# **UAS Data Management Standard Operating Procedure**

# **Pre-requisites**

Before making data available for upload, the following information must be defined in the wheatgenetics database:

## 1. experiment table:

An entry must be made for each experiment for which flight data is to be collected.

The experiment\_id must be composed only of alphanumeric characters and optionally a hyphen-minus separator. The hyphen-minus character (Unicode character 002D) can be used as a separator within the experiment\_id. No other characters are allowed.

# 2. htp\_instrument table:

An entry must be made for each camera (sensor\_id) that is used for collecting flight data.

The sensor\_id must be composed only of alphanumeric characters and optionally a hyphen-minus separator. The hyphen-minus character (Unicode character 002D) can be used as a separator within the sensor\_id. No other characters are allowed.

Database updates can be made by users with access to the wheatgenetics database and who are familiar with the sensor types to be added.

#### **Definitions**

**Flight Data Set**- a flight data set contains all images and log files produced by a single flight. There may be multiple flights per experiment.

Note: For Micasense, a new flight folder is created whenever the camera is powered up and will have a name of the form nnnnSET. For example Flight1=0000SET, Flight2 = 0001SET and so on. Within each flight folder, a subfolder containing the images is created which has a name of the form nnn. The first folder will be named 000. If more than 999 images are stored, a second image folder (001) is created. Two log files are also created: paramlog.dat and diag.dat. Each nnnnSET is considered to be a single flight. In addition to the Micasense files, there will also be a UAV log file (i.e. the DJI log file) for each flight.

#### **Data Submission**

1. Create a flight folder for each flight data set on the field laptop that is used for data collection named according to the standard naming convention for flight data sets:

```
<location>_<experiments>_<camera_type>_<planned_elevation>_
<camera_type>_<lens_angle>_<date-yyyymmdd>_<flight_number>

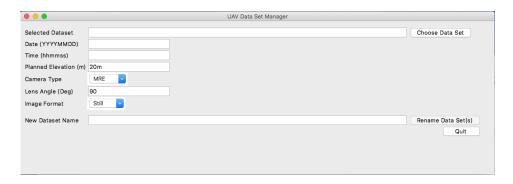
Example: 18ASH_BYD0BYD2_Rededge_20m_-90_20180404_Flight1
```

- 2. Make sure that the following data files are present for each flight data set:
  - a. One or more nnnnSET folders containing
    - i. Images
    - ii. diag.dat
    - iii. paramlog.dat
  - b. (DJI )log file with a naming format yyyy-mm-dd\_hh-mm-sss\_v2.csv. Example: 2017-03-02\_11-14-39\_v2.csv
- 3. Upload each flight data set folder to the Dell Workstation (129.130.89.38) uav\_incoming folder (G:\uav\_incoming (Windows) or /cygdrive/g/uav\_incoming (CygWin))

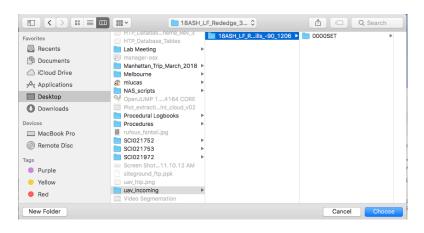
#### **Data Archival**

1. Run the UAV data set manager GUI by typing the command in a terminal window:

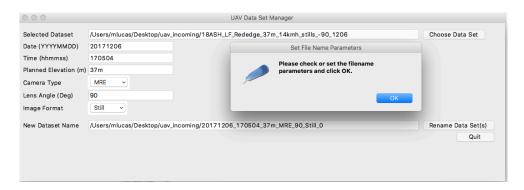
2. The data set manager GUI will be displayed as shown below:



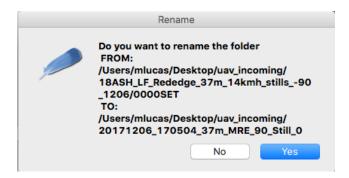
3. Select the Choose Data Set button to open a file browser window:



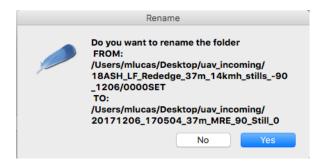
4. Set the planned elevation to the correct value and make sure that the other pre-populated fields have the correct value, then select the Rename Data Sets button. The new file name for the first nnnnSET folder will be displayed and a pop-up box advising you to check that the new filename is correct will be shown. If the new filename looks to be correct, then click OK.:



5. A new pop-up will be displayed asking for confirmation (or cancellation) of the rename operation. Click OK to proceed with the rename of the folder.



6. Steps 6 and 7 will be repeated for each flight folder (nnnnSET). Once all of the flight folders have been renamed, a pop-up asking for confirmation of deletion of the original (empty) flight folder will be displayed. Click OK to delete the folder and then Quit to exit the GUI.



7. Move the renamed flight data set folders into the uav\_staging folder (F:\uav\_staging) on 129.130.89.38.

The uav\_staging folder will be polled automatically (nominally) once a day to check for the presence of new data sets that need to be archived.

Each data set found in the uav\_staging folder will be processed automatically. Note that the exact processing steps are camera platform dependent.

