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Before beginning any service procedure, refer to the 1994 RX-7 Body Electrical Troubleshooting Manual; see section S for air bag system service warnings and section J1 for audio antitheft system alarm conditions.

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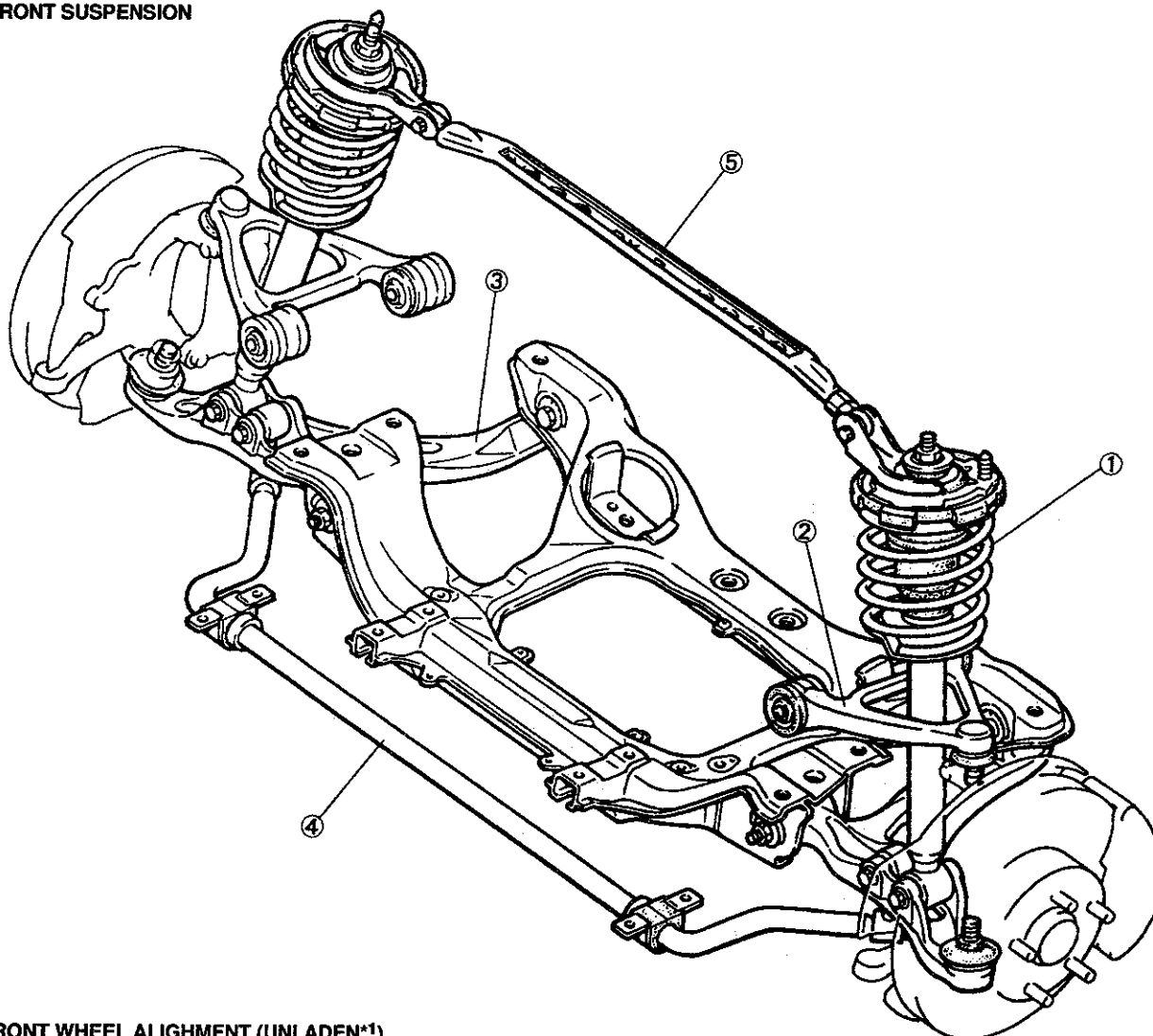
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FRONT SUSPENSION



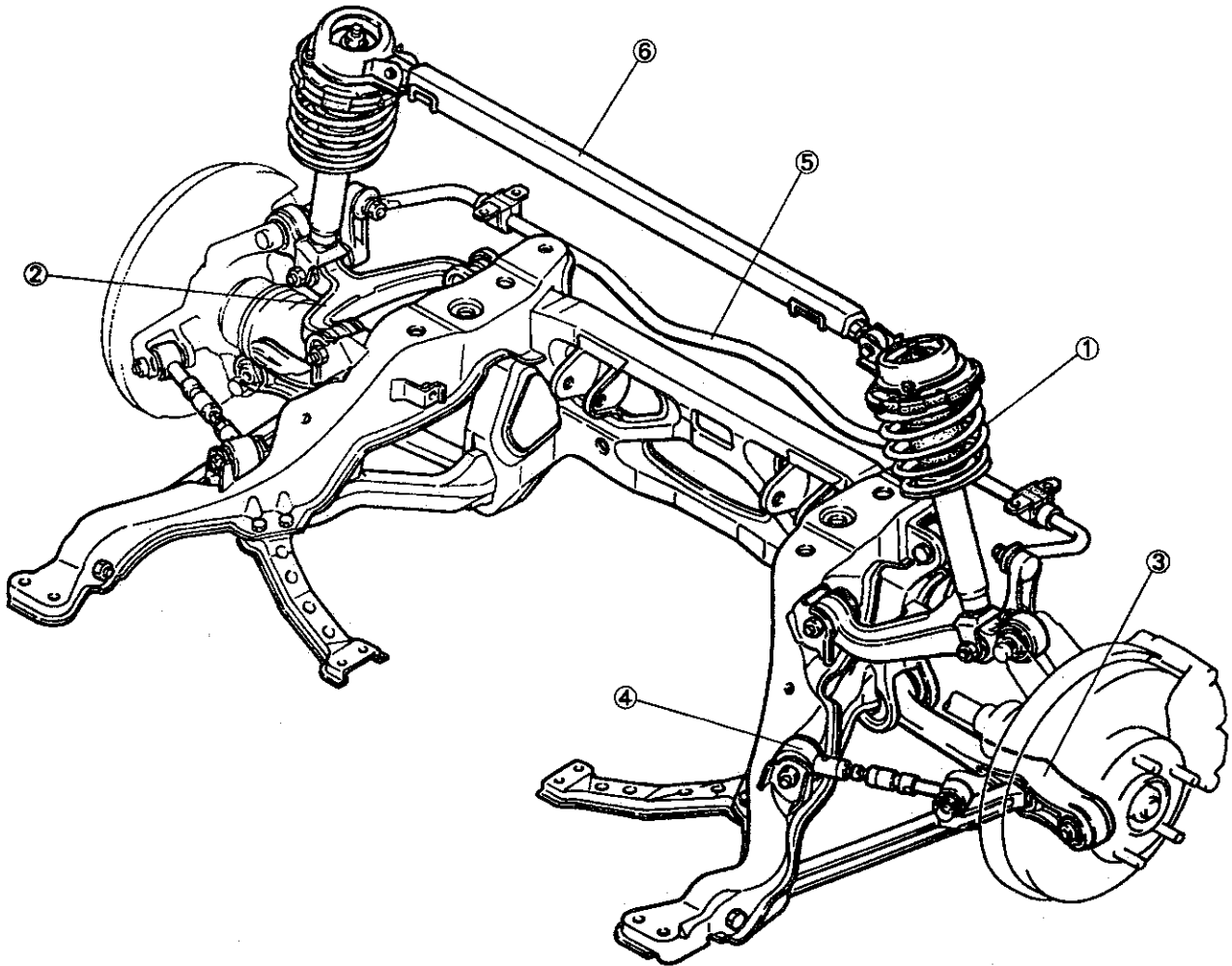
FRONT WHEEL ALIGNMENT (UNLADEN*1)

Item		Inspection standard	Adjustment standard
Total toe-in	mm {in}	2 ± 3 { 0.08 ± 0.11 }	2 ± 1 { 0.08 ± 0.04 }
Toe-in (per side)	Degree	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.05^\circ$
Maximum steering angle	In	$36^\circ \pm 2^\circ$	
	Out	$32^\circ \pm 2^\circ$	
Kingpin angle	Degree	$13^\circ 55'$	
Camber angle	Degree	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ$
Difference between left and right		1° Max.	1° Max.
Caster angle	Degree	$6.08^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$6.08^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ$
Difference between left and right		1° Max.	1° Max.

*1 Fuel tank full; radiator coolant and engine oil at specified levels; spare tire, jack, and tools in designated positions.

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REAR SUSPENSION



REAR WHEEL ALIGNMENT (UNLADEN*1)

Item		Inspection standard	Adjustment standard
Total toe-in	mm (in)	2 ± 3 (0.08 ± 0.11)	2 ± 1 (0.08 ± 0.04)
Toe-in (per side)	Degree	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.05^\circ$
Camber angle	Degree	$-1.22^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$-1.22^\circ \pm 1.0^\circ$
Difference between left and right	Degree	1° Max.	1° Max.
Thrust angle	Degree	$0^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$	$0^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$

*1 Fuel tank full; radiator coolant and engine oil at specified levels; spare tire, jack, and tools in designated positions.

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Item		Transmission	MT		AT
		Suspension	Standard suspension	Hard suspension	Standard suspension
Front suspension					
Suspension type			Double-wishbone		
Coil spring	Identification mark color		Red		Brown
	Wire diameter	mm {in}	12.3 {0.48}		12.5 {0.49}
	Coil center diameter	mm {in}	104.8 {4.126}		105.0 {4.134}
	Free length	mm {in}	270.0 {10.63}		276.3 {10.88}
	Active coil number		4.14		4.39
Shock absorber	Type		Cylindrical, double-acting, low-pressure gas-charged		
	Damping force characteristics		Standard	Hard	Standard
Stablizer	Type		Torsion bar, hollow type		
	Diameter	mm {in}	28.6 {1.13}		
Front weel alignment (unladen*1)	Inspection standard				
	Total toe-in	mm {in}	2 ± 3 {0.08 ± 0.11}		
	Toe-in (per side)	Degree	0.1° ± 0.75°		
	Maximum steering angle	in	36° ± 2°		
		out	32° ± 2°		
	Camber angle	Degree	0.1° ± 0.75°		
		Difference between left and right	1° max		
	Caster angle	Degree	6.08° ± 0.75°		
		Difference between left and right	1° max		
	King pin angle	Degree	13°55'		
	Adjustment standard				
	Total toe-in	mm {in}	2 ± 1 {0.08 ± 0.04}		
	Toe-in (per side)	Degree	0.1° ± 0.05°		
	Maximum steering angle	in	36° ± 2°		
		out	32° ± 2°		
	Camber angle	Degree	0.1° ± 0.5°		
		Difference between left and right	1° max		
	Caster angle	Degree	6.08° ± 0.5°		
		Difference between left and right	1° max		
	King pin angle	Degree	13°55'		
Rear suspension					
Suspension type			Double-wishbone		
Coil spring	Identification mark color		Purple		
	Wire diameter	mm {in}	12.2 {0.48}		
	Coil center diameter	mm {in}	114.7 {4.516}		
	Free length	mm {in}	303.0 {11.93}		
	Active coil number		4.21		
Shock absorber	Type		Cylindrical, double-acting, low-pressure gas-charged		
	Damping force characteristics		Standard	Hard	Standard
Stabilizer	Type		Torsion bar, hollow type		
	Diameter	mm {in}	13.8 {0.54}		
Rear weel alignment (unladen*1)	Inspection standard				
	Total toe-in	mm {in}	2 ± 3 {0.08 ± 0.11}		
	Toe-in (per side)	Degree	0.1° ± 0.1°		
	Camber angle	Degree	-1.22° ± 0.75°		
		Difference between left and right	1° max		
	Thrust angle	Degree	0° ± 0.1°		
	Adjustment standard				
	Total toe-in	mm {in}	2 ± 1 {0.08 ± 0.04}		
	Toe-in (per side)	Degree	0.1° ± 0.05°		
	Camber angle	Degree	-1.22° ± 0.5°		
		Difference between left and right	1° max		
	Thrust angle	Degree	0° ± 0.1°		

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TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Problem	Possible cause	Action	Page
Body rolls	Weak stabilizer or stabilizer link Damaged or worn stabilizer control link Worn or deteriorated upper arm or lower arm bushings Damaged shock absorber	Replace Replace Replace Replace	R-24, 41 R-24, 41 R-17, 21, 33, 37 R-12, 27
Poor riding comfort	Weak coil spring Damaged shock absorber	Replace Replace	R-13, 29 R-12, 27
Body leans	Weak coil spring Damaged or worn stabilizer control link Worn or deteriorated upper arm or lower arm bushings	Replace Replace Replace	R-13, 29 R-24, 41 R-17, 21, 33, 37
Abnormal noise from suspension system	Poor lubrication of or worn upper arm or lower arm ball joint Looseness of peripheral connections Damaged shock absorber Damaged or worn stabilizer control link Worn or deteriorated upper arm or lower arm bushings	Lubricate or replace Tighten Replace Replace Replace	R-17, 21 — R-12, 27 R-24, 41 R-17, 21, 33, 37
General driving instability	Weak coil spring Damaged shock absorber Worn or deteriorated upper arm or lower arm bushings Damaged or worn stabilizer control link Improperly adjusted wheel alignment Damaged or worn upper arm or lower arm ball joint Malfunction of steering system Damaged or unbalanced wheel	Replace Replace Replace Replace Adjust Replace — —	R-13, 29 R-12, 27 R-17, 21, 33, 37 R-24, 41 R-6 R-17, 21 Section N Section Q
Heavy steering	Poor lubrication of or worn upper arm or lower arm ball joint Improperly adjusted wheel alignment Malfunction of steering system Damaged or unbalanced wheel	Lubricate or replace Adjust — —	R-17, 21 R-6 Section N Section Q
Steering wheel pulls to one side	Weak coil spring Damaged or worn stabilizer control link Worn or deteriorated upper arm or lower arm bushings Damaged or worn upper arm or lower arm Improperly adjusted wheel alignment Malfunction of steering system Malfunction of braking system Damaged or unbalanced wheel	Replace Replace Replace Replace Adjust — — —	R-13, 29 R-24, 41 R-17, 21, 33, 37 R-17, 21, 33, 37 R-6 Section N Section P Section Q
Shimmy occurs (steering wheel vibrates circumferential)	Damaged or worn upper arm or lower arm ball joint Damaged shock absorber Loose shock absorber mounting Worn or deteriorated upper arm or lower arm bushings Damaged or worn stabilizer control link Improperly adjusted wheel alignment Damaged or worn wheel bearing Malfunction of steering system Damaged or unbalanced wheel	Replace Replace Tighten Replace Replace Adjust — — —	R-17, 21 R-12 R-12 R-17, 21 R-24 R-6 Section M Section N Section Q
Steering wheel doesn't return properly	Stuck or damaged upper arm or lower arm ball joint Improperly adjusted wheel alignment Malfunction of steering system Damaged or unbalanced wheel	Replace Adjust — —	R-17, 21 R-6 Section N Section Q

WHEEL ALIGNMENT

PRE-INSPECTION

1. Check the tire inflations and set to the recommended pressure, if necessary.
2. Inspect the front wheel bearing play. Replace the bearing(s) as necessary.
3. Inspect the wheel and tire runout of all wheels.
4. Inspect the ball joints and steering linkage for excessive looseness.
5. Place the vehicle on level ground with no luggage or passenger load.
6. Rock the vehicle to settle the suspension.
7. Verify that the height difference between the left and right sides from the center of the wheel to the fender brim does not exceed specification.

Specification: 10 mm {0.39 in}

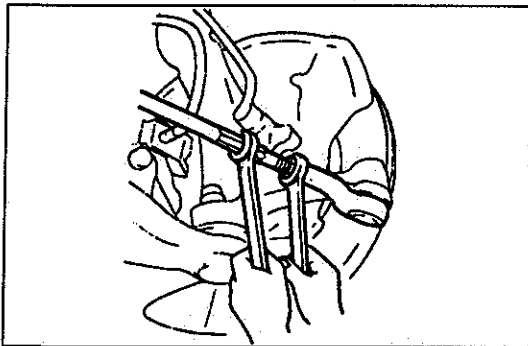
8. Verify that the height difference between the front and rear does not exceed specifications.

Specification: 15 mm {0.59 in}

FRONT WHEEL ALIGNMENT Specifications (Unladen*¹)

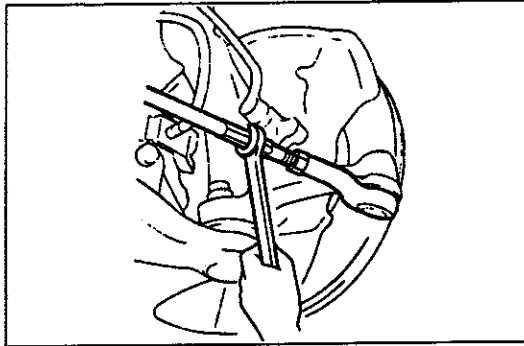
Item		Specifications	Specifications
Total toe-in	mm {in}	$2 \pm 3 \{0.08 \pm 0.11\}$	$2 \pm 1 \{0.08 \pm 0.11\}$
Toe-in (per side)	Degree	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.05^\circ$
Maximum steering angle	In	$36^\circ \pm 2^\circ$	
	Out	$32^\circ \pm 2^\circ$	
King pin angle		$13^\circ 55'$	
Camber angle	Degree	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ$
	Difference between left and right	Degree	1° max.
Caster angle	Degree	$6.08^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$6.08^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ$
	Difference between left and right	Degree	1° max.

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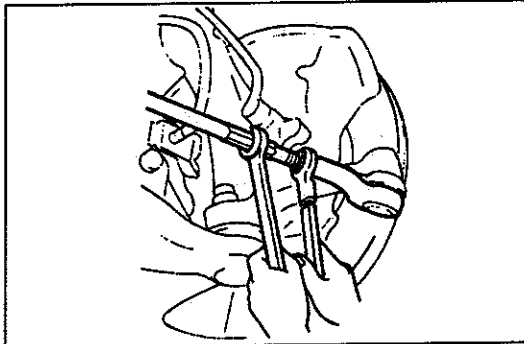
Adjustment Toe-in

1. Remove the steering gear boot clamp.
2. Loosen the left and right tie rod locknuts and turn the tie rod equally. Both tie rods are right threaded, so turning the right tie rod toward the front of the vehicle and the left toward the rear increases toe-in.



