

University of Massachusetts  
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

ECE 160  
Lab #0

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This lab is to simply get you familiar with the process of the lab machines and submitting files within the ENGINEERING domain.

Available drives:

U: - your own private drive\*, provided by the University (512 MB)

Z: - your own private drive\*, provided by the College of Engineering (4 GB)

M: - the drive where you will submit your work in ECE 160 (and other courses)

\* - No computing resources at UMass Dartmouth should be considered completely private. Whereas other students and faculty do not have access to your U: and Z: drives, system administrators do. They have both the right and the responsibility to look at anything you are doing for any reason they deem necessary.

The M: drive is where you will submit your projects and labs. Under the folder M:\ECE-160 you should find a folder with your user name. You and I each have access to that folder. Other students do not. This is where you should turn in your homework.

All students in this course have read access to M:\ECE-160\public. Some of the examples I do in class will be placed in this folder. You are free to copy any of these examples onto your own Z: or U: drive and run them.

Of great interest on the M:\ECE-160\public folder is the checksubmit.exe program. This allows you to verify what you think you submitted is what you really submitted, and also create a receipt confirming that you turned it in.

To run the checksubmit.exe program:

- Double click on checksubmit.exe to launch it. If you get a dialog box saying “We can’t verify who create this file. Are you sure you still want to run it?”, click Yes.
- Enter your user name into the User name textbox.
- Select the project/lab name from the dropdown list.
- Click on the “Show Submitted Code” button – you should see the file that you submitted. Most error messages should be pretty self-explanatory.
- If what you submitted matches what you think you submitted, click on the “Create Confirmation” button. This will create a file in your M: drive of the form {yyyymmdd-projlabname.txt}. The {} are so the file will sort to the end of your file list. This is your receipt. Save the file and do not alter it!
- You may submit files multiple times. Each one will be logged. I will grade the most recently submitted file.

You are encouraged to at least start Lab 1 today, and try using the checksubmit program. You may complete it during the official Lab 1 period.