



Adding a SSD or second HDD to a Asus N73J laptop.

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INTRODUCTION

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TOOLS:

- [64 Bit Driver Kit](#) (1)
Only need JIS #1 bit (or Pillips PH1)
- [Flathead 3/32" or 2.5 mm Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [Spudger](#) (1)



PARTS:

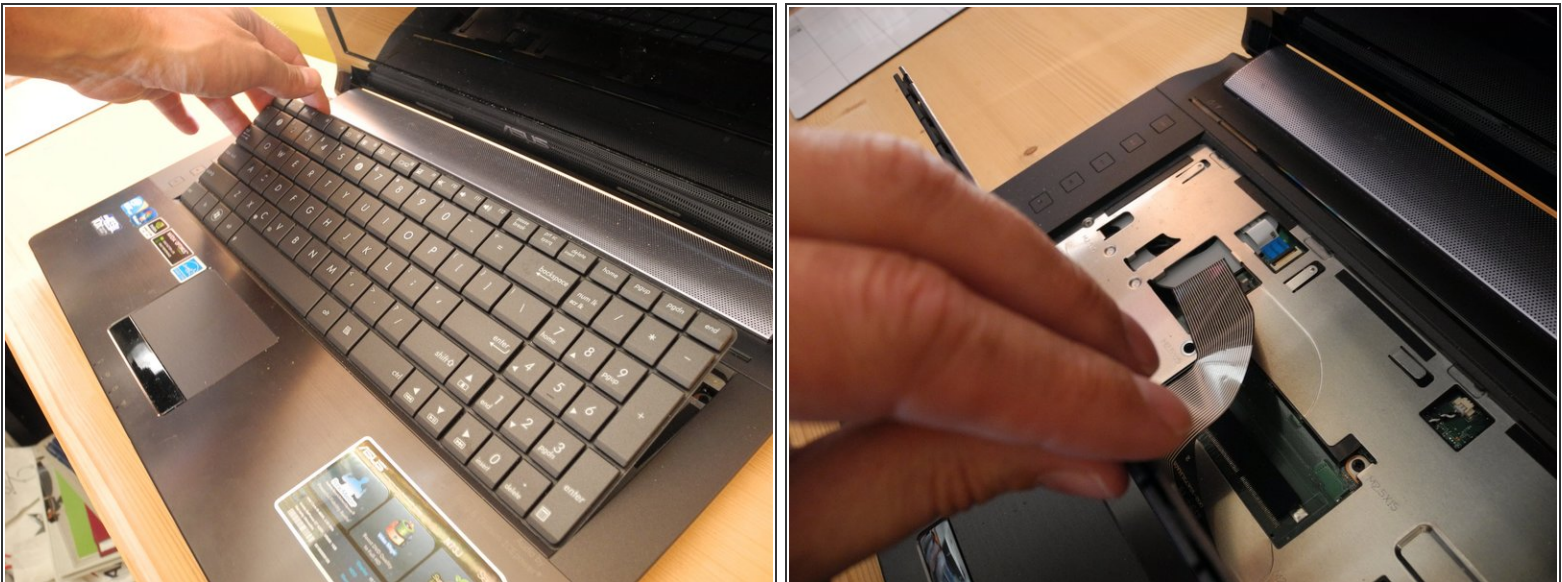
- [HDD caddy for Asus N73](#) (1)

Step 1 — Getting access to the screws that hold the back cover in place



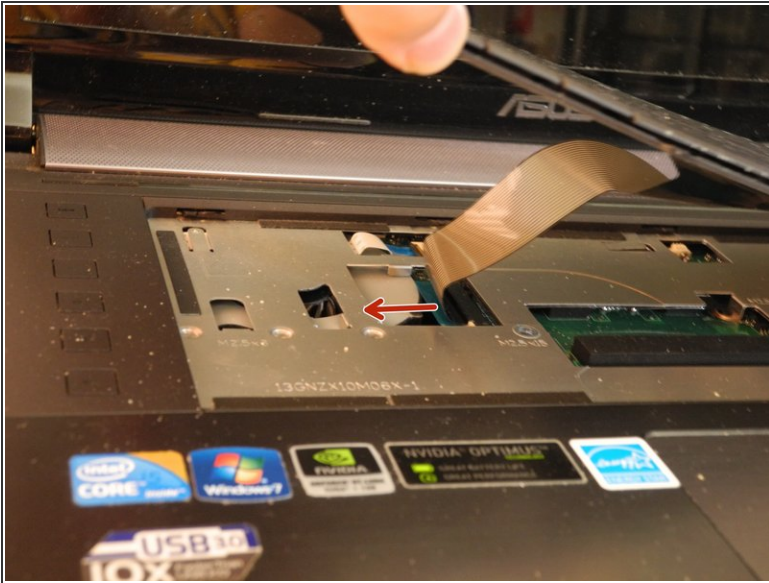
- Use a small flathead screwdriver or the flat end of a spudger to gently push down the five pins just above the top row of keys that secure the keyboard to the laptop.

