

POWER LOSS SIMULATION

Ver.5.0.0

User's Manual

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1 Introduction

1.1 Feature of Mitsubishi Power Module Loss Simulator

This software is the power loss simulation for inverter system named "Melcosim".

1.2 Hardware Requirements

(1) OS

Microsoft® Windows® XP Professional(32bit) or
Microsoft® Windows® Windows7 Professional(32bit, 64bit)

(2) HDD

50MB or more (except Microsoft® .NET Framework).

(3) Memory

500MB or more

(4) Library

Microsoft .NET Framework3.5 or later

1.3 Definition

This document is explained for operation of the Mitsubishi Power Module Loss Simulator "Melcosim" for 2Level inverter and 3-Level inverter.

* Windows is a registered trademark of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and other countries.
Mitsubishi Power Module Loss Simulator is a Microsoft .NET Framework-based application

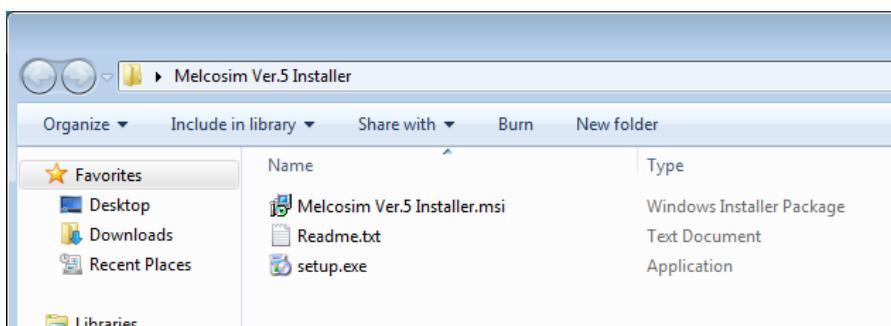
1.4 Install

1.4.1 Decompression

Download from the Mitsubishi Electric Homepage and decompress "Melcosim for 3 Level Installer.zip" into some folder.

There are below three files in this ZIP file

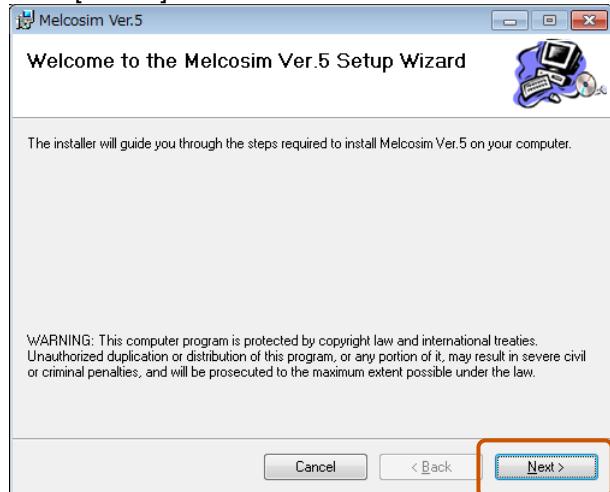
- Melcosim Ver.5 Installer.msi
- Readme.txt
- setup.exe



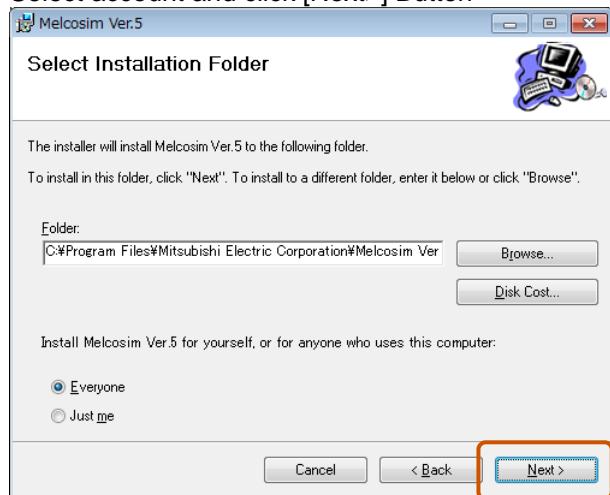
1.4.2 Setup

Execute "setup.exe".

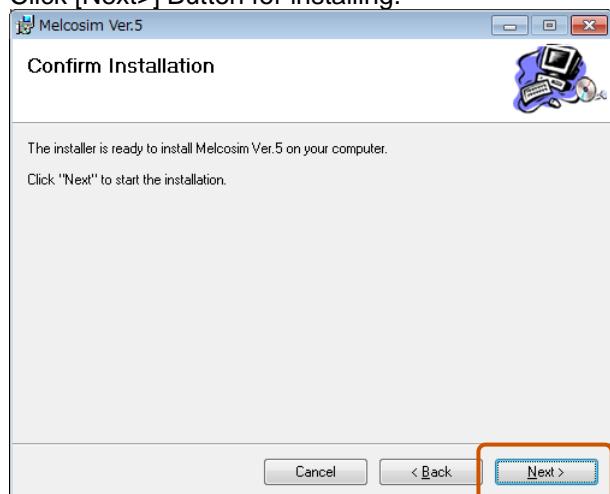
Click [Next >] Button



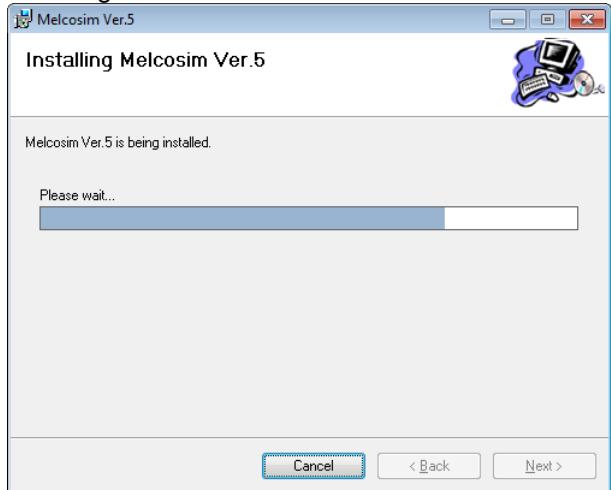
Change Install folder, if necessary. (Default folder is made under "Program Files".
Select account and click [Next>] Button



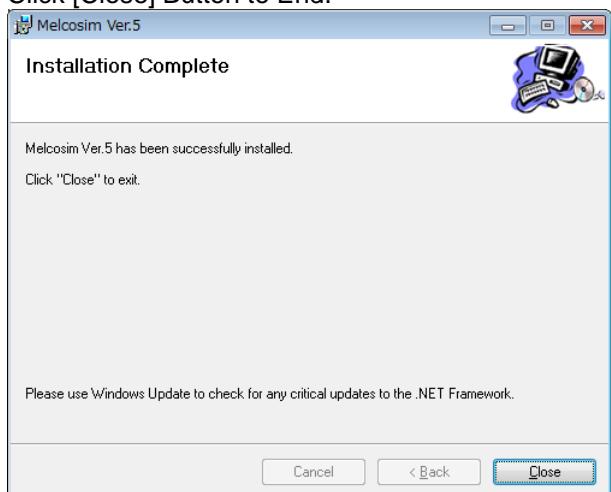
Click [Next>] Button for installing.



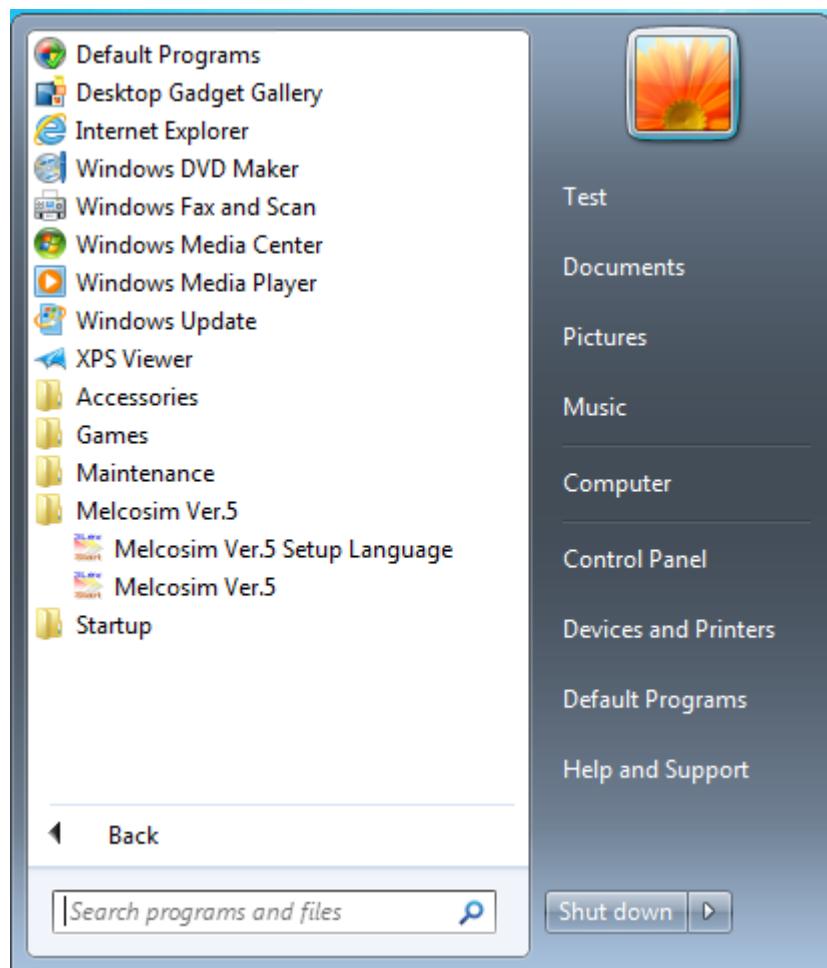
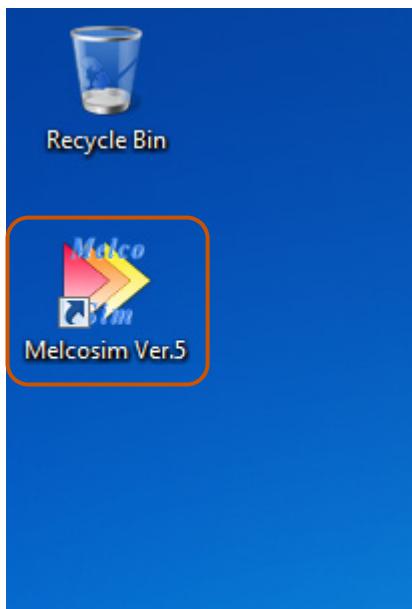
Installing...



Click [Close] Button to End.

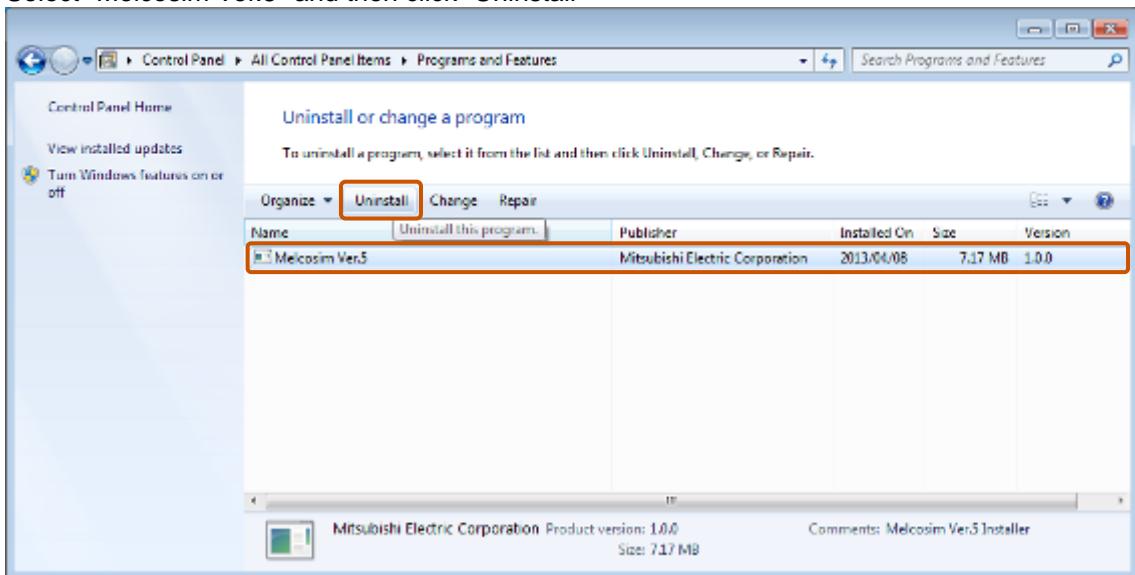


Short-cut Icon will be generated on the Desktop after install.

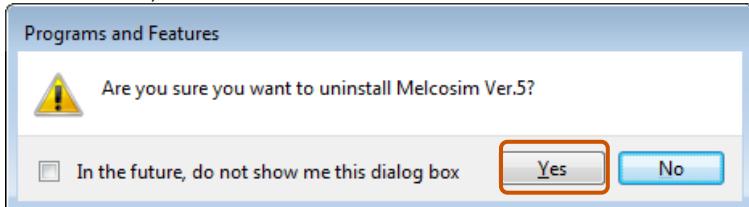


1.5 Uninstall

Click "Programs and Features" in the "Control Panel".
Select "Melcosim Ver.5" and then click "Uninstall"



Select "Yes", then it will start uninstall.



After uninstall, confirm to erase " Melcosim Ver.5".

2 Description of the Windows

2.1 Setup Language

This software can select from six languages by using "PowerLossSimLangSetting.exe".

2.1.1 Languages

Following languages are available.

- English (Default)
- Japanese
- German
- Chinese
- Spanish
- Portuguese

2.1.2 Select Language

Click "Melcosim Ver.5 Setup Language" in the Start Menu for executing "PowerLossSimLangSetting.exe".



Click the radio button for select language.



Click [OK] button of the dialog box and click [Close] button of the "PowerLossSimLangSetting.exe".

2.1.3 Language Selecting Timing

For selecting language, setup language program "PowerLossSimLangSetting.exe" can be executed regardless of running "Melcosim" or not running. Start up "Melcosim" after setup language, language will be set up.
Setup language can be select language any number of times.

2.2 Main Window

This is the main window of the simulator, it can be confirmed User Guide and Software version information.



(1) [2 Level New Design]
New 2 Level simulation (refer to [2.4](#)).

(7) [Design2]
Read second latest stored calculation conditions.

(2) [3 Level New Design]
New 3 Level simulation (refer to [2.5](#)).

(8) [Design3]
Read third latest stored calculation conditions.

(3) [Open the English User Guide]
Access to the English User's Manual.

(9) [Open]
Open other stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(4) [Open the Japanese User Guide]
Access to the Japanese User's Manual

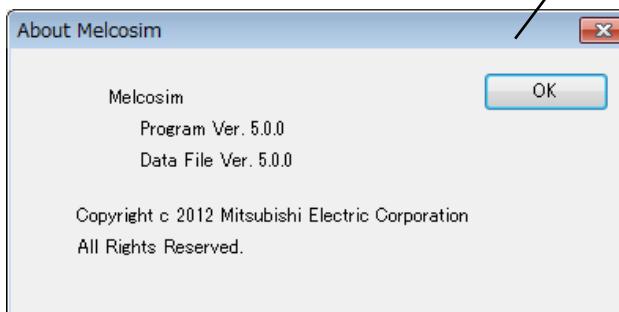
(10) [Close]
Exit simulator (Close all windows).

(5) [About Melcosim]
Confirm version of this software and data
(refer to [2.3](#)).

(6) [Design1]
Read latest stored calculation conditions.
Include 2 Level conditions and 3 Level conditions.

2.3 Version

Confirming of the program version and data file version.



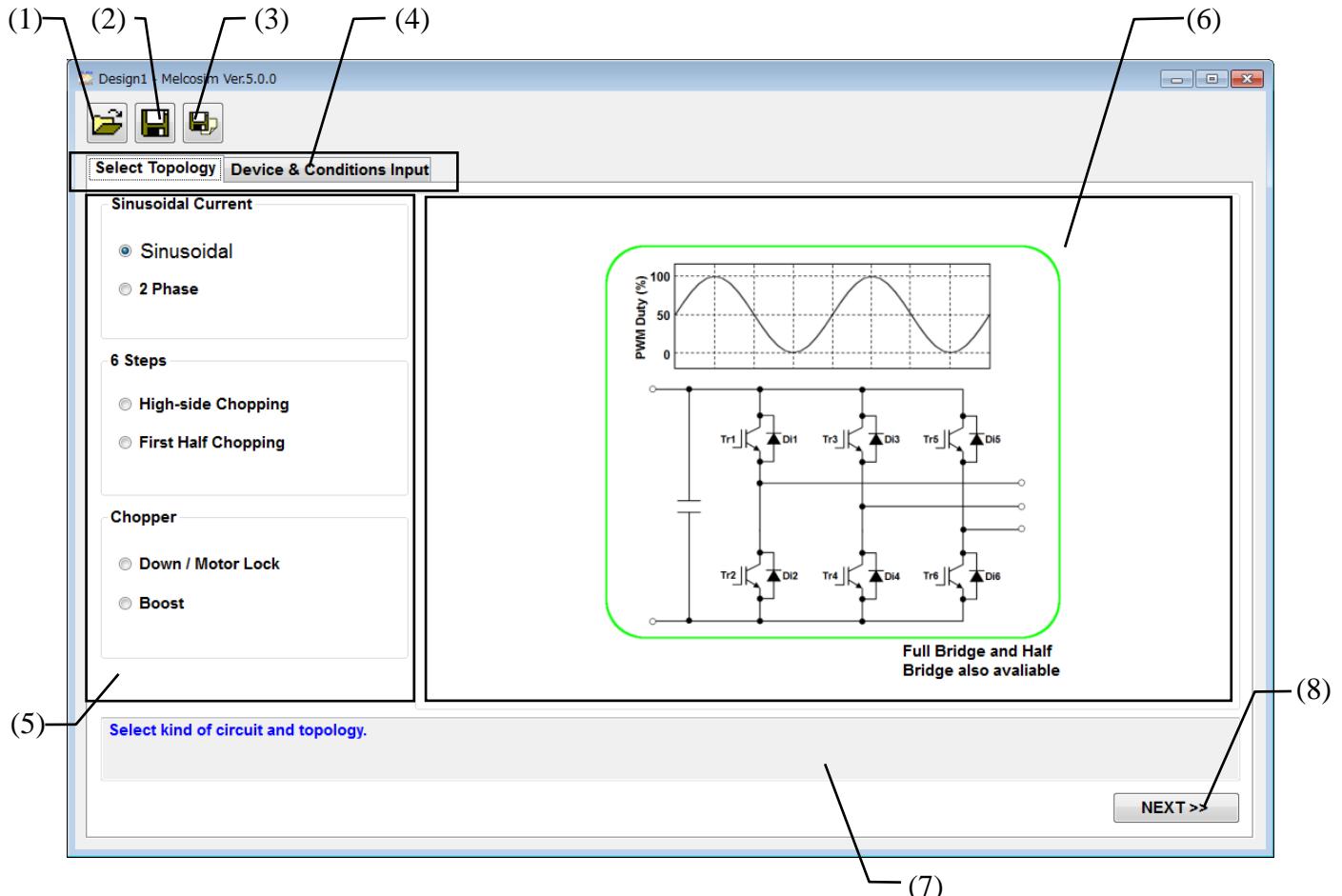
(1)[OK]

Close this window.

2.4 Power Loss Simulation (2 Level)

2.4.1 2Level Select Topology Window

Window for selecting topology.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As](Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage]TAB

Select Windows

(It is necessary to click [NEXT>>] button for setting the change of topology selection before moving to the "Device & Condition Input" TAB)

(5) [Topology]Radio Button

Click the radio button for select calculation topology.

(6) [Selected Topology]Area

Show the selected topology and schematic.

(7) [Comment]

Comment for this window.

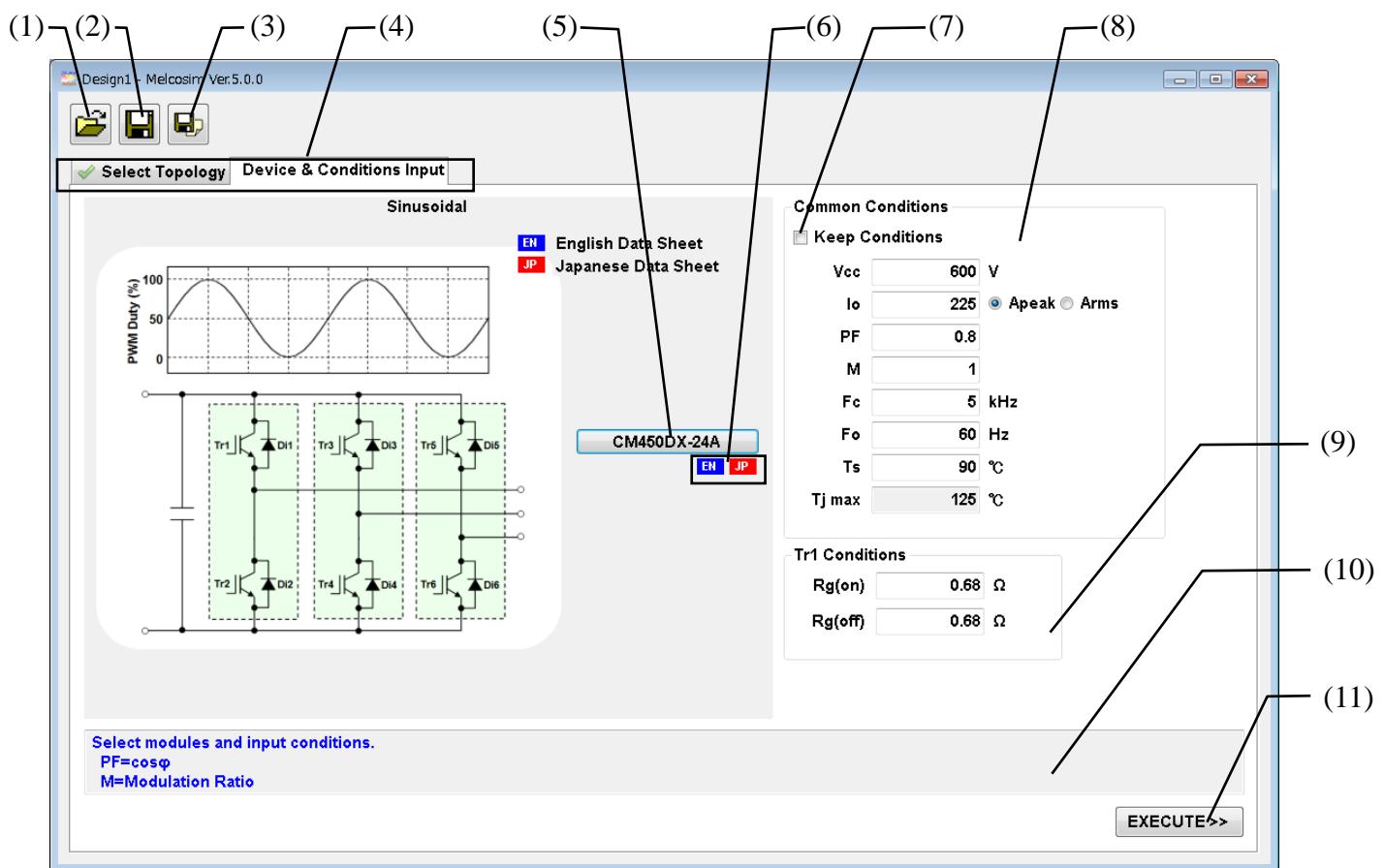
(8) [NEXT]Button (Ctrl + N)

Set a selected topology and jump to the "Device & Conditions Input" TAB (refer to [2.4.2](#)).

