

A Bayesian Compressive Sensing Method for Robust Diagnosis of Planar Arrays from Far-Field Measurements

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Abstract

In this work, the diagnosis of planar phased antenna arrays from far-field measurements is addressed. The inverse problem at hand is formulated as a sparse retrieval one devoted at reconstructing the faulty radiators within the antenna under test. Towards this end, a Bayesian compressive sensing (*BCS*)-based method is developed to deal with the planar array diagnosis without requiring that the involved measurement operator a-priori satisfies the restricted isometry property (*RIP*). Furthermore, the proposed diagnosis tool is able to take into account the presence of real radiators, as well as to consider mutual coupling effects arising in realistic operative conditions. Some representative numerical examples are presented in order to verify the effectiveness of the proposed diagnosis tool.

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1 Numerical Validation

1.1 Uniform Array, $N = 81$, Dipole Radiators

Parameters

- Gold Array
 - Total number of elements: $N = 81$;
 - Type of elements: y -oriented quarter-wave dipoles;
 - Spacing along x and y : $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$;
 - Excitation tapering: Uniform ($w_n = 1, n = 1, \dots, N$);

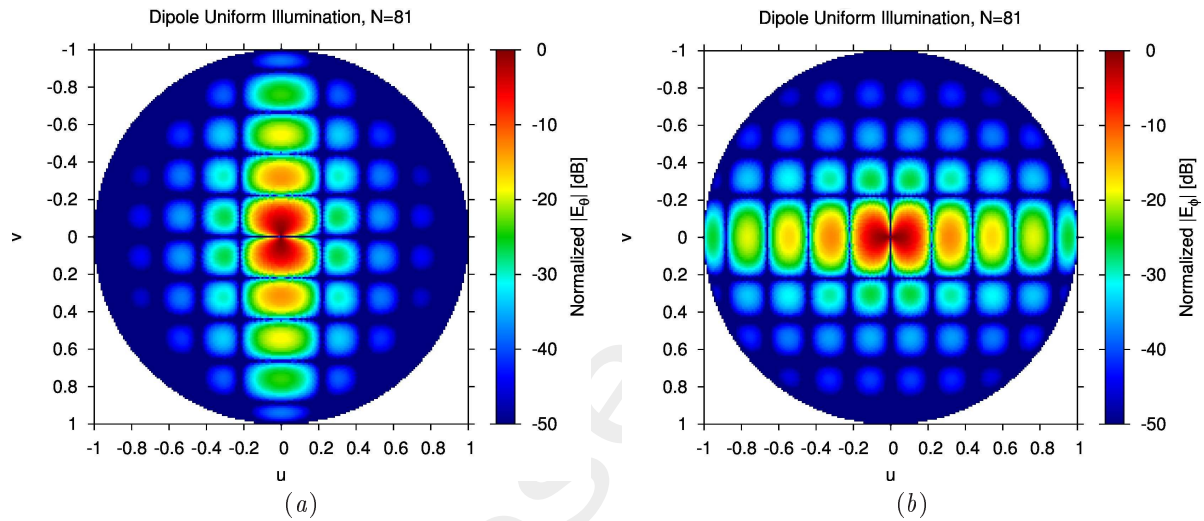


Figure 1: Normalized (a) $E_\theta(u, v)$ and (b) $E_\phi(u, v)$ pattern components of the gold array computed via full-wave simulation.

- Failed Array
 - Failure factor: $\kappa = 0$ (total failures);
 - Failure rate: see table below;

N_f	$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N}$
1	1%
2	2%
3	4%
6	8%
13	16%

Table 1: Number of failures (N_f) and corresponding failure rate ($\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N}$).

- Measurement set-up
 - Type of sampling: uniform sampling in the (u, v) plane;

- Number of points in the visible range: $K = 81$;
- Ratio between measurements and number of elements: $\nu = \frac{K}{N} \simeq 1.0$ ($\nu^{(opt)}$);
- *BCS* solver
 - Noise variance: $\eta = 5 \times 10^{-1}$ ($\eta^{(opt)}$);
 - Tolerance factor: $\iota = 10^{-8}$;
- Signal-to-Noise-Ratio: $SNR = \{10; 20; \dots; 100\}$.

Results

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 1\%$ ($N_f = 1$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

