

Multi-Resolution Imaging through a Novel Bayesian Compressive Sensing Approach

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Abstract

In this work, a multi-resolution strategy is proposed for improving the reconstruction capabilities of standard Bayesian compressive sensing (*BCS*) when dealing with the imaging of sparse targets. Towards this end, a customized relevance vector machine (*RVM*) solver is derived and implemented in order to exploit the progressively acquired information about the scatterer shape and location within the imaged domain.

Some numerical results are shown to validate the effectiveness of the proposed imaging technique.

1 Numerical Results

1.1 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$

Test Case Description

Direct solver:

- Side of the investigation domain: $L = 6.0\lambda$
- Cubic domain divided in $\sqrt{D} \times \sqrt{D}$ cells
- Number of cells for the direct solver: $D = 1600$ (discretization = $\lambda/10$)

Investigation domain:

- Cubic domain divided in $\sqrt{N} \times \sqrt{N}$ cells
- Number of cells for the inversion:
 - First Step IMSA: $N^{(1)} = 100$ (discretization = $\lambda/10$)
 - Following Steps IMSA: $N^{(i)}$ not fixed, defined according to the estimated *RoI* $\mathcal{D}^{(i)}$

Measurement domain:

- Total number of measurements: $M = 60$
- Measurement points placed on circles of radius $\rho = 4.5\lambda$

Sources:

- Plane waves
- Number of views: $V = 60$; $\theta_{inc}^v = 0^\circ + (v - 1) \times (360/V)$
- Amplitude: $A = 1.0$
- Frequency: $F = 300$ MHz ($\lambda = 1$)

Background:

- $\epsilon_r = 1.0$
- $\sigma = 0$ [S/m]

Scatterer

- Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$
- $\epsilon_r \in \{1.01, 1.02, 1.04, 1.05, 1.06, 1.08, 1.10, 1.15, 1.20\}$
- $\sigma = 0$ [S/m]

1.1.1 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.02$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

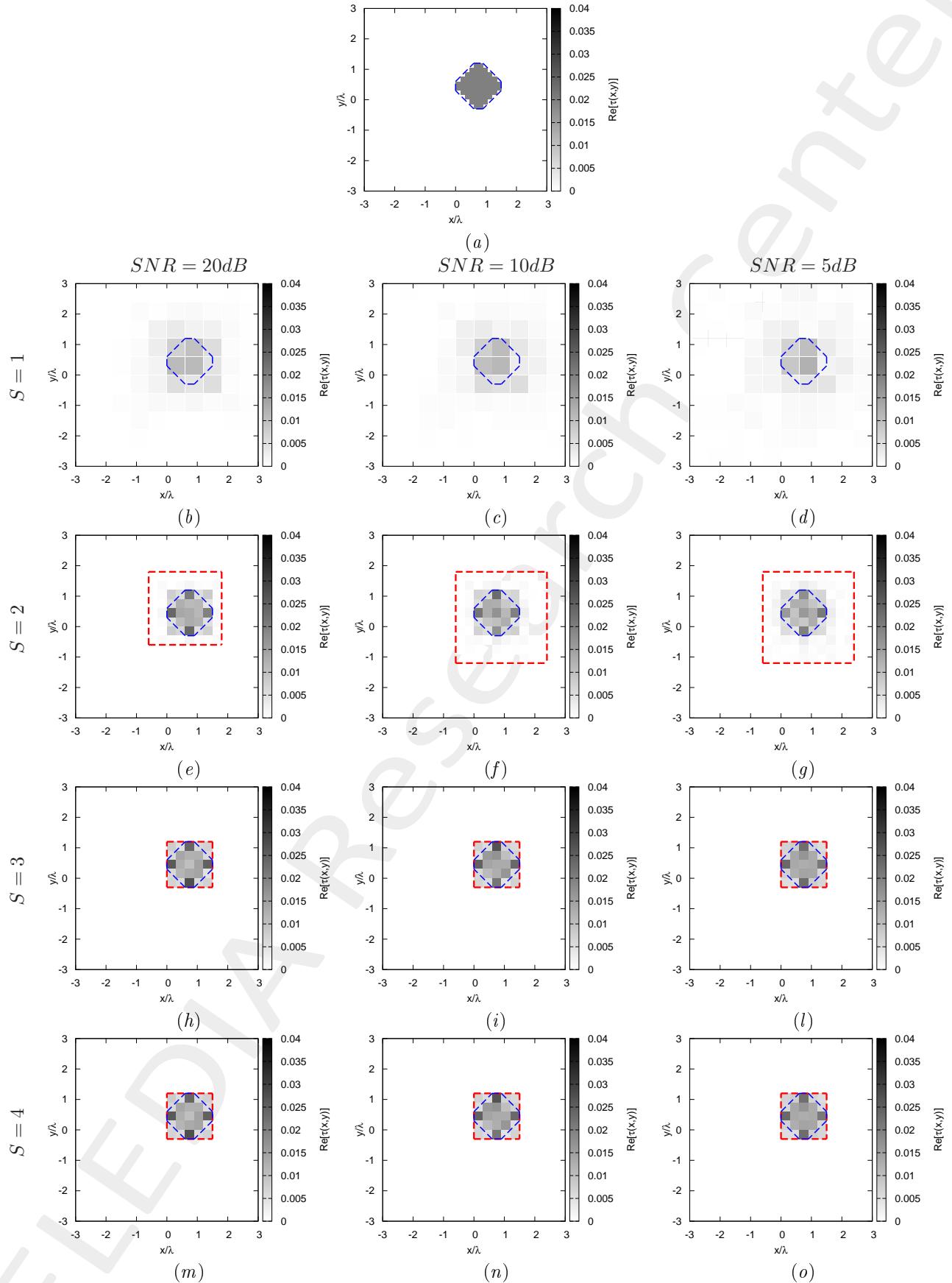


Figure 1: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.02$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h)(m) $\text{SNR} = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i)(n) $\text{SNR} = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l)(o) $\text{SNR} = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, (h)-(l) $S = 3$ and (m)-(o) $S = 4$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.05×10^{-3}	4.63×10^{-4}	4.48×10^{-4}	4.48×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.09×10^{-2}	7.65×10^{-3}	7.80×10^{-3}	7.80×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	6.69×10^{-4}	1.82×10^{-4}	1.62×10^{-4}	1.62×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.05×10^{-3}	4.66×10^{-4}	4.44×10^{-4}	4.44×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.08×10^{-2}	7.19×10^{-3}	7.59×10^{-3}	7.59×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	6.65×10^{-4}	2.03×10^{-4}	1.66×10^{-4}	1.66×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.09×10^{-3}	4.87×10^{-4}	4.04×10^{-4}	4.04×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.08×10^{-2}	7.14×10^{-3}	6.67×10^{-3}	6.67×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	6.99×10^{-4}	2.26×10^{-4}	1.59×10^{-4}	1.59×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.18×10^{-3}	5.45×10^{-4}	3.88×10^{-4}	3.88×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.10×10^{-2}	7.40×10^{-3}	6.03×10^{-3}	6.03×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	7.48×10^{-4}	2.71×10^{-4}	1.67×10^{-4}	1.67×10^{-4}

Table I: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	2.40	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	148	148	148
$Q^{(S)}$	100	64	25	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	2.40	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	148	148	148
$Q^{(S)}$	100	64	25	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.00	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.00	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25

Table II: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.02$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.1.2 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.05$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

