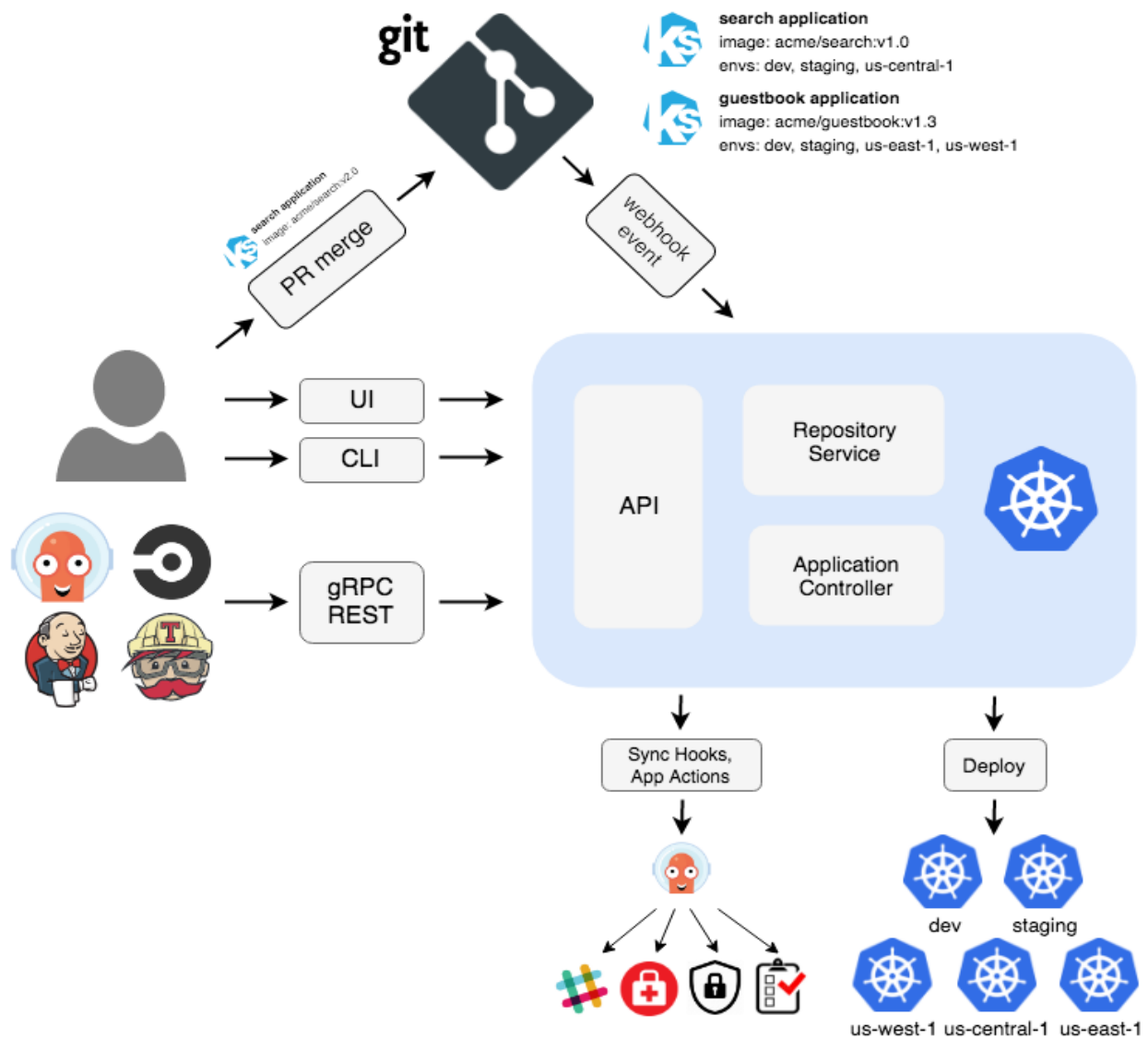




## ARGO-CD



Argo CD is an open-source, declarative, GitOps continuous delivery tool for Kubernetes. It is designed to help developers and DevOps teams automate the deployment and management of applications on Kubernetes clusters.

Argo CD allows you to define the desired state of your applications and their resources in a Git repository, and it continuously monitors the cluster to ensure that the actual state matches the desired state.