(*1) Selected algorithm is emphasized.

2.4.2 2Level Device & Conditions Input Window

Select Power Modules and Input parameters for calculation.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As](Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage]TAB

Select Window.

(5) [Select Module]

Open a selection window (refer to [2.4.3](#)).

(6) [Link to Data sheet]

Download the datasheet of the selected module from WEB site. (need to internet connection).

(7) [Keep Conditions] Check Box

Fix the Common conditions in checking this box.

(Prohibit from overwriting the common conditions when re-selecting a module.)

(8) [Common Conditions]

Set common conditions

(9) [Tr1 Conditions] - [Tr2 Conditions]

Set Gate resistances

Gate resistances of Tr2 to Tr6 are same as Tr1 in Sinusoidal current topology.

Gate resistances of Tr3, 5 and Tr 4, 6 are same as Tr1 and Tr2 respectively in 6 Steps topology and select 1in1 module.

Default data are Inputted after selecting module. These are invalid for IPM.

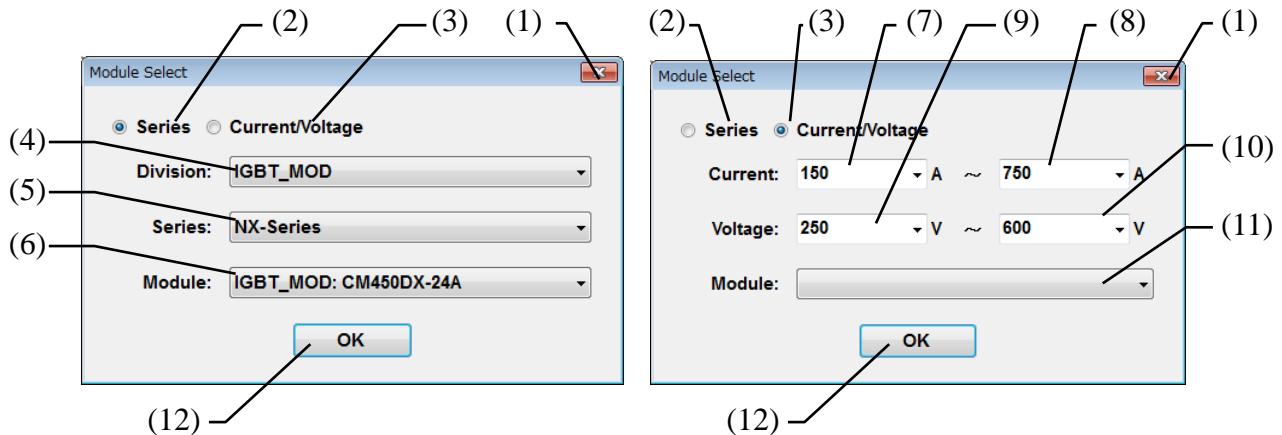
(10) [Comment]

Comment for this window.

(11) [EXECUTE] (Ctrl + E)

Execute calculation and jump to [Result] TAB (refer to [2.4.4](#)) with generating [Graph] TAB (refer to [2.4.5](#)).

2.4.3 Module Selecting Window



(1) [x] (ESC)

Close this window without module selection.

(2) [Series]

Module selection thru Module Series (Left Window)

(3) [Current/Voltage]

Module selection thru Current/Voltage ratings (Right Window)

At select [Series]

(4) [Division]

Select Division

(5) [Series]

Select Series

(6) [Module]

Select target module

At select [Current/Voltage]

(7) [Current Min]

Choose or input minimum value of Current rating. (*1)

(8) [Current Max]

Choose or input maximum value of Current rating. (*1)

(9) [Voltage Min]

Choose or input minimum value of Voltage rating. (*1)

(10) [Voltage Max]

Choose or input maximum value of Voltage rating. (*1)

(11) [Module]

Select target module.

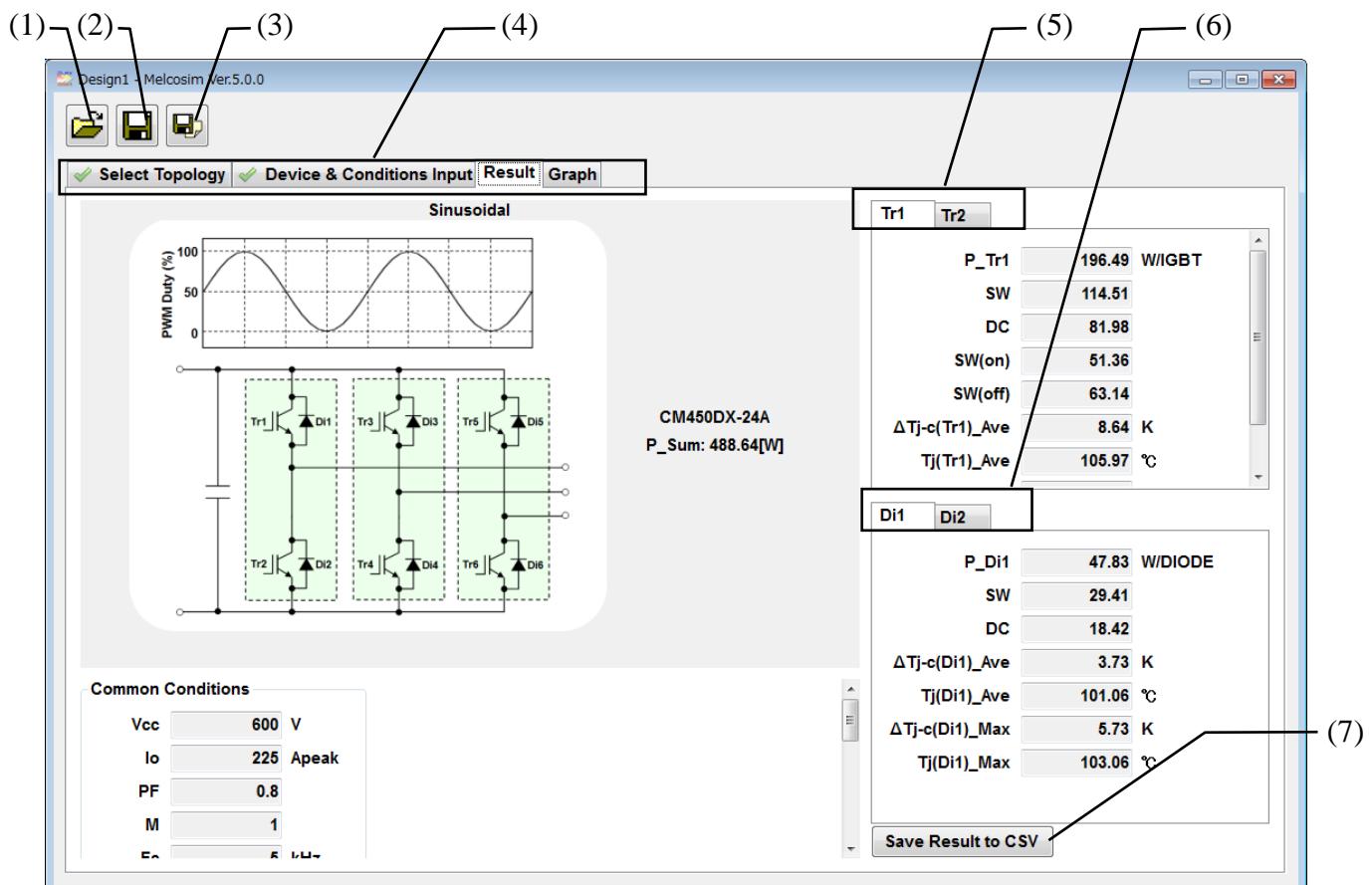
(12) [OK]

Fix the target module.

*1: Module types in (11) are limited by each input.

2.4.4 2Level Result Window

Calculation results are shown in this window with calculation conditions.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As](Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage]TAB

Select Window.

(5) [Transistor (IGBT/MOSFET)] TAB

Simulation result for each Transistor.
Display the result for each Transistor by selecting TAB.

(6)[Diode] TAB

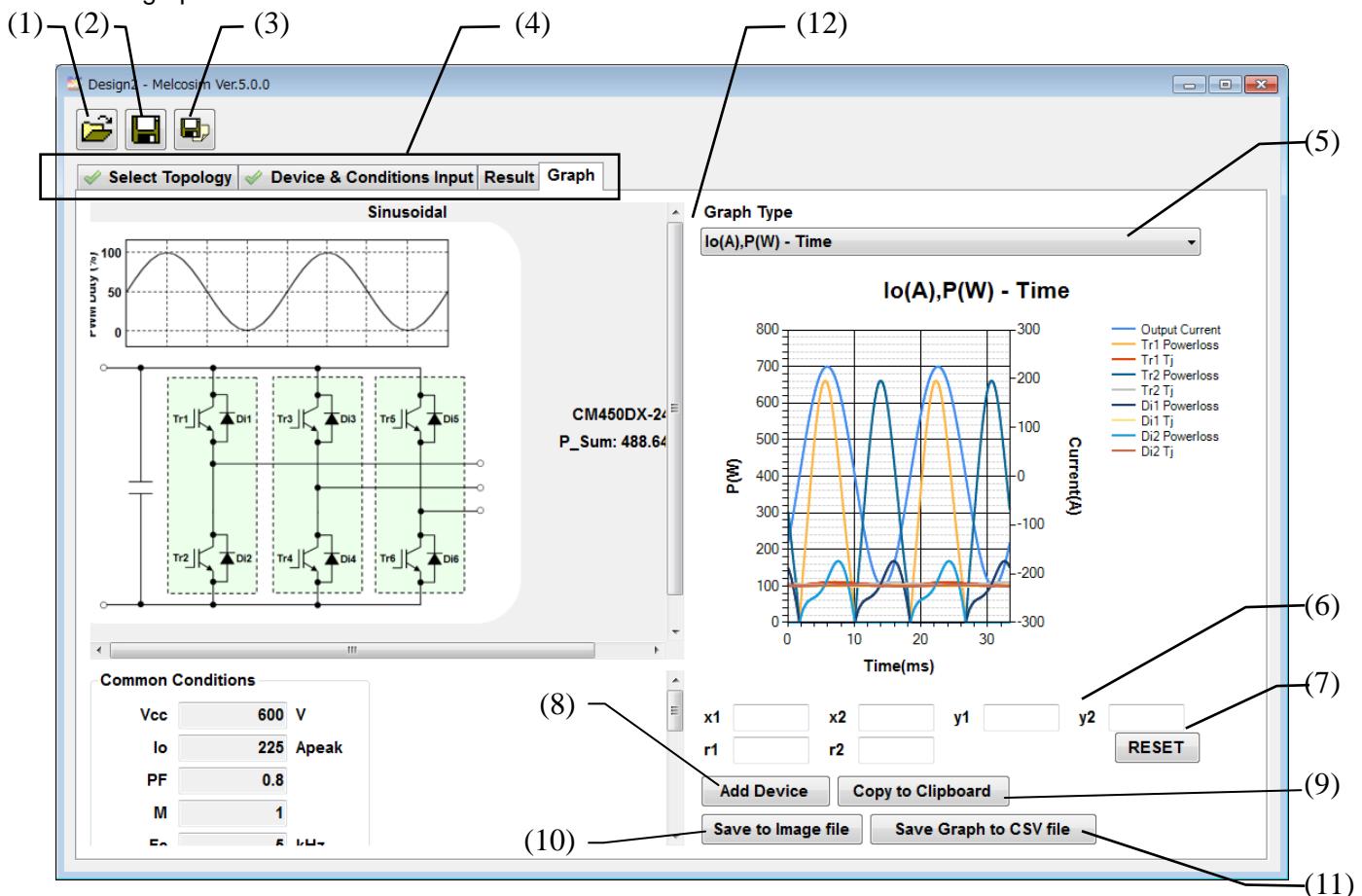
Simulation result for each Diode
Display the result for each Diode by selecting TAB.

(7)[Save Result to CSV]

Save calculation result in "CSV" format.

2.4.5 2Level Graph Window

Several graphs of the calculation result can be shown in this window.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As] (Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage] TAB

Select Window.

(5) [Graph Type] List Box

Select graph type

- 1: Current - Angle
- 2: Power Loss - Time
- 3: Power Loss - Current
- 4: Current (max) - fc
- 5: Temperature (ave.) - Current
- 6: Temperature ripple - Time
- 7: Temperature Rise (ave.& max.) - Current
- 8: Io(A), P(W) - Time
- 9: Io(A), P(W) - Angle
- 10: Tc(max) - Current

(6) [Set Range]

Set MIN and MAX of x-Axis, y-Axis and y2(right)-Axis.

Manual zooming by Click and Drag on the graph are available.

(7) [RESET]

Reset range setting and zooming.

(8) [Add Device]

Add or remove elemental devices for the graph.
(refer to [2.4.6](#))

(9) [Copy to Clipboard]

Copy the graph to clipboard in "PNG" format.

(10) [Save to Image file]

Save the graph in "PNG" format.

(11) [Save Graph to CSV file]

Save graph data in "CSV" format.

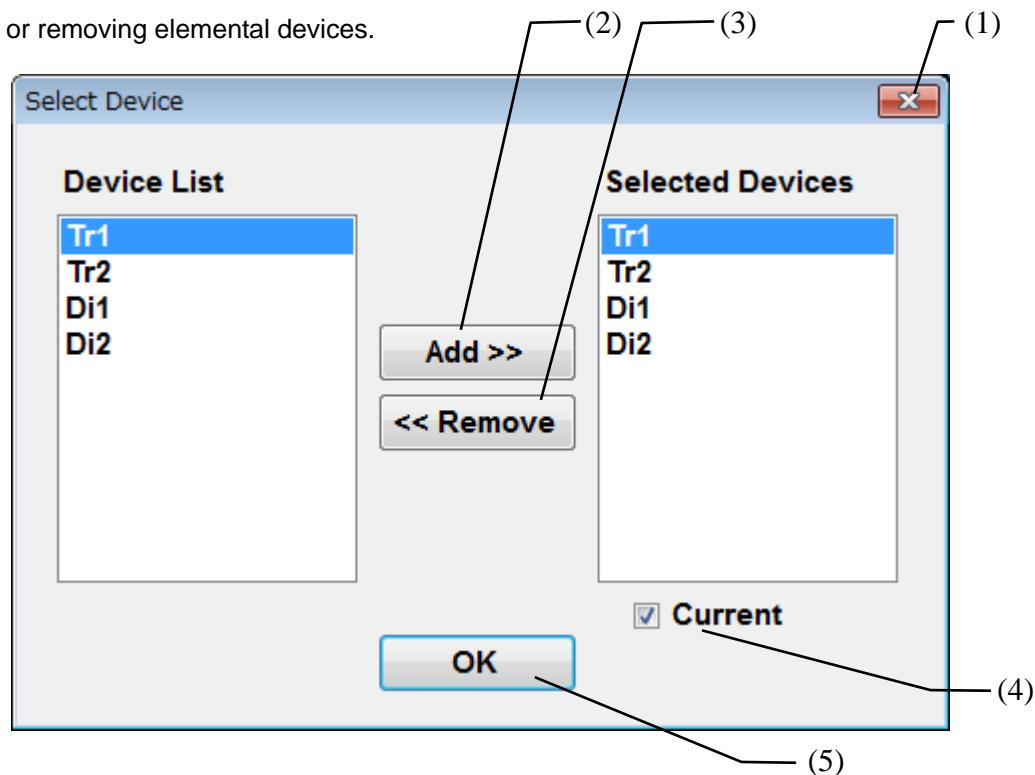
(12) [Expand Graph Area]

Click this area and move scroll bar for expanding graph width.

Maximize window and expand graph width is recommended for getting better graph.

2.4.6 Add device

Select adding or removing elemental devices.



(1) [x] (ESC)

Cancel selecting devices.

(2) [Add]

Add elemental devices from the Device List.

(3) [Remove]

Remove elemental devices from the Selected Devices.

(4) [Current]

With Io waveform for confirm phase angle.

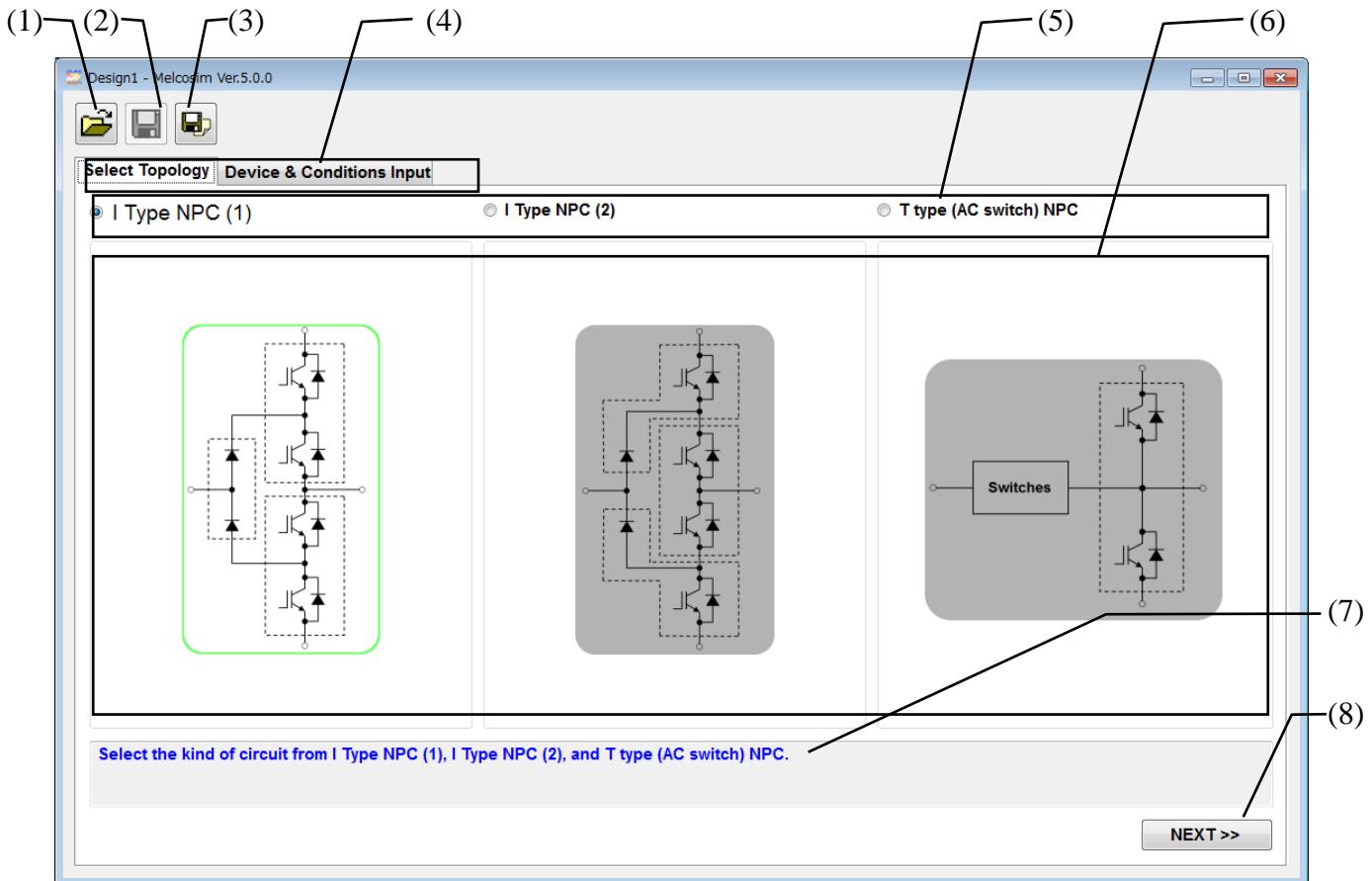
(5) [OK]

Fix drawing elemental devices.

2.5 Power Loss Simulation (3 Level)

2.5.1 3Level Select Topology

Window for selecting topology.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As](Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage]TAB

Select Windows

(It is necessary to click [NEXT>>] button for setting the change of topology selection before moving to the "Device & Condition Input" TAB)

(5) [Topology] Radio button

Click the radio button or schematic area for select calculation topology

(6) [Schematic]

Click the radio button or schematic area for select calculation topology. (*1)

(7) [Comment]

Comment for this window.

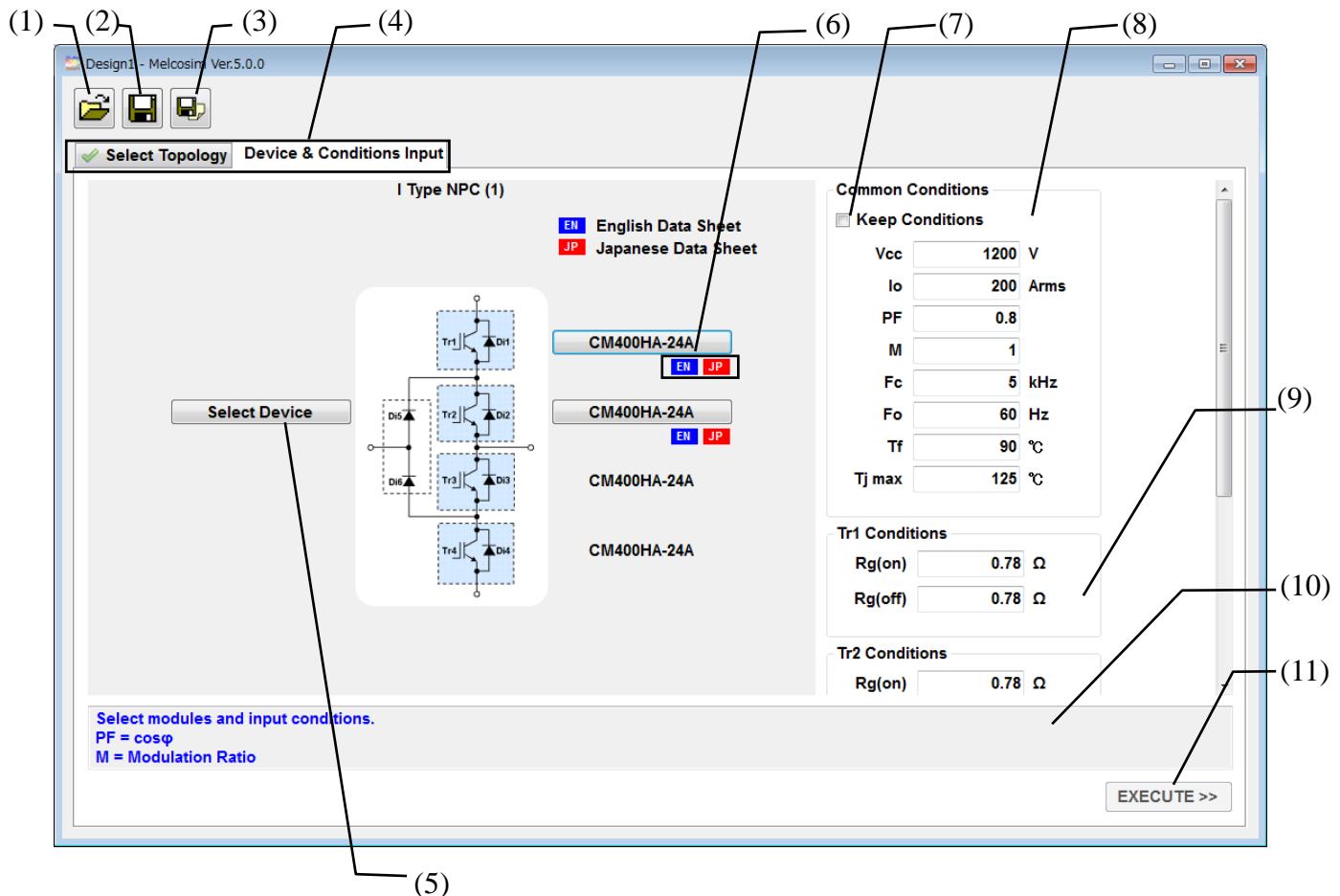
(8) [NEXT>>] (Ctrl + N)

Set a selected topology and jump to the "Device & Conditions Input" TAB. (refer to [2.5.2](#))

(*1) Selected circuit name and schematic displays are emphasized.

