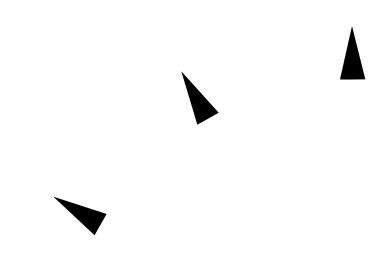
# x86: Installing Solaris Software







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## About This Book

## Who Can Use This Book

This book is for anyone installing the Solaris $^{\text{TM}}$  operating environment on networked or non-networked systems. Site policy and/or level of expertise will determine who can perform the tasks required to install Solaris software.

## Don't Read the Entire Book!

Because this book covers different ways of installing the Solaris software to accommodate a variety of site needs, you do not need to read the entire book.

Read chapters 1 and 2 — they'll help you decide which method of installing is best for your site, and point you to a task map that tells you exactly what sections of the book to use.

## How This Book Is Organized

This book is organized by tasks in the categories of before, during, and after installing Solaris software.

This book does not include instructions for setting up system hardware or other peripherals. Setting up hardware and peripherals is described in the x86 Device Configuration Guide.

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## Related Books



You may need to refer to the following books when installing Solaris software:

- x86 Device Configuration Guide
   Describes how to configure x86 devices before and after installing Solaris software.
- Solaris 2.4 Open Issues and Late-Breaking News
   Describes any late-breaking news about installing Solaris software including known problems.
- Administration Application Reference Manual
   Describes applications such as Administration Tool that you may use if you're setting up network installations.
- File System Administration
  Describes how to back up system files.

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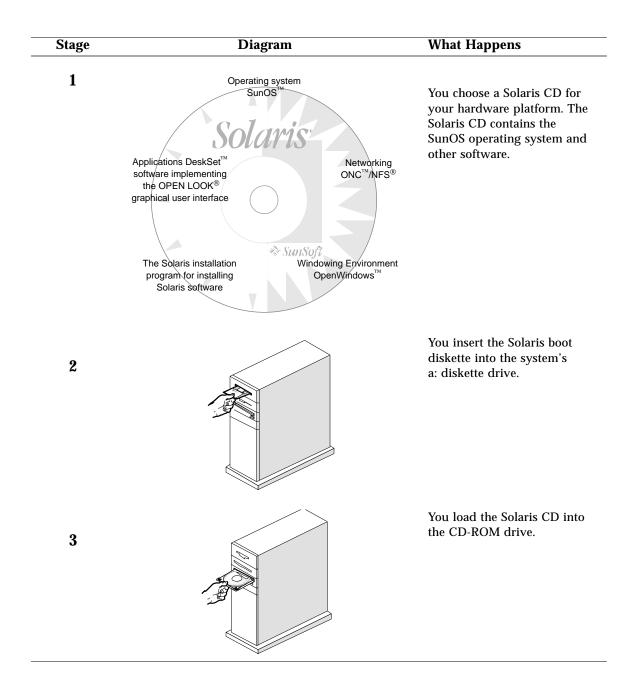
# About Installing Solaris

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## Definition: Installing Solaris Software

As shown on the following pages, the process of installing Solaris software means copying it from the Solaris CD to a system's local disk.





Stage	Diagram	What Happens
4	SunSoft x.x Multiple Device Boot  Solaris/x86 Multiple Device Boot Menu  Code Device Vendor Model/Desc Rev	After you power on the system, you choose to boot from the system's local CD-ROM drive, or from another system on the network. (Sample screen shown.)
5	Select the type of installation you want to perform  1 interactive 2 custom JumpStart  Enter the number of your choice followed by the Enter key.	You choose a method for installing Solaris software, then the systems boots. During the booting phase, checks are performed on the hardware. (Sample screen shown.)
6	The Solaris Installation Program  You are now interacting with the Solaris installation program. The program is divided into a series of short sections. At the end of each section, you will see a summary of the choices you've made, and be given the opportunity to make changes.	The Solaris installation program copies the Solaris software from the CD to the system's local disk. This is done <i>interactively</i> using a graphical (shown) or character interface, or <i>automatically</i> without user intervention.
	Continue Exit Help	



# Preparing to Install Solaris

This chapter guides you step-by-step through making decisions and completing the tasks required to prepare your system to install the Solaris software including:

Make sure that the system's peripheral devices are properly configured.	page 6
Determine if your system is networked.	page 6
Determine your system type.	page 6
Determine if you have required hardware.	page 9
If you have a standalone system, determine if you have enough disk space to install Solaris software.	page 10
Back up your system.	page 10
Choose a method for installing Solaris software.	page 11
Choose a task map and complete required tasks.	page 11

## Why You Should Not Ignore This Chapter

Successfully installing Solaris software requires a clear sense of what you're doing and why, or it can become difficult. This chapter provides all the information you need to determine the best way to install the Solaris software for your site. This chapter also directs you to specific chapters of this book you'll need.



## Steps to Prepare to Install Solaris

Follow these steps before turning on your system.

# 1 Make sure that the system's peripheral devices are properly configured.

Before installing Solaris software, you must configure peripheral devices so they do not conflict with each other, and so that Solaris software can access them. Configuring peripheral devices involves setting jumpers or running a software program under MS-DOS®. See the *x86 Device Configuration Guide* for detailed instructions.



**Caution** – If peripheral devices are not correctly configured before installing Solaris software, or if you are using unsupported devices, the Solaris installation program will fail.

### 2 Determine if your system is networked.

If your system is networked (connected to a network), an Ethernet connector or similar network adapter should be plugged into your system.

#### 3 Determine your system type.

Before installing Solaris software, you must determine the *system type* which determines where the system gets important file systems. Using Figure 2-1 on page 8, choose a system type from the following lists:

Networked systems:

- Server
- Standalone system
- Dataless client
- Diskless client

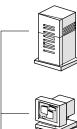
Non-networked systems:

• Standalone system

**Note** – If you choose a diskless client as the system type, you do not need go any further in this chapter. Go to "How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Diskless Client" on page 39.



#### **Networked systems**



#### Server

Provides resources, software, and/or file systems for systems on the network. For dataless and diskless clients, servers provide /usr and /usr/kvm file systems. For diskless clients, servers provide root (/) and swap file systems.



#### Standalone system

Has a local disk and does not require support from a server.



#### **Diskless client**

Does not have a local disk. Gets all its file systems from a server.



#### **Dataless client**

Has a local disk for root (/) and swap. Gets /usr and /usr/kvm file systems from a server.

#### Non-networked systems



#### Standalone systems

Have local disks and file systems.



Figure 2-1 System Types

**Note** – A standalone system in the Solaris operating environment applies to both networked and non-networked systems. Whether networked or nonnetworked, a standalone system has all of its Solaris software on local hard disk, and does not require services from another system.

## 4 Determine if you have required hardware.

For a detailed description of hardware requirements, see the x86 Device Configuration Guide.

Table 2-1 Hardware Requirements

Hardware Platform	Processor	Minimum Memory	Disk Interfaces	Buses	<b>Device for Installing</b> <b>Solaris</b>
An x86 system of the following type:  • 386  • 486DX, 486DX2, or 486SX	For 386 systems:  • 387D at 33 MHz ISA/EISA bus  For 486D, 486X2, or 486SX systems:  • 25,33,50, or 66 MHz ISA/EISA	16 Mbytes (including 640K base memory)	Integrated SCSI or IDE hard disk	• ISA • EISA • MCA	You must have a diskette drive, and one of the following devices for installing Solaris software:  • Local CD-ROM drive  • Remote CD-ROM drive available over the network  • Remote hard disk available over the network



# 5 If you have a standalone system, determine if you have enough disk space to install Solaris software.

The software on the Solaris CD is bundled into four *software groups* (see Table 2-2). You must choose one of these software groups when you install Solaris software. Use Table 2-2 to determine approximately how much disk space you'll need. Keep in mind:

 The disk space shown does not account for file system overhead or local file systems required for electronic mail, printer spooling, users' personal file systems, or swap space.

You can remove software packages from these groups to reduce the disk space required.

Table 2-2 Approximate Disk Space Required for Software Groups

If You Want to Install This Software Group	Which Installs	Then You'll Need Approximately This Much Disk Space
Core System Support	The minimum software required to boot and run Solaris software.	70 Mbytes
End User System Support	The core group plus the recommended software for an end user including OpenWindows and the DeskSet software.	160 Mbytes
Developer System Support	The end user software plus software for developing software including libraries, include files, man pages, and programming tools. Compilers and debuggers are not included.	240 Mbytes
Entire Distribution	The entire Solaris release (everything on the CD). Compilers and debuggers are not included.	300 Mbytes

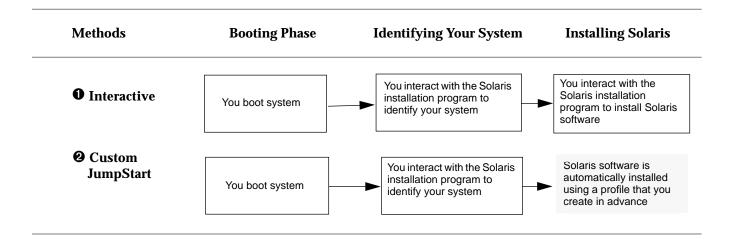
#### 6 Back up your system.

If your system has any files on it that you want to save, make sure you perform a backup. The safest way to back up files is to do a level 0 dump. If you do not have a backup procedure in place, see *File System Administration* for instructions.

#### 7 Choose a method for installing Solaris software.

There are two methods for installing Solaris software. One or both methods may be available to you.

- Interactive easy, hands-on method of installing Solaris software. The Solaris installation program guides you step-by-step through identifying your system and installing Solaris software. You're in control all the way!
- **2** Custom JumpStart (formerly called auto-install) for the advanced user with experience in Bourne shell scripting and the vi editor. By creating profiles and rules files, you can set up systems to automatically install Solaris software in different ways on different systems. This method requires upfront work before systems are turned on, but it's the most cost-effective way to install Solaris software for large, enterprise sites. You can even set up a hands-off installation where the user just boots the system and nothing more needs to be done!



#### 8 Choose a task map and complete required tasks.

Choose the task map from the following pages that matches the method you've chosen for installing Solaris software: interactive or custom JumpStart. The task maps guide you through all the tasks you need to complete before turning on, booting, and installing Solaris software on a system. The box marked END points you to the chapter for step-by-step instructions for booting your system and installing Solaris software.



#### **Interactive Installations**

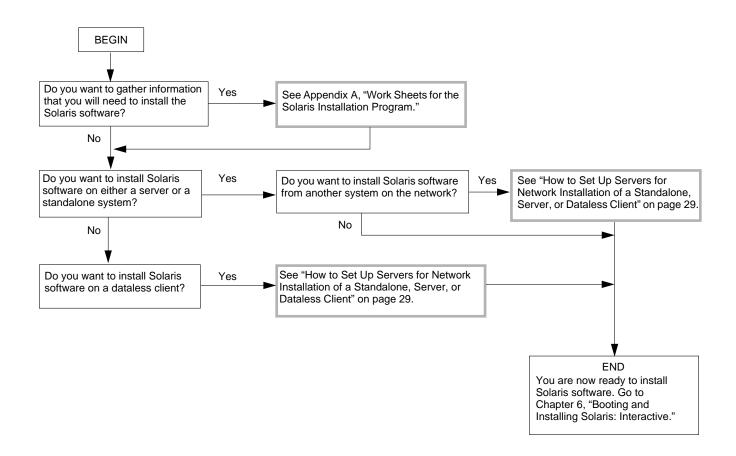


Figure 2-2 Task Map for Interactive Installations

### **Custom JumpStart Installations**

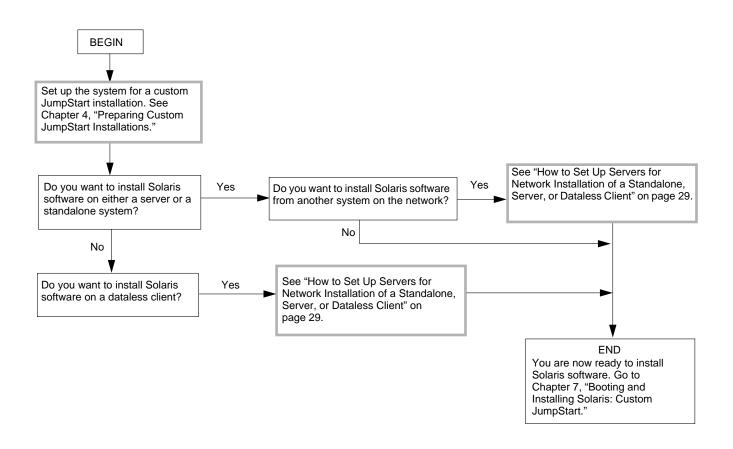


Figure 2-3 Task Map for Custom JumpStart Installations



# Preparing to Install Solaris Over a Network

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## About Installing Solaris Over a Network

A typical way to install Solaris software is to use the installation program to copy the Solaris CD shipped with your system. However, it is uncommon at most sites for every system to have its own local CD-ROM drive. When a system does not have a local CD-ROM drive, you can perform a *network installation*. Network installation means that you install software over the network—from a system with a CD-ROM drive to a system without a CD-ROM drive.



**Note** – Instructions in this chapter are valid for either an x86 or SPARC server being used for network installations. An x86 server can provide the Solaris CD image for SPARC systems, and a SPARC server can provide the Solaris CD image for x86 systems.

## Servers Required for Network Installation

As shown in Figure 3-1, systems that install Solaris software over the network require:

- *Install server* a networked system with the CD-ROM drive that provides installation services for other systems.
- Name server a system that manages a distributed network database (such as NIS or NIS+) containing information about users and other systems on the network.

**Note** – The install server and name server may be the same or separate systems.

• *Boot server* – a system that boots the system to be installed over the network. A boot server and install server are typically the same system. However, if the system to be installed is on a *different* subnet than the install server, a boot server is required on that subnet.

Diskless and dataless clients also require:

• *File server* – a system that provides files for other systems.

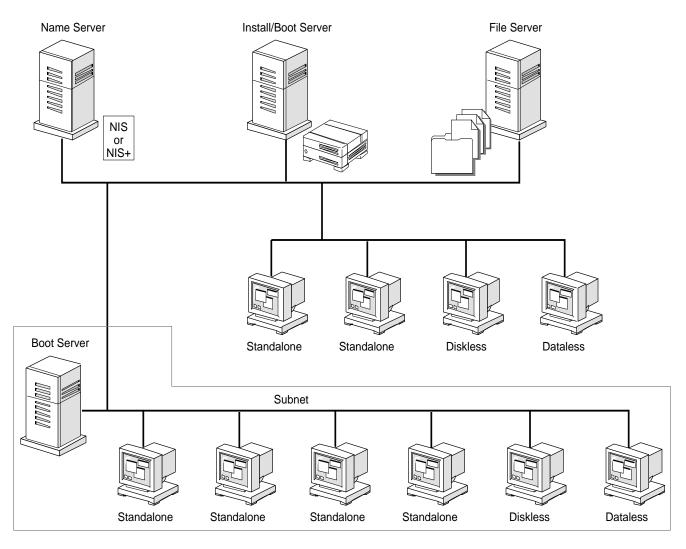


Figure 3-1 Network Installation Servers



## Requirements for Hands-Off Network Installation

To set up your site to install Solaris software on systems over the network with no user intervention, you must:

- Use the custom JumpStart installation method. (See Chapter 4, "Preparing Custom JumpStart Installations.")
- Make sure all systems are properly configured in the name service.
   (Procedures in this chapter include information on how to add systems to the name service.)
- Preconfigure network information, such as the date, time, geographic region, site subnet mask, and language. (See "Preconfiguring Network Information" on page 43 for detailed information.) Doing so provides default values that the Solaris installation program can access, which eliminates many prompts to identify the system during an installation.

## Files You Should Know About

Table 3-1 shows files that you may need to modify or monitor to set up a network installation.

Table 3-1 Network Installation Files

Files	Description
/cdrom/cdrom0/s0	File path of the mounted SPARC Solaris CD on a Solaris 2.x system. If more than one CD-ROM drive is attached to the system, the path may vary. (This mount point is created by Volume Management software.)
/cdrom/cdrom0/s2	File path of the mounted x86 Solaris CD on a Solaris 2.x system. If more than one CD-ROM drive is attached to the system, the path may vary. (This mount point is created by Volume Management software.)
/etc/hosts /etc/ethers /etc/bootparams	Files containing information necessary for exchanging information between systems on a network.
/var/nis/host/hosts.org_dir /var/nis/host/ethers.org_dir /var/nis/host/bootparams.org_dir	The NIS+ tables that correspond to the /etc files. These files are only pertinent if the system is using the NIS+ naming service. <i>host</i> is the host name of the NIS+ server.
/etc/nsswitch.conf	A file that you can edit to specify where (in the /etc files or in NIS+ tables) system software should look to find configuration information.
/etc/inet/inetd.conf	A configuration file that has information about daemons that may be required for network installation.
/etc/dfs/dfstab	A configuration file that specifies file systems that will be shared across the network.
/etc/mnttab	A configuration file that specifies file systems that are mounted.



## Commands You Should Know About

Table 3-2 shows programs available for use when setting up for network installation.  $\,$ 

Table 3-2 Network Installation Commands

Program	Description
add_install_client	A script that adds information to the /etc files on the install server to enable network installation. See the add_install_client(1m) man page for more information.
rm_install_client	A script that removes information from the /etc files on the install server to disable network installation. See the $rm_install_client(1m)$ man page for more information.
setup_install_server	A script that copies all or part of the Solaris CD onto a server's local disk. This enables you to perform network installations from the install server's disk instead of its CD-ROM drive. (Installing from the install server's disk is faster than installing from the server's CD-ROM drive.) See the setup_install_server(1m) man page for more information.
Host Manager	A graphical user interface that is available from within the Administration Tool (admintool) program. You can use Host Manager to specify naming services, system's IP and Ethernet addresses, and other information to be used for installations across a network.
ttyhstmgr	A text-based equivalent of the Administration Tool Host Manager. See the ttyhstmgr (1m) man page for more information.

Table 3-2 Network Installation Commands (Continued)

Program	Description
mount	A command that shows mounted file systems, including the Solaris CD file system. See the mount(1m) man page for more information.
uname -a	A command for determining system architecture. This information is sometimes required during installation. See the uname(1) man page for more information.
kdmconfig	A command to run on the install server to preconfigure the keyboard, display, and other peripherals for a system being installed over a network. See the kdmconfig(lm) man page for more information.



## Creating an Install Server

If you are installing systems over the network, you must have an install server—a system with a CD-ROM drive or with Solaris software copied to its local disk. This system will provide the installation services for systems on the network that do not have a local CD-ROM drive.

You can create an install server to install the following system types:

- Server
- Standalone
- Dataless

This section describes how to:

 Create an install server by mounting the Solaris CD or by copying the Solaris CD to the install server's local disk.

