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Classification Ad Hoc
Extended Classification Using Two Classification Events

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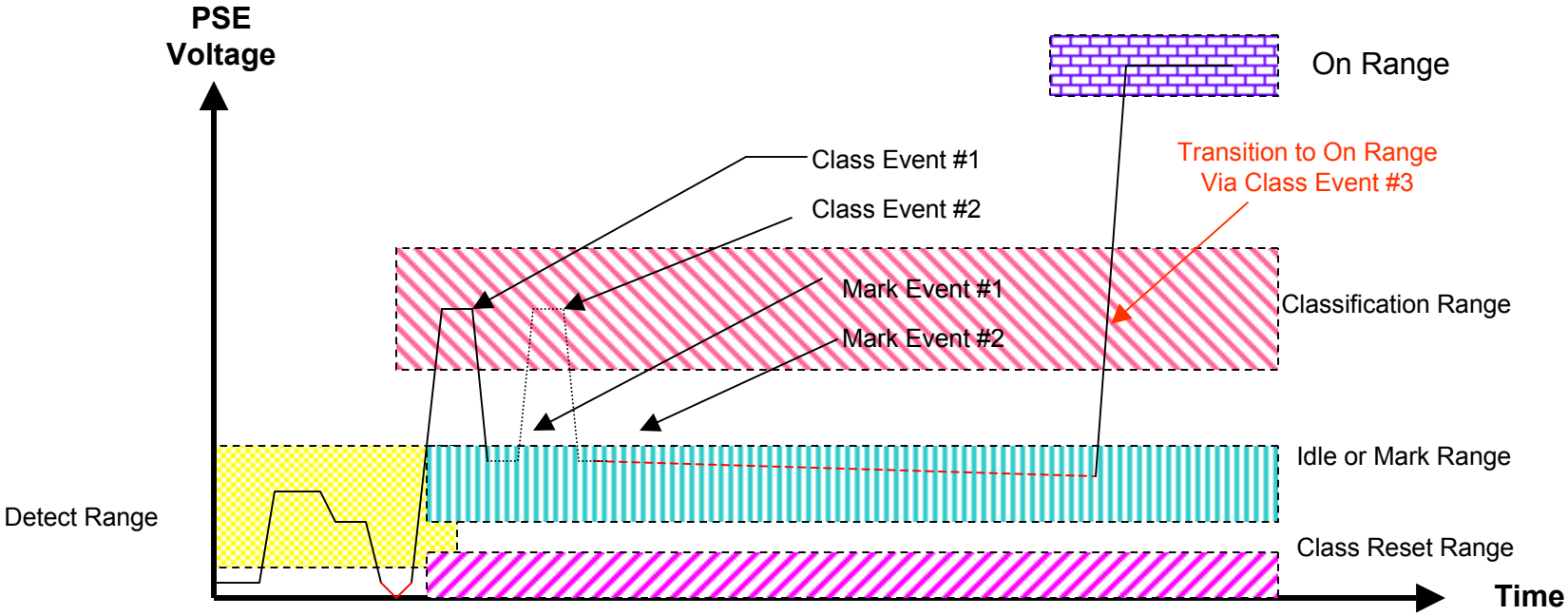

