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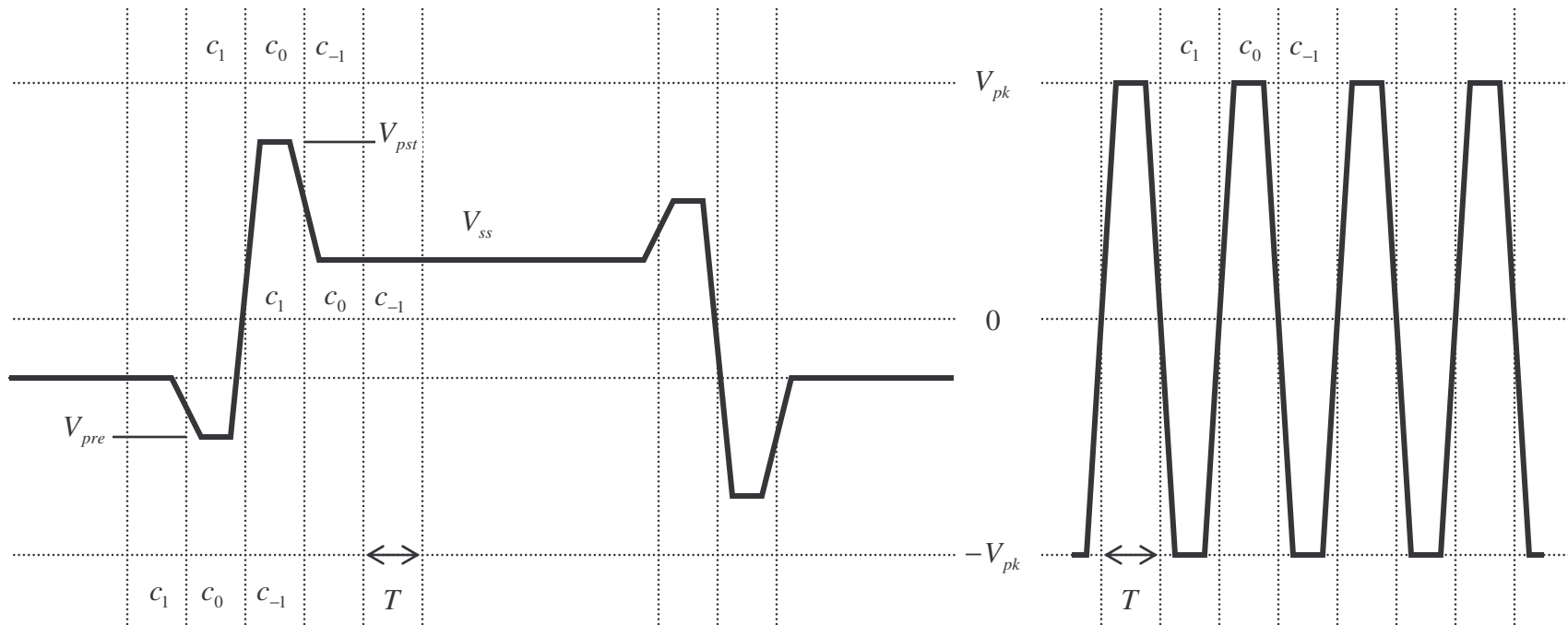
# Transmitter Output Waveform Requirements

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# Transmit Equalizer Signal Shaping



$$V_{pre} = -c_1 - c_0 + c_{-1}$$

$$V_{pst} = -c_1 + c_0 + c_{-1}$$

$$V_{ss} = c_1 + c_0 + c_{-1}$$

$$V_{pk} = |c_1| + |c_0| + |c_{-1}|$$

# Transmit Equalizer Requirements

- Differential encoding of transmit equalizer updates (increment, decrement, hold)
- Performance requirements adopted via Motion #10 (Y: 26, N: 0, A: 9) at the May interim meeting (refer to brink\_04\_0505).