2.5.2 3Level Device & Conditions Input Window

Select Mitsubishi Power Modules and Input parameters for calculation



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As](Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage]TAB

Select Window.

(5) [Select Module]

Open a selection window (refer to [2.5.3](#))

(6) [Link to Data sheet]

Download the datasheet of the selected module from WEB site. (need to internet connection).

(7) [Keep Conditions] Check Box

Fix the Common conditions in checking this box.

(Prohibit from overwriting the common conditions when re-selecting a module.)

(8) [Common Conditions]

Set common conditions

(9) [Tr1 Conditions] – [Tr4 Conditions]

Set Gate resistances

Gate resistances of Tr3 and Tr4 are same as Tr2 and Tr1 respectively.

Default data are inputted after selecting Tr1 module.

(10) [Comment]

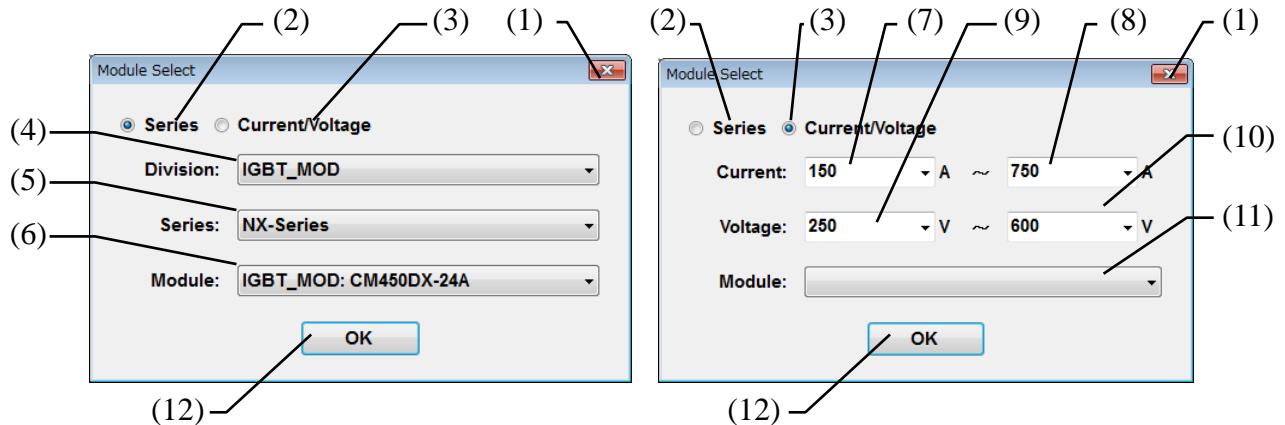
Comment for this window.

(11) [EXECUTE] (Ctrl + E)

Execute calculation and jump to [Result] TAB (refer to [2.5.4](#)).

with generating [Graph] TAB (refer to [2.5.5](#))

2.5.3 Module Selecting Window



(1) [x] (ESC)

Close this window without module selection.

(2) [Series]

Module selection thru Module Series (Left Window)

(3) [Current/Voltage]

Module selection thru Current/Voltage ratings (Right Window)

At select [Series]

(4) [Division]

Select Division

(5) [Series]

Select Series

(6) [Module]

Select target module

At select [Current/Voltage]

(7) [Current Min]

Choose or input minimum value of Current rating. (*1)

(8) [Current Max]

Choose or input maximum value of Current rating. (*1)

(9) [Voltage Min]

Choose or input minimum value of Voltage rating. (*1)

(10) [Voltage Max]

Choose or input maximum value of Voltage rating. (*1)

(11) [Module]

Select target module.

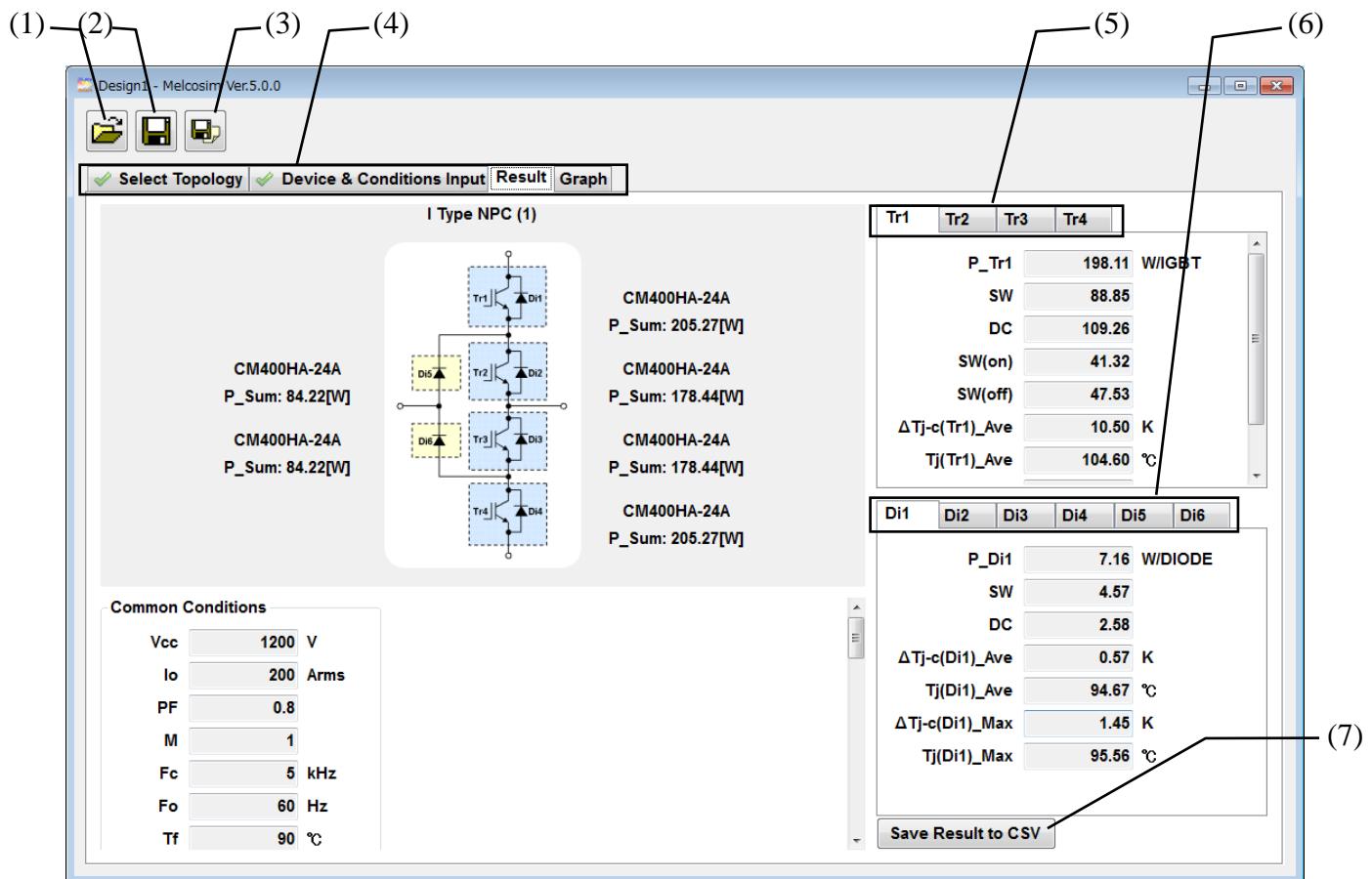
(12) [OK]

Fix the target module.

*1: Module types in (11) are limited by each input.

2.5.4 3Level Result Window

Calculation results are shown in this window with calculation conditions.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As](Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage]TAB

Select Window.

(5) [Transistor (IGBT/MOSFET)] TAB

Simulation result for each Transistor.
Display the result for each Transistor by selecting TAB.

(6)[Diode] TAB

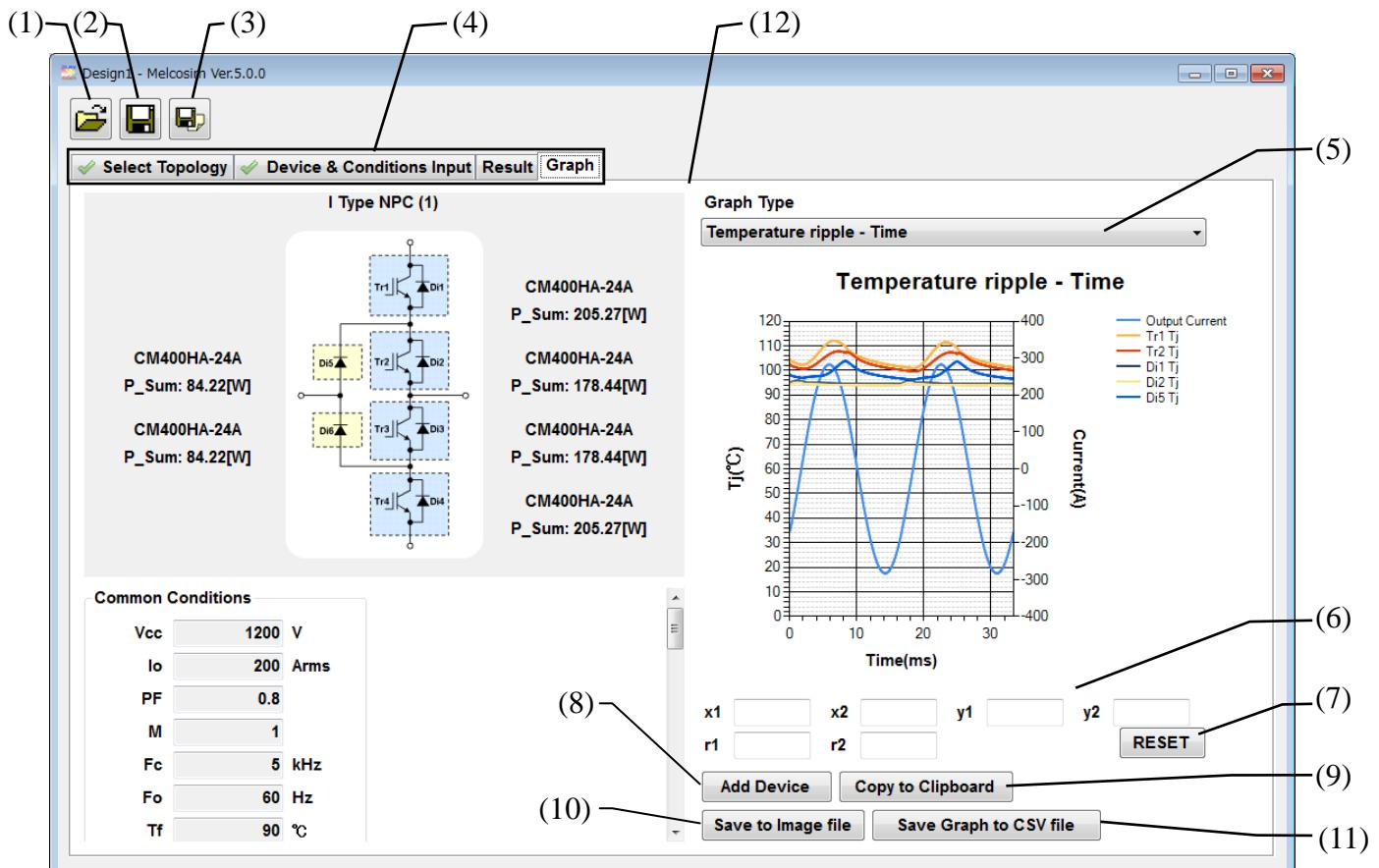
Simulation result for each Diode
Display the result for each Diode by selecting TAB.

(7)[Save Result to CSV]

Save calculation result in "CSV" format.

2.5.5 3Level Graph Window

Several graphs of the calculation result can be shown in this window.



(1) [Open] (Ctrl + O)

Open stored calculation conditions from selecting window.

(2) [Save] (Ctrl + S)

Save calculation conditions.

(3) [Save As] (Ctrl + A)

Save calculation conditions as a new file.

(4) [Stage] TAB

Select Window.

(5) [Graph Type] List Box

Select graph type

- 1: Current - Angle
- 2: Power Loss - Time
- 3: Power Loss - Current
- 4: Current (max) - fc
- 5: Temperature (ave.) - Current
- 6: Temperature ripple - Time
- 7: Temperature Rise (ave.& max.) - Current
- 8: Io(A), P(W) - Time
- 9: Io(A), P(W) - Angle
- 10: Tc(max) - Current

(6) [Set Range]

Set MIN and MAX of x-Axis, y-Axis and y2(right)-Axis.

Manual zooming by Click and Drag on the graph are available.

(7) [RESET]

Reset range setting and zooming.

(8) [Add Device]

Add or remove elemental devices for the graph.
(refer to [2.5.6](#))

(9) [Copy to Clipboard]

Copy the graph to clipboard in "PNG" format.

(10) [Save to Image file]

Save the graph in "PNG" format.

(11) [Save Graph to CSV file]

Save graph data in "CSV" format.

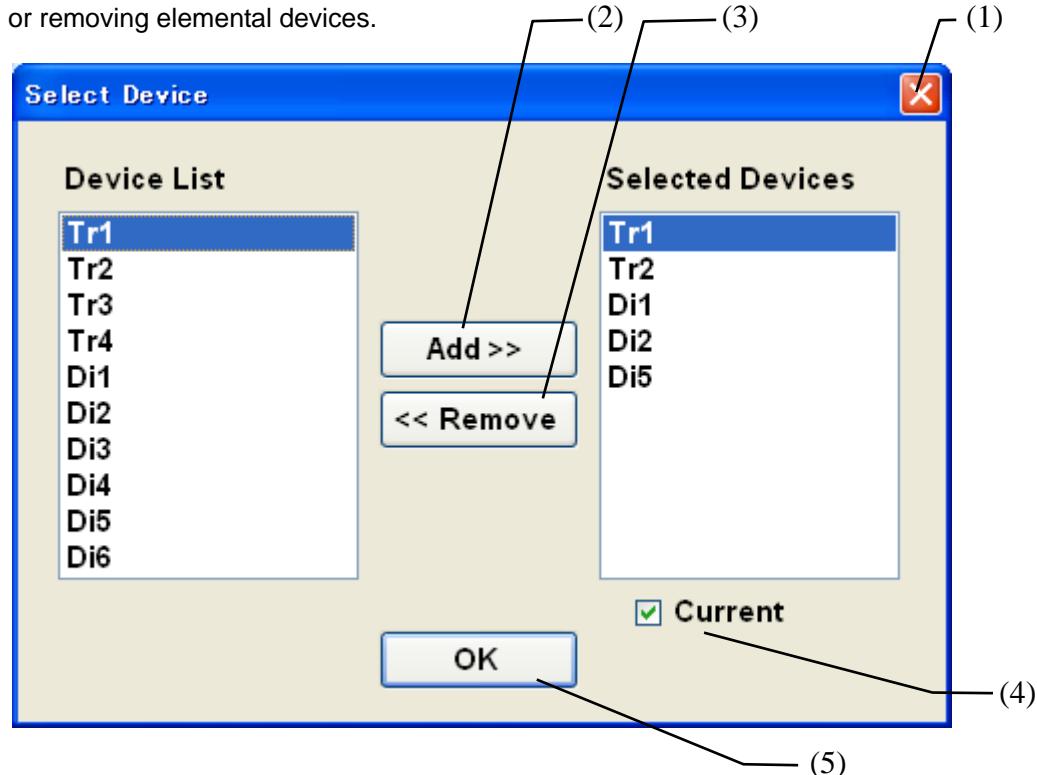
(12) [Expand Graph Area]

Click this area and move scroll bar for expanding graph width.

Maximize window and expand graph width is recommended for getting better graph.

2.5.6 Add device

Select adding or removing elemental devices.



(1) [x] (ESC)

Cancel selecting devices.

(2) [Add]

Add elemental devices from the Device List.

(3) [Remove]

Remove elemental devices from the Selected Devices.

(4) [Current]

With Io waveform for confirm phase angle.

(5) [OK]

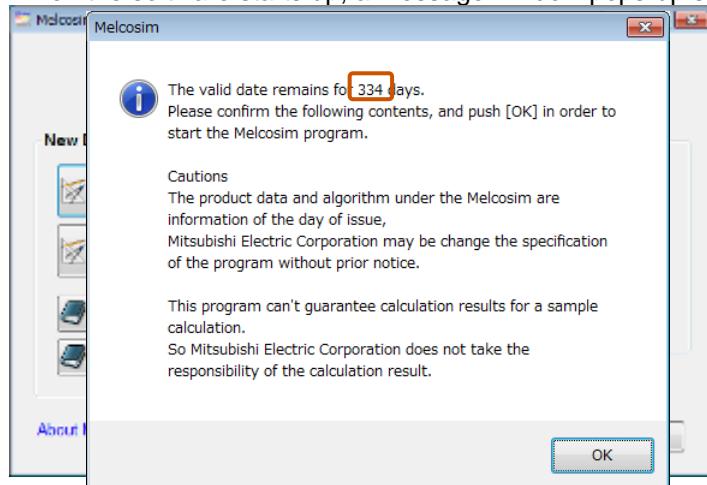
Fix drawing elemental devices.

3 Procedure for Sinusoidal (3Phase) Calculation

Select "2 Phase" radio button in 3.2.2 for 2 phase modulation. Other procedure same as 3 phase modulation.

3.1 Application Start-up

When the software starts up, a message window pops-up showing validity date.



Click OK , then move to the main window in the case that the expiration date is valid.



3.2 New Design Calculation

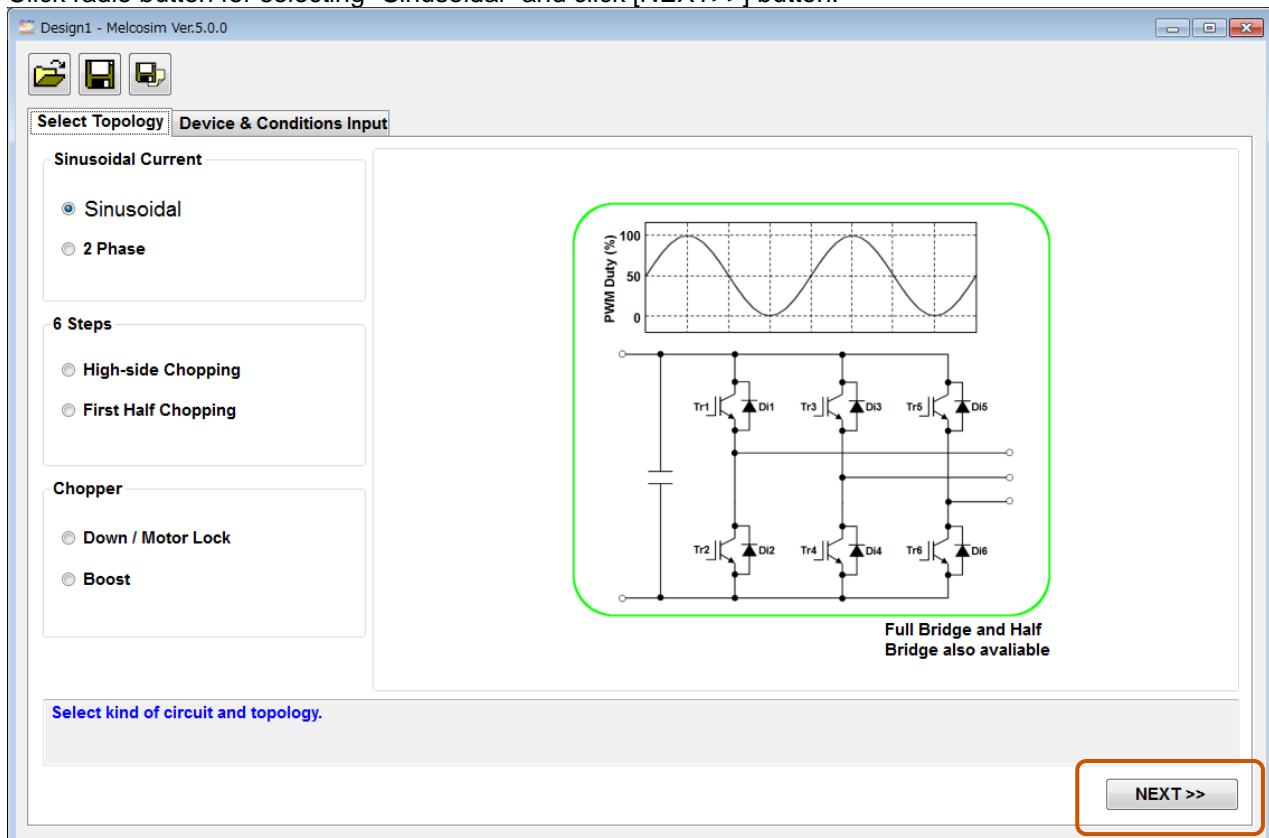
3.2.1 Main Window

Click [2 Level New Design] button.



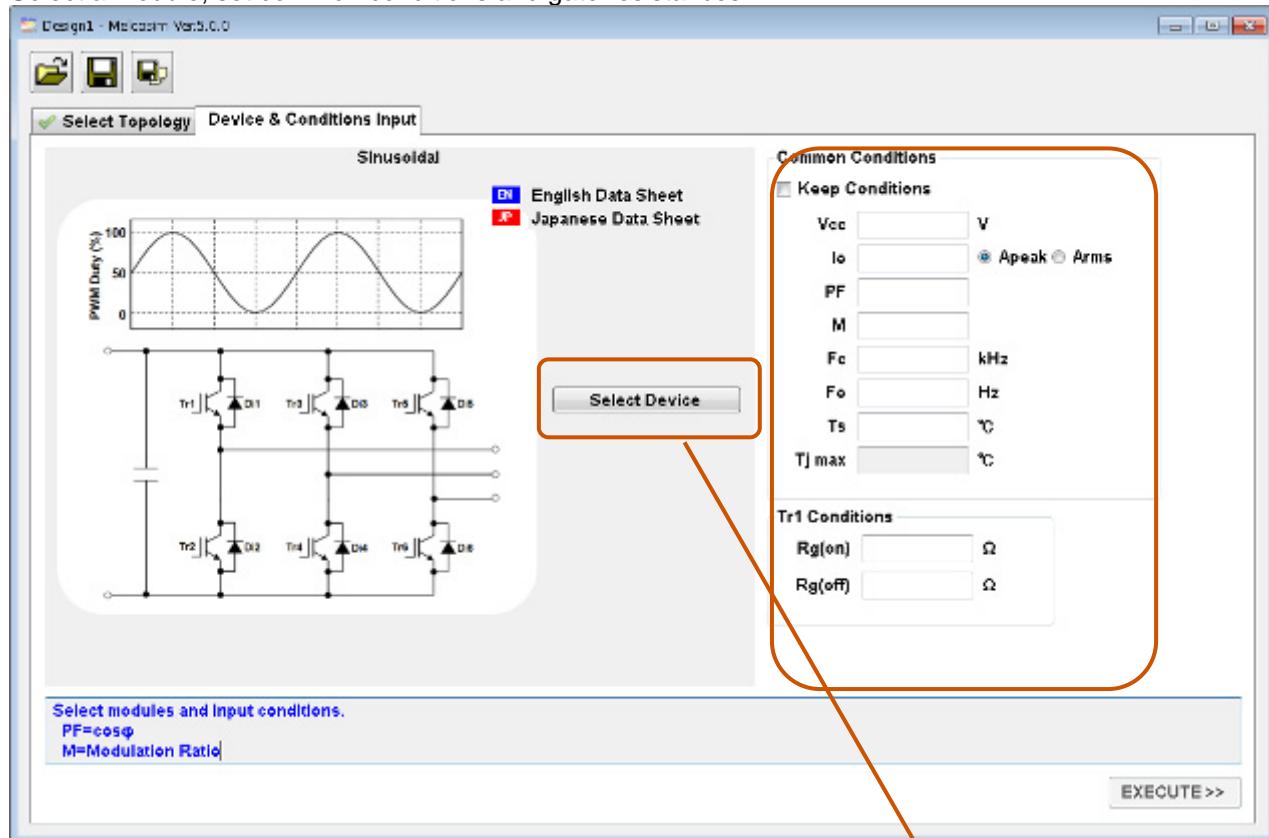
3.2.2 Select Topology Window

Click radio button for selecting "Sinusoidal" and click [NEXT>>] button.

