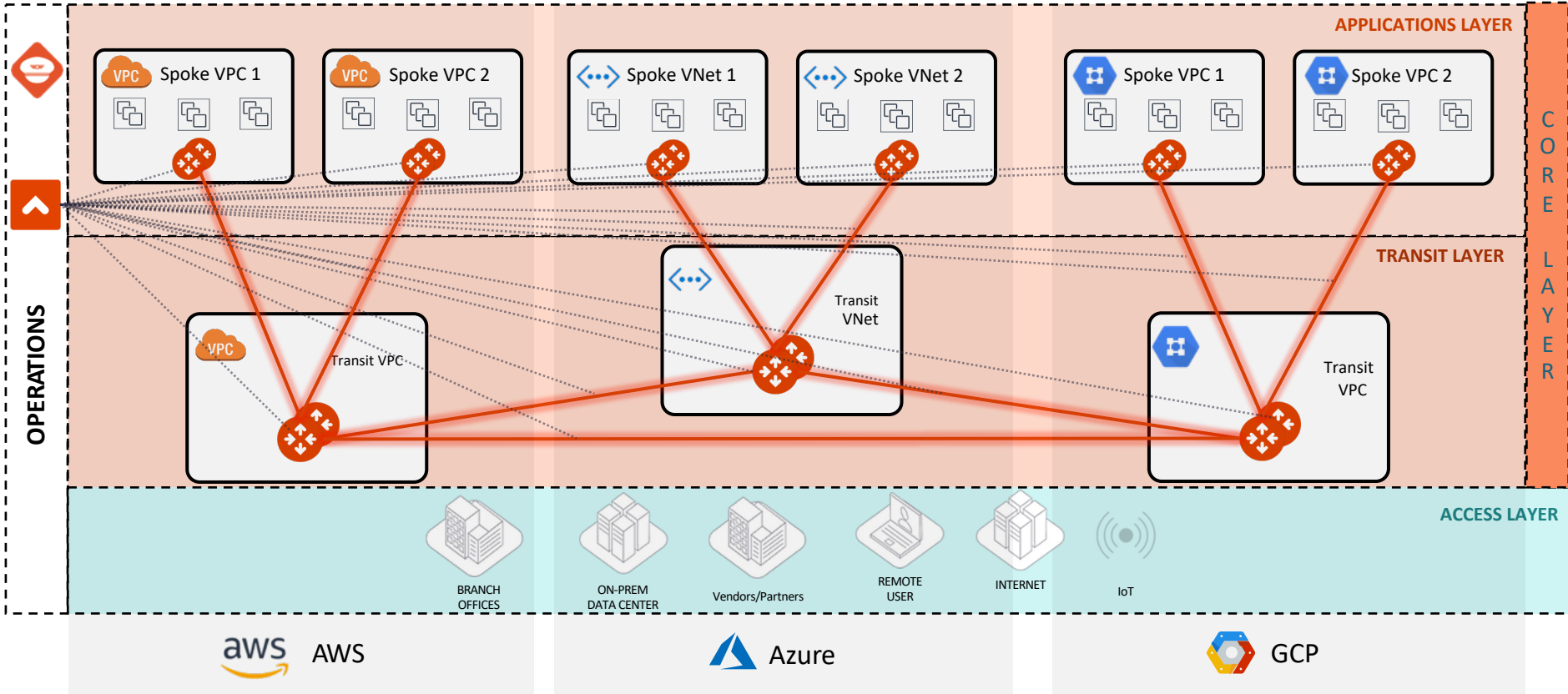# Transit Networking

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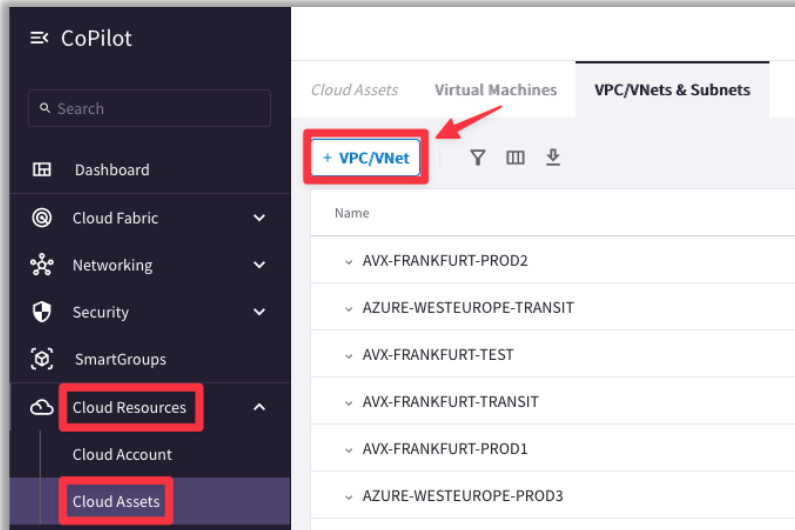
MCNA Deployment: the Foundations

Create VPC/VNet

❑ **CLOUD ASSETS**

- On the CoPilot you can create a new VPC/VNet/VCN.

- This feature is not only useful in a Greenfield deployment, but also if you need to add a new VPC/VNet/VCN on an existing environment, based on the architecture design.

- You can create two types of VPC/VNet/VCN:
  - ➢ **Default** (i.e. Spoke)
  - ➢ **Transit + FireNet**

Cloud Assets: Managed VPC vs. Unmanaged VPC

- CoPilot shows VPC/VNets that were created in the CSP environment as well as those that were created as part of deploying Aviatrix resources such as those created during the deployment of your Controller, CoPilot, and gateways.

- A VPC/VNet can be marked as Aviatrix managed where:

  - **Aviatrix Managed = Yes** — Indicates an Aviatrix gateway is running in the VPC/VNet.

  - **Aviatrix Managed = No** — Indicates no Aviatrix gateways exist in the VPC/VNet.

