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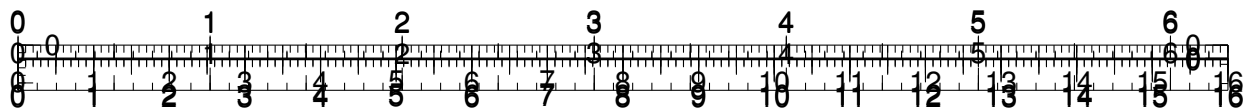
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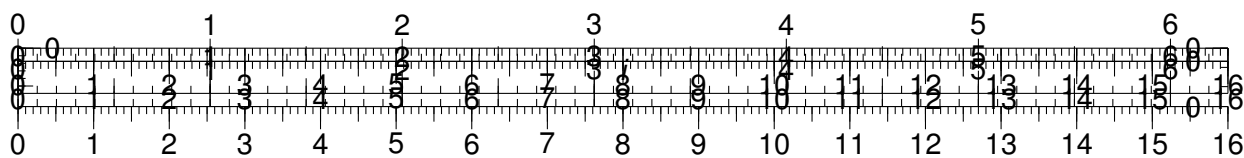
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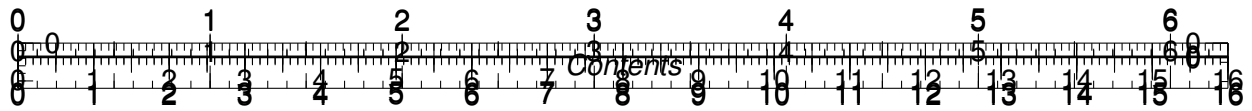
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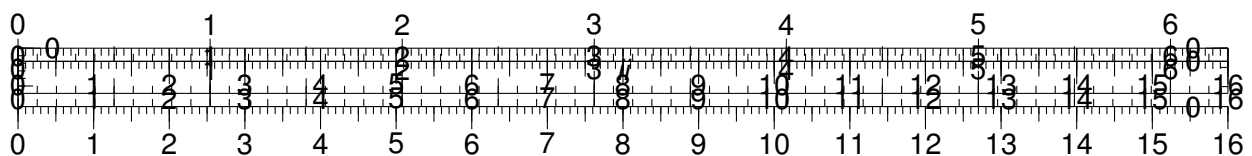
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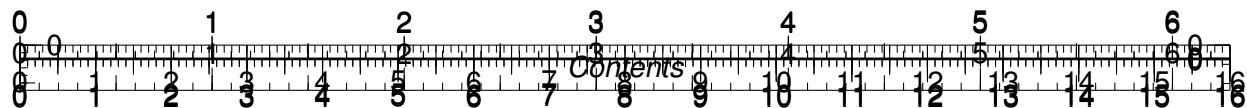




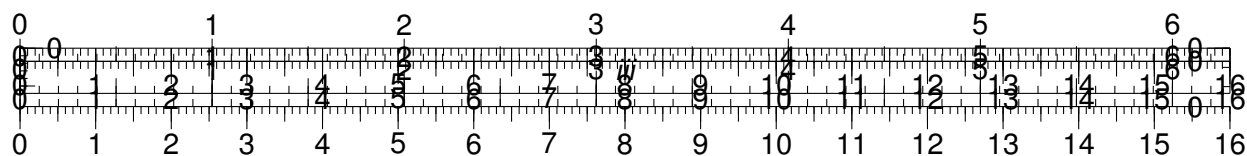
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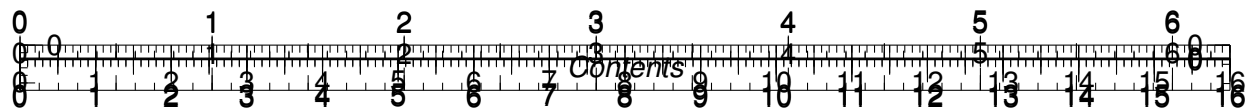
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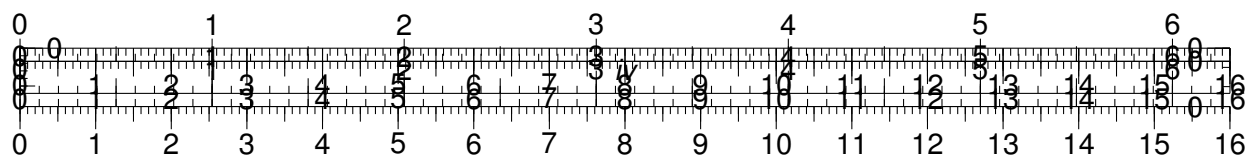