Note

- Turning one tie rod one complete turn changes toe-in by about 0.42 in {10.6mm}.

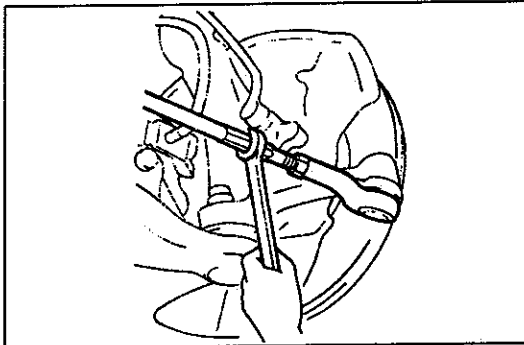


3. Tighten the tie rod locknuts to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:

31–50 N·m {3.1–5.1 kgf·m, 23–36 ft·lbf}

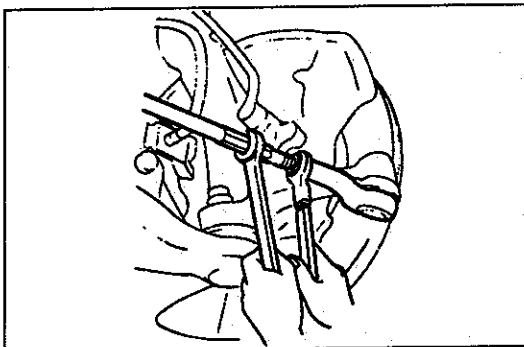
4. Verify that the boot is not twisted. Install the boot clamp.



Maximum steering angle

1. Remove the steering gear boot clamp.
2. Loosen the tie rod locknut.
3. Turn the tie rod to provide the correct maximum steering angle.

Maximum left / right difference: 3 mm {0.12 in}

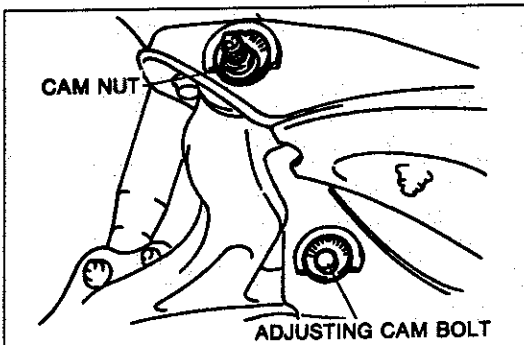


4. After adjustment, tighten the locknut to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:

31–50 N·m {3.1–5.1 kgf·m, 23–36 ft·lbf}

5. Adjust the toe-in. (Refer to page R-6.)
6. Verify that the boot is not twisted. Install the boot clamp.

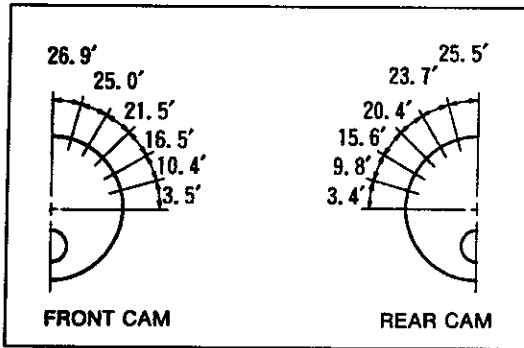


Caster

1. Loosen the front or rear cam nut on the front lower arm.

Note

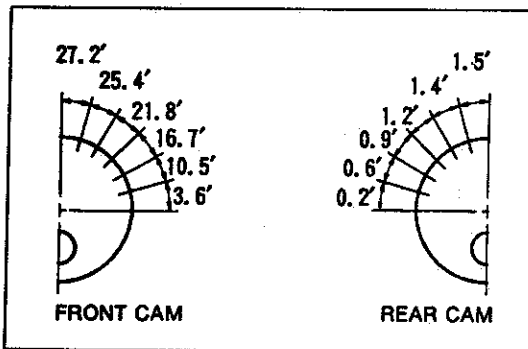
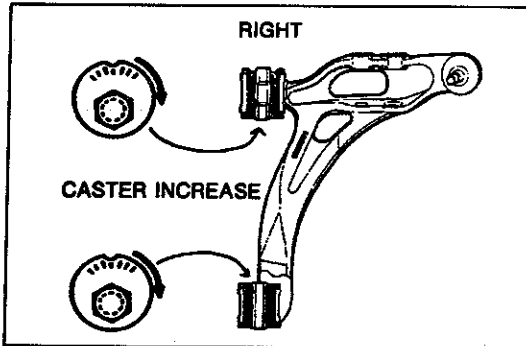
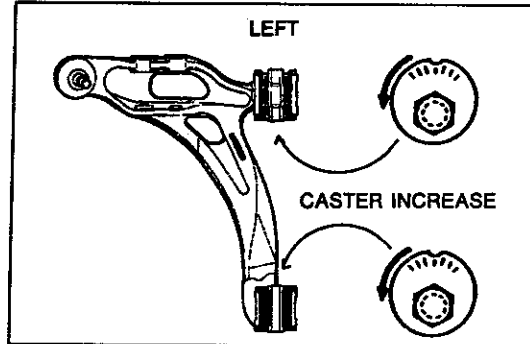
- Turning the adjusting cam bolt one graduation changes the caster as shown in the illustration.



- Turn the adjusting cam bolt as indicated to provide the correct caster angle.

Caster	Left wheel		Right wheel	
	Front cam	Rear cam	Front cam	Rear cam
Increase	Counter-clockwise	Counter-clockwise	Clockwise	Clockwise
Decrease	Clockwise	Clockwise	Counter-clockwise	Counter-clockwise

- Adjust the camber and the toe-in.



Camber

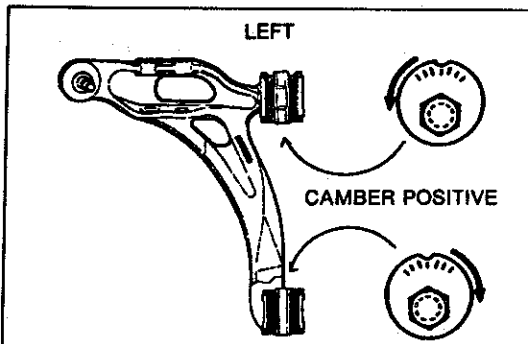
- Adjust the caster before adjusting the camber.
- Loosen the front or rear cam nut on the front lower arm.

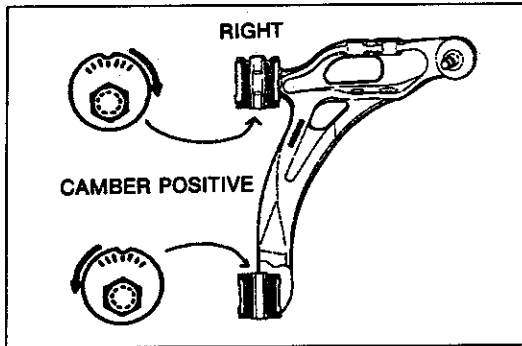
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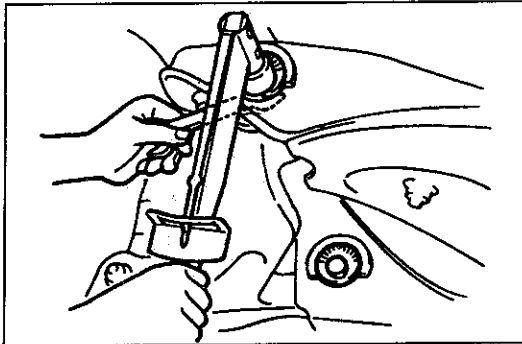
- Turn the adjusting cam bolt as indicated to provide the correct camber angle.

Camber	Left wheel		Right wheel	
	Front cam	Rear cam	Front cam	Rear cam
Positive	Counter-clockwise	Clockwise	Clockwise	Counter-clockwise
Negative	Clockwise	Counter-clockwise	Counter-clockwise	Clockwise





4. If the cam cannot be turned enough to make the adjustment, readjust the caster using the other cam.



5. Hand-tighten the cam nut and lower the vehicle.
6. With the vehicle unloaded, tighten the cam nut to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:

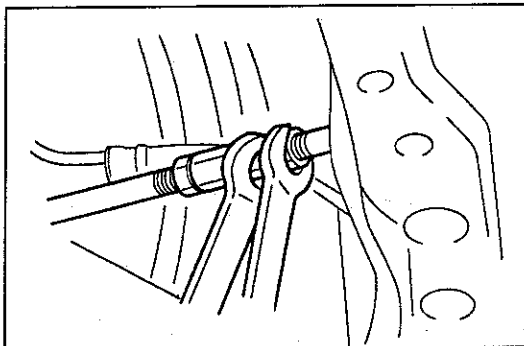
94–116 N·m {9.5–11.9 kgf·m, 69–86 ft·lbf}

7. Adjust the toe-in.

REAR WHEEL ALIGNMENT Specifications (Unladen*1)

Item		Inspection standard	Adjustment standard
Total toe-in	mm {in}	2 ± 3 { 0.08 ± 0.11 }	2 ± 1 { 0.08 ± 0.04 }
Toe-in (per side)	Degree	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$	$0.1^\circ \pm 0.05^\circ$
Camber angle	Degree	$-1.22^\circ \pm 0.75^\circ$	$-1.22^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ$
Difference between left and right	Degree	1° max.	1° max.
Thrust angle	Degree	$0^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$	$0^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$

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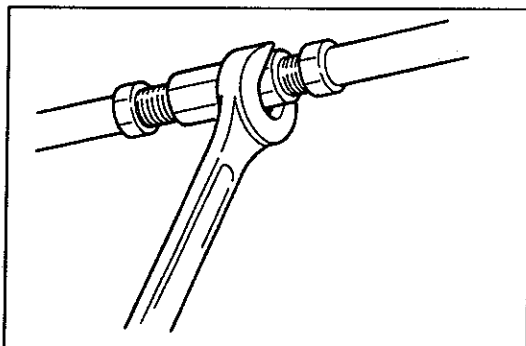


Adjustment toe-in

The specified thrust angle ($0^\circ \pm 0.1^\circ$) must be maintained while adjusting the rear toe-in.

If the thrust angle cannot be maintained at that specification, check the body dimensions. Refer to the 1992 RX-7 Body Shop Manual (Form No. 3256-10-92A).

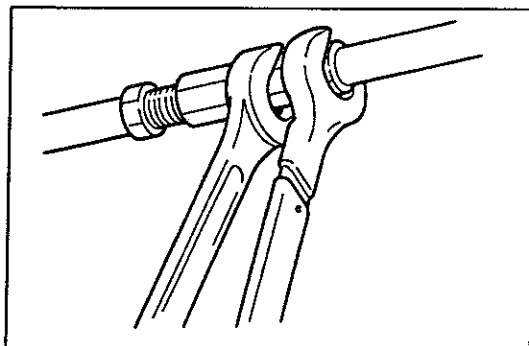
R WHEEL ALIGNMENT, FRONT SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)



1. Loosen the left and right toe-control link locknuts and turn each link equally. Both are right threaded, so turning the right link toward the front of the vehicle and the left toward the rear increases toe-in.

Note

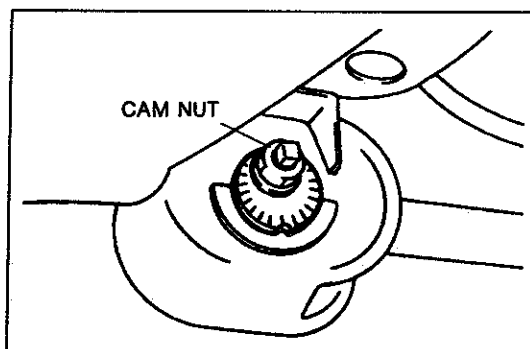
- Turning one link one complete turn changes toe-in by about 16.5 mm {0.65 in}.



2. Tighten the toe control link locknuts to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:

35–50 N·m {3.5–5.1 kgf·m, 26–33 ft·lbf}



Camber

1. Loosen the cam nut on the I-arm.

Note

- Turning the adjusting cam bolt one graduation changes the camber as shown in the illustration.

2. Turn the adjusting cam bolt as indicated to provide the correct camber angle.

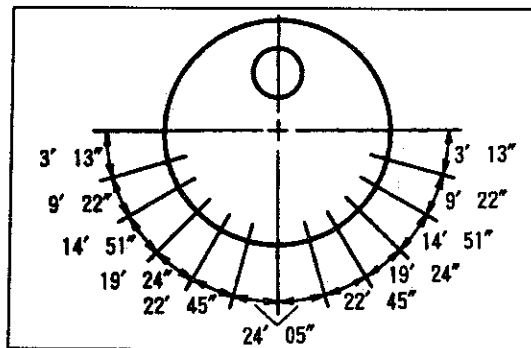
Camber	Left wheel	Right wheel
Positive	Clockwise	Counterclockwise
Negative	Counterclockwise	Clockwise

3. Tighten the cam nut to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:

94–116 N·m {9.5–11.9 kgf·m, 69–86 ft·lbf}

4. Adjust the toe-in.



FRONT SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

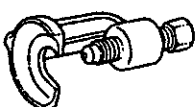

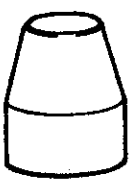
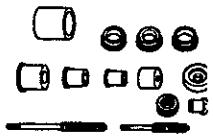
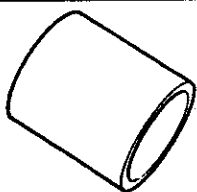

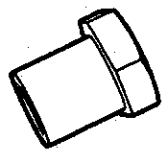
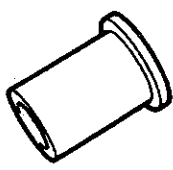

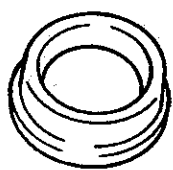


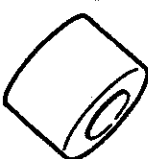
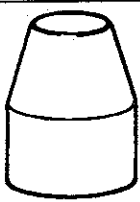
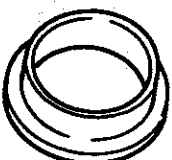
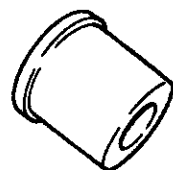
PREPARATION

SST

<p>49 0370 641</p> <p>Screw, coil spring compressor</p>	<p>For removal / installation of coil spring</p>	<p>49 0223 640B</p> <p>Arm, coil spring compressor</p>	<p>For removal / installation of coil spring</p>
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FRONT SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

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<p>49 0118 850C</p> <p>Puller, ball joint</p> 	<p>For removal of ball joint</p>	<p>49 0180 510B</p> <p>Attachment, preload measuring</p> 	<p>For inspection of ball joint</p>
<p>49 F034 211</p> <p>Guide, clip</p> 	<p>For installation of dust boot clip</p>	<p>49 F034 2A0</p> <p>Replacer set, rubber bushing</p> 	<p>For removal / installation of bushing</p>
<p>49 G028 203</p> <p>Support (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal of bushing</p>	<p>49 G028 206</p> <p>Shaft (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal / installation of bushing</p>
<p>49 G028 207</p> <p>Nut (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal / installation of bushing</p>	<p>49 G028 208</p> <p>Installer (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal of bushing</p>
<p>49 G034 205</p> <p>Bearing (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal / installation of bushing</p>	<p>49 F034 204</p> <p>Support (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal of bushing</p>
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<p>49 F034 209</p> <p>Installer (Part of 49 F034 2A0)</p> 	<p>For removal / installation of bushing</p>	<p>49 F034 210</p> <p>Guide, clip</p> 	<p>For installation of dust boot clip</p>
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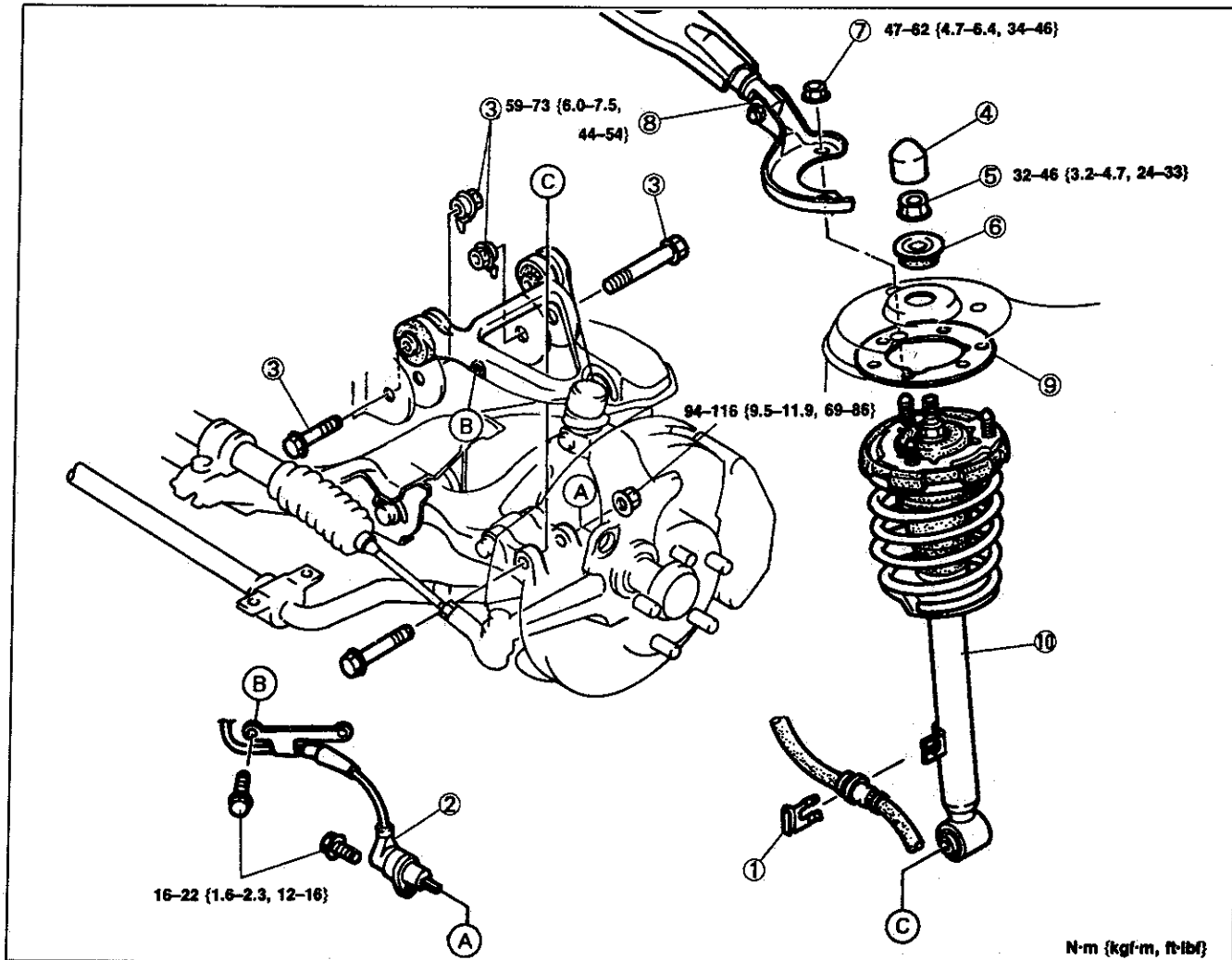
FRONT SHOCK ABSORBER AND SPRING

Removal / Installation

1. Jack up the front of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
5. Install the wheel and tire.

Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

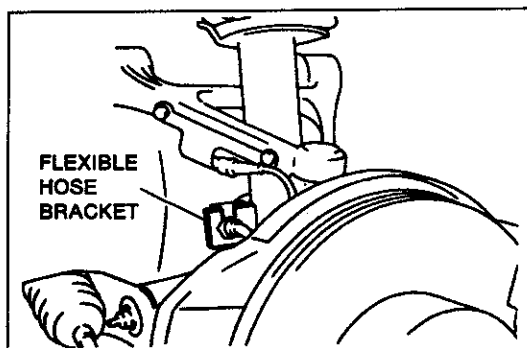
6. Adjust the front wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-6.)



