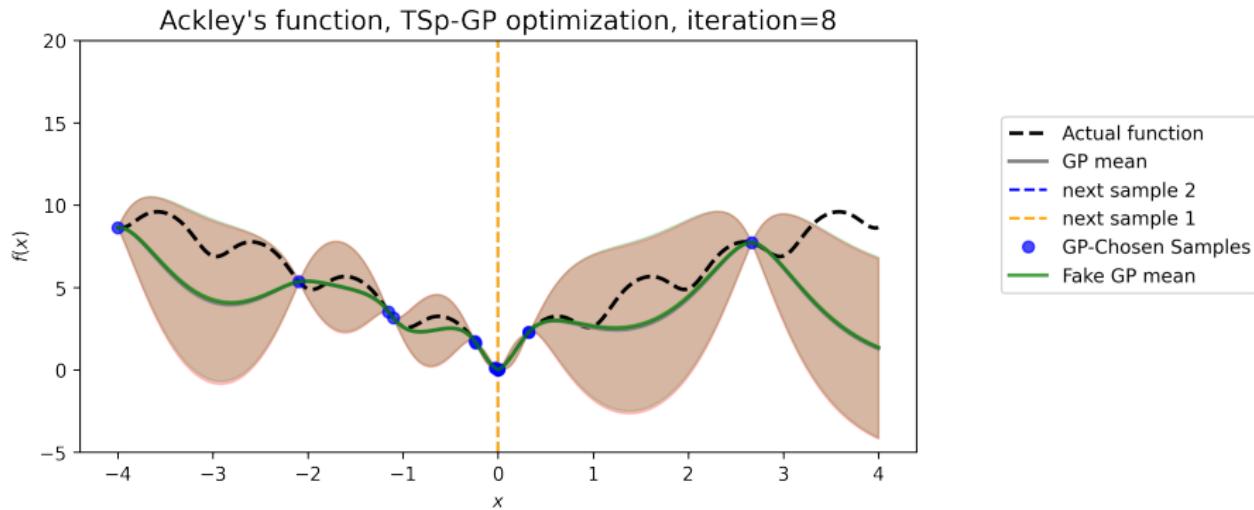


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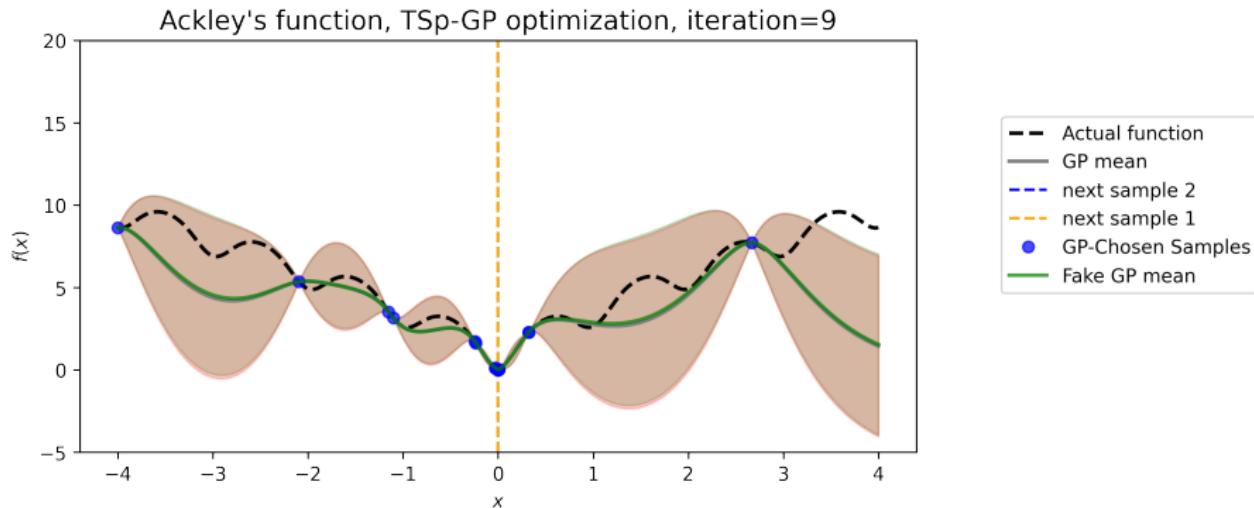


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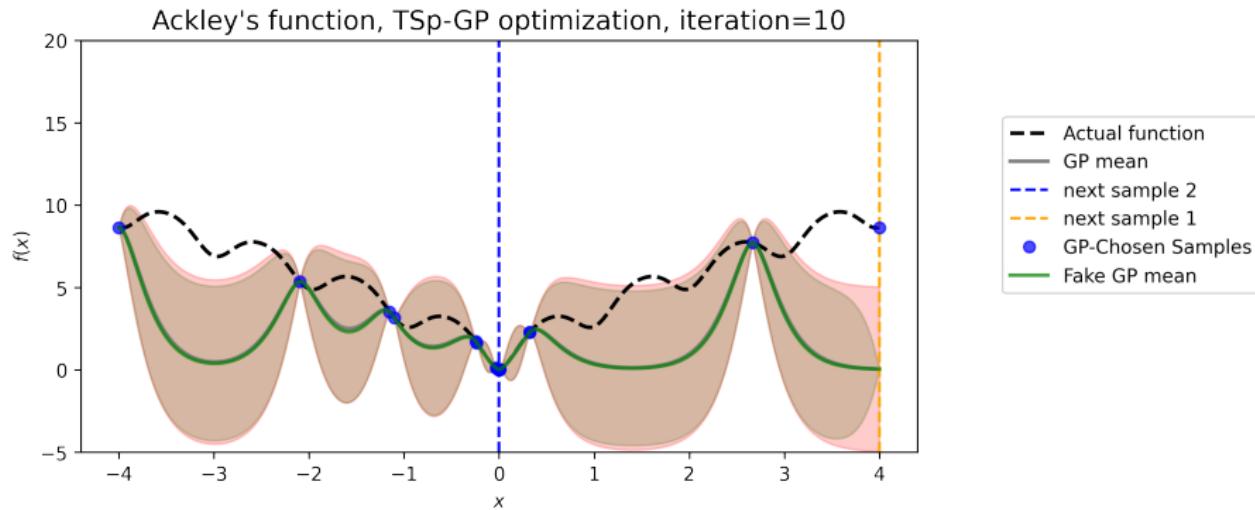


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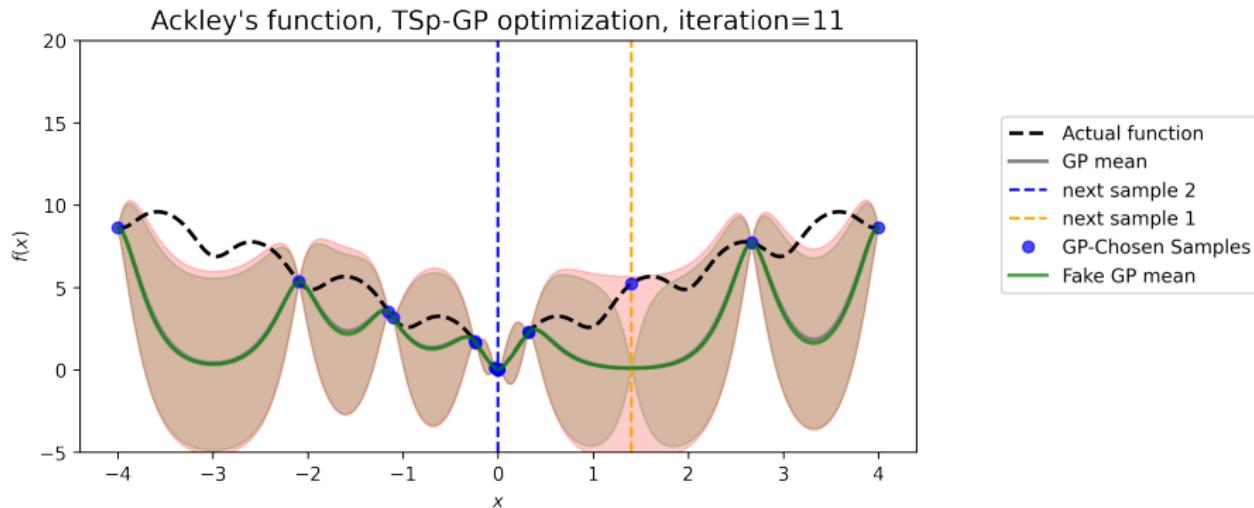


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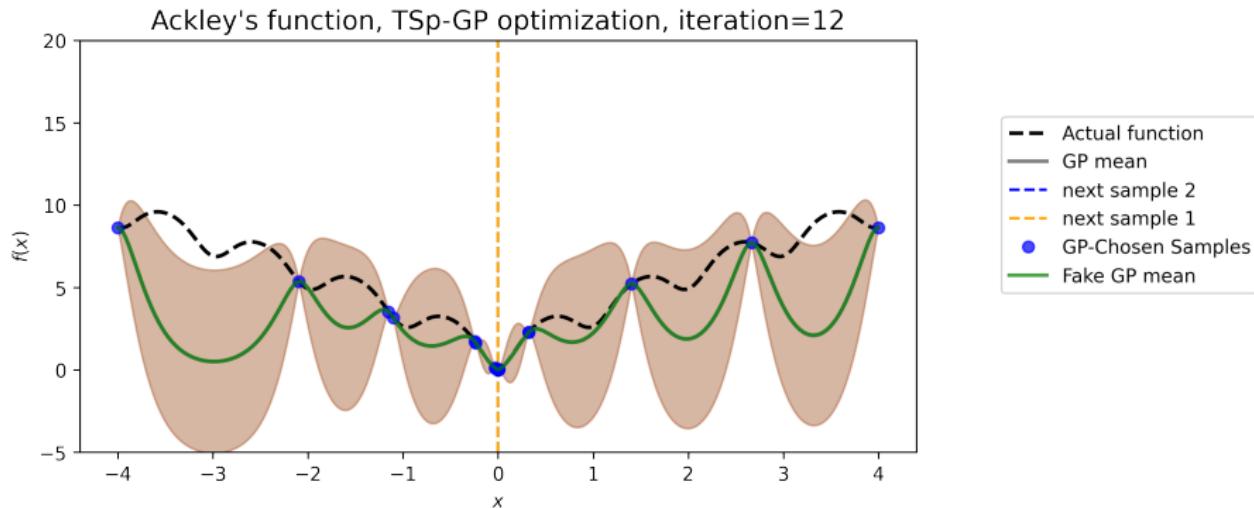


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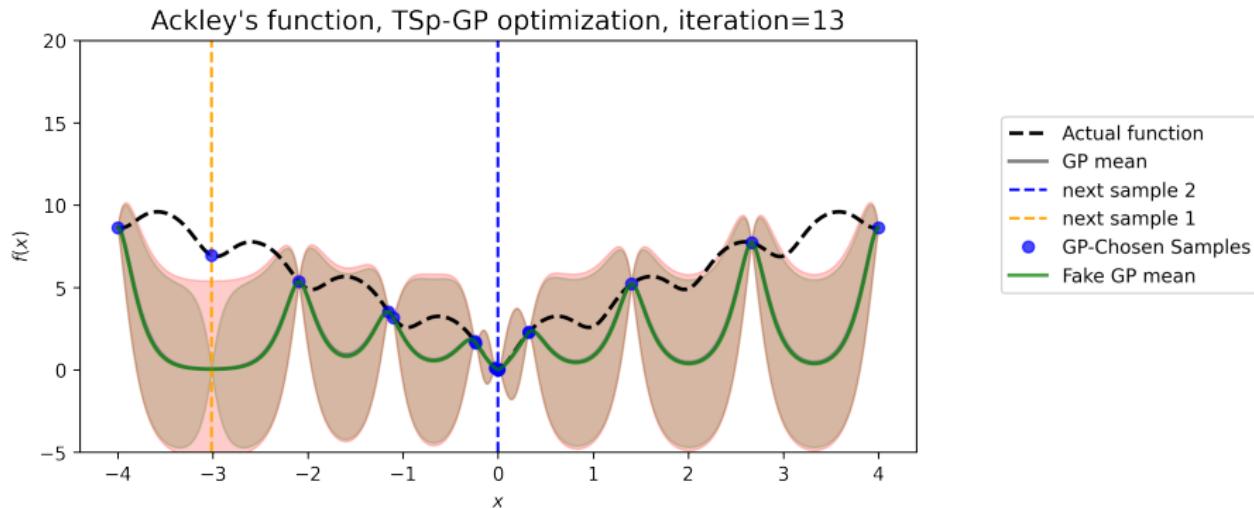


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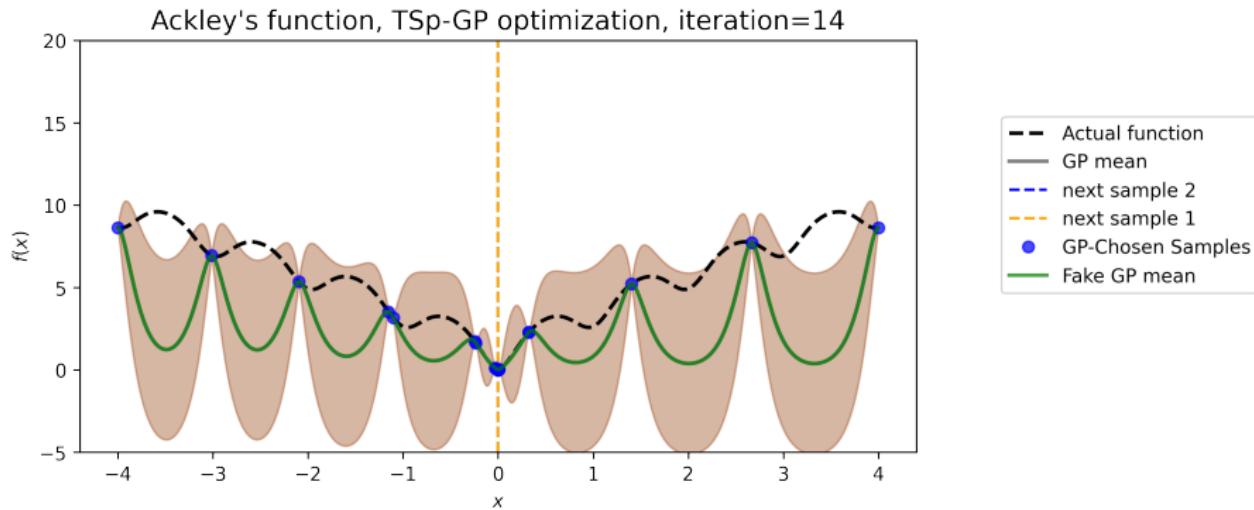