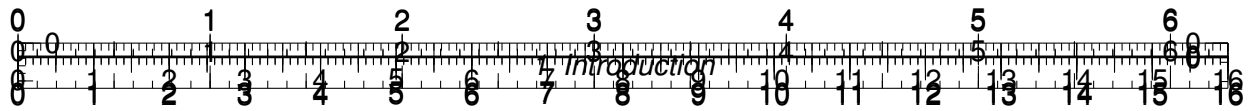
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1 Introduction

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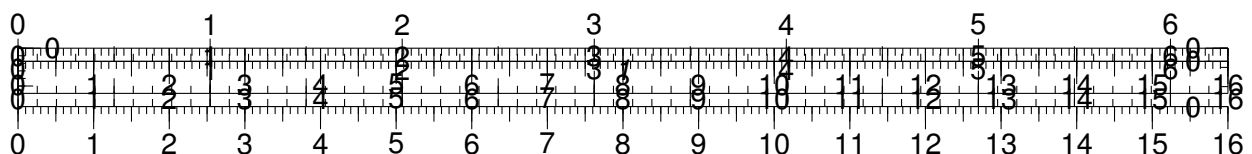
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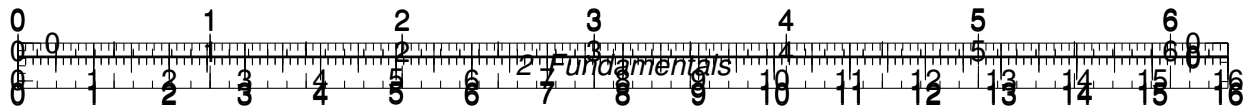
2.1 Kubernetes and Multi-Tenancy

Kubernetes as the Foundation for Cloud-Native Applications As the de facto standard for deploying and managing *cloud-native applications*, Kubernetes plays a pivotal role in modern cloud architecture (Poulton and Joglekar 2021, p. 7–8). Kubernetes works as an orchestrator for *containerized, cloud-native microservice* applications, meaning it can deploy apps and dynamically respond to changes (Poulton and Joglekar 2021, p. 3). It offers a platform for declarative configuration and automation for containerized workloads, enabling organizations to run distributed applications and services at scale (Kubernetes 2024; Red Hat 2024).

The Importance of Multi-Tenancy in Modern SaaS Platforms Multi-tenancy plays a fundamental role in modern cloud computing. By allowing multiple tenants to share the same infrastructure through virtualization, it significantly increases resource utilization, reduces operational costs, and enables essential features such as VM mobility and dynamic resource allocation (AlJahdali et al. 2014, pp. 345–346). These benefits are crucial for cloud providers, as they make the cloud business model economically viable and scalable. In the context of modern SaaS platforms, multi-tenancy goes even further by enabling unified management, frictionless onboarding, and simplified operational processes that allow providers to add new tenants without introducing incremental complexity or cost (AWS 2022, pp. 9–11).

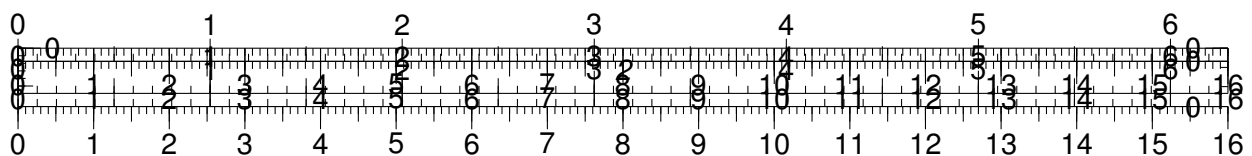
However, while multi-tenancy is indispensable for achieving efficiency, scalability, and cost-effectiveness, it simultaneously introduces complex security challenges, especially in shared environments where resource isolation is limited. In particular, the potential for cross-tenant access and side-channel attacks makes security in multi-tenant environments a primary concern (AlJahdali et al. 2014, pp. 345–346). As such, understanding and addressing multi-tenancy from both operational and security perspectives is essential when designing and securing modern cloud-native platforms (AWS 2022, pp. 9–11; *Information technology - Cloud computing - Part 2: Concepts* 2023, p. 4).