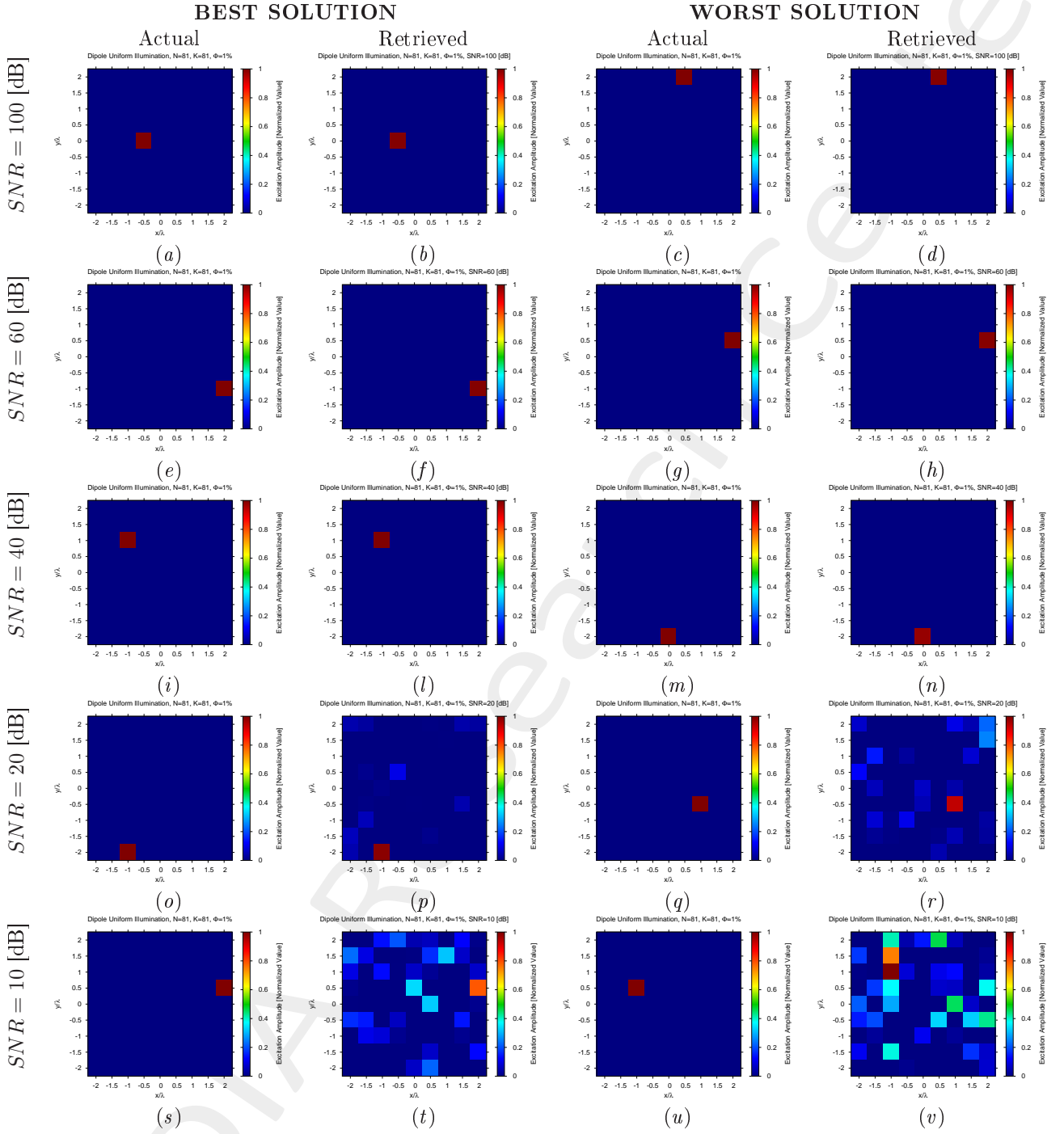


Figure 2: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 81$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 1\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 2\%$ ($N_f = 2$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

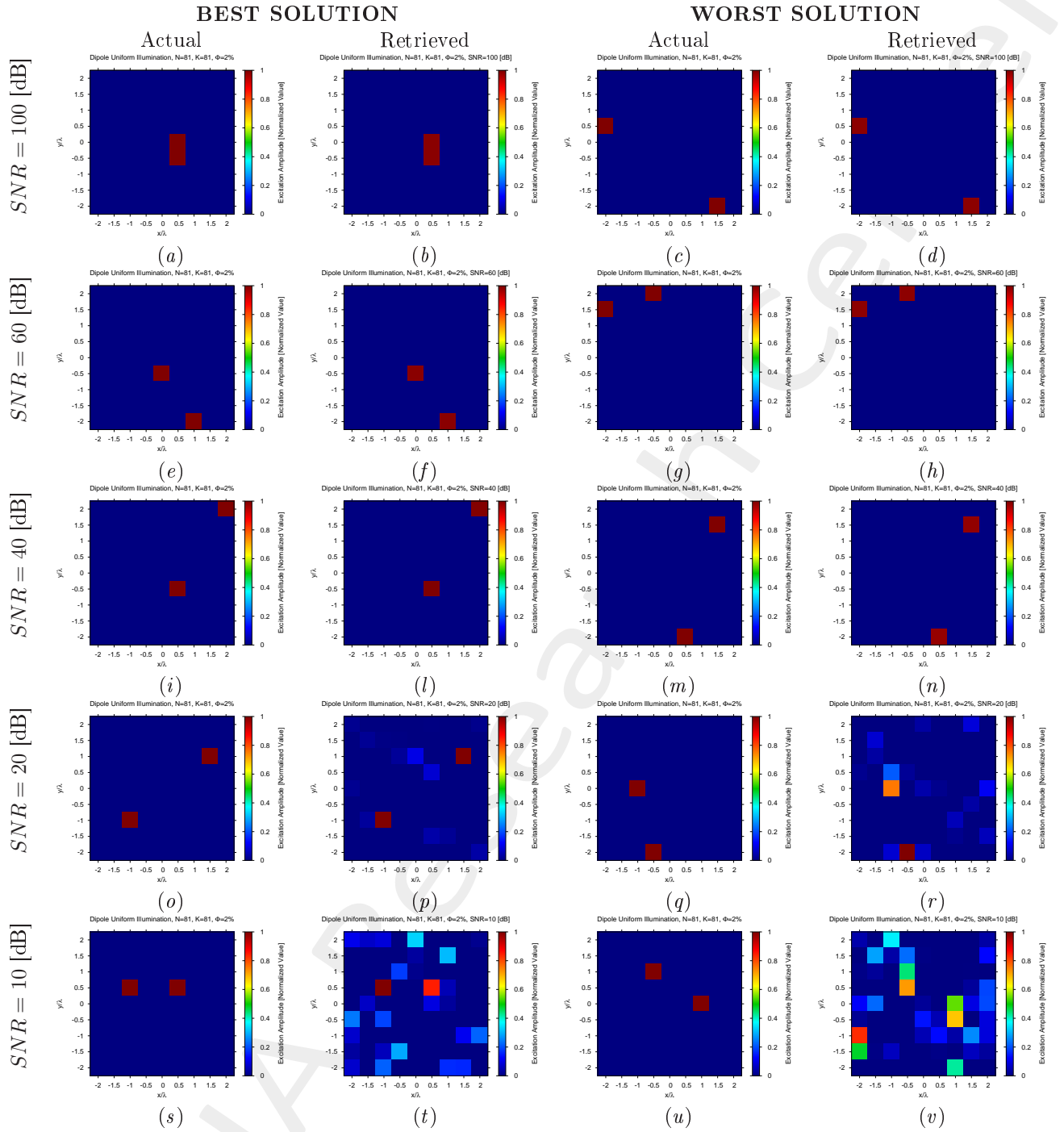


Figure 3: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 81$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 2\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 4\%$ ($N_f = 3$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

