

AWS Default VPC

- In AWS, All new accounts have a default VPC
- All the New instances are launched into default VPC if no subnet is specified.
- Default VPC have internet connectivity and all EC2 instances have public IP.
- We also get a public and a private DNS name.

VPC in AWS – IPv4

- There is a Soft limit of 5 VPCs in a region.
- Each CIDR will be:
 - *Min size is /28 = 16 IP Addresses*
 - *Max size is /16 = 65536 IP Addresses*
- What are the IP ranges allowed?
- Because VPC is private, only the Private IP ranges are allowed:
 - 10.0.0.0 – 10.255.255.255 (10.0.0.0/8)
 - 172.16.0.0 – 172.31.255.255 (172.16.0.0/12)
 - 192.168.0.0 – 192.168.255.255 (192.168.0.0/16)

Choosing an IPv4 address for your VPC.



VPC



Avoid ranges that overlap with other networks to which you might connect.

172.31.0.0/16

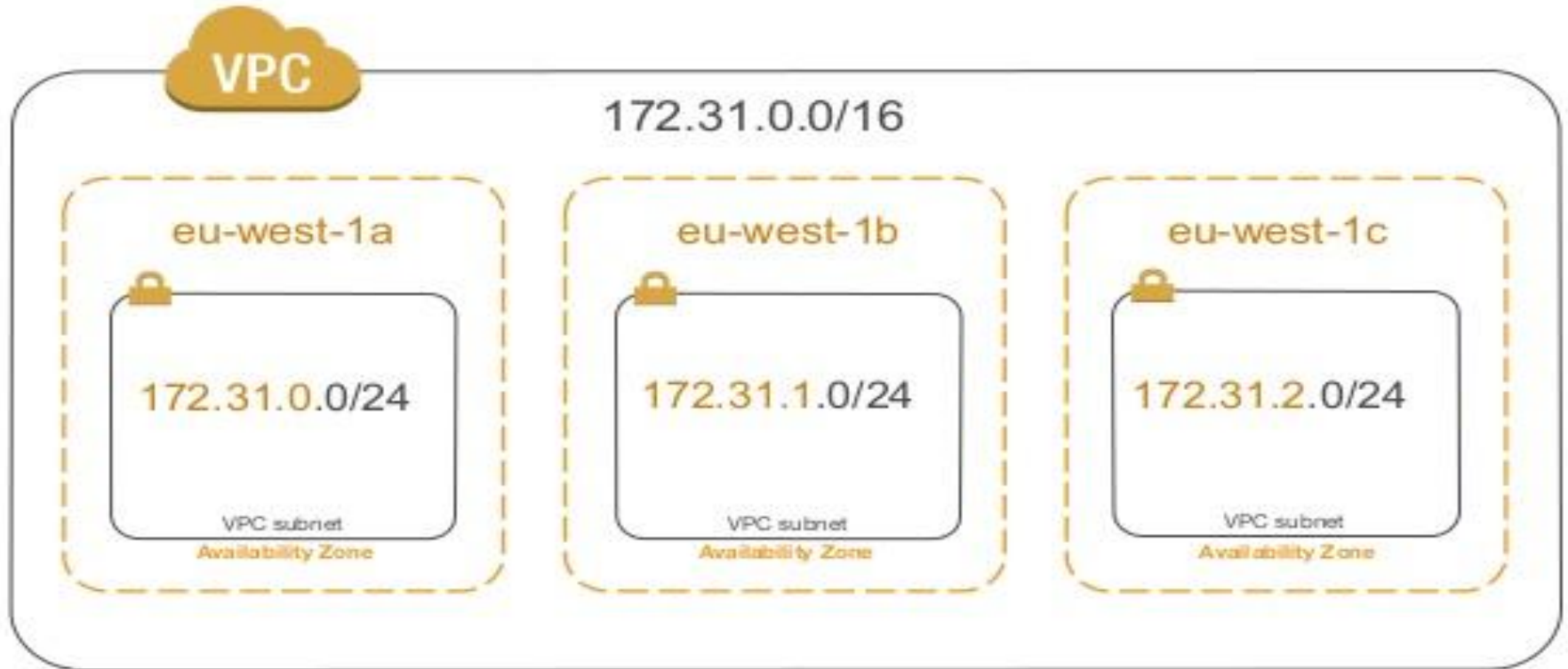
Recommended:
RFC1918 range

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/16
(64K addresses)

