

# AWS Transit Gateway Reference Architectures for Many Amazon VPCs

# Agenda

- VPC Connectivity Paradigms
- Inside Transit Gateway
- Transit Gateway Data Flows
- Transit Gateway Reference Architectures

# Common Requirements



Interconnect VPCs and their  
on-prem networks

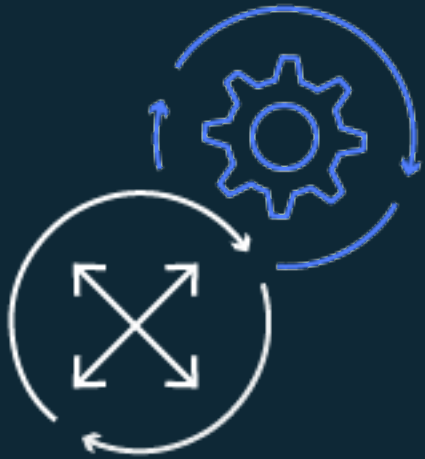


Globally scale out  
connectivity across regions



Simplify network  
configuration

# Challenges



Complex point-to-point  
peering does not scale



VPN Bandwidth limitations



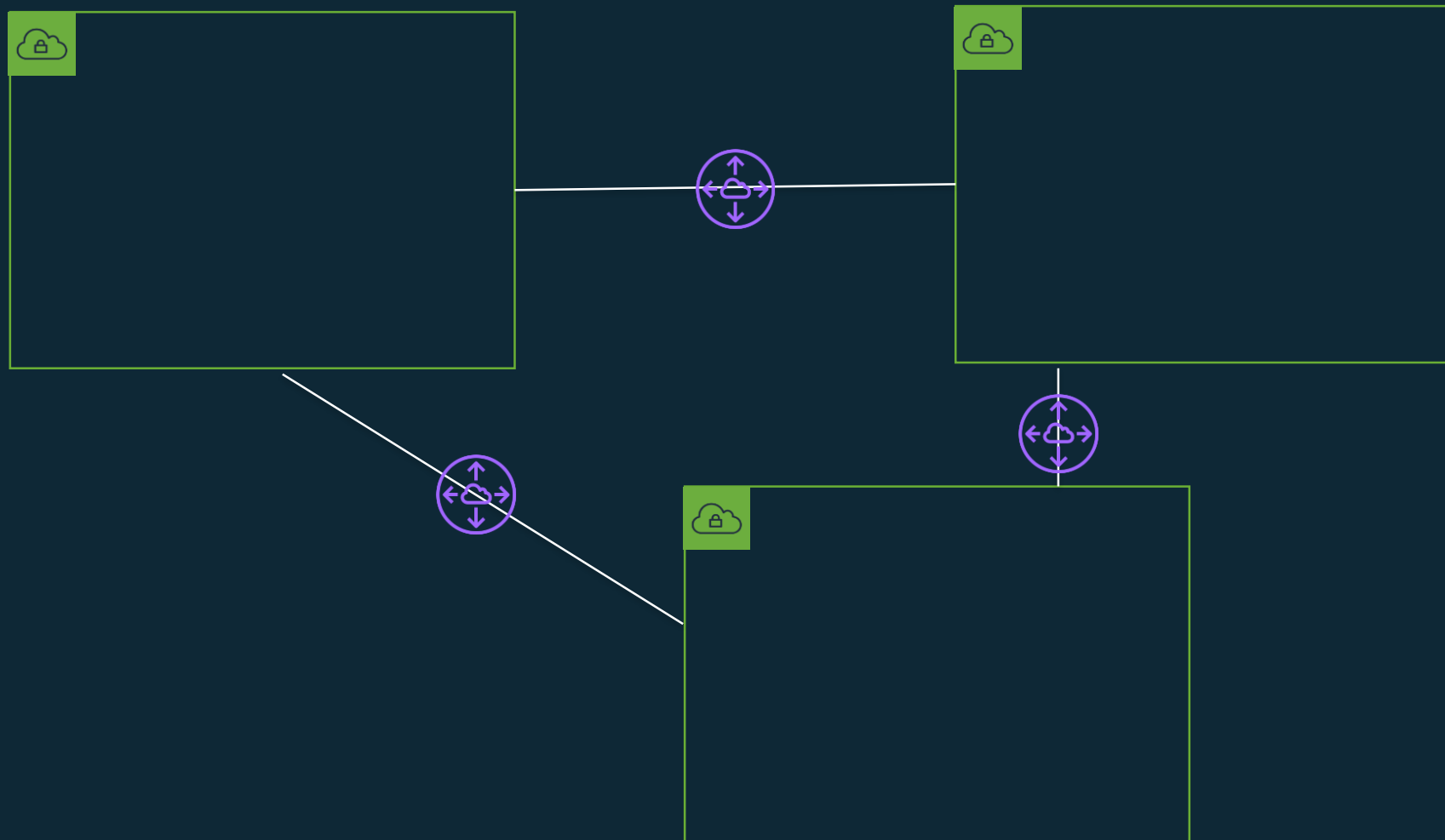
Monitoring and  
Management of routing  
configurations is time  
consuming

# VPC Connectivity Paradigms



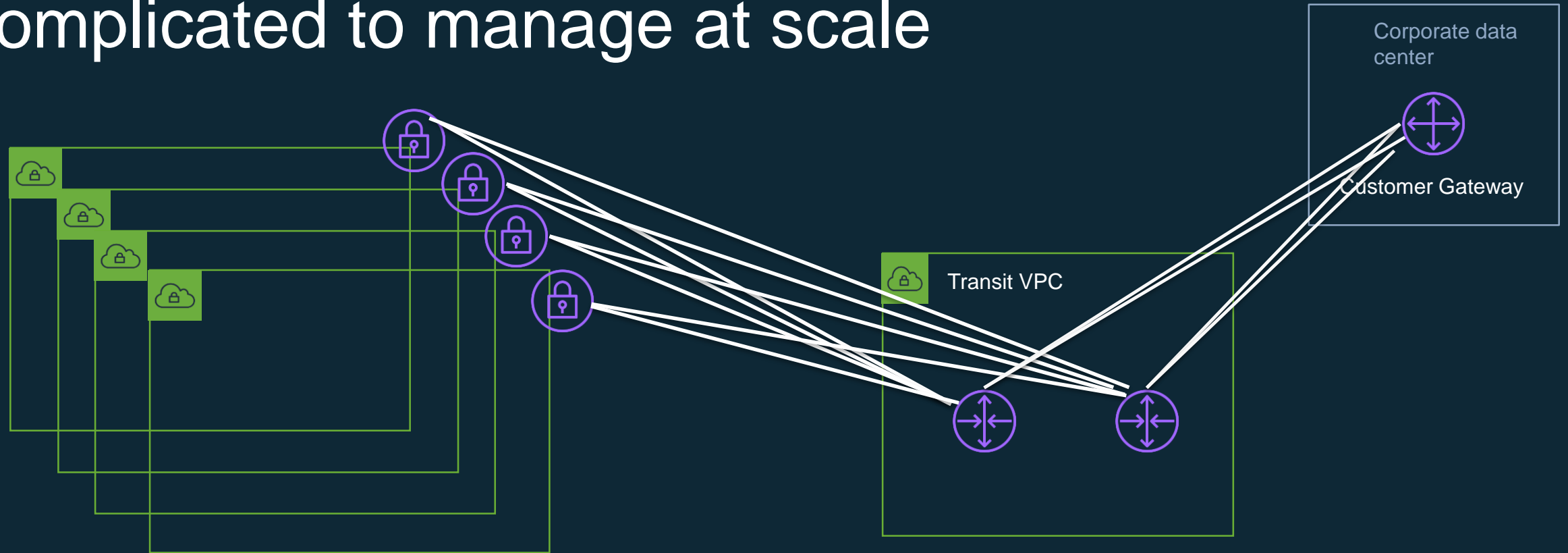
# VPC Peering

- Point-to-point connection between VPCs in any region
- Up to 50 peering connections per VPC (can be increased to 125)
- Need full mesh, no transitive routing



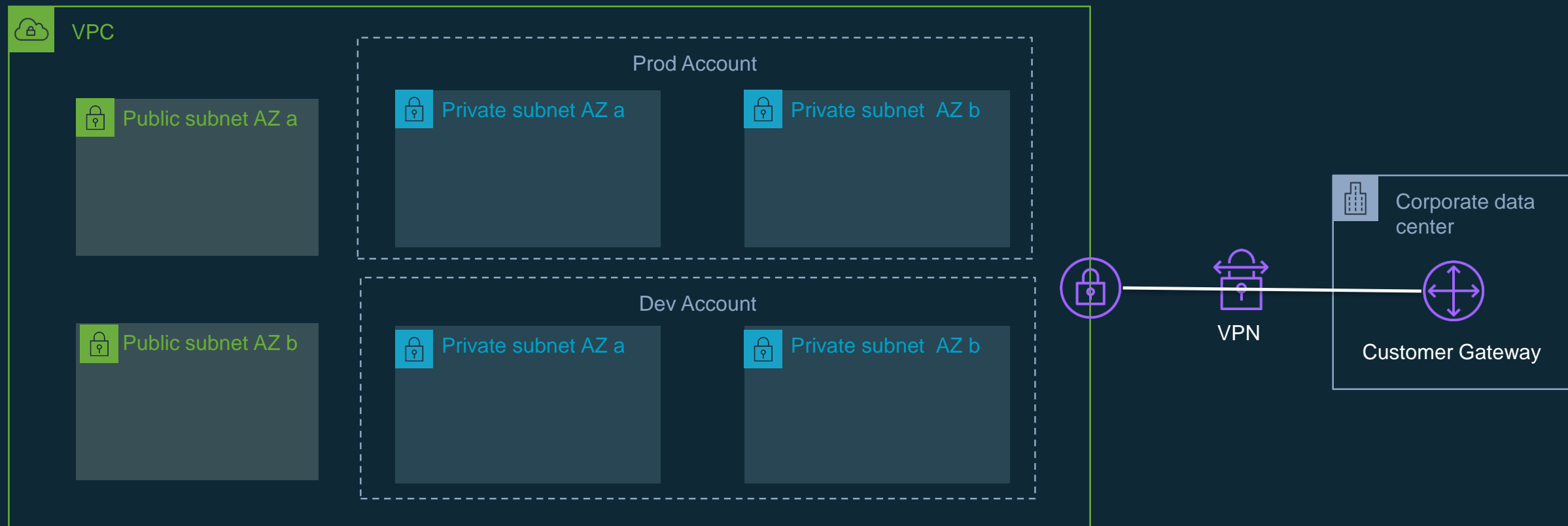
# Transit VPC

- Routers in EC2
- More scalable than peering
- Can be complicated to manage at scale



# VPC Sharing

- Share subnets across accounts with Resource Access Manager
- Limits (can be increased)
  - 100 Accounts per subnet
  - 100 shared subnets with an account





