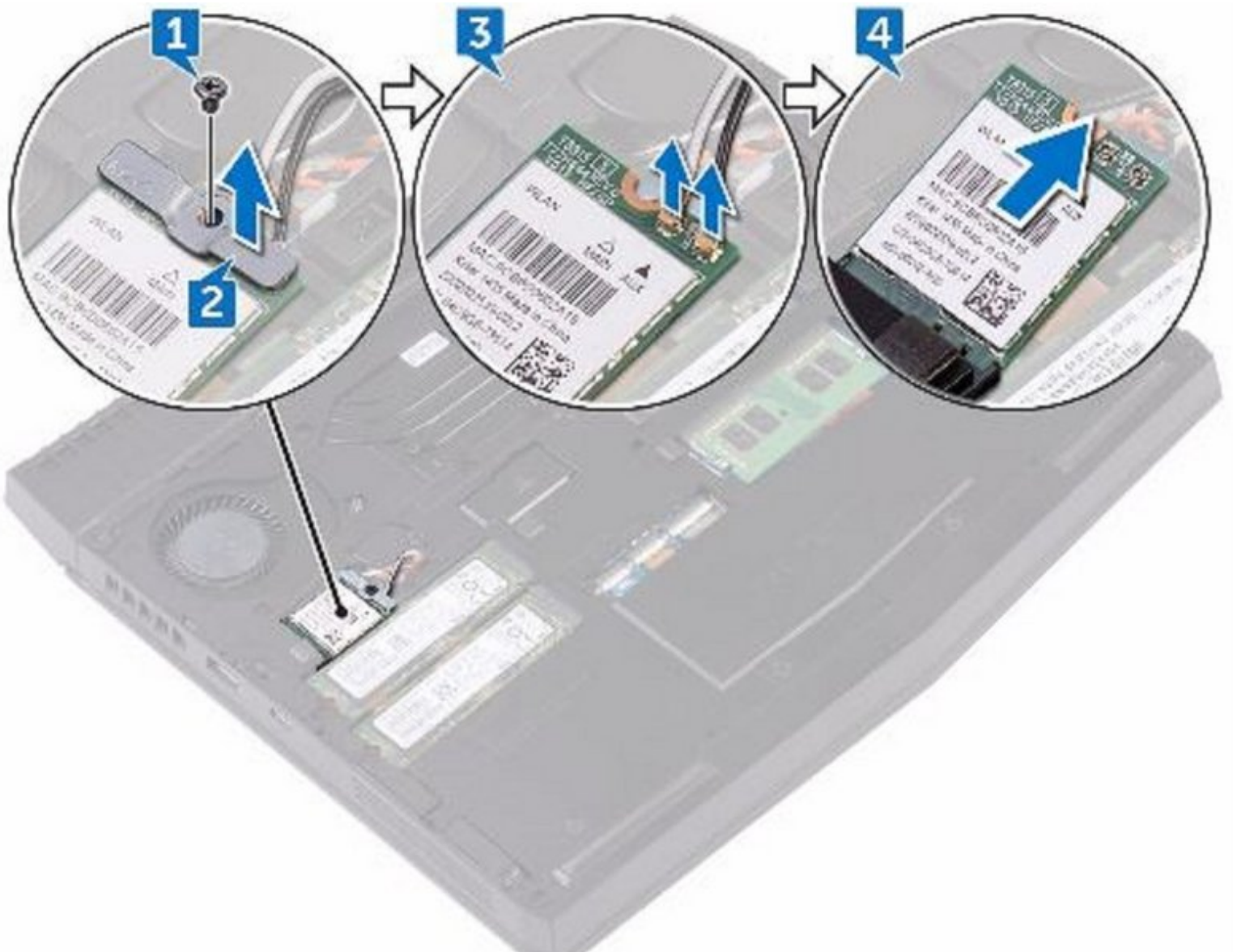




Dell Alienware 13 R3 Wireless Card Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

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TOOLS:

- [Pro Tech Toolkit](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Loosen the Screws



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- Loosen the five captive screws that secure the base cover to the computer base.

Step 2 — Pry the Base Cover



- Using a plastic scribe, gently pry the base cover to release the tabs on the base cover from the slots on the computer base.

Step 3 — Lift the Base Cover



- Lift the base cover off the computer base.

Step 4 — Disconnect the Battery Cable



- Using a plastic scribe, disconnect the battery cable from the system board.

Step 5 — Press and Hold the Power-Button



- Press and hold the power button for five seconds to ground the system board.

Step 6 — Connect the Battery Cable



- Connect the battery cable to the system board.