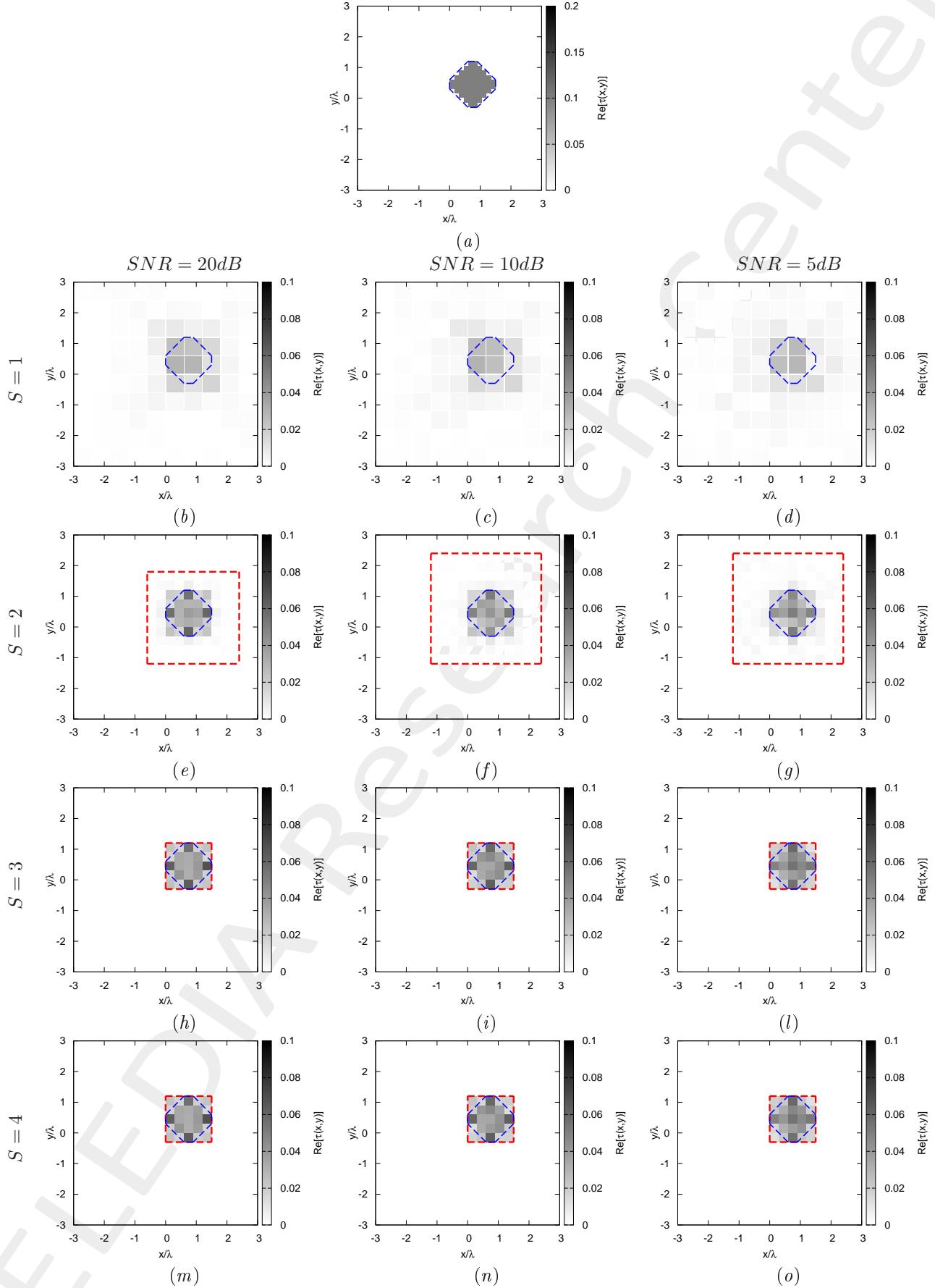


Figure 2: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.05$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h)(m) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i)(n) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l)(o) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, (h)-(l) $S = 3$ and (m)-(o) $S = 4$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	3.01×10^{-3}	1.35×10^{-3}	1.12×10^{-3}	1.12×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	2.39×10^{-2}	1.75×10^{-2}	1.65×10^{-2}	1.65×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	2.12×10^{-3}	6.98×10^{-4}	5.13×10^{-4}	5.13×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	3.04×10^{-3}	1.31×10^{-3}	1.09×10^{-3}	1.09×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	2.45×10^{-2}	1.69×10^{-2}	1.53×10^{-2}	1.53×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	2.12×10^{-3}	6.81×10^{-4}	5.27×10^{-4}	5.27×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	3.12×10^{-3}	1.39×10^{-3}	9.67×10^{-4}	9.67×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	2.51×10^{-2}	1.53×10^{-2}	1.30×10^{-2}	1.30×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	2.14×10^{-3}	7.93×10^{-4}	4.81×10^{-4}	4.81×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	3.30×10^{-3}	1.48×10^{-3}	8.71×10^{-4}	8.71×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	2.61×10^{-2}	1.50×10^{-2}	1.01×10^{-2}	1.01×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	2.27×10^{-3}	8.39×10^{-4}	4.74×10^{-4}	4.74×10^{-4}

Table III: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.00	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.00	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	25	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	25	25

Table IV: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.05$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.1.3 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.10$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

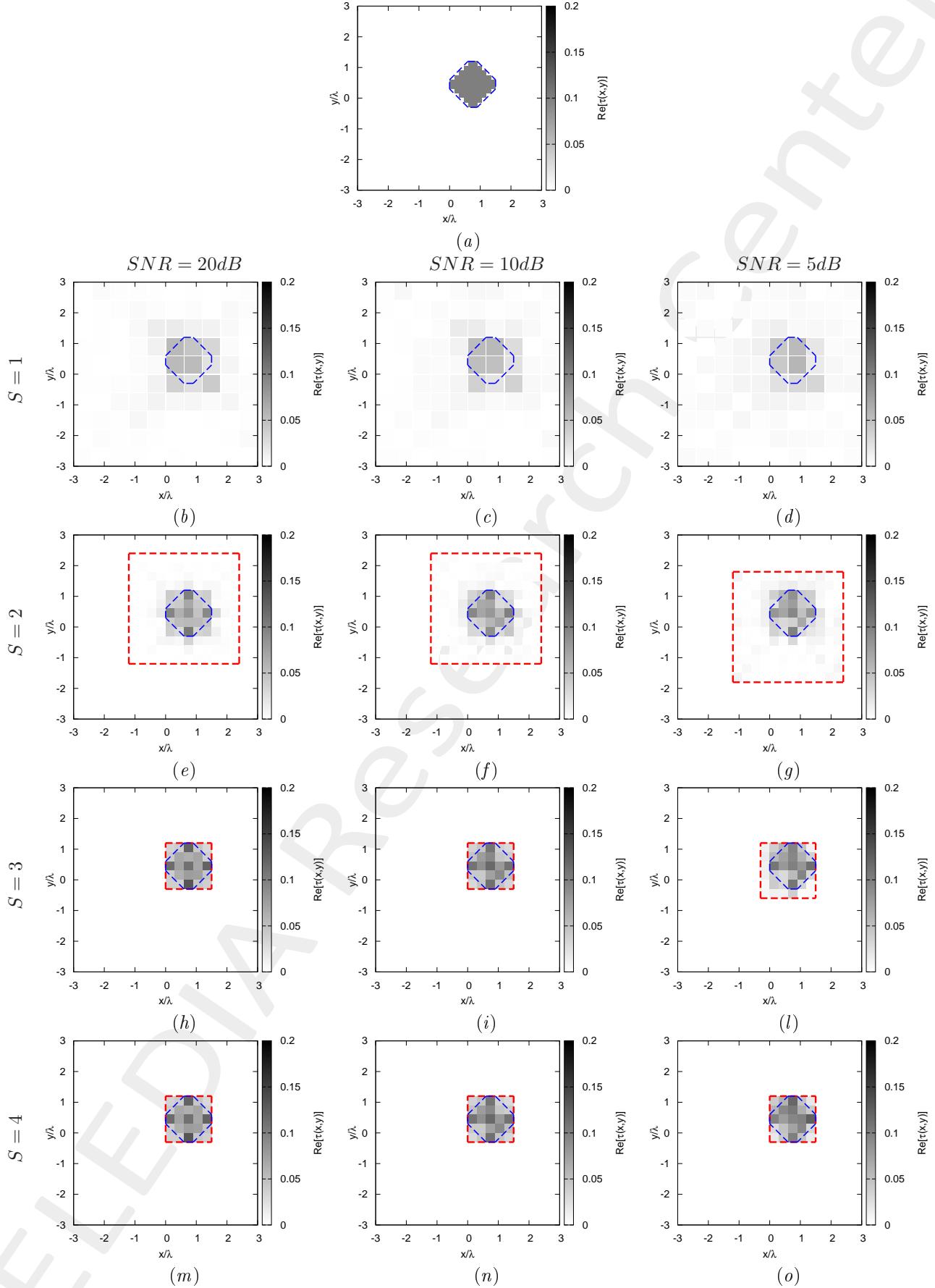


Figure 3: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.10$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, and (h)-(l) $S = 3$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	6.37×10^{-3}	3.09×10^{-3}	2.10×10^{-3}	2.10×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	4.77×10^{-2}	3.29×10^{-2}	2.72×10^{-2}	2.72×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	4.40×10^{-3}	1.73×10^{-3}	9.86×10^{-4}	9.86×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	6.52×10^{-3}	3.08×10^{-3}	2.18×10^{-3}	2.18×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	4.86×10^{-2}	3.27×10^{-2}	2.81×10^{-2}	2.81×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	4.48×10^{-3}	1.71×10^{-3}	1.01×10^{-3}	1.01×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	6.51×10^{-3}	3.14×10^{-3}	2.05×10^{-3}	2.05×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	4.86×10^{-2}	3.10×10^{-2}	2.29×10^{-2}	2.29×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	4.46×10^{-3}	1.76×10^{-3}	1.02×10^{-3}	1.02×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	7.15×10^{-3}	3.65×10^{-3}	2.40×10^{-3}	1.88×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	5.01×10^{-2}	3.35×10^{-2}	2.29×10^{-2}	1.95×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	4.84×10^{-3}	2.11×10^{-3}	1.22×10^{-3}	9.40×10^{-4}

Table V: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	25	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	25	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	25	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.80	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	25

Table VI: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.05$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.1.4 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.15$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

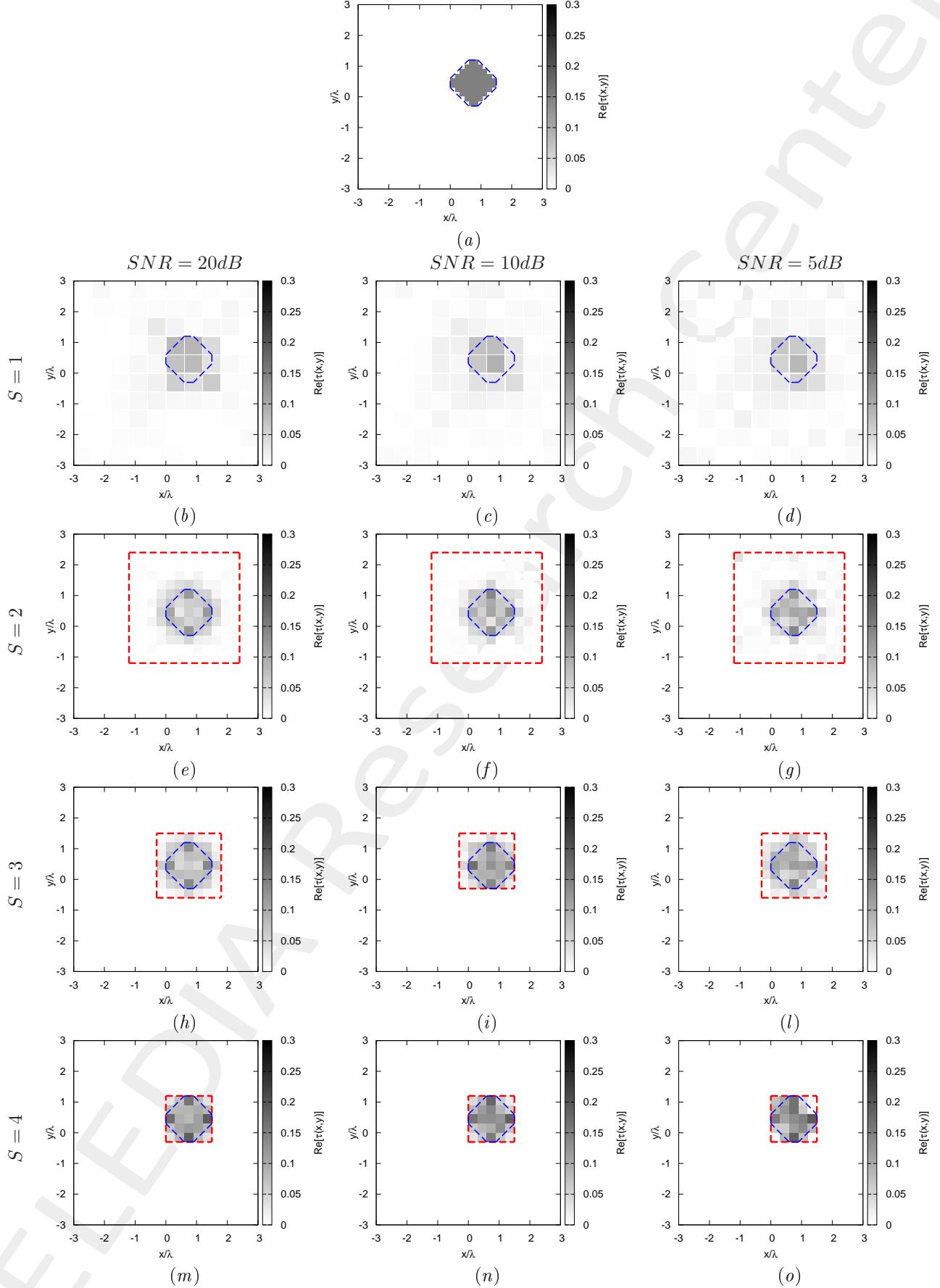


Figure 4: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.15$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, and (h)-(l) $S = 3$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	9.65×10^{-3}	6.53×10^{-3}	5.42×10^{-3}	3.51×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	6.97×10^{-2}	7.15×10^{-2}	6.00×10^{-2}	4.27×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	6.50×10^{-3}	3.64×10^{-3}	3.02×10^{-3}	1.52×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	9.72×10^{-3}	6.42×10^{-3}	5.35×10^{-3}	3.53×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	6.83×10^{-2}	6.85×10^{-2}	5.81×10^{-2}	4.09×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	6.63×10^{-3}	3.54×10^{-3}	2.96×10^{-3}	1.62×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	9.95×10^{-3}	5.75×10^{-3}	3.91×10^{-3}	3.06×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	7.07×10^{-2}	5.83×10^{-2}	3.94×10^{-2}	3.18×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	6.81×10^{-3}	3.14×10^{-3}	2.01×10^{-3}	1.38×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.25×10^{-2}	6.78×10^{-3}	5.43×10^{-3}	3.39×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	7.61×10^{-2}	5.72×10^{-2}	5.37×10^{-2}	3.40×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	8.33×10^{-3}	3.72×10^{-3}	3.07×10^{-3}	1.32×10^{-3}

