

**NAME**

`chdir`, `cd` — change working directory

**SYNOPSIS**

`chdir` *directory*

`cd` *directory*

**DESCRIPTION**

*Directory* becomes the new working directory. The process must have execute (search) permission in *directory*.

Because a new process is created to execute each command, *chdir* would be ineffective if it were written as a normal command. It is therefore recognized and executed by the Shell.

**SEE ALSO**

`sh(1)`, `pwd(1)`