List partitioning and range partitioning are two strategies in horizontal fragmentation in distributed database system. They split a large table into multiple smaller tables according to conditions. Partitioning improves query performance, provides efficient scanning, speeds up batch operations, and saves storage.

**List partitioning:**

List partitioning divides the table into partitions based on the key value(s) appear in each partition. Each partition contains rows that match one of the key values. When inserting data into the main table, system will automatically insert the data into the partition with corresponding key. It is important to note that if the inserted data has a key that does not belong to any sub-tables, the data will not be inserted.

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**Range Partitioning:**

Range partitioning divides the table into partitions based on the value ranges of a key column. Each partition contains rows in the same range, and each range is inclusive at the lower end and exclusive at the upper end. Data with key in the range will be inserted into the corresponding table. Similarly, data that does not fall within any of the ranges will not be inserted.

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