Table VII: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	1.80	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25

Table VIII: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.05$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.1.5 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

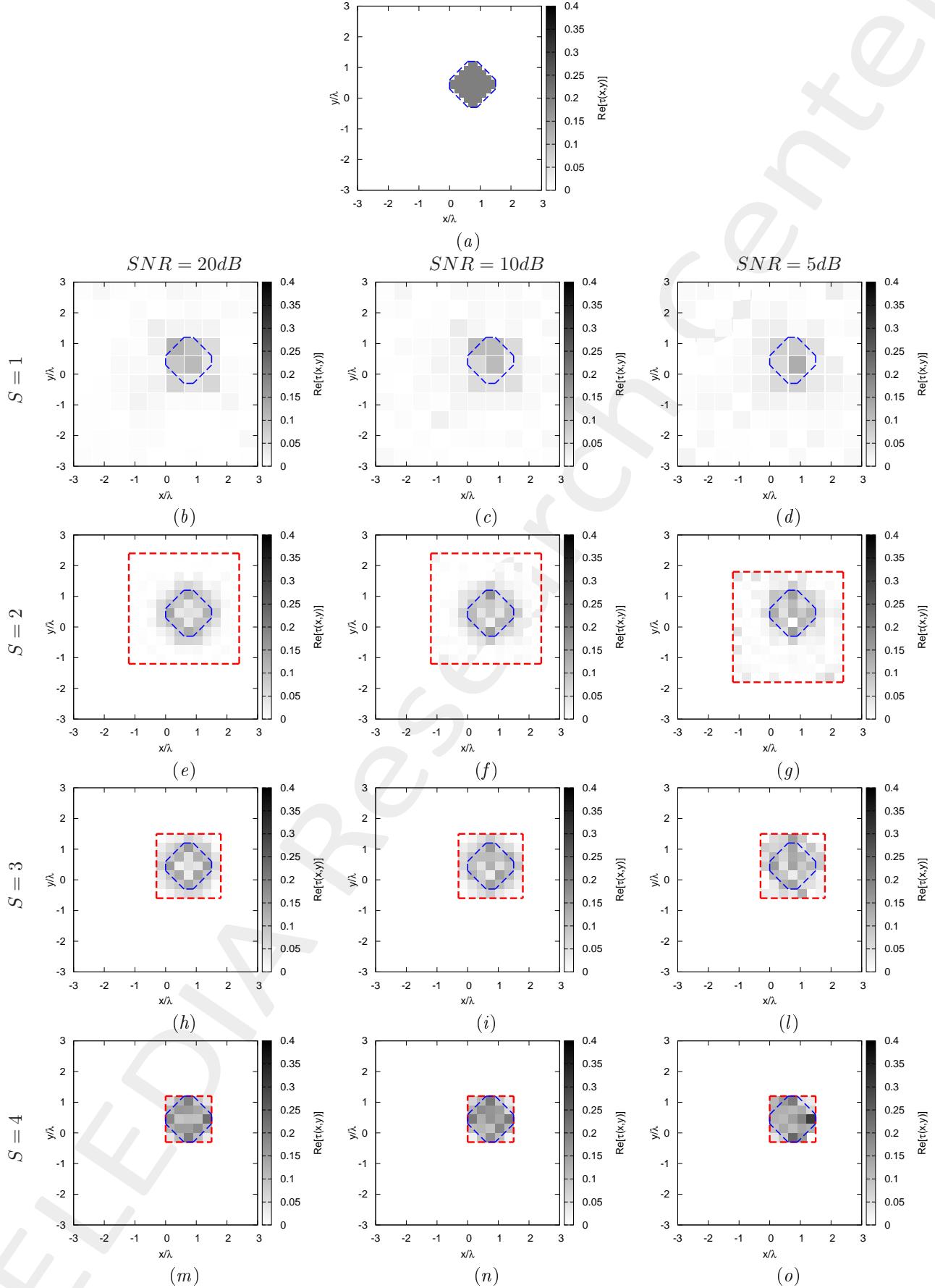


Figure 5: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h) $\text{SNR} = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i) $\text{SNR} = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l) $\text{SNR} = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, and (h)-(l) $S = 3$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.29×10^{-2}	9.07×10^{-3}	7.31×10^{-3}	4.83×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	9.23×10^{-2}	9.49×10^{-2}	7.80×10^{-2}	4.18×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	8.61×10^{-3}	4.89×10^{-3}	3.86×10^{-3}	2.16×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.31×10^{-2}	9.14×10^{-3}	7.67×10^{-3}	4.86×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	9.19×10^{-2}	9.64×10^{-2}	8.29×10^{-2}	4.42×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	8.60×10^{-3}	4.92×10^{-3}	4.14×10^{-3}	2.13×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.45×10^{-2}	9.40×10^{-3}	7.98×10^{-3}	4.56×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	9.64×10^{-2}	9.49×10^{-2}	8.43×10^{-2}	3.97×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	9.53×10^{-3}	5.01×10^{-3}	4.34×10^{-3}	1.95×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.84×10^{-2}	1.21×10^{-2}	9.75×10^{-3}	5.47×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	9.86×10^{-2}	9.05×10^{-2}	8.26×10^{-2}	5.71×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	1.12×10^{-2}	6.90×10^{-3}	5.34×10^{-3}	2.22×10^{-3}

Table IX: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	3.60	2.10	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	25

Table X: *Rhombus*, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.1.6 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - IMSA-BCS multi-resolution grids

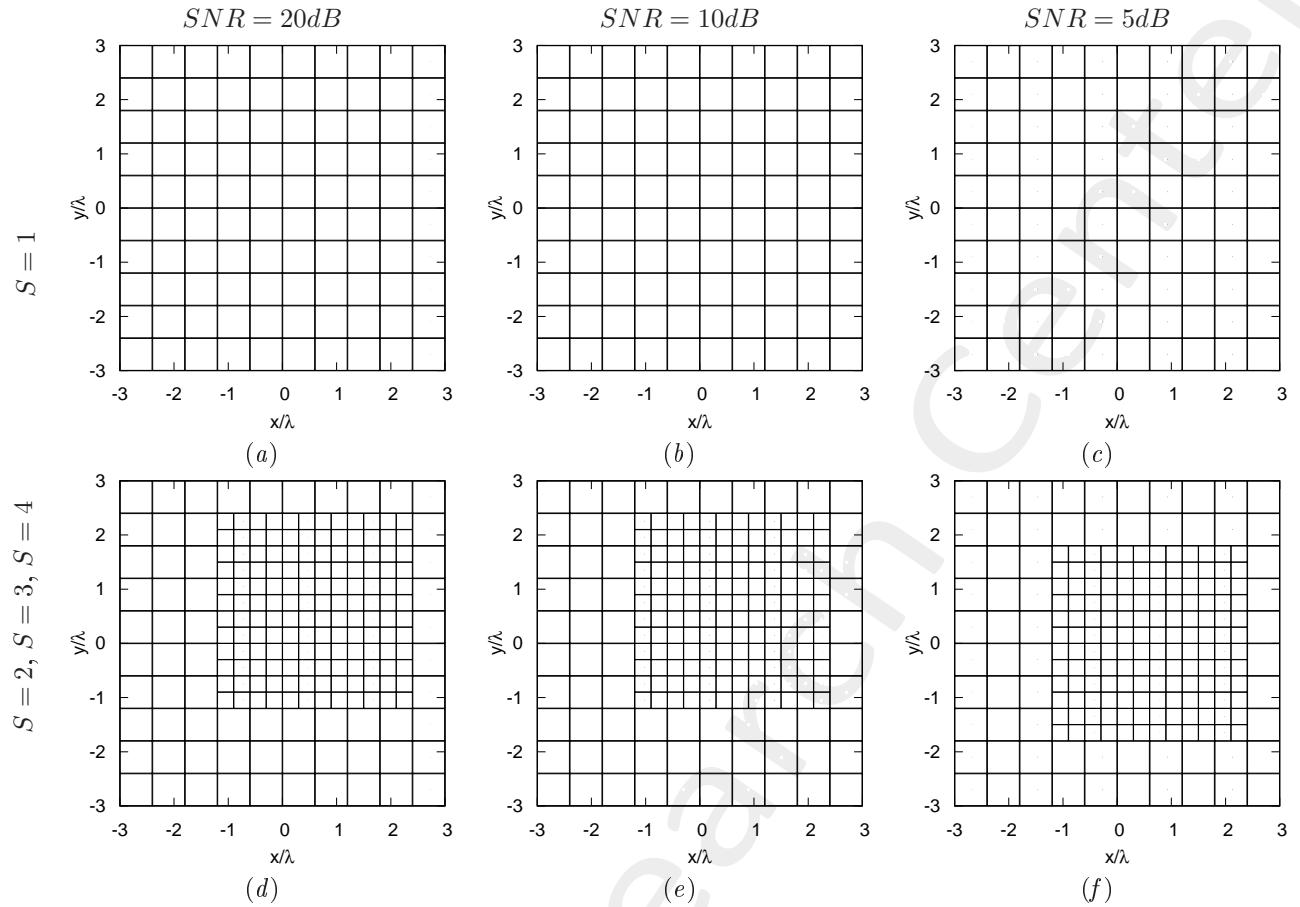


Figure 6: *Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$* - Example of IMSA-BCS multi-resolution grids for (a)-(d) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (b)-(e) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (c)-(f) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (a)-(c) $S = 1$ and (d)-(f) $S = 2, 3, 4$.

