

## Chapter 1 Introduction

- 1. Recognize interrelationships of electrical engineering with other fields of science and engineering.
- 2. List the major subfields of electrical engineering.
- 3. List several important reasons for studying electrical engineering.

4. Define current, voltage, and power, including their units.

5. Calculate power and energy, as well as determine whether energy is supplied or absorbed by a circuit element.

6. State and apply basic circuit laws.

7. Solve for currents, voltages, and powers in simple circuits.

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## Electrical systems have two main objectives:

- To gather, store, process, transport, and present *information*
- To distribute and convert *energy* between various forms















## Direct Current Alternating Current

When a current is constant with time, we say that we have **direct current**, abbreviated as dc. On the other hand, a current that varies with time, reversing direction periodically, is called **alternating current**, abbreviated as ac.























- The net current entering a node is zero.
- Alternatively, the sum of the currents entering a node equals the sum of the currents leaving a node.







## KIRCHHOFF'S VOLTAGE LAW

The algebraic sum of the voltages equals zero for any closed path (loop) in an electrical circuit.



































$$i_{y} = \frac{15 \text{ V}}{5 \Omega} = 3 \text{ A}$$
$$i_{x} + 0.5i_{x} = i_{y}$$
$$i_{x} = 2 \text{ A}$$

$$v_x=10i_x=20~{
m V}$$
  
 $V_s=v_x+15$   
 $V_s=35~{
m V}$