**Note** – If you intend to do frequent installations over the network, you should copy the Solaris CD image from the Solaris CD to the install server's local disk. Network installations from the install server's local disk are faster than from its CD-ROM drive. Copying Solaris CD image to the install server's disk also frees the CD-ROM drive for other uses.

• Create a separate boot server (required *only* if systems are not on same subnet as the install server).

#### ▼ How to Create an Install Server

**Overview** – Creating an install server involves:

- Choosing a system with a CD-ROM drive to be the install server
- Mounting the Solaris CD
- Using the setup\_install\_server command to copy the Solaris CD to the install server's local disk (optional, but recommended)

Follow this procedure to create an install server.

- **1.** On the system that is going to be the install server, log in as root. This system must have a CD-ROM drive.
- 2. Insert the Solaris CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- 3. Mount the Solaris CD (if needed) and change the directory to the mounted CD:

If the Install Server Is	Then
Running Volume Management	cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s0 or cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s2
	<b>Note:</b> Volume Management is running if the /vol directory on the system contains files. Systems running Solaris 2.0 or 2.1 do not have Volume Management.
Not running Volume Management	<pre>1) mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0s0 /cdrom   or   mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0p0 /cdrom</pre>
	2) cd /cdrom



4. Follow the instructions depending on whether or not you want to copy the Solaris CD to the install server's local disk:

If You	Then
Want to copy the Solaris CD	Go to Step 5.
Do not want to copy the Solaris CD	Go to Step 7.

5. Use the setup\_install\_server command to copy the contents of the Solaris CD to the install server's local disk.

```
# ./setup_install_server install_dir_path
```

In this command,

install\_dir\_path Specifies the directory where the Solaris CD image will be copied. You can substitute any directory path.

For example, the following command copies the Solaris CD image from the Solaris CD to the /export/install directory on the local disk:

./setup\_install\_server /export/install

Note - The setup\_install\_server command will indicate if you do not have enough disk space to copy the Solaris CD image from the Solaris CD. Use the df -a command to determine available disk space.

6. Type cd install\_dir\_path and press Return.

# 7. Determine your next step based on whether or not the install server is on the same subnet as the system to be installed.

If Install Server Is	Then
On same subnet as the system to be installed	Go to Task Complete on page 25.
Not on the same subnet as the system to be installed	Follow the procedure "How to Create a Boot Server on a Subnet" on page 26. You must complete this procedure when the install server is <i>not</i> on the same subnet as the system to be installed. After completing that procedure, go to Task Complete on page 25.

Task Complete The install server is now created. Next, you must add information to the install server's configuration files so it recognizes the systems to be installed. To continue, go to the appropriate section in this chapter:

• "How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Standalone, Server, or Dataless Client" on page 29.



#### ▼ How to Create a Boot Server on a Subnet

You can install Solaris software over the network from any install server on the network. However, a system that will use an install server on another subnet *requires* a separate boot server on its own subnet.

Overview - Creating a boot server involves:

- Choosing a system with a CD-ROM drive to be the boot server for the subnet
- Mounting the Solaris CD
- Using the setup\_install\_server -b command to copy required architecture information from the Solaris CD to the local disk

Follow this procedure to set up a boot server on a subnet.

- 1. On the system that will be the boot server for the subnet, log in as root. This system must have a CD-ROM drive or an NFS mount of a Solaris CD image. The system must also be in the NIS or NIS+ name service. (If your site doesn't use the NIS or NIS+ name service, you must distribute information about this system by following your site's policies.)
- 2. Insert the Solaris CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- 3. Mount the Solaris CD (if needed) and change the directory to the mounted CD:

If the Boot Server Is	Then
Running Volume	cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s0
Management	or
	cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s2
	<b>Note:</b> Volume Management is running if the /vol directory on the system contains files. Systems running Solaris 2.0 or 2.1 do not have Volume Management.
Not running Volume Management	1) mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0s0 /cdrom or
O	mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0p0 /cdrom
	2) cd /cdrom

4. Use the setup\_install\_server command to set up the boot server for the subnet.

The setup\_install\_server command copies specified kernel architecture information to the local disk. Enter this command once for each type of system to be installed over the network.

```
# ./setup_install_server -b boot_dir_path architecture
```

In this command,

-b Specifies that the system will be set up as a boot server.

boot\_dir\_path Specifies the directory where the kernel architecture

will be copied. You can substitute any directory path.

architecture Specifies the kernel architecture of the system to be

installed. Sample valid values include sun4e, sun4d, sun4c, sun4m, and i86pc. (For a detailed list of kernel architectures, see Appendix C, "Kernel Architectures.")

For example, the following command copies kernel architecture information necessary for booting an x86 system to be installed over the network:

```
./setup_install_server -b /export/install i86pc
```

Note – The <code>setup\_install\_server</code> command will indicate if you do not have enough disk space to copy the kernel architecture information. Use the <code>df</code> –a command to determine available disk space.

Task Complete The boot server is now set up to boot systems on a subnet. To continue, go to the appropriate section in this chapter:

• "How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Standalone, Server, or Dataless Client" on page 29.



## Setting Up Servers for Network Installation

This section describes how to set up appropriate servers necessary to install a system over a network. The next table shows servers required for each system type you want to install.

If System Type You Are Installing Is <sup>1</sup>	Then You Need This Server Support
Standalone System	Install Server
Server	Install Server
Dataless Client	Install Server and File Server
Diskless Client	File Server

<sup>1.</sup> Systems also require a boot server if they are on a different subnet than the install server.

**Note** – When you install an x86 server, you don't have the option to support SPARC clients. If you want your x86 server to serve SPARC dataless or diskless clients, you must use Software Manager (swmtool) and add support for the specific architecture *after* the server has been installed. To do this, select Add Client Support from the swmtool Edit menu.

Choose from the following procedures, based on the type of systems you are going to install Solaris software on:

- "How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Standalone, Server, or Dataless Client" on page 29
- "How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Diskless Client" on page 39

# ▼ How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Standalone, Server, or Dataless Client

The procedure to add standalone systems and servers for installation over the network is the same. The procedure to add dataless clients involves the added step of specifying a file server. This section describes both procedures.

#### **Overview** – This procedure involves:

- Starting the Administration Tool Host Manager to update the name service and (if necessary) set up a file server
- Using the add\_install\_client command to add information about the standalone, server, or dataless clients to the install server configuration files

**Note** – If you have a character-based terminal, you can use ttyhstmgr to add systems for network installation. To start ttyhstmgr, type ttyhstmgr and press Return.

Follow this procedure to set up the install server to install a standalone system, server, or dataless client on the network.

#### 1. Follow the instructions in the following table.

If the System to Be Installed Is	And the System Is	Then
Not in the NIS or NIS+ name service	Standalone, server, or dataless client	Go to Step 2.
In the NIS or NIS+ name service	Dataless client	Go to Step 2.
In the NIS or NIS+ name service	Standalone or server	Go to Step 11.



2. On the install server, log in as a user in the administration group (group 14).

**Caution** – If your system is part of the NIS+ name service, you must run Administration Tool while logged in as a user in the NIS+ admin group. Otherwise, you will not have permission to update configuration information on the name server.

3. Start Administration Tool with the following command.

\$ /usr/bin/admintool &

4. After the Administration Tool main window appears, click on the Host Manager icon.

**Note** – If your site uses the Domain Name Service (DNS), you will have to modify the /etc/nsswitch.conf file and create the /etc/resolv.conf file manually. For detailed information, see the *Name Services Administration Guide*.

5. On the Host Manager: Select Naming Service screen, select a naming service and click on the Apply button.

See the sample Naming Service screen below.

If the Name Service Is	Then Select	
NIS+	NIS+. Host Manager will update the NIS+ tables.	
NIS	None. Host Manager will store the information you provide in /etc files. You will need to update NIS maps manually.	
None	None. Host Manager will store the information you provide in the /etc files. This will provide enough information for systems to boot, and to install Solaris software over the network.	



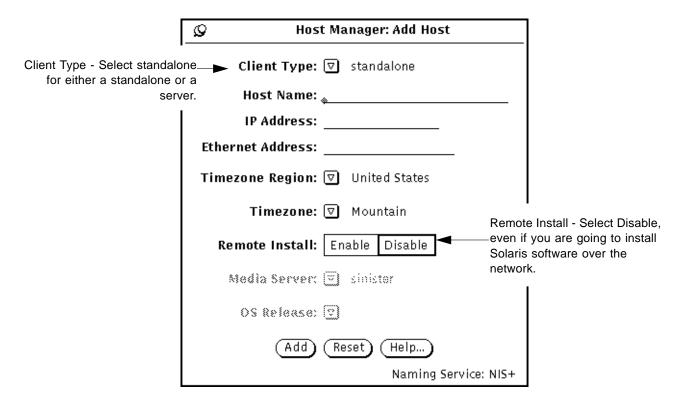
6. On the Host Manager screen, choose Add Host from the Edit menu command.



7. Determine your next step based on what kind of system you want to install.

System To Be Installed Is	Then
Standalone or Server	Go to Step 8.
Dataless Client	Go to Step 10.

8. On the Host Manager: Add Host screen, complete all fields and click on the Add button.



#### 9. Go to Step 11.

Step 10 is required only for adding dataless clients for network installation.

# 10. On the Host Manager: Add Host screen, complete all fields and click on the Add button.

- -	Host لوړ	t Manager: Add Host	==== : ==== :
	Client Type:	<u>√</u> dataless	
	Host Name:	<b>.</b>	
	IP Address:		
	Ethernet Address:		
	Timezone Region:	<u> </u>	
OS Release - Select the OS	Timezone:	<u>∇</u> ] Mountain	File Server - Specify the system
Release you want installed on the dataless client. The proper OS support must reside on the	File Server:	<u>r</u> ] angus ◀	that you want to provide /usr and /usr/kvm file systems for the dataless client.
install server. This support is_	OS Release:	∑ i386 i86pc Solaris 2.4	
ormally set up when a server is nstalled. It can also be specified with Software Manager	Remote Install:	Enable Disable	Remote Install - Select Disable, even if you are going to install Solaris software over the
(swmtool) after the server has been installed.	Media Server:	∑] angus	network.
	(Add	Reset) Help)	
		Naming Service	: NIS+



- **11. Make sure the install server has been set up.** See "How to Create an Install Server" on page 23 for instructions.
- 12. Determine your next step based on whether the standalone system or server is on the same subnet as the install server.

If Standalone System or Server Is	Then
On same subnet as install server	Go to Step 13.
Not on same subnet as install server	Go to Step 16.

- 13. On the install server, change the directory to the mounted Solaris CD or the directory where the Solaris CD image has been copied.
- 14. Use the add\_install\_client command to add information about the system to be installed to the install server's configuration files.

# ./add\_install\_client [-c server:jumpstart\_dir\_path] host\_name architecture

In this command.

-c Specifies a JumpStart directory for custom JumpStart

installations. This option and its arguments are required only for custom JumpStart installations.

**Note:** This option is unnecessary if you have

completed the procedure "How to Enable All Systems

to Access the JumpStart Directory" on page 68.

server: jumpstart\_dir\_path

*server* is the host name of the server on which the JumpStart directory is located. *jumpstart\_dir\_path* is the

absolute path of the JumpStart directory.

where Solaris software will be installed over the network. (This is not the host name of the install server). The host must be in the name service for this

command to work.

architecture Is the kernel architecture of the system to be installed.

Sample valid values include i86pc, sun4e, sun4d, sun4c, and sun4m. (For a detailed list of kernel

architectures, See Appendix C, "Kernel Architectures.")



#### 15. Go to Task Complete on page 38.

Step 16 through Step 18 are required only if you are using a boot server.

16. On the boot server, log in as root.

#### 17. Change the directory to the boot directory.

The boot directory is created when you set up a system as a boot server, as described in "How to Create a Boot Server on a Subnet" on page 26.

# cd /boot\_dir\_path

In this command,

/ boot\_dir\_path

Is the absolute path to the directory that contains the kernel architecture information necessary for booting a system.

For example, the following command changes to a sample boot directory named i86pc\_boot\_dir.

cd /i86pc\_boot\_dir

# 18. Use the add\_install\_client command to add information about the system to be installed to the boot server configuration files.

# ./add\_install\_client [-c server:jumpstart\_dir\_path] -s install\_server:install\_dir\_path host\_name architecture

#### In this command,

-c

Specifies a JumpStart directory for custom JumpStart installations. This option and its arguments are required only for custom JumpStart installations.

**Note:** This option is unnecessary if you have completed the procedure "How to Enable All Systems to Access the JumpStart Directory" on page 68.

server: jumpstart\_dir\_path

*server* is the host name of the server on which the JumpStart directory is located. *jumpstart\_dir\_path* is the absolute path of the JumpStart directory.

-s Specifies the install server.

install\_server:install\_dir\_path

install\_server is the host name of the install server.
install\_dir\_path is the absolute path name of the
mounted Solaris CD or the directory that has the copy

of the Solaris CD image.

where Solaris software will be installed over the network. (This is not the host name of the install server). The host must be in the name service for this

command to work.

architecture Is the kernel architecture of the system to be installed.

Sample valid values include i86pc, sun4e, sun4d, sun4c, and sun4m. (For a detailed list of kernel

architectures, See Appendix C, "Kernel Architectures.")

For example, the following command copies boot information from Solaris CD image on an install server's local disk in /export/install.

add\_install\_client sets up the /rplboot directory on the local system, which will be the boot server. The system that will be installed is named watson, and it is an x86 system, which has an i86pc kernel architecture:

./add\_install\_client -s install\_server1:/export/install watson i86pc

Task Complete The standalone system, server, or dataless client is now added for network installation. You are now ready to boot and install over the network. To find the correct booting and installing procedure in this book, see the appropriate chapter for the installation you want to perform:

- Chapter 6, "Booting and Installing Solaris: Interactive"
- Chapter 7, "Booting and Installing Solaris: Custom JumpStart"

#### ▼ How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Diskless Client

Technically speaking, diskless clients do not get Solaris software installed over the network. They just receive file services from a file server. However, diskless clients do require boot services of a server on the network. The following procedure describes how to specify:

- Where the diskless client will get its files
- Which server will boot the diskless client

Overview - The procedure to add diskless clients for installation involves:

- Logging in to the install server
- Using the Administration Tool Host Manager to add information about the diskless client to the install server configuration files

Note – If you have a character-based terminal, you can use the ttyhstmgr to add systems for network installation. To start ttyhstmgr, type ttyhstmgr and press Return.

Follow this procedure to add a diskless client to the install server.

1. On the install server, log in as a user in the administration group (group 14).



**Caution** – If your system is part of the NIS+ name service, you must run Administration Tool while logged in as a user in the NIS+ admin group. Otherwise, you will not have permission to update configuration information on the name server.

2. Start Administration Tool with the following command.

\$ /usr/bin/admintool &

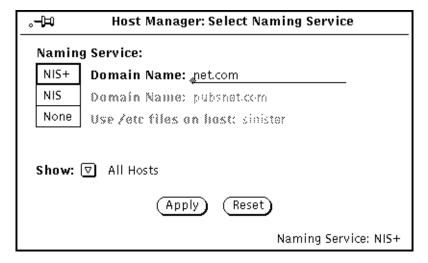
3. After the Administration Tool main window appears, click on the Host Manager icon.



4. On the Host Manager: Select Naming Service screen, select a naming service and click on the Apply button.

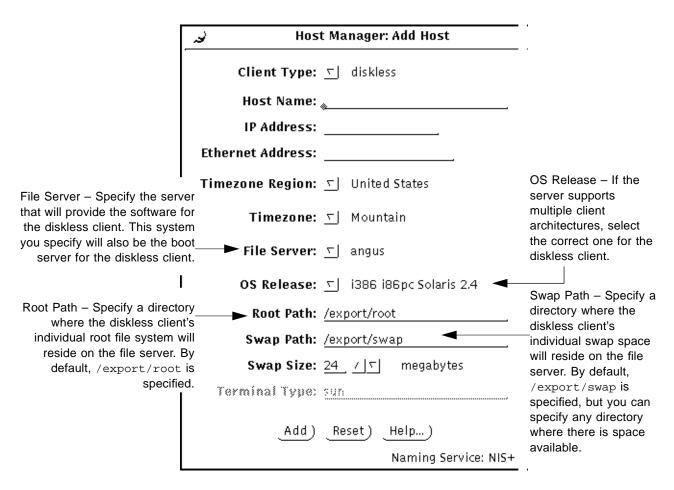
See the sample Naming Service screen below.

If the Name Service Is	Then Select		
NIS  None. Host Manager will store the information of provide in /etc files. You will need to update None manually.			
NIS+	NIS+. Host Manager will update the NIS+ tables.		
None	None. Host Manager will store the information you provide in the /etc files. This will provide enough information for systems to boot, and to install Solaris software over the network.		



5. On the Host Manager screen, choose Add Host from the Edit menu command.

# 6. On the Host Manager: Add Host screen, complete all fields and click on the Add button.



# 7. On the diskless client, make sure that the peripheral devices are properly configured.

Before installing Solaris software, you must configure peripheral devices so they do not conflict with each other, and so that Solaris software can access them. Configuring peripheral devices involves setting jumpers or running a software program under the MS-DOS operating system. See the *x86 Device Configuration Guide* for detailed instructions.



**Caution** – If peripheral devices are not correctly configured before installing Solaris or if you are using unsupported devices, the Solaris software installation program will fail.

- 8. On the diskless client, insert the Solaris boot diskette into the system's diskette drive.
- 9. Power on the system.
- 10. You will see a screen similar to the following. From that screen, choose to boot the Solaris operating environment from the network (NET) by typing the code number (in this case, 10) and pressing Return.

SunSof	ft Solari	s x.x	Mult	iple Device Boot, vs	n 2.0
		Solaris/	x86 Multiple De	vice Boot Menu	
Code	Device	Vendor	Model/Desc	Rev	
10	NET	SMC/WD	I/O=280 IRQ=1	0	
		Enter th	ne boot device	code:	
30					



Caution – You may need to verify that the bootparams search path is correct in the /etc/nsswitch.conf file. If the search path is incorrect, the diskless client will report "timeout waiting for ARP/RARP" messages and the boot will fail. See the nsswitch.conf(4) man page for detailed information.



The diskless system is now set up to boot over the network. After you turn on the diskless system, it will boot over the network and the proper file systems will be mounted from the specified file server.

## Preconfiguring Network Information

Preconfiguring network information provides default values for the following network-wide information:

- Date and time
- Geographic region
- Site subnet mask

Setting up network default values eliminates the need to supply this information after the system boots. After you set up this information in the name service, the Solaris installation program finds it automatically and does not prompt the user for it.

You can also preconfigure the language (called the *locale*) provided by Solaris software. See "Preconfiguring the Default Locale" on page 46 for detailed information.

**Note** – To preconfigure a system's host name and Ethernet address, use the Administration Tool's Host Manager as described in "How to Set Up Servers for Network Installation of a Standalone, Server, or Dataless Client" on page 29.