Step 7 — Slide the Tabs



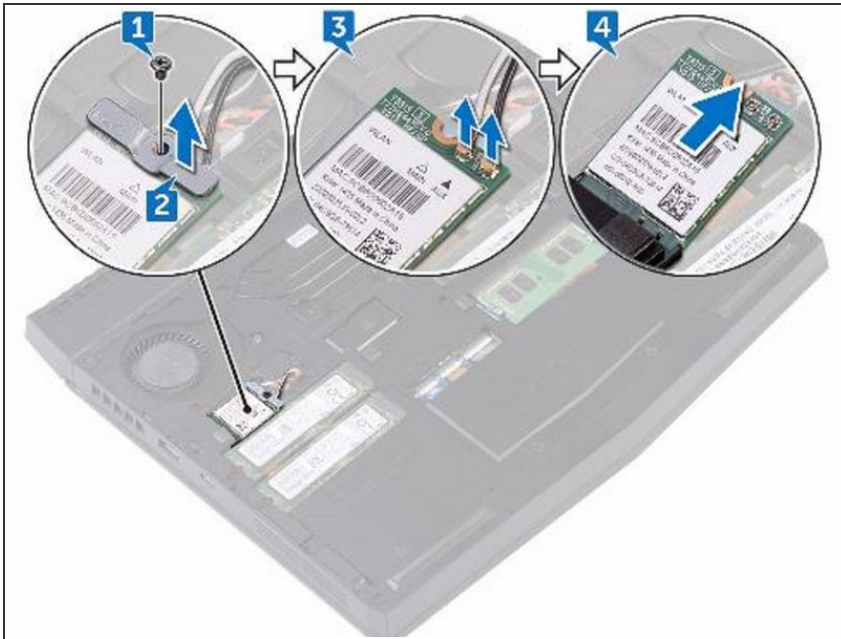
- Slide the tabs on the **NEW** base cover into the slots on the computer base and snap the base cover into place

Step 8 — Tighten the Five Captive Screws



- Tighten the five captive screws that secure the base cover to the computer base.

Step 9 — Align the Notch

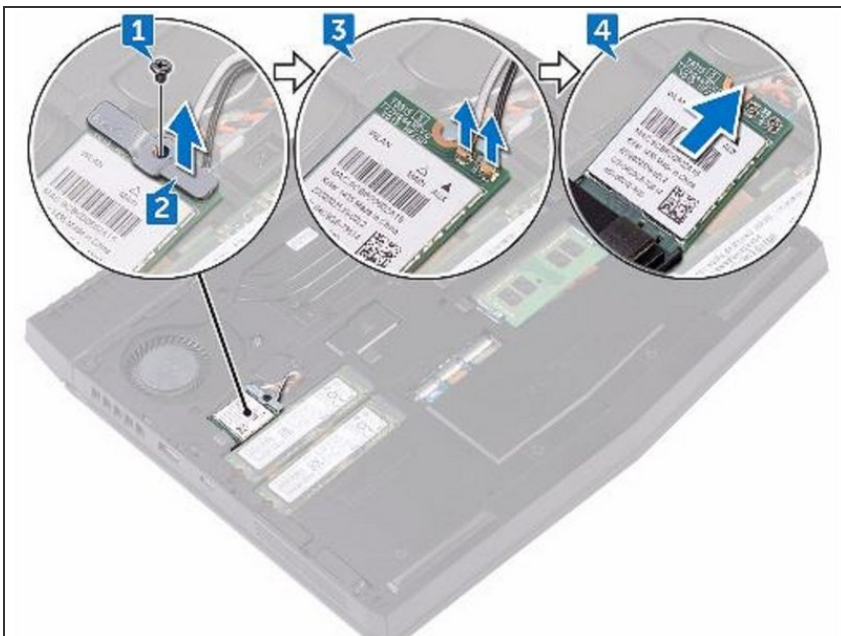


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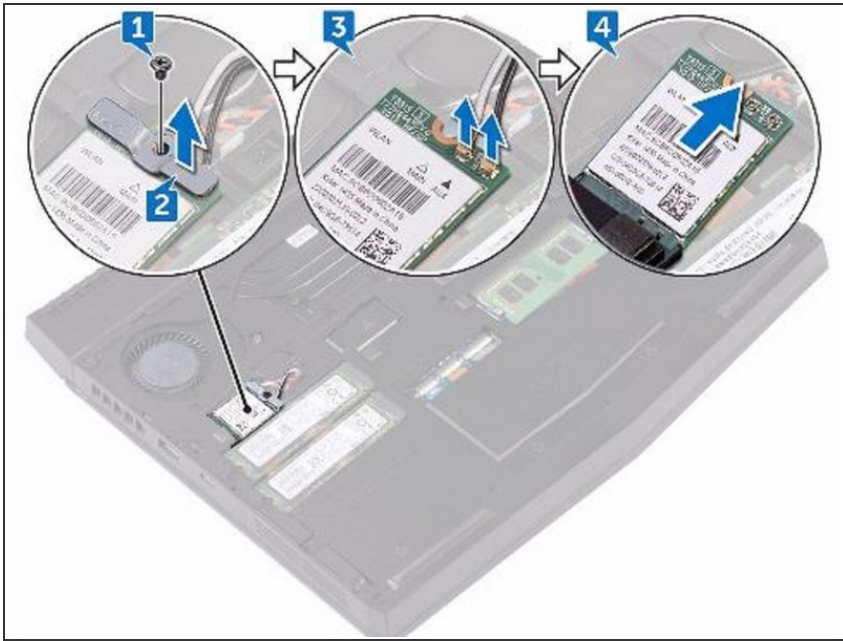
- Remove the screw (M2x3) that secures the wireless card and bracket to the computer base.

