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AWS PrivateLink deployments: DNS mechanisms for routing & resiliency

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What to expect from this session

300-level session – you should have at least a basic understanding of PrivateLink and DNS

Deep dive into architectures and best practices

You don't need to be a networking guru, PrivateLink is actually pretty simple and DNS just resolves names to IPs!

Agenda

PrivateLink overview (and updates!)

HA by design: Hyperplane

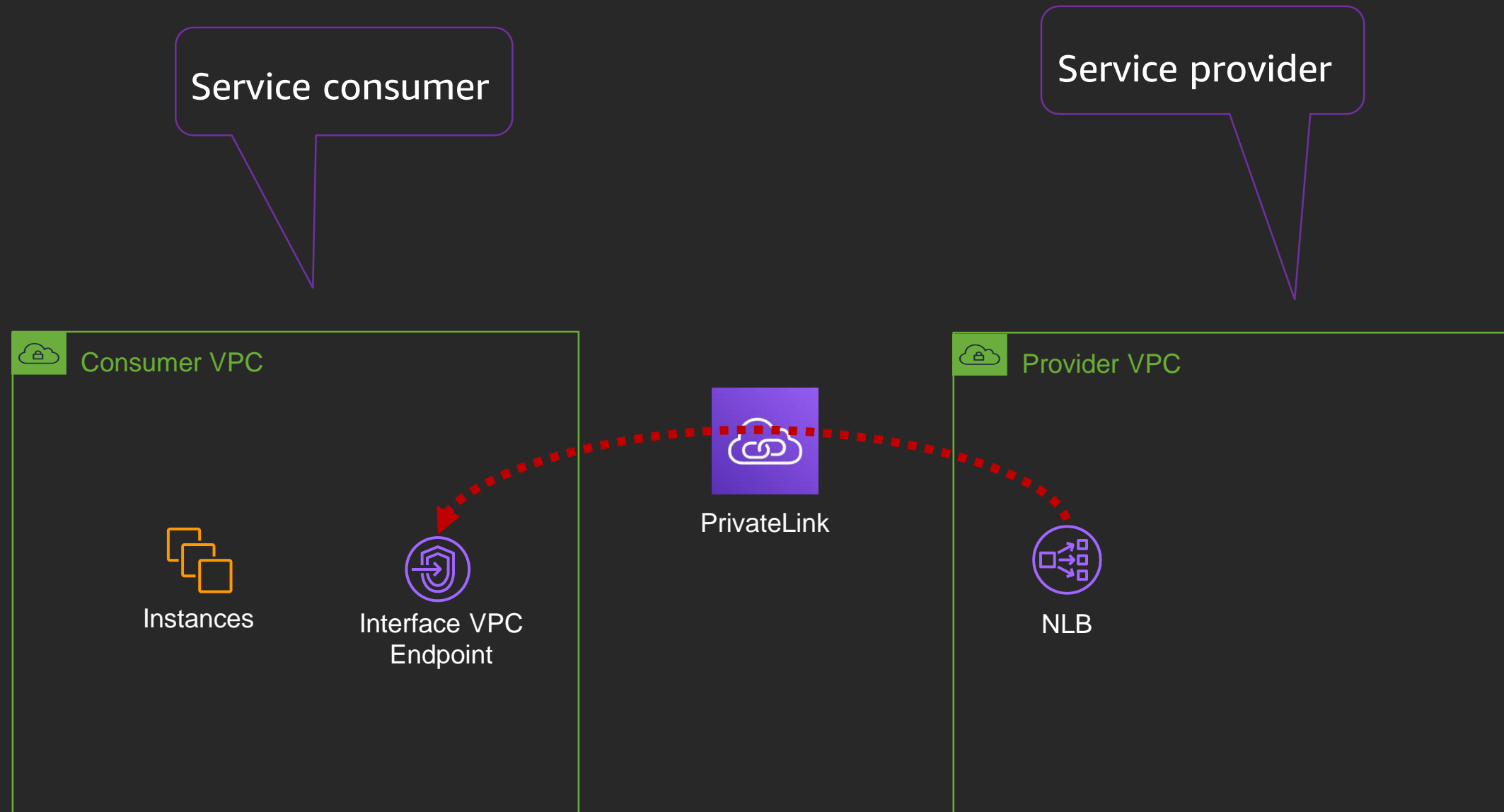
Amazon Route 53 Overview

Architectures

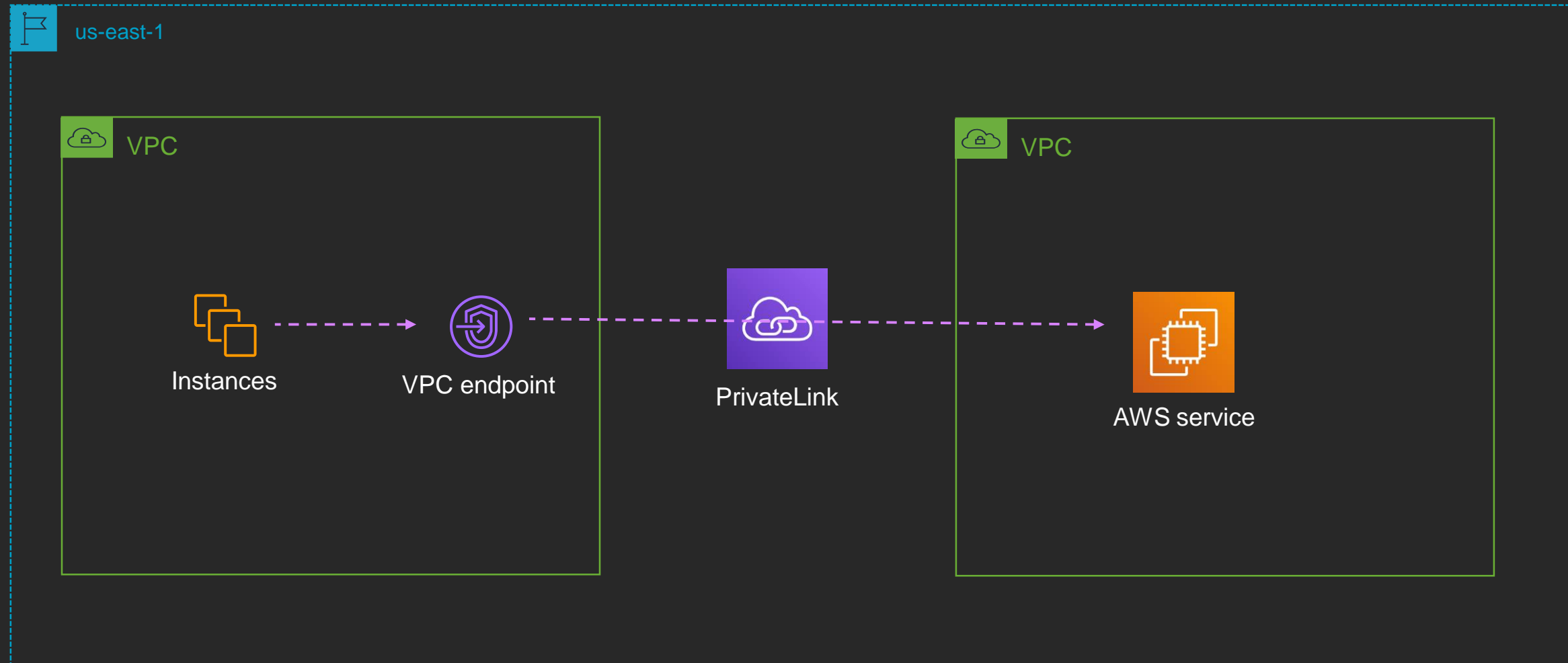
Best practices

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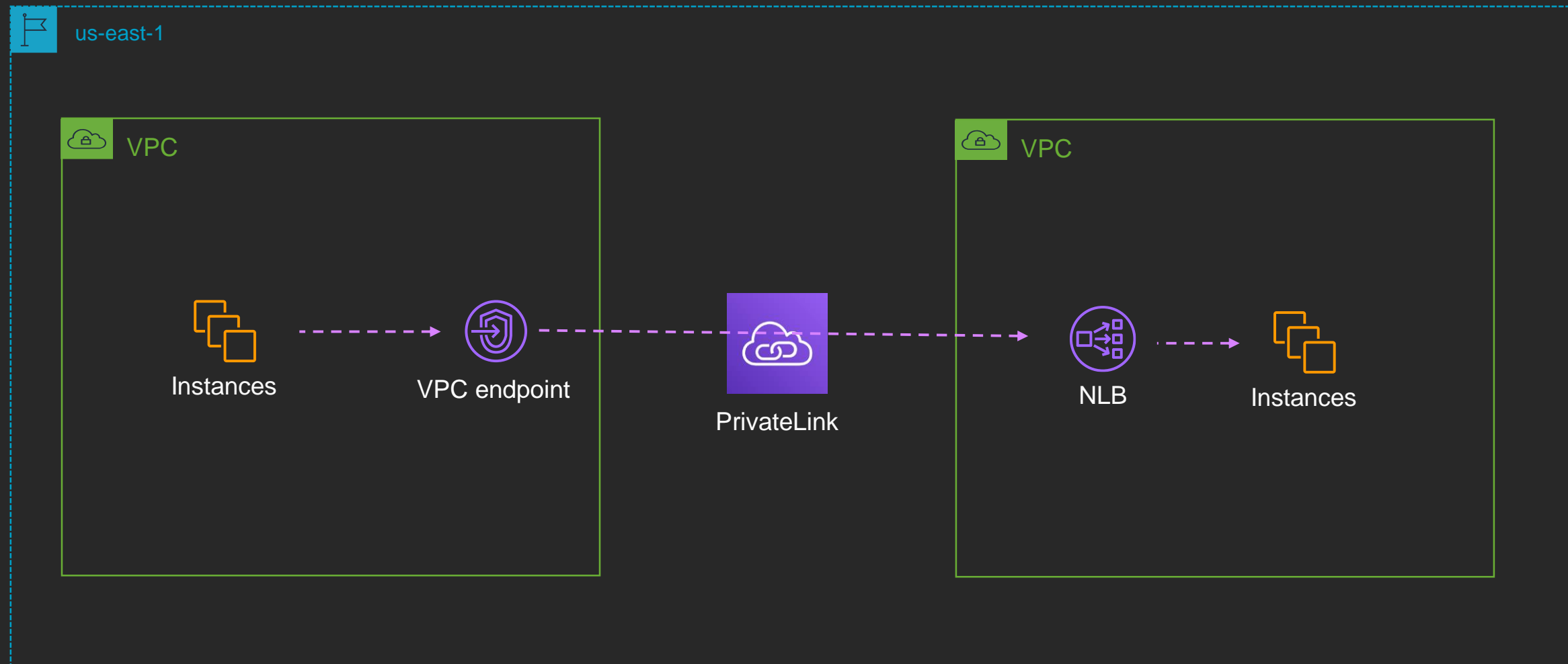
PrivateLink quick overview



