FRONT AXLE

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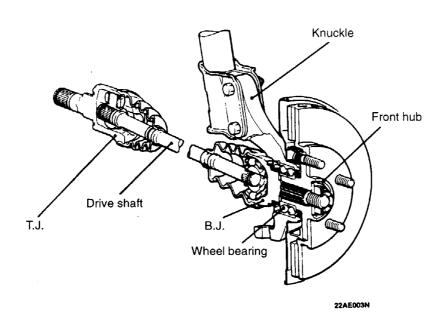
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GENERAL INFORMATION

The front axle consists of a knuckle, front hub, double-row angular contact ball bearing and drive shaft. The bearing is press-fitted to the hub and the hub and bearing assembly is press fitted in

the knuckle to support the drive shaft. The drive shaft has a tripod joint (T.J.) on the transmission side and a birfield joint (B.J.) on the wheel side.

CONSTRUCTION DIAGRAM



SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS

Items		Standard value	Limit
Setting of the T.J. boot length	mm	75±3	
Hub axial play mm			0.05
Wheel bearing starting torque	Nm	_	1.8 or less
Opening dimension of the special tool (MB991561) mm	When the B.J. boot band (small) is crimped	2.9	-
	When the B.J. boot band (big) is crimped	3.2	_
Crimped width of the B.J. boot	band mm	2.4 – 2.8	-
Clearance between the B.J. boot (larger diameter side) and the stepped phase of the B.J. housing mm		0.1 – 1.55	_

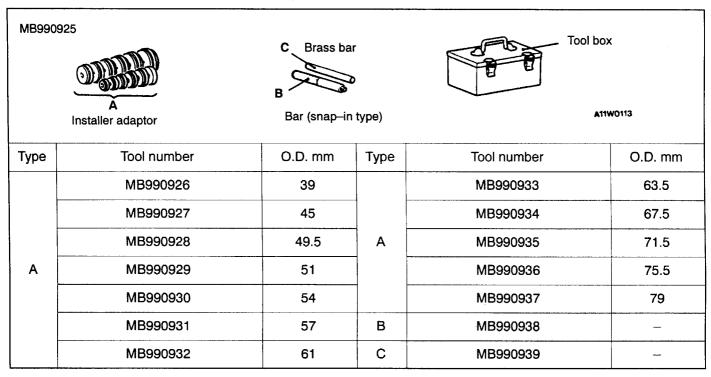
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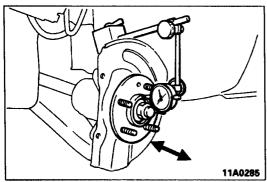
Items	Quantity g	Specified lubricant
T.J. boot grease	145	Repair kit grease
B.J. boot grease	160	Repair kit grease

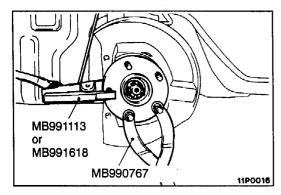
SPECIAL TOOLS

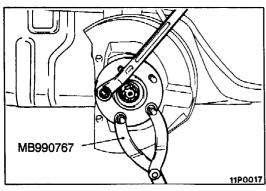
Tool	Number	Name	Use
	MB990767	End yoke holder	Hub fixing
	MB991113	Steering linkage puller	Tie rod end and lower arm ball joint removal
	MB990241	Axle shaft puller	Drive shaft removal
	MB990998	Front hub remover and installer	 Wheel bearing provisional holding Hub axial play measurement Rotational starting torque measurement
	MB990685	Torque wrench	Wheel bearing starting torque measurement
	MB990326	Preload wrench	Wheel bearing starting torque measurement
	MB990810	Bearing puller	Removal of the wheel bearing inner race
	MB991172	Adaptor	Press-fitting

Tool	Number	Name	Use
	MB991248	Inner shaft remover	Pressing-out
	MB991056 or MB991355	Knuckle arm bridge	Removal of the hub
	MB990955	Oil seal installer	Press-fitting the oil seal
	MB990947	Lower arm bushing arbor	Press-fitting the oil seal
	MB990890	Rear suspension bushing base	Press-fitting the wheel bearing
	MB990883	Rear suspension arbor	Press-fitting the wheel bearing
	MB991561	Boot band clipping tool	Resin boot band installation
11H007	MB991618	Hub bolt remover	Removing hub bolt









ON-VEHICLE SERVICE

HUB AXIAL PLAY CHECK

- Remove the disc brake calliper and suspend it with a wire.
- 2. Remove the brake disc from the front hub.
- 3. Attach a dial gauge as shown in the illustration, and then measure the axial play while moving the hub in the axial direction.

