

Trusted Solaris 2.5 Man Pages: 9TSOL Device Driver Interfaces

Sun Microsystems Federal, Inc.
A Sun Microsystems, Inc. Business
901 San Antonio Road, MS USJC01-201
Palo Alto, CA 94303
U.S.A.

Copyright 1997 Sun Microsystems, Inc. 2550 Garcia Avenue, Mountain View, California 94043-1100 U.S.A. All rights reserved.

This product or document is protected by copyright and distributed under licenses restricting its use, copying, distribution, and decompilation. No part of this product or document may be reproduced in any form by any means without prior written authorization of Sun and its licensors, if any. Third-party software, including font technology, is copyrighted and licensed from Sun suppliers.

Parts of the product may be derived from Berkeley BSD systems, licensed from the University of California. UNIX is a registered trademark in the U.S. and other countries, exclusively licensed through X/Open Company, Ltd.

RESTRICTED RIGHTS LEGEND: Use, duplication, or disclosure by the government is subject to restrictions as set forth in subparagraph (c)(1)(ii) of the Rights in Technical Data and Computer Software clause at DFARS 252.227-7013 and FAR 52.227-19.

Sun, Sun Microsystems, the Sun logo, SunSoft, Solaris, SunOS, OpenWindows, DeskSet, ONC, ONC+, and NFS are trademarks, or registered trademarks of Sun Microsystems, Inc. in the U.S. and other countries. All SPARC trademarks are used under license and are trademarks or registered trademarks of SPARC International, Inc. in the U.S. and other countries. Products bearing SPARC trademarks are based upon an architecture developed by Sun Microsystems, Inc.

The OPEN LOOK and Sun™ Graphical User Interface was developed by Sun Microsystems, Inc. for its users and licensees. Sun acknowledges the pioneering efforts of Xerox in researching and developing the concept of visual or graphical user interfaces for the computer industry. Sun holds a non-exclusive license from Xerox to the Xerox Graphical User Interface, which license also covers Sun's licensees who implement OPEN LOOK GUIs and otherwise comply with Sun's written license agreements.

RESTRICTED RIGHTS : Use, duplication, or disclosure by the U.S. Government is subject to restrictions of FAR 52.227-14(g)(2)(6/87) and FAR 52.227-19(6/87), or DFAR 252.227-7015(b)(6/95) and DFAR 227.7202-3(a).

DOCUMENTATION IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND ALL EXPRESS OR IMPLIED CONDITIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT, ARE DISCLAIMED, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH DISCLAIMERS ARE HELD TO BE LEGALLY INVALID.

Copyright 1997 Sun Microsystems, Inc., 2550 Garcia Avenue, Mountain View, Californie 94043-1100 Etats-Unis. Tous droits réservés.

Ce produit ou document est protégé par un copyright et distribué avec des licences qui en restreignent l'utilisation, la copie, la distribution, et la décompilation. Aucune partie de ce produit ou document ne peut être reproduite sous aucune forme, par quelque moyen que ce soit, sans l'autorisation préalable et écrite de Sun et de ses bailleurs de licence, s'il y en a. Le logiciel détenu par des tiers, et qui comprend la technologie relative aux polices de caractères, est protégé par un copyright et licencié par des fournisseurs de Sun.

Des parties de ce produit pourront être dérivées des systèmes Berkeley BSD licenciés par l'Université de Californie. UNIX est une marque déposée aux Etats-Unis et dans d'autres pays et licenciée exclusivement par X/Open Company, Ltd.

Sun, Sun Microsystems, le logo Sun, SunSoft, Solaris, SunOS, OpenWindows, DeskSet, ONC, ONC+, et NFS sont des marques de fabrique ou des marques déposées, de Sun Microsystems, Inc. aux Etats-Unis et dans d'autres pays. Toutes les marques SPARC sont utilisées sous licence et sont des marques de fabrique ou des marques déposées de SPARC International, Inc. aux Etats-Unis et dans d'autres pays. Les produits portant les marques SPARC sont basés sur une architecture développée par Sun Microsystems, Inc.

