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//azure.microsoft.com/en-us/product-categories/storage/>. On the admin side, 'AzureStor' includes features to create, modify and delete storage accounts. On the client side, it includes an interface to blob storage, file storage, and 'Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2': upload and download files and blobs; list containers and files/blobs; create containers; and so on. Authenticated access to storage is supported, via either a shared access key or a shared access signature (SAS). Part of the 'AzureR' family of packages.

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acquire\_lease

Operations on blob leases

# Description

Manage leases for blobs and blob containers.

```
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)
```

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# 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

 $adls\_filesystem$ 

Operations on an Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2 endpoint

# **Description**

Get, list, create, or delete ADLSgen2 filesystems.

```
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, ...)
```

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```
list_adls_filesystems(endpoint, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
list_adls_filesystems(endpoint, key = NULL,
  token = NULL, sas = NULL,
  api_version = getOption("azure_storage_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_storage_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_storage_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 storage_endpoint or adls_endpoint, 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.  |

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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

```
## 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)</pre>
```

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az\_storage

Storage account resource class

# **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 three kinds of SAS: account, service and user delegation. An account SAS can be used with any type of storage. A service SAS can be used with blob and file storage, while a user delegation SAS can be used with blob and ADLS2 storage.

To create an account SAS, call the get\_account\_sas() method. This has the following signature:

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To create a service SAS, call the get\_service\_sas() method, which has the following signature:

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:

(Note that the key argument for this method is the user delegation key, not the account key.)

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, Create a service SAS

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# **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()</pre>
## End(Not run)
```

blob\_container

Operations on a blob endpoint

# **Description**

Get, list, create, or delete blob containers.

```
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'
```

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```
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 storage\_endpoint, 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 inter-

acting 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.

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#### **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
```

```
## Not run:
endp <- blob_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")</pre>
# 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 |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
|             |                                       |

### **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 azure_storage_azcopy_silent option, or FALSE 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.

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### See Also

```
processx::run, download_blob, download_azure_file, download_adls_file
AzCopy page on Microsoft Docs
AzCopy GitHub repo
```

# **Examples**

### **Description**

Upload and download generics

```
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, ...)
```

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```
## 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, ...)
```

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### **Arguments**

container A storage container object.

src, dest For upload\_to\_url and download\_from\_url, 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 upload\_to\_url and download\_to\_url, 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
```

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create\_blob\_snapshot Create, list and delete blob snapshots

# **Description**

Create, list and delete blob snapshots

# Usage

```
create_blob_snapshot(container, blob, ...)
list_blob_snapshots(container, blob)
delete_blob_snapshot(container, blob, snapshot, confirm = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

| container | A blob container.   |
|-----------|---|
| blob      | The path/name of a blob.  |
|           | For create_blob_snapshot, an optional list of name-value pairs that will be treated as the metadata for the snapshot. If no metadata is supplied, the metadata for the base blob is copied to the snapshot. |
| snapshot  | For delete_blob_snapshot, the specific snapshot to delete. This should be a datetime string, in the format yyyy-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS.SSSSSSZ. To delete <i>all</i> snapshots for the blob, set this to "all".     |
| confirm   | Whether to ask for confirmation on deleting a blob's snapshots.   |

# **Details**

Blobs can have *snapshots* associated with them, which are the contents and optional metadata for the blob at a given point in time. A snapshot is identified by the date and time on which it was created.

create\_blob\_snapshot creates a new snapshot, list\_blob\_snapshots lists all the snapshots, and delete\_blob\_snapshot deletes a given snapshot or all snapshots for a blob.

Note that snapshots are only supported if the storage account does NOT have hierarchical namespaces enabled.

#### Value

For create\_blob\_snapshot, the datetime string that identifies the snapshot.

For list\_blob\_snapshots a vector of such strings, or NULL if the blob has no snapshots.

#### See Also

Other AzureStor functions that support blob snapshots by passing a snapshot argument: download\_blob, get\_storage\_properties, get\_storage\_metadata

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
cont <- blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer", key="access_key")
snap_id <- create_blob_snapshot(cont, "myfile", tag1="value1", tag2="value2")
list_blob_snapshots(cont, "myfile")
get_storage_properties(cont, "myfile", snapshot=snap_id)
# returns list(tag1="value1", tag2="value2")
get_storage_metadata(cont, "myfile", snapshot=snap_id)
download_blob(cont, "myfile", snapshot=snap_id)
# delete all snapshots
delete_blob_snapshots(cont, "myfile", snapshot="all")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

#### **Description**

Method for the AzureRMR::az\_resource\_group class.