Limit: 0.05 mm

4. If end play exceeds the limit, replace the front hub assembly.

HUB BOLT REPLACEMENT

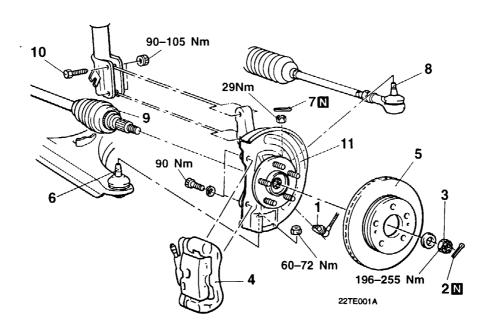
- 1. Remove the calliper assembly and secure it with wire so that it does not fall.
- 2. Remove the brake disc.
- 3. Use the special tools to remove the hub bolts.

Caution

The special tool should be suspended by a cord to prevent it from coming off.

4. Align the splines on the hub bolt with the splines in the hub and use the wheel nuts to securely install the new hub bolts.

FRONT HUB AND KNUCKLE ASSEMBLY REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

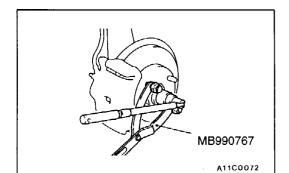


Removal steps

- Front speed sensor <Vehicles with ABS>
- 2. Cotter pin
- 3. Drive shaft nut
- 4. Calliper assembly
- 5. Brake disc



- 6. Connection for lower arm ball joint
- 7. Split pin
- 8. Connection for tie rod end
- 9. Drive shaft
- 10. Front strut mounting bolt
- 11. Hub and knuckle

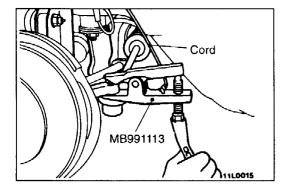


REMOVAL SERVICE POINTS

▲A**▶** DRIVE SHAFT NUT REMOVAL

◆B CALLIPER ASSEMBLY REMOVAL

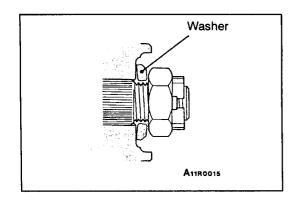
Secure the calliper assembly with wire to avoid placing load on the brake hose.



▼C► DISCONNECTION OF LOWER ARM BALL JOINT/ TIE ROD END

Caution

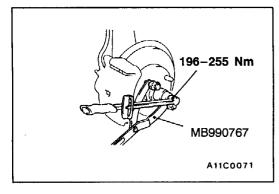
- 1. Be sure to tie the cord of the special tool to the nearby part.
- 2. Loosen the nut but do not remove it.



INSTALLATION SERVICE POINT

►A DRIVE SHAFT NUT INSTALLATION

1. Be sure to install the drive shaft washer in the specified direction.



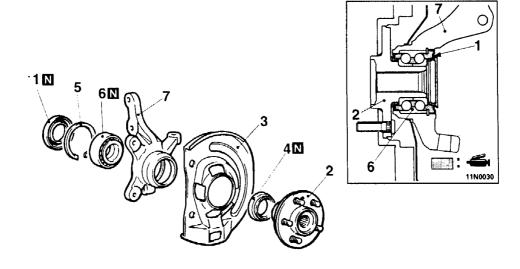
2. Using the special tool, tighten the drive shaft nut to the lower end of the specified torque range.

Caution

There should be no load on the wheel bearings when the drive shaft nut is tightened.

- 3. If the position of the cotter pin holes does not match, tighten the nut up to a maximum of 255 Nm.
- 4. Install the cotter pin in the first matching holes and bend it securely.