L'interface d'utilisation graphique OPEN LOOK et Sun™ a été développée par Sun Microsystems, Inc. pour ses utilisateurs et licenciés. Sun reconnaît les efforts de pionniers de Xerox pour la recherche et le développement du concept des interfaces d'utilisation visuelle ou graphique pour l'industrie de l'informatique. Sun détient une licence non exclusive de Xerox sur l'interface d'utilisation graphique Xerox, cette licence couvrant également les licenciés de Sun qui mettent en place l'interface d'utilisation graphique OPEN LOOK et qui en outre se conforment aux licences écrites de Sun.

CETTE PUBLICATION EST FOURNIE "EN L'ETAT" ET AUCUNE GARANTIE, EXPRESSE OU IMPLICITE, N'EST ACCORDEE, Y COMPRIS DES GARANTIES CONCERNANT LA VALEUR MARCHANDE, L'APTITUDE DE LA PUBLICATION A REPOUDRE A UNE UTILISATION PARTICULIERE, OU LE FAIT QU'ELLE NE SOIT PAS CONTREFAISANTE DE PRODUIT DE TIERS. CE DENI DE GARANTIE NE S'APPLIQUERAIT PAS, DANS LA MESURE OU IL SERAIT TENU JURIDIQUEMENT NUL ET NON AVENU.

Portions © AT&T 1983-1990 and reproduced with permission from AT&T.

Preface

In the Trusted Solaris Reference Manual, each collection of information on a particular topic is called a man page, even though a man *page* may actually consist of *many pages* of text.

A man page is intended to answer concisely the question “What does it do?”. The man pages are not intended to be a tutorial. Depending what you are trying to do, refer to the other Trusted Solaris user, developer, and administrator manuals for when and why to use a command or other features described in the man pages.

ACCESSING MAN PAGES

The man pages that make up the reference manual may be accessed in three ways.

Note: The following discussion of man page viewing options uses the term **package**, which is a unit of software that is typically delivered on Sun’s product CDs. Installing the documentation packages is optional, because they are not required for operations. Each customer’s administrators decides whether or not the documentation packages are installed and made available.

The first means of accessing the man pages is through the use of the **man(1)** command. When the contents of the man page package, SUNWman, are available on the local system, anyone with a login account, plus a terminal emulator (such as **cmdtool(1)**, **shelltool(1)**, or **dtterm(1)**) and the **man(1)** command in one of the account’s execution profiles can view a man page on-line. (For more about Trusted Solaris execution profiles and user accounts, see the Trusted Solaris user and administrator

documentation.) To view a man page, enter the **man** command followed by the name of the man page. For example, to view the **ls(1)** man page that describes the command used to print out a directory's contents, a user enters the command: **manls**.

The second way to read man pages is in the printed Trusted Solaris Reference Manual. The reference manual is in the Trusted Solaris documentation set, and it may be ordered in hardcopy form from Sun by using part number: 805-8005-10.

The third means of reading the man pages is by viewing them in AnswerBook format. When the Trusted Solaris AnswerBook package, SUNWtab, is available on the local system, anyone with a login account and with the **answerbook()** command and a terminal emulator in an execution profile can display the Trusted Solaris reference manual and the other user documentation. For Trusted Solaris 2.5, the Trusted Solaris documentation AnswerBook is shipped on a separate documentation CD, but it may be bundled on the same CD with the Trusted Solaris software in future releases.

Trusted Solaris man pages are identified with a TSOL suffix in the section name. The TSOL suffix is used for man pages that are either new to Trusted Solaris or modified from the base man pages from the Solaris, CDE, or Solstice products that are bundled into Trusted Solaris. The man pages are organized alphabetically by section.

- Section 1TSOL describes new or modified user commands available with the Trusted Solaris operating system.
- Section 1BTSOL describes printer commands adapted for Trusted Solaris from the Berkeley Software Distribution (BSD) print subsystem, which are used chiefly for printing administration.

