## LORD QUICK START GUIDE

# G-Link®-200-OEM

## **High-Speed Triaxial Accelerometer Node**

The G-Link-200-OEM wireless accelerometer node features an on-board triaxial accelerometer that allows high-resolution data acquisition at noise levels as low as 25 or 80  $\mu g \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ . The G-Link-200-OEM can output continuous waveform data, or one of four derived channels, including Velocity (IPS $_{rms}$ ), Amplitude (G $_{rms}$  and G $_{pk-pk}$ ) and Crest Factor, allowing long-term monitoring of key performance indicators while maximizing battery life. To acquire sensor data, the G-Link-200-OEM is used with a LORD Sensing WSDA gateway, and comes with the following configuration options.



	Configuration Option	Antenna Gain
G-Link-200 OEM PCB	Integrated chip antenna	1.5 dBi
	MMCX interface: IP67 rated whip antenna, 1 m cable	2.0 dBi
	MMCX interface: Indoor rated whip antenna, 12" cable	2.5 dBi
	U.FL interface:Flag antenna, 4" cable	2.5 dBi
	U.FL interface: Stub antenna, 2" cable	-0.9 dBi
	Calibration Certificate	

Table 1 - G-Link-200-OEM Configuration Options

Part	Description	
Power Interface Kit	Power connector and mating cable	
Mounting Kit	Mounting board, 4 screws	

Table 2 - G-Link-200-OEM Parts

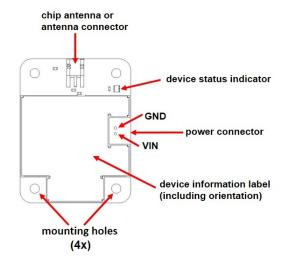


Figure 1 - Interface and Indicators

Indicator	Behavior	Node Status
-	OFF	Node is OFF
	Rapid green flashing on start-up	Node is booting up
Device status	1 (slow) green pulse per second	Node is idle and waiting for a command
indicator	1 green blink every 2 seconds	Node is sampling
	Blue LED during sampling	Node is resynchronizing
	Red LED	Built-in test error

**Table 3 - Indicator Behaviors** 



#### SYSTEM OPERATION

Sensor nodes have three operational modes: *active*, *sleep*, and *idle*. When the node is sampling, it is in active mode. When sampling stops, the node is switched into idle mode, which is used for configuring node settings, and allows toggling between sampling and sleeping modes. The node will automatically go into the ultra low-power sleep mode after a user-determined period of inactivity. The node will not go into sleep mode while sampling.

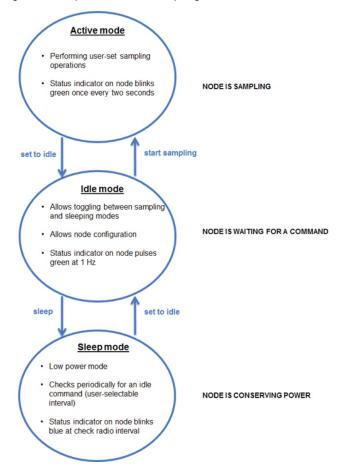


Figure 2 - Node Operational Modes

#### 1. Install Software

Install the **SensorConnect** software on the host computer before connecting any hardware. Access the free software download on the LORD Sensing website at:



http://www.microstrain.com/software

#### 2. Establish Gateway Communication

Drivers for the USB gateways are included the SensorConnect software installation. With the software installed, the USB gateway will be detected automatically whenever the gateway is plugged in.

- Power is applied to the gateway through the USB connection. Verify the gateway status indicator is illuminated, showing the gateway is connected and powered on.
- 2. Open the SensorConnect™ software.
- 3. The gateway should appear in the Controller window automatically with a communication port assignment. If the gateway is not automatically discovered, verify the port is active on the host computer, and then remove and re-insert the USB connector.

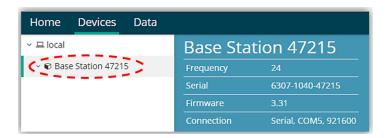


Figure 3 - USB Gateway Communication



#### 3. Connect to Nodes

Several methods can be used in SensorConnect to establish communication with the nodes: the automatic node discovery on the same frequency, automatic node discovery on a different frequency, and add node manually.

#### A. Automatic Node Discovery on Same Frequency

If the base and node are on the same operating frequency, the node will populate below the Base Station listing when powering on the G-Link-200-OEM.

