

Pre-flight Checks

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docker info >/dev/null 2>&1 && echo "Docker OK" || echo "Docker NOT running"
ls p3/confs/argocd-app.yaml && echo "Repo root OK"
docker pull wil42/playground:v1
docker pull wil42/playground:v2
```

Start Up

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bash p3/scripts/install_k3d_argocd.sh
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Configuration Checks (Evalsheets)

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ls p3/confs/      # → argocd-app.yaml
ls p3/dev-app/    # → deployment.yaml service.yaml
ls p3/scripts/    # → install_k3d_argocd.sh

cat p3/confs/argocd-app.yaml
kubectl get ns     # → argocd Active | dev Active
kubectl get pods -n dev  # → wil-playground-xxxx 1/1 Running
kubectl get pods -n argocd # → 7 pods Running

# ArgoCD UI
kubectl -n argocd port-forward svc/argocd-server 8080:443 &
kubectl -n argocd get secret argocd-initial-admin-secret \
-o jsonpath='{.data.password}' | base64 -d

# Verify app config
kubectl get application dev-app -n argocd -o yaml | \
grep -E "repoURL|path:|namespace:|prune|selfHeal"
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GitOps Flow Demo (Critical)

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# Terminal 1 — watch live
watch kubectl get pods -n dev

# Terminal 2 — trigger update
sed -i 's/wil42\playground:v1/wil42\playground:v2/' p3/dev-app/deployment.yaml
git add p3/dev-app/deployment.yaml
git commit -m "upgrade to v2"
git push

# Force sync if needed after ~30s
argocd app sync dev-app

# Verify
kubectl get application dev-app -n argocd
kubectl get deployment -n dev -o jsonpath='{.items[0].spec.template.spec.containers[0].image}'
# → wil42/playground:v2
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Rollback (Impressive bonus)

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sed -i 's/wil42\playground:v2/wil42\playground:v1/' p3/dev-app/deployment.yaml  
git add p3/dev-app/deployment.yaml  
git commit -m "rollback to v1"  
git push
```

Key Q&A for Evaluator

| Question | Answer |
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| What is K3d? | K3s inside Docker containers — same Kubernetes API, no VM, starts in seconds |
| What is Argo CD? | GitOps CD tool — Git is source of truth, polls repo, auto-reconciles cluster |
| Why does a git push update the pod? | ArgoCD detects image tag change, applies new deployment.yaml, Kubernetes pulls v2 from Docker Hub |
| Namespace vs Pod? | Namespace = logical isolation boundary (folder); Pod = smallest runnable unit wrapping containers |