

# Manual



# FlexiVision

JAKA Robotics Plug-In

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This Plug-In has been developed to streamline communication between **JAKA** robots and the FlexiVision<sup>®</sup> system.

With this integration, users can easily implement a **fast and secure interface** with the FlexiVision<sup>®</sup> vision system.

The Plug-In provides a stable and immediate connection, enabling the transmission of all necessary commands for the efficient operation of an application using the FlexiVision<sup>®</sup> system.

## FlexiVision<sup>®</sup> Plug-In

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# Plug-In installation

Before starting work with the plug-in, ensure that the "Jaka zu" software is installed and configured.

Once the software is open, connect via Wi-Fi or Ethernet cable through the appropriate LAN port.

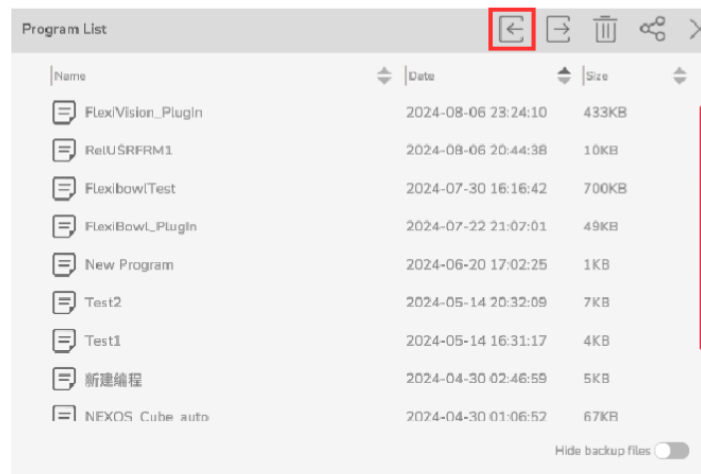
Do not unzip the zip file called "FlexiVision\_PlugIn.zip".

## Step 1.

Click on the folder icon on the right of the screen.

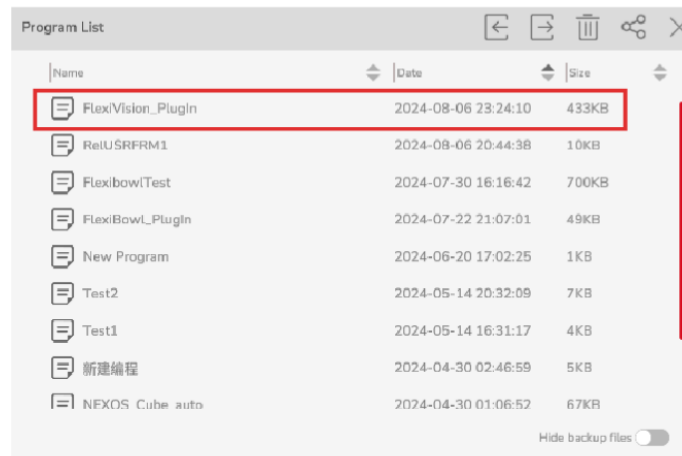


## Step 2.



Before proceeding, click the "import button" (as shown in the image), navigate through the folders, and select the **FlexiVision\_PlugIn**.

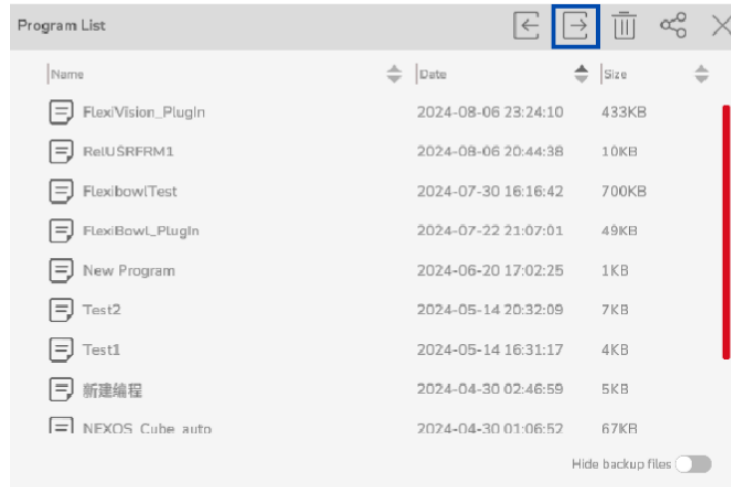
## Step 3.



