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A shared access signature (SAS) is a signed URI that points to one or more storage resources and includes a token that contains a special set of query parameters.

The token indicates how the resources may be accessed by the client. One of the query parameters, the signature, is constructed from the SAS parameters and signed with the key that was used to create the SAS. This signature is used by Azure Storage to authorize access to the storage resource.