Using NeCTAR Cloud Virtual Machines

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FileZilla

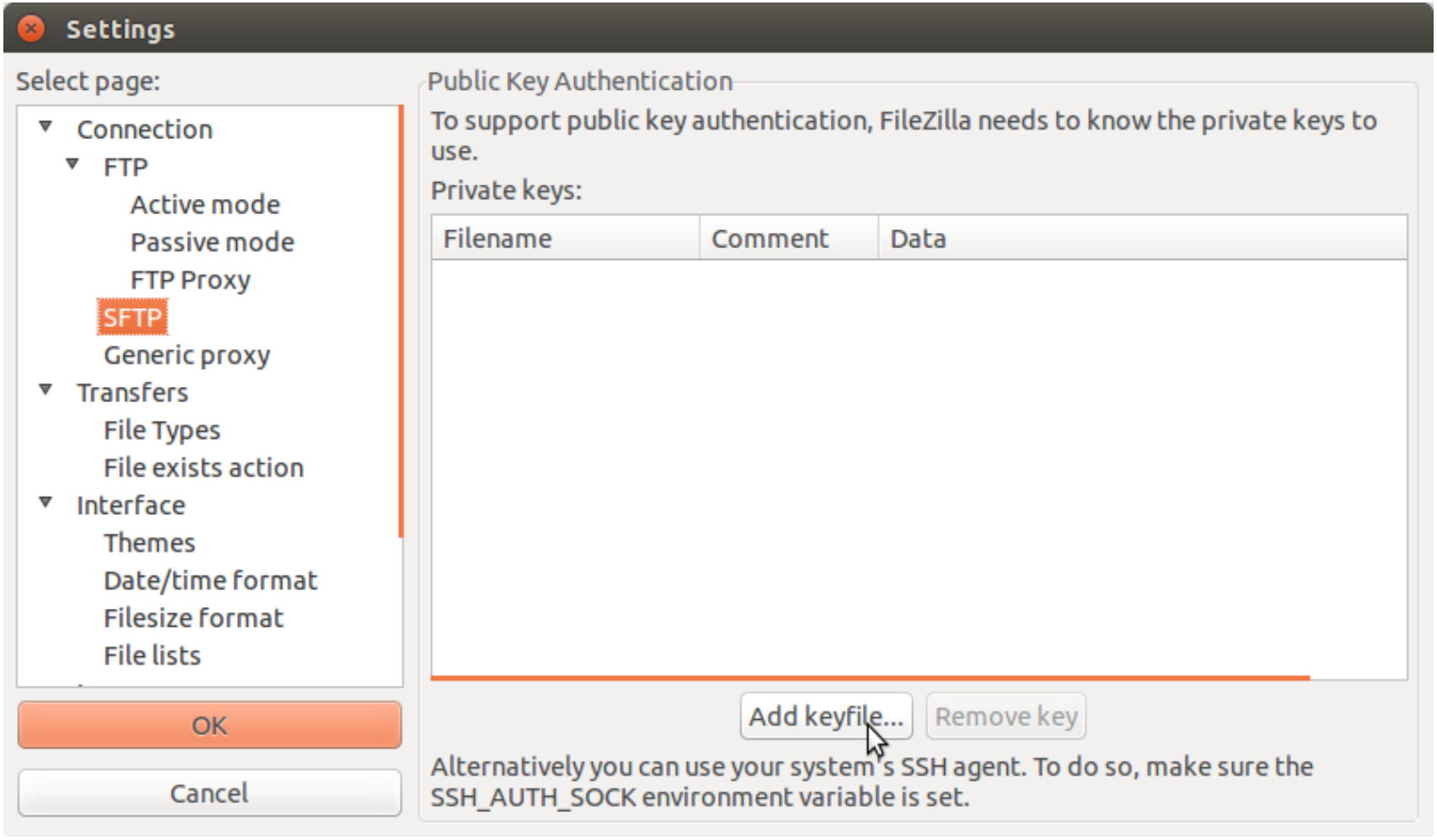
FileZilla is one of many programs that provides easy, point-and-click SFTP (secure file transfer protocol). Not only can you easily transfer files between your local computer and your virtual machine (VM), but you can also open and edit documents that are on your VM, using programs on your local computer.

Download and Install FileZilla

1. For Ubuntu - Install from the Ubuntu Software Centre app
2. Mac and Windows - Download the program file `https://filezilla-project.org/download.php?type=client`
3. Double click file - follow installation instructions for Windows
4. For Mac - drag the filezilla.app file to your Applications folder.
5. Open FileZilla

Add SSH keyfile

- Click the menu options
  FileZilla OR Edit -> Settings OR Preferences -> Connection -> SFTP
- Click ***Add key file*** and navigate to the folder storing your SSH keys.
  - *For Mac and Ubuntu:*
    The keys are in '~/.ssh/' which will be hidden from view. There is a button in the window to allow you to type the address; enter '**.ssh**' in the input bar).*
- Choose your private key.
  FileZilla might ask to convert the fileformat. Click OK.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Select page:
Connection
FTP
Active mode
Passive mode
FTP Proxy
SFTP
Generic proxy
Transfers
File Types
File exists action
Interface
Themes
Date/time format
Filesize format
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OK
Cancel
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Private keys:
Filename
Comment
Data
Add keyfile...