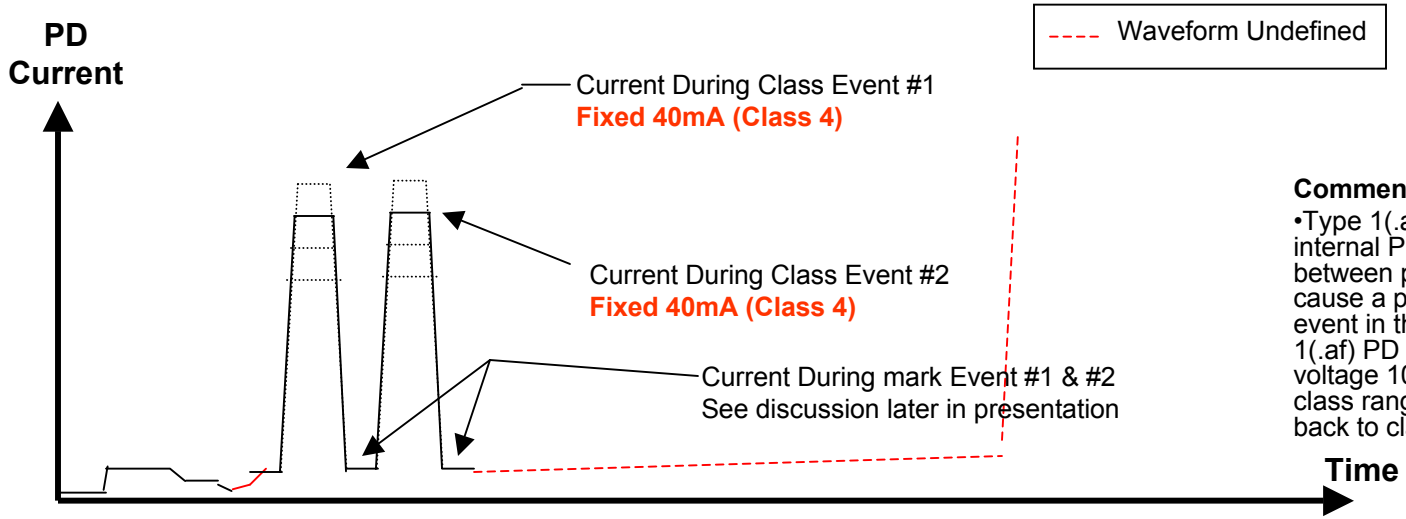

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Two-Event Type 1/2 (.af/.at) Interaction

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- If a Type 2(.at) PSE sees class 0, 1, 2, or 3, it assumes Type 1(.af) PD and powers per .af spec, i.e. 15.4W, 4W, 7W, 15.4W respectively.
  - Note: Type 1(.af) PD that uses class 4 (in error) will get powered with 30W by a Type 2(.at) PSE. This is a minor annoyance with this class scheme and is considered acceptable.
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May06 motion to include 2W class and July06 motion for ~9W class will not be supported.

Type 2(.at) PSE with Type 2(.at) PD:

- Type 2(.at) PSEs should see class 4 when connected to a Type 2(.at) PD.
- Type2(.at) PSE only using L1 will ping twice to signal to the Type 2(.at) PD that it is a Type 2 PSE.
- If a Type 2(.at) PSE sees inconsistent class results (i.e. 4-1, 4-2, etc), the behavior is non-compliant and PSE action is undefined.

.Type 1 (.af) PSE with Type 2 (.at) PD:

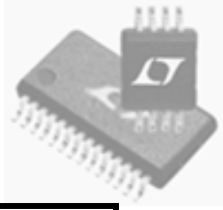
- If a Type 1(.af) PSE sees a Type 2 (.at) PD, it will see class 4 and power at 15.4W.

Motion from March 2006

The IEEE 802.3at Task Force affirms that a PD requiring more than 12.95W will support a Layer-1 Classification extension and a Layer-2 Classification mechanism.

