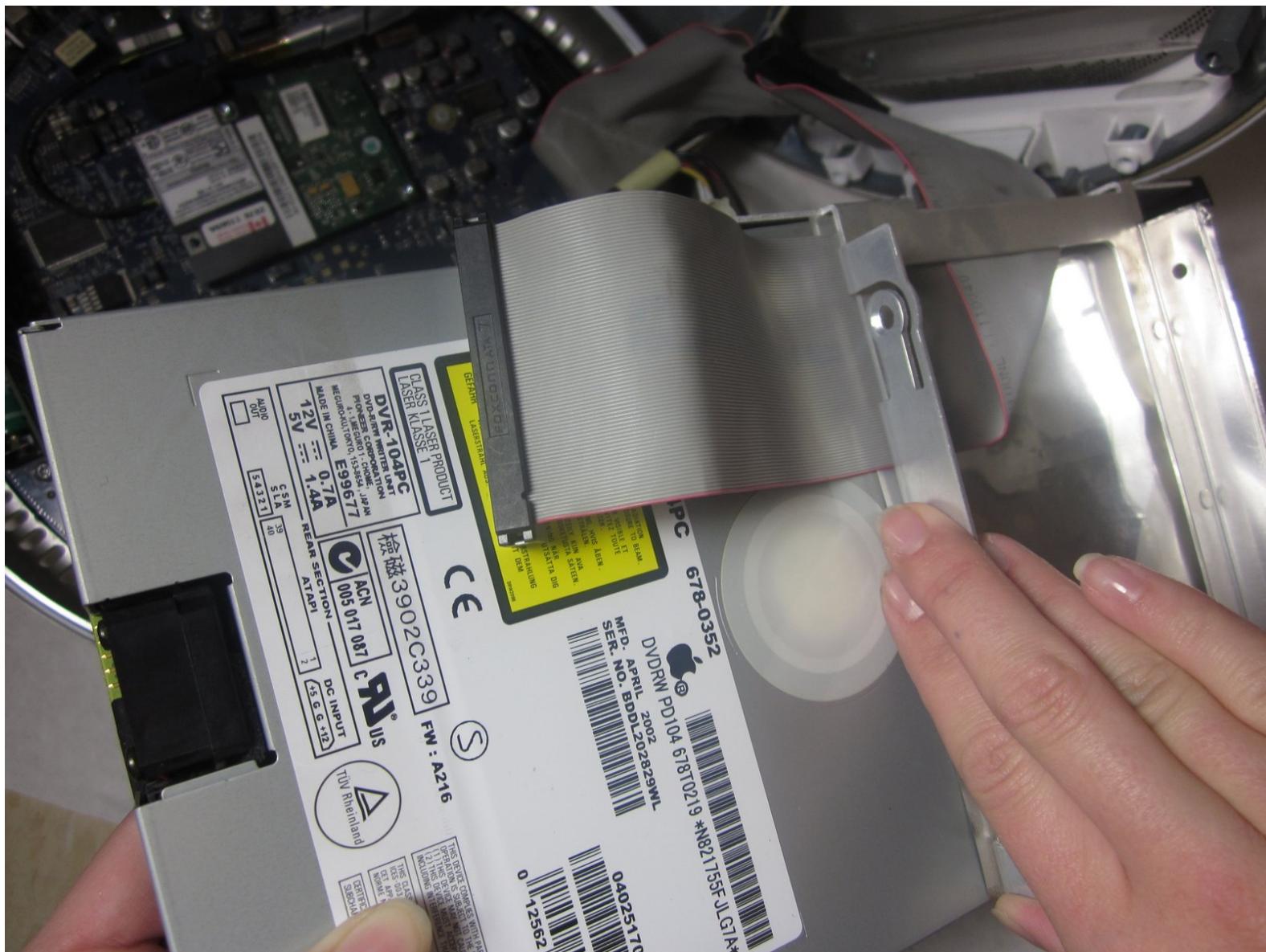




iMac G4 17 800 MHz EMC 1936 Optical Drive Replacement

Steps to remove the optical drive.