DISASSEMBLY AND REASSEMBLY



Disassembly Procedure

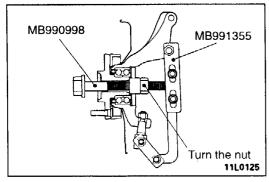
1. Oil seal (Drive shaft side)Adjustment of the wheel bearing starting torque

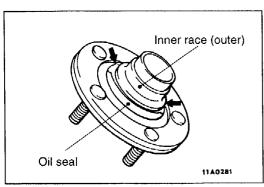
Adjustment of the hub end play

2. Hub



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DISASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

▲A▶ REMOVAL OF HUB FROM KNUCKLE

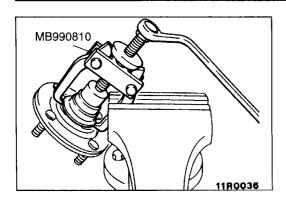
- 1. Attach the special tools to the knuckle and hub.
- 2. Secure the knuckle in a vice.
- Tighten the nut of the special tool to remove the hub from the knuckle.

Caution

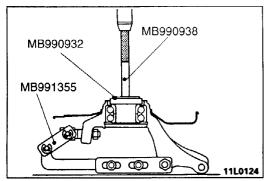
- 1. Always use the special tool to remove the hub.
- 2. Never strike the hub or knuckle with a hammer to separate them as the bearing will be damaged.

◆B▶ WHEEL BEARING REMOVAL

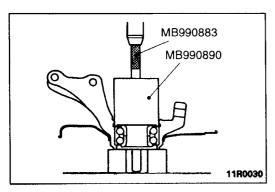
1. Crush the oil seal in two places so that the tabs of the special tool can be engaged on the wheel bearing inner race.



2. Remove the wheel bearing inner race from the front hub by using the special tool, as shown in the illustration.



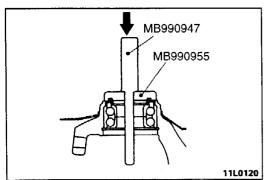
3. Drive the wheel bearing out with a press, using a 61 mm installer adaptor.



REASASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

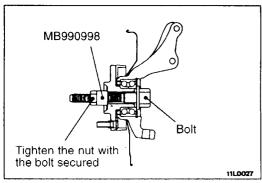
▶A■WHEEL BEARING INSTALLATION

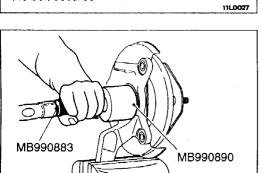
- 1. Fill the wheel bearing with multipurpose grease.
- 2. Apply a thin coating of multipurpose grease to the knuckle and bearing contact surfaces.
- 3. Press-in the bearing using the special tools.



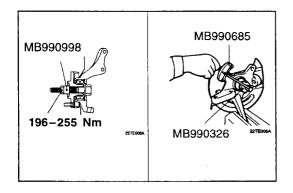
▶B◀OIL SEAL (HUB SIDE) INSTALLATION

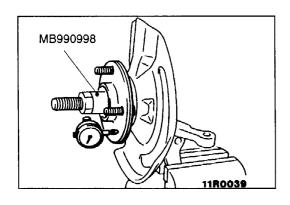
- 1. Drive the oil seal (hub side) into the knuckle by using the special tools until it is flush with the knuckle end surface.
- 2. Apply multipurpose grease to the lip of the oil seal and to the surfaces of the oil seal which contact the front hub.





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▶C INSTALLING HUB (ON TO KNUCKLE)

- 1. Use the special tool to mount the hub on to the knuckle.
- 2. Torque the nut of the special tool to 196–255 Nm (20.0 26.0 kgfm).
- 3. Rotate the hub in order to seat the bearing.
- 4. Leave the special tool in place and take the measurements described under "Inspection".

▶D◀ OIL SEAL (DRIVE SHAFT SIDE) INSTALLATION

- 1. Drive the oil seal (drive shaft side) into the knuckle until it contacts the snap ring.
- 2. Apply multipurpose grease to the lip of the oil seal.

INSPECTION

- Check the front hub and brake disc mounting surfaces for fretting and contamination.
- Check the knuckle inner surface for galling or cracks.
- Check for a defective bearing.

WHEEL BEARING STARTING TORQUE CHECK

- 1. Tighten the special tool to the front hub assembly to the specified torque 196–255 Nm.
- 2. Use the special tool to measure the hub rotation starting torque.

