

# Secure AWS AppSync with API Keys using the AWS CDK @

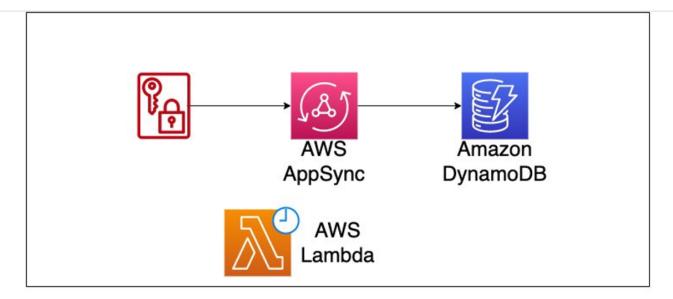
(checkout the branches for the IAM permission setup)

This repo walks through the steps needed to get setup an AppSync API that is protected with an API Key.

```
// valid, but simplified
const api = new GraphqlApi(this, 'User API', {
    name: 'User API',
    schema: Schema.fromAsset(path.join(__dirname, 'schema.graphql')),
    authorizationConfig: {
         defaultAuthorization: {
               authorizationType: AuthorizationType.API_KEY,
               },
```

},

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- AWS blog post: Secure AWS AppSync with API Keys using the AWS CDK
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- Focus Otter YouTube Video: The complete beginners guide to creating fullstack apps using the AWS CDK
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## **Project Overview** *∂*

The core of the appl

The deployed project is meant to work with a frontend (see link to frontend repo below), thereby creating a fullstack application. In addition to an AppSync API, a DynamoDB table is created to hold User data and a Lambda function is created to populate the table on a schedule.

On the frontend, use of the AWS Amplify JS libraries are used to connect our frontend to our backend by means of the Amplify.configure method (sample data configs are used):

```
Amplify.configure({
    aws_project_region: 'us-east-1',
    aws_appsync_graphqlEndpoint:
        'https://c4wds3boinhrdemdnqkt5uztny.appsync-api.us-east-1.amazonaws.
    aws_appsync_region: 'us-east-1',
    aws_appsync_authenticationType: 'API_KEY',
    aws_appsync_apiKey: 'da2-ze45yo5nm5dttnnsvkyoxwbbvq',
})
```

With our frontend cofigured to work with out backend, and our Lambda function seeding out database, the frontend will display user data styled with the AWS Amplify UI Components

#### **User Profile List**



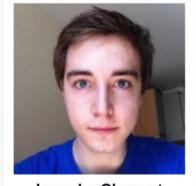
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Note the frontend repo also has a dedicated branch to show the *slight* change needed for IAM authorization.

### Useful commands *∂*

- npm run build compile typescript to js
- npm run watch watch for changes and compile
- npm run test perform the jest unit tests
- cdk deploy deploy this stack to your default AWS account/region
- cdk diff compare deployed stack with current state
- cdk synth emits the synthesized CloudFormation template

#### Releases

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#### **Packages**

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