Note: If you create a VPC/Vnet by using cloud provider tools ineast of Aviatrix tools (i.e. CoPilot UI), the VPC/Vnet will be marked as unmanaged even if an Aviatrix gateway is running in it

Cloud Assets   Virtual Machines   **VPC/VNets & Subnets**

+ VPC/VNet   Actions ⌄   🔍 Search

Name	Cloud	Region ↑	IP Address CIDR	CSP Tags	SmartGroups	Aviatrix Managed ↓
azure-west-us-spoke2	Azure ARM	westus	192.168.2.0/24	Aviatrix-Created-Resource: …, + 1 more		Yes
gcp-us-central1-transit	GCP					Yes
gcp-us-central1-spoke1	GCP					Yes
aws-us-east-1-spoke1	AWS	us-east-1	10.0.12.0/24	Name: aws-us-east-1-spoke1, + 1 more		Yes
aws-us-east-2-spoke1	AWS	us-east-2	10.0.1.0/24	Name: aws-us-east-2-spoke1, + 1 more		Yes
azure-west-us-transit	Azure ARM	westus	192.168.10.0/23	Aviatrix-Created-Resource: …, + 1 more		Yes
azure-west-us-spoke1	Azure ARM	westus	192.168.1.0/24	Aviatrix-Created-Resource: …, + 1 more		Yes
aws-us-east-2-transit	AWS	us-east-2	10.0.10.0/23	Aviatrix-Created-Resource: …, + 1 more		Yes
aws-us-east-1-transit	AWS	us-east-1	10.0.20.0/23	Name: aws-us-east-1-transit, + 1 more		Yes
vpc-574bab31	AWS	ap-southeast-1	172.31.0.0/16			No
vpc-3bf48952	AWS	ap-northeast-3	172.31.0.0/16			No
on-prem-partner1	AWS	us-east-1	172.16.1.0/24	Terrafrom: true, + 2 more		No
vpc-390a155e	AWS	sa-east-1	172.31.0.0/16			No
default	GCP					No
AviatrixVPC	AWS	us-east-1	172.16.0.0/16	aws:cloudformation:stack-… , + 4 more		No

Cloud Assets: Viewing virtual machines running in your Clouds

- CoPilot shows in a central location all the virtual machines running in your clouds for cloud accounts onboarded onto Aviatrix Controller.

- A VM can be marked *as Aviatrix managed* where:

  - **Aviatrix Managed = Yes** — Indicates the VM is behind an Aviatrix Gateway; that is running in a VPC/VNet where an Aviatrix gateway is deployed.

  - **Aviatrix Managed = No** — Indicates the VM is running in a VPC/VNet where no Aviatrix gateways exist.

  - **Aviatrix Managed = Gateways** — Indicates the VM is running an Aviatrix Gateway (Transit, Spoke, or Specialty/Other)

Greenfield Deployment (VPC/VNet/VCN creation)

Caveat: for the sake of simplicity, only the deployment in AWS is explained

CIDR 10.11.0.0/23

❑ **Creation of the Transit VPC**

- The VPC CIDR range for a Transit VPC is from /16 to /23

- There is a specific reason why the Aviatrix Controller does not allow less than /23 prefix length for the Transit VPC (this will be discussed on the **HPE** lecture).

  ❌ [AVXERR-TOOLS-0030] VPC/VNet CIDR size must be between 16 to 23. e.g. 10.0.0.0/20

- An IGW with the same name of the Transit VPC will be created and attached to the VPC, automatically

Internet gateways (1/1) Info

🔍 Filter internet gateways

search: AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT ✕   Clear filters

☑	Name	▽	Internet gateway ID	▽	State	▽	VPC ID	▽
☑	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT		igw-06d499f4d0f772915		⊘ Attached		vpc-01f51fa31db0c8458 | AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT	

Greenfield Deployment (VPC/VNet/VCN creation)

CIDR 10.11.0.0/23

AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT

❖ The subnets' size can be customized

Advanced Settings

Subnet Size

[Optional]

Number of Subnet Pair(s)

[Optional]

Cancel   **Save**

❑ **Creation of the Transit VPC**

- The Aviatrix Controller will create 8 subnets, <u>in two availability zones</u>:

  ➢ 4x Private subnets for the FW

  ➢ 2x Public subnets for Ingress-Egress

  ➢ 2x Public subnets for GW-FW-mgmt.

- All the subnets will have a /28 prefix length
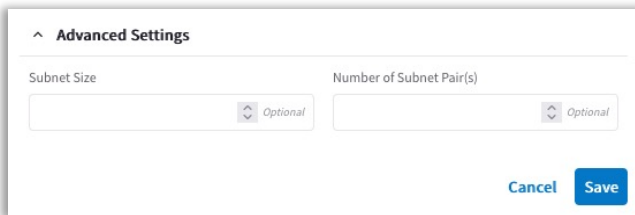
Subnets (8) Info

🔍 Filter subnets

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	Name	Subnet ID	IPv4 CIDR	Availability Zone
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Private-FW-north-eu-central-1a	subnet-04d1f3362661ae02a	10.11.0.16/28	eu-central-1a
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Private-FW-north-eu-central-1b	subnet-0a35db8130d9f9031	10.11.0.48/28	eu-central-1b
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Private-FW-south-eu-central-1a	subnet-06f4b955d965f1457	10.11.0.0/28	eu-central-1a
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☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Public-FW-ingress-egress-eu-central-1a	subnet-07818dd7b731a32a2	10.11.0.80/28	eu-central-1a
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Public-FW-ingress-egress-eu-central-1b	subnet-04094cc05bcd736a3	10.11.0.112/28	eu-central-1b
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Public-gateway-and-firewall-mgmt-e…	subnet-08228163bc8ca6f7d	10.11.0.64/28	eu-central-1a
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Greenfield Deployment (VPC/VNet/VCN creation)

CIDR 10.11.0.0/23

AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT

❑ **Creation of the Transit VPC**

- 2x Routing Tables will be created:

  ➢ Public RTB will encompass the 4 public subnets

Destination	▽	Target
0.0.0.0/0		igw-06d499f4d0f772915
10.11.0.0/23		local

  ➢ Private RTB will encompass the 4 private subnets

Destination	▽	Target
10.11.0.0/23		local

Route tables (2) Info

🔍 *Filter route tables*

search: AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT ✕   **Clear filters**

