

# Parts Selection Tool TDK Meister Tutorial

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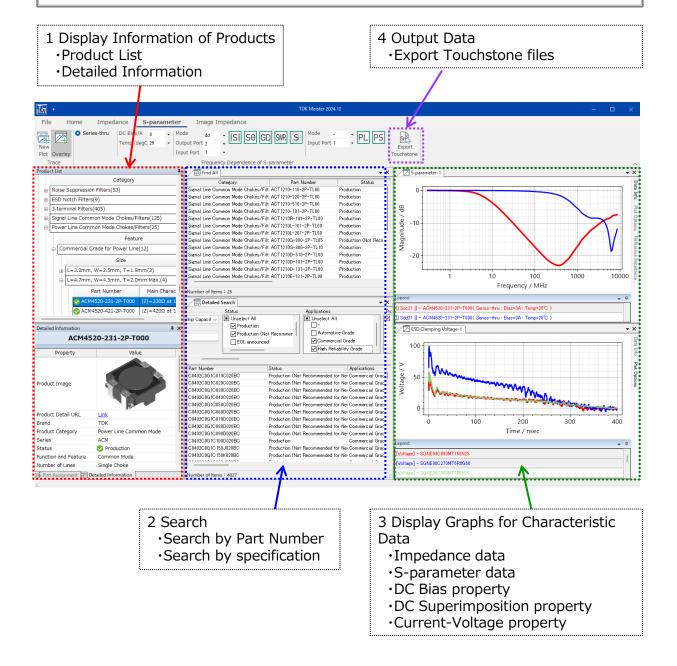
Note: The screenshots used in this document are ones in development. Those may differ from the actual ones.

#### Major Functions of TDK Meister

TDK Meister is a software tool that can search TDK's electronic components and display their characteristics.

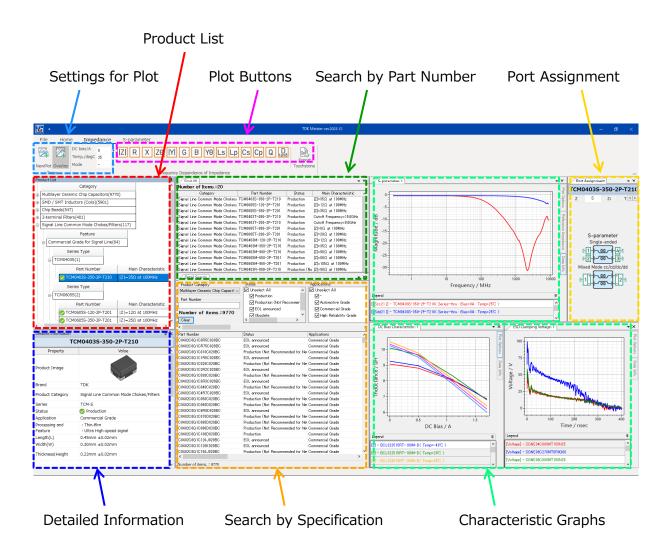
TDK Meister has 4 major functions;

- 1 Display Information of Products,
- 2 Search,
- 3 Display Graphs for Characteristic Data, and
- 4 Output Data.



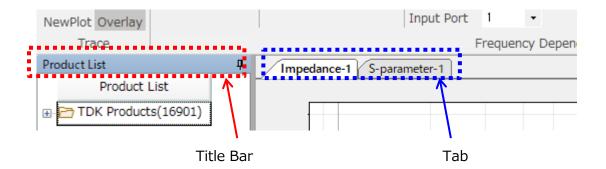
## Window, Icons, Menu

The window of TDK Meister consists of Product List, Detailed Information, Search by Part Number, Search by Specification, Plot Buttons, Settings for Plot, Characteristic Graphs, Port Assignment, and so on.

