

Smartphones freedom status in 2023

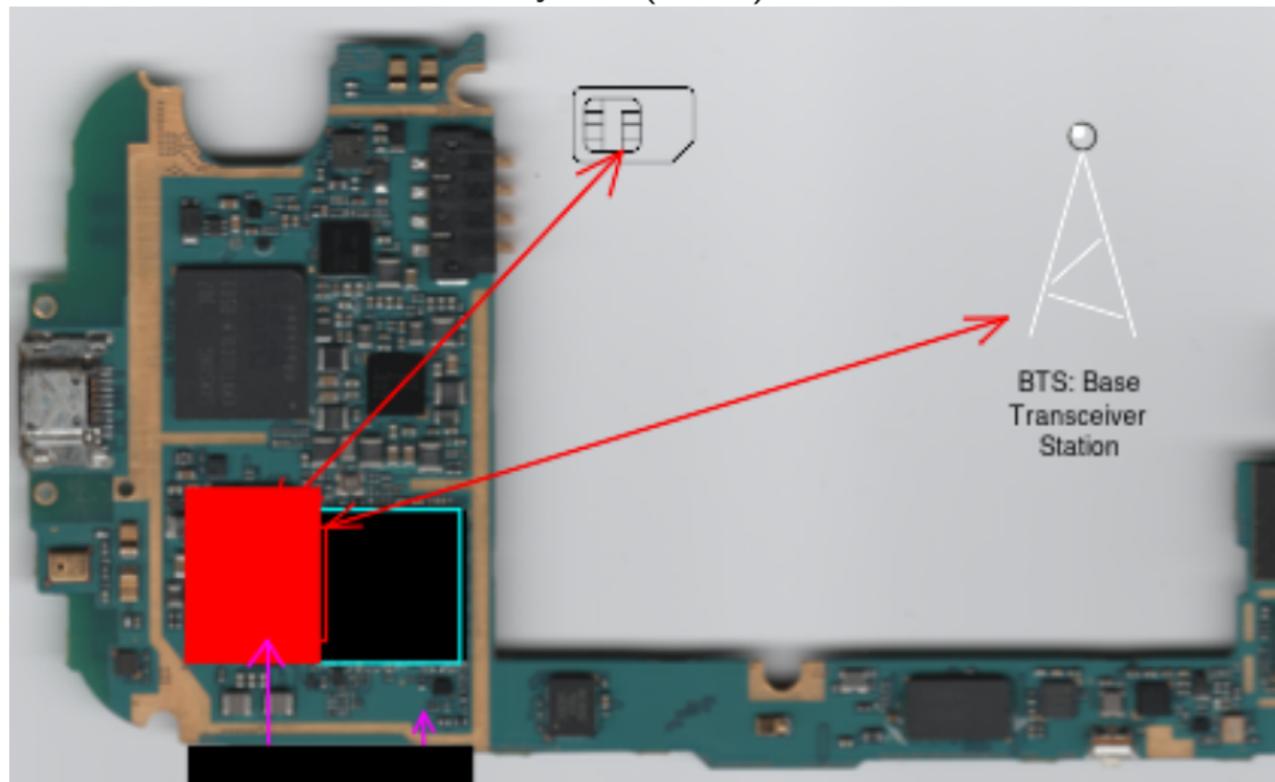
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A Galaxy SIII (I9300):



Hardware

	Pinephone	Pinephone Pro	Librem 5
Boot	Free	Free	Nonfree DDR4 firmware
WiFi	nonfree firmware	nonfree firmware	nonfree firmware
Modem	Can be iso- lated	Can be iso- lated	Usually iso- lated
Battery	Replaceable	Replaceable	Replaceable
Works	Depends	No suspend to RAM	Yes
Price	OK for free software people	OK for free software people	Too expen- sive

Hardware

	Fairphone	Pixel 7
Boot	Nonfree, signed	Nonfree, signed?
WiFi	nonfree firmware	nonfree firmware
Modem	Not isolated	Can be iso- lated
Battery	Replaceable	Non replace- able
Works	Yes	Yes
Price	Expensive	OK for free software people

GNU / Linux applications

- ▶ Few adapted applications

Andbox / Waydroid

- ▶ Uses more RAM / space
- ▶ Limited interfaces to hardware

Android applications

- ▶ F-Droid
- ▶ Depends on nonfree Android SDK
- ▶ ~~<https://android-rebuilds.beuc.net/>~~
<https://codeberg.org/Starfish/SDK-Rebuilds>
Sources without EULA.
WIP: now building and publishing.

GNU / Linux

- ▶ Usable on the PinePhone
- ▶ Issue: applications

Android

- ▶ GloDroid
 - ▶ Good architecture.
 - ▶ Pinephone 3GiB.
 - ▶ No data connection.
 - ▶ No multipart SMS (Silence key exchange)
 - ▶ (also no modem isolation)

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