	Name	▽	Route table ID	▽	Explicit subnet associations
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Public-rtb		rtb-0e5a22d0060c17eac		4 subnets
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-Private-rtb		rtb-085cf49590ee4592d		4 subnets

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Greenfield Deployment (VPC/VNet/VCN creation)

CIDR 10.1.1.0/24

AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD

❑ **Creation of the Application/Spoke VPC**

- The VPC CIDR range for a Spoke VPC is from /16 to /24

- An IGW with the same name of the Spoke VPC will be created and attached to the VPC, automatically

Internet gateways (1/1) Info

🔍 Filter internet gateways

search: AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD ✕ | Clear filters

☑	Name	▽	Internet gateway ID	▽	State	▽	VPC ID	▽
☑	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD		igw-0327c092c11fbd749		⊘ Attached		vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD	

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Greenfield Deployment (VPC/VNet/VCN creation)

CIDR 10.1.1.0/24

AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD

❖ The subnets' size can be customized

Advanced Settings

Subnet Size | Number of Subnet Pair(s)
Optional | Optional

Cancel Save

Aviatrix Spoke VPC – Aviatrix Official Documentation
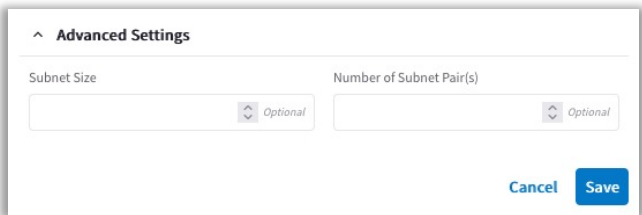
❑ **Creation of the Application/Spoke VPC**

- The Aviatrix Controller will create a pair of subnets, a public subnet and a private subnet, <u>on each availability zone</u>
- All the subnets will have a /28 prefix length

Subnets (6) Info

Filter subnets

search: AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD ✕   **Clear filters**

	Name	Subnet ID	VPC	IPv4 CIDR
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-1-eu-central-1a	subnet-060df41c64a2c643a	vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AV...	10.1.1.0/28
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-2-eu-central-1b	subnet-00bf95727955ec09b	vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AV...	10.1.1.16/28
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-3-eu-central-1c	subnet-0bd05503b4b1f880c	vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AV...	10.1.1.32/28
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Public-1-eu-central-1a	subnet-0b22457ff5b1a4895	vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AV...	10.1.1.48/28
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Public-2-eu-central-1b	subnet-0c140dc3d0af1fa65	vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AV...	10.1.1.64/28
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Public-3-eu-central-1c	subnet-06219ac03978942e3	vpc-068d94ca168a85633 | AV...	10.1.1.80/28

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Greenfield Deployment (VPC/VNet/VCN creation)

CIDR 10.1.1.0/24

AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD

❑ **Creation of the Application/Spoke VPC**

➤ a Public RTB per each availability zone will encompass the corresponding subnet

Destination	▽	Target
0.0.0.0/0		igw-0327c092c11fbd749
10.1.1.0/24		local

➤ a Private RTB per each availability zone will encompass the corresponding subnet

Destination	▽	Target
10.1.1.0/24		local

Route tables (6) Info

🔍 Filter route tables

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	Name	▲	Route table ID	▽	Explicit subnet associations
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-1-eu-central-1a-rtb		rtb-0ca98234a5088dceb		subnet-060df41c64a2c643a / AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-1-eu-central-1a
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-2-eu-central-1b-rtb		rtb-0cad721a70d6256d9		subnet-00bf95727955ec09b / AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-2-eu-central-1b
☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-3-eu-central-1c-rtb		rtb-04afaa976264662ac		subnet-0bd05503b4b1f880c / AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Private-3-eu-central-1c
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☐	AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Public-3-eu-central-1c-rtb		rtb-099810bbea6608f17		subnet-06219ac03978942e3 / AVX-FRANKFURT-SPOKE-PROD-Public-3-eu-central-1c

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Name Convention with Multiple Gateways

❑ **Cluster of Gateways**
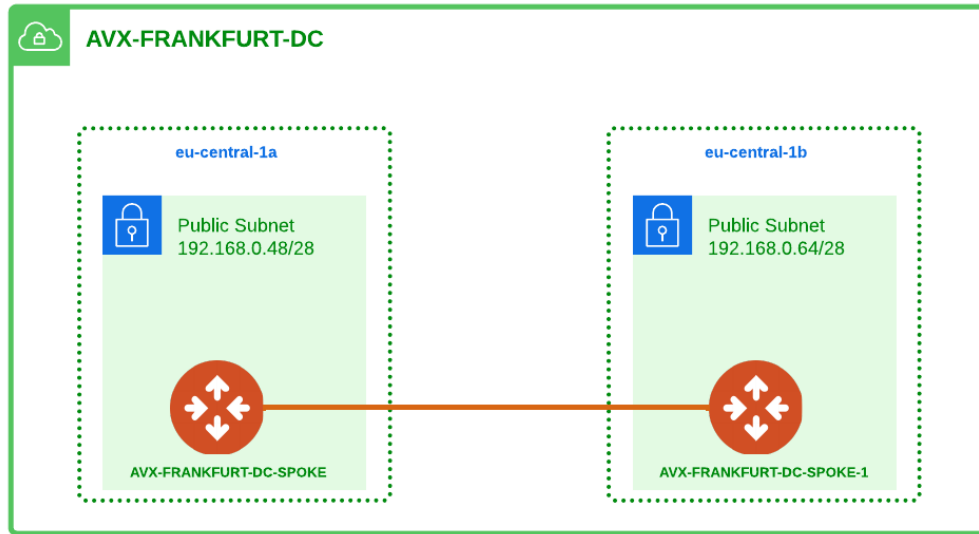
❖ If you create two or more Gateways, they will be encompassed inside a **cluster.**

❖ The name of the cluster will match the name of the first gateway.

❖ The second gateway will have the string "-1" appended to its name.

❖ The third gateway will have the string "-2" appended to its name.