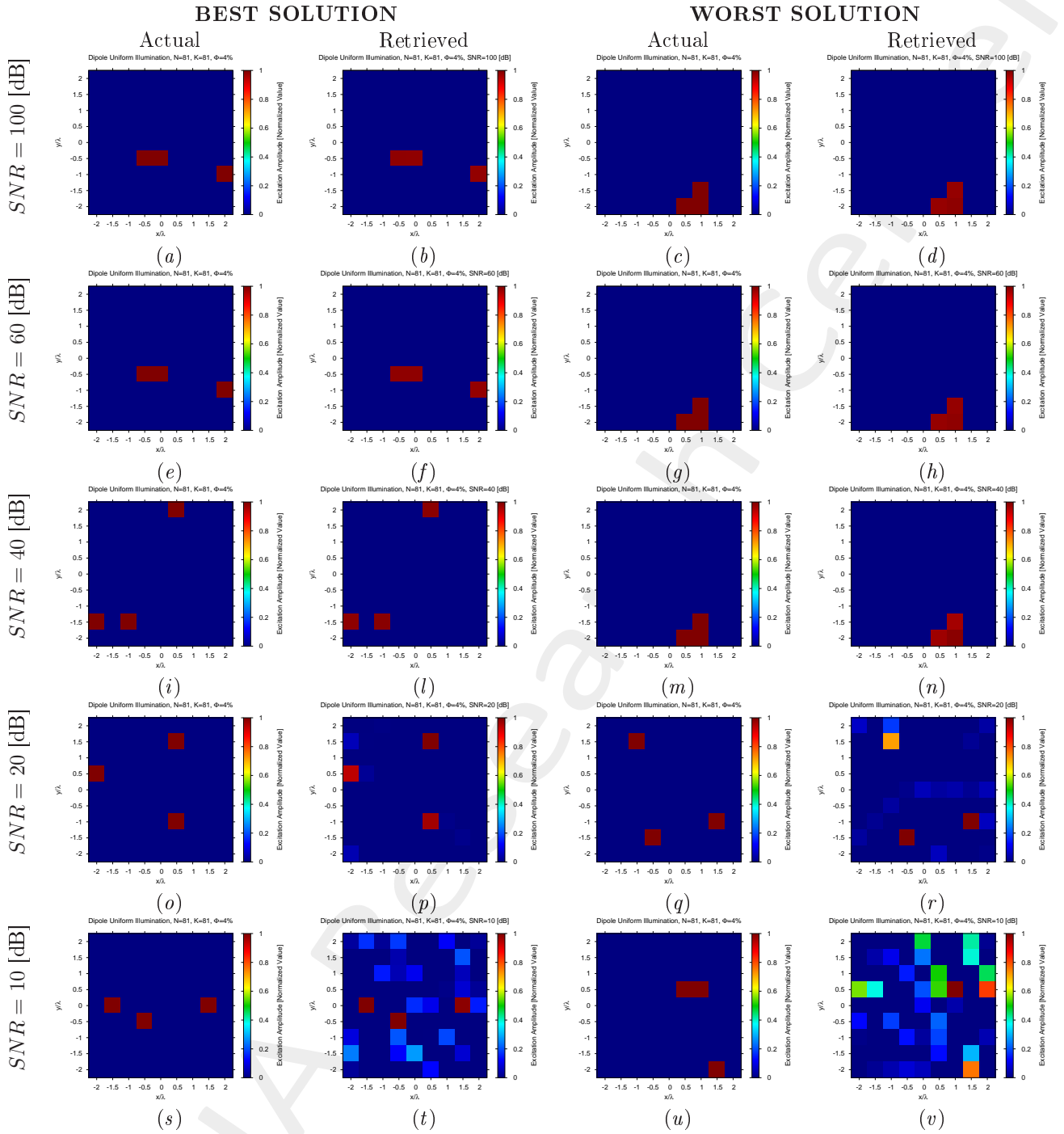


Figure 4: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 81$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 4\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

Diagnosis Error and Confidence Level

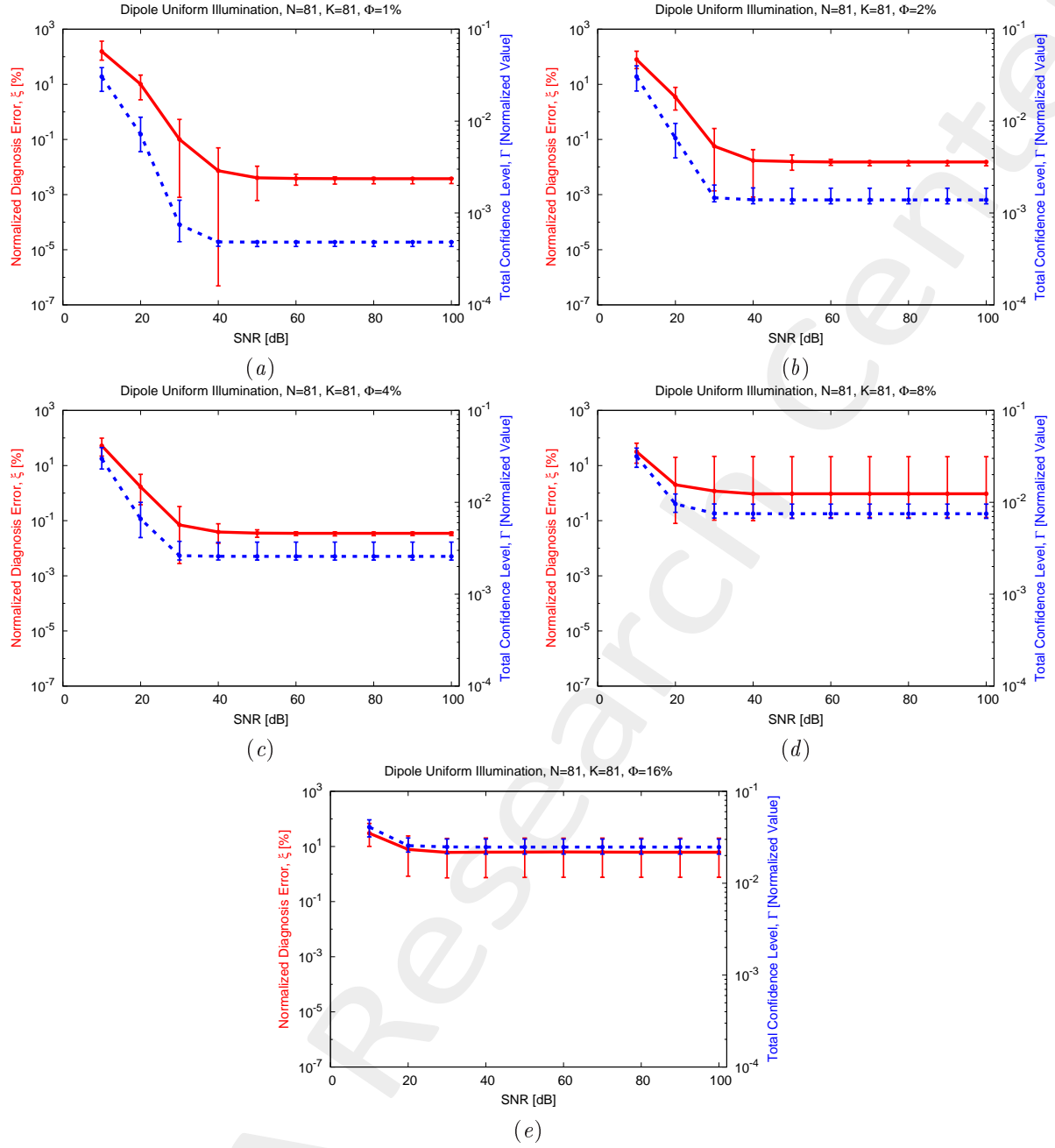


Figure 7: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 81$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 \lambda$) - Behavior of the average, minimum and maximum diagnosis error (ξ) and total confidence level (Γ) versus the SNR, for (a) $\Phi = 1\%$, (b) $\Phi = 2\%$, (c) $\Phi = 4\%$, (d) $\Phi = 8\%$, and (e) $\Phi = 16\%$.

