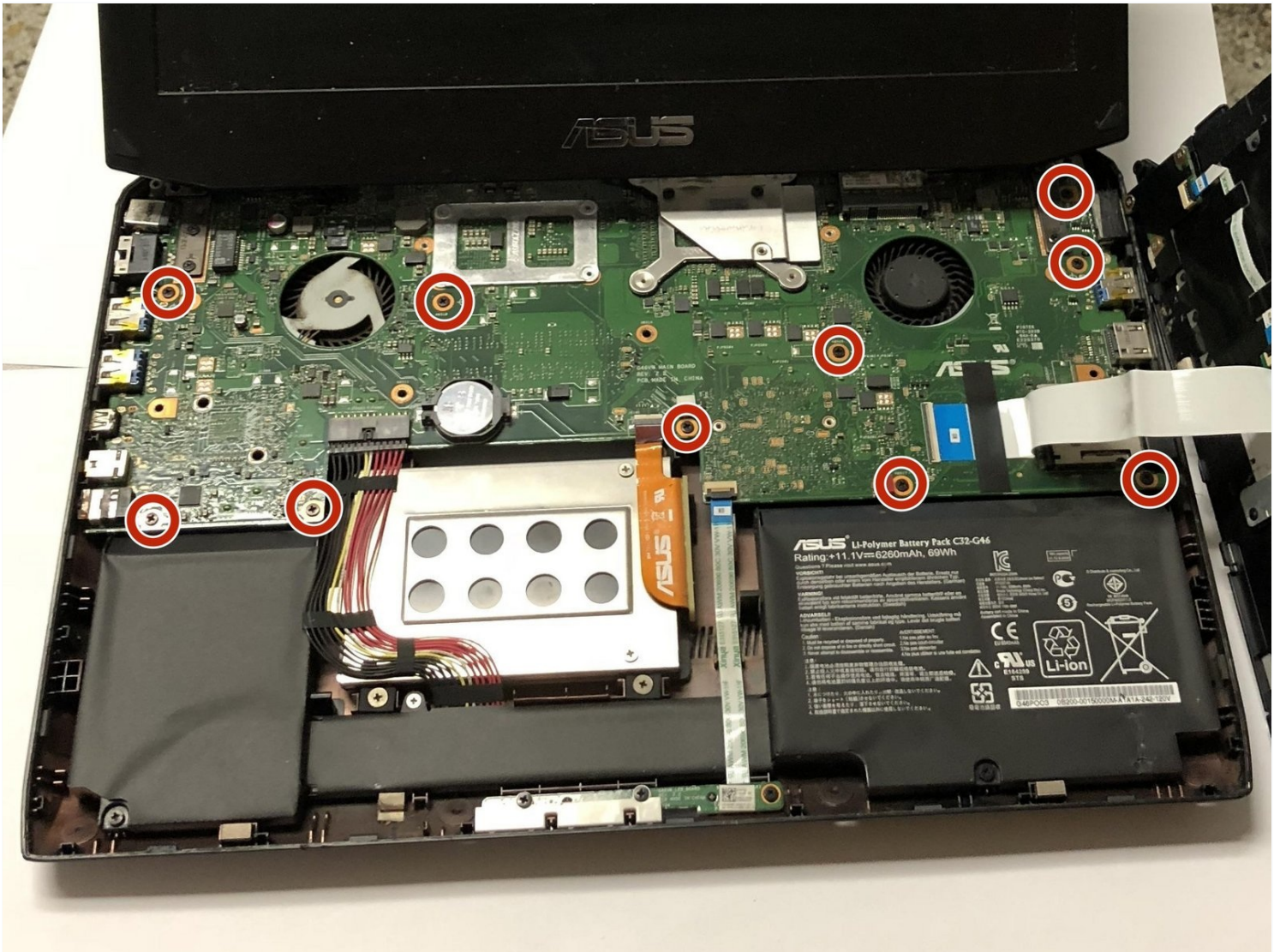




ASUS ROG G46VW Motherboard Replacement

Keep close track of your screws and where they...