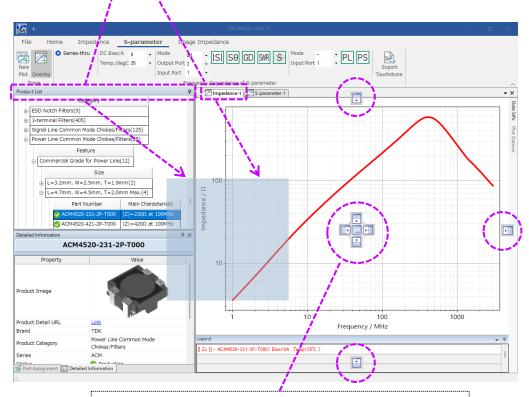


#### Floating, Docking

Each window can float and dock. To float and dock, drag and drop the title bar or tab at the upper part of each window.



1) Drag and drop the title bar of the window you want to moved. (Move mouse pressing the mouse button).

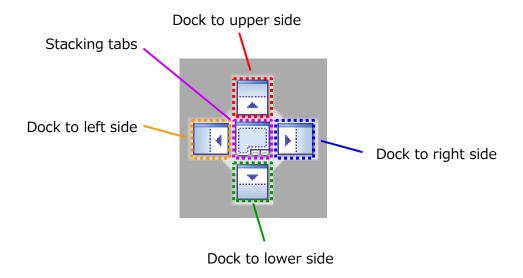


2) Icon showing the destination to dock is displayed, drop on the icon of your intent. (Release the mouse button)

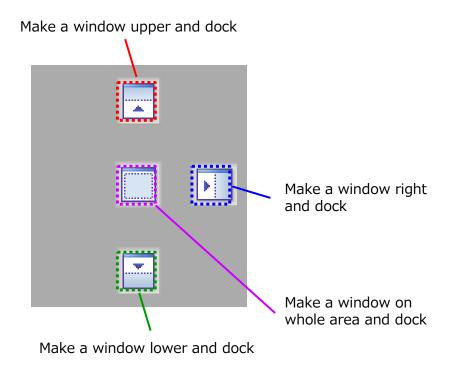
# 2 Operation of Window

## Floating, Docking

In case to dock to an existing window

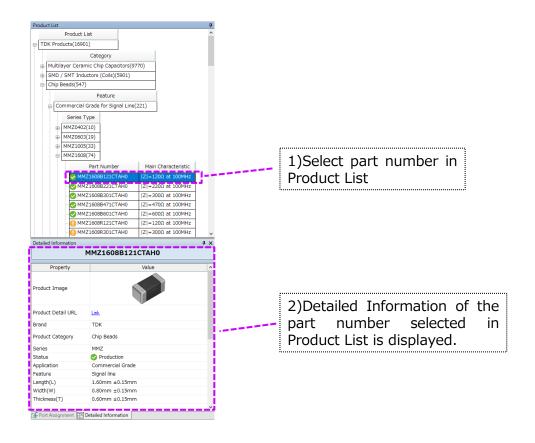


In case to make a new window and dock to it.



## Product List, Detailed Information

In Product List, part numbers of TDK electronic components are classified by product category, grade and feature, and series and displayed. Main characteristic and product status of each part number are also displayed. Once you click and select a part number in Product List, its product image, basic information, size, electronic characteristics, environment, and link to web page on TDK Product Center are displayed in Detailed Information.



Icons at the left side of each part number mean their product status.



Production



Production (Not Recommended for New Design)



EOL announced



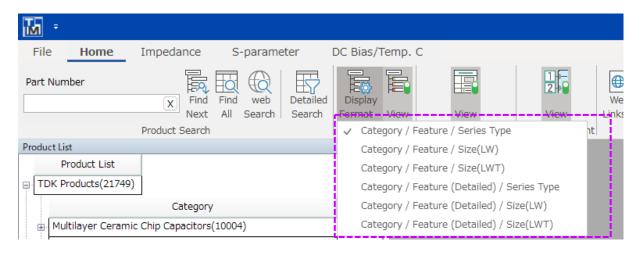
Obsolete



In Development

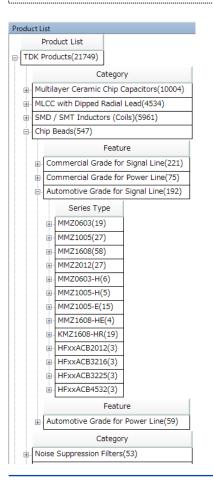
#### Product List, Detailed Information

Product List can be displayed in 6 ways. Click Display Format to change the view.