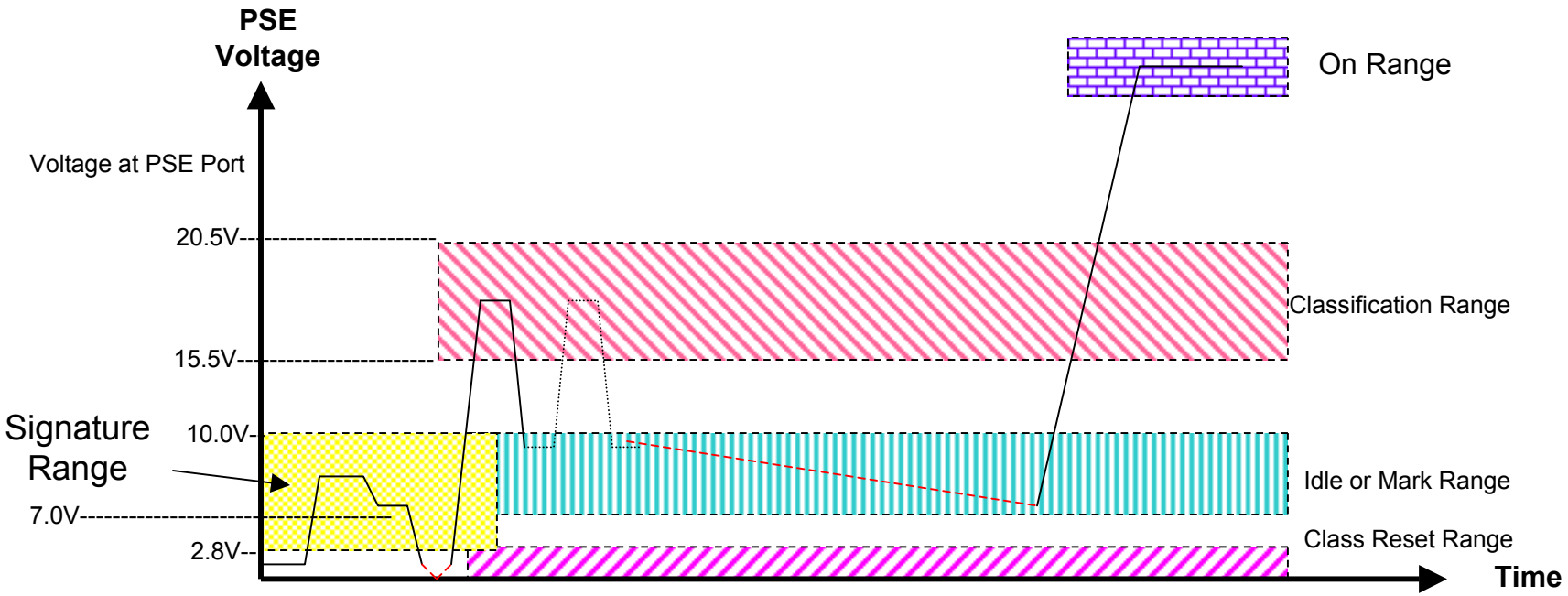
Endpoint PSEs must support Layer-2 classification or Layer-1 classification extension for PDs requiring more than 12.95W.

All Possible PSE/PD Combinations



PSE TYPE	PD TYPE	COMMENTS
Type 1(.af)	Type 1(.af)	Existing 802.3af system, class 0, 1, 2, or 3.
Type 1(.af)	Type 2(.at)	Type 1(.af)PSE sees class 4 and powers per 802.3af specification, i.e. 15.4W. Type 2(.at) PD can only assume Type 1 PSE and must operate with 15.4W and alert user not enough power.
Type 2(.at) L1 i.e. high power midspan	Type 1(.af)	Type 2(.at) PSE sees class 0, 1, 2, 3 and powers per 802.3af specification.
Type 2(.at) L1 i.e. high power midspan	Type 2(.at)	Type 2(.at) PSE sees class 4 and powers with maximum allowable 802.3at power level. Type 2(.at) PD sees two class pings and knows Type 2 PSE connected. Power information is known before PD is powered.
Type 2(.at) L2 i.e. end point PSE	Type 1(.af)	Type 2(.at) PSE sees class 0, 1, 2, 3 and powers per 802.3af specification. Layer 2 communication fails to establish. Power level is maintained at .af levels. PD sees af behavior and operates under .af specs.
Type 2(.at) L2 i.e. end point PSE	Type 2(.at)	Type 2(.at) PSE sees class 4 and powers with 15.4W. Layer 2 communication is established and mutual identification is established. High power operation begins.

Voltage Ranges and Timing Specification



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Classification	15.5[1]	20.5[1]
Mark	7.0	10
Low Reset Range	0	2.8[1]
High Reset Range	--	--

PD VOLTAGE SPECIFICATIONS		
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Classification	14.5[1]	20.5[1]
Mark	6.9[2]	10[3]
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Notes on Calculations

1. Value from 802.3af specification.
2. Assume cable max resistance = 20ohms so as to also work with .af systems.
   Cable drop max = 2mA (mark current max) * 20ohms = .04V~=0.1V.
   With 7V at PSE, may only be ~6.9V at PD.
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TOTAL (for reference only)	34ms	~400ms

Note 1. Time from end of detection until power on is limited by section 33.2.8.13.