Remove key
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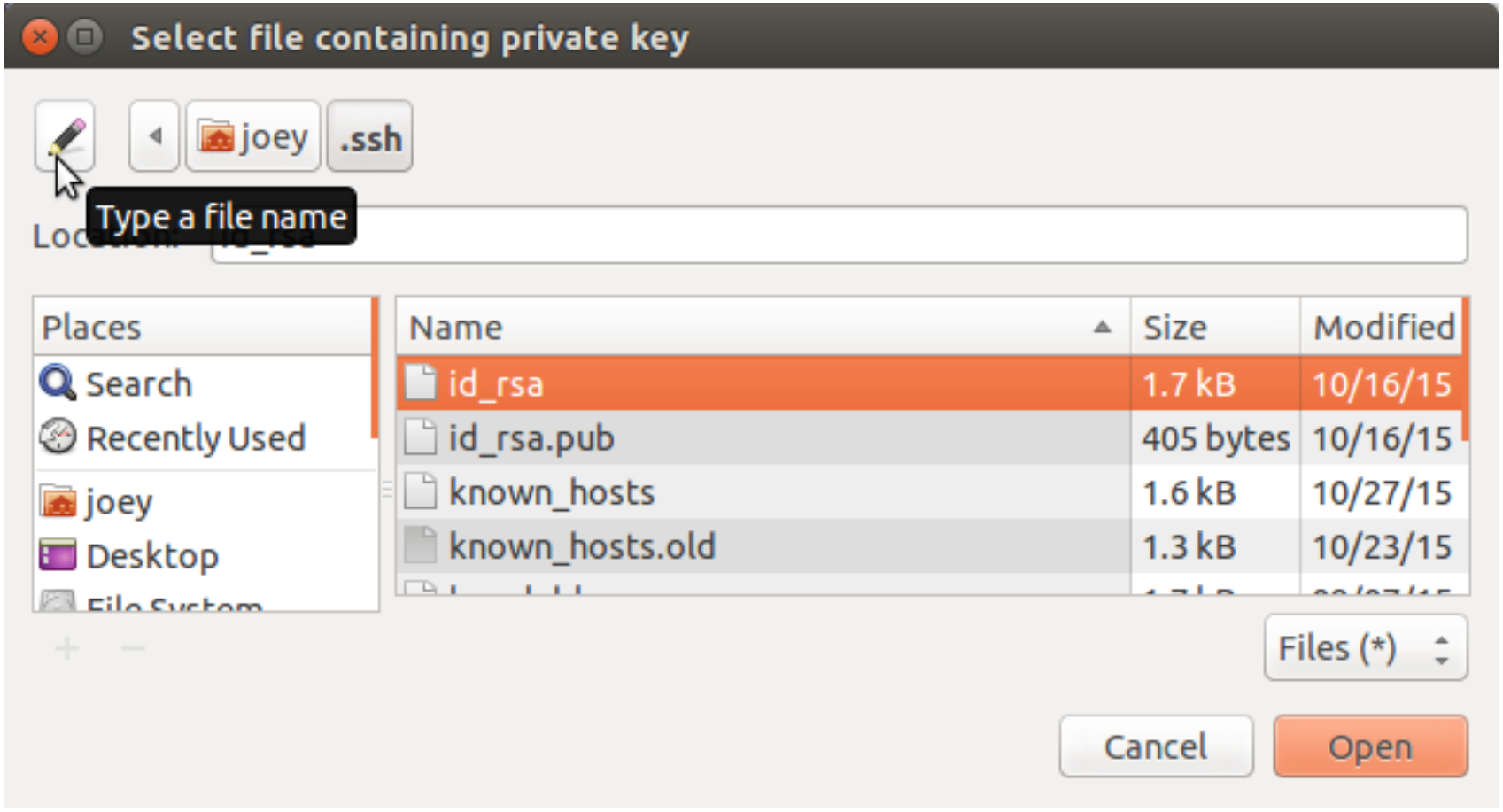
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joey
.ssh
Type a file name
Places
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Recently Used
joey
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1.3 kB