VPC Subnets

- AWS reserves 5 IPs address (first 4 and last 1 IP address) in each Subnet
- These 5 IPs are not available for use and cannot be assigned to an instance.
- Ex, if CIDR block 10.0.0.0/24, reserved IP are:
 - *10.0.0.0: Network address*
 - *10.0.0.1: Reserved by AWS for the VPC router*
 - *10.0.0.2: Reserved by AWS for mapping to Amazon-provided DNS*
 - *10.0.0.3: Reserved by AWS for future use*
 - *10.0.0.255: Network broadcast address. AWS does not support broadcast in a VPC, therefore the address is reserved*

VPC Subnet and AZ



Internet Gateways

- Internet gateways(IG) helps our VPC instances connect with the internet.
- It scales horizontally and is HA and redundant.
- Must be created separately from VPC.
- One VPC can only be attached to one IGW and vice versa.
- Internet Gateway is also a NAT for the instances that have a public IPv4.
- Internet Gateways on their own do not allow internet access...
- For this , Route tables must also be edited!



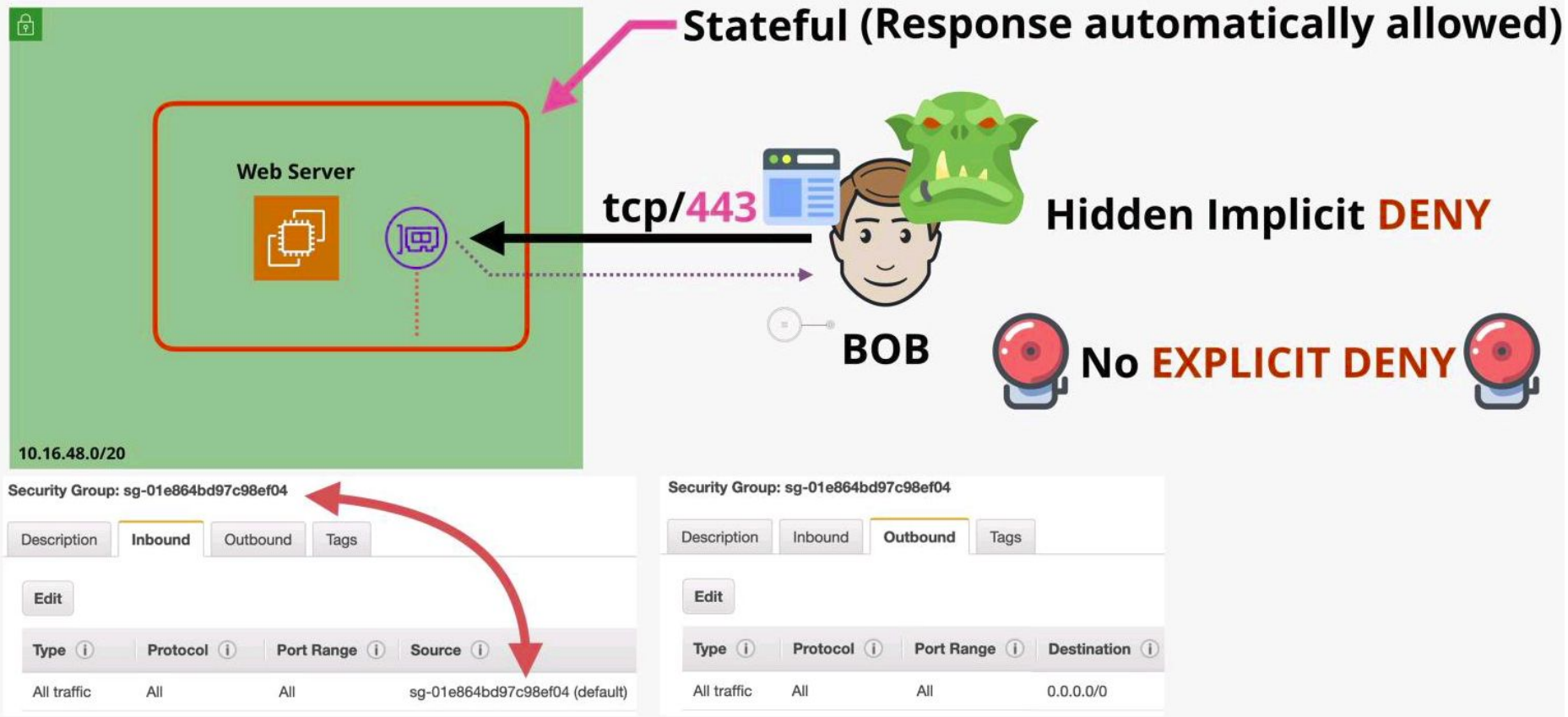
Security Group

- A security group consists of a set of rules.

Each rule allows network traffic based on the following:

- *Direction (inbound or outbound)*
- *IP protocol (TCP, UDP, ICMP)*
- *Port*
- *Source/destination based on IP address, IP address range, or security group (works only within AWS)*
- You could define rules that allow traffic to enter and leave your EC2 instance virtual machine
- AWS won't prevent you from doing so.
- But it's best practice to define your rules so they are as restrictive as possible.