1. Clip (brake hose)
2. ABS wheel-speed sensor
3. Bolt, nut
4. Cap
5. Nut
6. Stopper rubber

7. Nut
8. Front strut bar
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9. Insulator

10. Front shock absorber and
spring
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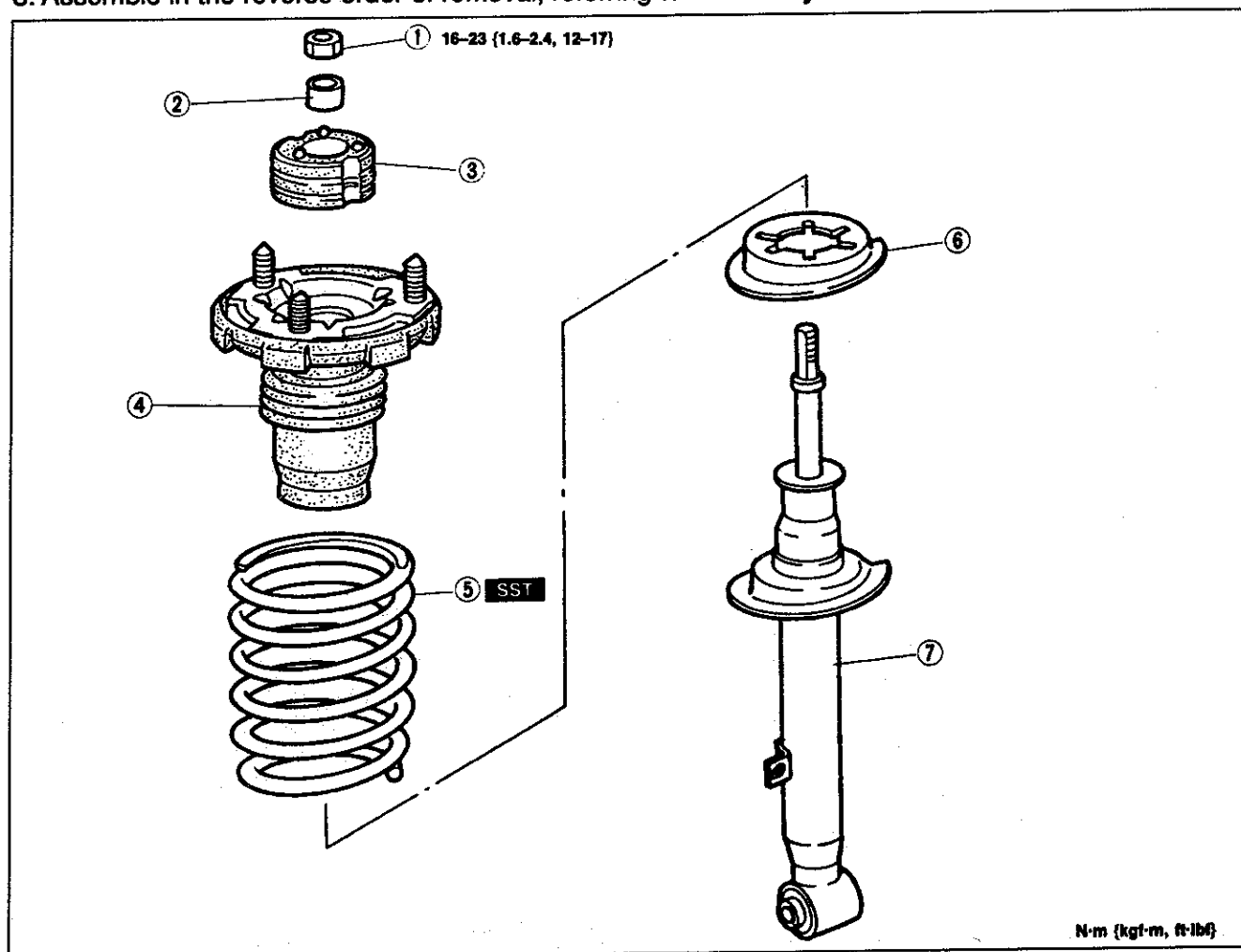
Installation note

Front shock absorber and spring

Install the shock absorber and spring so that the flexible hose bracket faces forward.

Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly

1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Assembly Note**.

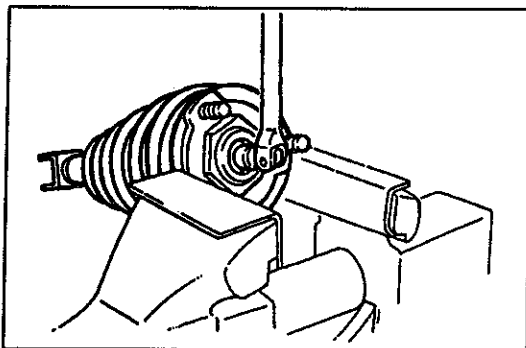


1. Nut
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2. Spacer
3. Mounting rubber
Inspect for damage and deterioration
Assembly Note page R-15

4. Bound stopper assembly
Inspect for damage and cracks
5. Coil spring
Inspect for damage and weakness
Assembly Note page R-14

6. Lower spring seat
Inspect for damage and cracks
7. Shock absorber
Inspection page R-14

N·m (kgf·m, ft·lb)



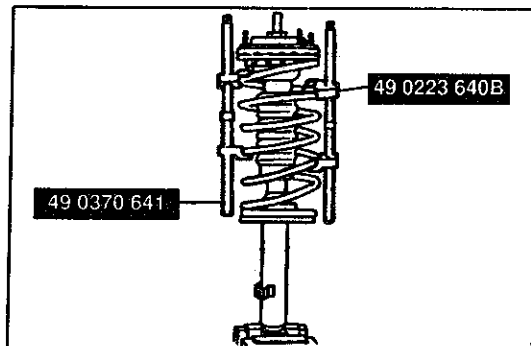
Disassembly note

Nut

Warning

- Removing the piston-rod nut is dangerous. The shock absorber and spring could fly off under tremendous pressure and cause serious injury or death. Secure the shock absorber in the SST before removing the piston-rod nut.

1. Secure the mounting rubber bracket in a vise.
2. Loosen the mounting rubber nut several turns, but do not remove it.
3. Assemble the SST.
4. Compress the coil spring by using the SST and remove the mounting nut.

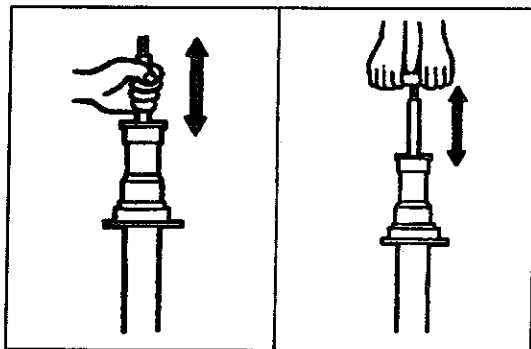


Inspection

Shock absorber

Check the following and replace the shock absorber if necessary.

1. Inspect for damage and oil leakage.
2. (1) Compress the shock absorber rod and release it.
(2) Verify that the rod extends fully at a normal speed.
3. Compress and extend the rod at least three times. Verify that the operational force does not change and that there is no unusual noise.



Disposal of shock absorber

Warning

- The gas in the shock absorber is highly pressurized, and could spray metal chips into the eyes and face when drilling. Whenever drilling into a shock absorber, wear protective eye wear.

1. Lay the shock absorber flat.
2. Drill a hole in its body.

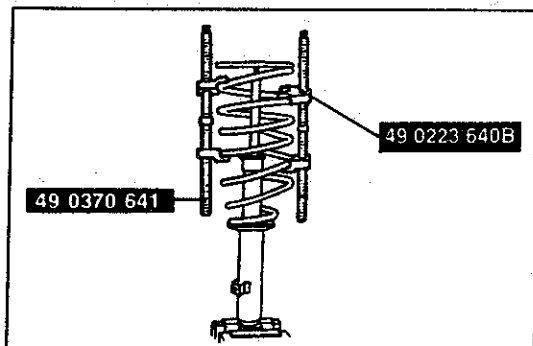
Drill size: 2-3 mm {0.08-0.12 in}

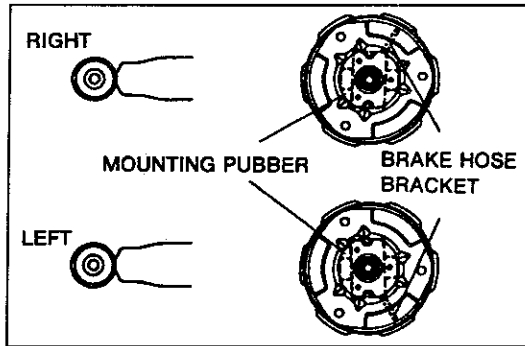
3. Allow the gas to escape from the shock absorber.
4. Discard the shock absorber.

Assembly note

Coil spring

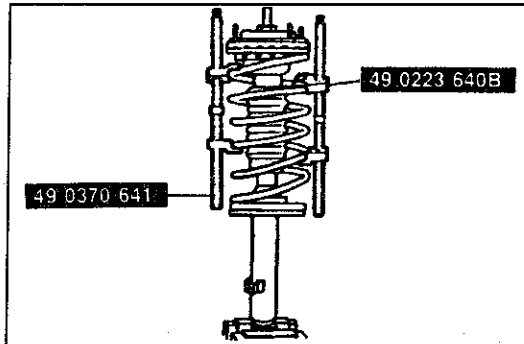
1. Compress the coil spring by using the SST.
2. Install the spring so that the lower coil is seated on the step of the lower seat.





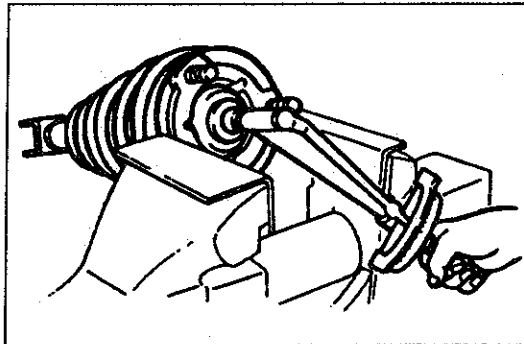
Mounting rubber

Install the mounting rubber as shown.



Nut

1. Tighten the mounting nut several turns.
2. Remove the SST.
3. Verify that the lower coil of the spring is seated on the step of the lower seat.



4. Secure the mounting rubber bracket in a vise.
5. Tighten the nut.

Tightening torque:

16-23 N·m {1.6-2.4 kgf·m, 12-17 ft·lbf}

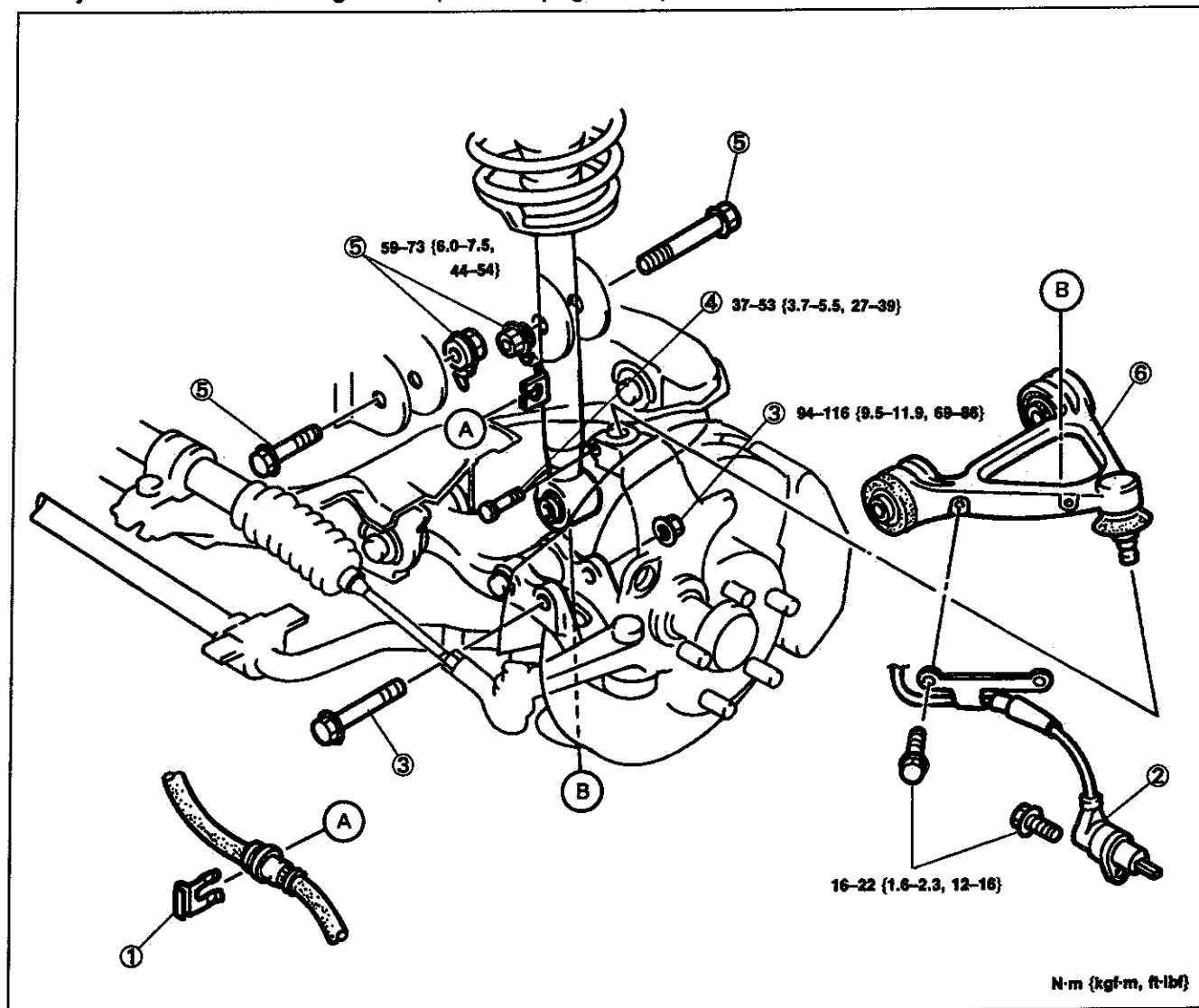
UPPER ARM

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Jack up the front of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal.
6. Install the wheel and tire.

Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

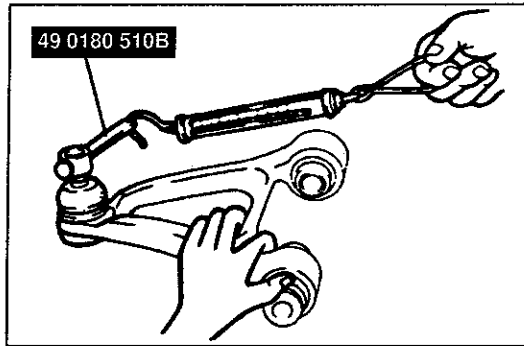
7. Adjust the front wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-6.)



1. Clip (brake hose)
2. ABS wheel-speed sensor

3. Bolt, nut
4. Bolt
5. Bolt, nut

6. Upper arm
Inspect for damage and cracks
Inspect bushing for damage and wear
Inspect boot for tearing and cracks
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Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly page R-17



Inspection

Upper arm ball joint

Ball joint rotation torque

1. Shake and rotate the ball joint stud several times.
2. Connect the SST to the stud and measure the starting torque and the rotation torque by using a pull scale.

