



Seagate Backup Plus Hub Disassembly

Here is my unsuccessful attempt at disassembling a Seagate Backup Plus Hub, in the hopes that you might be more successful.

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TOOLS:

- [Phillips #1 Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [Metal Spudger](#) (1)
- [iFixit Opening Picks set of 6](#) (1)

Step 1 — Needed a Hard Drive



- I needed a hard drive and there are no cheap computer stores in the area, so I bought a Seagate Backup Plus Hub at Costco to remove the drive.
- You can see where I broke the case trying to remove it.

Step 2 — Plastic Case Parts



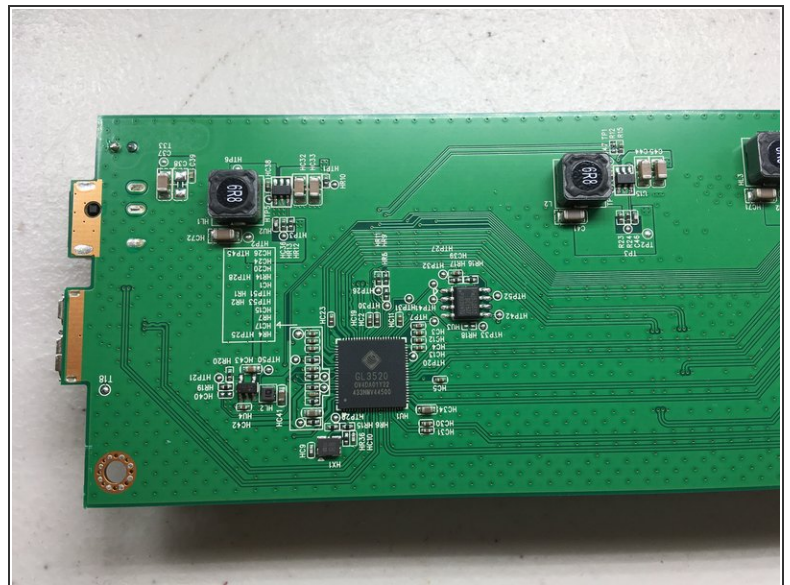
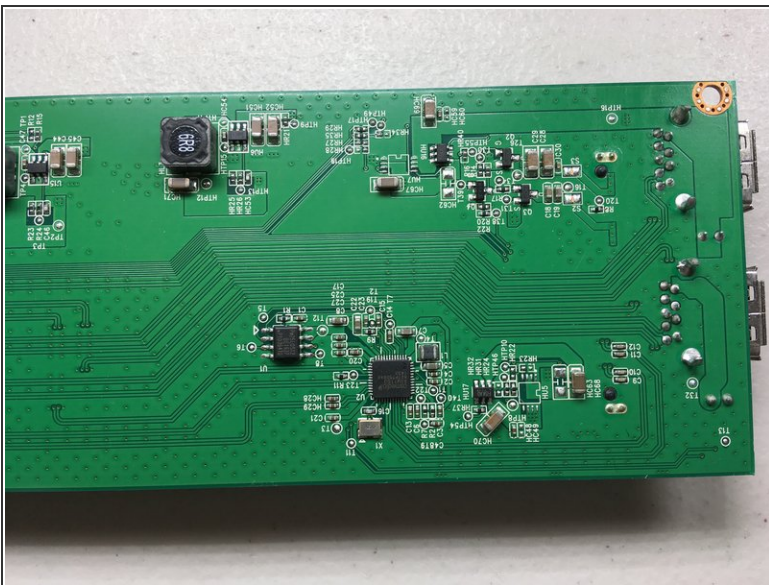
- The plastic case is composed of three parts held together with clips.
- You are supposed to take off the flat top first, and then the sides.
- Unfortunately, I didn't know what it looked like inside, and I still don't know how to open the clips without breaking them.

Step 3 — Case Details



- Here are some close-ups. You can see where I broke most of the plastic clips.

Step 4 — Drive Details



- Hard drive is a Seagate ST5000DM000-1FK178
- The drive is optimized for storage so it is LARGE and SLOW.
- Some people are removing it from an enclosure and selling on Ebay or Amazon. You get a big drive, but not a very good one.
- I'm going to have to buy another drive.

I couldn't put it back together again. And this turned out to be a BAD IDEA since the drive is very SLOW.