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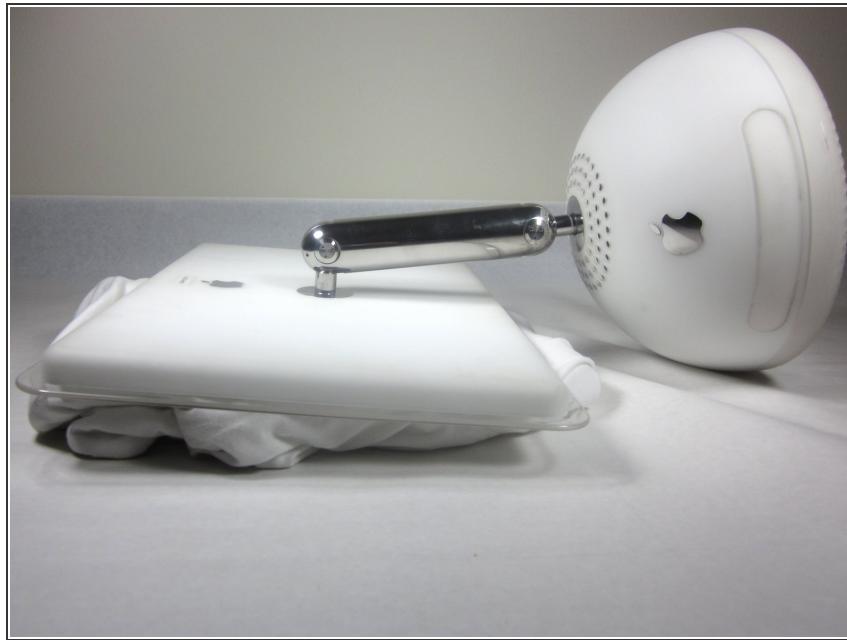
INTRODUCTION

Disassembly to replace/repair optical drive.

TOOLS:

- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [T10 Torx Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [T15 Torx Screwdriver](#) (1)

Step 1 — Bottom Plate



- Unplug all the cables from the computer, including the power cable. Lay the computer face-down, supporting the neck and base with a soft cloth under the screen.

Step 2



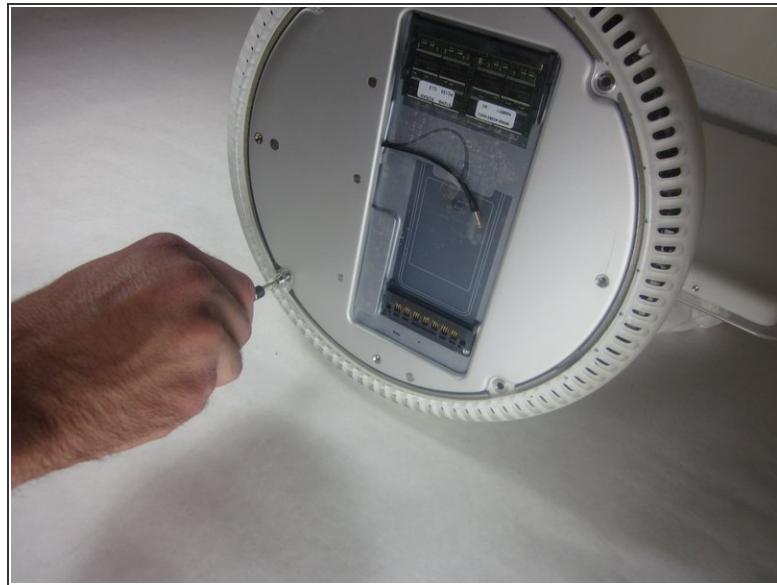
- Loosen the four Phillips #0 screws.

Step 3



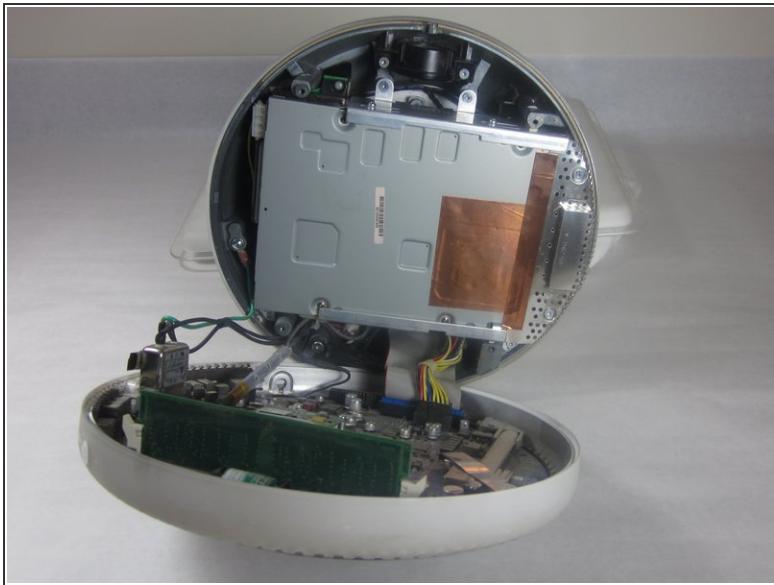
- Carefully remove the base access panel.