#### ▼ How to Preconfigure Network Information

**Overview** – The procedure to preconfigure network information involves:

- Using the vi text editor to edit files in the /etc directory
- Updating the name service (NIS or NIS+) files with the information you've added to the files in the /etc directory

Follow this procedure to preconfigure the date and time, the geographic region, and the subnet mask used at your site. (You can do Step 2, Step 3, or Step 4, one or all, as long as you complete Step 5.)

1. On the NIS or NIS+ name server, log in as root.



2. Edit the /etc/hosts file.

In the /etc/hosts file, choose an entry for the server that will supply the date and time for systems being installed over the network. At the end of this entry, add the timehost alias. Use the following syntax:

IP\_address host\_name timehost

Note - The /etc/hosts file has read-only permissions. Using the vi editor, you must exit the file using :wq! to force the file to be saved with your changes.

3. In the /etc/timezone file, specify the domain that will supply the geographic region for systems being installed over the network.

To do this, add a valid time zone and the network domain name. Use the following syntax:

timezone domain\_name

For example, the following entry in the /etc/timezone file configures all systems in the xx.yy.zz.COM domain into the U.S. Central time zone:

US/Central xx.yy.zz.COM

For information on valid time zone names, see the /usr/share/lib/zoneinfo directory.

**Note** – The Administration Tool Host Manager sets the geographic region for each system rather than for all systems within a network domain.

4. In the /etc/netmasks file, specify the subnet mask to be used by systems being installed over the network.

To do this, add the network number and the corresponding netmask. Use the following syntax:

network\_address subnet\_mask

For example, the following entry in the /etc/netmasks file sets the subnet mask for the network address 128.32.0.0:

128.32.0.0 255.255.255.0

5. Update the NIS or NIS+ tables with the information you added to the /etc/hosts, /etc/timezone, and /etc/netmasks files.

If Your Site Uses	Then
NIS	/var/yp/make
NIS+	/usr/lib/nis/nispopulate -F -p /etc hosts timezone netmasks

Task Complete The date and time, geographic region, and netmask are now configured in the network. During a network installation of a system, the Solaris installation program will automatically use the default values you have configured.



## Preconfiguring the Default Locale

When installing a localized version of Solaris software, you are prompted for the locale (the language) you want to use for the duration of the installation process. The locale you choose for installing Solaris software is also the default locale the installed version of Solaris will provide to the system's user.

You can set up a default locale of your choice. You do this by modifying the naming service (NIS or NIS+). After you modify the name service, as described in this section, the operating system will use this default locale for users. Also, the installation software will use the default locale for all future installations.

Choose from the following two procedures, depending on whether your site uses the NIS or NIS+ name service.

#### ▼ How to Preconfigure Default Locale Using NIS

**Overview** – The procedure to preconfigure the default locale at sites using the NIS name service involves:

- Using the vi text editor to edit files in the /var/yp/Makefile file
- Creating a locale file in the /etc directory
- Updating the NIS maps

Follow these instructions to set up a default locale for the system being installed over the network.

1. On the name server, log in as root and edit the /var/yp/Makefile file. Add the following text after the other \*.time entries.

```
locale.time: $(DIR)/locale
        -@if [ -f (DIR)/locale ]; then \
               sed -e "/^{\#}/d" -e s/^{\#}.*$$// $(DIR)/locale \
               | awk '{for (i = 2; i<=NF; i++) print $$i, $$0' \
               | $(MAKEDBM) - $(YPDBDIR)/$(DOM)/locale.byname; \
               touch locale.time; \
               echo "updated locale"; \
               if [ ! $(NOPUSH) ]; then \
                       $(YPPUSH) locale.byname; \
                       echo "pushed locale"; \
               else \
               : ; \
               fi \
        else \
               echo "couldn't find $(DIR)/locale"; \
        fi
```

- 2. Edit the /var/yp/Makefile file.
  - a. Add locale to the line starting with the word all.
  - b. Add locale: locale.time on a new line.

all: passwd group hosts ethers networks rpc services protocols netgroup bootparams aliases \ timezone locale locale: locale.time



#### 3. Create the file /etc/locale and make one entry for each domain.

domain\_name locale

The entry specifies the default locale for the domain. For example, the following line specifies French to be the default locale for the worknet.com domain:

worknet.com fr

You can also use a host name instead of the domain name to specify the default locale for a particular host. For example, the following line specifies Korean to be the default locale for system named sherlock:

sherlock ko

See the table on page 50 for a list of valid locale values.

 $\bf Note$  – Not all locales are available on all Solaris CDs. The locale you select will be used for installation if it is present on the Solaris CD.

#### 4. Make the maps.

# /var/yp/make

Task Complete This completes the procedure to set up a default locale for systems running the NIS name server. The default language you have specified will be used during the installation and will also be the language provided to system users.

#### ▼ How to Preconfigure Default Locale Using NIS+

**Overview** – The procedure to preconfigure the default locale at sites using the NIS+ name service involves:

- Using the nistbladm command to create a locale table and add information to it
- Updating the NIS+ tables

Follow these instructions to set up a default locale for a system being installed over the network. (This procedure assumes the NIS+ domain is set up. Setting up the NIS+ domain is documented in the *Name Services Administration Guide*.)

- 1. Log in to a name server as root or as a user in the NIS+ admin group.
- 2. Use the following nistbladm command to create the locale table.

# nistbladm -D access=og=rmcd,nw=r -c locale\_tbl name=SI,nogw= locale=,nogw= comment=,nogw=
locale.org\_dir.'nisdefaults -d'



# 3. Add an entry to the locale.org\_dir table by typing the following nistbladm command.

# nistbladm -a name=domain\_name locale=locale comment=comment locale.org\_dir.'nisdefaults -d'

In this command,

which you want to preconfigure a default locale.

locale Is the locale you want to use to install the system and

the locale you want to come up on users' systems. The

following table shows valid values for *locale*.

Language	Valid locale Values
English (Solaris default)	С
French	fr
German	de
Italian	it
Latin America	es
Swedish	sw

comment Is the comment field. Use double quotation marks to

begin and end comments that are longer than one

word.

**Note** – Not all locales are available on all Solaris CDs. The locale you select will be used for installation if it is present on the Solaris CD.



This completes the procedure to set up a default locale for systems running the NIS+ name server. The default language you have specified will be used during the installation and will also be the language provided to system users.



# Preparing Custom JumpStart Installations



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## Definition: Custom JumpStart Installation

A custom JumpStart installation is a type of installation in which the Solaris software is automatically installed on a system based on a user-defined profile. You can create customized profiles for different types of users.

**Note** – Appendix D, "Sample Custom JumpStart Installation" provides an example of how a fictitious site is prepared for custom JumpStart installations.

**Note** – Instructions in this chapter are valid for either an x86 or SPARC server that is being used for custom JumpStart installations. An x86 server can provide custom JumpStart files for SPARC systems, and a SPARC system can provide custom JumpStart files for x86 systems.



## Reasons to Choose a Custom JumpStart Installation

You should choose custom JumpStart installations when:

- You have to install the Solaris software on many systems.
- You have to install the Solaris software differently on particular groups of systems.

For example, the following scenario would be ideal for performing custom JumpStart installations:

- You need to install the Solaris software on 100 new systems.
- The engineering group owns 70 out of the 100 new systems, and its systems must be installed as standalone systems with the developer software group.
- The marketing group owns 30 out of the 100 new systems, and its systems must be installed as dataless clients with the end user software group.

These installations would be time-consuming and tedious if you chose to perform an interactive installation on each system.

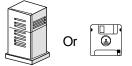
## Tasks to Prepare for Custom JumpStart Installations

Table 4-1 shows the tasks that are required to prepare for custom JumpStart installations.

Table 4-1 Tasks to Prepare for Custom JumpStart Installations

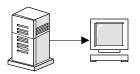
#### Task Description

Creating a JumpStart directory on a diskette or on a server



You must create a JumpStart directory to hold the custom JumpStart files. If you are going to use a diskette for custom JumpStart installations, see "Creating a JumpStart Directory on a Diskette" on page 59. If you are going to use a server for custom JumpStart installations, see "Creating a JumpStart Directory on a Server" on page 65.

Enabling all clients to access the JumpStart directory



When you use a server to provide the JumpStart directory, you can enable all clients to access the JumpStart directory. See "Enabling All Systems to Access the JumpStart Directory" on page 68 for detailed information.

Creating profiles



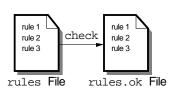
A profile is a text file used as a template by the custom JumpStart installation software. It defines how to install the Solaris software on a system (for example, initial or upgrade installation option, system type, disk partitioning, software group), and it is named in the rules file. See "Creating a Profile" on page 70 for detailed information.

Creating a rules file



The rules file is a text file used to create the rules.ok file. The rules file is a look-up table consisting of one or more rules that define matches between system attributes and profiles. See "Creating the rules File" on page 86 for detailed information.

Using check to validate the rules file



The rules.ok file is a generated version of the rules file, and it is required by the custom JumpStart installation software to match a system to a profile. You *must* use the check script to create the rules.ok file. See "Using check to Validate the rules File" on page 97 for detailed information.



## What Happens During a Custom JumpStart Installation

Figure 4-1 describes what happens after you boot a system to perform a custom JumpStart installation.

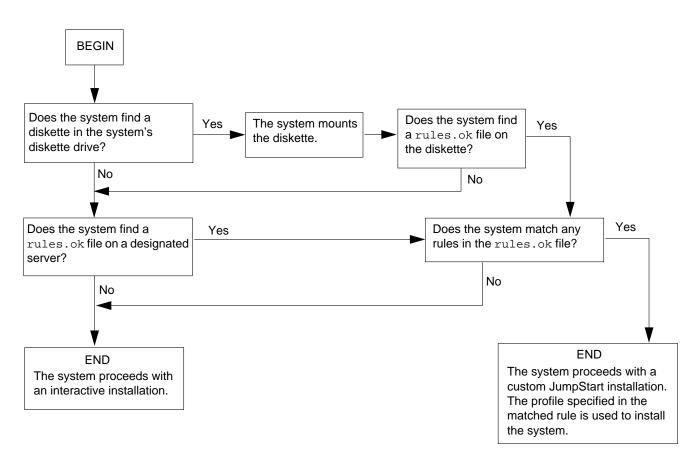


Figure 4-1 What Happens During a Custom JumpStart Installation

Figure 4-2 is an example of how a custom JumpStart installation works on a standalone, non-networked system using the system's diskette drive.

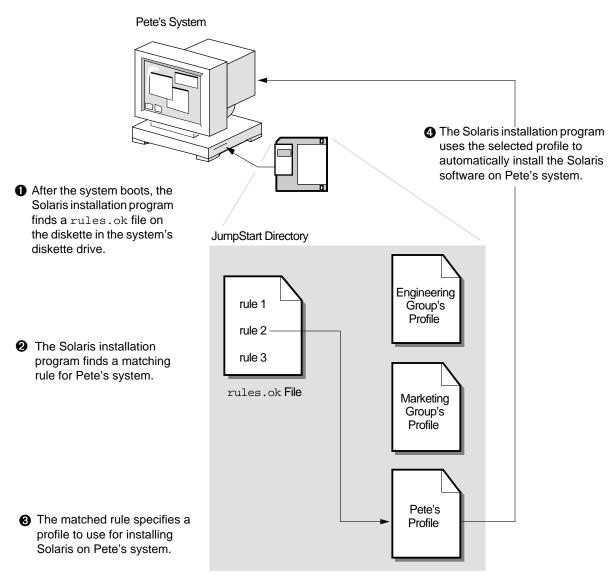


Figure 4-2 How a Custom JumpStart Installation Works: Non-Networked Example



Figure 4-3 is an example of how a custom JumpStart installation works for multiple systems on a network where different profiles are accessed from a single server.

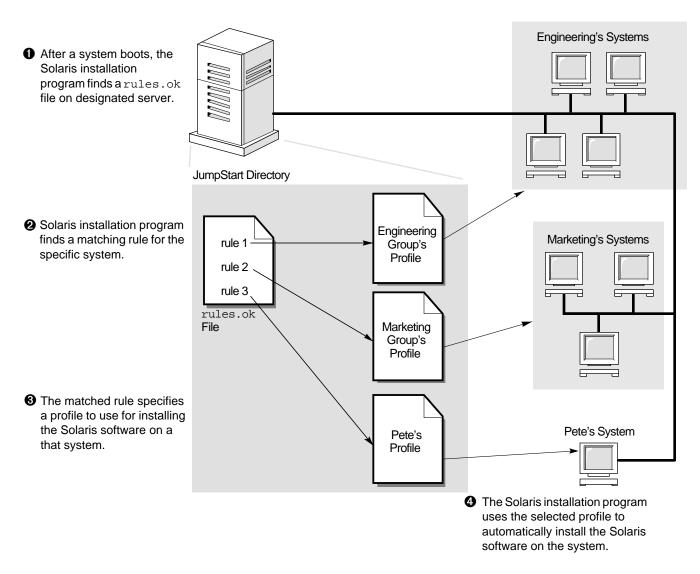


Figure 4-3 How a Custom JumpStart Installation Works: Networked Example

### Creating a JumpStart Directory on a Diskette

You should use a diskette for a custom JumpStart installation if the system:

- Has a diskette drive
- Has a local CD-ROM drive
- Is *not* connected to a network

When you use a diskette for custom JumpStart installations, the JumpStart directory must be the root directory on the diskette that contains all the essential custom JumpStart installation files (for example, the rules file, rules.ok file, and profiles). The JumpStart directory should be owned by root and have permissions equal to 755.

The diskette requirements for the JumpStart directory are different for x86 and SPARC systems. This section has a procedure to only create a JumpStart directory on a diskette for x86 systems. A SPARC system is required to create a JumpStart directory on a diskette for SPARC systems.

#### ▼ How to Create a JumpStart Directory on a Diskette for x86 Systems

**Overview** – The procedure to create a JumpStart directory on a diskette for x86 systems involves:

- Making a copy of the Solaris boot diskette (the copied Solaris boot diskette has a PCFS file system).
- Copying sample custom JumpStart installation files into the diskette's root directory.

Follow this procedure to create a JumpStart directory on a diskette for x86 systems.

- 1. Log in as root on an x86 or SPARC system that has a diskette drive and a CD-ROM drive.
- 2. Insert the Solaris boot diskette into the diskette drive.



# 3. Choose the appropriate steps, depending on whether or not the system is running Volume Management:

If the System Is	Then
Running Volume Management	Go to Step 4.
ū	<b>Note:</b> Volume Management is running if the /vol directory on the system contains files. Systems running Solaris 2.0 or 2.1 do not have Volume Management.
Not running Volume Management	Go to Step 12.

#### 4. Make sure Volume Management knows about the diskette:

# volcheck

#### 5. Copy the Solaris boot diskette image to the system's hard disk:

# dd if=/vol/dev/aliases/floppy0 of=boot\_image

In this command,

boot\_image Is the file name where the Solaris boot diskette image is

copied. You can specify an absolute path name.

For example, the following command would copy a Solaris boot diskette to the boot save file.

dd if=/vol/dev/aliases/floppy0 of=boot\_save

#### 6. Eject the Solaris boot diskette:

**Note** – The following command is not required for x86 systems; you must manually eject the diskette on an x86 system.

# eject floppy

- 7. Insert a blank diskette into the diskette drive.
- 8. Make sure Volume Management knows about the diskette:

```
# volcheck
```

9. Format the diskette:



**Caution** - This step will overwrite any data on the diskette.

```
# fdformat -d -U
```

10. Copy the Solaris boot diskette image from the system's hard disk to the formatted diskette:

```
# dd if=boot_image of=/vol/dev/aliases/floppy0
```

The *boot\_image* variable should be the same as in Step 5.

11. Go to Step 17.

Step 12 through Step 16 are used if the system is not running Volume Management.

12. Copy the Solaris boot diskette image to the system's hard disk:

```
# dd if=/dev/rdiskette of=boot_image
```

In this command,

boot\_image Is the

Is the file name where the Solaris boot diskette image is copied. You can specify an absolute path name.

For example, the following command would copy a Solaris boot diskette to the boot\_save file.

dd if=/dev/rdiskette of=boot\_save

13. Eject the Solaris boot diskette:



**Note** – The following command is not required for x86 systems; you must manually eject the diskette on an x86 system.

# eject fd

- 14. Insert a blank diskette into the diskette drive.
- 15. Format the diskette:



Caution - This step will overwrite any data on the diskette.

# fdformat -d

16. Copy the Solaris boot diskette image from the system's hard disk to the formatted diskette:

# dd if=boot\_image of=/dev/rdiskette

The *boot\_image* variable should be the same as in Step 12.

#### 17. Mount the diskette:

If the System Is	Then
Running Volume	1) Eject the copied Solaris boot diskette.
Management	<ol><li>Insert the copied Solaris boot diskette back into the diskette drive.</li></ol>
	3) Make sure Volume Management knows about the diskette: volcheck
Not running Volume Management	mount -F pcfs /dev/diskette <pre>jump_dir_path</pre>
	<b>Note</b> : <i>jump_dir_path</i> is the absolute directory path where the diskette is mounted.

### 18. Determine your next step based on where the Solaris CD is located.

If You Want to Use the	Then
Solaris CD in the local CD-ROM drive	<ol> <li>Insert the Solaris CD into the CD-ROM drive.</li> <li>Go to Step 19.</li> </ol>
Solaris CD image on local disk	<ol> <li>Change the directory to the Solaris CD image on the local disk. For example:         <pre>cd /export/install</pre> </li> <li>Go to Step 20.</li> </ol>

# 19. Mount the Solaris CD (if needed) and change the directory to the mounted CD:

If the System Is	Then			
Running Volume Management	<pre>cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s0 or cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s2</pre>			
Not running Volume Management	<pre>1) mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0s0 /cdrom   or   mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0p0 /cdrom</pre>			
	2) cd /cdrom			

# 20. Copy the JumpStart installation files from the auto\_install\_sample directory on the Solaris CD into the JumpStart directory (root directory) of the diskette:

If the System Is	Then
Running Volume Management	<pre>cp -r auto_install_sample/* /floppy/floppy0/.</pre>
Not running Volume Management	<pre>cp -r auto_install_sample/* jumpstart_dir_path</pre>
-	<b>Note:</b> <i>jump_dir_path</i> is the absolute directory path where the diskette is mounted.



**Caution** – File names on PCFS file systems can be only 11 characters long (an 8-character file name and a 3-character extension). When copying JumpStart installation files to a diskette for x86 systems, be aware that the file transfer may truncate file names.

**Note** – The custom JumpStart installation files must be in the root directory of the diskette.

Task Complete You have completed creating a JumpStart directory on the diskette. To continue, see "How to Create a Profile" on page 71.