Limit: 1.8 Nm (18.0 kgfcm) or less

3. The hub starting torque should be within the limit value range, and there should be no engagement or feeling of roughness.

WHEEL BEARING AXIAL PLAY CHECK

- 1. Tighten the special tool to the front hub assembly to the specified torque 196–255 Nm (20.0 26.0 kgfm).
- 2. Measure the play in the wheel bearing axial direction.

Limit: 0.05 mm

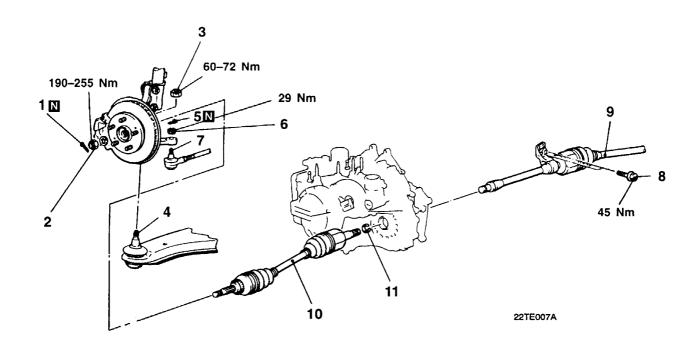
3. If the limit value of wheel bearing axial play cannot be obtained, replace the front hub assembly.

DRIVE SHAFT

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

Pre-removal and Post-installation Operation

- Remove the transmission under cover. Drain and replenish the transmission fluid.



Removal steps

1. Drive shaft cotter pin 2. Drive shaft nut

2. Drive shall hit
3. Lower arm ball joint retaining nut
4. Connection for lower arm ball joint
5. Tie rod end cotter pin
6. Tie rod end retaining nut
7. Connection for tie rod end
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8. Centre bearing bracket bolts

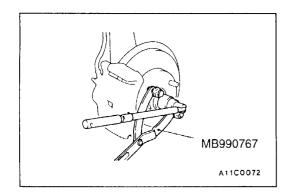
9. Drive shaft and inner shaft assembly (R.H.)

10. Drive shaft (L.H.)

11. Circlip

Caution

*: Indicates parts which should be temporarily tightened, and then fully tightened with the vehicle on the ground in the unladen condition.

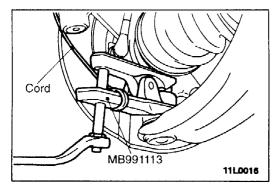


REMOVAL SERVICE POINTS

▲A► DRIVE SHAFT NUT REMOVAL

Caution

Do not apply the vehicle weight to the wheel bearing while loosening the drive shaft nut.

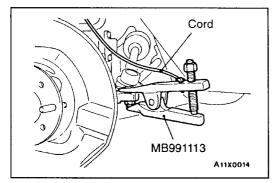


◆B DISCONNECTION OF LOWER ARM BALL JOINT

Caution

- Be sure to tie the cord of the special tool to the nearby part.
- 2. Loosen the nut but do not remove it.

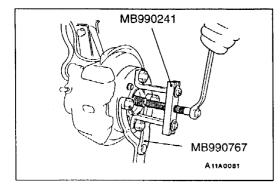
Disconnect the ball joint by using the special tool.



◄C► TIE ROD END REMOVAL

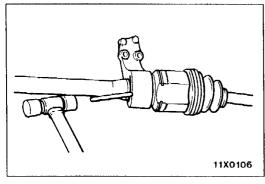
Caution

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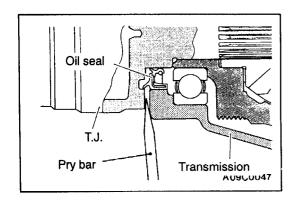


DRIVE SHAFT AND INNER SHAFT (R.H.) AND DRIVESHAFT (L.H.) REMOVAL

 Use the special tools to push out the drive shaft from the hub.



2. Tap the centre bearing bracket with a hammer, to remove the drive shaft and inner shaft (R.H.) from the transmission.



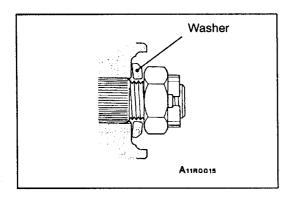
3. Insert a pry bar between the transmission case and the drive shaft, and then pry the drive shaft from the transmission.