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### Usage

#### **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. AzureStor provides an R interface to ADLSgen2, blob and file storage, while the Azure-Qstor and AzureTableStor packages provide interfaces to queue and table storage respectively.

#### 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)</pre>
```

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

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### **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)</pre>
```

do\_container\_op

Carry out operations on a storage account container or endpoint

# **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.

The path component of the endpoint call.

body The request body for a PUT/POST/PATCH call.

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http\_status\_handler

The R handler for the HTTP status code of the response. "stop", "warn" or "message" will call the corresponding handlers in httr, 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 re-

turns an error. The default timeout is taken from the system option azure\_storage\_timeout;

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 http\_status\_handler="pass".

#### **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
httr::GET, httr::PUT, httr::POST, httr::PATCH, httr::HEAD, httr::DELETE
```

```
## 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)</pre>
```

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Operations on a file endpoint

### **Description**

Get, list, create, or delete file shares.

```
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"), ...)
```

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```
## 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 storage\_endpoint, 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 inter-

acting 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
```

```
## 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")</pre>
```

```
# 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)
```

get\_account\_sas

Generate shared access signatures

### **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. There are three kinds of SAS: account, service and user delegation.

```
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 = NULL, key_expiry = NULL, ...)
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 = "rl", resource_type = "c",
  ip = NULL, protocol = NULL, snapshot_time = NULL,
 directory_depth = NULL,
  auth_api_version = getOption("azure_storage_api_version"), ...)
get_service_sas(account, ...)
## S3 method for class 'az_storage'
get_service_sas(account, resource, service = c("blob",
  "file"), key = account$list_keys()[1], ...)
## S3 method for class 'storage_endpoint'
get_service_sas(account, resource, key = account$key, ...)
## Default S3 method:
get_service_sas(account, resource, key, service,
  start = NULL, expiry = NULL, permissions = "rl",
  resource_type = NULL, ip = NULL, protocol = NULL, policy = NULL,
  snapshot_time = NULL, directory_depth = 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 az storage): a   |

be one of the following: an Azure resource object (of class az\_storage); a client storage endpoint (of class storage\_endpoint); a *blob* storage endpoint

(of class blob\_endpoint); or a string with the name of the account.

... Arguments passed to lower-level functions.

key For get\_account\_sas, the account key, which controls full access to the storage

account. For  ${\tt get\_user\_delegation\_sas}$ , a  ${\it user\ delegation\ key}$ , as obtained

from get\_user\_delegation\_key.

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 15

minutes before the current time.

services For get\_account\_sas, the storage service(s) for which the SAS is valid. De-

faults to bqtf, meaning blob (including ADLS2), queue, table and file storage.

permissions The permissions that the SAS grants. The default value of r1 (read and list)

essentially means read-only access.

resource\_types For an account SAS, the resource types for which the SAS is valid. For get\_account\_sas

the default is sco meaning service, container and object. For get\_user\_delegation\_sas

the default is c meaning container-level access (including blobs within the container). Other possible values include "b" (a single blob) or "d" (a directory).

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 https meaning HTTPS-

only, or https, http meaning HTTP is also allowed. Note that the storage account itself may require HTTPS, regardless of what the SAS allows.

auth\_api\_version

ip

The storage API version to use for authenticating.

token For get\_user\_delegation\_key, an AAD token from which to obtain user de-

tails. 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 and get\_service\_sas, the resource for which

the SAS is valid. Both types of SAS allow this to be either a blob container, a directory or an individual blob; the resource should be specified in the form containername[/dirname[/blobname]]. A service SAS can also be used with file shares and files, in which case the resource should be of the form

sharename[/path-to-filename].

resource\_type For a service or user delegation SAS, the type of resource for which the SAS

is valid. For blob storage, the default value is "b" meaning a single blob. For file storage, the default value is "f" meaning a single file. Other possible values include "bs" (a blob snapshot), "c" (a blob container), "d" (a directory in a blob container), or "s" (a file share). Note however that a user delegation SAS only

supports blob storage.

snapshot\_time For a user delegation or service SAS, the blob snapshot for which the SAS is

valid. Only required if resource\_type[s]="bs".

directory\_depth

For a service SAS, the depth of the directory, starting at 0 for the root. This is

required if resource\_type="d" and the account has a hierarchical namespace

enabled.

service For a service SAS, the storage service for which the SAS is valid: either "blob"

or "file". Currently AzureStor does not support creating a service SAS for queue

or table storage.

policy For a service SAS, optionally the name of a stored access policy to correlate the

SAS with. Revoking the policy will also invalidate the SAS.

#### **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\_service\_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 **service SAS** is like an account SAS, but allows finer-grained control of access. You can create a service SAS that allows access only to specific blobs in a container, or files in a file share. To obtain a service SAS, call get\_service\_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, Create a service SAS