Starting torque:

2.0–5.8 N·m {20–60 kgf·cm, 18–52 in·lbf}

Pull scale reading:

20–58 N {2.0–6.0 kgf, 4.4–13.2 lbf}

Rotation torque:

0.4–1.1 N·m {4–12 kgf·cm, 3.5–10.4 in·lbf}

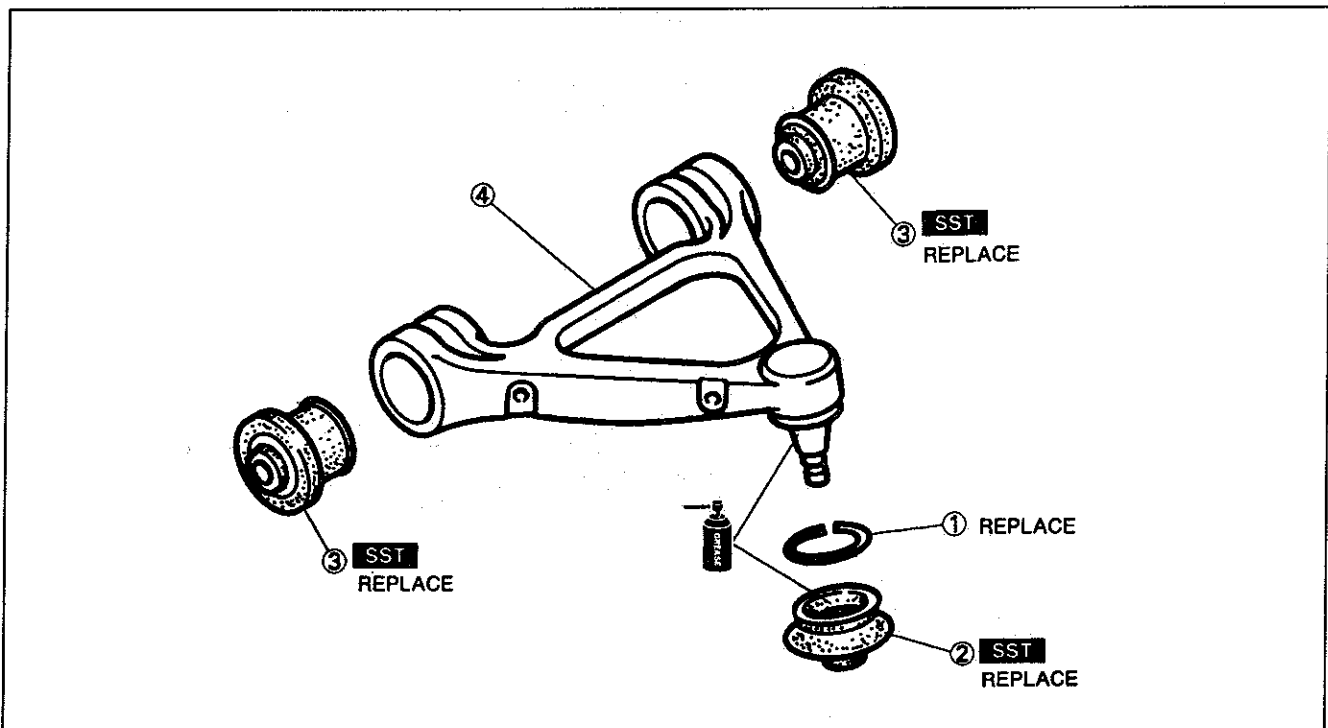
Pull scale reading:

4–11 N {0.4–1.2 kgf, 0.9–2.6 lbf}

3. If not within specification, replace the upper arm.

Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly

1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



1. Clip

2. Dust boot

Assembly Note page R-18

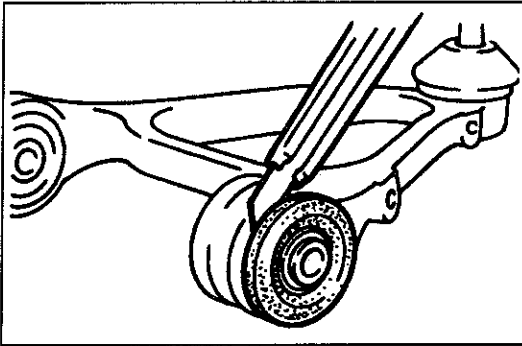
3. Bushing

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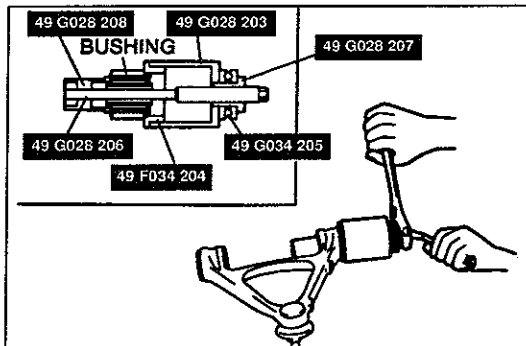
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4. Upper arm

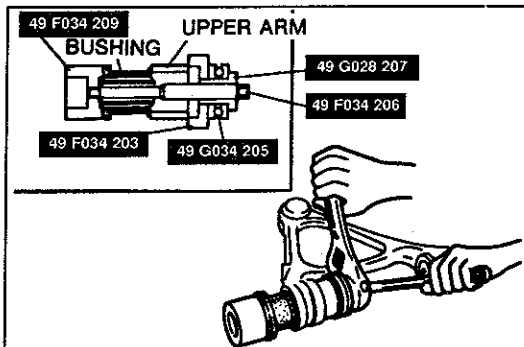
Inspect for damage and cracks

**Disassembly note****Bushing**

1. Cut away the projecting rubber of the bushing.



2. Remove the bushing by using the SST.

**Assembly note****Bushing**

1. Apply soapy water to the new bushing.

2. Install the bushing by using the SST.

Dust boot

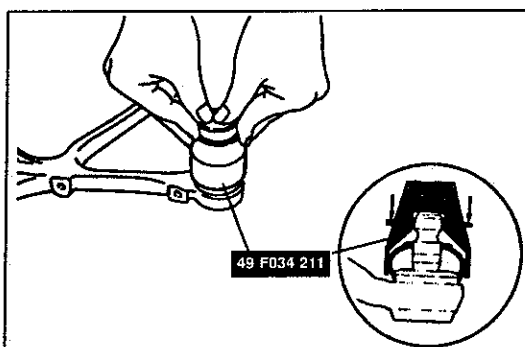
1. Wipe the grease off the ball stud.

2. Fill the inside of the new dust boot with grease.

3. Install the dust boot onto the ball joint.

4. Set the SST over the boot and install a new clip.

5. Wipe off the excess grease.



FRONT LOWER ARM

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Jack up the front of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Removal Note**.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
6. Loosely tighten the lower arm rear cam nut.
7. Install the wheel and tire.

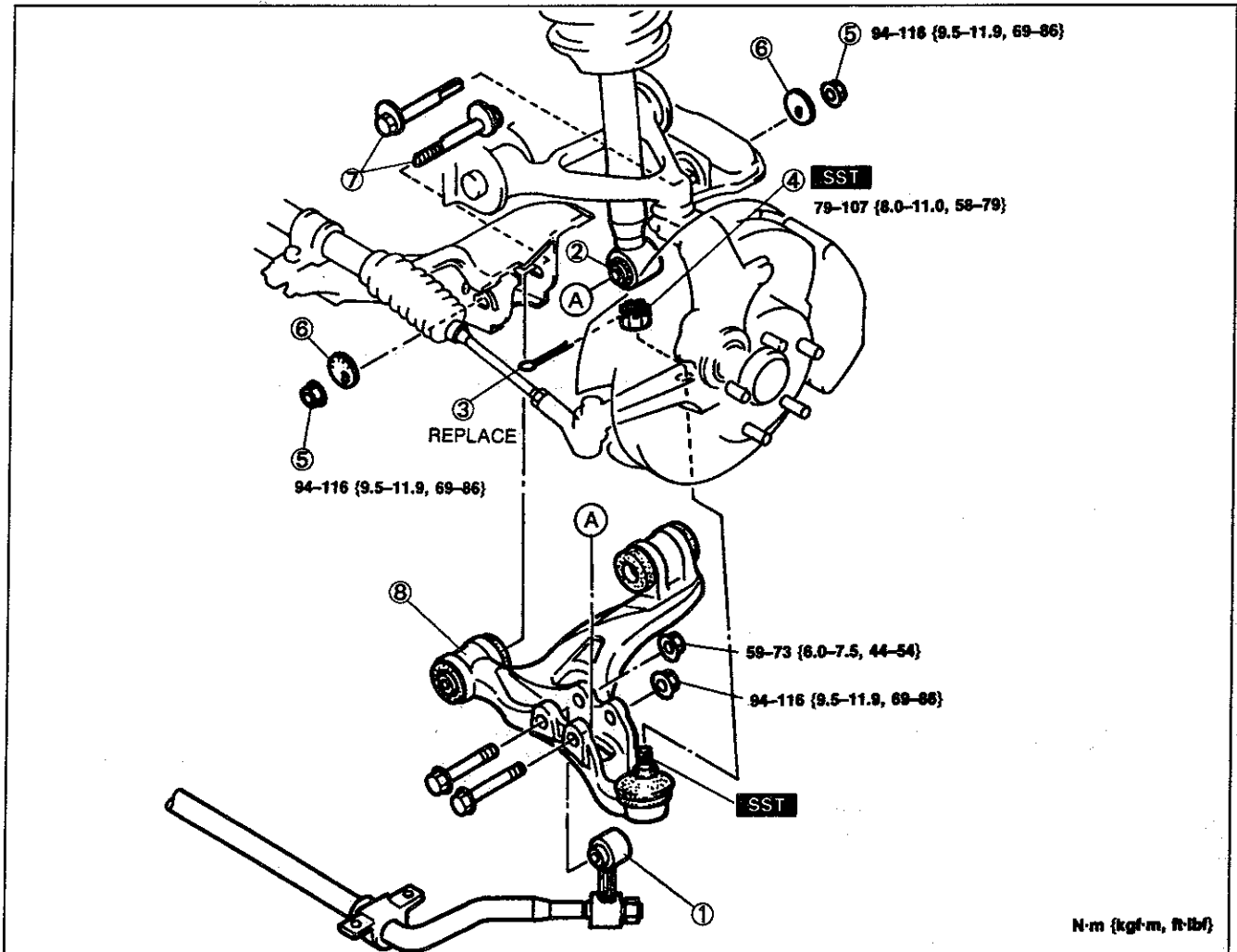
Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

8. Lower the vehicle.

9. With the vehicle unloaded, tighten the lower arm rear cam nut to the specified torque.

Tightening torque: 94–116 N·m {9.5–11.9 kgf·m, 69–86 ft·lbf}

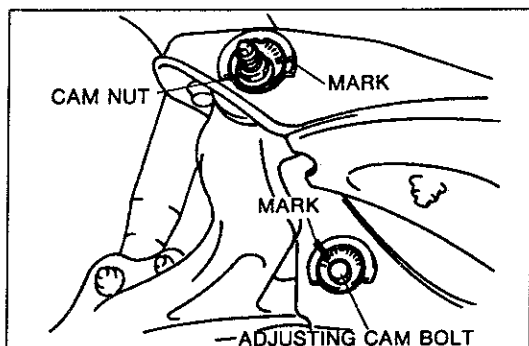
10. Adjust the front wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-6.)



1. Front stabilizer control link
 2. Shock absorber and spring
 3. Cotter pin
 4. Nut
 5. Nuts
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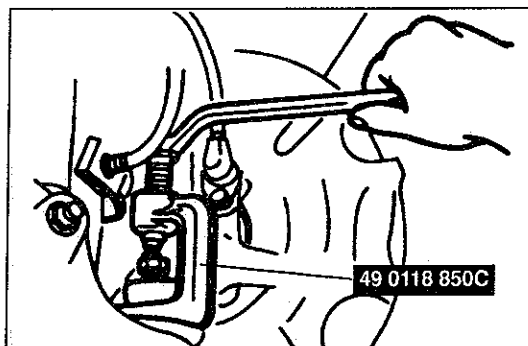
6. Cam plates
 7. Adjusting Cam bolt
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8. Front lower arm
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Inspect for damage and cracks
Inspect bushing for damage and wear
Inspect boot for tearing and cracks
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Removal note Nut and cam plate

Before loosening the nut, make a mark on the cam plate and the crossmember for reference during installation.

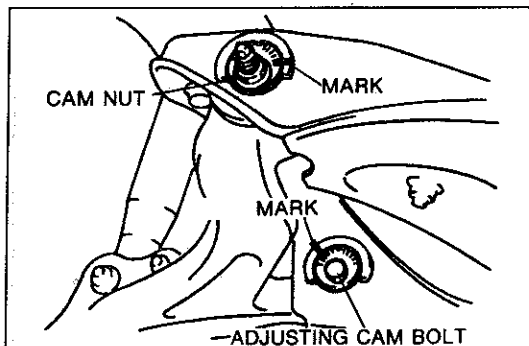


Front lower arm

1. Loosen the nut until it is flush with the end of the stud.
2. With the nut protecting the ball joint stud, separate the ball joint from the knuckle by using the SST.

Caution

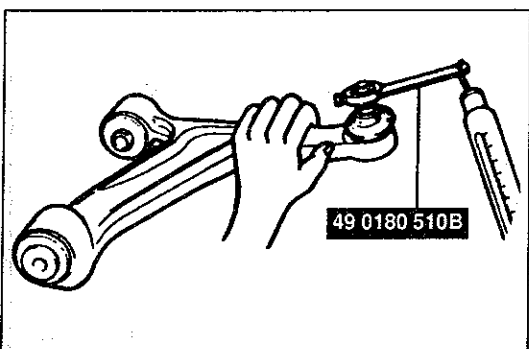
- The sharp edges of the SST can slice the dust boot. Install the SST so that the sharp edges are between the dust boot and the knuckle.



Installation note

Nut, cam plate, and adjusting cam bolt

1. Install the cam plate so that the notch faces the same direction as the adjusting cam bolt.
2. Align the mark made before removing the adjusting cam bolt. Temporarily tighten the nut.



Inspection

Front lower arm ball joint

Ball joint rotation torque

1. Shake and rotate the ball joint stud at least five times.
2. Connect the SST to the stud and measure the starting torque and the rotation torque by using a pull scale.

Starting torque:

2.5–7.3 N·m {25–75 kgf-cm, 22–65 in·lbf}

Pull scale reading:

25–73 N {2.5–7.5 kgf, 5.5–16.5 lbf}

Rotation torque:

0.5–1.4 N·m {5–15 kgf-cm, 4.4–13.0 in·lbf}

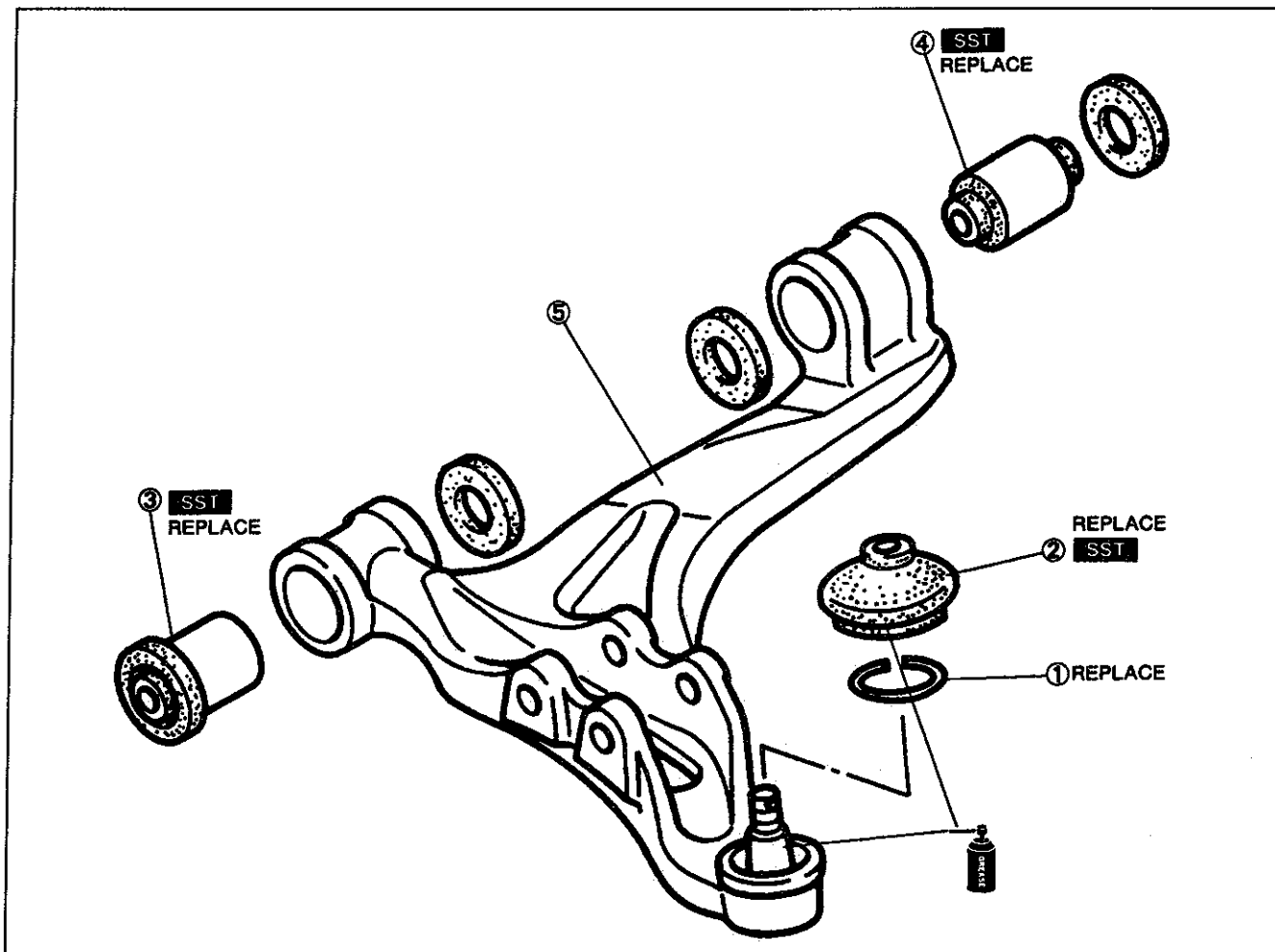
Pull scale reading:

5–14 N {0.5–1.5 kgf, 1.1–3.3 lbf}

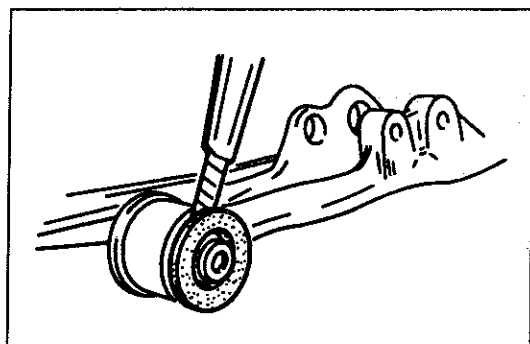
3. If not within specification, replace the front lower arm.

Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly

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2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



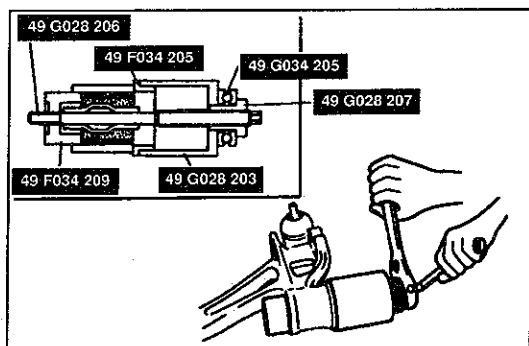
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| 1. Clip | 4. Bushing (rear) | 5. Front lower arm |
| 2. Dust boot | Disassembly Note | Inspect for damage and |
| Assembly Note | page R-22 | cracks |
| page R-23 | Assembly Note | |
| 3. Bushing (front) | page R-22 | |
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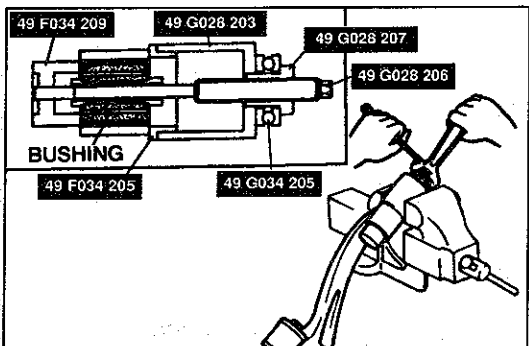
Disassembly note

Bushing (front)

1. Cut away the projecting rubber of the bushing.

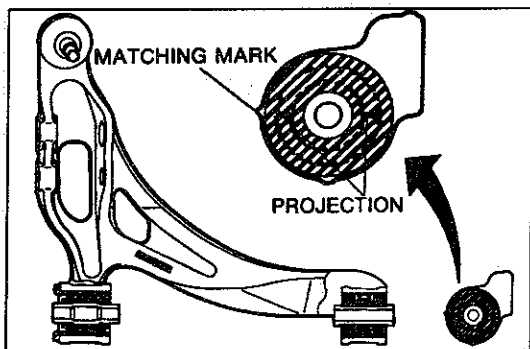


2. Remove the bushing by using the SST.



Bushing (rear)

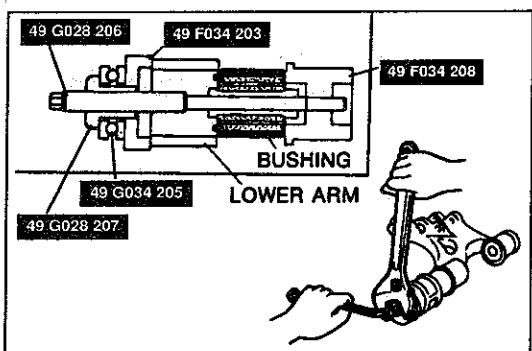
Remove the bushing by using the SST.



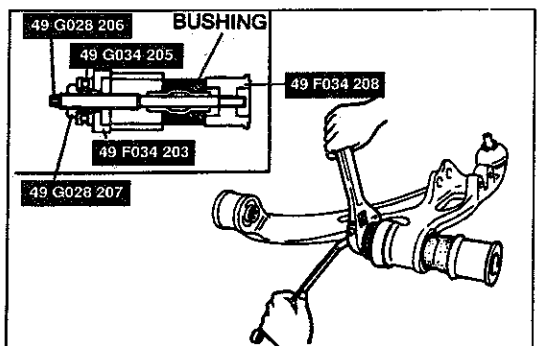
Assembly note

Bushing (rear)

1. Align the matching marks.

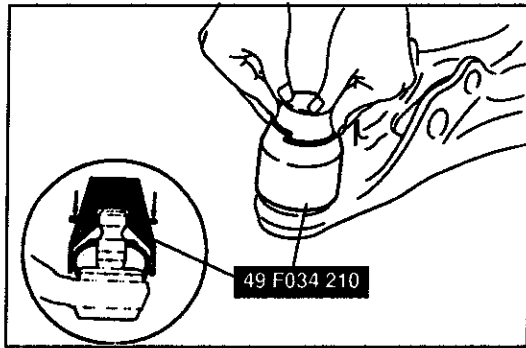


2. Apply soapy water to the new bushing.
3. Install the bushing by using the SST.



Bushing (front)

1. Apply soapy water to the new bushing.
2. Install the bushing by using the SST.

**Dust boot**

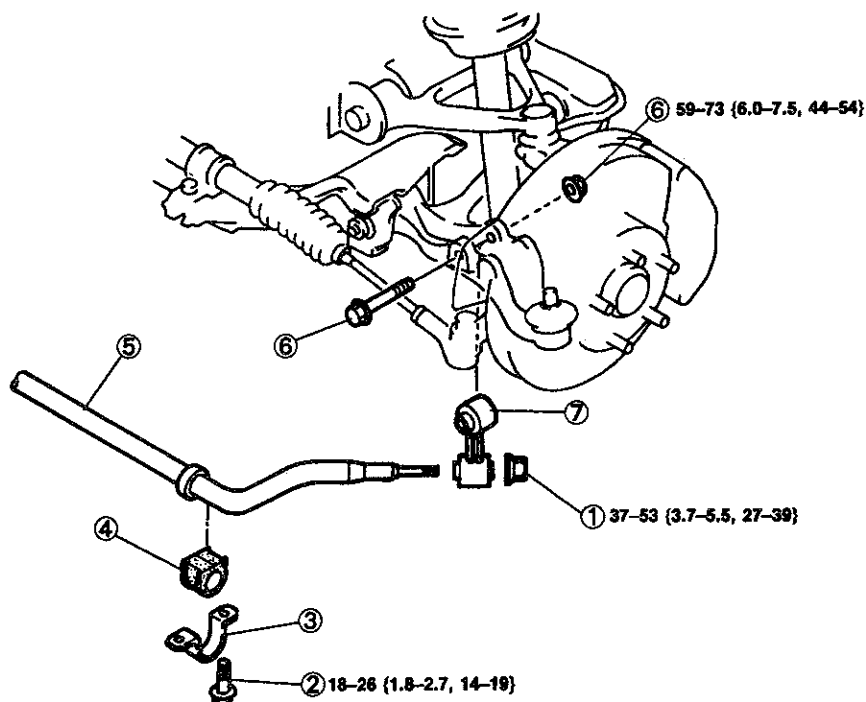
1. Wipe the grease off the ball stud.
2. Fill the inside of the new dust boot with grease.
3. Install the dust boot onto the ball joint.
4. Set the SST over the boot and install a new clip.
5. Wipe off the excess grease.

FRONT STABILIZER

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Jack up the front of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheels and tires and the undercover.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
6. Install the wheels and tires.

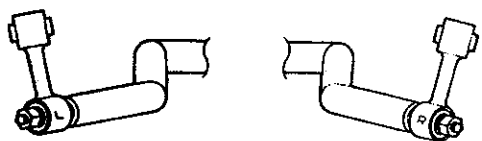
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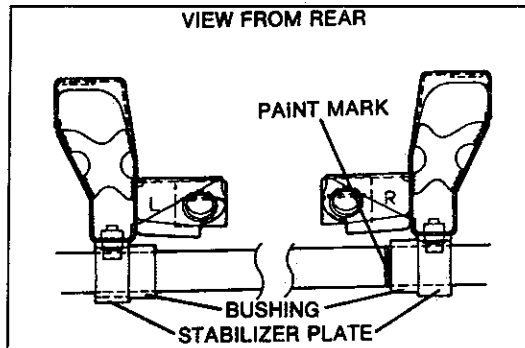
N·m {kgf·m, ft·lbf}

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| 1. Nut | 5. Stabilizer bar | 6. Bolt, nut |
| 2. Bolt | Inspect for damage and | 7. Stabilizer control link |
| 3. Stabilizer plate | bending | Inspect for damage and |
| Inspect for damage and | Installation Note | cracks |
| cracks | page R-25 | Installation Note below |
| 4. Stabilizer bushing | | |
| Inspect for wear and | | |
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VIEW FROM REAR

**Installation note****Stabilizer control link**

Install the stabilizer control links with the R (right) and L (left) marks as shown.



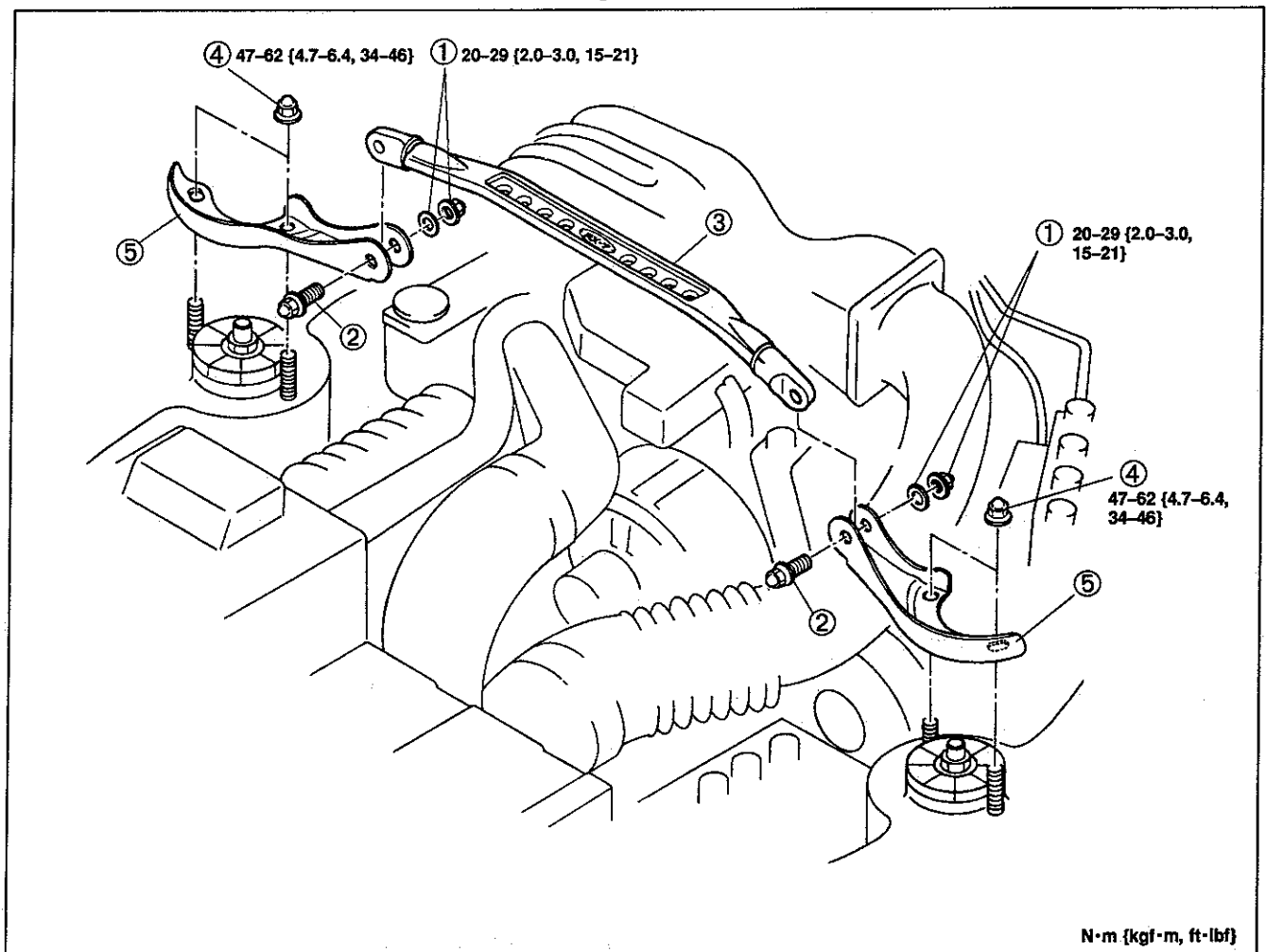
Stabilizer bar

Install the stabilizer bar with the white paint mark at the right side.

FRONT STRUT BAR

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.



1. Nut, washer
2. Bolt

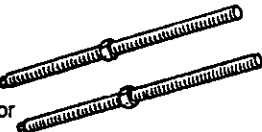
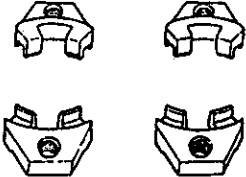
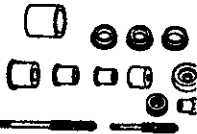
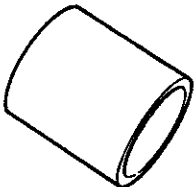
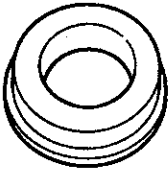

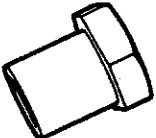
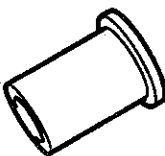

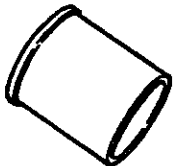


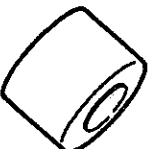
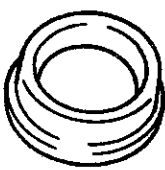
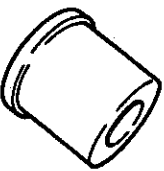
3. Front strut bar
Inspect for damage and bending

4. Nut
5. Strut plate

N·m {kgf·m, ft·lbf}

REAR SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

PREPARATION
SST

49 0370 641 Screw, coil spring compressor 	For removal / installation of coil spring	490223 640B Arm, coil spring compressor 	For removal / installation of coil spring
49 F034 2A0 Replacer set, rubber bushing 	For removal / installation of bushing	49 G028 203 Support (Part of 49 F034 2A0) 	For removal / installation of bushing
49 G028 205 Support (Part of 49 F034 2A0) 	For removal / installation of pillow ball	49 G028 206 Shaft (Part of 49 F034 2A0) 	For removal / installation of bushing
49 G028 207 Nut (Part of 49 F034 2A0) 	For removal / installation of bushing	49 G028 208 Installer (Part of 49 F034 2A0) 	For removal / installation of pillow ball
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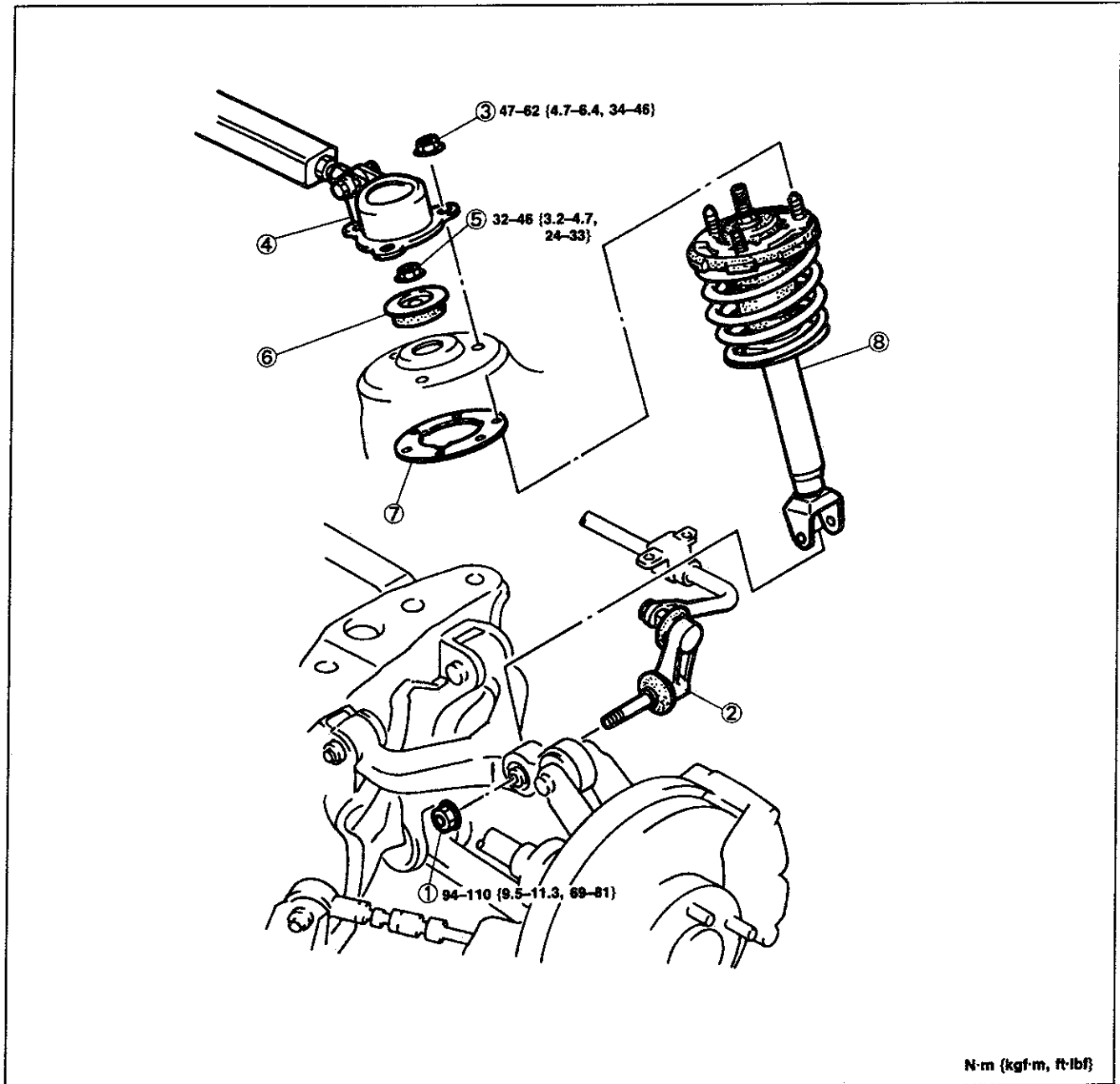
REAR SHOCK ABSORBER AND SPRING

