



## SecurityFocus Secure Shell: Re: Controlling ssh from an external program

> *secureshell@securityfocus.com*  
> *cc:*  
> *Subject: Re: Controlling ssh from an external*  
> *program*  
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> *Oh yes, use perl and Net::SSH::Perl from CPAN.*  
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> *It's a pain to build--> many, many requirements, but*  
> *it works very nice for this type of thing. It's a*  
> *complete ssh implementation, you don't even need*  
> *openssh to install it I believe. It can do things*  
> *like go interactive, pass username/password, return*  
> *good return codes, stderr, stdout, etc.*  
>  
> *Contact me off-list if you need help building it.*  
> *It's easier to build on linux than Solaris. But*  
> *I've*  
> *used it on both.*  
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> *Jerry*  
> *QX19*  
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> *--- Jeff Anderson <jander@hundredacrewood.org>*  
> *wrote:*  
>  
> *Hi -*  
>  
> *I am working on a linux remote administration*  
> *tool,*  
> *and I would like to be*  
> *able to control ssh/scp via an external program. I*  
> *know the standard answer*  
> *to this is to use expect, however this is NOT an*  
> *option.*  
>  
> *The next standard answer is to use an empty*  
> *passphrase or ssh-agent, but I*  
> *cannot guarantee that the remote system will have*  
> *a*  
> *keypair, so I need to be*  
> *able to fallback on password authentication if*  
> *that*  
> *fails. The controlling*  
> *program needs to be able to feed the password to*  
> *ssh/scp.*  
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>  
> *Additionally, I can only use an unmodified version*  
> *of openssh (i.e. whatever*  
> *version is available on the system that the admin*

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> > *tool is run from).*

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> > *Any ideas?????*

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> > *Jeff Anderson*

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