# Community Built E-ink Laptop Project

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I'm a community organizer, educator, software engineer, hacktivist, and agent of social change.

My interests are in exploring community-building, social justice, education, and leveraging technology to address social problems.

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# We are EI-2030

HEADS UP, LED/LCD!

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direct link; no signup required.

## TECHFOLK ADVOCACY

more a peer movement than a stuffy lobbying stink-tank, we're everyday people like you, **pushing genuine awareness** of societal issues created by conventional blue-lit displays and the potential of a 2030 we want: where electronically-inked displays RULE.

## ACTIONABLE SCIENCE

think that electronic paper is just a rigid, overpriced book reader and stuck in the black & white stone age? think again. while not an R&D body, we are **inventors, users, and entrepreneurs alike, planning & scheming together**, talking from low-level to Hi 🖐️!

## STRAIGHTUP GOVERNANCE

we're friendly and responsive to big industry needs, but protocols ensure we're never sellouts and **keep our community at the core, by being organized and run transparently**. <u>click here</u> to see our open working group manual, priorities, and policies Wiki.

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# Objectives
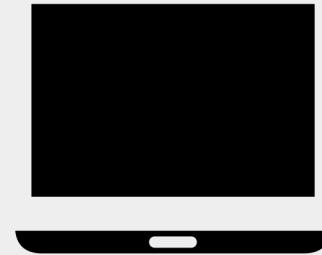
- To generate interest in the idea of creating a laptop using non-emissive displays.
- To iterate, test ideas, document, and show our work.
- Create a crowdsource campaign after the successful creation of a minimum viable product.
- Bring the MVP to a manufacturer and build at scale.

# Working Groups
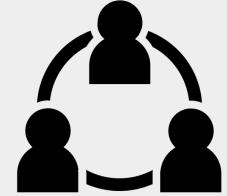
- Led by one or two people as leads.
- Defines a metric/cost for who the device is for.
- Working groups are time-boxed defined.
- A "template" provided for the working groups to start and self-organize.

# Working Groups Contd.

- The working group documents its process in a designated website, forum, Github, a build log.
- Share resources/knowledge/material/monetary.
- Generate interest, share our work with others.
- Iterate, iterate and iterate.