ArgoCD follows the principles of GitOps, where the desired state of the application is defined in a Git repository and a continuous delivery system automatically synchronizes the actual state with the desired state.

ArgoCD is a powerful tool in the world of Kubernetes, to simplify the deployment and management of applications in a GitOps workflow. GitOps is a paradigm that leverages version control systems like Git to manage and automate the deployment of applications on Kubernetes clusters. It's becoming popular for its ability to ensure consistency, traceability, and collaboration in the world of container orchestration.

## Features

**1. GitOps Workflow:** Argo CD follows the principles of GitOps, where the desired state of the application is defined in a Git repository. It continuously monitors the repository for changes and ensures that the actual state of the applications matches the desired state.

**2. Declarative Application Definition/Configuration:** ArgoCD follows the declarative approach, where you define your desired application state in a Git repository. This repository contains Kubernetes manifests, Helm charts, or Kustomize overlays that specify how your application should run on your clusters.

**3. Automated Deployment/Synchronization:** Argo CD automates the application deployment process by continuously synchronizing the desired state defined in Git with the actual state in the Kubernetes cluster. It detects changes and updates the applications accordingly.

ArgoCD continuously monitors your Git repository and the actual state of your Kubernetes clusters. When it detects changes in the repository, it automatically syncs the cluster to match the desired state, ensuring your applications are always up-to-date.

**4. Rollback and Rollout:** Argo CD provides rollback and rollout capabilities. It allows users to roll back to a previous known good state if issues occur during deployment. It also supports progressive deployments, such as canary and blue-green deployments.

**5. Application Configuration Management:** Argo CD manages application configuration using ConfigMaps, Secrets, and other Kubernetes resources. It tracks changes to the configuration and ensures that the deployed applications always use the correct configuration.

**6. Multi-Environment Support/Multi-Cluster Management:** Whether you're working with a single cluster or a multi-cluster environment, ArgoCD can handle it. It simplifies the complex task of managing applications across various clusters, making it easier to maintain consistency and compliance.

**7. RBAC and Security:** ArgoCD integrates with Kubernetes RBAC (Role-Based Access Control), providing fine-grained control over who can make changes to your applications. It helps maintain security by allowing you to define access rights and permissions.

**8. Customization and Extensibility:** It is highly customizable. You can extend its functionality by creating custom plugins and hooks to fit your specific use cases, making it adaptable to your unique requirements.

**9. User-Friendly Web UI:** It offers a user-friendly web-based dashboard, allowing both developers and operators to visualize the application deployment status and history, making it easier to troubleshoot and monitor deployments.

**10. Integration with Git Providers:** It supports various Git hosting services, including GitHub, GitLab, and Bitbucket, making it easy to integrate into your existing Git workflows.

**11. Continuous Delivery Pipelines:** It can be part of a broader continuous delivery pipeline, working seamlessly with tools like Jenkins, Tekton, or any CI/CD system of your choice.

Below are some of the concepts that are specific to Argo CD.



**Application** A group of Kubernetes resources as defined by a manifest. This is a Custom Resource Definition (CRD).

- ✚ Application source type Which Tool is used to build the application.
- ✚ Target state The desired state of an application, as represented by files in a Git repository.
- ✚ Live state The live state of that application. What pods etc are deployed.
- ✚ Sync status Whether or not the live state matches the target state. Is the deployed application the same as Git says it should be?
- ✚ Sync The process of making an application move to its target state. E.g. by applying changes to a Kubernetes cluster.
- ✚ Sync operation status Whether or not a sync succeeded.
- ✚ Refresh Compare the latest code in Git with the live state. Figure out what is different.
- ✚ Health The health of the application, is it running correctly? Can it serve requests?
- ✚ Tool A tool to create manifests from a directory of files. E.g. Kustomize. See Application Source Type.
- ✚ Configuration management tool See Tool.
- ✚ Configuration management plugin A custom tool.