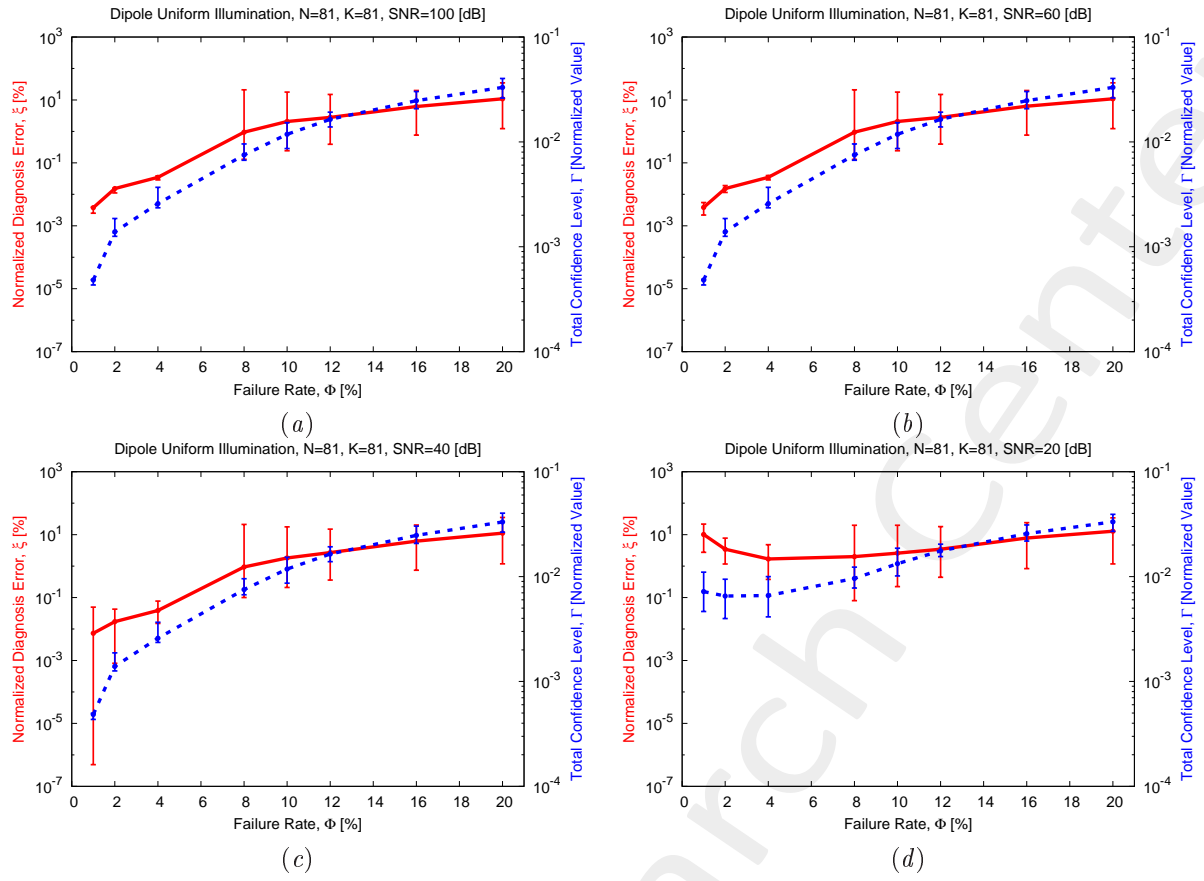


Figure 8: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 81$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$) - Behavior of the average, minimum and maximum diagnosis error (ξ) and total confidence level (Γ) versus the failure rate (Φ), for (a) $SNR = 100$ [dB], (b) $SNR = 60$ [dB], (c) $SNR = 40$ [dB], and (d) $SNR = 20$ [dB].

1.2 Uniform Array, $N = 144$, Dipole Radiators

Parameters

- Gold Array
 - Total number of elements: $N = 144$;
 - Type of elements: y -oriented quarter-wave dipoles;
 - Spacing along x and y : $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$;
 - Excitation tapering: Uniform ($w_n = 1, n = 1, \dots, N$);

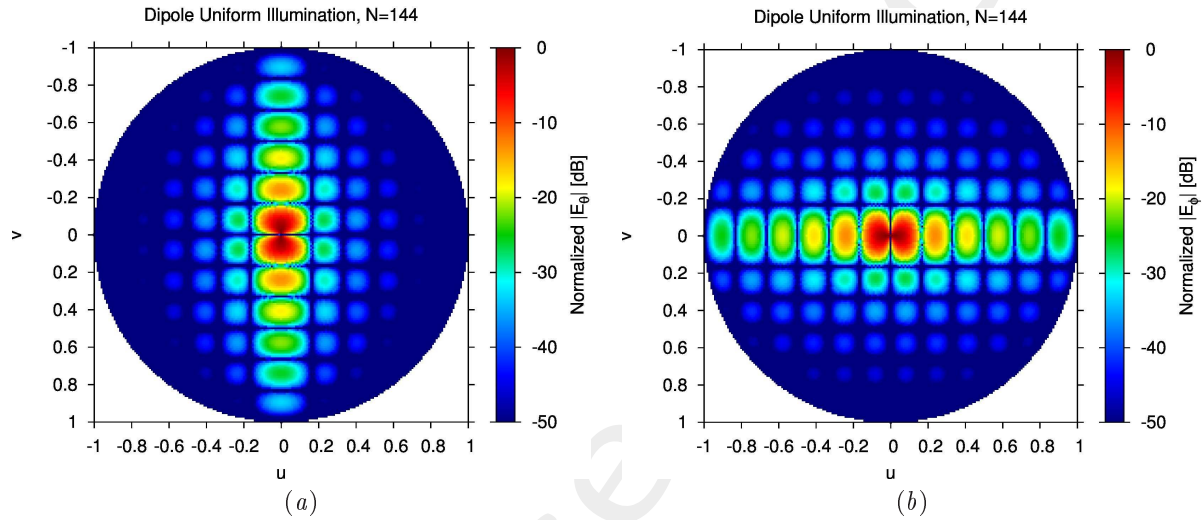


Figure 9: Normalized (a) $E_\theta(u, v)$ and (b) $E_\phi(u, v)$ pattern components of the gold array computed via full-wave simulation.

- Failed Array
 - Failure factor: $\kappa = 0$ (total failures);
 - Failure rate: see table below;

N_f	$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N}$
1	1%
3	2%
6	4%
12	8%
23	16%

Table 2: Number of failures (N_f) and corresponding failure rate ($\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N}$).

- Measurement set-up
 - Type of sampling: uniform sampling in the (u, v) plane;
 - Number of points in the visible range: $K = 149$;

- Ratio between measurements and number of elements: $\nu = \frac{K}{N} \simeq 1.0$ ($\nu^{(opt)}$);
- *BCS* solver
 - Noise variance: $\eta = 5 \times 10^{-1}$ ($\eta^{(opt)}$);
 - Tolerance factor: $\iota = 10^{-8}$;
- Signal-to-Noise-Ratio: $SNR = \{10; 20; \dots; 100\}$.