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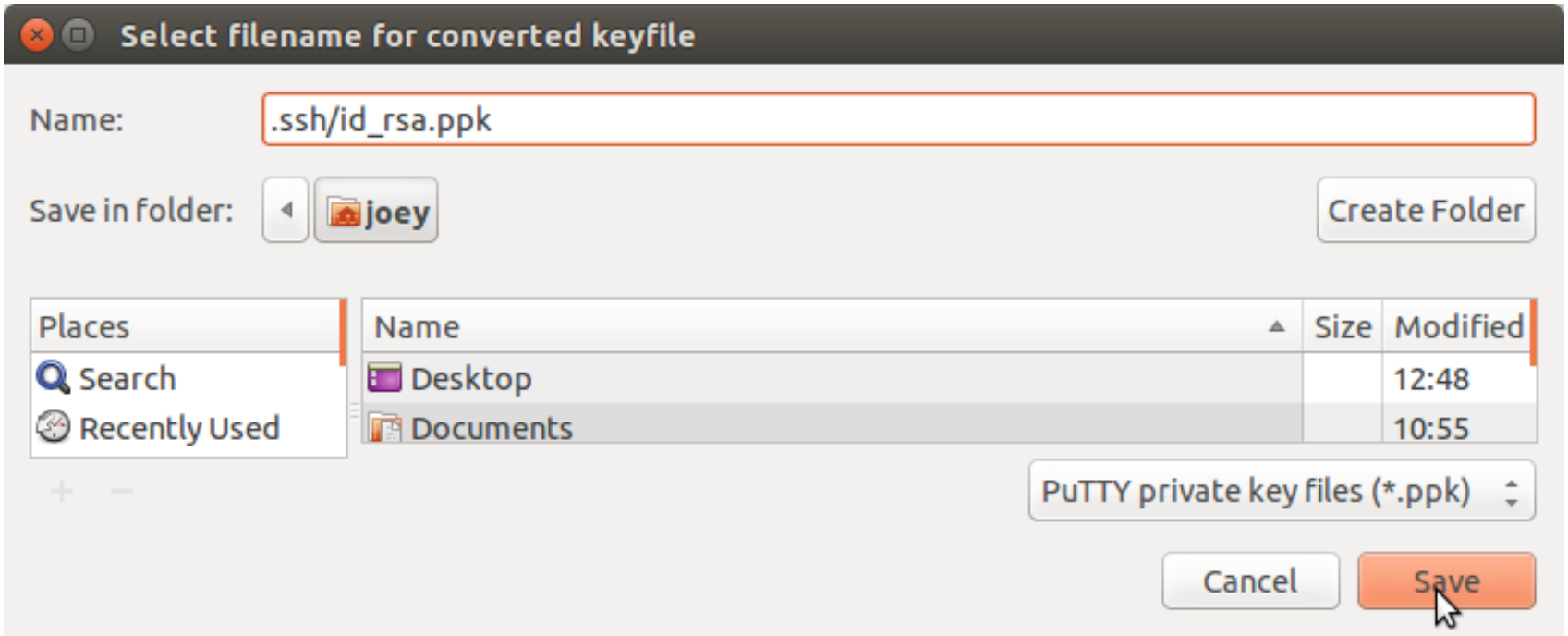
Files (*)
Cancel
Open


Select filename for converted keyfile
Name:
.ssh/id_rsa.ppk
Save in folder:
joey
Create Folder
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Search
Recently Used
Name
Size
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Desktop
12:48
Documents
10:55