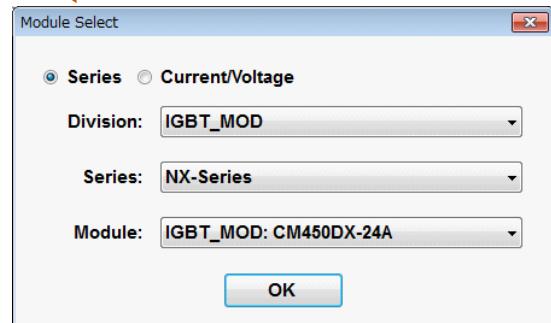


3.2.3 Device & Conditions Input Window

Select a module, set common conditions and gate resistances.

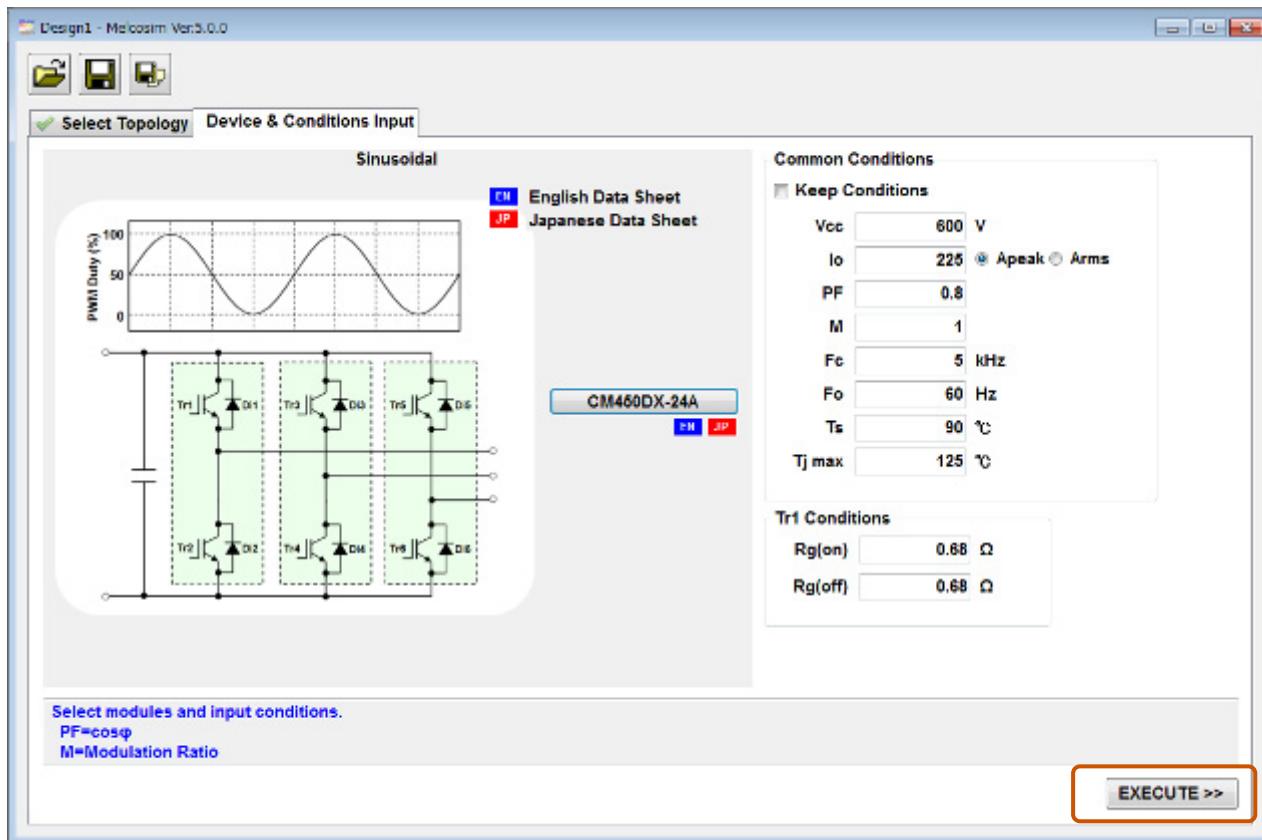


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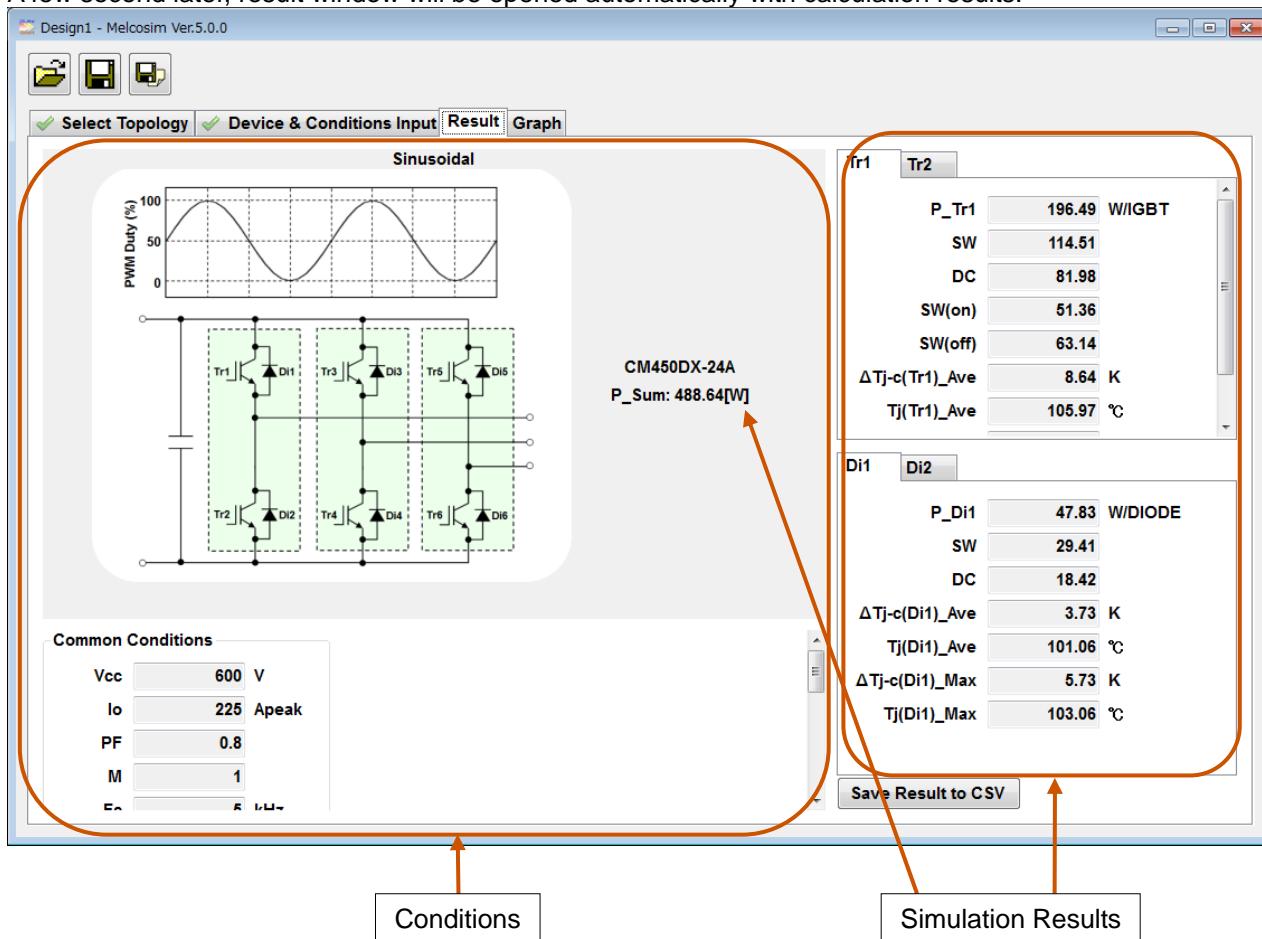
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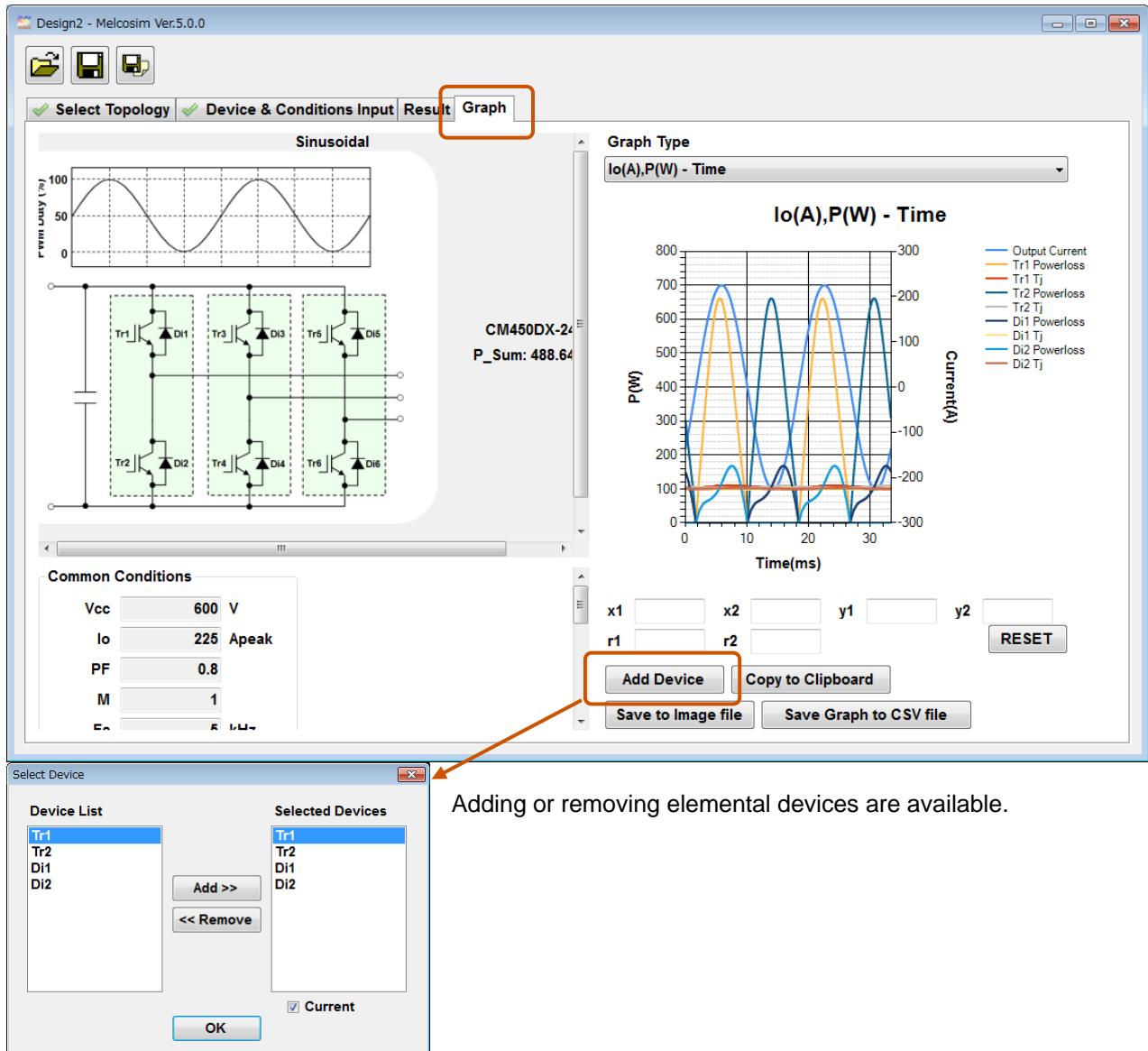
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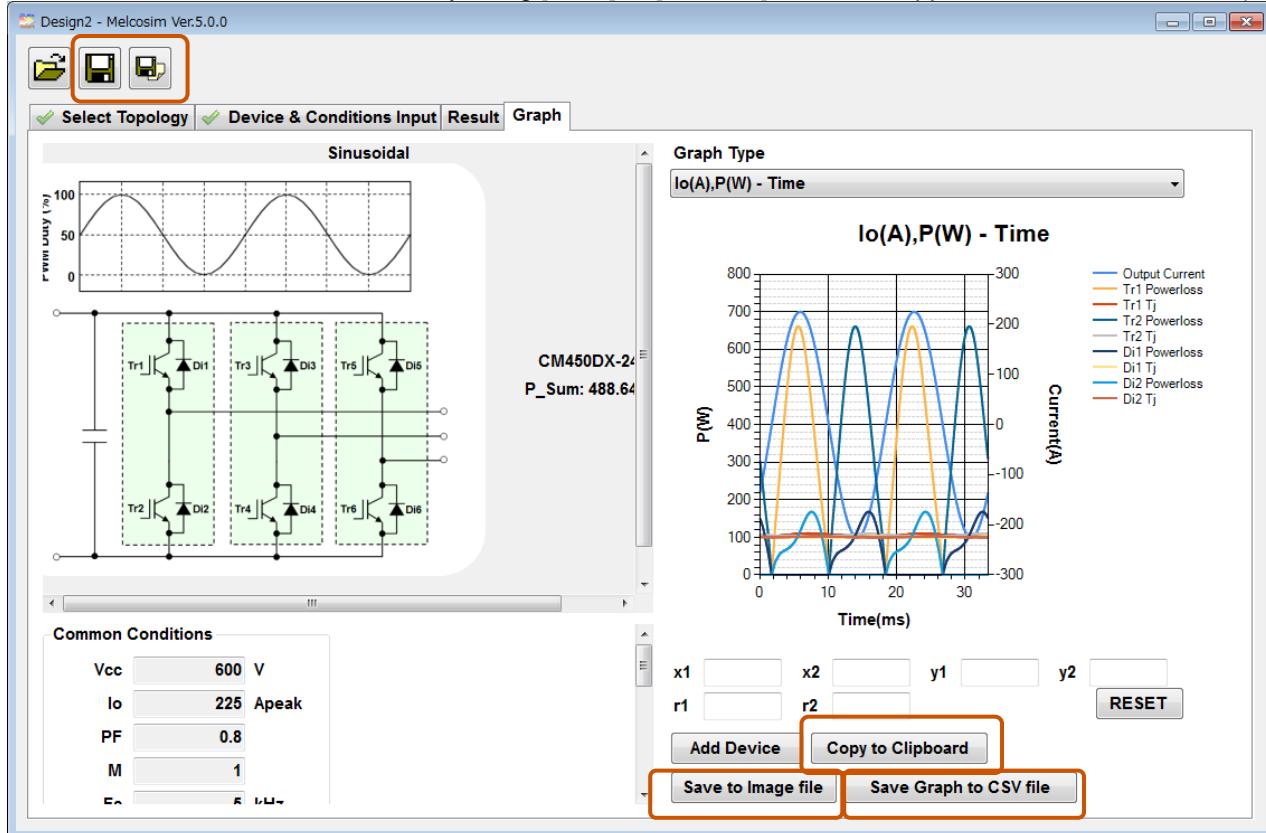


3.2.5 Graph Window

Calculation results can be shown visually in the graph window.

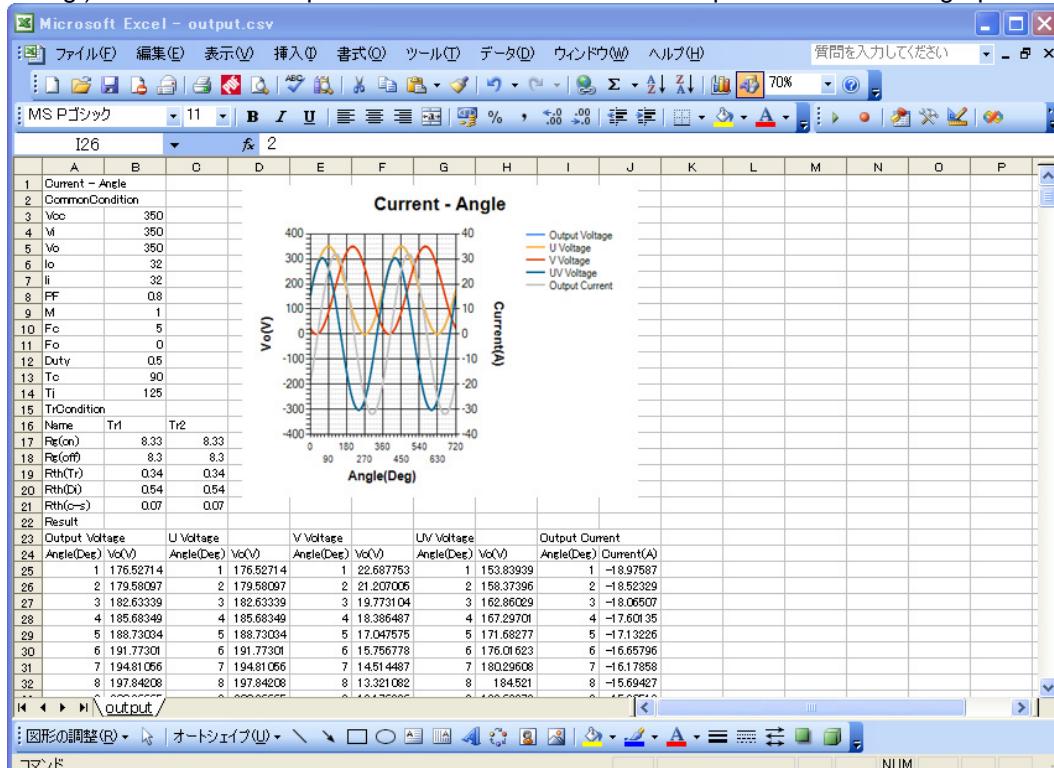


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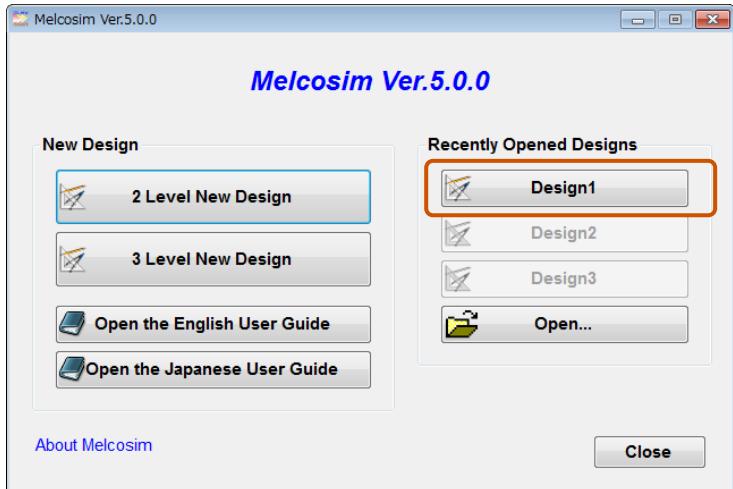
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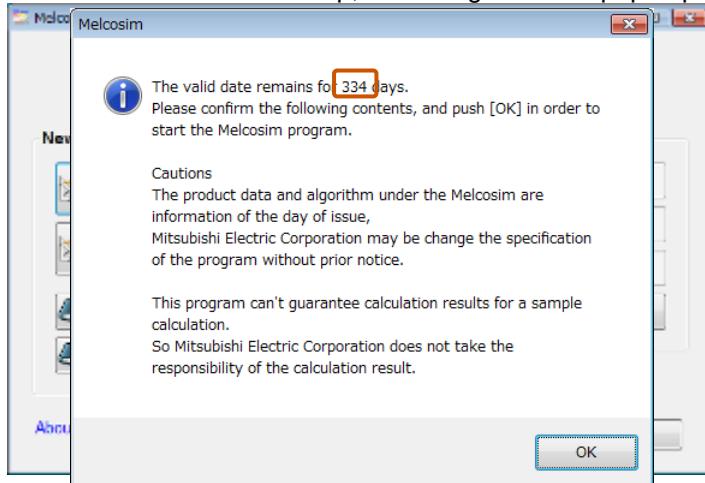
3.3.2 Open the Saved Design in Folders



4 Procedure for Chopper (Down/Motor Lock, Boost)

4.1 Application Start-up

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Click OK , then move to the main window in the case that the expiration date is valid.