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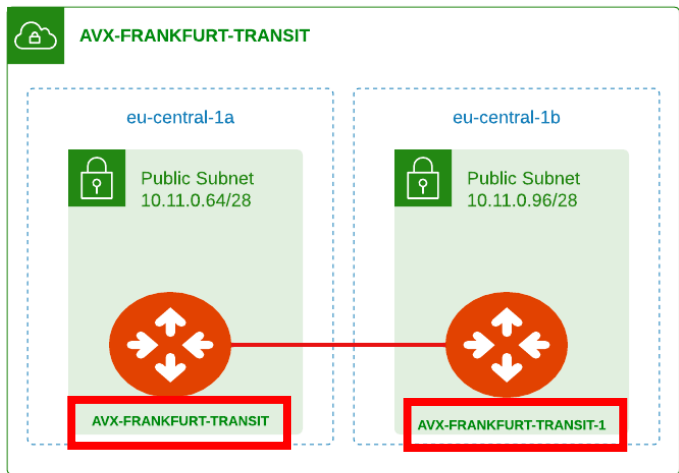❖ The fifteenth gateway will have the string "-14" appended to its name.

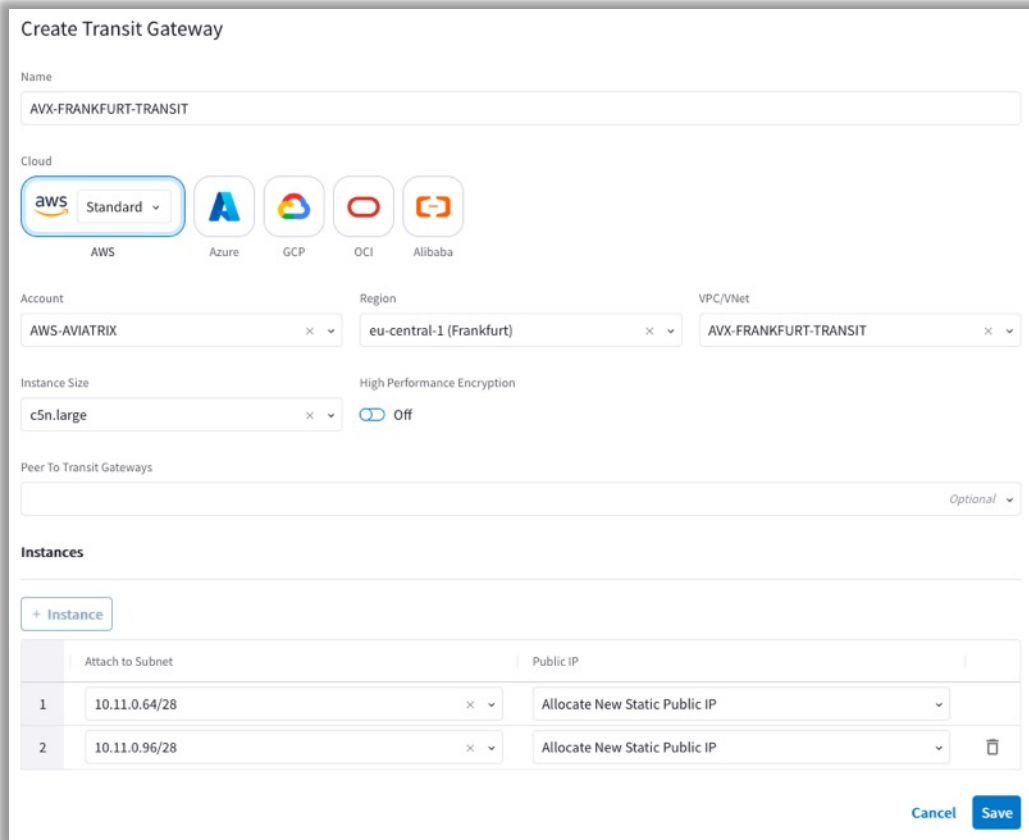|				
CLUSTER	● AVX-FRANKFURT-DC-SPOKE	eu-central-1	vpc-04d947b7b73180e3c~~AVX-FRANKFURT-DC	
GW #1	● AVX-FRANKFURT-DC-SPOKE	eu-central-1	vpc-04d947b7b73180e3c~~AVX-FRANKFURT-DC	192.168.0.48/28
GW #2	● AVX-FRANKFURT-DC-SPOKE-1	eu-central-1	vpc-04d947b7b73180e3c~~AVX-FRANKFURT-DC	192.168.0.64/28

Greenfield Deployment (Transit Gateways deployment)

CIDR 10.11.0.0/23

AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT

eu-central-1a

Public Subnet
10.11.0.64/28

AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT

eu-central-1b

Public Subnet
10.11.0.96/28

AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT-1

❖ <u>The connection between the Transit Gateways is automatically created by the Controller</u>.
❖ **Best Practice:** always deploy the Transit Gateway-1 (i.e the second gateway), and choose a different AZ.
❖ Only two Transit Gateways can be deployed per Transit VPC
❖ Aviatrix gateways are deployed in Public subnets

❏ **Transit Gateways Deployment through the CoPilot**

Create Transit Gateway

Name

AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT

Cloud

aws Standard ▾   Azure   GCP   OCI   Alibaba

Account
AWS-AVIATRIX

Region
eu-central-1 (Frankfurt)