| Parameter                           | Value  |      | Units            |
|-------------------------------------|--------|------|------------------|
|                                     | min    | max  |                  |
| Step Size ( $\Delta c$ )            | 0.00   | 2.50 | % <sup>1</sup>   |
| Tolerance ( $\delta$ )              | -1.25  | 1.25 | %                |
| Pre-cursor ( $c_{-1}$ ) range       | -17.50 | 0.00 | %                |
| Post-cursor ( $c_1$ ) range         | -37.50 | 0.00 | %                |
| Steady-State Amplitude ( $V_{ss}$ ) | 10     | 100  | %                |
| Peak Amplitude ( $V_{pk}$ )         | 400    | 600  | mV <sub>pd</sub> |

<sup>1</sup> Units are expressed as a percentage of the full-scale amplitude ( $V_{pk}$ ). The simulations presented in healey\_01\_0505 assumed a full-scale amplitude of 400 mVpd.

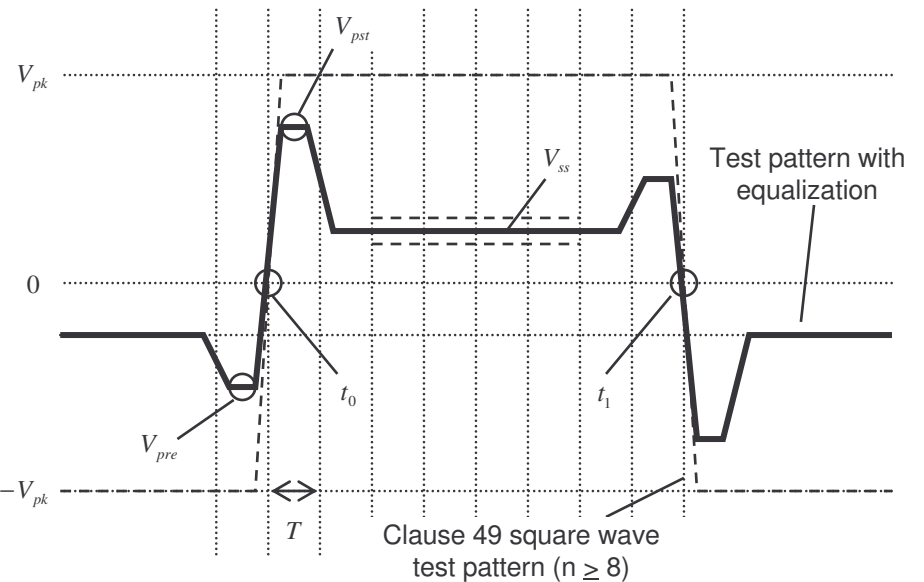
# Notes on Requirements

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- Requirements derived from MMSE analysis performed on 24 channel data sets provided by Tyco, Intel, and Molex (healey\_01\_0505)
- For each transmitter equalizer setting, sample phase and 5-tap DFE were optimized to minimize mean-squared error
- Simulations included jitter (but not DCD), crosstalk, and noise
- The performance metric was slicer signal-to-noise ratio
  - Acknowledged as a pessimistic estimate for slicer eye opening
  - However, serves as the basis for the majority of IEEE 802.3 link designs

# Test Methodology: Range

- Define  $R_{pre}$  and  $R_{pst}$
- Verified at the “rails”...
  - $R_{pre}(\text{min})$  with  $c_{-1}$  at *maximum* and  $c_1$  at *maximum*
  - $R_{pre}(\text{max})$  with  $c_{-1}$  at *minimum* and  $c_1$  at *maximum*
  - $R_{pst}(\text{min})$  with  $c_{-1}$  at *maximum* and  $c_1$  at *maximum*
  - $R_{pst}(\text{max})$  with  $c_{-1}$  at *maximum* and  $c_1$  at *minimum*
- Minimum levels of  $V_{ss}$  are also defined for no equalization and “full” equalization

