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### A. VM snapshot

The VM snapshot is when you snapshot your VM state at a certain time. You can restore your VM to that state at any time providing that the snapshot is still available (within the retention period).

NOTE: When a VM snapshot exists for a VM, you cannot remove or add additional resources to the VM. You cannot change service/subscription type.

### B. Volume snapshot

The Volume snapshot is when you snapshot either the ROOT or the DATA volume at a certain time. You can restore your volume at any time providing that the snapshot is still available (within the retention period).

NOTE: If you have a snapshot volume, you cannot take a VM snapshot and vice-versa.

**Note that both snapshot types require storage. Therefore, the feature is provided for free, but the storage of the snapshots is being billed to the customer**

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