PrivateLink Interface Endpoints – AWS Services

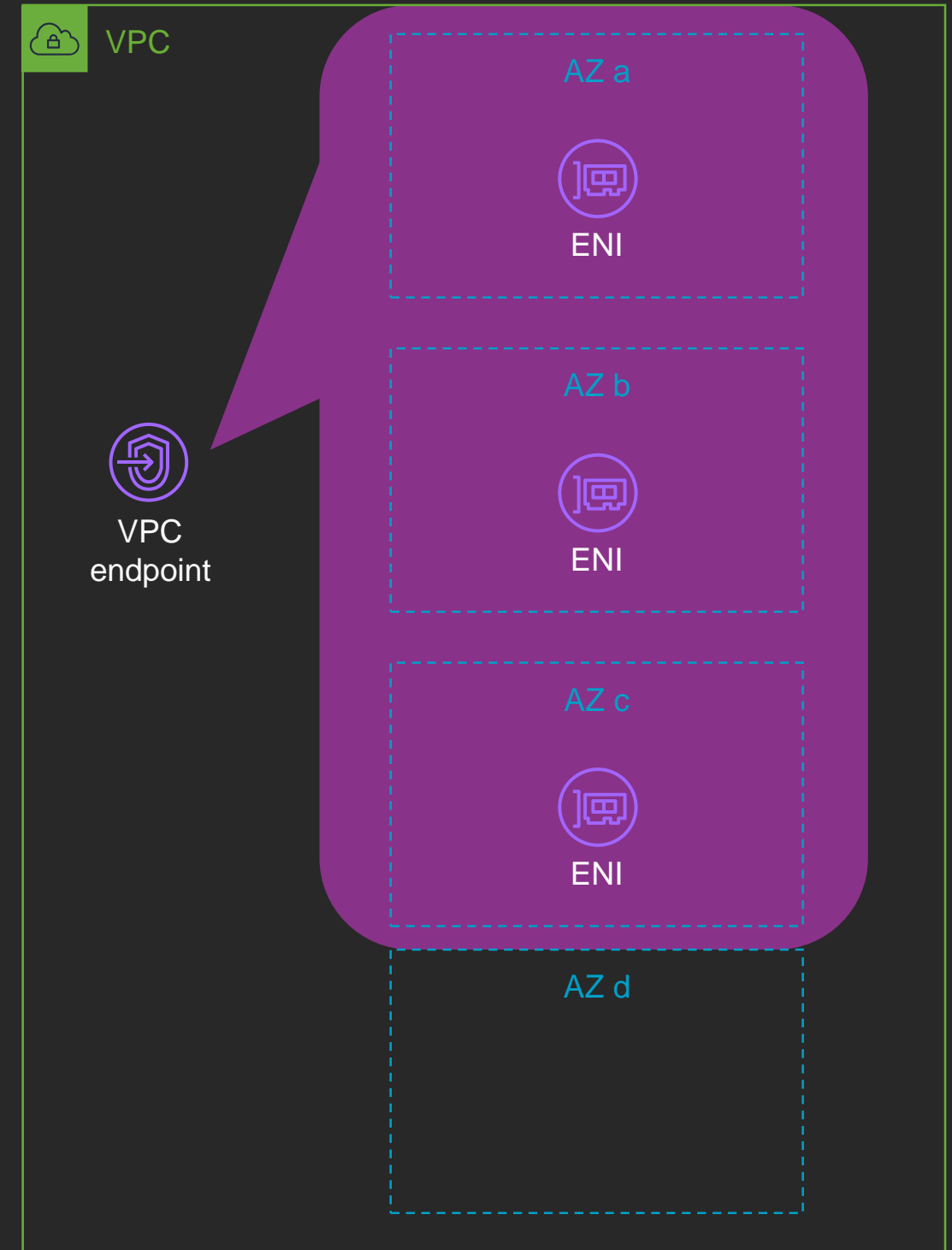


PrivateLink interface endpoints – endpoint services and SaaS



VPC endpoints and ENIs

- A VPC endpoint is a collection of ENIs spanning subnets
- Within a subnet, a VPCE is represented as an ENI
 - At most one ENI per AZ
 - An ENI is used to connect to a PrivateLink enabled service



Interface endpoints Private DNS

Enable Private DNS Name

☒ Enable for this endpoint

To use private DNS names, ensure that the attributes 'Enable DNS hostnames' and 'Enable DNS Support' are set to 'true' for your VPC (vpce-5886f73e). [Learn more](#).

Details

Subnets

Security Groups

Notifications

Endpoint ID

vpce-03cc8de4ed6fe2de6

Status

available

Service name

com.amazonaws.us-east-1.logs

DNS Names

logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com (Z3FZ9DXDE08S3)

vpce-03cc8de4ed6fe2de6-6l9vgq7e.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV)

vpce-03cc8de4ed6fe2de6-6l9vgq7e-us-east-1c.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV)

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```
C:\Users\Administrator>nslookup logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
Server: ip-10-0-0-2.ec2.internal
Address: 10.0.0.2

Non-authoritative answer:
Name: logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
Addresses: 10.0.6.229
           10.0.50.182
           10.0.1.161
           10.0.2.183

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Name: logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
Addresses: 10.0.2.183
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           10.0.50.182
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```

Interface endpoints Public DNS

Enable Private DNS Name ☐ Enable for this endpoint ⓘ

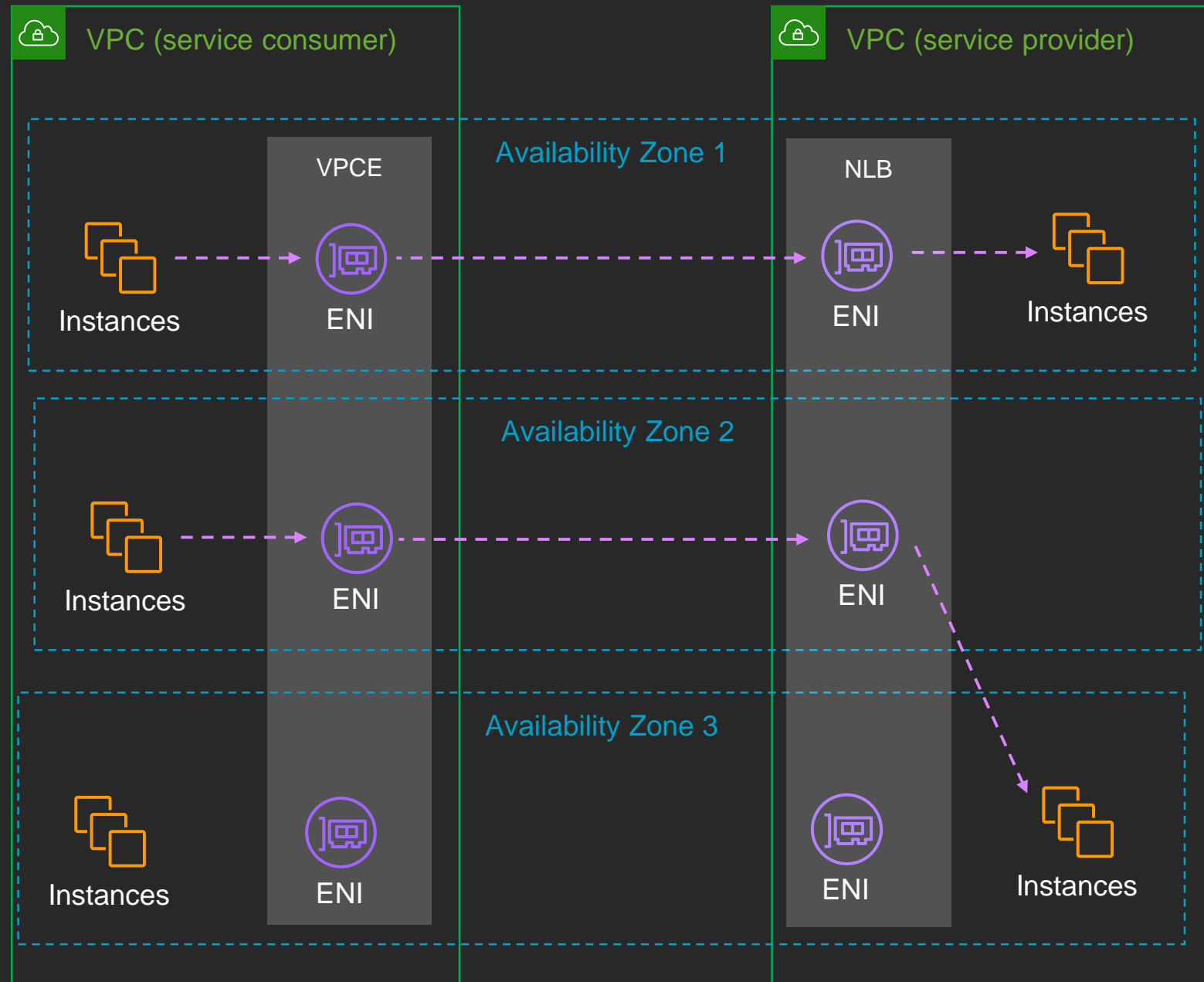
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[Learn more.](#)