1.1.7 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$ - Resume: Errors vs. τ

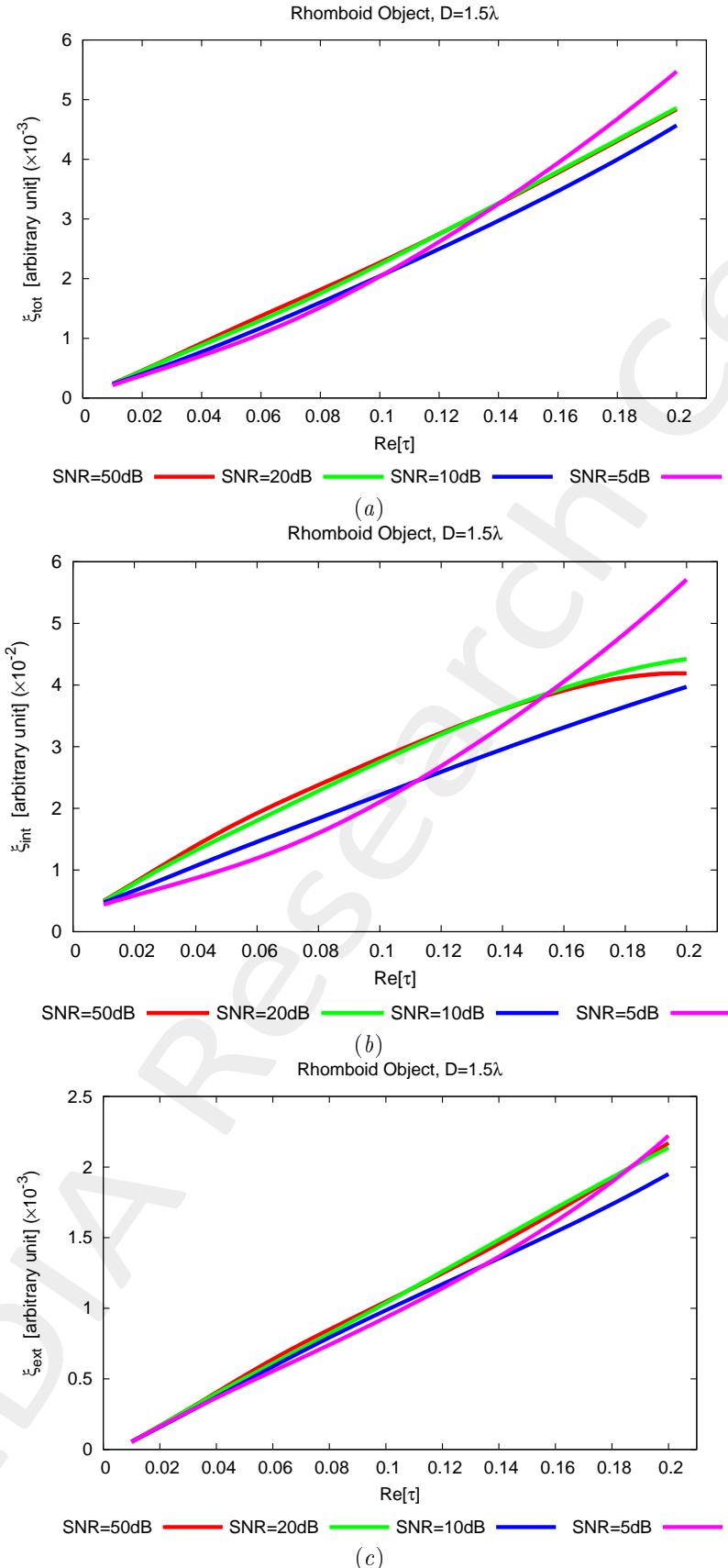


Figure 7: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$ - Reconstruction errors vs. τ : (a) total error, (b) internal error and (c) external error.

1.1.8 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$ - Resume: Errors vs. SNR

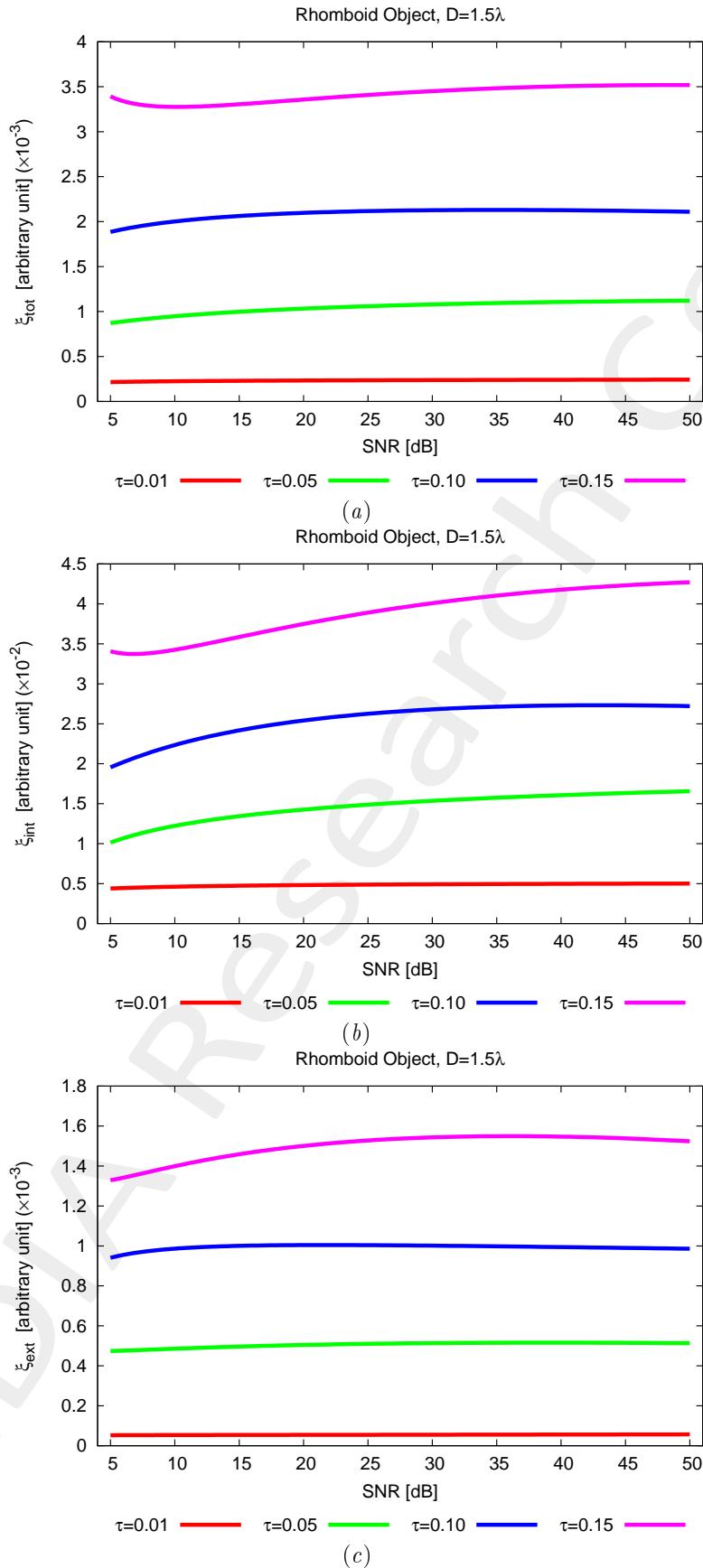


Figure 8: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$ - Reconstruction errors vs. SNR: (a) total error, (b) internal error and (c) external error.

1.1.9 Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$ - Resume: Errors vs. IMSA step, S

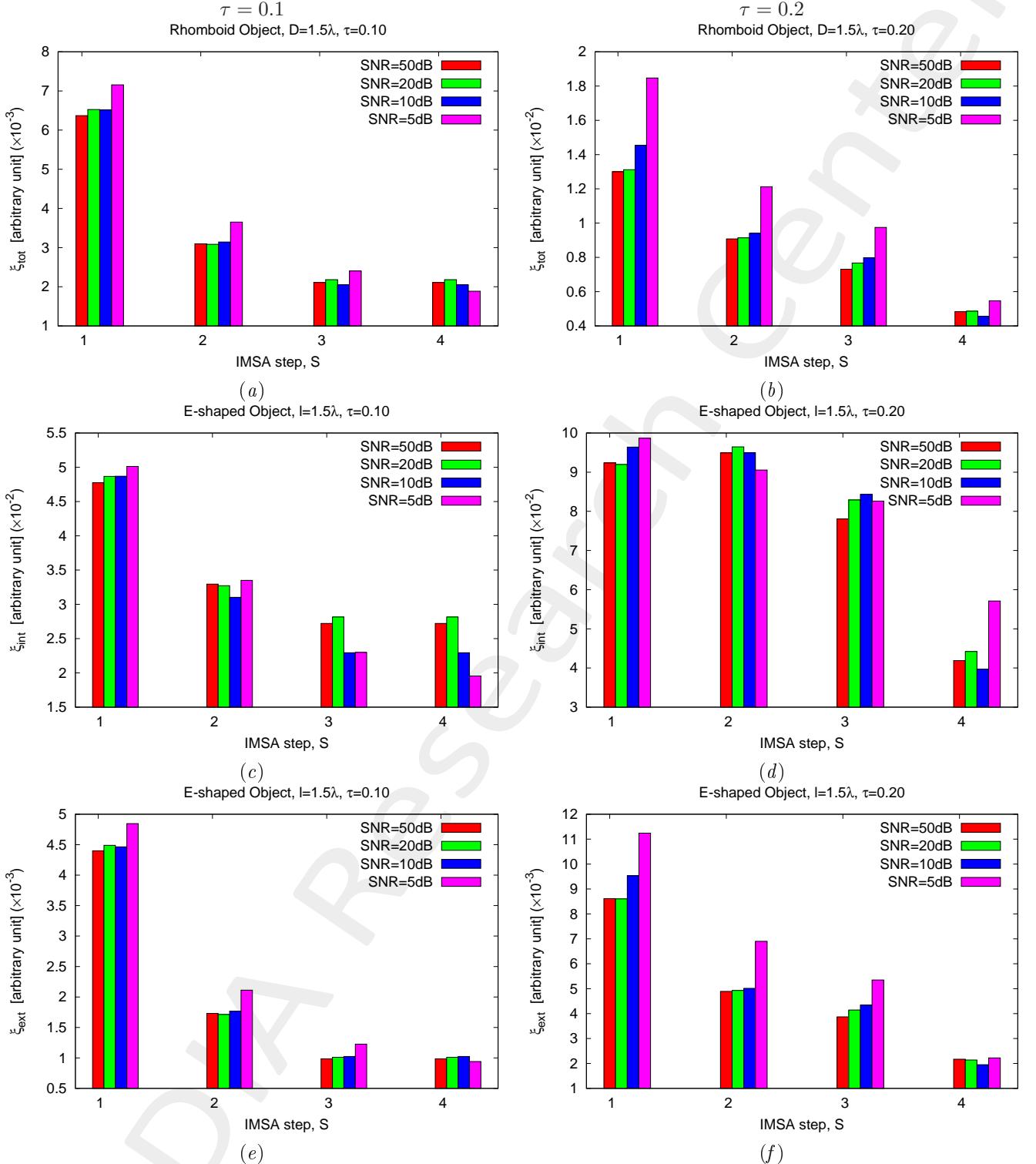
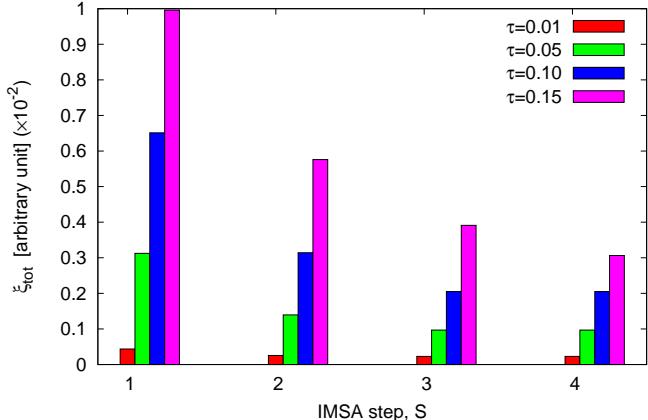


