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acquire_lease	<i>Operations on blob leases</i>
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## Description

Manage leases for blobs and blob containers.

## Usage

```
acquire_lease(container, blob = "", duration = 60, lease = NULL)
```

```
break_lease(container, blob = "", period = NULL)
```

```
release_lease(container, blob = "", lease)
```

```
renew_lease(container, blob = "", lease)
```

```
change_lease(container, blob = "", lease, new_lease)
```

## Arguments

container	A blob container object.
blob	The name of an individual blob. If not supplied, the lease applies to the entire container.
duration	For acquire_lease, The duration of the requested lease. For an indefinite duration, set this to -1.

lease	For acquire_lease an optional proposed name of the lease; for release_lease, renew_lease and change_lease, the name of the existing lease.
period	For break_lease, the period for which to break the lease.
new_lease	For change_lease, the proposed name of the lease.

### Details

Leasing is a way to prevent a blob or container from being accidentally deleted. The duration of a lease can range from 15 to 60 seconds, or be indefinite.

### Value

For acquire\_lease and change\_lease, a string containing the lease ID.

### See Also

[blob\\_container](#), [Leasing a blob](#), [Leasing a container](#)

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adls_filesystem	<i>Operations on an Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2 endpoint</i>
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### Description

Get, list, create, or delete ADLSgen2 filesystems.

### Usage

```
adls_filesystem(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
adls_filesystem(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL,
  sas = NULL, api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
adls_filesystem(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
print(x, ...)

list_adls_filesystems(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
list_adls_filesystems(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_adls_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
```

```

list_adls_filesystems(endpoint, ...)

create_adls_filesystem(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
create_adls_filesystem(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_adls_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
create_adls_filesystem(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
create_adls_filesystem(endpoint, name, ...)

delete_adls_filesystem(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
delete_adls_filesystem(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_adls_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
delete_adls_filesystem(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
delete_adls_filesystem(endpoint, name, confirm = TRUE, ...)

```

### Arguments

endpoint	Either an ADLSgen2 endpoint object as created by <a href="#">storage_endpoint</a> or <a href="#">adls_endpoint</a> , or a character string giving the URL of the endpoint.
...	Further arguments passed to lower-level functions.
key, token, sas	If an endpoint object is not supplied, authentication credentials: either an access key, an Azure Active Directory (AAD) token, or a SAS, in that order of priority. Currently the sas argument is unused.
api_version	If an endpoint object is not supplied, the storage API version to use when interacting with the host. Currently defaults to "2019-07-07".
name	The name of the filesystem to get, create, or delete.
x	For the print method, a filesystem object.
confirm	For deleting a filesystem, whether to ask for confirmation.

### Details

You can call these functions in a couple of ways: by passing the full URL of the filesystem, or by passing the endpoint object and the name of the filesystem as a string.

If authenticating via AAD, you can supply the token either as a string, or as an object of class `AzureToken`, created via `AzureRMR::get_azure_token`. The latter is the recommended way of doing it, as it allows for automatic refreshing of expired tokens.

### Value

For `adls_filesystem` and `create_adls_filesystem`, an S3 object representing an existing or created filesystem respectively.

For `list_adls_filesystems`, a list of such objects.

### See Also

[storage\\_endpoint](#), [az\\_storage](#), [storage\\_container](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

endp <- adls_endpoint("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")

# list ADLSgen2 filesystems
list_adls_filesystems(endp)

# get, create, and delete a filesystem
adls_filesystem(endp, "myfs")
create_adls_filesystem(endp, "newfs")
delete_adls_filesystem(endp, "newfs")

# alternative way to do the same
adls_filesystem("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/myfs", key="access_key")
create_adls_filesystem("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/newfs", key="access_key")
delete_adls_filesystem("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/newfs", key="access_key")

## End(Not run)
```

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az\_storage

*Storage account resource class*

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### Description

Class representing a storage account, exposing methods for working with it.

### Methods

The following methods are available, in addition to those provided by the `AzureRMR::az_resource` class:

- `new(...)`: Initialize a new storage object. See 'Initialization'.

- `list_keys()`: Return the access keys for this account.
- `get_account_sas(...)`: Return an account shared access signature (SAS). See 'Creating a shared access signature' below.
- `get_user_delegation_key(...)`: Returns a key that can be used to construct a user delegation SAS.
- `get_user_delegation_sas(...)`: Return a user delegation SAS.
- `revoke_user_delegation_keys()`: Revokes all user delegation keys for the account. This also renders all SAS's obtained via such keys invalid.
- `get_blob_endpoint(key, sas)`: Return the account's blob storage endpoint, along with an access key and/or a SAS. See 'Endpoints' for more details
- `get_file_endpoint(key, sas)`: Return the account's file storage endpoint.
- `regen_key(key)`: Regenerates (creates a new value for) an access key. The argument key can be 1 or 2.

### Initialization

Initializing a new object of this class can either retrieve an existing storage account, or create a account on the host. Generally, the best way to initialize an object is via the `get_storage_account`, `create_storage_account` or `list_storage_accounts` methods of the [az\\_resource\\_group](#) class, which handle the details automatically.

### Creating a shared access signature

Note that you don't need to worry about this section if you have been *given* a SAS, and only want to use it to access storage.

AzureStor supports generating two kinds of SAS: account and user delegation, with the latter applying only to blob and ADLS2 storage. To create an account SAS, call the `get_account_sas()` method. This has the following signature:

```
get_account_sas(key=self$list_keys()[1], start=NULL, expiry=NULL, services="bqtf", permissions="rl",
                resource_types="sco", ip=NULL, protocol=NULL)
```

To create a user delegation SAS, you must first create a user delegation *key*. This takes the place of the account's access key in generating the SAS. The `get_user_delegation_key()` method has the following signature:

```
get_user_delegation_key(token=self$token, key_start=NULL, key_expiry=NULL)
```

Once you have a user delegation key, you can use it to obtain a user delegation sas. The `get_user_delegation_sas()` method has the following signature:

```
get_user_delegation_sas(key, resource, start=NULL, expiry=NULL, permissions="rl",
                        resource_types="c", ip=NULL, protocol=NULL, snapshot_time=NULL)
```

To invalidate all user delegation keys, as well as the SAS's generated with them, call the `revoke_user_delegation_keys()` method. This has the following signature:

```
revoke_user_delegation_keys()
```

See the [Shared access signatures](#) page for more information about this topic.

## Endpoints

The client-side interaction with a storage account is via an *endpoint*. A storage account can have several endpoints, one for each type of storage supported: blob, file, queue and table.

The client-side interface in AzureStor is implemented using S3 classes. This is for consistency with other data access packages in R, which mostly use S3. It also emphasises the distinction between Resource Manager (which is for interacting with the storage account itself) and the client (which is for accessing files and data stored in the account).

To create a storage endpoint independently of Resource Manager (for example if you are a user without admin or owner access to the account), use the [blob\\_endpoint](#) or [file\\_endpoint](#) functions.

If a storage endpoint is created without an access key and SAS, only public (anonymous) access is possible.

## See Also

[blob\\_endpoint](#), [file\\_endpoint](#), [create\\_storage\\_account](#), [get\\_storage\\_account](#), [delete\\_storage\\_account](#), [Date](#), [POSIXt](#), [Azure Storage Provider API reference](#), [Azure Storage Services API reference](#), [Create an account SAS](#), [Create a user delegation SAS](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

# recommended way of retrieving a resource: via a resource group object
stor <- resgroup$get_storage_account("mystorage")

# list account access keys
stor$list_keys()

# regenerate a key
stor$regen_key(1)

# storage endpoints
stor$get_blob_endpoint()
stor$get_file_endpoint()

## End(Not run)
```

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blob\_container

*Operations on a blob endpoint*

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## Description

Get, list, create, or delete blob containers.

