

# Data-Driven Robust Design of an Aeroelastic Wing

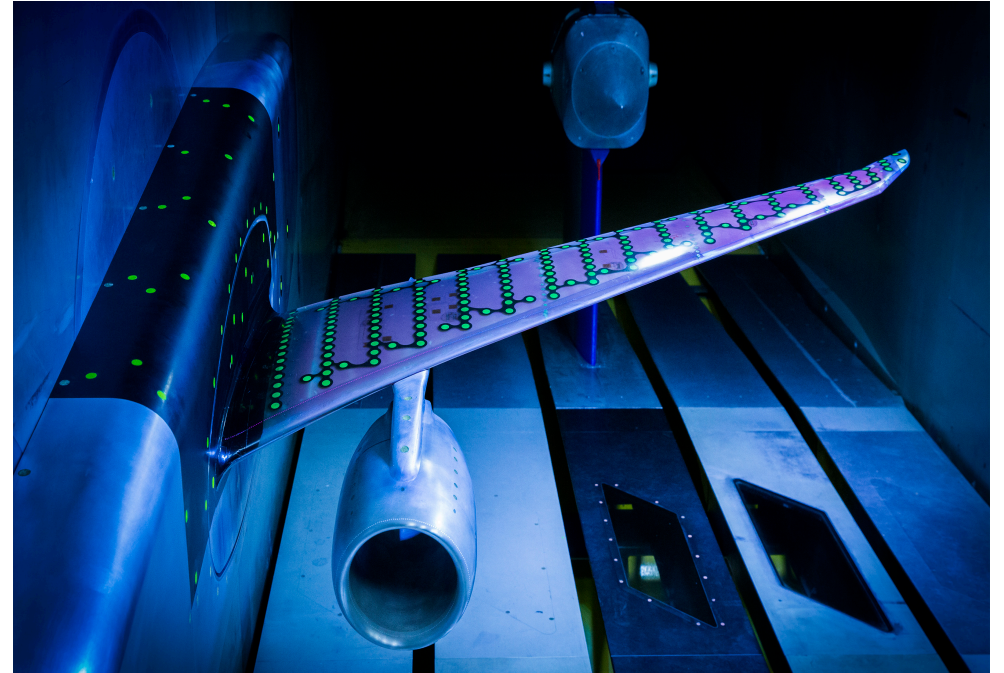
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Identifying robust designs with simulators is a challenging task, but Bayesian Optimization methods can be an effective approach.

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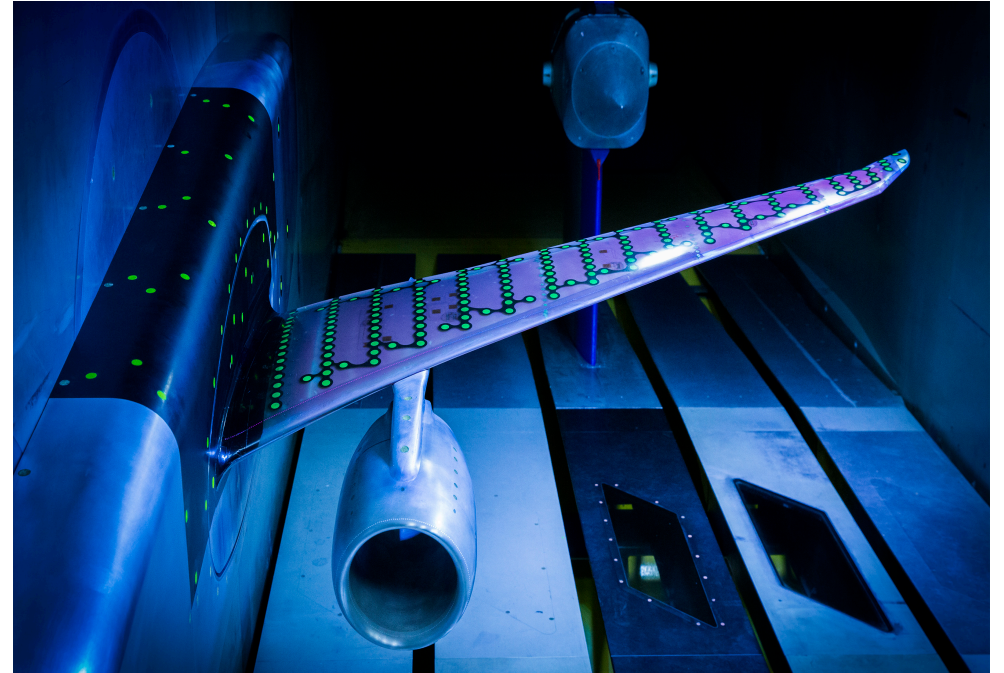