Step 2



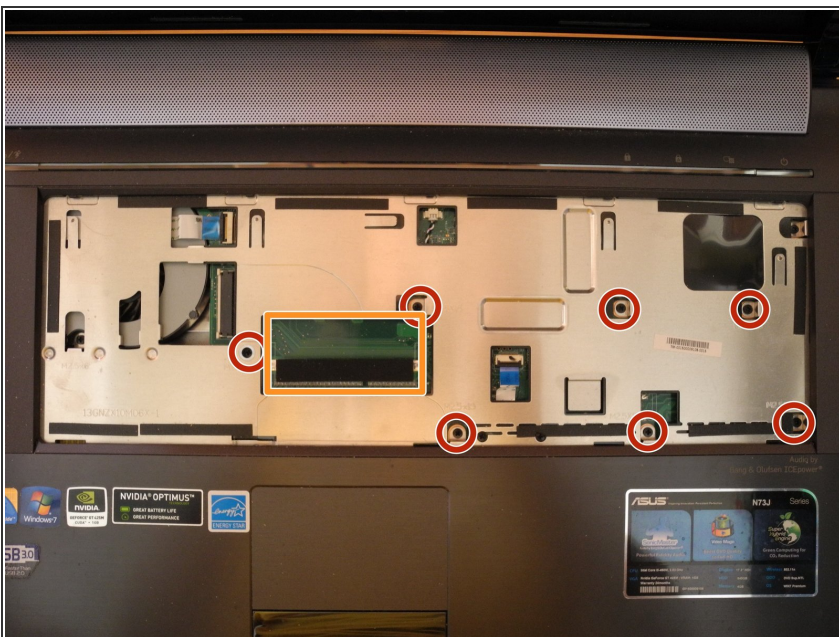
- Slowly tilt the keyboard towards the front but not too far as the flat cable is still connected.

Step 3



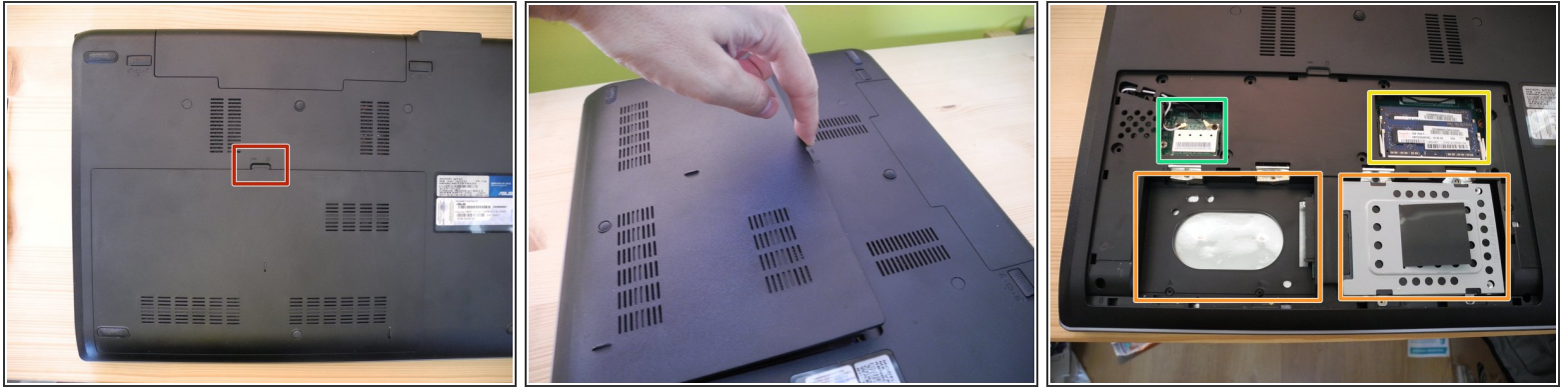
- With a spudger carefully unlock the socket by pushing the white part to the left. Pull the ribbon cable straight out of its socket.
- (For a clear view the photo shows where to push after the cable was already removed; push both from upper side as bottom side of the socket.)

Step 4 — Removing the screws that hold the back cover in place



- Remove these seven screws with a JIS #1 (or PH 1) to unlock the back cover.
- Here you can see the slot for an extra RAM module.
- When finished close the laptop and turn it over.

Step 5 — Removing the back cover



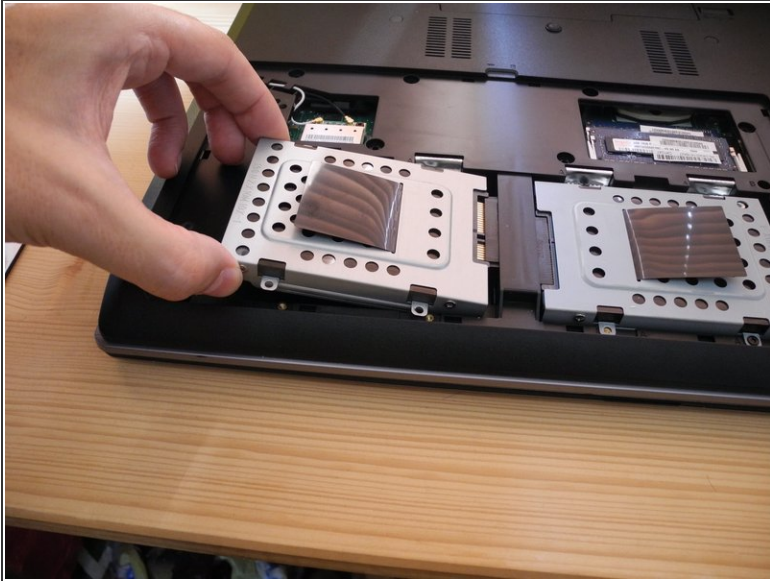
- Open the back cover to get access to:
 - the HDD-bays
 - the RAM modules
 - the WiFi module

Step 6 — Preparing the SSD or HDD



- If you haven't done so already now is the time to mount your SSD or HDD in the caddy.

Step 7 — Placing the SSD or HDD



- Gently slide your new SSD/HDD in the empty HDD bay. And do not forget to secure it to the body of the laptop with a few screws.

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