



# MacBook Air 11" Mid 2013 I/O Board Replacement

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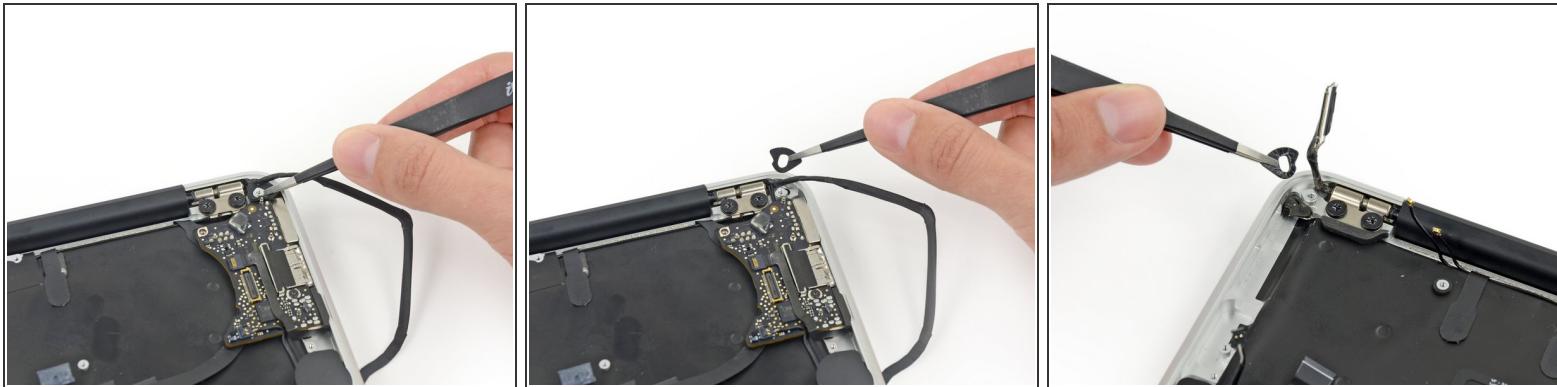
## INTRODUCTION

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### TOOLS:

- [Spudger](#) (1)
- [T5 Torx Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [Tweezers](#) (1)

## Step 1 — I/O Board



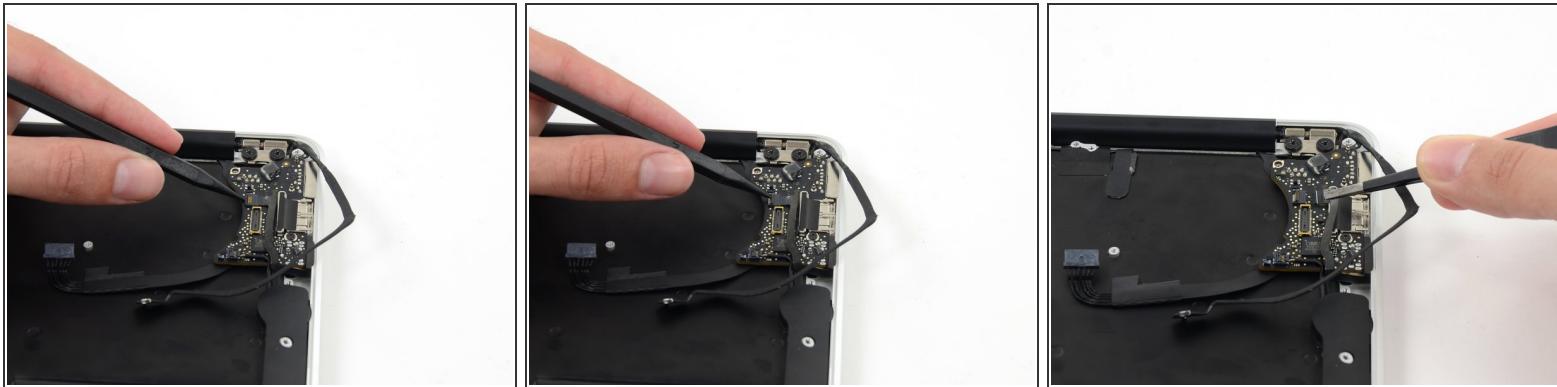
- Remove the small rubber gasket from the corner of the upper case nearest the the I/O board.
- Remove the gasket from the corner nearest display cable connector.