Click on the name of the plug-in you want to open.

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## Step 4.



If you wish to export the plug-in after making changes, click the **“Export button”** and save it to your preferred location.

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We will now be working with the file "**zucsettings.tar.gz**", which is included in the zip folder we sent to you.

Please note that you should not extract or modify this file in any way.

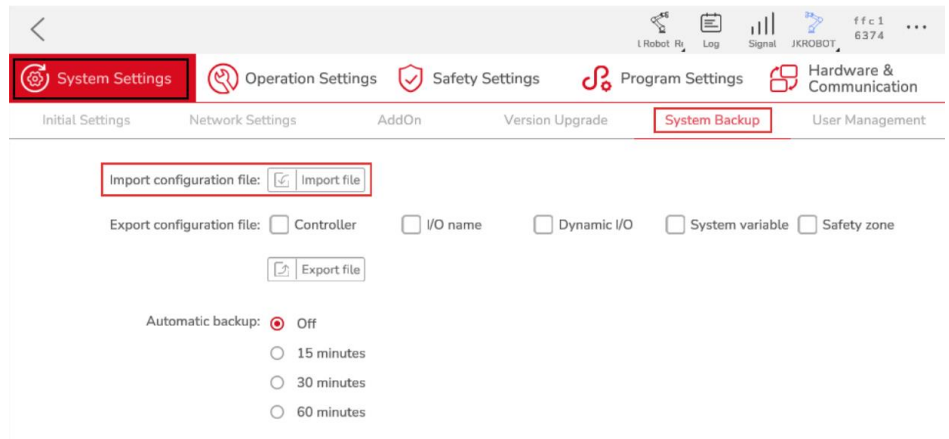
This file contains all the system settings for the robot, which you will need to import into your robot as part of the setup process.

## Step 5.

Click on the **Settings icon** on the top-right of the screen.



## Step 6.



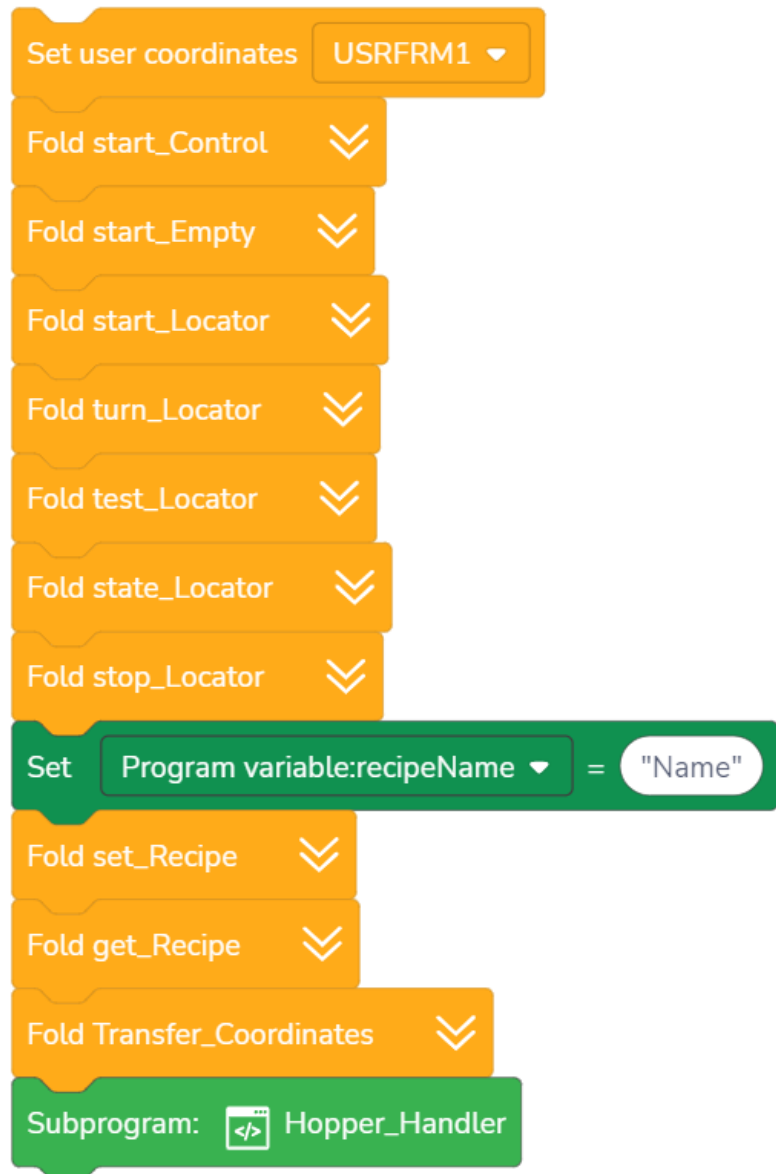
Enter the **"System Settings"** section, then go in the **"System Backup"** section and click on **"Import file"**