```
# 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")</pre>
```

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```
# service SAS for a container
get_service_sas(endp, "containername")
# service SAS for a directory
get_service_sas(endp, "containername/dirname")
# read/write service SAS for a blob
get_service_sas(endp, "containername/blobname", permissions="rw")
## 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)</pre>
userkey <- get_user_delegation_key(endp, start=Sys.Date(), expiry=Sys.Date() + 1)</pre>
# 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)
```

get\_storage\_account

*Get existing Azure storage account(s)* 

# 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.

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#### 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)</pre>
```

get\_storage\_metadata Get/set user-defined metadata for a storage object

# Description

Get/set user-defined metadata for a storage object

```
get_storage_metadata(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
get_storage_metadata(object, blob, snapshot = NULL, version = NULL, ...)
## 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)
```

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```
## 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.

Optionally the name of an individual blob, file or directory within a container.

snapshot, version

For the blob method of  $get\_storage\_metadata$ , optional snapshot and version identifiers. These should be datetime strings, in the format "yyyy-mm-

ddTHH:MM:SS.SSSSSSSZ". Ignored if blob is omitted.

isdir For the file share method, whether the file argument is a file or directory. If

omitted, get\_storage\_metadata 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
```

```
## 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")</pre>
```

```
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)
```

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, snapshot = NULL, version = NULL, ...)

## 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.

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snapshot, version

For the blob method of get\_storage\_properties, optional snapshot and version identifiers. These should be datetime strings, in the format "yyyy-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS.SSSSSSSZ". Ignored if blob is omitted.

isdir

For the file share method, whether the file argument is a file or directory. If omitted, get\_storage\_properties 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)
list_blob_snapshots to obtain the snapshots for a blob
```

```
## 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")

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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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, put_md5 = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE,
 max_concurrent_transfers = 10)
upload_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^24,
  lease = NULL, put_md5 = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE)
multidownload_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^24, overwrite = FALSE, check_md5 = FALSE,
  use_azcopy = FALSE, max_concurrent_transfers = 10)
download_adls_file(filesystem, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^24,
 overwrite = FALSE, check_md5 = 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)
adls_dir_exists(filesystem, dir)
```

### Arguments

filecyctem

| TITESYSTEM | All ADESGER Mesystem 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 list_adls_files, and delete_adls_dir, whether the operation should recurse through subdirectories. For delete_adls_dir, this must be TRUE to delete a non-empty directory. |

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src, dest The source and destination paths/files for uploading and downloading. See 'De-

tails' below.

blocksize The number of bytes to upload/download per HTTP(S) request.

lease The lease for a file, if present.

put\_md5 For uploading, whether to compute the MD5 hash of the file(s). This will be

stored as part of the file's properties.

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\_adls\_file and multidownload\_adls\_file, the maximum number of concurrent file transfers. Each concurrent file transfer requires a sep-

arate R process, so limit this if you are low on memory.

overwrite When downloading, whether to overwrite an existing destination file.

check\_md5 For downloading, whether to verify the MD5 hash of the downloaded file(s).

This requires that the file's Content-MD5 property is set. If this is TRUE and the

Content-MD5 property is missing, a warning is generated.

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.

adls\_file\_exists and adls\_dir\_exists test for the existence of a file and directory, respectively.

### **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.

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

#### 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.

#### See Also

adls\_filesystem, az\_storage, storage\_download, call\_azcopy