VPC/VNet
AVX-FRANKFURT-TRANSIT

Instance Size
c5n.large

High Performance Encryption
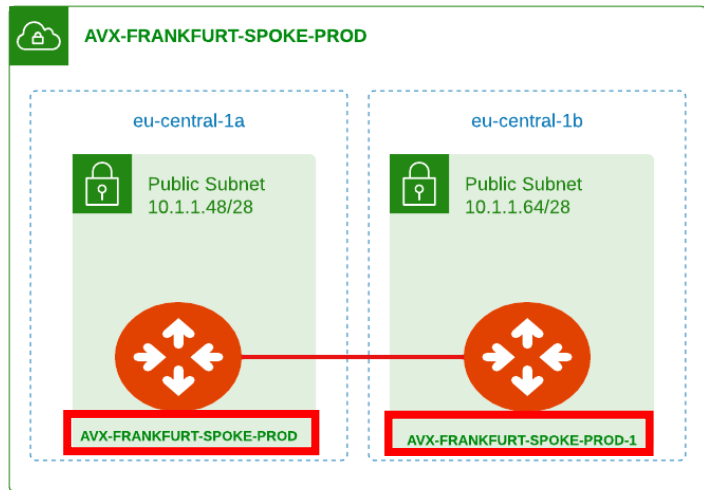⬤ Off

Peer To Transit Gateways
Optional ▾

Instances

+ Instance

	Attach to Subnet	Public IP	
1	10.11.0.64/28	Allocate New Static Public IP	
2	10.11.0.96/28	Allocate New Static Public IP	

Cancel   Save

Greenfield Deployment (Spoke Gateways deployment)

CIDR 10.1.1.0/24

❑ **Spoke Gateways Deployment through the CoPilot**

❖ <u>The connection between the Spoke Gateways is automatically created by the Controller</u>.
❖ **Best Practice:** deploy the Spoke Gateway-1 (i.e the second gateway) on a different AZ.
❖ You can deploy up to **15** Spoke Gateways <u>per each Spoke VPC</u>
❖ Aviatrix gateways are deployed in Public subnets

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Greenfield Deployment (Attachment deployment)

❑ **Deployment of the attachments through the CoPilot**

Greenfield Deployment (Attachment deployment)

- As soon as the Controller completes the deployment of the **attachments** between Spoke Gateways and Transit Gateways, it will also program the *three RFC1918 routes* in the route tables to point to the ENI of the Spoke Gateways.
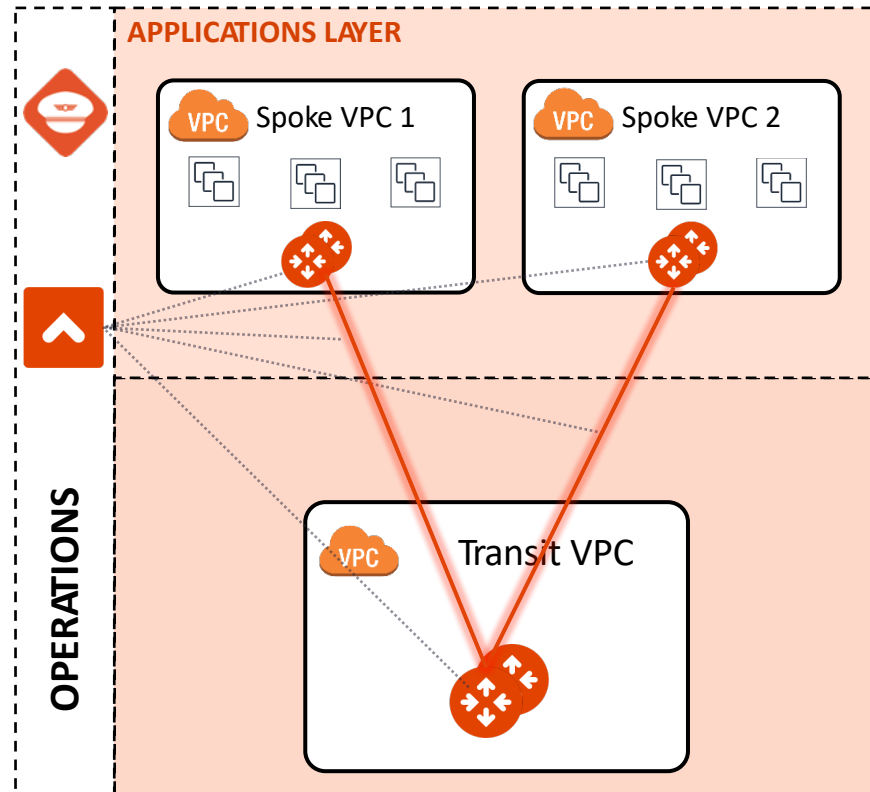
❑ **Attachment = RFC1918 Routes Injection**

Route table for Private Subnet

Routes	Subnet associations	Edge associations	Route propagation	Tags

Routes (4)

🔍 Filter routes

Destination	▽	Target
10.0.0.0/8		eni-08ac50fc16cd8c4a5 🔗
10.1.1.0/24		local
172.16.0.0/12		eni-08ac50fc16cd8c4a5 🔗
192.168.0.0/16		eni-08ac50fc16cd8c4a5 🔗

Route table for Public Subnet

Routes	Subnet associations	Edge associations	Route propagation	Tags

Routes (5)

🔍 Filter routes

Destination	▽	Target
0.0.0.0/0		igw-07c6ddedd190d12d3 🔗
10.0.0.0/8		eni-08ac50fc16cd8c4a5 🔗
10.1.1.0/24		local
172.16.0.0/12		eni-08ac50fc16cd8c4a5 🔗
192.168.0.0/16		eni-08ac50fc16cd8c4a5 🔗

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Spoke VPC 1
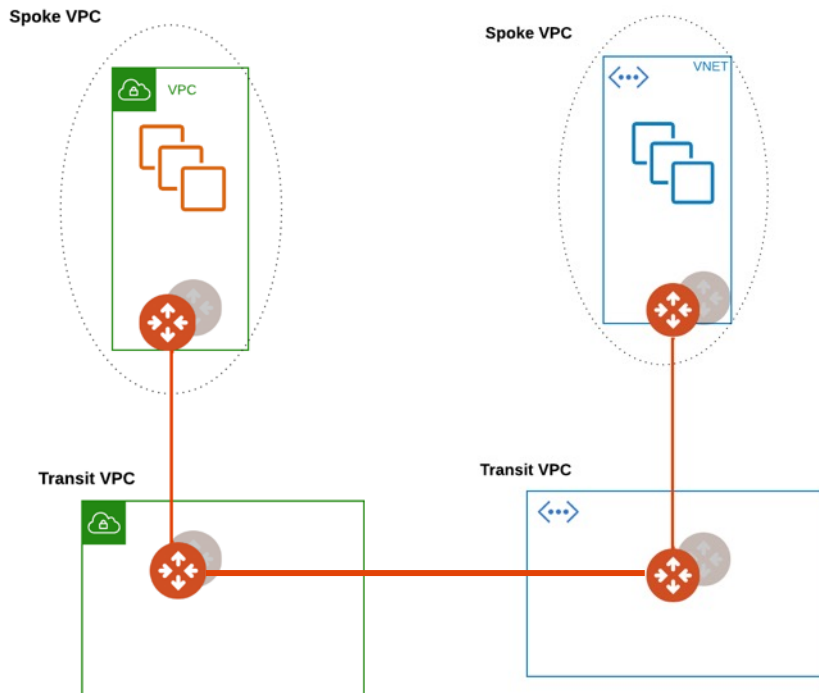
Spoke VPC 2