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Results

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 1\%$ ($N_f = 1$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

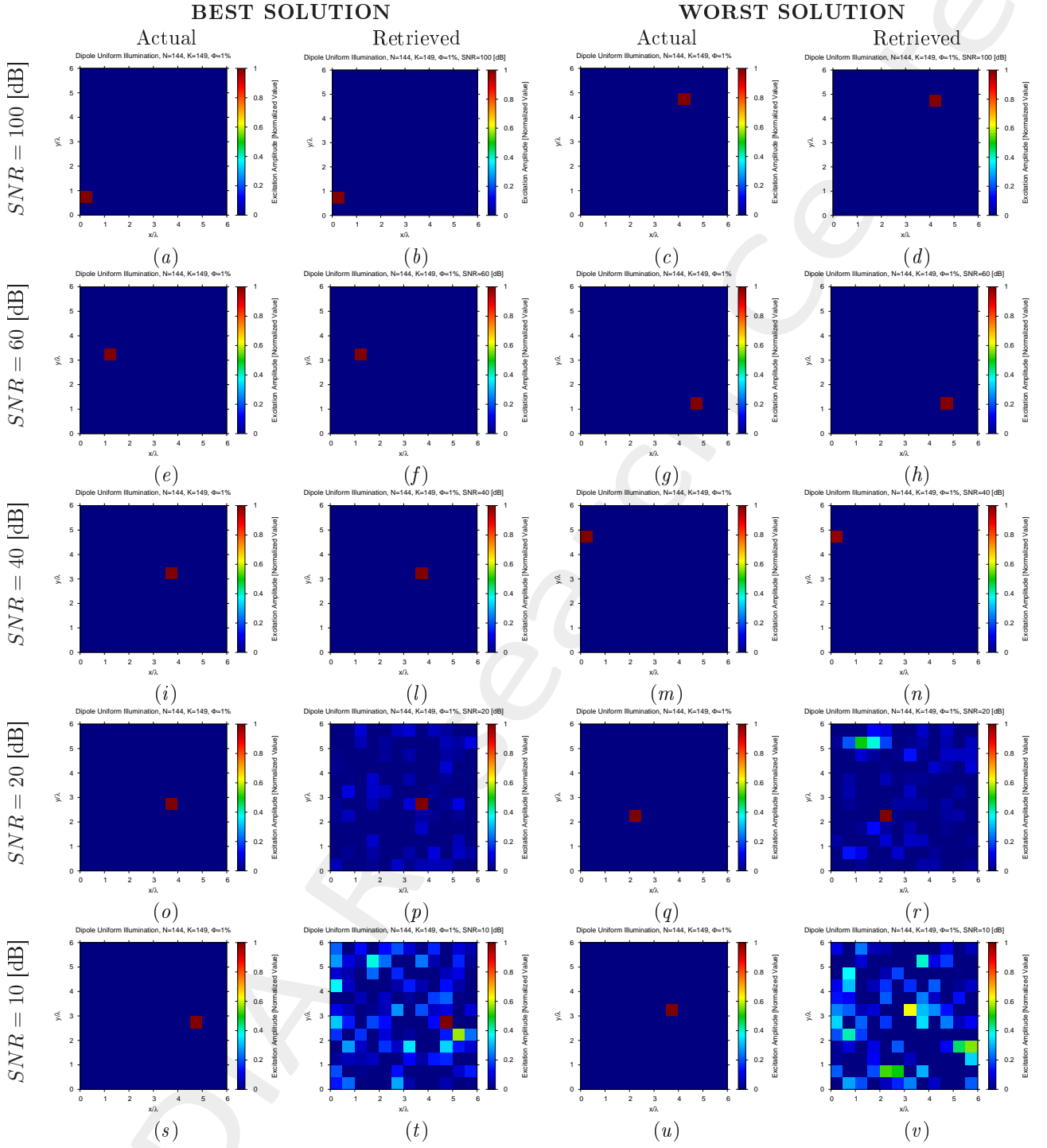


Figure 10: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 1\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 2\%$ ($N_f = 3$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

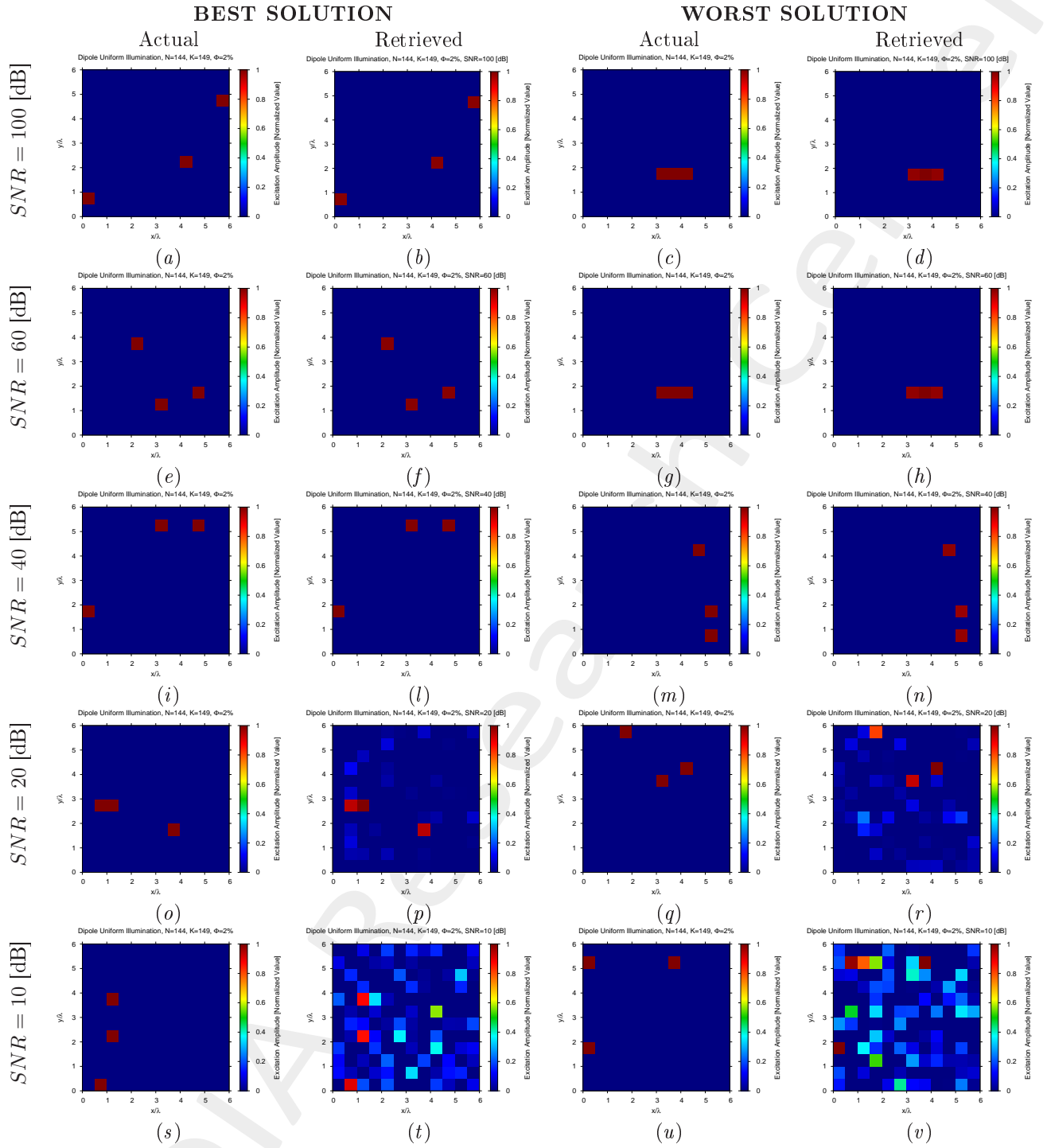


Figure 11: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 2\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 4\%$ ($N_f = 6$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

