

S-Parameter Test

Introduction

S-Parameter

S parameter is also called scattering parameter and suitable for microwave circuit analysis. It is a network parameter based on the incident and the reflected wave relations. S parameter describe circuit network with reflected signal and transmitted signal to evaluation DUT (device under test).

Mixed-Mode S Parameter

Differential transmission system is the mainstream of high speed signal transmission. The actual differential system is imperfect. Those factors like imbalance two single-mode, unequal length and untighten coupling lead differential mode shifting to common mode. Thus, single-ended four-port S parameter cannot provide information about matching and transferring in the differential mode and common mode, so we need to use mixed-mode S parameter measurements.

| | | | | Stimulus | | | |
|----------|-------------------|--------|-------|-------------------|--------|-------------|--------|
| | | | | Differential Mode | | Common Mode | |
| | | | | Port 1 | Port 2 | Port 1 | Port 2 |
| Response | Differential Mode | Port 1 | SDD11 | SDD12 | SDC11 | SDC12 | |
| | | Port 2 | SDD21 | SDD22 | SDC21 | SDC22 | |
| | Common Mode | Port 1 | SCD11 | SCD12 | SCC11 | SCC12 | |
| | | Port 2 | SCD21 | SCD22 | SCC21 | SCC22 | |

Figure .4-Port Mixed-Mode S-Parameters

Test System

A large frequency from 100 kHz to 20 GHz.

| Device Name | Equipment Type | Frequency Range | Trace Noise |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Network analyzer | E5071C | 100 kHz to 20 GHz | 0.003 to 0.006 dBrms |

Data Output

Spectrum graphics or spectral data can be saved. It is the S parameter spectral curve of filter below.