## INSTALLATION:

Update the system packages on Ubuntu 22.04 LTS

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```
sudo apt update -y
```

install below packages for minikube

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```
sudo apt install curl wget apt-transport-https -y
```

Install Docker on Ubuntu 22.04 LTS

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```
sudo apt install docker.io
```

Configure to Run docker without sudo permission

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```
sudo usermod -aG docker $USER
```

```
sudo chmod 666 /var/run/docker.sock
```

**To check whether virtualization support is enabled on your machine or not**

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```
egrep -q 'vmx|svm' /proc/cpuinfo && echo yes || echo no
```

**install the KVM and other tools**

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```
sudo apt install qemu-kvm libvirt-clients libvirt-daemon-system bridge-utils  
virtinst libvirt-daemon
```

Add your user to libvirt group

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```
sudo adduser -a $USER libvirt
```

```
sudo adduser -a $USER libvirt-qemu
```

Reload Group:

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```
newgrp libvirt
```

```
newgrp libvirt-qemu
```

To download latest minikube setup

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```
curl -LO https://storage.googleapis.com/minikube/releases/latest/minikube-linux-amd64
```

Install Minikube

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```
sudo install minikube-linux-amd64 /usr/local/bin/minikube
```

To check minikube version

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minikube version

Download kubectl binary with curl on Ubuntu using below command

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```
curl -LO "https://dl.k8s.io/release/$(curl -L -s https://dl.k8s.io/release/stable.txt)/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl"
```



Make the kubectl binary executable

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```
chmod +x ./kubectl
```

Make the kubectl binary executable

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```
sudo mv kubectl /usr/local/bin/
```

To check kubectl version on Ubuntu

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```
kubectl version --client --output=yaml
```

Start the minikube Kubernetes cluster on Ubuntu

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```
minikube start --vm-driver docker
```

```
minikube status
```

here are several driver options that you can use to start a minikube cluster (virtualbox, docker, hyperv). We are using driver as docker

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```
minikube start --driver=docker
```

### **create namespace**

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```
kubectl create ns argocd
```

ArgoCD can be installed using its manifests

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```
kubectl apply -n argocd -f https://raw.githubusercontent.com/argoproj/argo-cd/v2.5.8/manifests/install.yaml
```

Let's verify the installation by getting all the objects in the ArgoCD namespace.

