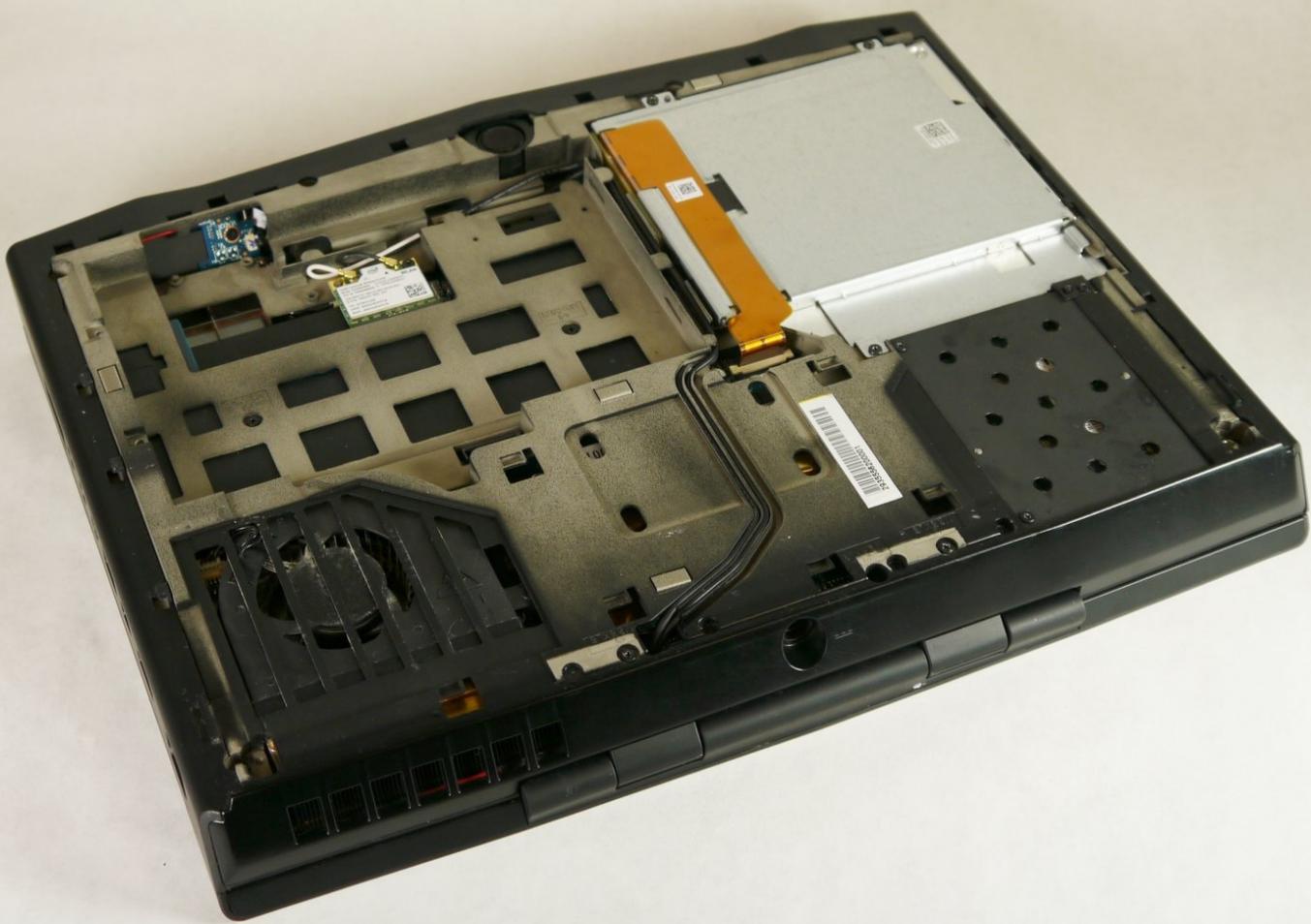




# Alienware M14xR2 Optical Drive Replacement

This guide will teach you how to remove the optical drive.

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## INTRODUCTION

This guide will show you how to safely remove the optical drive from the laptop. In order to remove the optical drive you first need to remove the battery.

### **TOOLS:**

- [Phillips #1 Screwdriver \(1\)](#)

### **PARTS:**

- [Alienware M14x-R2 \(P18G\) Optical Drive \(1\)](#)

## Step 1 — Battery



- Turn the computer off.
- Disconnect the charging cable from the computer.

**⚠** Failure to unplug the charging cable could result in electric shock and serious injury.

- Flip the computer upside down.

