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MacBook Air 11" Mid 2013 I/O Board Replacement

Prereq to upper case guide—remove the I/O board after the logic board

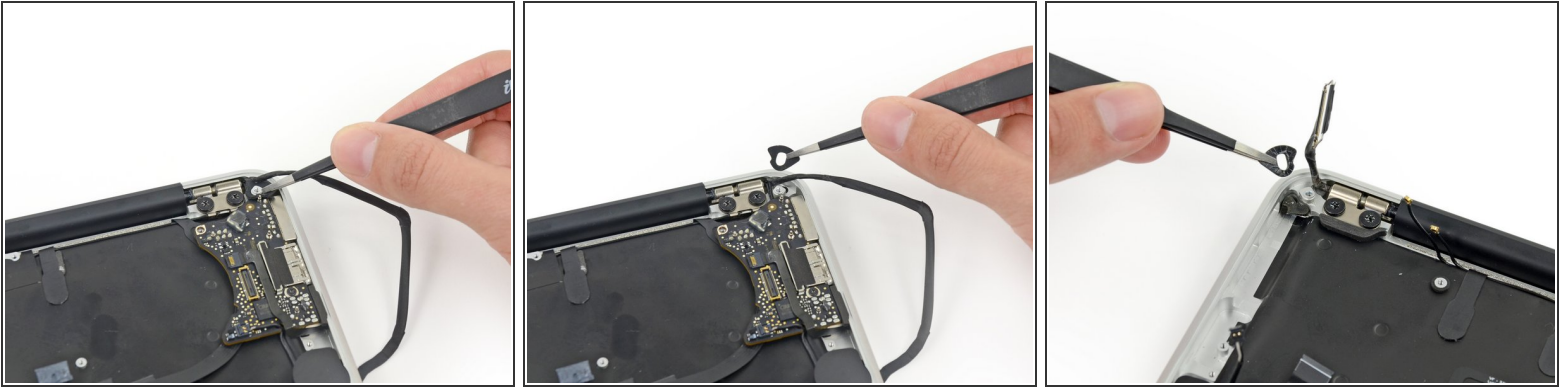Written By: Sam Goldheart

INTRODUCTION

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🔧 TOOLS:

- Spudger (1)
- T5 Torx Screwdriver (1)
- Tweezers (1)

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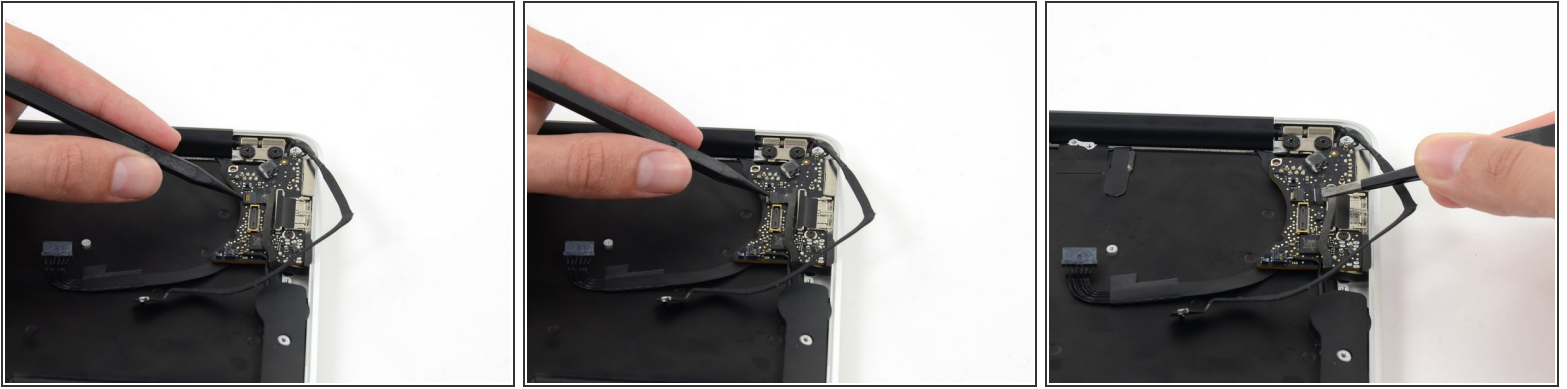
Step 1 — I/O Board

- Remove the small rubber gasket from the corner of the upper case nearest the the I/O board.

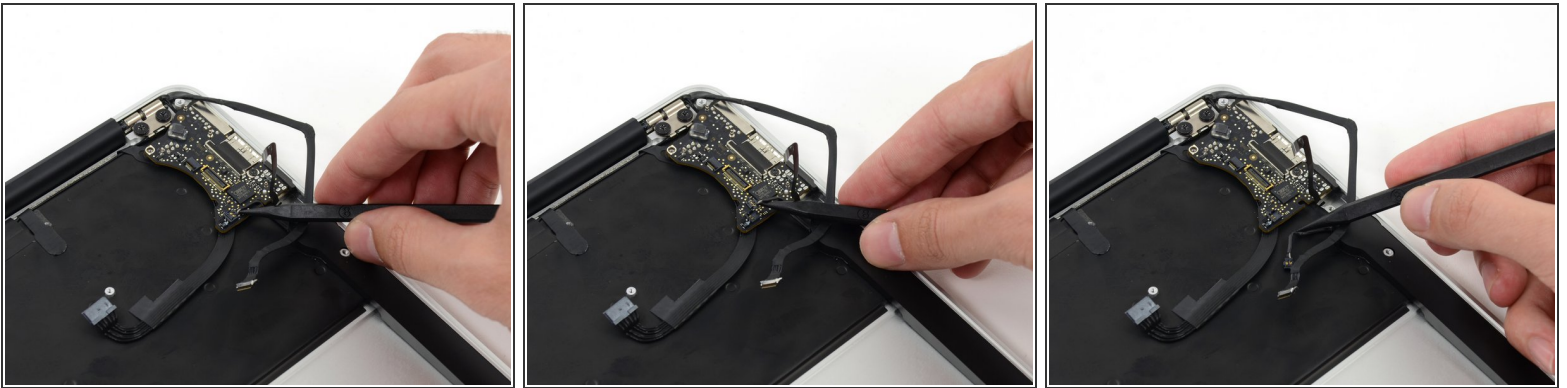- Remove the gasket from the corner nearest display cable connector.

Step 2

ⓘ If necessary, use tweezers to remove any tape covering the microphone cable ZIF connector.

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Step 3

- Use the tip of a spudger to carefully flip up the retaining flap on the microphone cable ZIF socket.

⚠️ Be sure you are prying up on the retaining flap, **not** the socket itself.

- With a pair of tweezers, pull the microphone ribbon cable straight out of its socket.

Step 4

- Use the tip of a spudger to pry under the speaker cable near the connector, lifting it straight up from its socket.

- De-route the cable from its notch in the logic board.

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Step 5

- Remove the single 3.6 mm T5 Torx screw securing the I/O board to the upper case.

Step 6

- Carefully lift the I/O board by its power cable and pull it away from the edge of the case.

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

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