# Creating a JumpStart Directory on a Server

If you want to perform custom JumpStart installations by using a server on the network, you must create a JumpStart directory on the server. When you use a server for custom JumpStart installations, the JumpStart directory is a directory on the server that contains all the essential custom JumpStart files (for example, the rules file, rules.ok file, and profiles). The JumpStart directory should be owned by root and have permissions equal to 755.

### ▼ How to Create a JumpStart Directory on a Server

**Overview** – The procedure to create a JumpStart directory on a server involves:

- Creating a directory on the server.
- Editing the /etc/dfs/dfstab file.
- Copying sample custom JumpStart installation files into the directory on the server.

Follow this procedure to create a JumpStart directory on a server.

- 1. Log in as root on the server where you want the JumpStart directory to reside.
- 2. Create the JumpStart directory anywhere on the server:

```
# mkdir jumpstart_dir_path
```

In this command,

jumpstart\_dir\_path Is the absolute path of the JumpStart directory.

For example, the following command would create the directory called jumpstart in the root file system:

```
mkdir /jumpstart
```

3. Edit the /etc/dfs/dfstab file. Add the following entry:

share -F nfs -o ro,anon=0 jumpstart\_dir\_path



For example, the following entry would be correct for the example shown in Step 2:

```
share -F nfs -o ro,anon=0 /jumpstart
```

- 4. Type unshareall and press Return.
- 5. Type shareall and press Return.
- 6. Determine your next step based on where the Solaris CD is located.

If You Want to Use the	Then
Solaris CD in the local CD-ROM drive	<ol> <li>Insert the Solaris CD into the CD-ROM drive.</li> <li>Go to Step 7.</li> </ol>
Solaris CD image on the local disk	<ol> <li>Change the directory to the Solaris image on the local disk. For example:         <pre>cd /export/install</pre> </li> <li>Go to Step 8.</li> </ol>

# 7. Mount the Solaris CD (if needed) and change the directory to the mounted CD:

If the System Is	Then			
Running Volume Management	cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s0 or cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s2  Note: Volume Management is running if the /vol directory on the system contains files. Systems running Solaris 2.0 or 2.1 do not have Volume Management.			
Not running Volume Management	<pre>1) mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0s0 /cdrom   or   mount -F hsfs -o ro /dev/dsk/c0t6d0p0 /cdrom</pre>			
	2) cd /cdrom			

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8. Copy the contents of the auto\_install\_sample directory from the Solaris CD-ROM into the JumpStart directory:

```
# cp -r auto_install_sample/* jumpstart_dir_path
```

For example, the following command would copy the auto\_install\_sample directory into the JumpStart directory created in Step 2:

```
cp -r auto_install_sample/* /jumpstart
```

Task Complete You have completed creating a JumpStart directory on the server. To continue, see "How to Create a Profile" on page 71.



# Enabling All Systems to Access the JumpStart Directory

When you create a JumpStart directory on a server, you must make sure systems can access it during a custom JumpStart installation. There are two ways to do this:

• Using the -c option of the add\_install\_client command every time you add a system for network installation.

or

Enabling all systems to access the JumpStart directory.

To save you time when adding systems for network installations, use the following procedure to enable all systems to access the JumpStart directory from a server.

**Note** – The following procedure is not necessary if you are using a diskette for the JumpStart directory.

# ▼ How to Enable All Systems to Access the JumpStart Directory

**Overview** – The procedure to enable all systems to access the JumpStart directory from a server involves:

- Editing the /etc/bootparams file.
- Updating the name service (NIS or NIS+) with the information you've added to the /etc/bootparams file.

Follow this procedure to enable all systems to access the JumpStart directory from a server.

1. On the NIS or NIS+ master server, log in as root.

2. Edit the /etc/bootparams file or create the /etc/bootparams file if it does not exist. Add the following entry:

\* install\_config=server:jumpstart\_dir\_path

In this entry,

\* Is a wildcard character specifying all systems.

server Is the host name of the server where the JumpStart

directory is located.

jumpstart\_dir\_path Is the absolute path of the JumpStart directory.

For example, the following entry would enable all systems to access the /jumpstart directory on the server named sherlock:

\* install\_config=sherlock:/jumpstart

3. Update the NIS or NIS+ tables (if necessary) with the information you added to the /etc/bootparams files.

If Your Site Uses	Then
NIS	/var/yp/make
NIS+	/usr/lib/nis/nispopulate -F -p /etc bootparams
No name service	Go to Task Complete on page 69.

Task Complete All systems can now access the JumpStart directory. You no longer need to use the -c option of the add\_install\_client command when adding systems for network installations.



# Creating a Profile

### What Is a Profile

A profile is a text file used as a template by the custom JumpStart installation software. It defines how to install the Solaris software on a system (for example, initial or upgrade installation option, system type, disk partitioning, software group), and it is named in the rules file.

A profile consists of one or more profile keywords and their values. Each profile keyword is a command that controls one aspect of how the Solaris installation program will install the Solaris software on a system. For example, the profile keyword and value

```
system_type server
```

tells the Solaris installation program to install the system as a server.

**Note** – If you created the JumpStart directory by using the procedures on page 59 or page 65, example profiles should already be in the JumpStart directory.

# Requirements for Profiles

The following are requirements when creating a profile:

- The install\_type profile keyword is required.
- Only one profile keyword can be on a line.

### **▼** How to Create a Profile

**Overview** – The procedure to create a profile involves:

- Editing a file.
- Selecting profile keywords and profile values to define how to install the Solaris software on a system.

Follow this procedure to create as many profiles as you need for your site.

### 1. Open a file (the profile) and give it a descriptive name.

You can create a new file or edit one of the sample profiles in the JumpStart directory you created.

The name of a profile should reflect how it will install the Solaris software on a system (for example, basic\_install, eng\_profile, or user\_profile).

#### 2. Add profile keywords and profile values to the profile.

Be aware of these things as you edit the profile:

- "Profile Examples" on page 72 provides some examples of profiles.
- Table 4-2 on page 75 provides the list of valid profile keywords and values.
- You can have as many lines in the profile as necessary to define how to install the Solaris software on a system.
- You can add a comment after the pound sign (#) anywhere on a line. If a line begins with a #, the entire line is a comment line. If a # is specified in the middle of a line, everything after the # is considered a comment. Blank lines are also allowed in a profile.
- The profile keywords and their values are case sensitive.
- Profiles should be owned by root and have permissions equal to 644.

**Note** – See "Using pfinstall to Test Profiles" on page 108 for detailed information about testing profiles.

Task Complete This completes the procedure to create a profile. To continue setting up for a custom JumpStart installation, see "How to Create the rules File" on page 87.

# **Profile Examples**

The following profile examples describe how you can use different profile keywords and profile values to control how the Solaris software is installed on a system. See Table 4-2 on page 75 for the list of profile keywords and profile values.

	<pre># profile keywords #</pre>	profile values
0	install_type	initial_install
0	system_type	standalone
8	partitioning	default
	filesys	any 60 swap # specify size of /swap
	filesys	s_ref:/usr/share/man - /usr/share/man ro
	filesys	<pre>s_ref:/usr/openwin/share/man - /usr/openwin/share/man ro,quota</pre>
4	cluster	SUNWCprog
•	package	SUNWman delete
	package	SUNWolman delete
	package	SUNWxwman delete
	package	SUNWoldem add
	package	SUNWxwdem add
	package	SUNWoldim add
	package	SUNWxwdim add

- This profile keyword is required in every profile.
- **2** This profile keyword defines that the system will be installed as a standalone system.
- The file system slices are determined by the software to be installed (default value); however, the size of swap is set to 60 Mbytes and it is installed on any disk (any value). The standard and OpenWindows man pages are mounted from the file server, s\_ref, on the network.
- The developer software group (SUNWCprog) is installed on the system.
- **6** Because the man pages are being mounted remotely, those packages are selected *not* to be installed on the system; however, the packages containing the OpenLook and X Windows demo programs and images are selected to be installed on the system.

```
# profile keywords
# -----
install_type initial_install
system_type standalone

1 partitioning default
filesys c0t0d0s0 auto /
filesys c0t3d0s1 32 swap
2 cluster SUNWCall
```

- The file system slices are determined by the software to be installed (default value). However, the size of root is based on the selected software (auto value) and it is installed on c0t0d0s0, and the size of swap is set to 32 Mbytes and it is installed on c0t3d0s1.
- **2** The entire distribution software group (SUNWCall) is installed on the system.

```
# profile keywords profile values
# ------
install_type initial_install
system_type standalone

1 fdisk c0t0d0 0x04 delete
2 fdisk c0t0d0 solaris maxfree
3 cluster SUNWCall
4 cluster SUNWCacc delete
```

- All fdisk partitions of type DOSOS16 (04 hexadecimal) are deleted from the c0t0d0 disk.
- **2** A Solaris fdisk partition is created on the largest contiguous free space on the c0t0d0 disk.
- The entire distribution software group (SUNWCall) is installed on the system.
- The system accounting utilities (SUNWCacc) are selected *not* to be installed on the system.

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```
# profile keywords profile values
# -----
install_type upgrade

package SUNWbcp delete
package SUNWolman add
package SUNWxwman add
cluster SUNWCumux add

locale de
```

- **1** This profile upgrades a system (SPARC only).
- **2** The binary compatibility package (SUNWbcp) is selected to be deleted from the system or prevented from being installed.
- ❸ This code ensures that the OpenLook and X Windows man pages and the universal multiplexor software are selected to be installed if they are not installed on the system. (All packages already on the system are automatically upgraded.)
- The German localization packages are selected to be installed on the system.

# Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions

Table 4-2 shows the profile keywords and profile values that you can use in a profile.

Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (1 of 10)

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Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description	
client_arch	karch_value	
	client_arch defines that the server will support a different kernel architecture than it uses. If you do not specify client_arch, any diskless client must have the same architecture as the server. You must specify client_arch once for each client architecture.	
	Valid values for <i>karch_value</i> are sun4, sun4e, sun4d, sun4c, sun4m, or i86pc. (See Appendix C, "Kernel Architectures" for a detailed list of the kernel architectures of the various systems.)	
	Restriction: client_arch can be used only when system_type is specified as server.	
client_swap	swap_size	
	client_swap defines the amount of swap space (swap_size in Mbytes) to allocate for each diskless client. If you do not specify client_swap, 24 Mbytes of swap space is allocated.	
	Example: client_swap 32	
	The example defines that each diskless client will have a swap space of 32 Mbytes.	
	Restriction: client_swap can be used only when system_type is specified as server.	
† Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).		



Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (2 of 10)

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Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description	
cluster (use for software groups)	group_name	
	cluster designates what software group to add to the system. The cluster names for the software groups are:	
	Software Group group_name	
	Core SUNWCreq End user system support SUNWCuser Developer system support SUNWCprog Entire distribution SUNWCall Entire distribution plus OEM support SUNWCXall  You can specify only one software group in a profile, and it must be specified before other cluster and package entries. If you do not specify a software group with cluster, the end user software group (SUNWCuser) is installed on the system by default.	
cluster <sup>†</sup> (use for clusters)	<pre>cluster_name [add   delete]</pre>	
	cluster designates whether a cluster should be added or deleted from the software group that wi installed on the system. add or delete indicates whether the cluster should be added or deleted. If do not specify add or delete, add is set by default.  cluster_name must be in the form SUNWCname. Use Software Manager on an installed system to view detailed information about clusters and their names.	
	<ul> <li>For Upgrade:</li> <li>All clusters already on the system are automatically upgraded.</li> <li>If you specify cluster_name add, and cluster_name is not installed on the system, the cluster is installed.</li> <li>If you specify cluster_name delete, and cluster_name is installed on the system, the package is deleted before the upgrade begins.</li> </ul>	

 $<sup>\</sup>dot{\dagger}~$  Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).

	Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (3 of 10)
Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description
dontuse	disk_name
	dontuse designates a disk that the Solaris installation program should <i>not</i> use when partitioning default is specified. You can specify dontuse once for each disk, and <i>disk_name</i> must be specified in the form cxtydz or cydz, for example, c0t0d0.
	By default, the Solaris installation program uses all the operational disks on the system.
	Restriction: You cannot specify the dontuse keyword and the usedisk keyword in the same profile.
fdisk	disk_name type size
	<ul> <li>fdisk defines how the fdisk partitions are set up on an x86 system (only required for x86 systems), and you can specify fdisk more than once. This is what happens by default with fdisk partitions on x86 systems:</li> <li>All fdisk partitions on the disk are preserved unless you specifically delete them with the fdisk keyword (if size is delete or 0). Also, all existing fdisk partitions are deleted when size is all.</li> <li>A Solaris fdisk partition that contains a root file system is always designated as the active partition on the disk (an x86 system boots from the active partition by default).</li> <li>If no fdisk keyword is specified in a profile, the following fdisk keyword is specified during the installation:         <ul> <li>fdisk all solaris maxfree</li> <li>fdisk entries are processed in the order they appear in the profile.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>disk_name - Choose where the fdisk partition will be created or deleted:</li> <li>cxtydz or cydz - A specific disk, for example, c0t3d0.</li> <li>rootdisk - The disk where the root file system is placed during an installation, which is determined by the Solaris installation program (described on page 96).</li> <li>all - All the selected disks.</li> </ul>
	type - Choose what type of fdisk partition will be created or deleted on the specified disk:

• dosprimary - An alias for primary DOS fdisk partitions (not for extended or data DOS fdisk partitions). When deleting fdisk partitions (size is delete), dosprimary is an alias for the DOSHUGE, DOSOS12, and DOSOS16 fdisk types (they are all deleted). When creating an fdisk partition, dosprimary is an alias for the DOSHUGE fdisk partition (a DOSHUGE fdisk partition is

• solaris - A Solaris fdisk partition (SUNIXOS fdisk type).

created).  $\dagger$  Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).



Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (4 of 10)

Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description	
fdisk	disk_name type size	

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type - Choose what type of fdisk partition will be created or deleted on the specified disk:

- DDD A decimal fdisk partition. DDD is a decimal number (valid values are 1 through 255).
   Restriction: This value can be specified only if size is delete.
- 0xHH A hexadecimal fdisk partition. HH is a hexadecimal number (valid values are 01 through FF).

**Restriction:** This value can be specified only if *size* is delete.

The following table shows the decimal and hexadecimal numbers for some of the fdisk types:

<u>fdisk type</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>HH</u>
DOSOS12	1	01
PCIXOS	2	02
DOSOS16	4	04
EXTDOS	5	05
DOSHUGE	6	06
DOSDATA	86	56
OTHEROS	98	62
UNIXOS	99	63

size - Choose one of the following:

- *DDD* An fdisk partition of size *DDD* (in Mbytes) is created on the specified disk. *DDD* must be a decimal number and the Solaris installation program automatically rounds the number up to the nearest cylinder boundary. If 0 is specified, it is the same as specifying delete.
- all An fdisk partition is created on the entire disk (all existing fdisk partitions will be deleted). **Restriction:** This value can be specified only if *type* is solaris.
- maxfree An fdisk partition is created in the largest contiguous free space on the specified disk. If an fdisk partition of the specified *type* already exists on the disk, the existing fdisk partition is used (a new fdisk partition is *not* created on the disk).

**Note:** There must be at least one unused fdisk partition on the disk and the disk must have free space, or an error will occur.

**Restriction:** This value can be specified only if *type* is solaris or dosprimary.

• delete - All fdisk partitions of the specified type are deleted on the specified disk.

<sup>†</sup> Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).

Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (5 of 10)

### Profile Keyword

#### **Profile Values and Description**

filesys (use for mounting remote file systems) server:path server\_address mount\_pt\_name [mount\_options]

This instance of filesys sets up the installed system to automatically mount remote file systems when it boots. You can specify filesys more than once.

For Dataless Clients: Profiles for dataless clients (when system\_type dataless is specified) must include a remote filesys entry for both the /usr and /usr/kvm file systems. The following lines are an example of the filesys entries that must be used in a profile to install the Solaris software on a dataless client:

filesys sherlock:/export/exec/Solaris\_2.4\_sparc.all/usr - /usr
filesys sherlock:/export/exec/kvm/Solaris\_2.4\_sparc.sun4c/usr/kvm - /usr/kvm

server: - The name of the server where the remote file system resides (followed by a colon).

path - The remote file system's mount point name, for example, /usr or /export/home.

server\_address - The IP address of the server specified in server:path. If you don't have a name service running on the network, this value can be used to populate the /etc/hosts file with the server's host name and IP address. If you don't want to specify the server's IP address (if you have a name service running on the network), you must specify a minus sign (-).

mount\_pt\_name - The name of the mount point that the remote file system will be mounted on.

mount\_options - One or more mount options (-o option of the mount(1M) command) that are added to the /etc/vfstab entry for the specified mount\_pt\_name.

**Note:** If you need to specify more than one mount option, the mount options must be separated by commas and no spaces. For example: ro, quota

 $<sup>\</sup>dagger$  Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).



Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (6 of 10)

Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description			
filesys (use for creating local file systems)	slice size [file_system] [optional_parameters]			
	This instance of filesys creates local file systems during the installation. You can specify filesys more than once.			
	<ul> <li>slice - Choose one of the following:</li> <li>any - The Solaris installation program places the file system on any disk.</li> <li>Restriction: any cannot be specified when size is existing, all, free, start: size, or ignore.</li> <li>cwtxdysz or cxdysz - The disk slice where the Solaris installation program places the file system, for example, c0t0d0s0.</li> <li>rootdisk.sn - The logical name of the disk where the installation program places the root file system. The sn suffix indicates a specific slice on the disk.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>size - Choose one of the following:</li> <li>num - The size of the file system is set to num (in Mbytes).</li> <li>existing - The current size of the existing file system is used.</li> <li>Note: When using this value, you can change the name of an existing slice by specifying file_system.</li> </ul>			

- as a different mount\_pt\_name.
  auto The size the file system is automatically determined depending on the selected software.
- all The specified *slice* uses the entire disk for the file system. When you specify this value, no other file systems can reside on the specified disk.
- free The remaining unused space on the disk is used for the file system.
  - Restriction: If free is used as the value to filesys, it must by the last filesys entry in a profile.
- *start: size* The file system is explicitly partitioned: *start* is the cylinder where the slice begins; *size* is the number of cylinders for the slice.

 $<sup>\</sup>begin{tabular}{ll} $\dot{\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}}$ & Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only). \ensuremath{} \\ \ensuremath{} \end{array}$ 

Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (7 of 10)

Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description
filesys (use for creating local file systems) continued	slice size [file_system] [optional_parameters]

file\_system - You can use this optional value when slice is specified as any or cwtxdysz. If file\_system is not specified, unnamed is set by default, but then you can't specify the optional\_parameters value. Choose one of the following:

- mount pt name The file system's mount point name, for example, /var.
- swap The specified *slice* is used as swap.
- overlap The specified *slice* is defined as a representation of a disk region (VTOC value is V\_BACKUP). By default, slice 2 is an overlap slice that is a representation of the whole disk. **Restriction:** overlap can be specified only when *size* is existing, all, or *start*: *size*.
- unnamed The specified *slice* is defined as a raw slice, so *slice* will not have a mount point name. If *file\_system* is not specified, unnamed is set by default.
- ignore The specified *slice* is not used or recognized by the Solaris installation program. This could be used to ignore a file system on a disk during an installation, so the Solaris installation program can create a new file system on the same disk with the same name.

optional\_parameters - Choose one of the following:

- preserve The file system on the specified *slice* is preserved.
  - **Restriction:** preserve can be specified only when size is existing and slice is cwtxdysz.
- mount\_options One or more mount options (-o option of the mount(1M) command) that are added to the /etc/vfstab entry for the specified mount\_pt\_name.

**Note:** If you need to specify more than one mount option, the mount options must be separated by commas and no spaces. For example: ro, quota

install\_type<sup>†</sup> initial\_install | upgrade

install\_type defines whether to perform the initial installation option or upgrade option (SPARC only) on the system.

**Restriction:** install\_type must be the first profile keyword in every profile.

Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).



Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (8 of 10)

Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description		
locale <sup>†</sup>	locale_name		
	installed (or added	s that the localization packages associated with the selected software should be d for upgrade) for the specified <code>locale_name</code> . The <code>locale_name</code> values are the same as the <code>\$LANG</code> environment variable. Solaris 2.4 supports the following localizations:	
	<u>Language</u>	<u>locale_name</u>	
	Chinese	zh	
	French	fr	
	German	de	
	Italian	it	
	Japanese	ja	
	Korean	ko	
	Latin American	es	
	Swedish	SW	
	Taiwanese	zh_TW	
	The English locali localization you n	zation packages are installed by default. You can specify locale once for each eed to support.	
num_clients	client_num		
	num_clients def	installed, space is allocated for each diskless client's root (/) and swap file systems. Gines the number of diskless clients (client_num) that a server will support. If you do clients, five diskless clients are allocated.	
	Restriction: num_	clients can be used only when system_type is specified as server.	

 $<sup>\</sup>dagger$  Profile keywords that can be used for upgrading (SPARC only).

Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (9 of 10)

Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description
package <sup>†</sup>	package_name [add   delete]
	package designates whether a package should be added to or deleted from the software group that will be installed on the system. add or delete indicates whether the package should be added or deleted. If you do not specify add   delete, add is set by default.
	package_name must be in the form SUNWname. Use the pkginfo -1 command or Software Manager on an installed system to view detailed information about packages and their names.
	For Upgrade:
	<ul> <li>All packages already on the system are automatically upgraded.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If you specify package_name add, and package_name is not installed on the system, the package is installed.</li> </ul>
	• If you specify <i>package_name</i> delete, and <i>package_name</i> is installed on the system, the package is deleted <i>before</i> the upgrade begins.
	<ul> <li>If you specify package_name delete, and package_name is not installed on the system, the package is prevented from being installed if it is part of a cluster that is designated to be installed.</li> </ul>



Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (10 of 10)

	Table 4-2 Profile Keyword and Profile Value Descriptions (10 of 10)
Profile Keyword	Profile Values and Description
partitioning	default   existing   explicit
	partitioning defines how the disks are divided into slices for file systems during the installation. If you do not specify partitioning, default is set.
	default - The Solaris installation program selects the disks and creates the file systems on which to install the specified software, except for any file systems specified by the filesys keyword. rootdisk is selected first; additional disks are used if the specified software does not fit on rootdisk.
	existing - The Solaris installation program uses the existing file systems on the system's disks. All file systems except /, /usr, /usr/openwin, /opt, and /var are preserved. The installation program uses the last mount point field from the file system superblock to determine which file system mount point the slice represents.
	<b>Restriction:</b> When specifying the filesys profile keyword with partitioning existing, <i>size</i> must be existing.
	explicit - The Solaris installation program uses the disks and creates the file systems specified by the filesys keywords. If you specify only the root (/) file system with the filesys keyword, all the Solaris software will be installed in the root file system.
	<b>Restriction:</b> When you use the explicit profile value, you must use the filesys profile keyword to specify which disks to use and what file systems to create.
system_type	standalone   dataless   server
	system_type defines the type of system being installed. If you do not specify system_type in a profile, standalone is set by default.
usedisk	disk_name
	usedisk designates a disk that the Solaris installation program will use when partitioning default is specified. You can specify usedisk once for each disk, and <code>disk_name</code> must be specified in the form <code>cxtydz</code> or <code>cydz</code> , for example, <code>c0t0d0</code> .
	If you specify the usedisk profile keyword in a profile, the Solaris installation program will only use the disks that you specify with the usedisk profile keyword.
	Restriction: You cannot specify the usedisk keyword and the dontuse keyword in the same profile.

### How the Size of Swap Is Determined

If a profile does not explicitly specify the size of swap, the Solaris installation program determines the maximum size that swap can be, based on the system's physical memory. Table 4-3 shows how the maximum size of swap is determined during a custom JumpStart installation.

Table 4-3 How the Maximum Size of Swap Is Determined

Physical Memory (in Mbytes)	Maximum Size of Swap (in Mbytes)
16 - 64	32
64 - 128	64
128 - 512	128
512 >	256

The Solaris installation program will make the size of swap no more than 20% of the disk where it resides, unless there is free space left on the disk after laying out the other file systems. If free space exists, the Solaris installation program will allocate the free space to swap up to the maximum size shown in Table 4-3.

Note - Physical memory plus swap space must be a minimum of 32 Mbytes.



# Creating the rules File

### What Is the rules File

The rules file is a text file used to create the rules.ok file. The rules file is a look-up table consisting of one or more rules that define matches between system attributes and profiles. For example, the rule