In case "Category / Feature Series Type" is selected.

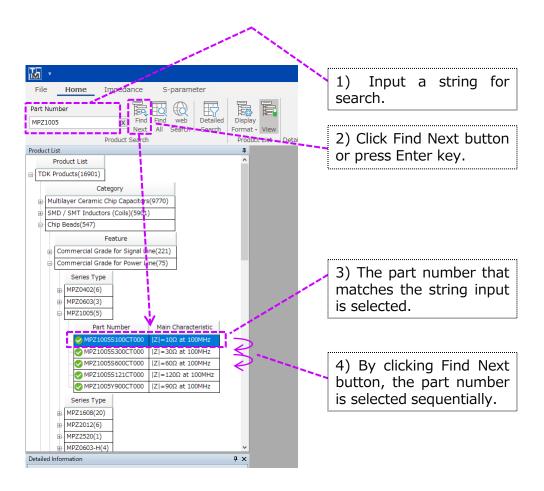
In case "Category / Feature (Detailed) / Size(LWT)" is selected.





## Search by Part Number, Find Next

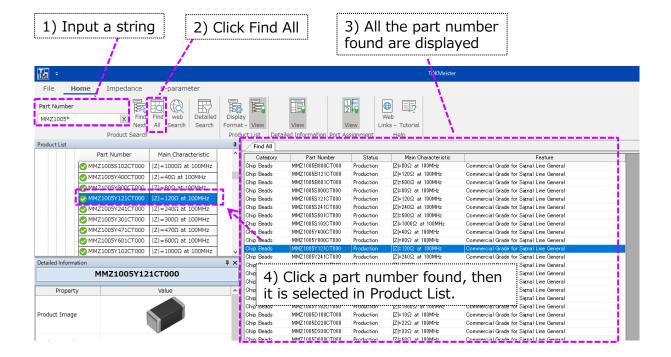
Using search by part number, you can find the part number in Product List sequentially or can list all the part numbers that match the string input in the text box.



- Following the wild cards can be used.
  - •The asterisk (\*) matches any sequence of characters.
  - •The question mark (?) matches any single character.

## Search by Part Number, Find All

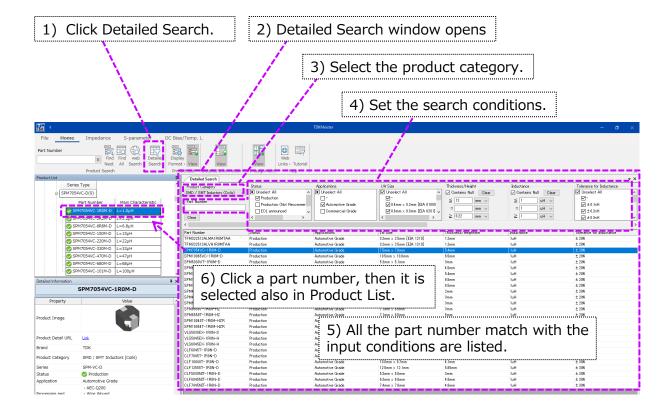
Using search by part number, you can find the part number in Product List sequentially or can list all the part numbers that match the string input in the text box.



