A2 Flight Control System

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Thank you for purchasing DJI products. Please strictly follow these steps to mount and connect this system on your aircraft, install the PC Assistant Software on your computer, as well as installing the DJI Assistant App on your mobile device

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* This manual is for basic assembly and configuration; you can obtain more details and advanced instructions when using the Assistant Software. To assure you have the latest information, please visit our website and download the latest manual and current software version.

If you have any problems that you cannot solve during usage, please contact your authorized dealer.

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Introduction

Product Introduction

The DJI A2 Multi-Rotor stabilization controller is a complete flight system for various multi-rotor platforms for commercial and industrial AP applications. Based on the technology and design philosophy of DJI's Ace series of high-performance controllers, the A2 offers you a brand new flight experience. Its flight mode setup provides a seamless transition for current Ace One, WKM AP professionals. The system has the following features:

- It is integrated with high-precision sensor components and a high-performance GPS Receiver.
- (2) It utilizes high quality components precisely calibrated with temperature compensation in all gyros and sensors, industry renowned flight algorithm in autopilot and UAV field.
- (3) Designed with built-in vibration absorption, no extra mount frame or vibration absorption pad is required.
- (4) Based on the DESST technology, it has a built-in 16-channel Receiver, and supports DSM2 satellite receiver.
- (5) Optional DJI D-BUS Adapter can be used with a traditional Receiver.

In the Box

Controller Unit (Built-in Receiver DR16)	PMU(Power Management unit)	IMU(Inertia Measurement Unit)
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LED-BT-I	GPS-COMPASS PRO	Accessories
		Micro-USB Cable (1)
11VY	T. C.	Servo Cables (2)
		GPS Bracket
		Double side sticky pads.

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Aircraft (Take Quad-rotor for example:	Transmitter	Others
Red is nose, and Black is rear)	(Take Mode2 for example)	Others
		Battery DJI D-BUS Adapter Mobile Device

System Introduction

The A2 flight control system uses the Control Unit at its core, which is connected with the IMU, GPS-COMPASS PRO、LED-BT-I、PMU and ESCs to complete the system. The system can achieve the height-lock and position-lock functions by using the IMU and the GPS, to control the aircraft.

Please carry out the following procedures to finish assembly, configuration and flight-testing.



Symbol Instruction

General Symbol

0	Forbidden(Important)	1	Cautions	***	Tips	Q	Reference
**** *GPS*	GPS Satellite number	\longleftrightarrow	Distance	?	TX signal good	((ic-	TX signal lost
	Roll to left		Roll to right		Pitch up		Pitch down

LED Symbol

○(N)	N=1	N=2	N=3	N=4	N=6	N=20	N=∝
Manning	One Blink	Two Blinks	Three Blinks	Four Blinks	Six Blinks	Twenty Blinks	Continuous
Meaning	One blink	I WO DIINKS	Three blinks	Four blinks	SIX DIIIIKS	I wenty blinks	Blinks

e.g. •(3) means three Red blinks.

 $[\]bigcirc$ (\propto)LED blinks yellow and green alternatively.

(N)	N=∝	
Meaning	Continuous Solid on	

e.g. (∝) means Continuous Blue Solid on.

1 Assembly and Configuration

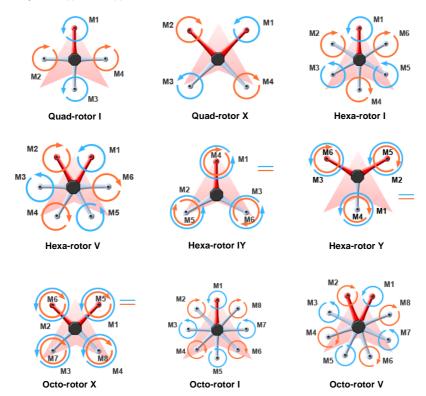
For hardware installation, software configuration and compass calibration please adhere to the following sections.

1.1 Hardware Installation and Connection

- Please adhere to "1.1.1 Mixer Type Supported" to choose a mixer type and assemble your aircraft. (1)
- (2) Please adhere to both "1.1.2 Hardware Connection Diagram" and "1.1.3 Important for Assembly and Connection" to install and connect all units on your aircraft.

1.1.1 Mixer Type Supported

Following Mixer Types are supported.

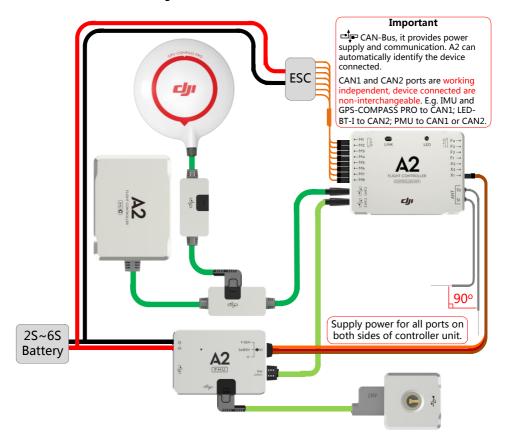




The direction of the arrow in diagram indicates the rotation direction of the motor/propeller.

For coaxial propellers: Blue propeller is at TOP; Red propeller is at Bottom. Otherwise all propellers are at top.

1.1.2 Hardware Connection Diagram



1.1.3 Important for Assembly and Connection

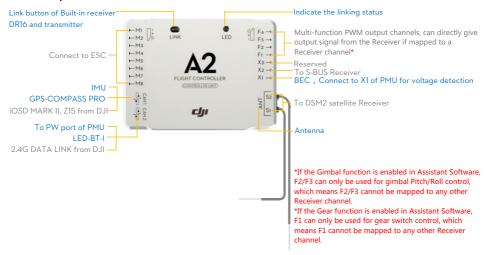
This section describes all device port functions, assembly requirements, connection requirements and tips during usage. Also the linking procedures between the built-in Receiver DR16 and your Transmitter. It is very important for the first time usage, please read all text carefully.

(1) Controller Unit

The Control Unit is the core component of the A2 flight control system:

- (1) M1~M8 are used to connect to the ESCs of the aircraft.
- (2) The built-in Receiver DR16 is based on DJI DESST technology, which can be used with the Futaba FASST series and DJI DESST series Transmitter.
- (3) CAN1 and CAN2 ports are working independently and should connect to different modules.
- (4) 4 independent and configurable outputs.
- (5) It is compatible with the external Receiver, e.g. DSM2 satellite Receiver.
- (6) Use the optional DJI DBUS Adapter to support the traditional receiver.

Port Description



Mounting Requirements:

Install the Controller Unit in the proper position to make sure the ports are accessible. No specified direction is required.



Place the antennas in an open space under the aircraft, DO NOT block them. Position the heads of two antennas at a 90-degree angle. DO NOT bend or wind them.