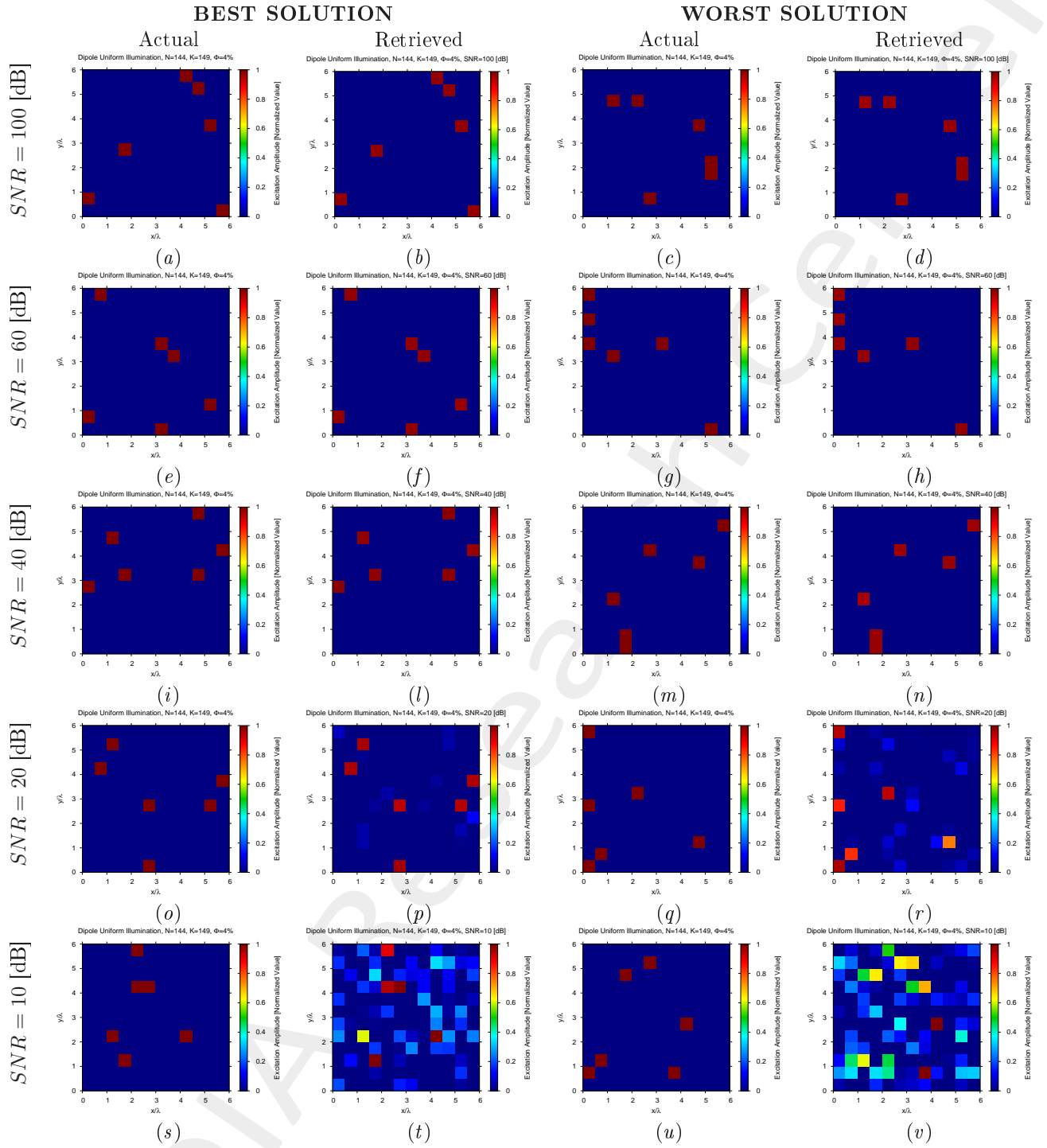


Figure 12: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 4\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 8\%$ ($N_f = 12$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