# Working Group:
# PaperTop

**Objective**: The objective of the PaperTop is to explore creating an e-ink laptop using a Raspberry Pi 3B+, Pi-Top and an e-ink panel. Explore what other single board computers could be supported with the chasis. Explore what modifications could be done to the Pi-top and what is and is not possible.
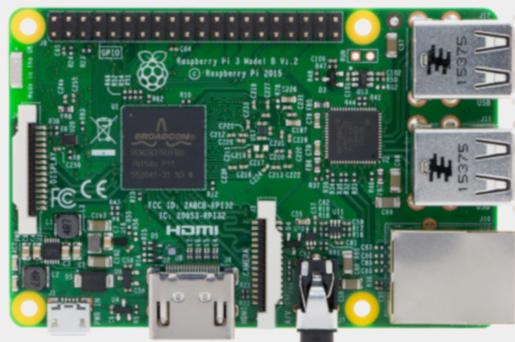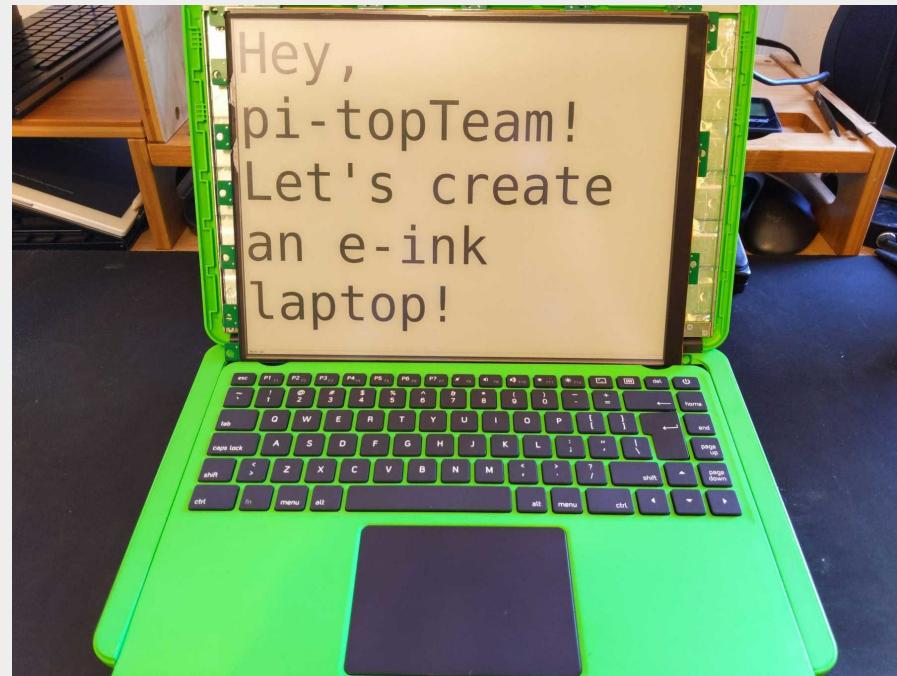
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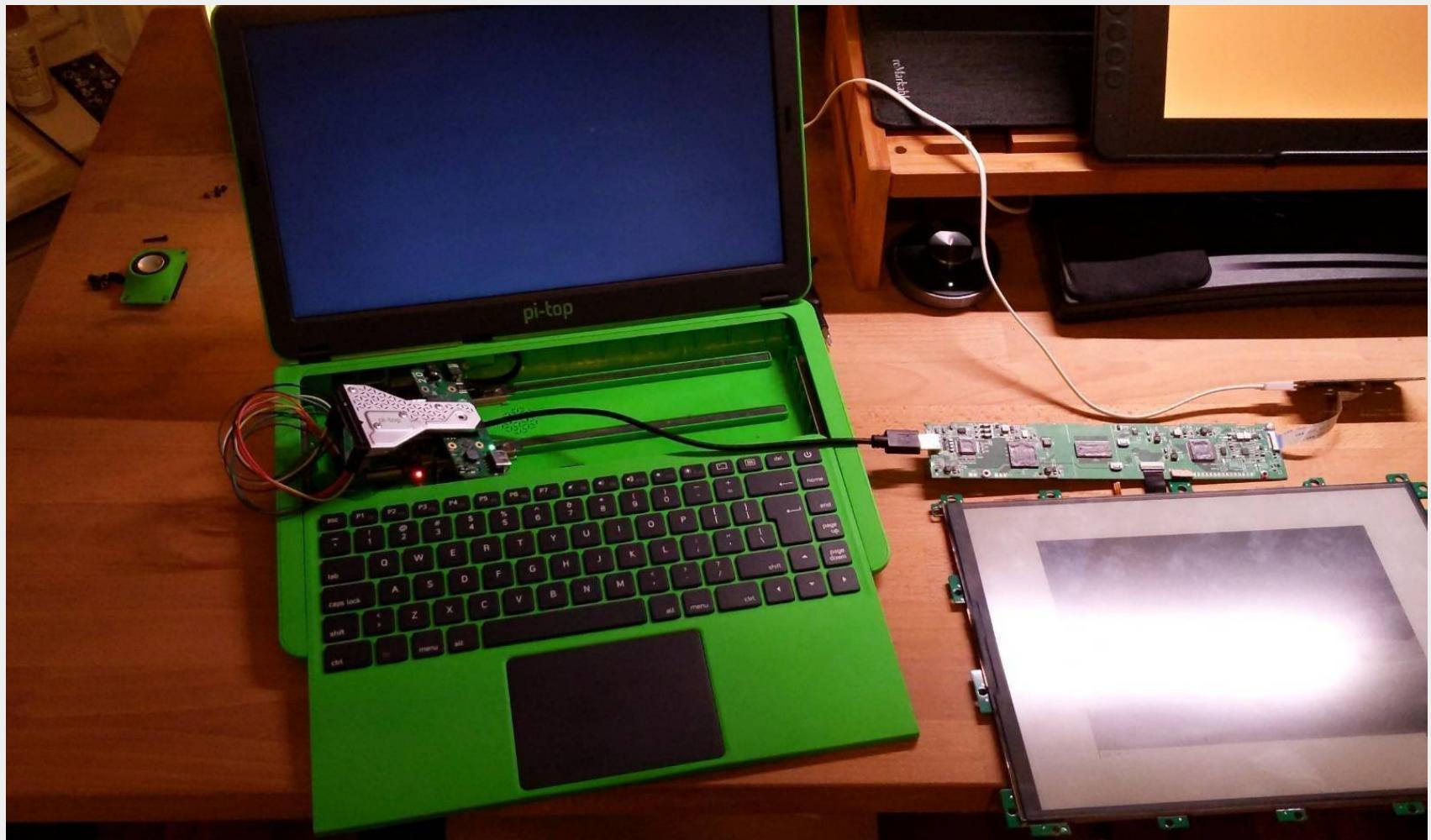
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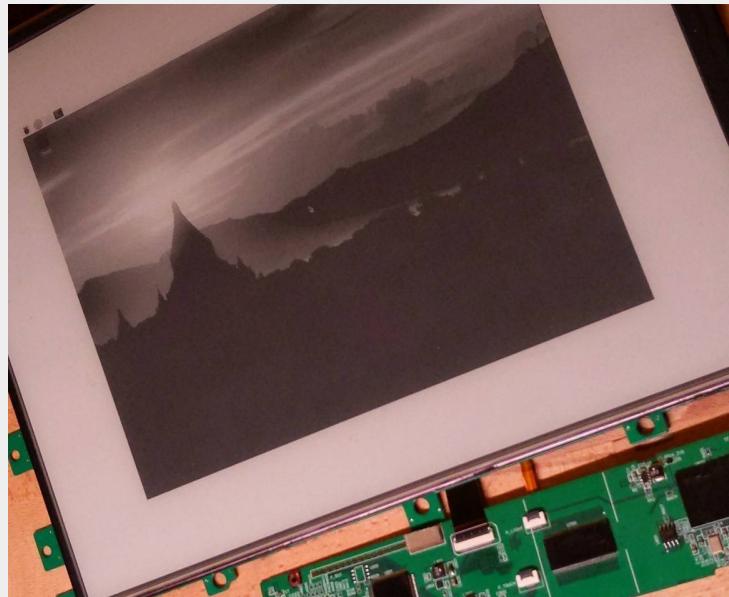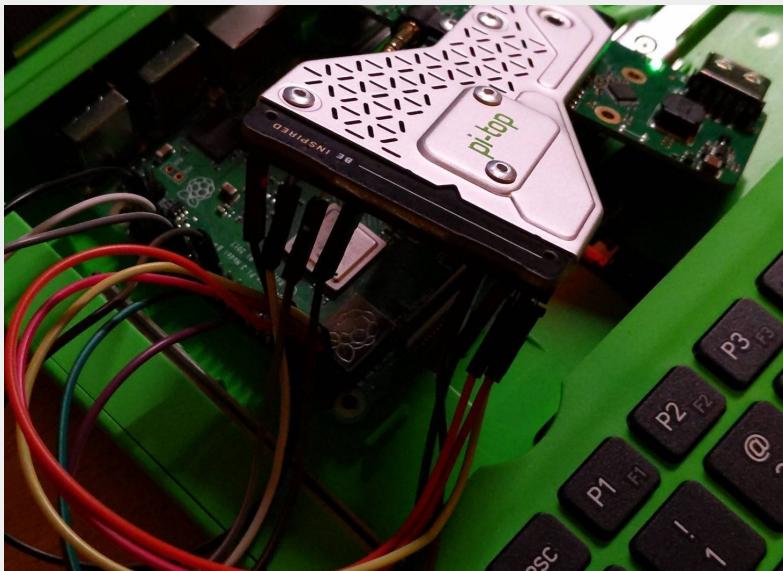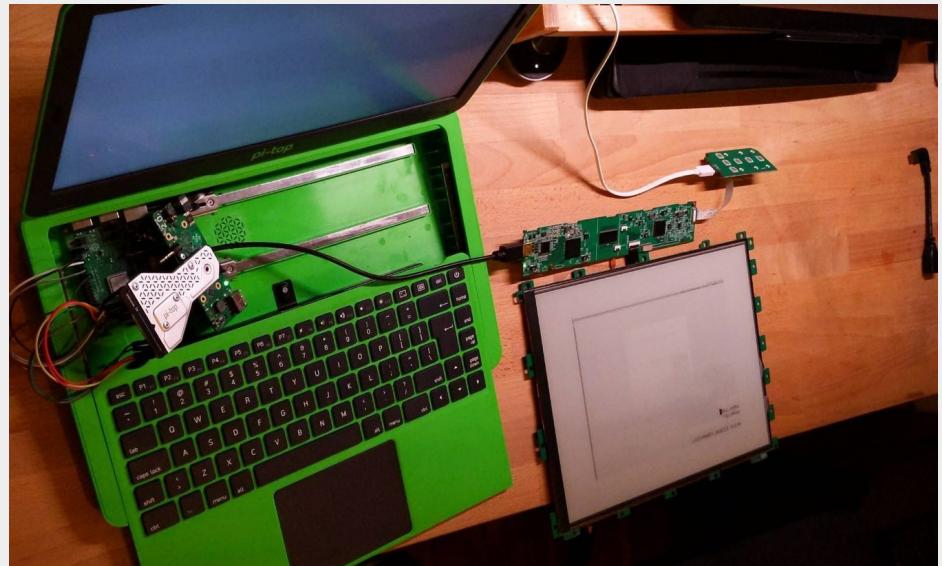
# PaperTop