Step 4 — Bottom Plate Housing



- Remove the four 25mm T-15 screws.

Step 5

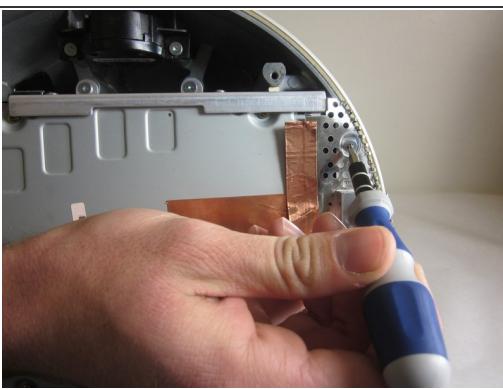
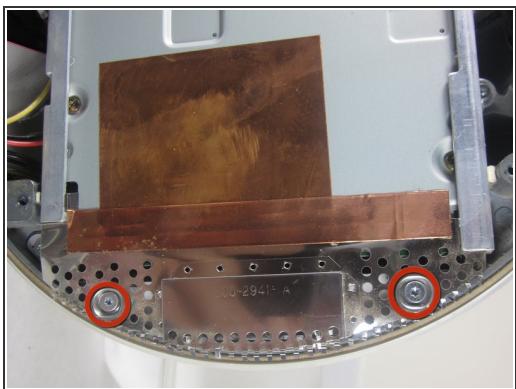


- Open the housing plate.

 Be gentle with the wires still connected to the logic board so as not to ruin the cables.

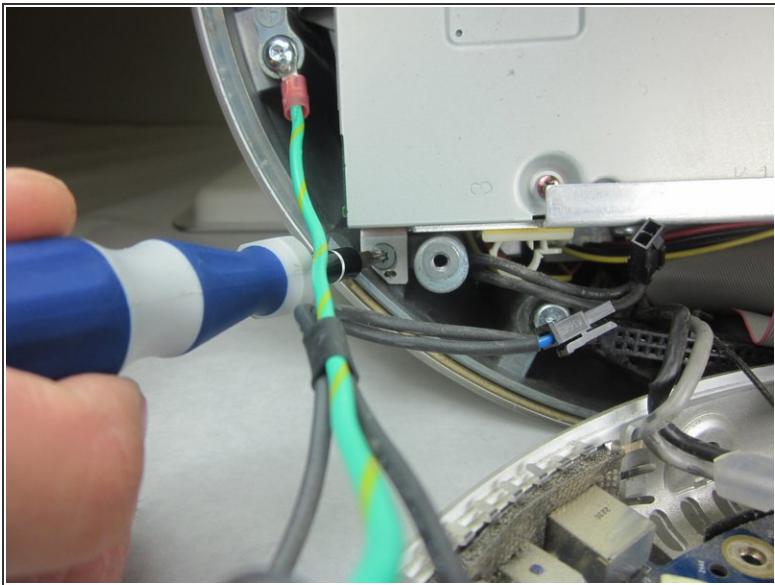
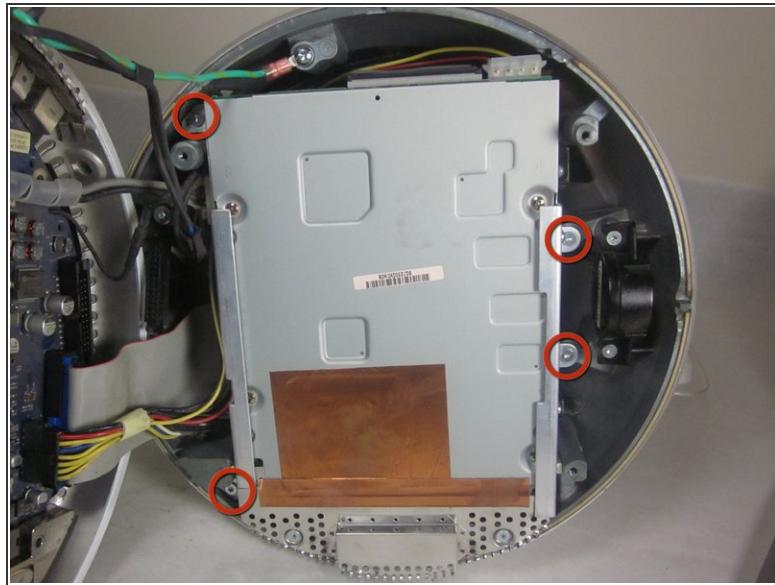
- A fixed plug connector between the logic board and upper unit will cause some resistance. Pull gently but firmly.