4.2 New Design Calculation

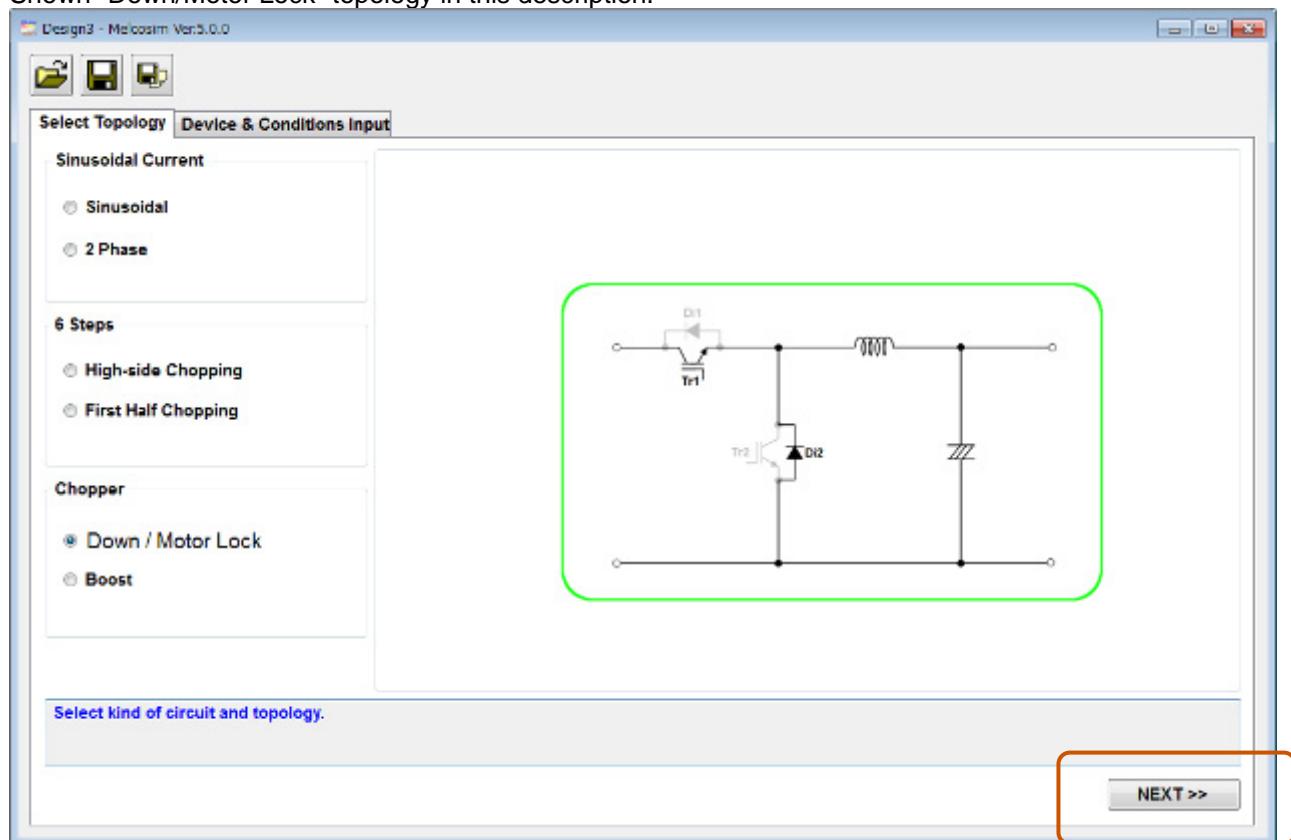
4.2.1 Main Window

Click [2 Level New Design] button.



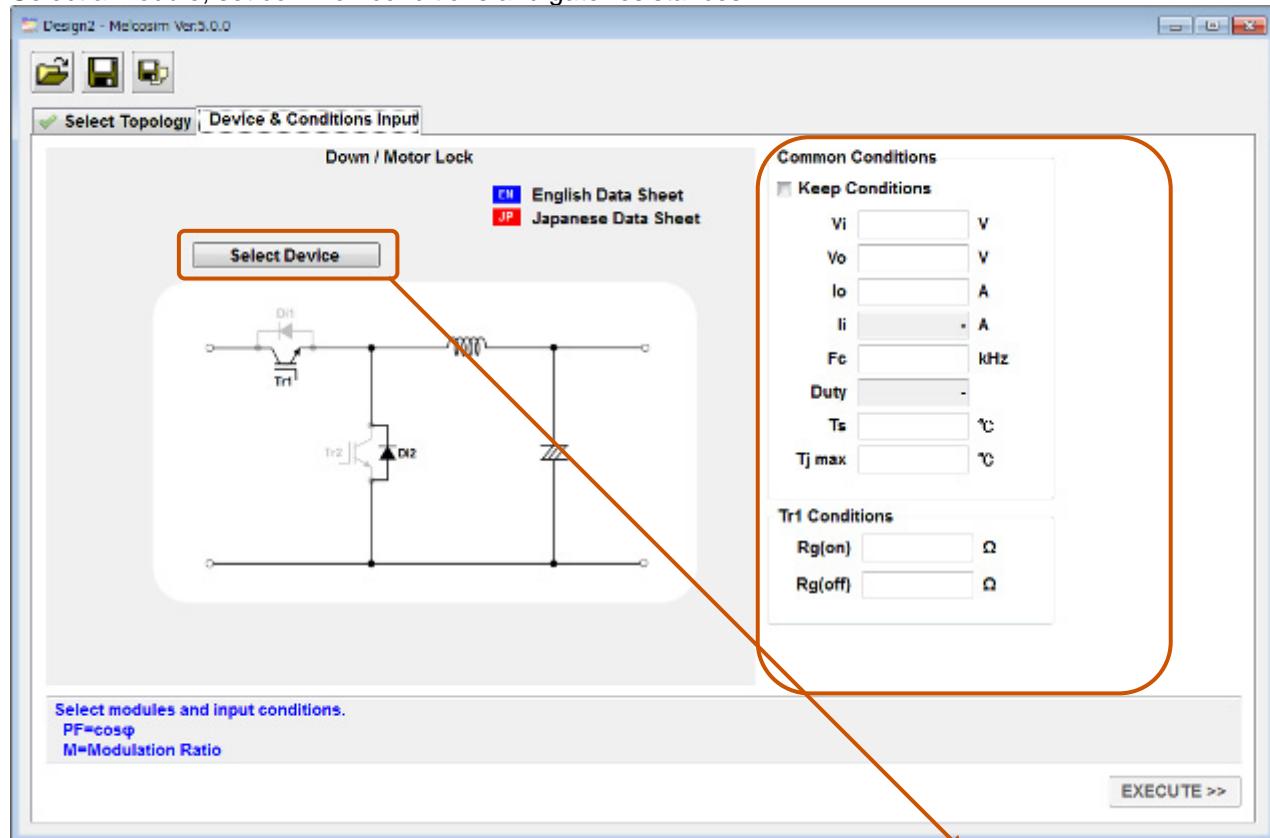
4.2.2 Select Topology Window

Click radio button for selecting "Down/Motor Lock" or "Boost" and click [NEXT>>] button.
Shown "Down/Motor Lock" topology in this description.

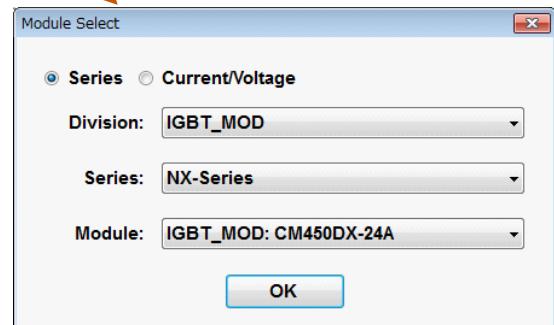


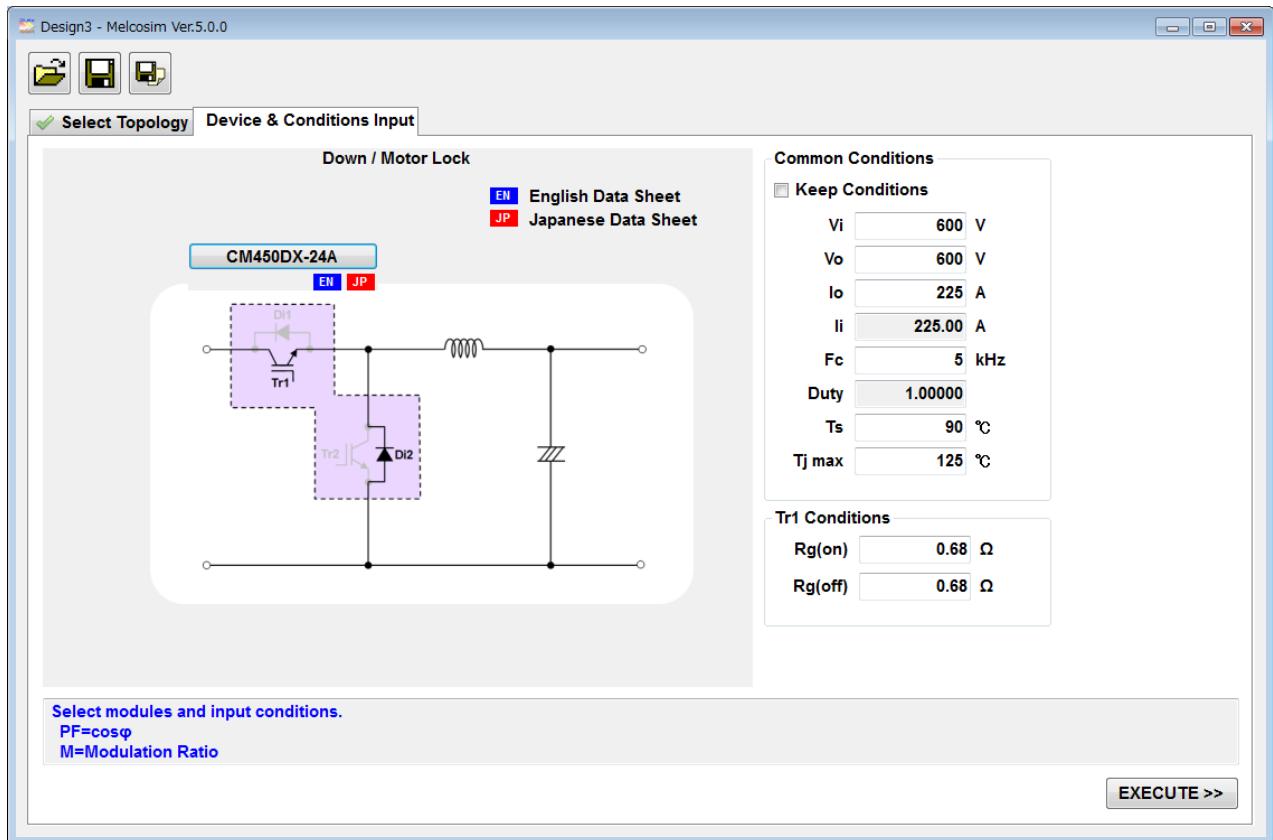
4.2.3 Device & Conditions Input Window

Select a module, set common conditions and gate resistances.



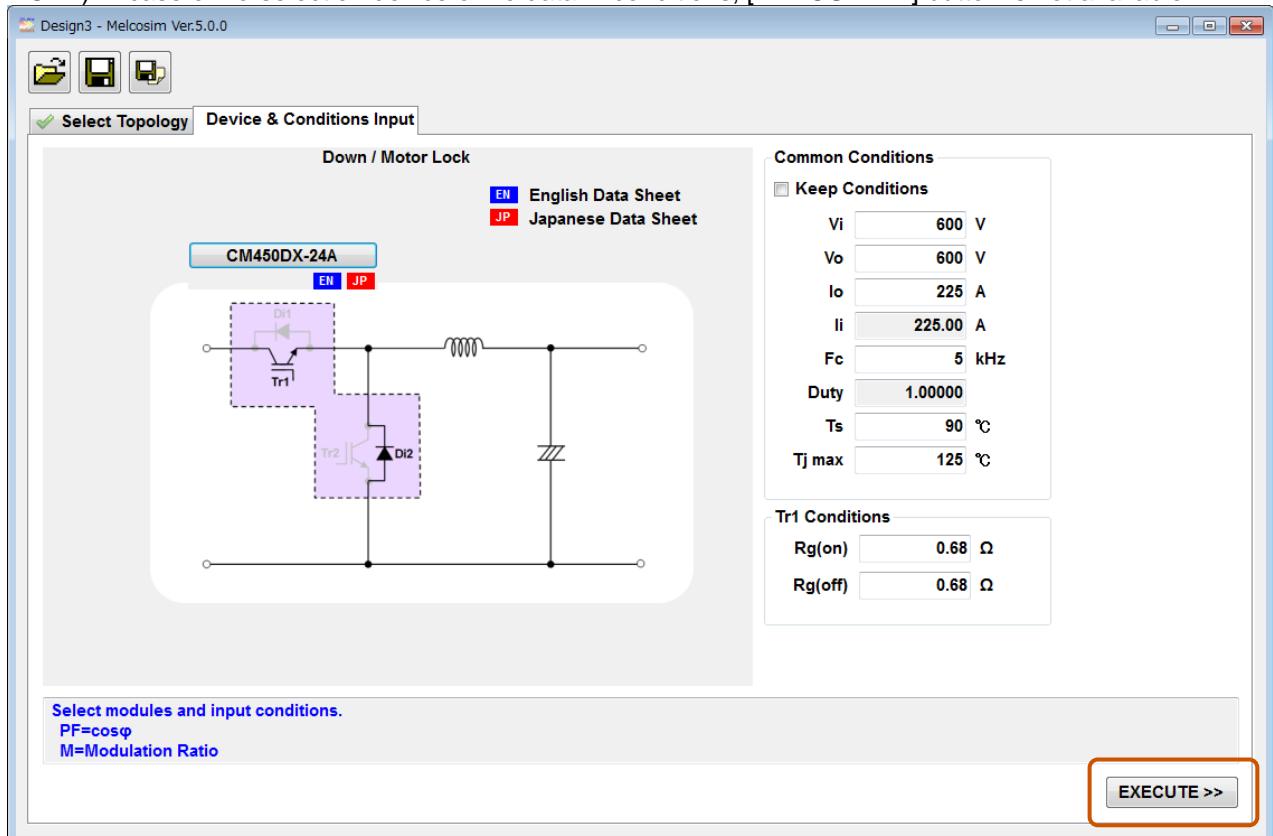
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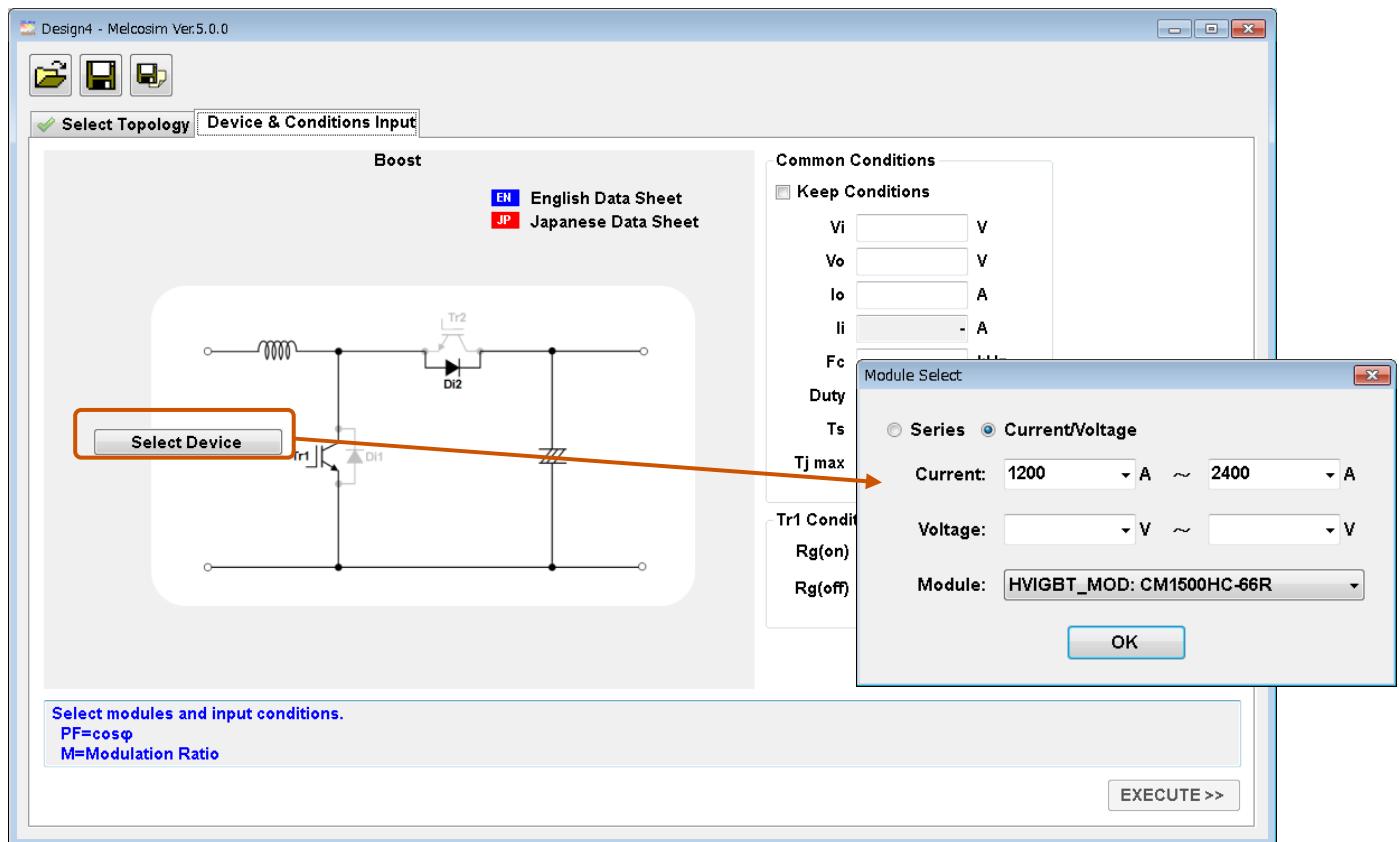




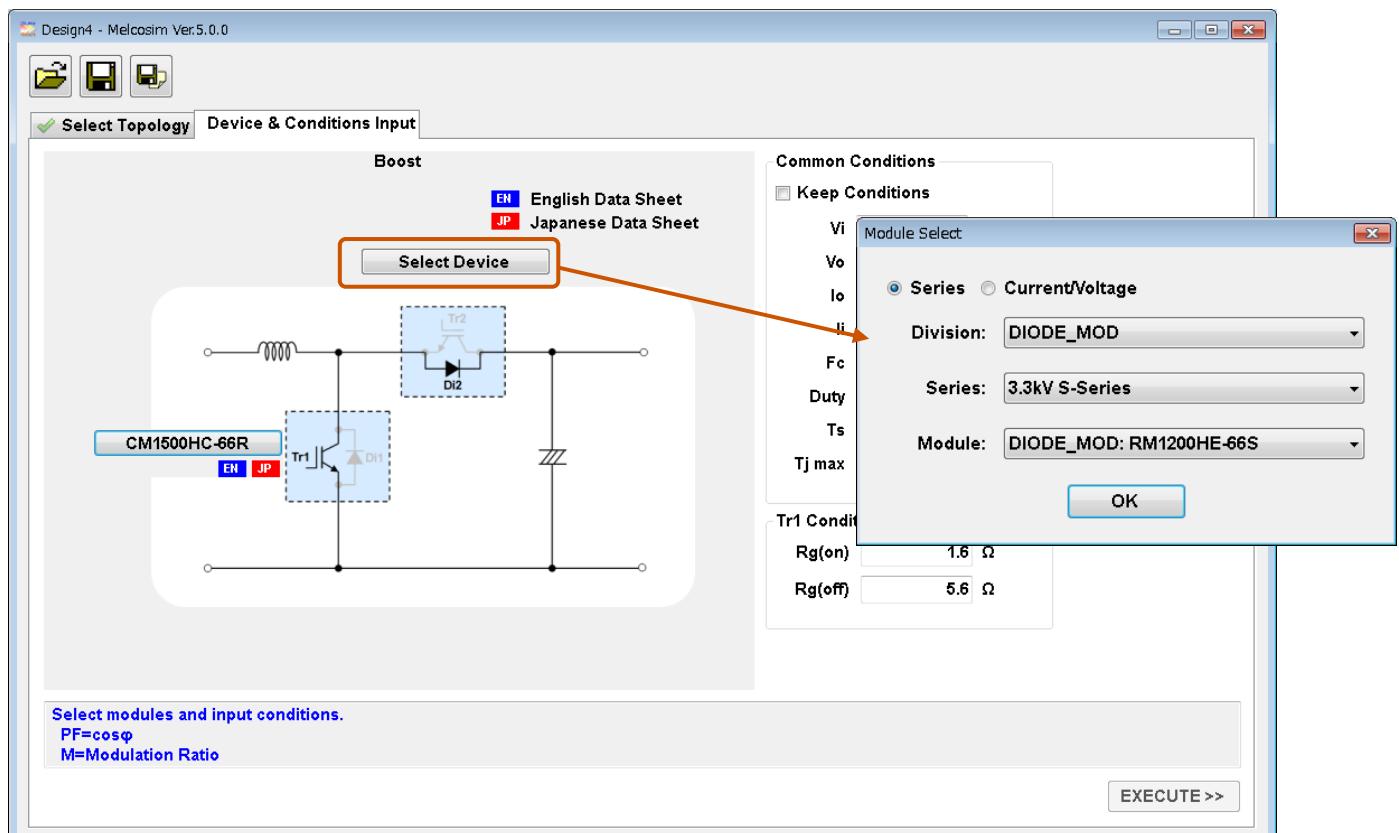
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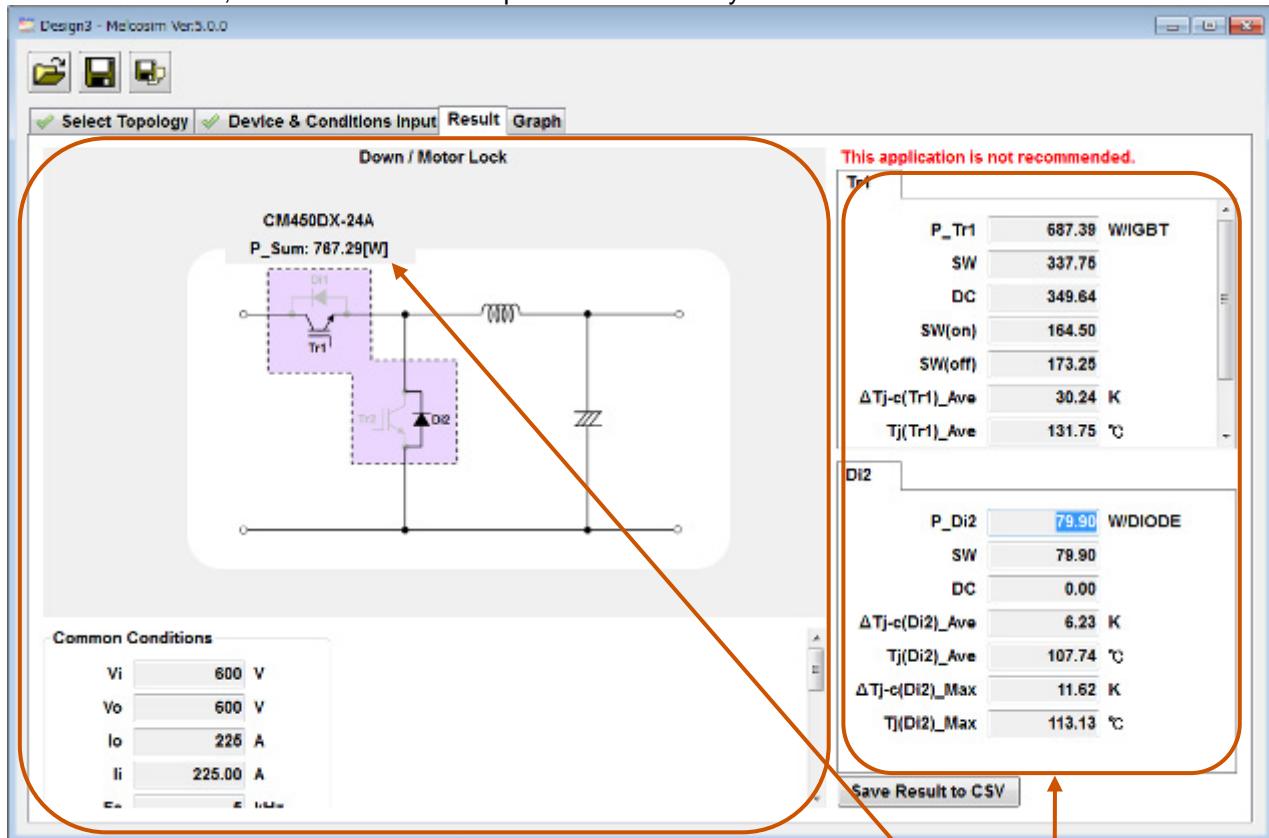


Show up [Select Device] button for FRDi in case on selecting 1in1module for Transistor.