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Transit VPC

Greenfield Deployment (Repeatable Design)
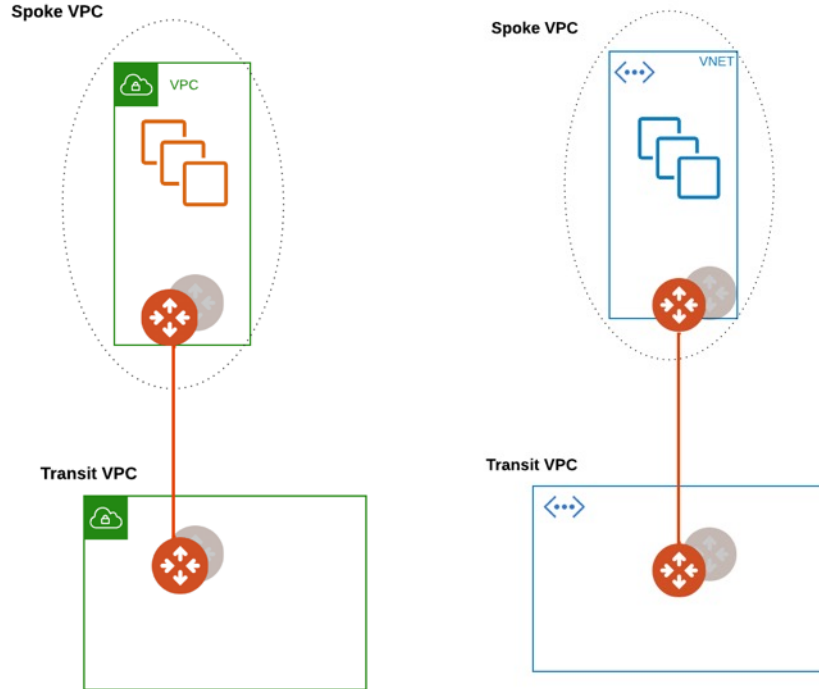
- ❑ The hub and spoke topology can be extended to another CSP or to another region within the same CSP
- ❑ In Azure all subnets are public by nature
- ❑ Aviatrix Controller creates "Private" subnets:
  - ➢ Aviatrix Controller programs a **default route 0.0.0.0 pointing to the next hop type "None":** in User Defined Route Table (UDR) for all private subnets it creates
  - ➢ This will blackhole 0/0 traffic

Greenfield Deployment (Peering deployment)

❑ The creation of the Transit Peering represents the last step for the completion of the **MCNA**.

Packet Walk

Typical Migration Deployment

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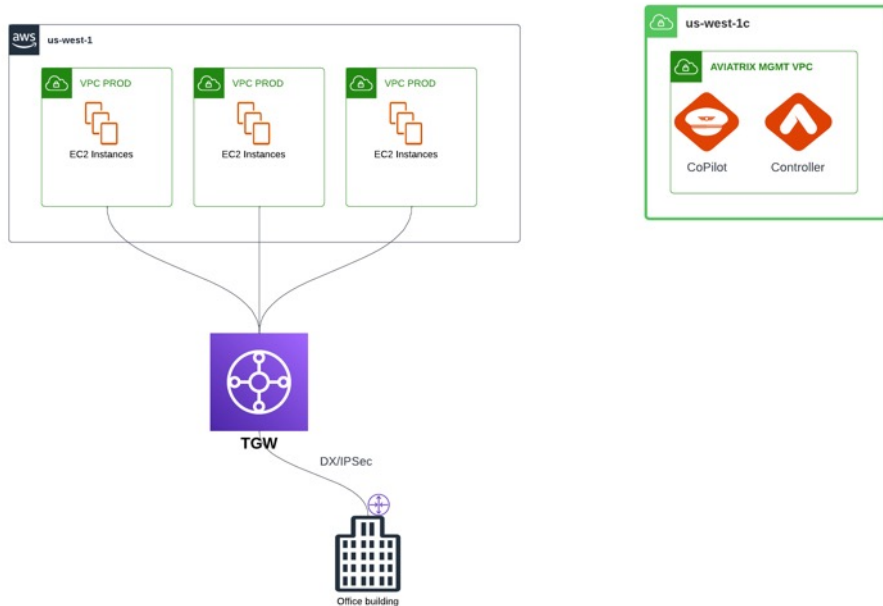
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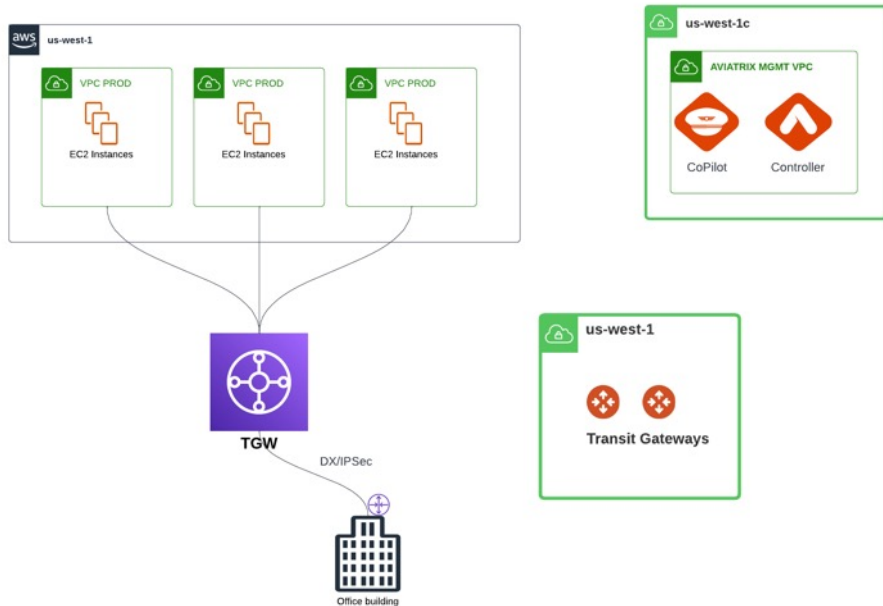

