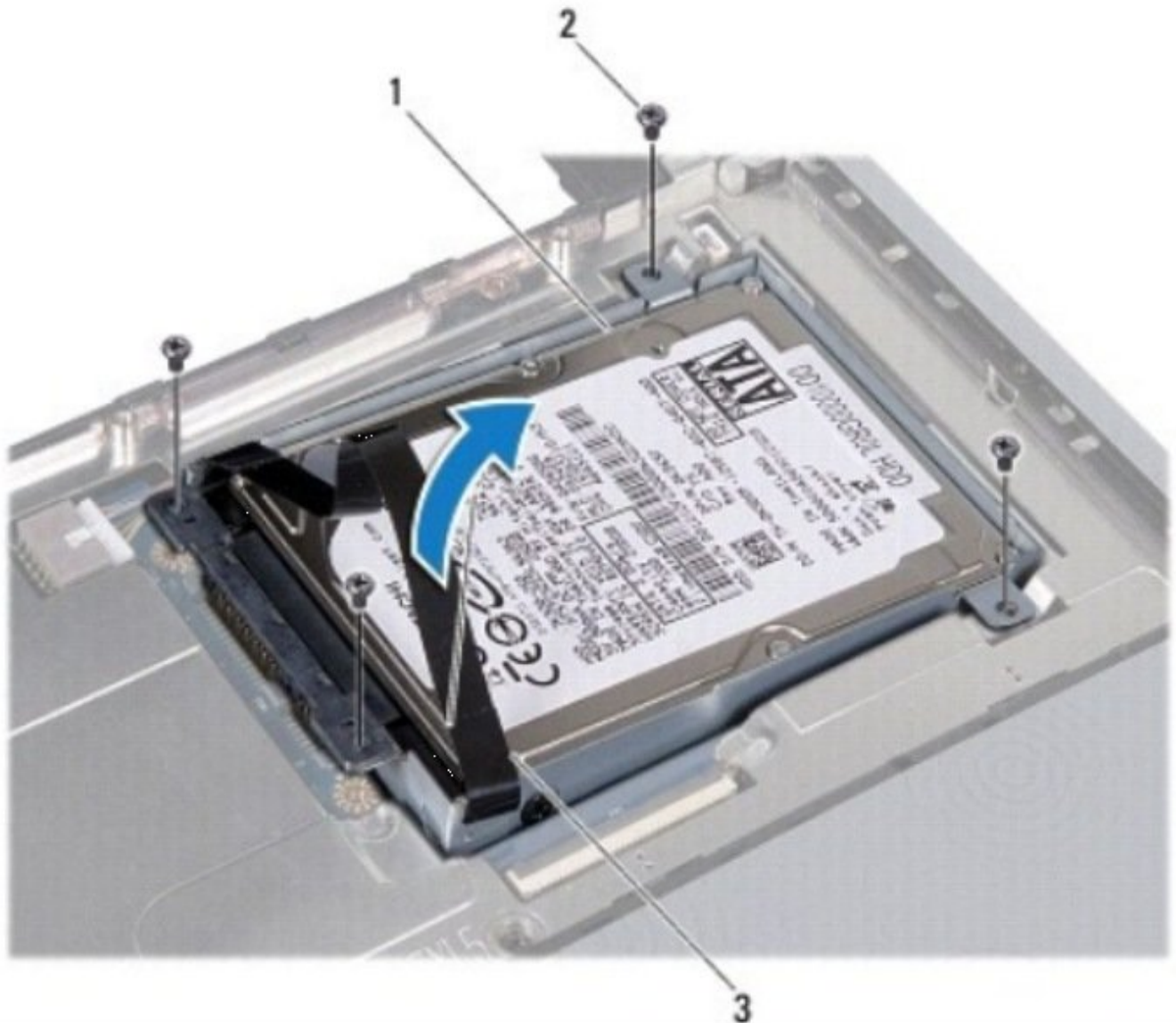




Dell Studio 1440 Hard Drive Replacement

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TOOLS:

- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
 - [Spudger](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Battery



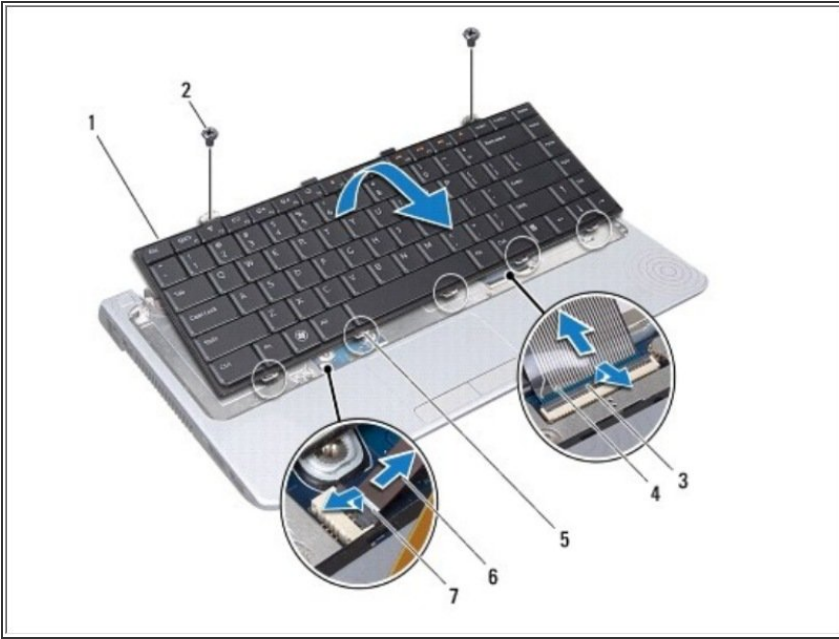
- Slide the battery release latch until it clicks into place.
- Slide the battery out of the battery bay.

Step 2 — KeyBoard



- Turn the computer over and open the display.
- Ease the keyboard surround up using your fingers or a plastic scribe.

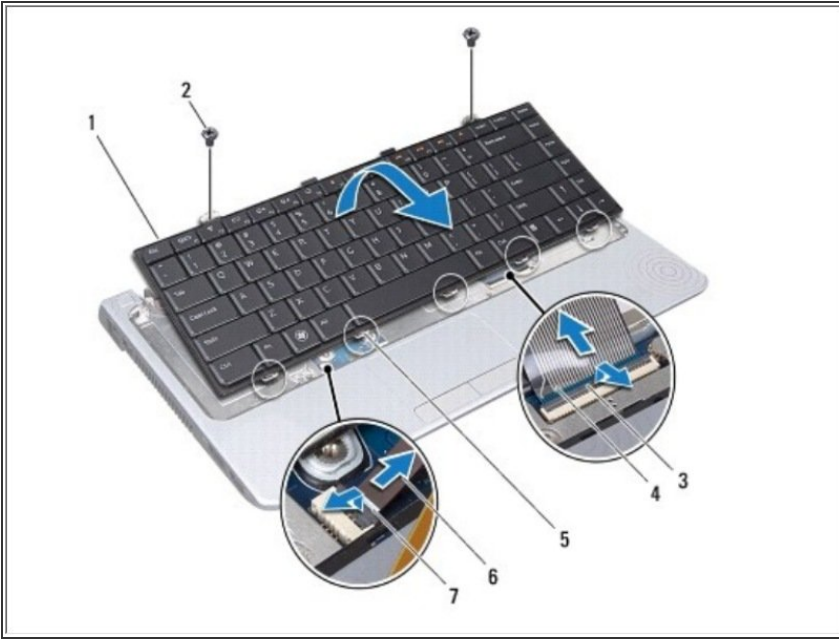
Step 3



- Lift the keyboard surround off the computer.
- Remove the two screws at the top of the keyboard.
- ⚠ CAUTION: The keycaps on the keyboard are fragile, easily dislodged, and time-consuming to replace. Be careful when removing and handling the keyboard.
- Carefully slide the keyboard out of the computer and turn it over as indicated in the following illustration.

