



# PSE State Diagram (#289, #291)

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## Comment #289 – “alt\_pri” usage

- **Problem:**

- Descriptions of Primary/Secondary Alternative assignment in text (33.2.5.1.1) and PSE SD are inconsistent.

- **Text:**

- “In any implementation, the behaviors of the Alternatives may be reversed as long as the roles are established in IDLE and shall be maintained in every other state.”

- **PSE SD:**

- The definition of alt\_pri is assigned in IDLE and in TEST\_MODE.
- The assignment of alt\_pri is forced to "a" in TEST\_MODE, though the desired behavior is likely “user-defined”.
- When pingpong\_en==TRUE, assignment of alt\_pri in IDLE depends on previous value, but alt\_pri initial value is unspecified.

## Comment #289 – “alt\_pri” usage, cont’d

- **Observations**

- alt\_pri is never directly sampled in PSE SDs
  - Definition of the Primary and Secondary Alternatives, as used by related variables (eg, “pwr\_app\_pri”, “det\_once\_sec”), is an inferred behavior
- PSE State Diagram has an established method to handle inferred behaviors
- Example of inferred behavior: ovld\_detected
  - ovld\_detected == TRUE when “the PSE has detected an overload condition.”
  - How is overload condition threshold assigned?
    - Not by PSE SD
    - Wholly described in text
    - “ovld\_detected” variable definition includes “See 33.2.8.7”

## Comment #289 – “alt\_pri” usage, cont’d

- **Remedy:**
- Modify text in 33.2.5.1.1 as follows:
  - “In the Type 3 and Type 4 state diagram, Alternative A and Alternative B are depicted as serving distinct roles during 4-pair operation. In any implementation, the behaviors of the Alternatives may be reversed as long as the roles are established in IDLE or TEST\_MODE and shall be maintained in every other state. In the state diagram, the alternatives are named the Primary Alternative and the Secondary Alternative.”
- Modify “pse\_alternative” variable definition as follows:
  - “... both: The PSE uses both Alternative A and Alternative B. Assignment of Alternative A and Alternative B to Primary and Secondary Alternative is user-defined. See 33.2.5.1.1.”
- Remove alt\_pri, pingpong\_en from Type 3 and Type 4 PSE variables (33.2.5.9)

## Comment #291 – “SEMI\_PWRON\_\*”

- **Problem:**

- “SEMI\_PWRON\_PRI and SEMI\_PWRON\_SEC bypass POWER\_DENIED, which is inconsistent with behavior of “!power\_available” arc out of POWER\_ON state.”

# Comment #291 – “SEMI\_PWRON\_\*”, cont'd

- Remedy:
- Replace Figure 33-15 (Page 96) as shown

