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Error /dev/hdX does not have any corresponding BIOS drive and Solution

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Q. After windows XP installation I lost my Grub boot loader and now when I try to run grubinstall [2] command to restore Grub in master boot record. But I am getting an error that read as follows:

/dev/sda does not have any corresponding BIOS drive

How do I fix this problem?

A. grub-install is use to install GRUB on your drive. If you are getting error try to recheck device map.



Type the command as follows:

grub-install --recheck /dev/sda

Where,

- --recheck: Probe a device map even if it already exists
- /dev/sda : Replace /dev/sda with your actual device name.

Above command should fix the problem.

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• Restore Debian Linux Grub boot loader [3]

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