Step 6 — Drive Carrier Assembly



- Remove the 2 torx 10mm screws on the EMI shield
- Carefully remove shield and copper tape

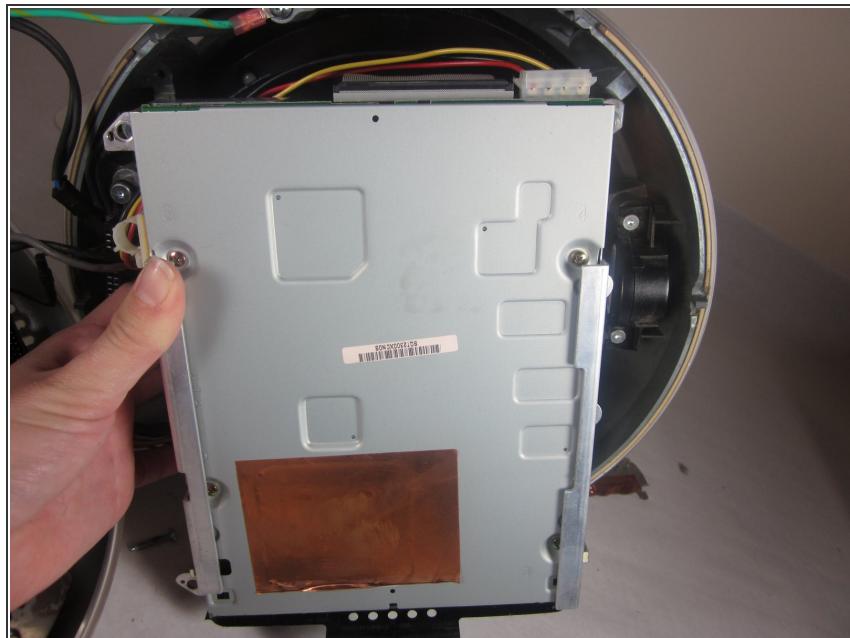
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- Remove the 4 10mm torx screws attached to the drive carrier.

(i) The drive carrier includes optical drive and hard drive.

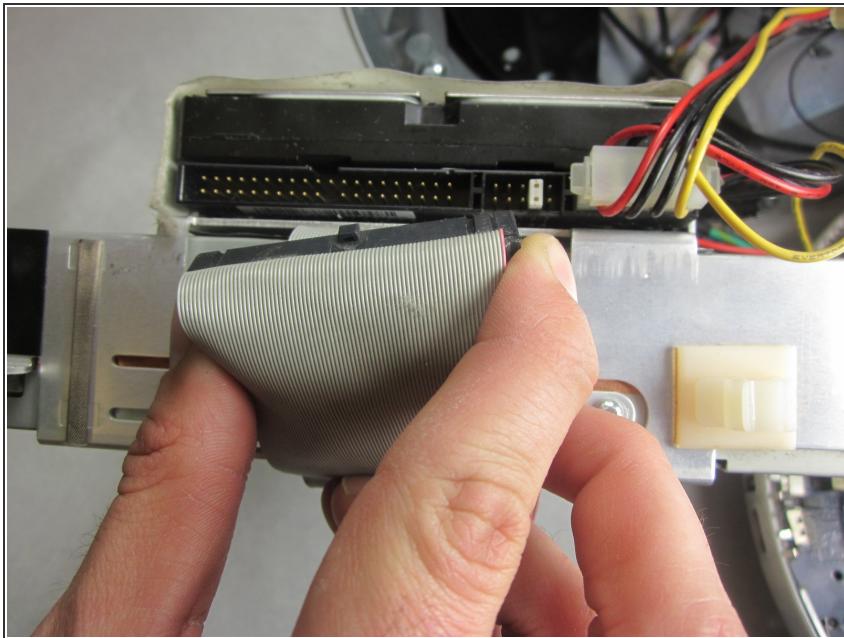
Step 8



- Grasp the carrier with both hands on each side.
- Remove the carrier by lifting up and out.