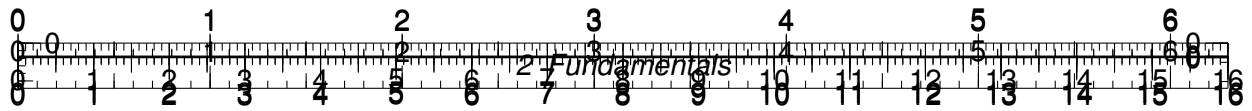




The Challenges of Multi-Tenancy and the Need for Solutions Multi-tenancy introduces a spectrum of technical and security challenges that need to be addressed.

- [1]: *Residual-data exposure*. Shared infrastructures may expose tenants to data leakage and hardware-layer attacks. Because hardware resources are only virtually partitioned, residual data left in reusable memory or storage blocks, known as *data remanence*, can be inadvertently leaked or deliberately harvested by co-resident tenants (Zissis and Lekkas 2012, p. 586; AlJahdali et al. 2014, pp. 344–345).
- [2]: *Control and transparency*. By design, SaaS moves both data storage and security controls out of the enterprise’s boundary and into the provider’s multi-tenant cloud, depriving organizations of direct oversight and assurance and thereby heightening concern over how their critical information is protected, replicated and kept available (Subashini and Kavitha 2011, pp. 3–4). To complicate matters further, the customer might have no way to evaluate the SaaS vendors security measures, meaning the pricing and feature set will most likely determine which service is used in practice, often disregarding security concerns (Everett 2009, p. 6; Khorshed, Ali, and Wasimi 2012, p. 836).
- [3]: *Scheduling*. In multi-tenant architectures multiple tenants utilize the same hardware, thus creating the need for fair scheduling to ensure cost-effectiveness and performance (Simić et al. 2024, p. 32597). Achieving fair and efficient resource allocation in scheduling first requires a quantitative assessment of the system’s existing unfairness (Ebrahimi et al. 2012, p. 7; Beltre, Saha, and Govindaraju 2019, p. 14; Ghodsi et al. 2011, pp. 2–3). Various scheduling algorithms and policies can be employed in practice to achieve fairness (Beltre, Saha, and Govindaraju 2019, pp. 14–16; Ghodsi et al. 2011, p. 4). To fully leverage the advantages of multi-tenant architectures, resources must not only be shared fairly, but also efficiently, not hindering performance (Beltre, Saha, and Govindaraju 2019, p. 14). As stated by Beltre, Saha, and Govindaraju 2019, p. 14 “Balancing both cluster utilization and fairness is challenging”.
- [4]: *Performance Isolation* A single tenant is able to significantly degrade the performance of other tenants working on the same hardware, if *performance isolation* is not given (Krebs and Mehta 2013, p. 195). As noted by Krebs and Mehta 2013, p. 195 “A system is said to be performance isolated, if for tenants working within their quotas the performance is within the (response time) SLA while other tenants exceed their quotas (e.g., request rate)”. As noted by Carrión 2022, p. 18 “Currently, it is difficult to achieve performance isolation for multi-tenancy on K8s clusters because this requires providing resource isolation and





improving the abstraction of applications.”

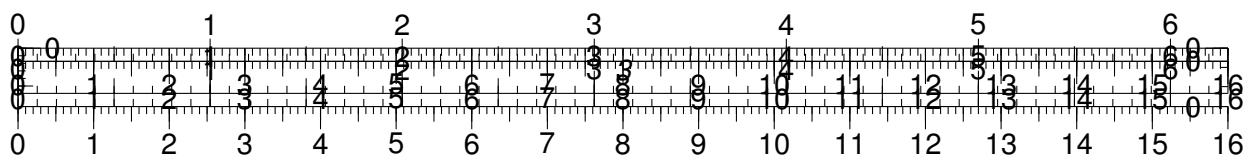
[5]: *Automation*. As noted by Nguyen and Y. Kim 2022, p. 651 “Presently, multi-tenant systems lack the facility of allowing clients to dynamic [sic] change their resources based on their business demands or create and allocate resources for new tenants. Multi-tenant system [sic] administrator manually does all the work of allocation or changing tenant’s [sic] resources.” However, to ensure efficiency and scalability, an API that allows automating deployments and dynamic changes in the application is needed.

