

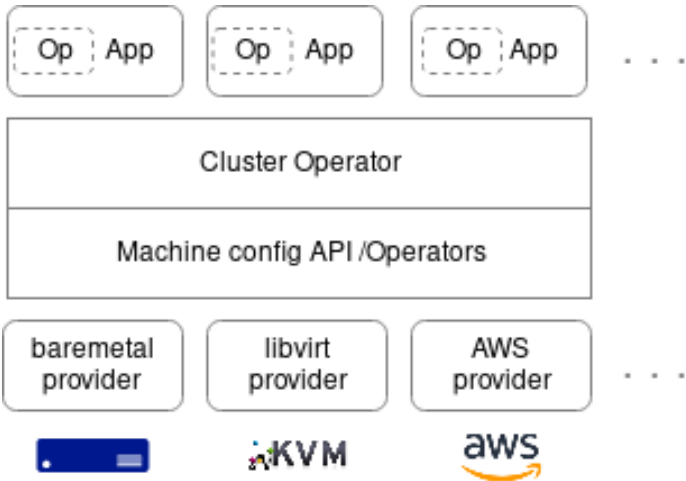
Kubernetes-Native Infrastructure (KNI) Blueprint Family

Overview

Blueprints in the Kubernetes-Native Infrastructure Blueprint Family leverage the best-practices and tools from the Kubernetes community to declaratively manage edge computing stacks at scale and with a consistent, uniform user experience from the infrastructure up to the services and from developer environments to production environments on bare metal or on public cloud.

All blueprints in this family share the following characteristics:

- They implement the Kubernetes community's [Machine API](#), allowing users to declaratively configure and consistently deploy and lifecycle manage Kubernetes clusters no matter whether on-prem or on public cloud, on VMs or on bare metal, at the edge or at the core.
- Leverage the community's [Operator Framework](#) for automated and secure lifecycle management of applications in the edge computing stack. Operators allow applications to be lifecycle managed as Kubernetes resources, in event-driven manner, and fully RBAC-controlled. They may provide more than deployment and upgrade actions for an application, e.g. auto-reblancing/scaling, analytics, and usage metering, and may be created from Helm Charts, using Ansible or Go.
- Optimize for Kubernetes-native container workloads, but allow mixing in VM-based workloads via [KubeVirt](#) as needed.



Family Template

Attributes	Description	Informational
Type	New	
Blueprint Family - Proposed Name	Kubernetes-Native Infrastructure for Edge (KNI-Edge)	
Use Case(s)	various, e.g.: • Provider Access Edge (Far/Near), MEC • Industrial Automation • Enterprise Edge • ...	
Blueprint Proposed	various; initially: • Provider Access Edge (PAE) • Industrial Edge (IE)	
Initial POD Cost (CAPEX)	(depends on blueprint)	
Scale	1 to hundreds of nodes, 1 to thousands of sites.	
Applications	any type of workloads: • containerized or VM-based • real-time, ultra-low latency or high-throughput • NFV, IoT, AI/ML, Serverless, ...	
Power Restrictions	(depends on blueprint)	

Preferred Infrastructure Orchestration	End-to-end Service Orchestration: depends on use csae; e.g. ONAP App Lifecycle Management: Kubernetes Operators Cluster Lifecycle Management: Kubernetes Cluster operator Container Platform: Kubernetes (OKD) Container Runtime: CRI-O w/compatible backends VM Runtime: KubeVirt OS: CentOS, CentOS-rt, or CoreOS	
Additional Details		

Blueprints in this Family

- [Provider Access Edge \(PAE\)](#)
- [Industrial Edge \(IE\)](#)

Points of contact

- Blueprints mailing list: <https://lists.akraino.org/g/blueprints>
- #akraino-kni Slack channel (on <https://slack.cncf.io/>)

Documents

- gDoc for MVP definition (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1M70PxDFo98H6NynDKawnZIOjNiwxxuYfBkllnFJNbm8/edit#>)
- ONS video deck: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VfRJNXPv4EAo5kWe846rfm2z0XRehXPvVUJckdXjH64>
- Video recording of libvirt deployment: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3mDb1cba8uU>

Proposal Presentation



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