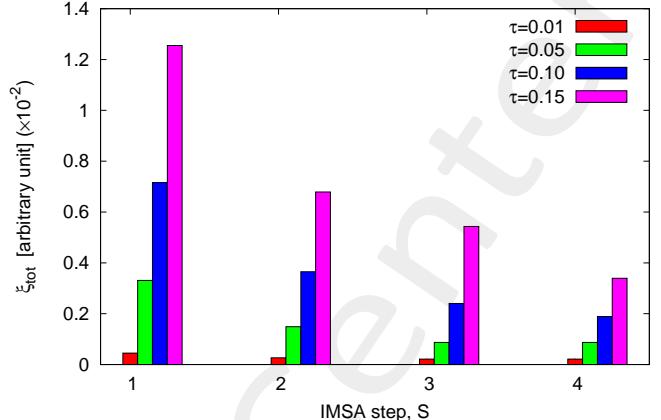
Figure 9: *Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$* - Reconstruction errors vs. IMSA step, S : (a)(b) total error, (c)(d) internal error and (e)(f) external error for (a)(c)(e) $\tau = 0.1$ and (b)(d)(f) $\tau = 0.2$.

$SNR = 10dB$
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=10dB$

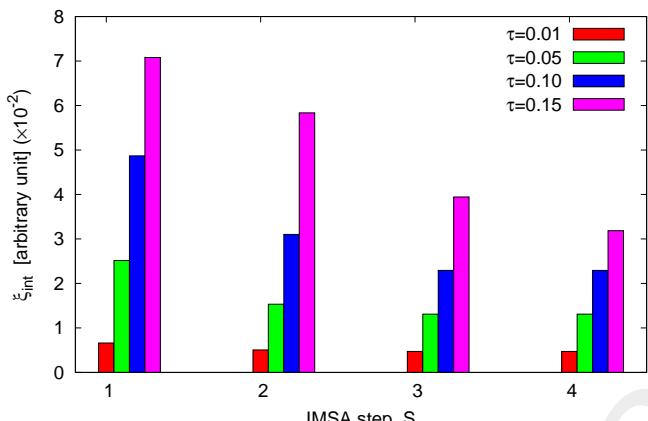


(a)
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=10dB$

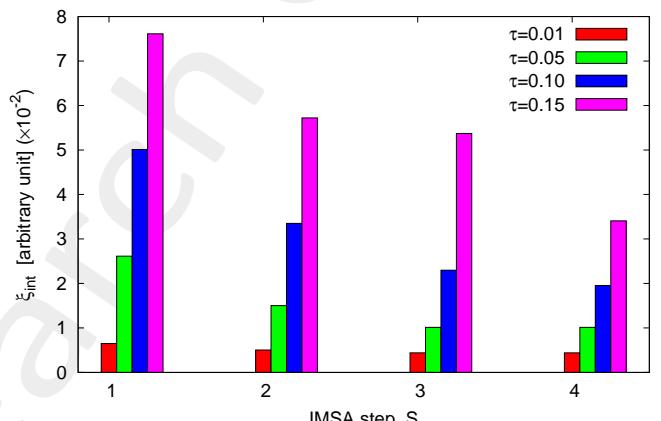
$SNR = 5dB$
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=5dB$



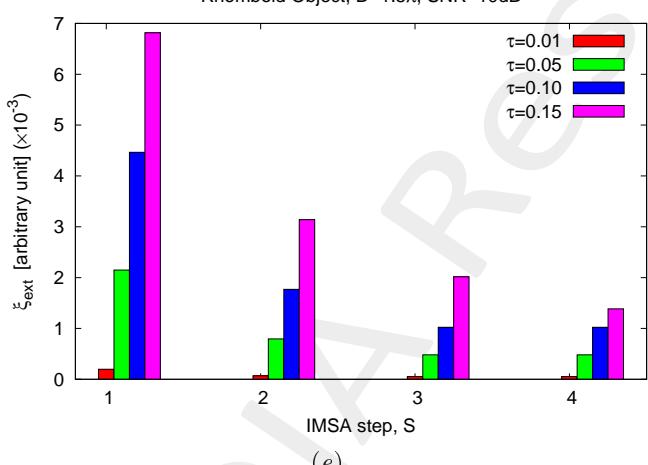
(b)
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=5dB$



(c)
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=10dB$



(d)
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=5dB$



(e)
Rhomboid Object, $D=1.5\lambda$, $SNR=10dB$

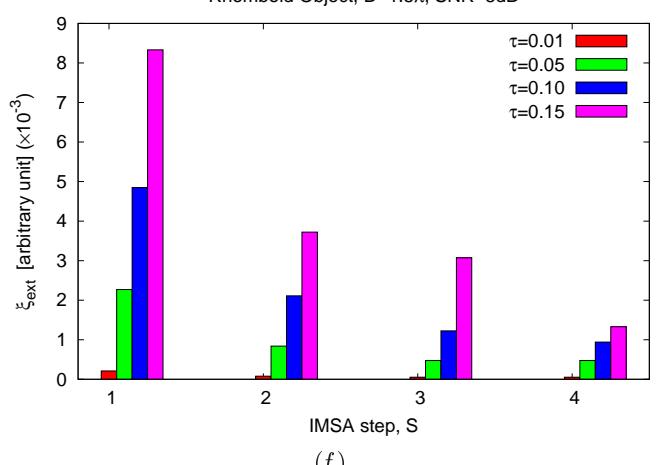


Figure 10: Rhombus, $D = 1.5\lambda$ - Reconstruction errors vs. IMSA step, S : (a)(b) total error, (c)(d) internal error and (e)(f) external error for (a)(c)(e) $SNR = 10dB$ and (b)(d)(f) $SNR = 5dB$.

1.2 Porous Object

Test Case Description

Direct solver:

- Side of the investigation domain: $L = 6.0\lambda$
- Cubic domain divided in $\sqrt{D} \times \sqrt{D}$ cells
- Number of cells for the direct solver: $D = 1600$ (discretization = $\lambda/10$)

Investigation domain:

- Cubic domain divided in $\sqrt{N} \times \sqrt{N}$ cells
- Number of cells for the inversion:
 - First Step IMSA: $N^{(1)} = 100$ (discretization = $\lambda/10$)
 - Following Steps IMSA: $N^{(i)}$ not fixed, defined according to the estimated *RoI* $\mathcal{D}^{(i)}$

Measurement domain:

- Total number of measurements: $M = 60$
- Measurement points placed on circles of radius $\rho = 4.5\lambda$

Sources:

- Plane waves
- Number of views: $V = 60$; $\theta_{inc}^v = 0^\circ + (v - 1) \times (360/V)$
- Amplitude: $A = 1.0$
- Frequency: $F = 300$ MHz ($\lambda = 1$)

Background:

- $\epsilon_r = 1.0$
- $\sigma = 0$ [S/m]

Scatterer

- Porous object
- $\epsilon_r \in \{1.01, 1.02, 1.04, 1.05, 1.06, 1.08, 1.10, 1.15, 1.20\}$
- $\sigma = 0$ [S/m]

1.2.1 Porous Object, $\ell = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.02$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