Endpoint ID	vpce-0645f9a210de1375c
Status	available
Service name	com.amazonaws.us-east-1.logs
DNS Names	vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV) vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5-us-east-1c.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV) vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5-us-east-1b.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV) vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5-us-east-1d.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV) vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5-us-east-1a.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com (Z7HUB22UULQXV)

```
C:\Users\Administrator>nslookup vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com
Server: ip-172-31-0-2.ec2.internal
Address: 172.31.0.2

Non-authoritative answer:
Name: vpce-0645f9a210de1375c-69tnl2k5.logs.us-east-1.vpce.amazonaws.com
Addresses: 10.0.2.94
           10.0.3.211
           10.0.50.206
           10.0.1.226
```

Cross-zone load balancing



Endpoint policies

- IAM policy for all endpoints
- Growing number of AWS services support endpoint policies
 - Granular control over access to the service

```
{
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Principal": "*",
      "Action": [
        "execute-api:Invoke"
      ],
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:execute-api:us-east-1:123412341234:a1b2c3d4e5/*",
        "arn:aws:execute-api:us-east-1:123412341234:aaaaa11111/*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```
{
  "Action": "codecommit:GitPush",
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Resource": "arn:aws:codecommit:us-west-2:123456789012:MyDemoRepo",
  "Principal": "*"
}
```

Security groups

Control traffic to a VPCE

search : logs ✕ Add filter

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Endpoint: vpce-0645f9a210de1375c ⏶ ⏷ ⏸

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Tags

Edit Security Groups

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Name Tag	Group ID	Group Name	Description
-	sg-d9839aa5	default	default VPC security g...

Tagging

Manage access and endpoint management

search : logs

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Add filter

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Add/Edit Tags

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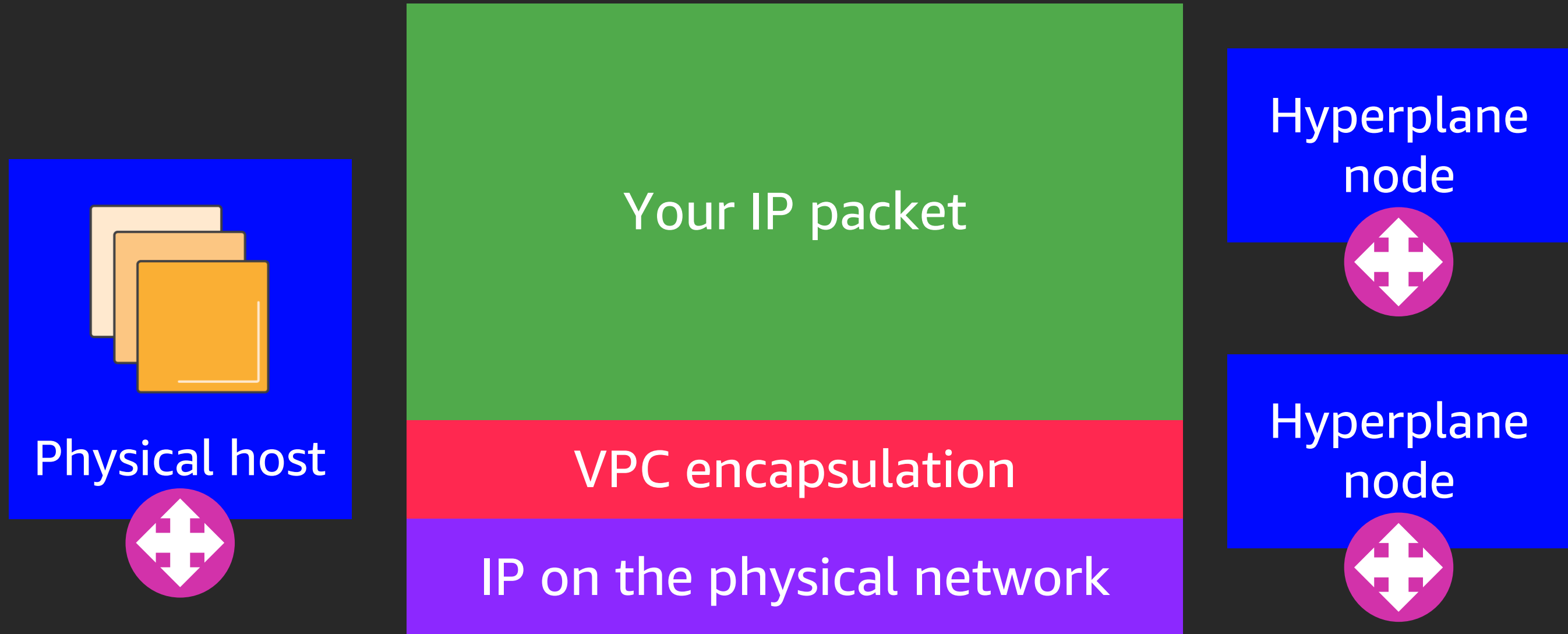
“Everything fails all the time”

Werner Vogels

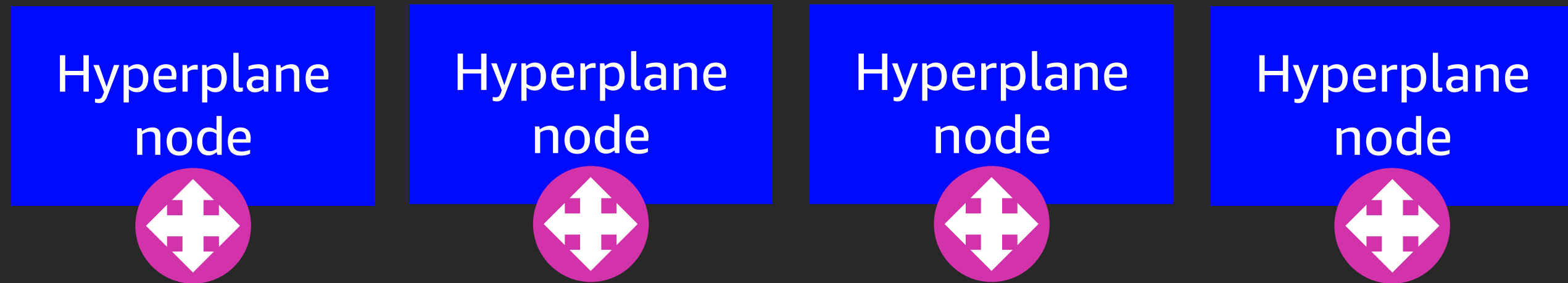
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HA by design: Hyperplane

