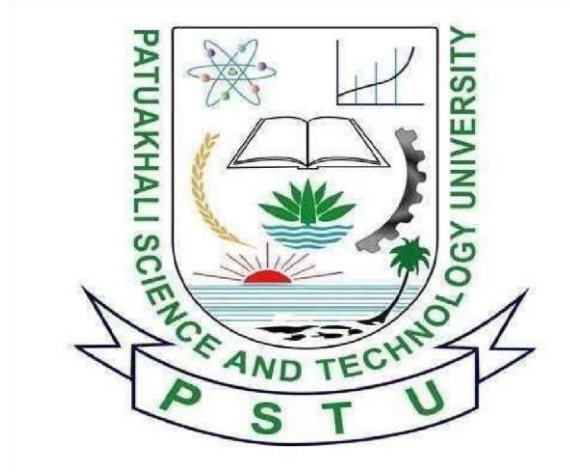


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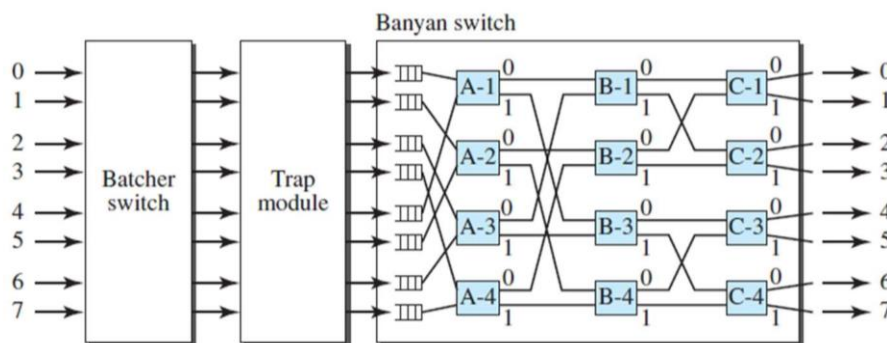
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Batcher-Banyan

The Batcher-Banyan switch, also known simply as the Batcher switch or the Banyan switch, is a type of network switch used in computer networking and telecommunications.

The Batcher-Banyan switch is particularly notable for its ability to efficiently route data packets in parallel computing systems, such as multiprocessor systems and parallel computers.

The switch consists of several stages of interconnected switches, typically arranged in a binary tree structure. Each stage of the switch performs a specific routing function to guide packets from input ports to output ports.



Here's a simplified explanation of how it works:

1. **Input Stage:** In this stage, each input port is connected to multiple output ports. The switch examines the destination address of each incoming packet and decides which output port(s) it should be forwarded to.
2. **Middle Stages:** These stages perform a series of binary comparisons on the destination addresses of packets to determine their routing paths. Each stage halves the number of possible paths until the packets reach their designated output ports.
3. **Output Stage:** This stage routes packets from the last set of intermediate switches to their final output ports.

The Batcher-Banyan switch offers several advantages:

- Non-blocking: It can route packets from any input port to any output port simultaneously without blocking any other packets.
- Scalability: It's highly scalable and can be expanded by adding more stages and switches to accommodate a larger number of ports.
- Fault-tolerant: It can often withstand failures in individual switches without affecting the overall performance of the network.