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INTRODUCTION

Keep close track of your screws and where they came from while disassembling due to the number of screws that are going to be removed in this guide.

TOOLS:

TR9 Torx Security Screwdriver (1)

T5 Torx Screwdriver (1)

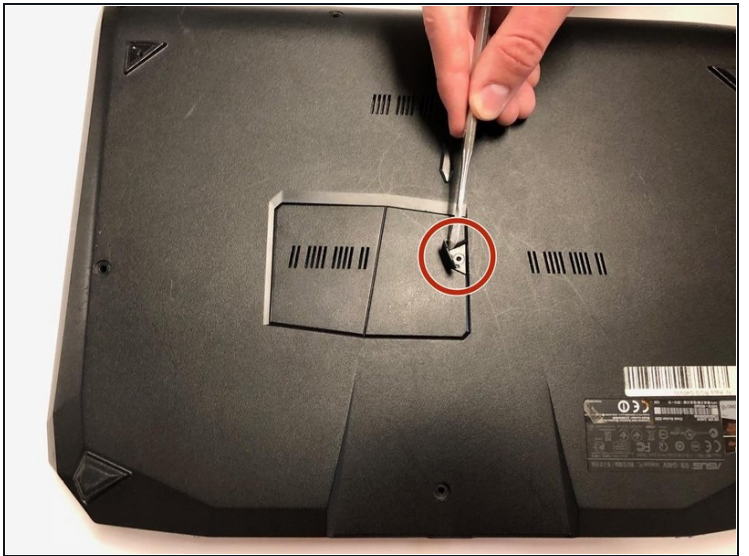
Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)

Spudger (1)

iFixit Opening Tool (1)

Tweezers (1)

Step 1 — RAM



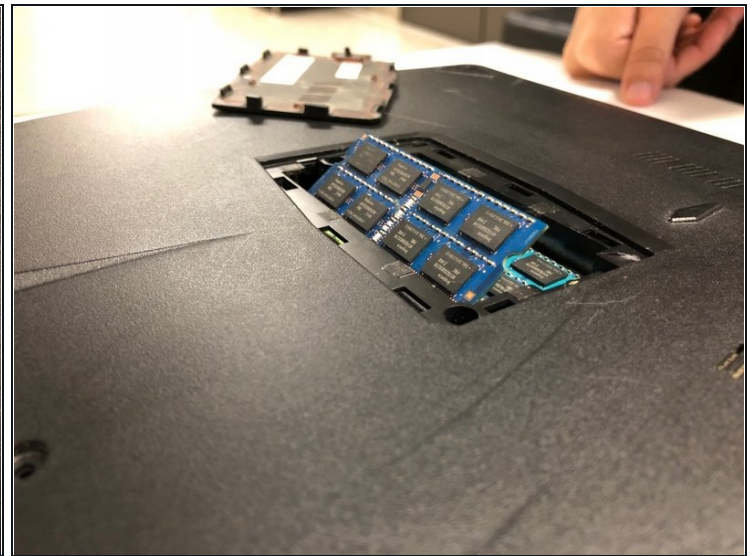
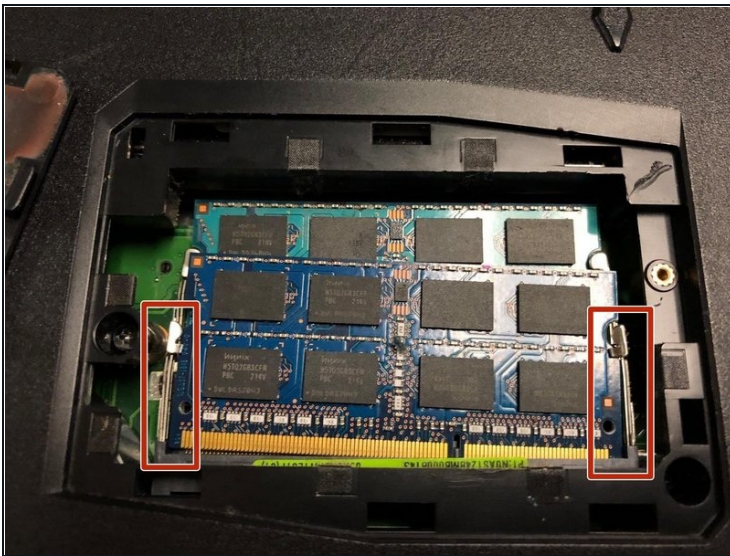
- Lift the screw cover and remove the screw using a Phillips #0 screwdriver.