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```
kubectl get all -n argocd
```

By default, the ArgoCD server is not exposed outside the cluster. You can expose it using port-forwarding to access the ArgoCD UI.

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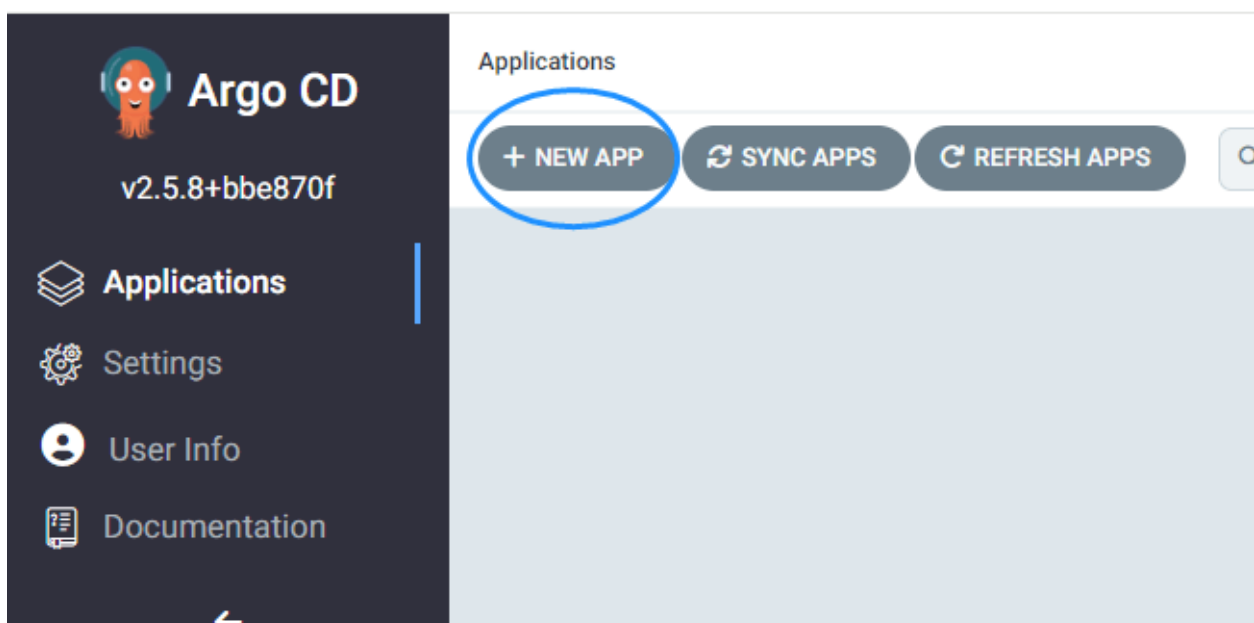
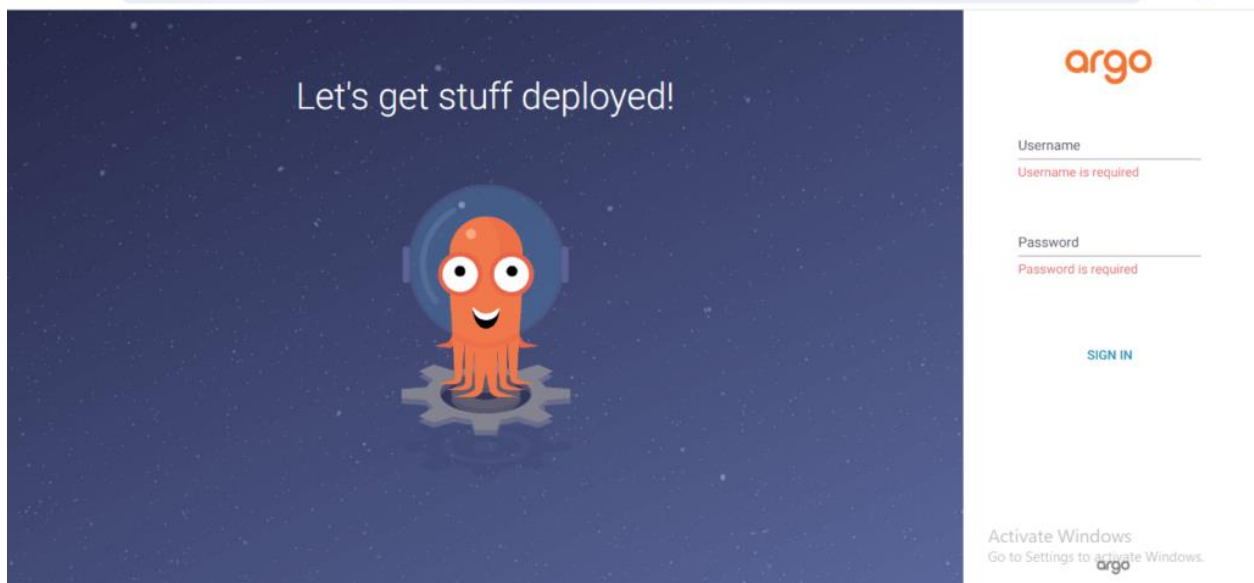
```
kubectl port-forward svc/argocd-server -n argocd --address 0.0.0.0 8080:443