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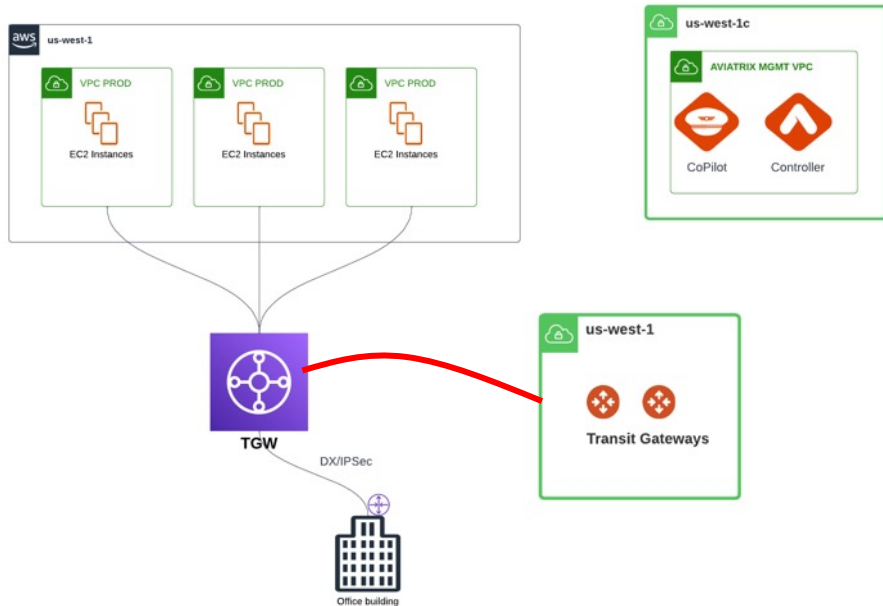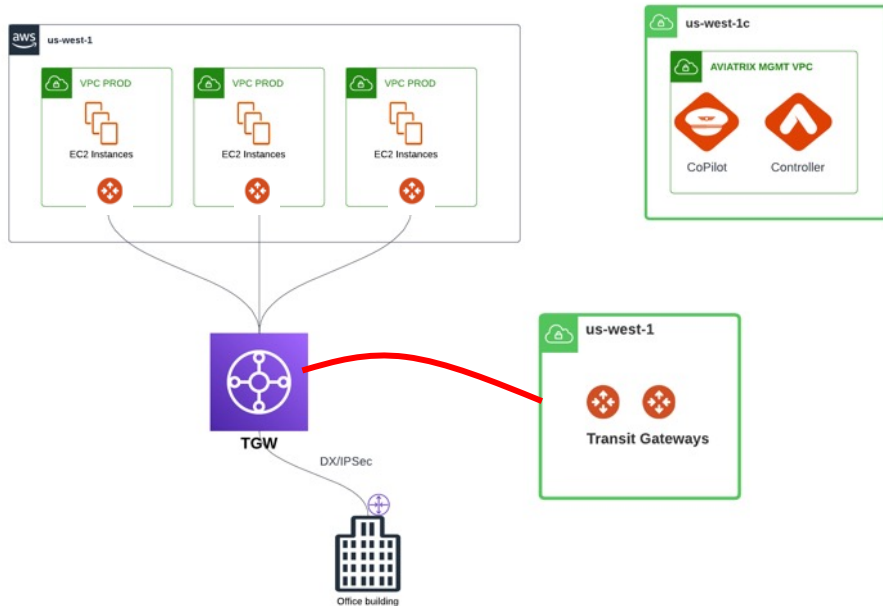
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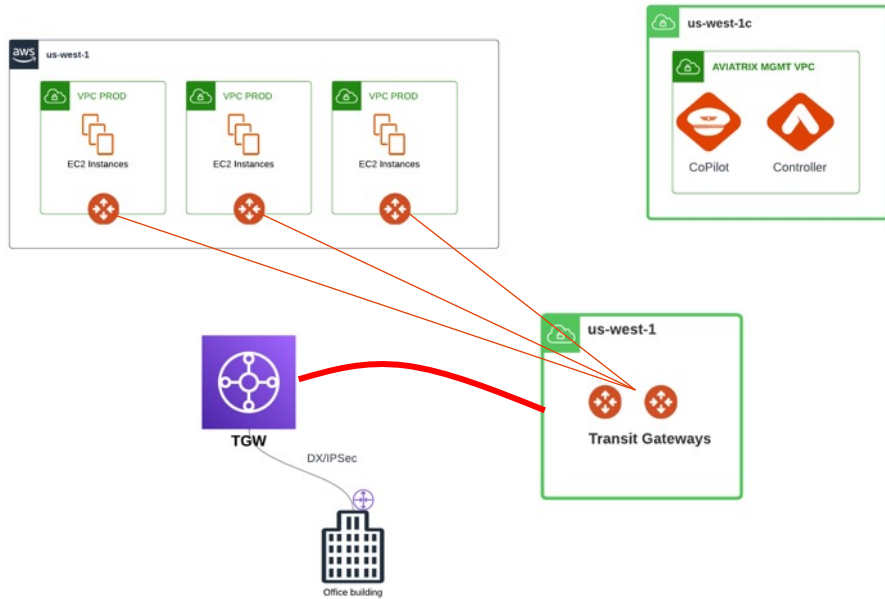
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- ❑ **Deploy a Transit VPC and deploy a pair of Transit Gateways**