# Inside Transit Gateway



# AWS Transit Gateway: **Key features**



Centralized routing policies across VPCs and on-premises

Scales to support thousands of VPCs across multi-accounts

Increase connectivity throughput with multiple VPN connections

Flexible segmentation and routing rules

Horizontally scalable

Simplified management

# Transit Gateway Overview

## Regional router

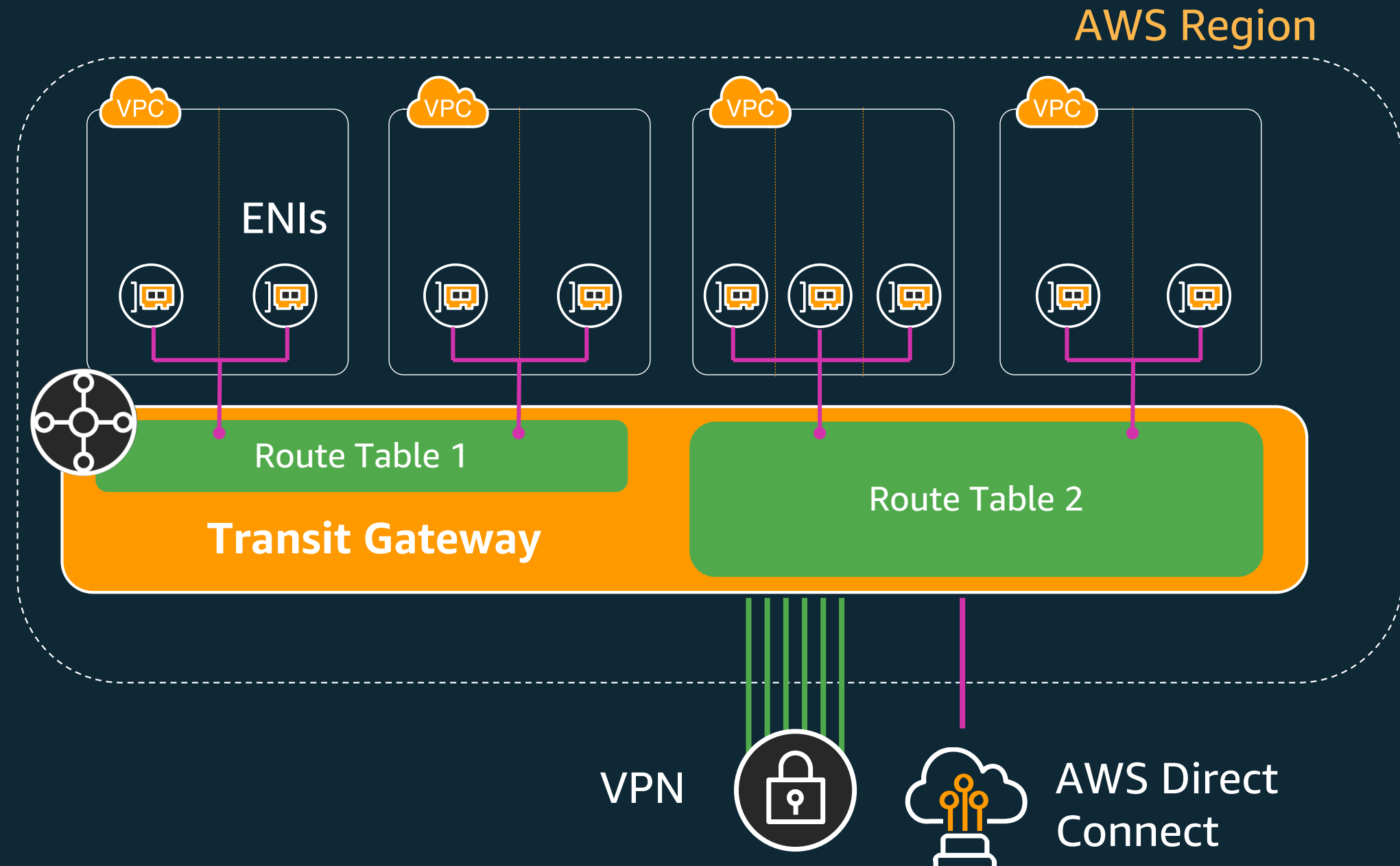
- Centralize VPN and AWS Direct Connect

## Scalable

- Thousands of VPCs across accounts
- Spread traffic over many VPN connections

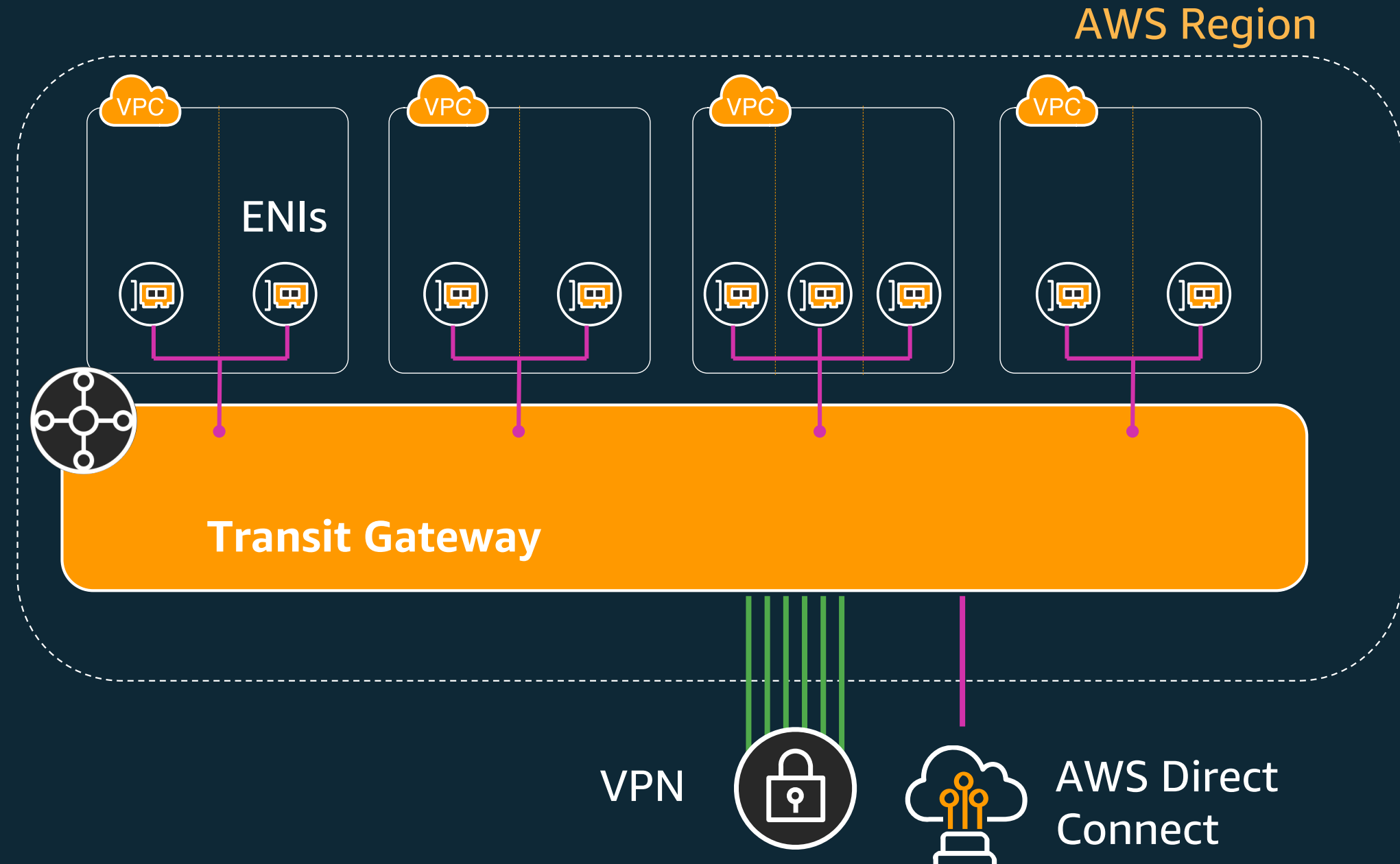
## Flexible routing

- Network interfaces in subnets
- Control segmentation and sharing with routing



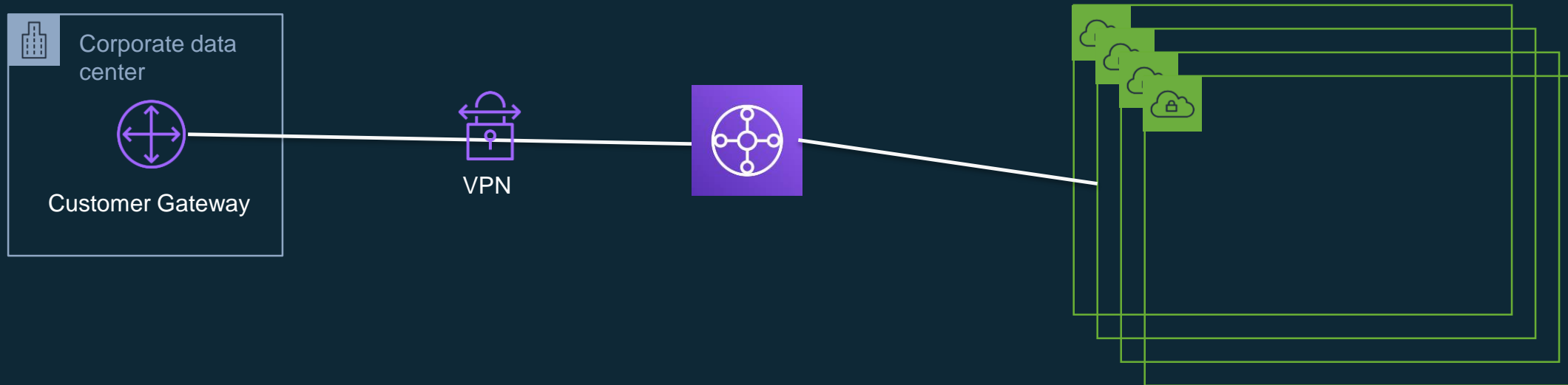
# Transit Gateway Attachments

- VPC
- VPN
- Direct Connect



# VPN Attachment

- ECMP support
  - Greater availability and throughput (1.25Gbps per VPN attachment)
  - Subject to on-premises customer gateway capabilities



# Direct Connect Gateway – Transit VIF

## Virtual interface type

### Type



#### Private

A private virtual interface should be used to access an Amazon VPC using private IP addresses.



#### Public

A public virtual interface can access all AWS public services using public IP addresses.