Hyperplane

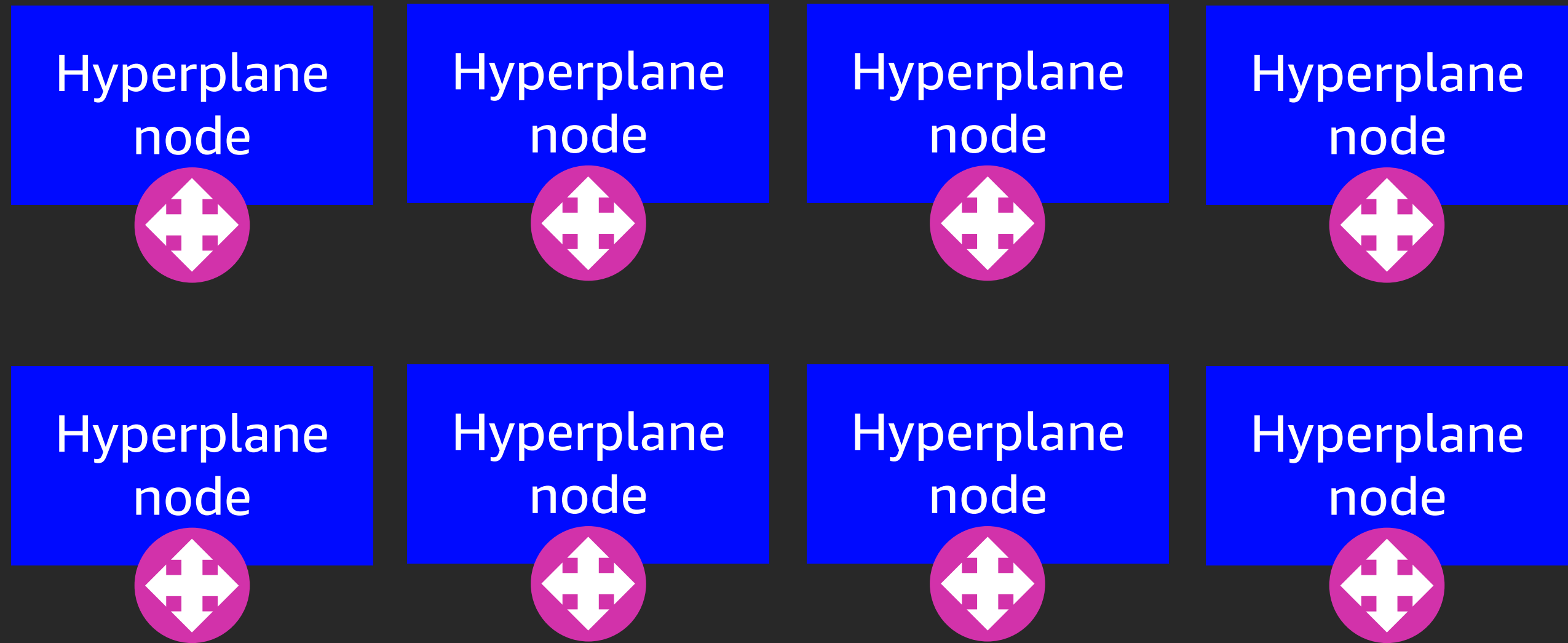


Hyperplane

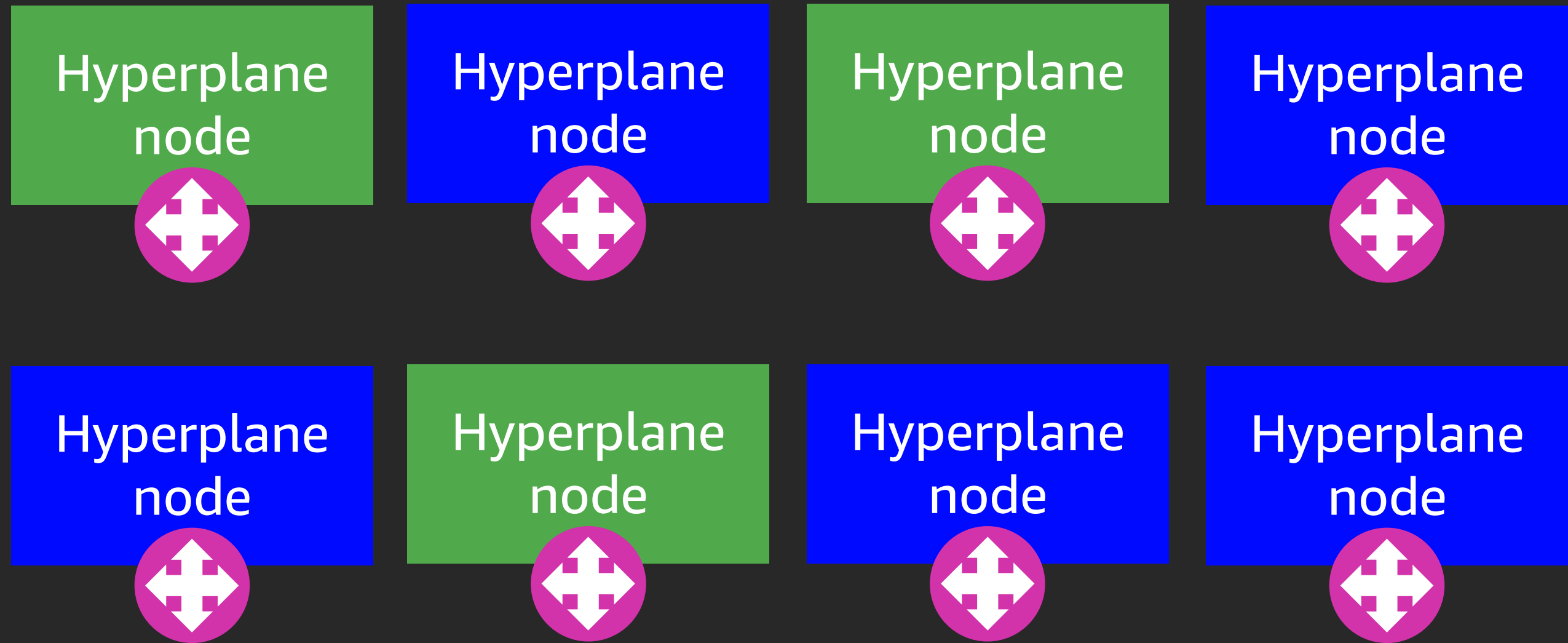


Hyperplane nodes make transactional
decisions and share state in tens of
microseconds

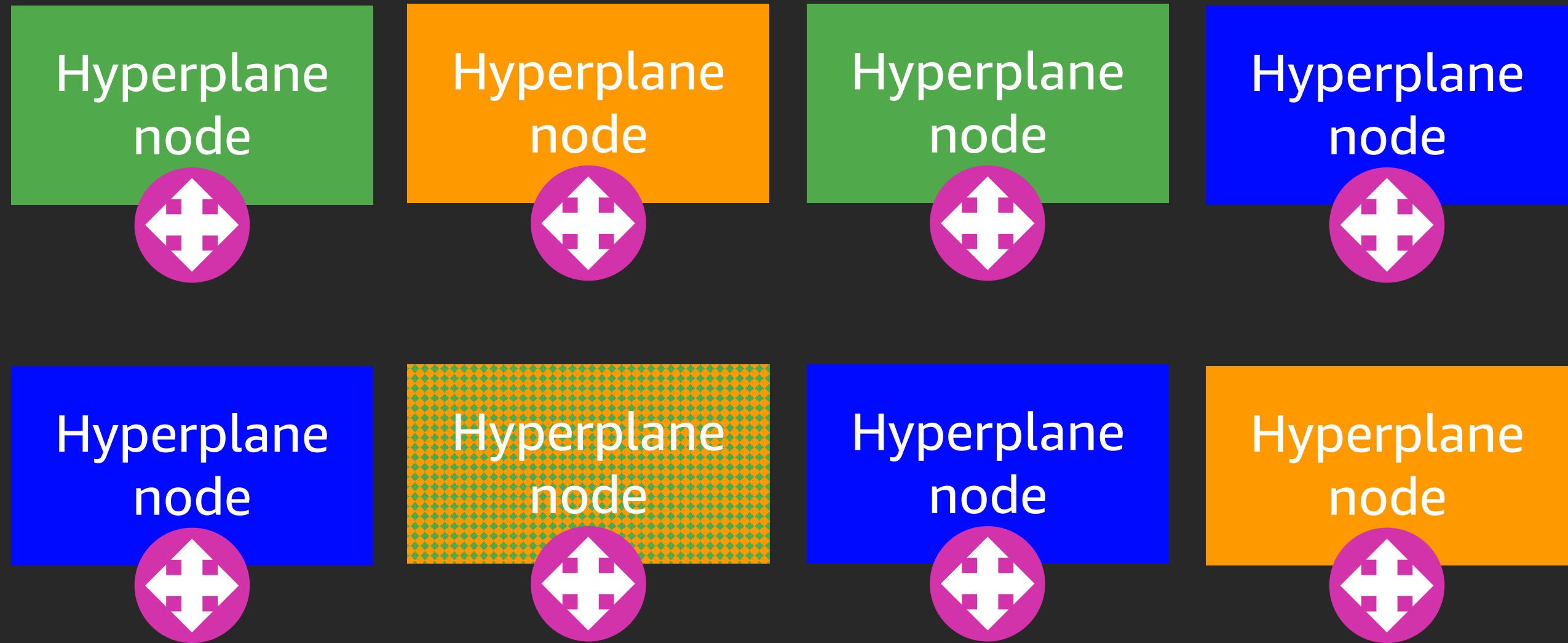
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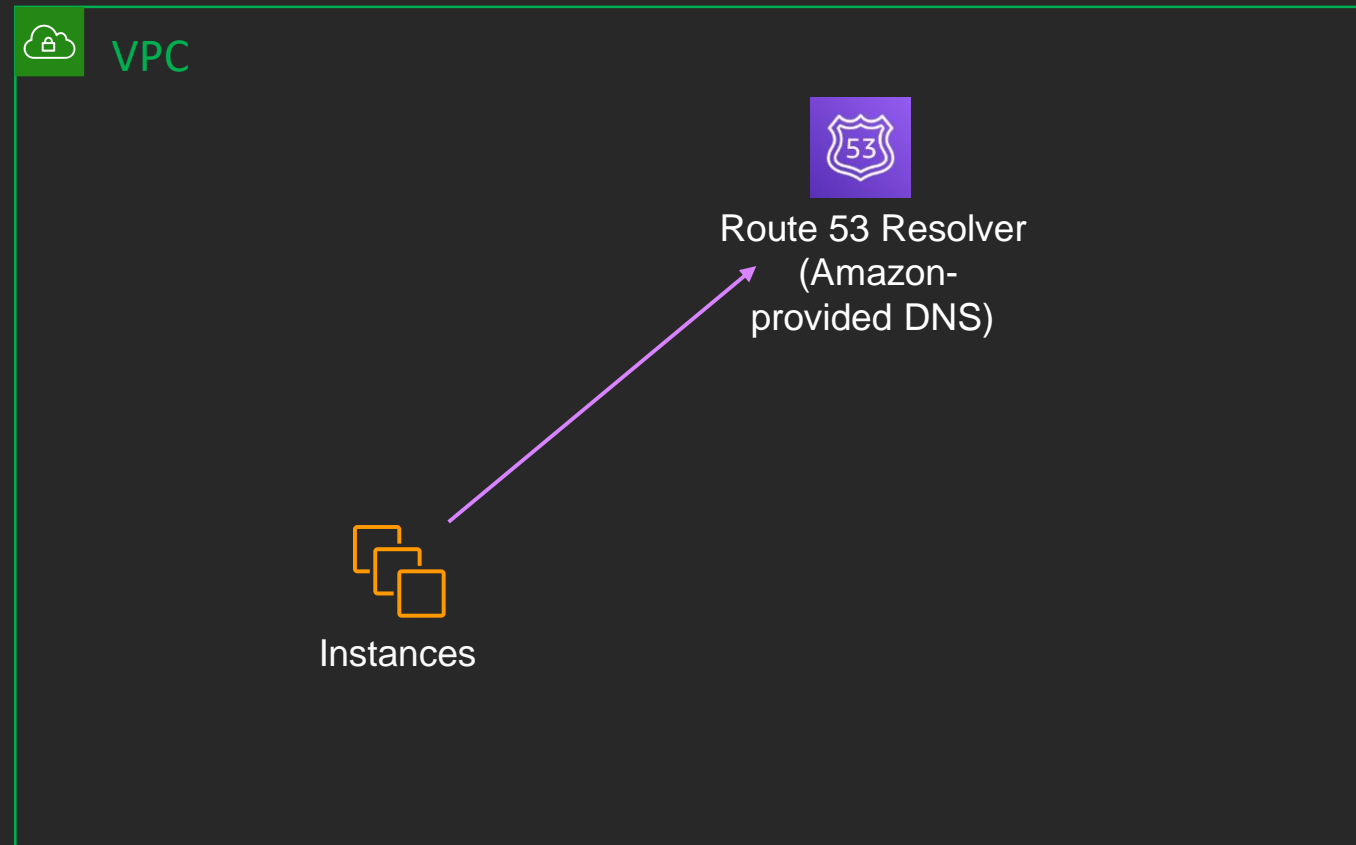
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Route 53 overview

