## STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR DJI GROUNDSTATION AUTOMISSION

questions : contact gabriella.levine@gmail.com Auto Takeoff, Waypoint following, and Auto landing

- 1. Open the DJI Groundstation 4.0 on your PC
- 2. Connect the DJI DataLink to the computer via the USB.
  - a. The RED light should go on (the red light has a label on the right of it that says DATA / POWER)
- 3. Turn on the power to the helicopter
  - a. Plug in both batteries to the via the YELLOW connectors, on the octocopter
  - b. DO NOT MOVE the octocopter after plugging it in
- 4. Turn on the Transmitter (JR-XG8 Remote Control)
  - a. Flip all the switches AWAY from you (towards the ground, if you are holding it parallel to the ground)
  - b. Put the throttle (the LEFT gimble stick) downwards, towards you
  - c. Flip the silver ON/OFF switch in the center of the transmitter UPWARDS (away from you)
  - d. Put the transmitter in AUTOPILOT (GPS) MODE by flipping the switch in the TOP RIGHT of the transmitter, labeled (GPS / ATT / MANUAL), up towards you, to GPS MODE
- 5. CONNECT the groundstation to the octocopter
  - a. Click **CONNECT** on the TOP RIGHT.
    - b. This should successfully handshake the DJI software with the octocopter, after a successful GPS lock is established.
    - c. On the bottom left corner is the GPS status bar, that looks like this



. At this point, you can proceed.

6. If it is not ready, or if there is an error handshaking, it will look like this



when it is ready:

instead: Check the connections between the Data Link from the computer and the Data Link on the helicopter.

- 7. Set the **Altitude Offset** 
  - a. At the top, click the tab Sys\_set, click Altitude Offset
  - b. Make sure "HEIGHT" is selected, then click OK
- 8. Put the flight controller in **Click and Go mode**:
  - a. At the topClick Toolbox, click and go
- 9. Select **JOYSTICK** 
  - a. In the top left of the groundstation, click **JOYSTICK** then **SELECT JOYSTICK (?)**
- 10. Set the **HOME POSITION** 
  - a. At the top right of the screen, click **SET HOME POSITION**

#### 11. Set the **WAYPOINTS**

- a. To set the waypoints, open the **EDITOR** (click EDITOR, a square button at the top center)
- b. Click NEW to set a new flight path
- c. Click on the "+" button in the editor, then click to add points to the flight path
- d. Set the altitude of each waypoint
  - i. If the line between waypoints is RED, there is a problem with the flight, most likely the altitude. Set the altitude to a higher number and click enter.
  - ii. Make sure the flight path (line between waypoints) is BLUE
- e. Set the flight parameters by clicking on the "Editing Mission" Folder
  - i. Set the flight time limit in Seconds to 600: See "MissionTimeLmt"
  - ii. Set the ROUTE: StartToEnd
- f. Click SAVE to save your flight path
- g. Click UPLOAD, then click OK when the flight chart is displayed as a text chart

# NOW YOU ARE READY TO FLY

- 12. Auto Takeoff: (to take off and hover above the home point)
  - a. At the top center of the screen, click **One Key Takeoff**
  - b. Put the throttle on the transmitter in CENTER position
  - c. The octocopter will takeoff and hover at about 12 feet

## 13. Once hovering, set the waypoint flight:

- a. Click **GO** in the EDITOR
- b. The octocopter will begin the waypoint flight
- c. At the top of the editor screen, you can see the progress of the octocopter (ie. Waypoint 1 completed...)
- d. Once finished, the octocopter will hover around the last waypoint.
- 14. Click "GO HOME" in the top right
  - a. The octocopter will fly to above home point
- 15. AutoLanding:
  - a. Click **AutoLanding** in the EDITOR
  - b. It will prompt you to click "PAUSE then KEYBOARD mode"
  - c. At the top right of the screen, click **PAUSE**
  - d. Click the **KEYBOARD**
  - e. Click AutoLanding at the bottom of the editor
  - f. The octocopter will land.

# ANYTIME DURING FLIGHT, TO START USING THE TRANSMITTER AND STOP USING THE GROUNDSTATION SOFTWARE

16. On the transmitter, see the GPS switch on the top right (it has a piece of tape that says "MAN / ATT / GPS"

- 17. Flip the switch down one notch to ATT then back up to GPS
- 18. NOW YOU CAN CONTROL THE OCTOCOPTER WITH THE TRANSMITTER, and the DJI SOFTWARE will NO LONGER control the octocopter.