- Find All goes in real time. With changing of the string input, the result changes immediately.
- Following the wild cards can be used.
  - •The asterisk (\*) matches any sequence of characters.
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## Search by Catalog Specification

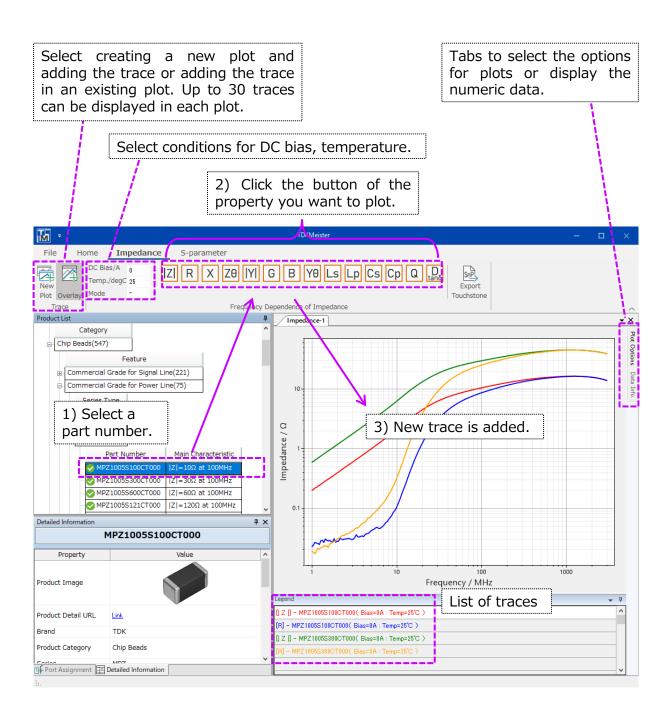
Using search by catalog specification, you can search products combining multiple specifications. Since the search result is dynamically renewed with change of the search conditions, you can quickly and easily narrow down the part numbers that meet the specifications that you need.



- Following the wild cards can be used in search condition by part number.
  - •The asterisk (\*) matches any sequence of characters.
  - •The question mark (?) matches any single character.

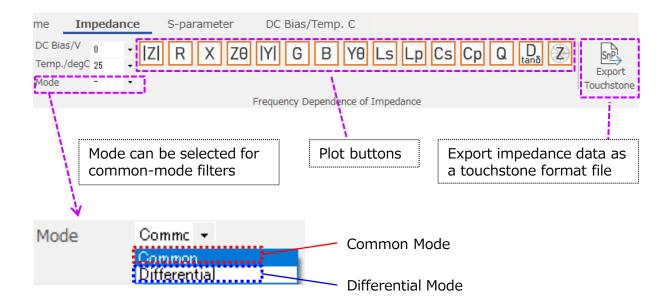
#### **Basic Operation**

Various characteristic data of TDK electronic components are registered in TDK Meister, and you can plot them on a graph. The frequency dependence of Impedance and S-parameter data can be plotted for almost all the products. The DC bias, DC superimposition, temperature, and voltage-current characteristics can also be plotted depending on product category.



#### **Impedance**

There are around a dozen plot buttons in the Impedance tab. For example, |Z| means the magnitude of impedance, and Ls means the equivalent series inductance. Once you click one of those buttons, the characteristic for the part number selected in Product List is plotted.



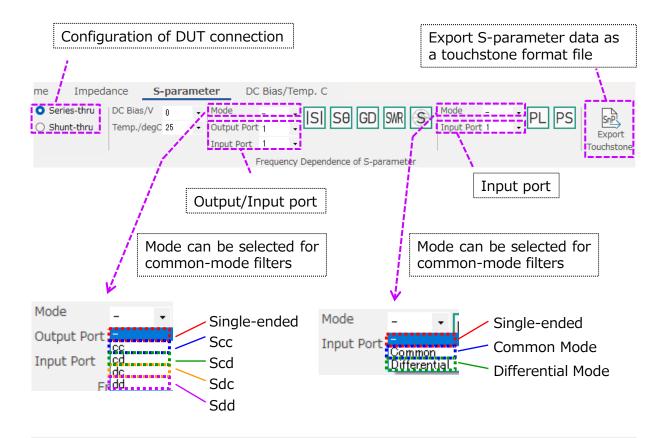
The meanings of each plot button are as follows,