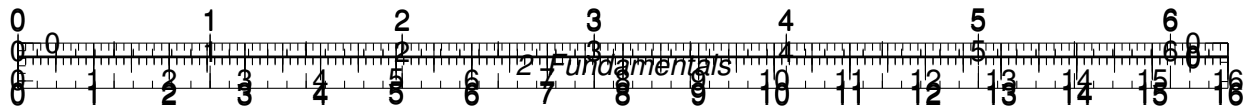
A secure solution, keeping multi-tenancies advantages while also addressing security concerns is desperately needed (AlJahdali et al. 2014, p. 346; Şenel et al. 2023, pp. 14576–14577).

Kubernetes Control Plane (KCP) as a Promising Approach KCP is “An open source horizontally scalable control plane for Kubernetes-like APIs” (The kcp Authors 2025).

As previously noted, most Kubernetes based multi-tenant systems currently need manual intervention by an administrator to deploy new tenants or modify resource allocation. However KCP, other than similar frameworks, like Capsule or Kiosk, provides an API server to the customer, that provides an easy way to access their resources (Nguyen and Y. Kim 2022, p. 651; The kcp Authors 2025). This in turn enables a degree of automation (Nguyen and Y. Kim 2022, p. 651).

Background: The Evolution of Kubernetes Kubernetes, an open-source container orchestration platform developed by Google, emerged from the need to manage the complexities of containerized applications effectively and to support large-scale deployments in a cloud-native environment (Google Cloud 2025; Kubernetes 2024). It was originally developed at Google and released as open source in 2014 (Google Cloud 2025). Kubernetes was conceived as a successor to Google’s internal container management system called Borg, and designed to streamline the process of deploying, scaling, and managing applications composed of microservices running in containers (Verma et al. 2015, pp. 13–14; Bernstein 2014, p. 84). Since its inception, Kubernetes has gained traction among organizations because it provides robust features such as automated scaling, self-healing, and service discovery, which have made it the de facto standard for container orchestration in the tech industry (Damarapati 2025, pp. 855–858). As noted by Moravcik et al. 2022, p. 457 by 2021 almost 90% of organizations used Kubernetes as an orchestrator for managing containers and over 70% of organizations used it in production (Shamim Choudhury 2025). The widespread adoption of Kubernetes is further underscored by Red Hat’s latest (2024) report, which no longer asks survey respondents if they use Kubernetes





for container orchestration, but rather **which** Kubernetes platform they use (Red Hat, Inc. 2024, p. 27). According to Damarapati 2025, pp. 855–856, Kubernetes has seen unprecedented industry adoption due to its vendor neutrality, strong community support, and flexible, extensible architecture in combination with enterprise readiness caused by high availability, disaster recovery and security.

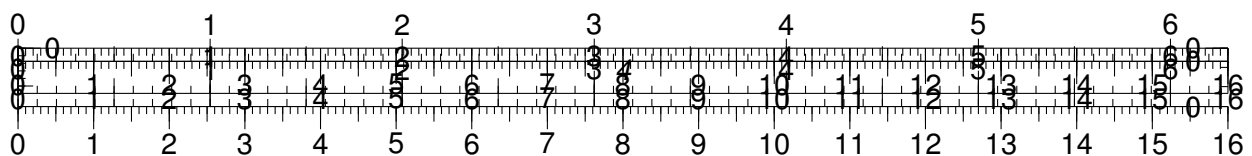
Moreover Kubernetes enables faster time-to-market by providing a unified, declarative control plane that abstracts away infrastructure, guarantees consistent environments from development to production, and automates operational tasks such as scaling, rolling updates, and self-healing—advantages that translate directly into competitive delivery speed increasing its appeal to organizations of every size (Damarapati 2025, pp. 858–859).