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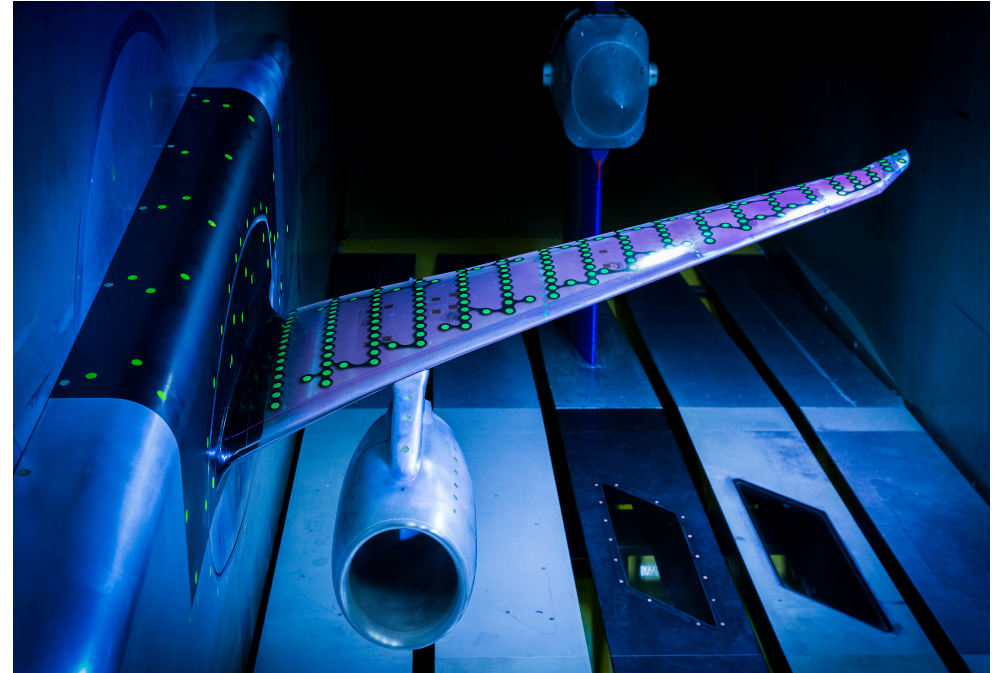
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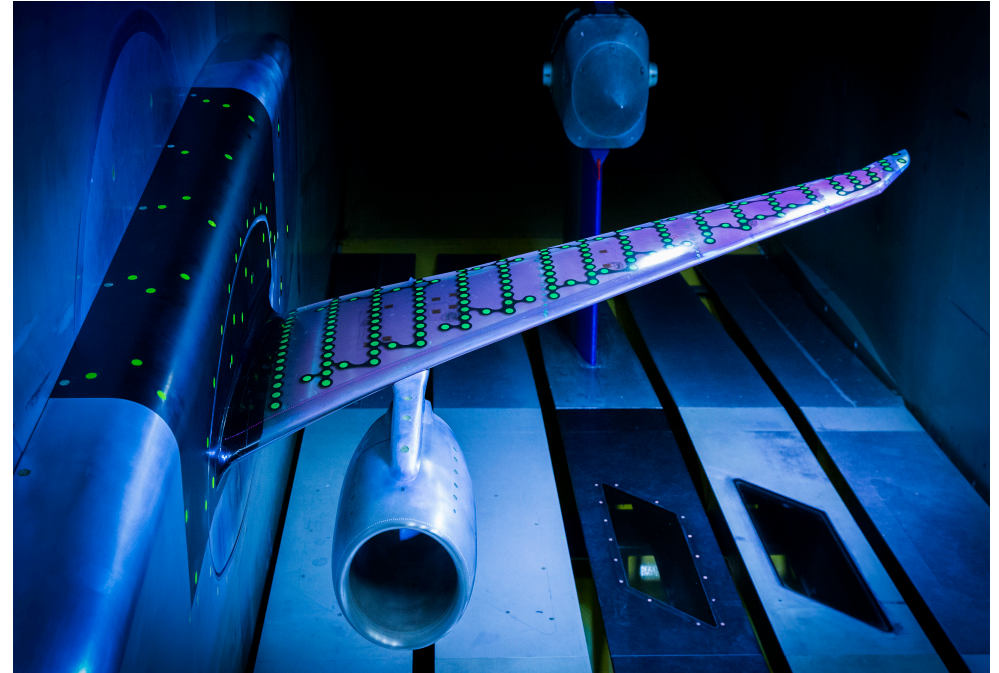
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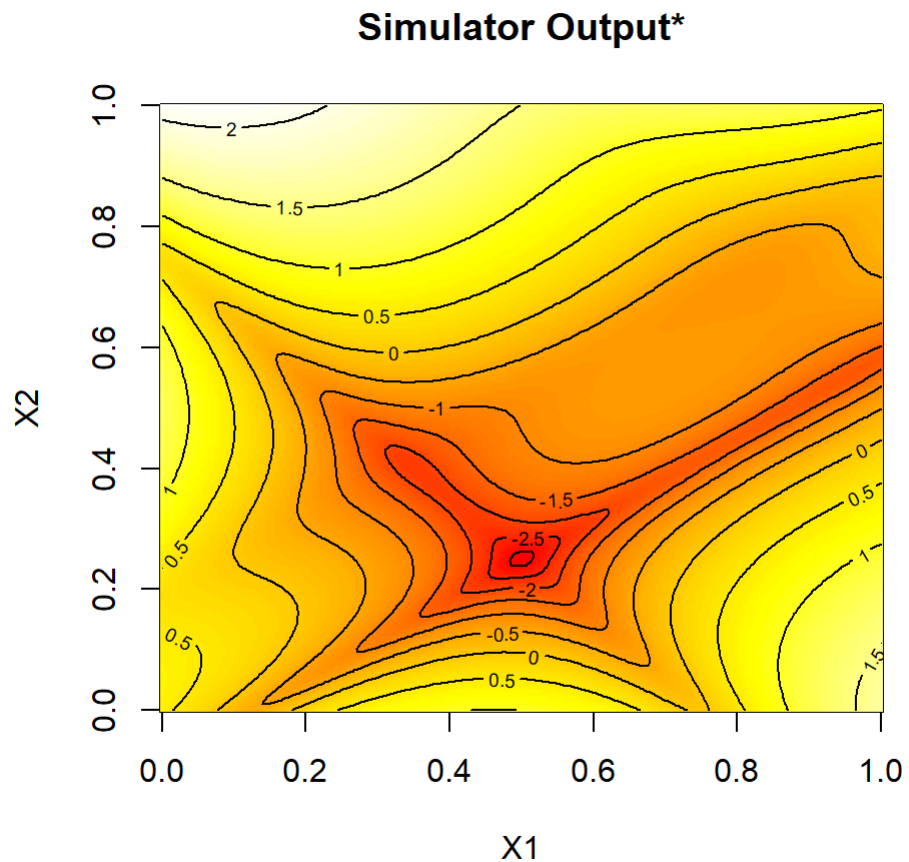
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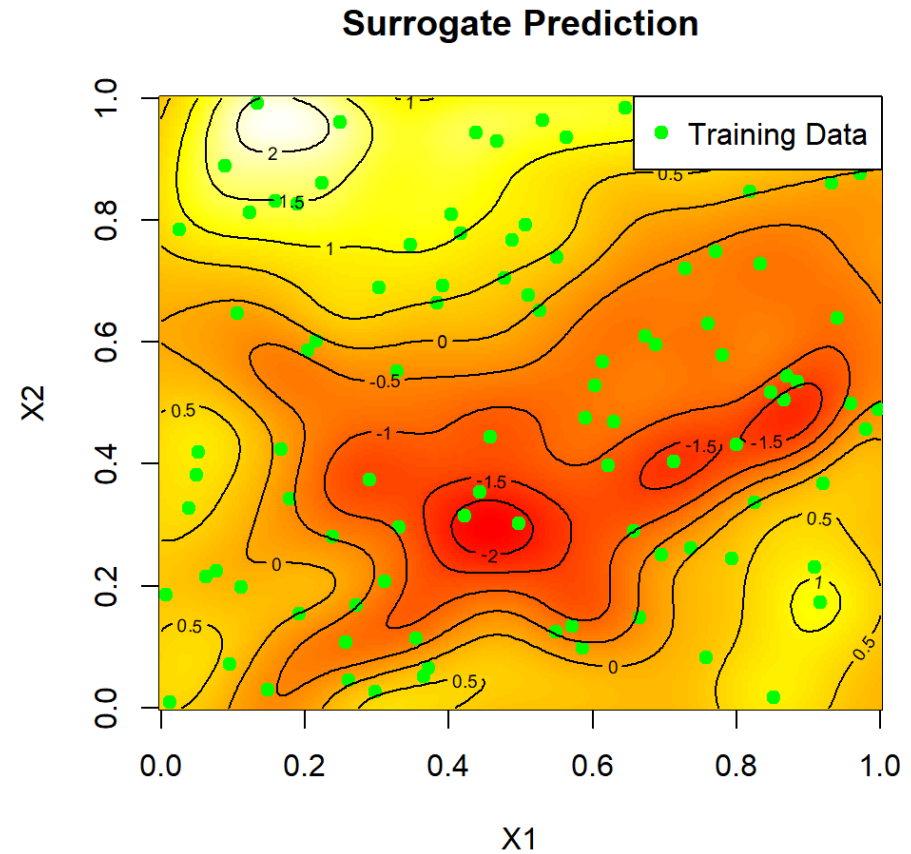