PuTTY private key files (*.ppk)
Cancel
Save

Connecting FileZilla to the VM

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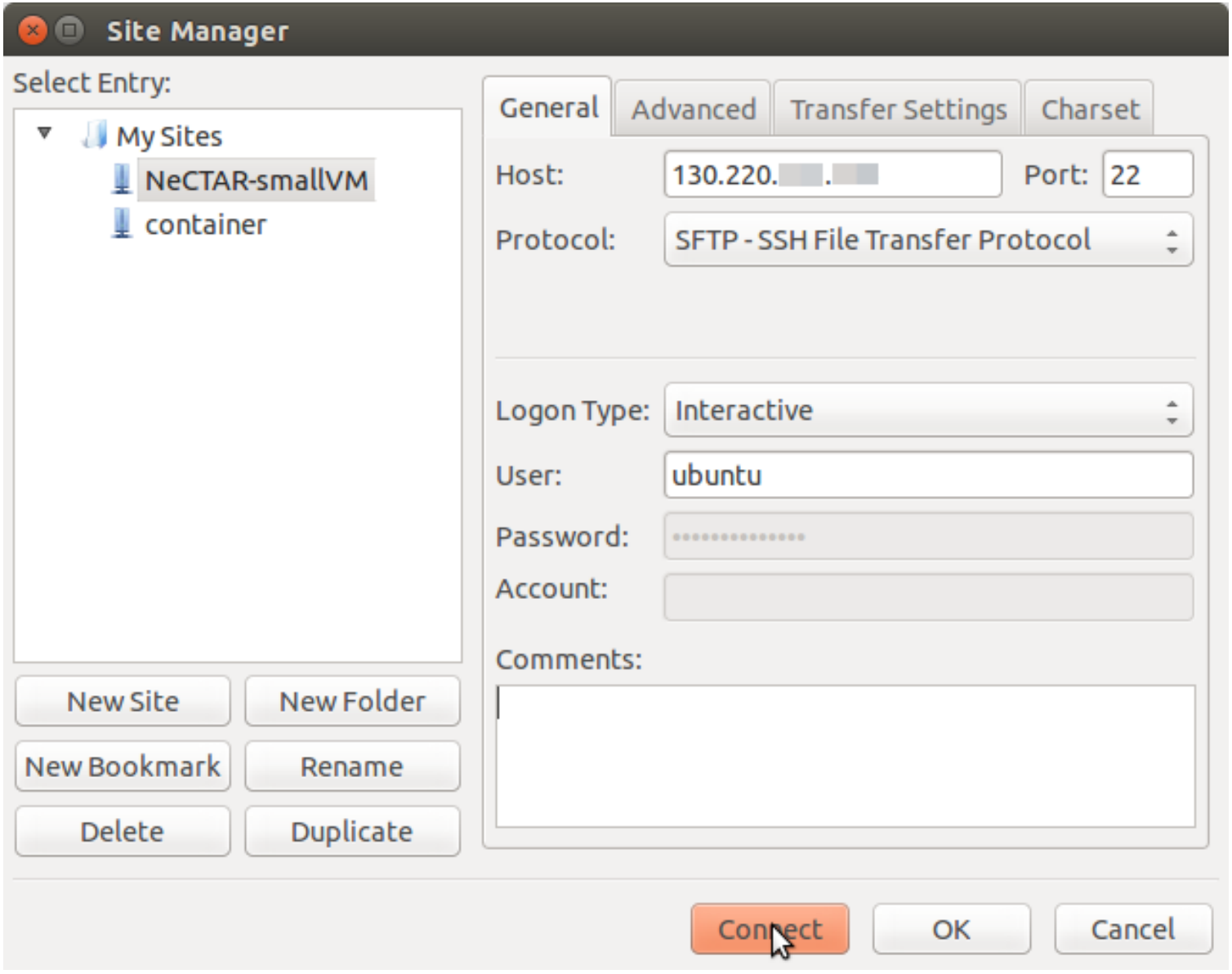
5. The user is **'ubuntu'** (or 'host' if your VM has a different operating system)
6. Click ***Connect***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NeCTAR-smallVM
container