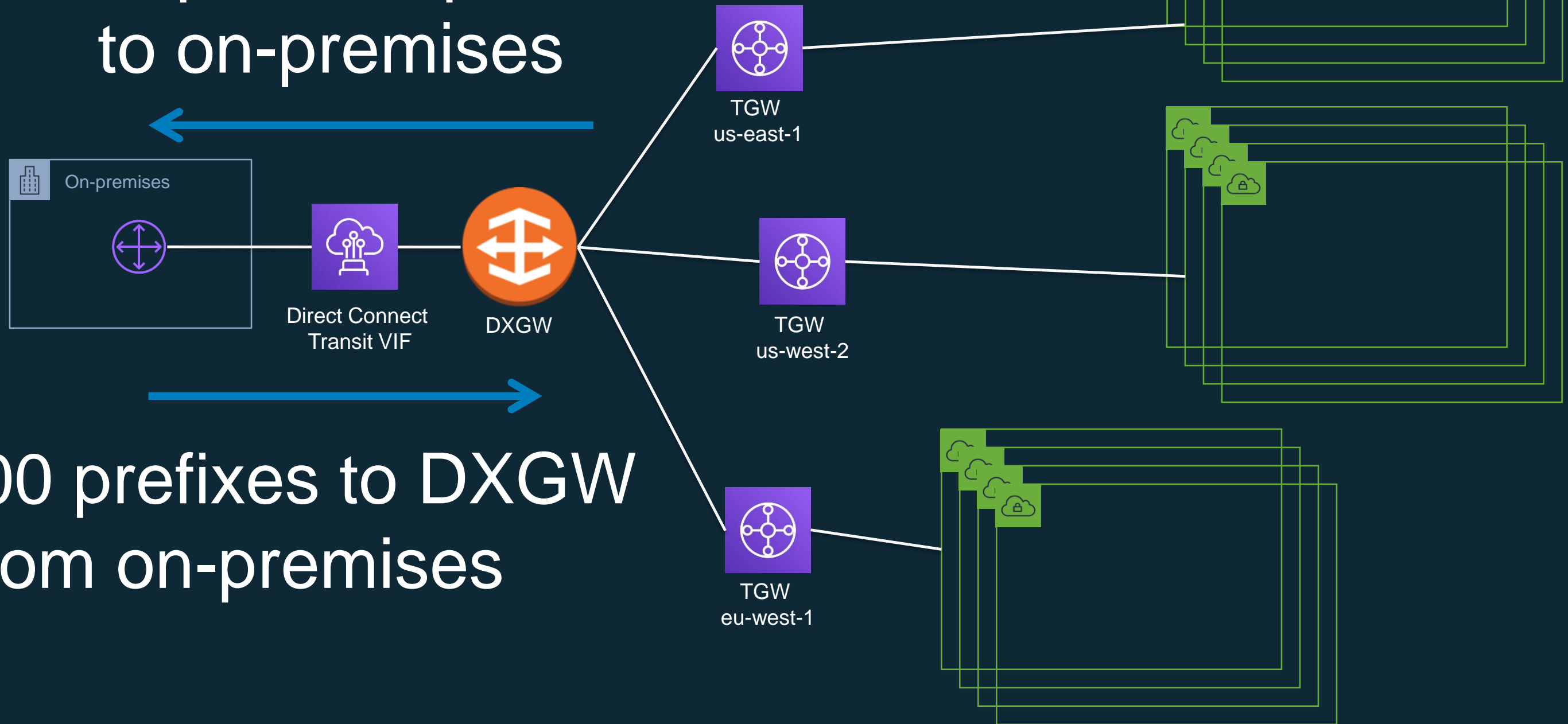


#### Transit

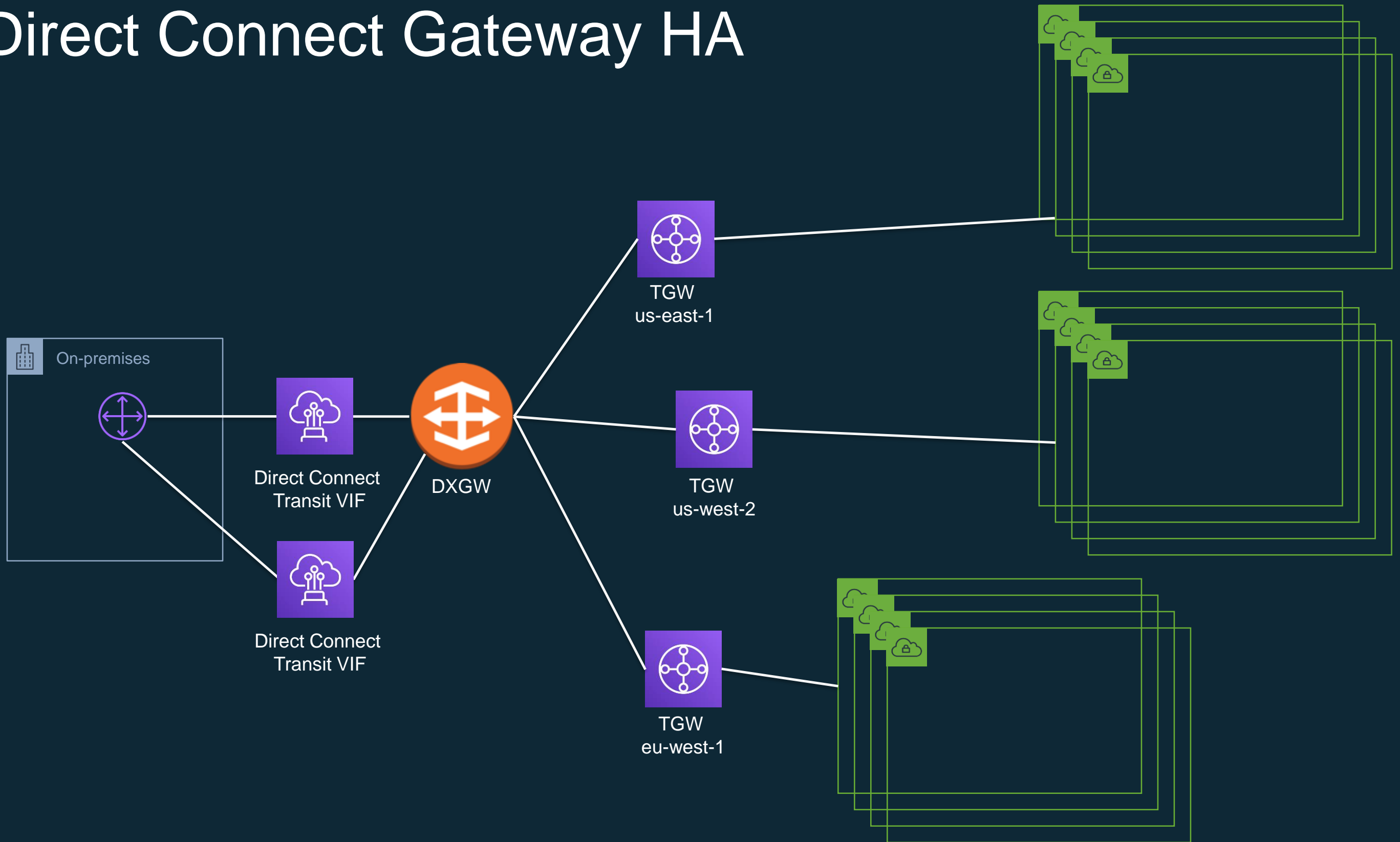
A transit virtual interface is a VLAN that transports traffic from a Direct Connect gateway to one or more transit gateways.