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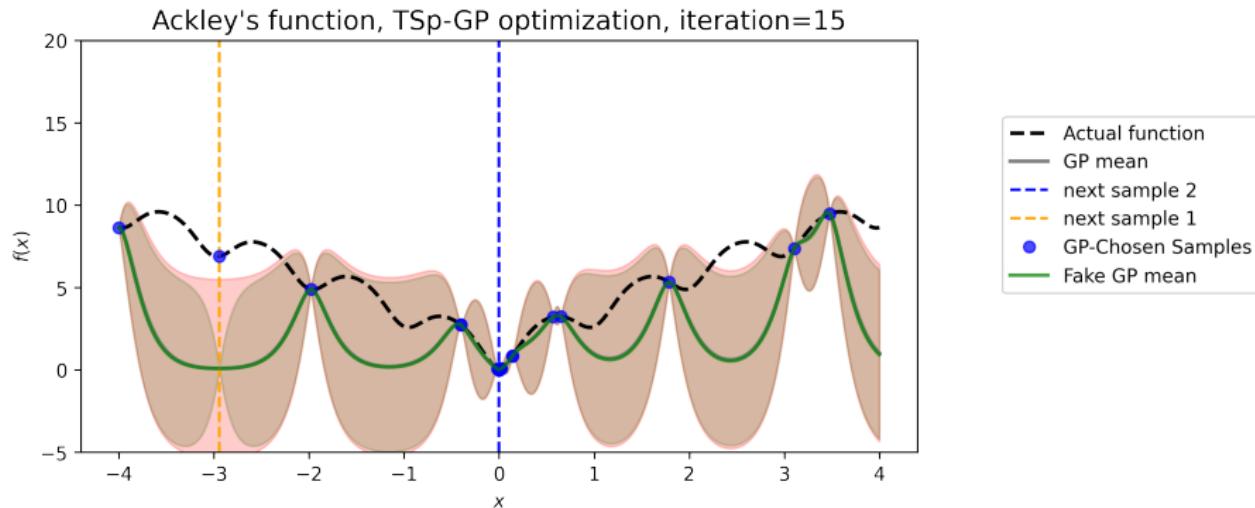


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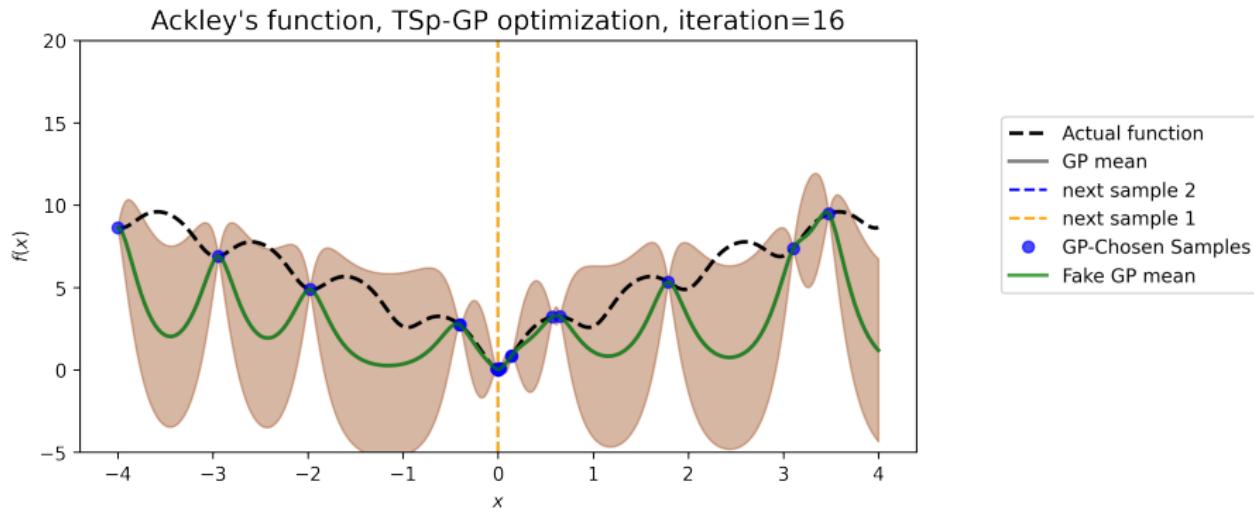


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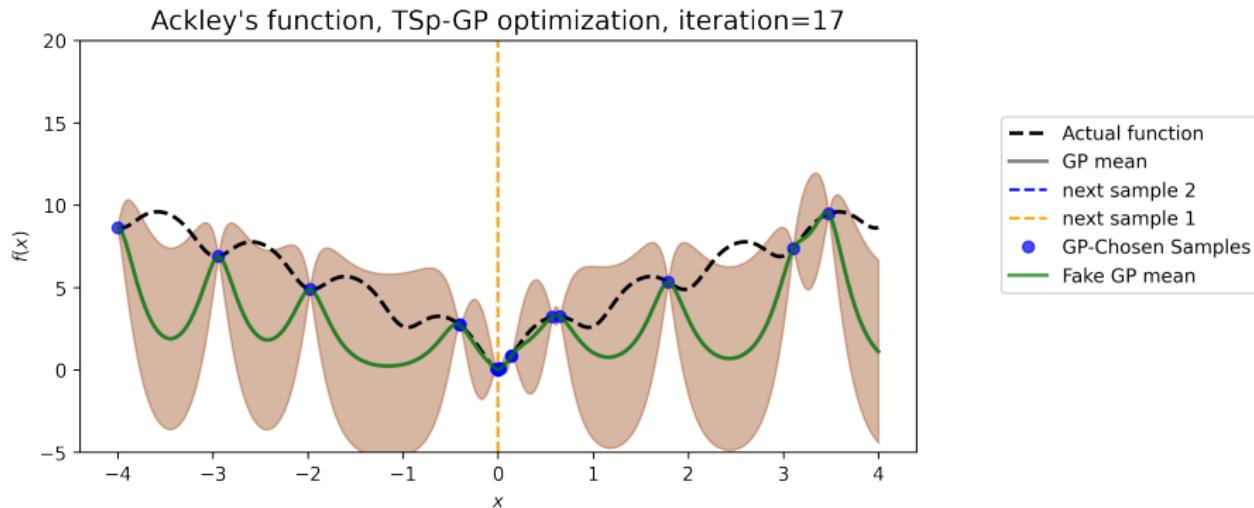


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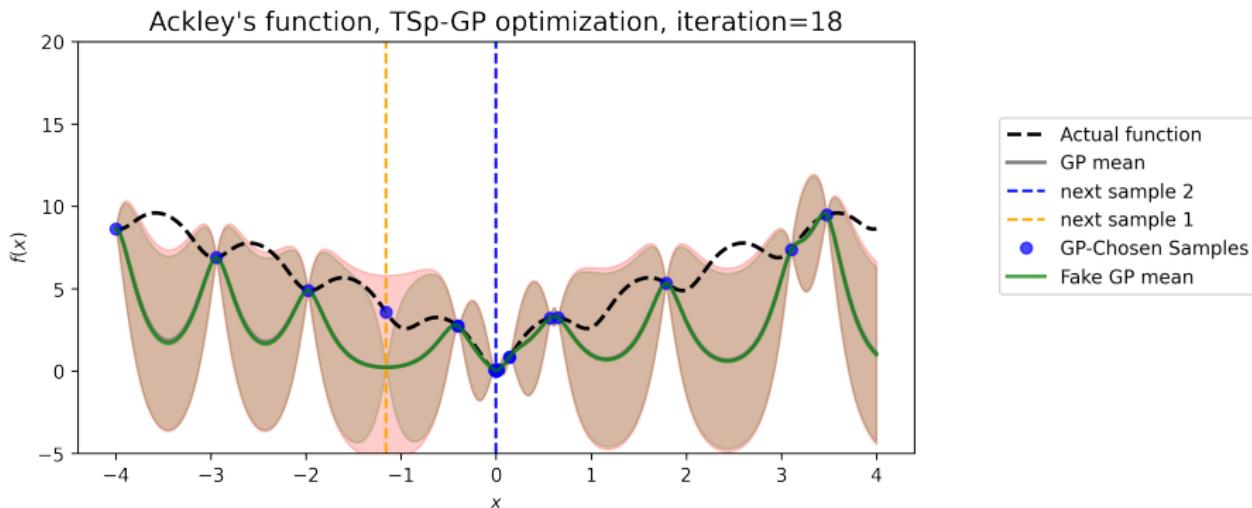


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Modified (q -EI)

The problem with the original formulation is that the q candidate sample points are similar for several iterations, making the surrogate GP and the fake GP almost identical. In [7], it is proposed:

$$H = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_q) : \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}, \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\| \geq r, \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}^\ell\| \geq r, i \neq j,$$

$$1 \leq i, j \leq q, 1 \leq \ell \leq t$$

The easiest way to include this modification is by penalising the acquisition function.



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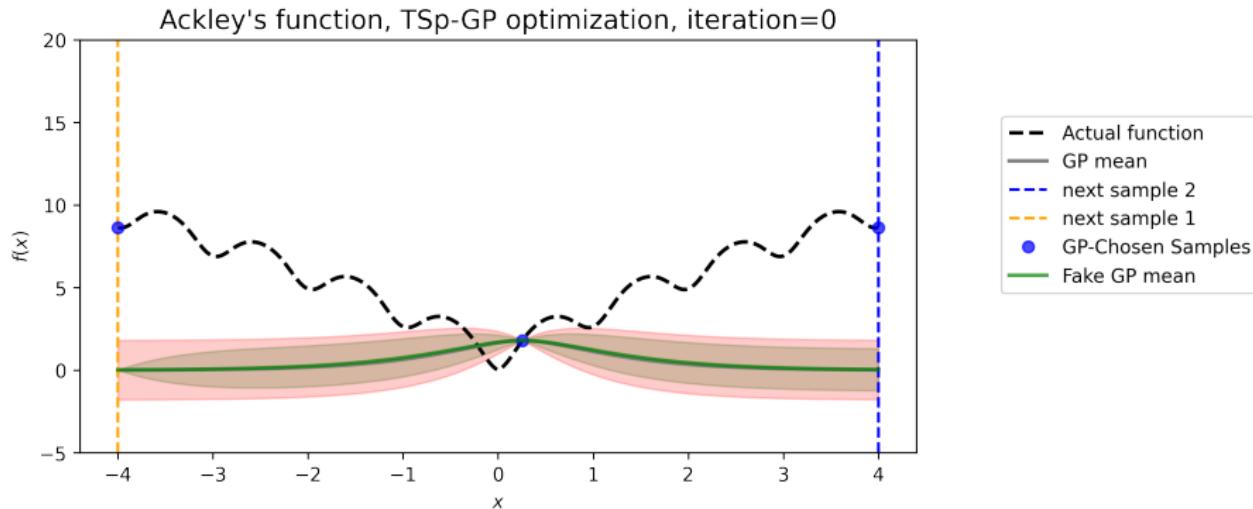


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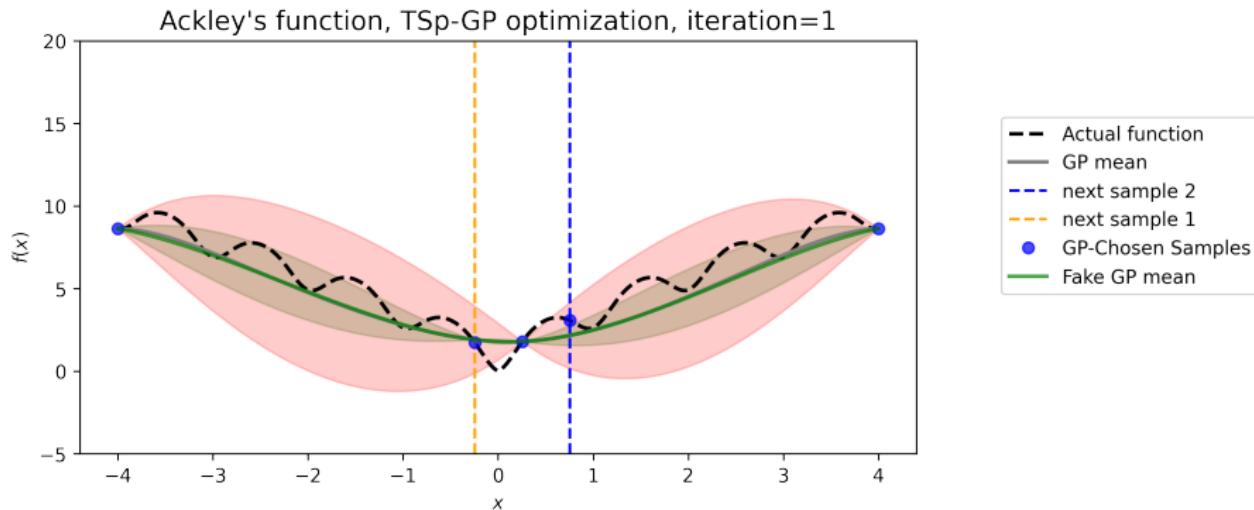


