

Ground Explorer

GROUND PENETRATING RADAR



GPR with exeptional range and resolution

The Ground Explorer (GX) is an integrated GPR solution with a wide range of antenna options. Through unique HDR technology, the GX offers significantly better data quality and faster acquisition rates. The GX series of antennas are fully integrated with the Controller App and MALÅ Vision.

The Ground Explorer is an easy-to-use and field proven GPR solution for a wide range of different applications. The antennas feature an integrated DGPS for positioning and they also support the use of external RTK GNSS GPS solutions. The Ground Explorer supports wireless data collection through WiFi. Normal working range varies between 25-100 meters depending on local conditions.



Data collection can be carried out using the high-resolution, field worthy, GX Controller, or using recommended Android tablets and the Controller App. The latter solution will only work with wireless data collection. If a wire connection is preferred, the GX Controller is your choice.



Facilitating field measurements

Every Ground Explorer solution contains two separate components: the GX Controller and the GX antenna. These are connected either through a single cable or WiFi. The system is typically configured as either a push- or pull-solution.

Configured as a push-solution, either the GX Controller or a tablet are mounted on a Rough Terrain Cart (RTC) or RTC Mini together with the antenna.

When configuring the Ground Explorer as a pull-solution your encoder wheel of choice is mounted on the antenna. The GX Controller or tablet is then carried with the shoulder harness and the antenna assembly can be pulled with a pulling handle or a strap.





GPR antennas with 4 different frequencies

The Ground Explorer can be optimized for specific measurements and applications by adding different antennas. For the GX-series of antennas, there are four options to choose from using center–frequencies of 80, 160, 450 or 750MHz.

The choice of antenna frequency will be governed by your application and the desired depth penetration and resolution. All new Ground Explorer antennas are app-enabled and come with WiFi connection per default. This enables full integration with the Controller App and MALÅ Vision.





GPR DATA ACQUISITION ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE

The Controller App is an easy-to-use acquisition software to help you go as fast as possible from data collection to delivering results. The intuitive user interface lets you view and interpret while data is being collected.

Set gain and contrast, remove background noise and set object and surface markers. The touch-based interface speeds up your survey, letting you deliver results quicker.

After acquiring your GPR data, upload it to MALÅ Vision with markers and metadata. Instantly share and present the data to anyone, anywhere.



Technical Specification

Tablet

Acquisition platformController AppProcessing platformMALÅ Vision

Recommended tablet Samsung Galaxy Tab Active Pro 4G



GX Controller

Processor 1.6 GHz Intel Atom
Display 1024 x 768 mm

OS Linux

Memory 8 GB compact Flash memory

Data output 32 bit

Comms Ethernet, WiFi (optional), USB 3.0, RS232 (serial)

GPS Integrated support for built-in GPS, or external GPS

via USB/serial port (NMEA 0183 protocol)

Power supply Internal 12 V/20.8 Ah Li-Ion battery,

or any external 10-15 V DC source

Charger Internal. Unit can also be charged from any external

12 - 15 V DC source

Power consumption 1.3 - 2.0 AOperating time 8 - 10 h

Dimensions 326 x 216 x 92 mm including handles

326 x 216 x 52 mm excluding handles

Weight 3.23 kg

Operating temp -20° to $+50^{\circ}$ C or 0° to 120° F

Environmental IP 65

GX WIFI OPTION

Wireless standard: IEEE802.11 g

Power consumption: 0,3 A



GX Antennas

MALÅ GX750 HDR

MALÅ Semi-Real-Time Technology

750 MHz Antenna center freq 97 dB SNR

Scans/second > 1290, time window 75 ns Survey speed 460 [km/h] point distance 10 cm **Bandwidth** 120 %, fractional, -10 dB

Time window 75 ns

Built-in DGPS, external GPS **Positioning**

(NMEA 0183 protocol),

wheel encoder

Operating time 5 h

Interchangeable 12 V Power supply

Li-Ion batt. or ext. 12 V DC source

Power consumption

Acq. Mode Wheel, time or manual **Dimensions** 375 x 235 x 170 mm

Weight

Operating temp - 20° to + 50° C or 0° to 120° F

ADC Clock Frequency 160 MHz **Environmental IP 65**

MALÅ GX450 HDR

MALÅ Semi-Real-Time Technology

450 MHz Antenna center freq SNR 101 dB

Scans/second > 770, time window 300 ns Survey speed 275 [km/h] point distance 10 cm **Bandwidth** >120 %, fractional, -10 dB

Time window 300 ns

Inbuilt DGPS, external GPS **Positioning**

(NMEA 0183 protocol),

wheel encoder

Operating time 5 h

Interchangeable 12 V Power supply

Li-Ion batt. or ext. 12 V DC source

Power consumption

Acq. Mode Wheel, time or manual **Dimensions** 430 x 360 x 180 mm

Weight 5.5 kg

Operating temp - 20° to + 50° C or 0° to 120° F

160 MHz ADC Clock Frequency **Environmental IP 65**

MALÅ GX160 HDR

Technology MALÅ Semi-Real-Time

Antenna center freq 160 MHz **SNR** $> 107 \, dB$

Scans/second > 880, time window 625 ns Survey speed 320 [km/h] point distance 10 cm

Time window 625 ns

Bandwidth > 120 %, fractional, -10 dB **Positioning** Inbuilt DGPS, external GPS (NMEA 0183 protocol),

wheel encoder

Operating time

Power supply Interchangeable 12 V Li-Ion batt.

or ext. 12 V DC source

Power consumption 1.3 A

Acq. Mode Wheel, time or manual **Dimensions** 720 x 480 x 190 mm

Weight 10.7 kg

Operating temp - 20° to + 50° C or 0° to 120° F

ADC Clock Frequency 160 MHz **Environmental** IP 65

MALÅ GX80 HDR

MALÅ Semi-Real-Time **Technology**

Antenna center freq 80 MHz **SNR** > 114.4 dB

Scans/second > 1200, time window 812 ns Survey speed 430 [km/h] point distance 10 cm

Time window 812 ns

Bandwidth > 120 %, fractional, -10 dB **Positioning** Built-in DGPS, external GPS (NMEA 0183 protocol),

wheel encoder

Operating time

Power supply Interchangeable 12 V Li-Ion batt.

or ext. 12 V DC source

Power consumption 1.3 A

Acq. Mode Wheel, time or manual **Dimensions** 1010 x 780 x 220 mm

Weight 24,6 kg

Operating temp - 20° to + 50° C or 0° to 120° F

ADC Clock Frequency 160 MHz **Environmental IP 65**











