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**Part 2: Terminology**

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## Part 2: Terminology

### 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.

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

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#### 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

- $\alpha$  (trigger/firing) delay angle
- $\beta$  (trigger/firing) advance angle
- $\mu$  commutation overlap angle
- $\gamma$  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