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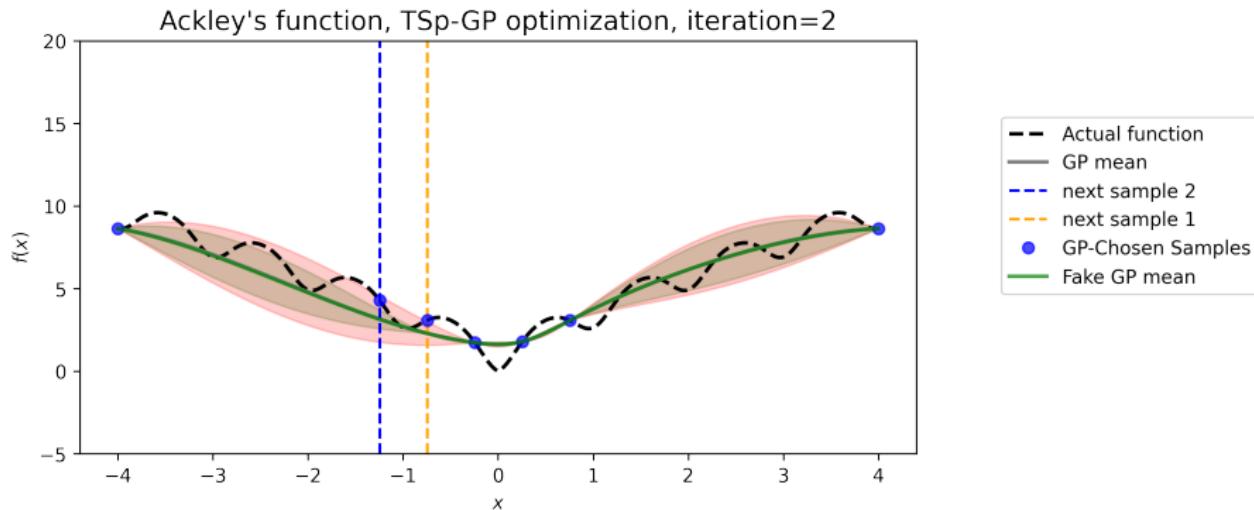


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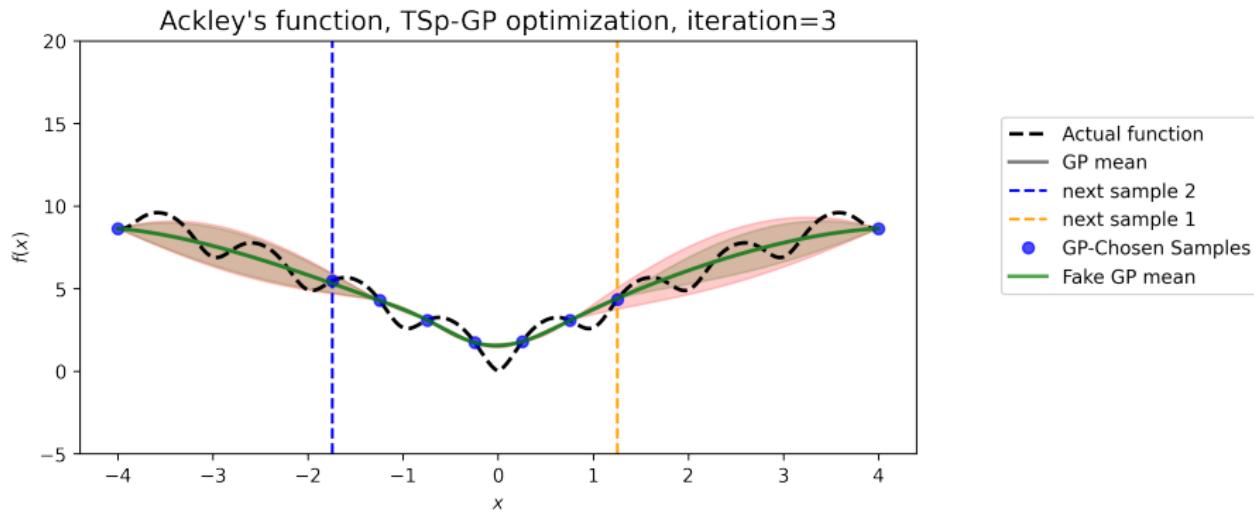


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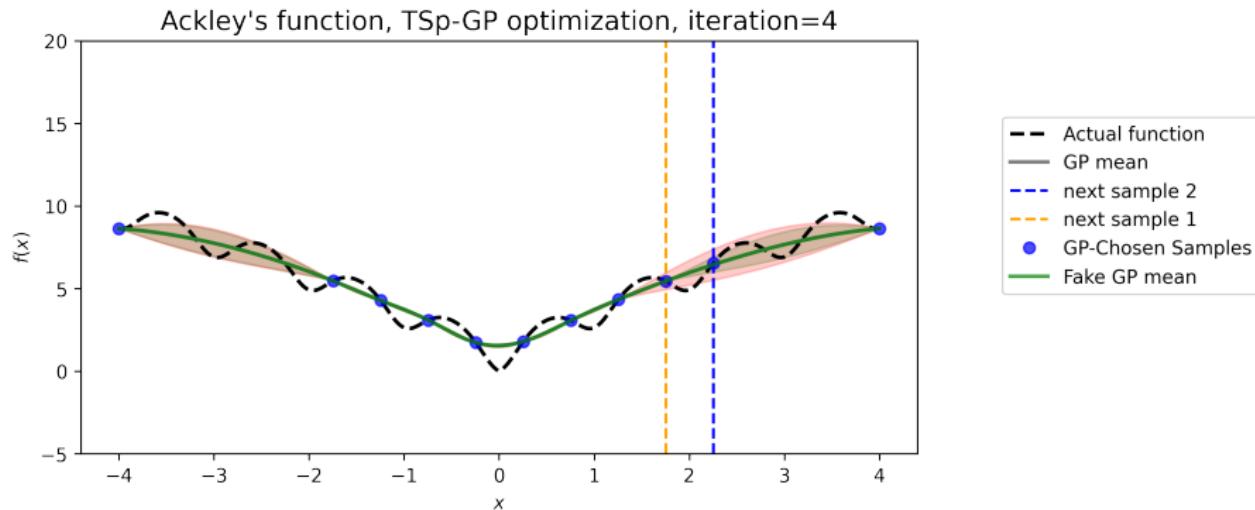


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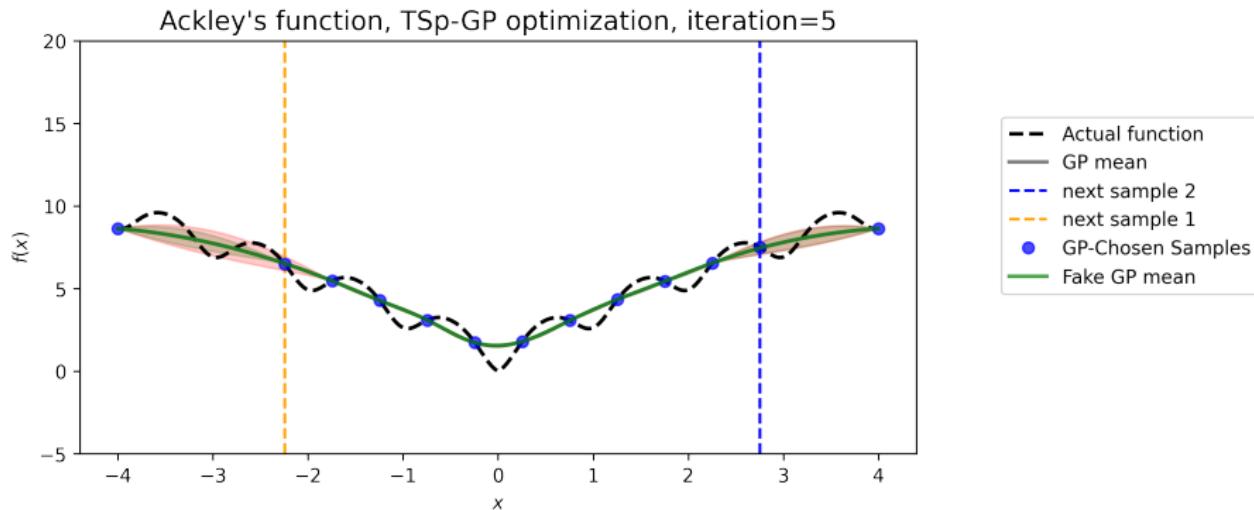


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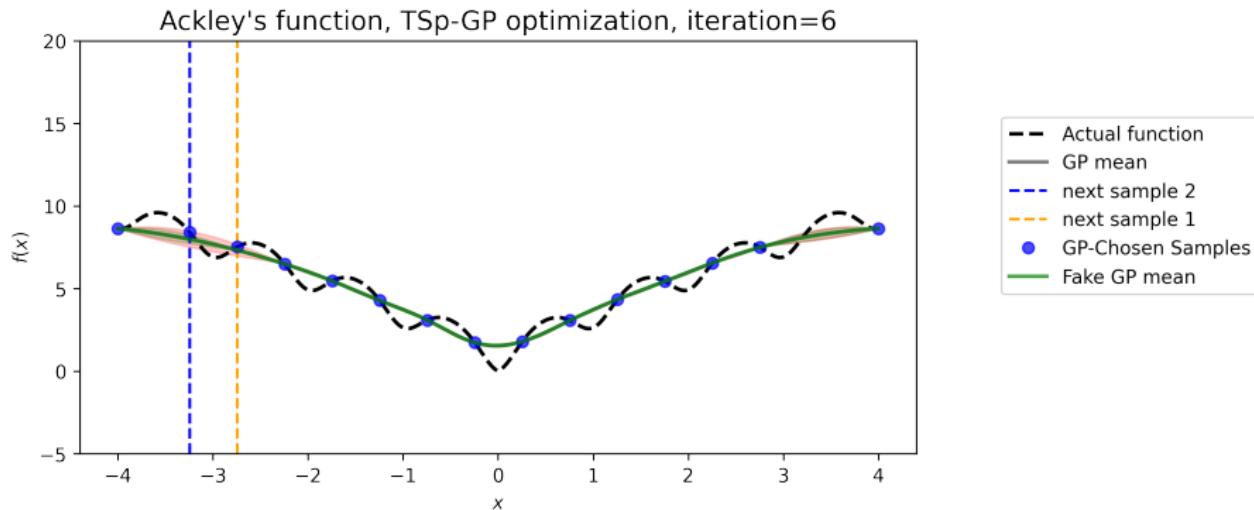


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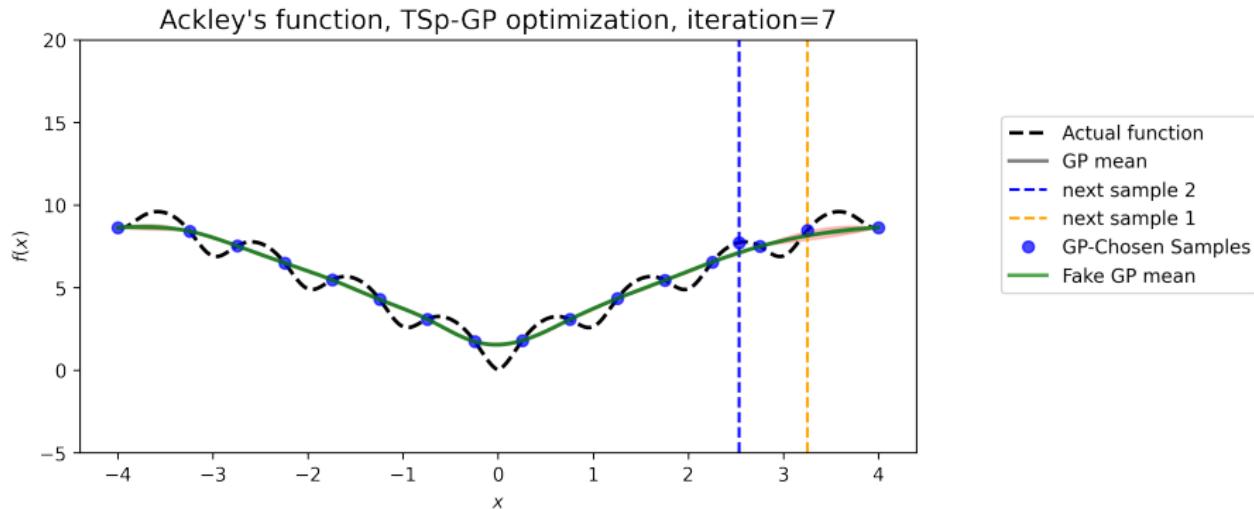


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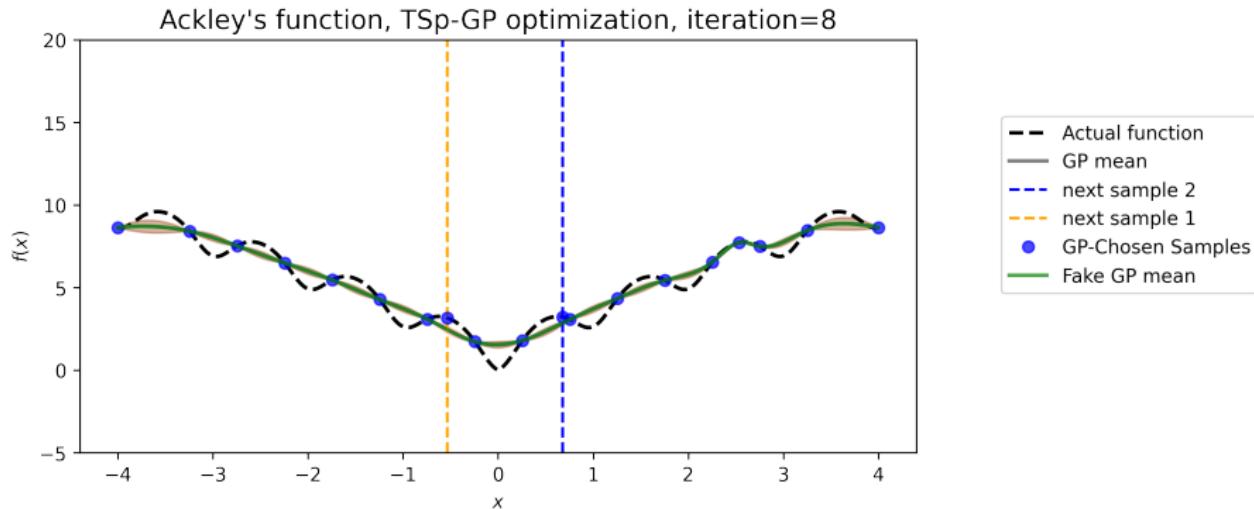