**Usage**

```
blob_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
blob_container(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL,
  sas = NULL, api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
blob_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
print(x, ...)

list_blob_containers(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
list_blob_containers(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
list_blob_containers(endpoint, ...)

create_blob_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
create_blob_container(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
create_blob_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
create_blob_container(endpoint, name,
  public_access = c("none", "blob", "container"), ...)

delete_blob_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
delete_blob_container(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
delete_blob_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
```



```
delete_blob_container(endpoint, name, confirm = TRUE, lease = NULL, ...)
```

### Arguments

endpoint	Either a blob endpoint object as created by <a href="#">storage_endpoint</a> , or a character string giving the URL of the endpoint.
...	Further arguments passed to lower-level functions.
key, token, sas	If an endpoint object is not supplied, authentication credentials: either an access key, an Azure Active Directory (AAD) token, or a SAS, in that order of priority. If no authentication credentials are provided, only public (anonymous) access to the share is possible.
api_version	If an endpoint object is not supplied, the storage API version to use when interacting with the host. Currently defaults to "2019-07-07".
name	The name of the blob container to get, create, or delete.
x	For the print method, a blob container object.
public_access	For creating a container, the level of public access to allow.
confirm	For deleting a container, whether to ask for confirmation.
lease	For deleting a leased container, the lease ID.

### Details

You can call these functions in a couple of ways: by passing the full URL of the share, or by passing the endpoint object and the name of the container as a string.

If authenticating via AAD, you can supply the token either as a string, or as an object of class `AzureToken`, created via [AzureRMR::get\\_azure\\_token](#). The latter is the recommended way of doing it, as it allows for automatic refreshing of expired tokens.

### Value

For `blob_container` and `create_blob_container`, an S3 object representing an existing or created container respectively.

For `list_blob_containers`, a list of such objects.

### See Also

[storage\\_endpoint](#), [az\\_storage](#), [storage\\_container](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

endp <- blob_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")

# list containers
list_blob_containers(endp)

# get, create, and delete a container
```

```

blob_container(endp, "mycontainer")
create_blob_container(endp, "newcontainer")
delete_blob_container(endp, "newcontainer")

# alternative way to do the same
blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer", key="access_key")
create_blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/newcontainer", key="access_key")
delete_blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/newcontainer", key="access_key")

# authenticating via AAD
token <- AzureRMR::get_azure_token(resource="https://storage.azure.com/",
  tenant="myaadtenant",
  app="myappid",
  password="mypassword")
blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer", token=token)

## End(Not run)

```

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call\_azcopy

*Call the azcopy file transfer utility*


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## Description

Call the azcopy file transfer utility

## Usage

```

call_azcopy(..., env = NULL,
  silent = getOption("azure_storage_azcopy_silent", FALSE))

```

## Arguments

...	Arguments to pass to AzCopy on the commandline. If no arguments are supplied, a help screen is printed.
env	A named character vector of environment variables to set for AzCopy.
silent	Whether to print the output from AzCopy to the screen; also sets whether an error return code from AzCopy will be propagated to an R error. Defaults to the value of the <code>azure_storage_azcopy_silent</code> option, or <code>FALSE</code> if this is unset.

## Details

AzureStor has the ability to use the Microsoft AzCopy commandline utility to transfer files. To enable this, ensure the `processx` package is installed and set the argument `use_azcopy=TRUE` in any call to an upload or download function; AzureStor will then call AzCopy to perform the file transfer rather than relying on its own code. You can also call AzCopy directly with the `call_azcopy` function.

AzureStor requires version 10 or later of AzCopy. The first time you try to run it, AzureStor will check that the version of AzCopy is correct, and throw an error if it is version 8 or earlier.

The AzCopy utility must be in your path for AzureStor to find it. Note that unlike earlier versions, Azcopy 10 is a single, self-contained binary file that can be placed in any directory.

## Value

A list, invisibly, with the following components:

- `status`: The exit status of the AzCopy command. If this is NA, then the process was killed and had no exit status.
- `stdout`: The standard output of the command.
- `stderr`: The standard error of the command.
- `timeout`: Whether AzCopy was killed because of a timeout.

## See Also

[processx::run](#), [download\\_blob](#), [download\\_azure\\_file](#), [download\\_adls\\_file](#)

[AzCopy page on Microsoft Docs](#)

[AzCopy GitHub repo](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

endp <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net", sas="mysas")
cont <- storage_container(endp, "mycontainer")

# print various help screens
call_azcopy("help")
call_azcopy("help", "copy")

# calling azcopy to download a blob
storage_download(cont, "myblob.csv", use_azcopy=TRUE)

# calling azcopy directly (must specify the SAS explicitly in the source URL)
call_azcopy("copy",
            "https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer/myblob.csv?mysas",
            "myblob.csv")

## End(Not run)
```

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copy\_url\_to\_storage     *Upload and download generics*

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**Description**

Upload and download generics

**Usage**

```
copy_url_to_storage(container, src, dest, ...)

multicopy_url_to_storage(container, src, dest, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
copy_url_to_storage(container, src, dest, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
multicopy_url_to_storage(container, src, dest, ...)

storage_upload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
storage_upload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
storage_upload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
storage_upload(container, ...)

storage_multiupload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
storage_multiupload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
storage_multiupload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
storage_multiupload(container, ...)

storage_download(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
storage_download(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
```

```

storage_download(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
storage_download(container, ...)

storage_multidownload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
storage_multidownload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
storage_multidownload(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
storage_multidownload(container, ...)

download_from_url(src, dest, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL, ...,
  overwrite = FALSE)

upload_to_url(src, dest, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL, ...)

```

### Arguments

container	A storage container object.
src, dest	For <code>upload_to_url</code> and <code>download_from_url</code> , the source and destination files to transfer.
...	Further arguments to pass to lower-level functions.
key, token, sas	Authentication arguments: an access key, Azure Active Directory (AAD) token or a shared access signature (SAS). If multiple arguments are supplied, a key takes priority over a token, which takes priority over a SAS. For <code>upload_to_url</code> and <code>download_to_url</code> , you can also provide a SAS as part of the URL itself.
overwrite	For downloading, whether to overwrite any destination files that exist.

### Details

`copy_url_to_storage` transfers the contents of the file at the specified HTTP[S] URL directly to storage, without requiring a temporary local copy to be made. `multicopy_url_to_storage` does the same, for multiple URLs at once. Currently methods for these are only implemented for blob storage.

These functions allow you to transfer files to and from a storage account.

`storage_upload`, `storage_download`, `storage_multiupload` and `storage_multidownload` take as first argument a storage container, either for blob storage, file storage, or ADLSgen2. They dispatch to the corresponding file transfer functions for the given storage type.

`upload_to_url` and `download_to_url` allow you to transfer a file to or from Azure storage, given the URL of the source or destination. The storage details (endpoint, container name, and so on) are obtained from the URL.

By default, the upload and download functions will display a progress bar while they are downloading. To turn this off, use `options(azure_storage_progress_bar=FALSE)`. To turn the progress bar back on, use `options(azure_storage_progress_bar=TRUE)`.

