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### Identification

remove

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### Purpose

This command removes a branch and/or a directory subtree from the file system.

### Usage

At command level:

```
remove path
```

As a subroutine:

```
call remove_(path, code);
dcl path char(*),          /*path pointing to
                           entry to be removed*/
code fixed bin(17);       /*command system error
                           code*/
```

The branch effectively pointed to by path is removed. If path is specified as a directory (i.e., ends with ">") then the directory and its subtree are deleted. Write permission is necessary in the branch and its directory. If path is a link, the link itself is unchanged and effectively will point to a nonexistent entry.

### Examples

1) remove (seg1, seg2, seg3>)

The branches "seg1" and "seg2" are removed and the directory "seg3" and its subtree are deleted.

2) remove ([files >user\_dir\_dir>\*\*])

This deletes all branches and directories effectively pointed to in ">user\_dir\_dir".

3) If the link "george" in the working directory effectively points to ">user\_dir\_dir>fruits>pear" then the command:

remove george

deletes the branch "pear" in the directory  
">user\_dir\_dir>fruits".

### Implementation

setpath breaks the path name into a directory and entry name. ufo\$chase (BY.2.01) chases the entry to find the branch pointed to and this branch and, if necessary, its subtree are deleted by a call to ufo\$delentry (BY.2.01). Errors are reported by a call to command\_error.