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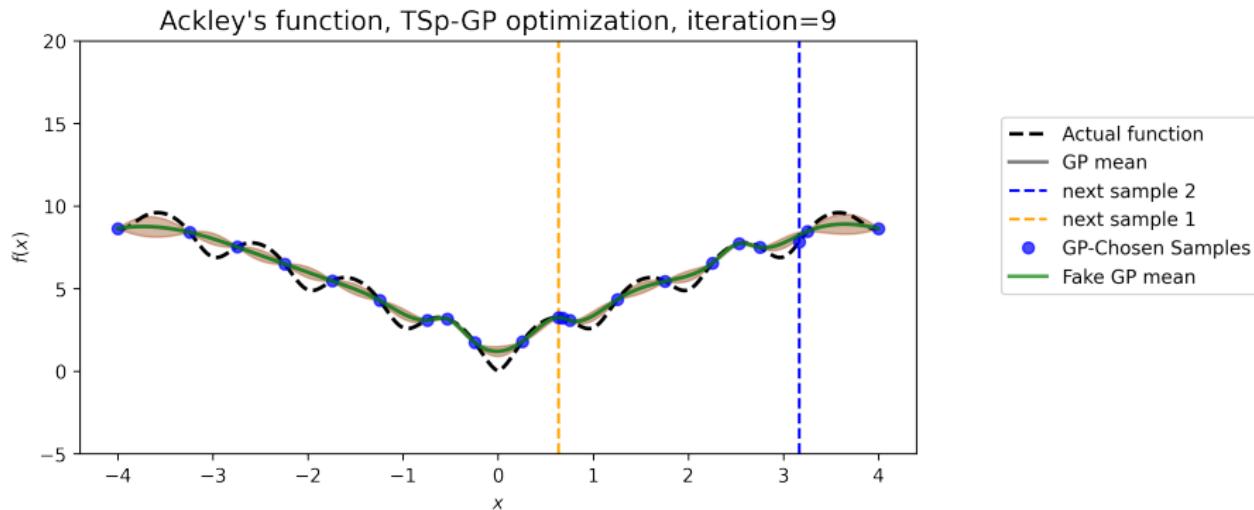


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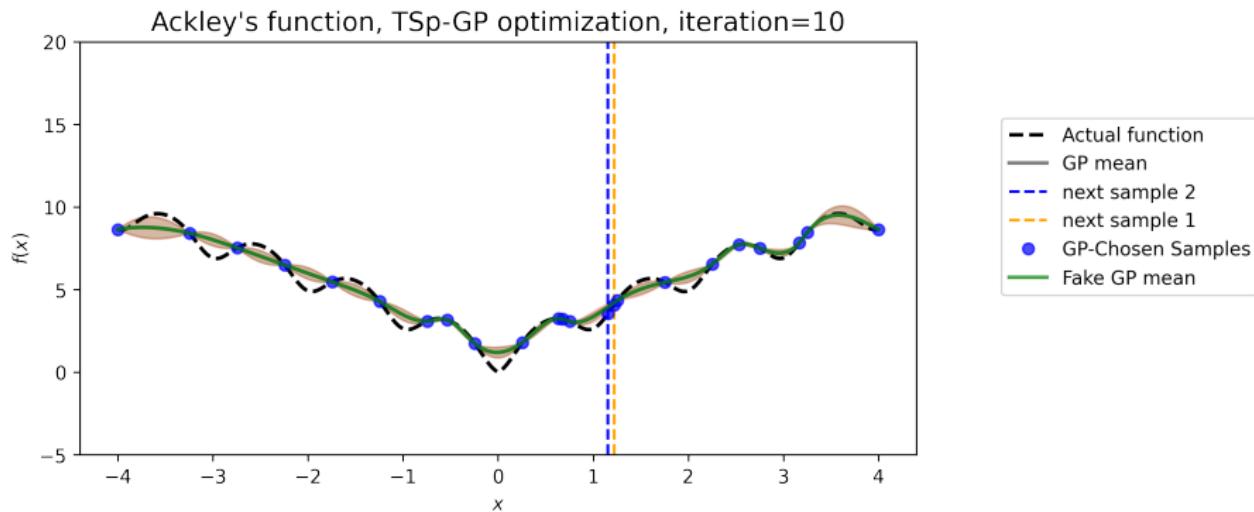


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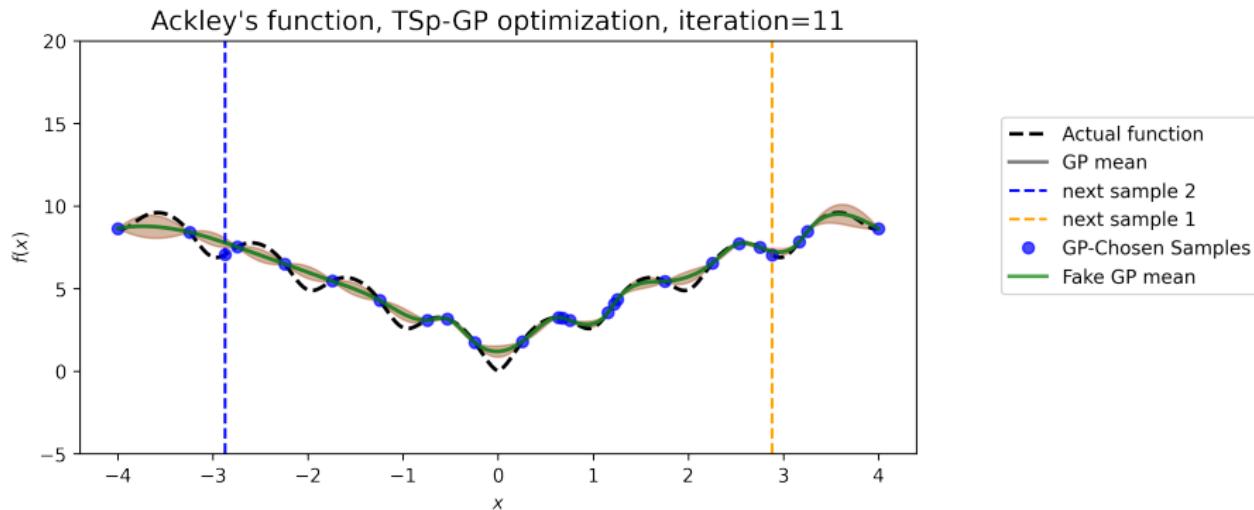


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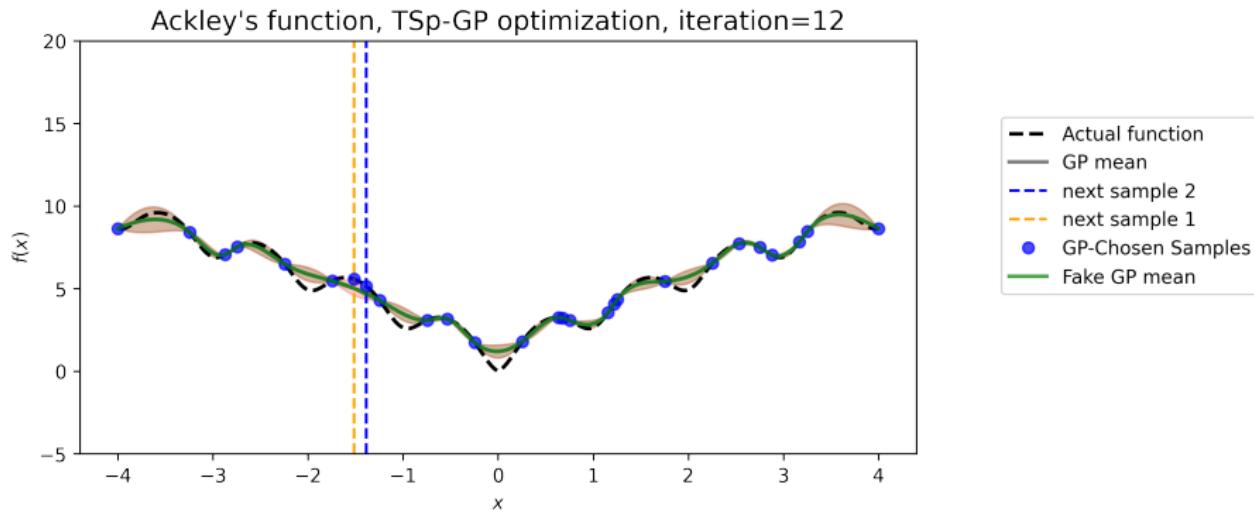


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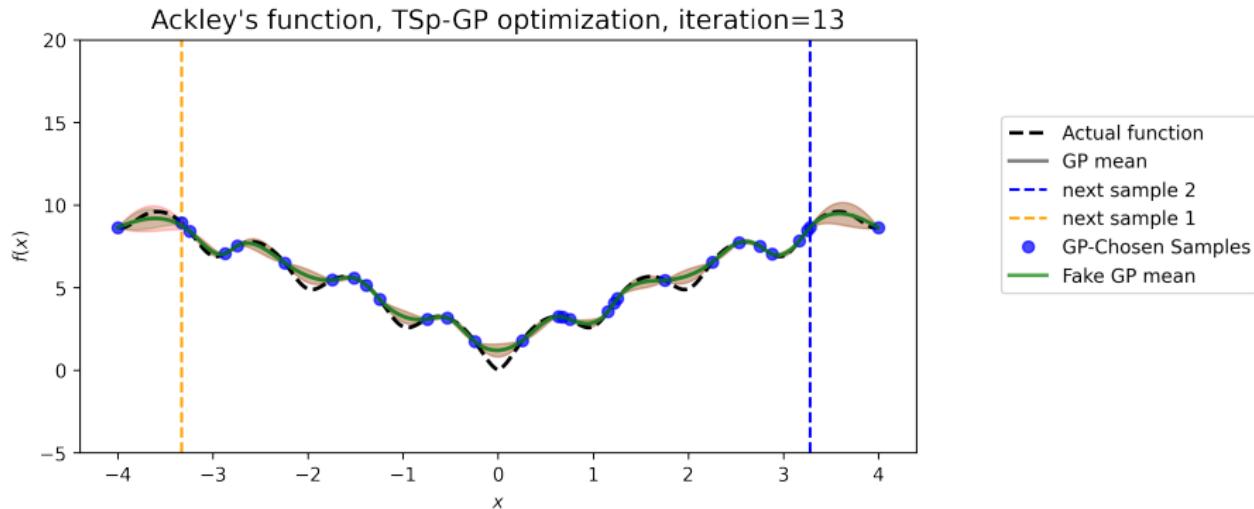


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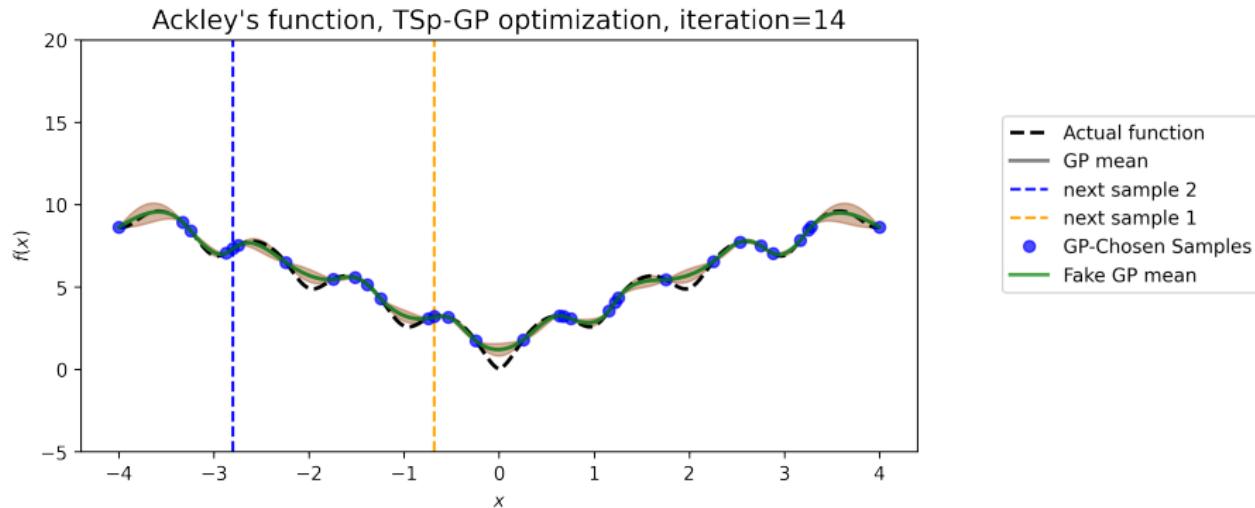


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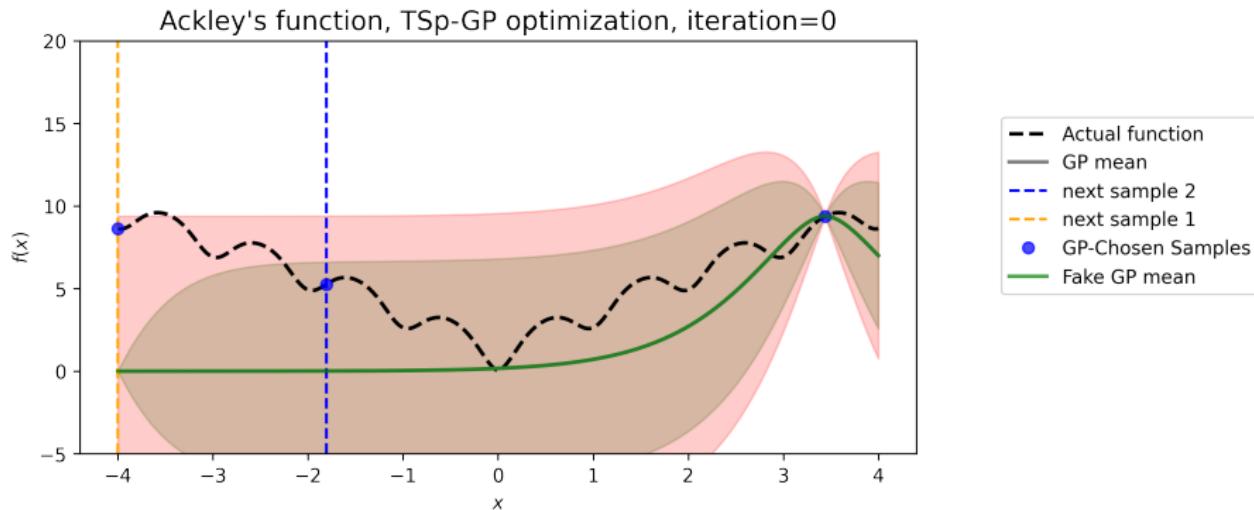


