

# // CODE ➡ CLUSTER: BOOSTING DEVELOPMENT WITH A LOCAL KUBERNETES OPS PLATFORM



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Slides



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# Agenda

1. Intro
2. Meet GOP
3. Exercises, Getting Started



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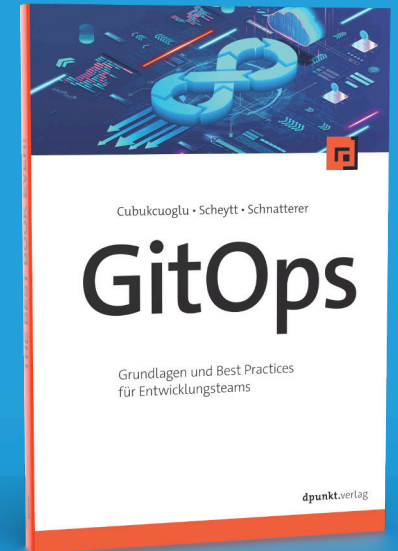
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# What is your profession?



Software Engineer / Developer



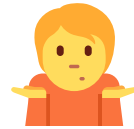
# What is your profession?



Platform Engineer / Ops person



# What is your profession?



None of the above



**Who uses Kubernetes for local development?**

k3d Minkube **Microk8s** k3s KIND

Docker Desktop k0s Rancher Desktop



**Kelsey Hightower** 


@kelseyhightower

Kubernetes is a platform for building platforms. It's a better place to start; not the endgame.

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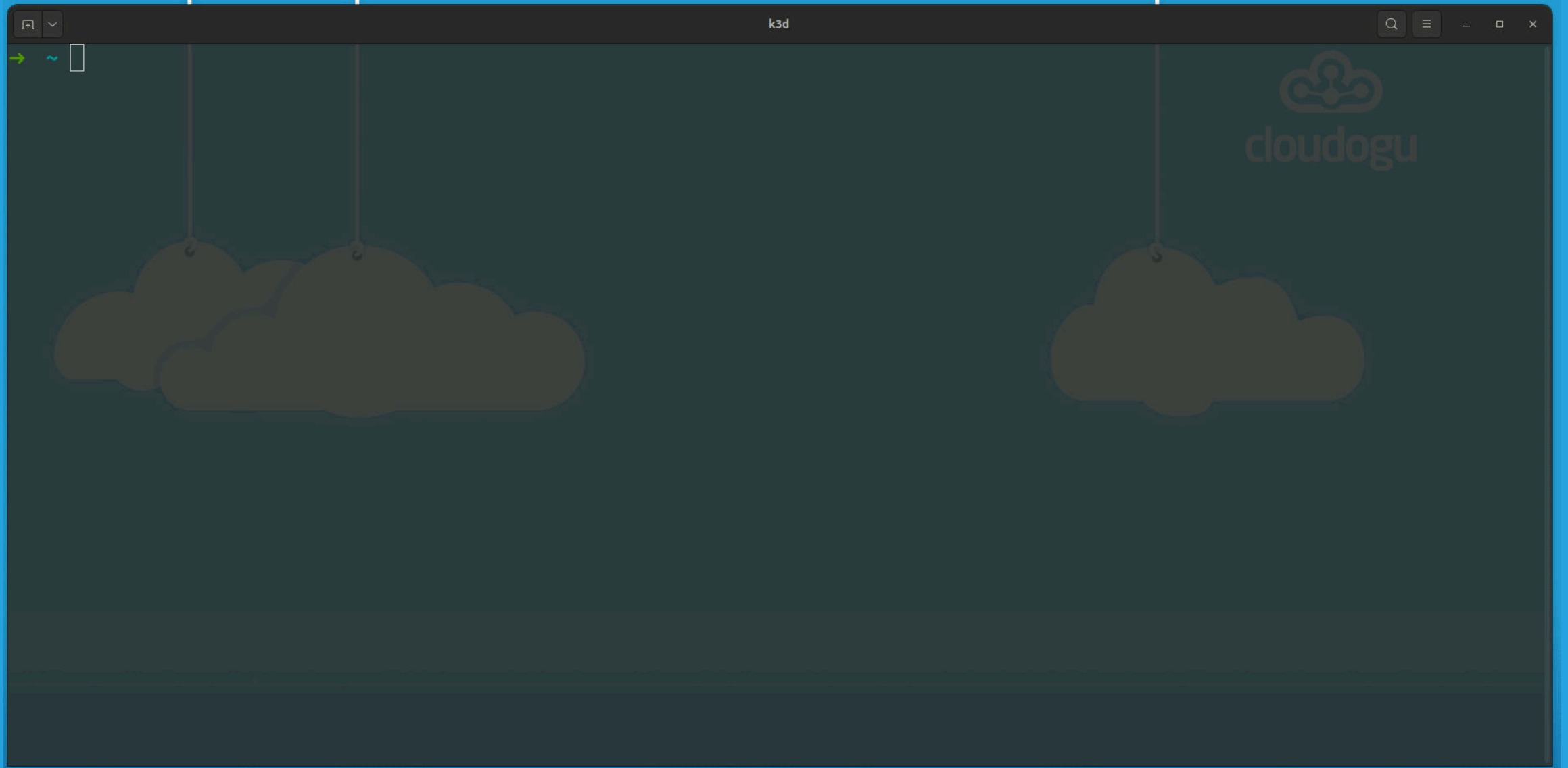
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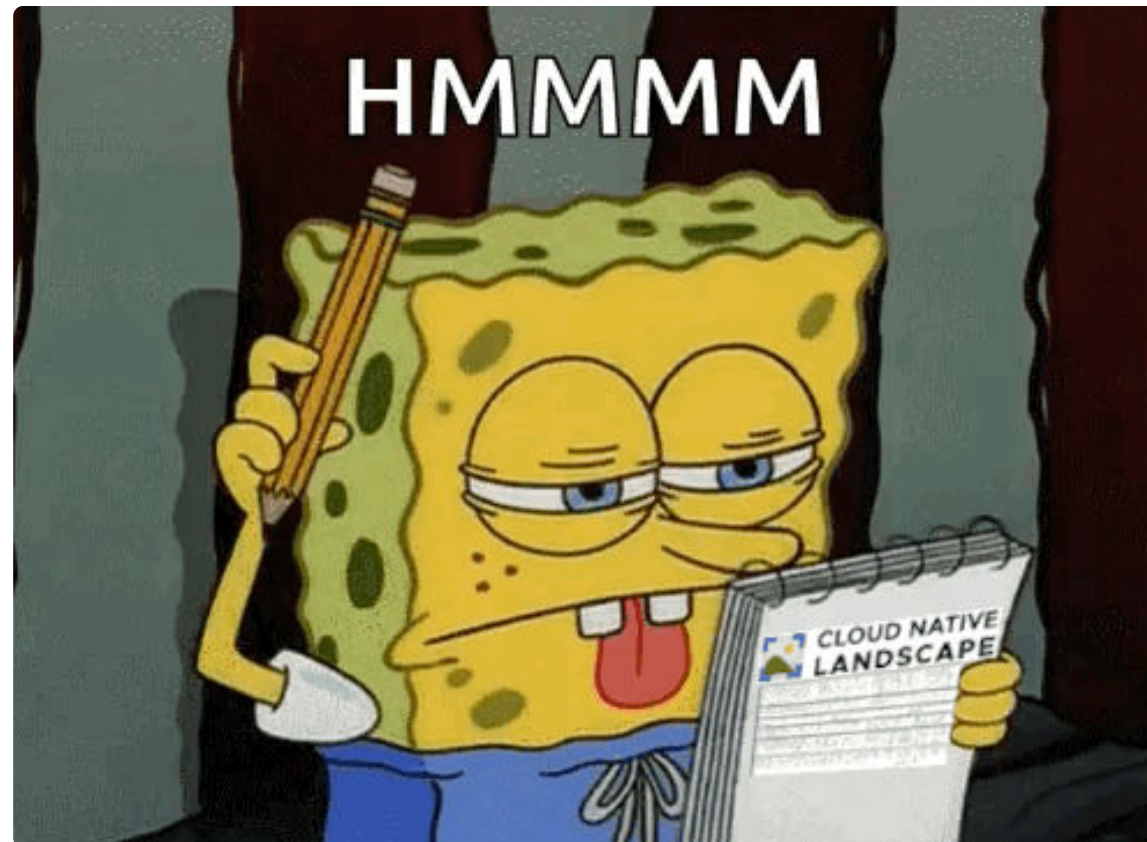
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# Start a local k8s cluster with one command