Caution

- 1. Do not pull on the drive shaft; doing so will damage the T.J.; be sure to use the pry bar.
- 2. Do not insert the pry bar so deep as to damage the oil seal.
- 4. Use a shop towel to cover the transmission case and to prevent the entry of foreign objects.

Caution

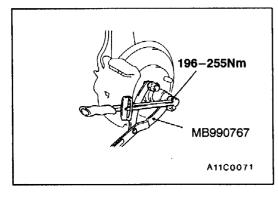
Do not apply the full load of the vehicle onto the wheel bearings when the drive shaft has been removed. If you need to apply a load to the bearings in order to move the vehicle, for instance, use the special tool to provisional secure the bearings.



INSTALLATION SERVICE POINT

►A DRIVE SHAFT NUT INSTALLATION

1. Be sure to install the drive shaft washer in the specified direction.



2. Using the special tool, tighten the drive shaft nut to the lower end of the specified torque range.

Caution

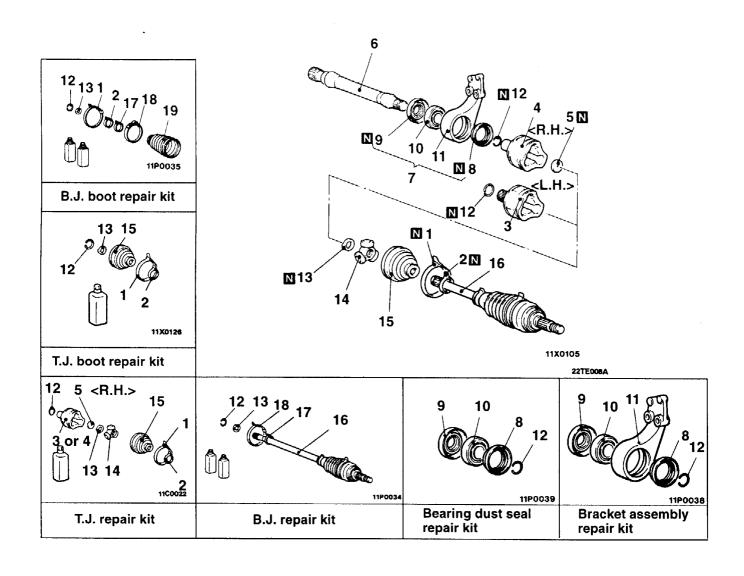
There should be no load on the wheel bearings when the drive shaft nut is tightened.

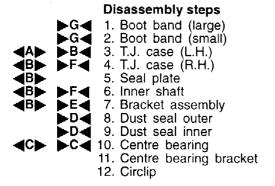
- 3. If the position of the cotter pin holes does not match, tighten the nut to a maximum of 255 Nm.
- 4. Install the cotter pin in the first matching holes and bend it securely.

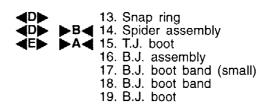
INSPECTION

- Check the drive shaft boot for damage or deterioration.
- Check the ball joints for wear or operating condition.
- Check the spline part for wear or damage.