(i) Pull gently but firmly. The carrier is meant to fit snugly.

Step 9



- Flip the removed carrier to the right and pull out power cables.

Step 10 — Hard Drive



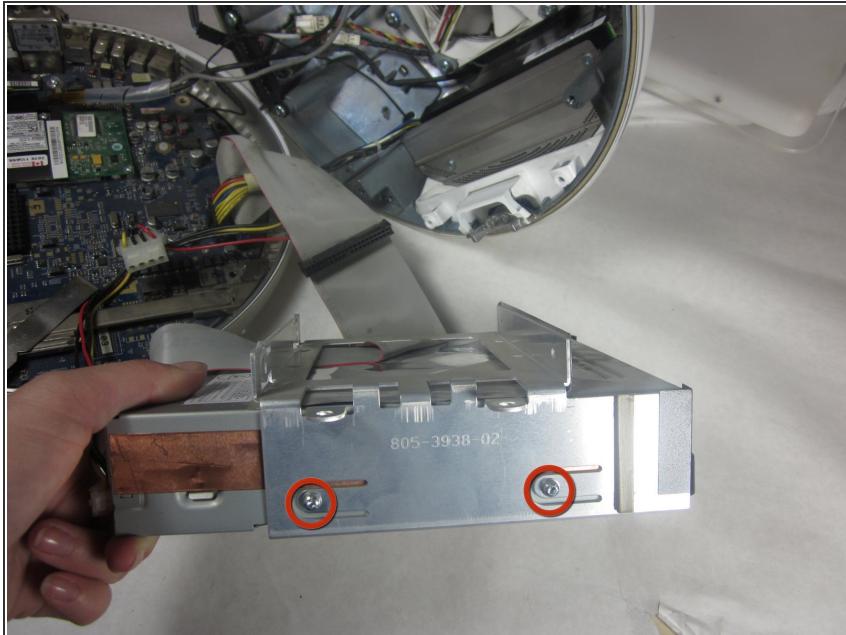
- Peel back the white paper, revealing the screws that connect the hard drive to the carrier.
- Remove the 4 T-10 5mm screws connecting the hard drive and frame. (There are 2 screws on each side)

Step 11



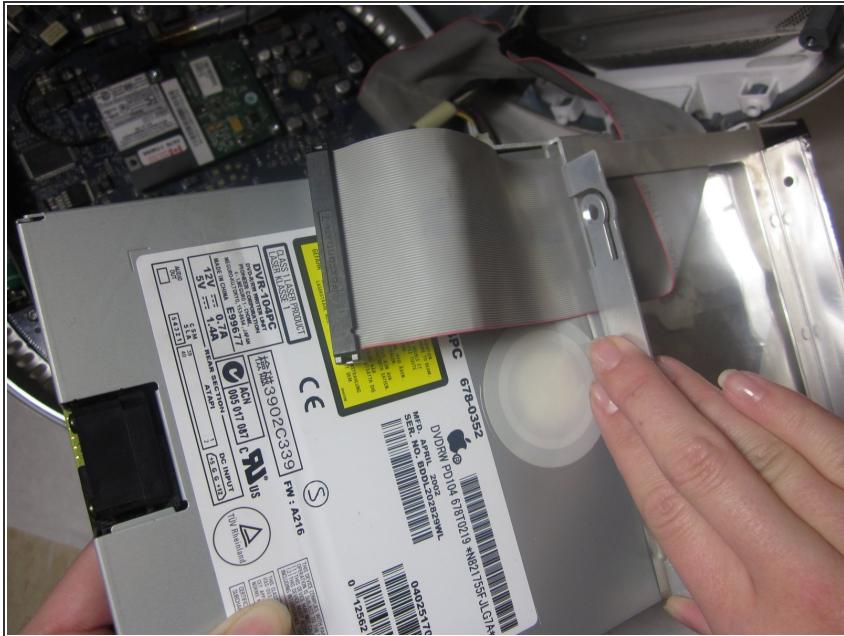
- Slide the hard drive out from the frame and optical drive.

Step 12 — Optical Drive



- Remove the four T-10 6mm screws at the sides of the drive.

Step 13



- Slide the optical drive out of the carrier

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