📌 **The pi-top [3] + Raspberry Pi 4 (Franken [3])**

| pi-top [3]

**pi-topTEAM**    4 ✏ Mar '20

We've heard a lot of you asking about when we'll release a **pi-top[3] that can accept a Raspberry Pi 4** and while we love the idea ourselves, there's a lot of prototypes that need to be made in between to get something like that working!

I have a reputation in the team for being the Dr Frankenstein of electronics (See evidence 28 👨🏿‍🔧 👨🏿‍🔧 👨🏿‍🔧 ). So I thought while London is under Covid-19 Lock down, I may as well have a go with putting a Raspberry Pi 4 Model B inside of a pi-top [3]!

Needless to say, improvements can be made but I thought I would show V0.0 of my creation first!

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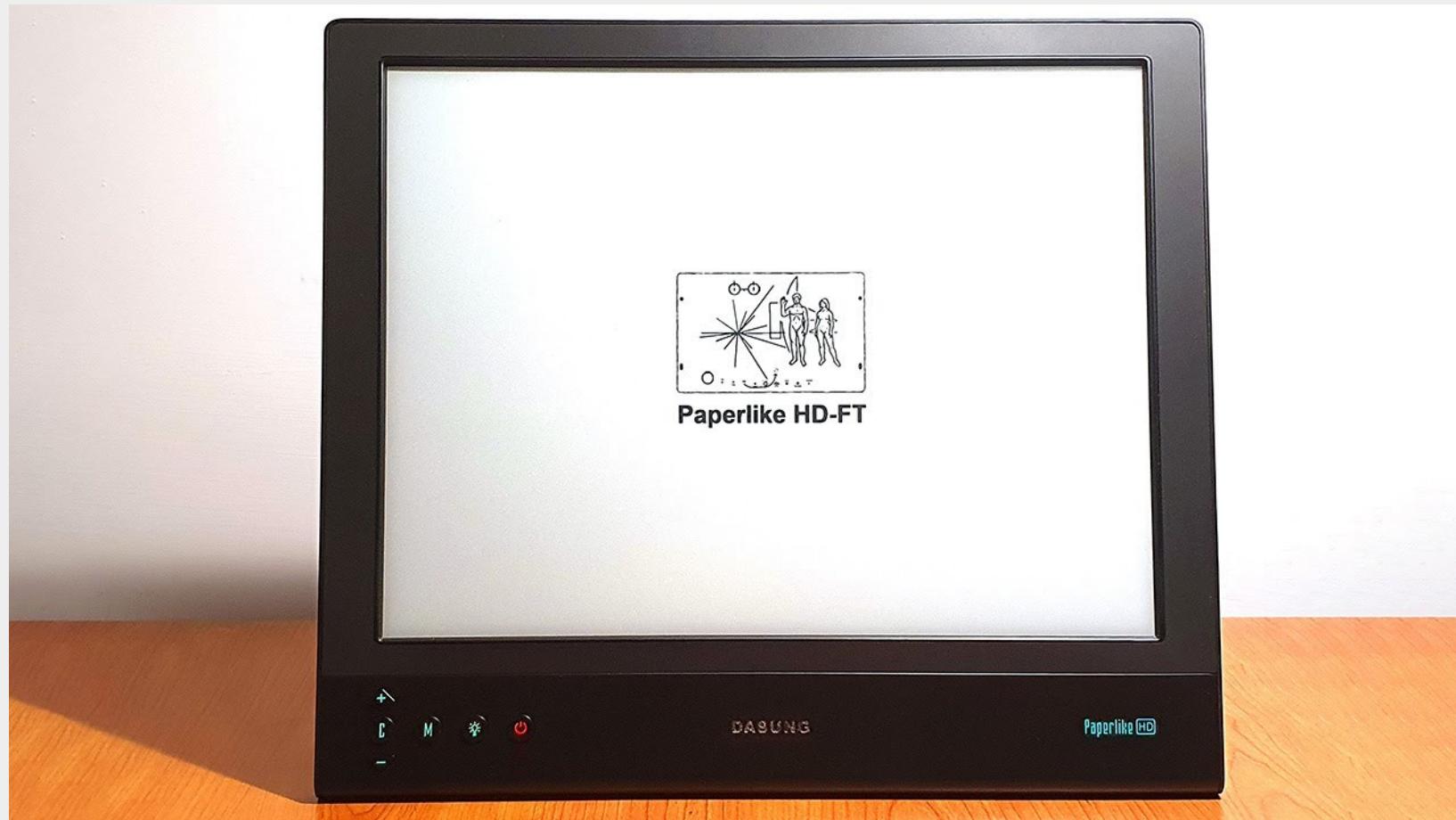