```
## Not run:
fs <- adls_filesystem("https://mystorage.dfs.core.windows.net/myfilesystem", key="access_key")</pre>
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")</pre>
dest <- paste0("uploaded_", src)</pre>
multiupload_adls_file(share, src, dest)
# uploading serialized R objects via connections
json <- jsonlite::toJSON(iris, pretty=TRUE, auto_unbox=TRUE)</pre>
con <- textConnection(json)</pre>
upload_adls_file(fs, con, "iris.json")
rds <- serialize(iris, NULL)
con <- rawConnection(rds)</pre>
upload_adls_file(fs, con, "iris.rds")
# downloading files into memory: as a raw vector, and via a connection
```

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```
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)</pre>
```

list\_azure\_files

Operations on a file share

# **Description**

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

```
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, put_md5 = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE)
multiupload_azure_file(share, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  create_dir = recursive, blocksize = 2^22, put_md5 = FALSE,
  use_azcopy = FALSE, max_concurrent_transfers = 10)
download_azure_file(share, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^22,
 overwrite = FALSE, check_md5 = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE)
multidownload_azure_file(share, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
 blocksize = 2^22, overwrite = FALSE, check_md5 = 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)
azure_dir_exists(share, dir)
```

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### **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 list\_azure\_files, filters the result to return only files and directories whose name begins with this prefix. For the multiupload/download functions, whether to recursively transfer files recursive in subdirectories. For list\_azure\_dir, whether to include the contents of any subdirectories in the listing. For create\_azure\_dir, whether to recursively create each component of a nested directory path. For delete\_azure\_dir, whether to delete a subdirectory's contents first. 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. For the uploading functions, whether to create the destination directory if it create\_dir doesn't exist. Again for the file storage API this can be slow, hence is optional. The number of bytes to upload/download per HTTP(S) request. blocksize For uploading, whether to compute the MD5 hash of the file(s). This will be put\_md5 stored as part of the file's properties. Whether to use the AzCopy utility from Microsoft to do the transfer, rather than use\_azcopy doing it in R. max\_concurrent\_transfers For multiupload\_azure\_file and multidownload\_azure\_file, 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. check\_md5 For downloading, whether to verify the MD5 hash of the downloaded file(s). This requires that the file's Content-MD5 property is set. If this is TRUE and the Content-MD5 property is missing, a warning is generated. 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.

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• 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.

azure\_file\_exists and azure\_dir\_exists test for the existence of a file and directory, respectively.

# **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.

#### 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.

## See Also

```
file_share, az_storage, storage_download, call_azcopy
AzCopy version 10 on GitHub
```

```
## 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")</pre>
```

```
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")</pre>
dest <- paste0("uploaded_", src)</pre>
multiupload_azure_file(share, src, dest)
# uploading serialized R objects via connections
json <- jsonlite::toJSON(iris, pretty=TRUE, auto_unbox=TRUE)</pre>
con <- textConnection(json)</pre>
upload_azure_file(share, con, "iris.json")
rds <- serialize(iris, NULL)
con <- rawConnection(rds)</pre>
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)</pre>
rawToChar(rawvec)
con <- rawConnection(raw(0), "r+")</pre>
download_azure_file(share, "iris.rds", con)
unserialize(con)
## End(Not run)
```

list\_blobs

Operations on a blob container or blob

## 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 = c("BlockBlob",
    "AppendBlob"), blocksize = if (type == "BlockBlob") 2^24 else 2^22,
    lease = NULL, put_md5 = FALSE, append = FALSE, use_azcopy = FALSE)

multiupload_blob(container, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
    type = c("BlockBlob", "AppendBlob"), blocksize = if (type == "BlockBlob")
    2^24 else 2^22, lease = NULL, put_md5 = FALSE, append = FALSE,
    use_azcopy = FALSE, max_concurrent_transfers = 10)
```

```
download_blob(container, src, dest = basename(src), blocksize = 2^24,
  overwrite = FALSE, lease = NULL, check_md5 = FALSE,
  use_azcopy = FALSE, snapshot = NULL, version = NULL)

multidownload_blob(container, src, dest, recursive = FALSE,
  blocksize = 2^24, overwrite = FALSE, lease = NULL, check_md5 = FALSE,
  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)

blob_dir_exists(container, dir)

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

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

# 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, blob type, 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. |
| 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 and append blobs are supported.   |
| blocksize | The number of bytes to upload/download per HTTP(S) request.  |
| lease     | The lease for a blob, if present.  |
| put_md5   | For uploading, whether to compute the MD5 hash of the blob(s). This will be stored as part of the blob's properties. Only used for block blobs.  |

append When uploading, whether to append the uploaded data to the destination blob.