Classification State Engine in PD

Three Thresholds Associated with Method

- Reset Threshold: $2.8V \leq V_{THR} < 6.9V$
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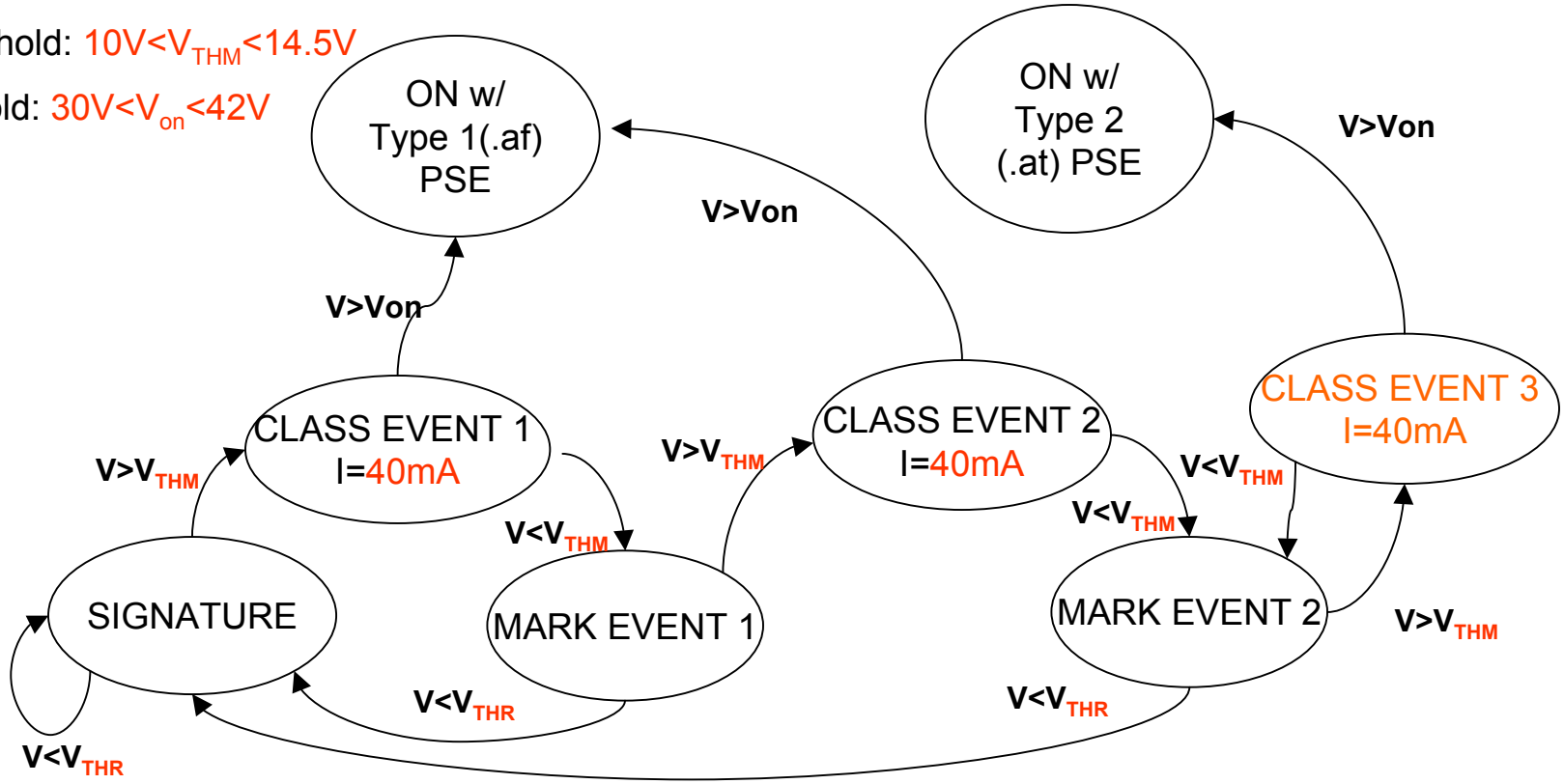

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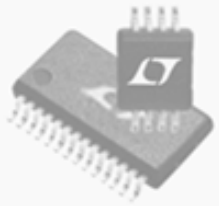

PD current to be: **0.25mA < I_{PD} < 2.0 mA**

- Limiting range of PD current during Mark state eases PSE requirements.

Redlines

The Schindler/Diab Motion from Dallas (11/06) significantly changed the Two-Event classification mechanism.

The following slides include redlines to document the change that occurred when the Schindler/Diab Motion was passed.

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- ~~During Mark event, Type 2 (.at) PD R≠25Kohm, to avoid .af PSE classing again.~~

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- ~~If Type 1 (.af) PSE sees Type 2 (.at) PD, it will use first class. Therefore, new 2W Type 2 (.at) PD should use class 1-x, so that Type 1 (.af) PSE allocates 4W. Similarly, new 11W Type 2 (.at) PD should use 3-x so that Type 1 (.af) PSE allocates~~ 15.4W.