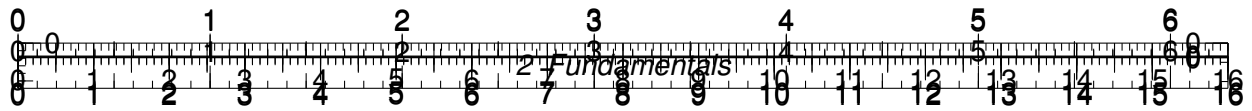
Over the years, Kubernetes—and the many orchestration solutions inspired by or built on it—has evolved to handle an increasingly diverse range of workloads, supporting everything from conventional applications to emerging *edge-native* deployments (Biot et al. 2025, p. 21; Biot et al. 2025, pp. 1–4). Edge-native deployments are applications intended to run on computing resources located at or near the data source — the network *edge* — rather than in a central cloud (Satyanarayanan et al. 2019, p. 34). This adaptability reflects its fundamental design, which focuses on modularity and extensibility, allowing developers to customize their orchestration needs.

Overall, the history of Kubernetes showcases a transformative journey driven by the evolving demands of software architecture and the necessity for efficient application management in an increasingly complex technological landscape.

Background: Containerization as an Enabler of Kubernetes *Containerization* is a way to bundle an application’s code with all its dependencies to run on any infrastructure thus enhancing portability (AWS 2025; Docker 2025). The lightweight nature and isolation can be leveraged by cloud-native software by enabling vertical and horizontal autoscaling facilitated by quick container boot times, along with self-healing mechanisms and support for distributed, resilient infrastructures (Kubernetes 2025b; Kubernetes 2025d; AWS 2025; Davis 2019, pp. 58–59) Furthermore it complements the microservice architectural pattern by enabling isolated, low overhead deployments, ensuring consistent environments (Balalaie, Heydarnoori, and Jamshidi 2016, p. 209).

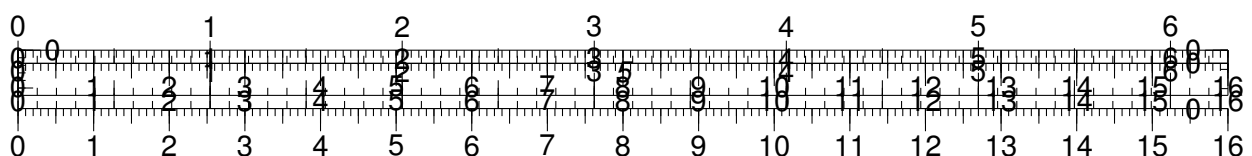
Background: The Role of Microservices in Cloud-Native Architectures *Microservices* play a pivotal role in cloud-native architectures by promoting agility, scalability, and maintainability of applications. By decomposing applications into independent, granular services, microservices facilitate development, testing, and deployment using diverse technology stacks, enhancing

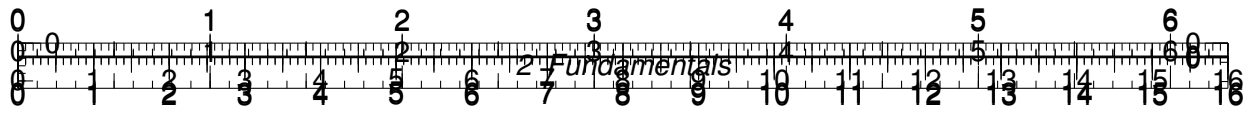




interoperability across platforms (Waseem, Liang, and Shahin 2020, p. 1; Larrucea et al. 2018, p. 1) and help prevent failures in one component from propagating across the system, by isolating functionality into distinct, self-contained services (Davis 2019, p. 62). This architectural style aligns well with cloud environments, as it allows services to evolve independently, effectively addressing challenges associated with scaling and maintenance without being tied to a singular technological framework (Balalaie, Heydarnoori, and Jamshidi 2016, pp. 202–203). Furthermore, the integration of microservices with platforms like Kubernetes enhances deployment automation and orchestration, thus providing substantial elasticity to accommodate fluctuating workloads (Haugeland et al. 2021, p. 170). Additionally, migrating legacy applications to microservices can foster modernization and efficiency, thus positioning organizations favorably in competitive landscapes (Balalaie, Heydarnoori, and Jamshidi 2016, p. 214). Overall, the synergy between microservices and cloud-native architectures stems from their inherent capability to optimize resource utilization and streamline continuous integration and deployment processes.