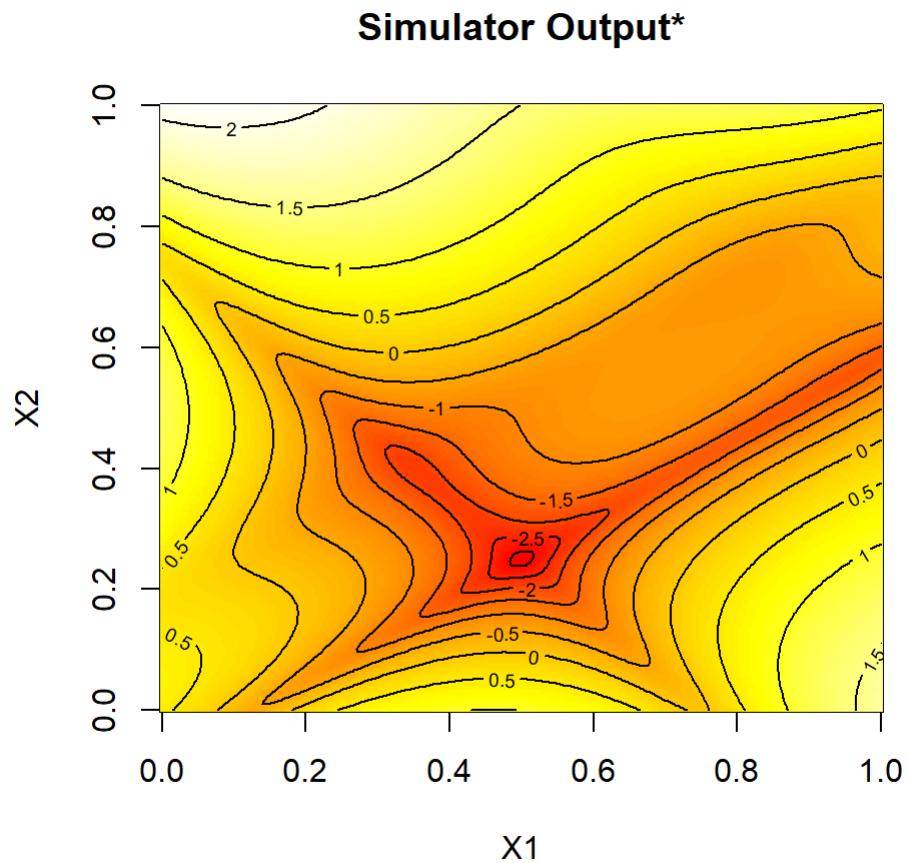
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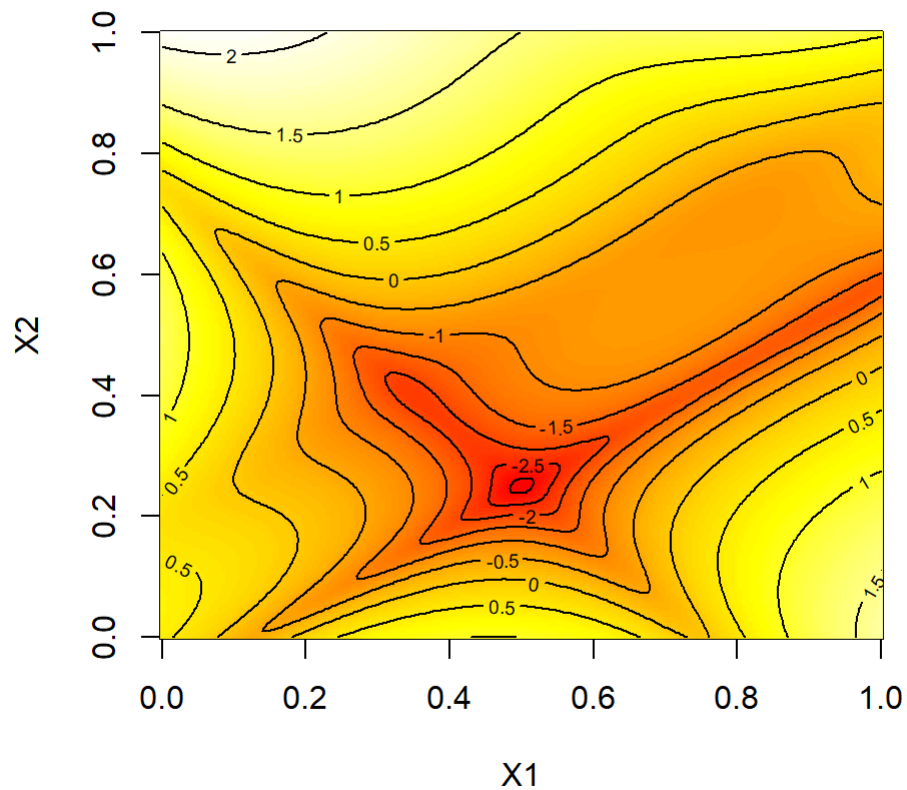


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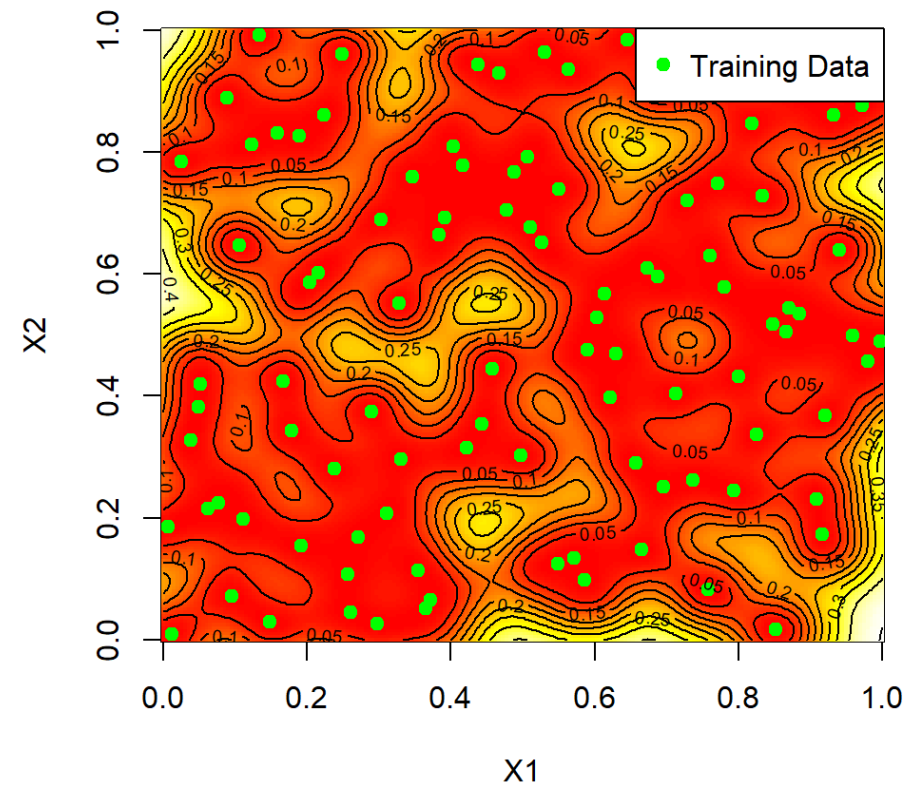
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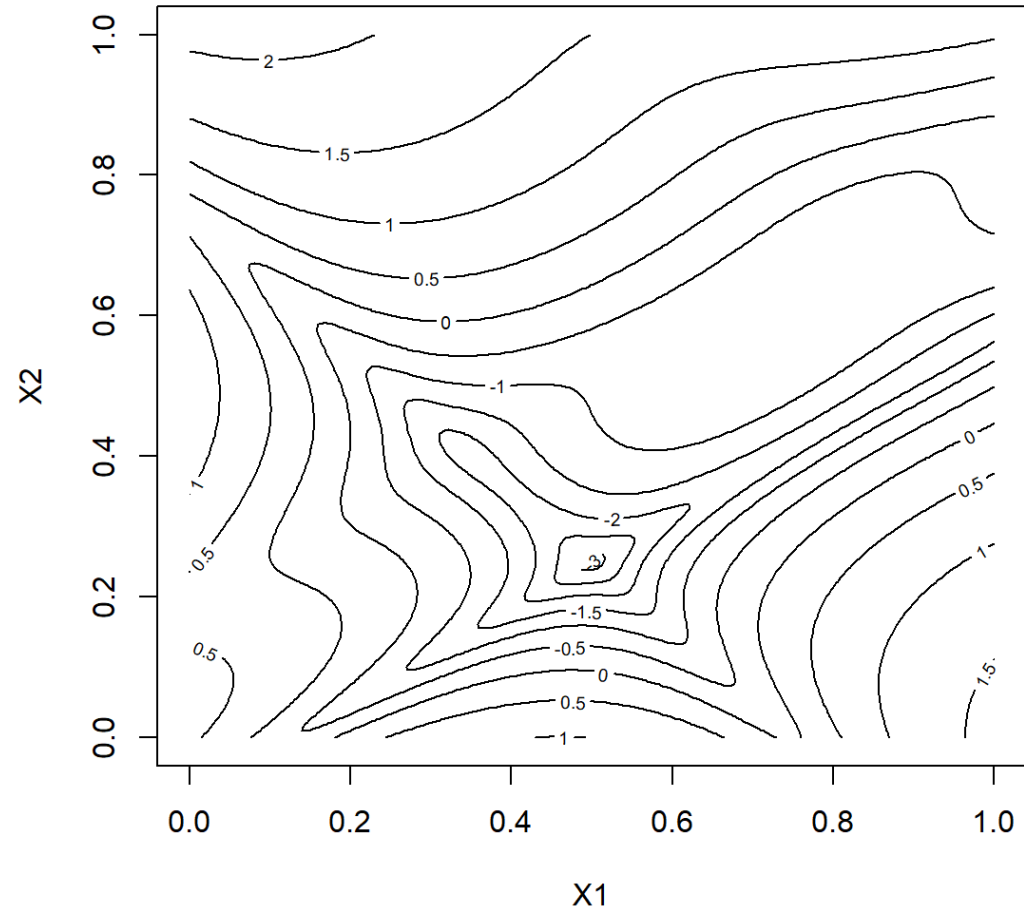
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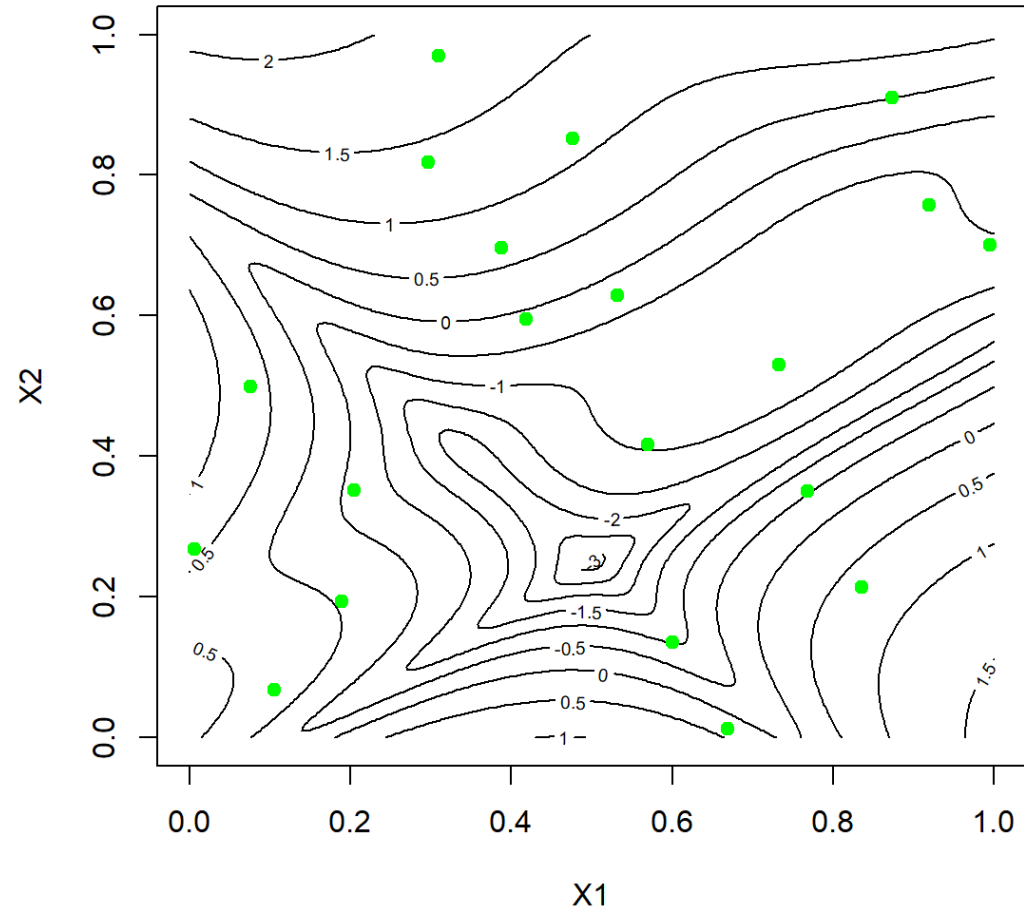