Security Group



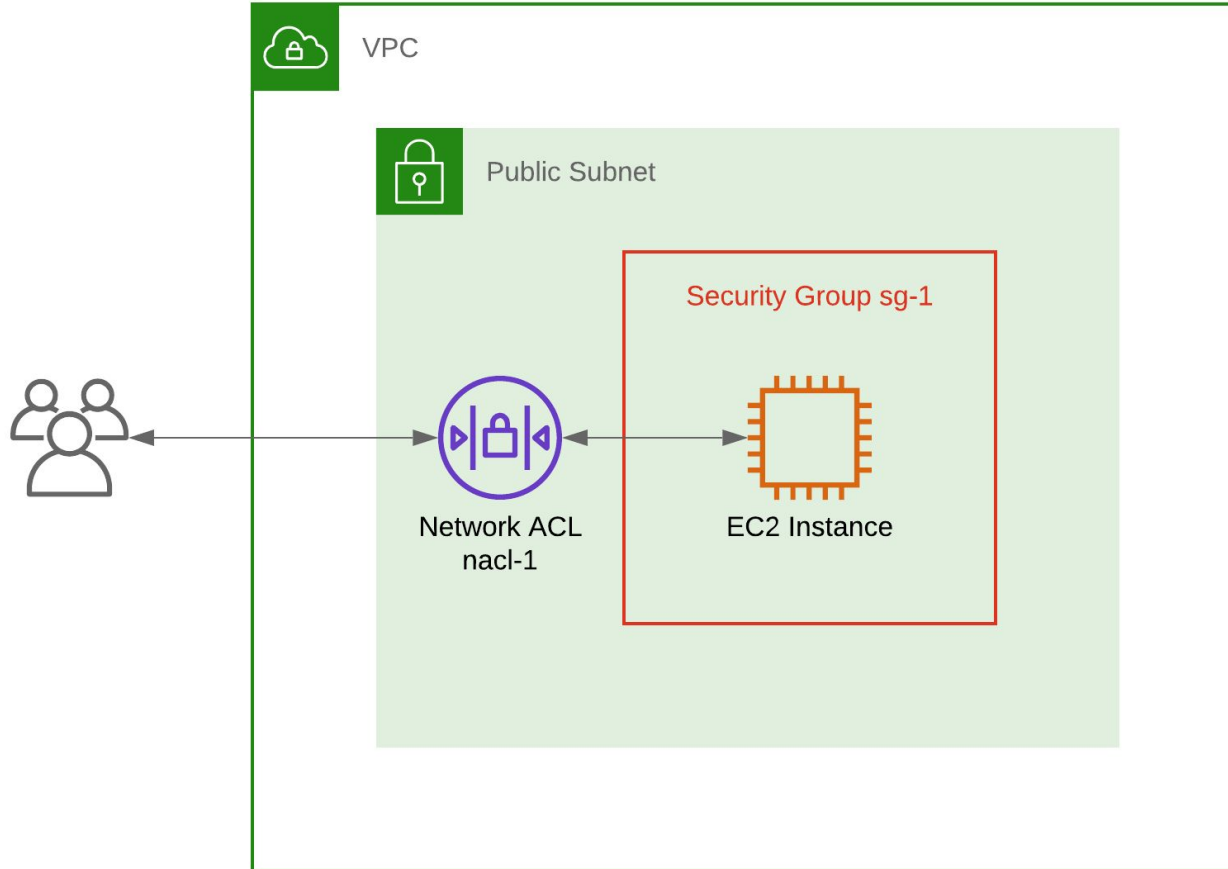
Network ACLs

- NACL are like a firewall which control traffic from and to subnet
- Default NACL allows everything outbound and everything inbound
- One NACL per Subnet, new Subnets are assigned the Default NACL

Define NACL rules:

- Rules have a number (1-32766) and higher precedence with a lower number.
- E.g. If you define #100 ALLOW <IP> and #200 DENY <IP> , IP will be allowed
- Last rule is an asterisk (*) and denies a request in case of no rule match
- AWS recommends adding rules by increment of 100
- Newly created NACL will deny everything.
- NACL are a great way of blocking a specific IP at the subnet level.