# Next, start the platform



**So, let's write a *little* script...**



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/ scripts / apply.sh

↑ Top

Code

Blame

Raw



```
669 --metrics | --monitoring ) shift;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
670 --mailhog-url           ) shift 2;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
671 --vault                 ) shift 2;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
672 --petclinic-base-domain ) shift 2;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
673 --nginx-base-domain     ) shift 2;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
674 --destroy               ) DESTROY=true; shift;;
675 --config-file           ) shift;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
676 --config-map            ) shift;; # Ignore, used in groovy only
677 --output-config-file    ) OUTPUT_CONFIG_FILE=true; shift;;
678 --                      ) shift; break ;;
679 *) break ;;
680 esac
681 done
682 }
683
684 main "$@"
```



**Why not start the platform with one command?**

# Meet GOP

a GitOps-based operational stack (platform)



Slides



```
VERSION='0.3.0'
bash <(curl -s \
  "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cloudogu/gitops-playground/$VERSION/scripts/init-cluster.sh") \
  && docker run --rm -t -u $(id -u) \
    -v ~/.config/k3d/kubeconfig-gitops-playground.yaml:/home/.kube/config \
    --net=host \
    ghcr.io/cloudogu/gitops-playground:$VERSION --yes --base-url=http://localhost --ingress-nginx \
    --argocd --monitoring --vault=dev --mailhog
```

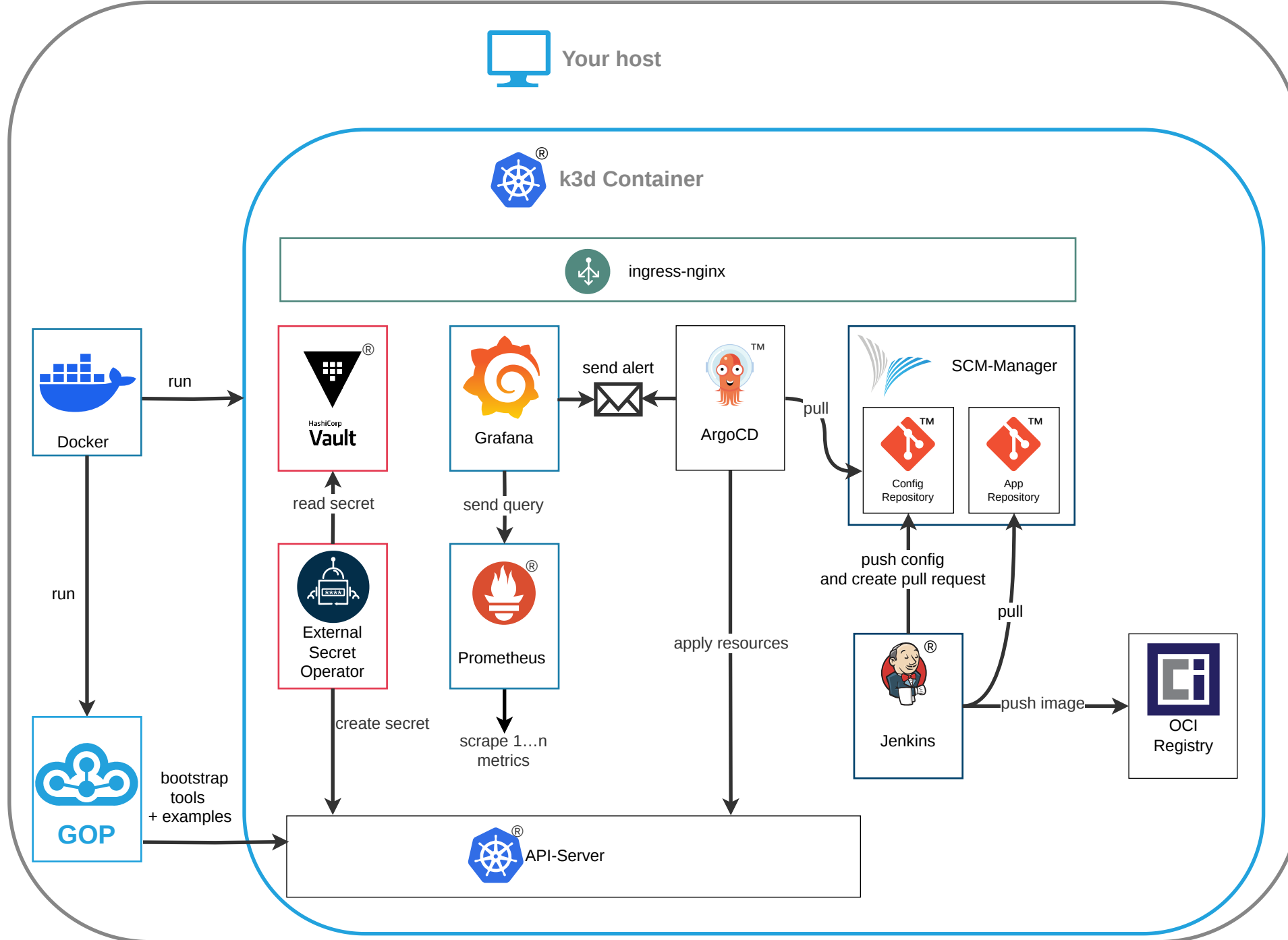
 [cloudogu/gitops-playground](https://github.com/cloudogu/gitops-playground)