Removal / Installation

1. Jack up the rear of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
5. Install the wheel and tire.

Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

6. Check the rear wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-9.)



1. Nut
 2. Rear stabilizer control link
 3. Nut
 4. Rear strut bar
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5. Nut
6. Stopper rubber
7. Insulator

8. Shock absorber and
spring

Installation Note

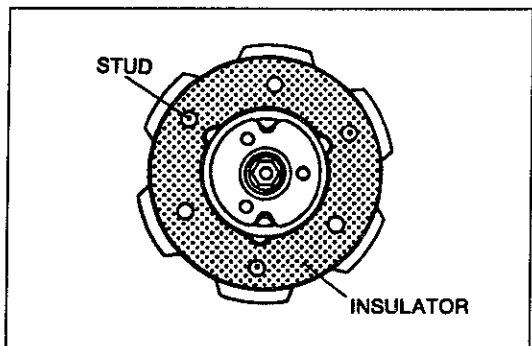
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R

REAR SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

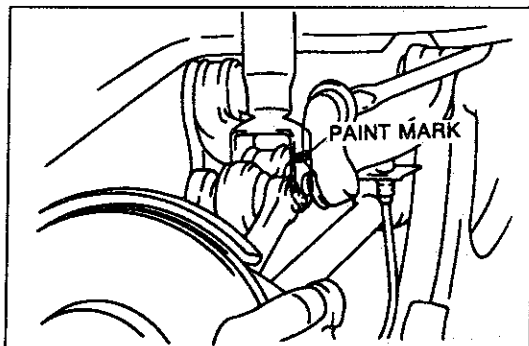


Installation note

Shock absorber and spring

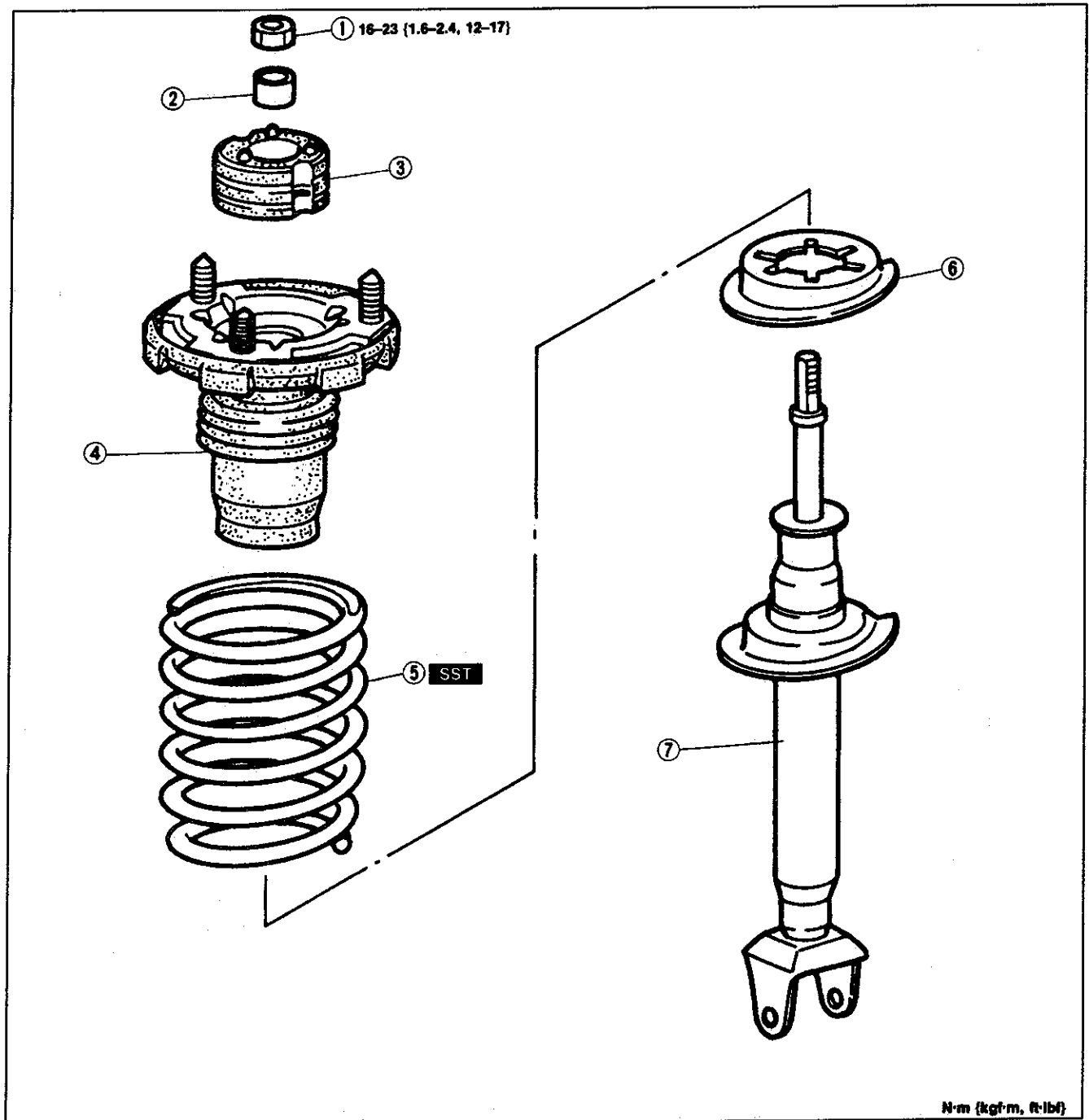
1. Install the insulator so that the notches in it face the studs as shown.

2. Install the shock absorber and spring so that the identification paint mark faces rearward.



Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly

1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Assembly Note**.

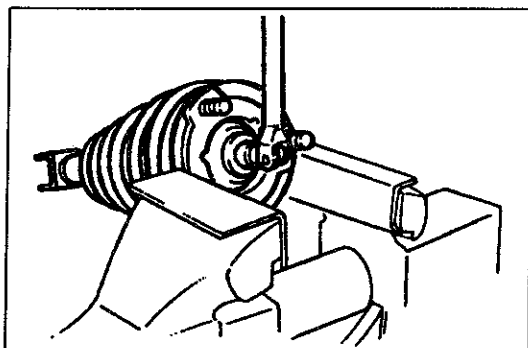


1. Nut
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2. Spacer
3. Mounting rubber
Inspect for damage and
deterioration
Assembly Note
..... page R-31

4. Bound stopper assembly
Inspect for damage and
cracks
5. Coil spring
Inspect for damage and
weakness
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6. Lower spring seat
Inspect for damage and
cracks
7. Shock absorber
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N·m (kgf·m, ft·lb)



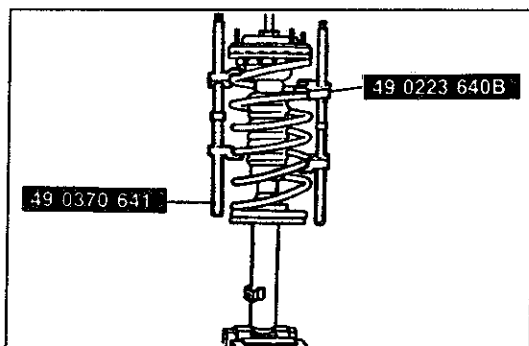
Disassembly note

Nut

Warning

- Removing the piston-rod nut is dangerous. The shock absorber and spring could fly off under tremendous pressure and cause serious injury or death. Secure the shock absorber in the SST before removing the piston-rod nut.

1. Secure the mounting rubber bracket in a vise.
2. Loosen the mounting rubber nut several turns, but do not remove it.
3. Assemble the SST.
4. Compress the coil spring by using the SST and remove the mounting nut.

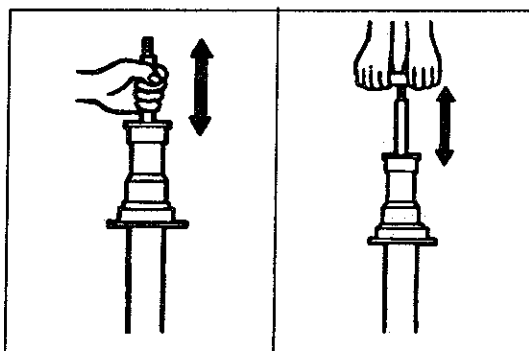


Inspection

Shock absorber

Check the following and replace the shock absorber if necessary.

1. Inspect for damage and oil leakage.
2. (1) Compress the shock absorber rod and release it.
(2) Verify that the rod extends fully at a normal speed.
3. Compress and extend the rod at least three times. Verify that the operational force does not change and that there is no unusual noise.



Disposal of shock absorber

Warning

- The gas in the shock absorber is highly pressurized, and could spray metal chips into the eyes and face when drilling. Whenever drilling into a shock absorber, wear protective eye wear.

1. Lay the shock absorber flat.
2. Drill a hole in its body.

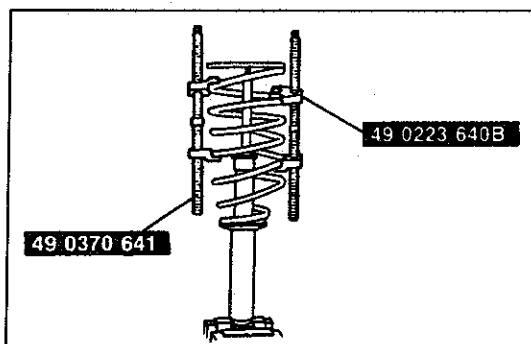
Drill size: 2–3 mm {0.08–0.12 in}

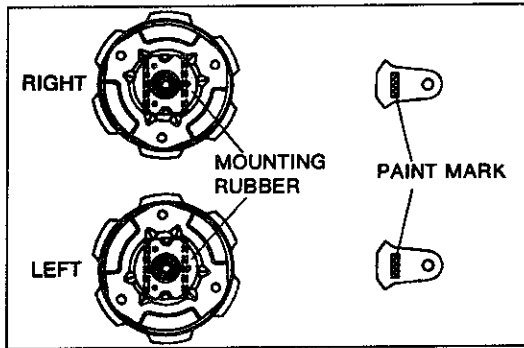
3. Allow the gas to escape.
4. Discard the shock absorber.

Assembly note

Coil spring

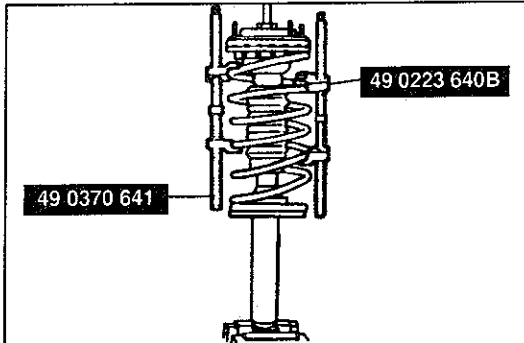
1. Compress the coil spring by using the SST.
2. Install the spring so that the lower coil is seated on the step of the lower seat.





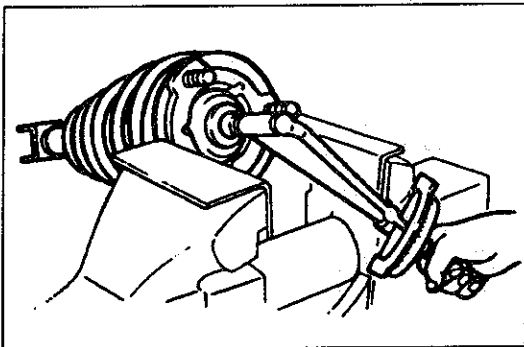
Mounting rubber

Install the mounting rubber as shown.



Nut

1. Tighten the mounting nut several turns.
2. Remove the SST.
3. Verify that the lower coil of the spring is seated on the step of the lower seat.



3. Secure the mounting rubber bracket in a vise.
4. Tighten the nut.

Tightening torque:

16-23 N·m {1.6-2.4 kgf·m, 12-17 ft·lbf}

R

REAR SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

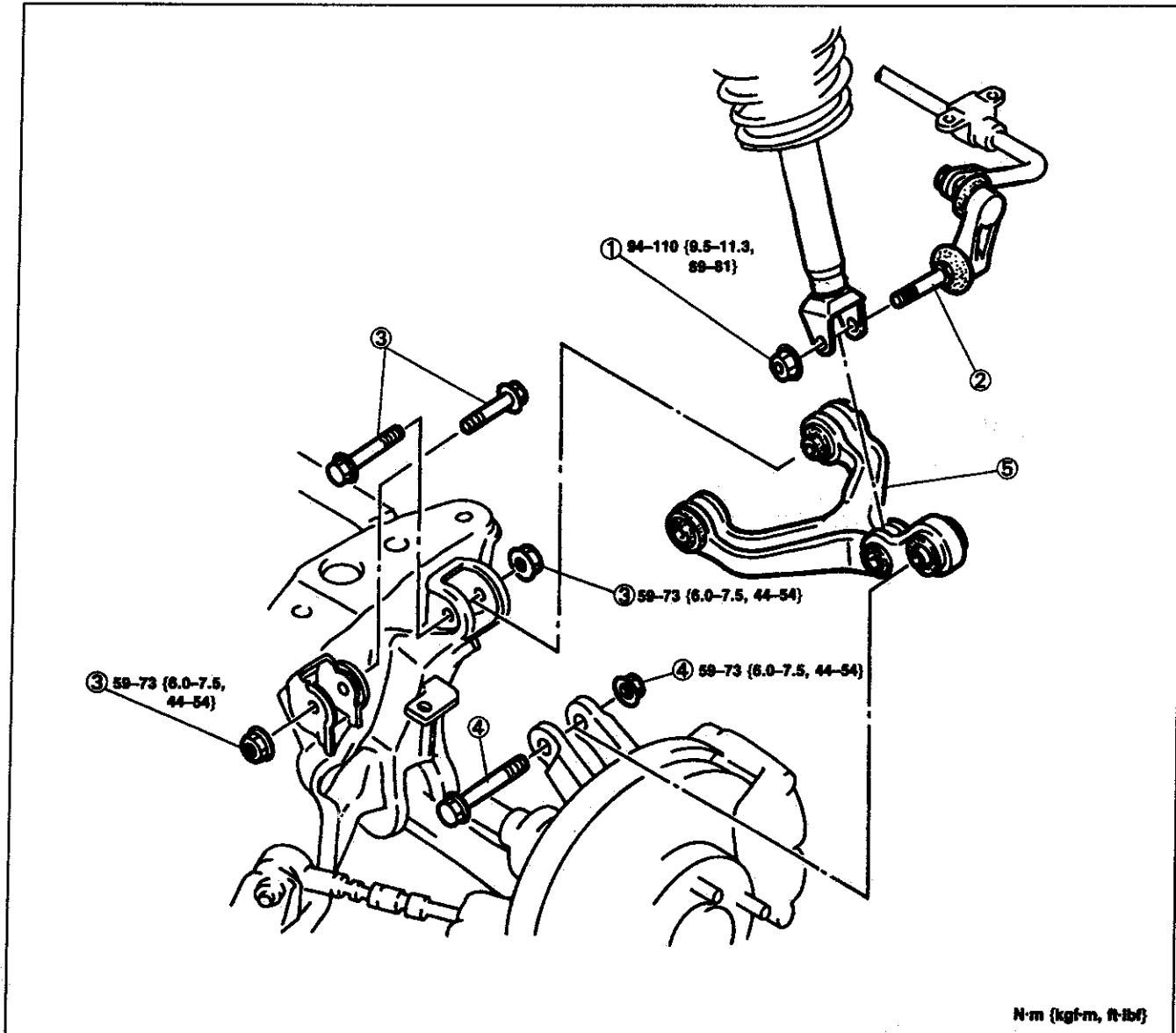
UPPER ARM

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Jack up the rear of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal.
6. Install the wheel and tire.

Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

7. Check the rear wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-9.)



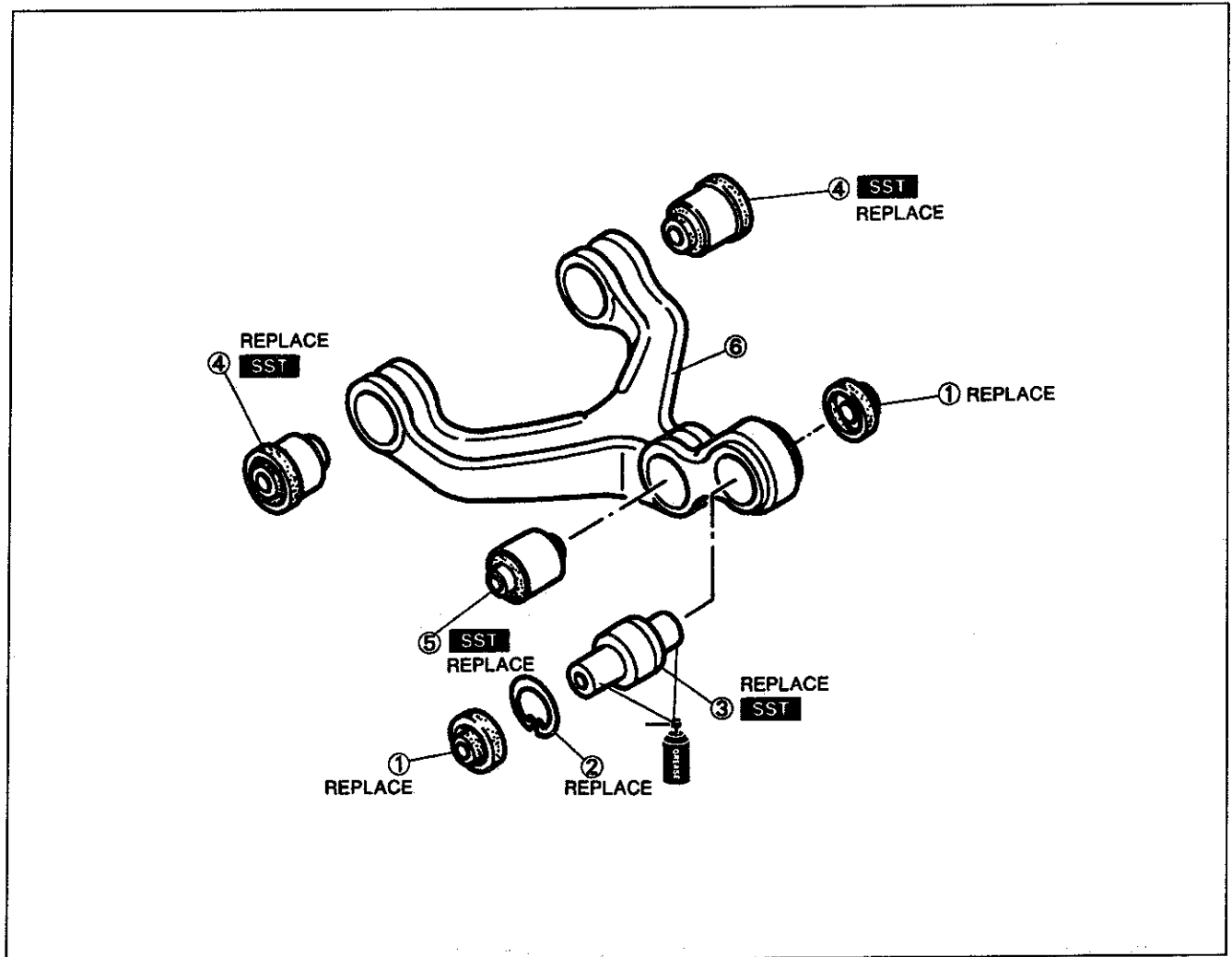
1. Nut
2. Stabilizer control link

3. Nut, bolt
4. Nut, bolt

5. Upper arm
Inspect for damage and cracks
Inspect bushing for wear and deterioration
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Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly

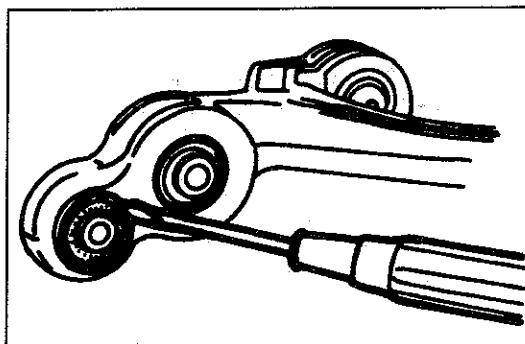
1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



1. Rubber seal
2. Retaining ring
3. Pillow ball
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4. Upper arm bushing
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5. Damper bushing
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6. Upper arm
Inspect for damage and
cracks



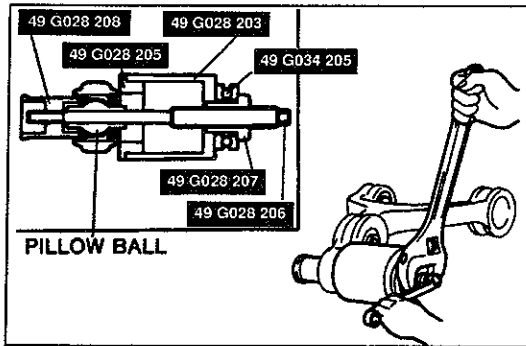
Disassembly note

Pillow ball

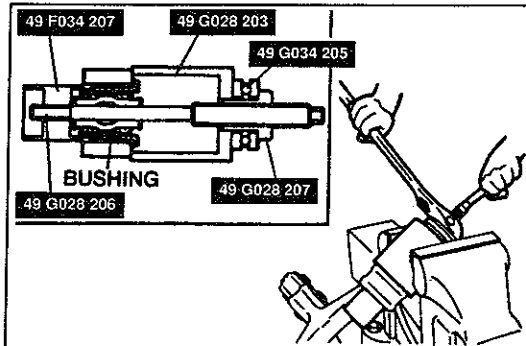
1. Remove the rubber seal by using a screw driver as shown.
2. Remove the retaining ring.

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REAR SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

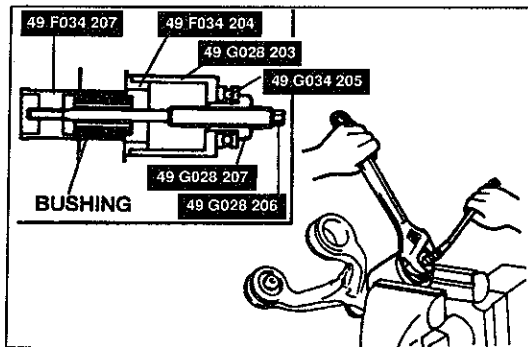


3. Remove the pillow ball by using the SST.



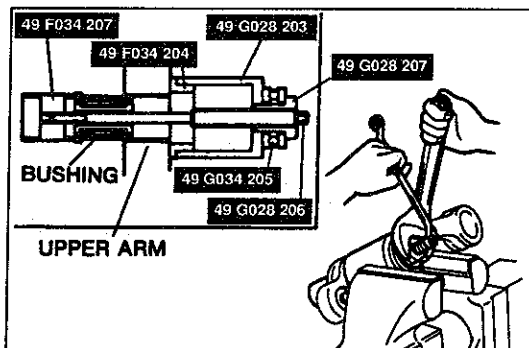
Upper arm bushing

Remove the upper arm bushing by using the SST.



Damper bushing

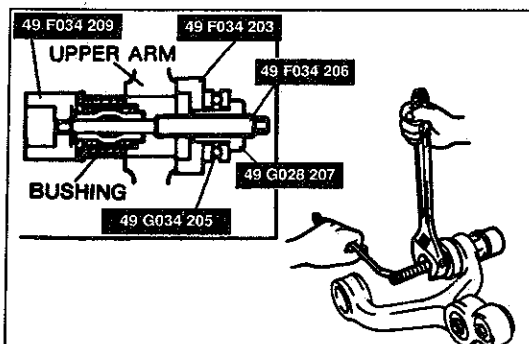
Remove the damper bushing by using the SST.



Assembly note

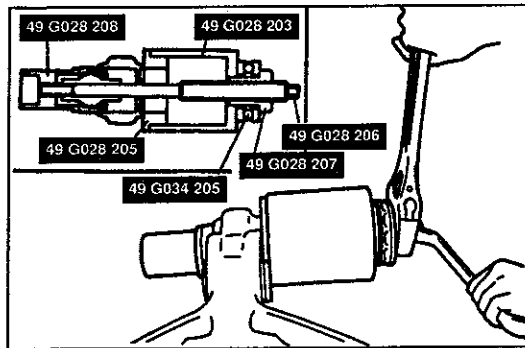
Damper bushing

1. Apply soapy water to the new damper bushing.
2. Install the damper bushing by using the SST.



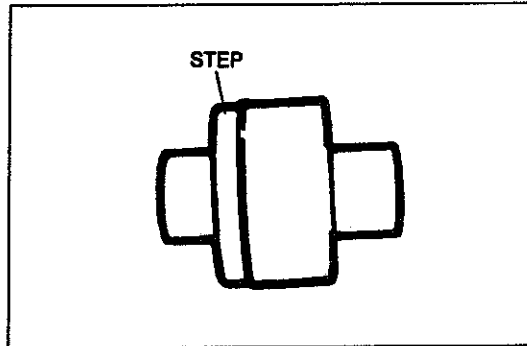
Upper arm bushing

1. Apply soapy water to the new bushing.
2. Install the upper arm bushing by using the SST.



Pillow ball

1. With the SST, install the pillow ball so that the step faces into the upper arm.



2. Install the retaining ring.

3. Fill the space between the pillow ball and rubber seal with grease.

4. Install the rubber seal.

REAR LOWER ARM**Removal / Inspection / Installation**

1. Jack up the rear of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Removal Note**.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
6. Loosely tighten the trailing link front nut.
7. Install the wheel and tire.

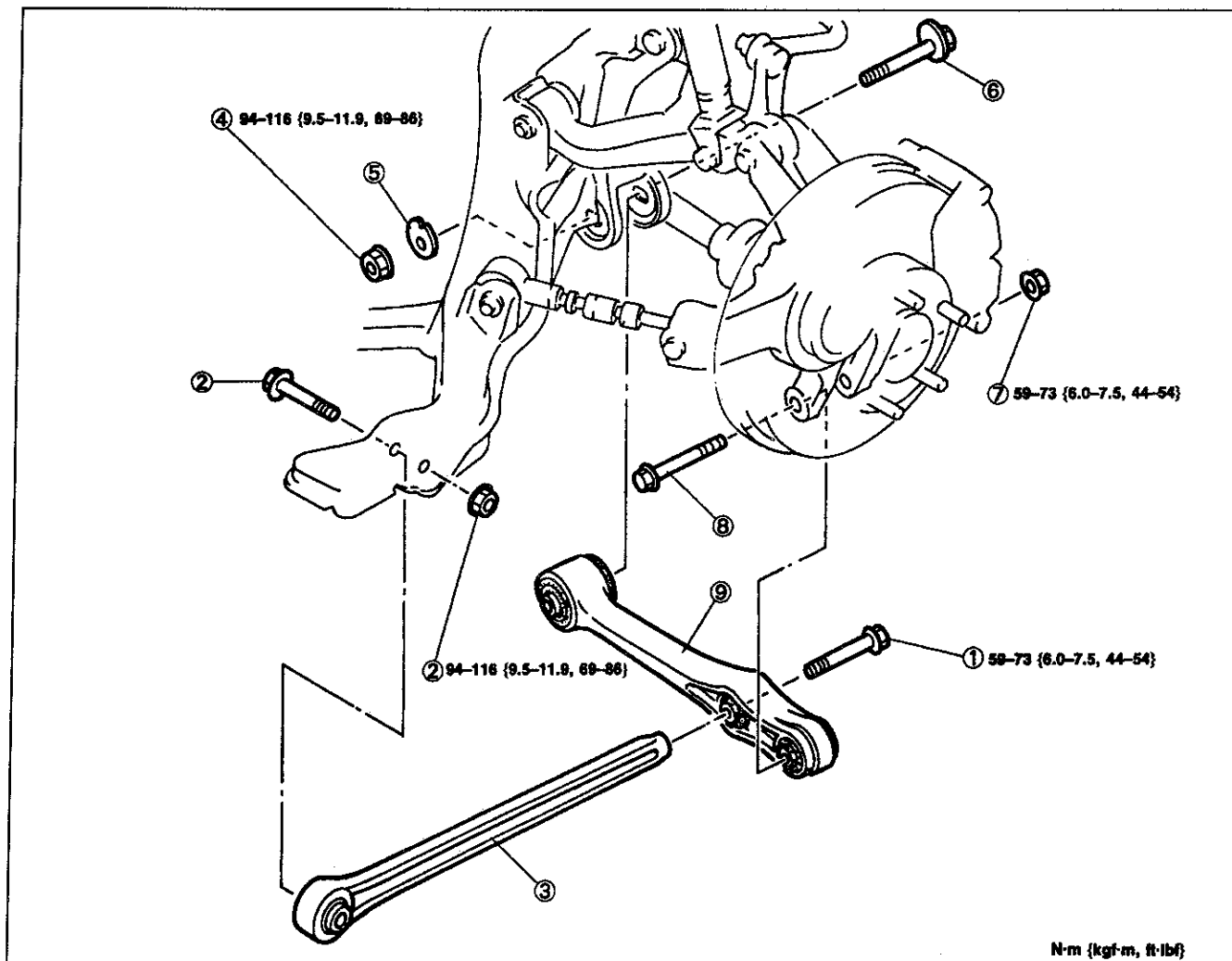
Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

8. Lower the vehicle.

9. With the vehicle unloaded, tighten the trailing link front nut to the specified torque.

Tightening torque: 94–116 N·m {9.5–11.9 kgf·m, 69–86 ft·lbf}

10. Check the rear wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-9.)



N·m {kgf·m, ft·lbf}

1. Bolt
2. Bolt, nut
3. Trailing link

Inspect for damage and cracks
Inspect bushing for wear and deterioration
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4. Nut

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5. Cam plate

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Installation Note

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6. Adjusting cam bolt

Installation Note

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7. Nut

8. Bolt

9. I-arm

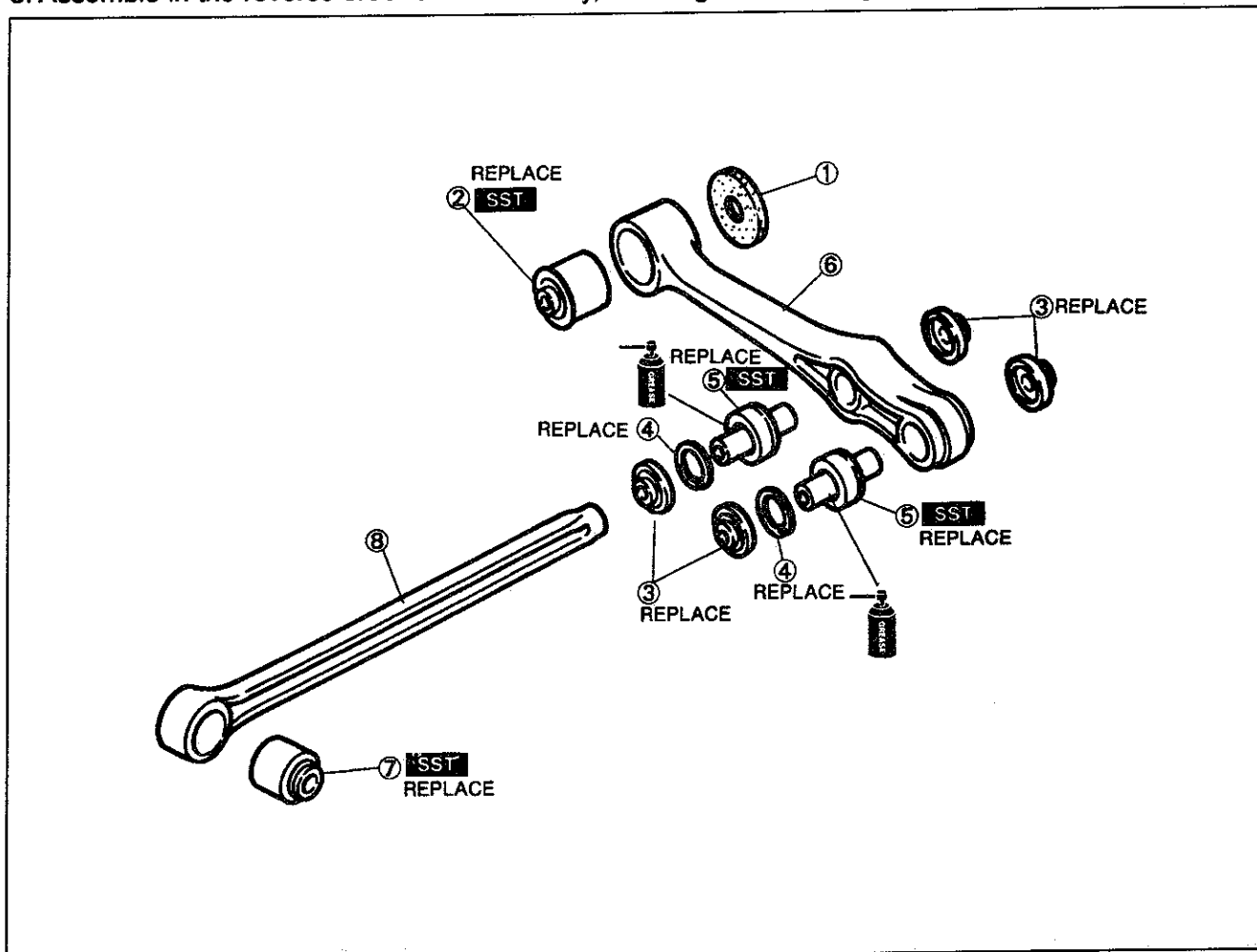
Inspect for damage and cracks

Inspect bushing for wear and deterioration

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Disassembly / Inspection / Assembly

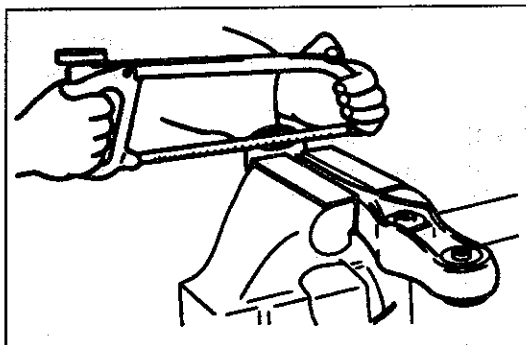
1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



1. Stopper
2. Pillow ball bushing
Disassembly Note ... below
Assembly Note
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3. Rubber seal
4. Retaining ring

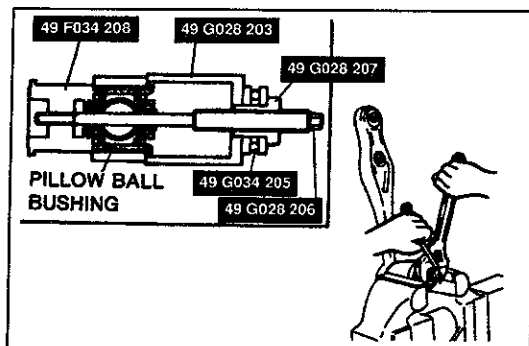
5. Pillow ball
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Assembly Note
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6. I-arm
Inspect for damage and
cracks

7. Bushing
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Assembly Note
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8. Trailing link
Inspect for damage and
cracks



Disassembly note Pillow ball bushing

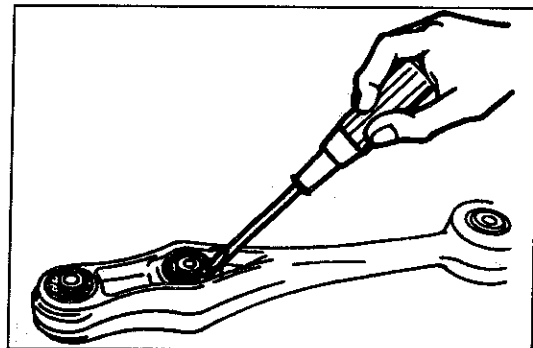
1. Cut away the flange of the bushing.