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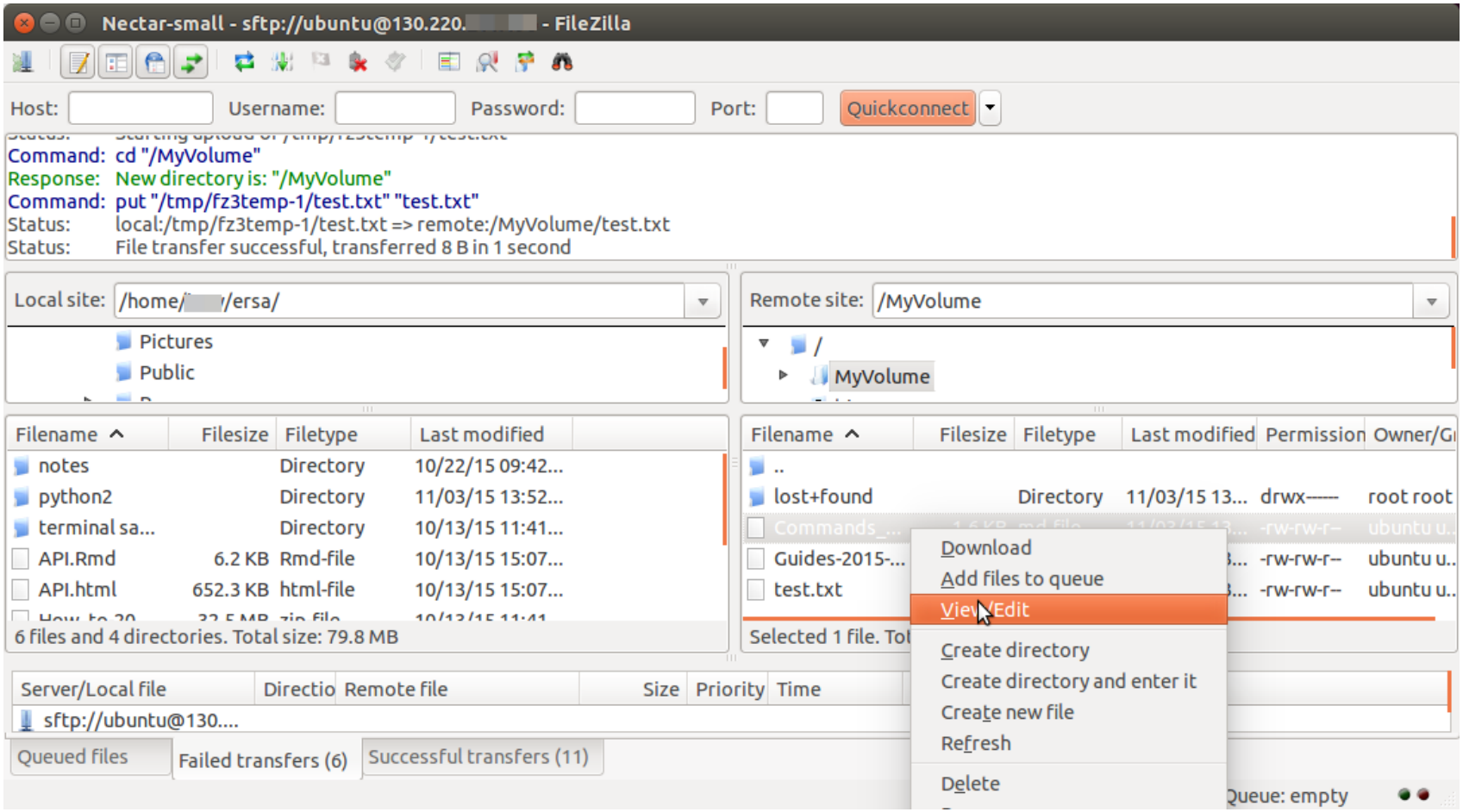
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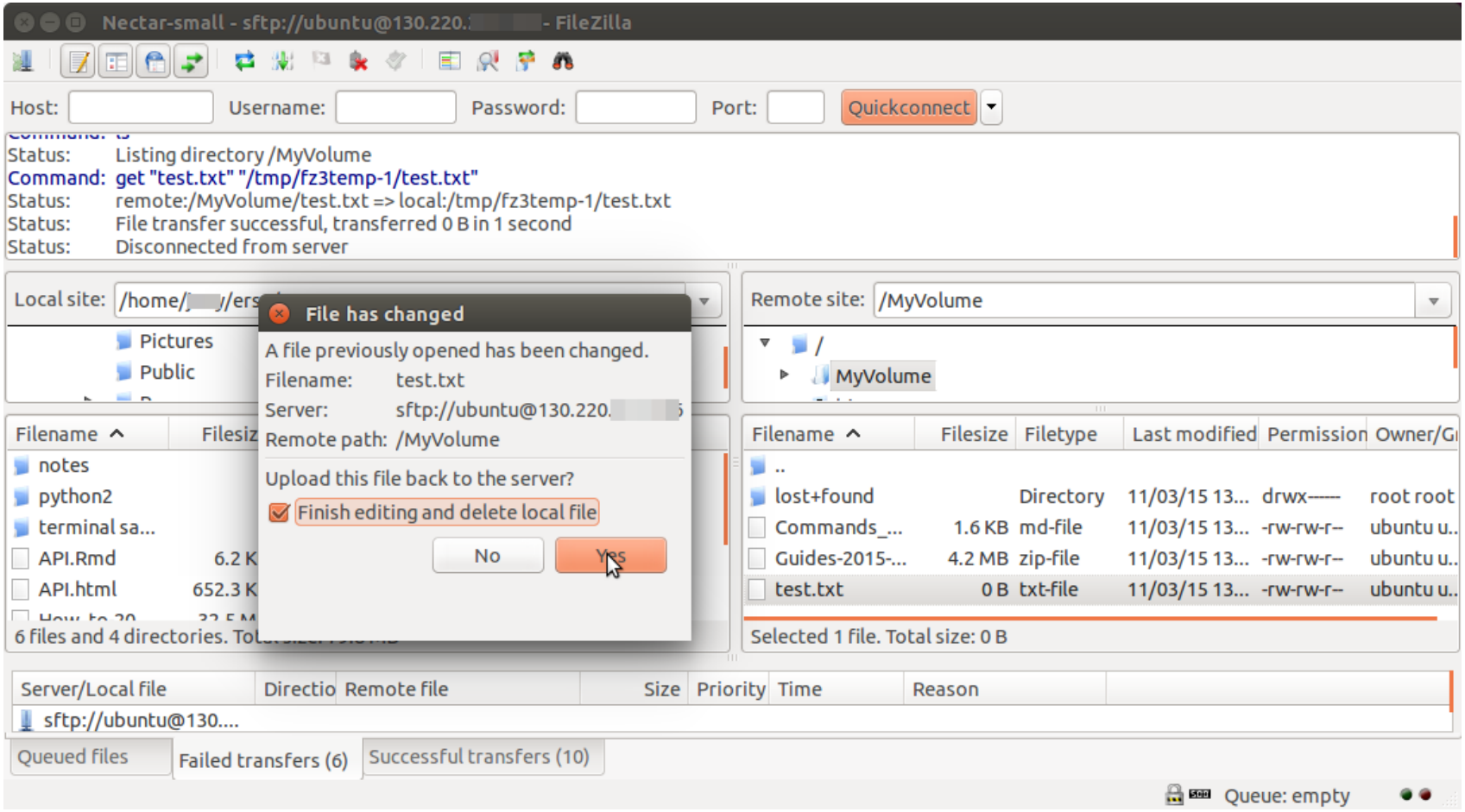

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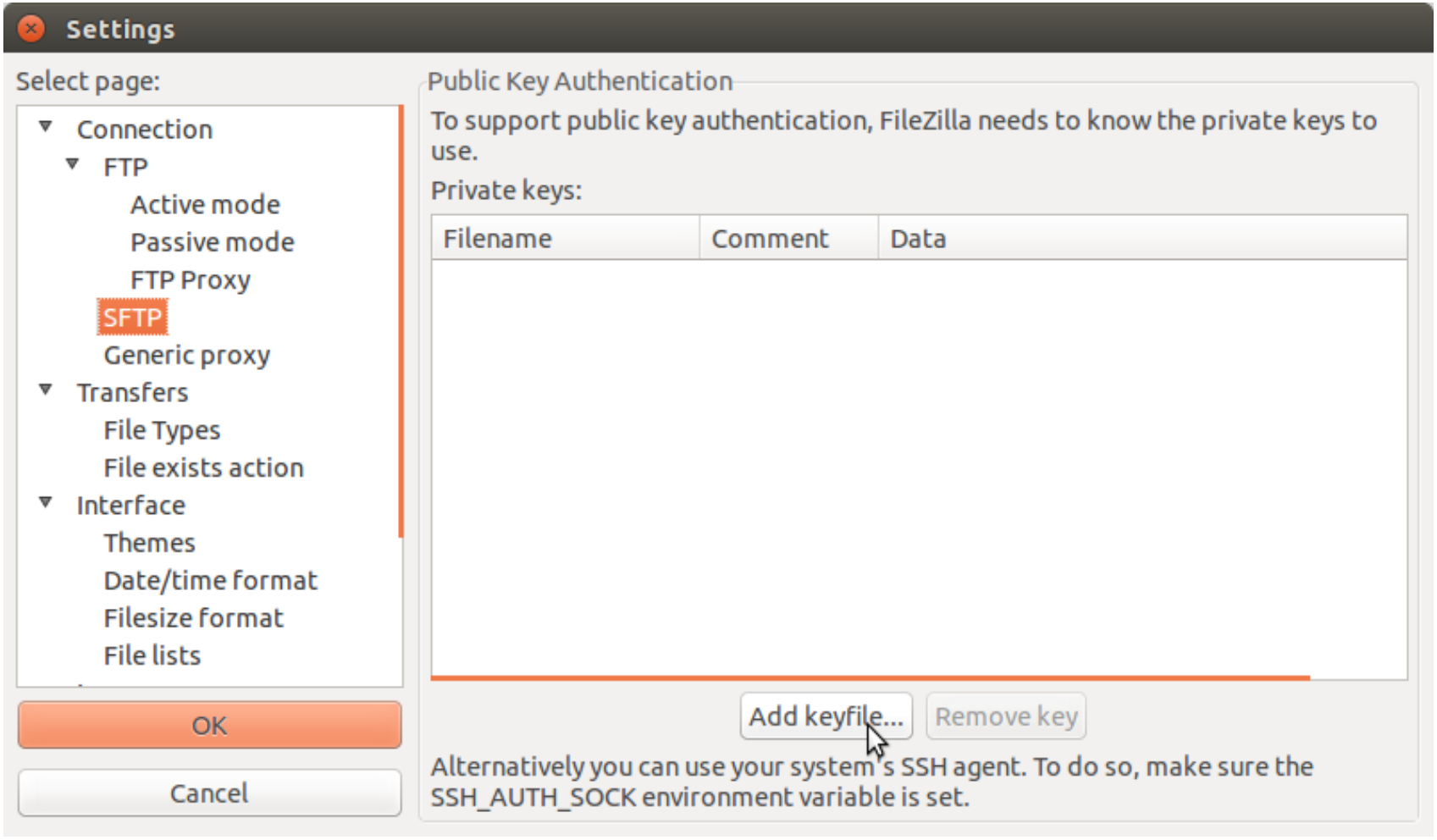
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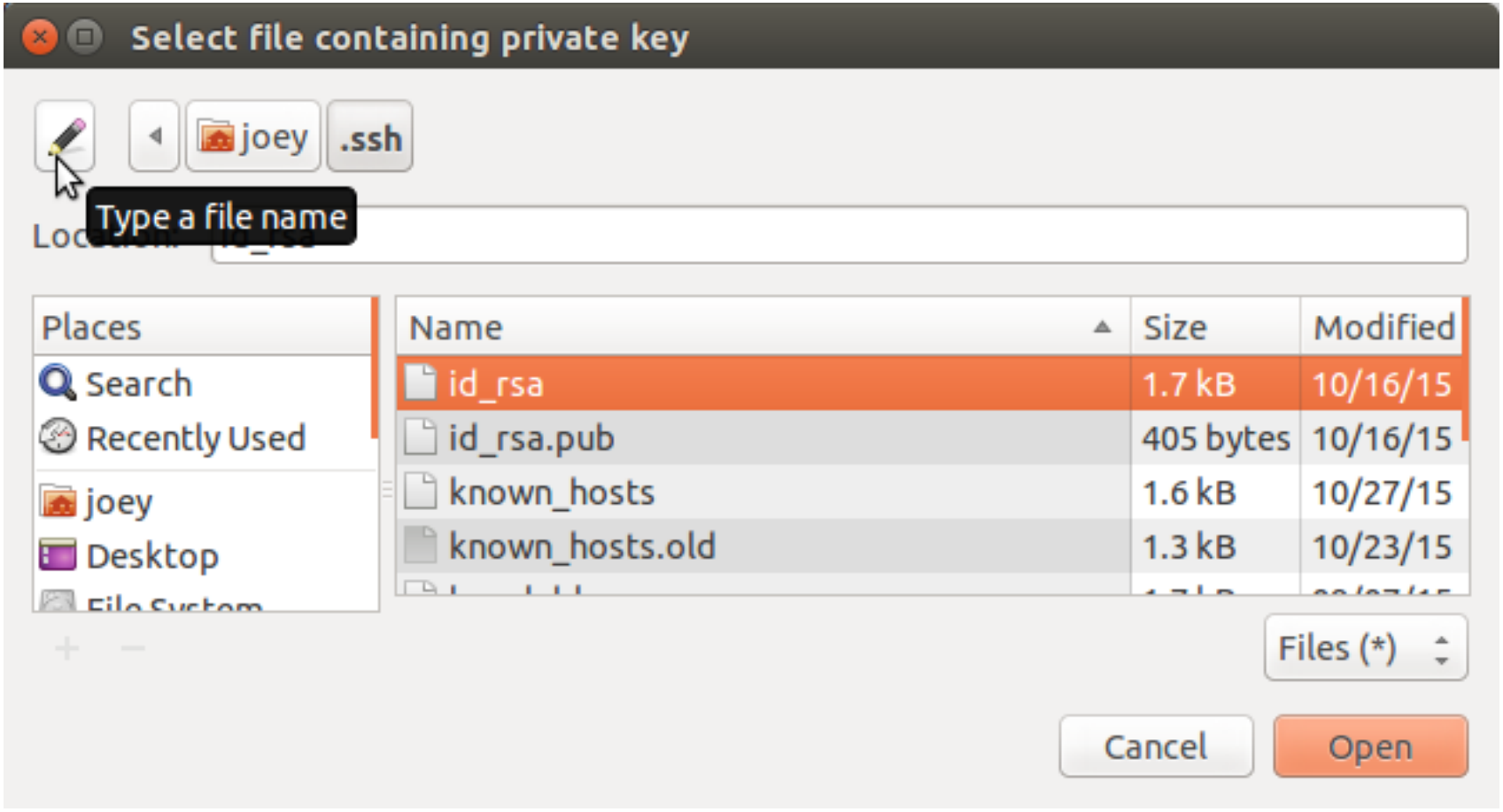
