



Partitions

in Linux

Partitions in Linux

- Logical unit created on a drive.
- Virtual memory.
- It does not depend on size of harddisk.

Partition Table

Partition table are of 2 types :



MBR

GPT

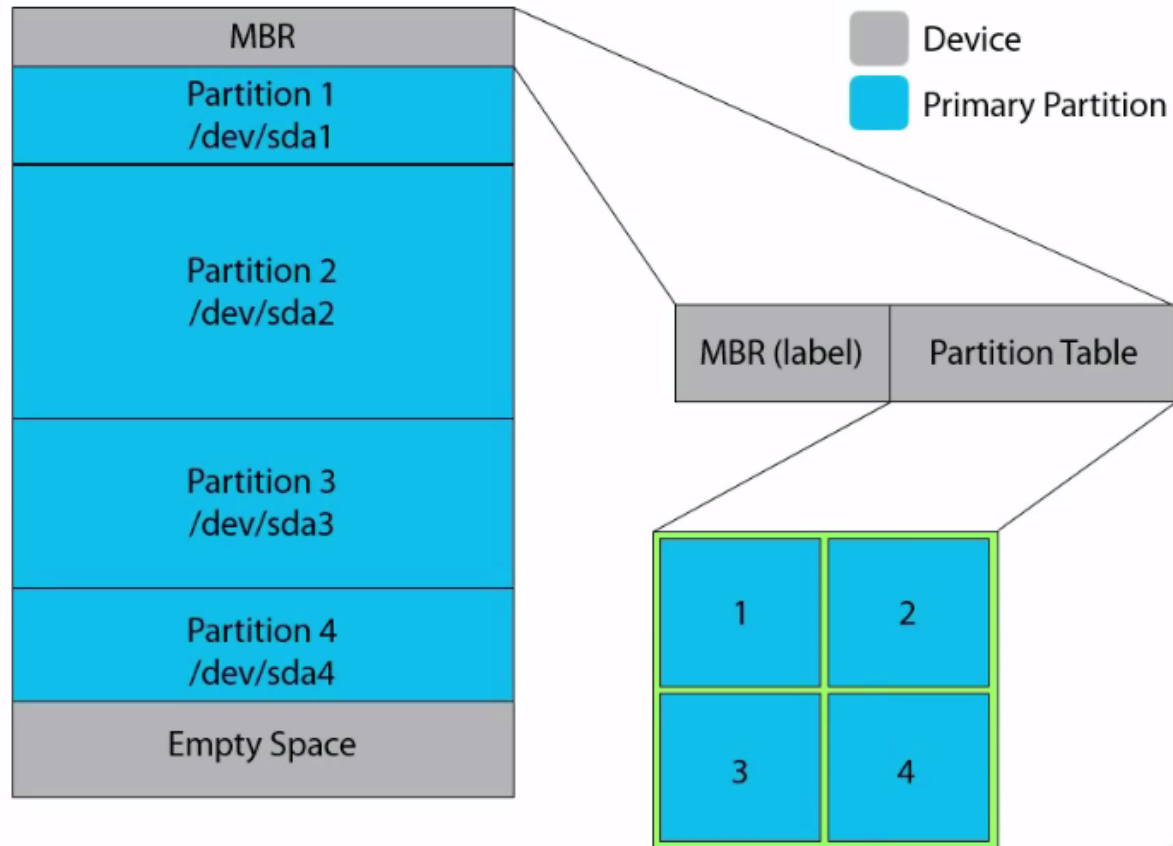
MBR (Master Boot Record)

MBR partitions are divided into two categories

1. Primary
2. Logical

Number of partitions in MBR is 4 i.e. 3 primary and 1 extended.

MBR Partition Scheme



- Partition table size is 64 byte,
- 1 extended = 60 logical partitions
- Limitations:
 - Max 2Tb hard disk
 - Max 4 partitions.

GPT (Guided Partition Table)

- To make more than 4 primary partitions we use gpt.
- Only primary partitions.
- No extended partition.
- Max 128 partitions by default.