### See Also

[storage\\_container](#), [blob\\_container](#), [file\\_share](#), [adls\\_filesystem](#)  
[download\\_blob](#), [download\\_azure\\_file](#), [download\\_adls\\_file](#), [call\\_azcopy](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

# download from blob storage
bl <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")
cont <- storage_container(bl, "mycontainer")
storage_download(cont, "bigfile.zip", "~/bigfile.zip")

# same download but directly from the URL
download_from_url("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer/bigfile.zip",
                  "~/bigfile.zip",
                  key="access_key")

# upload to ADLSgen2
ad <- storage_endpoint("https://myadls.dfs.core.windows.net/", token=mytoken)
cont <- storage_container(ad, "myfilesystem")
create_storage_dir(cont, "newdir")
storage_upload(cont, "files.zip", "newdir/files.zip")

# same upload but directly to the URL
upload_to_url("files.zip",
              "https://myadls.dfs.core.windows.net/myfilesystem/newdir/files.zip",
              token=mytoken)

## End(Not run)
```

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create\_storage\_account

*Create Azure storage account*

---

### Description

Method for the `AzureRMR::az_resource_group` class.

### Usage

```
create_storage_account(name, location, kind = "StorageV2", replication = "Standard_LRS",
                      access_tier = "hot"), https_only = TRUE,
                      hierarchical_namespace_enabled = FALSE, properties = list(), ...)
```

## Arguments

- name: The name of the storage account.
- location: The location/region in which to create the account. Defaults to the resource group location.
- kind: The type of account, either "StorageV2" (the default), "FileStorage" or "BlobStorage".
- replication: The replication strategy for the account. The default is locally-redundant storage (LRS).
- access\_tier: The access tier, either "hot" or "cool", for blobs.
- https\_only: Whether a HTTPS connection is required to access the storage.
- hierarchical\_namespace\_enabled: Whether to enable hierarchical namespaces, which are a feature of Azure Data Lake Storage Gen 2 and provide more a efficient way to manage storage. See 'Details' below.
- properties: A list of other properties for the storage account.
- ... Other named arguments to pass to the [az\\_storage](#) initialization function.

## Details

This method deploys a new storage account resource, with parameters given by the arguments. A storage account can host multiple types of storage:

- blob storage
- file storage
- table storage
- queue storage
- Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2

Accounts created with `kind = "BlobStorage"` can only host blob storage, while those with `kind = "FileStorage"` can only host file storage. Accounts with `kind = "StorageV2"` can host all types of storage. Currently, AzureStor provides an R interface to ADLSgen2, blob and file storage.

Currently (as of October 2019), if hierarchical namespaces are enabled, the blob API for the account is disabled. The blob endpoint is still accessible, but blob operations on the endpoint will fail. Full interoperability between blobs and ADLSgen2 is planned for later in 2019.

## Value

An object of class `az_storage` representing the created storage account.

## See Also

[get\\_storage\\_account](#), [delete\\_storage\\_account](#), [az\\_storage](#)

[Azure Storage documentation](#), [Azure Storage Provider API reference](#), [Azure Data Lake Storage hierarchical namespaces](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

rg <- AzureRMR::az_rm$
  new(tenant="myaadtenant.onmicrosoft.com", app="app_id", password="password")$
  get_subscription("subscription_id")$
  get_resource_group("rgname")

# create a new storage account
rg$create_storage_account("mystorage", kind="StorageV2")

# create a blob storage account in a different region
rg$create_storage_account("myblobstorage",
  location="australiasoutheast",
  kind="BlobStorage")

## End(Not run)
```

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delete\_storage\_account

*Delete an Azure storage account*

---

## Description

Method for the [AzureRMR::az\\_resource\\_group](#) class.

## Usage

```
delete_storage_account(name, confirm=TRUE, wait=FALSE)
```

## Arguments

- name: The name of the storage account.
- confirm: Whether to ask for confirmation before deleting.
- wait: Whether to wait until the deletion is complete.

## Value

NULL on successful deletion.

## See Also

[create\\_storage\\_account](#), [get\\_storage\\_account](#), [az\\_storage](#), [Azure Storage Provider API reference](#)



**Examples**

```
## Not run:

rg <- AzureRMR::az_rm$
  new(tenant="myaadtenant.onmicrosoft.com", app="app_id", password="password")$
  get_subscription("subscription_id")$
  get_resource_group("rgname")

# delete a storage account
rg$delete_storage_account("mystorage")

## End(Not run)
```

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do\_container\_op      *Carry out operations on a storage account container or endpoint*

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**Description**

Carry out operations on a storage account container or endpoint

**Usage**

```
do_container_op(container, operation = "", options = list(),
  headers = list(), http_verb = "GET", ...)

call_storage_endpoint(endpoint, path, options = list(), headers = list(),
  body = NULL, ..., http_verb = c("GET", "DELETE", "PUT", "POST", "HEAD",
  "PATCH"), http_status_handler = c("stop", "warn", "message", "pass"),
  timeout = getOption("azure_storage_timeout"), progress = NULL,
  return_headers = (http_verb == "HEAD"))
```

**Arguments**

container, endpoint	For do_container_op, a storage container object (inheriting from storage_container). For call_storage_endpoint, a storage endpoint object (inheriting from storage_endpoint).
operation	The container operation to perform, which will form part of the URL path.
options	A named list giving the query parameters for the operation.
headers	A named list giving any additional HTTP headers to send to the host. Note that AzureStor will handle authentication details, so you don't have to specify these here.
http_verb	The HTTP verb as a string, one of GET, DELETE, PUT, POST, HEAD or PATCH.
...	Any additional arguments to pass to httr::VERB.
path	The path component of the endpoint call.
body	The request body for a PUT/POST/PATCH call.

http_status_handler	The R handler for the HTTP status code of the response. "stop", "warn" or "message" will call the corresponding handlers in htr, while "pass" ignores the status code. The latter is primarily useful for debugging purposes.
timeout	Optionally, the number of seconds to wait for a result. If the timeout interval elapses before the storage service has finished processing the operation, it returns an error. The default timeout is taken from the system option <code>azure_storage_timeout</code> ; if this is NULL it means to use the service default.
progress	Used by the file transfer functions, to display a progress bar.
return_headers	Whether to return the (parsed) response headers, rather than the body. Ignored if <code>http_status_handler="pass"</code> .

### Details

These functions form the low-level interface between R and the storage API. `do_container_op` constructs a path from the operation and the container name, and passes it and the other arguments to `call_storage_endpoint`.

### Value

Based on the `http_status_handler` and `return_headers` arguments. If `http_status_handler` is "pass", the entire response is returned without modification.

If `http_status_handler` is one of "stop", "warn" or "message", the status code of the response is checked, and if an error is not thrown, the parsed headers or body of the response is returned. An exception is if the response was written to disk, as part of a file download; in this case, the return value is NULL.

### See Also

[blob\\_endpoint](#), [file\\_endpoint](#), [adls\\_endpoint](#)

[blob\\_container](#), [file\\_share](#), [adls\\_filesystem](#)

[htr::GET](#), [htr::PUT](#), [htr::POST](#), [htr::PATCH](#), [htr::HEAD](#), [htr::DELETE](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

# get the metadata for a blob
bl_endp <- blob_endpoint("storage_acct_url", key="key")
cont <- storage_container(bl_endp, "containername")
do_container_op(cont, "filename.txt", options=list(comp="metadata"), http_verb="HEAD")

## End(Not run)
```

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file_share	<i>Operations on a file endpoint</i>
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**Description**

Get, list, create, or delete file shares.

**Usage**

```
file_share(endpoint, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'character'  
file_share(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL,  
  sas = NULL, api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'  
file_share(endpoint, name, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'file_share'  
print(x, ...)  
  
list_file_shares(endpoint, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'character'  
list_file_shares(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL,  
  sas = NULL, api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'  
list_file_shares(endpoint, ...)  
  
create_file_share(endpoint, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'character'  
create_file_share(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL,  
  sas = NULL, api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'file_share'  
create_file_share(endpoint, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'  
create_file_share(endpoint, name, ...)  
  
