

## **Kiran Thota**

Kiran Kumar Thota is a technology leader and a visionary in networking and security. He is currently at a container startup in the engineering leadership. Previously, he worked in multiple engineering leadership roles at VMware and PMC-Sierra. He is also an investor, and advisor in few early-stage startups. He has 9 patents in the areas of networking, security and storage. He has lead the

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