```



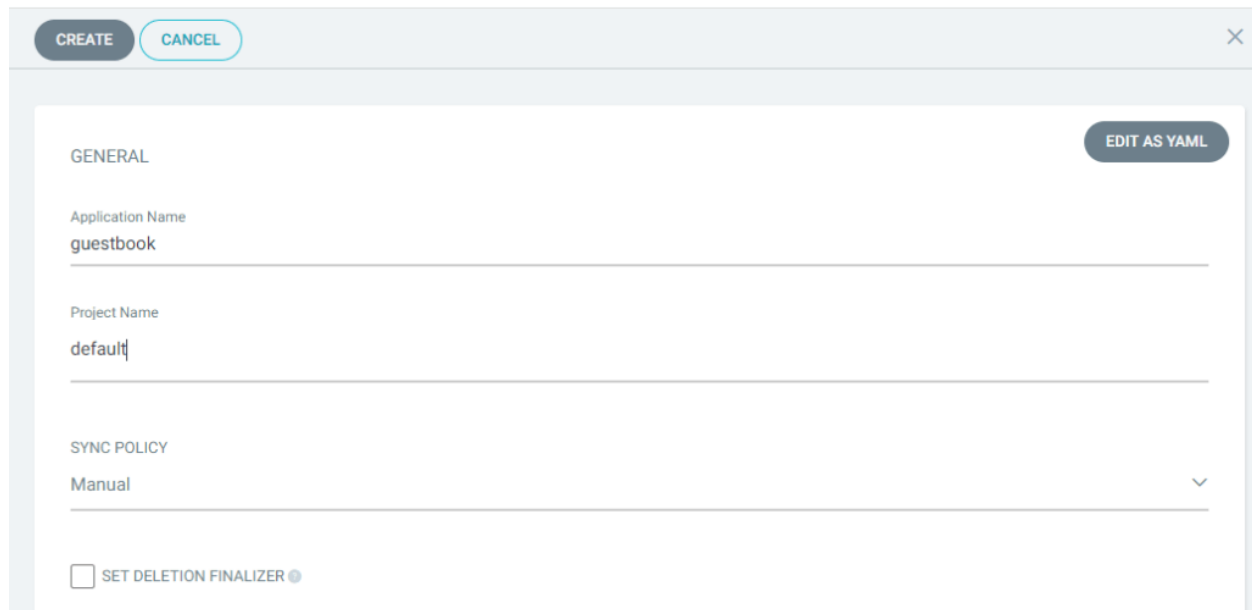
The ArgoCD UI will be available at <http://localhost/IP:8080>. Access it through your web browser. Get the initial password for the admin user to log in

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```
kubectl -n argocd get secret argocd-initial-admin-secret -o  
jsonpath="{.data.password}" | base64 -d
```