Step 2



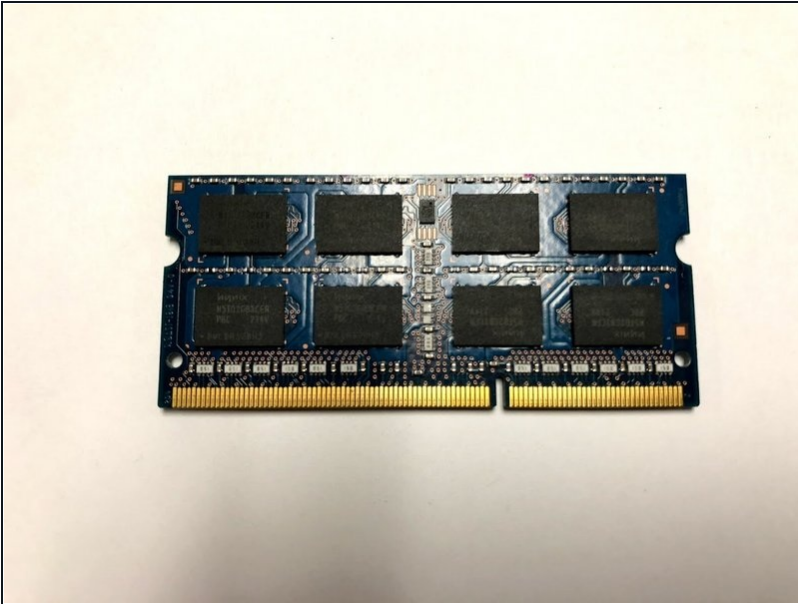
- Remove the RAM cover by lifting the screw cover and pulling away firmly.

Step 3



- Push outwards on the clips to release the RAM stick. The stick should pop up at an angle.

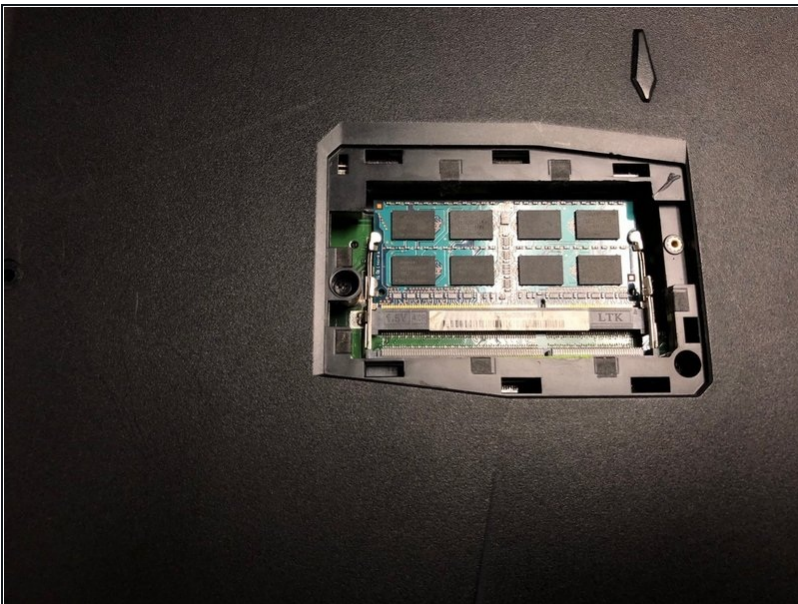
Step 4



- Pull out the RAM stick carefully.

