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LCD computing troubleshooting

This page presents several tips on several issues found when using SLC6 or SLC5

timeout in locking authority file /home/username/.Xauthority

When logging on a machine with ssh (e.g. from lxplus to your desktop PC) with X11 forwarding, you get an error

```
/usr/bin/xauth: timeout in locking authority file /home/username/.Xauthority
```

This happens because of selinux. You need to check the status of selinux

```
sestatus
```

should give you in the case of the presence of the error something like

```
SELinux status:                enabled
SELinuxfs mount:              /selinux
Current mode:                  enforcing
Mode from config file:        enforcing
Policy version:                24
Policy from config file:      targeted
```

As you see the current status is `enforcing`, and that's what is causing the problem. You need to become root with `su` then run

```
setenforce 0
```

and this should then make the output of `sestatus` look like

```
SELinux status:                enabled
SELinuxfs mount:              /selinux
Current mode:                  permissive
Mode from config file:        enforcing
Policy version:                24
Policy from config file:      targeted
```

Now you should be able to log on the machine using ssh.

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