## Step 7.

Please navigate to the correct directory on your computer, then select the correct file to successfully import it into the robot.

# How to use the plug-in

## How to use the functions correctly.



For proper use of the plug-in, utilize the blocks available in the left section of the Jaka program.

Select the desired command, right-click on it, and choose **"Copy"**.

If any unwanted blocks have been copied, remove them by dragging them to the bottom center of the screen, over the trash can icon or right-click on it and then choose **"Delete"**.

For a detailed description of the various functions, please refer to the next chapter, **"Plug-In Functions"**.

# Plug-In functions

## 1. Recipe Management Functions



### 1.1 FlexiVision – Get Recipe

The Get\_Recipe function allows the user to output the name of the recipe currently loaded in the FlexiVision interface.

The recipe name is saved in the designated variable "**current\_recipe**".

#### **Function**

*null* Get\_Recipe()

#### **Return Value**

*Current\_recipe* = Value.

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### 1.2 FlexiVision – Set Recipe

The Set\_Recipe function allows the user to change the recipe from within the program.

Before sending the Set\_Recipe function make sure to change the value of "**recipe\_name**" to the recipe name you want to load.

#### **Function**

*null* set\_Recipe(*string recipe\_Name*)

#### **Parameters**

*string recipe\_Name* – The recipe name you want to load in the FlexiVision Interface.

# Plug-In functions

## 2. Vision and movement functions

### 2.1 FlexiVision – Start Empty

The Start\_Empty function initiates a cleaning protocol by opening a small port on the FlexiBowl and commencing a rapid rotation sequence. This automated process efficiently cleans the FlexiBowl of all objects, eliminating the need for operator intervention.

**Function**

```
NULL start_Empty()
```

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### 2.2 FlexiVision – Start Control

The Start Control function initiates the activation procedure for the control camera. The response is customizable, but to be interpreted by the plug-in, it must be in the following format: ControlN;x;y;rz. (Example: "Control1;3;4;5").

**Function**

```
NULL start_Control()
```

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### 2.3 FlexiVision – Start Locator

The Start\_Locator function moves the FlexiBowl using the saved sequence until the object is detected and then returns its coordinates and set on the Hopper\_Flag if needed.

**Function**

```
NULL start_Locator()
```

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### 2.4 FlexiVision – Turn Locator

The Turn Locator function moves the FlexiBowl<sup>®</sup> using the saved sequence, then takes a photo and checks if there is an object that the robot can pick up.

**Function**

```
NULL Turn Locator()
```

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### 2.5 FlexiVision – Stop Locator

The Stop Locator function instantly terminates the object search process by FlexiVision<sup>®</sup>.

**Function**

```
NULL Turn Locator()
```



# Movement functions

## 2.6 FlexiVision – State Locator

The State\_Locator function returns the current state of FlexiVision.

Possible returned values:

- "Locator is Running"
- "Locator is in Error"
- "Locator is not Running".

### **Funzione**

*Null state\_Locator()*

### **Return Value**

*Current\_State = Value.*

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## 2.7 FlexiVision – Test Locator

The Test\_Locator function runs a photo from the vision system and returns the coordinates of the object he found if there is at least one object pickable on the Flexibowl, if there are not returns Null;null;null;null

### **Funzione**

*CBUN\_PCALL MyDevice::start\_Control(int n\_FlexiVision)*

# Plug-In functions

## 3. Recipe Management Functions

### ↕ 3.1 FlexiVision – Transfer Coordinates

The Transfer\_Coordinates function moves the robot above the object, using the Z value specified by the user. The function then approaches the object, and once in position, activates the suction device via the designated DO.

