

# find

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find searches a directory for files

find /tmp -type d -print  
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directory   which files   action to do  
to search    with the    with the  
              files       files



here are my favourite find arguments!

## -name

the filename! eg  
-name '\*.txt'

## -type [TYPE]

f: regular file   l: symlink  
d: directory     + more!

## -path

search the full path!  
-path '/home/\*//\*.go'

## -maxdepth NUM

only descend NUM levels  
when searching a directory

## -mtime NUM

files that were modified  
at most NUM days  
in the past (also ctime, atime)

## -print

action: print filename of  
files found. The default.  
Use -print0 with xargs -0!

## -exec COMMAND

action: run COMMAND on  
every file found

## -delete

action: delete all files found

## locate

The locate command  
searches a database of  
every file on your system.

good: faster than find  
bad: can get out of date

**\$sudo updatedb**  
updates the database