Network ACLs and Security Group

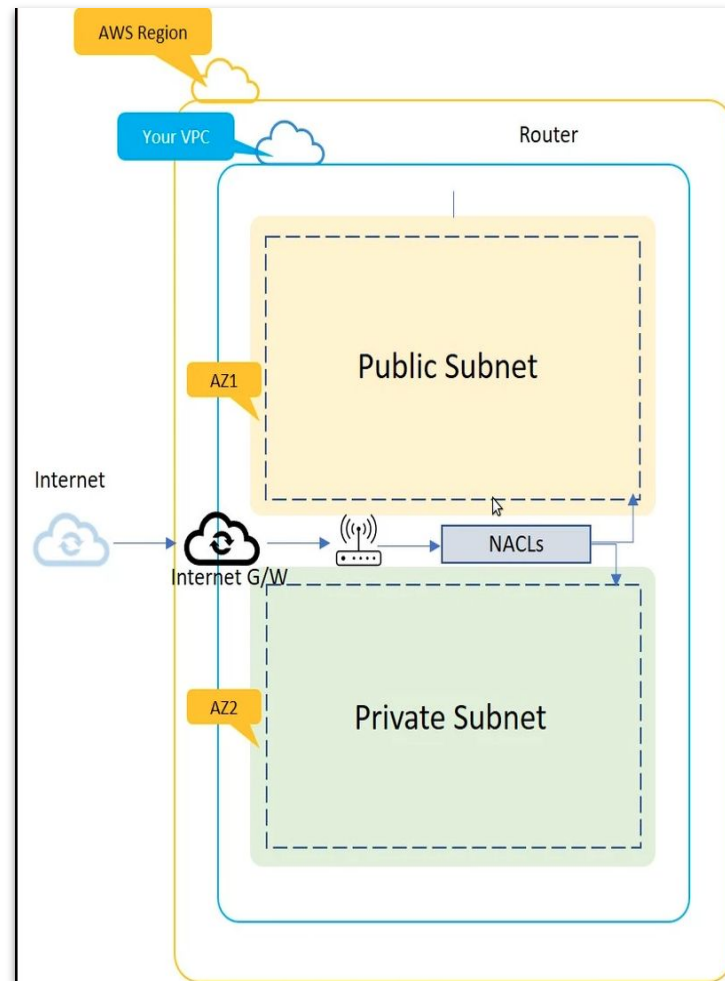
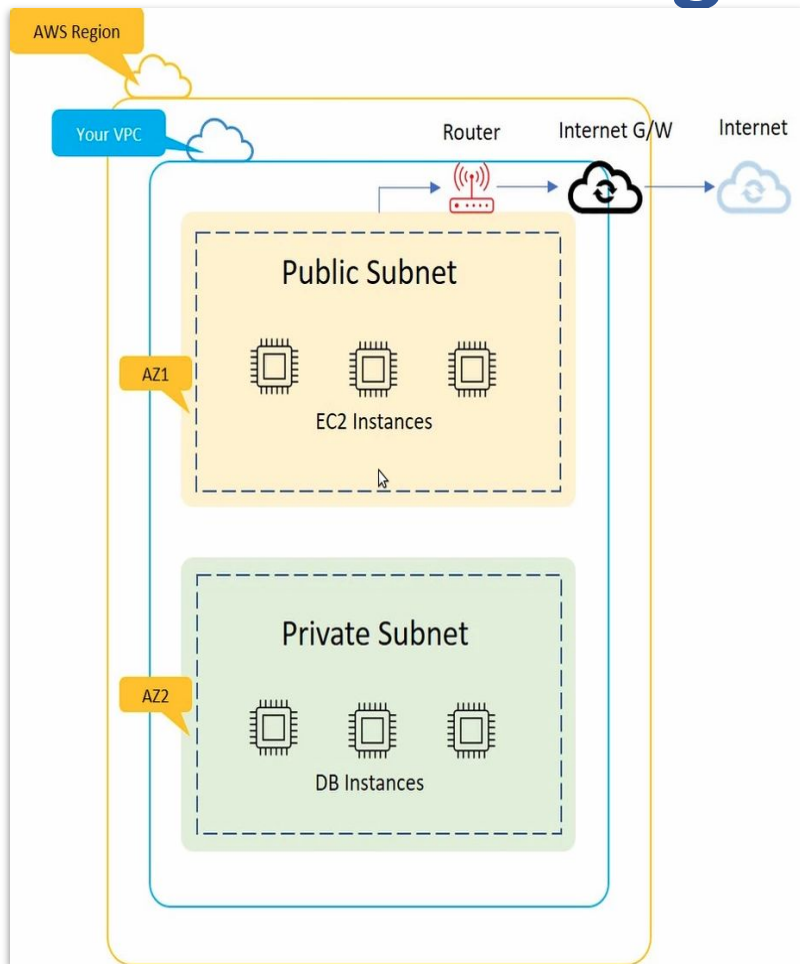