# Direct Connect Gateway Integration

20 prefixes per TGW  
to on-premises

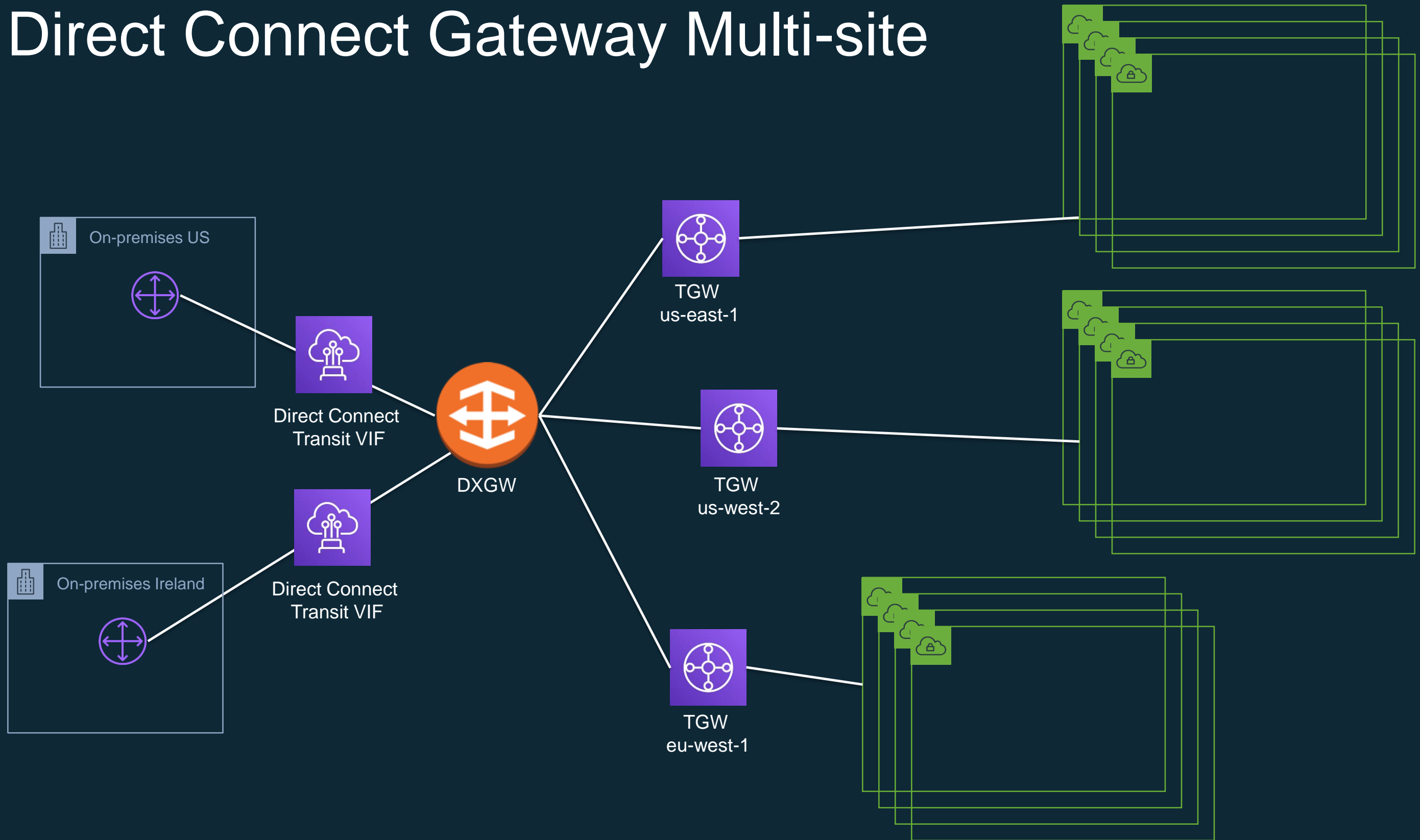


# Direct Connect Gateway HA



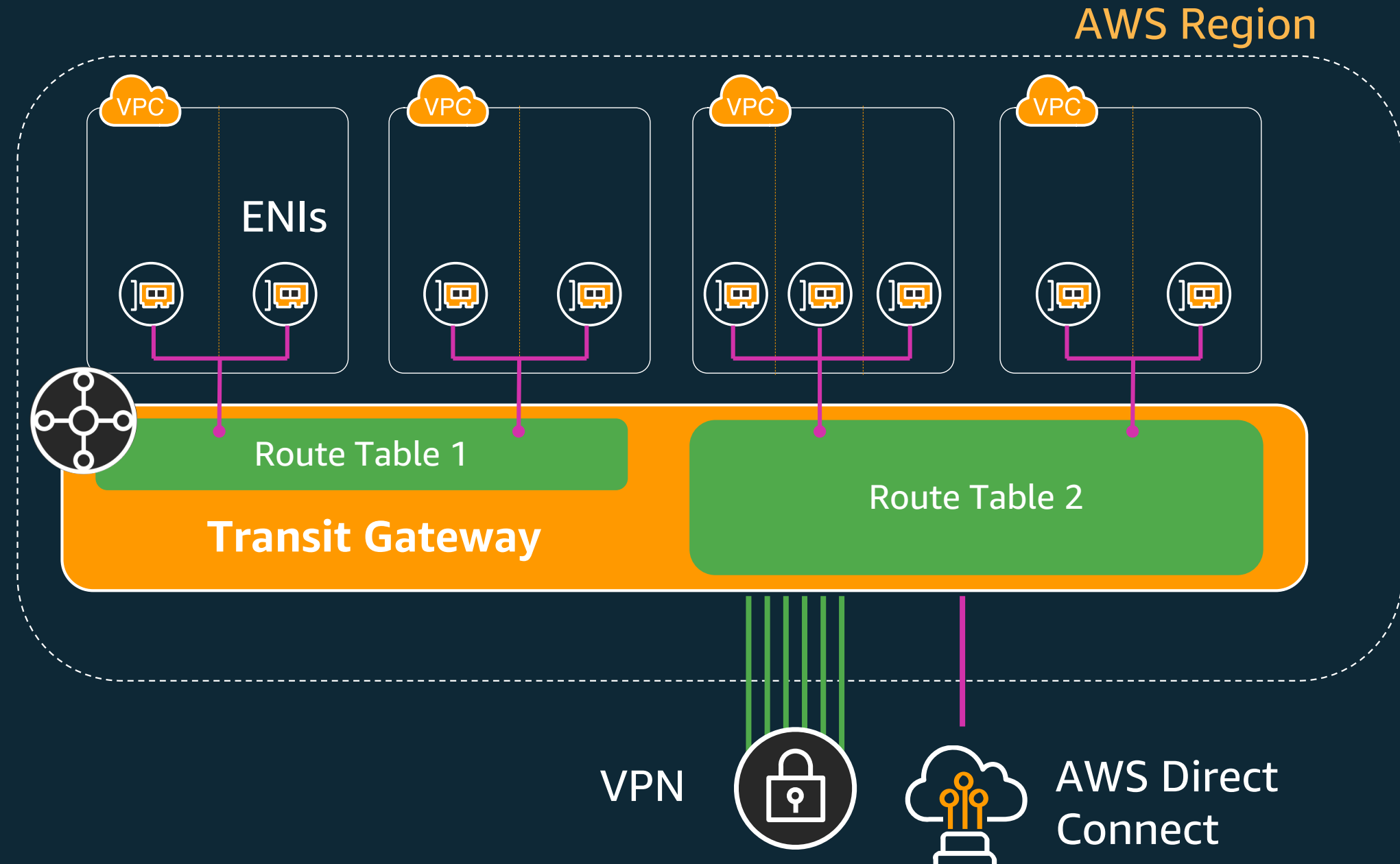


# Direct Connect Gateway Multi-site



# Transit Gateway Route Tables

- Control routing between attachments
- 20 route table limit per TGW
- Can have blackhole routes



# Transit Gateway Path Selection Behavior

1. Most Specific Route / Longest Prefix Match
2. Static route entries, including static Site-to-Site VPN routes
3. VPC propagated routes
4. BGP propagated routes from AWS Direct Connect gateway
5. BGP propagated routes from AWS Site-to-Site VPN

# Notes on ASNs

- Private ASN are used with DXGW, TGW, and VPNs
- Each TGW should have a unique ASN (if you want to connect them)
- DXGW and TGW require unique ASNs

# Propagations

- By default learned routes are propagated to TGW route table
- Routes don't propagate to VPC route table (can use default route to TGW)

View <span>All routes ▼</span>			
Destination	Target	Status	Propagated
10.12.8.0/22	local	active	No
0.0.0.0/0	<a href="#">tgw-0375d6ce4d97ea23a</a>	active	No

Default route table association ☒ enable ⓘ

Default route table propagation ☒ enable ⓘ

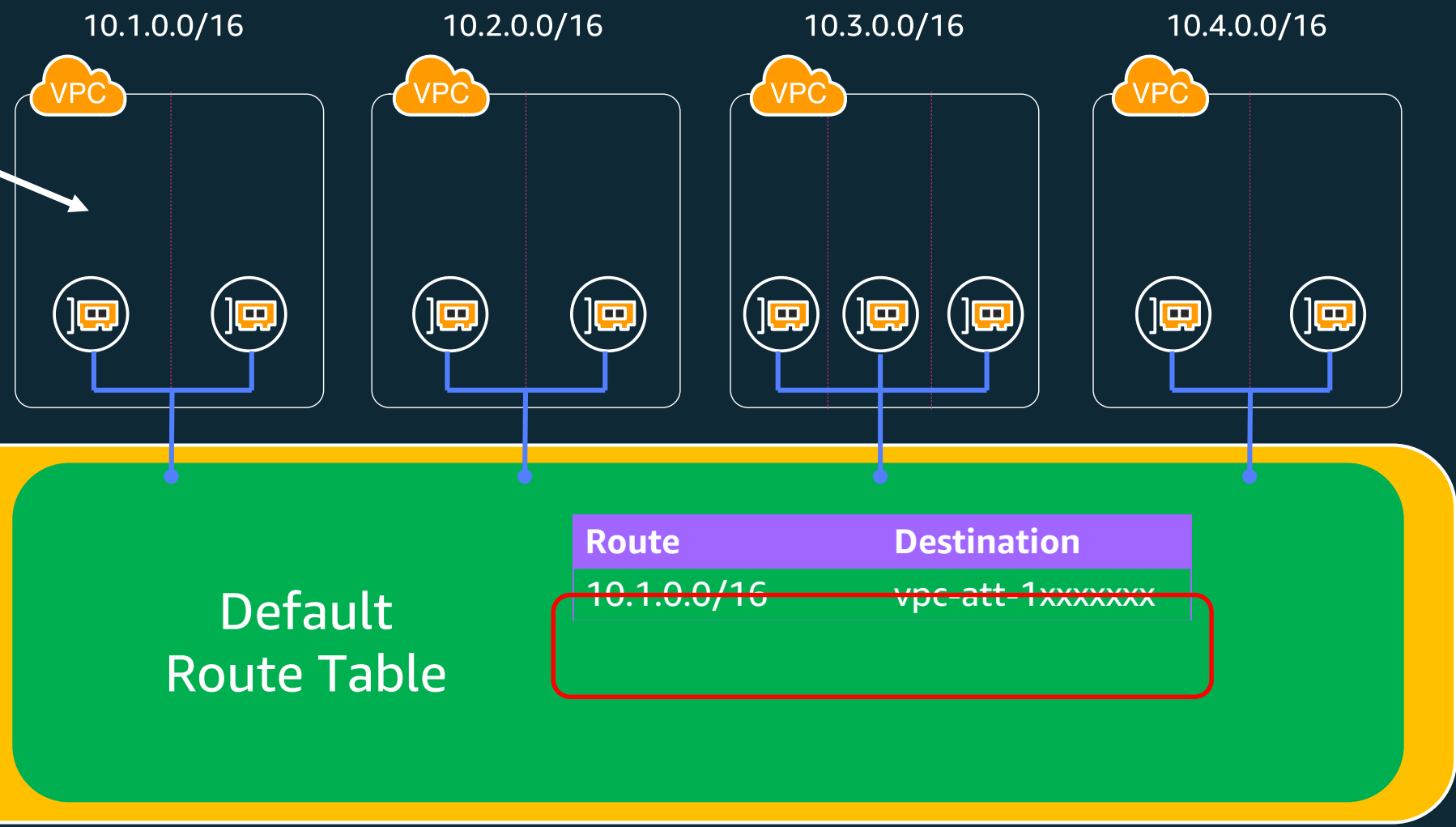
# Transit Gateway Data Flows



# Flat Network

Per VPC

Route	Destination
10.1.0.0/16	Local
10.0.0.0/8	tgw-xxxxxxxxx



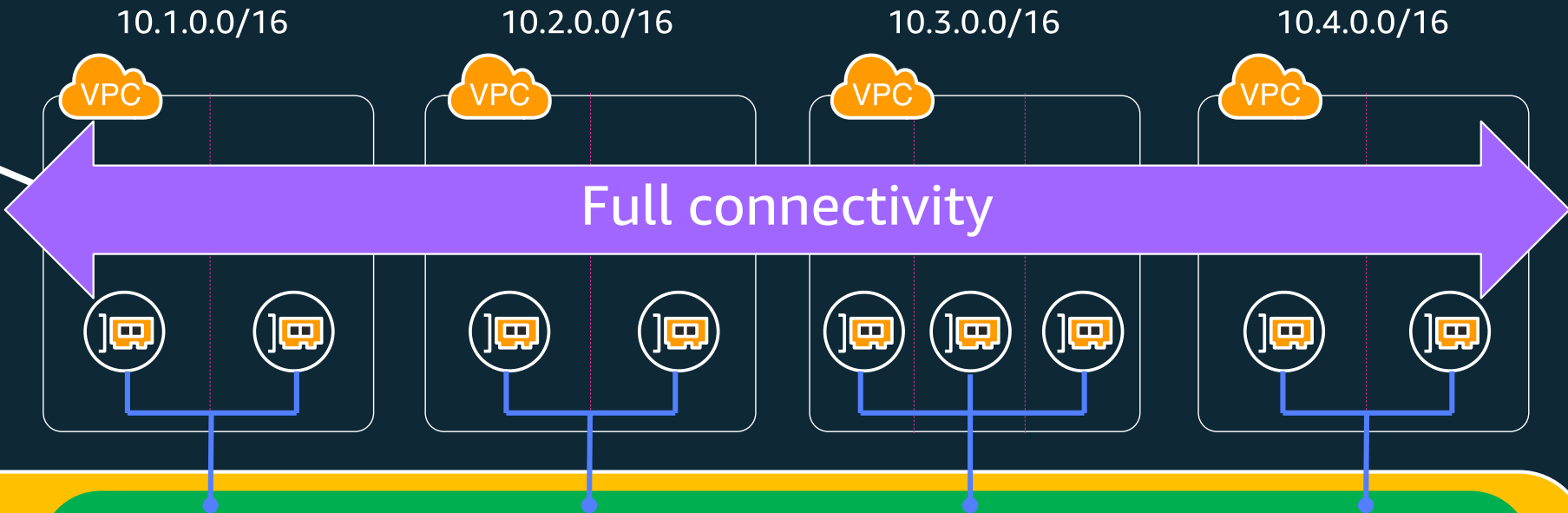
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Default  
Route Table

