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runoff_abs

Command

Development System

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Name: runoff_abs

This command submits an absentee request to perform runoffs of segments. The absentee process for which runoff_abs submits a request will prepare each segment named in manuscript form, and store each outputed segment in segname.runoff in the user's working directory. runoff_abs then queues each segname.runoff for printing by the i/o daemon, and deletes segname.runoff. Printing can be withheld if output through other devices is desired, in which case runoff_abs will not delete any segname.runoff. If any of the input segments can not be found, no absentee request will be submitted.

Usage

runoff_abs path1 ... pathn -runoff control arguments -submit_absentee_request control arguments -runoff_abs control arguments

- 1. path <u>i</u> can be absolute or relative pathnames. If more than one pathname is given, each segment will be considered a separate runoff task.
- 2. runoff control arguments may be one or more control arguments accepted by the runoff command, see its description. Control arguments must begin with a minus sign (-).
- 3. submit_absentee_request control arguments may be one or more control arguments accepted by the submit_absentee_request command, except -bf or -brief. See its description. Control arguments must begin with a minus sign.

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4. runoff_abs control arguments may be any of the following in any order.

-queue \underline{n} specifies in which priority queue the request is to be placed (n \leq 3). The default queue is 3.

-copy \underline{n} specifies the number of copies of the segment to be dprinted. The default is 1.

-hold specifies do not dprint, and runoff_abs will not delete the segments segname.runoff created by runoff. Each segname.runoff will be formatted for printing on an IBM 2741 terminal, with a 963 print element, unless some other output form is specified by one of the runoff control arguments.

Control arguments and pathnames may be mixed freely in the command line. All control arguments apply to all pathnames. An unrecognizable control argument will cause the absentee request not to be submitted.

Note

When doing several runoffs, it is more efficient to give several segnames in one command. Since only one process has to be set up with one command. Thus the links that need to be snapped when setting up a process and when invoking runoff need be snapped only once.

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