VPC Architecture & VPC Peering Connection

1. Overview

This architecture represents two Virtual Private Clouds (VPCs):

- VPC-SIT (10.0.0.0/16): Primary VPC with web and database layers.
- VPC-SIT-2 (11.0.0.0/16): Secondary VPC with only a database subnet.

These VPCs are connected via VPC Peering to enable private communication between components.

2. CIDR Ranges

Component	CIDR Block
VPC-SIT	10.0.0/16
WEB-SUBNET	10.0.1.0/24
DB-SUBNET	10.0.2.0/24
VPC-SIT-2	11.0.0.0/16
DB-SUBNET-2	11.0.1.0/24

3. Subnets

In VPC-SIT:

- WEB-SUBNET (10.0.1.0/24):
- Contains instances with both public and private IPs.
- Accessible from the internet (via Internet Gateway).
- DB-SUBNET (10.0.2.0/24):
- Private subnet for database instances.
- No public IPs; requires NAT for outbound internet.

In VPC-SIT-2:

- DB-SUBNET-2 (11.0.1.0/24):
- Private subnet.
- Communicates with DB in VPC-SIT via VPC Peering.

4. VPC Peering Setup

- 1. Create Peering Connection between VPC-SIT and VPC-SIT-2.
- 2. Accept Peering Request from the other VPC.

- 3. Update Route Tables in both VPCs:
 - VPC-SIT route table: Add route to 11.0.0.0/16 via peering connection.
- VPC-SIT-2 route table: Add route to 10.0.0.0/16 via peering connection.

5. Route Tables

Example routes:

Subnet	Routes Included
WEB-SUBNET	0.0.0.0/0 → Internet Gateway
	$11.0.0.0/16 \rightarrow VPC$ Peering
DB-SUBNET	$0.0.0.0/0 \rightarrow NAT$ Gateway
	$11.0.0.0/16 \rightarrow VPC$ Peering
DB-SUBNET-2	$0.0.0.0/0 \rightarrow NAT$ Gateway (if needed)
	$10.0.0.0/16 \rightarrow VPC$ Peering

6. NAT Gateway

- Placed in WEB-SUBNET (public subnet).
- Purpose: Allows private subnets (DB-SUBNET) to access the internet without exposing their private IPs.
- Elastic IP: Allocate and associate to the NAT Gateway.

7. Internet Gateway (IGW)

- Attached to VPC-SIT.
- Enables WEB-SUBNET to access the internet and receive inbound traffic.
- Route 0.0.0.0/0 in web subnet route table points to IGW.

8. Elastic IP (EIP)

- Assigned to:
- NAT Gateway: Required for stable outbound internet access.
- EC2 instance (optional) in WEB-SUBNET: If you need a fixed public IP.

9. Security Groups

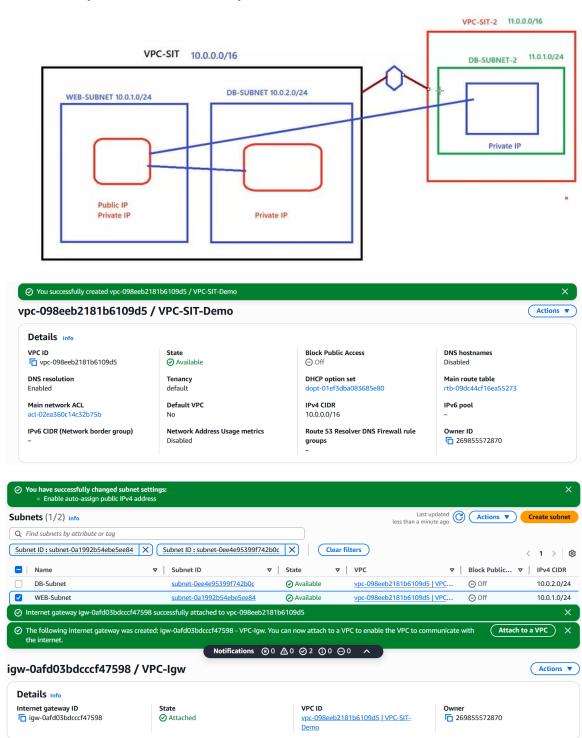
- WEB Instance SG: Allows HTTP/HTTPS and SSH from internet.
- DB Instance SG: Allows MySQL (or relevant DB port) only from WEB-SUBNET and VPC-SIT-2.