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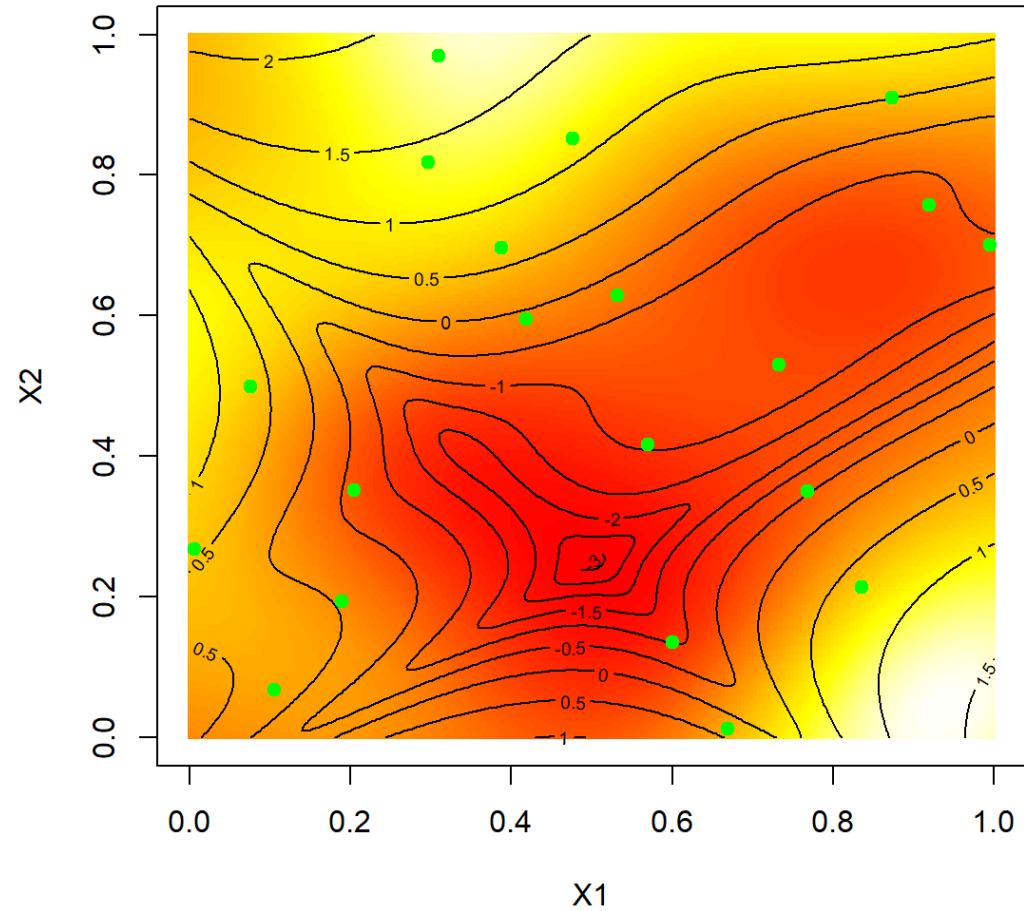
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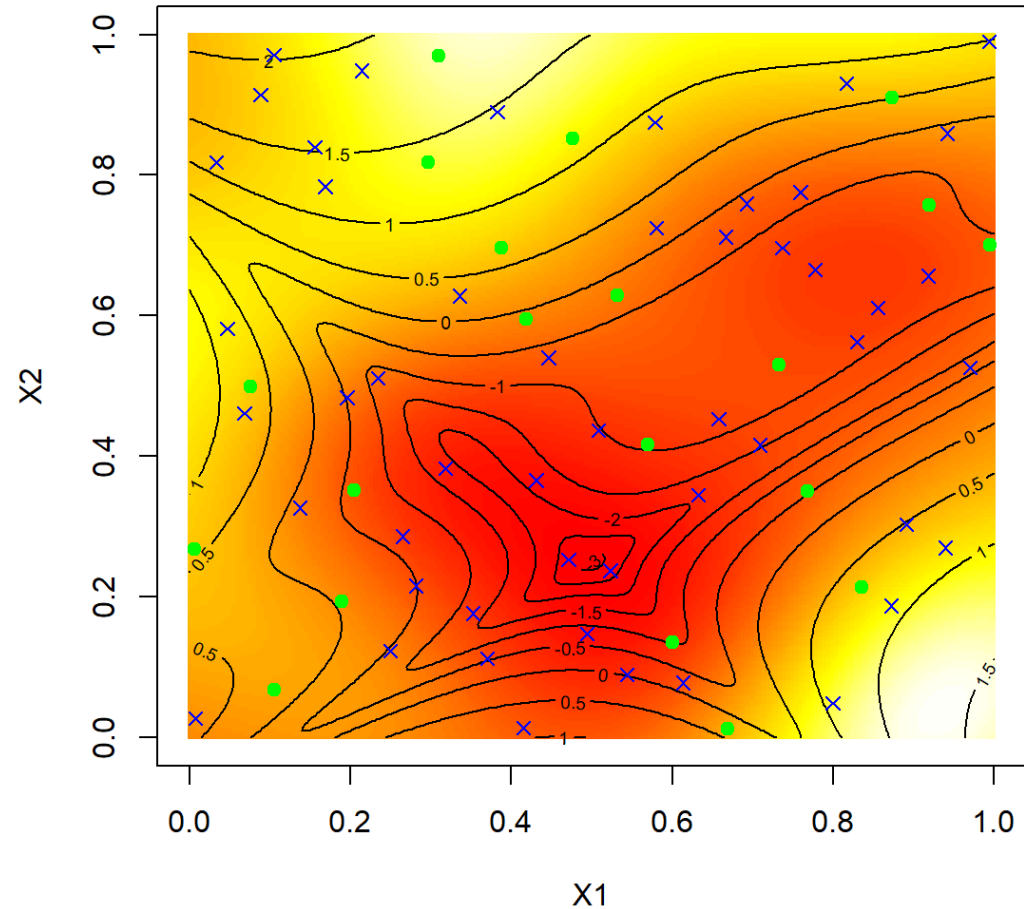
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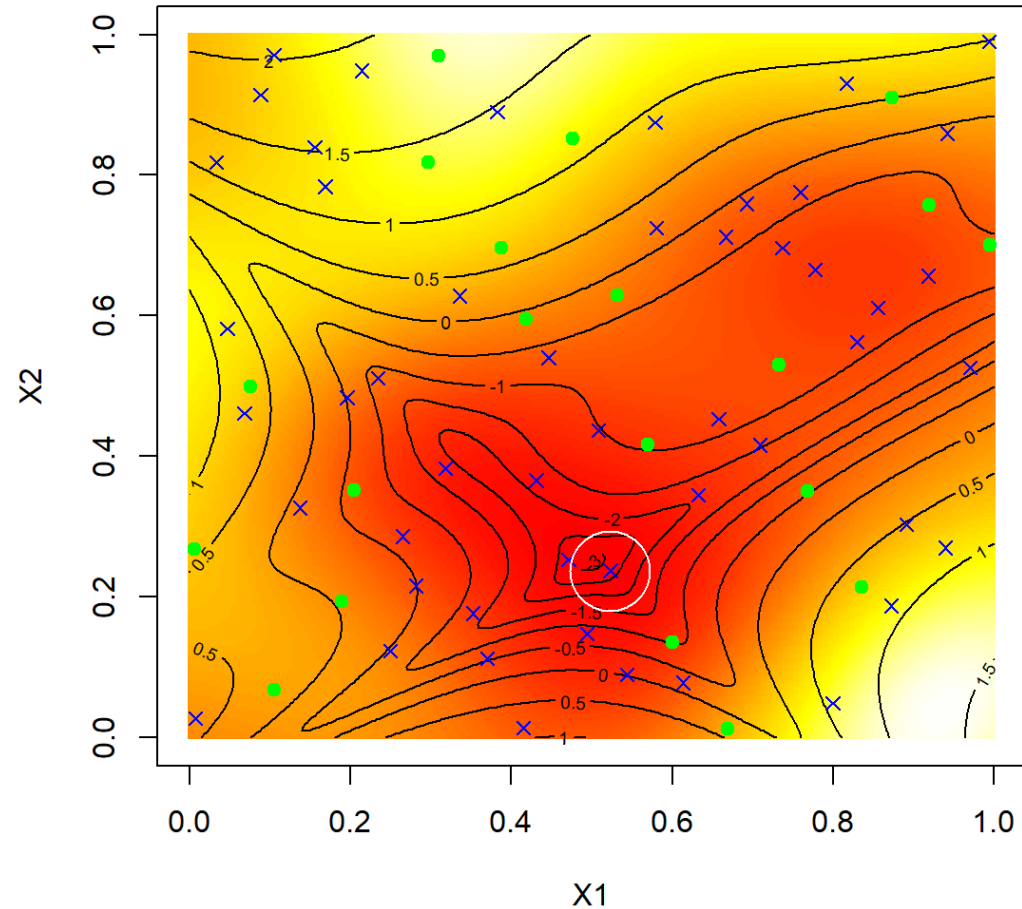
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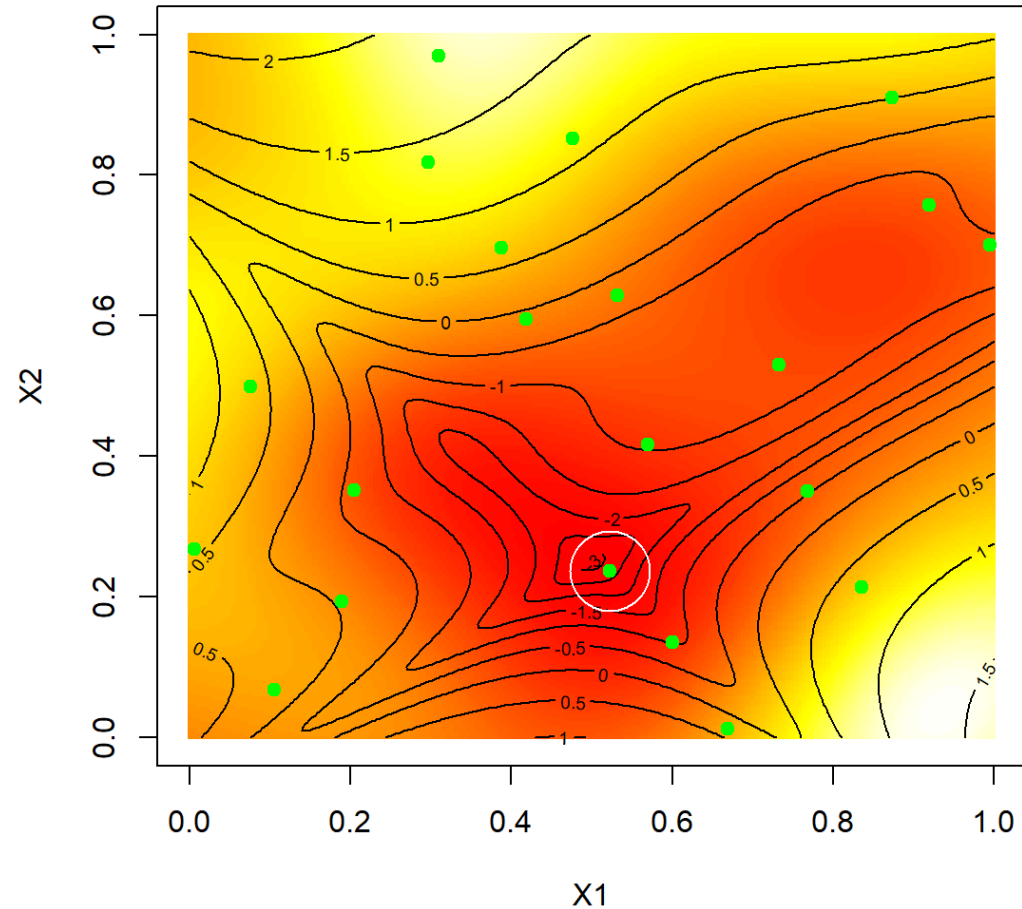