```
karch sun4c - basic_prof -
```

matches a system with a sun4c kernel architecture to the basic\_prof profile, which the Solaris installation program would use to install the system.

Note – If you set up the JumpStart directory by using the procedures on page 59 or page 65, an example  $\tt rules$  file should already be in the JumpStart directory; the example  $\tt rules$  file contains documentation and some example rules. If you use the example  $\tt rules$  file, make sure you comment out the example rules that you will not use.

# When Does a System Match a Rule

During a custom JumpStart installation, the Solaris installation program attempts to match the rules in the rules.ok file in order: first rule through the last rule. A rule match occurs when the system being installed matches any of the rule values in the rule (as defined in Table 4-5 on page 92). As soon as a system matches a rule, the Solaris installation program stops reading the rules.ok file and begins to install the system as defined by the matched rule's profile.

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### ▼ How to Create the rules File

**Overview** – The procedure to create a rules file involves:

- Editing a file.
- Selecting rule keywords and rule values for each group of systems you want to install using custom JumpStart. Any systems that match the rule keyword and rule value will be installed as specified by the corresponding profile.

Follow this procedure to create a rules file.

Open a file (the rules file) and name it rules.
 You can create a new file or edit the sample rules file provided in the JumpStart directory you created.

2. Add a rule in the rules file for each group of systems you want to install using custom JumpStart.

Be aware of these things as you add rules to the rules file:

- "Rule Examples" on page 90 provides some examples of rules.
- Table 4-5 on page 92 provides the list of valid rule keywords and values.
- The rules file must have at least one rule
- A rule must have at least a rule keyword, a rule value, and a corresponding profile.

A rule within the rules file must have the following syntax:

[!]rule\_keyword rule\_value [&& [!]rule\_keyword rule\_value]... begin profile finish



Table 4-4 describes the fields of a rule.

Table 4-4 Field Descriptions of a Rule

	1	
Field	Description	
!	A symbol used before a rule keyword to indicate negation.	
[]	A symbol used to indicate an optional expression or field.	
	A symbol used to indicate the preceding expression may be repeated.	
rule_keyword	A predefined keyword that describes a general system attribute, such as kernel architecture (karch), host name (hostname), or memory size (memsize). It is used with the rule value to match a system with the same attribute to a profile. See Table 4-5 on page 92 for the list of rule keywords.	
rule_value	A value that provides the specific system attribute for the corresponding rule keyword. See Table 4-5 on page 92 for the list of rule values.	
&&	A symbol that must be used to join (logically AND) rule keyword and rule value pairs together in the same rule. During a custom JumpStart installation, a system must match every pair in the rule before the rule matches.	
begin	A name of an optional Bourne shell script that can be executed before the installation begins. If no begin script exists, you <i>must</i> enter a minus sign (-) in this field. All begin scripts must reside in the JumpStart directory.	
	See "Creating Begin Scripts" on page 102 for detailed information on how to create begin scripts.	

Table 4-4 Field Descriptions of a Rule (Continued)

Field	Description
profile	A name of a text file used as a template that defines how to install Solaris on a system. The information in a profile consists of profile keywords and their corresponding profile values. All profiles must reside in the JumpStart directory.
	<b>Note</b> - There are optional ways to use the profile field, which are described in "Using a Site-Specific Installation Program" on page 111 and "Creating Derived Profiles With Begin Scripts" on page 102.
finish	A name of an optional Bourne shell script that can be executed after the installation completes. If no finish script exists, you must enter a minus sign (-) in this field. All finish scripts must reside in the JumpStart directory.
	See "Creating Finish Scripts" on page 104 for detailed information on how to create finish scripts.

Task Complete This completes the procedure to create a rules file. To validate the rules file, see "How to Use check to Validate the rules File" on page 98.

### Rule Examples

The following illustration shows several example rules in a rules file. Each line has a rule keyword and a valid value for that keyword. The Solaris installation program scans the rules file from top to bottom. When the installation program matches a rule keyword and value with a known system, it installs the Solaris software specified by the profile listed in the profile field.

	# rule keywords and rule values	begin script	profile	finish script
	#			
0	hostname eng-1	-	basic_prof	-
<b>Q</b>	network 192.43.34.0 && !model 'SUNW,Sun 4_50	)' –	net_prof	-
❷	model SUNW, SPARCstation-LX	-	lx_prof	complete
4	network 193.144.2.0 && \			
	karch i86pc	setup	x86_prof	done
6	memsize 16-32 && arch sparc	_	prog_prof	-
0	any -	_	generic_prof	-

- This rule matches if the system's host name is eng-1. The basic\_prof profile is used to install the Solaris software on the system that matches this rule.
- ② The rule matches if the system is on subnet 192.43.34.0 and it is *not* a SPARCstation IPX<sup>™</sup> (SUNW, Sun 4\_50). The net\_prof profile is used to install the Solaris software on systems that match this rule.
- **3** The rule matches if the system is a SPARCstation LX. The lx\_prof profile and the complete finish script are used to install the Solaris software on systems that match this rule.
- This rule matches if the system is on subnet 193.144.2.0 and the system is an x86. The setup begin script, the x86\_prof profile, and the done finish script are used to install the Solaris software on systems that match this rule. This rule also provides an example of rule wrap, which is defined on page 91.
- This rule matches if the system has 16-32 Mbytes of memory and its processor type is SPARC. The prog\_prof profile is used to install the Solaris software on systems that match this rule.
- **6** This rule matches any system that did not match the previous rules. The generic\_prof profile is used to install the Solaris software on systems that match this rule. If used, any should always be in the last rule.

### Important Information About the rules File

The following information is important to know about the rules file:

- Name The rules file *must* have the file name, rules.
- rules.ok file The rules.ok file is a generated version of the rules file, and it is required by the custom JumpStart installation software to match a system to a profile. You must run the check script to create the rules.ok file, and the rules.ok file should be owned by root and have permissions equal to 644.
- **Comments** You can add a comment after the pound sign (#) anywhere on a line. If a line begins with a #, the entire line is a comment line. If a # is specified in the middle of a line, everything after the # is considered a comment. Blank lines are also allowed in the rules file.

**Note** – When creating the rules.ok file, the check script removes all the comment lines, comments at the end of a rule, and blank lines.

- **Rule wrap** When a rule spans multiple lines, you can allow a rule to wrap to a new line, or you can continue a rule on a new line by using a backslash (\) before the carriage return.
- **Rule fields** The *rule\_value*, *begin*, and *finish* fields must have a valid entry or a minus sign (-) to specify that there is no entry.



# $Rule\ Keyword\ and\ Rule\ Value\ Descriptions$

Table 4-5 describes the rule keywords and rule values that you can use in the rules file.

Table 4-5 Rule Keyword and Rule Value Descriptions (1 of 4)

Rule Keyword	Rule Values		Description	
any	minus sign (-)		Match always succeeds.	
arch	arch_value		Matches a system's architecture type.	
	SPARC s	<u>rch_value</u> parc 386	If you have a system already installed, the arch command or the uname -p command reports the system's architecture type.	
domainname	domain_name		Matches a system's domain name, which controls how a name service determines information.	
			If you have a system already installed, the domainname command reports the system's domain name.	
disksize	disk_name size_range		Matches a system's disk (in Mbytes).	
	disk_name - A disk name in the focot3do, or the special word rootshould be used only when trying contain the factory-installed Jump rootdisk is described on page 9	tdisk. rootdisk to match systems that Start software.	Example: disksize c0t3d0 250-300  The example tries to match a system with a c0t3d0 disk that is between 250 and 300 Mbytes.	
	size_range - The size of the disk, vas a range of Mbytes (xx-xx).	which must be specified	<b>Note:</b> When calculating <i>size_range</i> , remember that a Mbyte equals 1,048,576 bytes. A disk may be advertised as a "207 Mbyte" disk, but it may have only 207 million bytes of disk space. The Solaris installation program will actually view the "207 Mbyte" disk as a 197 Mbyte disk because 207,000,000 / 1,048,576 = 197. So, a "207 Mbyte" disk would not match a <i>size_range</i> equal to 200–210.	

Table 4-5 Rule Keyword and Rule Value Descriptions (2 of 4)

Rule Keyword	Rule Values	Description
hostname	host_name	Matches a system's host name.
		If you have a system already installed, the uname -n command reports the system's host name.
installed	<pre>slice version  slice - A disk slice name in the form cwtxdysz, such as c0t3d0s5, or the special words any or rootdisk. If any is used, any disk attached to the system attempts to match. rootdisk should be used only when trying to match systems that contain the factory-installed JumpStart software. rootdisk is described on page 96.  version - A version name, such as Solaris_2.2, or the special words any or upgrade. If any is used, any</pre>	Matches a disk that has a root file system corresponding to a particular version of Solaris software.
	Solaris or SunOS release is matched. If upgrade is used, any upgradable Solaris 2.1 or greater release is matched.	
karch	karch_value	Matches a system's kernel architecture type.
	Valid values are sun4, sun4e, sun4d, sun4c, sun4m, or i86pc. (See Appendix C, "Kernel Architectures" for a detailed list of the kernel architectures of the various systems.)	If you have a system already installed, the arch -k command or the uname -m command reports the system's kernel architecture type.
memsize	physical_mem	Matches a system's physical memory size (in Mbytes).
	The value must be a range of Mbytes ( <i>xx-xx</i> ) or a single Mbyte value.	Example: memsize 16-32
		The example tries to match a system with a physical memory size between 16 and 32 Mbytes.
		If you have a system already installed, the prtconf command (line 2) reports the system's physical memory size.



Table 4-5 Rule Keyword and Rule Value Descriptions (3 of 4)

Rule Keyword	Rule Values		Description
Rule Keyword	model_name  System Sun-4/110 Sun-4/2xx SPARCstation 1 (4/60) SPARCstation 1+ (4/65) SPARCstation SLC™ (4/20) SPARCstation IPC (4/40) SPARCstation ELC™ (4/25) SPARCstation IPX (4/50) SPARCstation 2 (4/75) Sun-4/3xx Sun-4/4xx SPARCserver™ 6xx SPARCstation 10	model_name Sun 4_100 Series Sun 4_200 Series Sun 4_60 Sun 4_65 Sun 4_20 SUNW,Sun 4_40 SUNW,Sun 4_50 SUNW,SuN 4_75 Sun SPARCsystem 300 Sun SPARCsystem 400 SUNW,SPARCsystem-600 SUNW,SPARCstation-10	Description  Matches a system's model number, which is system-dependent and varies by the manufacturer. The list shown may not be complete.  If you have a system already installed, the prtconf command (line 5) reports the system's model number.  Note: If the model_name contains spaces, the model_name must be inside a pair of single quotes ('). For example: 'SUNW, Sun 4_50
	SPARCclassic <sup>™</sup> (4/15) SPARCstation LX (4/30) SPARCcenter <sup>™</sup> 1000 SPARCcenter 2000	SUNW,SPARCclassic SUNW,SPARCstation-LX SUNW,SPARCserver-1000 SUNW,SPARCcenter-2000	
	SPARCstation 10 SX SPARCstation 20 SPARCstation 5 SPARCstation Voyager x86	SUNW,SPARCstation-10,SX SUNW,SPARCstation-20 SUNW,4-80 SUNW,S240 i86pc	
network	network_num		Matches a system's network number, which the installation program determines by performing a logical AND between the system's IP address and the subnet mask.
			Example: network 193.144.2.0
			The example would match a system with a 193.144.2.8 IP address (if the subnet mask wer 255.255.255.0).

Table 4-5 Rule Keyword and Rule Value Descriptions (4 of 4)

Rule Keyword	Rule Values	Description
totaldisk	size_range	Matches the total disk space on a system (in
	The value must be specified as a range of Mbytes (xx-xx).	Mbytes). The total disk space includes all the operational disks attached to a system.
		Example: totaldisk 300-500
		The example tries to match a system with a total disk space between 300 and 500 Mbytes.
		<b>Note:</b> When calculating <i>size_range</i> , remember that a Mbyte equals 1048576 bytes. A disk may be advertised as a "207 Mbyte" disk, but it may have only 207 million bytes of disk space. The Solaris installation program will actually
		view the "207 Mbyte" disk as a 197 Mbyte disk because 207000000 / 1048576 = 197. So, a "207
		Mbyte" disk would not match a <i>size_range</i> equal to 200–210.



# How the Installation Program Sets the Value of rootdisk

rootdisk is the logical name of the disk where the root file system is placed during an installation. During a custom JumpStart installation, the Solaris installation program sets the value of rootdisk (that is, the actual disk it represents) depending on various situations; this is described in Table 4-6.

Table 4-6 How the Solaris Installation Program Sets the Value of rootdisk

Situation	What Happens	
A system contains the factory-installed JumpStart software. (this applies to some SPARC systems only).	rootdisk is set to the disk that contains the factory-installed JumpStart software before the system tries to match any rules.  rootdisk is set to c0t3d0 or the first available disk attached to the system.	
rootdisk has <i>not</i> been set and a system tries to match the following rule:		
<pre>disksize rootdisk size_range or   installed rootdisk version</pre>	After rootdisk is set, the system tries to match the rule.	
If rootdisk has been set and the system tries to match the following rule.	The system tries to match the rule.	
disksize rootdisk <i>size_range</i> or installed rootdisk <i>version</i>		
A system tries to match the following rule:  installed disk version	If <i>disk</i> is found on the system with a root file system that matches the specified <i>version</i> , the rule matches and rootdisk is set to <i>disk</i> .	
A system tries to match the following rule:  installed any <i>version</i>	If any disk is found on the system with a root file system that matches the specified version, the rule matches and rootdisk is set to the found disk. (If there is more than one disk on the system that can match, the system will match the first disk that is found.)	

Table 4-6 How the Solaris Installation Program Sets the Value of rootdisk (Continued)

Situation	What Happens
rootdisk has not been set after a system matches a rule and the system is going to be upgraded (which is defined in the profile).	rootdisk is set to the first disk found with a root file system that matches an upgradable version of Solaris software. If no disk is found, the system proceeds with an interactive installation.
rootdisk has not been set after a system matches a rule.	rootdisk is set to c0t3d0 or the first available disk attached to the system.

For the Solaris installation program to use the value of rootdisk, the following conditions must be true in the profile specified for the system:

- Default partitioning is used.
- No slice has been explicitly set for the root file system.

# Using check to Validate the rules File

Before the rules file and profiles can be used, you must run the check script to validate that these files are set up correctly. The following table shows what the check script does.

Stage	Description	
1	The rules file is checked for syntax.	
	check makes sure that the rule keywords are legitimate, and the begin, class, and finish fields are specified for each rule (the begin and finish fields may be a minus sign [-] instead of a file name).	
2	If no errors are found in the rules file, each profile specified in the rules is checked for syntax.	
3	If no errors are found, check creates the rules.ok file from the rules file, removing all comments and blank lines, retaining all the rules, and adding the following comment line to the end:	
	<pre># version=2 checksum=num</pre>	



### ▼ How to Use check to Validate the rules File

Overview - The procedure to use check to validate the rules file involves:

- Making sure the check script resides in the JumpStart directory.
- Running the check script.

Follow this procedure to use check to validate the rules file.

1. Make sure that the check script resides in the JumpStart directory.

**Note** - The check script is provided in the auto\_install\_sample directory on the Solaris CD.

2. Change the directory to the JumpStart directory:

\$ cd jumpstart\_dir\_path

3. Run the check script to validate the rules file:

\$ ./check [-p path]

In this command:

-p path

Is the path to the Solaris 2.4 CD. You can use a Solaris CD image on a local disk or a mounted Solaris CD.

This option ensures that you are using the most recent version of the check script. You should use this option if you are using check on a system that is running a previous version of Solaris 2.4.

As the check script runs, it reports that it is checking the validity of the rules file and the validity of each profile. If no errors are encountered, it reports The auto-install configuration is ok.

Task Complete

- To read about the optional features available for custom JumpStart installations, see Chapter 5, "Using Optional Custom JumpStart Features."
- To perform a custom JumpStart installation on a system, see Chapter 7, "Booting and Installing Solaris: Custom JumpStart."



# Using Optional Custom JumpStart Features

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#### **Overview**

This chapter describes the optional features available for custom JumpStart installations, and it is a supplement to Chapter 4, "Preparing Custom JumpStart Installations." You can use the following optional features to enhance and test custom JumpStart installations:

- Begin scripts
- Finish scripts
- pfinstall
- Site-specific installation program

**Note** – This chapter is valid for either an x86 or SPARC server that is being used for custom JumpStart installations. An x86 server can provide custom JumpStart files for SPARC systems and a SPARC system can provide custom JumpStart files for x86 systems.



# Creating Begin Scripts

#### What Is a Begin Script

A *begin script* is a user-defined Bourne shell script, specified within the rules file, that performs tasks before the Solaris software is installed on the system. Begin scripts can be used only with custom JumpStart installations.

#### Important Information About Begin Scripts

The following information is important to know about begin scripts:

- Be careful that you do not specify something in the script that would prevent the mounting of file systems onto /a during an initial or upgrade installation. If the Solaris installation program cannot mount the file systems onto /a, an error will occur and the installation will fail.
- Output from the begin script goes to /var/sadm/begin.log.
- Begin scripts should be owned by root and have permissions equal to 644.

## Ideas for Begin Scripts

You could set up begin scripts to perform the following tasks:

- Creating derived profiles
- Backing up files before upgrade

## Creating Derived Profiles With Begin Scripts

A *derived profile* is a profile that is dynamically created by a begin script during a custom JumpStart installation. Derived profiles are needed when you cannot set up the rules file to match specific systems to a profile (when you need more flexibility than the rules file can provide). For example, you may need to use derived profiles for identical system models that have different hardware components (for example, systems that have different frame buffers).

To set up a rule to use a derived profile, you must:

- Set the profile field to an equal sign (=) instead of a profile.
- Set the begin field to a begin script that will create a derived profile depending on which system is being installed.

When a system matches a rule with the profile field equal to an equal sign (=), the begin script creates the derived profile that is used to install the Solaris software on the system.

An example of a begin script that creates the same derived profile every time is shown below; however, you could add code to this example that would create a different derived profile depending on certain command's output.

