## Where to get sources

In this book, I've mentioned a large quantity of freely available software. Here's some information on how to get it.

All the software is available on the Internet, but a large quantity is also available on CD-ROM, sometimes ported to specific platforms. Your choice of where to get it from depends a lot on how often you need the software, how fast your connection to the Internet is and how much you pay to transfer data on the Internet. I personally prefer to keep as many packages as possible on CD-ROM.

## **CD-ROM** producers

A large number of companies produce CD-ROMs, but the following are of particular interest:

The Free Software Foundation 675 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge MA, 02139 Phone: +1 617 876 3296 Mail: gnu@prep.ai.mit.edu

The producers of GNU software. They sell a CD-ROM with all the GNU software. If you buy your CD-ROM here, you also help support the Free Software Foundation, which is dependent on such income to survive.

The primary Internet site for the Free Software Foundation is prepeai.mit.edu, and you can find the software in the directory /pub/gnu. This site is frequently overloaded, so please use more local mirrors where possible.

InfoMagic, Inc. P.O. Box 30370 Flagstaff AZ 86003-0370 Phone: +1-800-800-6613 +1-602-526-9565

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Fax: +1-602-526-9573 Mail: info@infomagic.com

A number of UNIX-oriented CDs, including Internet tools, Linux, and standards.

O'Reilly & Associates 103A Morris Street Sebastopol CA 95472 Phone: +1-800-998-9938 +1-707-829-0515 Fax: +1-707-829-0104 Mail: order@ora.com

Our favourite source. High-quality, well-thought out books on UNIX, many with CD-ROMs.

Prime Time Freeware 370 Altair Way, Suite 150 Sunnyvale CA 94086 Phone: +1-408-433-9662 Fax: +1-408-433-0727 Mail: ptf@cfcl.com

A small supplier of software of special interest to programmers: well-organized, six-monthly distributions of the latest software packages, source only, including separate editions for T<sub>E</sub>X and artificial intelligence. In addition, ported software for System V.4 (Intel) and Sun platforms.

Walnut Creek CD-ROM 4041 Pike Lane, Suite D-893 Concord CA 94520 Phone: +1-800-786-9907 +1-510-674-0783 Fax: +1-510-674-0821 Mail: orders@cdrom.com

By far the largest choice of CDs, including nearly everything the other companies have to offer. Mainly ported software, including definitive FreeBSD distribution and ported software for System V.4 (Intel), Linux, and Sun.

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## Appendix E: Where to get sources

## *Table E–1: Software sources*

Package	Internet site	CD suppliers
GNU software	prep.ai.mit.edu:/pub/gnu	FSF, PTF, WC
4.4BSD Lite		IM, <b>ORA</b> , WC
ghostscript	in GNU distribution	FSF, PTF, WC
jargon fi le	In GNU distribution	PTF, FSF
ncurses	netcom.com:pub/zmbenhal/ncurses	
patch	in GNU distribution	PTF, WC, FSF
RCS	in GNU distribution	PTF, WC, FSF
tcpdump	ftp.ee.lbl.gov	$WC^1$
TeX	ftp.shsu.edu:/tex-archive	PTF, WC
dvips	in TEX distribution	PTF
dviware	in TEX distribution	PTF
ghostview	in TEX distribution	PTF
POSIX.2 regex	zoo.toronto.edu:/pub	
SeeTeX	in TEX distribution	PTF
tlascii	in TEX distribution	PTF
X11	ftp.x.org:/pub/R6	PTF, ORA, WC
System V shared mem-	ftp.ora.com—fi ll in this space XXX	
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<sup>1</sup> *tcpdump* is included in the FreeBSD distribution.

The initials of the CD-ROM publishers are self-evident. The initials in **bold** print are, in my personal opinion, the best choice for the package in question. Your mileage may vary.