Using Security Group & Network ACLs

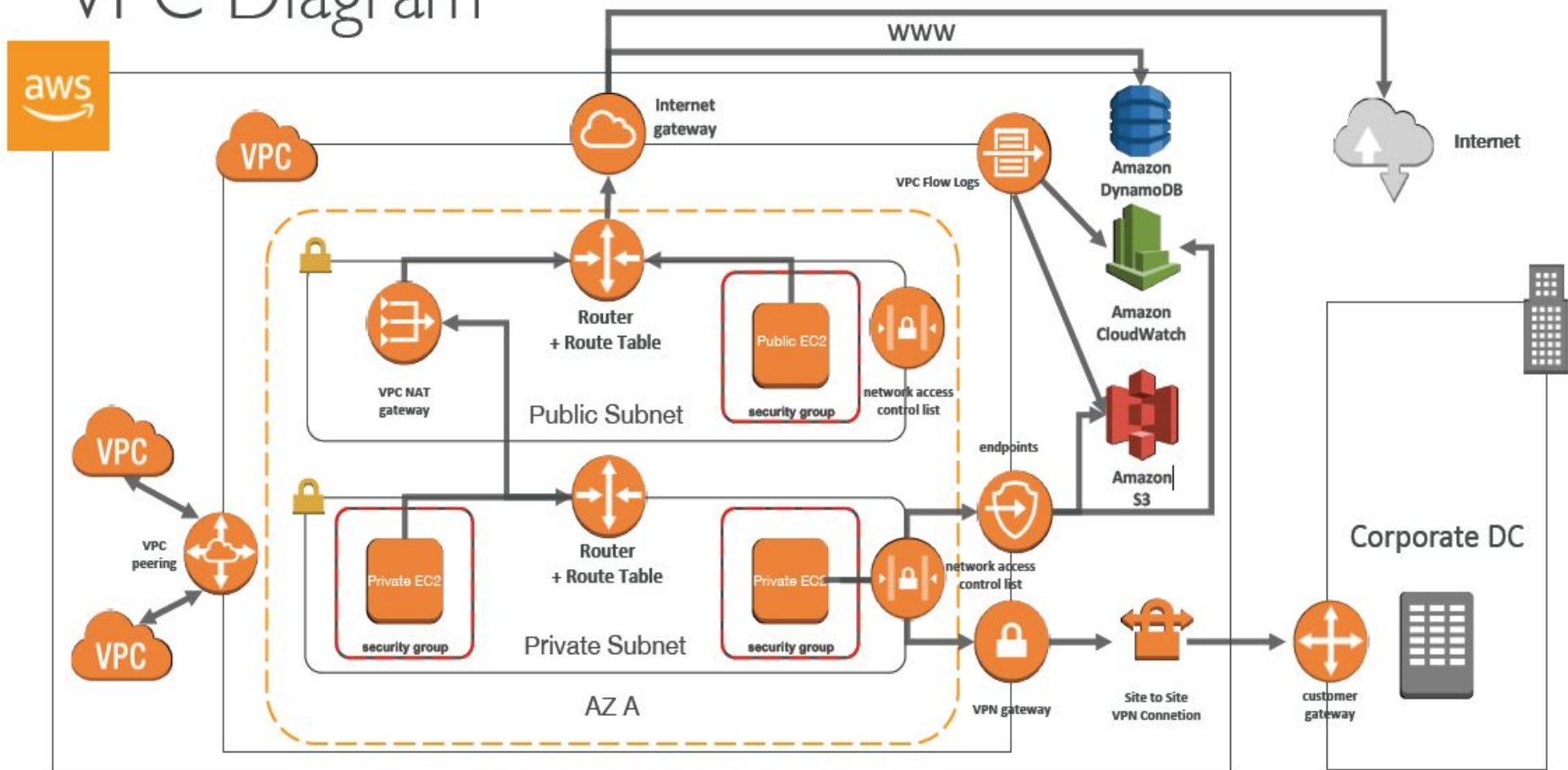
| Security Group | Network ACL |
|--|---|
| Operates at the instance level | Operates at the subnet level |
| Supports allow rules only | Supports allow rules and deny rules |
| Is stateful: Return traffic is automatically allowed, regardless of any rules | Is stateless: Return traffic must be explicitly allowed by rules |
| We evaluate all rules before deciding whether to allow traffic | We process rules in number order when deciding whether to allow traffic |
| Applies to an instance only if someone specifies the security group when launching the instance, or associates the security group with the instance later on | Automatically applies to all instances in the subnets it's associated with (therefore, you don't have to rely on users to specify the security group) |



VPC High Level Overview



VPC Diagram





ANY Questions?