Step 10 — Lift the Wireless-Card Bracket



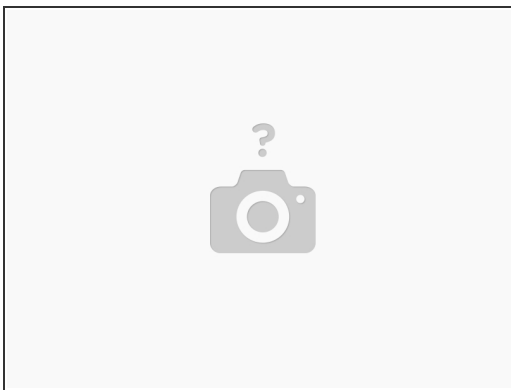
- Lift the wireless-card bracket off the wireless card.

Step 11 — Disconnecting the Antenna Cables



- Disconnect the antenna cables from the wireless card.

Step 12 — Align the Notch



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- Align the notch on the wireless card with the tab on the wireless-card slot.

Step 13 — Slide the Wireless Card



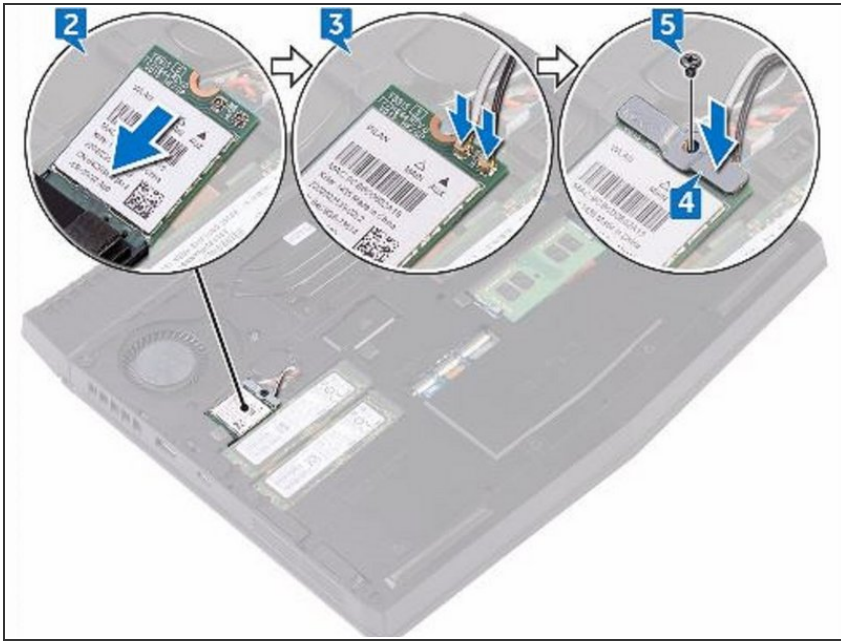
- Slide the **NEW** wireless card at an angle into the wireless-card slot.

Step 14 — Connect the Antenna Cables



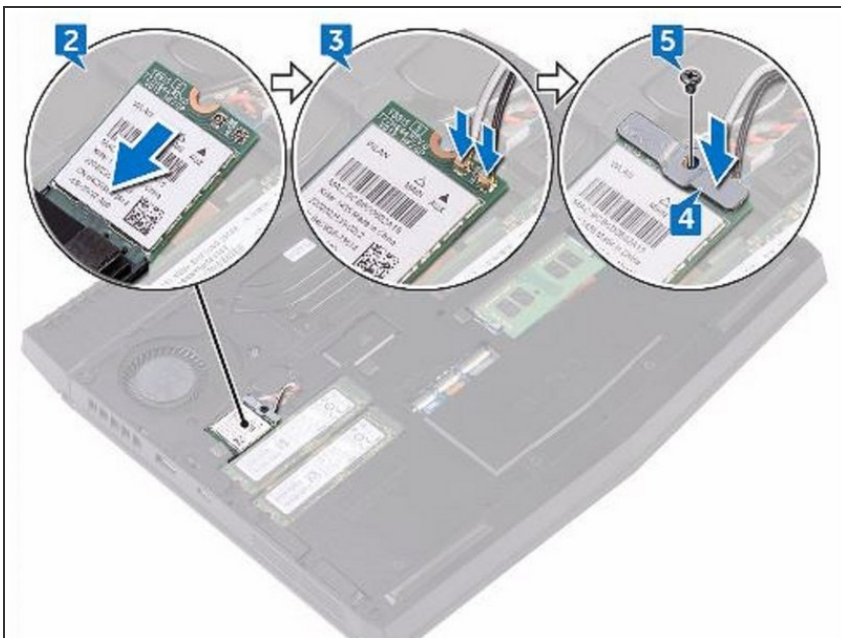
- Connect the antenna cables to the wireless card.

Step 15 — Align the Screw Hole



- Align the screw hole on the wireless-card bracket with the screw hole on the wireless card and the computer base.

Step 16 — Replace the Screw



- Replace the screw (M2x3) that secures the wireless-card bracket to the wireless card and the computer base.

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