

# Implementing Cross-Cloud Vpc Peering With Terraform For Inter-Cloud Communication Between Google Cloud And AWS

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**Abstract:**In this project it shows how to use Terraform by HashiCorp to create secure, private, site-to-site connections between Google Cloud and Amazon Web Services (AWS) using virtual private networks (VPNs). This is a multi-cloud deployment. In this project, we will deploy virtual machine (VM) instances into custom virtual private cloud (VPC) networks in Google Cloud and AWS then deploy supporting infrastructure to construct a VPN connection with two Internet Protocol security (IPsec) tunnels between the Google Cloud and AWS VPC networks. The environment and tunnel deployment usually completes within four minutes. This project is based off of the Automated Network Deployment. To establish a secure and scalable VPN connection between Google Cloud and AWS using Terraform infrastructure as code. By leveraging the power of both cloud providers, the resulting network architecture will allow for seamless data transfer and enhanced workload distribution, while maintaining robust security measures.

**IndexTerms:**VPC Peering,Cross cloud,Google cloud,AWS,Terraform.

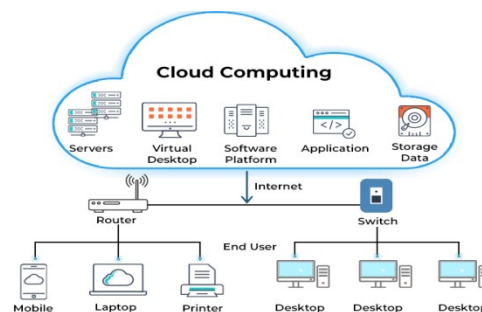
## I. INTRODUCTION

This project aims to demonstrate the implementation of a Virtual Private Network (VPN) between two major cloud service providers, Google Cloud and Amazon Web Services (AWS), using Terraform. The project focuses on creating a secure and encrypted connection between two networks to allow for the exchange of data and communication without exposing it to the public internet. The solution leverages the VPN gateway feature of both cloud providers and creates a site-to-site connection between the two networks. The implementation uses Terraform as the infrastructure as code tool to automate the deployment and configuration of the required resources on both cloud platforms. The project provides a detailed guide on how to set up the VPN connection and configure the necessary network configurations, as well as the Terraform scripts used for the implementation. Overall, this project serves as a useful reference for anyone looking to establish a VPN connection between Google Cloud and AWS using Terraform.

## DOMAIN USED

Cloud computing

cloud computing is the on-demand availability of computing resources as services over the internet. It eliminates the need for enterprises to own, configure, or maintain their own computing resources, and they only pay for what they use. Cloud computing uses a network (most frequently, the internet) to connect users to a cloud platform where they can request and use various computing services. An intermediary service handles all the messages between the customer and the cloud. Encryption and access control features are common or standard factors to keep this information secure and safe.



.Building a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS with Terraform can involve several challenges, including:

**Network configuration:** Configuring the virtual private network (VPN) connection between two different cloud providers requires understanding the networking requirements and configuration options of both providers. Google Cloud and AWS use different networking technologies, which can complicate the process of creating a VPN connection.

**Security:** When building a VPN between cloud providers, it's important to ensure that the connection is secure and protected from unauthorized access. This can involve configuring authentication, encryption, and access controls on both ends of the connection.

**Compatibility:** Terraform is a tool for infrastructure as code (IAC) that allows you to manage cloud resources in a consistent and repeatable way. However, different cloud providers have different APIs and resource types, which can make it challenging to create a unified infrastructure configuration that works seamlessly across multiple cloud providers.

**Cost:** Building a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS may involve additional costs, such as data transfer fees and network egress charges. It's important to understand the pricing models of both cloud providers and factor in these costs when planning your VPN configuration.

**Complexity:** Building a VPN between cloud providers is a complex task that requires expertise in networking, security, and cloud infrastructure. It can be challenging to troubleshoot issues that arise during the configuration process, and it may require a significant amount of time and resources to get everything working properly.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE EXISTING APPROACHES:

There are several modules available on the Terraform registry that can help you set up a VPN connection between Google Cloud and AWS. One such module is the "terraform-aws-vpn" module, which can be used to create a site-to-site VPN connection between AWS and Google Cloud. This module creates an AWS Customer Gateway and a Virtual Private Gateway, and then establishes the VPN connection between the two.

Another module is the "terraform-google-vpn-gateway" module, which can be used to create a VPN gateway in Google Cloud. This module creates a Cloud VPN gateway and a Cloud Router, and then establishes the VPN connection with AWS. To use these modules, you will need to provide some configuration parameters, such as the IP addresses and authentication details for the VPN connection. Once you have configured these parameters, Terraform will automatically create the necessary infrastructure resources and establish the VPN connection between Google Cloud and AWS. Overall, using Terraform modules is a convenient and efficient way to set up a VPN connection between Google Cloud and AWS. These modules have already been tested and proven to work, so you can be confident that your VPN connection will be reliable and secure.