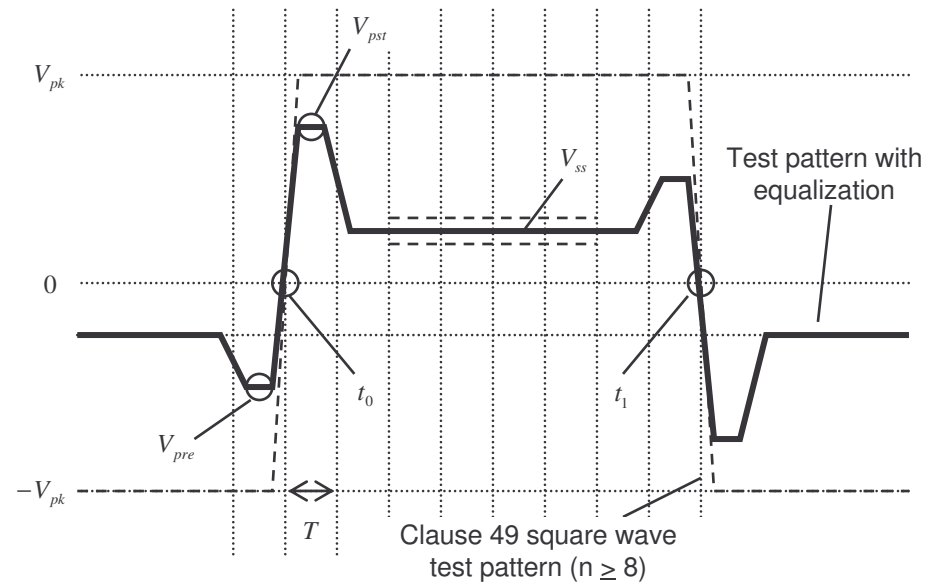
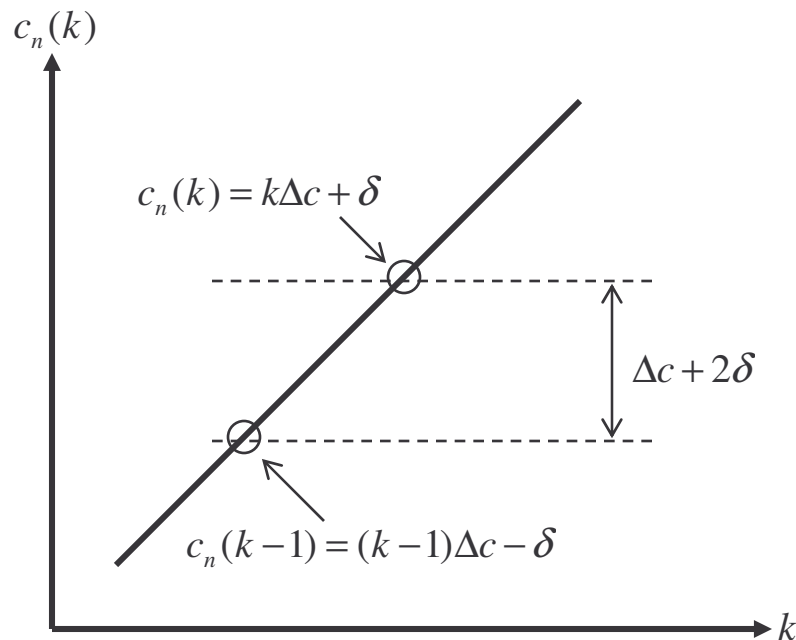


$$R_{pre} = -\frac{V_{pre}}{V_{ss}}$$

$$R_{pst} = \frac{V_{pst}}{V_{ss}}$$

# Test Methodology: Resolution

- Define  $D_{pre}$ ,  $D_{pst}$ , and  $D_{main}$
- Verified at all adjacent equalizer states, i.e. the results of a single *increment or decrement* on  $D_{pre}$ ,  $D_{pst}$ , or  $D_{main}$



$$D_{pre} = \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{V_{pre}(k) - V_{pre}(k-1)}{V_{pst}(k) - V_{pre}(k) - V_{ss}(k)} \right|$$

$$D_{pst} = \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{V_{pst}(k) - V_{pst}(k-1)}{V_{pst}(k) - V_{pre}(k) - V_{ss}(k)} \right|$$