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10.1.0.0/16	vpc-att-1xxxxxxx
10.2.0.0/16	vpc-att-2xxxxxxx
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10.4.0.0/16	vpc-att-4xxxxxxx



# Segmented Network

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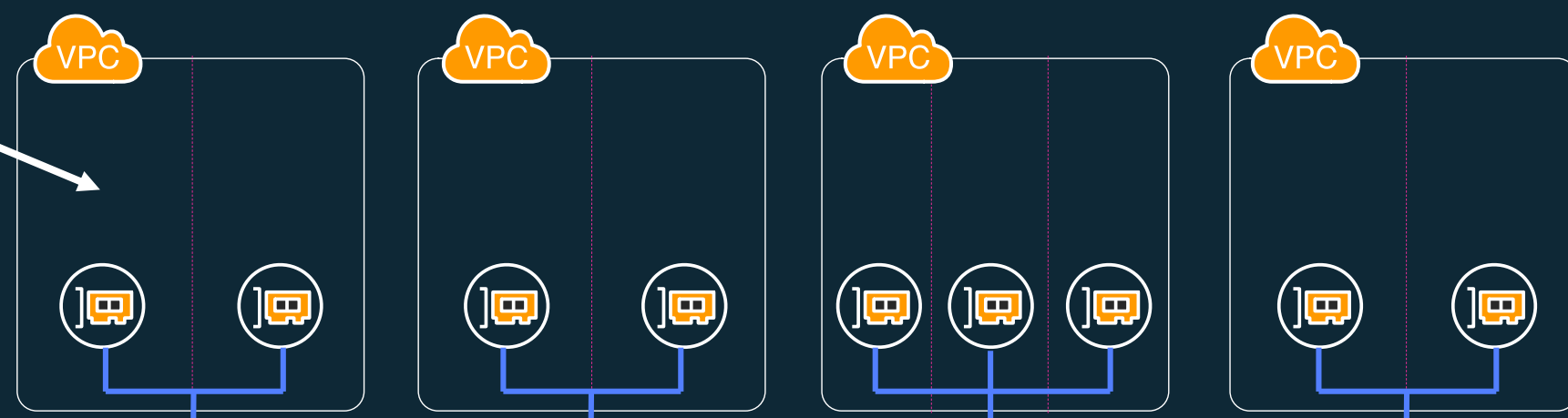
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10.4.0.0/16



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Route Table for VPCs

Route	Destination
0.0.0.0/0	VPN

Route Table for VPN

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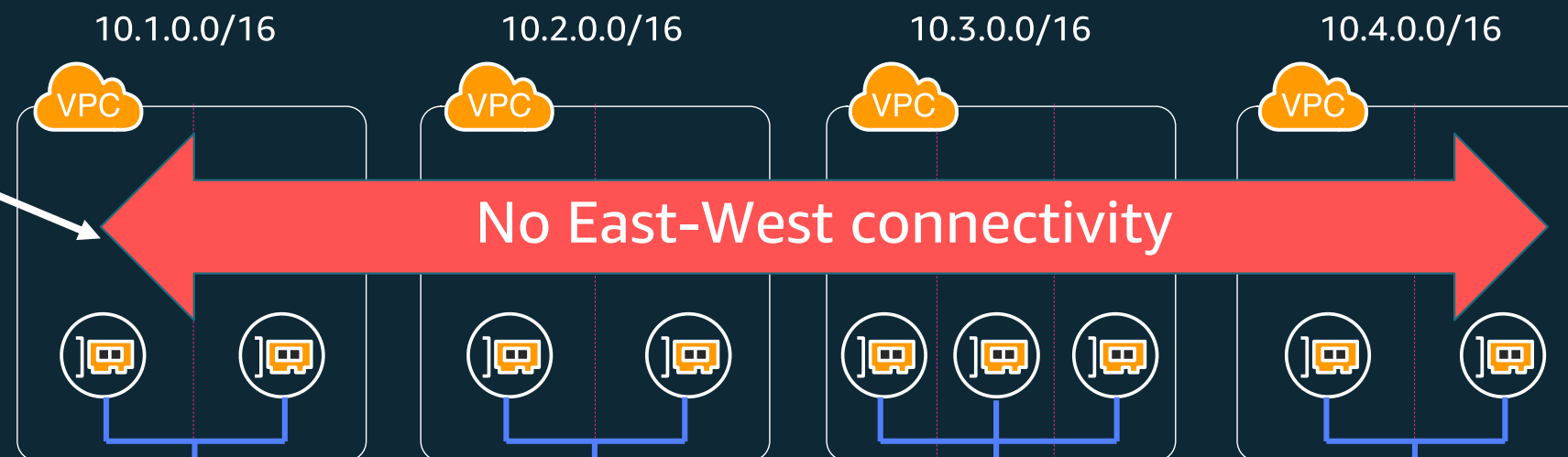
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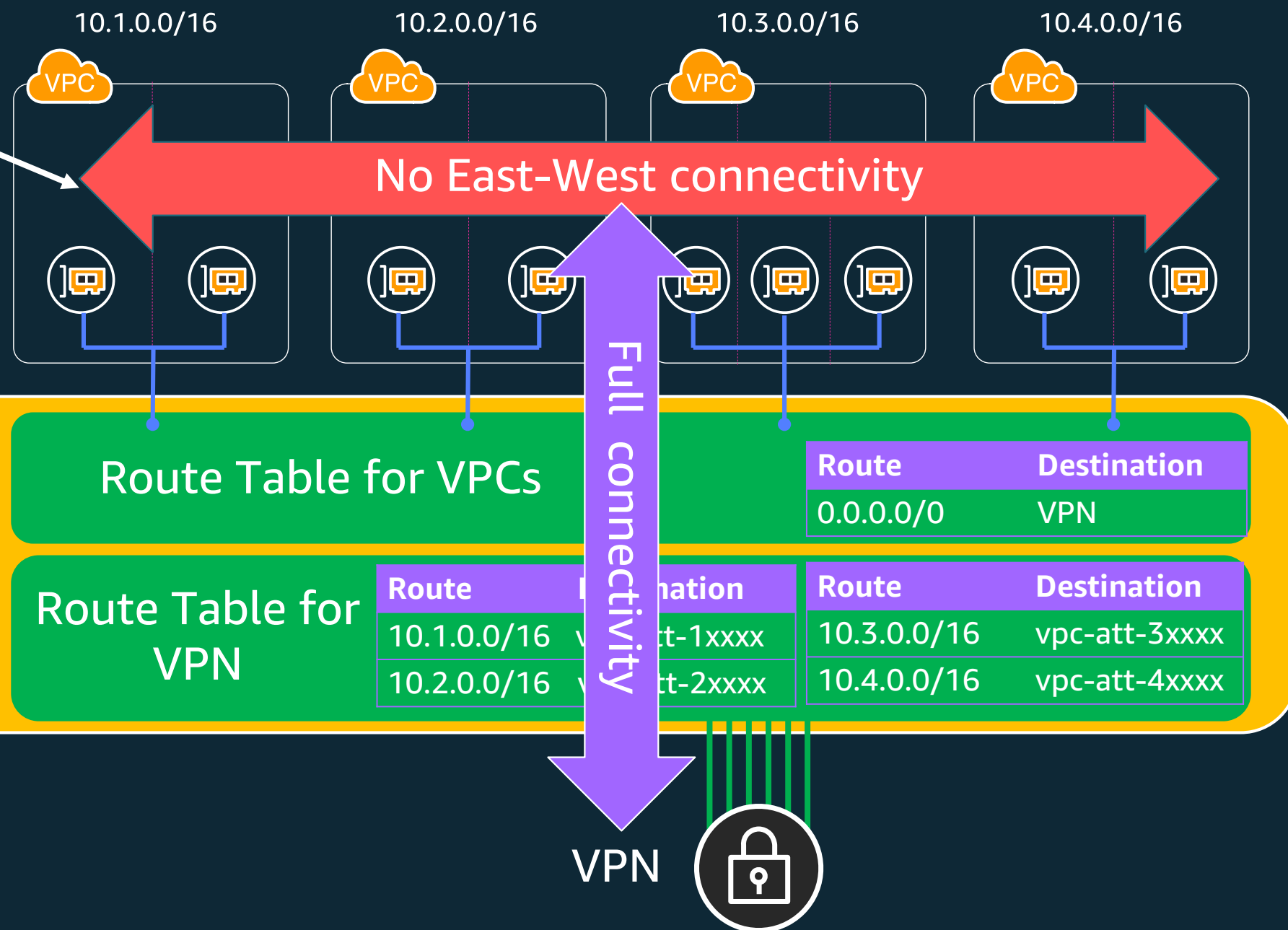
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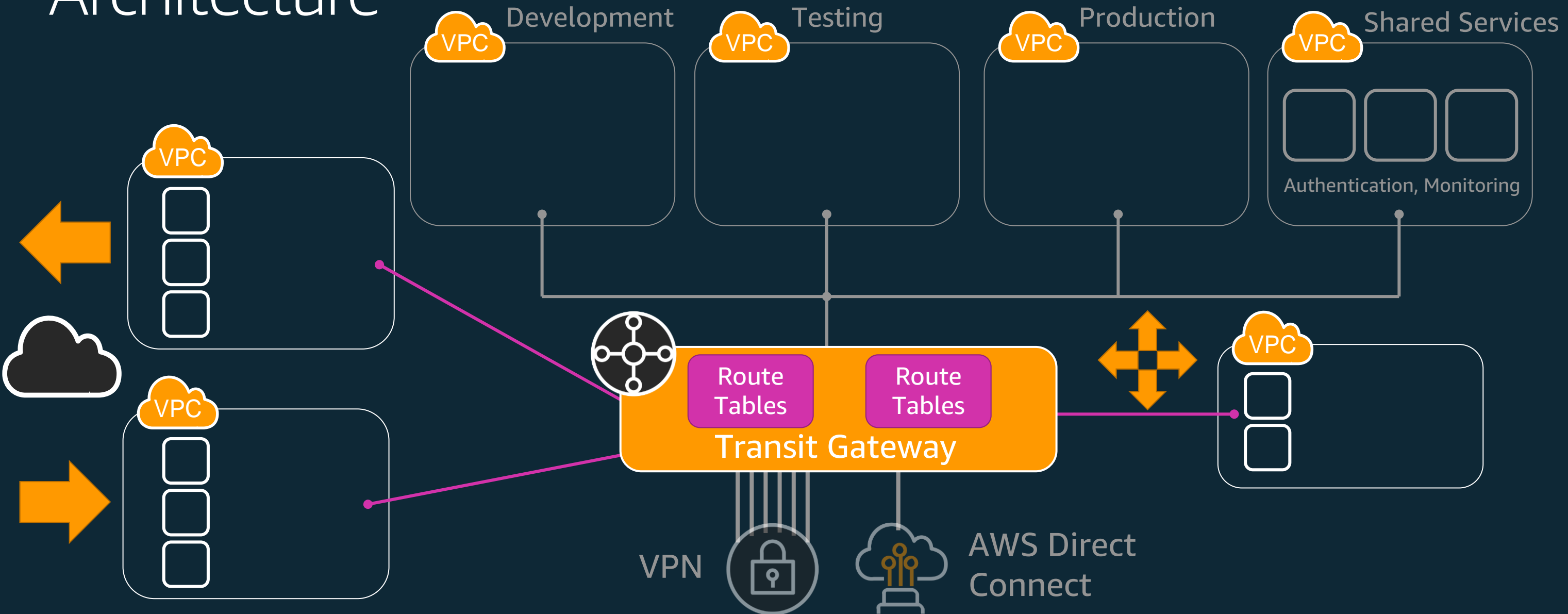