Receiver System

The A2 flight control system can use its own built-in Receiver, and also can support external receivers. Whatever type of Receiver is used, please make sure that the Receiver and Transmitter is linked correctly before use.

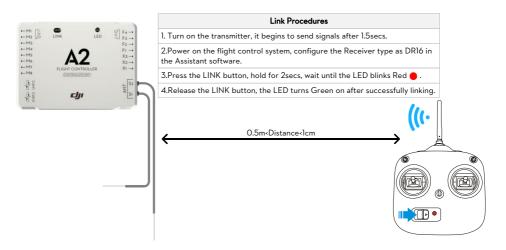
A. Built-in Receiver

For enhancing the system integration and reliability, the A2 is integrated with a 2.4G receiver based on frequency hopping technology. The built-in Receiver can be used with the Transmitter of Futaba FASST series or DJI DESST series after linking. For users, you are only asked to carry out the link procedures, no extra requirement for connection.

Please carry out the following procedures to finish the Link process, and the configuration in the A2 Assistant software->Basic ->R/C ->Receiver Type. Select the DR16 option.

During use, you may see the following LED indication, please do the operation according to the table below.

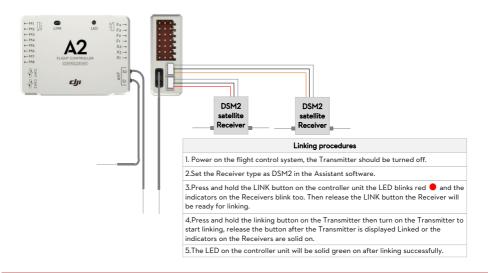
LED	Description	Operation
●(∝)	Signal from Transmitter has been detected by the Receiver, but not matched.	Link operation required
■ (∝)	No Transmitter signal is received, e.g. the flight control system is powered on but the Transmitter is powered off.	Switch on
(∞)	The Receiver and Transmitter have been linked to each other successfully.	Can work normally



The DR16 Receiver is compatible with the Futaba transmitters which have optional FASST MODE MULT, MLT2 or 7CH. Users can find out the available Futaba transmitters and configuration requirments a dhere to the FAQ->The Transmitter setup of FUTABA.

B. DSM2 Satellite Receivers

If using DSM2 satellite Receivers, please follow the diagram for connection, set the Receiver referring to your Receiver manual, and select the Receiver type as DSM2 in the Assistant software->Basic->R/C-> Receiver Type.



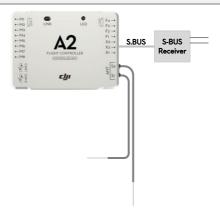
Notes for the DSM2 users:

• It is no need to enable the Failsafe function in the Transmitter. Once the Receiver loses the signals

- from the Transmitter, the controller unit will enter into Failsafe automatically, and the aircraft will hover or Go-home as configurations of the Failsafe in the Assistant software.
- When using the dual-mode Transmitter, please set the transmiting mode as DSM2 in SYSTEM SET
 UP->FRAME RATE ->MODE, which should not be DSMX.
- Support DSM2 satellite Receivers used with all SPEKTRUM Transmitters, e.g. DX6I DX7S DX8
 DX18 etc., as well as JR Transmitters, e.g. DXS9II DXS11.

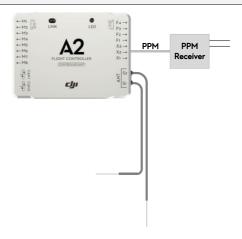
C. S-BUS Receivers

If using S-BUS Receivers please follow the diagram for connection, set the Receiver referring to your Receiver manual, and select the Receiver type as **D-BUS** in the **Assistant software->Basic->R/C-> Receiver Type**.



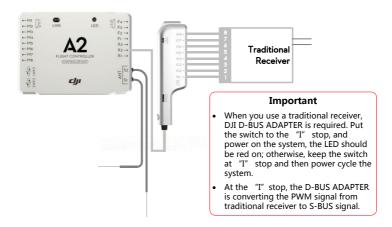
D. PPM Receivers

If using PPM Receivers please follow the diagram for connection, set the Receiver referring to your Receiver manual, and select the Receiver type as PPM in the Assistant software->Basic->R/C-> Receiver Type.



E. Traditional Receivers

If using Traditional Receivers, the DJI D-BUS Adapter is required. Please follow the diagram for connection, set the Receiver referring to your Receiver manual, and select the Receiver type as **D-BUS** in the **Assistant software->Basic->R/C-> Receiver Type**.



(2) IMU (Inertial Measurement Unit):

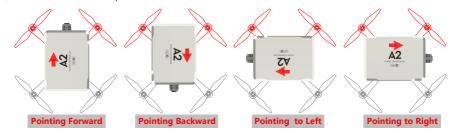
Built-in inertial sensors, for the measurement of aircraft attitude; built-in pressure sensor for the detection of aircraft altitude. Should be connected to the CAN1 port of the Control Unit, and be mounted according to the required location and orientation. The IMU has been calibrated before shipping, it should be used under the specified temperature; otherwise the temperature may have an effect on the IMU performance.

Working environment temperature: -5°C ~60°C

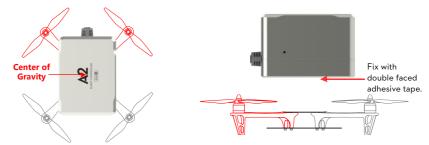
Storage environment temperature:<60°C

Orientation Requirements:

Please mount the IMU as one of the following options. Configure in the A2 Assistant software ->Basic ->Mount ->
IMU, and select the matched option.



Location Requirements:



- (1) The top side should be facing up. DO NOT mount upside-down.
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- (2) DO NOT cover the ventilation holes, keep them unblocked and clean.
- (3) Take heat preservation measures if working in cold weather.
- Mount the IMU at a low vibration position and the sides of the IMU should be precisely parallel
 to the aircraft body. Based on our experience, there is less vibration near the aircraft's center
 of gravity.
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- (2) NOT water-proof or oil-proof.
- (3) Check the double faced adhesive tape regularly to make sure that the IMU is fixed firmly.

There is a CAN-Bus connector, which can be used to connect to the GPS-COMPASS PRO or other DJI product.



(3) GPS-COMPASS PRO

GPS-COMPASS PRO module has a built-in GPS and compass. The compass is used for geomagnetic field measurement. It should be mounted according to the required location and orientation. Compass calibration is required before use. DO NOT use and store the compass in the ferromagnetic material environment.

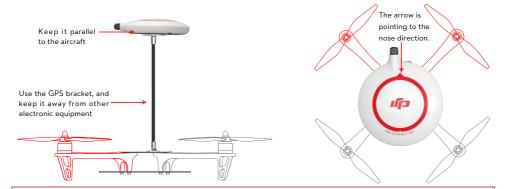
Mounting Procedure:

a) Use the epoxy resin AB glue to assemble the GPS bracket first. The longest one is recommended.



