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Wildcards

• Wildcard represents letters and characters used to specify a file name for searches. You can use a wild card to get a long list of all files in the current directory.

- The * wildcard it matches anything and nothing and matches any number. You should use the * wildcard when you want to list all files with a particular file extension.
- The? wild card matches with one character. It proves very useful when working with hidden files.
- The [] wild card matches a single character in range.

Brace expansion

• It is not a wildcard but it is another feature of bash that allows you to generate strings with commands.

Example of brace expansion

• mkdir-p music/{jazz,rock}/{mp3files,videos,oggfiles}/new{1...3}