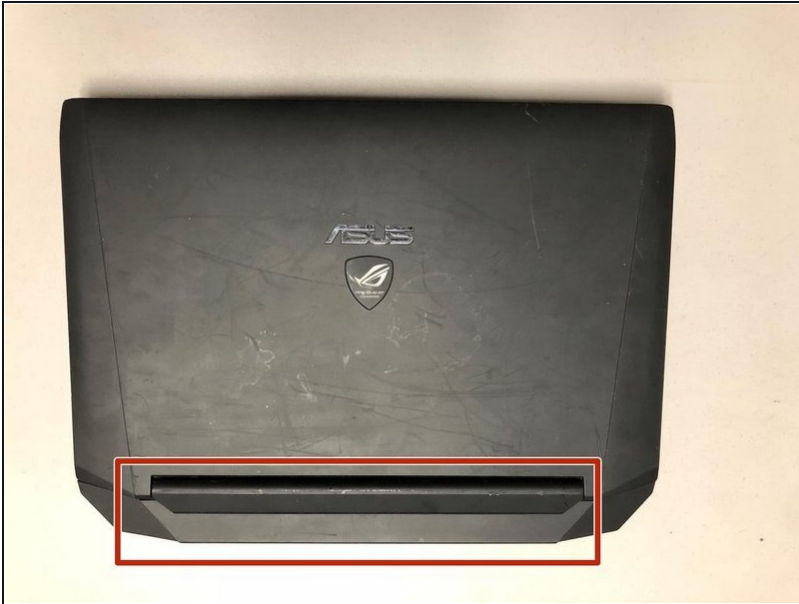
⚠ Do not use a prying motion as this will damage the hardware. Be careful not to damage the gold section of the RAM stick.

Step 5



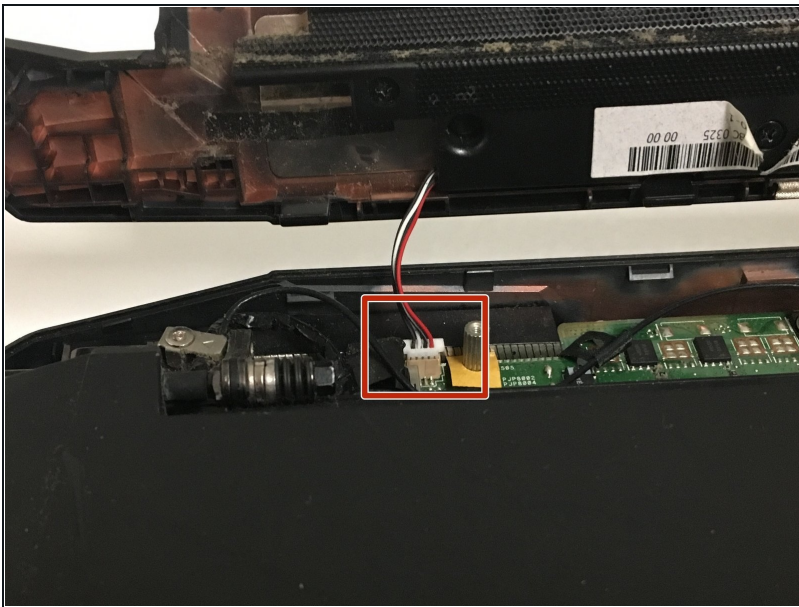
- Repeat steps 3-4 to remove the second RAM stick.