 Mount the bracket on the aircraft first, and then fix the GPS-COMPASS PRO on the plate of the bracket (using the 3M sticky pads provided).

Mount Requirements:



Usage Requirements

- (1) The DJI logo should be facing the sky, with the orientation arrow pointing directly to the nose direction; otherwise it may lead to take off failure.
- (2) Fly the aircraft in an open space without buildings or trees; otherwise it may have an effect on the GPS.
- (3) The compass is sensitive to magnetic interference, should be far away from electronic devices, otherwise it may lead to abnormal flying.
- (4) Please always keep the compass module away from magnet fields. Otherwise it may damage the compass module and lead the aircraft to work abnormally or even be out of control.

(4) PMU (Power Management Unit)

The PMU provides dual BEC's:

- (1) Connect the battery to the PMU module to supply power for the whole Flight Control System via the PW port (supply power not more than 2A).
- (2) Connect the PMU to the XI port of Controller Unit for voltage monitoring, for flight safe guard during flying.

In addition, there are two CAN-Bus ports for LED-BT-I connection and other DJI products (e.g. DJI 2.4G Data Link).

Port Description



Mounting Requirements:

No need to mount in a particular orientation. But choose a ventilated place to mount the PMU for cooling.

(5) LED-BT-I

The LED-BT-I has integrated LED Indicator, Bluetooth and USB port:

- (1) The LED is mainly for flight control system status indication during flying (e.g. Control Mode).
- (2) Bluetooth is used for real-time communication with your mobile device (e.g. iPhone), to realize parameter configuration on a mobile device. For parameter configuration using a mobile device, it is required to install the DJI Assistant App on the mobile device. When you mount the LED-BT-I, please make sure the side with ANT LOGO is unsheltered after mounting.
- (3) In addition, there is a Micro-USB port, make sure it is mounted for convenient connection.

Port Description:



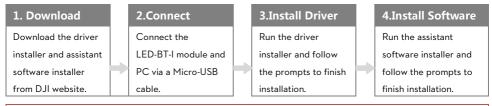
Mounting Requirements:

Mount in a good place to make sure the LED is visible during flying. Antenna of Bluetooth should be unobstructed.

1.2 Software Installation and Configuration

Configure the A2 flight control system in the Assistant software please adheres to this section. Users are required to configure every item in "Basic" page when use the A2 flight control system for the first time.

1.2.1 Install Driver and Assistant Software

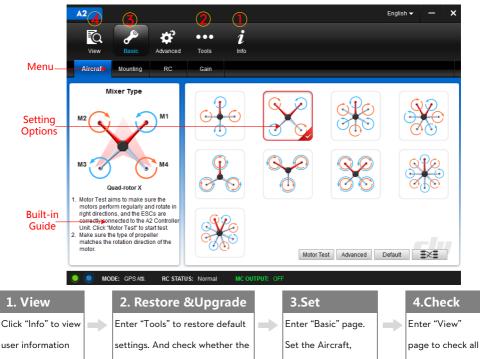




Assistant software supports only Windows operating systems (Win XP, Win7, Win8 (32 or 64 bit)).

1.2.2 Configure using Assistant Software on a PC

The USB port can supply power during configuration, no additional battery is required. Note that the USB port can supply power not more than 500mA, an additional battery is necessary if connection failure or intermittent working. Run the assistant software, and follow the built-in guide to carry out the configuration. Note that you may be asked to register for first time use.



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version etc.



"RC STATUS" description:

Normal- Communication between the transmitter and receiver is well.

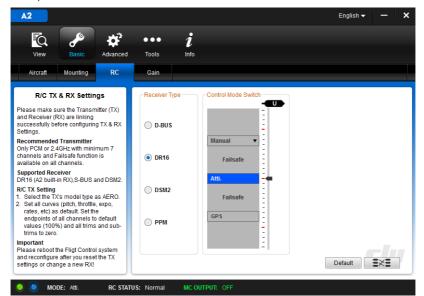
Disconnect- The A2 Flight Control System is power on, but the transmitter is power off.

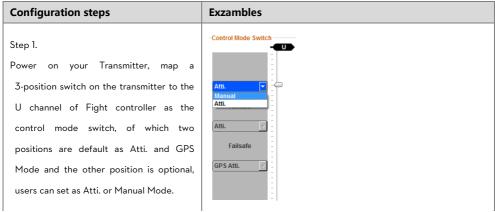
RC-LOST- RC signal is lost, or the transmitter is power off after switch on

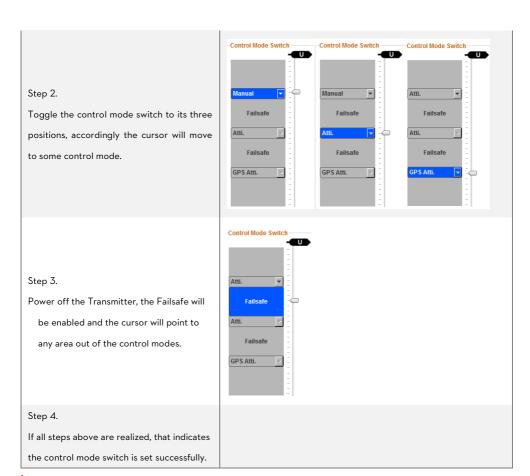
Abnormal - Other situations.

1.2.3 Configure the control mode switch

Users should configure the control mode switch in the Assistant software in the following page. Only the mode switch has been set correctly, the control mode displayed in the left bottom corner will be the same to the control mode pointed by the cursor on the channel U.

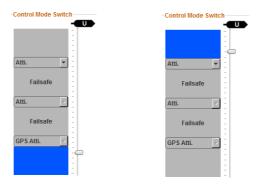






Important

In step2, if the cursor doesn't point to the correct control mode area (e.g. the following figures), that indicates abnormal control mode switch configuration. Users must re-configure the Endpoint and FailSafe functions in the Transmitter to make the cursor right point to the control mode switch and the control mode areas become blue.



1.2.4 Configuration Checking



^{*}Fig. above for reference only, please adhere to actual GUI.

Check List	Description
1	Check the IMU orientation direction.
	Check the Mixer Type of aircraft.
2	Make sure the motors are rotating normally, and propeller installation is in correct direction.
3	The Receiver type is correct.
4, 5	Check the basic and attitude gains.
6	Move the sticks to test whether the cursors moves following the sticks. Toggle the "U" switch to
•	test the control mode setting.
8 .0	Advanced configuration, users can configure it according to their requirements after reading the
⑦~ Û	manual.
Q	Check the Channel Map between the Transmitter and A2 flight control system.
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1.3 Compass Calibration

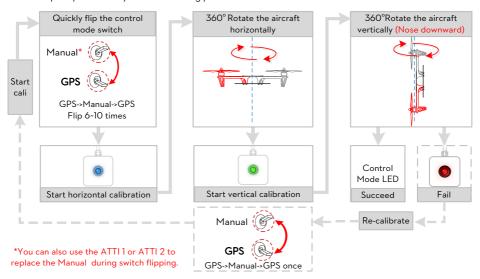
The Compass can assistant the GPS to position the aircraft, which is very important during flight. As we know, the compass is very sensitive to electromagnetic interference, which will cause abnormal compass data, and lead to poor flight performance or even flight failure. Compass Calibration MUST be done for the first time use. It is recommended to calibrate the compass outdoors after the Controller Unit finds 7 or more GPS satellites. Regular calibration enables the compass to keep optimal performance.