Only has an effect if type="AppendBlob". If this is FALSE (the default) and the destination append blob exists, it is overwritten. If this is TRUE and the

destination does not exist or is not an append blob, an error is thrown.

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.

check\_md5 For downloading, whether to verify the MD5 hash of the downloaded blob(s).

This requires that the blob's Content-MD5 property is set. If this is TRUE and

the Content-MD5 property is missing, a warning is generated.

snapshot, version

For download\_blob, optional snapshot and version identifiers. These should be datetime strings, in the format "yyyy-mm-ddTHH:MM:SS.SSSSSSZ". If

omitted, download the base blob.

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 oper-

ation should be asynchronous (proceed in the background).

auth\_header For copy\_url\_to\_blob and multicopy\_url\_to\_blob, an optional Authorization

HTTP header to send to the source. This allows copying files that are not pub-

licly available or otherwise have access restrictions.

#### **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.

multiupload\_blob can upload files either as all block blobs or all append blobs, but not a mix of both.

blob\_exists and blob\_dir\_exists test for the existence of a blob and directory, respectively. delete\_blob deletes a blob, and delete\_blob\_dir deletes all blobs in a directory (possibly recursively). This will also delete any snapshots for the blob(s) involved.

#### **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.

The following points should be noted about AzCopy:

- It 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.
- Currently, it does *not* support appending data to existing blobs.

#### 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 are guaranteed to 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.
- blob\_exists will return FALSE for a directory when the storage account does not have hierarchical namespaces enabled.

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.

## See Also

blob\_container, az\_storage, storage\_download, call\_azcopy, list\_blob\_snapshots, list\_blob\_versions AzCopy version 10 on GitHub Guide to the different blob types

```
## Not run:
cont <- blob_container("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/mycontainer", key="access_key")</pre>
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")
# append blob: concatenating multiple files into one
upload_blob(cont, "logfile1", "logfile", type="AppendBlob", append=FALSE)
upload_blob(cont, "logfile2", "logfile", type="AppendBlob", append=TRUE)
upload_blob(cont, "logfile3", "logfile", type="AppendBlob", append=TRUE)
# you can also pass a vector of file/pathnames as the source and destination
src <- c("file1.csv", "file2.csv", "file3.csv")</pre>
dest <- paste0("uploaded_", src)</pre>
multiupload_blob(cont, src, dest)
# uploading serialized R objects via connections
json <- jsonlite::toJSON(iris, pretty=TRUE, auto_unbox=TRUE)</pre>
con <- textConnection(json)</pre>
upload_blob(cont, con, "iris.json")
rds <- serialize(iris, NULL)</pre>
con <- rawConnection(rds)</pre>
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)</pre>
rawToChar(rawvec)
con <- rawConnection(raw(0), "r+")</pre>
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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#### **Description**

List and delete blob versions

### Usage

```
list_blob_versions(container, blob)
delete_blob_version(container, blob, version, confirm = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

container A blob container.

blob The path/name of a blob.

version For delete\_blob\_version, the specific version to delete. This should be a

datetime string, in the format yyyy-mm-ddTHH: MM: SS. SSSSSSSZ.

confirm Whether to ask for confirmation on deleting a blob version.

#### **Details**

A version captures the state of a blob at a given point in time. Each version is identified with a version ID. When blob versioning is enabled for a storage account, Azure Storage automatically creates a new version with a unique ID when a blob is first created and each time that the blob is subsequently modified.

A version ID can identify the current version or a previous version. A blob can have only one current version at a time.

When you create a new blob, a single version exists, and that version is the current version. When you modify an existing blob, the current version becomes a previous version. A new version is created to capture the updated state, and that new version is the current version. When you delete a blob, the current version of the blob becomes a previous version, and there is no longer a current version. Any previous versions of the blob persist.

