Preface

The *Solaris 2.5 Software Developer Kit Introduction* gives an overview of the Solaris™ 2.5 Software Developer Kit (SDK). It also:

- Tells you how the SDK fits into a Solaris development environment
- Tells you how to obtain technical support and technical training
- Lists the new SDK features in this release of Solaris
- Describes each component of the SDK
- Lists and gives a brief description of SDK on-line documentation
- Tells you where to locate documentation

Who Should Use This Book

If you are a software developer who is creating applications for Solaris 2.5, you should read this book. Typical software developers are independent software vendors (ISVs) or original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) who want their applications to run in a Solaris environment.

What Typographic Changes Mean

The following table describes the typographic changes used in this book.

Table P-1 Typographic Conventions

Typeface or Symbol	Meaning	Example
`AaBbCc123`	The names of commands, files, and directories; on-screen computer output	Edit your `.login` file. Use `ls -a` to list all files. `machine_name% You have mail.`
`AaBbCc123`	What you type, contrasted with on-screen computer output	`machine_name%` **`su`** `Password:`
AaBbCc123	Command-line placeholder: replace with a real name or value	To delete a file, type `rm` *filename*.
AaBbCc123	Book titles, new words or terms, or words to be emphasized	Read Chapter 6 in *User's Guide*. These are called *class* options. You *must* be root to do this.

Shell Prompts in Command Examples

The following table shows the default system prompt and superuser prompt for the C shell, Bourne shell, and Korn shell.

Table P-2 Shell Prompts

Shell	Prompt
C shell prompt	`machine_name%`
C shell superuser prompt	`machine_name#`
Bourne shell and Korn shell prompt	`$`
Bourne shell and Korn shell superuser prompt	`#`