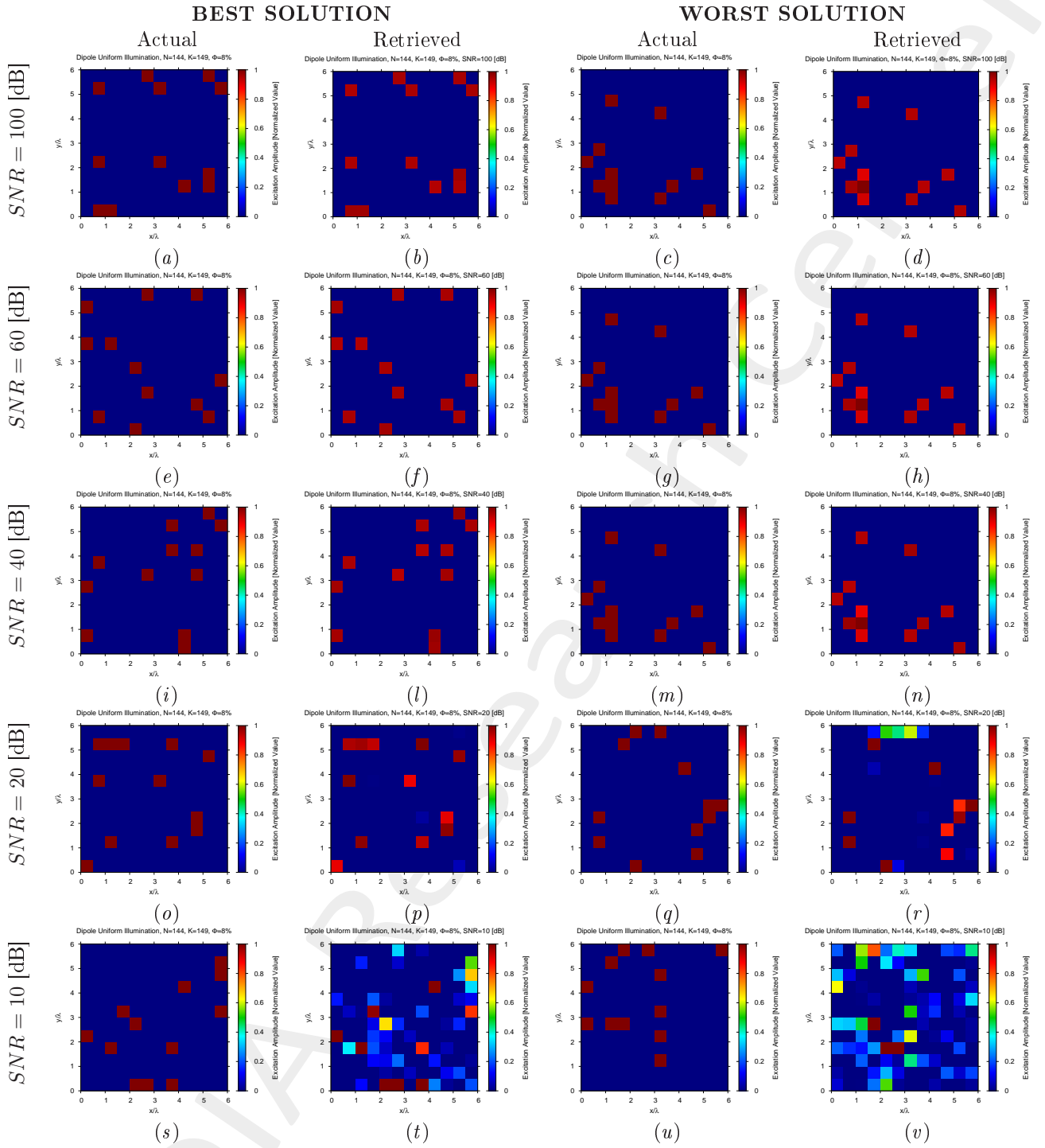


Figure 13: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$, $\Phi = 8\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

$\Phi = \frac{N_f}{N} = 16\%$ ($N_f = 23$) - Best and Worst *BCS* Reconstructions

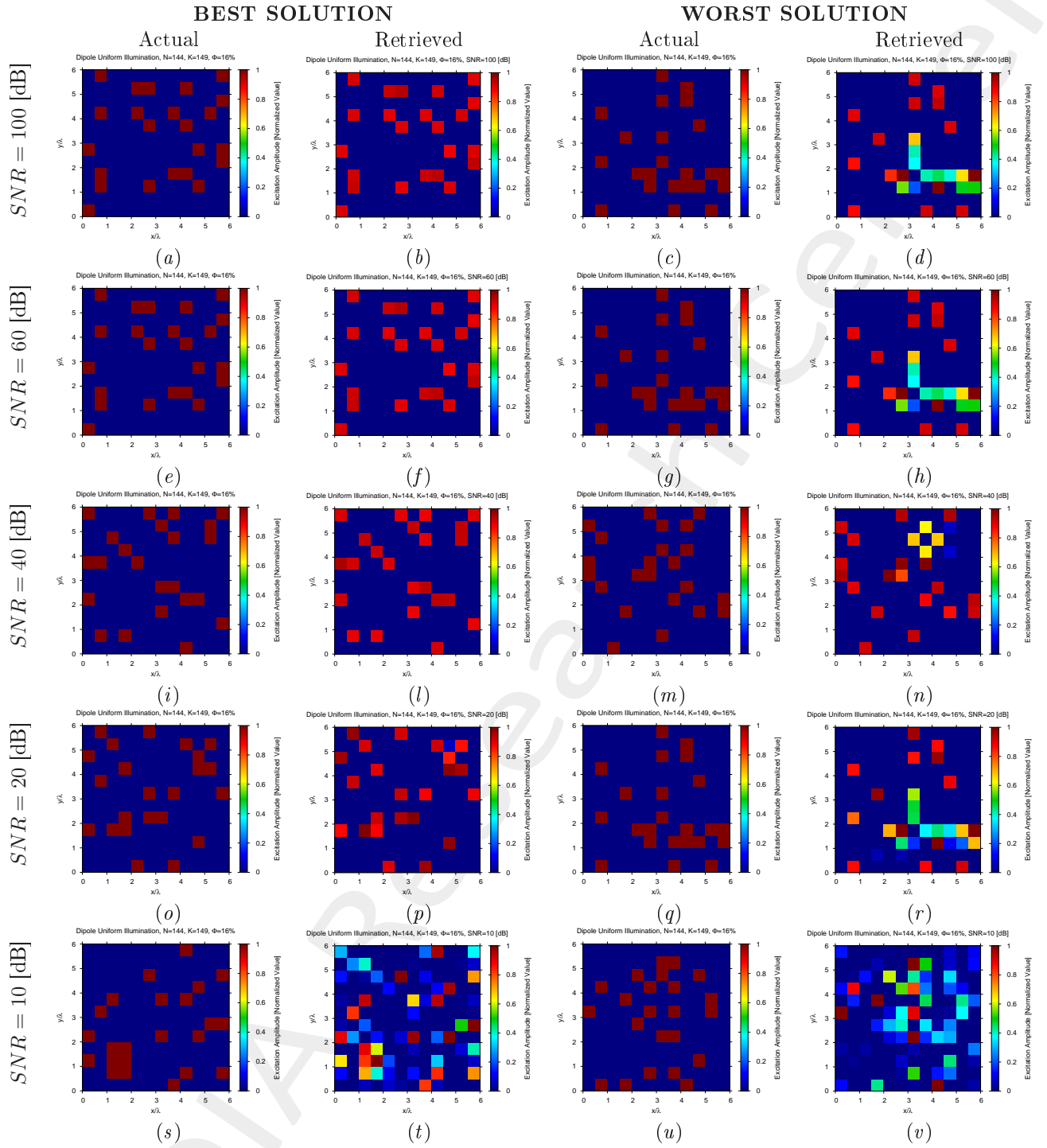


Figure 14: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5$ [λ], $\Phi = 16\%$) - Best and worst reconstructions by *BCS* under several *SNR* values.

