# **Getting support**

### Trying to solve issues by yourself

The first thing to do when a crash occurs is to check your output files (specified in -o and -e PBS parameters). In most cases, crash details are written inside and are human-readable.

#### Example:

Your job is crashing each time you try to run it and, in your output files, you can read:

#### output

```
[...]
Traceback (most recent call last):
   File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
   File "/shared/compilers/python/2.7.5/gnu/lib/python2.7/site-
packages/h5py-2.5.0-py2.7-linux-x86_64.egg/h5py/__init__.py", line 13,
in <module>
    from . import _errors
ImportError: libhdf5.so.9: cannot open shared object file: No such file
or directory
```

As you can notice above, the library libhdf5.so.9 is missing. So, the good way to solve it yourself is to wonder where is located the expected library (manifestly not in a common environment); and the good response is to load the afferent module, simply doing:

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$ module load hdf5
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This is an easy-to-understand example but it represents the vast majority of user support requests.

## Asking help to your PI

After having tried to solve your problem by yourself, you should try askin help to your PI who probably have a long-term user experience with the computing resources available here and/or elsewhere.

### Asking help to the users community of LBT's computing resources

Because you are part of the users community of the LBT's computing resources, a mailing-list has been created to share your issues and experience by sending an e-mail to cluster-users@ibpc.fr. If you are not part of this list, you should contact IBPC IT team (at lbt-info@ibpc.fr) to register into.

This mailing-list will also be used to inform you about computing resources evolution.

All user-support requests concerning LBT's computing resources should be done sending an email at <a href="https://libb.nico.org/lbc.ir">https://lbc.info@ibpc.fr</a>.

That said, if -and only if- your request concerns the LBT's computational and storage resources (not the IBPC network and services neither desktop machines), you can contact me directly sending a well-formed email at <a href="mailto:geoffrey.letessier@cnrs.fr">geoffrey.letessier@cnrs.fr</a>.

What I mean by "well-formed email": if possible, your email should include the following 4 pieces of information:

- Description of your issue.
- Is your issue reproducible? (i.e.: does it happen everytime in the same conditions?)
- The full path of your crashing job
- The 2 output files provided by Torque resource manager (files generated by the -e and -o PBS options in your job script), being sure you are using the script I provided here



If your problem is that your job is blocked on queue, please dont kill it and provide me the output of "checkjob -vv <job-ID>" command

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