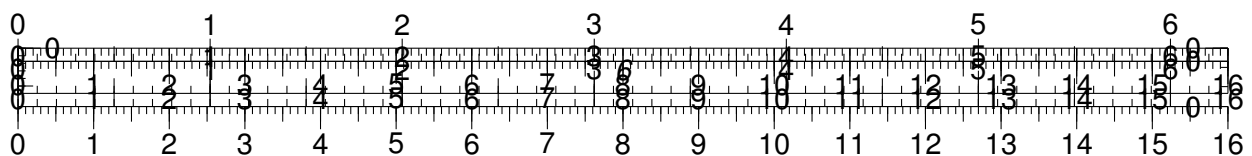
Background: Kubernetes Resource Isolation Mechanisms Kubernetes employs several resource isolation mechanisms, primarily through the use of *cgroups* (control groups) and *namespaces* to limit resource allocation for containers. Cgroups are a Linux kernel feature that organizes processes into hierarchical groups for fine-grained resource limitation and monitoring via a pseudo-filesystem called *cgroupfs* (Kubernetes 2025a; Project 2024). *Namespaces* are a mechanism for isolating groups of resources within a single cluster and scoping resource names to prevent naming conflicts across different teams or projects (Kubernetes 2025e). However, these mechanisms may not always provide sufficient isolation necessary for multi-tenant architectures, because the logical segregation offered by namespaces does not address the fundamental security concerns associated with multi-tenancy (Nguyen and Y. Kim 2022, p. 651) and research indicates that the native isolation strategies can lead to performance interference, where containers that share nodes can experience significant degradation in performance due to CPU contention (E. Kim, Lee, and Yoo 2021, p. 158). Specifically, critical services may be adversely affected when non-critical services monopolize available resources, which undermines the quality of service in multi-tenant environments (Li et al. 2019, p. 30410). Moreover, while Kubernetes allows for container orchestration and resource scheduling, it can lead to resource fragmentation, further exacerbating the issue of performance isolation (Jian et al. 2023, p. 1). A common approach in multi-tenant scenarios is to deploy separate clusters for each tenant, which incurs substantial overhead—particularly in environments utilizing virtual machines for isolation (Şenel et al. 2023, pp. 144574–144575). In summary, although Kubernetes offers essential isolation mechanisms, the complexities of resource sharing and performance consistency in multi-tenant applications highlight the need for enhanced strategies





to ensure robust resource management and performance isolation (Nguyen and Y. Kim 2022, p. 651; Jian et al. 2023, p. 2; E. Kim, Lee, and Yoo 2021, p. 158).

Relevance to SaaS and this Thesis





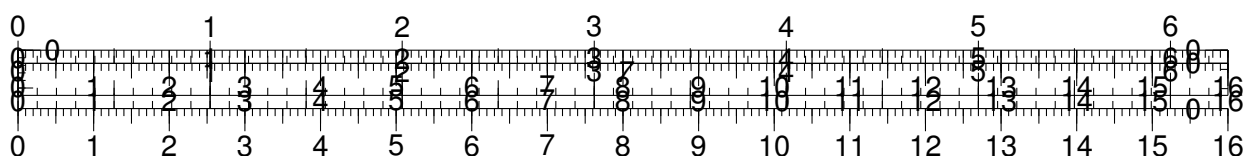
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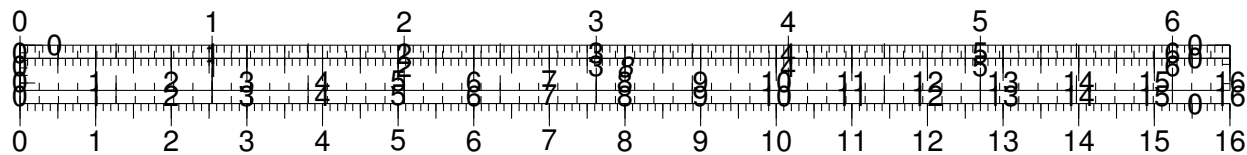
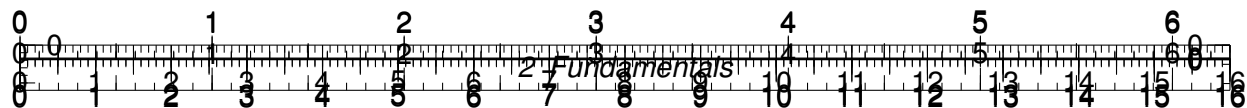
Workspaces KPC introduces the concept of *workspaces*. In KCP, a workspace is a Kubernetes-cluster-like HTTPS endpoint exposed under `/clusters/<parent>:<name>`, that regular tools such as *kubectl*, *Helm* or *client-go* treat exactly like a real Kubernetes cluster. Every workspace is backed by its own logical cluster stored in an isolated **etcd prefix**, so objects in one workspace (including cluster-scoped resources like **CRDs**) are completely invisible to others, delivering hard multi-tenancy without spinning up separate control planes (kcp Docs 2025b).

