

# Spotlight

## Exclude folders from index

It seems like `.metadata_never_index` method does not work anymore, since Mojave.

However \*.noindex and symlink aren't indexed by mds (the backend of Spotlight).

For example rename all node\_modules to node\_modules.noindex and create a symlink  
node\_modules -> node\_modules.noindex

```
find /path/to/projects -type d \( -path '*node_modules/*' -o -path '*node_module.noindex/*' \) \  
-prune -o -type d -name 'node_modules' -exec mv '{}' '{}.noindex' \;  
-exec ln -s '{}.noindex' '{}' \;
```

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