$$D_{main} = |V_{ss}(k) - V_{ss}(k-1)|$$

# Notes on Test Methodology

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- Methodology assumes the  $V_{pk}$  is kept constant for all transmit equalizer states
  - Defines  $c_0$  for  $R_{pre}$  and  $R_{pst}$  testing
  - Fundamental assumption behind  $D_{pre}$  and  $D_{pst}$  definition (the equations no longer hold if  $V_{pk}$  is allowed to vary from state to state)
  - Under this assumption, *increment / decrement* operations on  $c_{-1}$  affect  $V_{pst}$  and vice versa (this is not intuitive, but true per the derivation on slide 14)
- Limits are a mix of ratios and absolute voltages
  - Ratios eliminate dependency on transmitter peak-peak output voltage.

# Issues List (1/1)

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- $V_{pk}$  is unlikely to be constant for all transmit equalizer states
  - How to set  $c_0$  for  $R_{pre}$  and  $R_{pst}$  testing?
- With no equalization ( $c_1$  at *maximum* and  $c_{-1}$  at *maximum*), the lower limit of  $c_0$  should need to be no less than 55% (refer to slide 16) of the full scale amplitude.
  - The lower limit is currently set to 100 mV<sub>pd</sub> when 220 mV<sub>pd</sub> is all that is required for a 400 mV<sub>pd</sub> full-scale amplitude



## Issues List (2/2)

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- $D_{pre}$  and  $D_{pst}$  values are not correct
  - Should be  $\Delta c(\max) + 2\delta(\max)$  which is 0.0500 and not 0.0263
  - Must also factor in that  $V_{pk}$  may vary from state to state
- $D_{main}$  requirements do not align with other requirements
  - Expressed as an absolute voltage, making percentage a function of the full-scale amplitude
  - Effective step size should not vary from  $D_{pre}$  and  $D_{pst}$  step sizes
    - 30 mV is appropriate for 600 mV<sub>pd</sub> full-scale amplitude, 20 mV for 400 mV<sub>pd</sub> full-scale amplitude
  - It is not clear that  $c_{-1}$  and  $c_1$  are to be held constant as part of this test

# Recommended Corrections

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- Align specifications to what was adopted at the May interim
- Eliminate the requirement than  $V_{pk}$  be kept constant throughout the equalizer test
  - Acknowledge independent control of  $c_0$
- Make test conditions for each requirement abundantly clear
- Note that, from the original requirements for pre- and post-cursor range:
  - $R_{pst}(\max) = 1/(1-2*0.375) = 4.00$
  - $R_{pre}(\max) = 1/(1-2*0.175) = 1.54$

# Recommended Requirements

| Coefficient Status |                |                | Requirements |            |                            |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------|
| $c_1$              | $c_0$          | $c_{-1}$       | $R_{pre}$    | $R_{pst}$  | $V_{ss}$                   |
| <i>maximum</i>     | <i>minimum</i> | <i>maximum</i> | ?            | ?          | [220, 330] mV <sub>d</sub> |
| <i>maximum</i>     | <i>maximum</i> | <i>maximum</i> | ?            | ?          | [400, 600] mV <sub>d</sub> |
| <i>minimum</i>     | <i>minimum</i> | <i>maximum</i> |              | 4.00 (min) |                            |
| <i>maximum</i>     | <i>minimum</i> | <i>minimum</i> | 1.54 (min)   |            |                            |

| Coefficient Update             |                                |                                | Requirements  |   |   |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|---|
| $c_1$                          | $c_0$                          | $c_{-1}$                       | $V_{pre}(k) - V_{pre}(k-1)$                         | $V_{pst}(k) - V_{pst}(k-1)$                         | $V_{ss}(k) - V_{ss}(k-1)$                           |
| <i>increment<br/>decrement</i> | <i>hold</i>                    | <i>hold</i>                    | (0, 20] mV <sub>d</sub><br>[-20, 0) mV <sub>d</sub> |   |   |
| <i>hold</i>                    | <i>increment<br/>decrement</i> | <i>hold</i>                    |   | (0, 20] mV <sub>d</sub><br>[-20, 0) mV <sub>d</sub> |   |
| <i>hold</i>                    | <i>hold</i>                    | <i>increment<br/>decrement</i> |   |   | (0, 20] mV <sub>d</sub><br>[-20, 0) mV <sub>d</sub> |