Calibration Cautions

- (1) DO NOT calibrate your compass where there is strong magnetic interference, such as magnetite, car park, and steel reinforcement under the ground.
- (2) DO NOT carry ferromagnetic materials with you during calibration, such as keys or cell phones.
- (3) Compass Calibration is very important; otherwise the flight control system cannot work.

Calibration Procedures

Choose an open space to carry out the following procedures.



Situations that require recalibration

Situations	Descriptions
Compass Data abnormal	LED blinks yellow and green alternatively(\bigcirc \bullet (\varpropto)).
Flying field altered	Flying field has changed over a long distance.
	The mounting position of GPS-COMPASS PRO module changes.
Mechanical alteration	Electronic units such as Controller Unit, CAN-HUB, battery etc. have been added,
Mechanical afteration	removed, remounted or other alterations.
	Mechanical structures of the aircraft has changed
Drifting during flying	Evident drifts occurred in flight such as the aircraft doesn't fly straight
Attitude errors	LED often blinks error indicator when the aircraft turns around.

2 Basic flying

Read this section before basic flight testing.

2.1Control Mode Instruction

The aircraft performs differently when using different control modes. Please read the following table to know the different control modes, which may help you to achieve a more involved flight experience.

	Control Mode 3	Control Mode 2	Control Mode 1*	
	GPS	ATTI. 2	ATTI. 1	Manual
Command Linearity	YES			
Yaw	Control the aircraft to rotate	in clockwise and cou angular velocit		wise direction. Maximum rudder
	Aircraft attitude control; ì	Mid point of stick is f	or 0°	Max-angular velocity is 150°/s.
Roll and Pitch	attitude, and its	endpoint is 35°.		No attitude angle limit.
	Aircraft height control. Main	tain the altitude best	above 1	No altitude locking when the
Throttle	meter from ground when the	throttle stick is in mic	d position.	throttle stick is in mid position.
All Sticks	Lock position if GPS signal	Only attitude stab	ilizing. No	
Released	is adequate.	position lock	ing.	Keep original attitude.
	When GPS signal has been			
GPS Lost	lost for 3s, system enters			
	ATTI. Mode automatically.			
IOC Supported	CL/HL/POI	CL		None
	The flight control system w	ill enter FailSafe	The f	ight control system will enter
FailSafe	Mode if the Transmitter sig	nal is lost and no	FailSafe	Mode if the Transmitter signal is
Protection	matter if Transmitter signal	recovers or not,	lost and	the system will exit Failsafe once
	system will not exit failsafe mode automatically.			the signal recovers.
GPS Involved	YES			NO
Low-voltage	LED alert with Descending or Go Home &			
Protection	Landing precau	tions	Only LED alert	
Environment	Open flying field;	Narrow Space;		
recommended	Good GPS signal	GPS signal bad	Regain control in emergency	

^{*}Default is Manual; users can set to ATTI.1 in Assistant software. The biggest difference between ATTI.1 and ATTI.2 is that they are working differently in the protection situations.

2.2 Flying Environment Requirements

- (1) Before use of the product, please accept some flight training (Using a simulator to practice flying, getting instruction from a professional person, etc.).
- (2) DO NOT fly in bad weather, such as rain or wind (more than moderate breeze) or fog.
- (3) The flying field should be open without tall buildings or other obstacles; the buildings of steel structure will interfere with the compass.



- (4) Keep the aircraft away from obstacles, crowds, power lines, trees, lakes and rivers etc.
- (5) Try to avoid interference between the remote control Transmitter and other wireless equipment.
 (No base station or cell tower around)
- (6) The flight control system can't work at the South Pole and the North Pole.
- (7) All parts must be kept out of the reach of children to avoid CHOKE HAZARD; if a child accidentally swallows any part you should immediately seek medical assistance.

2.3 Check List before Flying

Double check the following list, otherwise, if any one of the following items is wrong it may lead to flight accident.

- (1) All parts are in good condition, no ageing or damaged components
- (2) Motor rotating direction
- (3) Propeller mounting direction
- (4) Mixer Type set in assistant software



- (5) IMU and GPS-COMPASS PRO mounting direction
- (6) Transmitter channel mapping and sticks movement direction correct
- (7) Compass calibration
- (8) ESC connection
- (9) IMU and GPS-COMPASS PRO firmly mounted

In addition, check the following items to make sure the system can work.

(1) The Transmitter battery is fully charged.



- (2) The aircraft battery is fully charged.
- (3) Do not over load the aircraft.

2.4 Power on and Check

(1) Control mode LED indicator

Power on the Transmitter and flight control system. Toggle the control mode switch to different positions.

Control Mode LED indicator					
Control Mode					
Switch	GPS GPS	ATTI 2	Manual		
LED	● (Stick not in midpoint ●(2))				
	Put the Control Mode switch to GPS position for basic flying test.				
Set	Note: when the GPS signal LED indicator is bad or worst (●(2) or ●(3)) and lasts for more				
	than 3secs, the flight control system will enter into ATTI2 Mode.				

(2) GPS signal LED indicator

GPS signal indication blinks after every Control mode indication. We suggest to fly when GPS satellites are more than 5.

GPS signal LED indicator				
Worst $(+GPS + < 5)$: \bullet (3)	Bad (+GPS+=5): ●(2)	Well (+GPS+=6): ●(1)	Best (+GPS+> 6) : No indicator	

2.5 Start Motors Methods

CSC (Combination sticks commands) is used to start/stop motors instead of just pushing the throttle stick.



Under the conditions stated below, the motors will stop in ATTI 1/ ATTI 2/GPS mode:

(1) The throttle sticks is under 10% for more than 3secs after motors start.



- (2) The throttle sticks is under 10% for more than 3secs after landing.
- (3) The throttle sticks is under 10% for more than 3secs and the inclined angle of aircraft exceeds 70° .

2.6 Basic Flying Test

Carry out the following procedures to complete the basic flight test.