- 8. Verify that all required file types are present in the folder:
  - a. Image sub-folders
  - b. UAV log file
  - c. Camera-specific log files e.g. diag.dat and paramlog.dat for Micasense data sets
- 9. For DJI data sets, interpolate the GPS position for each image using the time stamped position data contained in the DJI log file.
- 10. Rename each image according to the image naming convention:

```
<camera manufacturer>_<sensor_id>_<date>_<time>_<original_image_name>
```

- 11. Store the image metadata for each data set in wheatgenetics.uas\_images (one row per image.)
- 12. Store the flight summary information for each data set in the wheatgenetics.uas\_run table (one row per flight data set.)
- 13. Move each processed data set from the uav\_staging folder to the uav\_processed folder (F:\uav\_processed).
- 14. Using rsync, copy the data in the uav\_processed folder to the Beocat uas images folder (/homes/jpoland/images/uas).
- 15. Generate an image of the polygon defining the area covered by each flight, superimposed on a polygon, which defines the area covered by the associated experiment, for QC review. Store the PDF image file in the uav\_processed folder. The name of the image file should be of the following format:

```
<date>_<start_time>_<experiment>_<planned_elevation>_<camera_type>_<camer
a_angle>_<image_format>
```

The QC image file may cover multiple flights for the same experiment.

**Note:** The UAV operator should ideally perform the QC review in order to make sure that all areas included in the mission plan have been covered and there are no missing areas.

#### **Error Scenarios**

1. A solution is required for determining whether the file folders in the uav\_staging folder have been completely and correctly copied into that folder.

*Proposed solution:* Before the flight data folder is copied into the uav\_staging folder, generate a manifest (text) file which is a list of all files, sub-folders and their image files, contained in the flight data set folder, and store it in the flight data set folder. This can be generated using the Cygwin Linux command:

When the folder is pre-processed, the archive process will check that all files listed in the manifest file are present in the flight data set folder.

2. A solution is required to support remote upload of data from locations where Internet connectivity is poor.

# **Appendices Naming Conventions**

## **Data Set Folder Hierarchy**

The folder/file hierarchy for a specific flight data set will be:

Flight Data Set Folder
—Image Sub-Folder 1
——Image 1
——Image 2
——Image n
—Image Sub-Folder 2
——Image 1
——Image 2
——Image n
—Image Sub-Folder 3
——Image 1
——Image 2
——Image 1

Note: The exact set of raw data files preserved will be camera system dependent.

#### Flight Data Set Folder Name

Each flight data set should be named according to the following format:

```
<date>_<start_time>_<planned_elevation>_<camera_type>_<camera_angle>_<image_for
mat>_<flight_sequence_number>
```

Note that the experiment, planned\_elevation, camera\_type, and camera angle are user inputs.

date: yyyymmdd e.g. 20170701. The date of the flight.

**start\_time:** hhmmss e.g. 11:30:25 the start time of the flight. Initially, this will be entered manually. Ultimately, it will be derived from the start time of the associated flight log.

planned\_elevation: nnm planned flight altitude in meters e.g. 15m

camera\_type: Valid types are:

- X5R
- X3
- X3NIR
- MRE (for the Micasense RedEdge),
- FLIR
- NANO

Note: Other types will be added as new camera platforms are deployed.

**camera angle:** numeric value in degrees. (Note that this will always be a negative value so there is no need for a minus sign.)

image\_format: v=video s=still

**flight\_sequence\_number**: A number starting at 1 and incrementing by 1 which is assigned whenever there are multiple flights with the same combination of date, experiment, planned\_elevation, and camera\_angle.

# Examples:

```
20170701_113031_15m_X5R_70_v_1
20170701_114015_15m_X5R_70_v_2
20170702_120321_30m_X3_90_s_1
20170703_133345_15m_MRE_70_s_1
20170704_153618_15m_FLIR_90_s_1
```

#### Flight Data Set File Folder Contents

- 1. One or more sub-folders containing images. (All image sub-folders that are produced natively by the different cameras will be moved up directly under the top level data set folder, i.e. any sub-folder hierarchy will be eliminated
- 2. Camera-Specific Log files Log files will retain their original names.

#### **Image Sub Folder Name**

Image sub-folders will be named according to the following format:

```
<camera manufacturer>_<sensor_id>_<sub-folder number>_<date>
```

#### **camera\_manufacturer:** Valid types are:

- DJI
- FLIR FLIR Systems
- MICA Micasense
- HW Headwall

**sensor\_id:** - A valid sensor\_id obtained from the htp\_instrument database table. The sensor\_id must be composed only of alphanumeric characters and optionally a hyphen-minus separator. The hyphen-minus character (Unicode character 002D) can be used as a separator within the sensor\_id. No other characters are allowed.

**sub-folder number:** The original lowest-level sub-folder that contains image files. For example, Micasense sub-folder numbers will be 000,001...nnn.

date: yyyymmdd e.g. 20170701 The date of the flight.

Note: Other types will be added as new camera platforms are deployed.

## Examples:

```
DJI_A01733_C001_20170701
DJI_A01733_C002_20170701
DJI_A01733_C003_20170701
MRE_1620061_C000_20170701
MRE_1620061_C001_20170701
```

**Image File Name** 

Most camera image files will need to be renamed in order to make them unique. All parts of the new image file name should be derived from the EXIF associated with the image.

Image files should be renamed according to the following format

```
<camera manufacturer>_<sensor_id>_<image_date>_<image_time>_<original_image_name>
```

# camera\_manufacturer: Valid types are:

- DII
- MICA -Micasense
- FLIR -FLIR Systems
- HW -Headwall

image\_date: yyyymmdd e.g. 20170701

image\_time: hhmmss e.g. 11:30:25

 ${\bf original\_image\_name:}\ {\bf The\ original\ name\ assigned\ by\ the\ camera\ system\ e.g.}$ 

IMG 001 1.tif

## **Examples:**

```
DJI_A01733_20170701_HHMMSS_IMG_000001.dng
MRE 1620061 20170701 HHMMSS IMG 0001 1.tif
```