Ex. 1.1 : Using KCL, KVL find I_1 , I_2 and r in the following circuit. (Fig. 1.9)

Solution : From Fig. 1.9. Resistance 2 and 8 are in series with equivalent resistance 8 + 2 = 10 and 5 and r are in series with equivalent resistance of (5 + r) ohms.

$$I_{1} = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{10}$$

$$I_{1} = 1 \text{ A}$$
But $I_{1} + I_{2} = 2.25 \dots$ (KCL)
 $I_{2} = 2.25 \quad 1$



From the circuit







Ex. 1.2 : Find *I* in Fig. 1.10.



Solution : Assuming branch current and using KCL finding various other currents we will write KVL equations. As there are two variables I and I_1 , we need two equations from the circuit in Fig. 1.10(a).

Apply KVL in abdea

$$3I \quad 6(3 + I_1 \quad I) = 0$$

$$9I \quad 6I_1 = 18 \qquad \dots (i)$$

Apply KVL in bdcb

 $3I \quad 4 + 2I_1 = 0$ $3I + 2I_1 = 4$ (ii) **Ex. 1.10 :** Find *I* in Fig. 1.22.





Solution : Follow the steps Fig. 1.22 (a) to (d)







 $I = \frac{50}{2.92 + 2.36} = 9.47 \,\mathrm{A}$

Ex. 1.11 : Find *R*_{*ab*} in Fig. 1.23.

From Fig. 1.22(d), we get







Solution : First label the junctions (remember junctions without any element between them are equipotential) as shown in Fig 1.29(a). Redraw as in Fig 1.29(b).

Fig. 1.29(a)



$$R_{ab} = 5 + 12.5 + 5$$

or $R_{ab} = 25.5$





Fig. 1.29



From equation (v)

$$V_3 = 3I_4$$
$$V_3 = 3.294 \text{ volts}$$

1.8 Nodal Analysis

The nodal analysis is based on Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL) unlike the mesh analysis which was based on KVL.

For application of this method follow the following steps:

- Step 1: Identify junctions or nodes (here terminal where more than 2 elements are connected together is called a *node*). Be careful that "nodes which do not have any element connected between them are considered as one node."
- Step 2: Consider any one node (normally the lowest where all the elements or branches are connected) as the reference or datum node.