1. Wait the GPS signal to be well	LED
Place the aircraft away from you and others at least 3 meters and wait the + GPS+≥6.	or no Red LED

2. Start motors and takeoff aircraft.	LED
Execute CSC to start motors; all sticks back to midpoint as soon as motors start, then push	
the throttle stick to take off the aircraft, meanwhile the home point is recorded. NOTE:	● (∝)
30secs after power on; 10secs after $+ \frac{x+y}{6ps+} \ge 6$; Motors have been started, auto-record the	(∝)
position as home point at the first time the throttle stick is raised	
After the home point is recorded successfully and the distance from aircraft is less than 8m,	
LED indicator will blink 6 violet continually. Note: only when GPS signal is good (no Red	(6)
LED) LED indicator will blink 6 violet continually.	

3.Operate sticks to control the flying attitude of the aircraft during flight						
Transm	nitter (Mode2)	Aircraft	Operations			
Throttle Stick			Push Throttle sticks to control the aircraft to elevate and descend. The aircraft can lock to an altitude when the throttle stick is at midpoint.			
Yaw Stick			Push the yaw stick to rotate the aircraft in clockwise or counter clockwise direction.			
Roll Stick			Push roll stick to control the aircraft left or right, pitch stick to control forward or backward. When both roll and pitch sticks are at midpoint:			
Pitch Stick			(1) GPS mode: the aircraft will be stabilized and locked in horizontal position. (2) ATTI 1/ATTI 2 mode: the aircraft will be stabilized but unlocked in horizontal position.			



4.Hover

In GPS mode, the aircraft will hover when the throttle/yaw/roll/pitch sticks are all released at mid-point.



5.Landing

Use the throttle stick to control the landing speed, try to land your aircraft gently to avoid shock or crash.

Please refer to the next section "Protection Functions Setting" to take precautions.



- Low voltage alert: yellow quick flashes or red quick flashes.
- (2) FailSafe: LED indicator blinks blue.

Moreover, you may come across the following abnormal situation, please carry out the operation below.



(3)

- Compass data is abnormal; the LED blinks yellow and green alternatively. Please re-calibrate the Compass.
- (4)IMU data is abnormal, the LED blinks four green. Please contact your dealer.

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3 Protection Functions Setting

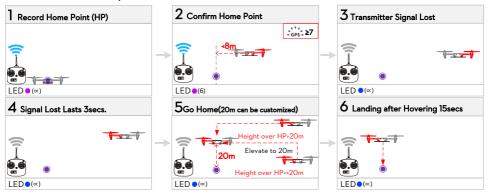
Set protection in the Assistant software ->Advanced page. FailSafe and Low voltage protections are required.

3.1 FailSafe

FailSafe works when the Transmitter (TX) signal is lost, the flight control system will automatically control the aircraft to reduce injuries or damage.

Q	TX signal	**** +GPS+	Descriptions					
Home			30secs later after power on; 10secs later after $+GPS+ \ge 6$ or no Red LED);					
Point	<u> </u>		Motors have been started; auto-record the position as home point at the first time					
(HP)			the throttle stick is raised.					
			Flight control system can automatically control the aircraft after Transmitter signal is					
FailSafe	<u>÷</u>	**** +*GPS*+≥	lost. It should be set in Assistant software->Advanced->F/S , while Hover, Go-Home or					
		6	Alt Go-Home is optional. Additionally, a Go-Home switch can be enabled.					
			Go Home switch can be used to trigger a "go home" without FailSafe. If One-Key					
One-Key			Go Home is enabled during flying, you no longer have control of the aircraft, the LED					
Go Home	•		olinks in its Control Mode. If One-Key Go Home is disabled, you regain the control at					
			once. If already in a Failsafe condition, then the switch will not work.					

Failsafe and Go Home procedures



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- (1) The aircraft will not go home (only attitude stabilizing) in the condition that + GPS + 6 or GPS is not working, even if Transmitter signal is lost or Go Home switch is triggered.
- (2) It is recommended to set the Go Home switch in the Assistant software. Users are suggested to enter Failsafe and go home by using the Go Home switch rather than turning off the Transmitter in

emergency situations.

(3) Make sure there are no obstacles during aircraft go home and users are familiar with the methods to regain control.

How to regain control in FailSafe

	GPS	ATTI 2	ATTI 1	Manual
Regain control	You have to toggle the cor	ntrol mode switch	Regain control as soon as signal recovers.	
Regain control	once to regain control if the signal recovers, y.		Regain control as soon	as signal recovers.

3.2 Low Voltage Protection

Low voltage protection is used to alert low battery voltage during flight; in this case, users should promptly fly back the aircraft and land to avoid unexpected damages.

To use this function please set in Assistant software->Advanced->Voltage page to configure two voltage levels.

Protections Opti		Option Selected	Conditions	LED	Aircraft	
	LED			<u></u> (∝)	None	
5	First level	GH & Landing	Make sure the home point is recorded and	○ (∝)	Go-Home & Landing	
			no obstacles in going home and landing path.			
	Second	LED		● (∝)	None	
	level	Descending		● (∝)	Descending directly	

Go-Home & Landing Usage Tips

- (1) The home point recorded is the same in both Failsafe and Low voltage protection. The aircraft will not go home in the following cases:
 - a) Control mode is in Control Mode 1 (Manual or ATTI 1)
 - b) GPS signal is bad (+GPS+<6)
 - c) The distance between aircraft and the home point is less than 25m, and the height over the Home point less than 20m.

Descending Usage Tips

The aircraft will not hover when the throttle stick is at the mid point. Push the throttle stick to 90% of endpoint, the aircraft will still ascend slowly if you continue to pull the throttle stick, and the control of Pitch, Roll and Yaw are the same as before.



Please pay attention to the LED alert of low voltage and make sure the power is enough for go home and landing. Insufficient power reserve will cause the aircraft to crash and other consequences.

4 Advanced Functions

IOC and Gimbal functions of A2 and how to use A2 Assistant app via a mobile device.

4.1 IOC (Intelligent Orientation Control) function

	IOC	Help users to set the Flying direction; Should be enabled in Assistant software.
	Flying direction	The flying direction of aircraft when pushing the Roll and Pitch sticks.
	Forward direction	The flying direction of aircraft when the pitch stick is pushed forward.
	Normal flying	IOC is disabled. Forward direction is pointing to the nose direction and changes
6	Normal flying	along with the nose.
4	Cl shine	Course Lock. Its forward direction is pointing to the nose direction when
	CL flying	recording, which is fixed until you re-record it or exit from CL.
	LII et de e	Home Lock. Record a Home Point (HP), push Pitch stick to control the aircraft
	HL flying	far from or near to the HP.
	DOI state a	Point of Interest. Record a point of interest (POI), the aircraft can circle around
	POI flying	the POI, and the nose always points to the POI.