- ❑ **Establish a back-to-back connection between the Aviatrix Transit Gateways and the AWS TGW**

- ❑ **Deploy the Spoke Gateways inside the Application VPCs (this action will not change any routing)**
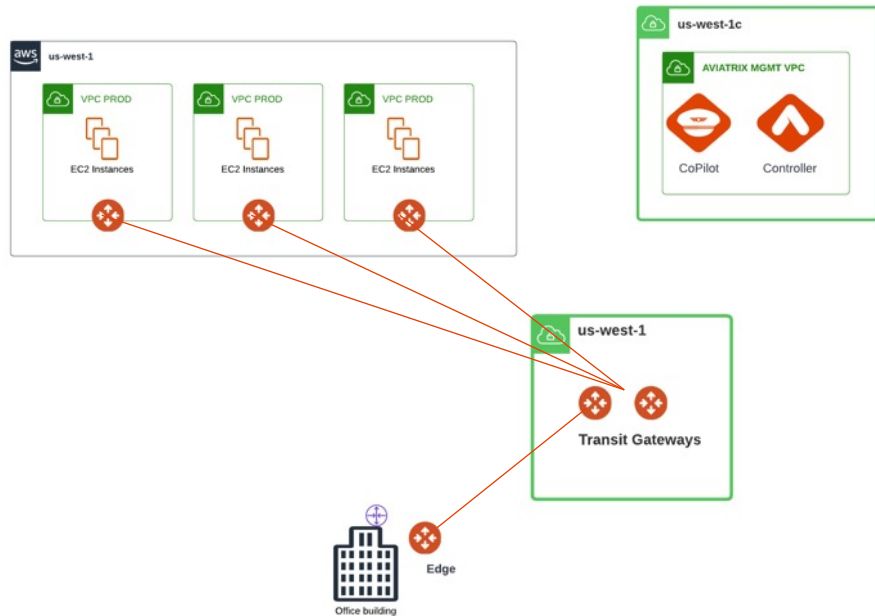
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- ❑ **Deploy a Transit VPC and deploy a pair of Transit Gateways**

- ❑ **Establish a back-to-back connection between the Transit Gateways and the TGW**

- ❑ **Deploy the Spoke Gateways inside the Application VPCs (this action will not change any routing)**

- ❑ **Remove the connections between the VPCs and the TGW and deploy the attachments between the Spoke Gateways and the Transit Gateways**

Typical Migration Deployment

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    - ➢ Several Application VPCs that are connected to the TGW as attachments
    - ➢ OnPrem connectivity (hybrid – can be DX/IPSec)
- ❑ **Deploy the Aviatrix Controller and CoPilot in a dedicated VPC, in a different AZ where there are no gateways deployed (best practice)**
- ❑ **Deploy a Transit VPC and deploy a pair of Transit Gateways**
- ❑ **Establish a back-to-back connection between the Transit Gateways and the TGW**
- ❑ **Deploy the Spoke Gateways inside the Application VPCs (this action will not change any routing)**
- ❑ **Remove the connections between the VPCs and the TGW and deploy the attachments between the Spoke Gateways and the Transit Gateways**
- ❑ **Deploy an Aviatrix Edge and then connect the Edge to the Transit Gateways. If you are not looking for HPE, you can also connect the WAN router as an IPSec connectivity to the Transit Gateways. Last but not least, remove the TGW.**

Multi-Tier Transit (MTT)

- Improves operational simplicity by aggregating multiple Aviatrix Transits (no need for full mesh between transits)

- Additional failover option (pictured in the diagram)

- Allows for centralized firewall design for multiple Aviatrix-Transits in a single region, which allows intra-cloud traffic without any inspection

- To configure Multi-Tier Transit, go to Multi-cloud Transit -> Advanced Config. Select the Transit Gateway and enable the Multi-Tier Transit feature
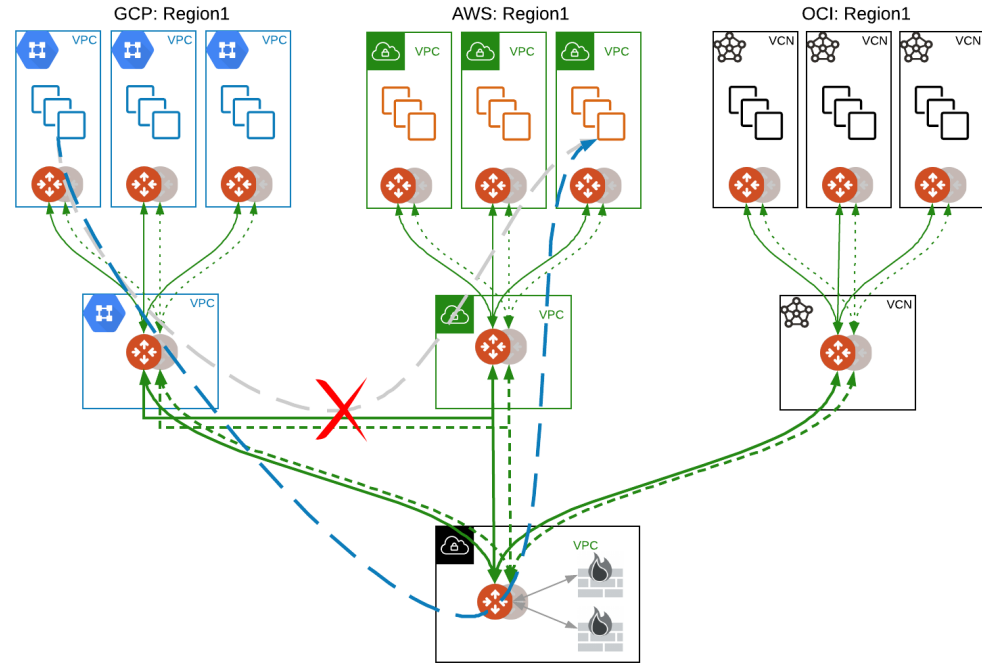
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