- Any *decrement* update applied to any tap that results in  $V_{ss} < 40$  mV<sub>d</sub> shall return status *minimum*
- For all equalizer configurations, the sum  $V_{pst} - V_{pre} - V_{ss}$  shall be no greater than 600 mV<sub>d</sub>

# Implications of Proposed Requirements

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- Continue to employ the waveform decomposition methodology in 72.6.1.11
- Eliminate the current  $D_{pre}$  and  $D_{pst}$  definitions and replace them with simple voltage differences
- Differential output voltage limits are covered by the tables on the preceding page, and additional definitions, including those in 72.6.1.4, are redundant



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## Back-Up

# D<sub>pre</sub> and D<sub>pst</sub> Derivation

- For each value of  $c_{-1}$  and  $c_1$ , assume that  $c_0$  is adjusted to maintain a constant  $V_{pk}$ .
- Assume  $c_{-1} \leq 0$  and  $c_1 \leq 0$ 
  - $|c_{-1}| = -c_{-1}$  and  $|c_1| = -c_1$
- Assume  $c_{-1}(m) = m\Delta c$
- Assume  $c_1(n) = n\Delta c$

$$c_0 = V_{pk} - |c_1| - |c_{-1}|$$

$$V_{pre} = -c_1 + c_{-1} - V_{pk} + |c_1| + |c_{-1}| = -V_{pk} - 2c_1$$

$$V_{pst} = -c_1 + c_{-1} + V_{pk} - |c_1| - |c_{-1}| = V_{pk} + 2c_{-1}$$

$$V_{ss} = c_1 + c_{-1} + V_{pk} - |c_{-1}| - |c_1| = V_{pk} + 2c_1 + 2c_{-1}$$

$$V_{pre}(n) - V_{pre}(n-1) = -V_{pk} - 2n\Delta c - (-V_{pk} - 2(n-1)\Delta c) = 2\Delta c$$

$$V_{pst}(m) - V_{pst}(m-1) = V_{pk} + 2m\Delta c - (V_{pk} + 2(m-1)\Delta c) = 2\Delta c$$

$$V_{pst} - V_{pre} - V_{ss} = (V_{pk} + 2c_{-1}) - (-V_{pk} - 2c_1) - (V_{pk} + 2c_1 + 2c_{-1}) = V_{pk}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{V_{pre}(k) - V_{pre}(k-1)}{V_{pst}(k) - V_{pre}(k) - V_{ss}(k)} \right| = \left| \frac{\Delta c}{V_{pk}} \right| = D_{pre}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{V_{pst}(k) - V_{pst}(k-1)}{V_{pst}(k) - V_{pre}(k) - V_{ss}(k)} \right| = \left| \frac{\Delta c}{V_{pk}} \right| = D_{pst}$$

## $D_{main}$ Derivation

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- For each value of  $c_0$ ,  $c_{-1}$  and  $c_1$ , remain constant (i.e.  $V_{pk}$  is not constant)
- Assume  $c_0(k) = k\Delta c$

$$|V_{ss}(k) - V_{ss}(k-1)| = |(c_1 + k\Delta c + c_{-1}) - (c_1 + (k-1)\Delta c + c_{-1})| = \Delta c = D_{main}$$

