

Example of how to install the network version of Design-Expert 8

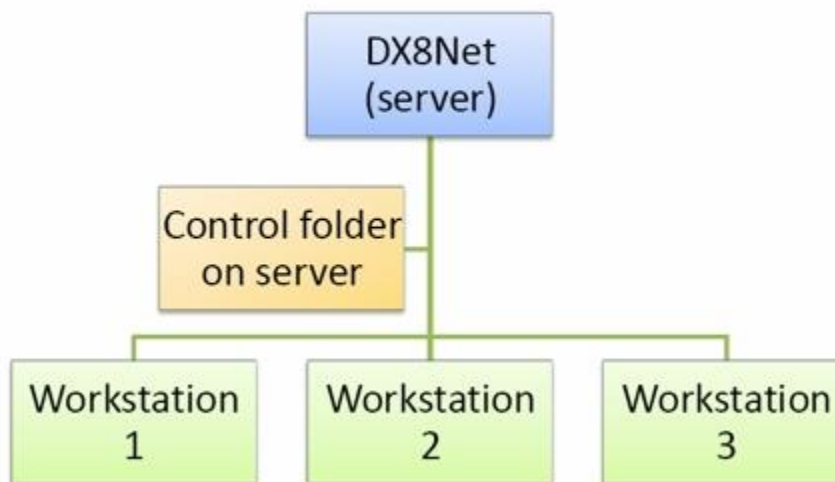
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Here is a link to a document illustrating various network configurations:

http://statease.com/files/Network/Design-Expert8_Network_Overview.pdf

Standard Installation

Here is a brief description of what you need for a typical installation.



1. Install server component.

- Normally you would install the server component from the CD onto the server. This is "DX8Net" in the example above.
- Users will need read-execute privileges for this folder.

2. Establish a control folder on the server.

- This will need to be set up as a share where users have full control of the contents (that is, read, write, create, delete,)
- This is created By default as a sub-folder to the DX8Net installation, but can be anywhere.
- The location of the control folder is designated by the ControlPath= in the [Network] section of custdata.ini file found in the DX8Net application folder on the server.

For example, the default location is designated by the relative path as:

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[Network]ControlPath=.\Control
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If you have the control folder in another share, say \\ServerX\DX8Control, you would specify that as: [Network]ControlPath=\\ServerX\DX8Control

If you are sent a custom license file (user.lf) it should go in this folder. As the program is launched by a client, a semaphore is created in this folder and removed when the session ends.

3. Install the workstation (client) component.

- From the client computer, navigate to the network share for the DX8Net installation.
- Run WrkSetup.exe to install the client
 - Choosing Server-based will install a minimum amount of files on the local computer and run the program from the remote site.
 - The Client-based choice will install all the executables on the client.
 - By default, that will be in the folder: C:\Program Files\Stat-Ease\DX8Client.
 - A custdata.ini file in that folder will point back to the DX8Net folder on the server via the NetworkPath directive:
[Network]NetworkPath=\\AppServer\DX8Net

When a local install of Design-Expert is launched from the client, it's custdata.ini file is opened. If a network path is found, the contents custdata.ini at that location will be used instead of what may be in the local file.

- Regardless of installation type, the ControlPath directive in the custdata.ini on network installation will ultimately be used to locate the control file.