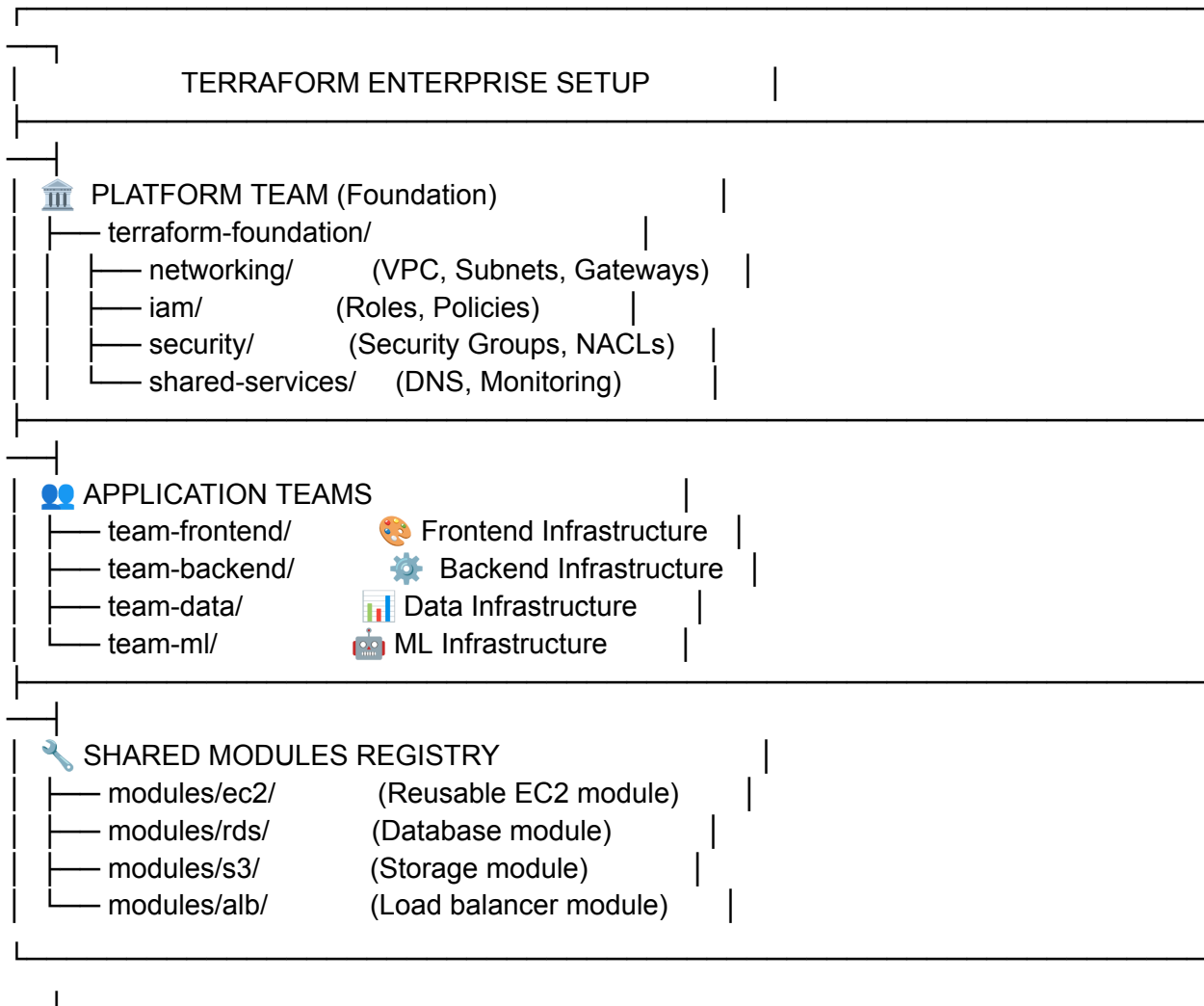


The Architecture Diagram:



Real-World Example: Netflix/Uber Style Structure

1. Platform Team (The Foundation Builders)

```
hcl
# terraform-foundation/networking/main.tf
module "vpc" {
  source = "../modules/vpc"

  vpc_cidr = "10.0.0.0/16"
```

```

environment = var.environment

# Output for other teams to consume
}

# Outputs shared across organization
output "vpc_id" {
  value = module.vpc.vpc_id
}

```

2. Application Teams (The Feature Builders) 🧑‍💻

```

hcl
# team-backend/main.tf
data "terraform_remote_state" "foundation" {
  backend = "s3"
  config = {
    bucket = "company-terraform-state"
    key    = "foundation/networking/terraform.tfstate"
  }
}

module "backend_infrastructure" {
  source = "../modules/ec2"

  # Using foundation team's outputs
  vpc_id    = data.terraform_remote_state.foundation.outputs.vpc_id
  subnet_id = data.terraform_remote_state.foundation.outputs.private_subnet_id
}

```

🔑 Key Strategies That Impressed Them:

✅ 1. Remote State Management

- Each team has separate state files
- Foundation team provides "golden" outputs
- No state file conflicts!

✅ 2. Module Registry Pattern

```

modules/
├── ec2/      ← Standard company EC2 setup
├── rds/      ← Pre-configured database

```

└─ alb/ ← Load balancer with security
└─ monitoring/ ← Standard observability

✅ 3. Workspace Separation

bash

Platform Team

terraform workspace **select** foundation-prod

terraform workspace **select** foundation-staging

Application Teams

terraform workspace **select** backend-prod

terraform workspace **select** frontend-staging

✅ 4. CI/CD Pipeline Governance

yaml

.github/workflows/terraform.yml

- **name:** Terraform Plan

if: github.event_name == 'pull_request'

- **name:** Terraform Apply

if: github.ref == 'refs/heads/main'

Only platform team can modify foundation

💡 The Secret Sauce:

🔒 RBAC (Role-Based Access Control):

- Platform Team: Full access to foundation
- App Teams: Only their resources + read foundation outputs
- Security Team: Policy enforcement across all

📋 Standards & Governance:

- Mandatory module usage for security compliance
- Standardized tagging and naming conventions
- Automated policy checks with Sentinel/OPA

🎉 Interview Result:

"This is exactly how we structure our Terraform at our organization. You clearly understand enterprise-scale infrastructure!"