

## Using the arlink protocol at IPGP Data Center

The **arlink server** at IPGP Data Center is:

```
arlink.ipgp.fr  
Port 18001
```

### ***arlink\_fetch tool***

To use *arlink\_fetch* tool, get the latest release and install it from:

<https://www.seiscomp3.org/download.html>

Using *arlink\_fetch*, the user submits the request (ascii file) to the *arlink server*.

The format of the request is:

```
START_TIME END_TIME NETWORK STATION CHANNEL LOCATION
```

### **Examples:**

- retrieve an inventory of data available in the data center

Request file (*request.txt*) looks like:

```
2016,1,1,0,0,0 2035,1,1,0,0,0 * * * *
```

submitting the request:

```
arlink_fetch -a arlink.ipgp.fr:18001 -u myemail@location -k inv -v -o  
inventory.xml request.txt
```

- retrieve miniseed data

Request file (*request.txt*) looks like:

```
2018,10,25,0,0,0 2018,10,31,0,0,0 WI BIM * *
```

submitting the request:

```
arlink_fetch -a arlink.ipgp.fr:18001 -u myemail@location -k mseed -v -o  
WI.BIM.mseed request.txt
```

## ***The ObsPy Library***

**Obspy** (<http://obspy.org>) is a Python Toolbox for processing seismological data.

Example using ObsPy in a Python script to submit an arlink request:

```
from obspy.core import UTCDateTime  
from obspy.arlink.client import Client  
  
client = Client(host='arlink.ipgp.fr', port=18001, user='myemail@location',  
debut=False) client.status_delay=3  
t=UTCDateTime("2011-01-10 18:36:59")  
st = client.getWaveform("G", "RER", "00", "BH*", t, t + 60 * 60)  
st.plot()
```