

# Panasonic RZ-S50W (Japan) Bluetooth Headphones Teardown

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# INTRODUCTION

A look inside the Panasonic RZ-S50W (Japan) / RZ-S500W (Outside Japan) Bluetooth Headphones

# **TOOLS:**

- Precision Utility Knife (1)
- Probe and Pick Set (1)
- Tweezers (1)
- Jimmy (1)
- Denatured alcohol (1)
- Soldering Workstation (1)

#### Step 1 — Panasonic RZ-S50W (Japan) Bluetooth Headphones Teardown



- Features:
  - Exceptional Sound and Noise Cancellation. Multiple MEMS microphones
  - Optimum Sound Isolation
  - Strong, Stable Connection
  - High-Quality Calling Sound
  - Approximately, 6 hours playback, and up to 20 Hours of use with charger
  - Bluetooth® 5.0
  - Capacitive touch sensor control

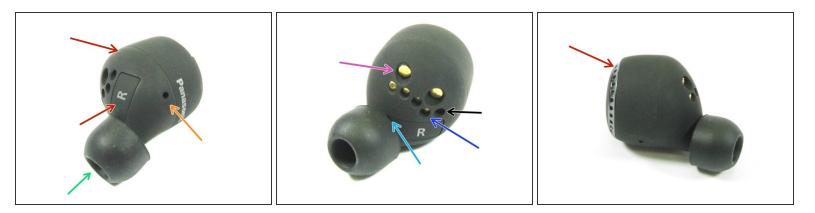


- What is in the box
  - Headphones / Charging Case
  - USB 'C' Cable
  - Headphone rubber tips for different sizes of ears
  - User's Manual

# Step 3



- Charging case with headphones
- Close up view of headphones



- Side views of Headphone
  - MEMS Microphones
  - Speaker Spatial Vent Port
  - Speaker Sound Port
  - Speaker Vent
  - USB Interface
  - Charger Interface
  - Vent Port

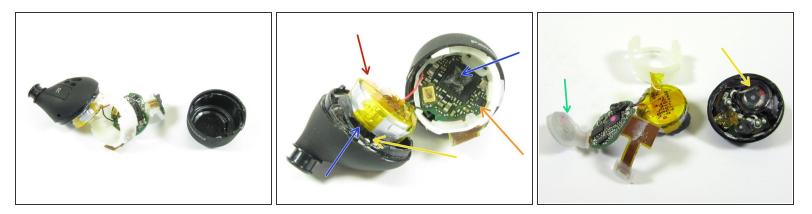


- View of Headphone with rubber ear piece [cap] removed
- Vent Port

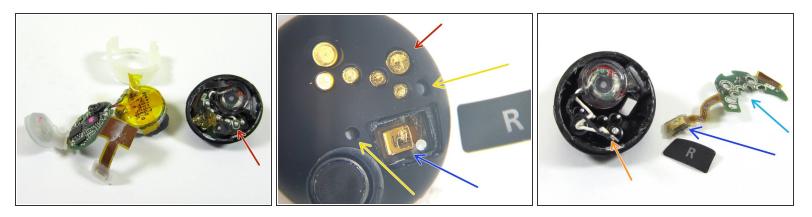
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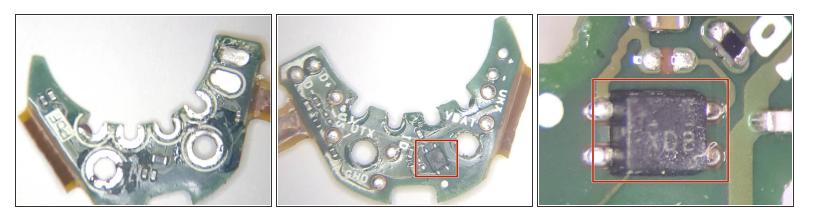
- Since the Panasonic Headphone enclosure is glued together, the only way in was to cut into the headphone.
- This is a destructive teardown
- A Razsor Knife was use to cut into the Panasonic headphone along the seam in the headphone.
  Then a Jimmy Tool was used to open up the headphone
- Once opened, we get our first look at the inside of the headphone



- Opening up the headphone, we can see the main PCB, Battery, Speaker, etc. Tweezers and a Pick Tool were used to removed the electronics from the enclosure
- Double sided foam tape was used to hold the main the PCB to the Battery and to the Touch Sensor / Antenna PCB. This foam tape had to be cut free. Then Denatured Alcohol was used to remove the foam tape glue from the PCBs and Battery
  - Battery
  - Main PCB
  - Speaker Area
  - Touch Sensor and Antenna
  - Double Sided Foam Tape

