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> *I got the following out of a security checklist, but am skeptical. Can anyone provide some feedback as to its validity (or lack of).*

It's definitely the case that Solaris rc\* scripts (which execute start and stop scripts in similarly named directories) will execute .sh files in the same shell and all others in a new shell. The rc\* scripts are simple shell scripts that you can read to verify that.

On older versions of Solaris you'd change the umask of processes started at boot time by creating a umask.sh script that gets run early in the boot sequence. For example

```
@ist[106]% more /etc/rc3.d/S00umask.sh
umask 022
```

On recent versions of Solaris the preferred method is to set it in /etc/default/init (but the previous strategy still works).