delete_file_share(endpoint, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'character'  
delete_file_share(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL,  
  sas = NULL, api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'file_share'
delete_file_share(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'
delete_file_share(endpoint, name, confirm = TRUE, ...)
```

### Arguments

endpoint	Either a file endpoint object as created by <a href="#">storage_endpoint</a> , or a character string giving the URL of the endpoint.
...	Further arguments passed to lower-level functions.
key, token, sas	If an endpoint object is not supplied, authentication credentials: either an access key, an Azure Active Directory (AAD) token, or a SAS, in that order of priority.
api_version	If an endpoint object is not supplied, the storage API version to use when interacting with the host. Currently defaults to "2019-07-07".
name	The name of the file share to get, create, or delete.
x	For the print method, a file share object.
confirm	For deleting a share, whether to ask for confirmation.

### Details

You can call these functions in a couple of ways: by passing the full URL of the share, or by passing the endpoint object and the name of the share as a string.

### Value

For `file_share` and `create_file_share`, an S3 object representing an existing or created share respectively.

For `list_file_shares`, a list of such objects.

### See Also

[storage\\_endpoint](#), [az\\_storage](#), [storage\\_container](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

endp <- file_endpoint("https://mystorage.file.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")

# list file shares
list_file_shares(endp)

# get, create, and delete a file share
file_share(endp, "myshare")
create_file_share(endp, "newshare")
delete_file_share(endp, "newshare")
```

```
# alternative way to do the same
file_share("https://mystorage.file.file.windows.net/myshare", key="access_key")
create_file_share("https://mystorage.file.core.windows.net/newshare", key="access_key")
delete_file_share("https://mystorage.file.core.windows.net/newshare", key="access_key")

## End(Not run)
```

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get\_account\_sas            *Generate shared access signatures*

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## Description

The simplest way for a user to access files and data in a storage account is to give them the account's access key. This gives them full control of the account, and so may be a security risk. An alternative is to provide the user with a *shared access signature* (SAS), which limits access to specific resources and only for a set length of time. AzureStor supports generating two kinds of SAS: account and user delegation, with the latter applying only to blob and ADLS2 storage.

## Usage

```
get_account_sas(account, ...)
```

## S3 method for class 'az\_storage'

```
get_account_sas(account, key = account$list_keys()[1], ...)
```

## S3 method for class 'storage\_endpoint'

```
get_account_sas(account, key = account$key, ...)
```

## Default S3 method:

```
get_account_sas(account, key, start = NULL,
  expiry = NULL, services = "bqtf", permissions = "rl",
  resource_types = "sco", ip = NULL, protocol = NULL,
  auth_api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)
```

```
get_user_delegation_key(account, ...)
```

## S3 method for class 'az\_resource'

```
get_user_delegation_key(account, token = account$token, ...)
```

## S3 method for class 'blob\_endpoint'

```
get_user_delegation_key(account,
  token = account$token, key_start, key_expiry, ...)
```

```
revoke_user_delegation_keys(account)
```

## S3 method for class 'az\_storage'

```

revoke_user_delegation_keys(account)

get_user_delegation_sas(account, ...)

## S3 method for class 'az_storage'
get_user_delegation_sas(account, key, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
get_user_delegation_sas(account, key, ...)

## Default S3 method:
get_user_delegation_sas(account, key, resource,
  start = NULL, expiry = NULL, permissions = "r1",
  resource_types = "c", ip = NULL, protocol = NULL,
  snapshot_time = NULL,
  auth_api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)

```

### Arguments

account	An object representing a storage account. Depending on the generic, this can be one of the following: an Azure resource object (of class <code>az_storage</code> ); a client storage endpoint (of class <code>storage_endpoint</code> ); a <i>blob</i> storage endpoint (of class <code>blob_endpoint</code> ); or a string with the name of the account.
...	Arguments passed to lower-level functions.
key	For <code>get_account_sas</code> , the <i>account</i> key, which controls full access to the storage account. For <code>get_user_delegation_sas</code> , a <i>user delegation</i> key, as obtained from <code>get_user_delegation_key</code> .
start, expiry	The start and end dates for the account or user delegation SAS. These should be Date or POSIXct values, or strings coercible to such. If not supplied, the default is to generate start and expiry values for a period of 8 hours, starting from the current time.
services	For <code>get_account_sas</code> , the storage service(s) for which the SAS is valid. Defaults to <code>bqtf</code> , meaning blob (including ADLS2), queue, table and file storage.
permissions	For <code>get_account_sas</code> and <code>get_user_delegation_sas</code> , the permissions that the SAS grants. The default <code>r1</code> (read and list) essentially means read-only access.
resource_types	The resource types for which the SAS is valid. For <code>get_account_sas</code> the default is <code>sco</code> meaning service, container and object. For <code>get_user_delegation_sas</code> the default is <code>c</code> meaning container-level access (including blobs within the container).
ip	The IP address(es) or IP address range(s) for which the SAS is valid. The default is not to restrict access by IP.
protocol	The protocol required to use the SAS. Possible values are <code>https</code> meaning HTTPS-only, or <code>https,http</code> meaning HTTP is also allowed. Note that the storage account itself may require HTTPS, regardless of what the SAS allows.
auth_api_version	The storage API version to use for authenticating.

token	For get_user_delegation_key, an AAD token from which to obtain user details. The token must have https://storage.azure.com as its audience.
key_start, key_expiry	For get_user_delegation_key, the start and end dates for the user delegation key.
resource	For get_user_delegation_sas, the resource for which the SAS is valid. This can be either the name of a blob container, or a blob. If the latter, it should include the container as well (containername/blobname).
snapshot_time	For get_user_delegation_sas, the blob snapshot for which the SAS is valid. Only required if resource_types="bs".

### Details

Listed here are S3 generics and methods to obtain a SAS for accessing storage; in addition, the [az\\_storage](#) resource class has R6 methods for get\_account\_sas, get\_user\_delegation\_key and revoke\_user\_delegation\_keys which simply call the corresponding S3 method.

Note that you don't need to worry about these methods if you have been *given* a SAS, and only want to use it to access a storage account.

An **account SAS** is secured with the storage account key. An account SAS delegates access to resources in one or more of the storage services. All of the operations available via a user delegation SAS are also available via an account SAS. You can also delegate access to read, write, and delete operations on blob containers, tables, queues, and file shares. To obtain an account SAS, call get\_account\_sas.

A **user delegation SAS** is a SAS secured with Azure AD credentials. It's recommended that you use Azure AD credentials when possible as a security best practice, rather than using the account key, which can be more easily compromised. When your application design requires shared access signatures, use Azure AD credentials to create a user delegation SAS for superior security.

Every SAS is signed with a key. To create a user delegation SAS, you must first request a **user delegation key**, which is then used to sign the SAS. The user delegation key is analogous to the account key used to sign a service SAS or an account SAS, except that it relies on your Azure AD credentials. To request the user delegation key, call get\_user\_delegation\_key. With the user delegation key, you can then create the SAS with get\_user\_delegation\_sas.

To invalidate all user delegation keys, as well as the SAS's generated with them, call revoke\_user\_delegation\_keys.

See the examples and Microsoft Docs pages below for how to specify arguments like the services, permissions, and resource types. Also, while not explicitly mentioned in the documentation, ADLS-gen2 storage can use any SAS that is valid for blob storage.

### See Also

[blob\\_endpoint](#), [file\\_endpoint](#), [Date](#), [POSIXt](#), [Azure Storage Provider API reference](#), [Azure Storage Services API reference](#), [Create an account SAS](#), [Create a user delegation SAS](#)

### Examples

```
# account SAS valid for 7 days
get_account_sas("mystorage", "access_key", start=Sys.Date(), expiry=Sys.Date() + 7)
```

```

# SAS with read/write/create/delete permissions
get_account_sas("mystorage", "access_key", permissions="rwcd")

# SAS limited to blob (+ADLS2) and file storage
get_account_sas("mystorage", "access_key", services="bf")

# SAS for file storage, allows access to files only (not shares)
get_account_sas("mystorage", "access_key", services="f", resource_types="o")

# getting the key from an endpoint object
endp <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net", key="access_key")
get_account_sas(endp, permissions="rwcd")

## Not run:

# user delegation key valid for 24 hours
token <- AzureRMR::get_azure_token("https://storage.azure.com", "mytenant", "app_id")
endp <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net", token=token)
userkey <- get_user_delegation_key(endp, start=Sys.Date(), expiry=Sys.Date() + 1)

# user delegation SAS for a container
get_user_delegation_sas(endp, userkey, resource="mycontainer")

# user delegation SAS for a specific file, read/write/create/delete access
# (order of permissions is important!)
get_user_delegation_sas(endp, userkey, resource="mycontainer/myfile",
                        resource_types="b", permissions="rcwd")

## End(Not run)