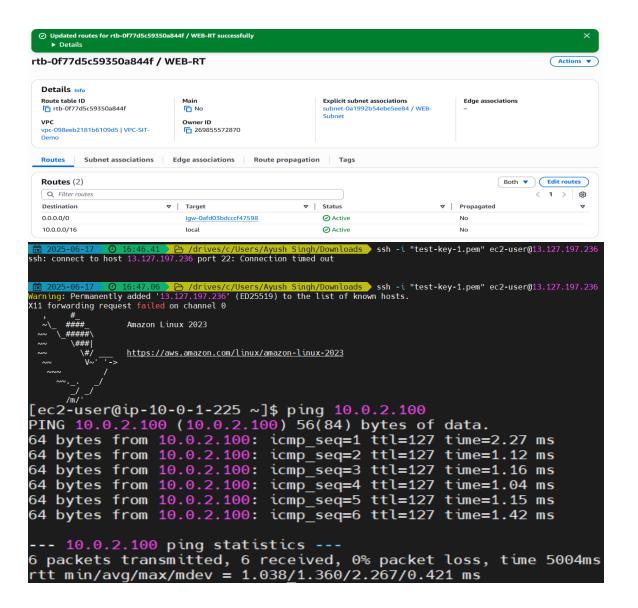
10. Flow Summary

- 1. Public users access web server in WEB-SUBNET via public IP.
- 2. Web server communicates with DB-SUBNET and DB-SUBNET-2 via private IPs.

- 3. VPC Peering allows web servers to talk to DB in another VPC.
- 4. NAT Gateway allows DB-SUBNET instances to pull updates from the internet securely.

Lab-Work (Demo Architecture): -





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[ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-225 ~]$ vi test-key-1.pem
[ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-225 ~]$ chmod 400 test-key-1.pem
[ec2-user@ip-10-0-1-225 ~]$ ssh -i "test-key-1.pem" ec2-user@10.0.2.100
The authenticity of host '10.0.2.100 (10.0.2.100)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:iOUedTkFTjB5P6eQeW6TT/KPA2ljaK+MJqaXafer3ac.
This key is not known by any other names
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.0.2.100' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
                                                 Amazon Linux 2023
                                                https://aws.amazon.com/linux/amazon-linux-2023
  ec2-user@ip-10-0-2-100 ~]$ exit
 oaout
Connection to 10.0.2.100 closed.
[root@ip-10-0-1-225 ~]# ping google.com
PING google.com (142.250.183.110) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from bom12s13-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.110): icmp_seq=1 ttl=114 time=1.97 ms
64 bytes from bom12s13-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.110): icmp_seq=2 ttl=114 time=2.00 ms
64 bytes from bom12s13-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.110): icmp_seq=3 ttl=114 time=2.57 ms
 --- google.com ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 received, 0% packet loss, time 2003ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 1<u>.</u>968/2.181/2.572/0.276 ms

    NAT gateway nat-02685f06d6a25e798 | VPC-Ngw was created successfully.

 nat-02685f06d6a25e798 / VPC-Ngw
                                                                                                                                                                       Actions ▼
   Details
    NAT gateway ID
                                                  Connectivity type
                                                                                                                                           State message Info
    nat-02685f06d6a25e798
                                                 Public
                                                                                              Pending
    NAT gateway ARN
                                                 Primary public IPv4 address
                                                                                              Primary private IPv4 address
                                                                                                                                           Primary network interface ID
    arn:aws:ec2:ap-south-1:2698555728
    70:natgateway/nat-02685f06d6a25e798
                                                 Subnet
                                                                                              Created
                                                                                                                                           Deleted
                                                                                               Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 17:08:42 G
                                                 subnet-0a1992b54ebe5ee84 / WFB-
    vpc-098eeb2181b6109d5 / VPC-SIT-
                                                                                              MT+5:30
                                                 Subnet
   vpc-0606601a354c249ef / VPC-SIT-Demo-2
      Details Info
                                                                                                          Block Public Access
                                                                                                                                                            DNS hostnames
       vpc-0606601a354c249ef
                                                        Available
                                                                                                          Off
                                                                                                                                                            Disabled
      DNS resolution
                                                        Tenancy
                                                                                                          DHCP option set
                                                                                                                                                            Main route table
                                                                                                          dopt-01ef3dba083685e80
      Enabled
                                                        default
                                                                                                                                                            rtb-02ccaeaa24ac0d7f0
      Main network ACL
                                                        Default VPC
                                                                                                                                                            IPv6 pool
      acl-0cdec85f5e4dbcc10
                                                        Nο
                                                                                                          11.0.0.0/16
      IPv6 CIDR (Network border group)
                                                        Network Address Usage metrics
                                                                                                          Route 53 Resolver DNS Firewall rule
                                                                                                                                                            Owner ID
                                                        Disabled
                                                                                                                                                            269855572870
     ⊘ You have successfully updated subnet associations for rtb-0d7035f742f0ad11d / DB-RT-2.
   rtb-0d7035f742f0ad11d / DB-RT-2
                                                                                                                                                                          Actions ▼
       Details Info
                                                   Main
                                                                                                Explicit subnet associations
                                                                                                                                            Edge associations
       rtb-0d7035f742f0ad11d
                                                                                               subnet-063d9927ceed23fb1 / DB-
                                                   No
                                                                                               SUBNET-2
                                                   Owner ID
                                                   1 269855572870
       vpc-0606601a354c249ef | VPC-SIT-
       Demo-2
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