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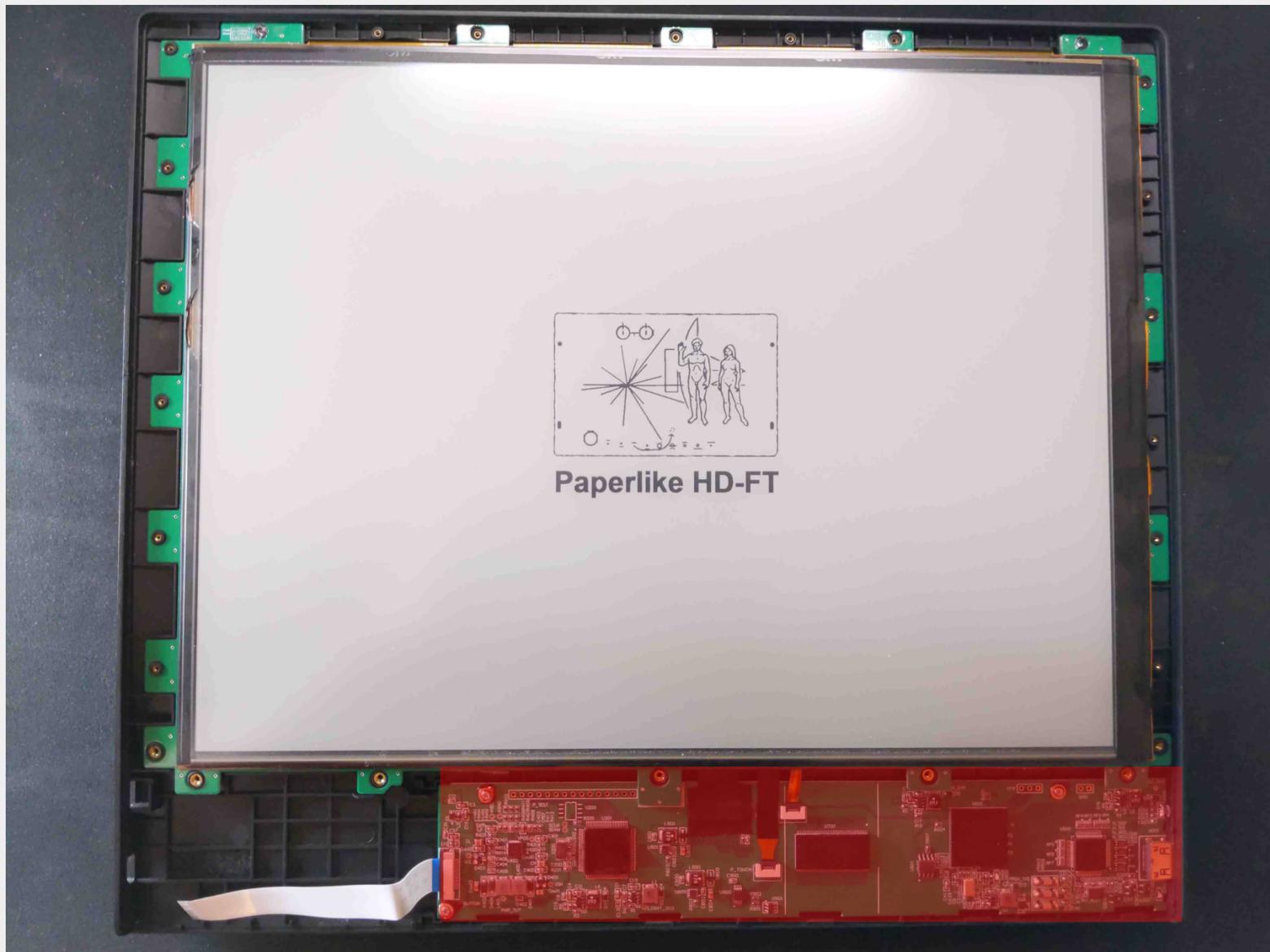
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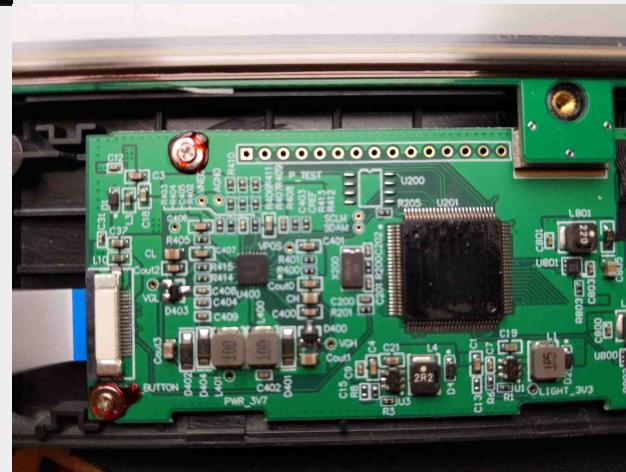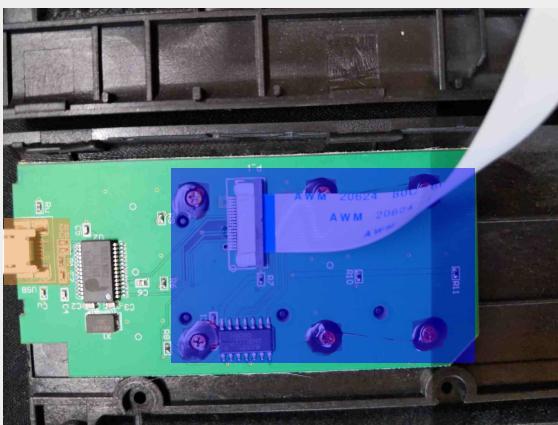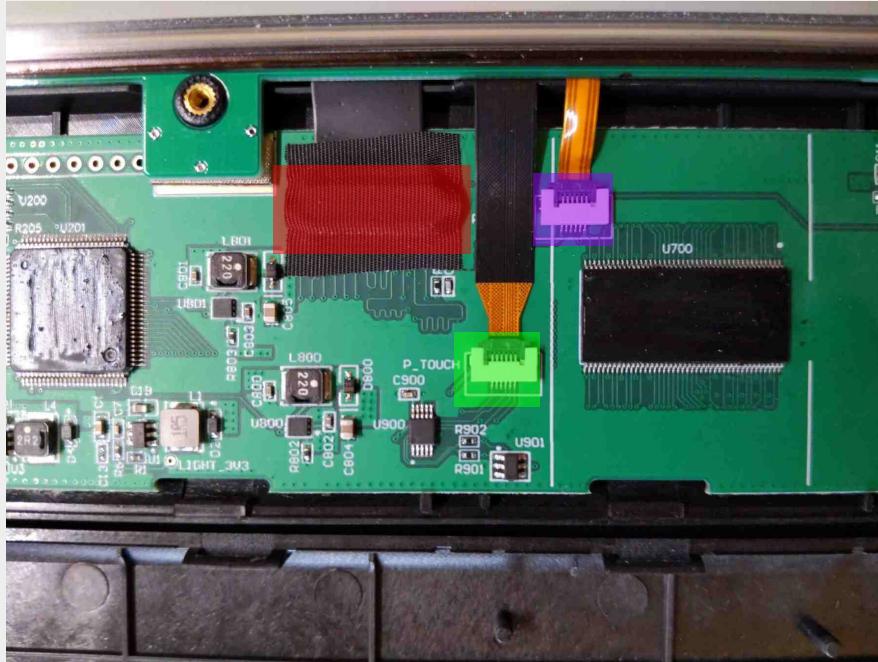
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