## k3d hints

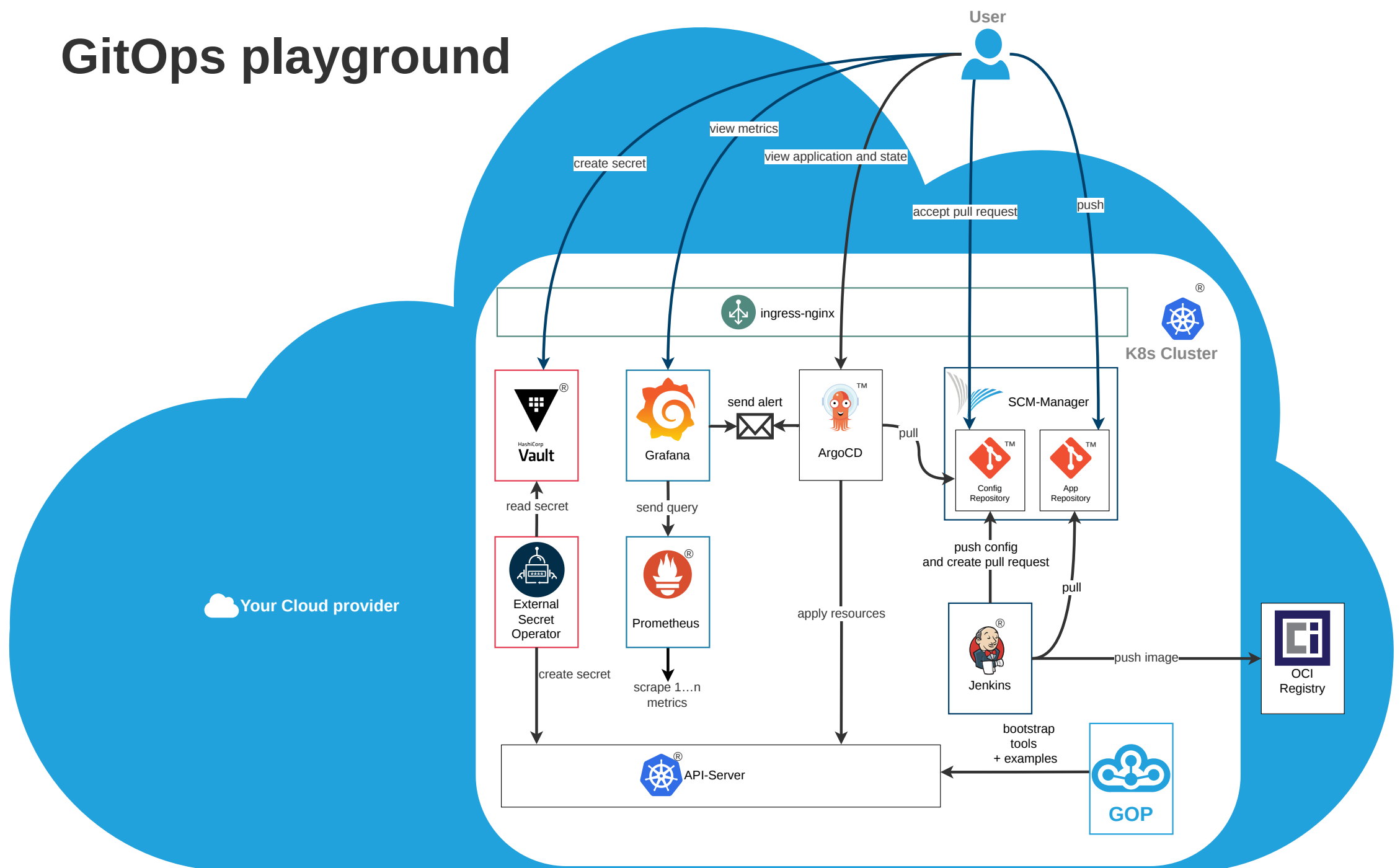
```
# Cleanup
k3d cluster rm gitops-playground
# Or
docker rm $(docker ps -a -q --filter "name=^k3d-gitops-playground")
```

```
# Pause to save resources
k3d cluster stop gitops-playground
# Continue
k3d cluster start gitops-playground
```





# GitOps playground



# scripts/init-cluster.sh

```
k3d cluster create gitops-playground \  
  # Mount port for ingress  
  -p 80:80@server:0:direct \  
  # Pin image for reproducibility  
  --image=rancher/k3s:v1.29.1-k3s2 \  
  # Disable built-in ingress controller, because we want to use the same one locally and in prod  
  --k3s-arg=--disable=traefik@server:0 \  
  # Allow node ports < 30000  
  --k3s-arg=--kube-apiserver-arg=service-node-port-range=8010-65535@server:0 \  
  # Hacks to make Docker available in Jenkins  
  -v /var/run/docker.sock:/var/run/docker.sock@server:0 \  
  -v /etc/group:/etc/group@server:0 -v /tmp:/tmp@server:0 \  
  -p 30000:30000@server:0:direct  
  
# Write kubeconfig to ~/.config/k3d/kubeconfig-gitops-playground.yaml  
k3d kubeconfig write gitops-playground
```

# docker run . . .

```
docker run
# Remove container after running, keeping your device clean
# (remove in case of error to preserve logs)
--rm
# Colorful output, please
-t
# Mount kubeconfig for k3d
-v ~/.config/k3d/kubeconfig-gitops-playground.yaml:/home/.kube/config \
# Run as current user to avoid permission issues with kubeconfig
-u $(id -u) \
# Make k3d cluster available on 0.0.0.0 as described in kubeconfig
--net=host \
# Image, pin for reproducibility
ghcr.io/cloudogu/gitops-playground:$VERSION \
#Params for gop:
--yes --base-url=http://localhost --ingress-nginx --argocd --monitoring --vault=dev --mailhog
```