IZI	Magnitude of Z	ΥΘ	Argument of Y
R	Real part of Z	Ls	Equivalent series inductance
Χ	Imaginary part of Z	Lp	Equivalent parallel inductance
Zθ	Argument of Z	Cs	Equivalent series capacitance
Y	Magnitude of Y	Ср	Equivalent parallel capacitance
G	Real part of Y	Q	Quality factor
В	Imaginary part of Y	$\displaystyle \sum_{tan\delta}$	Loss coefficient
		2	Smith chart

Z

## S-parameter

Open S-parameter tab to display S-parameter data. In order to plot it, you need to set some conditions. Mode is setting for single-ended or mixed-mode, Input Port and Output are setting for ports. For example, Mode is "dd", Output Port is "2", and Input Port is "1" then, it means the mixed-mode S-parameter Sdd21.

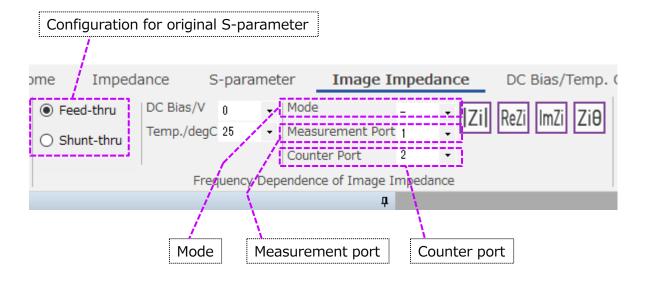


The meanings of each plot button are as follows,

- |S| Magnitude of S
- PL Power loss
- SO Argument of S
- PS Power scattering
- GD Group delay
- SKR Standing wave ratio
- Smith chart / Polar chart

## Image Impedance

Open Image Impedance tab to display Image Impedance. In order to plot it, you need to set some conditions. Mode is setting for single-ended or mixed-mode, Measurement Port is the subject port for displaying image impedance, and Counter Port it the port paired with Measurement Port. For example, Mode is "Differential", Measurement Port is "1", and Counter Port is "2" then, it means the image impedance for differential mode at port 1 between port 1 and 2.



The meanings of each plot button are as follows,

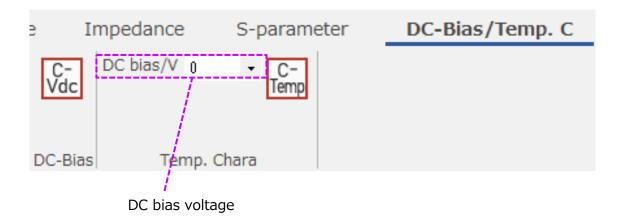
ReZi Real part of Zi

lmZi Imaginary part of Zi

Ziθ Argument of Zi

## DC Bias, Temperature Characteristics

The DC bias characteristic and temperature characteristic can be displayed for multilayer ceramic chip capacitors.



The meanings of each plot button are as follows,



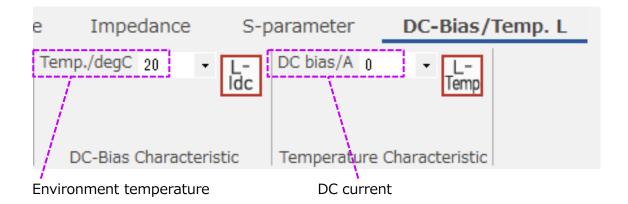
DC bias property



Temperature dependence

## DC Superimposition, Temperature Characteristics

The DC superimposition characteristic and temperature characteristic can be displayed for inductors for power circuits.



The meanings of each plot button are as follows,



Superimposition property



Temperature dependence

#### **ESD Characteristics**

The current-voltage characteristic, ESD clamping voltage, etc. can be displayed for ESD protection devices.



The meanings of each plot button are as follows,



Current-volage property



Voltage-current property



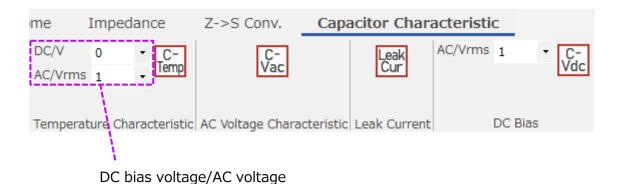
TLP current-voltage property



ESD cramp voltage property

## Capacitor Characteristic

The temperature characteristic, AC voltage characteristic, leakage current, DC bias characteristic can be displayed for disc type capacitors with lead .



