

## Finding recent files with ls and 'FIAt'

A quick way to find recently changed files is to pass the -FIAt flags to ls. Combined with head, this command can give you a quick overview of recently modified files in a directory. The -F option distinguishes certain types of files and directories by adding extra characters (such as '/' for directories, '\*' for executables, etc.). The -t option sorts the entries by the date they were last modified. Piping the output to head shows (by default) only 10 entries.

### Code Listing 1

```
# ls -FIAt | head
```

For more information, see `man ls`.

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