# ghcr.io/cloudogu/gitops-playground

- OCI image
- Contains logic to install and configure the tools
- App written in Groovy (and bash 🥵)
- Additional resources to run e.g. in air-gapped envs



# Your turn



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# Exercises

- **GitOps+Alerting**  

Deploy broken app via GitOps, get alerted and fix problem

- **GitOps process**    

Promote a change in code all the way to production using GitOps

- **Monitoring**  

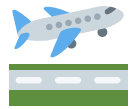
Deploy a Grafana dashboard for an app using GitOps

- **Secrets Management**  










Integrate secrets into app, propagate updates automatically

- ~~Progressive Delivery~~   Reach out if interested 

~~Watch a canary release live with argo rollouts~~



# Getting started

- Login:  `admin` /  `admin`
-  `scmm.localhost`
-  `argocd.localhost`
-  `grafana.localhost`  skip changing password on first login
-  `vault.localhost`
-  `mailhog.localhost`
-  `jenkins.localhost`

# **Exercise: GitOps+Alerting**

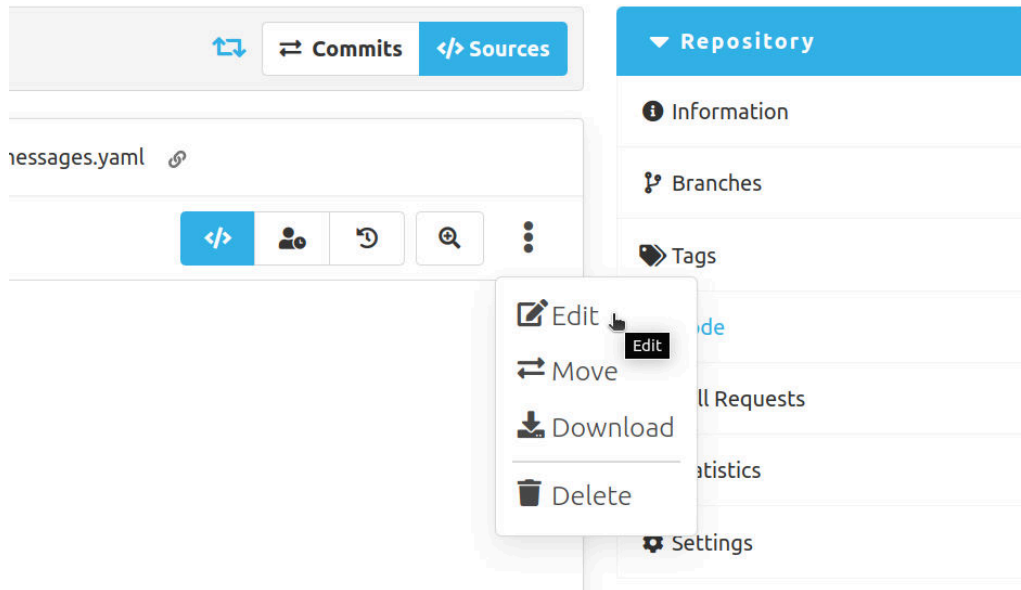
Deploy broken app via GitOps, get alerted and fix problem



# Exercise: Alerting

1. Add repo to Argo CD
2. Create Argo CD Application YAML
3. Deploy, receive alert and fix app

💡 Hint: Edit file in SCM-Manager



## 1. Add repo to Argo CD

Add this repo to Argo CD (via GitOps):

```
http://scmm-scm-manager.default.svc.cluster.local/scm/repo/exercises/broken-application
```




1. Add to `repositories` in Argo CD's config:

 `scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/argocd/code/sources/main/argocd/values.yaml`

2. Authorize `Project` to use the repo by adding it to `sourceRepos` here:

 `scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/argocd/code/sources/main/projects/example-apps.yaml`

## 2. Create Argo CD Application YAML

- Go to  [argocd.localhost](http://argocd.localhost), click 
- Enter Name: broken
- Click on Project Name, choose example apps
- Click on Repository URL, choose the broken-application repo
- Enter Path: .
- Click on Cluster URL, choose https://kubernetes.default.svc
- Enter Namespace: example-apps-staging
- At the top, click  and copy content

### 3. Deploy, receive alert and fix app

- Paste content here:

 <scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/create/main/argocd>

- Enter `Filename: broken.yaml`, and commit message, then click 

- Go to  <argocd.localhost/applications/argocd/broken>, click 

- Check email in  <mailhog.localhost>

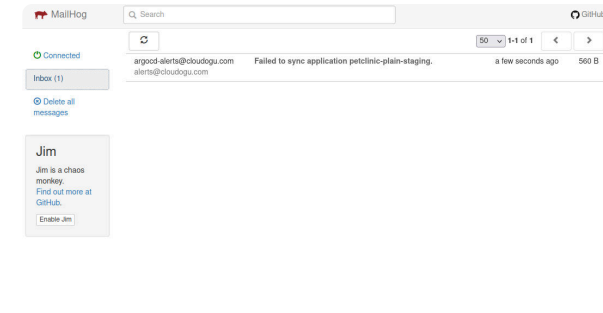
- Follow link to ArgoCD-UI, analyse error

- Fix error in repo:

 <scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sources/main/argocd/broken.yaml>

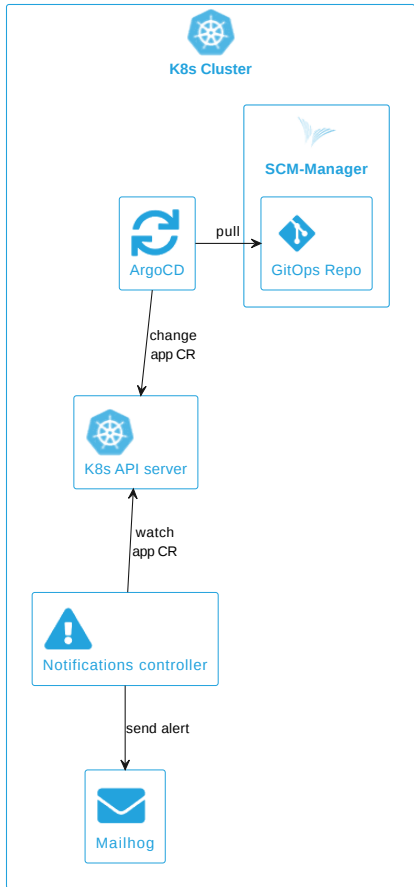
- Go to  <argocd.localhost/applications/argocd/broken>, click 