#### PROPOSED SYSTEM

1. Set up the required infrastructure in Google Cloud and AWS:

- Create a VPC in both Google Cloud and AWS.
- Create subnets in each VPC.
- Create an internet gateway in AWS and a NAT gateway in Google Cloud.
- Create virtual machines (VMs) in each subnet.

2. Create a virtual private network (VPN) connection in each cloud provider:

- In AWS, create a customer gateway and a virtual private gateway. Then, create a VPN connection that connects the customer gateway to the virtual private gateway.
- In Google Cloud, create a Cloud VPN gateway and configure a Cloud Router to connect the VPN gateway to the VPC network.

3. Configure the VPN connection:

- In AWS, configure the VPN connection with the public IP of the Google Cloud VPN gateway, shared secret, and the routing information.
- In Google Cloud, configure the VPN connection with the public IP of the AWS virtual private gateway, shared secret, and routing information.

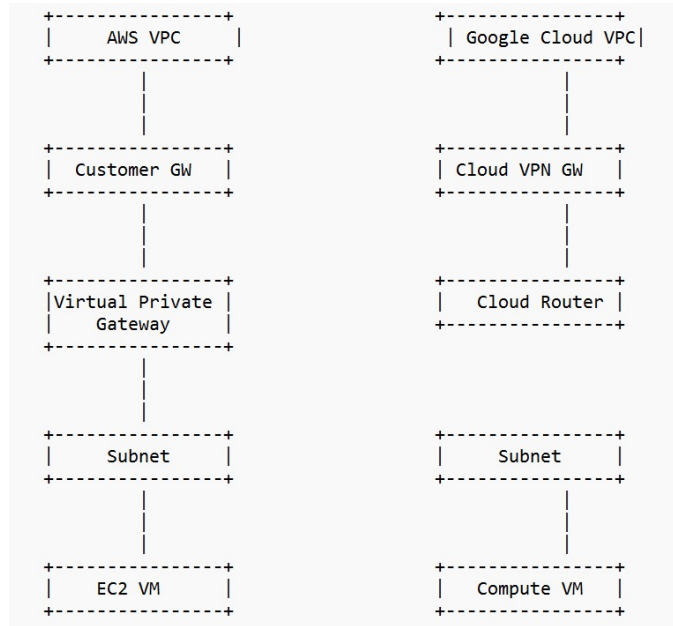
4. Use Terraform to automate the infrastructure deployment and configuration:

- Define the required infrastructure resources in Terraform.
- Use Terraform to deploy and configure the infrastructure.

5. Test the VPN connection:

- Verify that the VPN connection is established between the two cloud providers.
- Test the connectivity between the VMs in each cloud provider.

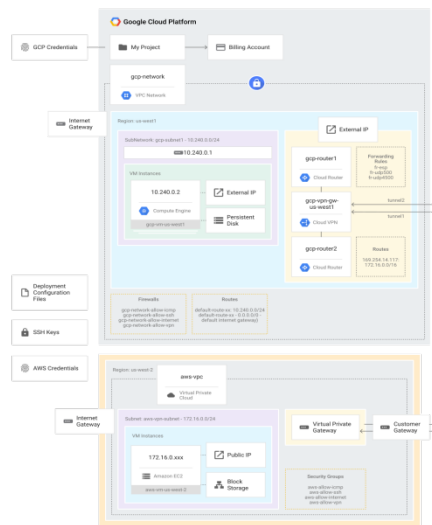
FLOW DIAGRAM



EXPLANATION:

In this diagram, there are two VPCs, one in AWS and one in Google Cloud. The VPCs contain subnets where virtual machines (VMs) are deployed. A VPN connection is established between the two VPCs using a customer gateway in AWS and a Cloud VPN gateway in Google Cloud. The VPN connection is configured to use a virtual private gateway in AWS and a Cloud Router in Google Cloud. The VMs in each subnet can then communicate securely over the VPN connection. Terraform is used to define and deploy the infrastructure resources required for the VPN connection, including the VPCs, subnets, VMs, customer gateway, virtual private gateway, Cloud VPN gateway, and Cloud Router. Terraform also configures the VPN connection with the required settings, such as encryption and authentication protocols, routing information, and shared secrets.

DEPLOYMENT ARCHITECTURE



Infrastructure as Code: Using Terraform, the infrastructure can be defined and managed as code, which allows for repeatable and consistent deployment of the infrastructure. Changes can be made to the infrastructure through code, which is then applied through Terraform, ensuring consistency across deployments.

**Security:** Security is a key consideration when building a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS. This includes configuring the VPN connection to use encryption and authentication protocols, as well as securing the infrastructure resources that are used to create the VPN connection.

**Scalability:** The infrastructure should be designed with scalability in mind, so that it can easily grow or shrink as needed. This includes the ability to add or remove resources, as well as the ability to handle increased traffic and load.