## Step 2



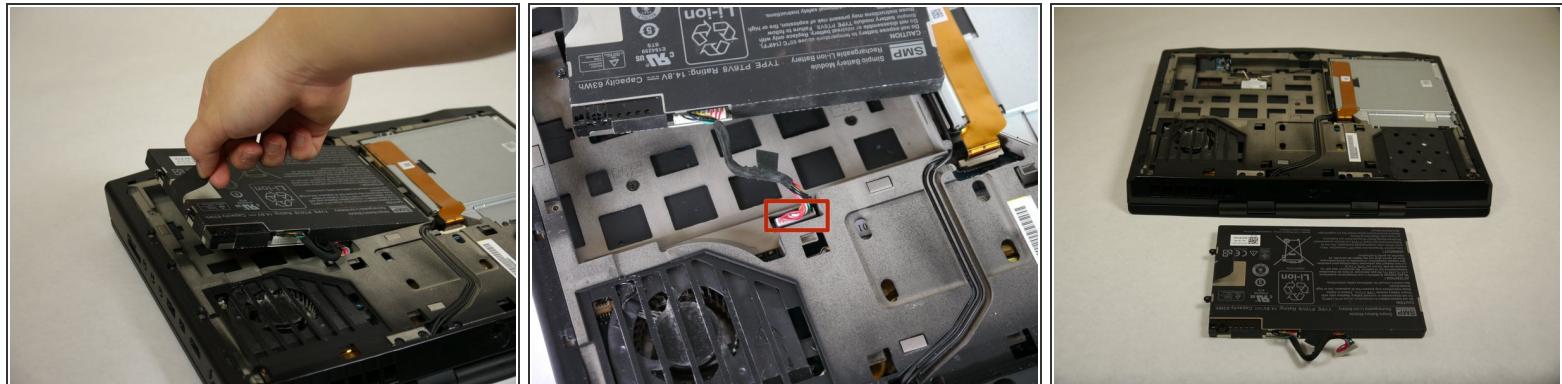
- Loosen the two 6.35 mm size 1 Phillips screws on the back cover.
- i*** The two screws are spring loaded and will not separate from the cover.
- Slide the back cover towards you and then lift upwards to remove.

## Step 3



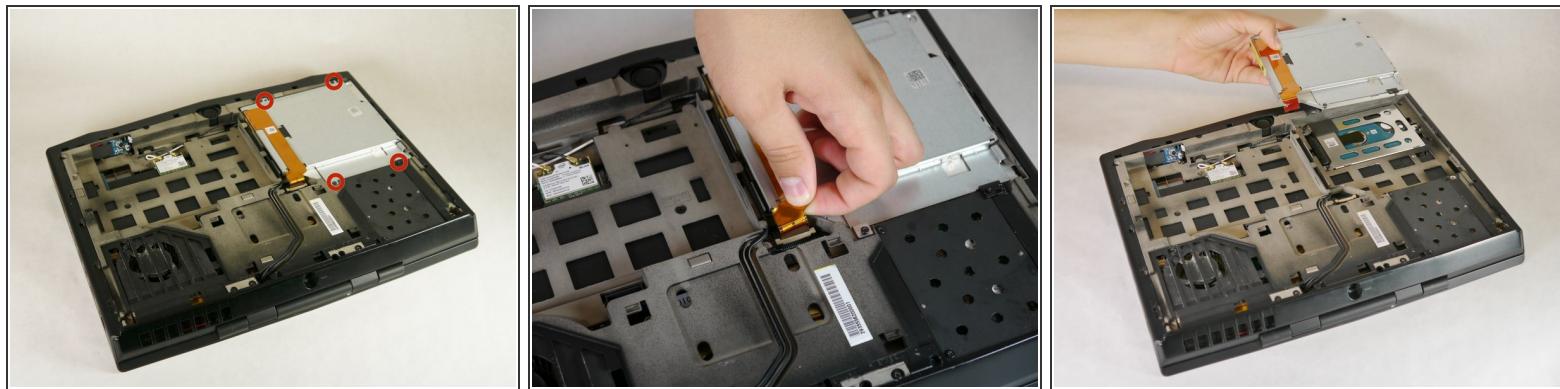
- Loosen the two 6.35 mm size 1 Philips screws attaching the battery to the laptop.
- *i* The two screws are clipped into the battery and will not detach.

## Step 4



- Pull up on the black tab on the battery to reveal the connection between the battery and laptop.
- Pull up on the white connector to disconnect it from the laptop.
- The battery is now free to remove from the laptop and can be set aside.

## Step 5 — Optical Drive



- Unscrew the four 6.35 mm size 1 screws.
- Pull up on the end of the orange tab to detach it from the white connector.
- Lift the optical drive up and out of the laptop and set it aside.

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