- Follow  `ingress`  link to open application in browser 



Then have a closer look at the concepts behind this 

# Alerting in GOP



 Argo CD config:

 [github.com/cloudogu/gitops-playground/blob/0.3.0/argocd/argocd/argocd/values.ftl.yaml](https://github.com/cloudogu/gitops-playground/blob/0.3.0/argocd/argocd/argocd/values.ftl.yaml)

 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/argocd/code/sources/main/argocd/values.yaml](https://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/argocd/code/sources/main/argocd/values.yaml)

See also

- [GitOps repo structure in GOP](#)
-  Exercise: GitOps process



## Exercise: GitOps process



Promote a change in code all the way to production using GitOps

- Warmup 🧐
- GitOps with CI server and promotion 🚀

# Warmup 🧐

1. Open Argo CD Application:

 [argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-staging/petclinic-plain](http://argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-staging/petclinic-plain)

2. Open app in Browser:

 [staging.petclinic-plain.petclinic.localhost](http://staging.petclinic-plain.petclinic.localhost)

3. Change welcome message in config repo:

 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sources/main/apps/spring-petclinic-plain/staging/generatedResources/messages.yaml](http://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sources/main/apps/spring-petclinic-plain/staging/generatedResources/messages.yaml)

4. Press  in ArgoCD UI

5. Restart deploy in ArgoCD UI  Watch GitOps deployment

6.  Reload app in Browser  Shows new message 🎉



# Hint: Edit file in SCM-Manager

The screenshot displays the SCM-Manager web interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Commits' and 'Sources', with 'Sources' being the active tab. Below the tabs, the file 'messages.yaml' is listed. A context menu is open over the file, showing options: 'Edit', 'Move', 'Download', and 'Delete'. The 'Edit' option is highlighted with a mouse cursor. On the right side, a 'Repository' sidebar contains links for 'Information', 'Branches', 'Tags', 'Code', 'Pull Requests', 'Statistics', and 'Settings'.



# GitOps with CI server and promotion 🚀

First:

Accept pull request for `petclinic-plain` to deploy prod

 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/pull-requests](https://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/pull-requests)

Then:

1. Change app, build image, deploy staging
2. Accept pull request, deploy production

# 1. Change app, build image, deploy staging

1. Open Argo CD Application for staging:

 [argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-staging/petclinic-plain](http://argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-staging/petclinic-plain)

2. Follow  ingress  link to open application in browser

3. Change welcome message in app repo

 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/src/main/resources/messages/messages.properties](http://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/src/main/resources/messages/messages.properties)

4. Wait for Build

 [jenkins.localhost/job/example-apps/job/petclinic-plain/job/main](http://jenkins.localhost/job/example-apps/job/petclinic-plain/job/main)

5. Press  in ArgoCD UI  Watch GitOps deployment

6.  Reload app in Browser  Shows message in staging 

## 2. Accept pull request, deploy production

1. Open Argo CD Application for production:

 [argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/petclinic-plain](http://argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/petclinic-plain)

2. Follow  ingress  link to open application in browser

3. Accept pull request for petclinic-plain

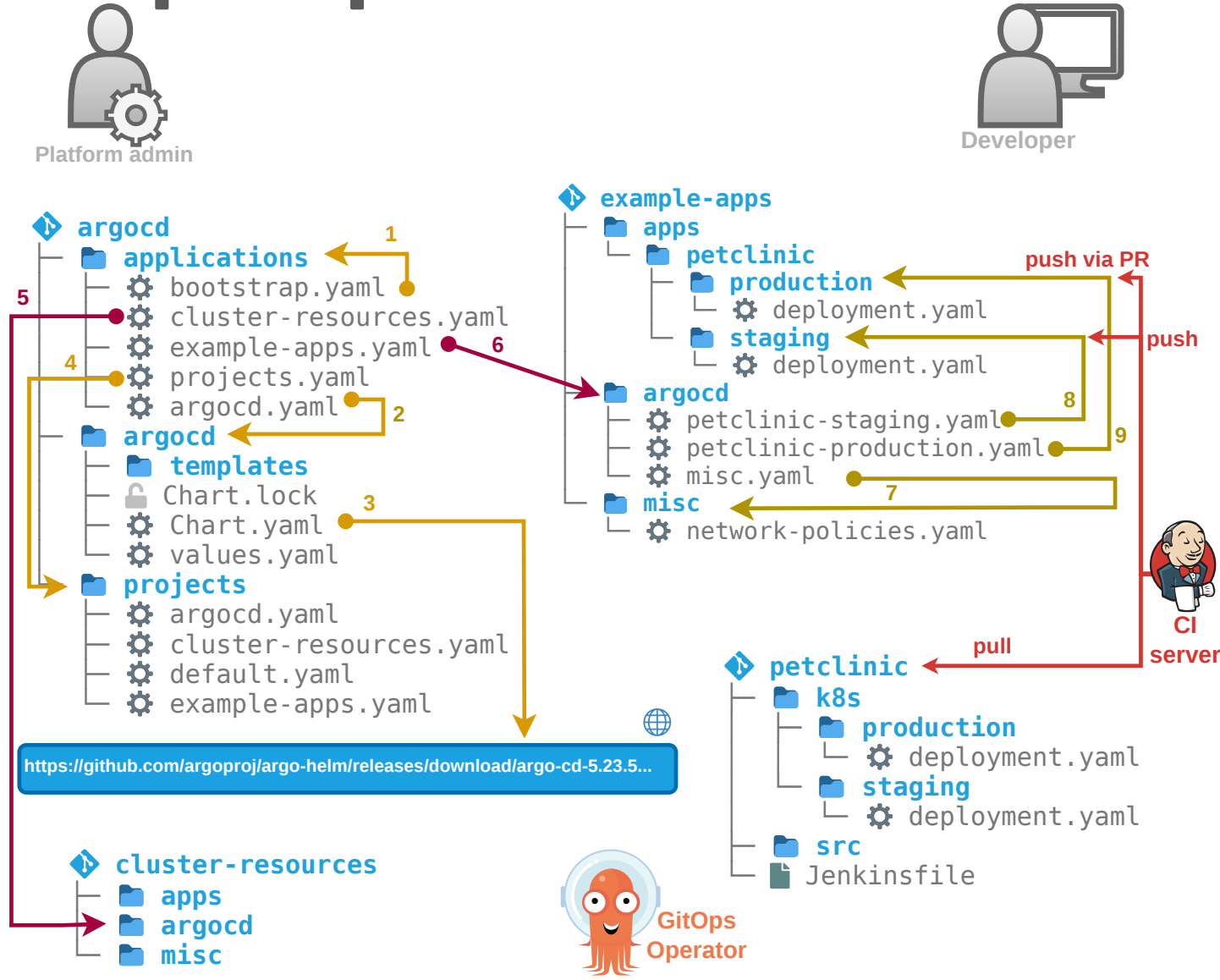
 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/pull-requests](http://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/pull-requests)