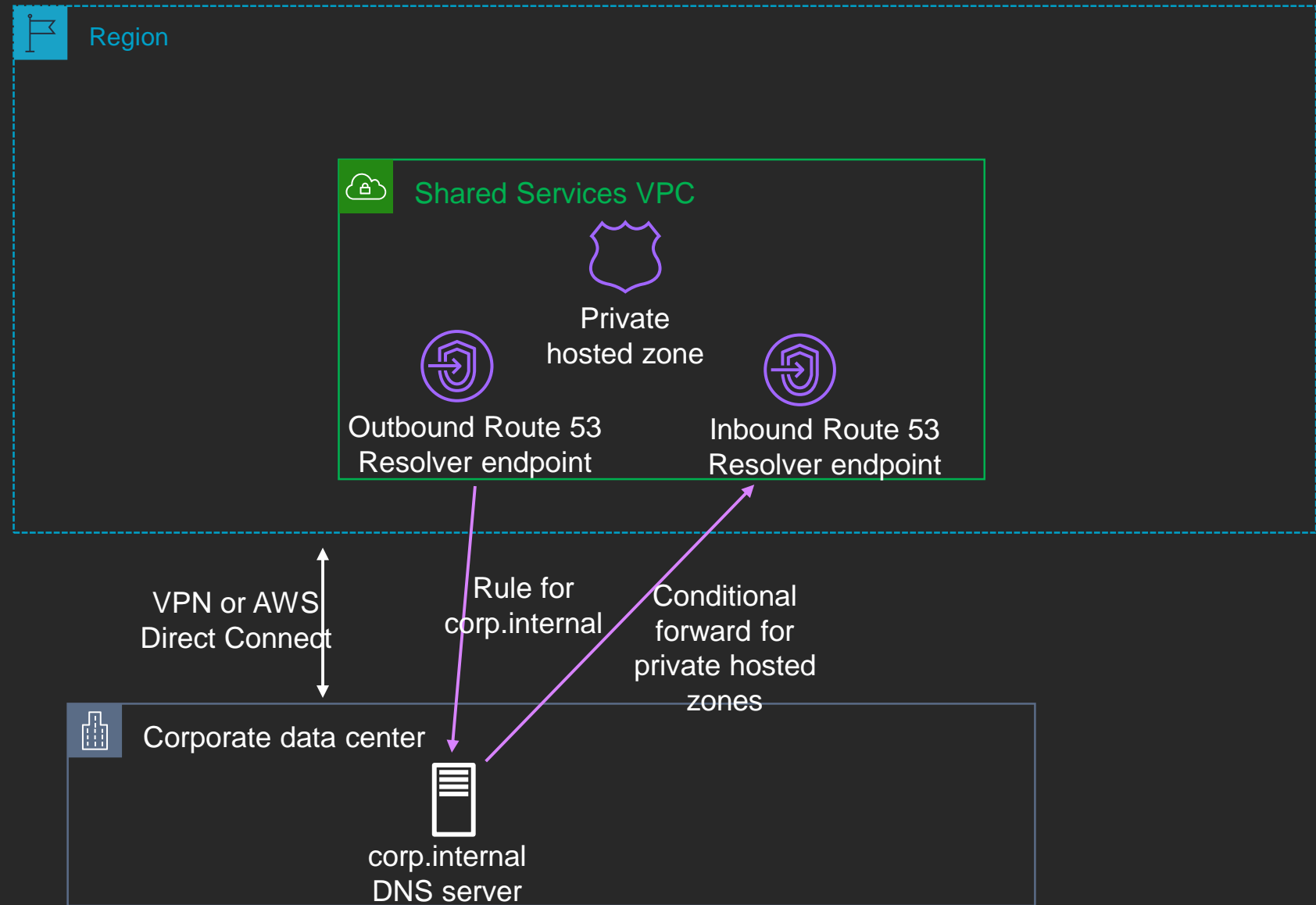
Route 53 Resolver – VPC view

- Recursive DNS server
- +2 IPs from VPC CIDR
- Built-in redundancy

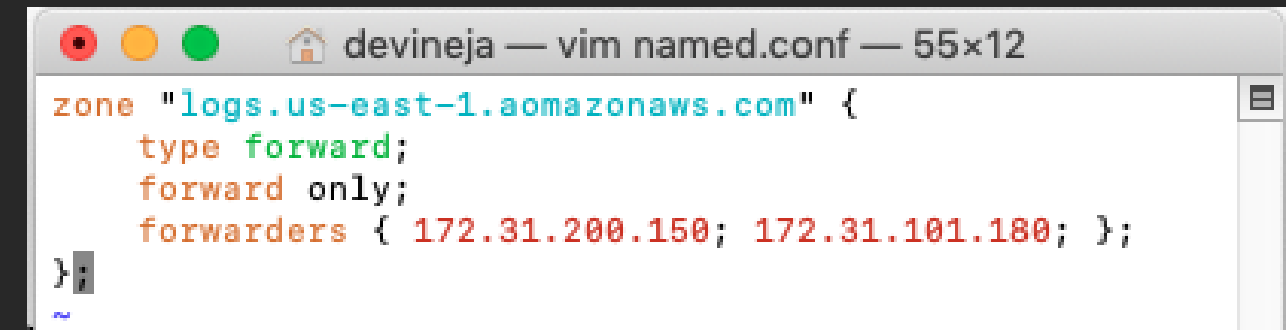
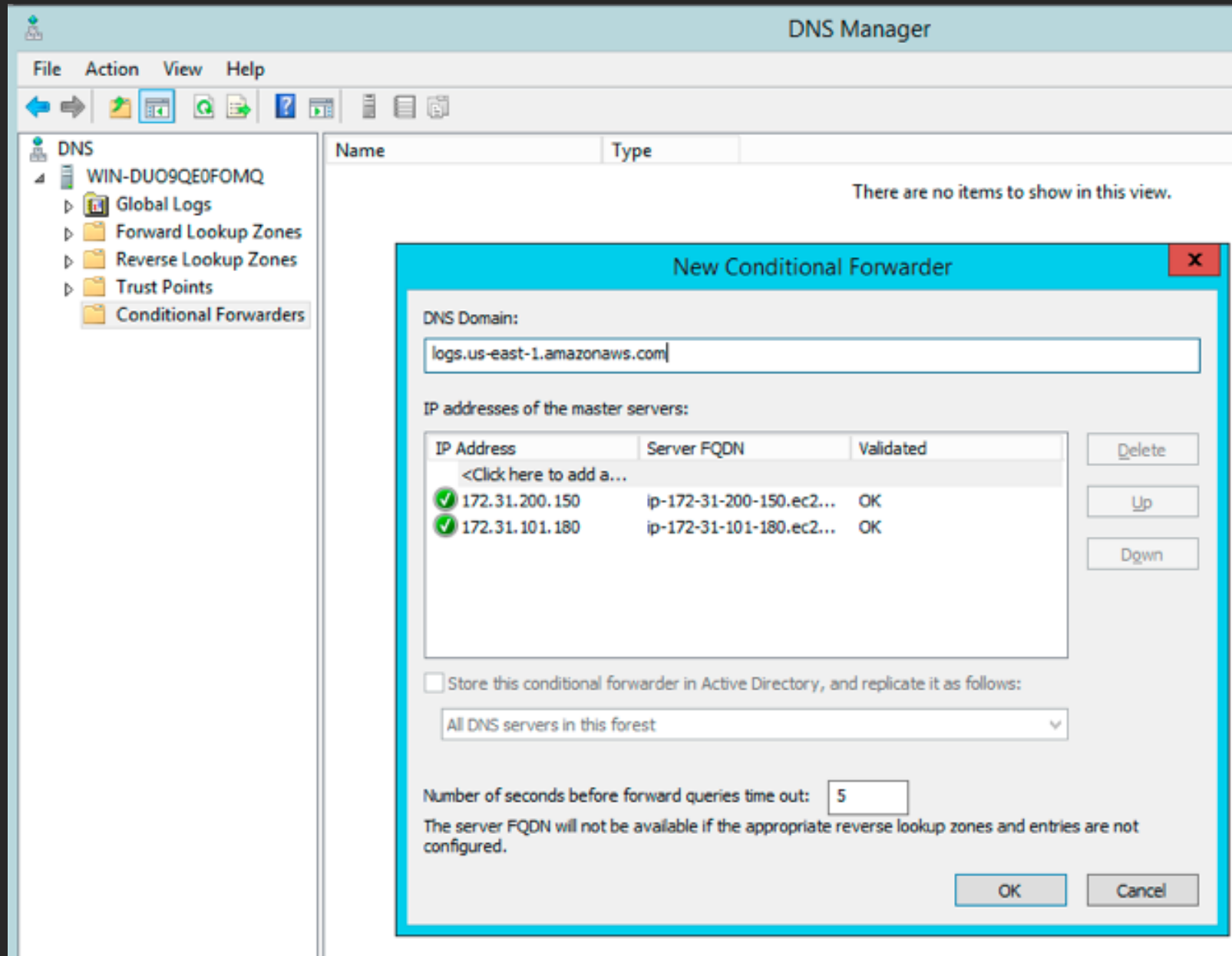


Route 53 Resolver endpoints – hybrid DNS

- Inbound endpoint: share VPC DNS view
- Built-in redundancy



Conditional forwarding – examples



Private hosted zones for AWS services

Private DNS option only applies to VPC (and inbound endpoint) name resolution

Enable Private DNS Name ☒ Enable for this endpoint ⓘ

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Doesn't work VPC-to-VPC (peering, AWS Transit Gateway, etc.)

