Re: How do I open a Dell AC Adapter?

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Hi!

> Give the sucker one good *whack*.
> (I hate those damn glued−together−brick cases!)

Sometimes even that isn't enough. I had a bad Compaq AC adapter from my old LTE 5000 laptop. Something inside had been sizzling and finally went bang. The whole thing smelled pretty bad. I didn't think it would be fixable, as the wire coming out was already badly frayed and didn't make contact most of the time anyway. All I wanted to do was open it up to see what had gone wrong.

I started gently enough with a small mallet. Then I tried a hammer. It went downhill from there quickly. Even several good whacks on concrete from a distance wouldn't open the thing. I even tried driving over it, and that finally got it to start coming open. Of course, by that point, the insides were not in good shape.

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