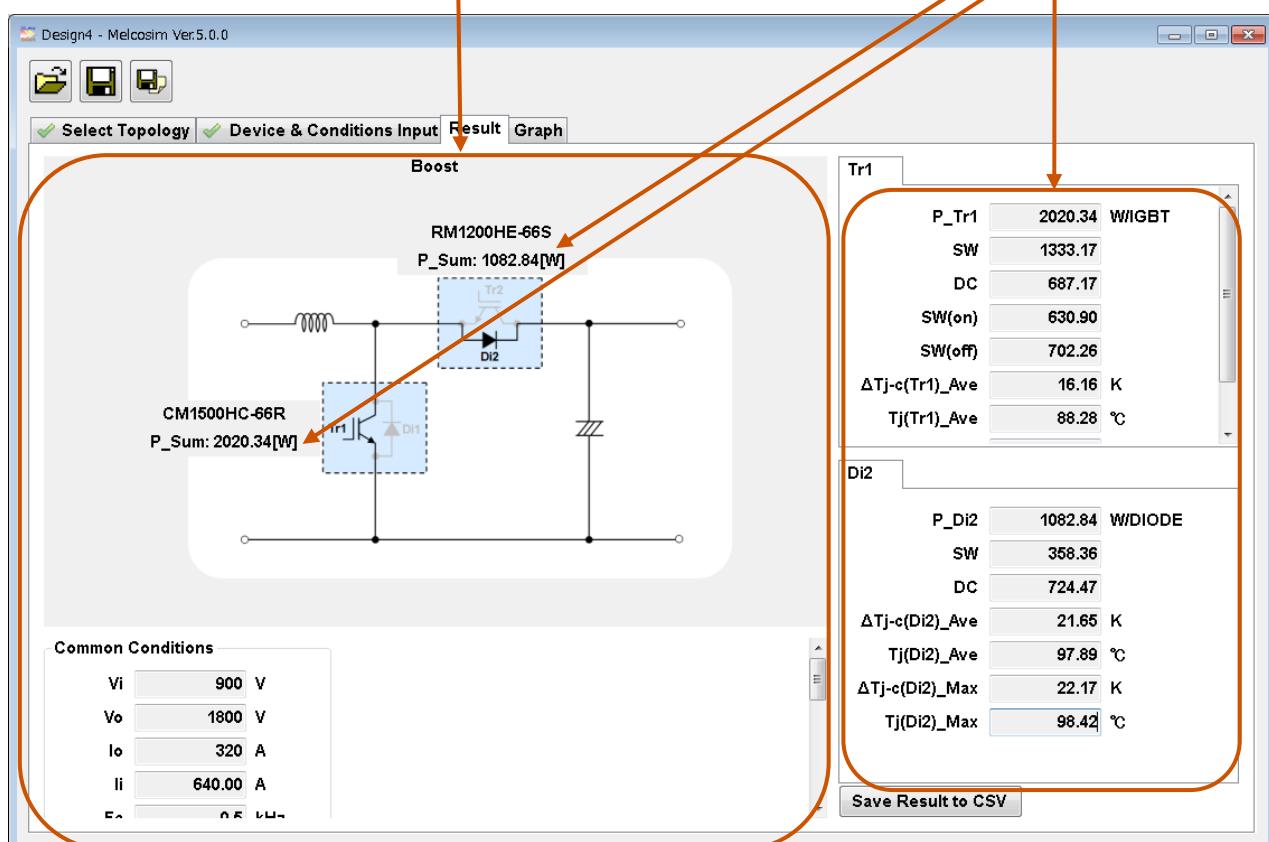
4.2.4 Result Window

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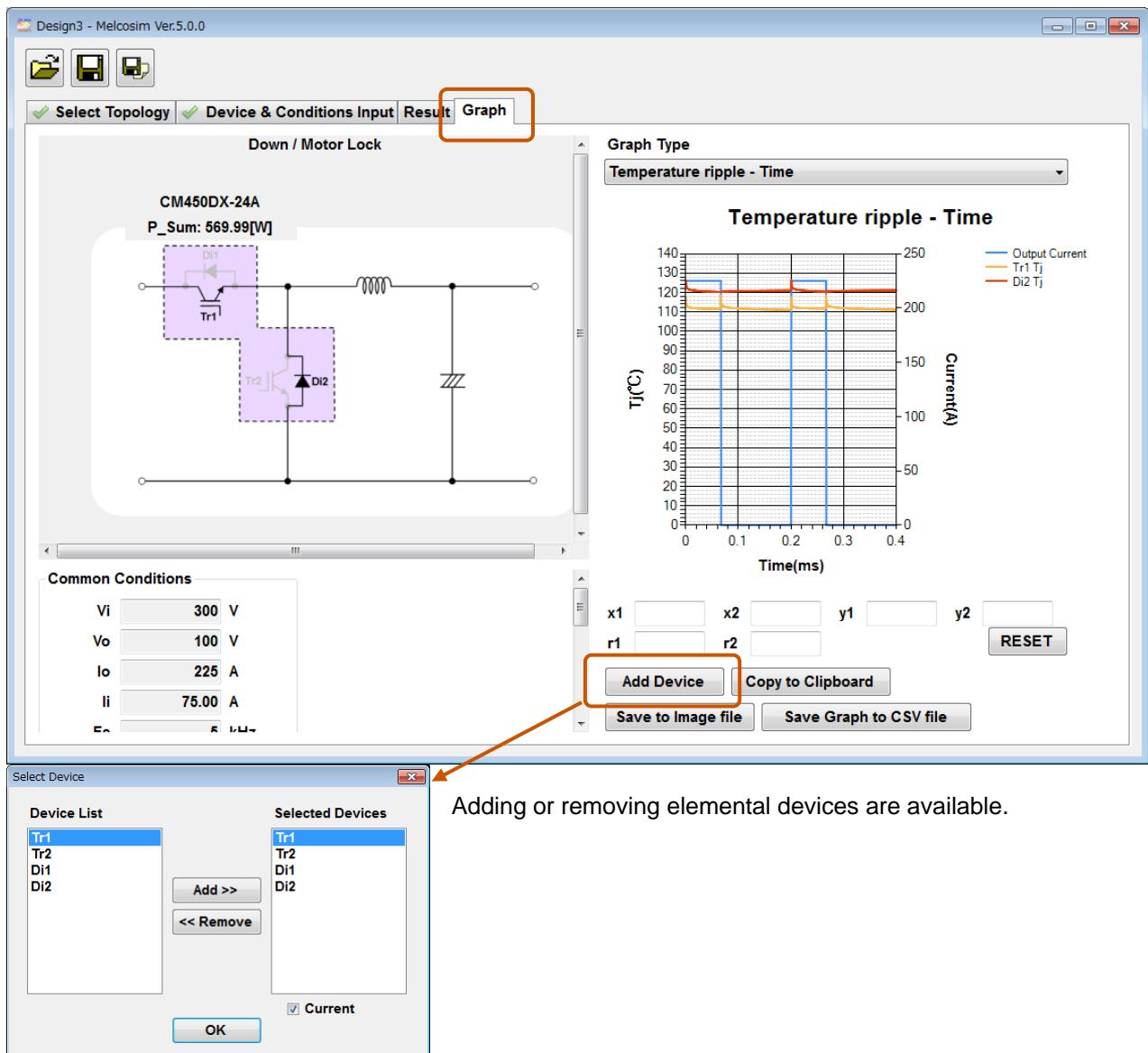
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Simulation Results

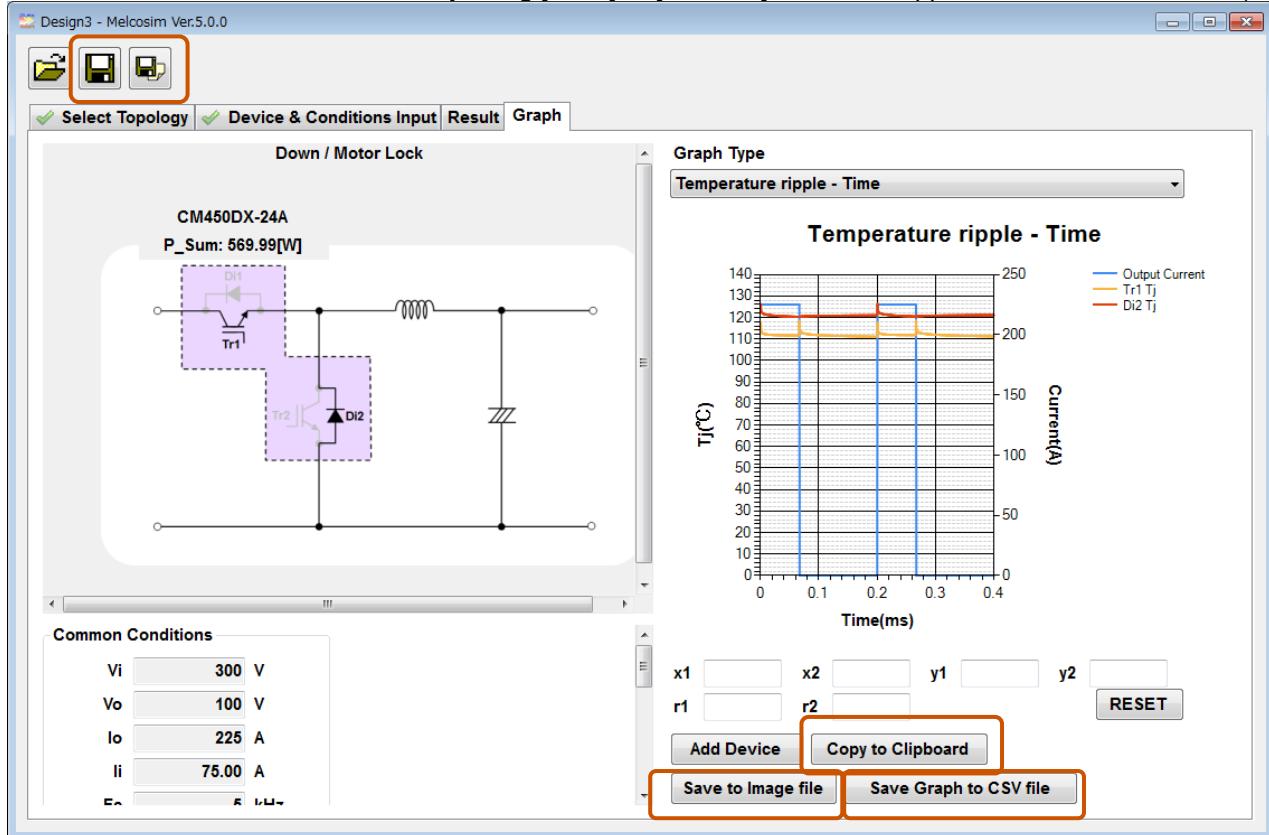


4.2.5 Graph Window

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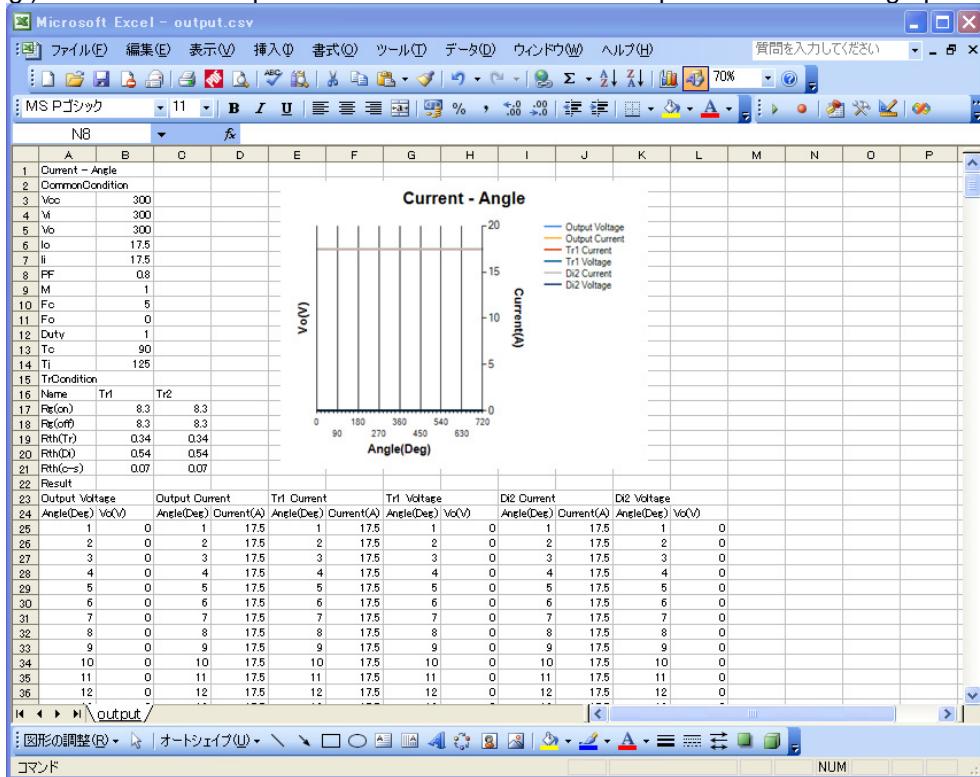


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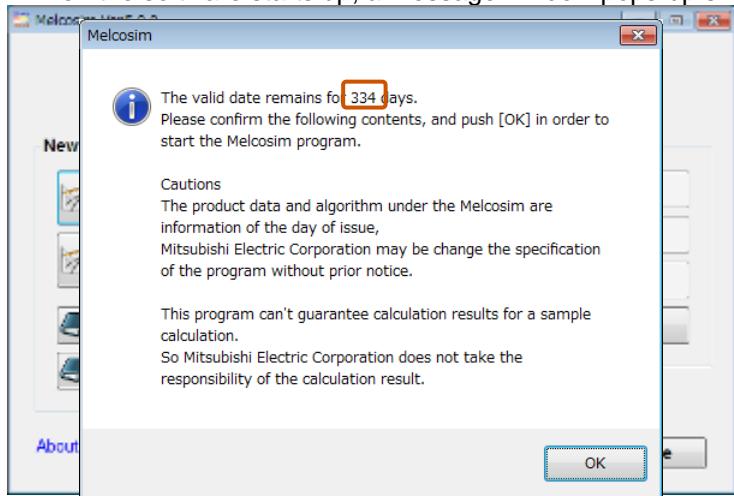
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5 Procedure for I Type NPC Calculation

5.1 Application Start-up

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5.2 New Design Calculation

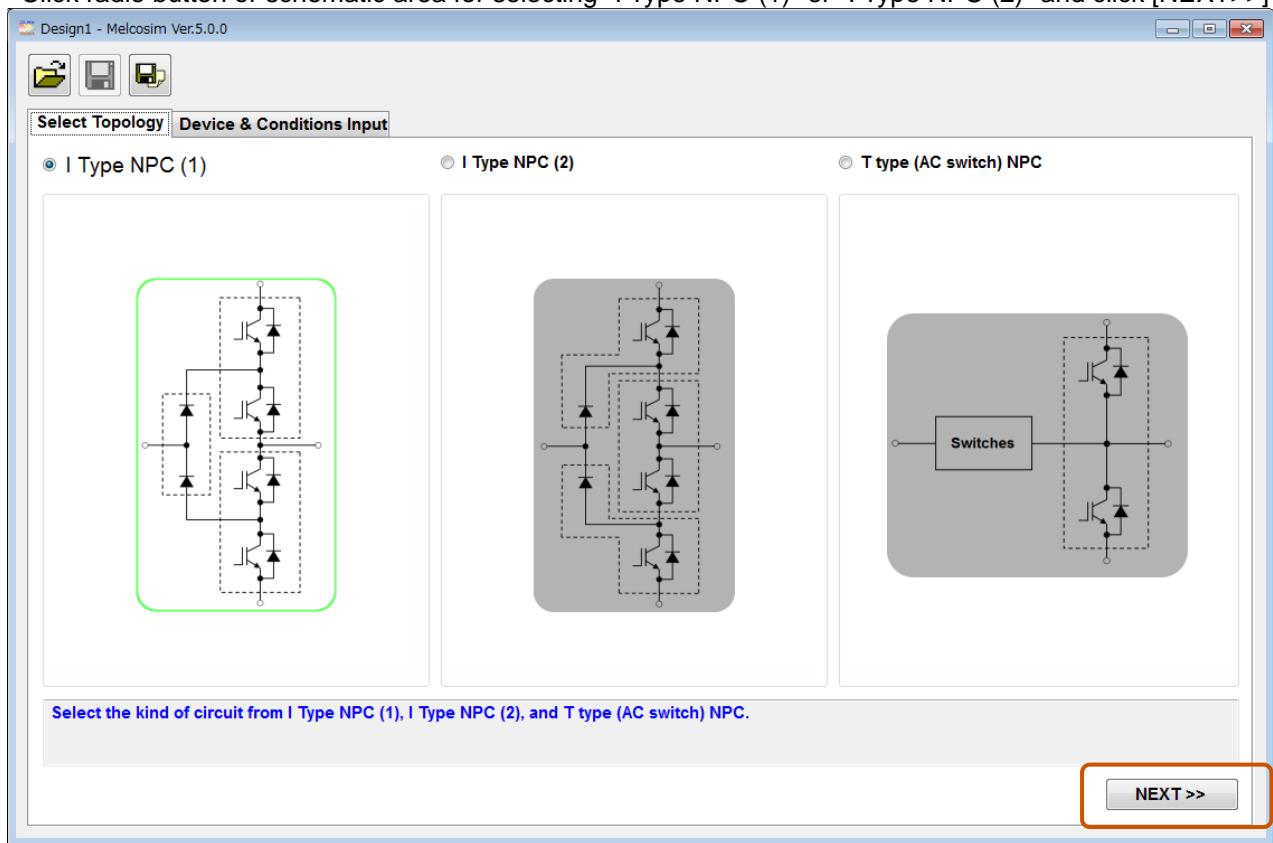
5.2.1 Main Window

Click [3Level New Design] button.



5.2.2 Select Topology Window

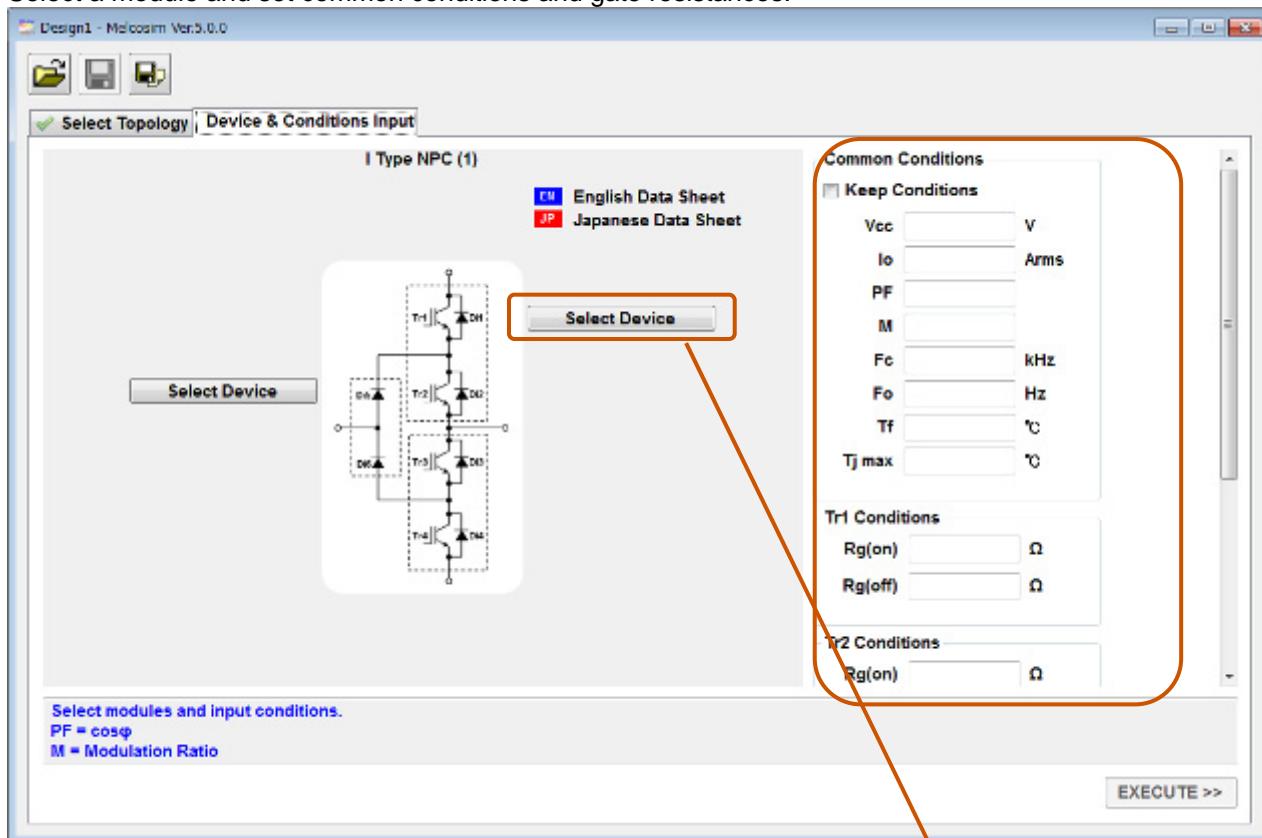
Click radio button or schematic area for selecting "I Type NPC (1)" or "I Type NPC (2)" and click [NEXT>>] button.



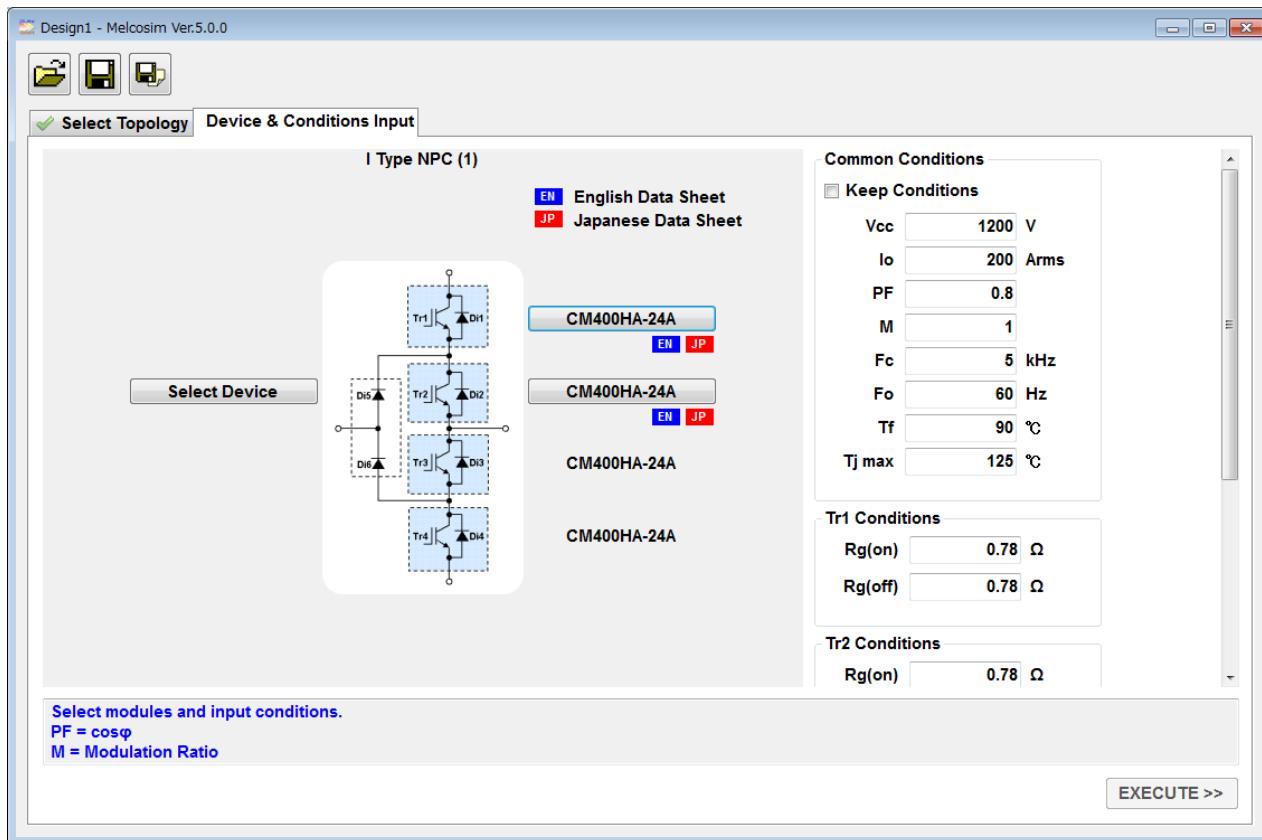
Select "I Type NPC(2)" for applying 2 in1 or chopper module.