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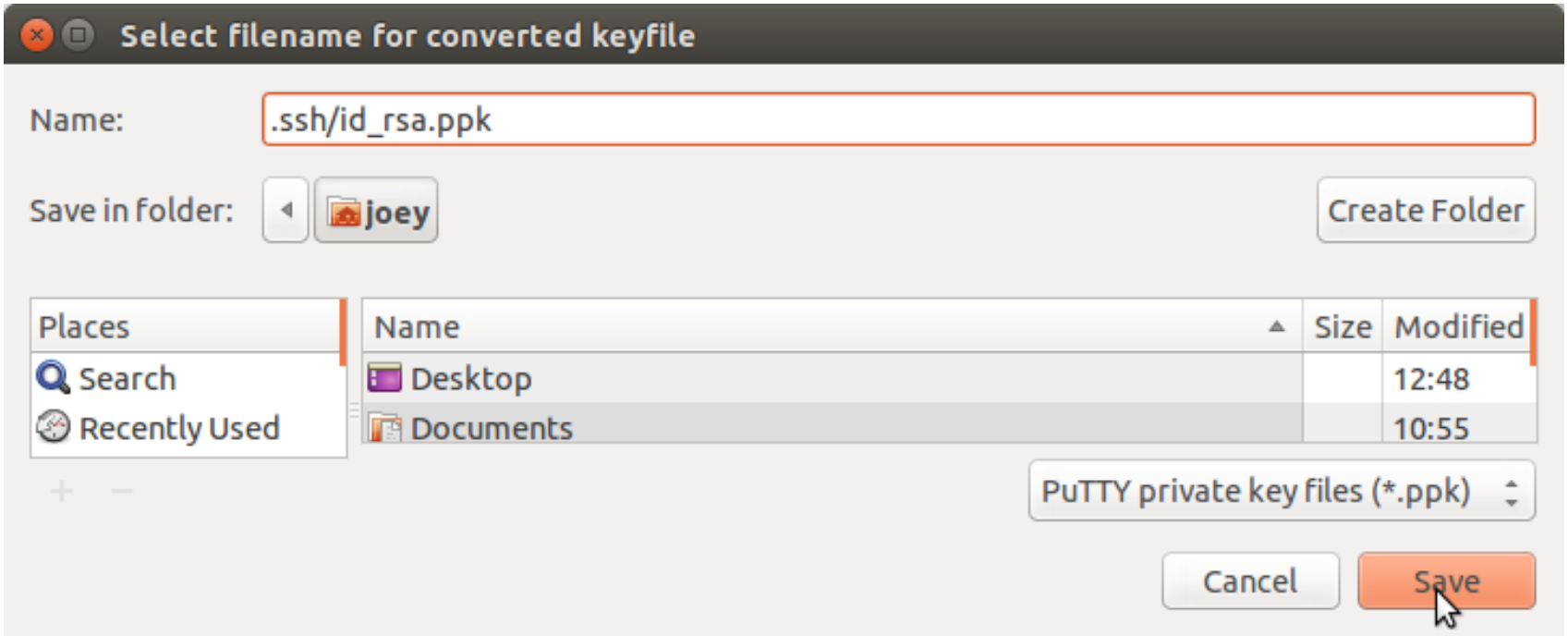
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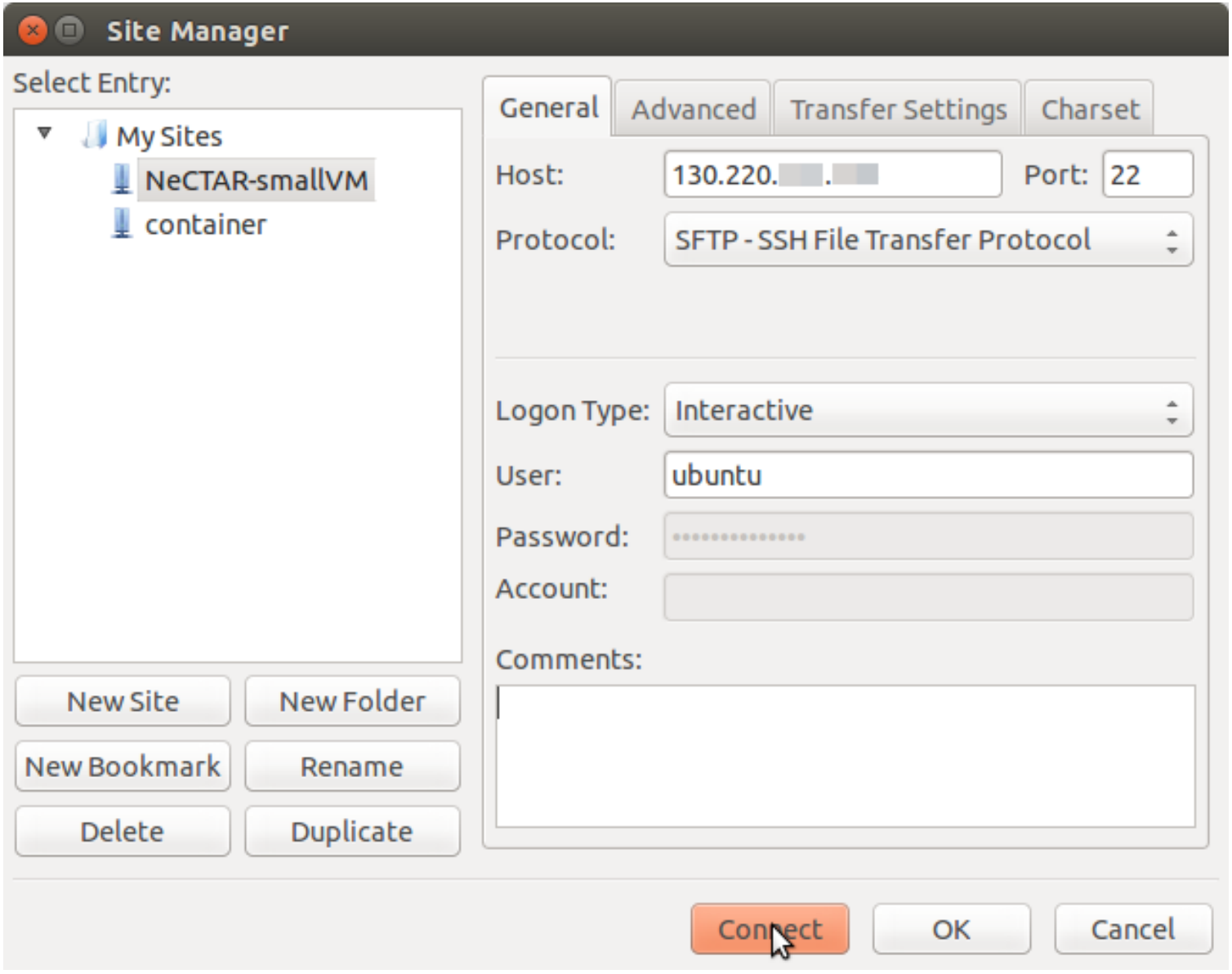
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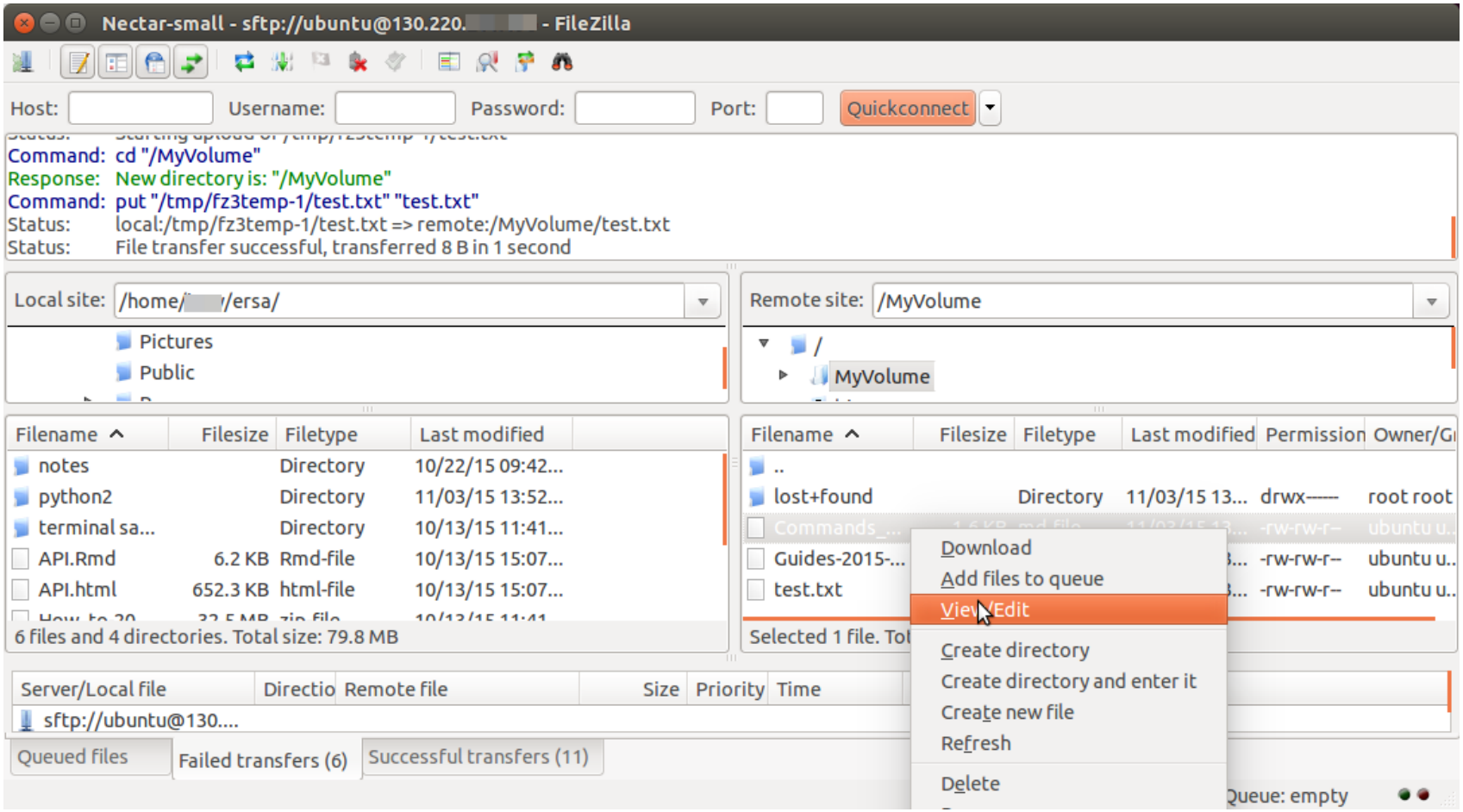
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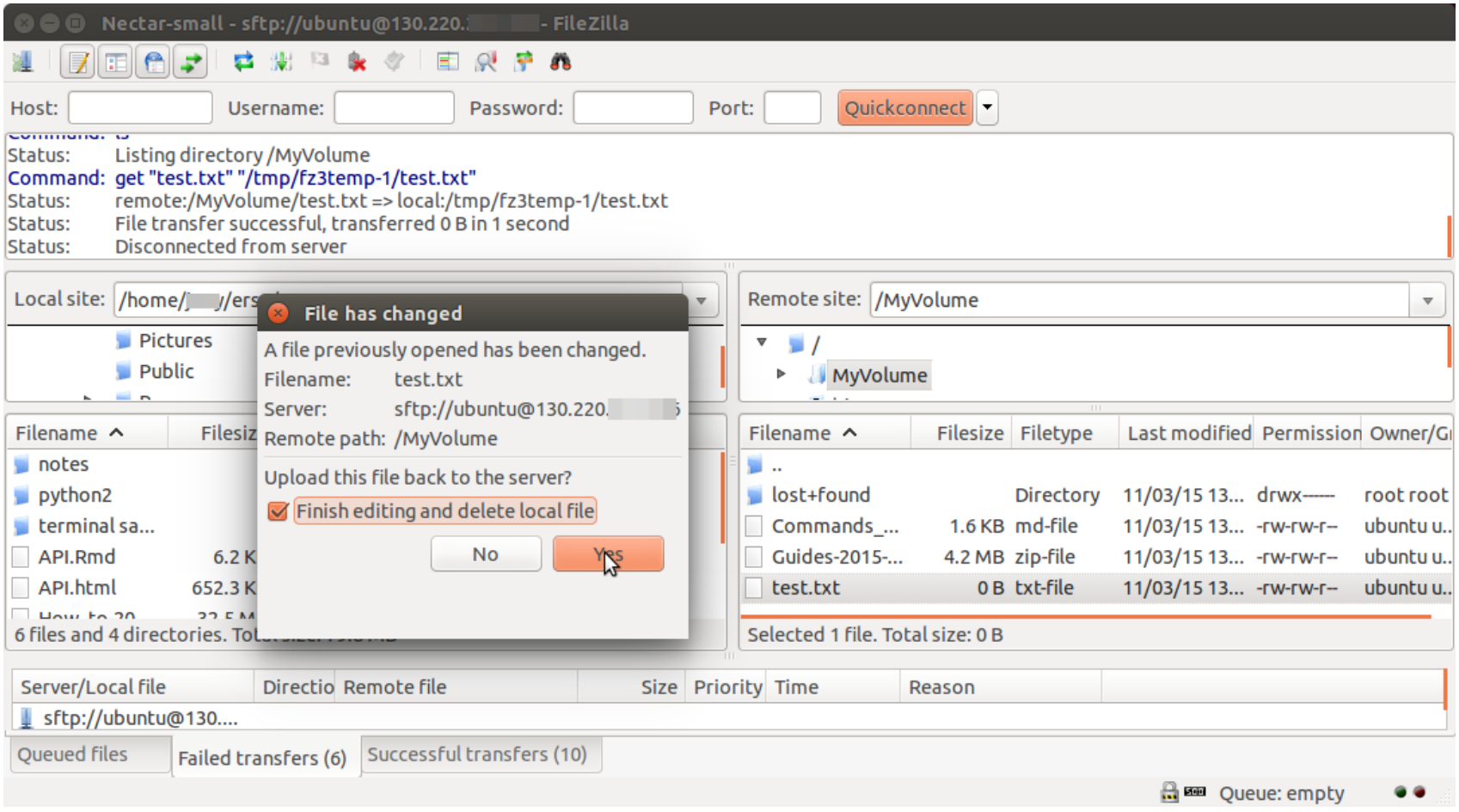
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Status: Listing directory /MyVolume
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Status: remote:/MyVolume/test.txt => local:/tmp/fz3temp-1/test.txt
Status: File transfer successful, transferred 0 B in 1 second
Status: Disconnected from server
Local site:
Pictures
Public
Filename
notes
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File has changed
A file previously opened has been changed.
Filename: test.txt
Server: sftp://ubuntu@130.220.
Remote path: /MyVolume
Upload this file back to the server?
Finish editing and delete local file
No
Yes
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