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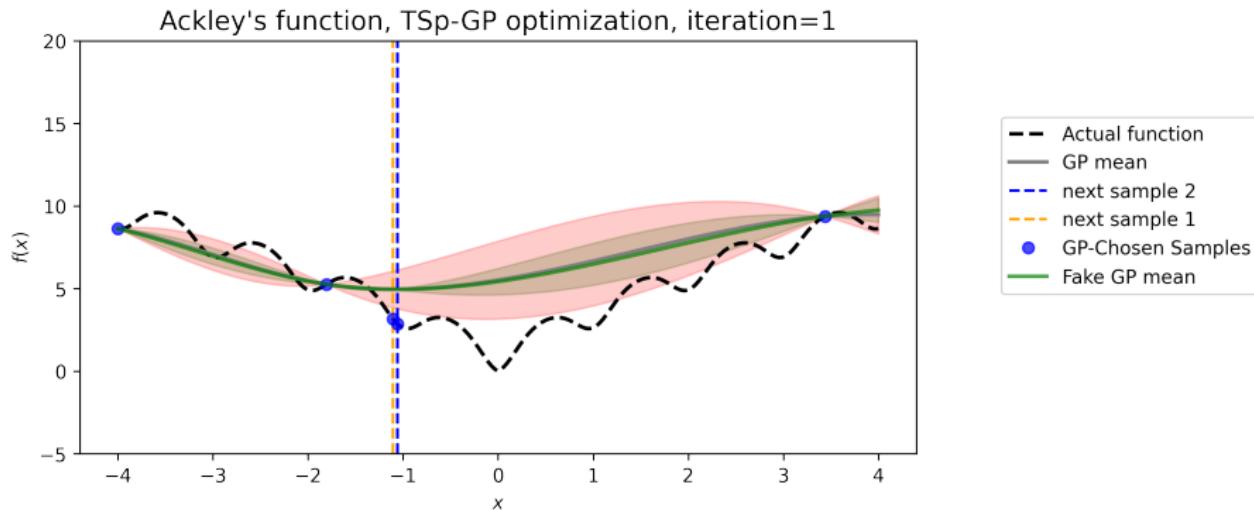


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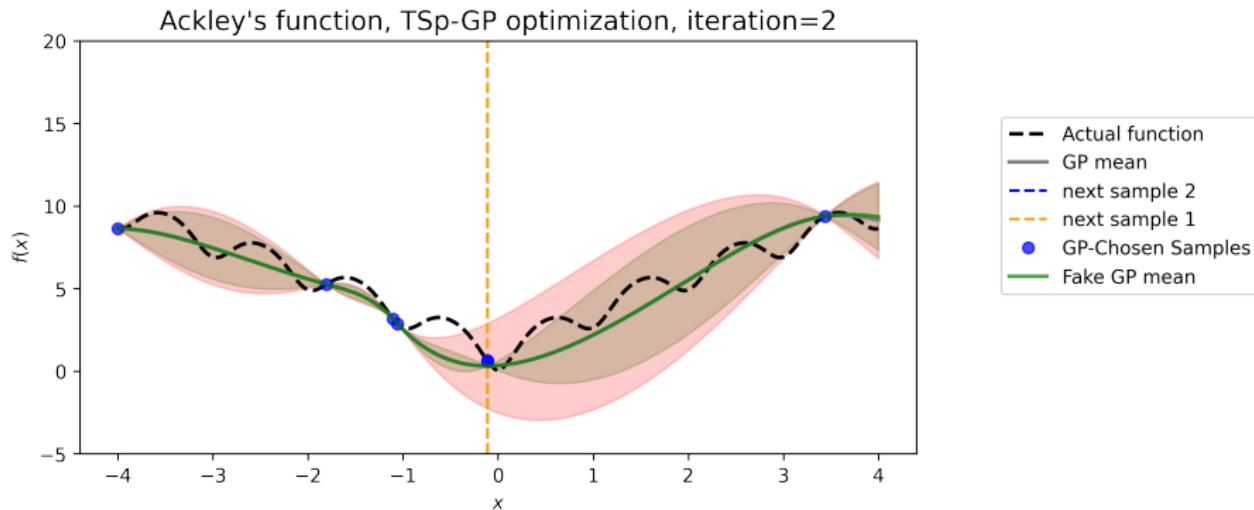


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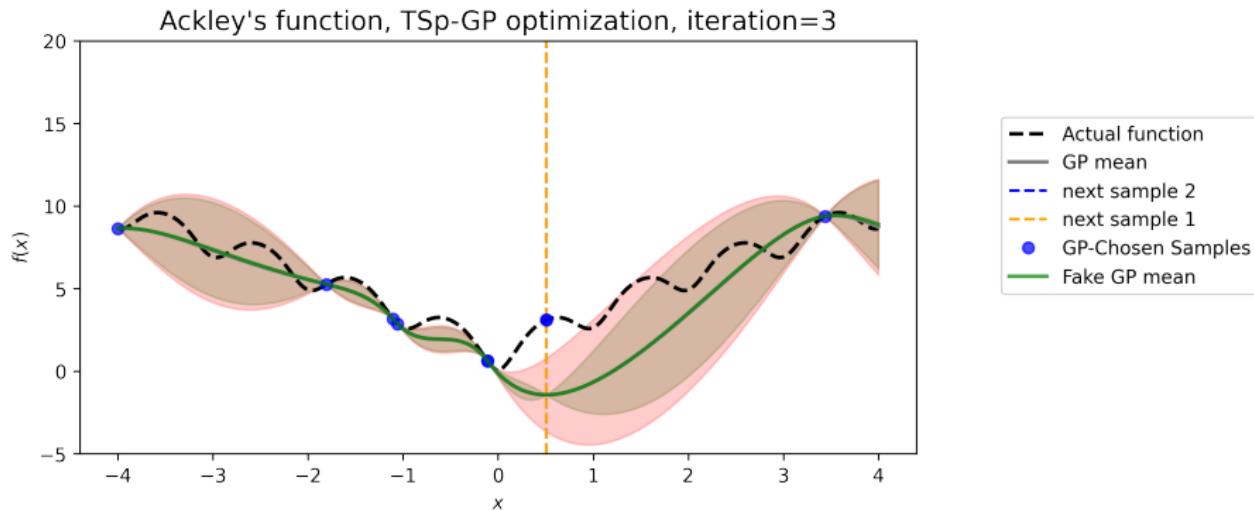


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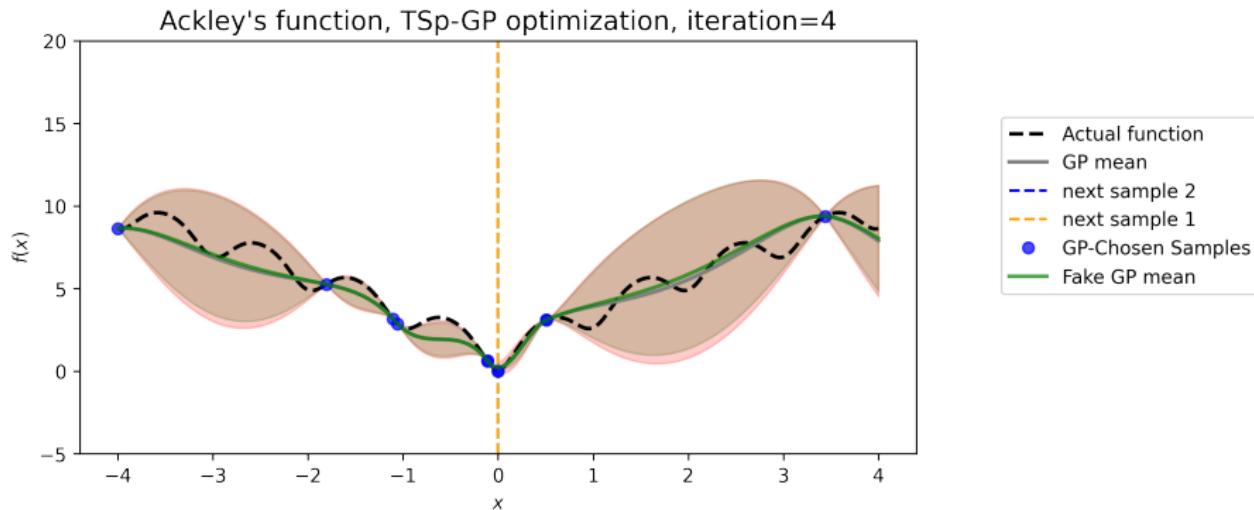


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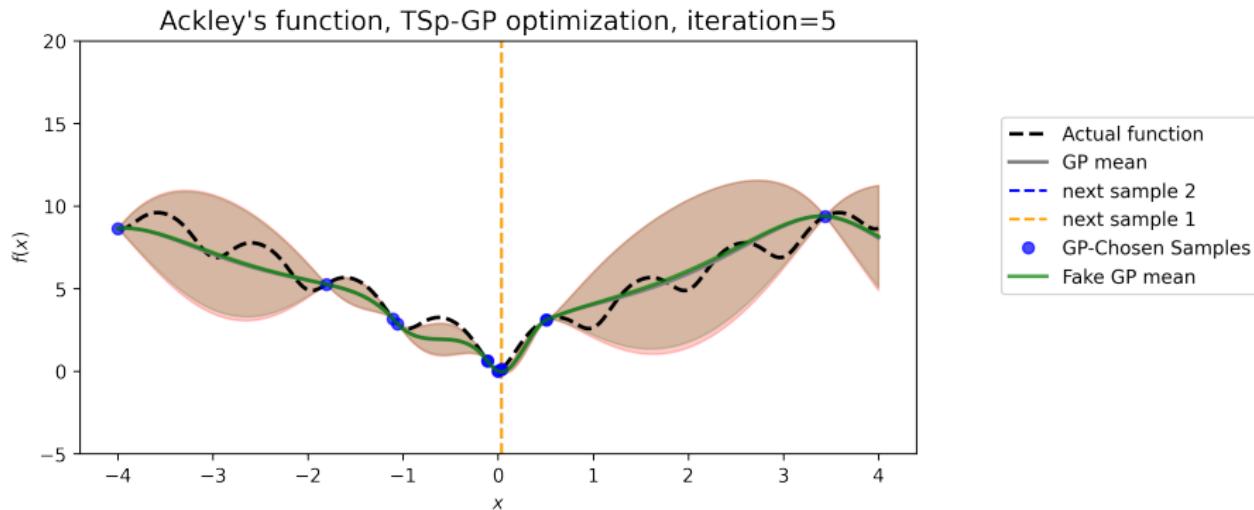


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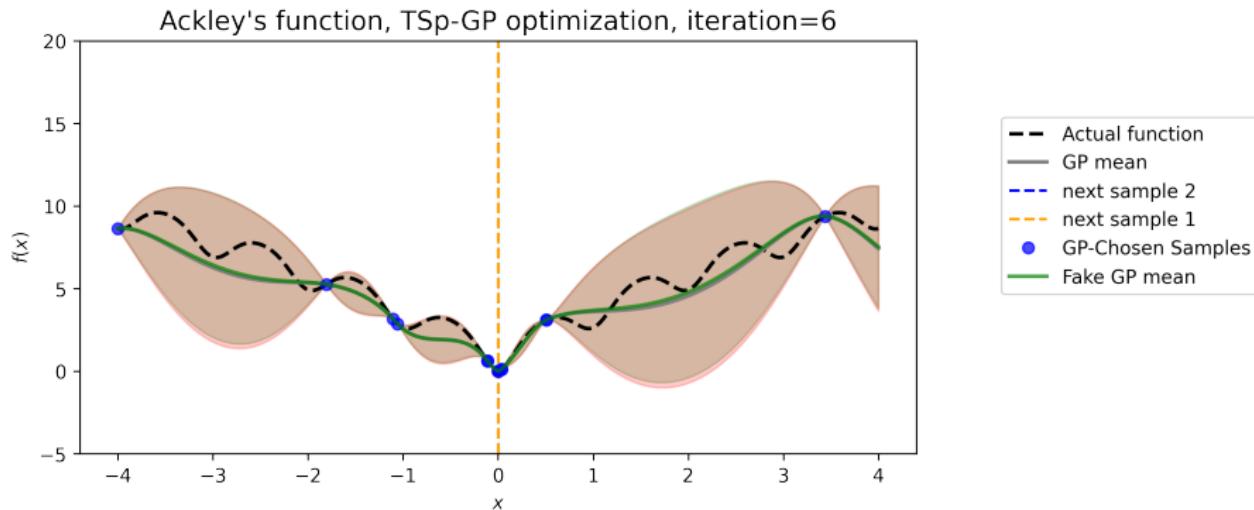


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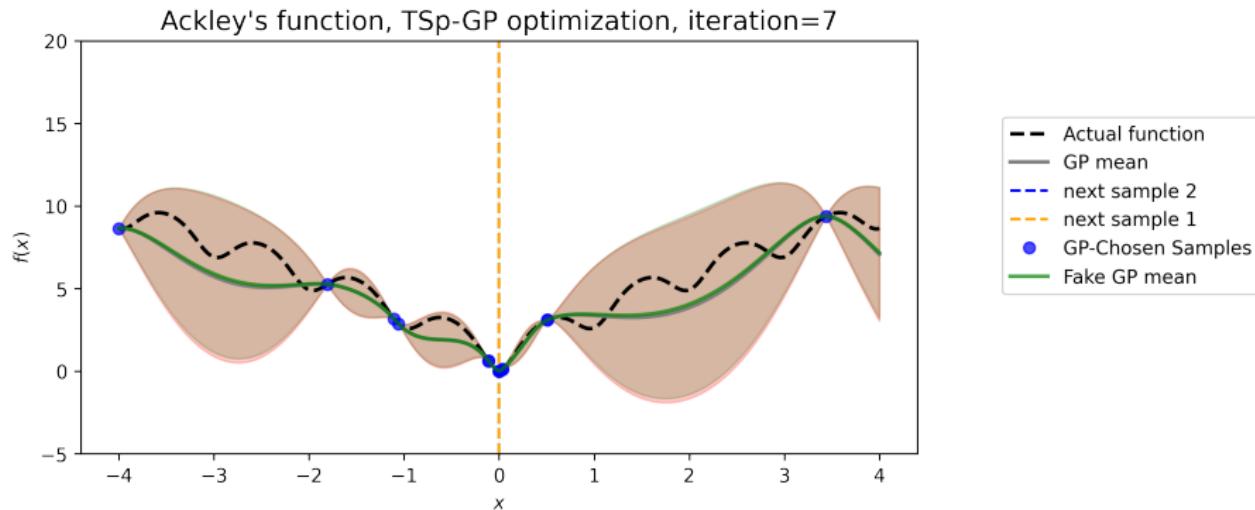