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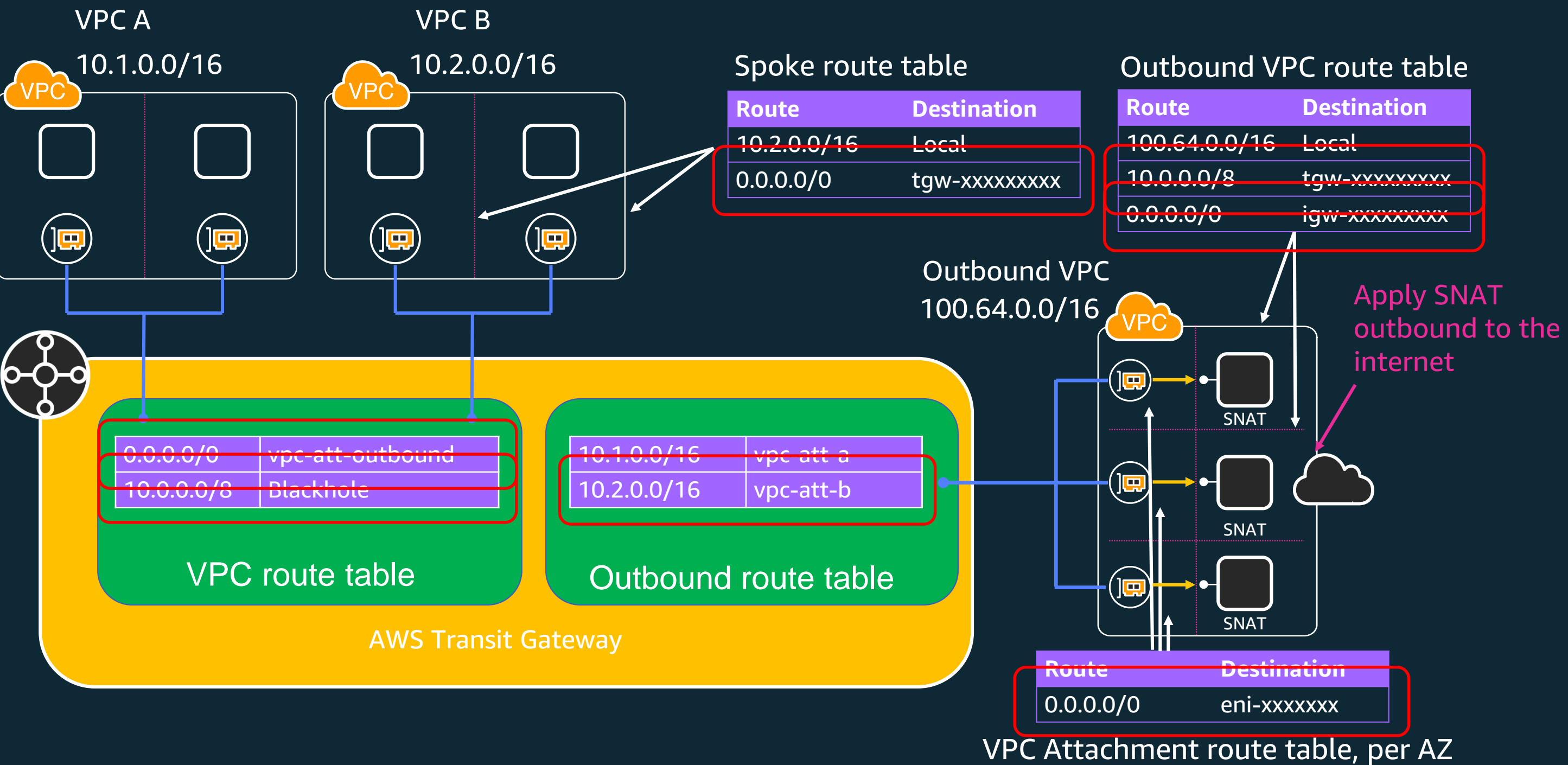


# Reference Network Architecture

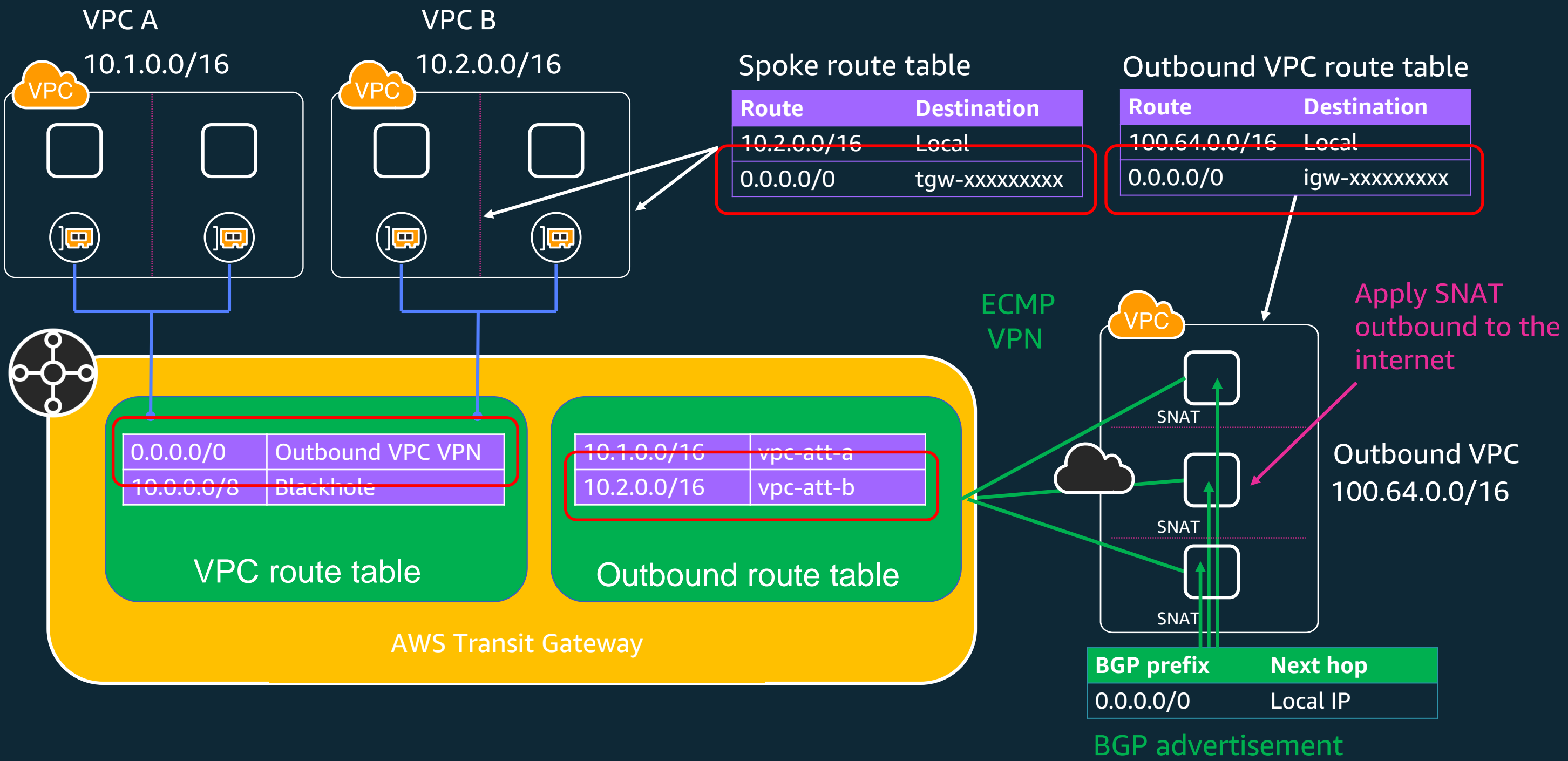
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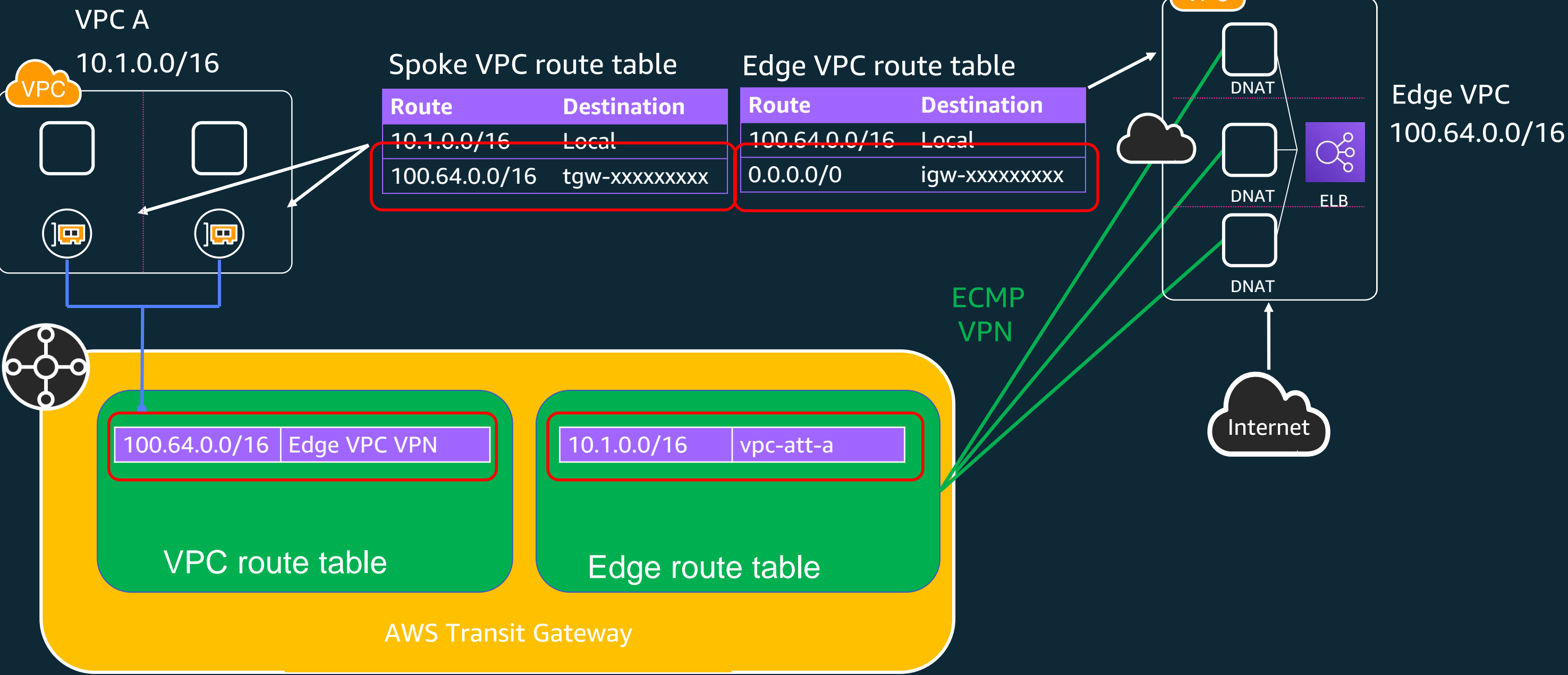
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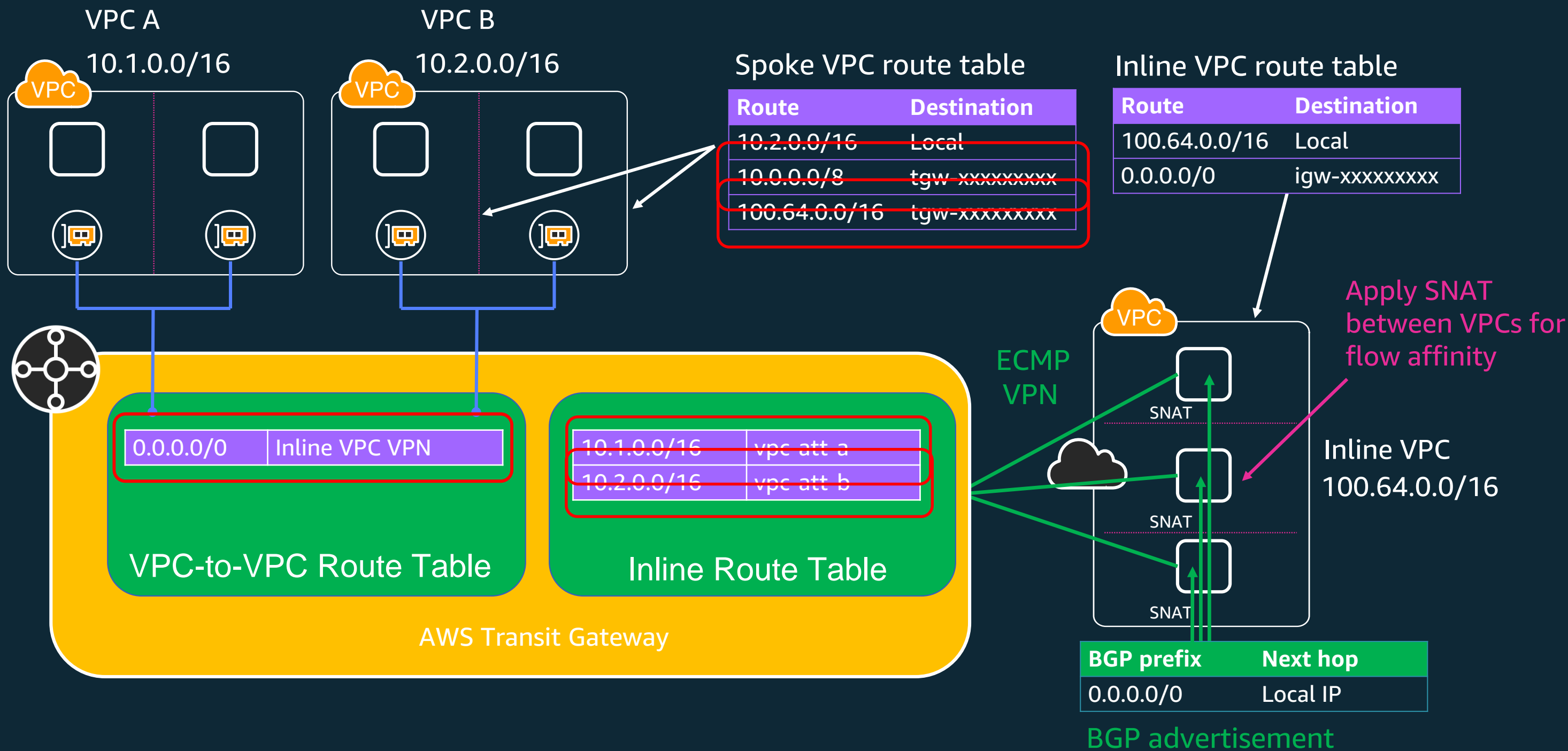


