

# Security Groups

- Security group is a virtual firewall
- It controls traffic at the virtual server or EC2 Instance (Specifically associated with virtual network interface also known as ENI- Elastic Network Interface)

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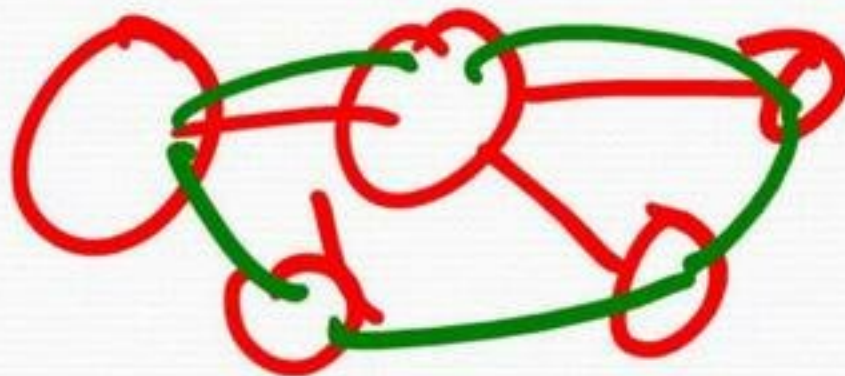
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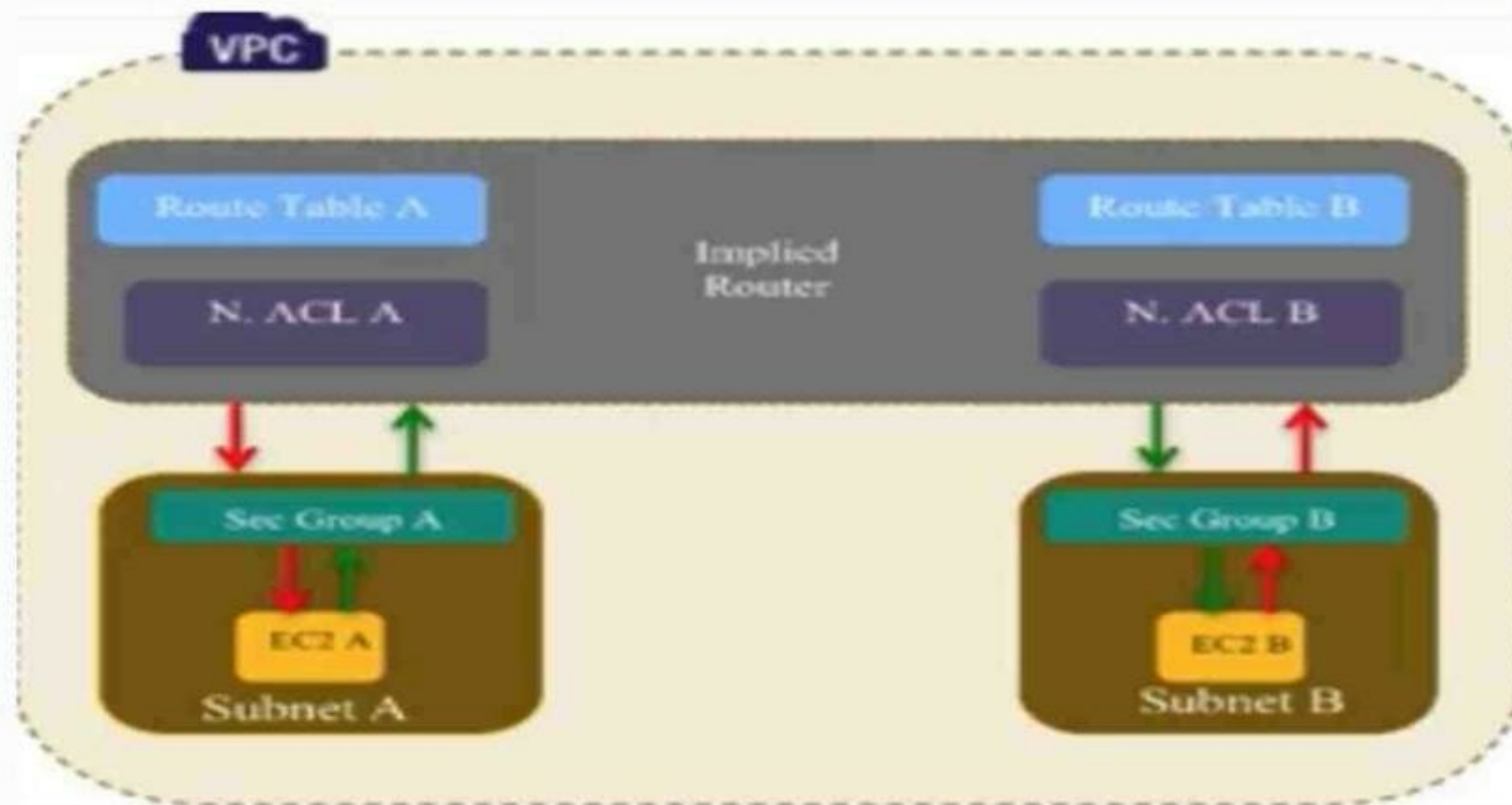
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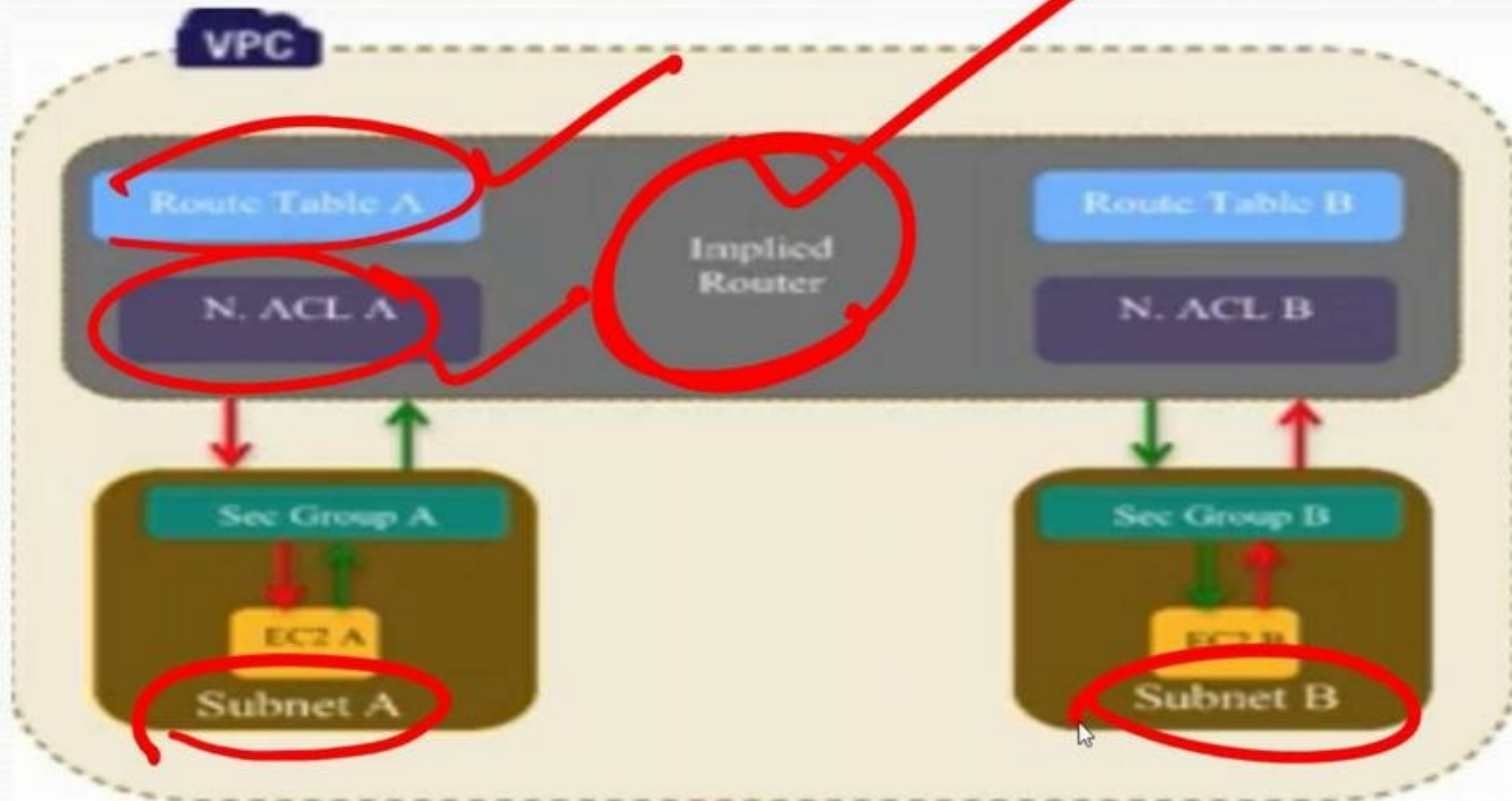




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- Subnet Must be associated with NACL, else default NACL associated automatically

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- Inbound in NACL means coming from outside subnet. Outbound means going out of Subnet
- Inbound for SG means coming from outside the instance. Outbound means going out of Instance ENI

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Operates at the instance level

Supports allow rules only

Is stateful: Return traffic is automatically allowed, regardless of any rules

We evaluate all rules before 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

## Network ACL

Operates at the subnet level

Supports allow rules and deny rules

Is stateless: Return traffic must be explicitly allowed by rules

We process rules in number order when deciding whether to allow traffic

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)

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