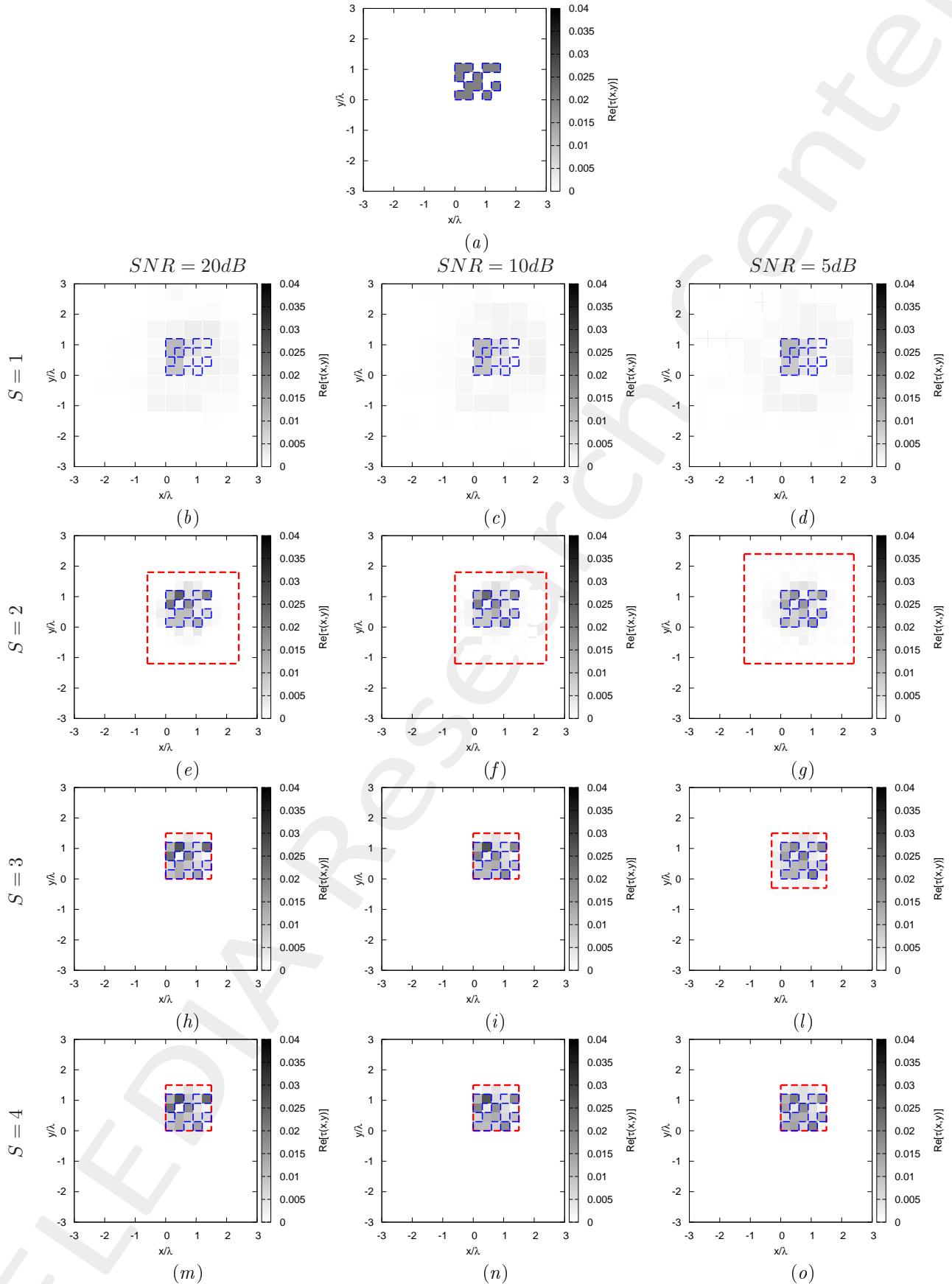


Figure 11: *Porous Object, $\tau = 0.02$* - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h)(m) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i)(n) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l)(o) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, (h)-(l) $S = 3$ and (m)-(o) $S = 4$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	8.60×10^{-4}	3.52×10^{-4}	3.21×10^{-4}	3.21×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.27×10^{-2}	7.39×10^{-3}	7.20×10^{-3}	7.20×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	4.88×10^{-4}	1.34×10^{-4}	1.08×10^{-4}	1.08×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	8.73×10^{-4}	3.73×10^{-4}	3.41×10^{-4}	3.41×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.29×10^{-2}	7.61×10^{-3}	7.59×10^{-3}	7.59×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	4.96×10^{-4}	1.49×10^{-4}	1.16×10^{-4}	1.16×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	8.87×10^{-4}	3.79×10^{-4}	3.19×10^{-4}	3.19×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.28×10^{-2}	7.40×10^{-3}	6.82×10^{-3}	6.82×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	5.11×10^{-4}	1.61×10^{-4}	1.18×10^{-4}	1.18×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	9.44×10^{-4}	4.50×10^{-4}	3.40×10^{-4}	2.89×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	1.30×10^{-2}	8.14×10^{-3}	6.39×10^{-3}	5.67×10^{-3}
ξ_{ext}	5.54×10^{-4}	2.08×10^{-4}	1.51×10^{-4}	1.22×10^{-4}

Table XI: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.02$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	175	175	175
$Q^{(S)}$	100	100	25	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	25

Table XII: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.02$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.2.2 Porous Object, $\ell = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.05$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

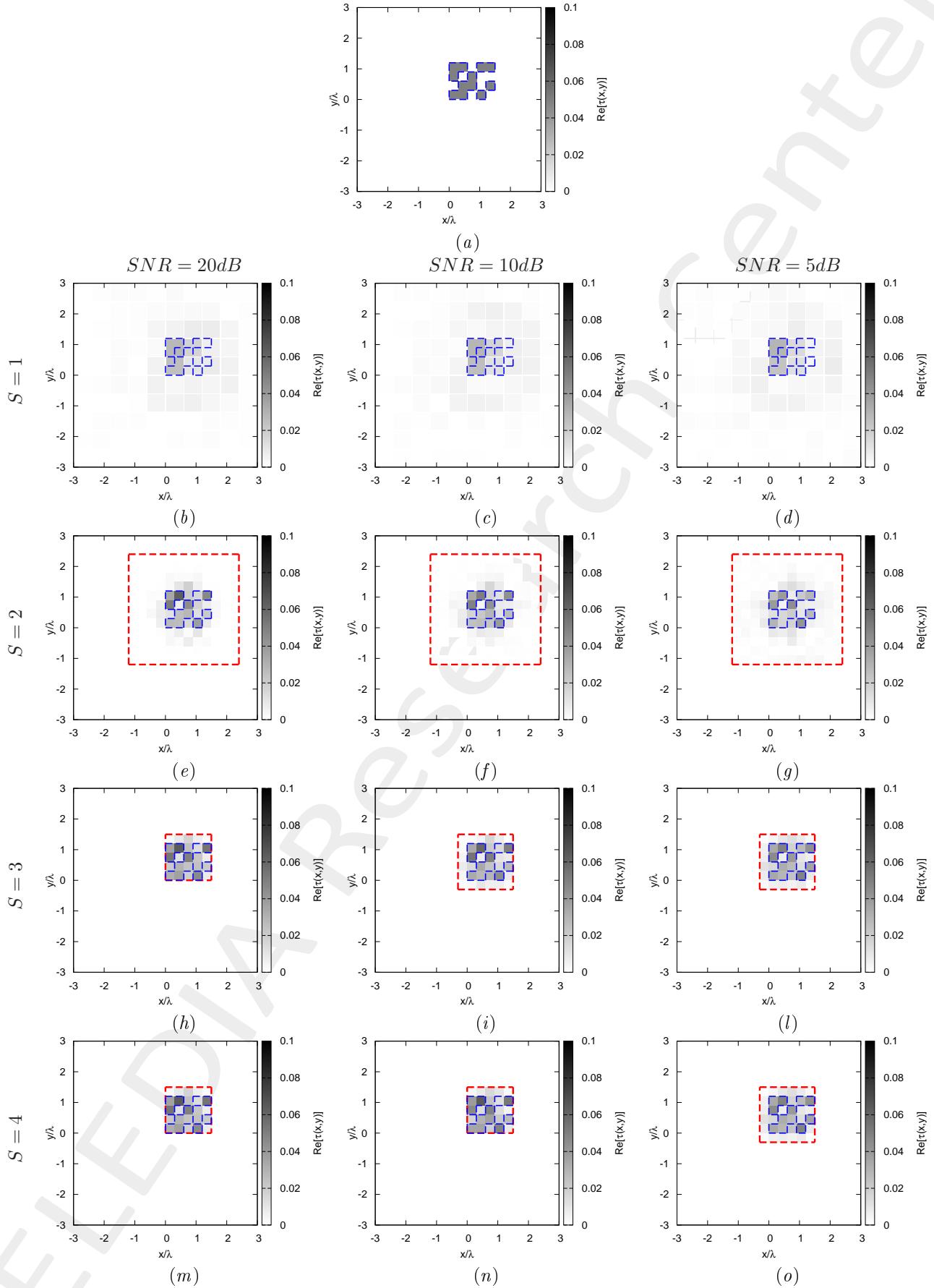


Figure 12: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.05$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h)(m) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i)(n) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l)(o) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, (h)-(l) $S = 3$ and (m)-(o) $S = 4$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	2.64×10^{-3}	1.08×10^{-3}	9.33×10^{-4}	8.96×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	2.94×10^{-2}	1.69×10^{-2}	1.57×10^{-2}	1.50×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	1.76×10^{-3}	5.81×10^{-4}	4.68×10^{-4}	4.49×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	2.67×10^{-3}	1.07×10^{-3}	8.87×10^{-4}	8.87×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	2.95×10^{-2}	1.65×10^{-2}	1.47×10^{-2}	1.47×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	1.78×10^{-3}	5.81×10^{-4}	4.51×10^{-4}	4.51×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	2.68×10^{-3}	1.13×10^{-3}	9.14×10^{-4}	7.91×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	2.91×10^{-2}	1.61×10^{-2}	1.40×10^{-2}	1.26×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	1.78×10^{-3}	6.30×10^{-4}	4.89×10^{-4}	4.14×10^{-4}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	2.84×10^{-3}	1.42×10^{-3}	8.95×10^{-4}	8.95×10^{-4}
ξ_{int}	3.00×10^{-2}	2.00×10^{-2}	1.25×10^{-2}	1.25×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	1.88×10^{-3}	7.89×10^{-4}	5.21×10^{-4}	5.21×10^{-4}

Table XIII: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.05$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	25
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	25	25
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	36

Table XIV: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.05$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.2.3 Porous Object, $\ell = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.15$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