Conditions of IOC function

Fb.4	100 5-441	Control Mode	GPS-COMPASS	GPS Satellites	Distance Limits	
Flying IOC Sett	IOC Setting	control Mode	PRO Required	GP3 Satellites	Distance Limits	
Normal				Basic to control mode	None	
CL	Enabled	Not in Manual	Compass	None	None	
HL	Enabled	GPS	GPS	**** +GPS**≥6	Aircraft < ≥10m) HP	
POI	Enabled	GPS	GPS	**+* +*GPS*+≥6	Aircraft (5m~500m POI	

Step 1 IOC switch setting

Please enable the IOC function in **Advanced-IOC** page of Assistant software. Then choose a 3-position switch on the Transmitter to set as IOC switch, which is used to select the different IOC modes and manually record the Forward direction, HP and POI recording.

Below are the three options of IOC switch setting which may be configured in the Assistant software.

Switch positions		A	В	С
1	©	OFF	OFF	OFF
2	(CL	CL	POI
3		HL	POI	HL

Step 2 Forward Direction, HP and POI Recording

After you enable the IOC in assistant software, the flight control system will record the forward direction and home point automatically after power on, if the recording conditions are met. You can Manually re-record the forward direction, home point and POI during flying. Read the following table for the recording method details.

	CL	HL	POI
Aims	Record a direction as Forward direction	Record a position as HP	Record a position as POI
Conditions	30secs after power on	30secs after power on; 10secs later after +GPS+≥6; Motors have been started.	30secs after power on; 10secs later after + GPS+≥6.
Automatically	Automatically record at 30secs after power on	Automatically record at the first time you push the throttle stick	No Automatic record method
Manually	According to any option of IO positions 3-5 times to record reaction A B Forward Girection	C 2 POI A NB	B C POI HP
Successful	(20)	(20)	(20)



- (1) DO NOT toggle the switch between the 1 and 3 positions frequently, which may re-record the position 2.
- (2) HP is used not only in IOC, but also in Failsafe and Low voltage for go home and landing. The flight control system will automatically record the HP even if IOC function is disabled in Assistant software but Forward direction and POI can be recorded only after IOC is enabled.
- (3) Once the Home Point is recorded successfully, LED will blink (6) continually under the following conditions. All conditions must be true.
 - 1. + GPS+≥7.
 - 2. Distance between aircraft and the recorded home point is less than 8m.
 - 3. Current control mode is in GPS or ATTI 2.

Step 3 IOC flying test

Please study the following diagram then make an IOC flying test. IOC LED indicator blinks •(•(2) means stick(s) not at the midpoint)



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	IOC		Roll stick control of aircraft		Pitch stick cor	ntrol of aircraft
Flying	switch	Record			1	
Normal	OFF	None	7	7	7	7
CL	CL		7	7	7-7	7-7
HL	HL			€ Zate		
POI	POI	À	S. S	S. S	- 5.50m	-5-50m



DO NOT toggle the IOC switch frequently in HL flying to avoid re-recording the HP unwittingly.



IOC function is available only when all the required conditions are satisfied. If any condition is omitted the flight control system will exit IOC. Please keep an eye on the LED to know the current control mode.



- (1) It's recommended to start the HL flight when the aircraft is >10m away from the HP. If starting the HL when the distance between aircraft and HP is less than 10m and it's the first time you start HL after power on, then the flight control system will only enter HL after flying out of the 10m range.
- (2) During HL flying if one of the following conditions occur, the flight control system will exit HL and enter into CL: the aircraft is within of 10m from HP; the control mode is changed to ATTI 1 or ATTI2; → Co(LED (2) or (3)).

4.2 Gimbal function

Connect the servos of your gimbal to the Controller Unit as the fig. below, roll servo connects to F3 port and pitch servo connects to F2, and configure in **Advanced-Gimbal** page in the Assistant software. No Receiver channel is asked to be mapped for the F2 or F3 port if gimbal function is enabled in the Assistant Software.

Note: Even you map Receiver channels to F3 and F2 (Which are shown as D3 and D2 in the Assistant Software

-> Channel Mapping), the F3 and F2 will not give output signals from the mapped Receiver channels.



4.3 Gear function

Once enable the Intelligent Gear function, the gear is default down on the ground or in case of emergency (e.g. motor failure tolerance, auto landing); you can control it to be up or down by a switch when the aircraft altitude is above 5m during flight.

Please configure in the **Advanced--Gear** page in the Assistant software. Connect the landing gear of \$800 EVO to the Controller Unit as fig. below.



- (1) Make sure to enable and configure the Intelligent Gear function in the Assistant software first, and then connect the gear to the F1 port.
- (2) The Gear channel is required to be mapped with a channel on Receiver if the Intelligent Gear function is enabled in Assistant Software, and the FI port will give outputs for retracting control.
- (3) Once you map the Gear channel, F1 port will give output signals from the controller for retract control. Otherwise, even the Intelligent Gear function is enabled; F1 will give output from D1 (it's necessary to map the D1 channel with a channel on Receiver as your demands).



4.4 Attitude Control When One Motor Output Fails

For Hexa-rotor, including Hexa-rotor I, Hexa-rotor V, Hexa-rotor IY and Hexa-rotor Y, the aircraft with A2 flight control system is attitude controllable when one motor output fails.



Select Course lock or home lock mode for flying the aircraft into a safe area to land when the aircraft is far away or the attitude can't be recognized.

4.5 DJI Assistant App Usage

There is a built-in Bluetooth in the A2 LED-BT-I module. With a DJI Assistant App installed on your mobile device, remote parameter configuration can be obtained via Bluetooth communication between the A2 Flight Control System and the mobile device.



Supported iOS devices

iPhone 4s, iPhone 5, iPhone 5s, iPod Touch 5, iPad 3, iPad 4, iPad air, iPad mini iOS6.1 or above is required. Bluetooth version is required to be 4.0.

Specifications

Bluetooth version	4.0	Environment temperature	-10°C~+50°C
Communication distance	50m	Consumption	240mw(0.04A@6V)

DJI Assistant App Usage

Step 1 Download and installation

Search the DJI Assistant in App store on mobile device and install it.

Step 2 Connect the A2 Controller Unit and the DJI Assistant App

- 1. Prepare an iOS device supported 4.0 Bluetooth, and then enable the Bluetooth function on the mobile device.
- Power on the transmitter and the A2 Flight Control System, make sure the Bluetooth Status Indicator is solid Green (
- Run the DJI Assistant App. You may be asked to register through internet when first login (the account of PC
 Assistant software is OK for login); follow the tips to set Main Controller name and password.
- **4.** Observe the indicators **1** on the left bottom of the software. (**1** connection indicator and **2** communication indicator) On the DJI Assistant App, if the communication indicator is **2**, please double check the connections and driver installation; otherwise if the indicator is blinking **2**, go to next step.
- 6. You can click the "Advanced" option for more parameter settings. Advanced setting is optional. There are Motor, F/S, IOC, Gimbal, Voltage, Limits, Gear, etc.
- 7. Check all parameters in the View page.©2013 DJI Innovations. All Rights Reserved 30 |

8. Select "More" to obtain more details. Including: Restore MC default settings, Accounts, Main Controller List, Information, wiki, Rate DJI Assistant, FAQ, Feedback, About.