DISASSEMBLY AND REASSEMBLY

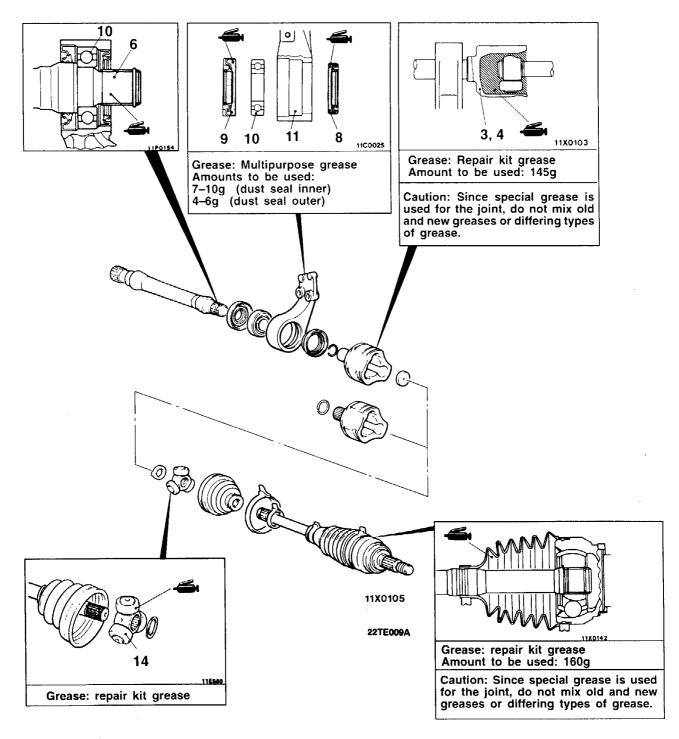






Caution
Do not disassemble the B.J. assembly or remove the boot bands unless boot replacement is required.

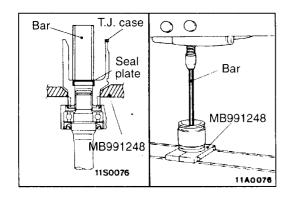
LUBRICANT POINTS



DISASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

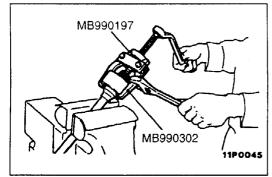
▲A► T.J. CASE (L.H.) REMOVAL

Remove the T.J. case from the B.J. assembly, and wipe off the grease inside the T.J. case.

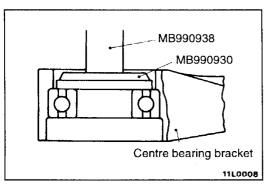


■B T.J. CASE (R.H.)/SEAL PLATE/INNER SHAFT/ BRACKET ASSEMBLY REMOVAL

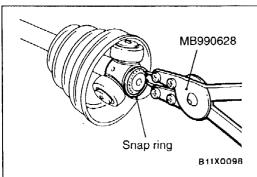
- 1. Remove the T.J. case from the B.J. assembly, and wipe off the grease inside the T.J. case.
- 2. Using the special tool, secure the T.J. case.
- 3. Push the seal plate with a bar (Diam 20mm), and press out the inner shaft assembly together with the seal plate.



4. Using the special tool, remove the inner shaft from the centre bearing bracket.



◆C**►** CENTRE BEARING REMOVAL

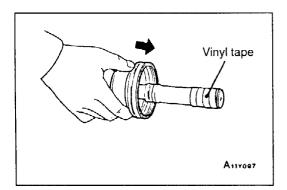


■D SNAP RING/SPIDER ASSEMBLY REMOVAL

- 1. Remove the snap ring from the drive shaft with the special tool.
- 2. Take out the spider assembly from the drive shaft.
- 3. Clean the spider assembly.

Caution

- 1. Do not disassemble the spider assembly.
- 2. Use care in handling so as not to damage the drive shaft.



⋖E▶ T.J. BOOT REMOVAL

- 1. Wipe the grease off of the spline portion.
- 2. Remove the T.J. boot.

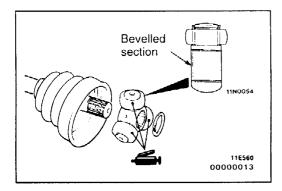
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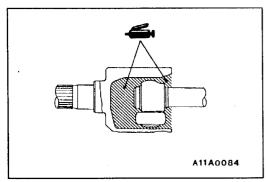
If the boot is to be reused, wrap vinyl tape around the drive shaft spline so that the boot is not damaged when it is removed.

REASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

►A◀T.J. BOOT INSTALLATION

Wrap vinyl tape around the spline part on the drive shaft, and then install the T.J. boot band (small) and T.J. boot.





►B SPIDER ASSEMBLY/T.J. CASE (L.H.) INSTALLATION

 Apply the specified grease furnished in the repair kit to the spider assembly between the spider axle and the roller

Specified grease: Repair kit grease

Caution

- 1. The drive shaft joint uses special grease. Do not mix old and new or different types of grease.
- 2. If the spider assembly has been cleaned, take special care to apply the specified grease.
- 2. Install the spider assembly to the shaft from the direction of the spline bevelled section.
- 3. After applying the specified grease to the T.J. case, insert the drive shaft and apply grease one more time.