Can disable and create a private hosted zone

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Private hosted zones for AWS services

log

All Types

Displaying 1 to 1 out of 1 Hosted Zones

Domain Name	Type	Record Set Count	Comment	Hosted Zone ID
logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com.	Private	3		Z25RCTE8USSQBO


Hosted Zone Details

Domain Name: logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com.

Type: Private Hosted Zone for Amazon VPC

Hosted Zone ID: Z25RCTE8USSQBO

Record Set Count: 3

Comment: 

Tags: View and manage tags for your hosted zones using [Tag Editor](#)

Associated VPC: default | vpc-5886f73e | us-east-1

VPC ID:

Important

To use private hosted zones, you must set the following Amazon VPC settings to true:

- enableDnsHostnames
- enableDnsSupport

[Learn more](#)

Private hosted zones for AWS services

Record Set Name

X

A

Aliases Only

Weighted Only

Displaying 1 to 1 out of 1 Record Sets

Type	Value	Evaluate Target Health	Health Check
A	ALIAS vpce-0a4e325919a7bb768-1oyod4kz.elasticl	No	-

Edit Record Set

Name: logs.us-east-1.amazonaws.com.

Type: A – IPv4 address

Alias: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Alias Target: vpce-0a4e325919a7bb768-1oyod4kz.1

Alias Hosted Zone ID: Z7HUB22UULQXV

You can also type the domain name for the resource. Examples:

- CloudFront distribution domain name: d1111111abcdef8.cloudfront.net
- Elastic Beanstalk environment CNAME: example.elasticbeanstalk.com
- ELB load balancer DNS name: example-1.us-east-2.elb.amazonaws.com
- S3 website endpoint: s3-website.us-east-2.amazonaws.com
- Resource record set in this hosted zone: www.example.com
- VPC endpoint: example.us-east-2.vpce.amazonaws.com
- API Gateway custom regional API: d-abcde12345.execute-api.us-west-2.amazonaws.com
- Global Accelerator DNS name: a0123456789abcdef.awsglobalaccelerator.com

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Routing Policy: Simple

Route 53 responds to queries based only on the values in this record. [Learn More](#)

Evaluate Target Health: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Hybrid DNS whitepaper

<https://d1.awsstatic.com/whitepapers/hybrid-cloud-dns-options-for-vpc.pdf>

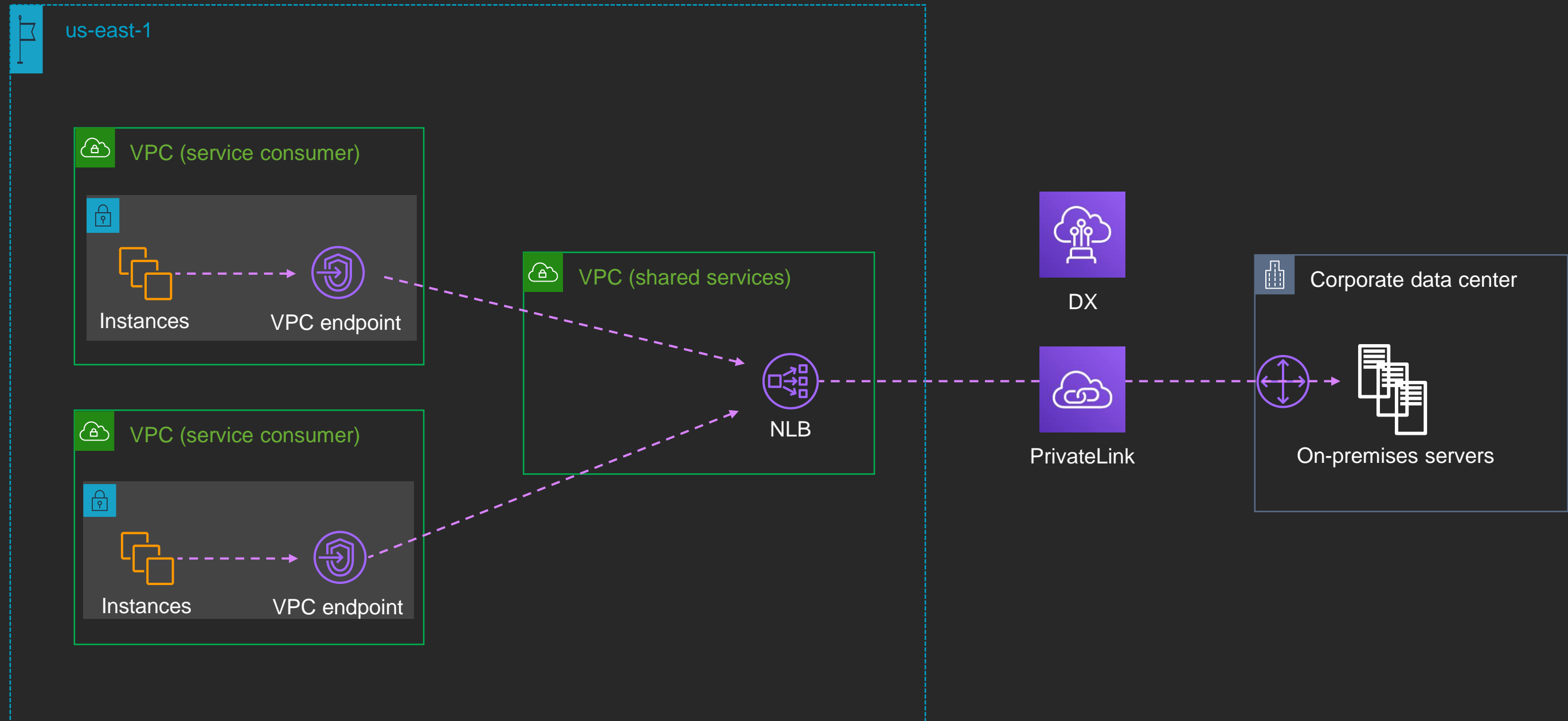
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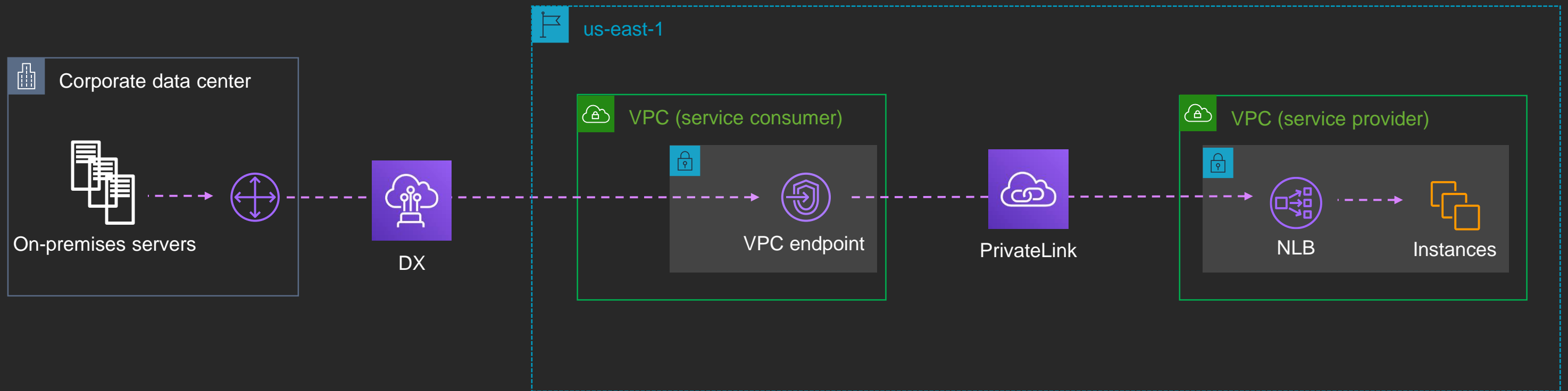