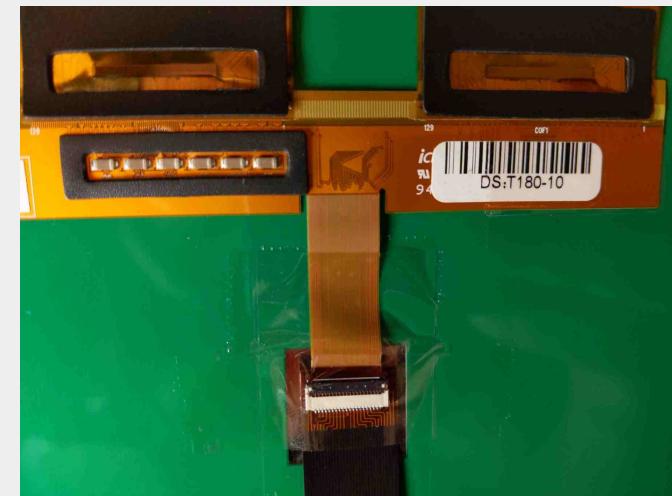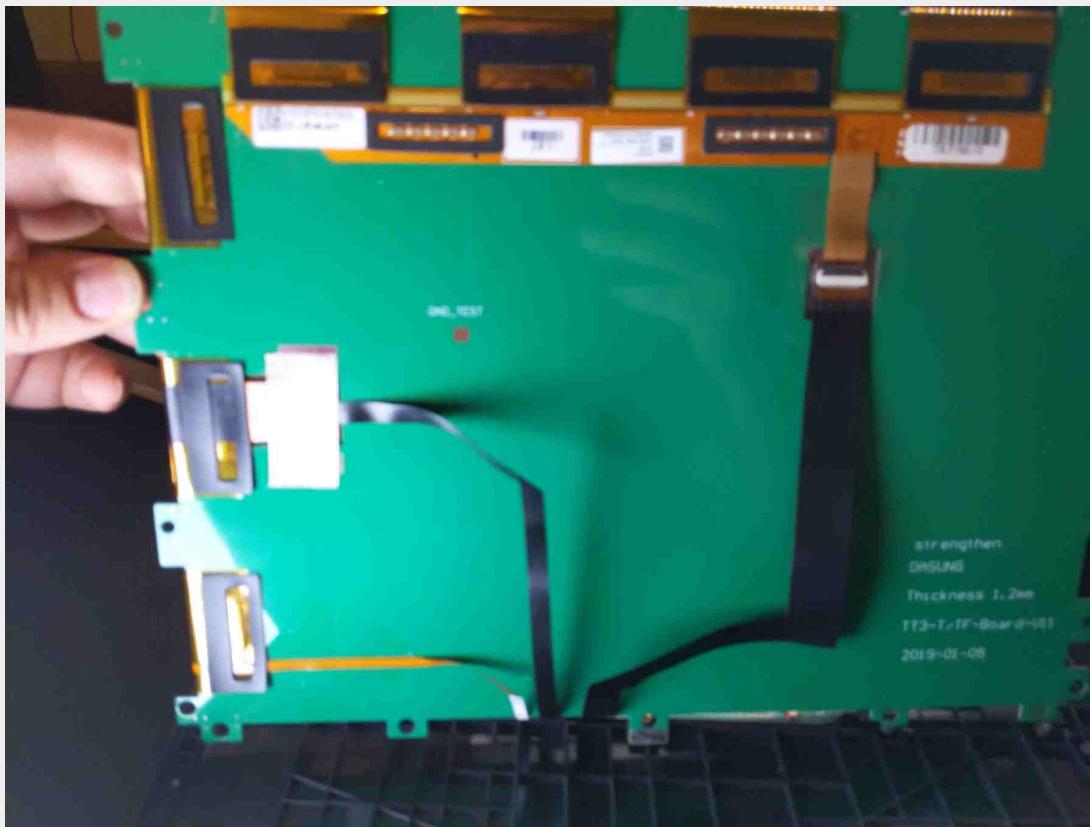
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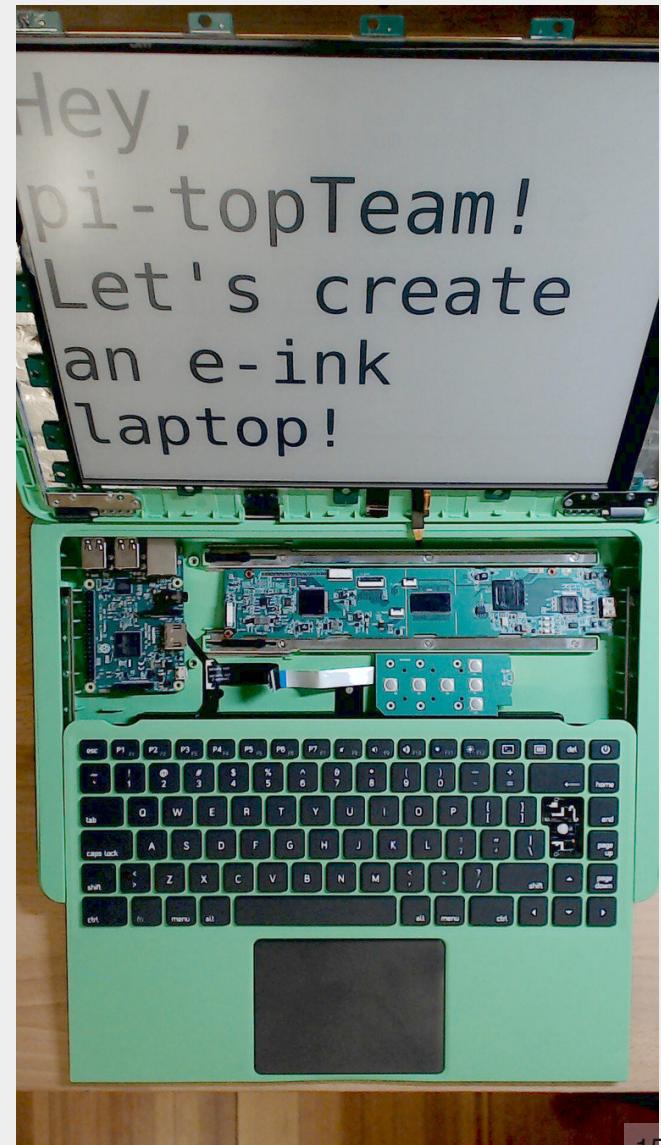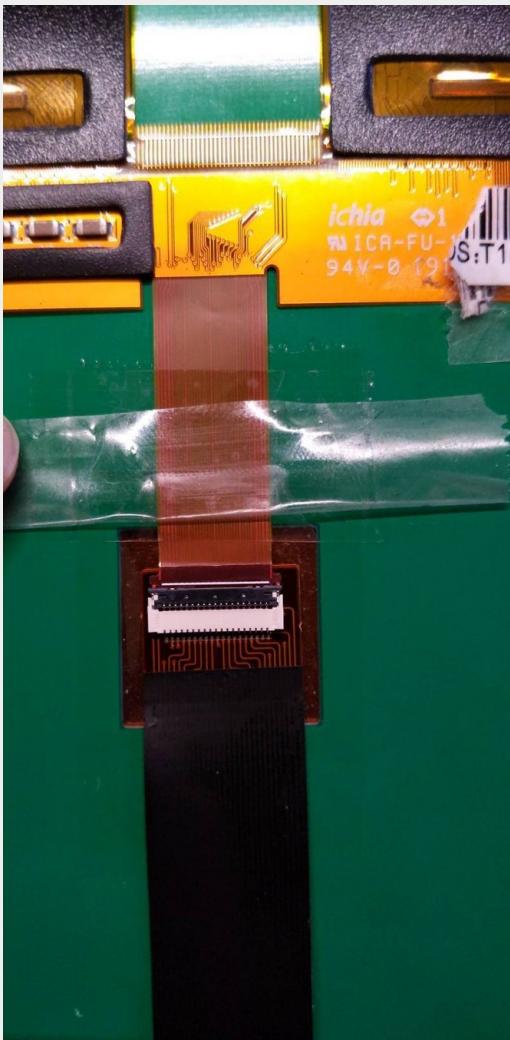
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