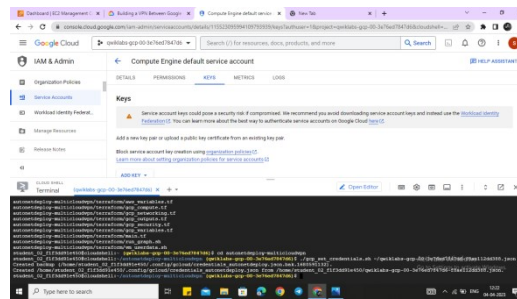
**Resilience:** The infrastructure should be designed to be resilient to failures, so that it can continue to operate even if individual components fail. This includes using redundancy and failover mechanisms to ensure high availability of the VPN connection.

**Automation:** Using Terraform to automate the deployment and configuration of the infrastructure can help to ensure consistency and reduce the risk of human error.

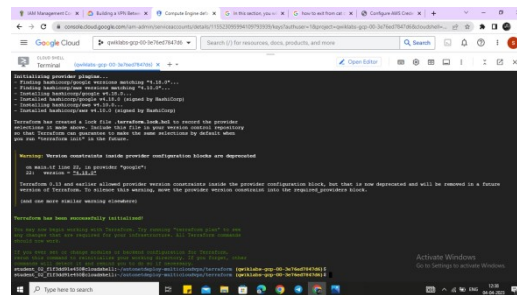
By following these principles, we can build a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS with Terraform that is secure, scalable, resilient, and automated.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

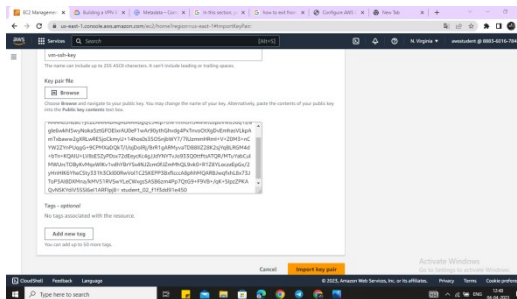
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### Create AWS access credentials

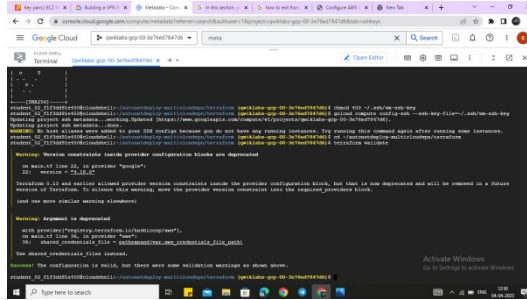


### Creating key pair in aws

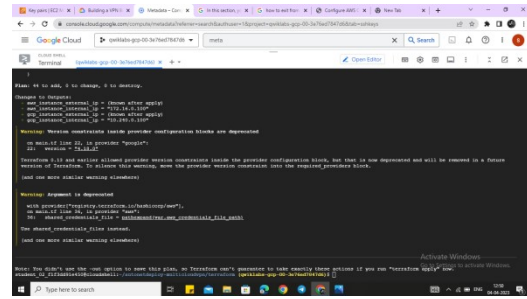


### Terraform validate

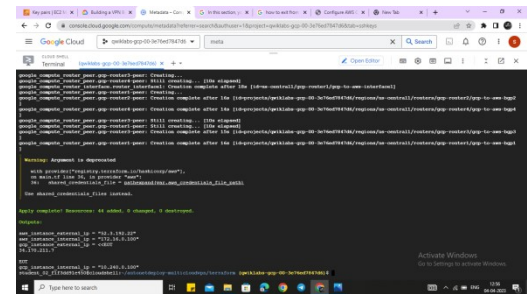
Terraform plan



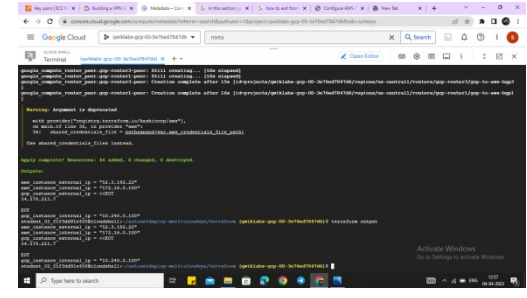
Terraform apply



Terraform output



gcloud compose instance list



### CONCLUSION

In conclusion, building a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS with Terraform is a powerful way to establish a secure, private connection between two of the most popular cloud providers. By using Terraform to automate the infrastructure deployment and configuration, organizations can ensure consistency and repeatability of the infrastructure setup, reduce the risk of human error, and make it easier to manage and scale the infrastructure as needed. The principles of infrastructure as code, security, scalability, resilience, and automation are key to building a VPN that is secure, scalable, resilient, and automated. The future scope for Building a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS with Terraform is promising, with potential developments in integration with other cloud providers, enhanced security features, simplified deployment and management, and performance optimization. Overall, building a VPN between Google Cloud and AWS with Terraform is a powerful tool for organizations that want to adopt multi-cloud or hybrid cloud strategies and need a secure and efficient way to communicate between cloud providers.

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