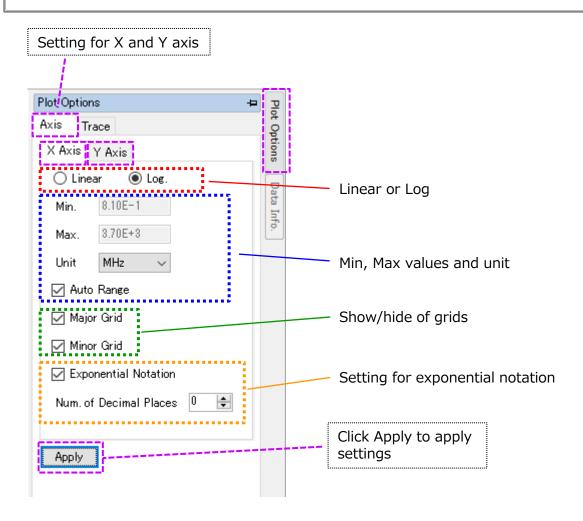
The meanings of each plot button are as follows,

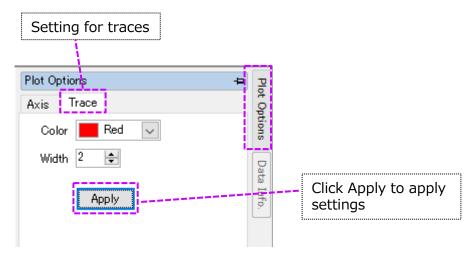
C-Temperature dependence
C-Vac AC Voltage property
Leak
Cur Leakage Current

DC bias property

## Setting for Graphs (XY Graph)

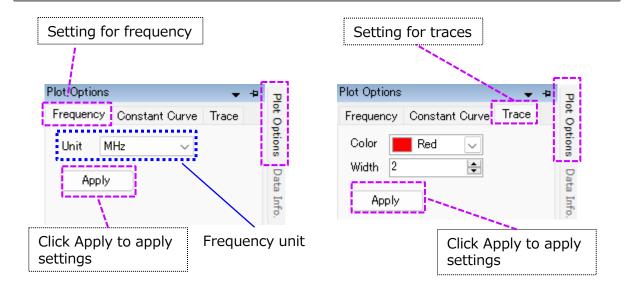
The format, scale, unit for graph axis, show or hide for grids, color and width for trace can be adjusted.

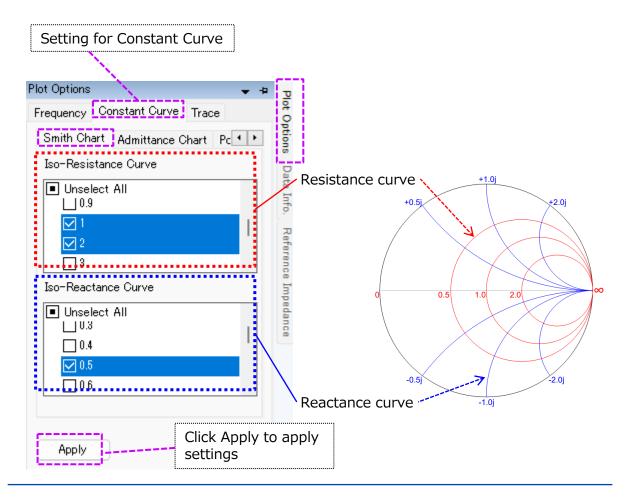




## Setting for Graphs (Smith Chart / Polar Chart)

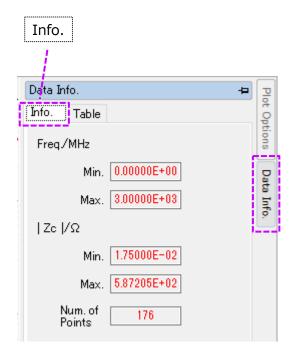
The unit for frequency, color and width for trace, constant curve can be adjusted.