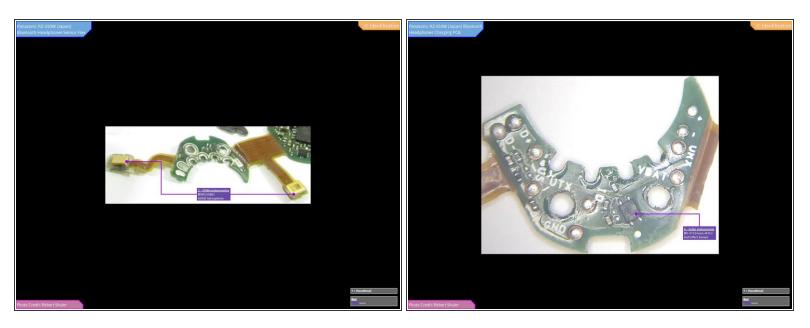


- At first, I wasn't sure about the solder balls. Then I realized they are used to anchor the USB and Power Interface pins on the outside of the Headphone to the internal circuit board.
  - I had to used a soldering iron to remove the solder balls, so that the internal interface circuit board could be removed. I had to also remove solder from the speaker wires to free up the internal circuit board.
  - The internal circuit board was also attached a MEMS Microphone that appeared to be monitoring the Speaker Chamber of the Headphone, since it was faced in. I had to remove the outside panel with 'R' on it with a Razor Knife to free the MEMS Microphone. Once the MEMS Microphone was freed, the interface circuit board could be pulled out
  - USB and Power (Charger) Interface
  - MEMS Microphone
  - Sound Ports
  - Speaker Wires
  - Internal Circuit Board that interface Power and USB to the Headphones



- There was not much to see on the internal interface board. The was one IC component that could not be crossed. If you happen to know the component, please leave a comment below
  - Unknown Component

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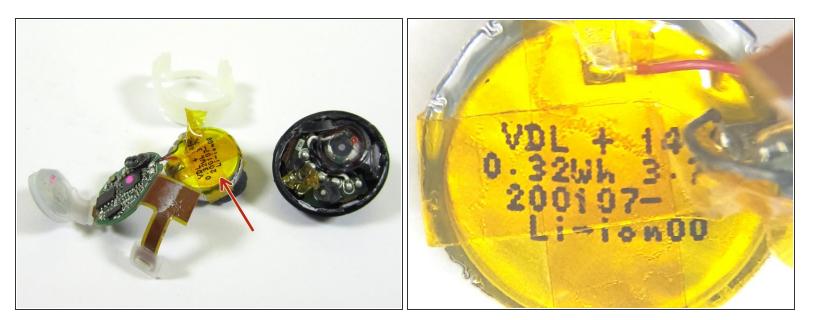


- Full Sensor Flex/Charging PCB IC Identification:
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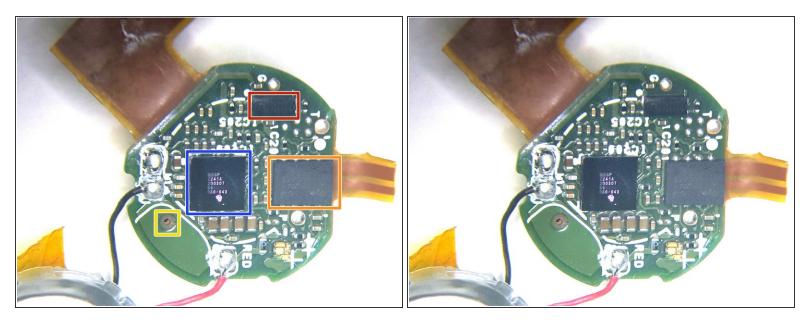


- Next the Speaker sound chamber cover was removed with the use of a Pick Tool and Tweezers. A Razor Knife was used to cut the glue holding the speak in place
- The speaker had no identifiable markings
- With Speaker removed, we can see the sound chamber and sound ports