Just gets powered with 15W. No more 2W or 11W PDs using layer 1.

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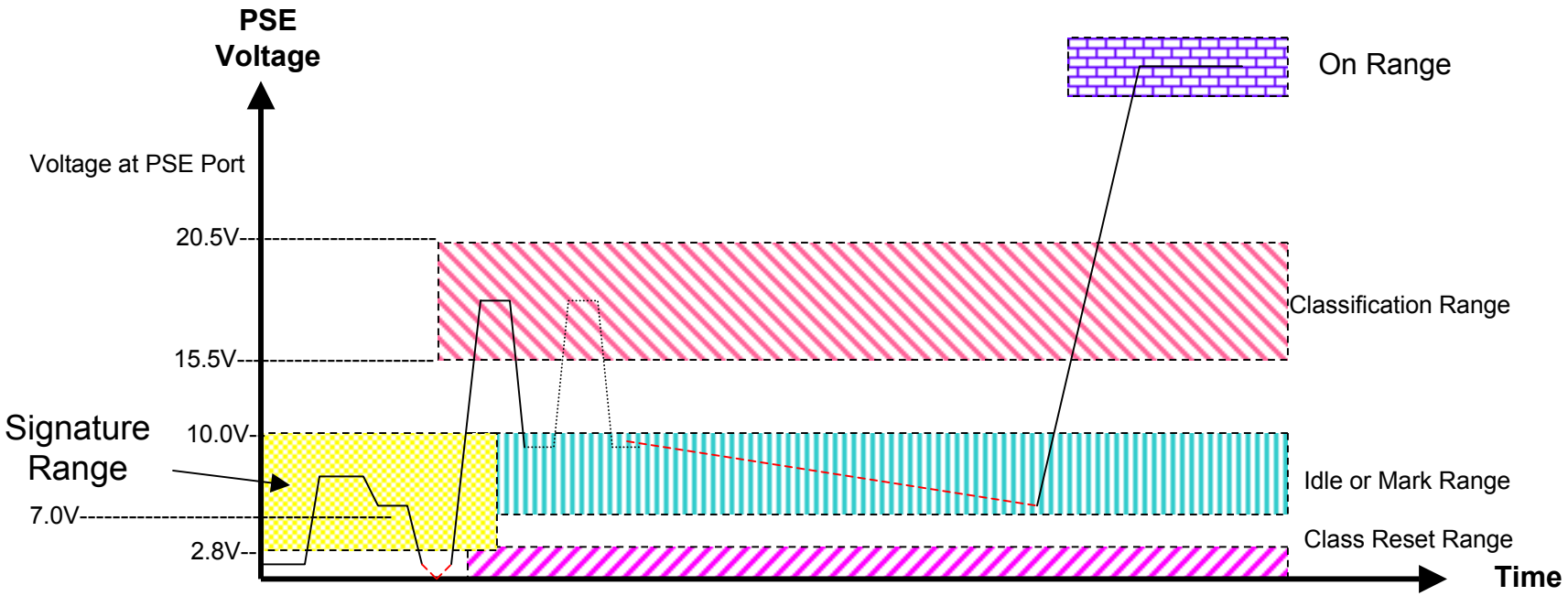

