

Using the Network Drives

A network drive is a storage area on a mainframe computer that you can access from a PC as though it was a local drive installed on your machine, as long as it is connected to the university network. Software used for simulation in Biol 405 is on the network drive so that you can use it from any machine on campus. If you know how to use network drives, go to \\hoppernew\labshare and look in the folder "Biol 405". If not, open the "My Computer" icon on the desktop and look at the Network Drives section. If the computer has accessed the appropriate drive recently, you will see a drive labeled "labshare on 'hoppernew' (Q)". Double click on this drive to access it and proceed to *copying from network drive to hard drive* below.

Mapping a network drive

1. Start Windows Explorer (Start-Programs-Accessories)
2. In Windows Explorer, Go to Tools in the main menu
3. Under Tools, click "Map Network Drive". A pop-up menu appears.
4. Note the letter that appears in the box labeled Drive.
5. In the box labeled Path, type \\hoppernew\labshare
6. Click OK.
7. Now, in the directory at the left of Windows Explorer, there will be a drive designated by the letter you noted above. This drive will work just like a hard drive on the computer. The network drive will be logged onto labshare. There will be a folder labeled Biol 405, which contains the software folders for the course.

Copying from network drive to hard drive

In Windows Explorer, click the icon for drive C, then go to file, click on new, click on folder.

A folder named "New Folder" will appear in the directory
Scroll down to the new folder and rename it Biol 405.

Copy the software you'll be using into the new Biol 405 folder you created on drive C

Go to the network drive and open the Biol 405 folder

Right click on the software folder (Populus, Populus34, or GenX), then click on Copy from the pop-up menu

Right click on the new Biol 405 folder on drive C, then click Paste

To run the software, close the network drive, open the Biol 405 folder on drive C, and double click on the .exe file for the program you wish to use.

Removing Biol 405 software from drive C

After you are done with the simulation, delete the Biol 405 folder you created from drive C by right clicking on the folder and selecting Delete.