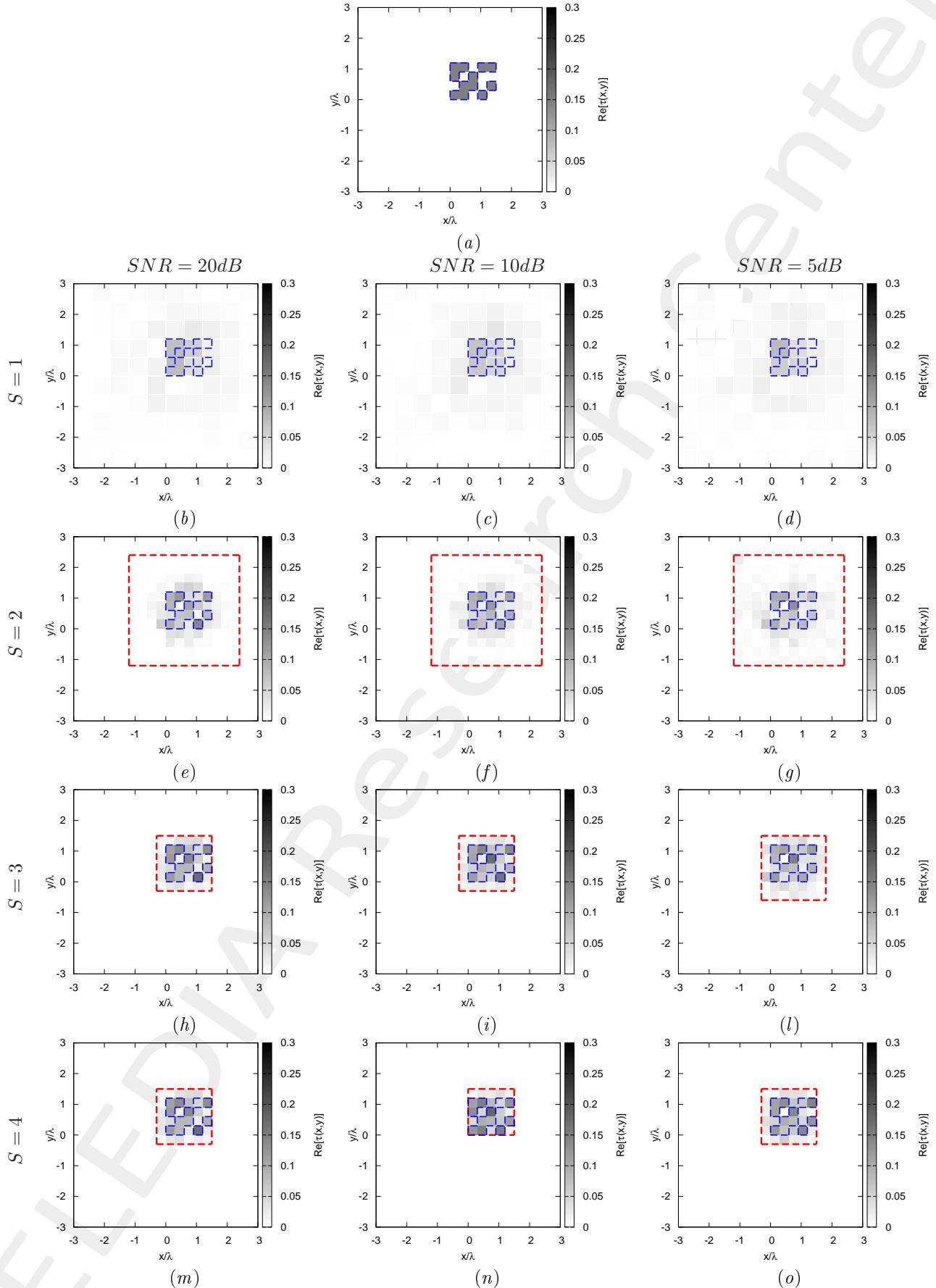


Figure 13: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.10$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, and (h)-(l) $S = 3$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	8.27×10^{-3}	4.09×10^{-3}	3.13×10^{-3}	3.13×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	8.08×10^{-2}	5.31×10^{-2}	4.29×10^{-2}	4.29×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	5.61×10^{-3}	2.29×10^{-3}	1.69×10^{-3}	1.69×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	8.41×10^{-3}	4.13×10^{-3}	2.98×10^{-3}	2.98×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	7.98×10^{-2}	5.26×10^{-2}	3.83×10^{-2}	3.83×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	5.62×10^{-3}	2.35×10^{-3}	1.65×10^{-3}	1.65×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	8.91×10^{-3}	4.32×10^{-3}	3.06×10^{-3}	2.43×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	8.35×10^{-2}	5.38×10^{-2}	4.04×10^{-2}	2.90×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	6.02×10^{-3}	2.40×10^{-3}	1.67×10^{-3}	1.25×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	9.61×10^{-3}	5.32×10^{-3}	4.01×10^{-3}	3.14×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	8.48×10^{-2}	6.20×10^{-2}	4.96×10^{-2}	3.43×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	6.40×10^{-3}	2.94×10^{-3}	2.20×10^{-3}	1.70×10^{-3}

Table XV: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.15$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	36
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	36
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	25
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	49	36

Table XVI: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.05$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.2.4 Porous Object, $\ell = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles

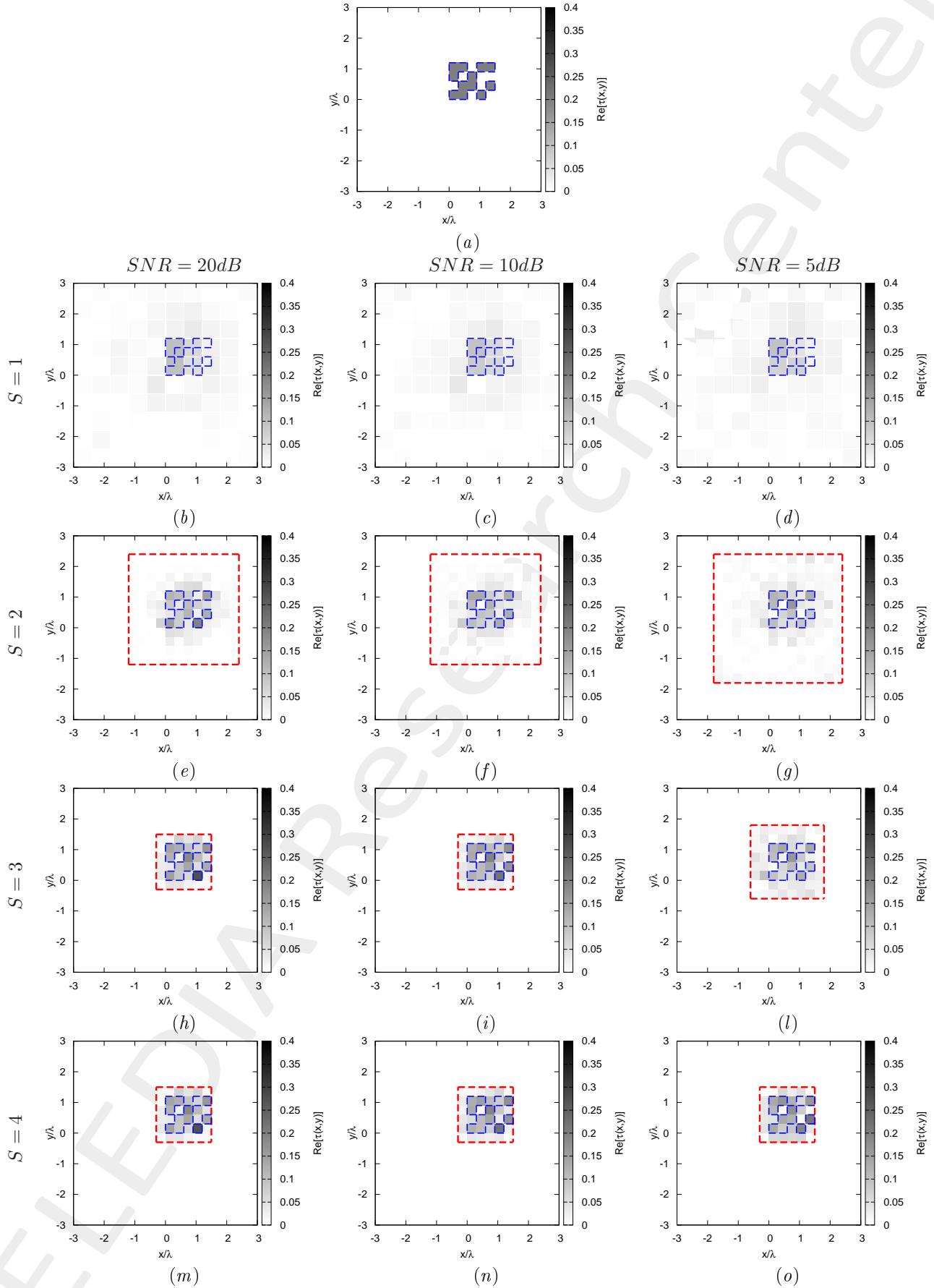


Figure 14: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.20$ - (a) Actual profile and (b)-(o) IMSA-BCS reconstructed profiles for (b)(e)(h) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (c)(f)(i) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (d)(g)(l) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (b)-(d) $S = 1$, (e)-(g) $S = 2$, and (h)-(l) $S = 3$.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.10×10^{-2}	6.19×10^{-3}	4.63×10^{-3}	4.63×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	1.02×10^{-1}	7.96×10^{-2}	6.28×10^{-2}	6.28×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	7.43×10^{-3}	3.44×10^{-3}	2.39×10^{-3}	2.39×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.11×10^{-2}	5.86×10^{-3}	4.51×10^{-3}	4.51×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	1.05×10^{-1}	7.45×10^{-2}	6.11×10^{-2}	6.11×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	7.50×10^{-3}	3.26×10^{-3}	2.29×10^{-3}	2.29×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.20×10^{-2}	6.26×10^{-3}	4.23×10^{-3}	4.23×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	1.09×10^{-1}	7.70×10^{-2}	5.01×10^{-2}	5.01×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	7.99×10^{-3}	3.52×10^{-3}	2.22×10^{-3}	2.22×10^{-3}
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
ξ_{tot}	1.39×10^{-2}	8.49×10^{-3}	6.74×10^{-3}	5.19×10^{-3}
ξ_{int}	1.12×10^{-1}	8.62×10^{-2}	8.10×10^{-2}	5.12×10^{-2}
ξ_{ext}	9.12×10^{-3}	4.78×10^{-3}	3.57×10^{-3}	2.66×10^{-3}

Table XVII: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.20$ - Reconstruction errors: total (ξ_{tot}), internal (ξ_{int}) and external (ξ_{ext}) errors.

	$SNR = 50dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	36
	$SNR = 20dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	36
	$SNR = 10dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	208	208	208
$Q^{(S)}$	100	144	36	36
	$SNR = 5dB$			
	$S = 1$	$S = 2$	$S = 3$	$S = 4$
$L^{(S)}$	6.00	1.80	1.80	1.80
$N^{(S)}$	100	247	247	247
$Q^{(S)}$	100	196	64	36

Table XVIII: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.05$ - Investigation domain parameters: restricted investigation domain size $L^{(S)}$, total number of cells $N^{(S)}$ and number of cells within the restricted domain size $Q^{(S)}$.