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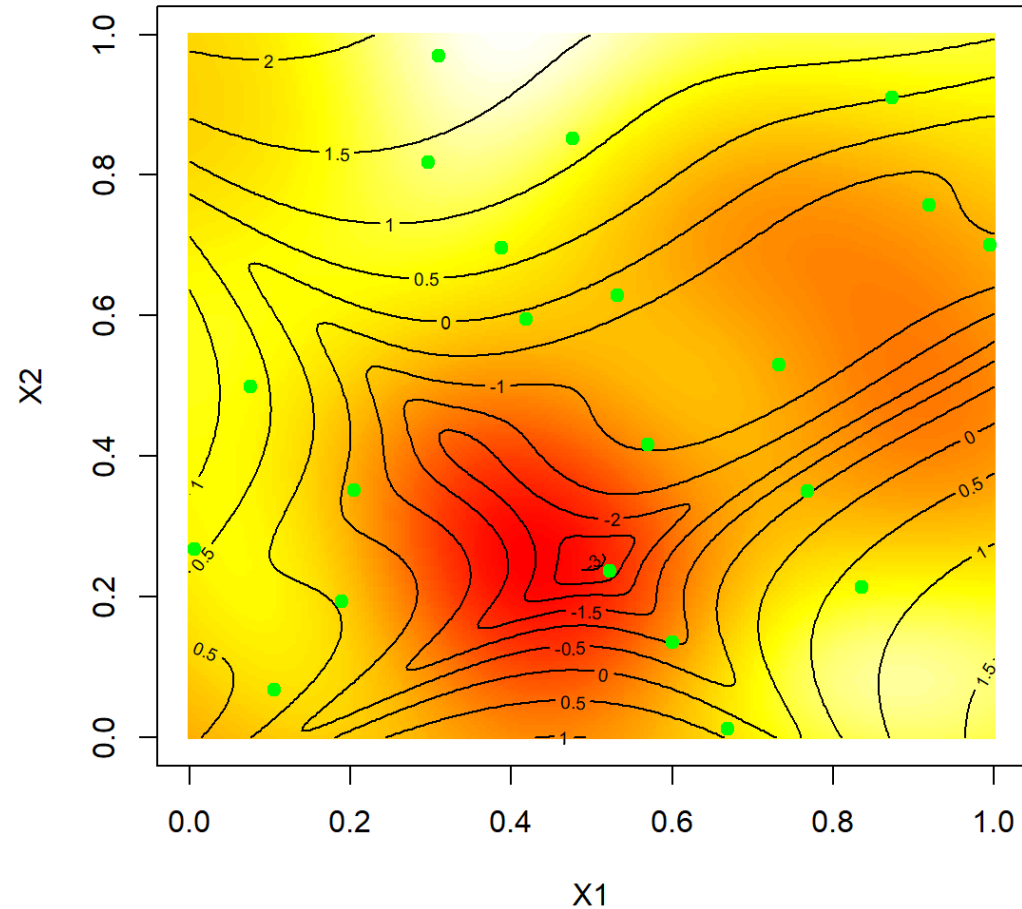
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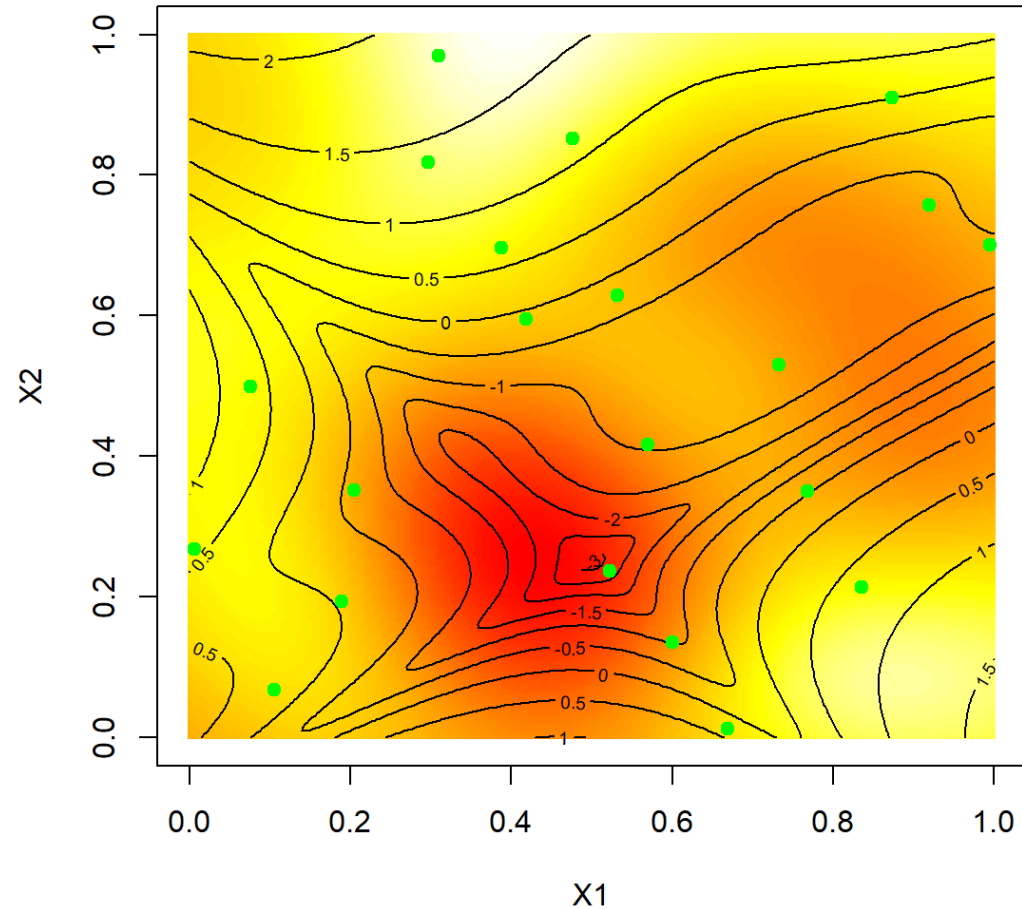
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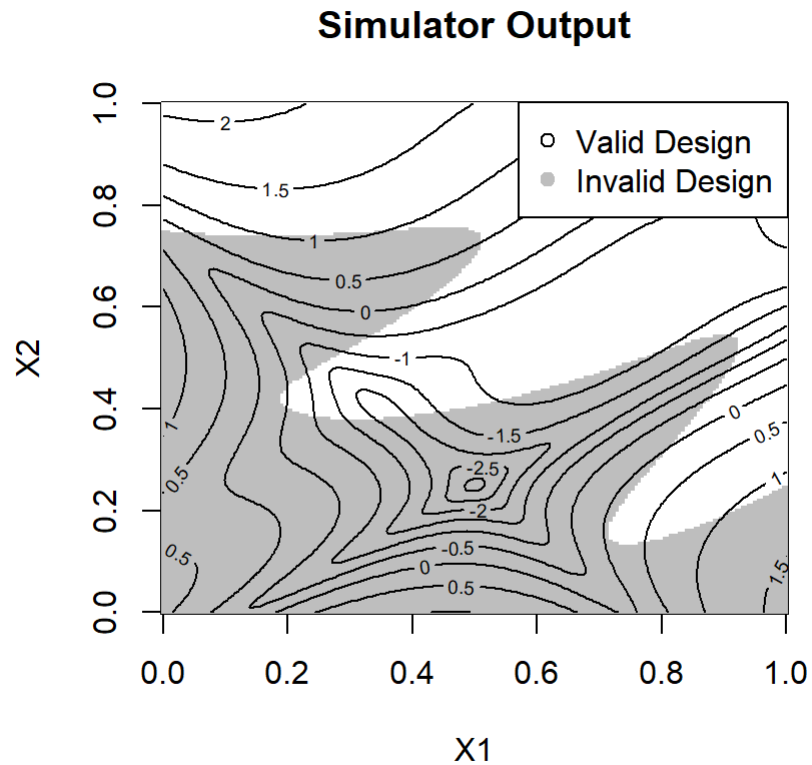
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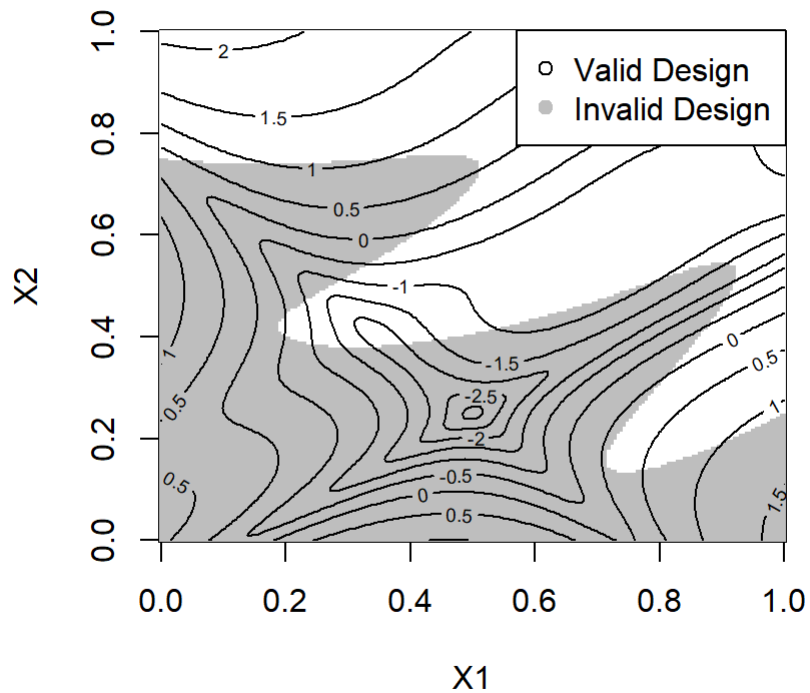