Versions are different to snapshots:

- A new snapshot has to be explicitly created via create\_blob\_snapshot. A new blob version is automatically created whenever the base blob is modified (and hence there is no create\_blob\_version function).
- Deleting the base blob will also delete all snapshots for that blob, while blob versions will be retained (but will typically be inaccessible).
- Snapshots are only available for storage accounts with hierarchical namespaces disabled, while versioning can be used with any storage account.

#### Value

For list\_blob\_versions, a vector of datetime strings which are the IDs of each version.

sign\_request

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

# **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.

storage\_container

Storage client generics

# **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, ...)
storage_dir_exists(container, dir, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
storage_dir_exists(container, dir, ...)
## S3 method for class 'file_share'
storage_dir_exists(container, dir, ...)
## S3 method for class 'adls_filesystem'
storage_dir_exists(container, dir, ...)
create_storage_snapshot(container, file, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
create_storage_snapshot(container, file, ...)
list_storage_snapshots(container, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
list_storage_snapshots(container, ...)
delete_storage_snapshot(container, file, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
delete_storage_snapshot(container, file, ...)
list_storage_versions(container, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
list_storage_versions(container, ...)
delete_storage_version(container, file, ...)
## S3 method for class 'blob_container'
delete_storage_version(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\_blob\_dir, create\_azure\_dir or create\_adls\_dir
- delete\_storage\_dir dispatches to delete\_blob\_dir, delete\_azure\_dir or delete\_adls\_dir
- delete\_storage\_file dispatches to delete\_blob, delete\_azure\_file or delete\_adls\_file
- storage\_file\_exists dispatches to blob\_exists, azure\_file\_exists or adls\_file\_exists
- $\bullet \ \ storage\_dir\_exists \ dispatches \ to \ blob\_dir\_exists, azure\_dir\_exists \ or \ adls\_dir\_exists$
- create\_storage\_snapshot dispatches to create\_blob\_snapshot
- list\_storage\_snapshots dispatches to list\_blob\_snapshots
- delete\_storage\_snapshot dispatches to delete\_blob\_snapshot
- list\_storage\_versions dispatches to list\_blob\_versions
- delete\_storage\_version dispatches to delete\_blob\_version

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#### 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")</pre>
fl <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.file.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")</pre>
list_storage_containers(bl)
list_storage_containers(fl)
# creating containers
cont <- create_storage_container(bl, "newblobcontainer")</pre>
fs <- create_storage_container(fl, "newfileshare")</pre>
# 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)
```

storage\_endpoint

Create a storage endpoint object

#### **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, service)

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"))
```

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```
adls_endpoint(endpoint, key = NULL, token = NULL, sas = NULL,
    api_version = getOption("azure_storage_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 http[s]://{account-name}.{type}.{ where type is one of "dfs" (corresponding to ADLSgen2), "blob", "file",

"queue" or "table". On the public Azure cloud, endpoints will be of the form

https://{account-name}.{type}.core.windows.net.

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 AzureToken created by AzureRMR::get\_azure\_token. The latter is the recommended way of doing it, as it allows for automatic refresh-

ing of expired tokens.

sas A shared access signature (SAS) for the account.

api\_version The storage API version to use when interacting with the host. Defaults to

"2019-07-07".

service For storage\_endpoint, the service endpoint type: either "blob", "file", "adls",

"queue" or "table". If this is missing, it is inferred from the endpoint hostname.

x For the print method, a storage endpoint object.

... 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.

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#### Storage emulators

AzureStor supports connecting to the Azure SDK and Azurite emulators for blob and queue storage. To connect, pass the full URL of the endpoint, including the account name, to the blob\_endpoint and queue\_endpoint methods (the latter from the AzureQstor package). The warning about an unrecognised endpoint can be ignored. See the linked pages, and the examples below, for details on how to authenticate with the emulator.

Note that the Azure SDK emulator is no longer being actively developed; it's recommended to use Azurite for development work.