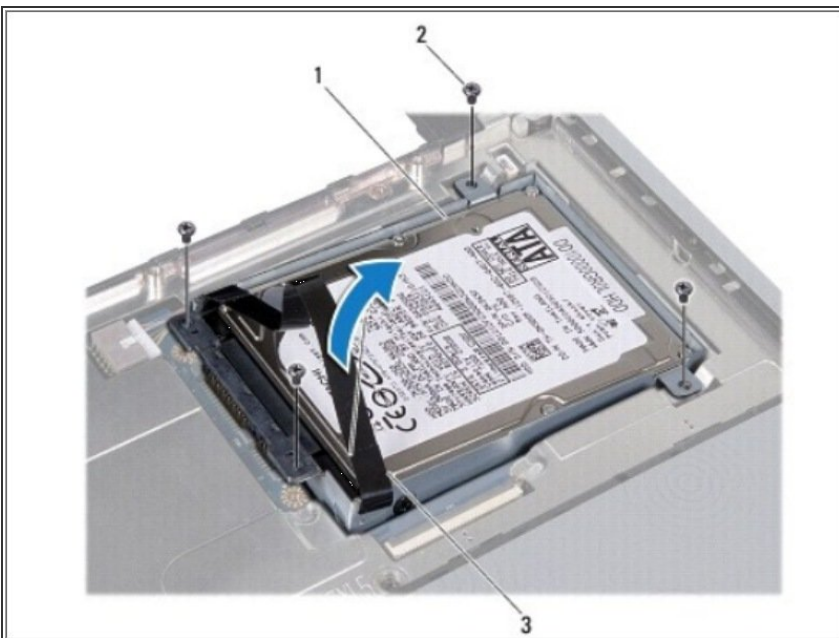
⚠ CAUTION: Be extremely careful when removing and handling the keyboard. Failure to do so could result in scratching the display panel.

Step 4



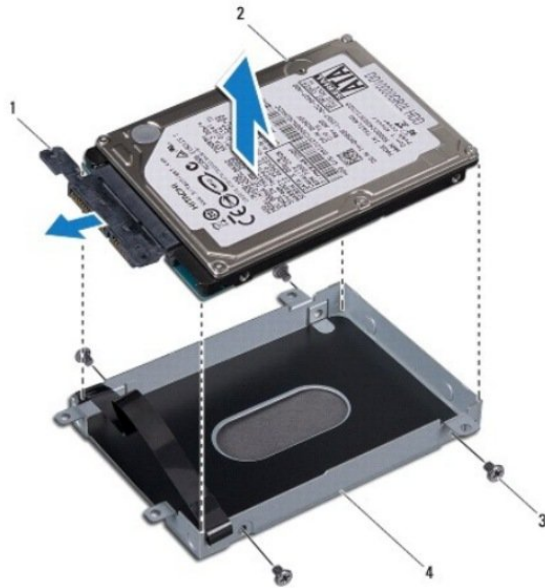
- Release the keyboard cable connector latch and disconnect the keyboard cable from the system board connector.
- For backlit keyboards, release the keyboard backlight cable connector latch to disconnect the keyboard backlight cable from the system board connector.
- Lift the keyboard off the computer.

Step 5 — Hard Drive



- Remove the four screws securing the hard drive assembly to the computer base.
- Pull the black pull-tab to lift the hard drive assembly out of the computer base and disconnect the interposer from the SATA connector on the system board.

Step 6



- Remove the four screws securing the hard drive cage to the hard drive.
- Pull the interposer to disconnect it from the hard drive.
- Lift the hard drive off the hard drive cage.

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