4. Press  in ArgoCD UI  Watch GitOps deployment

5.  Reload app in Browser  Shows message in production 🎉🎉

Have a closer look at the concepts behind this 🙌

# GitOps repo structure in GOP



 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/Jenkinsfile](https://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/Jenkinsfile)  
uses  
 [github.com/cloudogu/gitops-build-lib](https://github.com/cloudogu/gitops-build-lib)

 [cloudogu.com/blog/gitops-repository-patterns-part-6-examples](https://cloudogu.com/blog/gitops-repository-patterns-part-6-examples)

## **Exercise: Monitoring**

- Deploy a Grafana dashboard for an app using GitOps 
- (Expose and visualize metrics of Spring Boot app )

# Deploy a Grafana dashboard for an app using GitOps

1. Expose metrics
2. Create specific Grafana dashboard JSON
3. Deploy dashboard via GitOps
4. Watch metrics

# 1. Expose metrics





- Enable metrics export on nginx via GitOps

 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/edit/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella/values.yaml](https://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/edit/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella/values.yaml)

```
nginx:
  metrics:
    enabled: true
  serviceMonitor:
    enabled: true
```

- Go to  [argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/nginx-helm-umbrella](https://argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/nginx-helm-umbrella), click 
- Check if `servicemonitor` was created

## 2. Create specific Grafana dashboard JSON



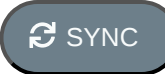

-  [grafana.localhost/dashboard/import](http://grafana.localhost/dashboard/import)
- Paste content from here  and click 
-  [github.com/nginxinc/nginx-prometheus-exporter/blob/v1.2.0/grafana/dashboard.json](https://github.com/nginxinc/nginx-prometheus-exporter/blob/v1.2.0/grafana/dashboard.json)
- Name: `nginx-helm-umbrella`
- Click `Select a Prometheus data source:` `Prometheus`
- Click 






### 3. Deploy dashboard via GitOps

- Copy JSON from  [grafana.localhost/d/MsjffzSZz?editview=dashboard\\_json](http://grafana.localhost/d/MsjffzSZz?editview=dashboard_json)
- to  [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/create/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella](http://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/create/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella)
  - Path: **Add** /files
  - Enter Filename: `dashboard.json` + commit message, click 
- Add another file

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: nginx-helm-umbrella-dashboard
  labels:
    grafana_dashboard: "1"
data:
  dashboard.json: |-
    {{ .Files.Get "files/dashboard.json" | indent 4 }}
```

- Path: **Add** /templates
- Enter Filename: `dashboard.yaml` + commit message, click 
- Go to  [argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/nginx-helm-umbrella](http://argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/nginx-helm-umbrella), click 
- Check if  `configmap` was created

## 4. Watch metrics

- Follow  ingress  link to open app in browser
- Generate traffic by  reloading
- Enjoy your dashboard

 [grafana.localhost/d/MsjffzSZz](http://grafana.localhost/d/MsjffzSZz) 

# Expose and visualize metrics of Spring Boot app 🏆

- Expose container port by name:

🔗 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/k8s/staging/deployment.yaml](https://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/k8s/staging/deployment.yaml)

```
ports:
  # ..
  - containerPort: 9080
    name: actuator
```

- Expose prometheus metrics from app:

🔗 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/pom.xml](https://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/petclinic-plain/code/sources/main/pom.xml)

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>io.micrometer</groupId>
  <artifactId>micrometer-registry-prometheus</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

- Wait for build and deployment to staging

## Create service for metrics port

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: spring-petclinic-plain-monitor
  namespace: example-apps-staging
  labels:
    app: spring-petclinic-plain
    type: metrics
spec:
  ports:
    - name: metrics
      port: 9080
      protocol: TCP
      targetPort: actuator
  selector:
    app: spring-petclinic-plain
```



Use `kubectl` for faster iteration. GitOps can come later.

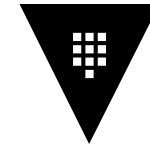
## Create service monitor

```
apiVersion: monitoring.coreos.com/v1
kind: ServiceMonitor
metadata:
  name: spring-petclinic-plain-monitor
  namespace: example-apps-staging
spec:
  endpoints:
    - interval: 15s
      path: /actuator/prometheus
      port: actuator
  namespaceSelector:
    matchNames:
      - example-apps-staging
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: spring-petclinic-plain
      type: metrics
```

Find a suitable JVM / spring / micrometer dashboard and import it to Grafana

 [grafana.com/grafana/dashboards](https://grafana.com/grafana/dashboards) 🎉

# Exercise: Secrets Management



Integrate secrets into app, propagate updates automatically

- Warmup 
- Mount secret into app 

# Warmup 🧐

- Secret exposed via HTTP 😊

🌐 [staging.nginx-helm.nginx.localhost/secret](http://staging.nginx-helm.nginx.localhost/secret)

- Change in Vault:

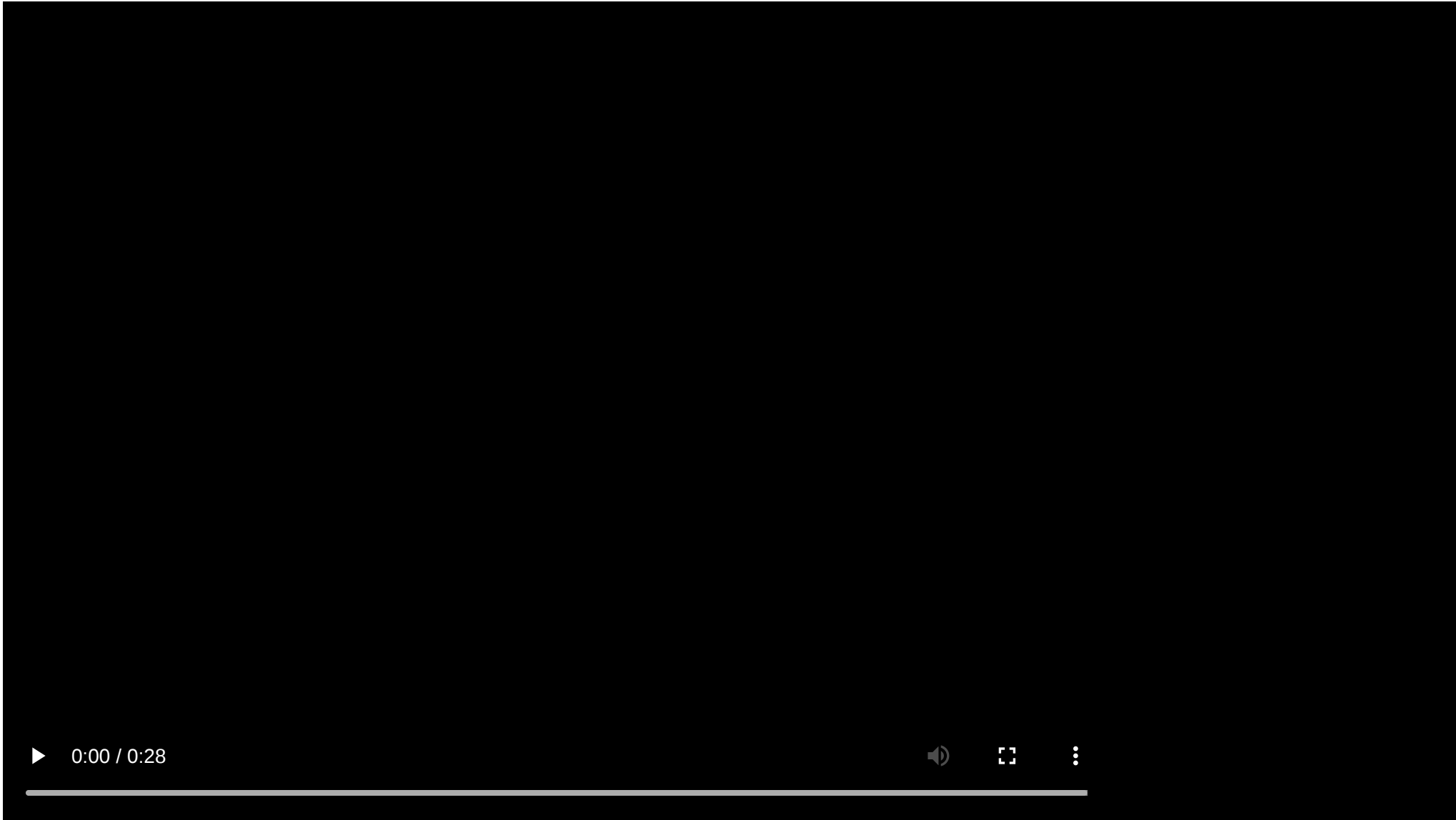
▼ [vault.localhost/ui/vault/secrets/secret/edit/staging/nginx-helm-jenkins](http://vault.localhost/ui/vault/secrets/secret/edit/staging/nginx-helm-jenkins)

- Watch it propagate automatically (<2 min)

Either reload Browser or:

```
while ; do echo -n "$(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'):" ; \
  curl staging.nginx-helm.nginx.localhost/secret/ ; echo; sleep 1; done
```