```

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```
get_storage_account    Get existing Azure storage account(s)
```

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## Description

Methods for the [AzureRMR::az\\_resource\\_group](#) and [AzureRMR::az\\_subscription](#) classes.

## Usage

```
get_storage_account(name)
list_storage_accounts()
```

## Arguments

- name: For `get_storage_account()`, the name of the storage account.

## Details

The `AzureRMR::az_resource_group` class has both `get_storage_account()` and `list_storage_accounts()` methods, while the `AzureRMR::az_subscription` class only has the latter.



**Value**

For `get_storage_account()`, an object of class `az_storage` representing the storage account.

For `list_storage_accounts()`, a list of such objects.

**See Also**

[create\\_storage\\_account](#), [delete\\_storage\\_account](#), [az\\_storage](#), [Azure Storage Provider API reference](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

rg <- AzureRMR::az_rm$
  new(tenant="myaadtenant.onmicrosoft.com", app="app_id", password="password")$
  get_subscription("subscription_id")$
  get_resource_group("rgname")

# get a storage account
rg$get_storage_account("mystorage")

## End(Not run)
```

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`get_storage_metadata` *Get/set user-defined metadata for a storage object*

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**Description**

Get/set user-defined metadata for a storage object

**Usage**

```
get_storage_metadata(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
get_storage_metadata(object, blob, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
get_storage_metadata(object, file, isdir, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
get_storage_metadata(object, file, ...)

set_storage_metadata(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
set_storage_metadata(object, blob, ..., keep_existing = TRUE)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'file_share'
set_storage_metadata(object, file, isdir, ..., keep_existing = TRUE)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
set_storage_metadata(object, file, ..., keep_existing = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

object	A blob container, file share or ADLS filesystem object.
...	For the metadata setters, name-value pairs to set as metadata for a blob or file.
blob, file	Optionally the name of an individual blob, file or directory within a container.
isdir	For the file share method, whether the file argument is a file or directory. If omitted, <code>get_storage_metadata</code> will auto-detect the type; however this can be slow, so supply this argument if possible.
keep_existing	For the metadata setters, whether to retain existing metadata information.

### Details

These methods let you get and set user-defined properties (metadata) for storage objects.

### Value

`get_storage_metadata` returns a named list of metadata properties. If the blob or file argument is present, the properties will be for the blob/file specified. If this argument is omitted, the properties will be for the container itself.

`set_storage_metadata` returns the same list after setting the object's metadata, invisibly.

### See Also

[blob\\_container](#), [file\\_share](#), [adls\\_filesystem](#)  
[get\\_storage\\_properties](#) for standard properties

### Examples

```
## Not run:

fs <- storage_container("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/myshare", key="access_key")
create_storage_dir("newdir")
storage_upload(share, "iris.csv", "newdir/iris.csv")

set_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv", name1="value1")
# will be list(name1="value1")
get_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv")

set_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv", name2="value2")
# will be list(name1="value1", name2="value2")
get_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv")
```

```

set_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv", name3="value3", keep_existing=FALSE)
# will be list(name3="value3")
get_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv")

# deleting all metadata
set_storage_metadata(fs, "newdir/iris.csv", keep_existing=FALSE)

## End(Not run)

```

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get\_storage\_properties

*Get storage properties for an object*

---

## Description

Get storage properties for an object

## Usage

```

get_storage_properties(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
get_storage_properties(object, blob, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
get_storage_properties(object, file, isdir, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
get_storage_properties(object, file, ...)

get_adls_file_acl(filesystem, file)

get_adls_file_status(filesystem, file)

```

## Arguments

object	A blob container, file share, or ADLS filesystem object.
...	For compatibility with the generic.
blob, file	Optionally the name of an individual blob, file or directory within a container.
isdir	For the file share method, whether the file argument is a file or directory. If omitted, <code>get_storage_properties</code> will auto-detect the type; however this can be slow, so supply this argument if possible.
filesystem	An ADLS filesystem.

**Value**

get\_storage\_properties returns a list describing the object properties. If the blob or file argument is present for the container methods, the properties will be for the blob/file specified. If this argument is omitted, the properties will be for the container itself.

get\_adls\_file\_acl returns a string giving the ADLSgen2 ACL for the file.

get\_adls\_file\_status returns a list of ADLSgen2 system properties for the file.

**See Also**

[blob\\_container](#), [file\\_share](#), [adls\\_filesystem](#)

[get\\_storage\\_metadata](#) for getting and setting *user-defined* properties (metadata)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

fs <- storage_container("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/myshare", key="access_key")
create_storage_dir("newdir")
storage_upload(share, "iris.csv", "newdir/iris.csv")

get_storage_properties(fs)
get_storage_properties(fs, "newdir")
get_storage_properties(fs, "newdir/iris.csv")

# these are ADLS only
get_adls_file_acl(fs, "newdir/iris.csv")
get_adls_file_status(fs, "newdir/iris.csv")

## End(Not run)
```

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list\_adls\_files

*Operations on an Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2 filesystem*


---

**Description**

Upload, download, or delete a file; list files in a directory; create or delete directories; check file existence.

**Usage**

```
list_adls_files(filesystem, dir = "/", info = c("all", "name"),
  recursive = FALSE)

multiupload_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^22, lease = NULL, use_azcopy = FALSE,
  max_concurrent_transfers = 10)
```

```

upload_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^24,
  lease = NULL, use_azcopy = FALSE)

multidownload_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^24, overwrite = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE,
  max_concurrent_transfers = 10)

download_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^24,
  overwrite = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE)

delete_adls_file(filesystem, file, confirm = TRUE)

create_adls_dir(filesystem, dir)

delete_adls_dir(filesystem, dir, recursive = FALSE, confirm = TRUE)

adls_file_exists(filesystem, file)

```

### Arguments

filesystem	An ADLSgen2 filesystem object.
dir, file	A string naming a directory or file respectively.
info	Whether to return names only, or all information in a directory listing.
recursive	For the multiupload/download functions, whether to recursively transfer files in subdirectories. For <code>list_adls_files</code> , and <code>delete_adls_dir</code> , whether the operation should recurse through subdirectories. For <code>delete_adls_dir</code> , this must be TRUE to delete a non-empty directory.
src, dest	The source and destination paths/files for uploading and downloading. See 'Details' below.
blocksize	The number of bytes to upload/download per HTTP(S) request.
lease	The lease for a file, if present.
use_azcopy	Whether to use the AzCopy utility from Microsoft to do the transfer, rather than doing it in R.
max_concurrent_transfers	For <code>multiupload_adls_file</code> and <code>multidownload_adls_file</code> , the maximum number of concurrent file transfers. Each concurrent file transfer requires a separate R process, so limit this if you are low on memory.
overwrite	When downloading, whether to overwrite an existing destination file.
confirm	Whether to ask for confirmation on deleting a file or directory.

### Details

`upload_adls_file` and `download_adls_file` are the workhorse file transfer functions for ADLS-gen2 storage. They each take as inputs a *single* filename as the source for uploading/downloading, and a single filename as the destination. Alternatively, for uploading, `src` can be a [textConnection](#)

or `rawConnection` object; and for downloading, `dest` can be `NULL` or a `rawConnection` object. If `dest` is `NULL`, the downloaded data is returned as a raw vector, and if a raw connection, it will be placed into the connection. See the examples below.

`multiupload_adls_file` and `multidownload_adls_file` are functions for uploading and downloading *multiple* files at once. They parallelise file transfers by using the background process pool provided by AzureRMR, which can lead to significant efficiency gains when transferring many small files. There are two ways to specify the source and destination for these functions:

- Both `src` and `dest` can be vectors naming the individual source and destination pathnames.
- The `src` argument can be a wildcard pattern expanding to one or more files, with `dest` naming a destination directory. In this case, if `recursive` is true, the file transfer will replicate the source directory structure at the destination.