Step 6 — Speaker Cover



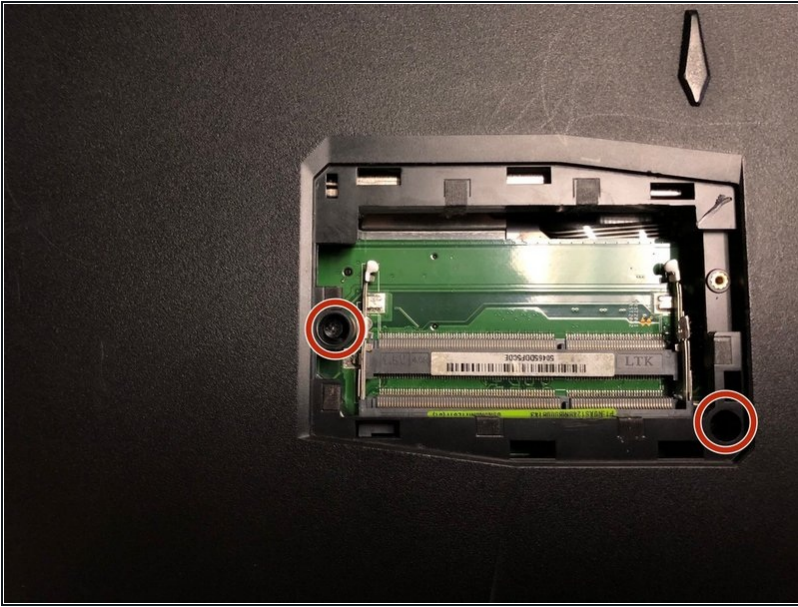
- Gently pry the back hinge cover piece away from the device.

Step 7



- Disconnect the speaker cable from the motherboard.

Step 8 — Keyboard



- Remove the two screws from underneath the RAM cover.

Step 9



- Remove all of the screws from the bottom of the case.
- If replacing the screen, remove the rubber feet to reveal two more screws.

Step 10



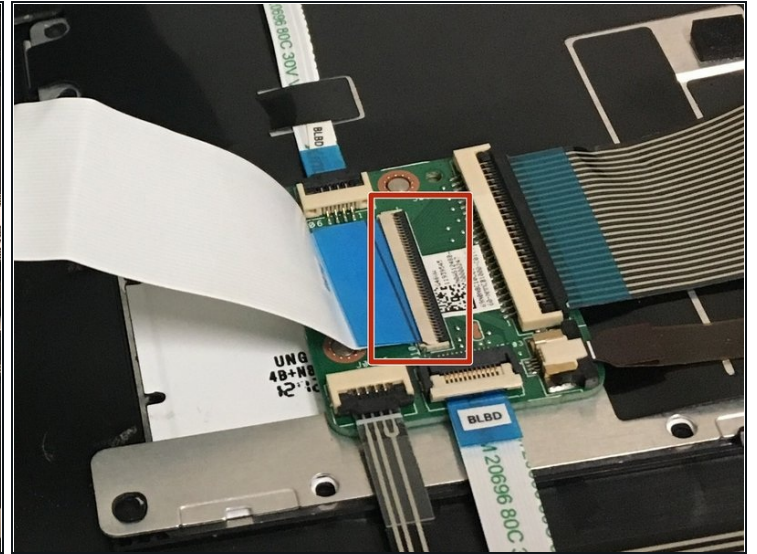
- Turn the laptop over and remove the screws as shown