## $V_{ss}$ Limits Derivation

- Assume that  $V_{ss}$  needs to be no less than 10% of the full-scale amplitude ( $V_{pk}$ )
- Assume  $c_{-1} \leq 0$  and  $c_1 \leq 0$ 
  - $|c_{-1}| = -c_{-1}$  and  $|c_1| = -c_1$

$$V_{pk} = |c_1| + |c_0| + |c_{-1}|$$
$$V_{ss} = c_1 + c_0 + c_{-1} \geq \frac{V_{pk}}{10}$$

$$\frac{V_{pk} + V_{ss}}{2} = \frac{(-c_1 + c_0 - c_{-1}) + (c_1 + c_0 + c_{-1})}{2} = c_0$$

$$\frac{V_{pk} + V_{ss}}{V_{pk}} = \frac{2c_0}{V_{pk}} \geq 1.10$$
$$c_0 \geq 0.55V_{pk}$$





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## Updates to Requirements

# Recommended Requirements (1/2)

| Coefficient Status |                |                | Requirements |              |                            |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| $c_1$              | $c_0$          | $c_{-1}$       | $R_{pre}$    | $R_{pst}$    | $V_{ss}$                   |
| <i>maximum</i>     | <i>minimum</i> | <i>maximum</i> | [0.90, 1.10] | [0.90, 1.10] | [220, 330] mV <sub>d</sub> |
| <i>maximum</i>     | <i>maximum</i> | <i>maximum</i> | [0.95, 1.05] | [0.95, 1.05] | [400, 600] mV <sub>d</sub> |
| <i>minimum</i>     | <i>minimum</i> | <i>maximum</i> |              | 4.00 (min)   |                            |
| <i>maximum</i>     | <i>minimum</i> | <i>minimum</i> | 1.54 (min)   |              |                            |

| Coefficient Update             |                                |                                | Requirements   |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| $c_1$                          | $c_0$                          | $c_{-1}$                       | $V_{pst}(k) - V_{pst}(k-1)$                          | $V_{ss}(k) - V_{ss}(k-1)$                            | $V_{pre}(k) - V_{pre}(k-1)$                          |
| <i>increment<br/>decrement</i> | <i>hold</i> <sup>1</sup>       | <i>hold</i>                    | [5, 20] mV <sub>d</sub><br>[-20, -5] mV <sub>d</sub> | [-5, 5] <sup>2</sup> mV <sub>d</sub>                 | [-5, 5] mV <sub>d</sub>                              |
| <i>hold</i>                    | <i>increment<br/>decrement</i> | <i>hold</i>                    | [-5, 5] mV <sub>d</sub>                              | [5, 20] mV <sub>d</sub><br>[-20, -5] mV <sub>d</sub> | [-5, 5] mV <sub>d</sub>                              |
| <i>hold</i>                    | <i>hold</i>                    | <i>increment<br/>decrement</i> | [-5, 5] mV <sub>d</sub>                              | [-5, 5] mV <sub>d</sub>                              | [5, 20] mV <sub>d</sub><br>[-20, -5] mV <sub>d</sub> |

- 1 Step size requirements to the tap under test shall apply regardless of the current value of the other two taps
- 2 Difference is measured relative to the value of the coefficient prior to assertion of the hold request

## Recommended Requirements (2/2)

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- For all equalizer configurations,  $V_{ss}$  shall be no less than  $40 \text{ mV}_d$
- Any *decrement* update applied to any tap that results in  $V_{ss} < 40 \text{ mV}_d$  shall return status *minimum*
- For all equalizer configurations, the sum  $V_{pst} - V_{pre} - V_{ss}$  shall be no greater than  $600 \text{ mV}_d$
- Any *decrement* update applied to  $c_{-1}$  or  $c_1$  that results in  $V_{pk}$  greater than or equal to  $600 \text{ mV}_d$  shall return status *minimum*
- Any *increment* update applied to  $c_0$  that results in  $V_{pk}$  greater than or equal to  $600 \text{ mV}_d$  shall return status *maximum*

# Notes on Recommended Requirements

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- Bounds applied to the change of held coefficients is based on  $\pm\delta$
- Lower bound applied to coefficient step size is based on  $\delta$
- Range of  $R_{pre}$  and  $R_{pst}$  for max/min/max and max/max/max test cases based on  $c_{-1}$  and  $c_1$  range of  $\pm\delta$  and  $c_0 = \min( V_{ss} )$