`upload_adls_file` and `download_adls_file` can display a progress bar to track the file transfer. You can control whether to display this with `options(azure_storage_progress_bar=TRUE|FALSE)`; the default is `TRUE`.

### Value

For `list_adls_files`, if `info="name"`, a vector of file/directory names. If `info="all"`, a data frame giving the file size and whether each object is a file or directory.

For `download_adls_file`, if `dest=NULL`, the contents of the downloaded file as a raw vector.

For `adls_file_exists`, either `TRUE` or `FALSE`.

### AzCopy

`upload_azure_file` and `download_azure_file` have the ability to use the AzCopy commandline utility to transfer files, instead of native R code. This can be useful if you want to take advantage of AzCopy's logging and recovery features; it may also be faster in the case of transferring a very large number of small files. To enable this, set the `use_azcopy` argument to `TRUE`.

Note that AzCopy only supports SAS and AAD (OAuth) token as authentication methods. AzCopy also expects a single filename or wildcard spec as its source/destination argument, not a vector of filenames or a connection.

### See Also

[adls\\_filesystem](#), [az\\_storage](#), [storage\\_download](#), [call\\_azcopy](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

fs <- adls_filesystem("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/myfilesystem", key="access_key")

list_adls_files(fs, "/")
list_adls_files(fs, "/", recursive=TRUE)

create_adls_dir(fs, "/newdir")
```

```

upload_adls_file(fs, "~/bigfile.zip", dest="/newdir/bigfile.zip")
download_adls_file(fs, "/newdir/bigfile.zip", dest="~/bigfile_downloaded.zip")

delete_adls_file(fs, "/newdir/bigfile.zip")
delete_adls_dir(fs, "/newdir")

# uploading/downloading multiple files at once
multiupload_adls_file(fs, "/data/logfiles/*.zip")
multidownload_adls_file(fs, "/monthly/jan*.*", "/data/january")

# you can also pass a vector of file/pathnames as the source and destination
src <- c("file1.csv", "file2.csv", "file3.csv")
dest <- paste0("uploaded_", src)
multiupload_adls_file(share, src, dest)

# uploading serialized R objects via connections
json <- jsonlite::toJSON(iris, pretty=TRUE, auto_unbox=TRUE)
con <- textConnection(json)
upload_adls_file(fs, con, "iris.json")

rds <- serialize(iris, NULL)
con <- rawConnection(rds)
upload_adls_file(fs, con, "iris.rds")

# downloading files into memory: as a raw vector, and via a connection
rawvec <- download_adls_file(fs, "iris.json", NULL)
rawToChar(rawvec)

con <- rawConnection(raw(0), "r+")
download_adls_file(fs, "iris.rds", con)
unserialize(con)

## End(Not run)

```

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list\_azure\_files      *Operations on a file share*

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### Description

Upload, download, or delete a file; list files in a directory; create or delete directories; check file existence.

### Usage

```

list_azure_files(share, dir = "/", info = c("all", "name"),
  prefix = NULL, recursive = FALSE)

upload_azure_file(share, src, dest = basename(src), create_dir = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^22, use_azcopy = FALSE)

```

```

multiupload_azure_file(share, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  create_dir = recursive, blocksize = 2^22, use_azcopy = FALSE,
  max_concurrent_transfers = 10)

download_azure_file(share, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^22,
  overwrite = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE)

multidownload_azure_file(share, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^22, overwrite = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE,
  max_concurrent_transfers = 10)

delete_azure_file(share, file, confirm = TRUE)

create_azure_dir(share, dir, recursive = FALSE)

delete_azure_dir(share, dir, recursive = FALSE, confirm = TRUE)

azure_file_exists(share, file)

```

### Arguments

share	A file share object.
dir, file	A string naming a directory or file respectively.
info	Whether to return names only, or all information in a directory listing.
prefix	For <code>list_azure_files</code> , filters the result to return only files and directories whose name begins with this prefix.
recursive	For the <code>multiupload/download</code> functions, whether to recursively transfer files in subdirectories. For <code>list_azure_dir</code> , whether to include the contents of any subdirectories in the listing. For <code>create_azure_dir</code> , whether to recursively create each component of a nested directory path. For <code>delete_azure_dir</code> , whether to delete a subdirectory's contents first (not yet supported). Note that in all cases this can be slow, so try to use a non-recursive solution if possible.
src, dest	The source and destination files for uploading and downloading. See 'Details' below.
create_dir	For the uploading functions, whether to create the destination directory if it doesn't exist. Again for the file storage API this can be slow, hence is optional.
blocksize	The number of bytes to upload/download per HTTP(S) request.
use_azcopy	Whether to use the AzCopy utility from Microsoft to do the transfer, rather than doing it in R.
max_concurrent_transfers	For <code>multiupload_azure_file</code> and <code>multidownload_azure_file</code> , the maximum number of concurrent file transfers. Each concurrent file transfer requires a separate R process, so limit this if you are low on memory.
overwrite	When downloading, whether to overwrite an existing destination file.
confirm	Whether to ask for confirmation on deleting a file or directory.



## Details

upload\_azure\_file and download\_azure\_file are the workhorse file transfer functions for file storage. They each take as inputs a *single* filename as the source for uploading/downloading, and a single filename as the destination. Alternatively, for uploading, src can be a [textConnection](#) or [rawConnection](#) object; and for downloading, dest can be NULL or a rawConnection object. If dest is NULL, the downloaded data is returned as a raw vector, and if a raw connection, it will be placed into the connection. See the examples below.

multiupload\_azure\_file and multidownload\_azure\_file are functions for uploading and downloading *multiple* files at once. They parallelise file transfers by using the background process pool provided by AzureRMR, which can lead to significant efficiency gains when transferring many small files. There are two ways to specify the source and destination for these functions:

- Both src and dest can be vectors naming the individual source and destination pathnames.
- The src argument can be a wildcard pattern expanding to one or more files, with dest naming a destination directory. In this case, if recursive is true, the file transfer will replicate the source directory structure at the destination.

upload\_azure\_file and download\_azure\_file can display a progress bar to track the file transfer. You can control whether to display this with options(azure\_storage\_progress\_bar=TRUE|FALSE); the default is TRUE.

## Value

For list\_azure\_files, if info="name", a vector of file/directory names. If info="all", a data frame giving the file size and whether each object is a file or directory.

For download\_azure\_file, if dest=NULL, the contents of the downloaded file as a raw vector.

For azure\_file\_exists, either TRUE or FALSE.

## AzCopy

upload\_azure\_file and download\_azure\_file have the ability to use the AzCopy commandline utility to transfer files, instead of native R code. This can be useful if you want to take advantage of AzCopy's logging and recovery features; it may also be faster in the case of transferring a very large number of small files. To enable this, set the use\_azcopy argument to TRUE.

Note that AzCopy only supports SAS and AAD (OAuth) token as authentication methods. AzCopy also expects a single filename or wildcard spec as its source/destination argument, not a vector of filenames or a connection.

## See Also

[file\\_share](#), [az\\_storage](#), [storage\\_download](#), [call\\_azcopy](#)

[AzCopy version 10 on GitHub](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
```

```
share <- file_share("https://mystorage.file.core.windows.net/myshare", key="access_key")
```

```

list_azure_files(share, "/")
list_azure_files(share, "/", recursive=TRUE)

create_azure_dir(share, "/newdir")

upload_azure_file(share, "~/bigfile.zip", dest="/newdir/bigfile.zip")
download_azure_file(share, "/newdir/bigfile.zip", dest="~/bigfile_downloaded.zip")

delete_azure_file(share, "/newdir/bigfile.zip")
delete_azure_dir(share, "/newdir")

# uploading/downloading multiple files at once
multiupload_azure_file(share, "/data/logfiles/*.zip")
multidownload_azure_file(share, "/monthly/jan*.*", "/data/january")

# you can also pass a vector of file/pathnames as the source and destination
src <- c("file1.csv", "file2.csv", "file3.csv")
dest <- paste0("uploaded_", src)
multiupload_azure_file(share, src, dest)

# uploading serialized R objects via connections
json <- jsonlite::toJSON(iris, pretty=TRUE, auto_unbox=TRUE)
con <- textConnection(json)
upload_azure_file(share, con, "iris.json")

rds <- serialize(iris, NULL)
con <- rawConnection(rds)
upload_azure_file(share, con, "iris.rds")

# downloading files into memory: as a raw vector, and via a connection
rawvec <- download_azure_file(share, "iris.json", NULL)
rawToChar(rawvec)

con <- rawConnection(raw(0), "r+")
download_azure_file(share, "iris.rds", con)
unserialize(con)

## End(Not run)

```

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list\_blobs

*Operations on a blob container or blob*


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### Description

Upload, download, or delete a blob; list blobs in a container; create or delete directories; check blob availability.