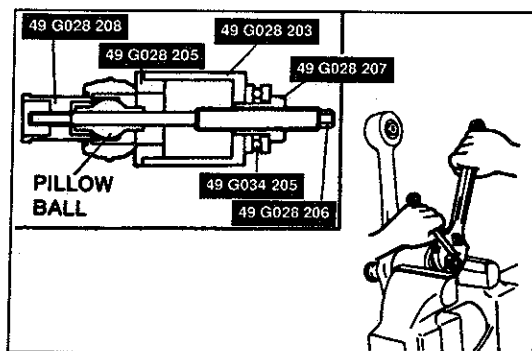
2. Remove the pillow ball bushing by using the SST.

Pillow ball

1. Remove the rubber seal by using a screwdriver as shown.
2. Remove the retaining ring.

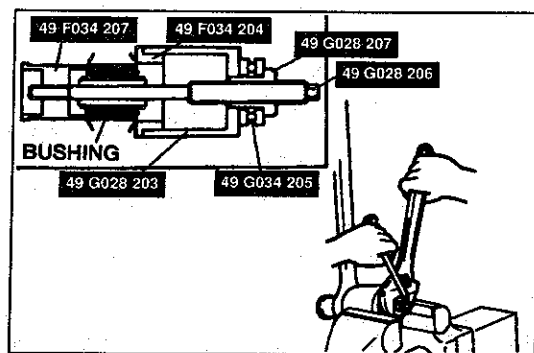


3. Remove the pillow ball by using the SST.



Bushing

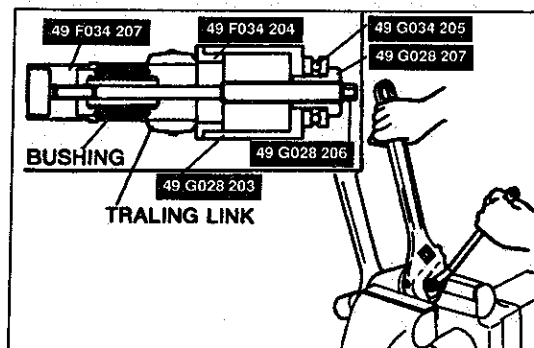
Remove the bushing by using the SST.

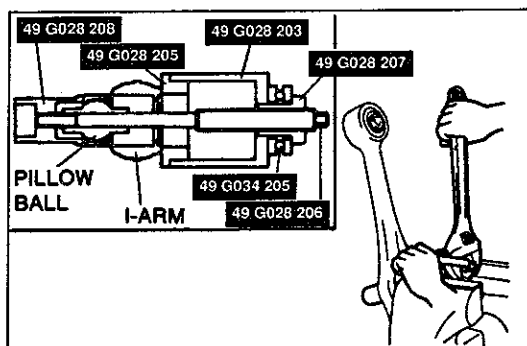


Assembly note

Bushing

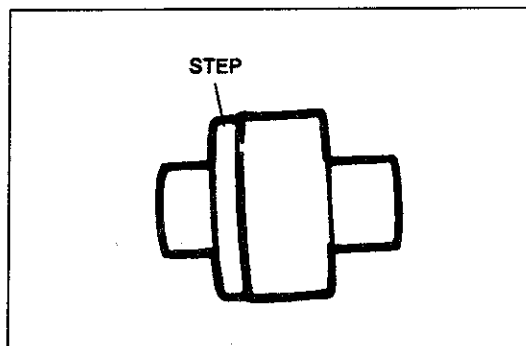
1. Apply soapy water to the new bushing.
2. Install the bushing by using the SST.



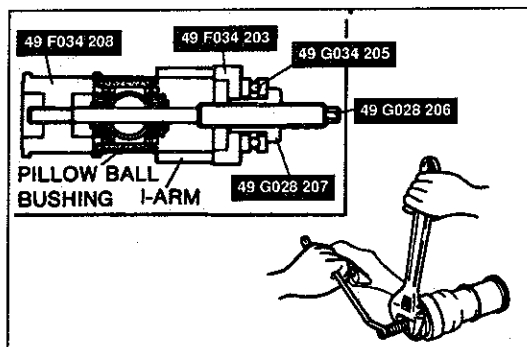


Pillow ball

1. With the SST, install the pillow ball so that the step faces into the I-arm.



2. Install the retaining ring.
3. Fill the space between the pillow ball and rubber seal with grease.
4. Install the rubber seal.



Pillow ball bushing

1. Apply soapy water to the new pillow ball bushing.
2. Install the pillow ball bushing by using the SST.

R

REAR SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)

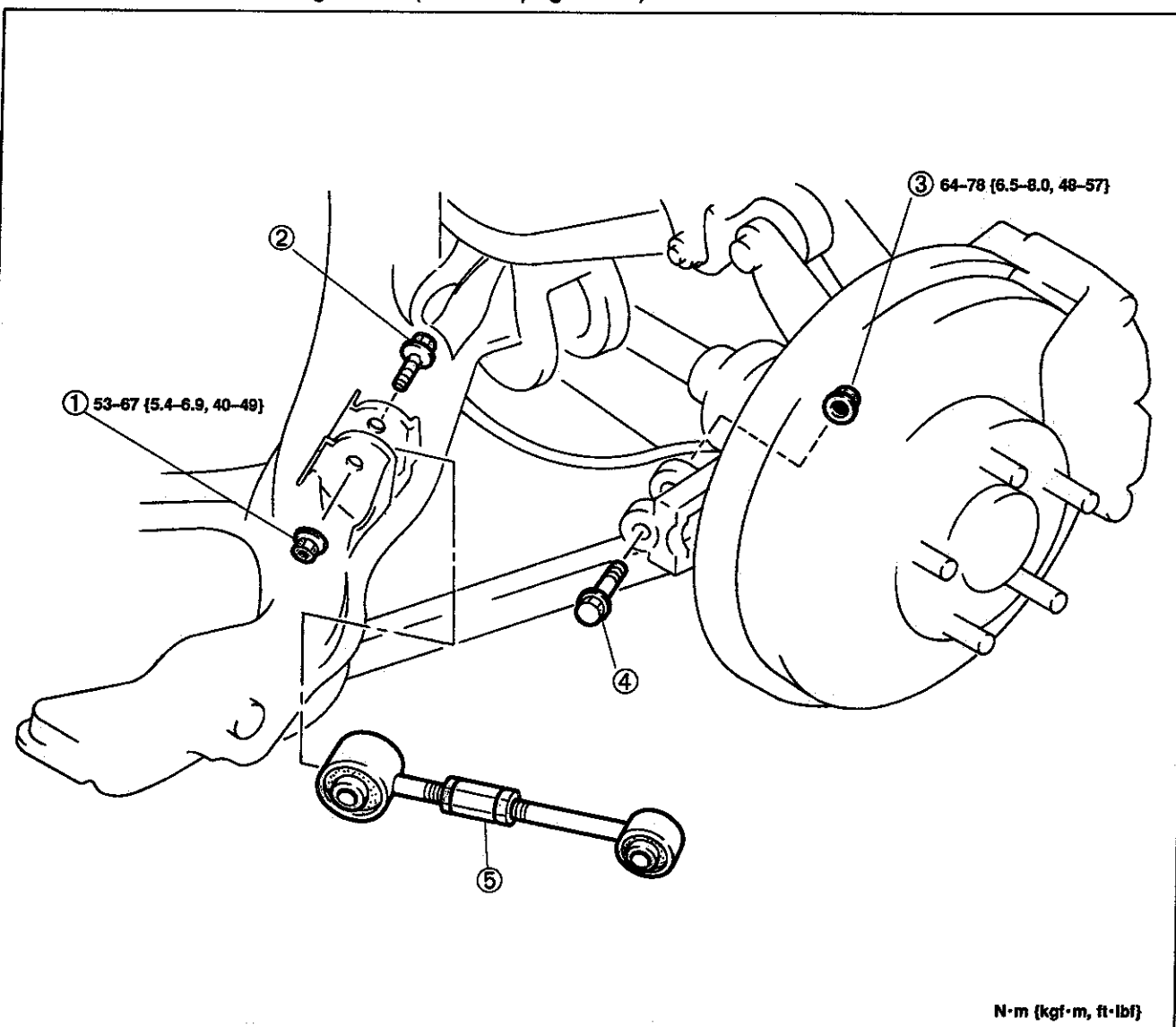
TOE-CONTROL LINK

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Jack up the rear of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheel and tire.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
6. Install the wheel and tire.

Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}

7. Check the rear wheel alignment. (Refer to page R-9.)



1. Nut
2. Bolt

3. Nut
4. Bolt

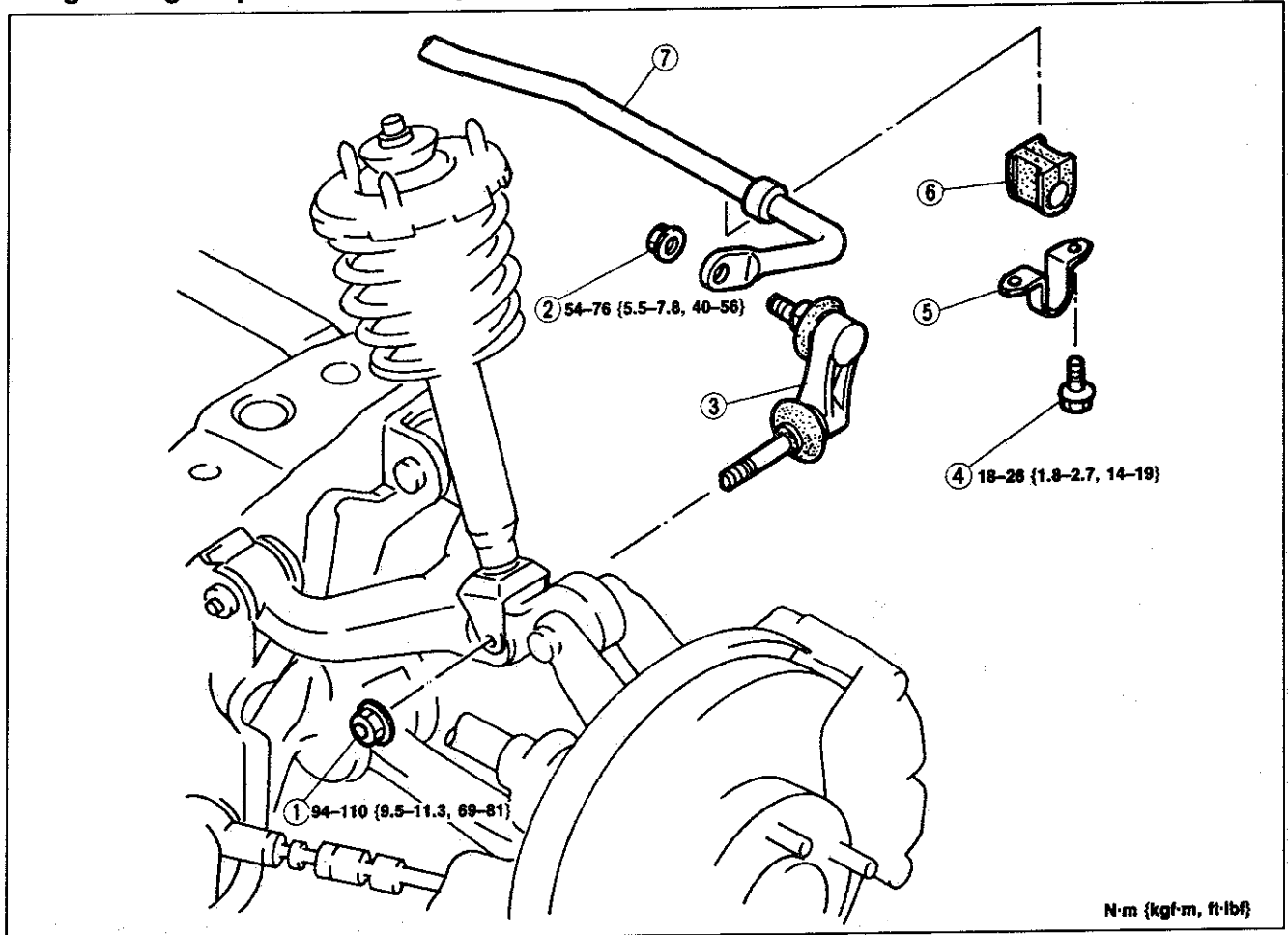
5. Toe-control link
Inspect bushing for wear
and deterioration

REAR STABILIZER

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Jack up the rear of the vehicle and support it on safety stands.
2. Remove the wheels and tires and the undercover.
3. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
4. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
5. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
6. Install the wheels and tires.

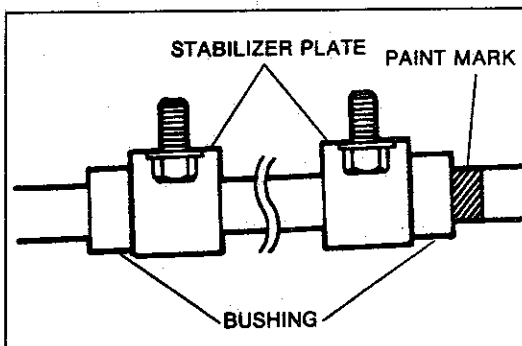
Tightening torque: 89–117 N·m {9.0–12.0 kgf·m, 65–87 ft·lbf}



1. Nut
2. Nut
3. Stabilizer control link
Inspect for damage and cracks
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4. Bolt
5. Stabilizer plate
Inspect for damage and cracks
6. Stabilizer bushing
Inspect for wear and deterioration

7. Stabilizer bar
Inspect for damage and bending
Installation Note
..... below



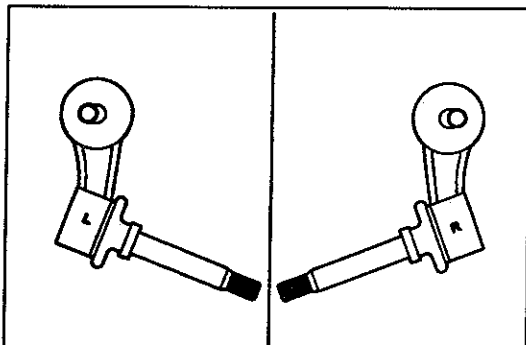
Installation note

Stabilizer bar

Install the stabilizer bar with the white paint mark at the right side.

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REAR SUSPENSION (DOUBLE WISHBONE, COIL SPRING TYPE)



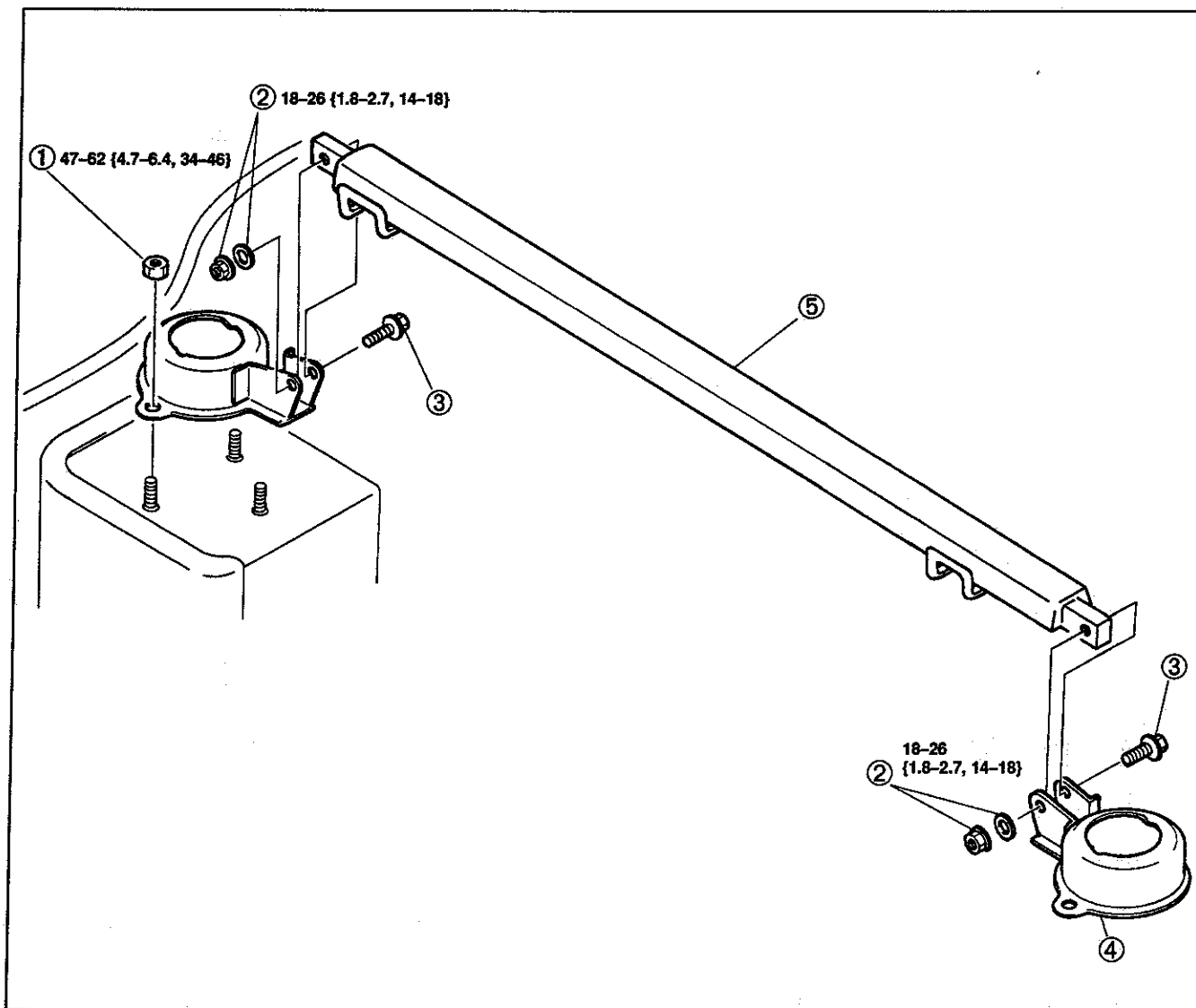
Stabilizer control link

Install the stabilizer control links with the R (right) and L (left) marks as shown.

REAR STRUT BAR

Removal / Inspection / Installation

1. Remove the suspension tower cover. (Refer to section S.)
2. Remove in the order shown in the figure.
3. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
4. Install in the reverse order of removal.



1. Nut
2. Nut, washer

3. Bolt
4. Strut plate

5. Rear strut bar
Inspect for damage and bending