```
#!/bin/sh
echo "install_type initial_install" > ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "system_type standalone" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "partitioning default" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "cluster SUNWCprog" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "package SUNWman delete" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "package SUNWolman delete" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "package SUNWolman delete" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
echo "package SUNWxwman delete" >> ${SI_PROFILE}
```

As shown above, the begin script must use the SI\_PROFILE environment variable for the name of the derived profile, which is set to /tmp/install.input by default.

**Note** – If a begin script is used to create a derived profile, make sure there are no errors in it. A derived profile is not verified by the check script, because it is not created until the execution of the begin script.



# Creating Finish Scripts

#### What Is a Finish Script

A *finish script* is a user-defined Bourne shell script, specified within the rules file, that performs tasks after the Solaris software is installed on the system, but before the system reboots. Finish scripts can be used only with custom JumpStart installations.

#### Important Information About Finish Scripts

The following information is important to know about finish scripts:

- The Solaris installation program mounts the system's file systems onto /a.
   The file systems remain mounted on /a until the system reboots. Therefore, you can use the finish script to add, change, or remove files from the newly installed file system hierarchy by modifying the file systems respective to /a.
- Output from the finish script goes to /var/sadm/finish.log.
- Finish scripts should be owned by root and have permissions equal to 644.

## Ideas for Finish Scripts

You could set up finish scripts to perform the following tasks:

- Installing patches
- Restoring backed up files
- Setting up print servers
- Adding entries to the automount map

The following finish scripts are provided as examples:

- Adding files
- Customizing the root environment
- Setting the system's root password

#### Adding Files With Finish Scripts

Through a finish script, you can add files from the JumpStart directory to the already installed system. This is possible because the JumpStart directory is mounted on the directory specified by the SI\_CONFIG\_DIR variable (which is set to /tmp/install\_config by default).

**Note** – You can also replace files by copying files from the JumpStart directory to already existing files on the installed system.

The following procedure enables you to create a finish script to add files to a system after the Solaris software is installed on it:

- 1. Copy all the files you want added to the installed system into the JumpStart directory.
- 2. Insert the following line into the finish script for each file you want copied into the newly installed file system hierarchy.

```
cp ${SI_CONFIG_DIR}/file_name /a/path_name
```

For example, assume you have a special application, site\_prog, developed for all users at your site. If you place a copy of site\_prog into the JumpStart directory, the following finish script would copy the site\_prog from the JumpStart directory into a system's /usr/bin directory during a custom JumpStart installation:

```
#!/bin/sh
cp ${SI_CONFIG_DIR}/site_prog /a/usr/bin
```

#### Customizing the Root Environment

Through a finish script, you can customize files already installed on the system. For example, the following finish script customizes the root environment by appending information to the .cshrc file in the root directory.

```
#!/bin/sh
#
# Customize root's environment
#
echo "***adding customizations in /.cshrc"
test -f a/.cshrc || {
  cat >> a/.cshrc <<EOF
  set history=100 savehist=200 filec ignoreeof prompt="\$user@`uname -n`> "
  alias cp cp -i
  alias mv mv -i
  alias rm rm -i
  alias ls ls -FC
  alias h history
  alias c clear
  unset autologout
  EOF
}
```

## Setting the System's Root Password With Finish Scripts

After Solaris software is installed on a system, the system reboots. Before the boot process is completed, the system prompts for the root password. This means that until someone enters a password, the system cannot finish booting.

The auto\_install\_sample directory provides a finish script called set\_root\_pw that sets the root password for you. This allows the initial reboot of the system to be completed without prompting for a root password.

#### The set\_root\_pw file is shown below.

```
#!/bin/sh
           @(#)set_root_pw 1.4 93/12/23 SMI
   # This is an example bourne shell script to be run after installation.
   # It sets the system's root password to the entry defined in PASSWD.
   # The encrypted password is obtained from an existing root password entry
   # in /etc/shadow from an installed machine.
   echo "setting password for root"
   # set the root password
  PASSWD=dKO5IBkSF421w
   mv /a/etc/shadow /a/etc/shadow.orig
   nawk -F: '{
       if ( $1 == "root" )
0
           printf"%s:%s:%s:%s:%s:%s:%s:%s\n",$1,passwd,$3,$4,$5,$6,$7,$8,$9
           printf"%s:%s:%s:%s:%s:%s:%s:%s\n",$1,$2,$3,$4,$5,$6,$7,$8,$9
       }' passwd="$PASSWD" /a/etc/shadow.orig > /a/etc/shadow
  # set the flag so sysidroot won't prompt for the root password
   sed -e 's/0# root/1# root/' ${SI_SYS_STATE} > /tmp/state.$$
   mv /tmp/state.$$ ${SI_SYS_STATE}
```

There are three main things you must do to set the root password in a finish script.

- Set the variable PASSWD to an encrypted root password obtained from an existing entry in a system's /etc/shadow file.
- **2** Change the root entry in the /etc/shadow file for the newly installed system using \$PASSWD as the password field.
- Change the entry from 0 to a 1 in the state file, so that the user will not be prompted for the root password. The state file is accessed using the variable SI\_SYS\_STATE, whose value currently is /a/etc/.sysIDtool.state. (To avoid problems with your scripts if this value changes, always reference this file using \$SI\_SYS\_STATE.) The sed command shown here contains a tab character after the 0 and after the 1.



**Note** – If you set your root password by using a finish script, be sure to safeguard against those who will try to discover the root password from the encrypted password in the finish script.

#### Using pfinstall to Test Profiles

#### Why Use pfinstall

When install\_type initial\_install is defined in a profile, you can use the pfinstall command to test the profile without actually installing the Solaris software on a system. pfinstall shows the results of how a system would be installed according to the specified profile, before you actually perform a custom JumpStart installation.

**Note** – You cannot use pfinstall to test a profile using the upgrade option (when the initial\_type upgrade is defined in a profile).

#### Ways to Use pfinstall

pfinstall enables you to test a profile against:

- The system's disk configuration where pfinstall is being run.
- A disk configuration file that you can create with the prtvtoc command. A
   disk configuration file is a file that represents a structure of a disk (for
   example, bytes/sector, flags, slices). Disk configuration files enable you to
   use pfinstall from a single system to test profiles on different sized disks.

**Note** – Refer to *Solaris 2.4 Open Issues and Late-Breaking News* for the procedure to create a disk configuration file for x86 systems.

You must run pfinstall on an x86 system to test profiles for x86 systems (using the x86 system's disk configuration or an x86 disk configuration file). Conversely, you must run pfinstall on a SPARC system to test profiles for SPARC systems (using the SPARC system's disk configuration or a SPARC disk configuration file).

#### ▼ How to Use pfinstall to Test a Profile

**Overview** – The procedure to use pfinstall to test a profile involves:

- Changing the directory to the JumpStart directory.
- Using the pfinstall command to test the profile.

Follow this procedure to use pfinstall to test a profile.

1. To test the profile with a specific system memory size, set SYS\_MEMSIZE to the specific memory size in Mbytes:

```
$ SYS_MEMSIZE=memory_size
$ export SYS_MEMSIZE
```

2. Change the directory to the JumpStart directory where the profile resides:

```
$ cd_jumpstart_dir_path
```

For example, the following command would change the directory to the jumpstart directory on the root file system.

```
cd /jumpstart
```

3. Run the pfinstall -d or pfinstall -D command to test the profile:



 ${f Caution}$  – Without the -d or -D option, pfinstall will actually install the Solaris software on the system by using the specified profile, and the data on the system will be overwritten.

```
$ /usr/sbin/install.d/pfinstall -D | -d disk_config [-c path] profile
```

#### In this command:

Tells pfinstall to use the current system's disk configuration to test the profile against. You must be root to execute pfinstall with the -D option.

-d disk\_config Tells pfinstall to use a disk configuration file,

*disk\_config*, to test the profile against.

-c *path* Is the path to the Solaris CD. This is required if the

Solaris CD is not mounted on /cdrom. (For example, use this option if you copied the Solaris CD image to disk or mounted the Solaris CD on a directory other

than /cdrom).

profile The name of the profile to test.

Note – You should run pfinstall on a system running the same version of Solaris software that will be installed by the profile. Otherwise, use pfinstall on the Solaris CD that will be installed by the profile, which is located in the /export/exec/arch.Solaris\_2.4/sbin/install.d directory.

Run pfinstall from the directory where the *profile* and *disk\_config* files reside (which should be the JumpStart directory). If the *profile* or *disk\_config* file is not in the directory where pfinstall is run, you must specify the path.

4. Check to see if the results of pfinstall are as you expected. If not, change the profile and go to Step 3.



You have completed testing the profile. To perform a custom JumpStart installation on a system, see Chapter 7, "Booting and Installing Solaris: Custom JumpStart."

### pfinstall Examples

Below are some examples of using pfinstall to test the basic\_prof profile against the 104\_test disk configuration file:

```
/usr/sbin/install.d/pfinstall -D basic_prof
/usr/sbin/install.d/pfinstall -d 104_test basic_prof
/usr/sbin/install.d/pfinstall -D -c /export/install basic_prof
```

### Using a Site-Specific Installation Program

Through the use of begin and finish scripts, sites with unusual requirements can install the Solaris software by creating their own installation program. When a minus sign (-) is specified in the profile field, the begin and finish scripts control how the system is installed, instead of the profile and the Solaris installation program.

For example, if the following rule would match, the x\_install.beg begin script and the x\_install.fin finish script would install the system named sherlock (the Solaris installation program would not be used):

hostname sherlock x\_install.beg - x\_install.fin



# Booting and Installing Solaris: Interactive

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This chapter provides procedures to boot a system and perform an interactive installation using the Solaris installation program. During the Solaris installation program, the initial installation option is available; the upgrade option is not available. The initial installation option lets you choose defaults and have software automatically laid out for you, or you can customize the software and file system layout.

The procedure in this chapter should be done on the system that is being installed.



1 Make sure that the system's peripheral devices are properly configured.

Before installing Solaris software, you must configure peripheral devices so they do not conflict with each other, and so that Solaris software can access them. Configuring peripheral devices involves setting jumpers or running a software program under MS-DOS. See the *x86 Device Configuration Guide* for detailed instructions.



**Caution** – If peripheral devices are not correctly configured before you install the Solaris software, or if you are using unsupported devices, the Solaris installation program will fail.

2 Insert the Solaris boot diskette (shown below) into the system's a: diskette drive.



3 If you are using the system's local CD-ROM drive to install the Solaris software on the system, prepare the CD-ROM drive.

The instructions that follow cover the most common types of CD-ROM drives. If your CD-ROM drive is not one of the following types, see your hardware manual for instructions.

#### **CD-ROM Drive - Caddy Version**

#### **CD-ROM Drive - Tray Version**

• To open the caddy, pinch the corners while lifting the lid at the center lip.



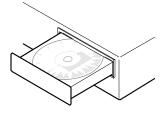
2 Insert the Solaris CD (logo up) and close the caddy.



With the arrow on the caddy pointing toward the CD-ROM drive, insert the caddy.



• Press the eject button on the front panel of the CD-ROM drive (a tray will emerge if you have this type of caddy).



- **2** Insert the Solaris CD (logo up) into the tray.
- Push the tray back into CD-ROM drive.



- 4 Make sure you've reviewed the task map for an interactive installation (shown in Figure 2-2 on page 12).
- 5 Follow the instructions before you boot the system:

If The System Is	Then
Off	<ol> <li>Turn on the system components in the order recommended in your hardware guide.</li> </ol>
	2) Go to Step 6.
On	1) If the system is running Solaris software, enter the following commands:
	<pre>\$ su root # halt</pre>
	2) Go to Step 6.

6 Choose to boot from the local CD-ROM drive (CD) or from another system on the network (NET). (Sample screen shown<sup>1</sup>.)

SunSof	t Solaris	3 x.x	Multiple	Device Boot, vsn 2.0
		Solaris/x	x86 Multiple Device	Boot Menu
Code	Device	Vendor	Model/Desc	Rev
10 11 12	DISK CD NET	·	CP3300-360MB-3.5 CD-ROM CDU-8012 I/O=280 IRQ=10	3.1e
30		Filcer ci	ie boot device code	•

<sup>1.</sup> Sony  $^{\circledR}$  is a registered trademark of the Sony Corporation; Conner  $^{\circledR}$  is a registered trademark of Conner Peripherals, Inc.



# 7 Choose the interactive option to install the Solaris software. (Sample screen shown.)

Select the type of installation you want to perform

- 1 interactive
- 2 custom JumpStart

Enter the number of your choice followed by the Enter key.

If you enter anything else, or if you wait for 15 seconds, an interactive installation will be started



**Caution** – IDE disk drives do not automatically map out bad blocks like other drives supported by Solaris software. Before installing Solaris on an IDE disk, you may want to perform a surface analysis on the disk. For detailed instructions, go to Appendix E, "Troubleshooting," page 158.

#### 8 Install the Solaris software on the system by using the Solaris installation program displayed on the screen.

You are now in the hands of the Solaris installation program. This menudriven, interactive program guides you step-by-step through installing Solaris software; it also has online help to answer your questions. As shown below, the program has two interfaces to accommodate different hardware.

If you want to record your responses, use the work sheet in Appendix A, "Work Sheets for the Solaris Installation Program." There is also a time zone map on page 162 to help you set your system's time clock. After the Solaris software is successfully installed, you're ready for Step 9.

#### If Your System Has a Then the Interface Is And the Navigation Device Is **Graphics-based** Mouse Graphics monitor The Solaris Installation Program You are now interacting with the Solaris installation program. The program is divided into a series of short sections. At the end of each section, you will see a summary of the choices you've made, and be given the opportunity to make changes. Continue Help Exit Character-based Keyboard Non-graphics monitor, --- The Solaris Installation Program or an unsupported You are now interacting with the Solaris graphics card installation program. The program is divided into a series of short sections. At the end of each section, you will see a summary of the choices you've made, and be given the opportunity to make changes. F2\_Continue F5\_Help



9 Start the OpenWindows software to display the desktop:

\$ /usr/openwin/bin/openwin



# Booting and Installing Solaris: Custom JumpStart

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This chapter provides a procedure to boot a system and perform a custom JumpStart installation using profiles you've created to install Solaris software. After you boot (or turn on the system in some cases), the Solaris software is automatically installed.

**Note** – The profile you create for a custom JumpStart installation must specify the initial installation option (the upgrade option is not available).

The procedure in this chapter should be done on the system that is being installed.



1 Make sure that the system's peripheral devices are properly configured.

Before installing Solaris software, you must configure peripheral devices so they do not conflict with each other, and so that Solaris software can access them. Configuring peripheral devices involves setting jumpers or running a software program under MS-DOS. See the *x86 Device Configuration Guide* for detailed instructions.



**Caution** – If peripheral devices are not correctly configured before you install the Solaris software, or if you are using unsupported devices, the Solaris installation program will fail.

2 Insert the Solaris boot diskette (shown below) into the system's a: diskette drive.



**Note** – If you are using a diskette to perform a custom JumpStart installation, you must insert a copy of the Solaris boot diskette that contains a JumpStart directory into the system's a: diskette drive.

3 If you are using the system's local CD-ROM drive to install the Solaris software on the system, prepare the CD-ROM drive.

The instructions that follow cover the most common types of CD-ROM drives. If your CD-ROM drive is not one of the following types, see your hardware manual for instructions.

#### **CD-ROM Drive - Caddy Version**

#### **CD-ROM Drive - Tray Version**

• To open the caddy, pinch the corners while lifting the lid at the center lip.



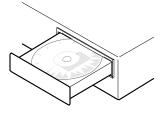
2 Insert the Solaris CD (logo up) and close the caddy.



With the arrow on the caddy pointing toward the CD-ROM drive, insert the caddy.



• Press the eject button on the front panel of the CD-ROM drive (a tray will emerge if you have this type of caddy).



- **2** Insert the Solaris CD (logo up) into the tray.
- Push the tray back into CD-ROM drive.



- 4 Make sure you have reviewed the task map for a custom JumpStart installation (shown in Figure 2-3 on page 13).
- 5 Follow the instructions before you boot the system:

If The System Is	Then
Off	<ol> <li>Turn on the system components in the order recommended in the hardware guide.</li> </ol>
	2) Go to Step 6.
On	<ol> <li>If the system is running Solaris, enter the following commands:</li> </ol>
	<pre>\$ su root # halt</pre>
	2) Go to Step 6.

6 If prompted, provide information about the system.

After the booting phase, the Solaris installation program may be displayed on the screen, prompting you to provide information about the system.

7 Choose to boot from the local CD-ROM drive (CD) or from another system on the network (NET). (Sample screen shown<sup>1</sup>.)

SunSo	ft Solari	s x.x	Multiple	Device Boot, vsn 2.0
		Solaris/2	x86 Multiple Device	e Boot Menu
Code	Device	Vendor	Model/Desc	Rev
10 11 12	DISK CD NET	·	CD-ROM CDU-8012 I/O=280 IRQ=10	3.1e
		Enter th	ne boot device code	<b>:</b> :
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**Caution** – IDE disk drives do not automatically map out bad blocks like other drives supported by Solaris software. Before installing Solaris on an IDE disk, you may want to perform a surface analysis on the disk. For detailed instructions, go to Appendix E, "Troubleshooting," page 158.

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8 Choose the custom JumpStart option to install the Solaris software. (Sample screen shown.)

Select the type of installation you want to perform

- 1 interactive
- 2 custom JumpStart

Enter the number of your choice followed by the Enter key.

If you enter anything else, or if you wait for 15 seconds, an interactive installation will be started

9 Wait as the Solaris installation program automatically installs the Solaris software on the system.

You're done for awhile; installing Solaris software can take between 15 minutes and 2 hours.

10 Start the OpenWindows software to display the desktop:

\$ /usr/openwin/bin/openwin

Task Complete For post-installation information, see Chapter 8, "Where to Go After Installing Solaris."

# $Where \, to \, Go \, After \, Installing \, Solar is \,$



Table 8-1 shows the Solaris documentation that you may need after installing the Solaris software on a system. For a complete description of all the Solaris 2.4 documentation, refer to the *Solaris 2.4 Introduction*.

Table 8-1 Where to Go After Installing Solaris

Information Needed	Manual Title
Configuring additional devices on your system	x86 Device Configuration Guide
Adding and removing Solaris, third-party, or unbundled software	Software and AnswerBook Packages Administration Guide
Setting up mail accounts	User Accounts, Printers, and Mail Administration
Setting up printers	User Accounts, Printers, and Mail Administration
Setting up user accounts	User Accounts, Printers, and Mail Administration
Performing common administration tasks	Common Administration Tasks
Using system administration tools	Administration Application Reference Manual



Table 8-1 Where to Go After Installing Solaris (Continued)

Information Needed	Manual Title
Increasing your system's performance	Security, Performance, and Accounting Administration
Adding and Maintaining Peripherals	Peripherals Administration
Setting up system security	Security, Performance, and Accounting Administration
Administering file systems	File System Administration
Installing AnswerBooks	Software and AnswerBook Packages Administration Guide
	<b>Note:</b> The End User AnswerBook is the only AnswerBook installed with the Solaris software. The End User AnswerBook is part of the entire distribution software group.

# Work Sheets for the Solaris Installation Program



### Purpose of the Work Sheets

The work sheets in this appendix list information that may need to be supplied during the Solaris installation program. There is a work sheet for the initial installation option and the upgrade option.

#### Uses of the Work Sheets

The work sheets can be used before installing Solaris software, or to record your responses as you install Solaris software. For example, if you're a system administrator of a large site and need to delegate the task of installing Solaris software to less-experienced staff, you can fill out the work sheet in advance; installers will know exactly how you want them to install Solaris software on their system, thus reducing the errors that come from guessing.

What shaded areas mean in the following table

**Note** – If you're using the following work sheet to gather information before installing Solaris software, you can ignore shaded areas if you are installing a system as a standalone, non-networked system.



# Work Sheet for the Initial Installation Option

The following work sheet lists important information you may need to supply when installing Solaris software on a system for the first time.

Information You May Need When Installing Solaris	Description/Example	Work Space
Boot device	Boot from local CD-ROM or network?	
Method for installing Solaris software	Interactive or custom JumpStart?	
Graphics card	Type of graphics card in your system. Example: Graphics Ultra Pro	
Screen size	Size of the screen on your monitor from the following list: - 14 inch - 16 inch - 19 inch	
Keyboard language	Language your keyboard supports. Example: UK english	
Pointing device	Type of mouse. Example: Logitech MouseMan, serial, port tty00, 3-button	
Graphics adaptor/monitor combination	Screen resolution. Example: 1024 X 768, 1280 X 1024	

Information You May Need When Installing Solaris	Description/Example	Work Space
Host name	Host name of the system. Example: sherlock	Work Space
Network connectivity	Is the system connected to a network?	
Primary network interface	Primary network interface for the system. Example: smc0	
IP address	Internet <sup>™</sup> protocol address of the system you're installing. Example: 129.221.2.1	
Name service	Is the system a client of NIS+ or NIS? Part of another name service? Or is name service not yet established? Example: Other, DCE	
Domain name	Domain in which the system resides. Example: chandy.West.Arp.COM	
Name server	Specify a name server for the system or have software try to find one?	
Name server information	Name server's host name and IP address. Example: toucan, 125.221.2.1	

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Information You May Need When Installing Solaris	Description/Example	Work Space
Subnet	Is the system part of a subnet?	
Netmask	Netmask of the subnet. Example: 255.255.0.0	
Time zone	Default time zone. Can be set by selecting geographic region, hours offset from GMT, or by pointing to a file in /usr/share/zoneinfo directory. Example: US/Mountain	
System type	System type: standalone system, server, or dataless client?	
Diskless clients	Number of diskless clients the server will support. Example: 5 (default)  Number of megabytes of swap space to assign each diskless client. Example: 24 Mbytes (default)	
Diskless client architectures	All the kernel architectures for diskless clients that are different from the server's architecture (see Appendix C, "Kernel Architectures).	

Information You May Need When Installing Solaris	Description/Example	Work Space
Dataless clients	Host names and IP addresses of	
	the server(s) where dataless	
	clients will mount their /usr	
	and /usr/kvm file systems.	
	Example: morton, 112.221.2.1,	
	/export/home	
Languages	Language(s) to select for	
	displaying the user interface	
	after installing Solaris software.	
	Example: French, Spanish	
Software	Which software group to install?	
	• Core	
	<ul> <li>End User System Support</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Developer System Support</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Entire Distribution</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Entire Distribution Plus OEM</li> </ul>	
	Support	
	Should the software group be	
	customized?	
	Note: Removing or adding	
	software often creates software	
	dependencies; system	
	administration knowledge is	
	often required to fix	
	dependencies.	
Disk(s) to install Solaris	Disk(s) for installing Solaris.	
software on	Example: c0t0d0, c0t3d0, c0t4d1	



Information You May Need When Installing Solaris	Description/Example	Work Space
Create Solaris partition	If there is no Solaris partition on any of the disks selected, a Solaris partition must be created. Which partition, 1-4? What size should it be? Example: Solaris on partition 3, 198 Mbytes.	
Auto-layout file systems?	Should file systems be laid out on disks automatically or manually?	
	<b>Note</b> : Manual layout requires advanced system administration skills.	
File systems to auto-layout	Which file systems should be used for auto-layout? Example: /, /opt, /var	
Preserve existing data?	Should existing data on disk(s) be preserved?	
Disk slices to preserve data	Which slices should be preserved? Example: /opt on c0t2d2	

Information You May Need When Installing Solaris	Description/Example	Work Space
File system and disk layout	Accept the layout of file systems as created by auto-layout or manual layout, or customize?	
	<b>Note</b> : Customizing requires advanced system administration skills.	
Mount remote file systems?	Mount remote file systems from a server?	
Mount remote file systems	Provide remote file system information:  • Local mount point  • Server's host name  • Server's IP address  • File system path  Example: Server: mitra Server IP address: 129.222.2.2	
	File system path: /export/home Local mount point: /export	
Reboot	Reboot after installing Solaris?	
Root password	Create root password. Example: cat6file	



# System Identification Label



For your convenience, the following pages contain system identification labels (a sample, and one for photocopying). Attach them to systems at your site so users have access to information needed to install Solaris software and operate their system.



# $Sample-System\ Identification\ Label$

As shown in the following sample, system identification labels can provide a quick reference to important system information.

Host name: roylat	
System type	Standalone
	☐ Server
	☐ Diskless client
	☐ Dataless client
Boot device	network
Graphics card	Graphics Ultra Pro
Screen size	14"
Pointing device	Logitech MouseMan, serial, 3-button
Screen resolution	1024 X 768
Networked?	Yes
Primary network interface	smc0
IP address	129.221.2.1
Name service	NIS+
Domain name	hawthorne.West.Arp.COM
System part of a subnet?	Yes
Netmask	225.225.225.225
Name server and IP address	hudson, 125.222.2.2
Ethernet address	8:0:20:b:40:e7

# System Identification Label

Photocopying the following label and identifying system information for each system provides a quick reference for users.

Host name:	
System type	e Standalone
	☐ Server
	☐ Diskless client
	□ Dataless client
Boot device	
Graphics card	
Screen size	
Pointing device	
Screen resolution	
Networked?	
Primary network interface IP address	
Name service	
Domain name	
System part of a subnet?	
Netmask	
Name server and IP address	
Ethernet address	



# Kernel Architectures



Table C-1 shows the kernel architectures for various hardware platforms. You may need this information when preparing a system for installation of the Solaris software.

Table C-1 Architecture Types

System	Kernel Architecture	
x86	i86pc	
Sun-4/110 Sun-4/2xx Sun-4/3xx Sun-4/4xx	sun4	
SPARCstation 1 SPARCstation 1+ SPARCstation SLC SPARCstation IPC SPARCstation ELC SPARCstation IPX SPARCstation 2	sun4c	
SPARCserver 1000 SPARCcenter 2000	sun4d	
SPARCengine 1E	sun4e	



Table C-1 Architecture Types (Continued)

System	Kernel Architecture
SPARCstation 10	sun4m
SPARCserver 6xx	
SPARCstation LX	
SPARCclassic	
SPARCstation 10 SX	
SPARCstation 20	
SPARCstation 5	
SPARCstation Voyager	
Other SPARC systems	Refer to the SPARC Hardware Platform Guide for kernel architecture information.

# Sample Custom JumpStart Installation



This example shows a set of steps a system administrator would take to do a custom JumpStart installation for a fictitious site.

## Sample Site Setup

Figure D-1 shows the sample site setup for this example.

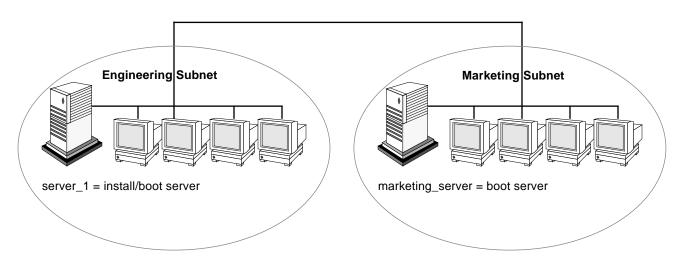


Figure D-1 Sample Site Setup



#### At this fictitious site:

- The engineering group is on its own subnet. This group uses NEC® Powermate® systems for software development.
- The marketing group is on its own subnet. This group uses Dell 466 systems for running word processing, spreadsheets, and other office tools.
- The site uses NIS+. The Ethernet addresses, IP addresses, and host names are in NIS+ tables.
- The engineering server named server\_1 has a copy of Solaris 2.4 software on its local disk in a directory named /export/install. Both the engineering and marketing groups will install Solaris software over the network from server 1.
- The network information is preconfigured on the site as described in "Preconfiguring Network Information" on page 43.

#### 1 Create a JumpStart directory.

The administrator sets up a JumpStart directory on the install server, server\_1. This directory will hold files necessary for a custom JumpStart installation of Solaris software. The easiest way to set up this directory is to copy the sample directory from the copy of the Solaris CD that has been put in /export/install.

# cp -r /export/install/auto\_install\_sample /jumpstart

#### 2 Share the JumpStart directory.

The system administrator shares the /jumpstart directory so that the rules file and profiles are accessible to systems on the network. To accomplish this, the administrator adds the following line to the /etc/dfs/dfstab file:

```
share -F nfs -o ro,anon=0 /jumpstart
```

Then, at the command line, the administrator uses the unshareall and shareall commands:

```
# unshareall
# shareall
```

#### 3 Create the eng\_profile profile.

The administrator creates a file named eng\_profile in the /jumpstart directory. The eng\_profile file has the following entries, which define the Solaris software to be installed on systems in the engineering group.

```
1 install_type initial_install
2 system_type standalone
3 partitioning default
4 cluster SUNWCprog
5 filesys any 50 swap
```

- Specifies that the installation will be treated as an initial installation, as opposed to an upgrade.
- **2** Specifies that the engineering systems are standalone systems.
- **3** Specifies that the JumpStart software uses default disk partitioning for installing Solaris on the engineering systems.
- **4** Specifies that the developer's software cluster will be installed.
- **5** Specifies that each system in the engineering group will have 50 Mbytes of swap space.



#### 4 Create the marketing\_profile profile.

The administrator creates a file named marketing\_profile in the /jumpstart directory. The marketing\_profile file has the following entries, which define the Solaris software to be installed on systems in the marketing group.

```
1 install_type initial_install
2 system_type standalone
3 partitioning default
4 cluster SUNWCuser
5 package SUNWaudmo
```

- Specifies that the installation will be treated as an initial installation, as opposed to an upgrade.
- **2** Specifies that the marketing systems are standalone systems.
- **3** Specifies that the JumpStart software will use default disk partitioning for installing Solaris on the marketing systems.
- **4** Specifies that the end user software cluster is to be installed.
- Specifies that the audio demo software package is to be added to each system.

#### 5 Edit the rules file.

The administrator must define the rules file. The Solaris installation program will use the contents of this file to select the proper installation for each department.

At this site, each department is on its own subnet and has its own network address. The administrator uses this information to control how systems are installed. The engineering department is on subnet 255.222.43.0, and marketing is on 255.222.44.0.

In the /jumpstart directory, the administrator edits the rules file, deletes all of the example rules, and enters:

```
network 255.222.43.0 - eng_profile - network 255.222.44.0 - marketing_profile -
```

Note – These are sample rules in which an administrator uses a network address to identify which systems will be installed with the <code>eng\_profile</code> and <code>marketing\_profile</code>, respectively. The administrator could also have chosen to use host names, memory size, or model type as the rule keyword. See "Rule Keyword and Rule Value Descriptions" on page 92 for a complete list of keywords you can use in a <code>rules</code> file.

#### 6 Execute the check script.

After the rules and profile files are properly set up, the system administrator runs the check script to verify the files.

```
# cd /jumpstart
# ./check
```

When check finds no errors, it creates the rules.ok file.



#### 7 Set up the engineering systems for installation.

After setting up the /jumpstart directory and appropriate files, the administrator sets up the install server to install Solaris software on the engineering systems.

The administrator first sets up the engineering systems because they are on the same subnet as the install server. On the install server, the administrator uses the add\_install\_client command:

```
# cd /export/install
# ./add_install_client -c server_1:/jumpstart host_eng1 i386pc
# ./add_install_client -c server_1:/jumpstart host_eng2 i386pc
.
.
.
.
```

In the add\_install\_client command,

-c	Specifies the server (server_1) and path (/jumpstart) to the JumpStart directory.
host_eng1	Is the name of a system in the engineering group.
host_eng2	Is the name of another system in the engineering group.
i386pc	Specifies the architecture of the systems that will use server_1 as an install server. (This is the proper kernel architecture for x86 systems.)

#### 8 Set up the marketing systems for installation.

Systems cannot boot from an install server on a different subnet, so the administrator sets up a boot server on the marketing group's subnet. On a server on the marketing subnet, the administrator inserts a Solaris CD. The administrator then uses the <code>setup\_install\_server</code> command to copy the boot software from the Solaris CD to the marketing server's local disk.