**Usage**

```
list_blobs(container, dir = "/", info = c("partial", "name", "all"),
  prefix = NULL, recursive = TRUE)

upload_blob(container, src, dest = basename(src), type = "BlockBlob",
  blocksize = 2^24, lease = NULL, use_azcopy = FALSE)

multiupload_blob(container, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  type = "BlockBlob", blocksize = 2^24, lease = NULL,
  use_azcopy = FALSE, max_concurrent_transfers = 10)

download_blob(container, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^24,
  overwrite = FALSE, lease = NULL, use_azcopy = FALSE)

multidownload_blob(container, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^24, overwrite = FALSE, lease = NULL,
  use_azcopy = FALSE, max_concurrent_transfers = 10)

delete_blob(container, blob, confirm = TRUE)

create_blob_dir(container, dir)

delete_blob_dir(container, dir, recursive = FALSE, confirm = TRUE)

blob_exists(container, blob)

copy_url_to_blob(container, src, dest, lease = NULL, async = FALSE)

multicopy_url_to_blob(container, src, dest, lease = NULL, async = FALSE,
  max_concurrent_transfers = 10)
```

**Arguments**

container	A blob container object.
dir	For list_blobs, A string naming the directory. Note that blob storage does not support real directories; this argument simply filters the result to return only blobs whose names start with the given value.
info	For list_blobs, level of detail about each blob to return: a vector of names only; the name, size, and whether this blob represents a directory; or all information.
prefix	For list_blobs, an alternative way to specify the directory.
recursive	For the multiupload/download functions, whether to recursively transfer files in subdirectories. For list_blobs, whether to include the contents of any subdirectories in the listing. For delete_blob_dir, whether to recursively delete subdirectory contents as well (not yet supported).
src, dest	The source and destination files for uploading and downloading. See 'Details' below.

type	When uploading, the type of blob to create. Currently only block blobs are supported.
blocksize	The number of bytes to upload/download per HTTP(S) request.
lease	The lease for a blob, if present.
use_azcopy	Whether to use the AzCopy utility from Microsoft to do the transfer, rather than doing it in R.
max_concurrent_transfers	For multiupload_blob and multidownload_blob, the maximum number of concurrent file transfers. Each concurrent file transfer requires a separate R process, so limit this if you are low on memory.
overwrite	When downloading, whether to overwrite an existing destination file.
blob	A string naming a blob.
confirm	Whether to ask for confirmation on deleting a blob.
async	For copy_url_to_blob and multicopy_url_to_blob, whether the copy operation should be asynchronous (proceed in the background).

## Details

upload\_blob and download\_blob are the workhorse file transfer functions for blobs. They each take as inputs a *single* filename as the source for uploading/downloading, and a single filename as the destination. Alternatively, for uploading, src can be a `textConnection` or `rawConnection` object; and for downloading, dest can be NULL or a `rawConnection` object. If dest is NULL, the downloaded data is returned as a raw vector, and if a raw connection, it will be placed into the connection. See the examples below.

multiupload\_blob and multidownload\_blob are functions for uploading and downloading *multiple* files at once. They parallelise file transfers by using the background process pool provided by AzureRMR, which can lead to significant efficiency gains when transferring many small files. There are two ways to specify the source and destination for these functions:

- Both src and dest can be vectors naming the individual source and destination pathnames.
- The src argument can be a wildcard pattern expanding to one or more files, with dest naming a destination directory. In this case, if recursive is true, the file transfer will replicate the source directory structure at the destination.

upload\_blob and download\_blob can display a progress bar to track the file transfer. You can control whether to display this with options(azure\_storage\_progress\_bar=TRUE|FALSE); the default is TRUE.

copy\_url\_to\_blob transfers the contents of the file at the specified HTTP[S] URL directly to blob storage, without requiring a temporary local copy to be made. multicopy\_url\_to\_blob does the same, for multiple URLs at once. These functions have a current file size limit of 256MB.

## Value

For list\_blobs, details on the blobs in the container. For download\_blob, if dest=NULL, the contents of the downloaded blob as a raw vector. For blob\_exists a flag whether the blob exists.

## AzCopy

upload\_blob and download\_blob have the ability to use the AzCopy commandline utility to transfer files, instead of native R code. This can be useful if you want to take advantage of AzCopy's logging and recovery features; it may also be faster in the case of transferring a very large number of small files. To enable this, set the use\_azcopy argument to TRUE.

Note that AzCopy only supports SAS and AAD (OAuth) token as authentication methods. AzCopy also expects a single filename or wildcard spec as its source/destination argument, not a vector of filenames or a connection.

## Directories

Blob storage does not have true directories, instead using filenames containing a separator character (typically '/') to mimic a directory structure. This has some consequences:

- The isdir column in the data frame output of list\_blobs is a best guess as to whether an object represents a file or directory, and may not always be correct. Currently, list\_blobs assumes that any object with a file size of zero is a directory.
- Zero-length files can cause problems for the blob storage service as a whole (not just AzureStor). Try to avoid uploading such files.
- create\_blob\_dir and delete\_blob\_dir function as expected only for accounts with hierarchical namespaces enabled. When this feature is disabled, directories do not exist as objects in their own right: to create a directory, simply upload a blob to that directory. To delete a directory, delete all the blobs within it; as far as the blob storage service is concerned, the directory then no longer exists.
- Similarly, the output of list\_blobs(recursive=TRUE) can vary based on whether the storage account has hierarchical namespaces enabled.

## See Also

[blob\\_container](#), [az\\_storage](#), [storage\\_download](#), [call\\_azcopy](#)

[AzCopy version 10 on GitHub](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

cont <- blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer", key="access_key")

list_blobs(cont)

upload_blob(cont, "~/bigfile.zip", dest="bigfile.zip")
download_blob(cont, "bigfile.zip", dest="~/bigfile_downloaded.zip")

delete_blob(cont, "bigfile.zip")

# uploading/downloading multiple files at once
multiupload_blob(cont, "/data/logfiles/*.zip", "/uploaded_data")
multiupload_blob(cont, "myproj/*") # no dest directory uploads to root
multidownload_blob(cont, "jan*.*", "/data/january")
```

```

# you can also pass a vector of file/pathnames as the source and destination
src <- c("file1.csv", "file2.csv", "file3.csv")
dest <- paste0("uploaded_", src)
multiupload_blob(cont, src, dest)

# uploading serialized R objects via connections
json <- jsonlite::toJSON(iris, pretty=TRUE, auto_unbox=TRUE)
con <- textConnection(json)
upload_blob(cont, con, "iris.json")

rds <- serialize(iris, NULL)
con <- rawConnection(rds)
upload_blob(cont, con, "iris.rds")

# downloading files into memory: as a raw vector, and via a connection
rawvec <- download_blob(cont, "iris.json", NULL)
rawToChar(rawvec)

con <- rawConnection(raw(0), "r+")
download_blob(cont, "iris.rds", con)
unserialize(con)

# copy from a public URL: Iris data from UCI machine learning repository
copy_url_to_blob(cont,
  "https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/iris/iris.data",
  "iris.csv")

## End(Not run)

```

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sign\_request

*Signs a request to the storage REST endpoint with a shared key*

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## Description

Signs a request to the storage REST endpoint with a shared key

## Usage

```
sign_request(endpoint, ...)
```

## Arguments

endpoint	An endpoint object.
...	Further arguments to pass to individual methods.

## Details

This is a generic method to allow for variations in how the different storage services handle key authorisation. The default method works with blob, file and ADLSgen2 storage.

**Value**

A named list of request headers. One of these should be the Authorization header containing the request signature.

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storage_container	<i>Storage client generics</i>
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**Description**

Storage client generics

**Usage**

```
storage_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'
storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
storage_container(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL, ...)

create_storage_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
create_storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'
create_storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
create_storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'storage_container'
create_storage_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
create_storage_container(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL, ...)

delete_storage_container(endpoint, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
delete_storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'
delete_storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
delete_storage_container(endpoint, name, ...)

