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Part 1: General requirements

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IEC 60747-9	2007	Semiconductor devices — Discrete devices — Part 9: Insulated-gate bipolar transistors (IGBTs)		—
IEC 62747	2014	Terminology for voltage-sourced converters (VSC) for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) systems	EN 62747	2014
ISO/IEC Guide 98-3 —		Uncertainty of measurement — Part 3: Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement (GUM:1995)		—

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Power losses in voltage sourced converter (VSC) valves for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) systems —

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62751 sets out the general principles for calculating the power losses in the converter valves of a voltage sourced converter (VSC) for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) applications, independent of the converter topology. [Clauses 6](#) and [8](#) and [subclauses 9.1](#), [9.2](#) and [A.2.12](#) of the standard can also be used for calculating the power losses in the dynamic braking valves (where used) and as guidance for calculating the power losses of the valves for a STATCOM installation [\[A2\]](#) or unified power flow controller (UPFC) [\[A2\]](#).

Power losses in other items of equipment in the HVDC substation, apart from the converter valves, are excluded from the scope of this standard. Power losses in most equipment in a VSC substation can be calculated using similar procedures to those prescribed for HVDC systems with line-commutated converters (LCC) in IEC 61803. [Annex A](#) presents the main differences between LCC and VSC HVDC substations in so far as they influence the method for determining power losses of other equipment.

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NOTE 2 Throughout this standard, the term “insulated gate bipolar transistor (IGBT)” is used to indicate a turn-off semiconductor device; however, the standard is equally applicable to other types of turn-off semiconductor devices such as the GTO, IGCT, ETO, IEGT, etc.