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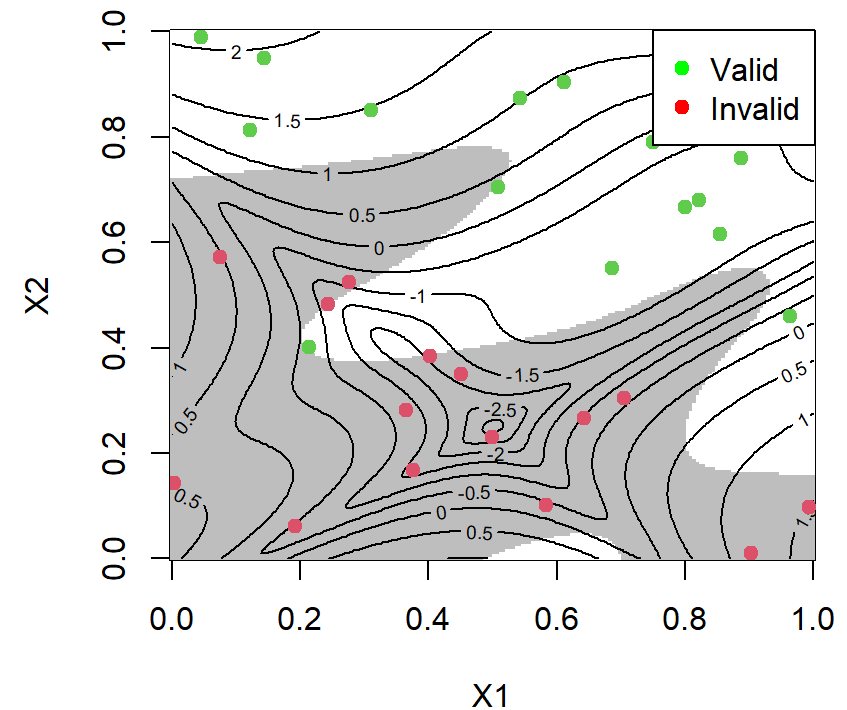
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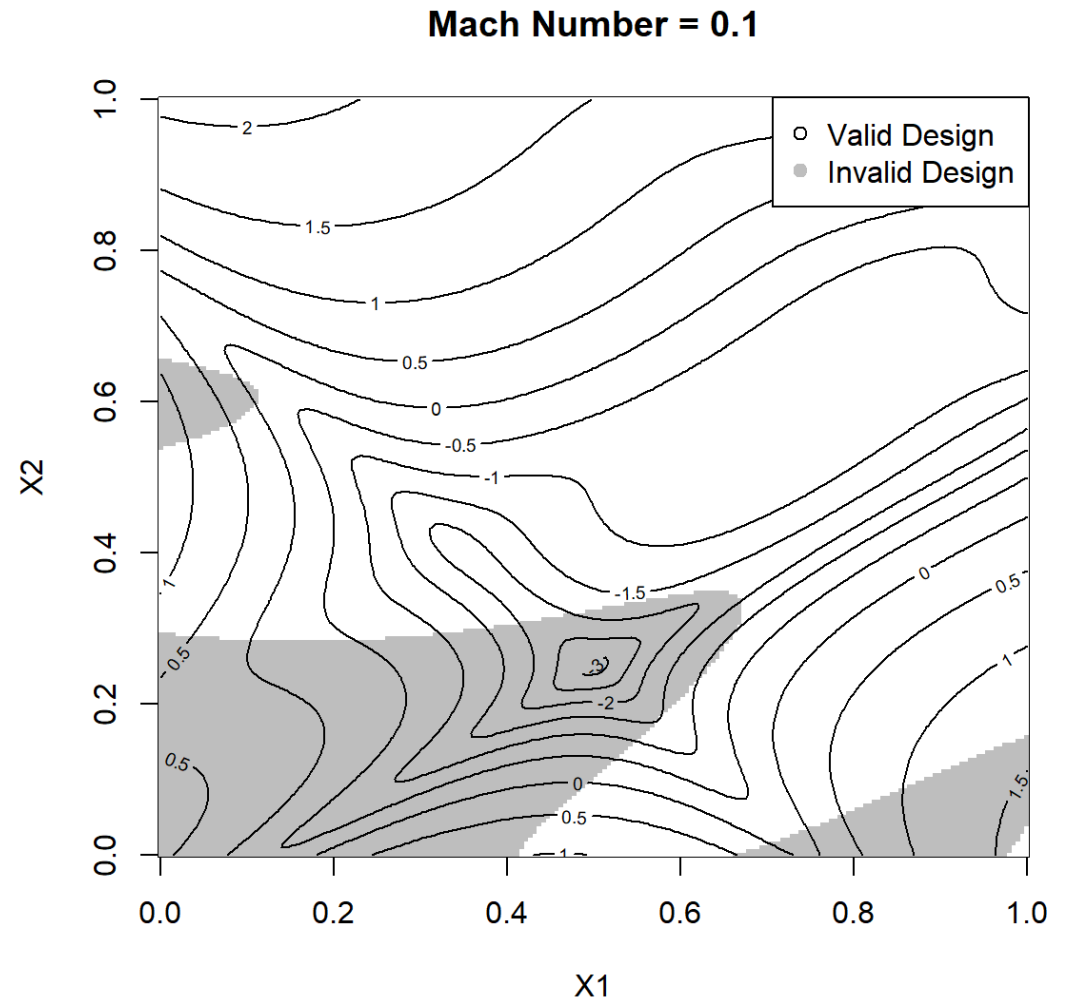
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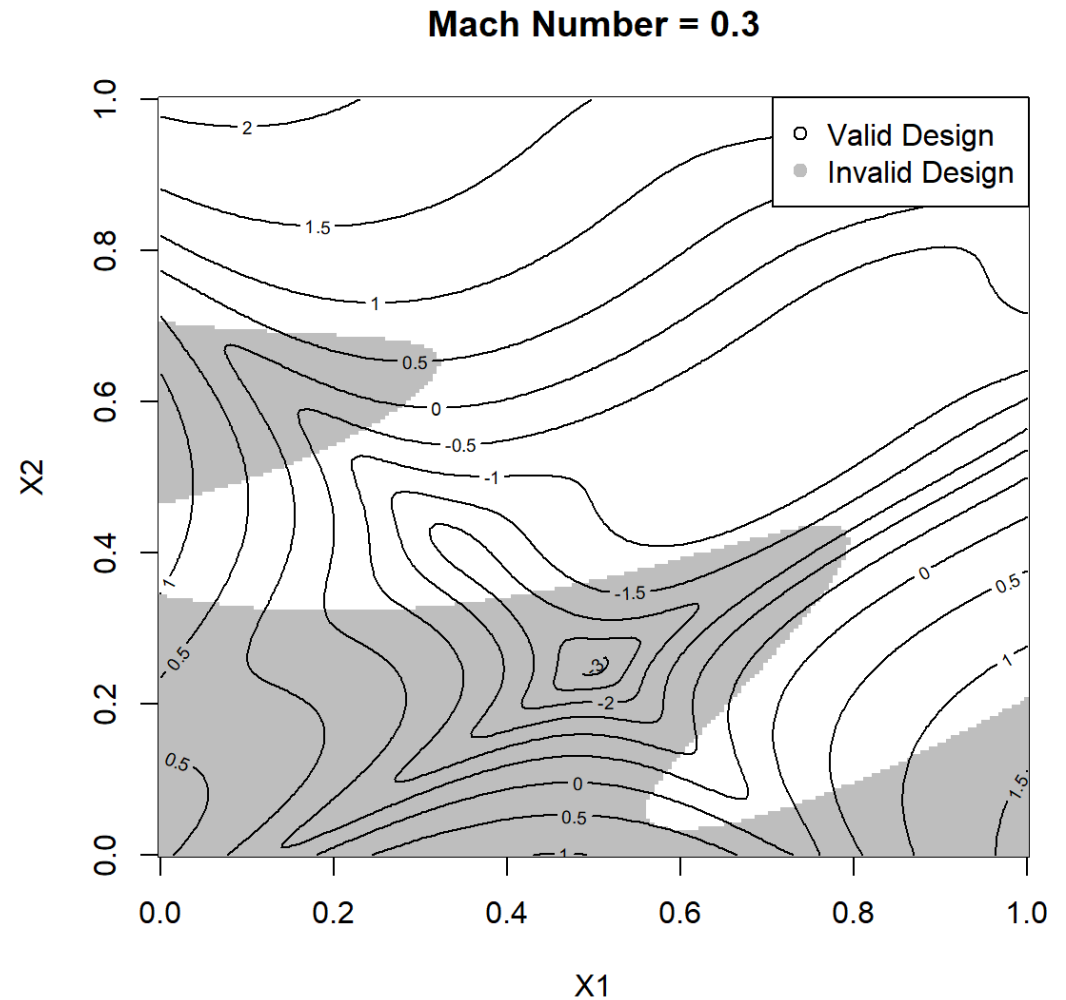
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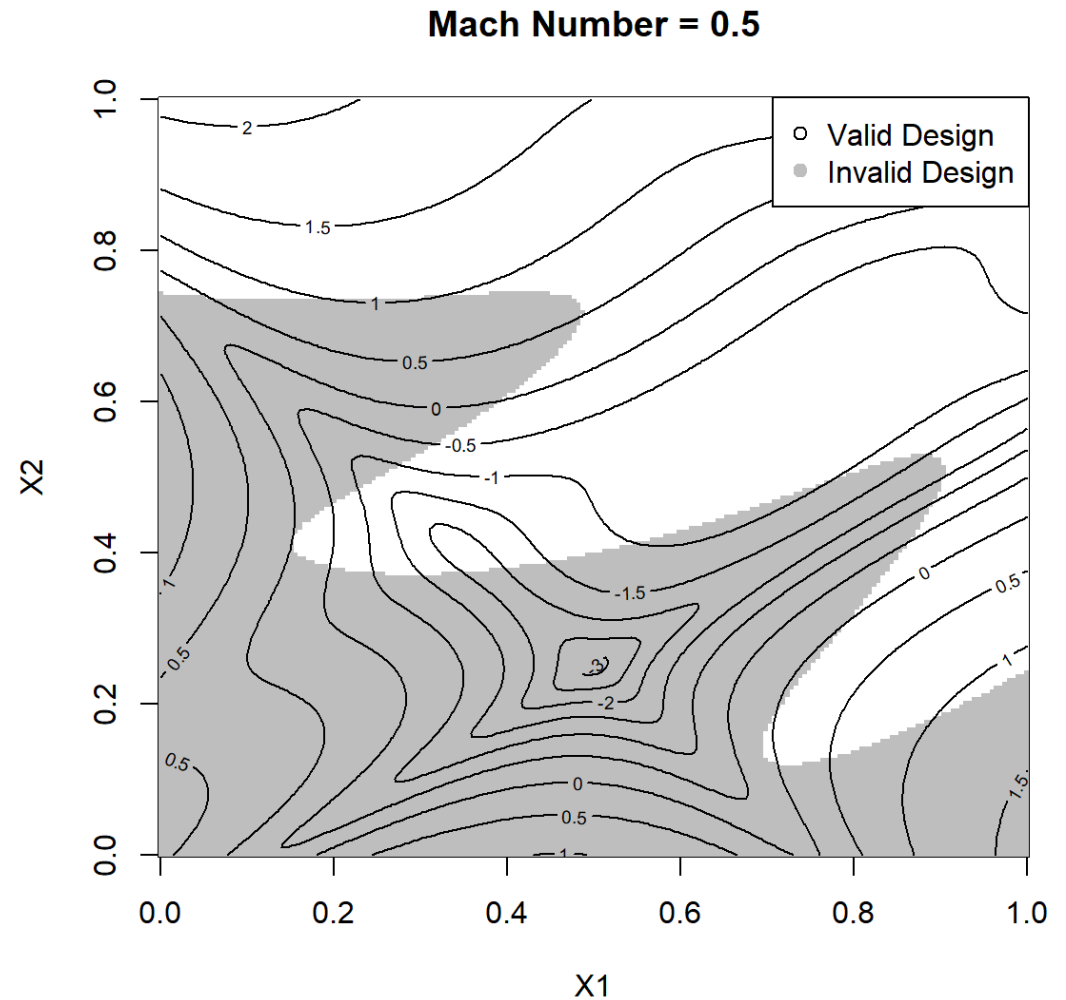