5.2.3 Device & Conditions Input Window

Select a module and set common conditions and gate resistances.

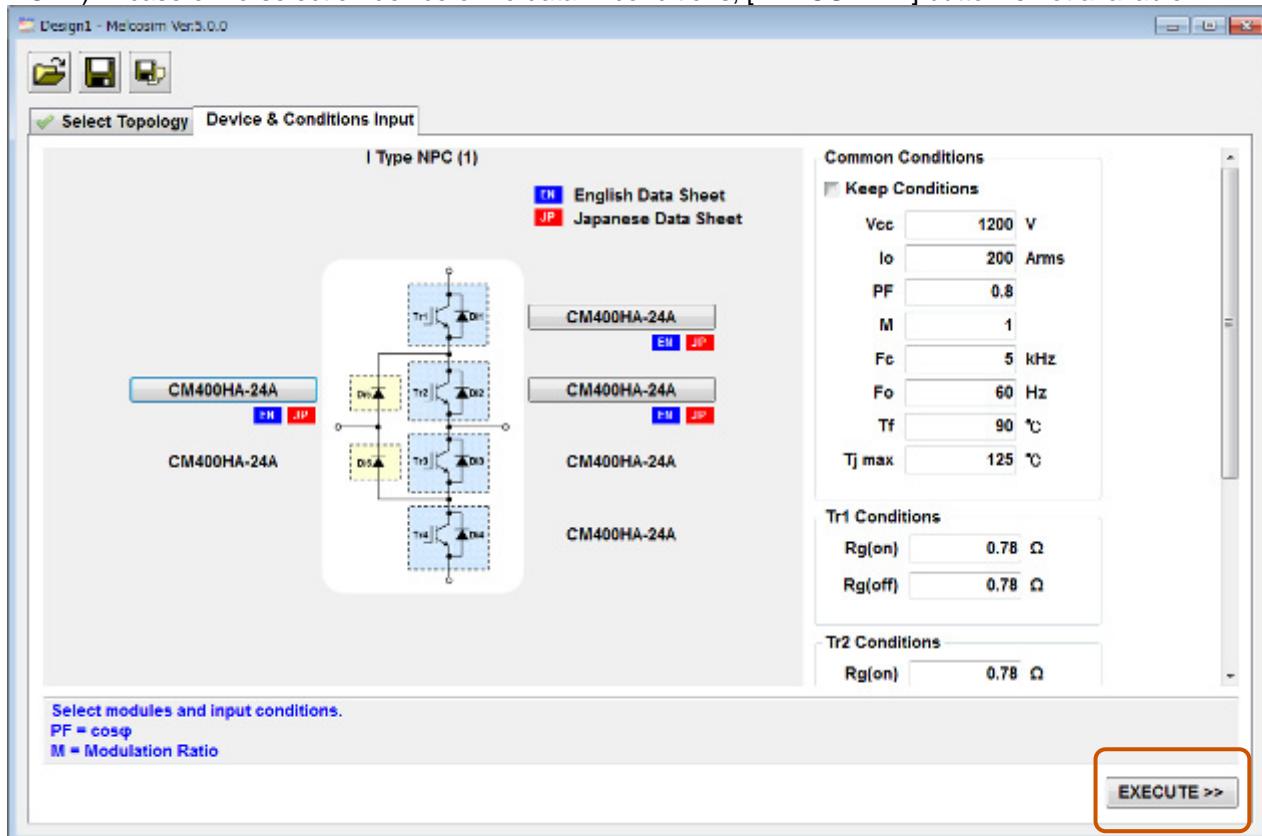


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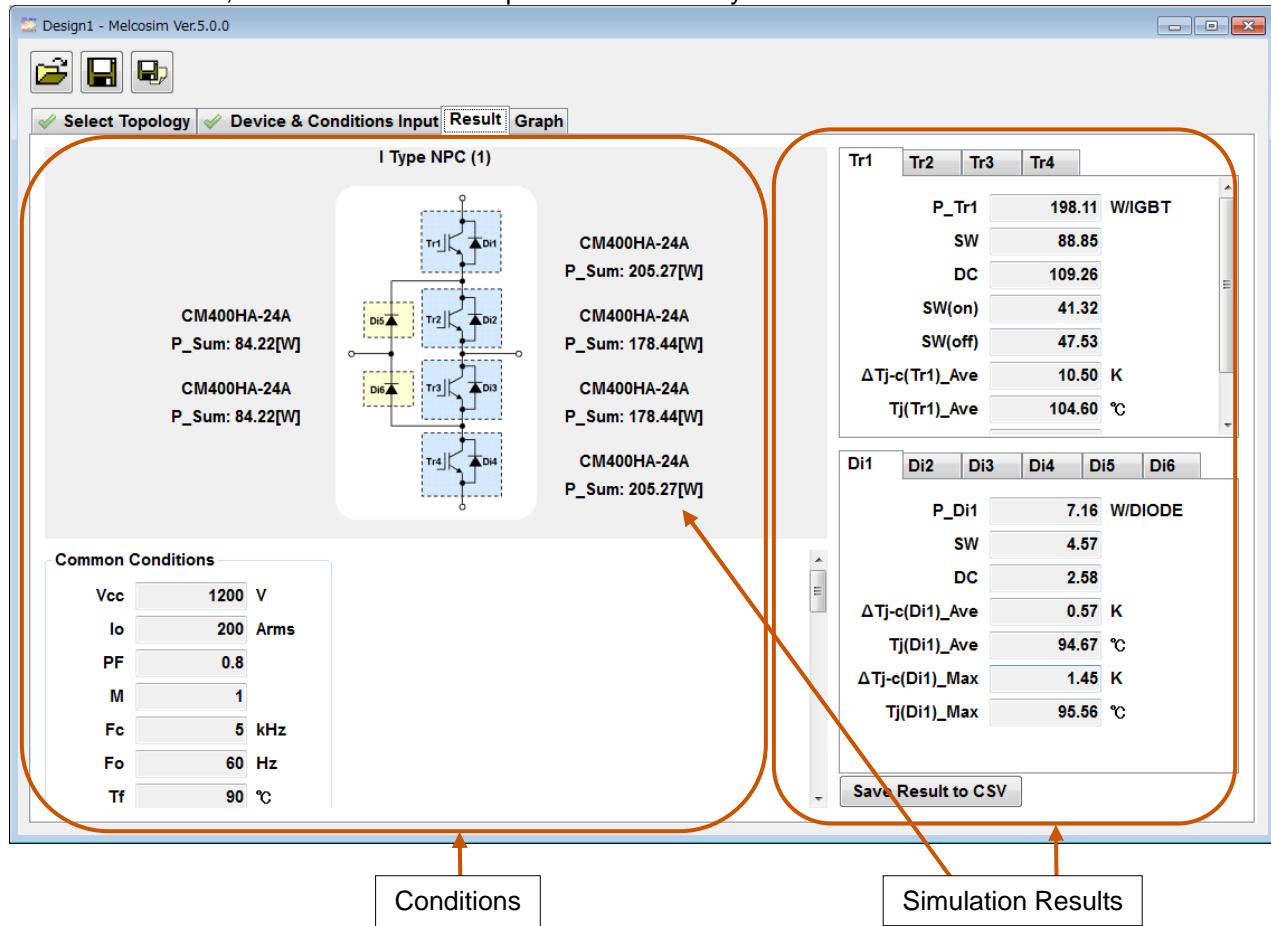
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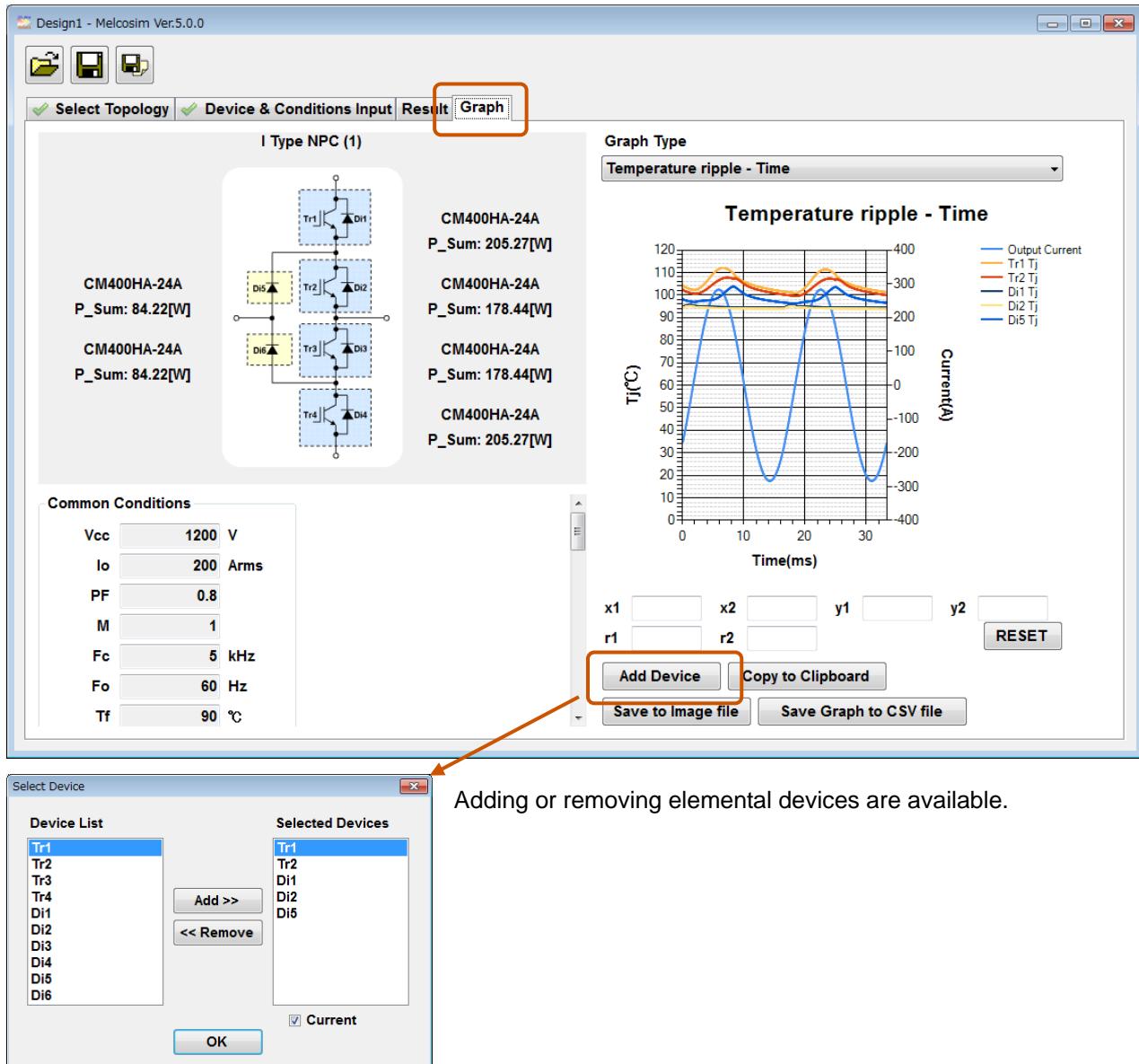
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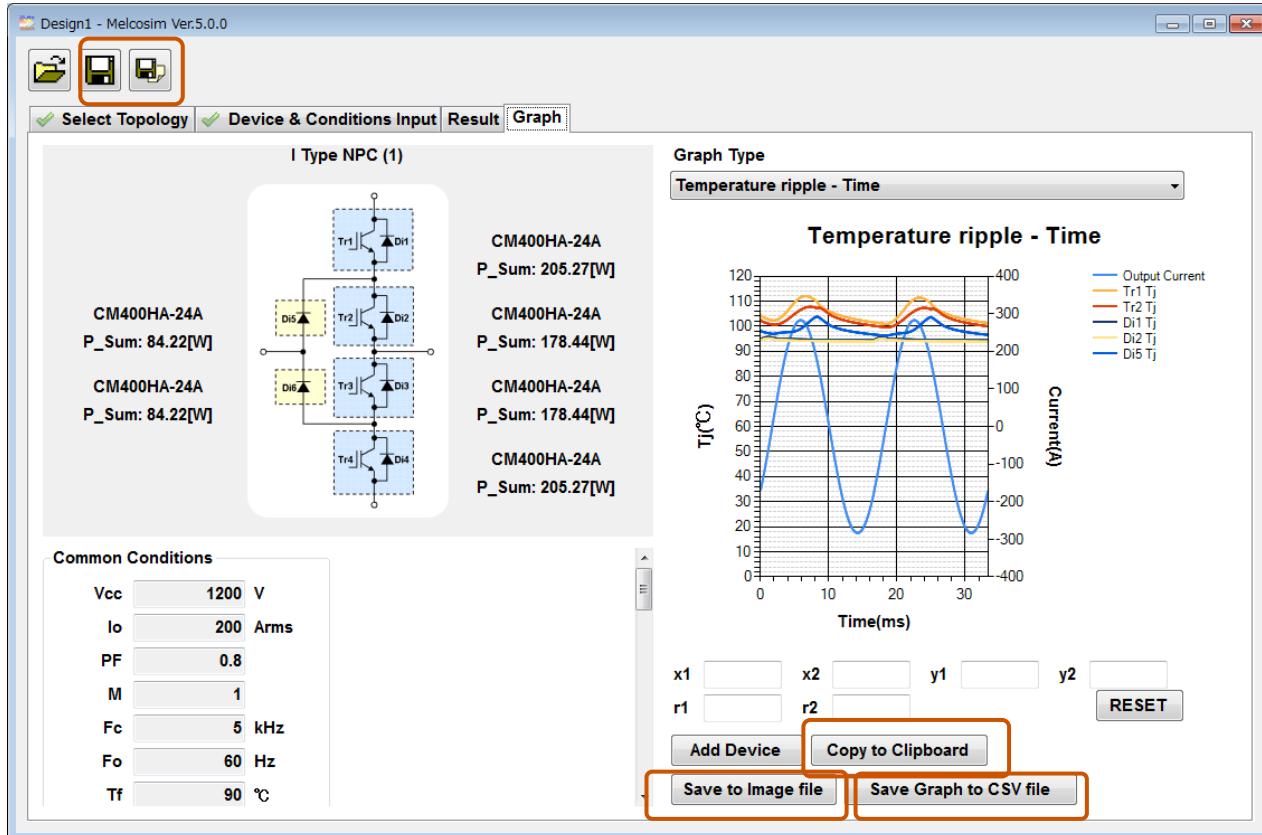


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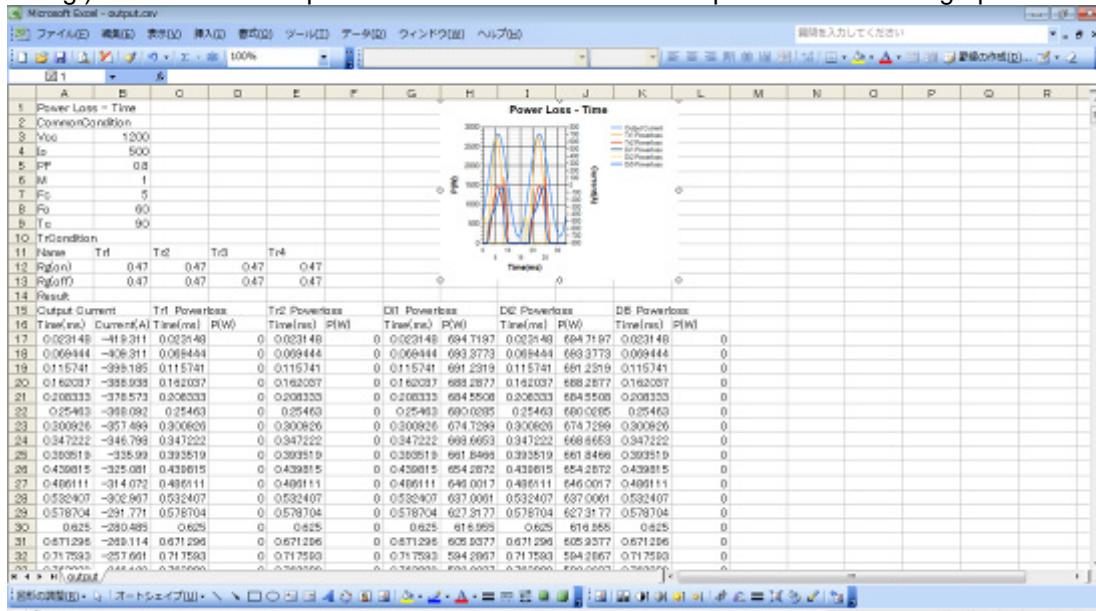


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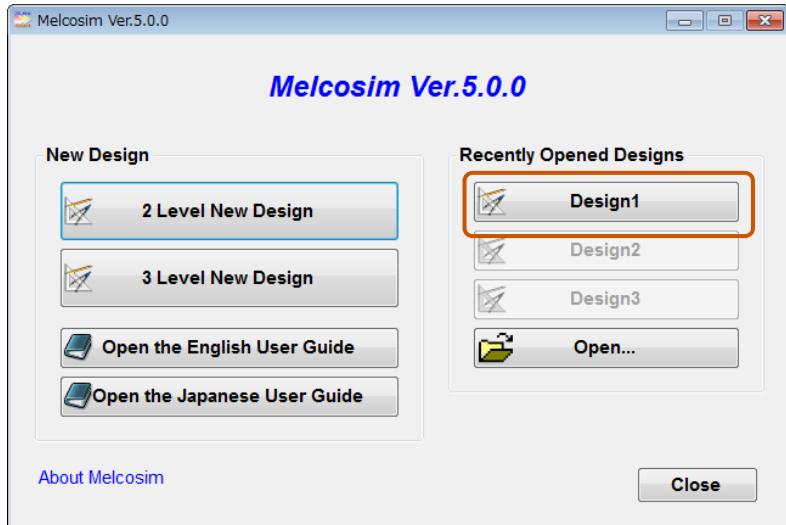
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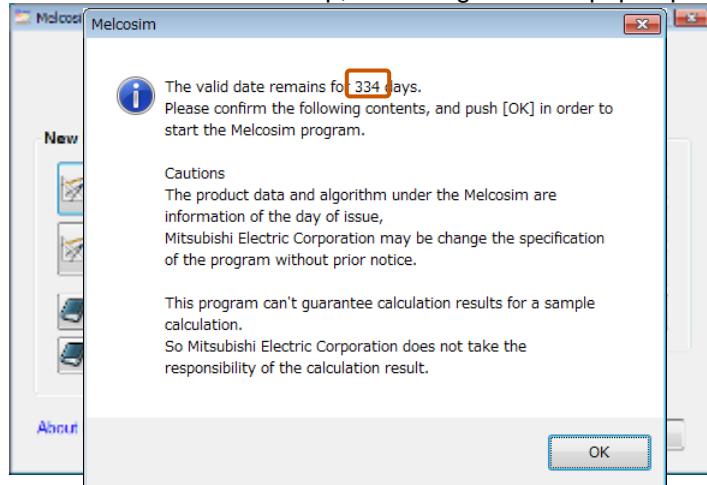
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6 Procedure for T Type NPC Calculation

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6.2 New Design Calculation

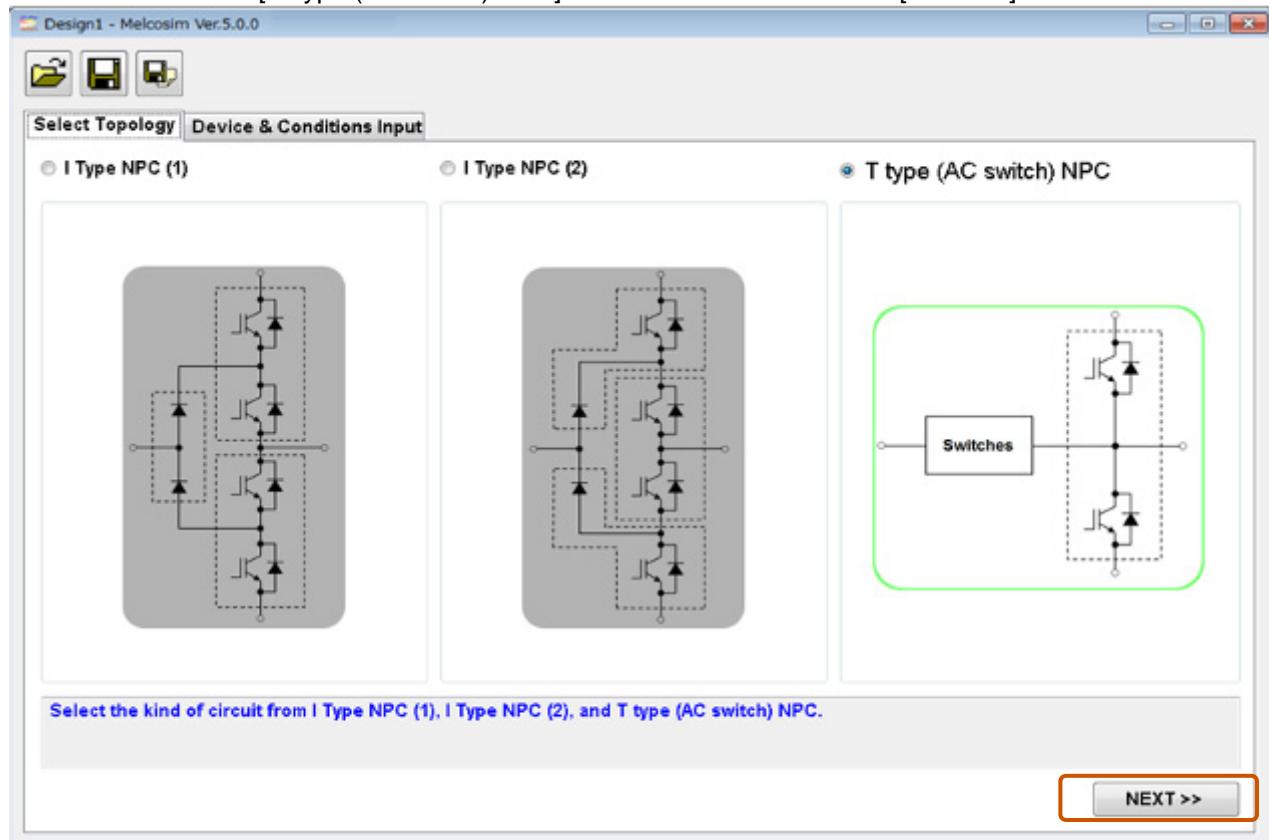
6.2.1 Main Window

Click [3 Level New Design] button.



