"(eval):2: command not found: compdef"

I asked Chatpgt about my .zshrc errors; here is what it said

Got it. I pulled your .zshrc and traced where compdef fires.

What's happening

- You load plugins before the completion system starts.
 zinit light Aloxaf/fzf-tab is above compinit. fzf-tab expects zsh completion to be live.
- You eval completions that emit compdef
 eval "\$(op completion zsh)" and eval "\$(zoxide init --cmd cd zsh)" both output a
 compdef ... line. If compinit didn't finish, those evals throw (eval):2: command not found:
 compdef.
- Likely extra issue
 If compinit hit "insecure directories" it silently bailed. In that case compdef never exists even though it looks like it should.

What to change in your file

Move fzf-tab **below** compinit. Guard any eval that can emit compdef. Optionally auto-fix compaudit warnings once.

Current order near the top

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zinit light zsh-users/zsh-syntax-highlighting
zinit light zsh-users/zsh-autosuggestions
zinit light zsh-users/zsh-completions
zinit light Aloxaf/fzf-tab # <-- loaded too early

autoload -Uz compinit
ZSH_COMPDUMP="..."
mkdir -p "${ZSH_COMPDUMP:h}"
compinit -C -d "$ZSH_COMPDUMP"

# 1Password completion
if command -v op >/dev/null 2>&1; then
eval "$(op completion zsh)" # <-- this eval includes a compdef inside
if type compdef >/dev/null 2>&1; then
compdef _op op
fi
fi
```

Fix it like this

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# --- Completion system early and reliable
autoload -Uz compinit
ZSH COMPDUMP="${XDG CACHE HOME:-$HOME/.cache}/zsh/compdump"
mkdir -p "${ZSH COMPDUMP:h}"
# If there are insecure dirs, fix them once to avoid compinit bailing
if command -v compaudit >/dev/null 2>&1; then
 compaudit | xargs -r chmod g-w,o-w 2>/dev/null
fi
compinit -C -d "$ZSH_COMPDUMP"
# Load completion-dependent plugins AFTER compinit
zinit light zsh-users/zsh-completions
zinit light Aloxaf/fzf-tab
# Program completions that output compdef go AFTER compinit, and only if compdef exists
if command -v op >/dev/null 2>&1 && typeset -f compdef >/dev/null 2>&1; then
 eval "$(op completion zsh)"
fi
if command -v zoxide >/dev/null 2>&1 && typeset -f compdef >/dev/null 2>&1; then
 eval "$(zoxide init --cmd cd zsh)"
fi
```

Notes

- Keep zsh-syntax-highlighting and zsh-autosuggestions anywhere. They don't need compinit.
- zsh-completions can be before or after compinit. Putting it after is fine since you already ran compinit; fzf-tab must be after.

Quick checks

Run these in a fresh shell.

typeset -f compdef >/dev/null && echo "compdef is ready" || echo "missing" echo "shell:" \$0

If you still get the error, you almost certainly have a stray compdef in .zprofile or .zshenv.

Find and kill strays

grep -R "compdef" -n \sim /.zsh* \sim /.config 2>/dev/null grep -R 'op completion zsh\|zoxide init zsh' -n \sim /.zsh* \sim /.config 2>/dev/null

If you see those lines in .zprofile or .zshenv, move them into .zshrc below compinit or wrap them with the typeset -f compdef guard like above.

Final sanity

Reload the shell

exec zsh

Hit Tab on git and kubectl to confirm completions. Error should be gone.