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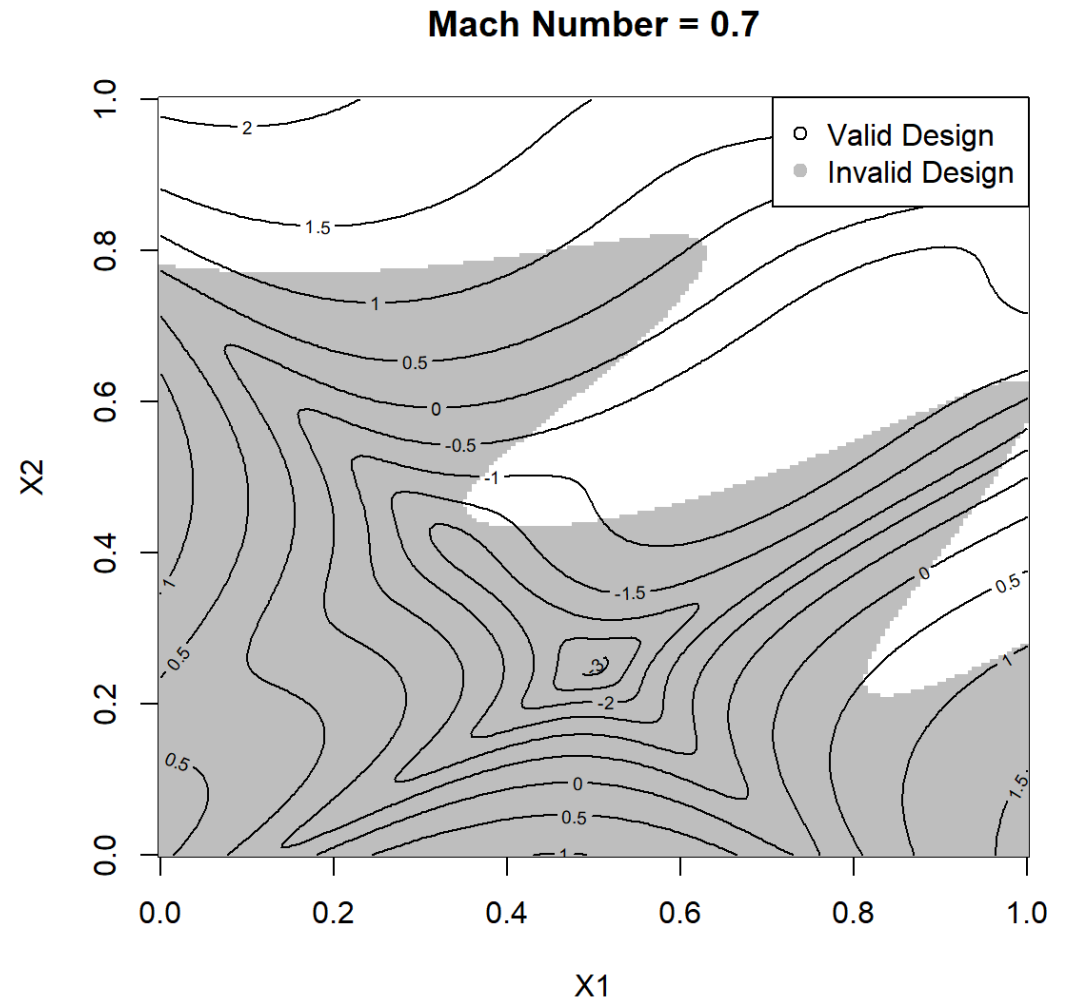
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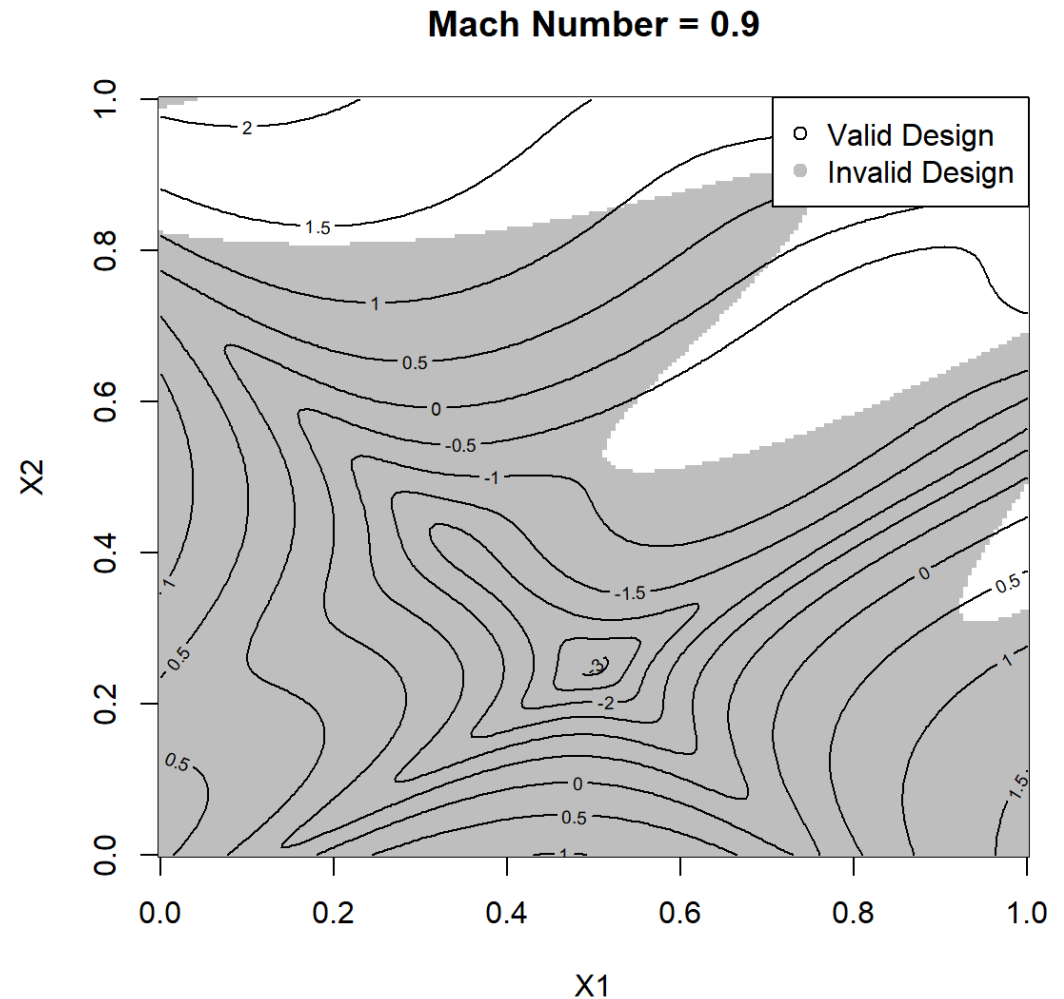
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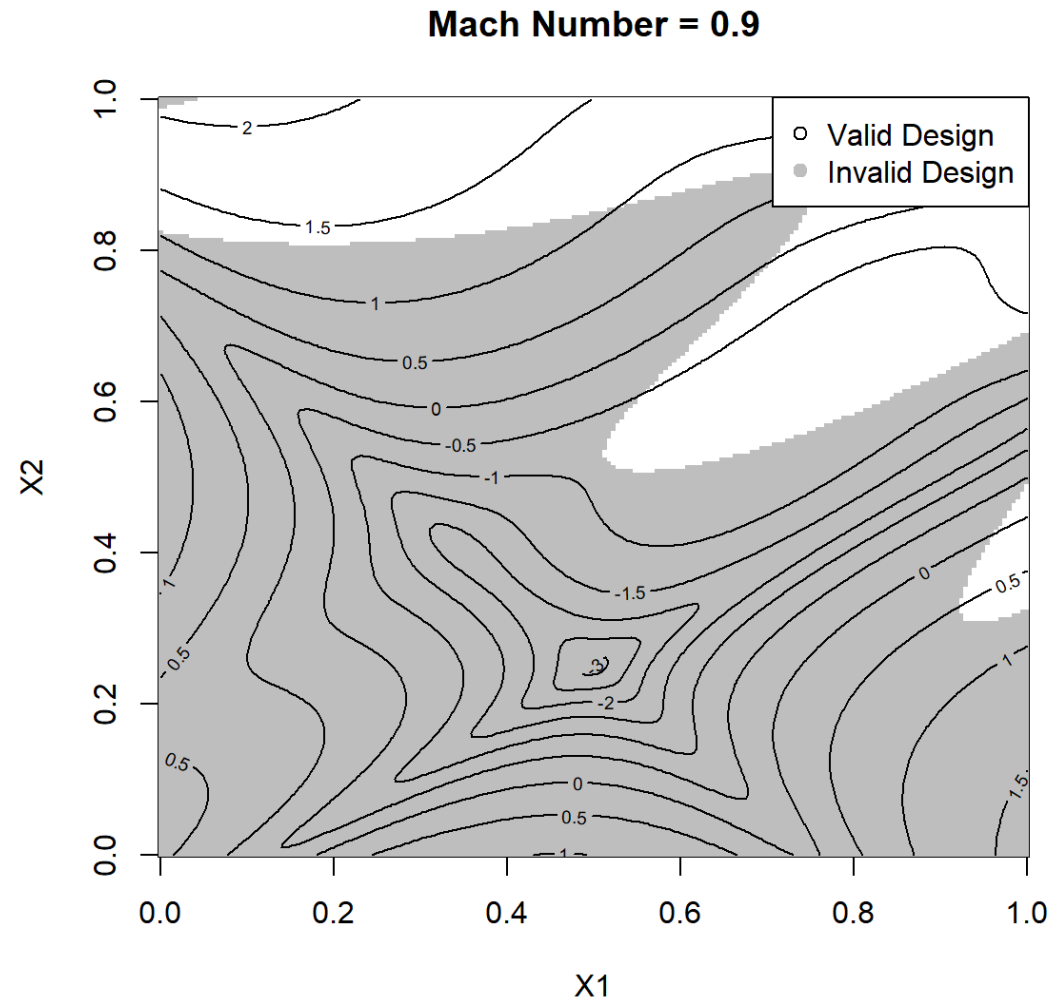
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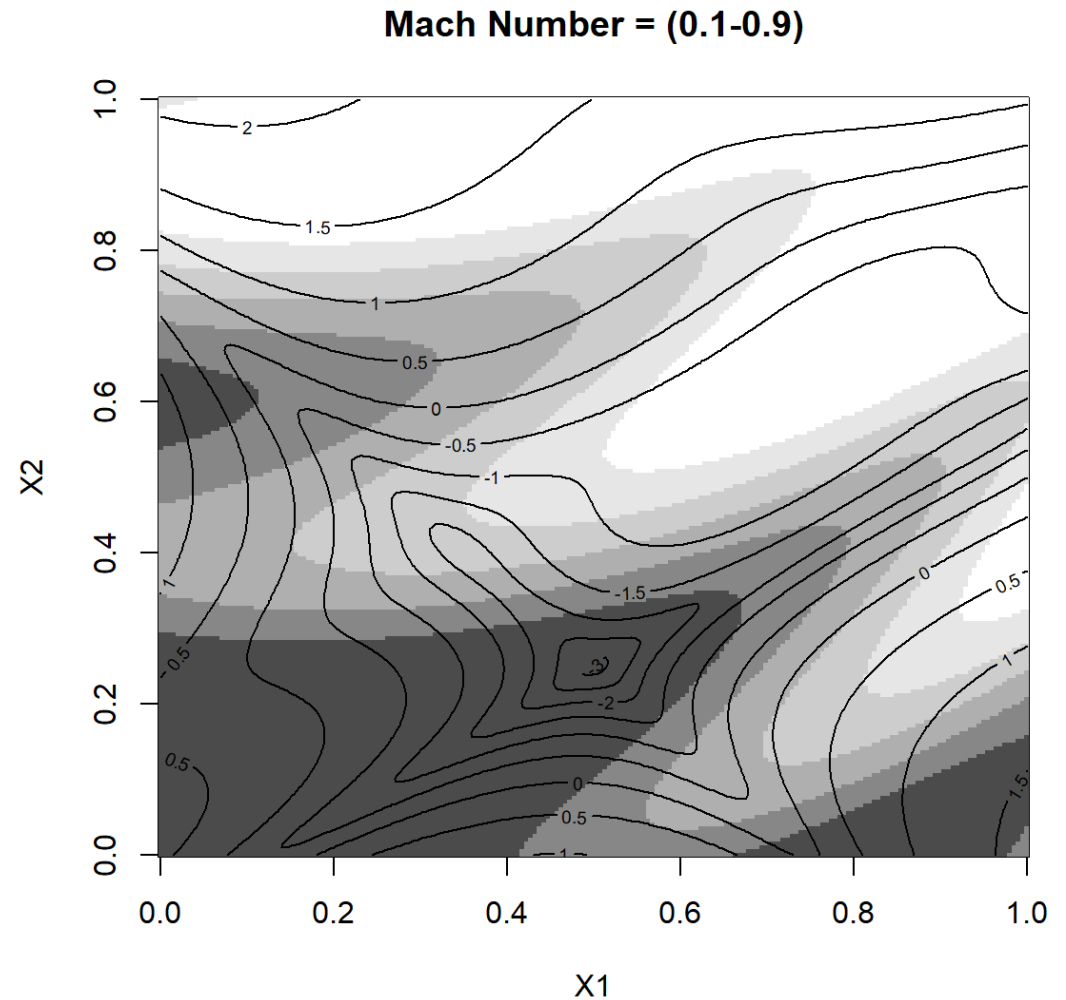
