

# Paragon Partition Manager™ 10 on Mac® Platform

## Best Practices

### Doc Highlights

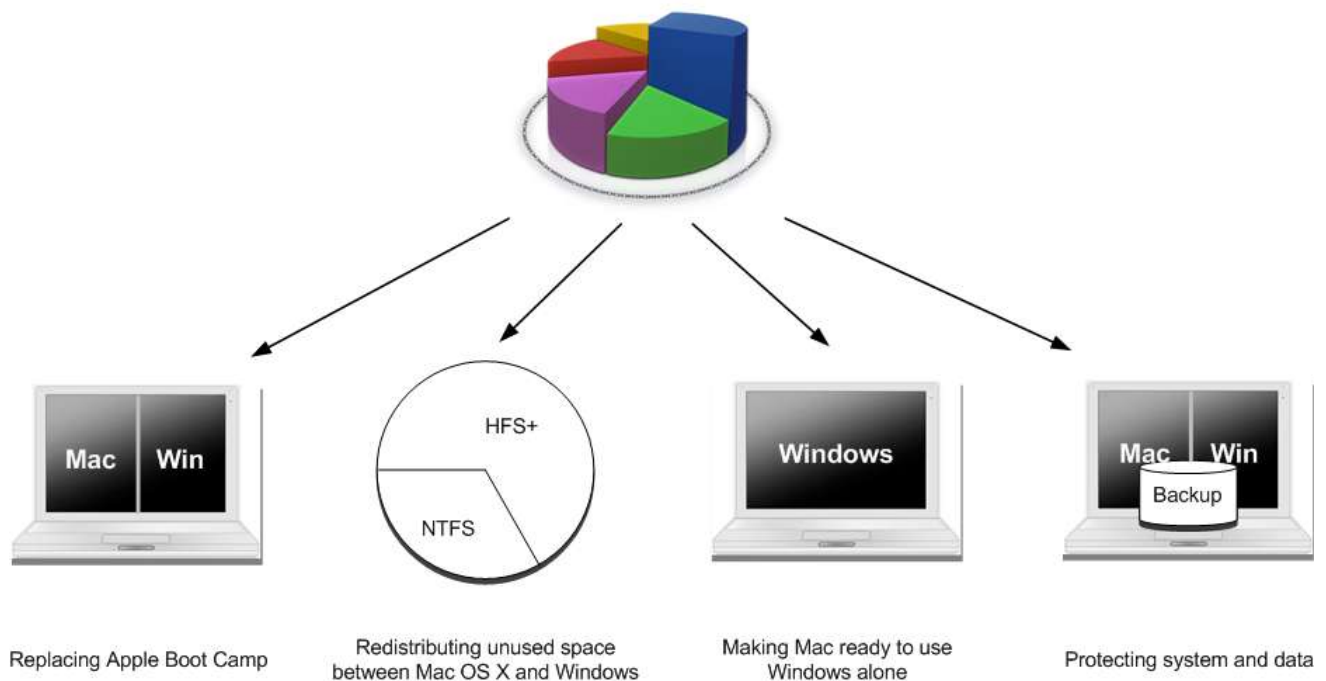
This document covers potential benefits of using Partition Manager 10 on Intel-based Mac computers, including backup/restore of Apple Boot Camp® configurations, redistribution of unused space between Mac OS® X and Windows® partitions, or the option of getting Mac ready to install Windows as a sole operating system. It also dwells on the prospects of taking Partition Manager as a good substitute for Apple Boot Camp.

### Challenges to Fight

Having over 10-year experience in delivering drive partitioning tools, Paragon Software is well aware of all the latest trends on this market and is ready to address them in the most efficient way. With the latest version of Partition Manager, the company's best seller in maintenance of Windows PC, it has once again proved to be a pioneer by embedding support for Mac platforms. Moreover, it's managed to come up with unique and really burning functionality, many people will appreciate:

- System and data protection for Apple Boot Camp configurations;
- Redistribution of unused space between Windows and Mac OS X partitions;
- Getting Mac ready to install Windows as a sole operating system;
- And finally standing out as a real alternative to Apple Boot Camp.

### Paragon Partition Manager 10



### Original Disk Imaging Technology for Mac Protection?

A world-wide acknowledged developer of disaster recovery software for Windows PC, Paragon Software is now ready to help Mac users feel a little bit more secure about data safety. Unlike Mac OS X built-in applications, Partition Manager 10 can boast support for more techniques of storing backup images:

- You can place a backup image to a local mounted or un-mounted (without drive letter assigned) partition. Despite the fact that it's the most convenient way, there's a great chance of losing your backup as a result of a hardware malfunction, or a virus attack;
- You can place a backup image to a USB hard disk, flash memory, or burn it to CD/DVD to guarantee a high level of data protection as long as the backup media is kept secure;
- Finally you can place a backup image to a network drive to stand a better chance of success in case of a hard disk failure. Moreover, by storing it on a special-purpose server you may be pretty sure nothing will happen to it.

With Partition Manager 10 installed on the Windows side, or with Linux/DOS or WinPE 2.0 bootable recovery environment, you can make a backup image of your hard disk or separate partitions to get your system and data back on track in minutes with no additional configuration required.

## What's the Need for Apple Boot Camp Then?

As you know, Apple has come with the Boot Camp utility to tackle the problem of establishing a dual boot system (Mac OS X and 32-bit Windows XP/Vista) on Intel-based Macs. In general, it helps to shrink an existing HFS+ partition to create a separate partition for Windows, and then launch the installation process. Though it's handy, it has a couple of naughty drawbacks:

- There's no way to later redistribute free space between Mac OS X and Windows partitions, so you've got to put up with it, or re-install Windows and all applications once again;
- It's obligatory to re-format the newly created partition in the Windows setup application, otherwise the installation process won't be accomplished. And you don't know that, until it's 50% completed.

With Partition Manager 10, you can easily redistribute unused space between Mac OS X and Windows partitions, either by installing the application on the Windows side, or with Linux/DOS or WinPE 2.0 bootable recovery environment, to help you efficiently use the on-disk space.

As for the second issue, Partition Manager 10 can even act as a good substitute for Apple Boot Camp – on Linux/DOS or WinPE 2.0 bootable recovery environment, you can find Install Windows OS Wizard, that can help you allocate some space for Windows by up-taking a slice from your Mac partition, create an NTFS partition, and finally reboot the computer to launch the installation process.

## Windows on Mac Alone, What For?

Mac computers are gaining more and more admirers throughout the world. Being of really high quality, they are powerful and stylish. As you know, MacBook® Pro has even been acknowledged as the most powerful notebook for Windows Vista. So it's not a surprise, that there are a lot of keen followers of Windows, who will really appreciate the option of using Windows on Mac alone.

Paragon Partition Manager 10 has responded to that trend by offering the possibility to install Windows on Mac as a sole operating system. On Linux/DOS or WinPE 2.0 bootable recovery environment you can find Install Windows OS Wizard, that can help you get your Mac ready to use Windows alone while making a backup of your Mac.

## Conclusion

With the latest version of Partition Manager, Paragon Software does hit the mark - though it's not Mac-native, it's managed not just to provide support for the Mac platform, but to do better than Apple Boot Camp, to offer really burning functionality, none of its competitors could. It's managed to bring Mac and PC users closer together.