1.2.5 Porous Object, $\ell = 1.5\lambda$, $\tau = 0.20$ - IMSA-BCS multi-resolution grids

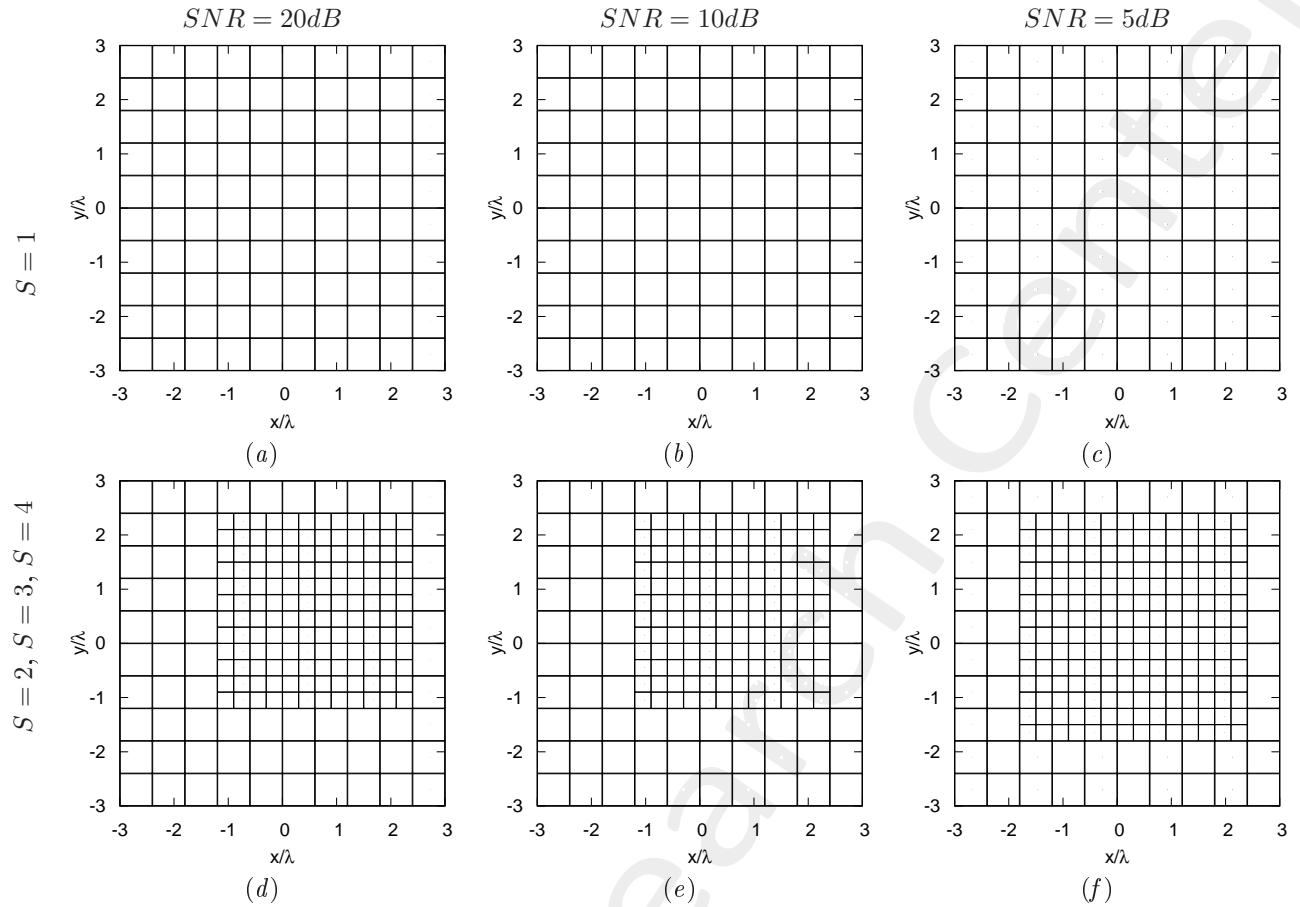


Figure 15: *Porous Object*, $\tau = 0.20$ - Example of IMSA-BCS multi-resolution grids for (a)-(d) $SNR = 20$ [dB], (b)-(e) $SNR = 10$ [dB] and (c)-(f) $SNR = 5$ [dB] at the step (a)-(c) $S = 1$ and (d)-(f) $S = 2, 3, 4$.

1.2.6 Porous Object, $\ell = 1.5\lambda$ - Resume: Errors vs. IMSA step, S

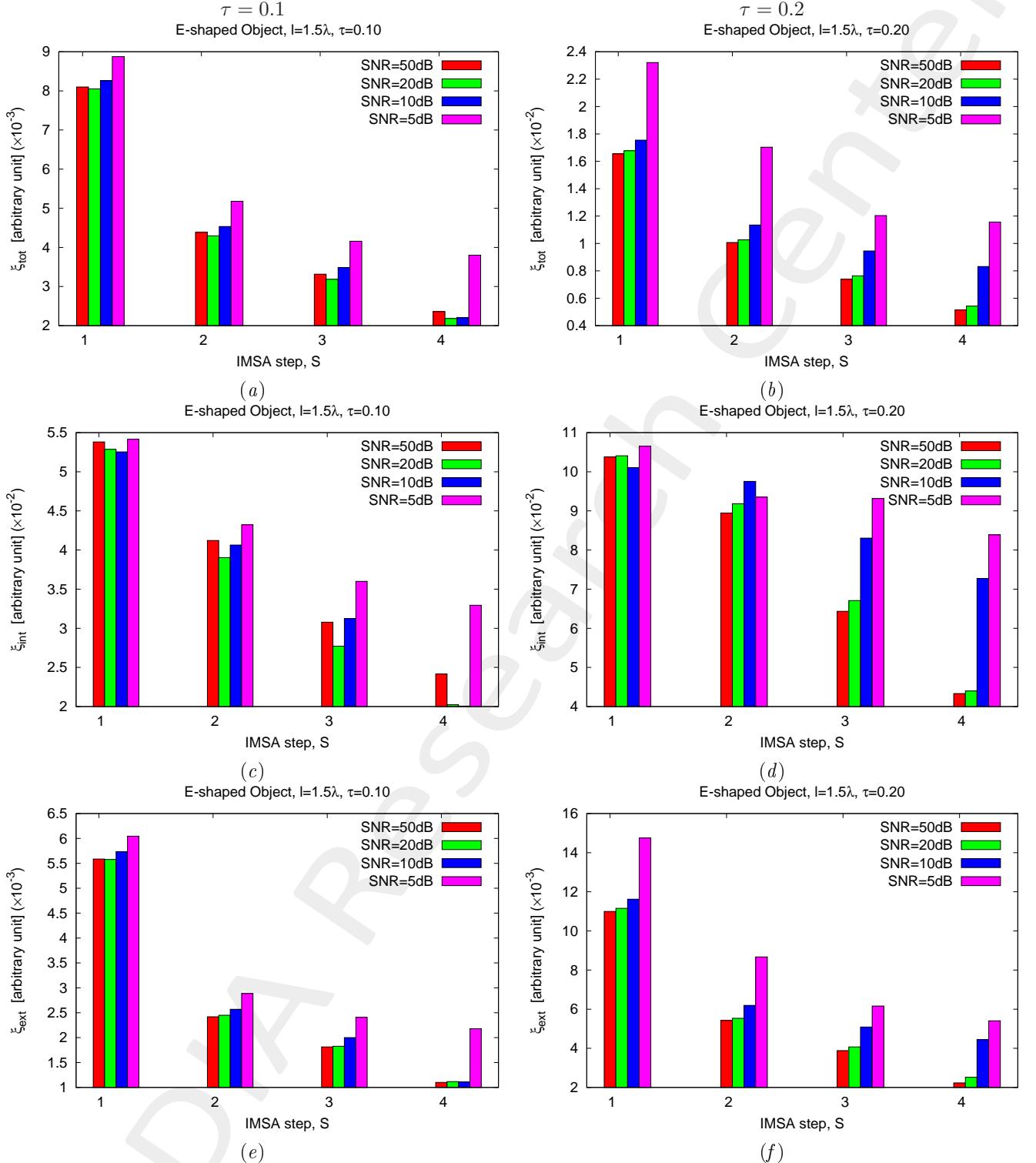


Figure 16: *Porous Object* - Reconstruction errors vs. IMSA step, S : (a)(b) total error, (c)(d) internal error and (e)(f) external error for (a)(c)(e) $\tau = 0.1$ and (b)(d)(f) $\tau = 0.2$.

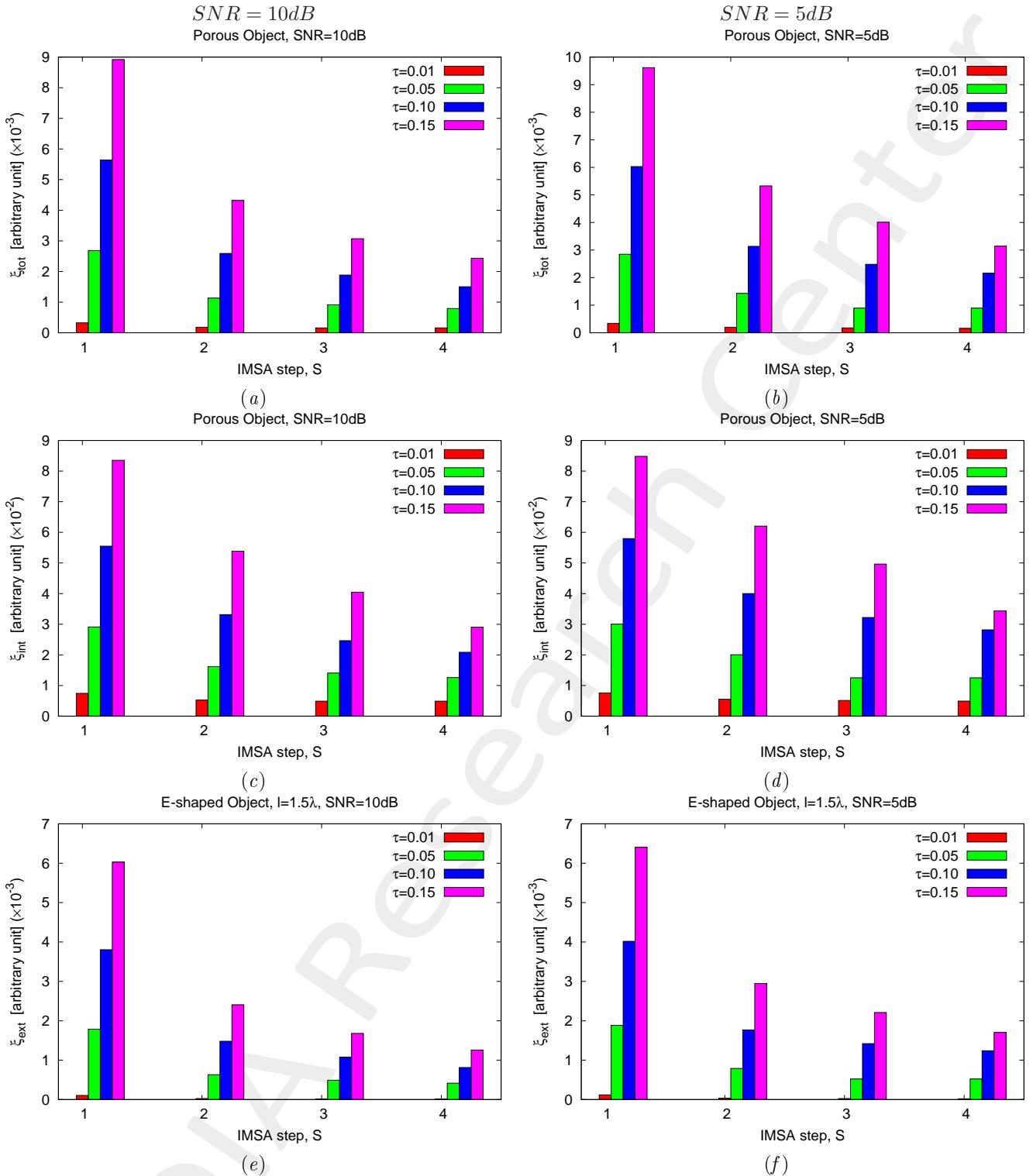


Figure 17: *Porous Object* - Reconstruction errors vs. *IMSA* step, S : (a)(b) total error, (c)(d) internal error and (e)(f) external error for (a)(c)(e) $SNR = 10dB$ and (b)(d)(f) $SNR = 5dB$.

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