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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60700 defines terms for thyristor valves for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) power transmission with line commutated converters most commonly based on three-phase bridge connections for the conversion from AC to DC and vice versa.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60027(all parts), *Letter symbols to be used in electrical technology*

IEC 60633, *Terminology for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) transmission*

3 Symbols and abbreviations

3.1 General

The lists in 3.2 and 3.3 cover only the most frequently used symbols. The lists of symbols of the IEC 60027 series and IEC 60633 apply.

3.2 List of letter symbols

- α (trigger/firing) delay angle
- β (trigger/firing) advance angle
- μ commutation overlap angle
- γ extinction angle

3.3 List of abbreviations

The following abbreviations are always in capital letters and without dots:

- ETT electrically triggered thyristor
- LTT light triggered thyristor
- TCU thyristor control unit
- HVDC high-voltage direct current
- VBE valve base electronics
- MVU multiple valve (unit)
- BOD breakover diode