```
# cd /cdrom/cdrom0/s0
# ./setup_install_server -b /marketing/boot-dir i86pc
```

In the setup\_install\_server command,

-b	Specifies that setup_install_server will to copy the boot information from the Solaris CD to the directory named /marketing/boot-dir.
i86pc	Specifies the architecture of the systems that will use this boot server. (This is the proper kernel architecture for x86 systems.)



Next, the administrator sets up the marketing systems to boot from the local boot server and install Solaris from the remote install server. The administrator uses the add\_install\_client command on the marketing group's boot server:

```
# cd /marketing/boot-dir
# ./add_install_client -s server_1:/export/install -c server_1:/jumpstart host_mkt1 i86pc
# ./add_install_client -s server_1:/export/install -c server_1:/jumpstart host_mkt2 i86pc
.
.
.
```

In the add\_install\_client command,

-8	Specifies the install server (server_1) and the path to the Solaris software (/export/install).
-c	<pre>Specifies the server (server_1) and path (/jumpstart) to the JumpStart directory.</pre>
host_mkt1	Is the name of a system in the marketing group.
host_mkt2	Is the name of another system in the marketing group.
i86pc	Specifies the architecture of the systems that will use this boot server. (This is the proper kernel architecture for x86 systems.)

### 9 Boot the systems and install Solaris software.

The administrator boots the engineering systems and marketing systems by using the Solaris boot diskette.

# **Troubleshooting**



This appendix describes problems you may encounter when installing Solaris software. This appendix also suggests possible solutions for some of the problems.

The following table shows common error messages and the page number where you can find causes and possible solutions to the related errors.

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Requesting Internet address for Ethernet_Address	page 153
RPC: Timed out No bootparams (whoami) server responding; still trying	page 154



## Specific Installation Errors

Error: Unknown client "host\_name"

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem
The host_name argument in the add_install_client command must be a host in the name service.	Add the host <i>host_name</i> to the NIS or NIS+ name service. (Either update the NIS maps or populate the NIS+ tables.) Try executing the add_install_client command again.

ip: joining multicasts failed on  ${\rm tr0}$  - will use link layer broadcasts for multicast

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem
You will see this error message when you boot a system with a token ring card. Ethernet multicast and token ring multicast do not work the same way. The driver returns this error message to indicate that an invalid multicast address was given.	Ignore this error message. If multicast doesn't work, IP uses layer broadcasts instead.

le0: No carrier - transceiver cable problem

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem
This system is not connected to the	If this is a non-networked system, ignore this message. If this is a networked
network.	system, make sure the Ethernet cabling is attached securely.

The file just loaded does not appear to be executable

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem
This message cannot find the proper media for booting.	Verify that you are using the correct boot command for your system. If installing from a CD-ROM drive, make sure the Solaris CD is in the CD-ROM drive and that the CD-ROM drive is mounted

Still trying to find a RPL server...

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem
The system is trying to boot over the network, but the server is not set up to boot this system.	On the install server, execute add_install_client for the system to be installed. The add_install_client command sets up an /rplboot directory, which contains the necessary network boot program.

Requesting Internet address for  ${\it Ethernet\_Address}$ 

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem	
The client is trying to boot over the network, but it cannot find a system that knows about it.	Verify the system's host name is in the NIS or NIS+ name service. If the system's host name is in the NIS or NIS+ name service, and the system continues to print this error message, try rebooting.	

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RPC: Timed out

No bootparams (whoami) server responding; still trying...

Reason Error Occurred	How to Fix the Problem
The client is trying to boot over the network, but it cannot find a system with an entry in the /etc/bootparams file on the install server.	Use add_install_client on the install server. This will add the proper entry in the /etc/bootparams file, enabling the client to boot over the network.

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## General Installation Problems

Problem	How to Fix the Problem
The system boots over the network, but from a system other than the specified install server.	On the name server, update the /etc/bootparams entry for the system being installed. The entry should conform to the following syntax:
	<pre>install_system root=boot_server: path install=install_server: path</pre>

Problem	How to Fix the Problem
After setting up an install server and configuring the system to install over the network, the system still does not boot.	Be sure the tftpd daemon is running on the install server. Type the following command and press Return:
network, the system still does not boot.	ps -ef   grep rpld
	If this command does not return a line indicating the ${\tt rpld}$ daemon is running, execute the following command:
	/usr/sbin/rpld
	After making this change, try booting the system again.

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Problem	How to Fix the Problem
OpenWindows is not available to diskless and dataless clients.	The /usr/openwin may be on a separate, mounted file system. This directory is not automatically shared by admintool.  The /usr/openwin file system must be manually added to the server's /etc/dfs/dfstab file and the file system must be shared. The entry looks like this:  share -F nfs /usr/openwin  Also, an explicit mount of the file system must be made in the client's /etc/vfstab file using the following:
	server_name:/usr/openwin - /usr/openwin nfs - yes -

#### **Problem**

Several processes that normally run when booting the system are not run when the system boots from the CD. (This is done to enable the system to boot and the Solaris installation program to run with only 16 Mbytes of memory.)

#### **How To Fix the Problem**

To boot from the CD to do disaster recovery (that is, restoring the root file system), you need to add functionality normally provided when booting. To provide this functionality, a script is provided, /sbin/setup\_cd, which can be run to perform the additional setup that might be needed to do disaster recovery. setup\_cd does the following tasks:

- Finishes setting up the device file system for tapes and ports
- Enables routing
- Enables multicast
- Invokes the statd(1M) daemon
- Invokes the lockd(1M) daemon
- Starts the automounter

Note that if  $\mathtt{setup\_cd}$  is run on a 16 Mbyte system, it may not be possible to run the Solaris installation program or other programs that need more memory. If a disk with a  $\mathtt{swap}$  partition is available, the system administrator could avoid this problem by using the  $\mathtt{swap}(\mathtt{1M})$  command to add swap space to the system before invoking  $\mathtt{setup\_cd}$ .

When booting from the Solaris CD during disaster recovery, it is possible to boot the system in single user mode from the CD-ROM. For example, at the menu option to install using Interactive or custom JumpStart, type:

b -s

#### **Problem**

An installation using the upgrade option fails for reasons beyond your control, such as a power failure or a network connection failure. The system may be in an unbootable state.

#### How to Fix the Problem

- 1. Reboot the system from the Solaris CD or from the network.
- 2. Choose the upgrade option for installation.

The Solaris installation program will determine if the system has been partially upgraded and will continue the upgrade.

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#### **Problem**

IDE disk drives do not automatically map out bad blocks like other drives supported by Solaris software. Before installing Solaris on an IDE disk, you may want to perform a surface analysis on the disk.

#### How to Fix the Problem

To perform surface analysis on an IDE disk, follow this procedure:

- 1) Start an interactive installation, as described in Chapter 6, "Booting and Installing Solaris: Interactive." The Solaris installation program will start either a graphical user interface (GUI) or a character user interface (CUI), depending on whether you have a graphics or non-graphics monitor.
- **2)** When either the GUI or CUI program starts, enter information and select the Continue option on the first few screens.
- **3)** When you see the *Installing Solaris Initial* screen, select the Exit option and exit the installation.
- **4)** If you are using the GUI installation program, open a command tool window for the remaining steps in this procedure. If you are using the CUI installation program, use the system shell for the remaining steps in this procedure.
- 5) Start the format program. Type format.
- 7) Specify the IDE disk drive on which you want to perform a surface analysis.

**Note:** IDE drives do not include a target number. The IDE drive naming convention is cxdy, where cx is the controller number and dy is the device number

- **6)** At the format> prompt, type fdisk. Use the fdisk program to create a Solaris partition on the disk. (If a Solaris fdisk partition already exists, leave it alone.)
- 7) At the format > prompt, type analyze.
- **8)** At the analyze> prompt, type config. This will show you the current settings for a surface analysis. If you want to change any settings, type setup.
- 9) At the analyze> prompt, type read, write, or compare for the type of surface analysis to be performed. If format finds bad blocks, it will remap them.
- 10) At the analyze> prompt, type quit.
- 11) You may want to specify blocks to remap. If so, at the format> prompt, type repair.
- 12) Type quit to quit the format program.
- 13) Type installtool to resume the GUI installation or suninstall to resume the CUI installation.

Problem	How to Fix the Problem
The Solaris root partition must reside within the first 1024 cylinders of the disk. If it is not, the installation fails after booting.	If the first fdisk partition is primary DOS (PRI DOS), use the fdisk program to delete space from it and try booting Solaris again. If the first fdisk partition is extended DOS (EXT DOS) or another operating system, use the fdisk program to delete it and try booting Solaris again.

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Time Zones

The next page shows time zones of the world by hours offset from Greenwich Meantime. This may be useful when setting a system's clock during the Solaris installation program.

Figure F-1 reflects Standard Time. If daylight saving time is in effect, add one hour.

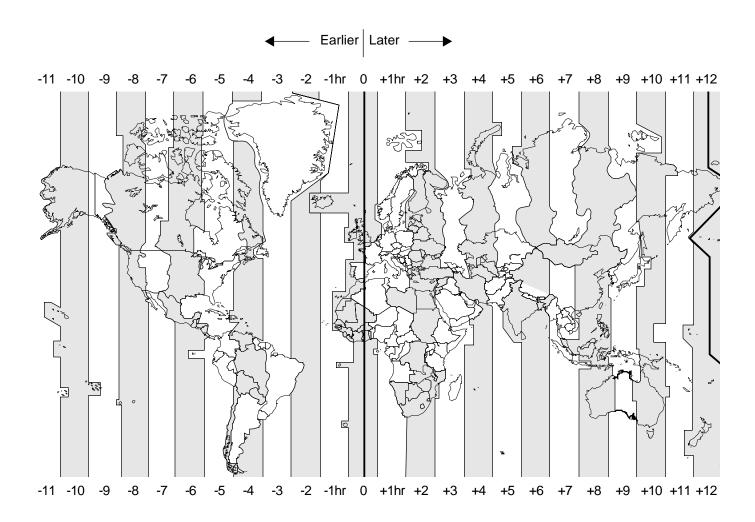


Figure F-1 Greenwich Meantime Map

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architecture type

The instruction set that a system uses to run the Solaris software.

begin script

A user-defined Bourne shell script, specified within the rules file, that performs tasks before the Solaris software is installed on the system. Begin scripts can be used only with custom JumpStart installations.

boot server

A server that provides boot services to systems on the same subnet. A boot server is required if the install server is on a different subnet than the systems that need to install the Solaris software from it.

client

A system connected to a network.

cluster

A logical grouping of software packages. The Solaris software is divided into four main *software groups*, which are each composed of clusters and *packages*.

core

A software group that contains the minimum software required to boot and run the Solaris operating environment on a system. It includes some networking software and the drivers required to run the OpenWindows environment; it does not include the OpenWindows software.



#### custom JumpStart installation

A type of installation in which the Solaris software is automatically installed on a system based on a user-defined profile. You can create customized profiles for different types of users.

#### dataless client

A networked system that has its own disk on which it maintains its own root (/) file system and swap space. However, a dataless client relies on a server for its /usr and /usr/kvm file systems.

#### derived profile

A profile that is dynamically created by a begin script during a custom JumpStart installation.

#### developer system support

A software group that contains the End User System Support software group plus the libraries, include files, man pages, and programming tools for developing software.

#### disk configuration file

A file that represents a structure of a disk (for example, bytes/sector, flags, slices). Disk configuration files enable you to use pfinstall from a single system to test profiles on different sized disks.

#### diskless client

A networked system that does not have its own disk, so it relies completely on a server for software and file storage. Diskless clients do not have to use the Solaris installation program, because they use the software that is already installed on a file server.

#### domain

A part of the Internet naming hierarchy. It represents a group of systems on a local network that share administrative files.

#### domain name

The identification of a group of systems on a local network. A domain name consists of a sequence of component names separated by periods (for example: tundra.mpk.ca.us). As you read a domain name from left to right, the component names identify more general (and usually remote) areas of administrative authority.

#### end user system support

A software group that contains the core software group plus the recommended software for an end user, including OpenWindows and DeskSet software.

#### entire distribution

A software group that contains the entire Solaris release.

#### entire distribution plus OEM support

A software group that contains the entire Solaris release, plus additional hardware support for OEMs (SPARC only). This software group is recommended when installing Solaris software on servers.

#### **EISA**

Extended Industry Standard Architecture. A type of bus on x86 systems. EISA bus standards are "smarter" that ISA bus systems, and attached devices can be automatically detected when they have been configured via the "EISA configurator" program supplied with the system. See *ISA*.

#### /etc

A directory that contains critical system configuration files and maintenance commands.

#### /export

A file system on a server that is shared with other systems on a network. For example, the /export file system can contain the root file system and swap for diskless clients and the home directories for users on the network. Diskless clients rely on the /export file system on a file server to boot and run.

#### fdisk partition

A logical partition of a disk drive dedicated to a particular operating system on x86 systems. During the Solaris installation program, you must set up at least one Solaris fdisk partition on an x86 system. x86 systems are designed to support up to four different operating systems on each drive; each operating system must reside on a unique fdisk partition.

#### file server

A server that provides the software and file storage for systems on a network.

#### file system

A collection of files and directories that, when set into a logical hierarchy, make up an organized, structured set of information. File systems can be mounted from your local system or a remote system.

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#### finish script

A user-defined Bourne shell script, specified within the rules file, that performs tasks after the Solaris software is installed on the system, but before the system reboots. Finish scripts can be used only with custom JumpStart installations.

#### host name

The name by which a system is known to other systems on a network. This name must be unique among all the systems within a given domain (usually, this means within any single organization). A host name can be any combination of letters, numbers, and minus sign (-), but it cannot begin or end with a minus sign.

#### initial installation option

An option presented during the Solaris installation program that overwrites the disk(s) with the new version of Solaris. The initial installation option is presented for upgradable systems; however, the disk(s) that contain the old version of Solaris software (including the local modifications) will be overwritten if you choose the initial installation option.

#### install server

A server that provides the Solaris installation image for other systems on a network to boot and install from (also known as a *media server*). The Solaris installation image can reside on the install server's CD-ROM drive or hard disk.

#### interactive installation

A type of installation where you have full hands-on interaction with the Solaris installation program to install the Solaris software on a system.

#### IP address

Internet protocol address. A unique number that identifies a networked system so it can communicate via Internet protocols. It consists of four numbers separated by periods. Most often, each part of the IP address is a number between 0 and 225; however, the first number must be less than 224 and the last number cannot be 0.

IP addresses are logically divided into two parts: the network (similar to a telephone area code), and the system on the network (similar to a phone number).

**ISA** 

Industry Standard Architecture. A type of bus found in x86 systems. ISA bus systems are "dumb" and provide no mechanism the system can use to detect and configure devices automatically. See *EISA*.

JumpStart directory

When using a diskette for custom JumpStart installations, the JumpStart directory is the root directory on the diskette that contains all the essential custom JumpStart files. When using a server for custom JumpStart installations, the JumpStart directory is a directory on the server that contains all the essential custom JumpStart files.

kernel architecture

The type of kernel that must be run on a particular system because of its set of hardware components.

locale

A specific language associated with a region or territory.

**MCA** 

Micro Channel Architecture. A type of bus on x86 systems. The MCA bus provides fast data transfer within the computer, and attached devices can be automatically detected when they have been configured using the reference disk provided by the manufacturer. The MCA bus is not compatible with devices for other buses.

media server

See install server.

mount

The process of making a remote or local file system accessible by executing the mount command. To mount a file system, you need a mount point on the local system and the name of the file system to be mounted (for example, /usr).

mount point

A directory on a system where you can mount a file system that exists on the local or a remote system.

name server

A server that provides a name service to systems on a network.

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#### name service

A distributed network database that contains key system information about all the systems on a network, so the systems can communicate with each other. With a name service, the system information can be maintained, managed, and accessed on a network-wide basis. Sun supports the following name services: NIS (formerly YP) and NIS+. Without a name service, each system has to maintain its own copy of the system information (in the local /etc files).

#### network installation

A way to install software over the network—from a system with a CD-ROM drive to a system without a CD-ROM drive. Network installations require a name server and an install server.

#### networked systems

A group of systems (called hosts) connected through hardware and software, so they can communicate and share information; referred to as a local area network (LAN). One or more servers are usually needed when systems are networked.

#### **NIS**

Network Information Service. A type of name service that is standard on SunOS 3.x, 4.x, and Solaris 1.x systems.

#### NIS+

Network Information Service, Plus. The replacement for NIS that provides automatic information updating and adds security features such as authorization and authentication. NIS+ is the standard on Solaris 2.x systems.

#### non-networked systems

Systems that are not connected to a network or do not rely on other systems.

#### /opt

A file system that contains the mount points for third-party and unbundled software.

#### package

A functional grouping of files and directories that form a software application. The Solaris software is divided into four main *software groups*, which are each composed of *clusters* and packages.

profile

A text file used as a template by the custom JumpStart installation software. It defines how to install the Solaris software on a system (for example, initial installation or upgrade option, system type, disk partitioning, software group), and it is named in the rules file. See *rules file*.

/ (root)

The file system at the top of the hierarchical file tree on a system. The root directory contains the directories and files critical for system operation, such as the kernel, device drivers, and the programs used to start (boot) a system.

rule

A series of values that assigns one or more system attributes to a profile.

rules file

A text file used to create the rules.ok file. The rules file is a look-up table consisting of one or more rules that define matches between system attributes and profiles. See *profile*.

rules.ok file

A generated version of the rules file, and it is required by the custom JumpStart installation software to match a system to a profile. You *must* use the check script to create the rules.ok file.

server

A system that provides services to systems on a network. To serve diskless clients, a server must have disk space set aside for each diskless client's root file system and swap space (/export/root, /export/swap). To serve dataless clients, a server must provide the /usr and /usr/kvm file systems.

slice

An area on a disk composed of a single range of contiguous blocks. A slice is a physical subset of a disk (except for slice 2, which by convention represents the entire disk). A disk can be divided into eight slices. Before you can create a file system on a disk, you must format it into slices.

#### Solaris installation program

(1) A menu-driven, interactive program that enables you to set up a system and install the Solaris software on it. (2) Any part of the software that is used to install the Solaris software on a system.

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software group

A logical grouping of the Solaris software (clusters and packages). During a Solaris installation, you can install one of the following software groups: core, end user system software, developer system support, entire distribution, or entire distribution plus OEM support (SPARC only).

standalone system

A system that has its own root (/) file system, swap space, and /usr file system, which reside on its local disk(s); it does not require boot or software services from a server. A standalone system can be connected to a network.

subnet

A working scheme that divides a single logical network into smaller physical networks to simplify routing.

subnet mask

A bit mask, which is 32 bits long, used to determine important network or system information from an IP address.

swap space

Disk space used for virtual memory storage when the system does not have enough system memory to handle current processes. Also known as the / swap or swap file system.

system types

The different ways a system can be set up to run the Solaris software. The valid system types are standalone system, dataless client, and diskless client.

time zone

Any of the 24 longitudinal divisions of the earth's surface for which a standard time is kept.

upgrade option

An option presented during the Solaris installation program (SPARC only) if at least one disk on your system has a Solaris 2.x root file system on slice 0. An upgrade merges the new version of Solaris with existing files on your disk(s), and it saves as many local modifications as possible since the last time Solaris was installed.

/usr

A file system on a standalone system or server that contains many of the standard UNIX programs. A dataless client must share (mount) /usr from a file server; it does not have its own /usr file system. Sharing the large /usr file system with a server rather than maintaining a local copy minimizes the overall disk space required to install and run the Solaris software on a system.

/var

A file system or directory (on standalone systems) containing system files that are likely to change or grow over the life of the system. These include system logs, vi files, mail files, and uucp files.

#### **Volume Management**

A program that provides a mechanism to administer and obtain access to the data on CD-ROMs and diskettes.

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