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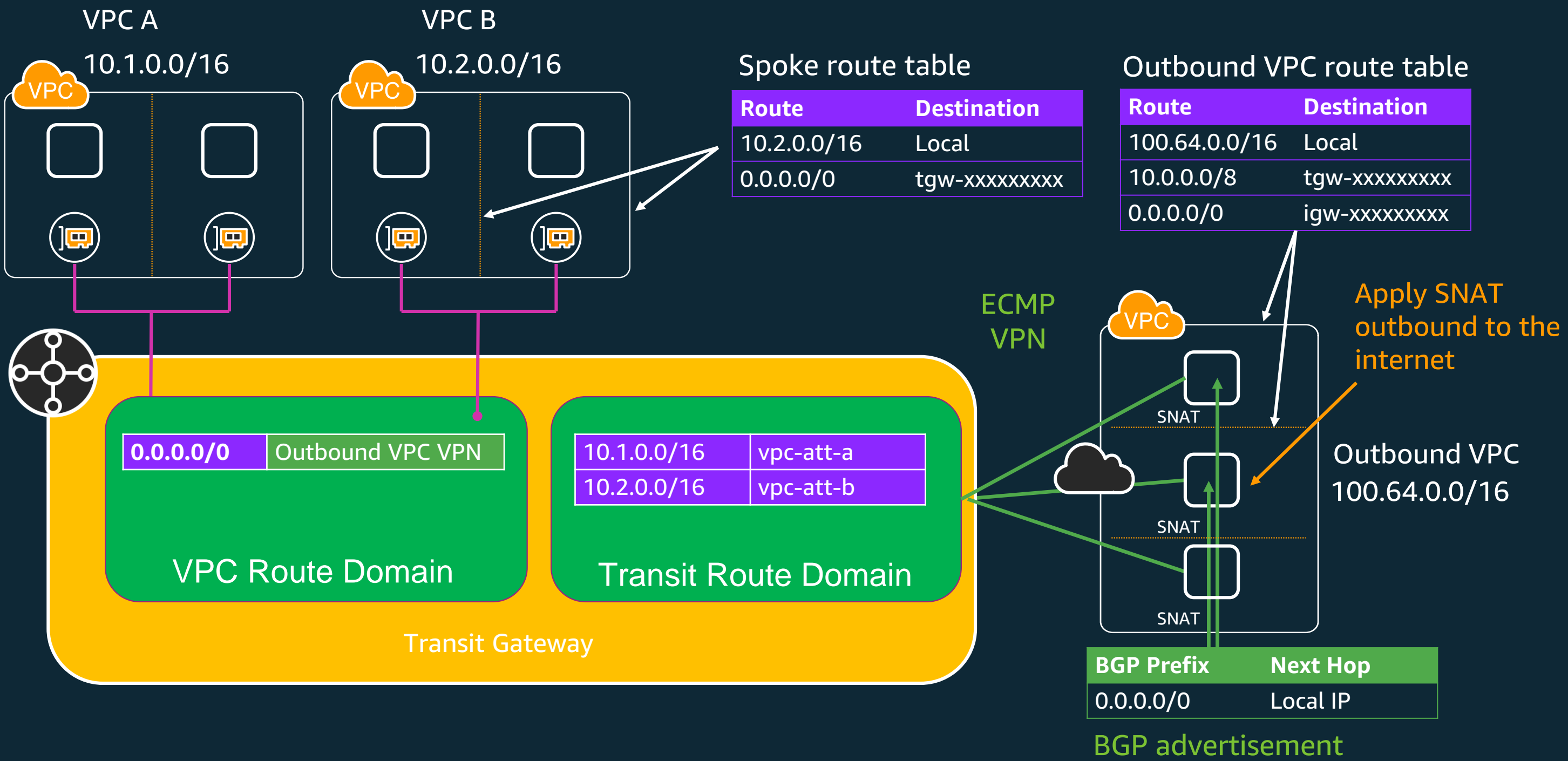