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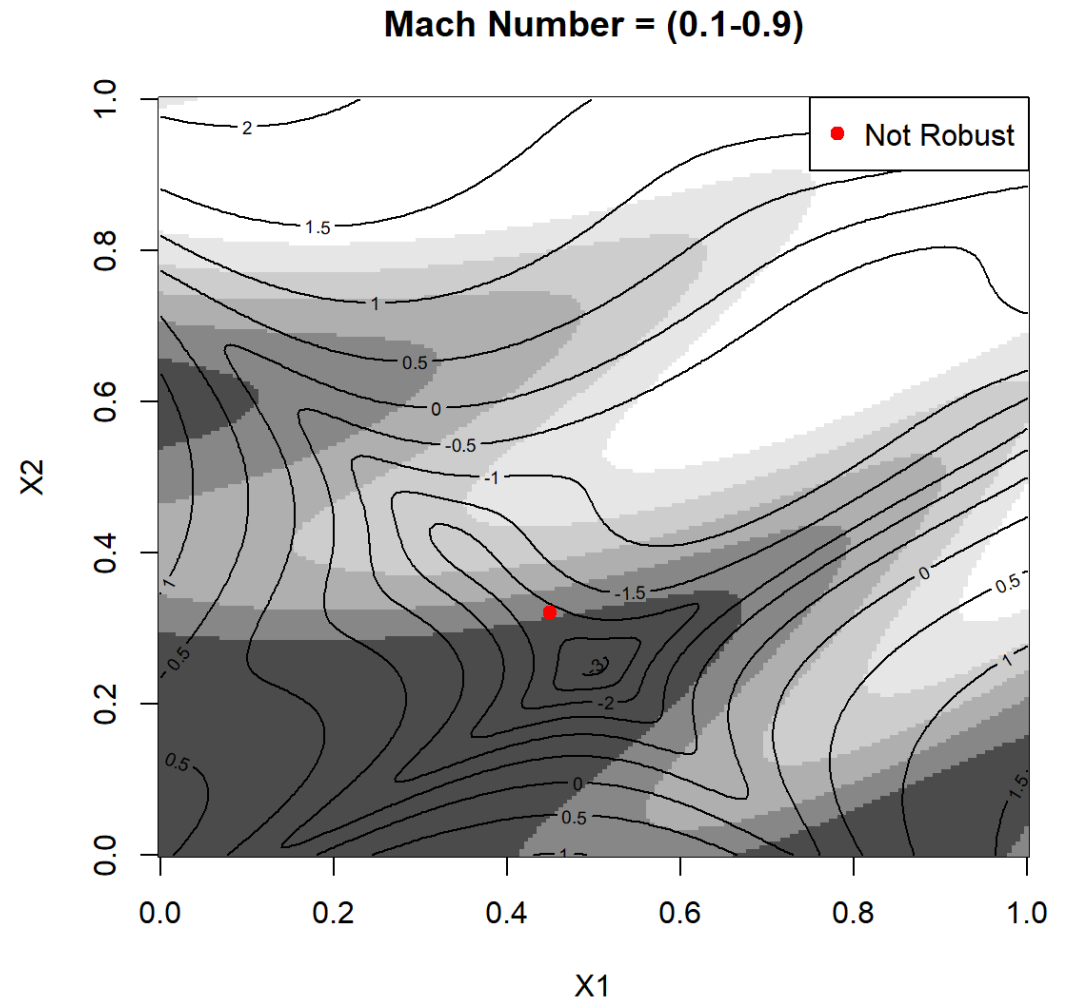
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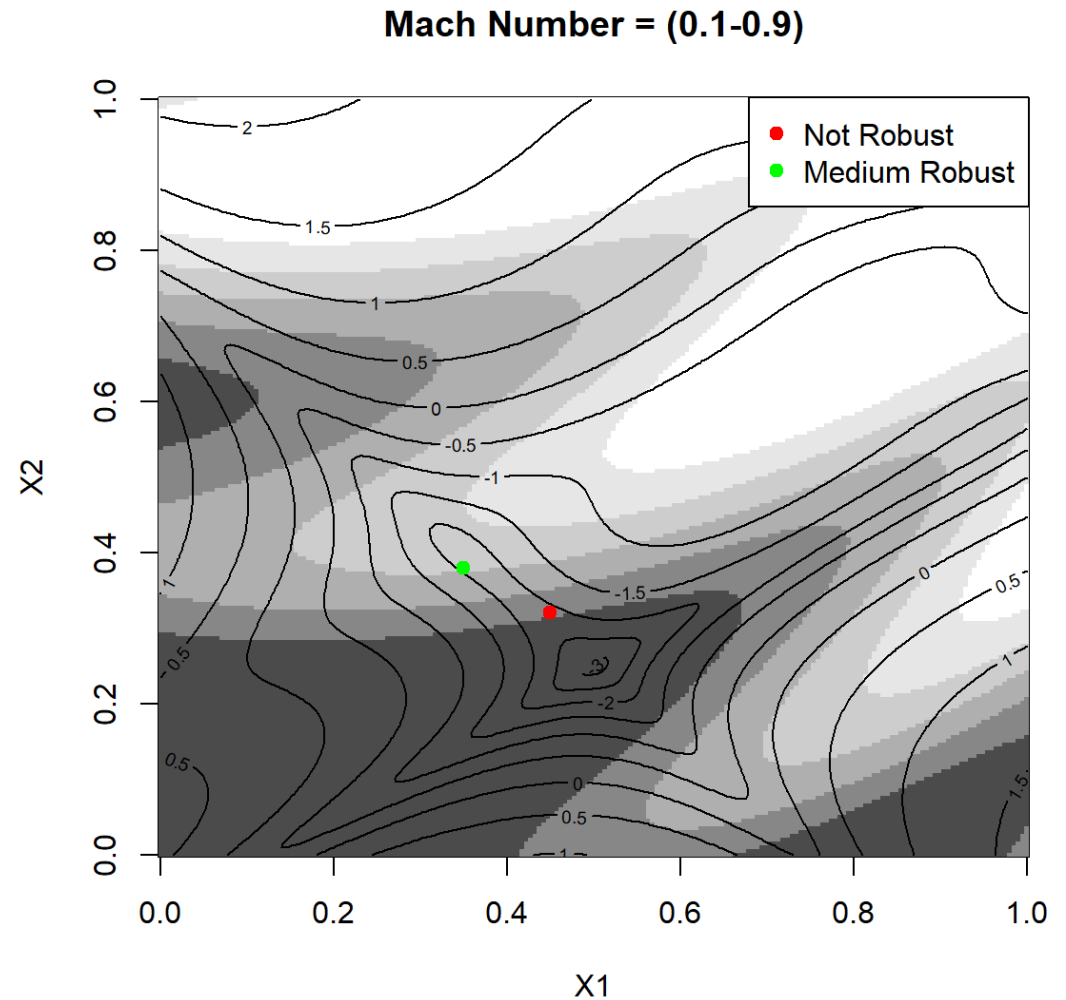
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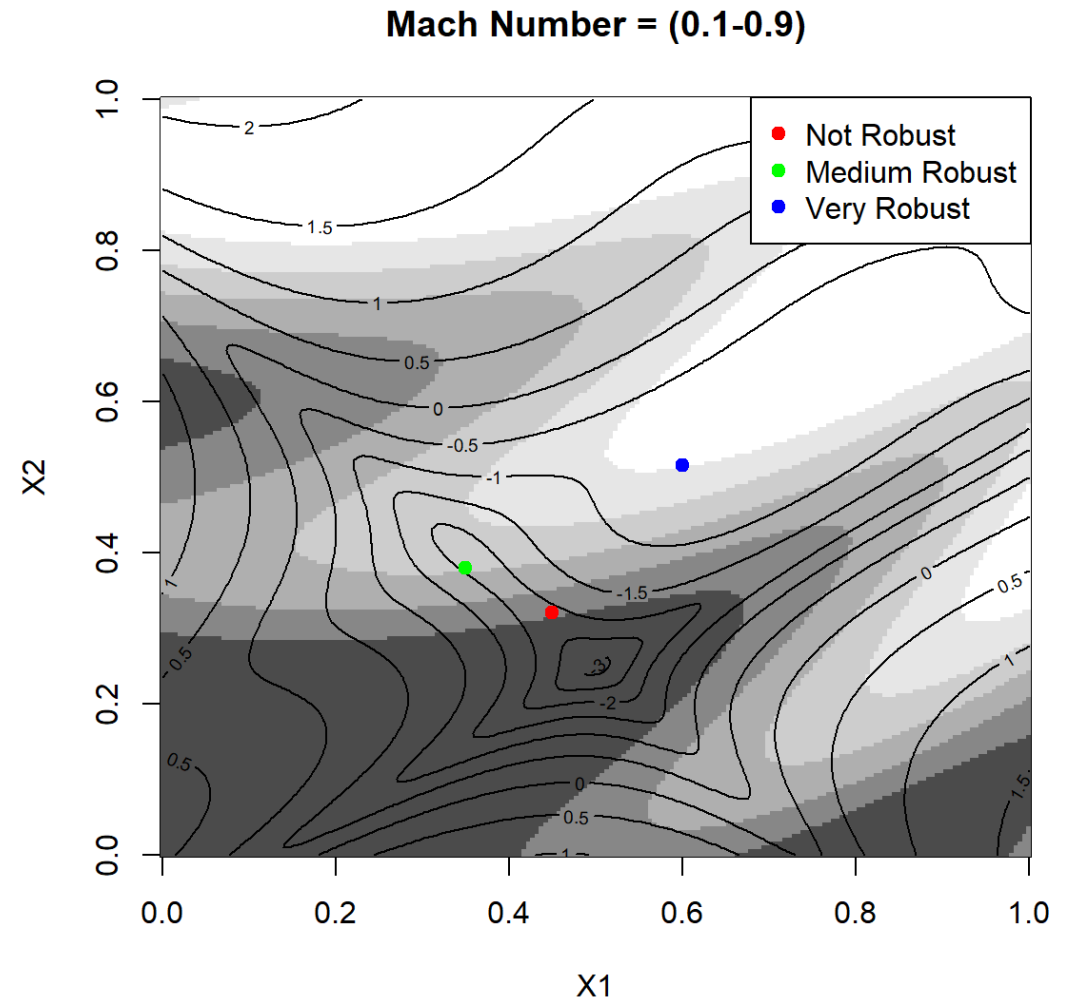
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