Give your app the name **guestbook**, use the project **default**, and leave the sync policy as **Manual**



The screenshot shows the Argo CD application creation interface. At the top, there are 'CREATE' and 'CANCEL' buttons. The form is titled 'GENERAL' and includes an 'EDIT AS YAML' button. The 'Application Name' field is filled with 'guestbook'. The 'Project Name' field is filled with 'default'. The 'SYNC POLICY' dropdown menu is set to 'Manual'. At the bottom, there is a checkbox for 'SET DELETION FINALIZER' which is currently unchecked.

CREATE CANCEL

GENERAL EDIT AS YAML

Application Name  
guestbook

Project Name  
default

SYNC POLICY  
Manual

☐ SET DELETION FINALIZER

Connect the <https://github.com/argoproj/argocd-example-apps.git> repo to Argo CD by setting repository url to the github repo url, leave revision as **HEAD**, and set the path to **guestbook**:

CREATE

CANCEL

SOURCE

Repository URL

https://github.com/argoproj/argocd-example-apps.git

GIT ▼

Revision

HEAD

Branches ▼

Path

guestbook

helm-guestbook

kustomize-guestbook

For **Destination**, set cluster URL to `https://kubernetes.default.svc` (or in-cluster for cluster name) and namespace to `default`:

DESTINATION

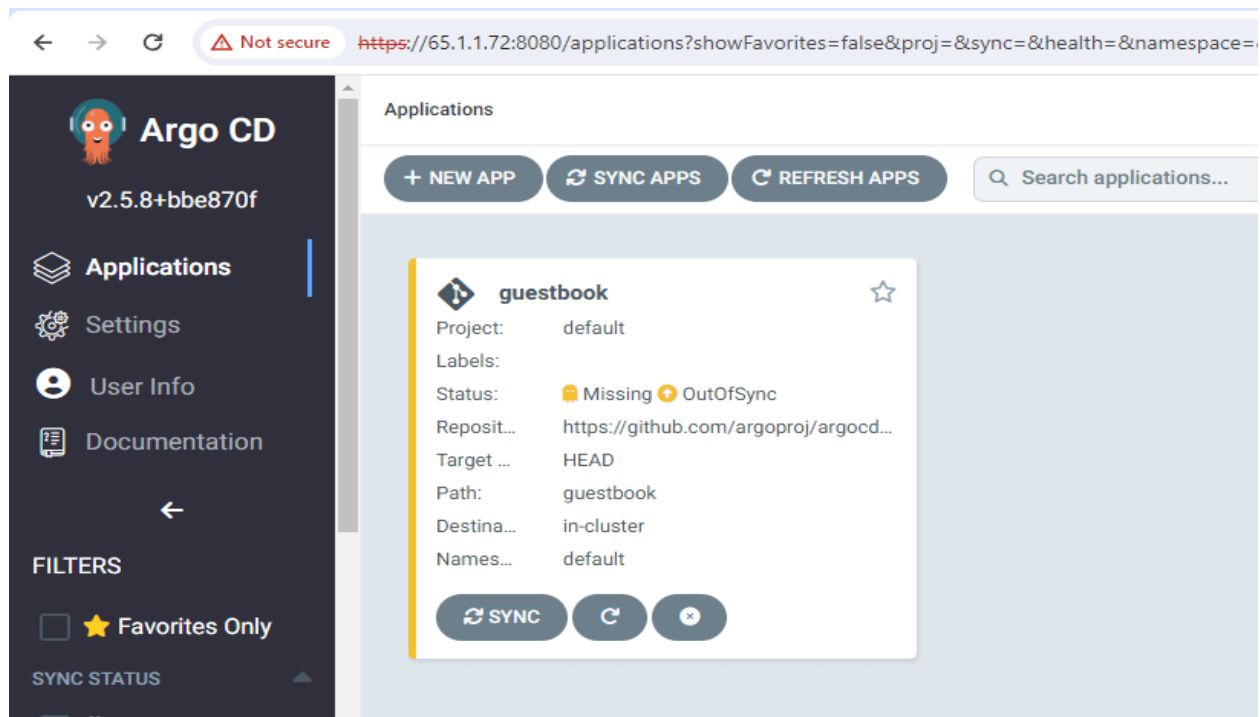
Cluster URL

https://kubernetes.default.svc

URL ▼

Namespace

default



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SYNC STATUS

Applications

+ NEW APP SYNC APPS REFRESH APPS Search applications...

**guestbook**

Project: default

Labels:

Status: Missing OutOfSync

Reposit... <https://github.com/argoproj/argocd...>

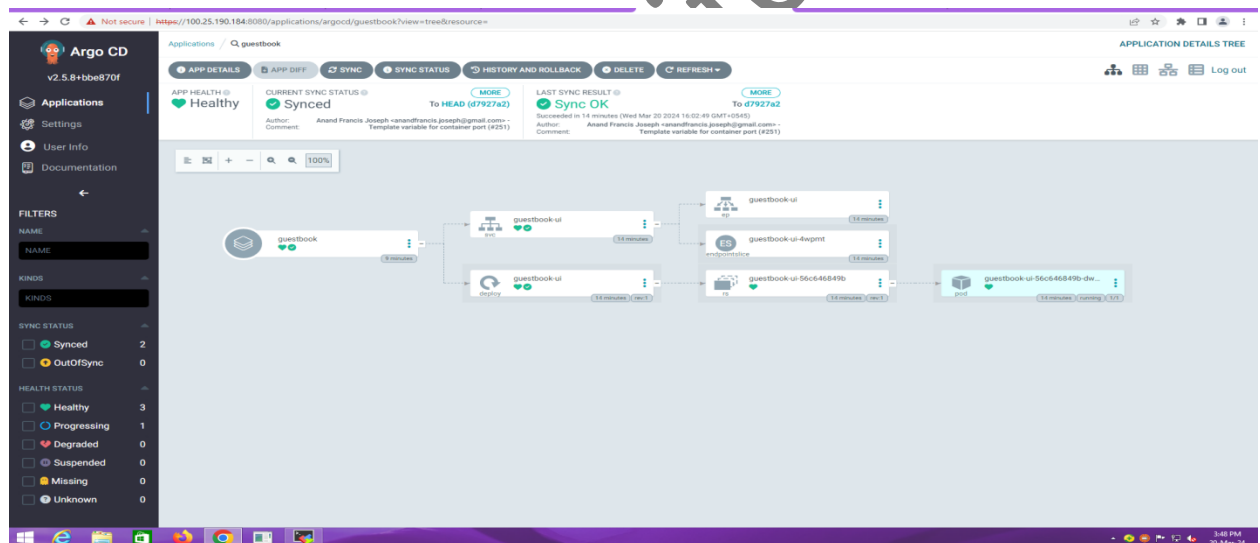
Target ... HEAD

Path: guestbook

Destina... in-cluster

Names... default

SYNC Refresh Delete



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NAME

KINDS

SYNC STATUS

HEALTH STATUS

APP HEALTH: Healthy

CURRENT SYNC STATUS: Synced

LAST SYNC RESULT: Sync OK

APPLICATION DETAILS TREE

Log out

guestbook

guestbook-ui

guestbook-ui-8xgmt

guestbook-ui-56c646849b

guestbook-ui-56c646849b-dw...

guestbook



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