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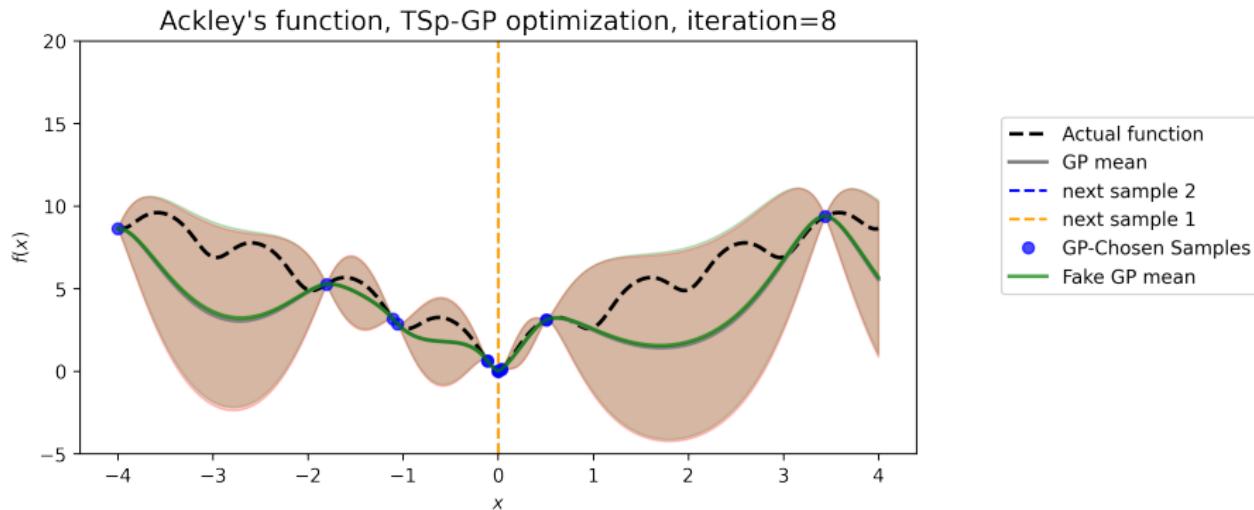


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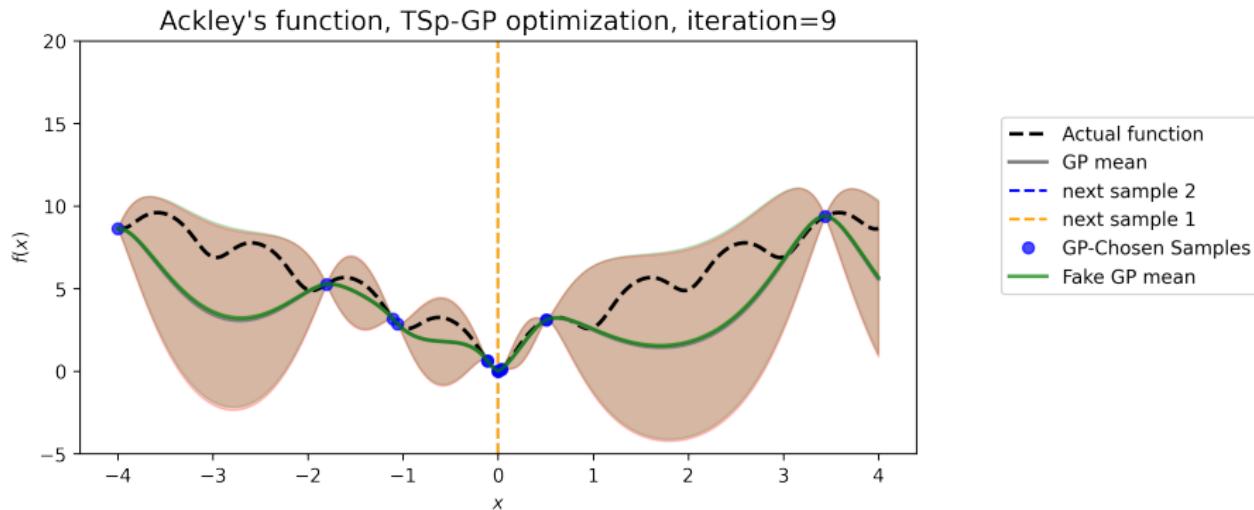


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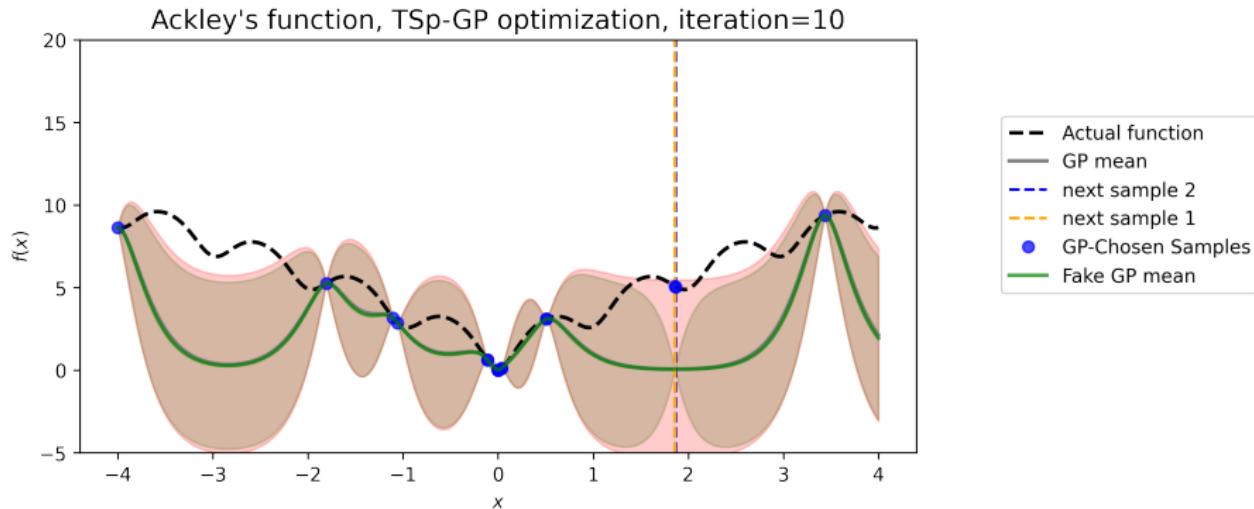


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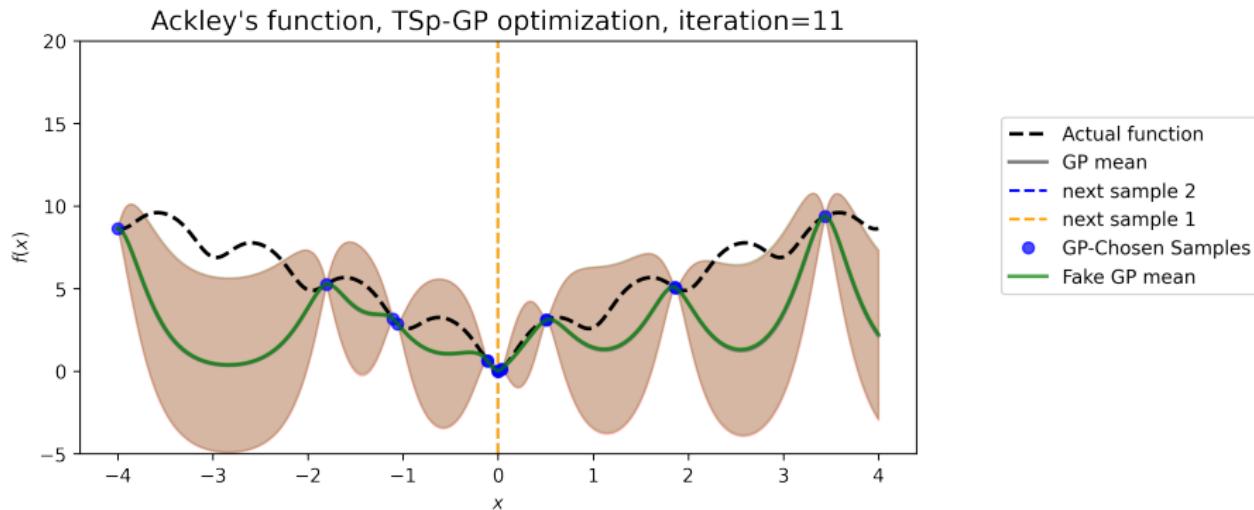


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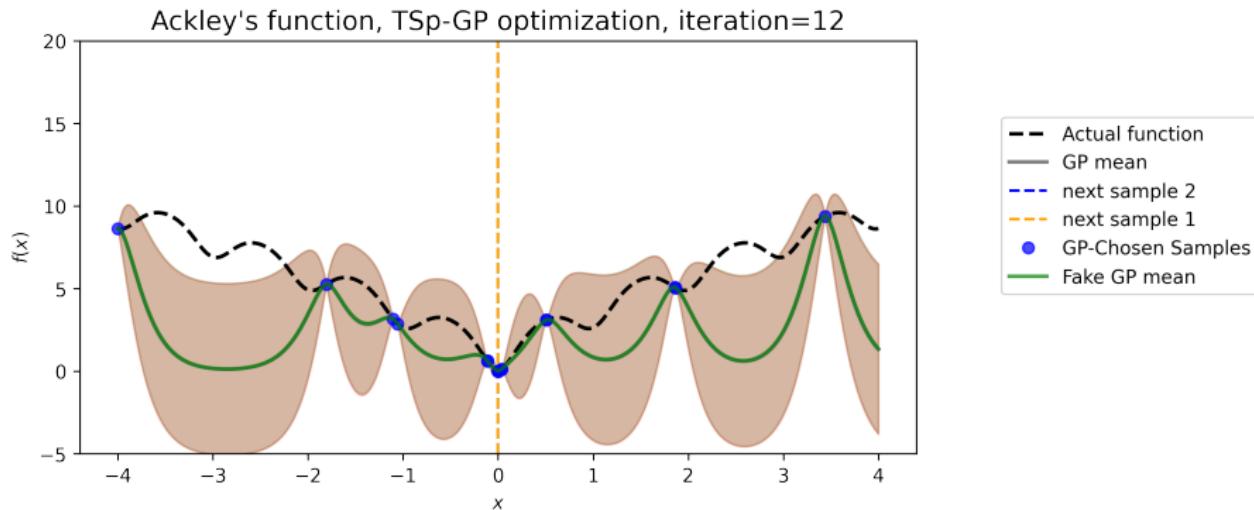


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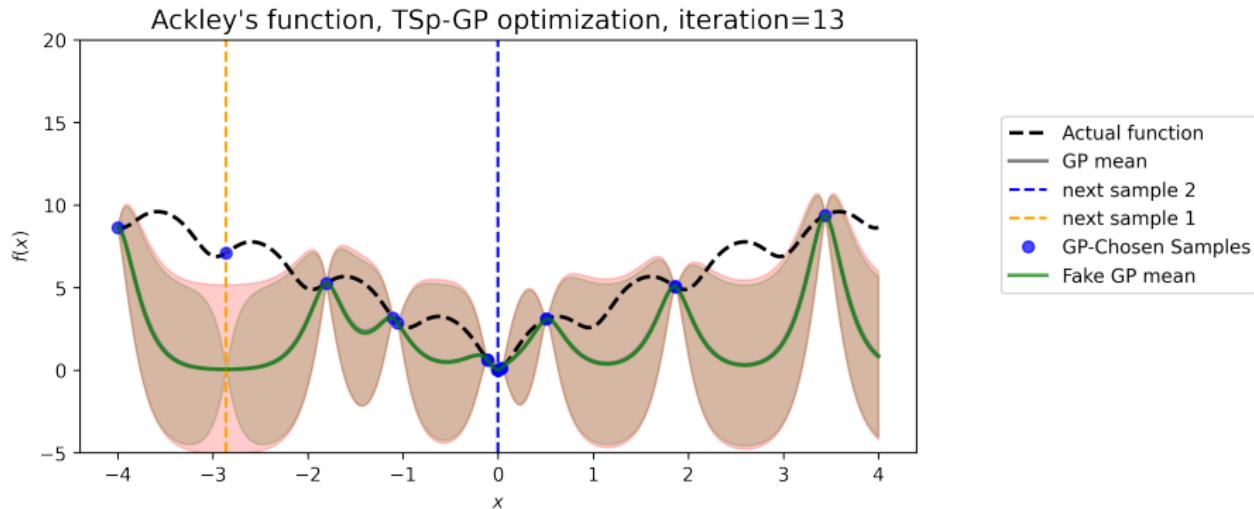


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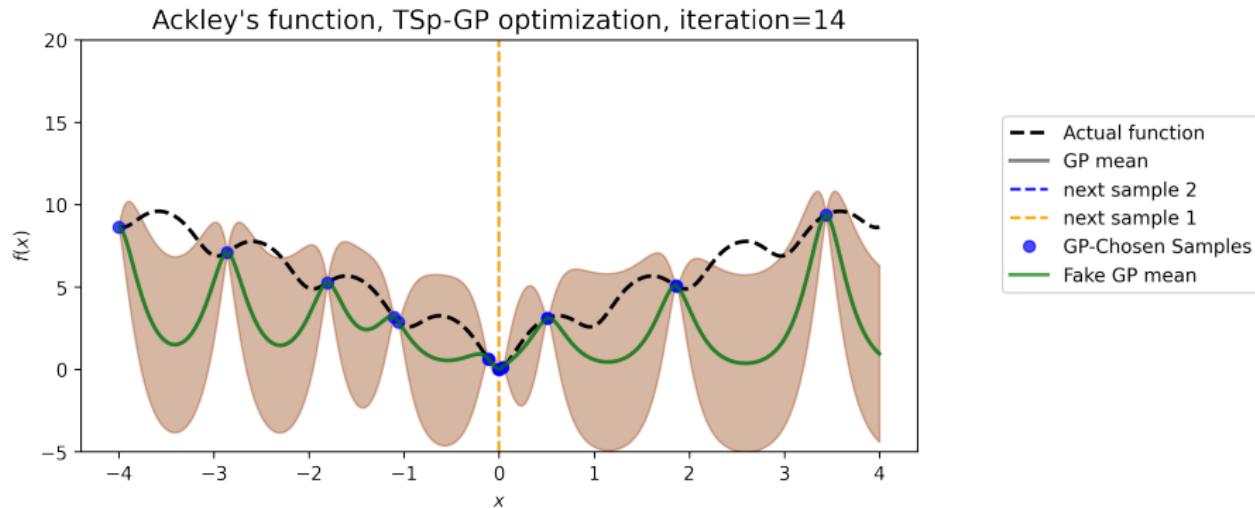


