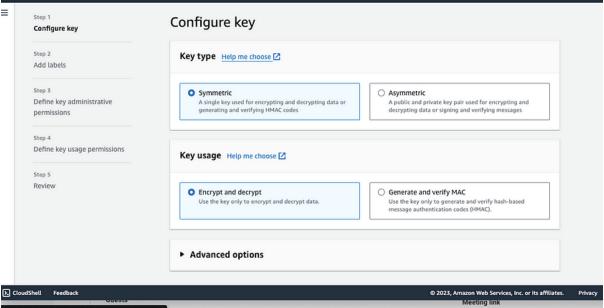
- 1. Log into your aws account.
- 2. Search for KMS service and click on it.
- 3. Click on the "create a key" orange button on the console.



4. Create Customer Managed Key. Pick Symmetric for key type and for key usage pick Encrypt and Decrypt. Then Click Next.

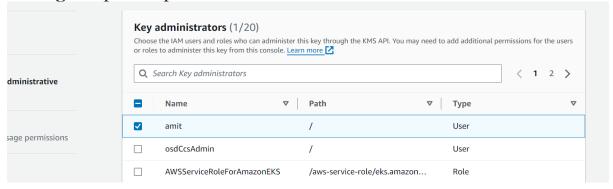


5. You will need to give this Customer Managed Key an alias name.

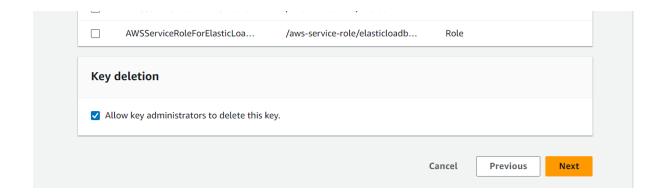
I named mine demokmskey. Feel free to give your CMK key a basic name as well. We will use this alias name later. After typing your alias name click next

Step 1 Configure key	Add labels
Step 2 Add labels	Alias You can change the alias at any time. Learn more [2]
Step 3 Define key administrative permissions	Allas demokmskeyl
Step 4 Define key usage permissions Step 5	Description - optional You can change the description at any time.
Review	Description  Description of the key
	Tags - optional

6. Pick a key administrator for this key. To make things easy I will choose the user that I am currently logged in with. We created a user during the pre-req.

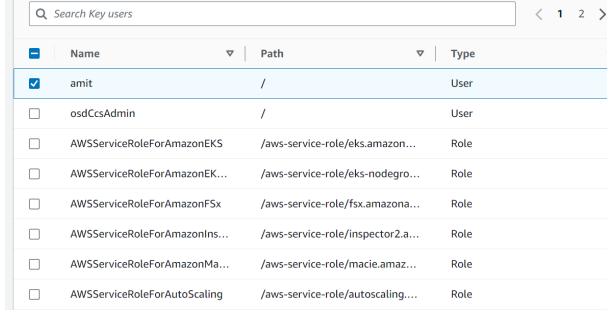


7. Ensure the key deletion box is checked, then click next.



8. For key usage permissions pick the same user picked from the previous. This is permission on who can use the kms key for

cryptographic operations.



- 9. Click next. Now you will be at the review stage. Click finish at the bottom right.
- 10. You now have a kms key.

## Using the CMK for encryption and Decryption

- 1. Open up your terminal
- 2. Create a folder called kmslab

mkdir kmslab

- 3. Navigate to this folder in the command line.
- 4. Make sure you have aws cli configured by running "aws configure" on the command line. Configure your credentials regions and ensure the output format is json.

5. Run this aws cli command and ensure that you change the alias and the region to the alias you created originally as well as the region you created that cmk. For my case, my alias is called demokmskey and the region is us-east-1.

Run "aws kms generate-data-key --key-id alias/demokmskey --key-spec AES\_256 --region us-east-1"

6. After running that command you should get a ciphetextblob, plaintext, and a key id listed.