Step 11



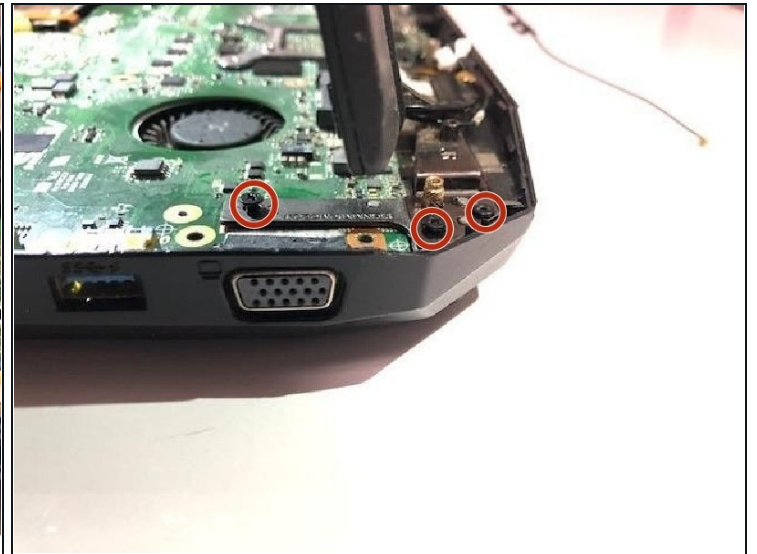
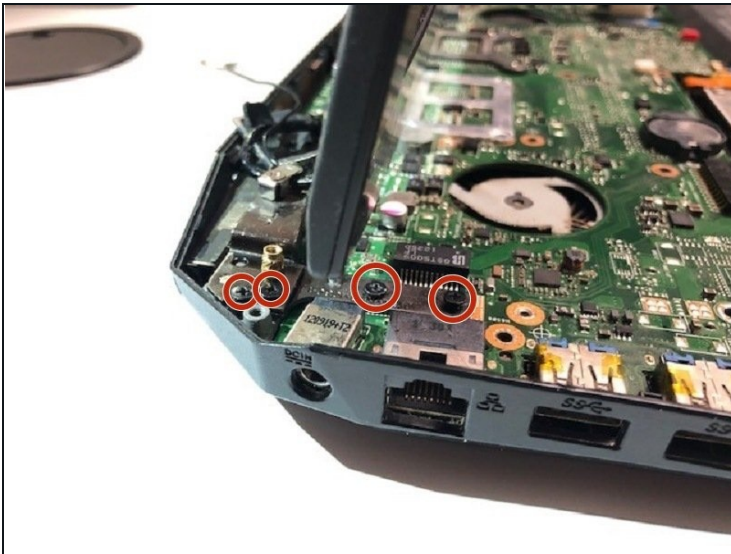
- Carefully pry the keyboard away using your spudger and the opening tools.
- ⚠ Be sure not to damage the clips holding the keyboard to the bottom case.

Step 12



- Detach the ribbon cable by releasing the clip

Step 13 — Screen



- Remove screws from silver braces.

Step 14



- Use [tweezers](#) to remove golden screw caps.

Step 15



- Remove tape and gently pull up on golden cap connectors to disconnect them.

Step 16



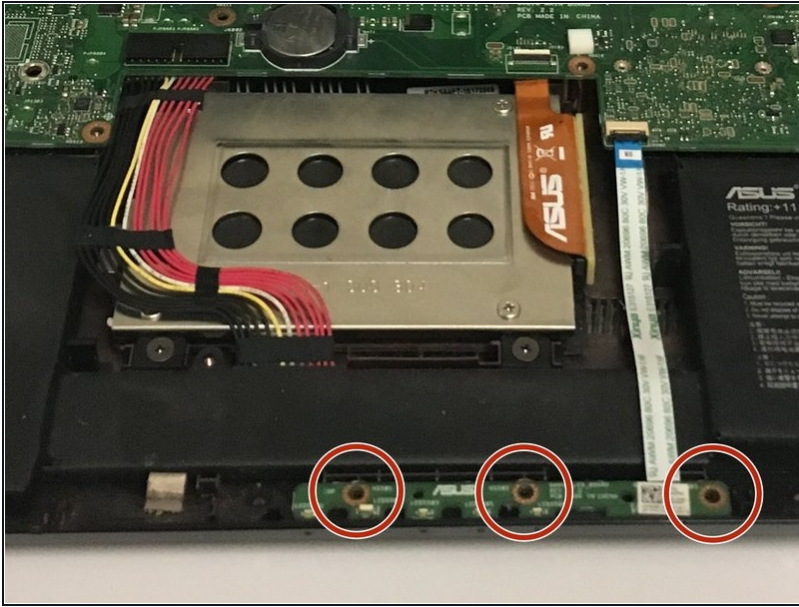
- Gently pull the white connector until it comes loose.