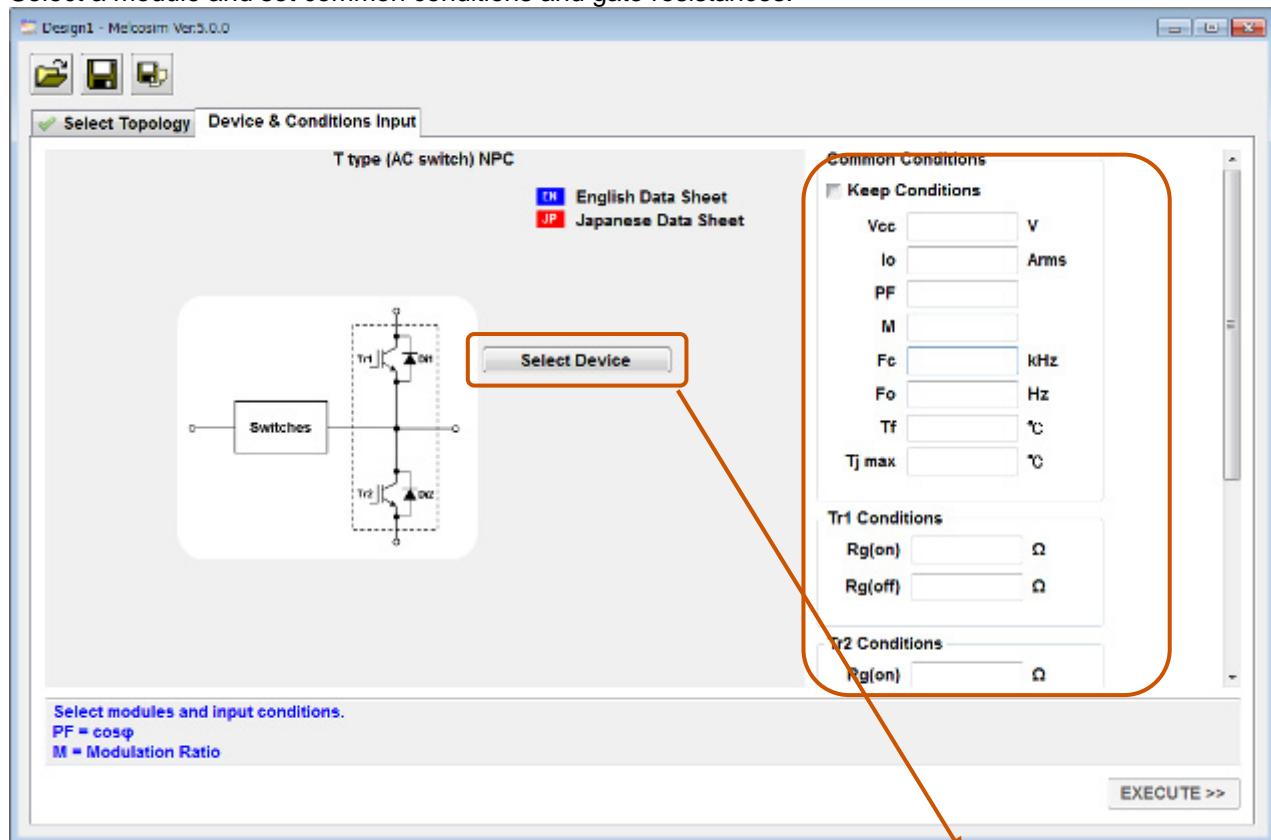
6.2.2 Select Topology Window

Click radio button of [T Type (AC switch) NPC] or schematic area and click [NEXT>>] button.



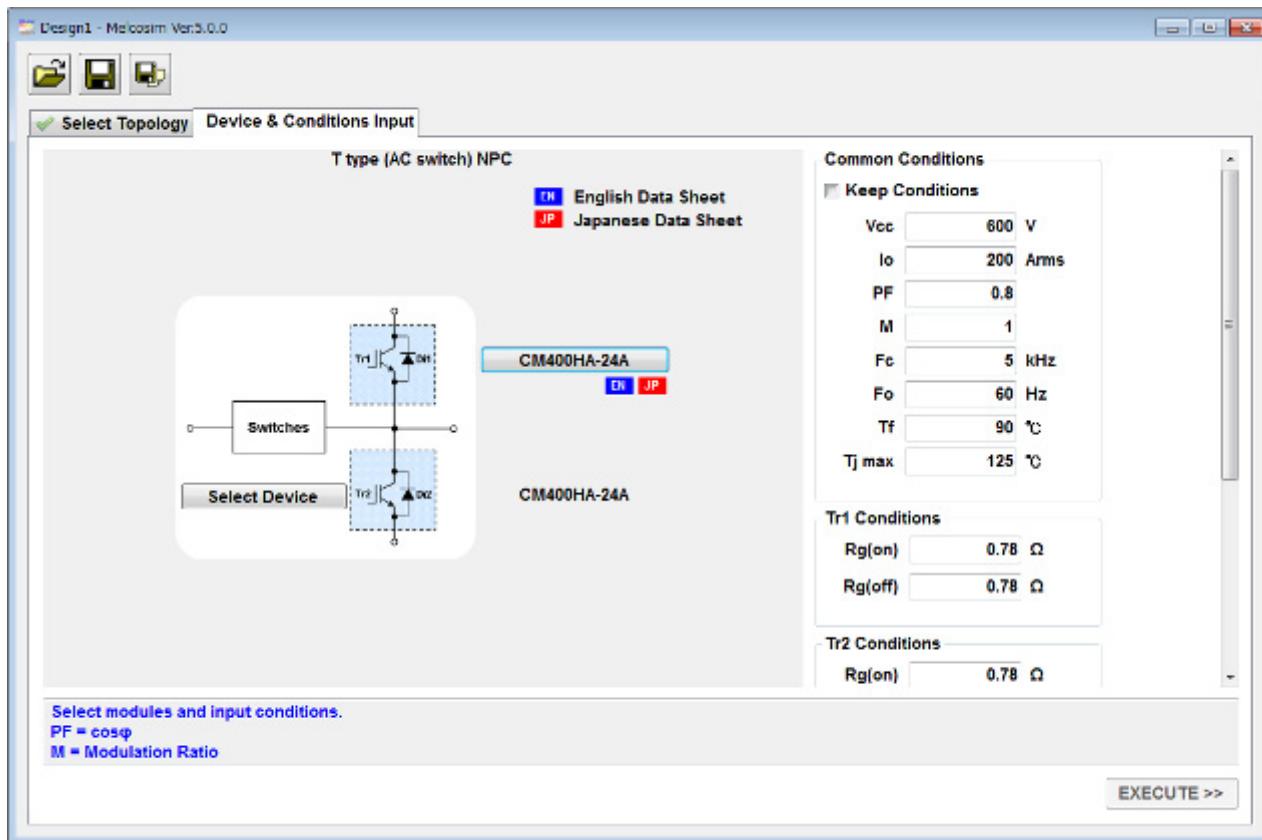
6.2.3 Device & Conditions Input Window

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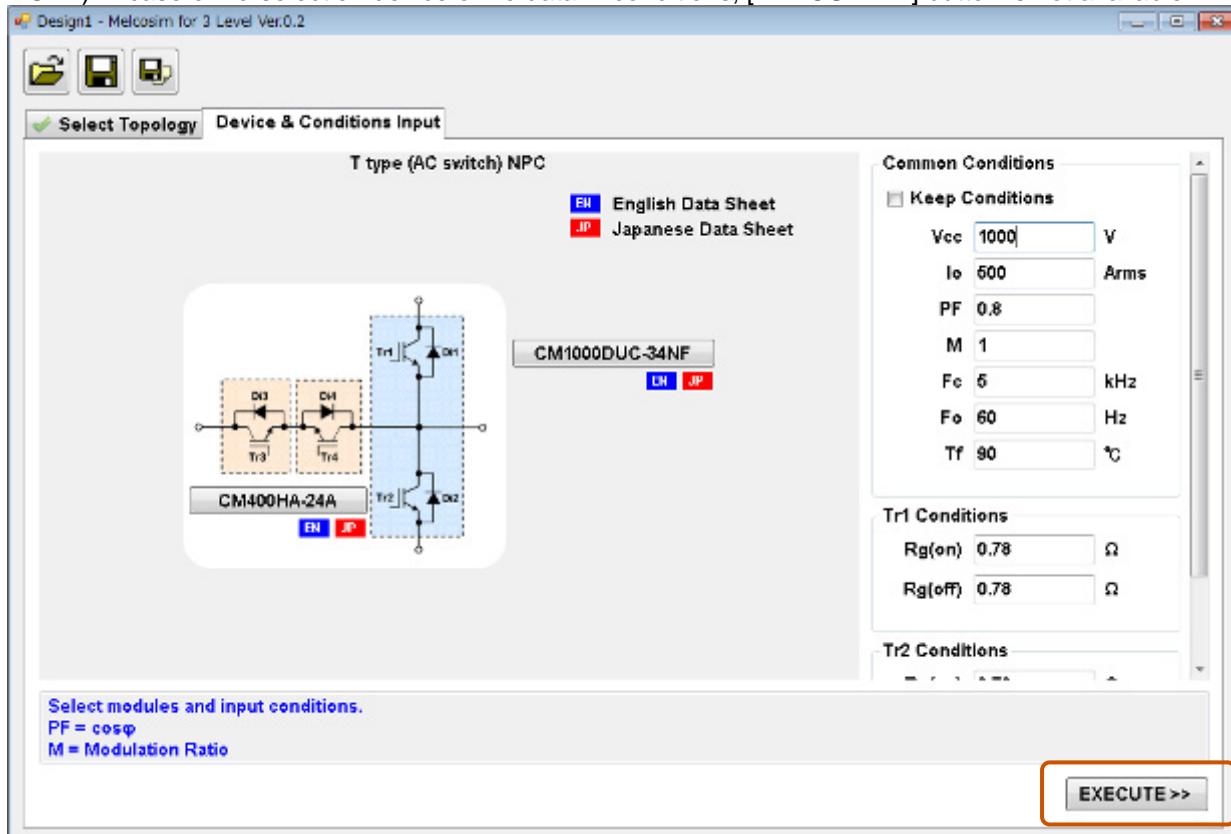
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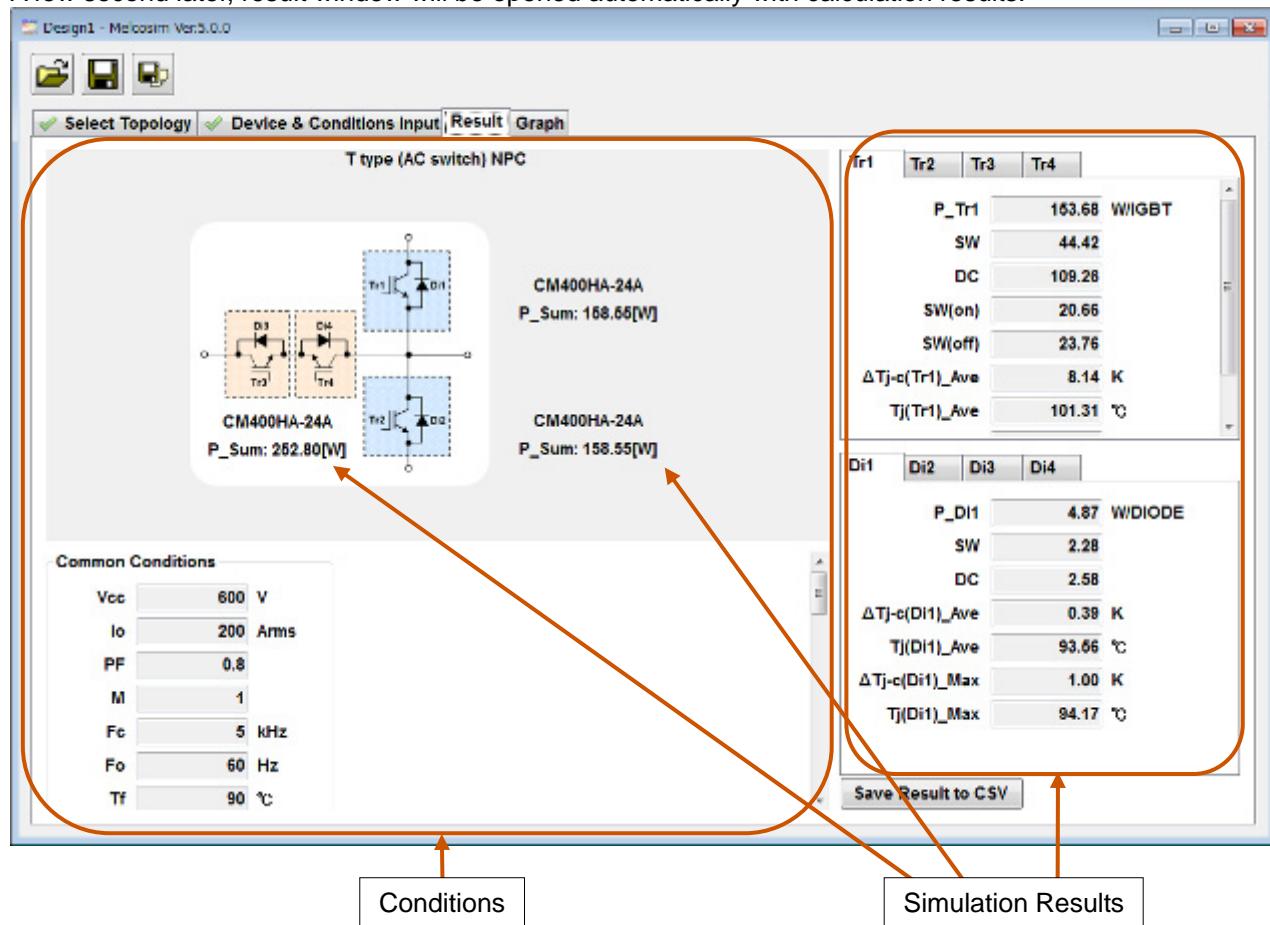
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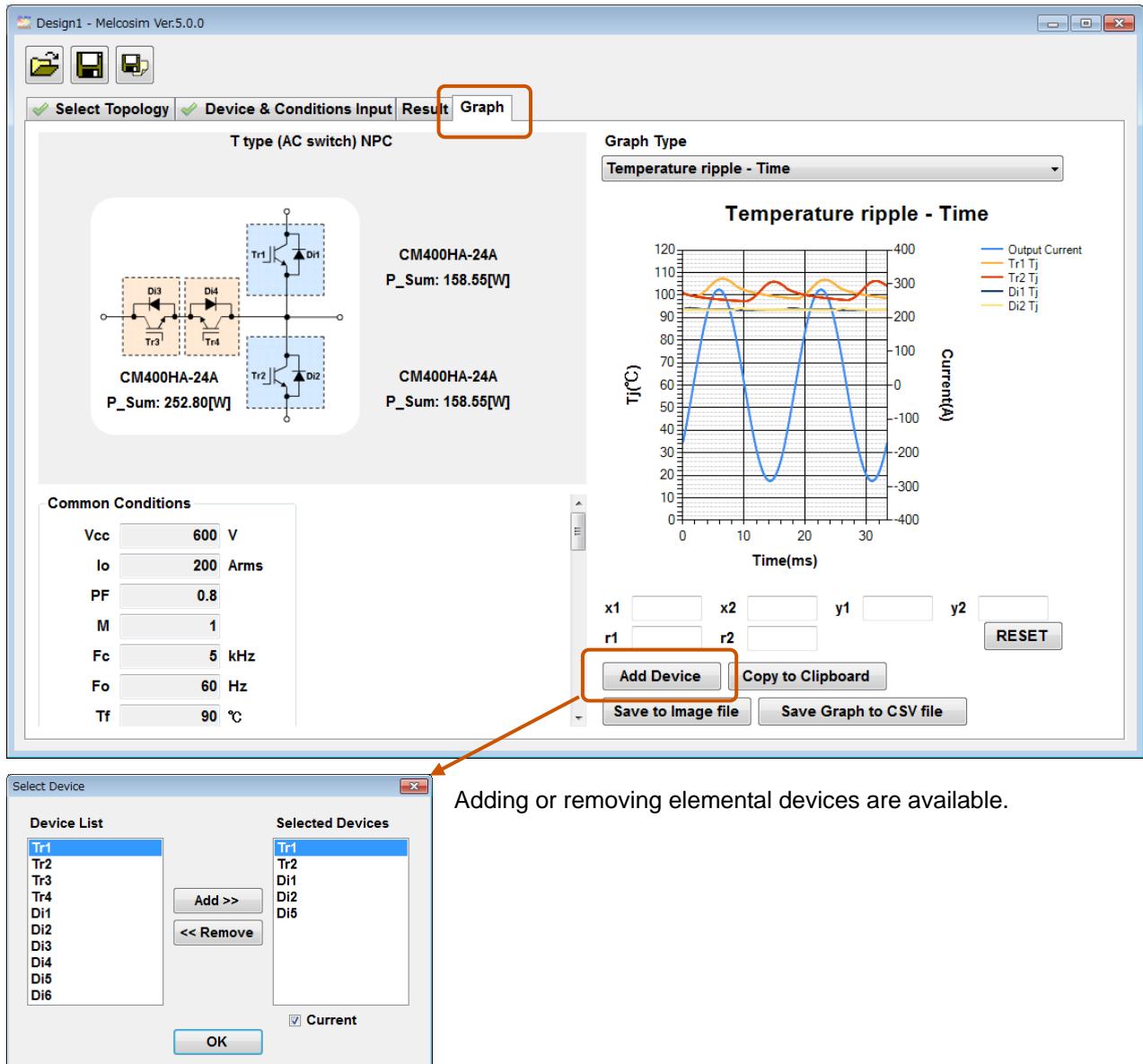
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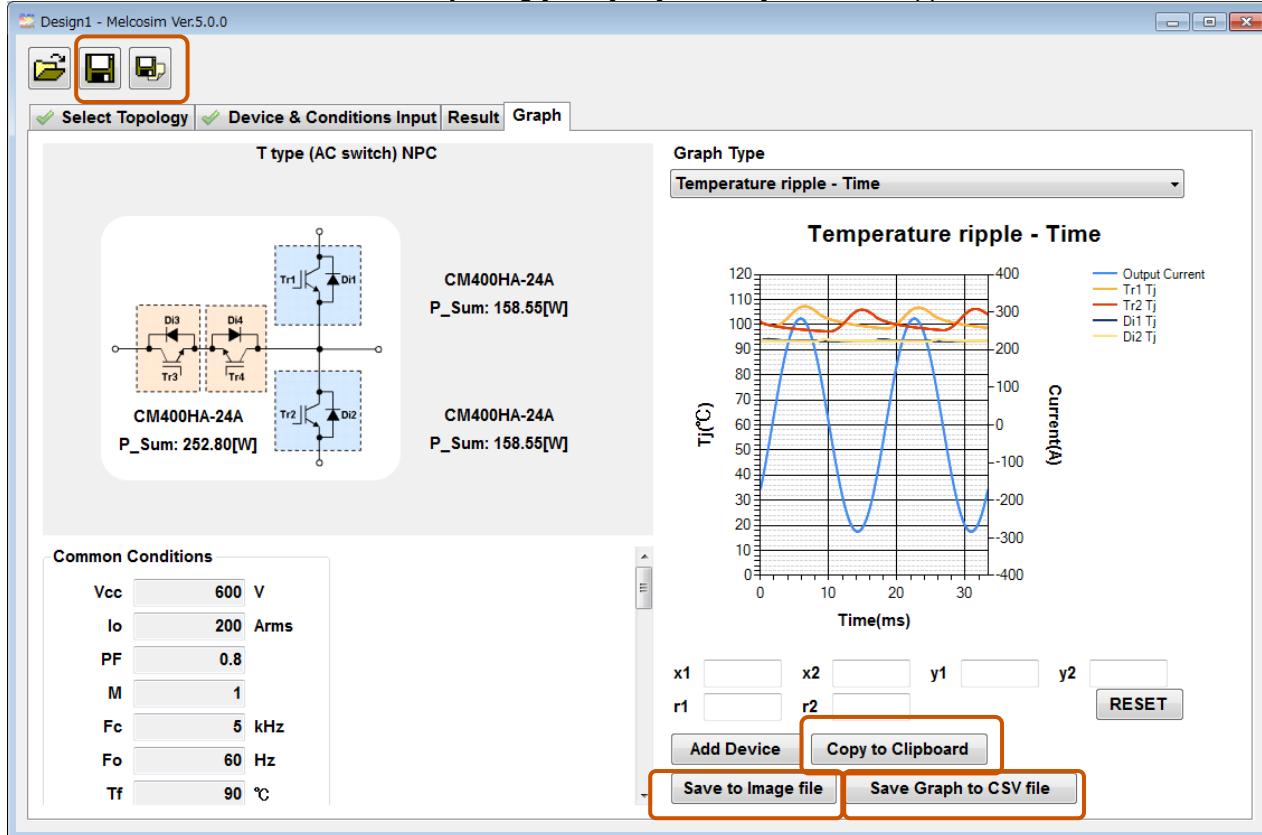


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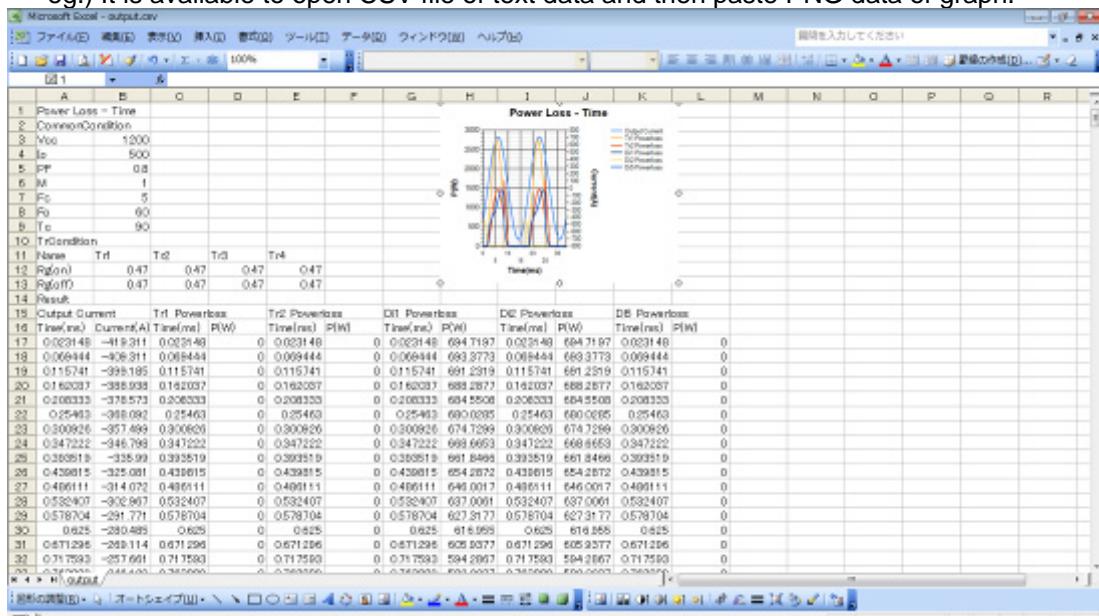


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