Diagnosis Error and Confidence Level

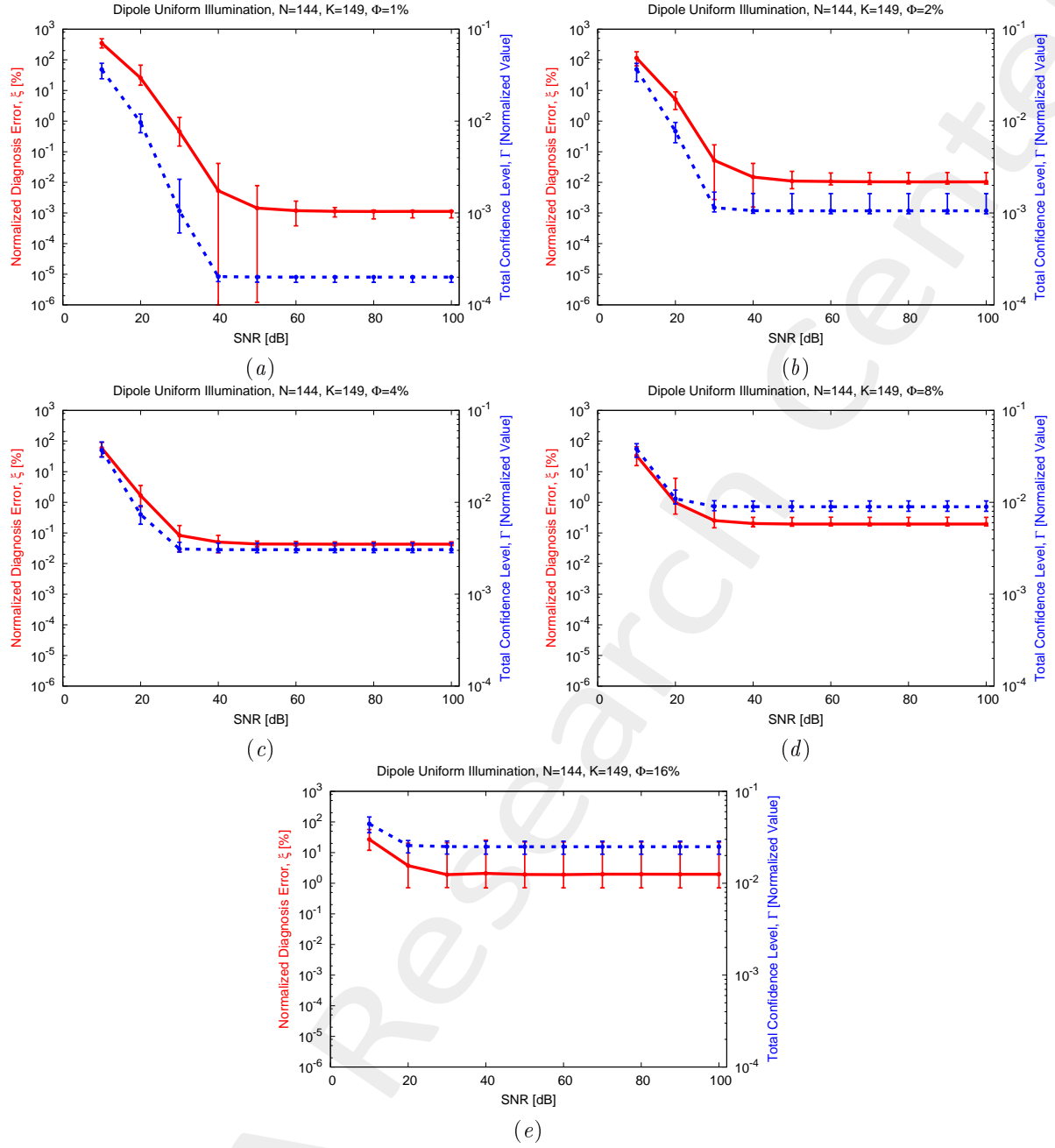


Figure 15: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$) - Behavior of the average, minimum and maximum diagnosis error (ξ) and total confidence level (Γ) versus the SNR, for (a) $\Phi = 1\%$, (b) $\Phi = 2\%$, (c) $\Phi = 4\%$, (d) $\Phi = 8\%$, and (e) $\Phi = 16\%$.

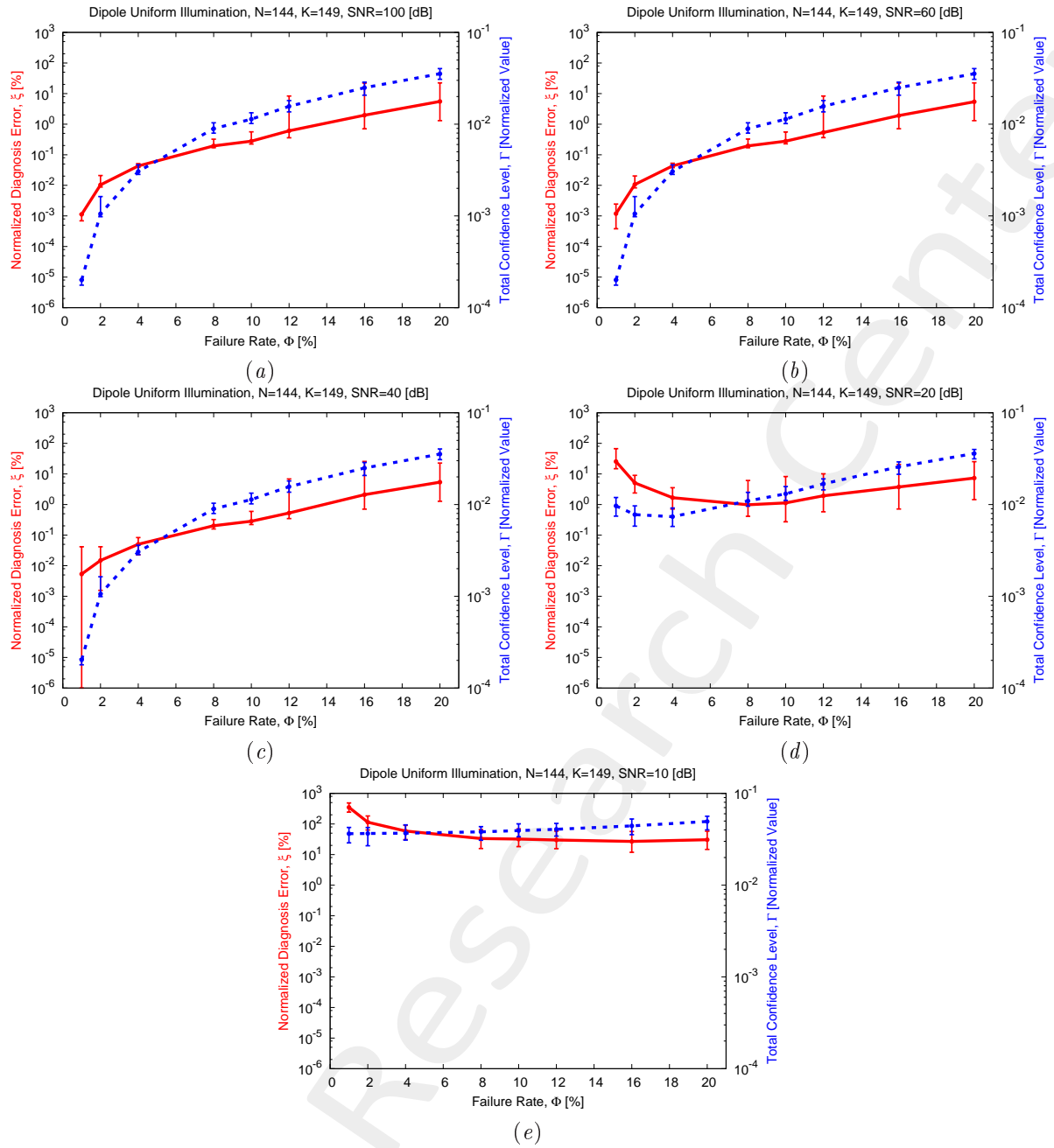


Figure 16: Uniform Dipoles Array ($N = 144$, $d_x = d_y = 0.5 [\lambda]$) - Behavior of the average, minimum and maximum diagnosis error (ξ) and total confidence level (Γ) versus the failure rate (Φ), for (a) $SNR = 100$ [dB], (b) $SNR = 60$ [dB], (c) $SNR = 40$ [dB], and (d) $SNR = 20$ [dB].

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