Step 17 — Indicator Lights



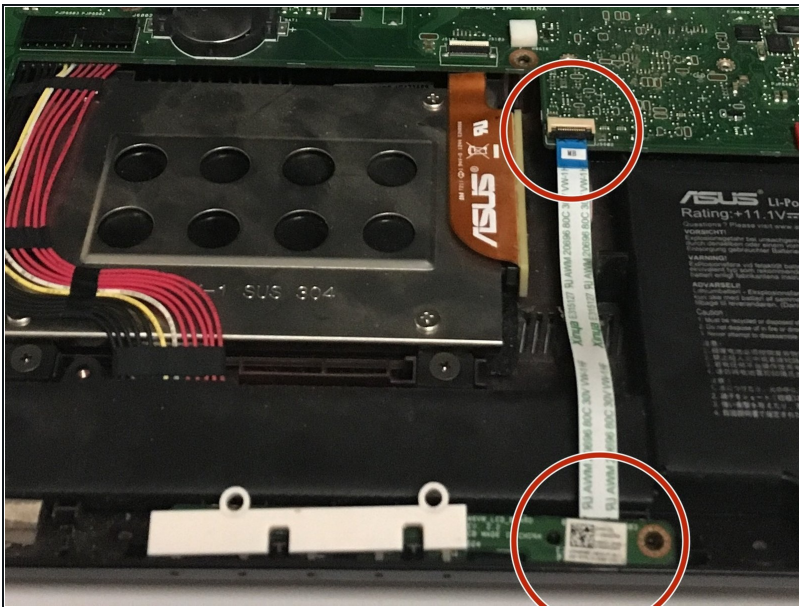
- With the motherboard exposed, locate the Indicator Lights and their white plastic housing piece.

Step 18



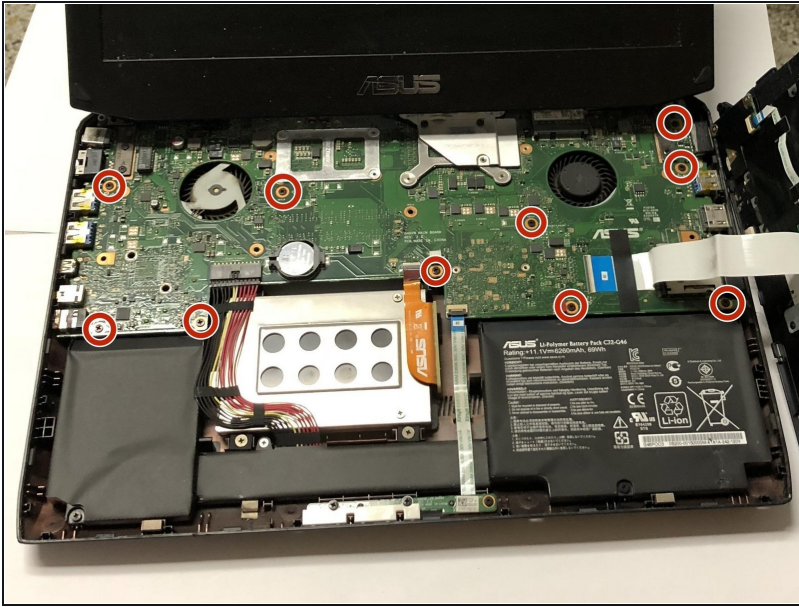
- Remove all 3 screws from the motherboard connection using the Phillips #0 screwdriver.
- Pull the plastic white housing piece away from the case.

Step 19



- Locate the flat LED cable that connects the lights to the motherboard.
- Flip the black cover upwards before pulling on the cable.
- Repeat for the other connector piece.

Step 20 — Motherboard



- Locate and remove the screws.
- Removing the screws allows you to lift up the motherboard

Step 21



- After lifting the motherboard up you can replace any component on it, such as the fans.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.