Note: Use of the equivalent System V print commands is recommended (such as **lp(1TSOL)** instead of **lpr(1BTSOL)**) because although the BSD commands are included for compatibility, they will be removed in future releases.

- Section 1MTSOL describes Trusted Solaris system maintenance and administration commands.
- Section 2TSOL describes Trusted Solaris system calls. Most of these calls have one or more error returns. An error condition is indicated by an otherwise impossible returned value.
- 3*TSOL subsections describe functions found in various Trusted Solaris libraries, other than those functions that directly invoke UNIX system primitives, which are described in Section 2TSOL.

Subsections include: 3CTSOL, 3NTSOL, 3RTSOL, 3TSOL, and 3X11TSOL.

- Section 4TSOL outlines the formats of various files. The C structure declarations for the file formats are given where applicable.
- Section 5TSOL contains miscellaneous documentation such as Trusted Solaris macros.
- 7*TSOL subsections describe various special files that refer to specific hardware peripherals and device drivers.

Subsections include: 7DTSOL and 7TSOL.

- 9*TSOL subsections provide reference information for writing device drivers in the kernel operating system environment.

Subsections include: 9FTSOL and 9TSOL.

Following is a generic list of headings on each man page. The man pages of each manual section include only the headings they need. For example, if there are no bugs to report, there is no BUGS section. See the intro pages for more information and detail about each section, and **man**(1) for more information about man pages in general.

NAME

This section gives the names of the commands or functions documented, followed by a brief description of what they do.

SYNOPSIS

This section shows the syntax of commands or functions. When a command or file does not exist in the standard path, its full pathname is shown. Literal characters (commands and options) are in **bold** font and variables (arguments, parameters and substitution characters) are in *italic* font. Options and arguments are alphabetized, with single letter arguments first, and options with arguments next, unless a different argument order is required.

The following special characters are used in this section:

- [] The option or argument enclosed in these brackets is optional. If the brackets are omitted, the argument *must* be specified.

-
- ... Ellipses. Several values may be provided for the previous argument, or the previous argument can be specified multiple times, for example, *'filename ...'*.
 - | Separator. Only one of the arguments separated by this character can be specified at time.
 - { } Braces. The options and/or arguments enclosed within braces are interdependent, such that everything enclosed must be treated as a unit.

PROTOCOL

This section occurs only in subsection 3R to indicate the protocol description file. The protocol specification pathname is always listed in **bold** font.

AVAILABILITY

This section briefly states any limitations on the availability of the command. These limitations could be hardware or software specific.

A specification of a class of hardware platform, such as **x86** or **SPARC**, denotes that the command or interface is applicable for the hardware platform specified.

In Section 1TSOL and Section 1MTSOL, **AVAILABILITY** indicates which package contains the command being described on the manual page. In order to use the command, the specified package must have been installed with the operating system. If the package was not installed, see **pkgadd(1)** for information on how to upgrade.

MT-LEVEL

This section lists the **MT-LEVEL** of the library functions described in the Section 3 manual pages. The **MT-LEVEL** defines the libraries' ability to support threads. See **Intro(3TSOL)** for more information.

DESCRIPTION

This section defines the functionality and behavior of the service. Thus it describes concisely what the command does. It does not discuss **OPTIONS** or cite **EXAMPLES**. Interactive commands, subcommands, requests, macros, functions and such, are described under **USAGE**.

IOCTL

This section appears on pages in Section 7TSOL only. Only the device class which supplies appropriate parameters to the **ioctl(2)** system call is called **ioctl** and generates its own heading. **ioctl** calls for a specific device are listed alphabetically (on the man page for that specific device). **ioctl** calls are used for a particular class of devices all of which have an **io** ending, such as **mtio(7)**.

OPTIONS

This lists the command options with a concise summary of what each option does. The options are listed literally and in the order they appear in the SYNOPSIS section. Possible arguments to options are discussed under the option and where appropriate default values are supplied.