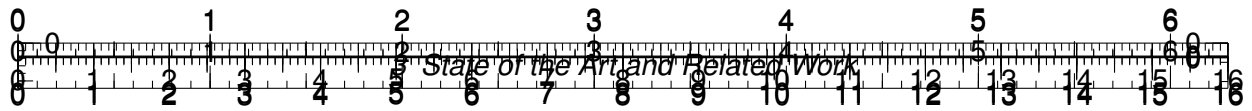
As per the definition by the etcd Authors 2025, “**etcd** is a strongly consistent, distributed key-value store that provides a reliable way to store data that needs to be accessed by a distributed system or cluster of machines. It gracefully handles leader elections during network partitions and can tolerate machine failure, even in the leader node.” etcd is the primary datastore used by KCP and K8s (kcp Docs 2025a; Sun et al. 2021, p. 214). **etcd prefixes** are a simple, inbuilt way to group keys using a prefix (etcd Docs 2025). This allows for resource isolation in KCP. A *Custom Resource Definition (CRD)* is a declaratively specified schema that registers a new API resource, defined by its group, version, kind, and OpenAPI schema, into the Kubernetes control plane so the native API server stores and serves the objects as first-class resources (Kubernetes 2025c).

Workspaces for a typed, parent-child tree, and each type can constrain which kind of workspaces it can contain or be contained by, giving platform teams a structured way to delegate environments while retaining policy control (kcp Docs 2025b).

This combination of strong isolation, familiar tooling, and hierarchical organization makes workspaces offer an attractive solution to many of the problems commonly faced in multi-tenant environments: each tenant gets the freedom of a full dedicated cluster, yet operators manage only a single shared KCP control plane.







2.3 SaaS Architecture and Automation

3 State of the Art and Related Work

3.1 Zero-Downtime Deployment Strategies

3.2 Kubernetes Scaling Methods

3.3 Multi-Tenancy Concepts in the Cloud

3.4 KCP

4 Conceptual Design

4.1 System Requirements

4.2 Architecture Design with KCP for SaaS

4.3 Automated Deployment Strategies

5 Prototypical Implementation

5.1 Infrastructure with KCP

5.2 Tenant Provisioning (Automation, Multi-Tenancy)

5.3 Scaling Mechanisms (Horizontal Pod Autoscaler)

5.4 Monitoring and Logging (Prometheus, Grafana)

6 Evaluation

6.1 Performance Measurements (Downtime, Latency, Scaling)

6.2 Scaling Scenarios and Optimizations

6.3 Discussion of Results

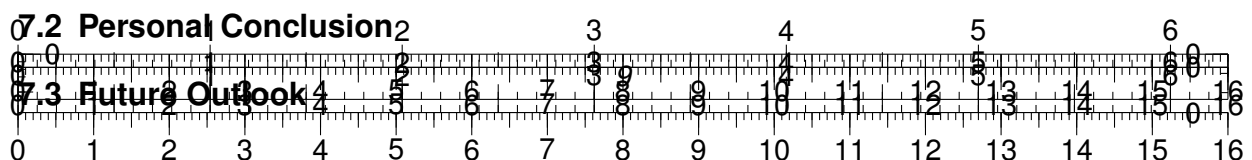
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7.1 Summary