#### See Also

create\_storage\_account, adls\_filesystem, create\_adls\_filesystem, file\_share, create\_file\_share, blob\_container, create\_blob\_container

```
## Not run:
# obtaining an endpoint from the storage account resource object
stor <- AzureRMR::get_azure_login()$</pre>
   get_subscription("sub_id")$
   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",</pre>
                                     "myaadtenant", "app_id", "password")
adls_endpoint("https://myadlsstorage.dfs.core.windows.net/", token=token)
## Azurite storage emulator:
# connecting to Azurite with the default account and key (these also work for the Azure SDK)
azurite_account <- "devstoreaccount1"
azurite_key <-
  "Eby8vdM02xNOcqFlqUwJPL1mEt1CDXJ1OUzFT50uSRZ6IFsuFq2UVErCz4I6tq/K1SZFPTOtr/KBHBeksoGMGw=="
blob_endpoint(paste0("http://127.0.0.1:10000/", azurite_account), key=azurite_key)
# to use a custom account name and key, set the AZURITE_ACCOUNTS env var before starting Azurite
Sys.setenv(AZURITE_ACCOUNTS="account1:key1")
blob_endpoint("http://127.0.0.1:10000/account1", key="key1")
## End(Not run)
```

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storage\_save\_rds

Save and load R objects to/from a storage account

#### **Description**

Save and load R objects to/from a storage account

#### Usage

```
storage_save_rds(object, container, file, ...)
storage_load_rds(container, file, ...)
storage_save_rdata(..., container, file, envir = parent.frame())
storage_load_rdata(container, file, envir = parent.frame(), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object An R object to save to storage.

container An Azure storage container object.

file The name of a file in storage.

... Further arguments passed to saveRDS, memDecompress, save and load as appropriate.

envir For storage\_save\_rdata and storage\_load\_rdata, the environment from which to get objects to save, or in which to restore objects, respectively.

#### **Details**

These are equivalents to saveRDS, readRDS, save and load for saving and loading R objects to a storage account. They allow datasets and objects to be easily transferred to and from an R session, without having to manually create and delete temporary files.

#### See Also

storage\_download, download\_blob, download\_azure\_file, download\_adls\_file, save, load, saveRDS

```
## Not run:
bl <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")
cont <- storage_container(bl, "mycontainer")

storage_save_rds(iris, cont, "iris.rds")
irisnew <- storage_load_rds(iris, "iris.rds")
identical(iris, irisnew) # TRUE</pre>
```

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```
storage_save_rdata(iris, mtcars, container=cont, file="dataframes.rdata")
storage_load_rdata(cont, "dataframes.rdata")
## End(Not run)
```

storage\_write\_delim

Read and write a data frame to/from a storage account

#### Description

Read and write a data frame to/from a storage account

# Usage

```
storage_write_delim(object, container, file, delim = "\t", ...)
storage_write_csv(object, container, file, ...)
storage_write_csv2(object, container, file, ...)
storage_read_delim(container, file, delim = "\t", ...)
storage_read_csv(container, file, ...)
storage_read_csv2(container, file, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object A data frame to write to storage.

container An Azure storage container object.

file The name of a file in storage.

delim For storage\_write\_delim and storage\_read\_delim, the field delimiter. De-

faults to \t (tab).

... Optional arguments passed to the file reading/writing functions. See 'Details'.

#### **Details**

These functions let you read and write data frames to storage. storage\_read\_delim and write\_delim are for reading and writing arbitrary delimited files. storage\_read\_csv and write\_csv are for comma-delimited (CSV) files. storage\_read\_csv2 and write\_csv2 are for files with the semi-colon; as delimiter and comma, as the decimal point, as used in some European countries.

If the readr package is installed, they call down to read\_delim, write\_delim, read\_csv2 and write\_csv2. Otherwise, they use read\_delim and write.table.

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# See Also

storage\_download, download\_blob, download\_azure\_file, download\_adls\_file, write.table, read.csv, readr::write\_delim, readr::read\_delim

```
## Not run:
bl <- storage_endpoint("https://mystorage.blob.core.windows.net/", key="access_key")
cont <- storage_container(bl, "mycontainer")

storage_write_csv(iris, cont, "iris.csv")
# if readr is not installed
irisnew <- storage_read_csv(cont, "iris.csv", stringsAsFactors=TRUE)
# if readr is installed
irisnew <- storage_read_csv(cont, "iris.csv", col_types="nnnnf")

all(mapply(identical, iris, irisnew)) # TRUE

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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