Tutorial 4 Solution

Question 1

Use larger buffers at input ports.

Use switching fabric at rate at least n times as fast as the input line speed, where n is the number of input ports.

Question 2

Assuming input and output line speeds are the same, packet loss can still occur if the rate at which packets arrive to a single output port exceeds the line speed.

Question 3

(a)

| Prefix match | Link interface |
|-------------------|----------------|
| 11100000 00 | 0 |
| 11100000 01000000 | 1 |
| 1110000 | 2 |
| 11100001 1 | 3 |
| otherwise | 3 |

(b)

| Link interface 3 | |
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| Link interface 2 | |
| Link interface 3 | |

Question 4

(a)

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(b)

0, 85, 170, 255