OPERANDS

This section lists the command operands and describes how they affect the actions of the command.

OUTPUT

This section describes the output - standard output, standard error, or output files - generated by the command.

RETURN VALUES

If the man page documents functions that return values, this section lists these values and describes the conditions under which they are returned. If a function can return only constant values, such as 0 or -1, these values are listed in tagged paragraphs. Otherwise, a single paragraph describes the return values of each function. Functions declared as **void** do not return values, so they are not discussed in RETURN VALUES.

ERRORS

On failure, most functions place an error code in the global variable **errno** indicating why they failed. This section lists alphabetically all error codes a function can generate and describes the conditions that cause each error. When more than one condition can cause the same error, each condition is described in a separate paragraph under the error code.

USAGE

This section is provided as a *guidance* on use. This section lists special rules, features and commands that require in-depth explanations. The subsections listed below are used to explain built-in functionality:

- Commands**
- Modifiers**
- Variables**
- Expressions**
- Input Grammar**

EXAMPLES

This section provides examples of usage or of how to use a command or function. Wherever possible a complete example including command line entry and machine response is shown. Whenever an example is given, the prompt is shown as

example%

or if the user must be in an administrative role,

example#

Examples are followed by explanations, variable substitution rules, or returned values. Most examples illustrate concepts from the SYNOPSIS, DESCRIPTION, OPTIONS and USAGE sections.

ENVIRONMENT

This section lists any environment variables that the command or function affects, followed by a brief description of the effect.

EXIT STATUS

This section lists the values the command returns to the calling program or shell and the conditions that cause these values to be returned. Usually, zero is returned for successful completion and values other than zero for various error conditions.

FILES

This section lists all filenames referred to by the man page, files of interest, and files created or required by commands. Each is followed by a descriptive summary or explanation.

SEE ALSO

This section lists references to other man pages, in-house documentation, and outside publications.

DIAGNOSTICS

This section lists diagnostic messages with a brief explanation of the condition causing the error. Messages appear in **bold** font with the exception of variables, which are in *italic* font.

WARNINGS

This section lists warnings about special conditions which could seriously affect your working conditions — this is not a list of diagnostics.

NOTES

This section lists additional information that does not belong anywhere else on the page. It takes the form of an *aside* to the user, covering points of special interest. Critical information is never covered here.

BUGS

This section describes known bugs and wherever possible suggests workarounds.

SUMMARY OF TRUSTED SOLARIS CHANGES

On base man pages that have Trusted Solaris modifications, this section summarizes the changes in a single easy-to-find place on the man page.

NAME	Intro, intro – introduction to Trusted Solaris device driver interfaces
DESCRIPTION	<p>Section 9TSOL contains reference information about interfaces needed by software engineers creating, modifying, or maintaining device drivers for the Trusted Solaris operating system. See also Intro(9) for information about section 9, which describes the device drivers for Solaris 2.x. Intro(9) also provides information about porting and rules for source and binary compatibility.</p> <p>Each new Trusted Solaris-specific device driver interface is identified by the tsol_ suffix on its name. Man pages for the new interfaces are in the appropriate subsection ending with the TSOL suffix, for example, tsol_linkb(9FTSOL). When a base Solaris device driver interface has been modified, the base man page has also been modified and renamed. The modified man page are in with the new man pages in the appropriate subsections ending with the TSOL suffix. For example, the Solaris copyb(9F) function has been modified for Trusted Solaris and its man page has been modified and renamed to: copyb(9FTSOL). For modified functions, use the modified functions' man pages.</p> <p>Trusted Solaris drivers may call any of the functions described in 9E, 9F, 9S, or 9FTSOL. Section 9TSOL contains one subsection:</p> <p>9FTSOL Trusted Solaris Kernel Functions – contains reference pages for all modified Solaris driver support routines and for new Trusted Solaris driver support routines.</p>
SEE ALSO	intro(9E) , intro(9F) , intro(9FTSOL) , intro(9S) , <i>Trusted Solaris Developer's Guide</i>

Index