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Parallel q -EI

Parallel Bayesian Global Optimization of Expensive Functions*

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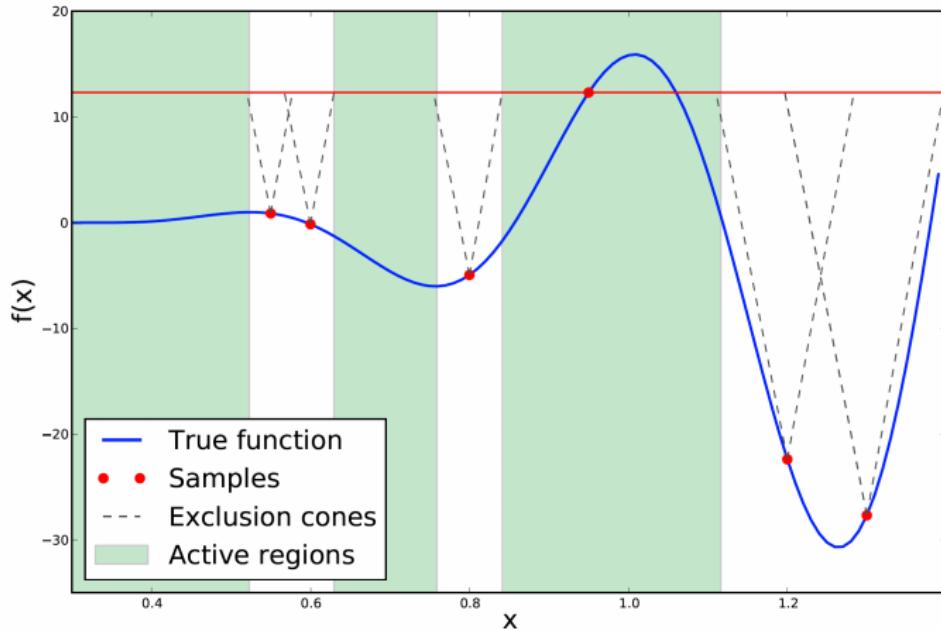
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Batch Bayesian Optimization via Local Penalisation

$$\mathbf{x}_{t,k} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ g(\alpha(\mathbf{x}; \mathcal{I}_{t,0})) \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \varphi(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_{t,j}) \right\}$$



Local Penalisation strategy

$g(z) = z$ if $\alpha(\mathbf{x})$ is positive, and $g(z) = \ln(1 + e^z)$ elsewhere. It is a differentiable transformation that keeps the objective strictly positive without changing the location of its extrema.
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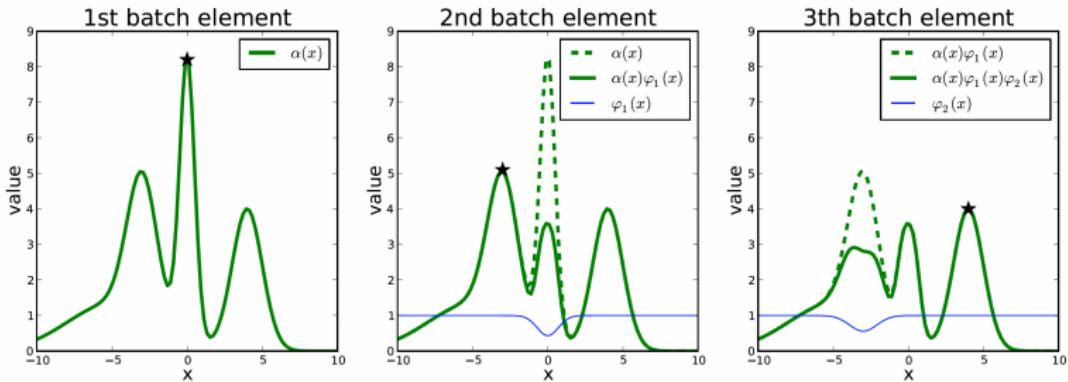


Figure: Penalised Acquisition function. Image taken from [5]

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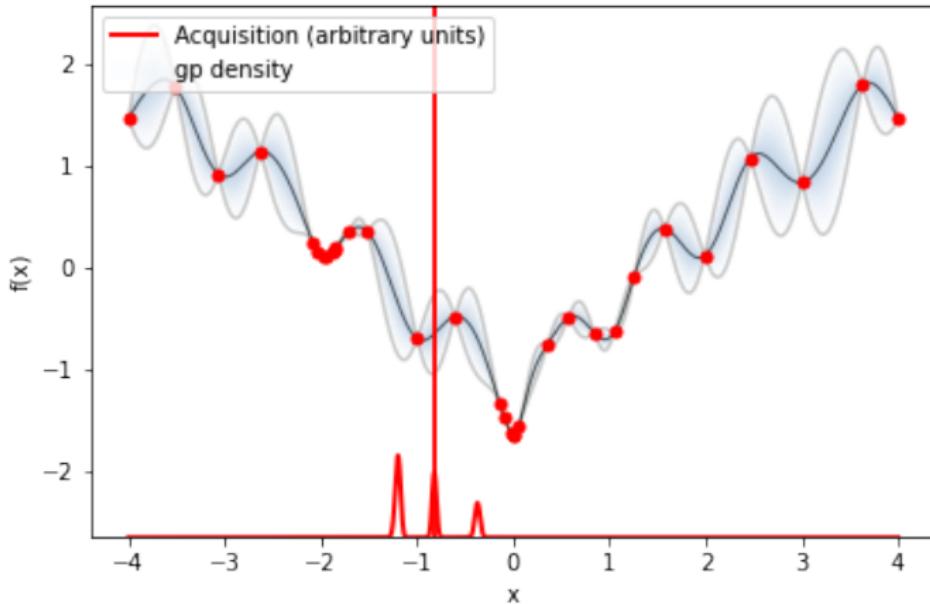


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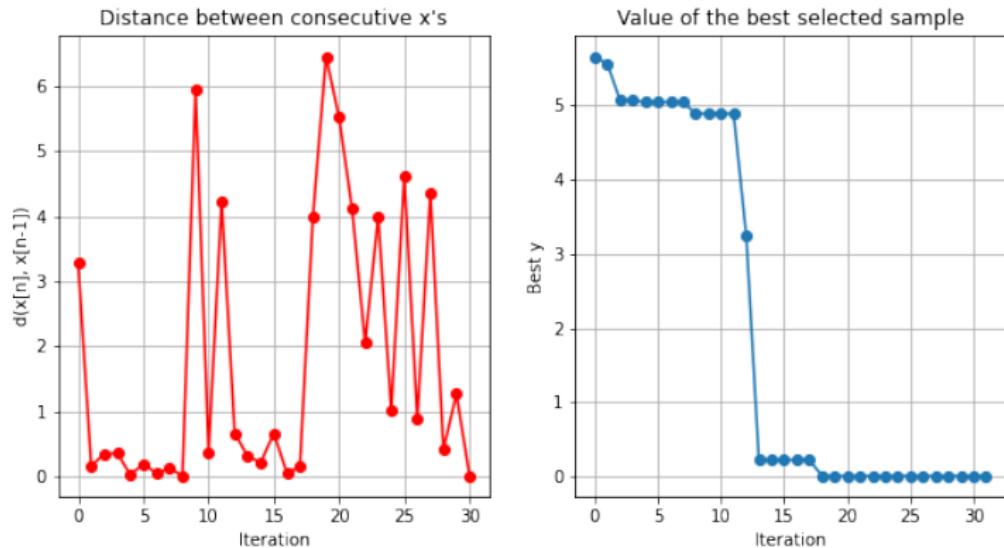


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Hypervolume Improvement

$$\text{HVI}(\mathbf{y}, \mathcal{P}) = HV(\mathcal{P} \cup \{\mathbf{y}\}) - HV(\mathcal{P})$$

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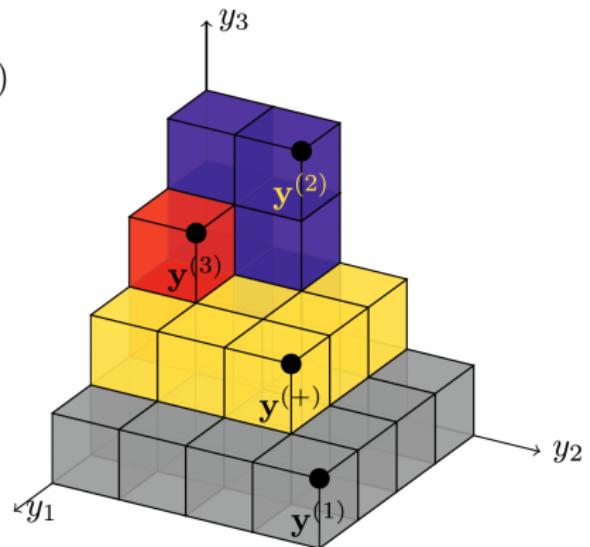
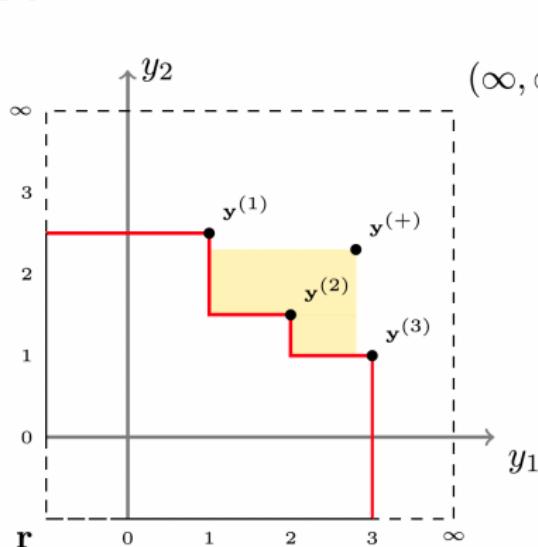


Fig. 1 The left and right figures illustrate *Hypervolume Improvement* in a 2-D and a 3-D example, respectively

Expected Hypervolume Improvement

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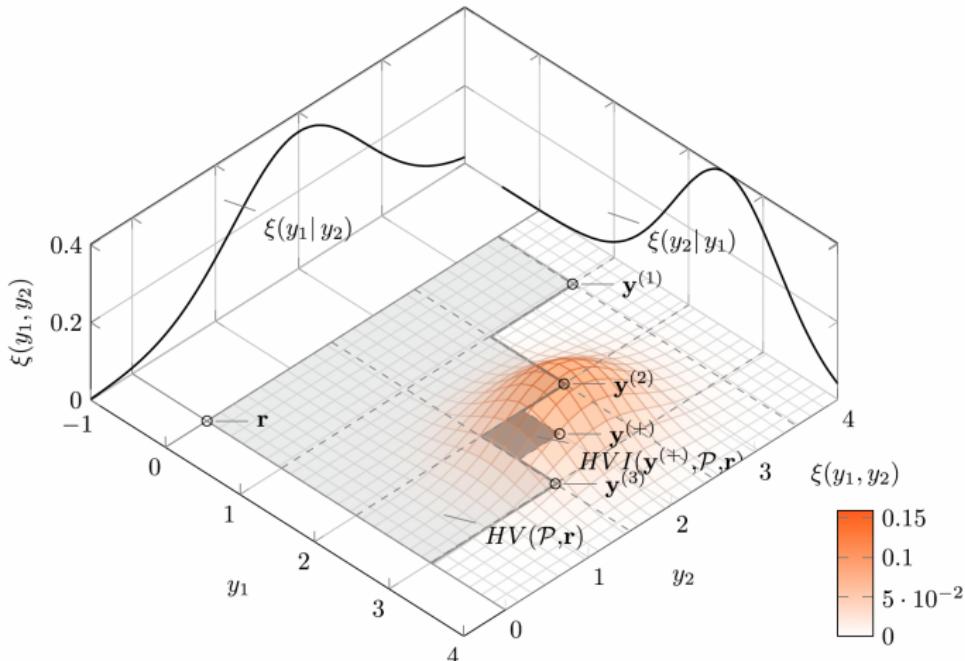
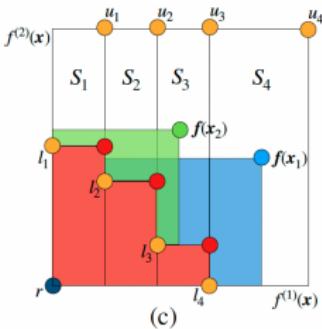
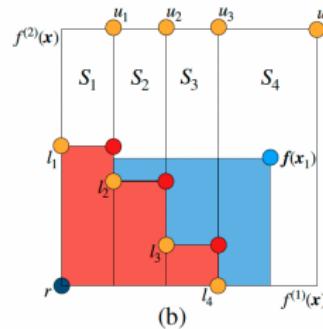
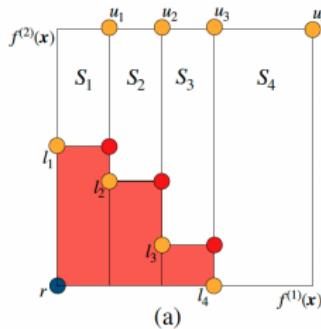
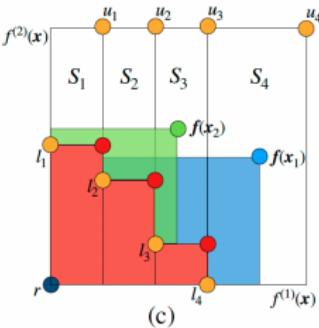
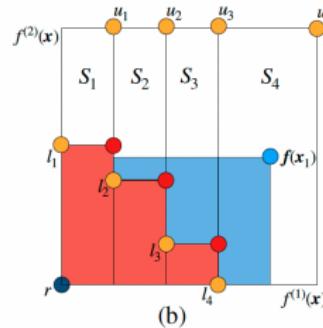
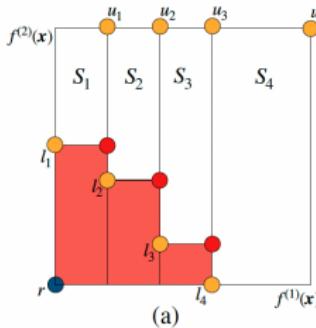