# VPC to VPC Inspection



# Outbound VPC Services

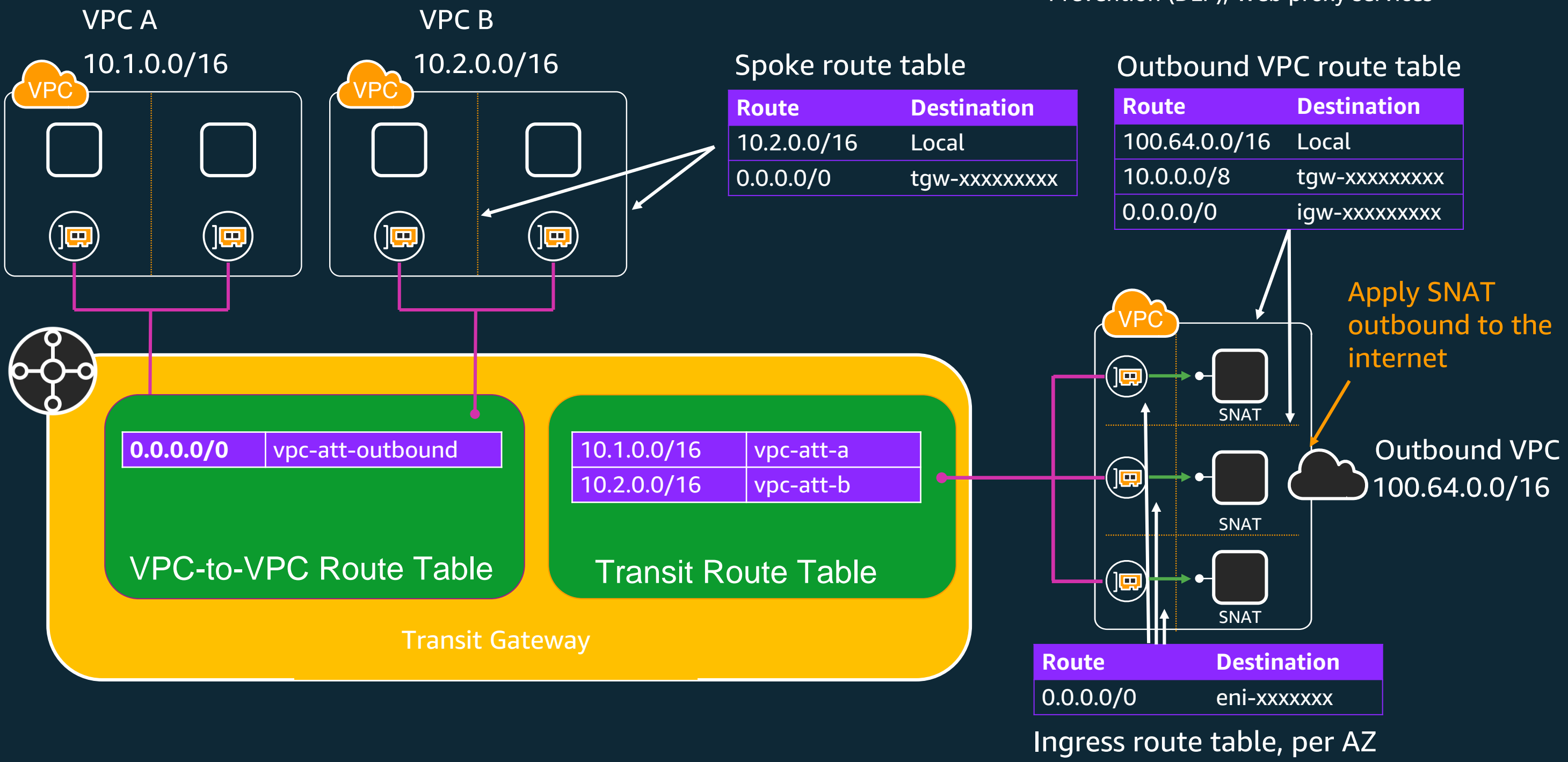
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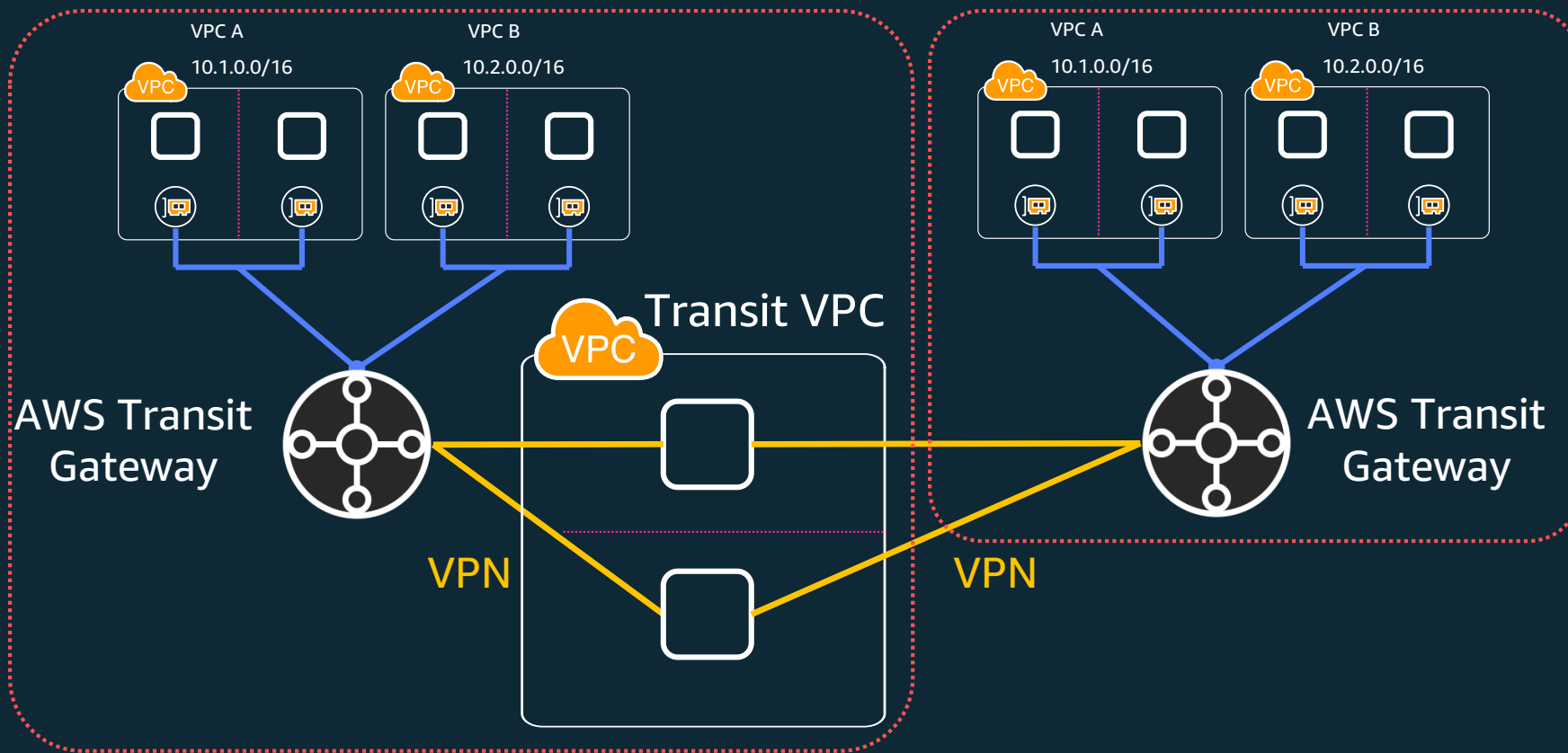
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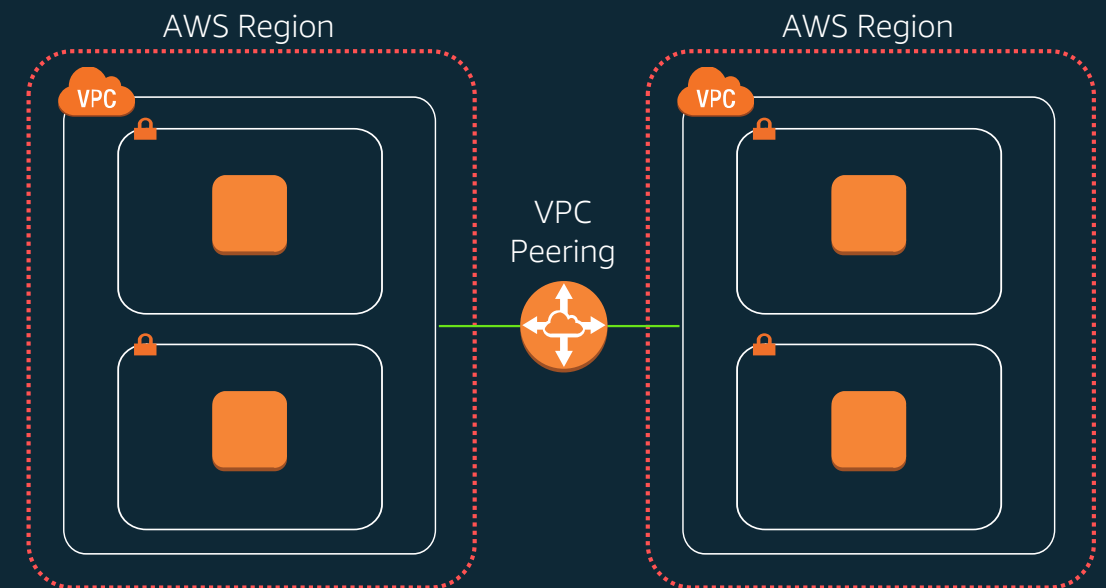
# AWS Transit Gateway in multiple Regions



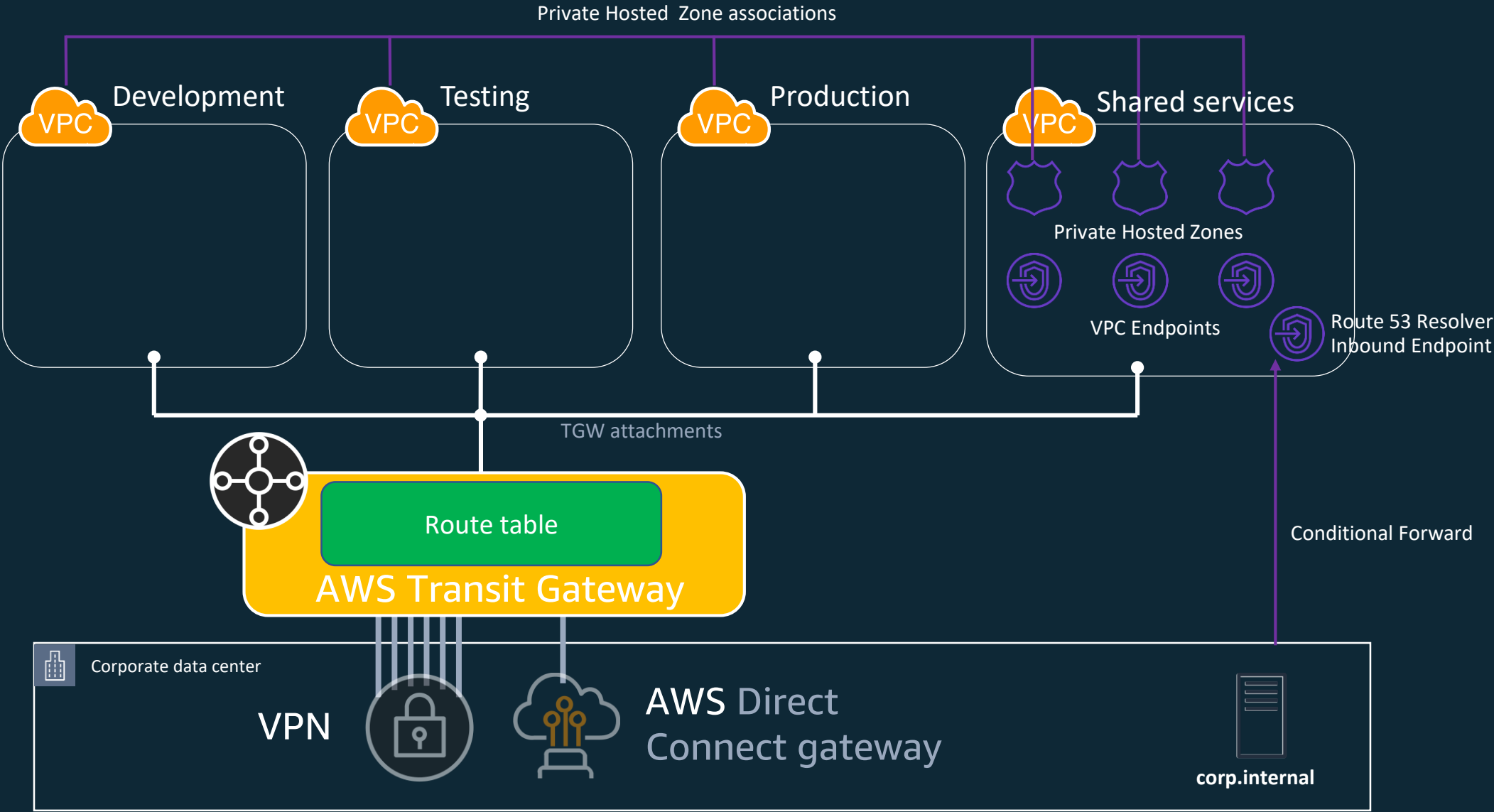
Connecting Regions with VPN

**AWS Transit Gateway  
inter-region support coming  
soon!**

Inter-region peering



# Centralized PrivateLink with Hybrid Cloud



# Take Away

- There are a number of ways to interconnect VPCs on AWS and to/from on-premises (peering, transit gateway, transit VPC, VPC sharing, etc.)
  - No single "right way"
- Transit gateway is an AWS native service greatly improving on the transit VPC design pattern
- We're here to help!
  - Talk to your account team – they can bring in specialists

**Questions?**