- Make sure to upgrade the LED-BT-I module to the latest firmware via the PC Assistant software
 on a PC before you use the DJI Assistant App with the A2 Flight Control System.
- 2. Every time you run the DJI Assistant App, the App will search the Controller Unit automatically.
- 3. The gain value displayed on Mobile Device and PC may be a little different, that is OK for use.

Step 3 Flying Test Procedures

- Get the aircraft ready, run the DJI Assistant and make sure it is connected with the main controller. (The indicators on the DJI Assistant are
- 2. Start the motors.
- 3. The "View" page shows the relative parameters real-time when flying.
- 4. Go to the "Basic" and click into the "Gain" page to set the values of all gains real-time during flying.
- Go to the "Basic" and click into the "Tool" page to view the values of IMU & Compass real-time during flying.
- 6. Finish the flying and land your aircraft.



Only the parameter referred above can be changed during flying. Others can be configured after landing.

Appendix

LED indicator descriptions

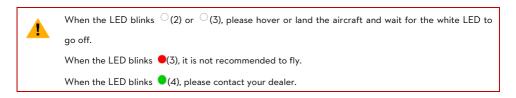
Low voltage alert

Control mode	GPS signal
Manual : No indicator	Best (+ GPS+> 6): No indicator
ATTI1: (1) (sticks not in mid-point(2))	Good (+gps+= 6): ●(1)
ATTI2: O(1) (sticks not in mid-point O(2))	Bad $(+\text{GPS}^{+} = 5)$: \bullet (2)
GPS: (1) (sticks not in mid-point (2))	Worst (+ GPS +< 5): ● (3)
Ground Station: •(1)	
Flight Attitude	
Attitude good: No indicator	Attitude status bad: (3)
Attitude status bad, hover/sticks at mid recommended: (2)	IMU data lost, calibrate IMU needed∶ ●(4)
Compass calibration	
Horizontal calibration —(∞)	Calibration Failed $\bullet(\infty)$
Vertical calibration	Abnormal Compass Data ○○(∞)

First level alert		Second level alert	● (∞)
FailSafe mode			
During the FailSafe	(∞)		



Bluetooth A2 Assistant is connected / disconnected to the flight control system ○○(∞)

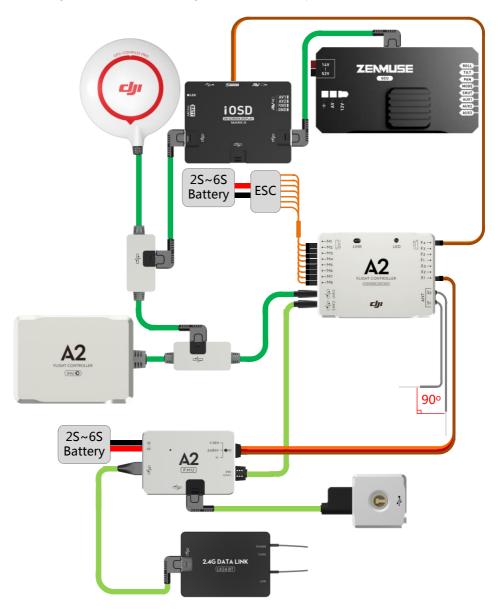


Specifications						
General						
Built-In Functions Built-in Receive Multiple Contro 2-axle Gimbal S		er	 External Receiver Supported 			
		rol Modes	9 Types of Supported Multi-rotor			
		Supported	Other DJI Products Supported			
•	Enhanced Fail	Safe	 Low Voltage Protection 			
● Intelligent Orier		entation Control	4 Configurable Outputs			
•	 Dynamical Syst 		Sound Alarm			
•	PC & Bluetoot	th Ground Station	Configure Parameters Via Bluetooth			
Peripheral						
Supported Multi-rotor		• Quad-rotor: I4	4, X4			
		Hexa-rotor: 16	, V6, Y6, IY6			
		Octo-rotor: X	8, I8, V8			
Supported ESC output		400Hz refresh frequ	iency.			
Supported Transmitter for Bu	ilt-in Receiver	Futaba FASST (MUL	T, MLT2, 7CH) Series and DJI DESST Series			
External Receiver Supported		Futaba S-Bus, DSM2, PPM				
Recommended Battery		2S ~ 6S LiPo				
Assistant Software System Re	quirement	Windows XP SP3 / 7 /8 (32 or 64 bit)				
Other DJI Products Supporte	d	Z15, iOSD Mark II, D-BUS Adapter, S800 EVO, 2.4G Data Link, H3-2D (coming soon)				
Electrical & Mechanic	cal					
Power Consumption		MAX 5W (Typical Va	lue: 0.3A@12.5V)			
Operating Temperature		-5°C to +60°C				
Total Weight		<= 224g (overall)				
Dimensions		• MC: 54mm x 39mm x 14.9mm				
		• IMU: 41.3mm x 30.5mm x 26.3mm				
		● GPS-COMPASS PRO: 62 mm (diameter) x 14.3 mm				
		 PMU: 39.5mm 	x27.6mm×9.8mm			
		• LED-BTU-I: 30mm x 30mm x 7.9mm				
Flight Performance (d	an be effected b	y mechanical performa	ance and payloads)			
Hovering Accuracy (In GPS Mode)		• Vertical: 0.5				
		Horizontal: 1	.5m			
Maximum Wind Resistance		<8m/s (17.9mph / 28.8km/h)				
Max Yaw Angular Velocity		150deg/s				
Max Tilt Angle		35°				
Ascent / Descent		6m/s				

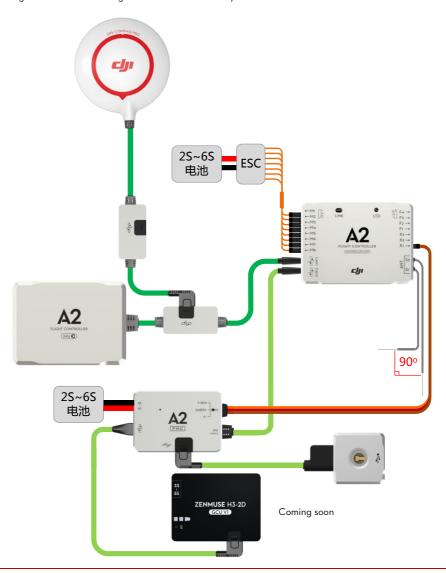
Use with other DJI products

The A2 can be used with other DJI products such as iOSD Mark II, Z15, S800 EVO and 2.4G Data Link(iPAD Ground Station function), H3-2D (firmware coming soon), etc.

The following 2.4G Data Link connection diagram is the connection for your reference.