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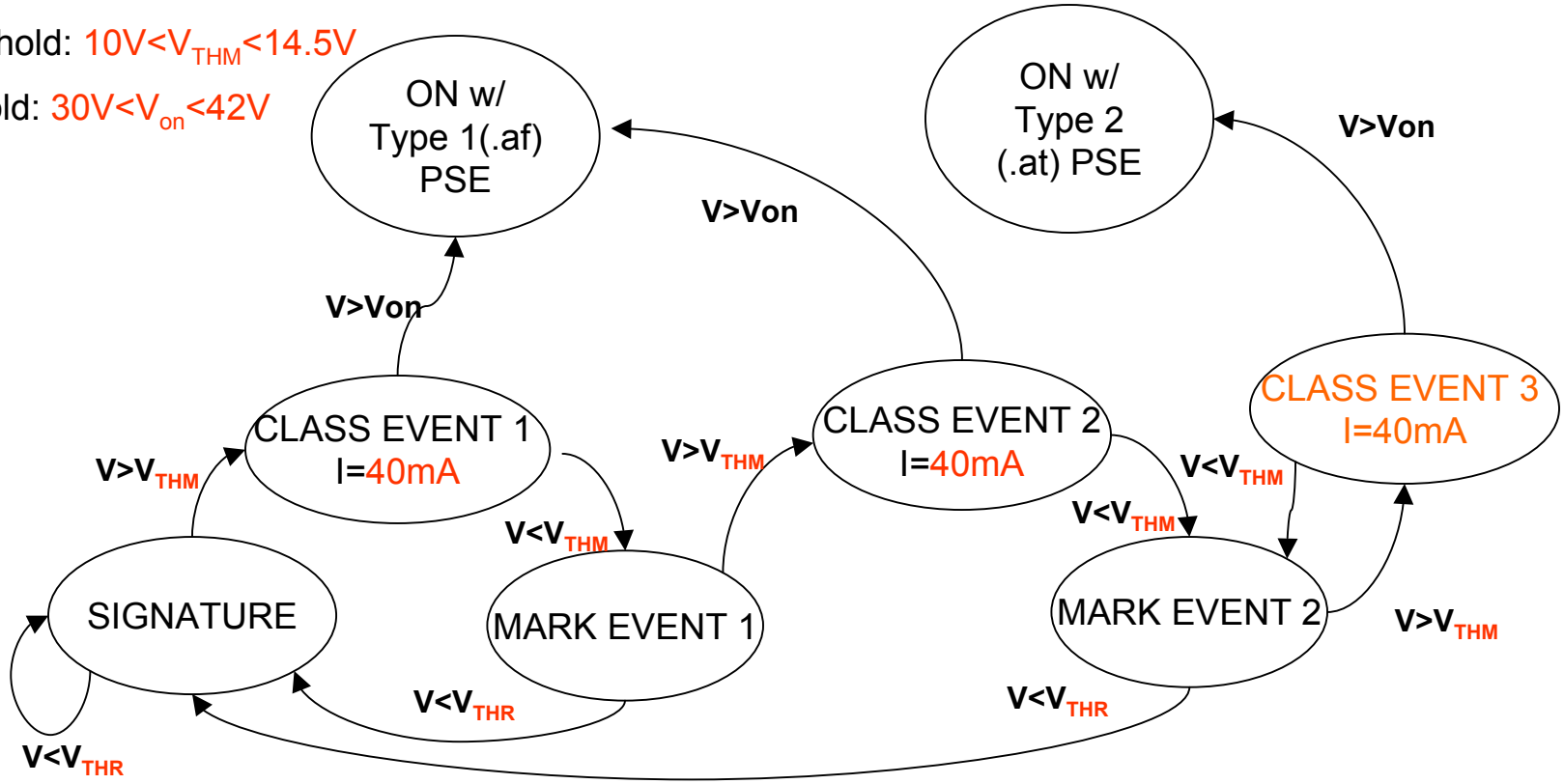

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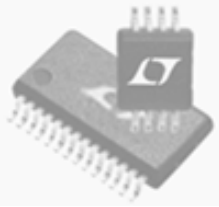
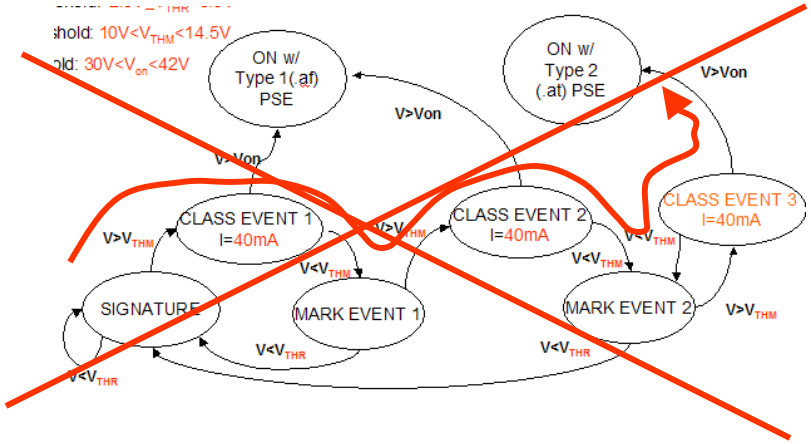


- ~~PD not to present 25Kohm during mark to address non-compliant PSE~~
- Range of PD current limited to ease PSE design task



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