Fig. 2 Expected hypervolume improvement in 2-D (cf. Example 2)

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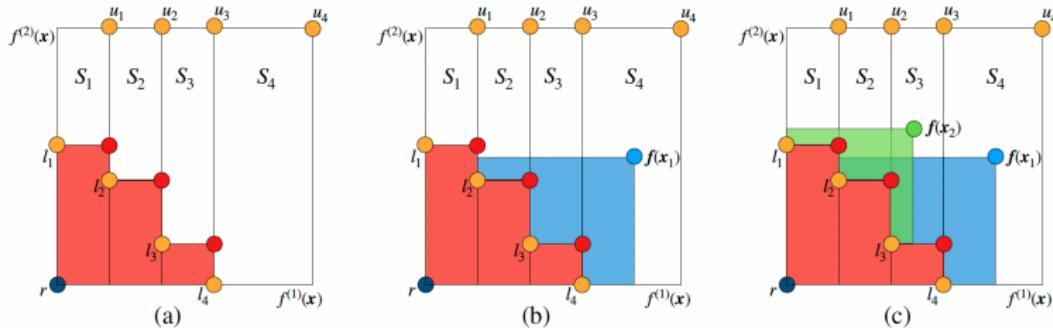


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Given posterior samples, the computational complexity of estimating $q\text{EHVI}$ is $O(MNK(2^q - 1))$. But, The number of boxes required for a decomposition of the non-dominated space is unknown for $M \geq 4$ [3].

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 and update the GPs.



Example of MOBO using q EHVI algorithm

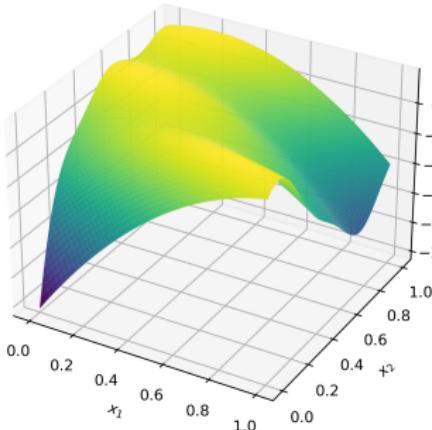
Branin-Currin test function. The two objectives are

$$f^{(1)}(x_1', x_2') = (x_2' - \frac{5.1}{4\pi^2}(x_1')^2 + \frac{5}{\pi}x_1' - r)^2 + 10(1 - \frac{1}{8\pi})\cos(x_1') + 10$$

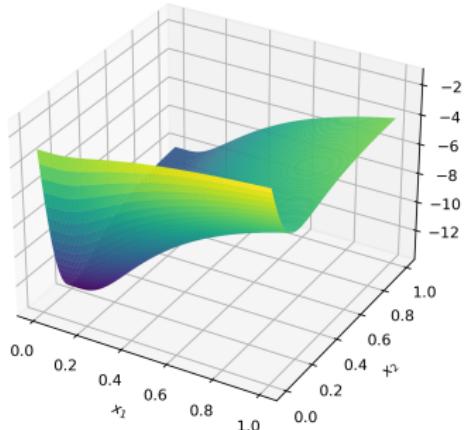
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where $x_1, x_2 \in [0, 1]$, $x_1' = 15x_1 - 5$, and $x_2' = 15x_2$

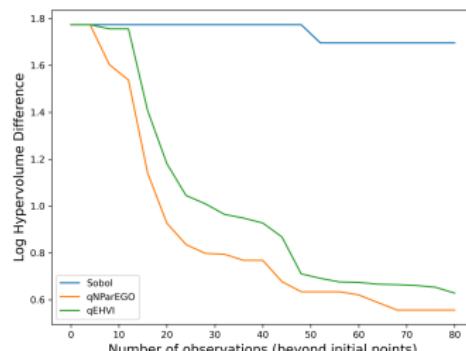
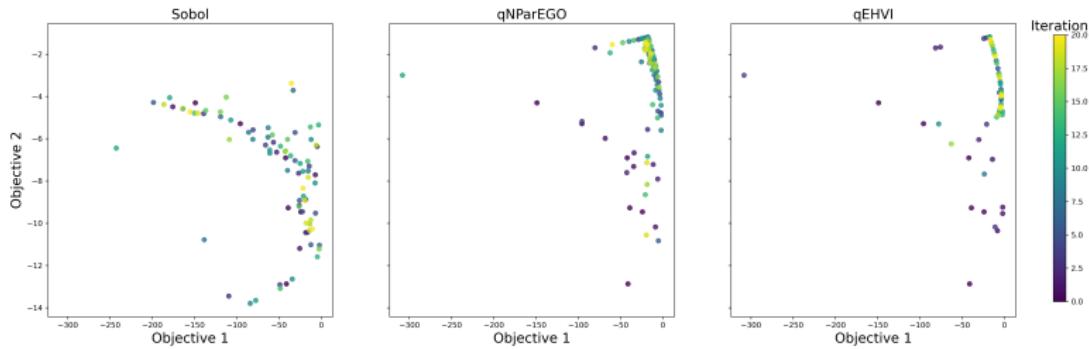
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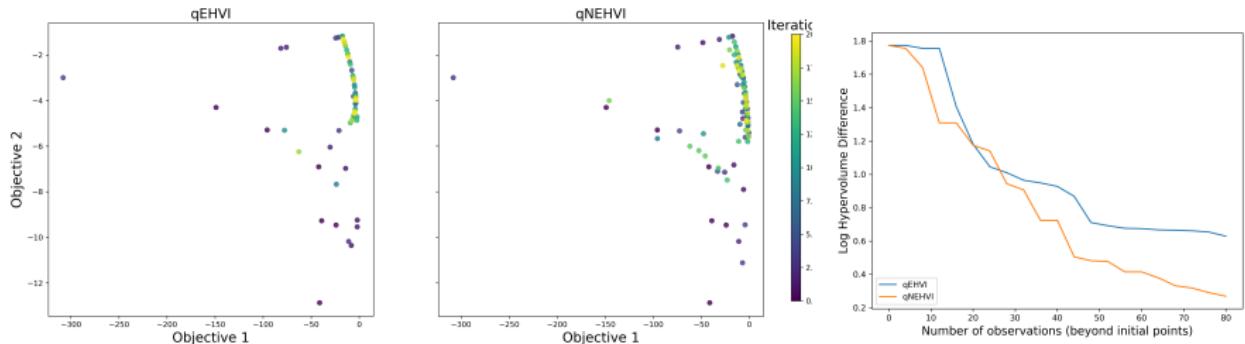
Example of MOBO using q EHVI algorithm



Noisy Expected Hypervolume Improvement

This AC also integrates over the noise component and provides better performance in terms of **exploration** [4].

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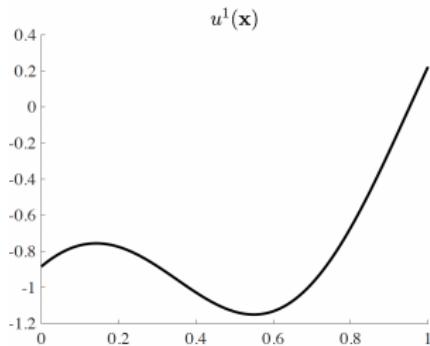


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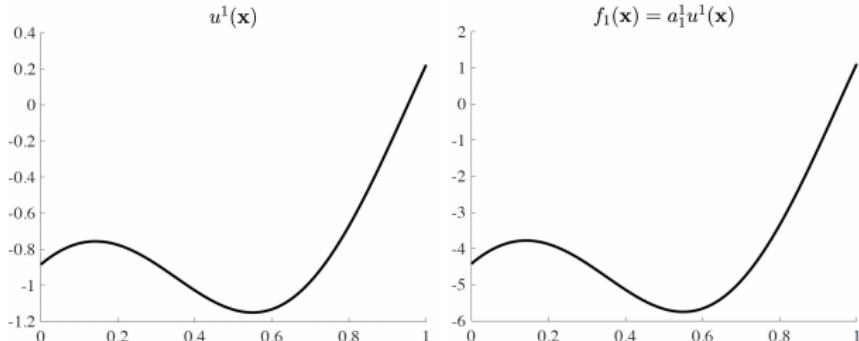


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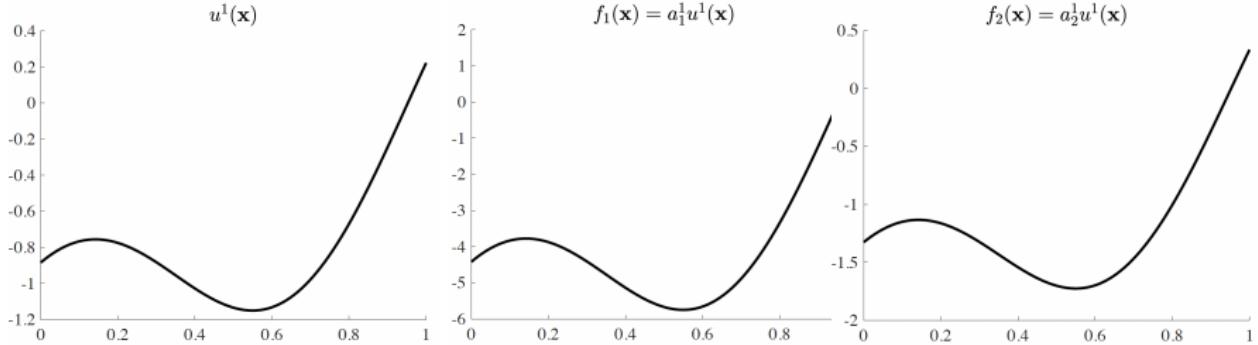


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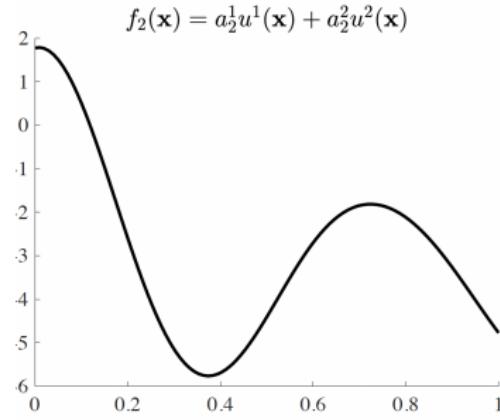
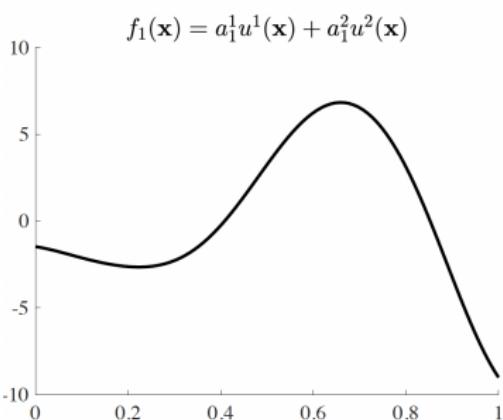
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ICM: more complex configurations

- Sample twice from a GP $u(\mathbf{x}) \sim \mathcal{GP}(0, k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'))$ to obtain $u^1(\mathbf{x})$ and $u^2(\mathbf{x})$
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- $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{a}^1 (\mathbf{a}^1)^\top + \mathbf{a}^2 (\mathbf{a}^2)^\top$
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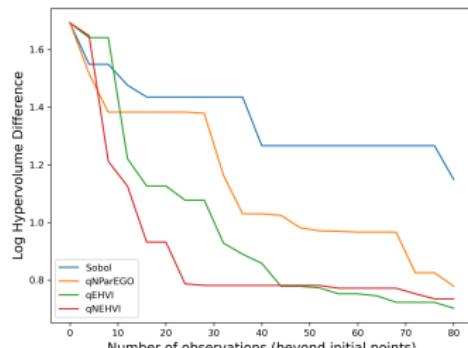
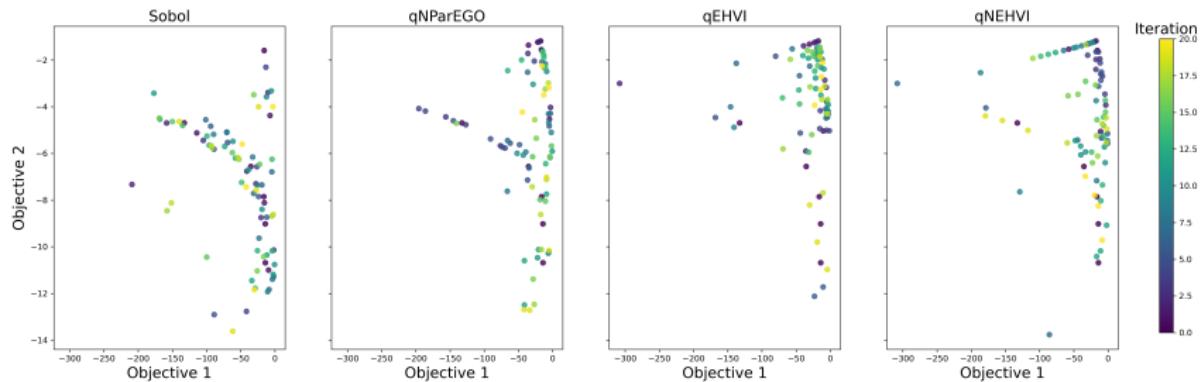
Linear model of coregionalization (LMC)

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MOBO using ICM kernels



Questions?



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