## Step 2



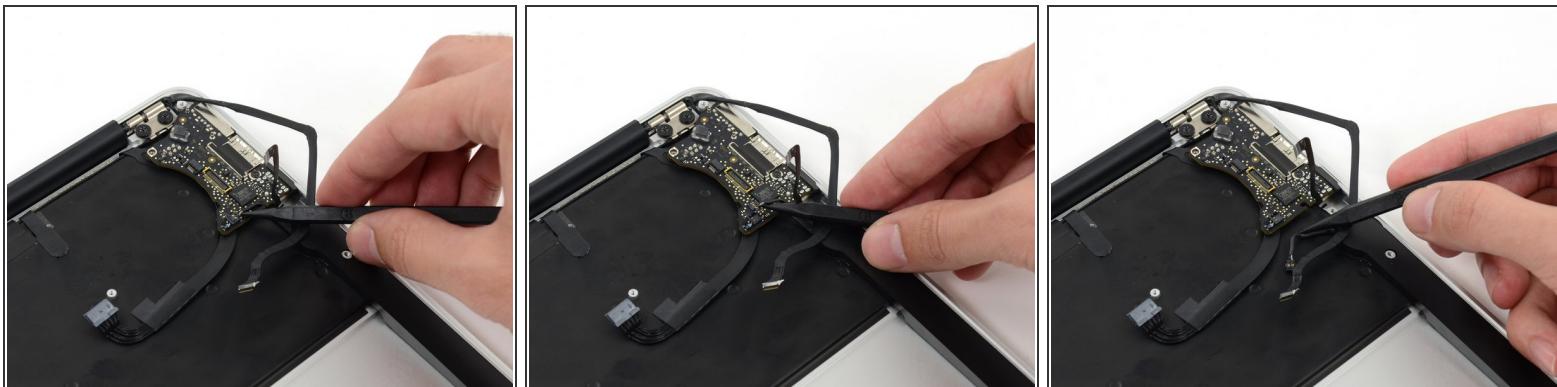
*(i)* If necessary, use tweezers to remove any tape covering the microphone cable ZIF connector.

## Step 3



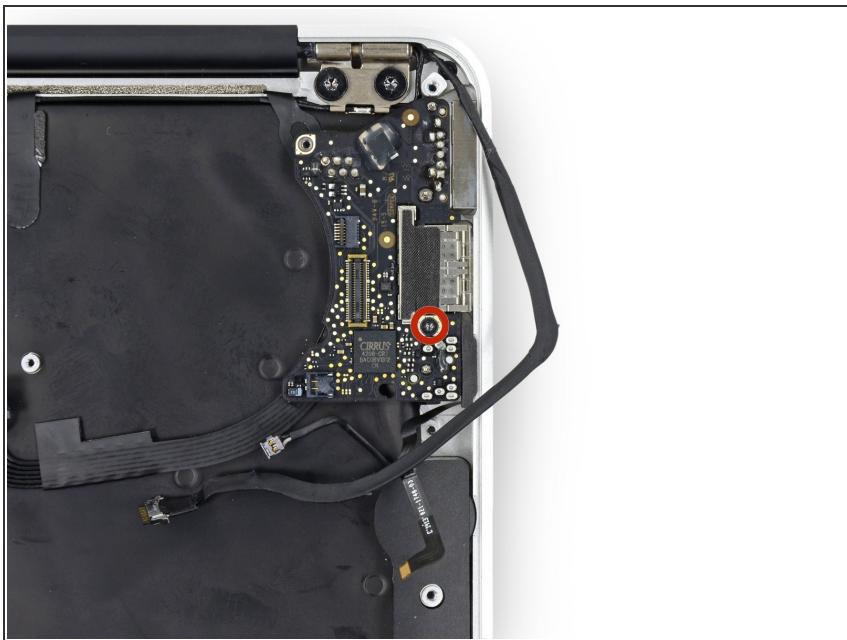
- Use the tip of a spudger to carefully flip up the retaining flap on the microphone cable ZIF socket.
- ⚠ Be sure you are prying up on the retaining flap, **not** the socket itself.
- With a pair of tweezers, pull the microphone ribbon cable straight out of its socket.

## 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.

## 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.