# Warmup in time-lapse





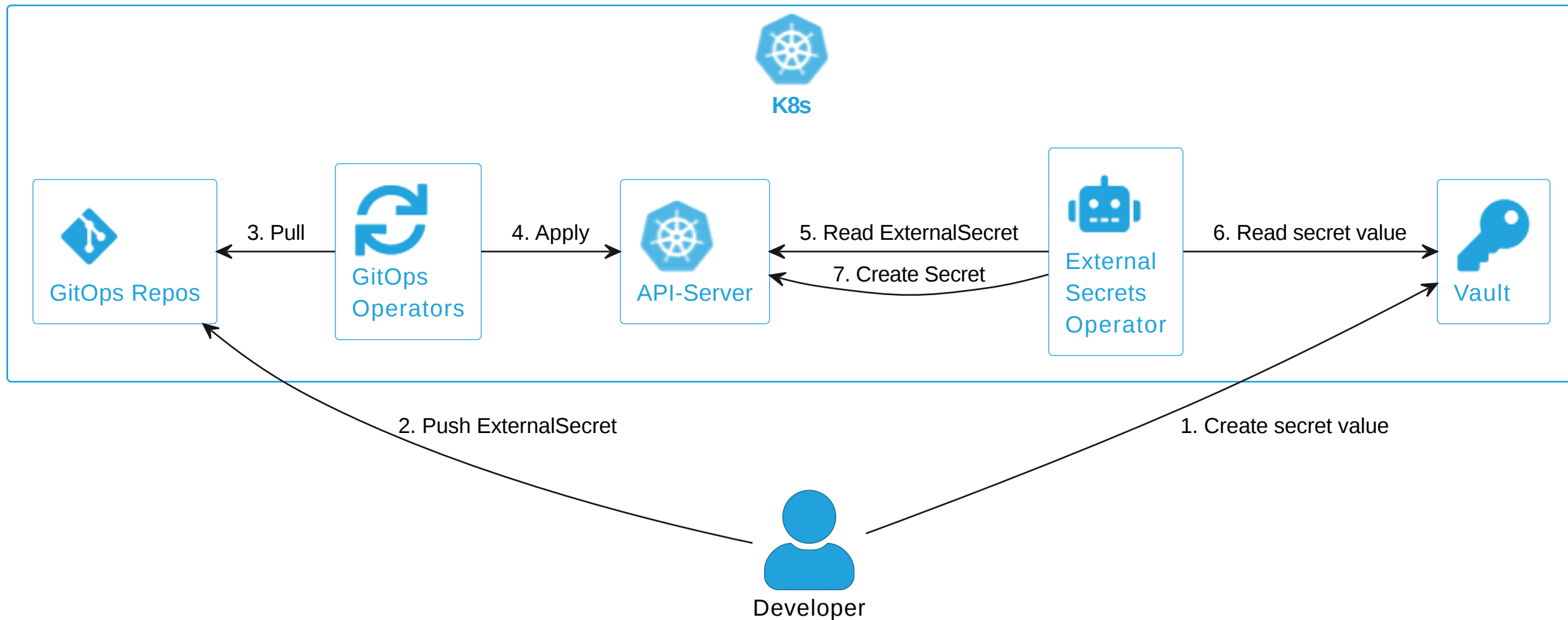
# Mount secret into app 🚀

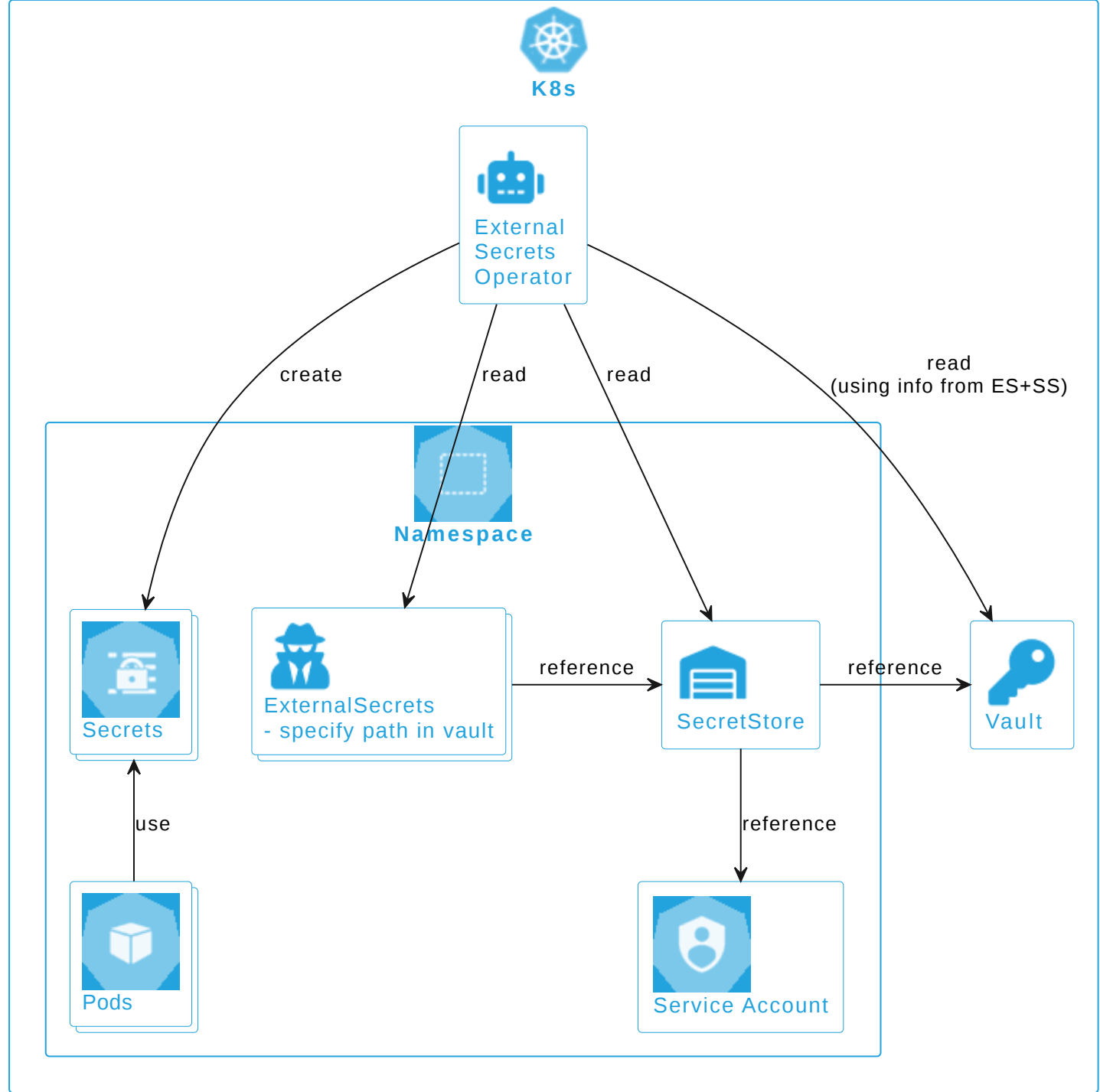
Create a new secret in Vault and mount it into an app

1. Create secret in Vault and sync into cluster via  
`ExternalSecret`
2. Use secret in app

Let's start with some basics 🙌

# External Secrets Operator (ESO) with Vault





## ESO+Vault config in GOP

- SecretStore per Namespace:

📌 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/cluster-resources/code/sources/main/misc/secrets/secret-store-staging.yaml](#)

- Example ExternalSecret:


📌 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/nginx-helm-jenkins/code/sources/main/k8s/staging/external-secret.yaml](#)

- Mounted into app:

📌 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/nginx-helm-jenkins/code/sources/main/k8s/values-shared.yaml](#)


# 1. Create secret in Vault and sync into cluster via ExternalSecret

## 1. Create secret in Vault

-  [vault.localhost/ui/vault/secrets/secret](http://vault.localhost/ui/vault/secrets/secret)
- Click [Create secret +](#)
- Path for this secret: `production/nginx-helm-umbrella`
- key: `my-secret`, value: choose any

## 2. Deploy ExternalSecret via GitOps (💡 example on [previous slide](#))

 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/create/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella](http://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/create/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella)

- Path: **Add** /templates
- Enter Filename: `secret.yaml` + commit message, click 

## 3. Go to [argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/nginx-helm-umbrella](http://argocd.localhost/applications/example-apps-production/nginx-helm-umbrella), click

## 4. Check if secret was created

## 2. Use secret in app

4. Mount `secret` into NGINX (💡 example on [previous slide](#)):

- 🔗 [scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/edit/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella/values.yaml](http://scmm.localhost/scm/repo/argocd/example-apps/code/sourceext/edit/main/apps/nginx-helm-umbrella/values.yaml)
- 💡 Hint: Add one `nginx.extraVolumes` and one `nginx.extraVolumeMounts`

5. Go to 🐙 [argocd.localhost/applications/argocd/broken](http://argocd.localhost/applications/argocd/broken), click 

6. Follow  `ingress`  link to open application in browser

7. Add path `/secret` 🎉

8. Optional: Change the secret in Vault and wait for sync as in [Warmup](#) 😎

⚠️ Secret in vault is transient, i.e. gone after restart (dev mode)

Please take a few moments to answer 5 short questions about GOP



Thanks for helping us improve 🙏

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