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Process Switching

Definition

Operation that provides full route evaluation and per-packet load balancing across parallel WAN links.

Details

Process switching involves the transmission of entire frames to the router CPU where they are repackaged for delivery to or from a WAN interface. The router selects the route for each packet.

Process switching is the most resource intensive switching operation that a CPU can perform. Contrast with fast switching.

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