# Azure VM Types (Series)

#### 1. 🦳 B-series (Burstable VMs)

- Use Case: Low baseline CPU with occasional spikes.
- **Ideal for:** Development, testing, small web servers, and apps with infrequent high usage.
- Example Sizes: B1s, B2ms

#### 2. D-series (General Purpose)

- Use Case: Balanced CPU and memory.
- Ideal for: Web servers, enterprise applications, and small databases.
- Example Sizes: D2s\_v4, D4as\_v5

### 3. @ E-series (Memory Optimized)

- Use Case: High memory-to-core ratio.
- Ideal for: Relational databases, in-memory caching, and analytics workloads.
- Example Sizes: E4s\_v3, E64is\_v4

## 4. A F-series (Compute Optimized)

- Use Case: High CPU-to-memory ratio.
- Ideal for: Batch processing, web servers, gaming, and CPU-bound workloads.
- Example Sizes: F2s, F32s v2

## 5. W Lsv2-series (Storage Optimized)

- Use Case: High-throughput and low-latency disk access.
- Ideal for: NoSQL databases, big data, and data warehousing.
- Example Sizes: L8s\_v2, L64s\_v2

#### 6. N-series (GPU-enabled VMs)

- **Use Case:** GPU-accelerated compute workloads.
- **Ideal for:** AI/ML training, video rendering, visualization, gaming.
- Example Subtypes:
  - NC-series: Compute-focused (ML training)
  - **NV-series:** Visualization (graphics rendering, VDI)
  - **ND-series:** Deep learning (training and inference)

## 7. 🔬 H-series (High Performance Computing - HPC)

- Use Case: High-end compute for scientific simulations and modeling.
- **Ideal for:** Weather modeling, engineering simulations, and CFD.
- Example Sizes: H16r, HBv2, HBv3

### 8. M-series (Massive Memory)

- Use Case: Very large memory workloads.
- Ideal for: SAP HANA, large in-memory databases, and big enterprise apps.
- Example Sizes: M128ms, M208ms\_v2

## 9. Av2-series (Entry-Level General Purpose)

• Use Case: Economical option for basic workloads.

• Ideal for: Small web servers, proof of concept, and basic dev/test.

• Example Sizes: A2\_v2, A4\_v2

# Choosing the Right VM

Workload Type Best VM Type

General purpose D-series, B-series

Memory-intensive E-series, M-series

Compute-intensive F-series, H-series

Storage-intensive Lsv2-series

Graphics/ML workloads N-series

Budget/dev workloads Av2-series,

**B-series**