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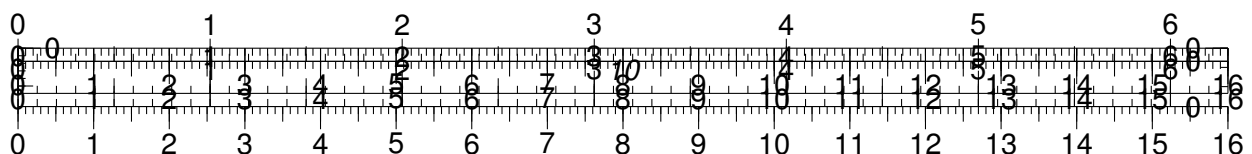
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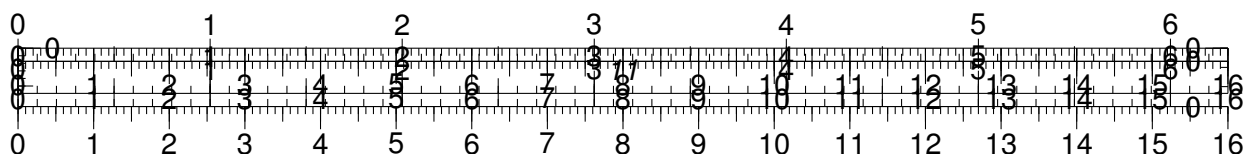
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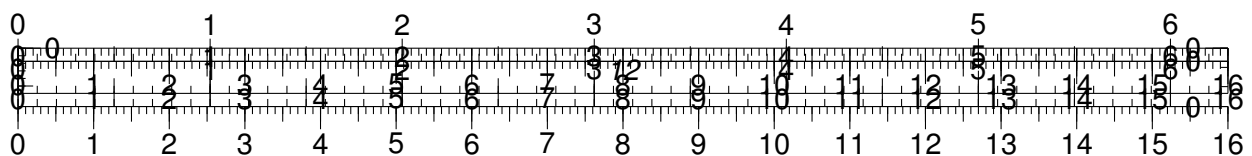
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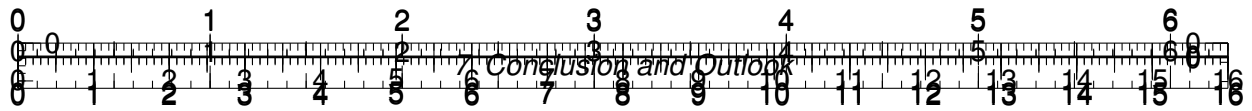
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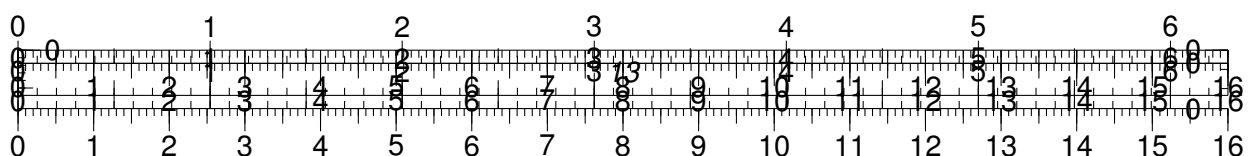
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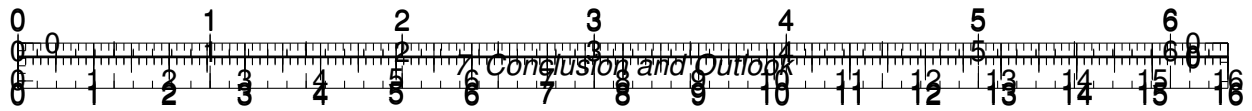
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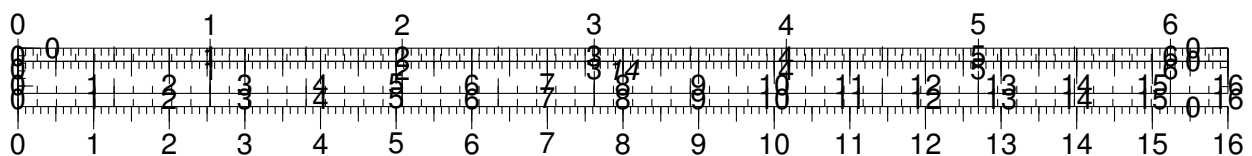
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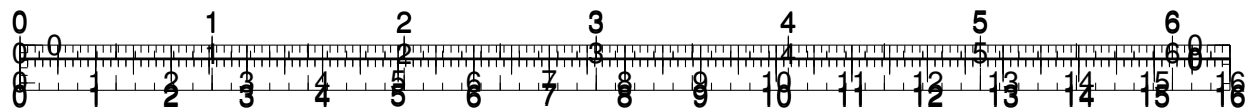
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