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### 1. Ohm's Law:

- Describes the relationship between voltage, current, and resistance in a circuit:  $V = I * R$ .
- Helpful in determining the value of an unknown current, voltage, or resistance in a circuit.

### 2. Kirchhoff's Laws:

- **Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL):** States that the total current entering a junction is equal to the total current leaving the junction.
- **Kirchhoff's Voltage Law (KVL):** States that the total voltage around a closed loop in a circuit is zero.

### 3. Mesh Analysis:

- Technique used to analyze circuits with multiple current sources.
- Involves creating mesh currents and writing equations based on KVL for each mesh.

### 4. Nodal Analysis:

- Technique used to analyze circuits with multiple voltage sources.
- Involves identifying essential nodes, writing nodal equations based on KCL, and solving for node voltages.

### 5. Thevenin's Theorem:

- States that any linear circuit with voltage and current sources can be simplified to an equivalent circuit with a single voltage source and a single resistor.
- Simplifies circuit analysis by reducing complex circuits into easier-to-analyze equivalent circuits.

### 6. Norton's Theorem:

- Similar to Thevenin's Theorem but simplifies a circuit into an equivalent circuit with a single current source and a single resistor.
- Helps in simplifying circuit analysis, especially when dealing with multiple sources.

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## 7. Superposition Theorem:

- States that in a linear circuit with multiple sources, the total current or voltage is the sum of the currents or voltages produced by each source acting alone.
- Useful for analyzing circuits with multiple sources by considering the effects of each source individually.

## 8. Transient Analysis:

- Focuses on the behavior of circuits during the transition from one steady state to another.
- Involves analyzing the response of circuits to sudden changes or disturbances.

## 9. Frequency Domain Analysis:

- Analyzing circuits in the frequency domain using techniques like phasor analysis and impedance.
- Particularly useful for understanding the behavior of circuits with AC sources.

## 10. Power Analysis:

- Involves calculating power dissipation in circuit elements using techniques like  $P = VI$  and  $P = I^2 * R$ .
- Helps in determining power distribution and efficiency in circuits.