#### Step 12



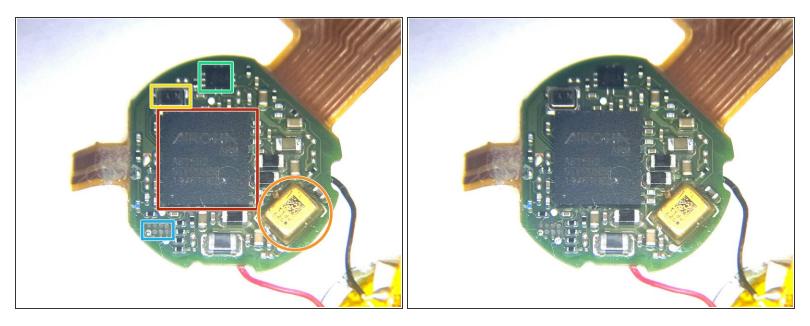
- Closeup view of the Battery
  - Li-Ion 3.7V, 0.32Wh
  - The battery appears to be from VDL Electronics Co., Shenzhen, China



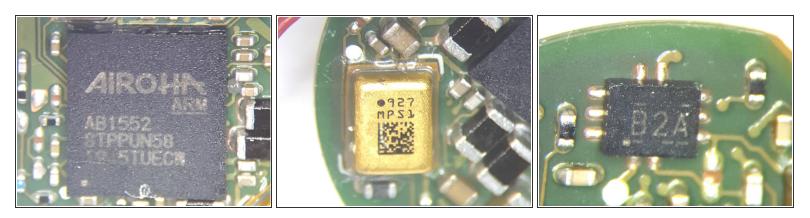
- Closeup view of the Antenna/Touch Sensor side of the Main PCB
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  - 651DF1M9 Could not cross part number, but during a web search found out that it may be an integrated battery management IC
  - W25Q32JWUUIMTR- SPI FLASH 32Mb
  - MEMS Microphone Port



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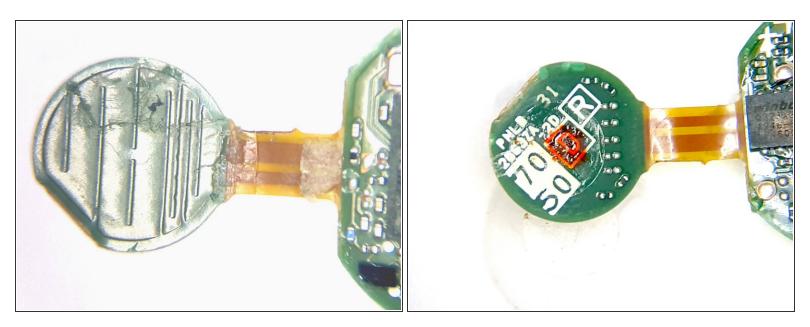


- Battery side close up view of the Main PCB
  - <u>AIROHA AB1552</u> ARM Cortex M4/Bluetooth 5.0 Dual Mode
  - 927 MPS1 MEMS Microphone. The Headphone uses three MEMS microphones with this part number
    - Could not cross the part number. If you know the part, please leave a comment below. The 2D bar code on the part reads as STM927352NH2S011
  - Crystal Oscillator
  - Unknown component. Labelled B2A. Please leave a comment if you happen to know this component
  - Unknown component. Labelled SV4CP 240. Please leave a comment if you happen to know this component. Separated from PCB during teardown

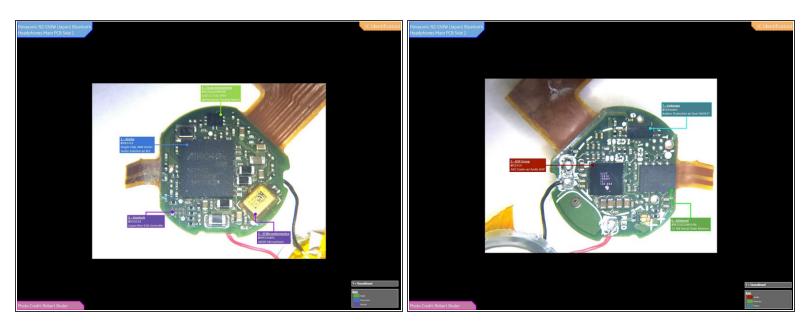


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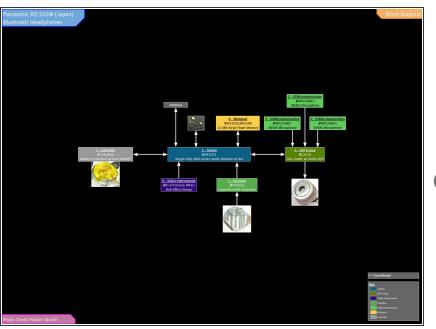


Closeup view of top and bottom side of the Touch Sensor Flex PCB and PCB Antenna



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# Step 19



- Predicted Block Diagram of the Panasonic RZ-S50W Bluetooth Headphones:
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• Teardown Exploded View of the Panasonic Headphone