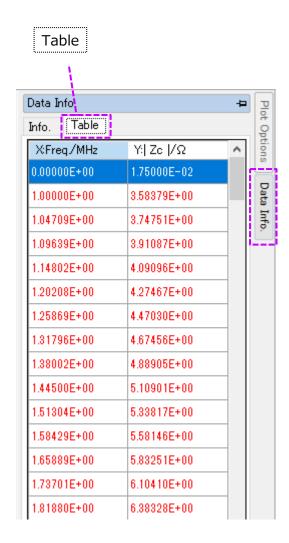




#### **Data Information**

For the trace data selected in Legend, minimum value, maximum value, number of points, and data table can be displayed.

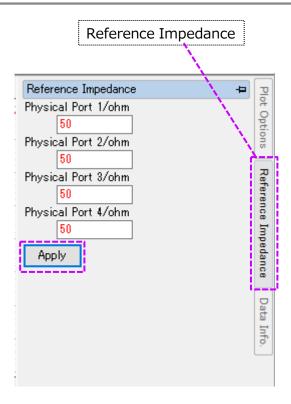




Numeric data for the selected trace is displayed.

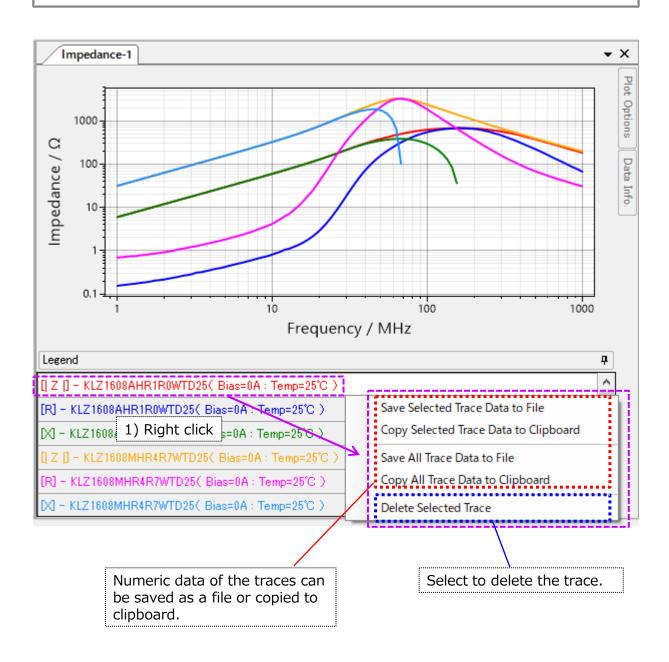
## Reference Impedance

The reference impedance for S-parameter data can be changed. The reference impedance can be set for each port.



## Legend

The numeric data, screen shot can be saved as a file or copied to clipboard from the right click menu in Legend.



# DUT Configurations to obtain S-parameter

Following the configurations are used to obtain S-parameter data for electronic components with 2 or 4 terminals.

- ·Series-thru
- ·Shunt-thru

Type of Component	2-terminal (	4-terminal Components	
Products	Inductor, Beads		CMFs
Froducts	MLCCs, Varistors		CIMES
Configuration	Series-thru	Shunt-thru	Series-thru
Circuit Diagram	Port 1 Port 2	Port 1 Port 2	Port 4 Port 2 Port 3

# DUT Configurations to obtain S-parameter

Following the configurations are used to obtain S-parameter data for 3-terminal Filters.

- ·General / Feed-thru
- ·Shunt-thru

Type of Component	3-terminal Filters				
Products	Products MEM		YFF		
Configuration	tion None Feed-t		Shunt-thru		
Circuit Diagram	Port 1 7	Port 2	Port 1 Port 2		
	GND pins of DUT consubstrate	onnected to GND of			

## **Export**

Impedance or S-parameter data of the selected part can be export as a touchstone format file.

