NAME

ss_m, set_shutdown_flag, setup_options - Class ss_m Methods for Initialization

SYNOPSIS

DESCRIPTION

These methods of class *ss_m* control initializing and shutting down the Shore storage manager (SSM). Constructing an instance of *ss_m* starts the SSM. Destroying the instance causes the SSM to shut down.

During construction, the SSM follows the steps discussed in the Recovery section of **The Shore Storage** Manager Programming Interface.

setup_options(option_group_t *)

The **setup_options** method adds storage manager specific options to the *option_group_t*. These options must be initialized before the **ss_m** constructor is called.

ss_m()

The **ss_m** constructor initializes all SSM data structures, and performs recovery based on the current log. Only one instance of **ss_m** may be in existence at any one time (this is enforced by the constructor).

Part of SSM initialization includes allocating a buffer pool. The buffer pool is located in shared memory, so the operating system must have shared-memory support to accommodate the size of the buffer pool. If insufficient shared memory is available, the SSM prints a message indicating how much shared memory it is trying to acquire, and exits.

set_shutdown_flag(clean)

The **set_shutdown_flag** method can be used to simulate a crash. If *clean* is set to **false**, the SSM will not flush any buffers when **ss_m()** is called. If *clean* is set to **true**, all data pages and logs are flushed to disk, and no recovery processing will be needed when the SSM is restarted. This is the normal operation of the storage manager.

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~ss_m()
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The **ss_m** destructor flushes all buffers in the buffer pool to disk (unless **set_shutdown_flag(clean)** was used to defeat this) and frees all the resources used by the SSM.

ERRORS

Failure to properly construct/destruct the SSM will result in a **fatal** error that will print a message and exit the program.

See **errors**(**ssm**) for more information on error-handling.

EXAMPLES

To Do.

VERSION

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SEE ALSO

intro(ssm), volume(ssm), options(common), transaction(ssm)