## S3 method for class 'storage_container'
delete_storage_container(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
delete_storage_container(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL, confirm = TRUE, ...)

list_storage_containers(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_endpoint'
list_storage_containers(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_endpoint'
list_storage_containers(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
list_storage_containers(endpoint, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
list_storage_containers(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL, ...)

list_storage_files(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
list_storage_files(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
list_storage_files(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
list_storage_files(container, ...)

create_storage_dir(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
create_storage_dir(container, dir, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
create_storage_dir(container, dir, ...)
```



```

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
create_storage_dir(container, dir, ...)

delete_storage_dir(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
delete_storage_dir(container, dir, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
delete_storage_dir(container, dir, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
delete_storage_dir(container, dir, confirm = TRUE, ...)

delete_storage_file(container, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
delete_storage_file(container, file, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
delete_storage_file(container, file, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
delete_storage_file(container, file, confirm = TRUE, ...)

storage_file_exists(container, file, ...)

## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
storage_file_exists(container, file, ...)

## S3 method for class 'file_share'
storage_file_exists(container, file, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
storage_file_exists(container, file, ...)

```

### Arguments

endpoint	A storage endpoint object, or for the character methods, a string giving the full URL to the container.
...	Further arguments to pass to lower-level functions.
name	For the storage container management methods, a container name.
key, token, sas	For the character methods, authentication credentials for the container: either an access key, an Azure Active Directory (AAD) token, or a SAS. If multiple arguments are supplied, a key takes priority over a token, which takes priority over a SAS.
confirm	For the deletion methods, whether to ask for confirmation first.

container	A storage container object.
file, dir	For the storage object management methods, a file or directory name.

## Details

These methods provide a framework for all storage management tasks supported by AzureStor. They dispatch to the appropriate functions for each type of storage.

Storage container management methods:

- `storage_container` dispatches to `blob_container`, `file_share` or `adls_filesystem`
- `create_storage_container` dispatches to `create_blob_container`, `create_file_share` or `create_adls_filesystem`
- `delete_storage_container` dispatches to `delete_blob_container`, `delete_file_share` or `delete_adls_filesystem`
- `list_storage_containers` dispatches to `list_blob_containers`, `list_file_shares` or `list_adls_filesystems`

Storage object management methods:

- `list_storage_files` dispatches to `list_blobs`, `list_azure_files` or `list_adls_files`
- `create_storage_dir` dispatches to `create_azure_dir` or `create_adls_dir`; throws an error if passed a blob container
- `delete_storage_dir` dispatches to `delete_azure_dir` or `delete_adls_dir`; throws an error if passed a blob container
- `delete_storage_file` dispatches to `delete_blob`, `delete_azure_file` or `delete_adls_file`

## See Also

[storage\\_endpoint](#), [blob\\_container](#), [file\\_share](#), [adls\\_filesystem](#)

[list\\_blobs](#), [list\\_azure\\_files](#), [list\\_adls\\_files](#)

Similar generics exist for file transfer methods; see the page for [storage\\_download](#).

## Examples

```
## Not run:

# storage endpoints for the one account
bl <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")
fl <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.file.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")

list_storage_containers(bl)
list_storage_containers(fl)

# creating containers
cont <- create_storage_container(bl, "newblobcontainer")
fs <- create_storage_container(fl, "newfileshare")

# creating directories (if possible)
```

```

create_storage_dir(cont, "newdir") # will error out
create_storage_dir(fs, "newdir")

# transfer a file
storage_upload(bl, "~/file.txt", "storage_file.txt")
storage_upload(cont, "~/file.txt", "newdir/storage_file.txt")

## End(Not run)

```

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storage_endpoint	<i>Create a storage endpoint object</i>
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## Description

Create a storage endpoint object, for interacting with blob, file, table, queue or ADLSgen2 storage.

## Usage

```

storage_endpoint(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL, api_version)

blob_endpoint(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"))

file_endpoint(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"))

adls_endpoint(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_adls_api_version"))

## S3 method for class 'storage_endpoint'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'adls_endpoint'
print(x, ...)

```

## Arguments

endpoint	The URL (hostname) for the endpoint. This must be of the form <code>http[s]://{account-name}.{type}.{core-host-name}</code> , where <code>type</code> is one of <code>"dfs"</code> (corresponding to ADLSgen2), <code>"blob"</code> , <code>"file"</code> , <code>"queue"</code> or <code>"table"</code> . On the public Azure cloud, endpoints will be of the form <code>https://{account-name}.{type}.core.windows.net</code> .
key	The access key for the storage account.
token	An Azure Active Directory (AAD) authentication token. This can be either a string, or an object of class <code>AzureToken</code> created by <a href="#">AzureRMR::get_azure_token</a> . The latter is the recommended way of doing it, as it allows for automatic refreshing of expired tokens.

<code>sas</code>	A shared access signature (SAS) for the account.
<code>api_version</code>	The storage API version to use when interacting with the host. Defaults to "2019-07-07".
<code>x</code>	For the print method, a storage endpoint object.
<code>...</code>	For the print method, further arguments passed to lower-level functions.

### Details

This is the starting point for the client-side storage interface in AzureRMR. `storage_endpoint` is a generic function to create an endpoint for any type of Azure storage while `adls_endpoint`, `blob_endpoint` and `file_endpoint` create endpoints for those types.

If multiple authentication objects are supplied, they are used in this order of priority: first an access key, then an AAD token, then a SAS. If no authentication objects are supplied, only public (anonymous) access to the endpoint is possible.

### Value

`storage_endpoint` returns an object of S3 class "adls\_endpoint", "blob\_endpoint", "file\_endpoint", "queue\_endpoint" or "table\_endpoint" depending on the type of endpoint. All of these also inherit from class "storage\_endpoint". `adls_endpoint`, `blob_endpoint` and `file_endpoint` return an object of the respective class.

Note that while endpoint classes exist for all storage types, currently AzureStor only includes methods for interacting with ADLSgen2, blob and file storage.

### See Also

[create\\_storage\\_account](#), [adls\\_filesystem](#), [create\\_adls\\_filesystem](#), [file\\_share](#), [create\\_file\\_share](#), [blob\\_container](#), [create\\_blob\\_container](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

# obtaining an endpoint from the storage account resource object
stor <- AzureRMR::get_azure_login()$
  get_subscription("sub_id")$
  get_resource_group("rgname")$
  get_storage_account("mystorage")
stor$get_blob_endpoint()

# creating an endpoint standalone
blob_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")

# using an OAuth token for authentication -- note resource is 'storage.azure.com'
token <- AzureAuth::get_azure_token("https://storage.azure.com",
  "myaadtenant", "app_id", "password")
adls_endpoint("https://myadlsstorage.dfs.core.windows.net/", token=token)

## End(Not run)
```

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