Architecture

On-premises service providers

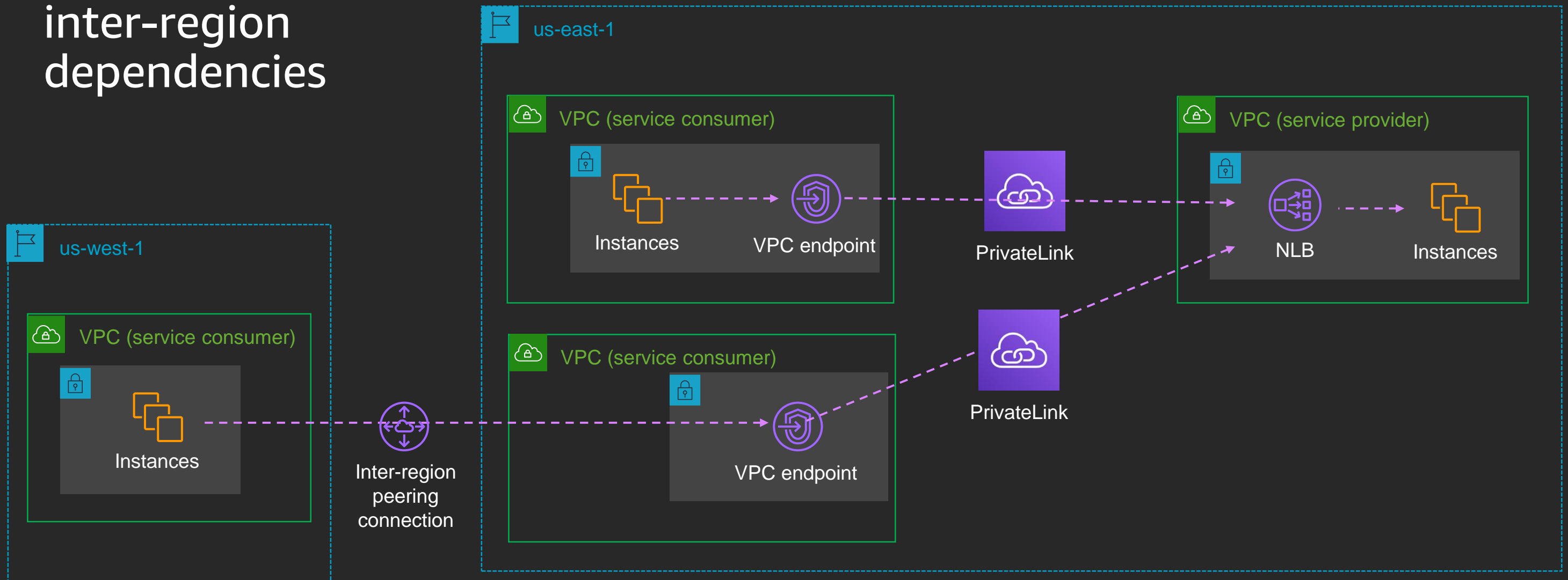


On-premises service consumers



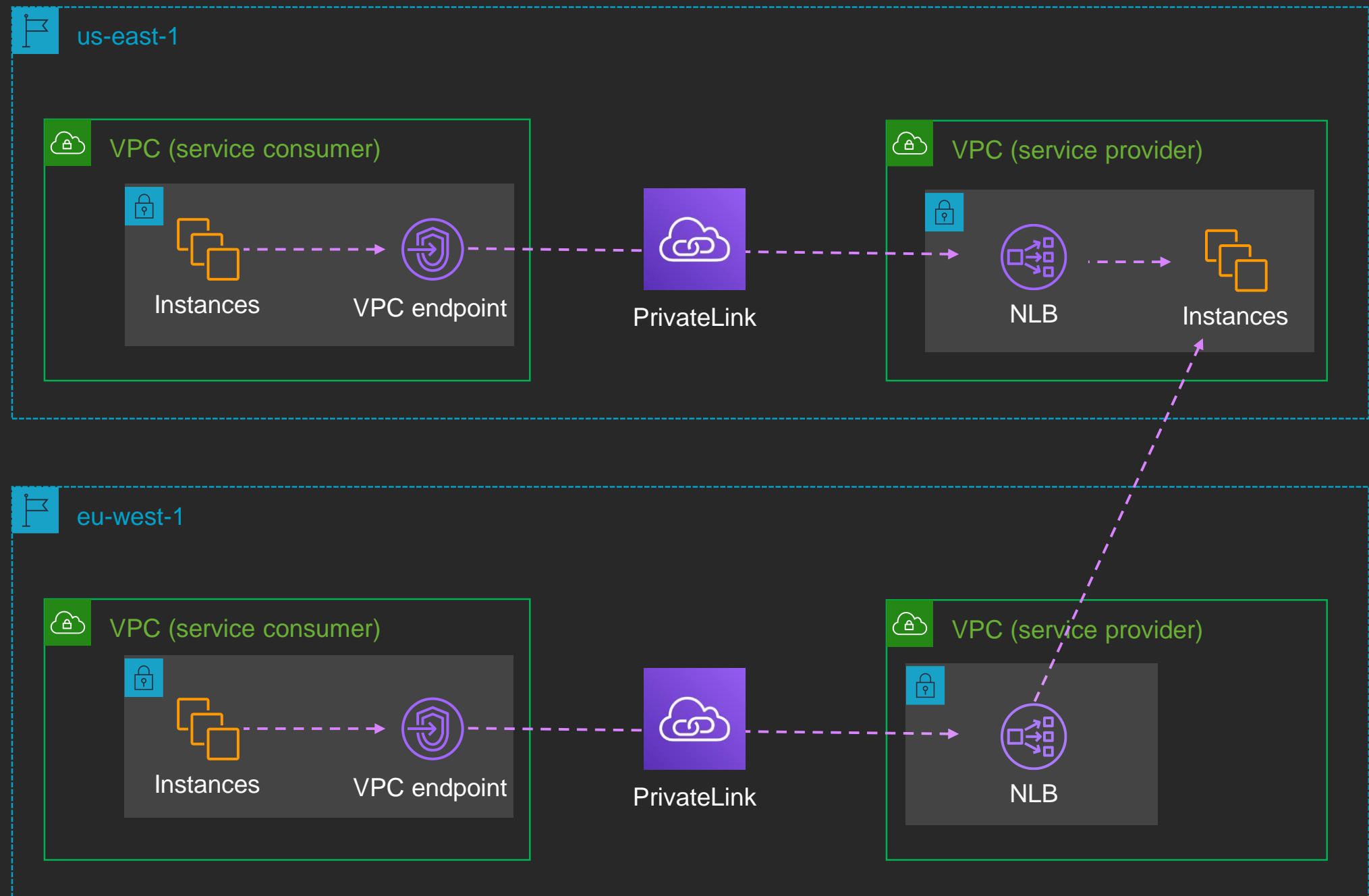
Cross-region connectivity to services

Note: Avoid inter-region dependencies

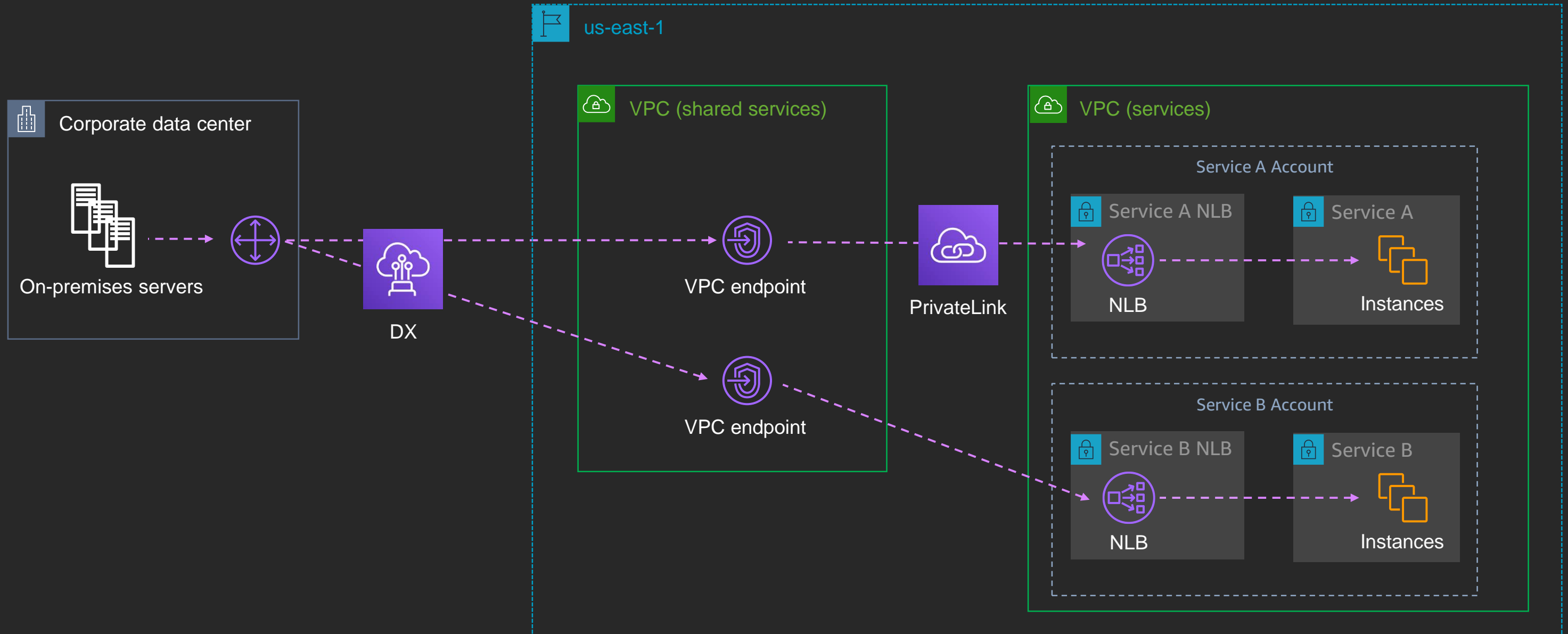


Presenting services in another region

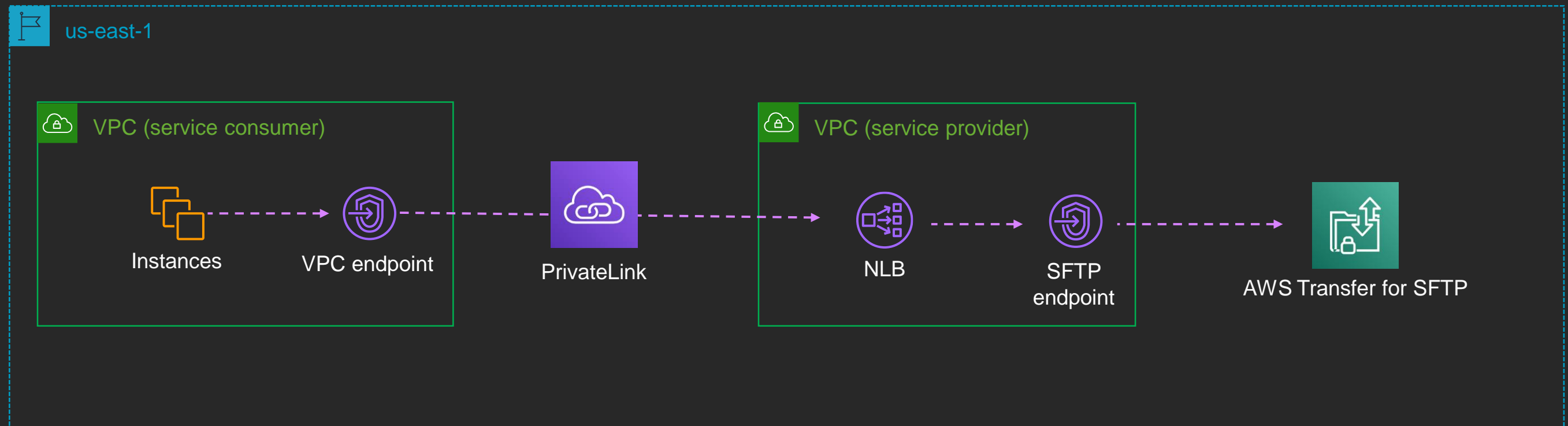
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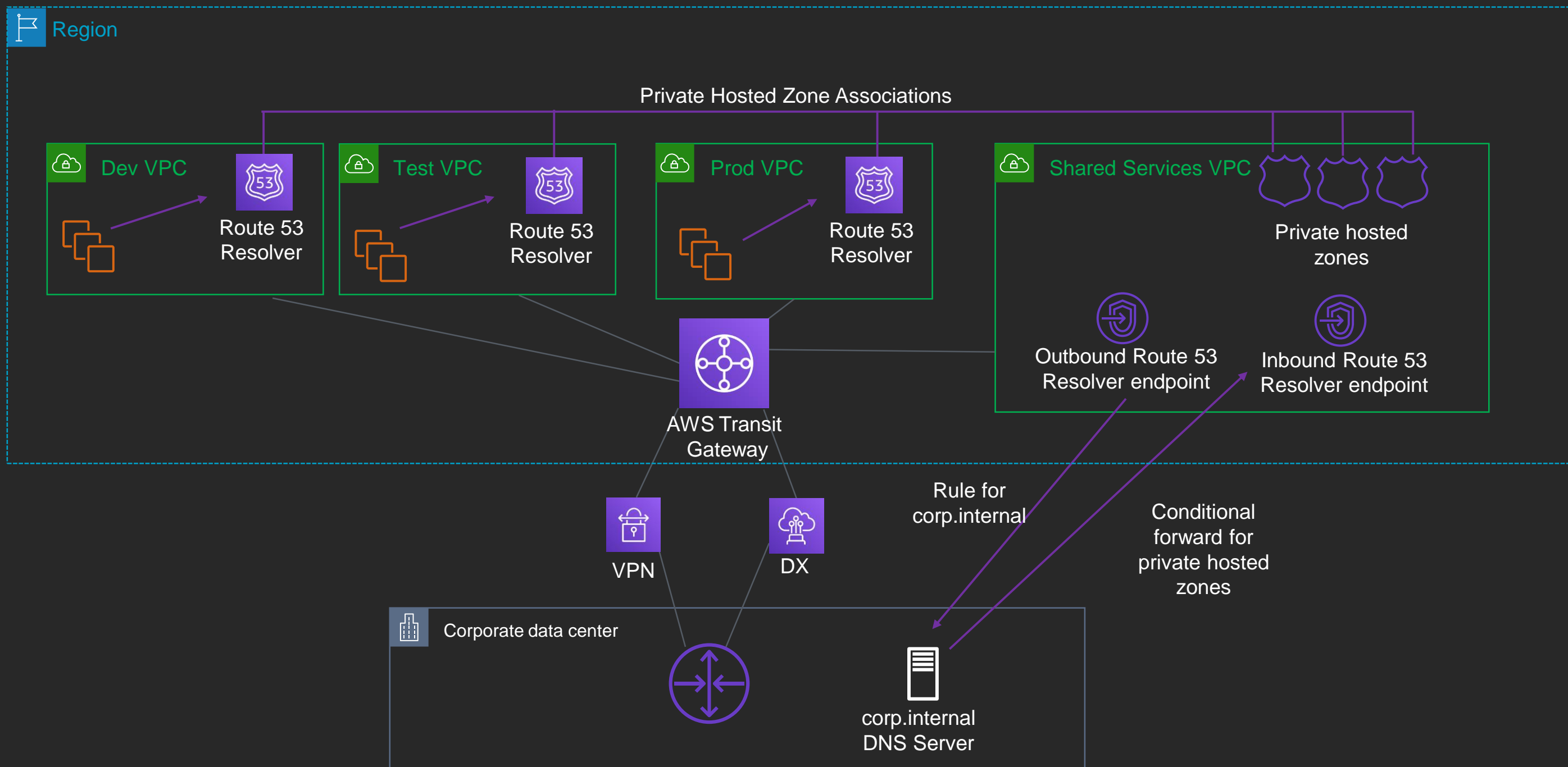
Shared VPC services



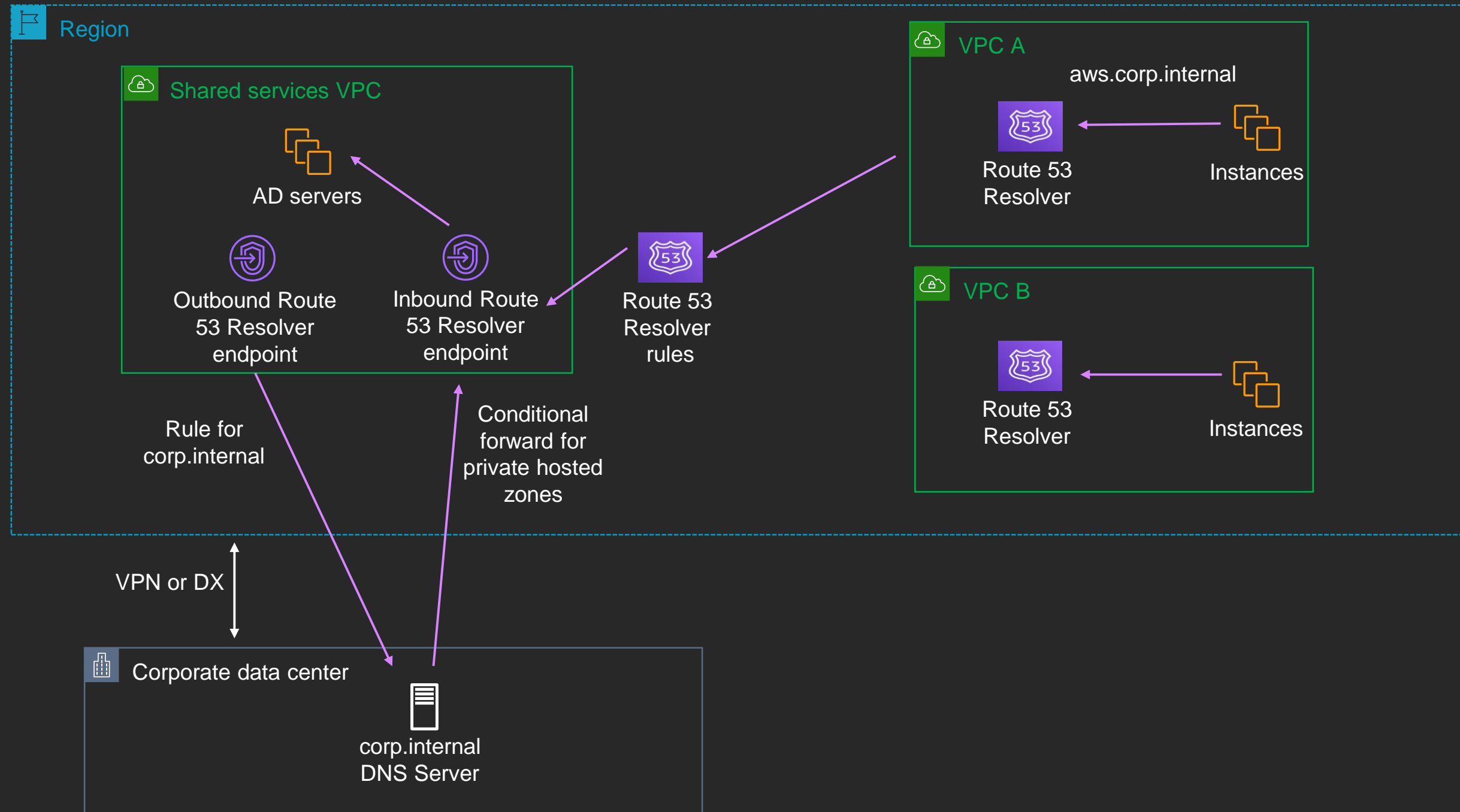
Extending endpoint behind an endpoint



Sharing VPC endpoints



Active Directory hybrid DNS



Best practices

PrivateLink

- Use at least two ENIs per VPCE
- Consider DNS infrastructure to meet your needs
- Ensure service provider NLB has ENI in each AZ
 - Cross-zone load balancing if don't have service in each AZ
- Avoid building inter-region dependencies



Route 53

- Within a VPC use the “.2” Route 53 Resolver
- Avoid pointing outbound endpoints at inbound endpoints
- Use conditional forwarding for on-premises
- Avoid A records to VPCE ENIs
 - Alias record or CNAME



Takeaways

- PrivateLink endpoints are highly available
- Route 53 is highly available and fault tolerant
- PrivateLink and Route 53 allow you to create novel data flows

Related sessions

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NET410 - Deep dive on DNS in the hybrid cloud

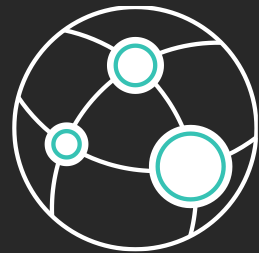
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