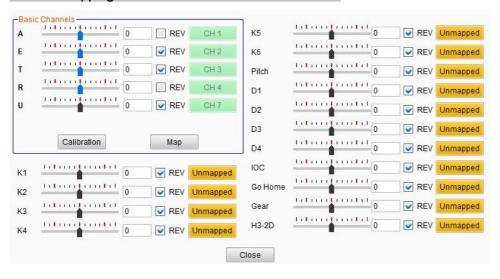
The following H3-2D connection diagram is the connection for your reference.





If the 2.4G Data Link and H3-2D are used at the same time, a CAN-HUB module is required.

Channel Mapping Instructions for PC Assistant Software



Basic Channel	Default Settings	Usage Descriptions		
А	Roll Control of the Controller Unit, mapped			
	to the Channel 1 of Receiver	During Assistant Software usage, please click		
E	Pitch Control of the Controller Unit,	the "Calibration" button, to calibrate the		
	mapped to the Channel2 of Receiver	Transmitter sticks travel. During calibrating,		
Т	Throttle Control of the Controller Unit,	make sure to operate strictly following the		
	mapped to the Channel3 of Receiver	prompts; otherwise may lead to calibration		
R	Yaw Control of the Controller Unit, mapped	failure.		
	to the Channel4 of Receiver	Click the "Map" button, then you can re-do		
U	Control Mode Switch of the Controller Unit,	mapping for A/E/T/R/U.		
	mapped to the Channel7 of Receiver			
Others	Default Settings	Usage Descriptions		
K1~K6	Remote Gains Adjustment of the Controller	Click "Unmapped" button to map K1~K6 to the		
	Unit, unmapped.	channels of Receiver.		
Pitch	Gimbal Pitch Control of the Controller Unit,	Click "Unmapped" button to map Pitch to a		
	unmapped.	Receiver channel for the gimbal servo control.		
D1~D4	Direct Channels (The corresponding ports	Click "Unmapped" button to map D1~D4 to		
	are F1~F4 on the Controller Unit) of	the Receiver channels. If you enable the		
	Controller Unit, unmapped.	Gimbal functions in Assistant Software, then		
		the F3/F2 are used for gimbal control; even		

		D3/D2 are mapped to channels of Receiver,
		and the signals from the mapped Receiver
		channels will be ignored.
		You can use F4 for switching the video
		channel of iOSD Mark II, then map D4 to a
		Receiver channel.
IOC	IOC function of the Controller Unit,	Click "Unmapped" button to map IOC to a
	unmapped.	Receiver channel. It is recommended to use a
		3-position switch channel.
Go Home	One-Key Go Home function of the	Click "Unmapped" button to map Go Home to
	Controller Unit, unmapped.	the Receiver channel. It is recommended to
		use a 2-position switch channel.
Gear	Intelligent Gear function of the Controller	If you enable the Gear function in Assistant
	Unit, unmapped.	Software, then the F1 is used for the gear
		control of S800 EVO landing.
H3-2D	H3-2D function of the Controller Unit,	Click "Unmapped" button to map H3-2D to a
	unmapped.	Receiver channel. It is recommended to use a
		Knob switch channel, which is only used for
		H3-2D pitch control.



The Pitch and the H3-2D channels can be used at the same time. The Pitch is for the pitch control of servo gimbal, and the H3-2D is for the pitch control of H3-2D gimbal

Recommended Mapping for Futaba Transmitter (Mode 2) User

Controller Unit Channel	Receiver Channel	Recommended Transmitter Switch
А	Channe 1 (AIL)	Joystick J1
Е	Channe 2 (ELE)	Joystick J2
Т	Channe 3 (THR)	Joystick J3
R	Channe 4 (RUD)	Joystick J4
U	Channe 7 (AUX5)	3-Position switch, e.g. SG
K1~K6	Channe 5 (GEAR)	Knob switch, e.g. LD, RD
Pitch	Channe 6 (Vpp)	Knob switch, e.g. LD, RD
D1/D3/D2		
D4	Channe 9 (AUXI)	2-Position switch, e.g. SF

IOC	Channe 10 (AUX2)	3-Position switch, e.g. SG
Go Home	Channe 11 (AUX3)	2-Position switch with spring back function, e.g. SH
Gear	Channe 8 (AUX4)	2-Position switch, e.g. SF
H3-2D	Channe 12 (AUX5)	Knob switch, e.g. LD、RD

Settings of gain values for Your Reference

To set the value of basic gain and attitude gain you can refer to the following diagram. These values are only for reference and may vary in practice.

Aircraft	Configuration Information			Basic			Attitude				
AllCraft	Motor	ESC	Propeller	Battery	Weight	Pitch	Roll	Yaw	Pitch	Roll	Vertical
F450	DJI-2212	DJI-30A	DJI-8 Inch	3S-2200	890 g	150	150	135	150	150	140
F550	DJI-2212	DJI-30A	DJI-8 Inch	4S-3300	1530 g	170	170	150	160	160	150
S800 EVO+Z15	DJI-4114	DJI-40A	DJI-15Inch	6S-15000	7000g	140	140	130	140	140	130

The Transmitter setup of FUTABA

Please configure the Frequency item on your Transmitter adhere to the table below. (The names of FASST modes here are based to the Transmitter FUTABA T8FG, please ensure to select the most similar mode as the names differs for different Transmitters)

Transmitter type	AREA	FASST
FUTABA 18MZ	Default	FASST-MULTI\FASST-7CH
FUTABA 14MZ with TM-14	Default	MULT\7CH
FUTABA 14SG	FRANCE\GENERAL	FASST-MULTI\FASST-7CH
FUTABA 12Z 2.4G FASST with TM-14	Default	MULT\7CH
FUTABA 12FG 2.4G FASST with TM-14	Default	MULT\7CH
FUTABA 10CG or 10C with TM-10	Default	7CH
FUTABA 9C SUPER with TM-7 or TM-8	Default	7CH
FUTABA 8FG SUPER	FRANCE\GENERAL	MLT2\MULT\7CH
FUTABA 8FG	FRANCE\GENERAL	MULT/7CH
FUTABA 7C 2.4G	Default	Default
FUTABA 6EX FASST	Default	Default

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- 8. Damage(s) or injuries caused by mechanical failures due to erosion, aging.
- 9. Damage(s) or injuries caused by continued flying after low voltage protection alarm is triggered.
- 10. Damage(s) or injuries caused by knowingly flying the aircraft in abnormal condition (such as water, oil, soil, sand and other unknown material ingress into the aircraft or the assembly is not completed, the main components have obvious faults, obvious defect or missing accessories).
- 11. Damage(s) or injuries caused by flying in the following situations such as the aircraft in magnetic interference area, radio interference area, government regulated no-fly zones or the pilot is in backlight, blocked, fuzzy sight, and poor eyesight is not suitable for operating and other conditions not suitable for operating.
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