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Secure copy.
Copy files between hosts using Secure Copy Protocol over SSH.
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• Copy a local file to a remote host:

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scp {{path/to/local_file}} {{remote_host}}:{{path/to/remote_file}}
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• Copy a file from a remote host to a local folder:

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scp {{remote_host}}:{{path/to/remote_file}} {{path/to/local_dir}}
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• Recursively copy the contents of a directory from a remote host to a local directory:

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scp -r {{remote_host}}:{{path/to/remote_dir}} {{path/to/local_dir}}
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• Copy a file between two remote hosts transferring through the local host:

```
scp -3 {{host1}}:{{path/to/remote_file}} {{host2}}:{{path/to/remote_dir}}
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• Use a specific username when connecting to the remote host:

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scp {{path/to/local_file}} {{remote_username}}@{{remote_host}}:
{{path/to/remote_dir}}
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• Use a specific ssh private key for authentication with the remote host:

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scp -i {{~/.ssh/private_key}} {{local_file}} {{remote_host}}:
{{/path/remote_file}}
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