#### **Funzione**

`Null state Locator()`

#### **Return Value**

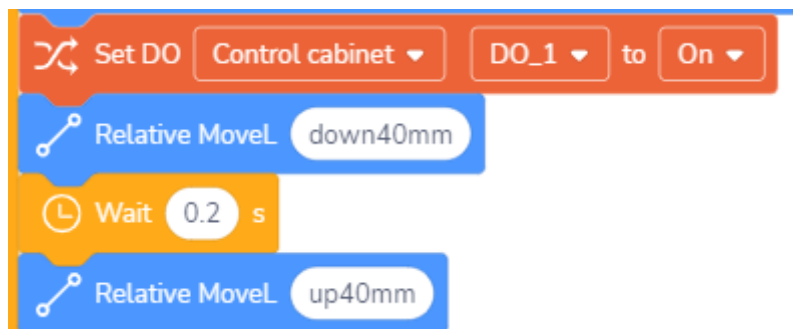
`Current_State = Value.`

#### **What you need to do**

To use this function, you will need to customize the following parameters:

- DO (Digital Output): Replace the default DO with the specific DO corresponding to the suction device in your setup.
- "downXmm" and "upXmm" Strings: Modify these strings to reflect the desired approach height. The X value represents the height you want for the approach.

For example, if you need to pick an object at a height of 5mm and you want an approach of 40mm, you would set the Z value to 45mm, and use "down40mm" for the approach and "up40mm" for the retraction.



# Code example

```

FlexiVision_Plugin
Open Socket 1 IP address: 192.168.0.70 Port: 1313
Set DO Control cabinet DO_1 to Off
Set Program variable:z = 45
Set user coordinates USRFRM1
Wait 1 s
Set Program variable:recipeName = "69134"
Fold set_Recipe
Fold get_Recipe
MoveJ Position variable: Home
Loop always
  Fold start_Locator
  Fold Transfer_Coordinates
  MoveJ Position variable: drop
  Set DO Control cabinet DO_1 to Off
  
```

This code example demonstrates the implementation of a pick-and-place program. Initially, the program connects to the appropriate FlexiVision interface. We then set the desired approach z value, which in this case is pick\_z + 40. The vacuum suction (DO) is turned off, and the appropriate User Frame is selected. Next, the variable recipeName is assigned the desired recipe name to be loaded into FlexiVision, followed by executing the set\_Recipe command. For debugging purposes, the get\_Recipe command is then issued to verify the recipe loaded. The program proceeds with the robot's movements. First, it moves to the home position, from which the start\_Locator command is issued to retrieve coordinates from FlexiVision.

The Transfer\_Coordinates function is then used to pick the object. Finally, the robot moves to the designated drop position to release the object.

# FlexiVision Command List

To send the command to FlexiVision, the value of the string "command" must be changed.

N_Mission	Command	Action
1	"start_Locator"	Starts the parts localization process by recalling the FlexiBowl handling routine in case there are no parts that can be picked up. <b>Return:</b> "Pattern1;x;y;r".
2	"stop_Locator"	Stops the process of locating the object with the aid of the FlexiBowl.
3	"turn_Locator"	If no parts are picked up, by this command the operator can make the Flexibowl rotate and the "start_Locator" routine start. <b>Return:</b> "Pattern1;x;y;r".
4	"test_Locator"	Starts the process of locating the object without the aid of the FlexiBowl. <b>Return:</b> "Pattern1;x;y;r".
5	"start_Control"	Starts the inspection cycle. <b>Return:</b> "Control1;x;y;r".
6	"state_Locator"	Locator status diagnostics is shown: <b>Return:</b> "Locator is Running" "Locator is in Error" "Locator is not Running".
7	"start_Empty"	Start the FlexiBowl® Quick-Emptying sequence. <b>Return:</b> "start_Empty ended"
8	"get_Recipe"	The name of the recipe currently loaded on FlexiVision is shown. <b>Return:</b> "recipe name".
9	"set_Recipe=recipe name"	The recipe corresponding to the sent "recipe name" is loaded.