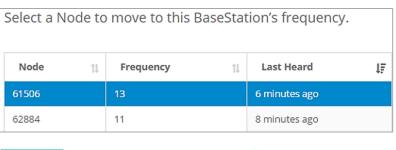


#### B. Automatic Node Discovery on Different Frequency

If a red circle with a number appears next to the Base Station, the node is operating on a separate radio channel. Select the Base Station and then select the Nodes on Other Frequencies tile.



Highlight the new node being added and select Move Node to Frequency (#).





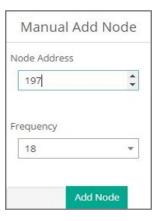
Move Node to Frequency 24



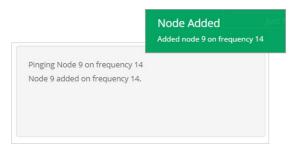
#### C. Manually Add Node

Adding a node manually requires entering the node address and its current frequency setting.

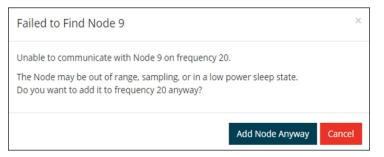
From the Base Station, select the Manual Add Node tile, enter the Node Address, last known Frequency (factory default is 15), and select Add Node.



If the node was successfully added, two confirmation messages will appear and it will be listed under the Base Station.



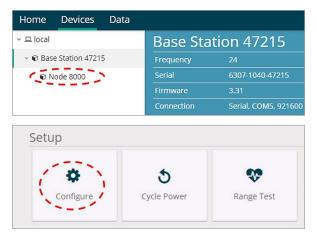
If the node failed to be added, a failure message will appear. This means the node did not respond to the base station which could indicate the node is not in idle mode or it may be on another frequency. If "Add Node Anyway" is selected, it will associate that node with the channel entered but it is likely there will be a communication error. If the node was not in idle, move the base station to the frequency of the node and issue a "Set to Idle" command.





#### 4. Configure Node

Node settings are stored to non-volatile memory and may be configured using SensorConnect. To access the node configuration menu, under Devices select the node and then the Configure tile.



The configuration menus show the channels and configuration options available for the type of node being used.

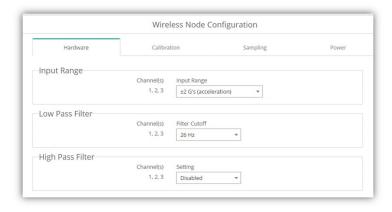


Figure 4 - Node Configuration

### 5. Configure Sampling Setting and Start Data Acquisition

- 1. Left click on the Base Station > Sampling, and indicate the nodes to be sampled by checking the box to the left of each node.
- 2. Under 3 Channels, select Raw Channels, ch1, ch2 and ch3 from the drop down menu.
- 3. Under Sampling, select Sample Rate from the drop down menu, select Continuously to sample indefinitely.

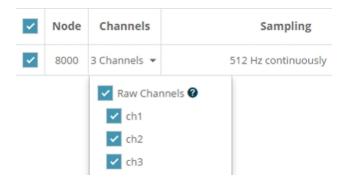


Figure 5 - Sampling Setting

- 4. Select Apply and Start Network.
- Select Create Quick View Dashboard in the pop up window immediately to create a dashboard of the new data.





Figure 6 - Quick View Dashboard



### **Radio Specifications**

The G-Link-200-OEM employs a 2.4GHz IEEE 802.15.4-compliant radio transceiver for wireless communication. The radio is a direct-sequence spread spectrum radio and can be configured to operate on 16 separate frequencies ranging from 2.405 GHz to 2.480 GHz. Following the 802.15.4 standard, these frequencies are aliased as channels 11 through 26. For all newly manufactured nodes, the default setting is 2.425 GHz (channel 15).

#### G-Link-200-OEM

FCC ID: XJQMSLINK0010

IC ID: 8505A-MSLINK0010

This device complies with Part 15 of the United States FCC Rules, and Industry Canada's license-exempt RSSs. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: 1) This device may not cause interference, and 2) This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device. Changes or modifications, including antenna changes not expressly approved by LORD Corporation could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

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## **ESD Sensitivity**

The G-Link-200-OEM is intended to be integrated in to an application appropriate housing to protect it from environmental elements, impact, and electrostatic discharge (ESD), which can disrupt operation or damage the PCB.



The G-Link-200-OEM is susceptible to damage and/or disruption of normal operation from Electrostatic Discharge (ESD). ESD may cause the device to reset, which may require user intervention to continue data acquisition.

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