Specified grease:

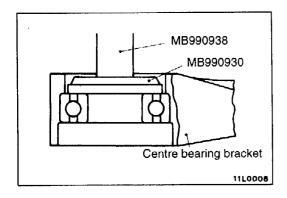
Repair kit grease 145g

NOTE

The grease in the repair kit should be divided in half for use, respectively, at the joint and inside the boot.

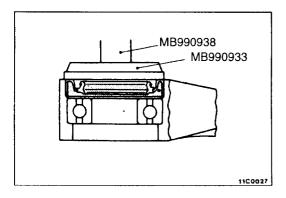
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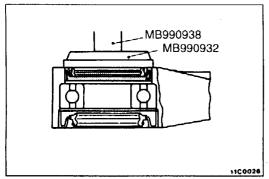
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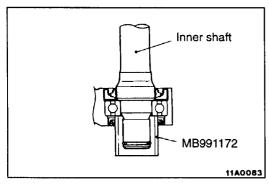


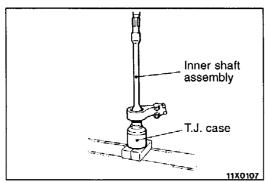
▶C CENTRE BEARING INSTALLATION

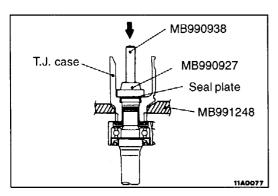
1. Using a 61mm installer, press in the centre bearing.











D ■ DUST SEAL INNER/DUST SEAL OUTER INSTALLATION

1. Fill the back surfaces of each dust seal with multipurpose grease.

Amount to be used:

- 7-10g (dust seal inner)
- 4-6g (dust seal outer)
- 2. Using a 61mm installer, drive in the oil seal until it is flat against the end face of the centre bearing bracket.
- 3. Coat the lip parts of each dust seal with multipurpose grease.

NOTE

Coat so that grease does not adhere to the outside of the lip.

▶EBRACKET ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION

▶F∢INNER SHAFT/T.J. CASE (R.H.) INSTALLATION

- 1. Coat the spline part of the inner shaft with multipurpose grease and force the inner shaft assembly into the T.J. case.
- 2. Using the special tool, force the seal plate into the T.J. case.

3. Fill the T.J. case with the specified grease, the insert the drive shaft, and once again fill with the specified grease.

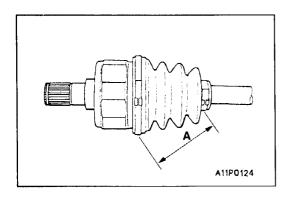
Specified grease: Repair kit grease Amount to be used: 145q

NOTE

When using the repair kit grease, use the whole amount, aiming at filling the inside of the joint and the inside of the boot with about half each.

Caution

The drive shaft joint uses special grease. Do not mix old and new or different types of grease.



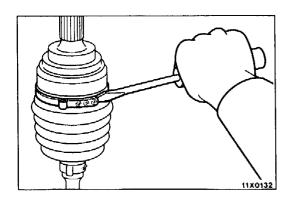
►G T.J. BOOT BAND (SMALL)/T.J. BOOT BAND (LARGE) INSTALLATION

Set the T.J. boot bands at the specified distance in order to adjust the amount of air inside the T.J. boot, and then tighten the T.J. boot bands securely.

Standard value (A): 75±3 mm

INSPECTION

- Check the drive shaft for damage, bending or corrosion.
- Check the drive shaft spline part for wear or damage.
- Check the spider assembly for roller rotation, wear or corrosion.
- Check the groove inside T.J. case for wear of corrosion.
- Check the boots for deterioration, damage or cracking.

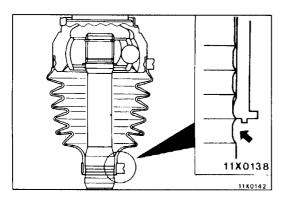


B.J. BOOT (RESIN BOOT) REPLACEMENT

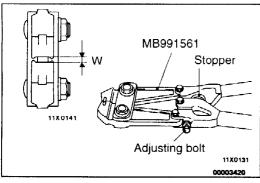
Remove the B.J. boot bands (large and small).
 NOTE

The B.J. boot bands cannot be re-used.

2. Remove the B.J. boot.



3. Install the B.J. boot with the part with the smallest diameter in a position such that the shaft groove can be seen.



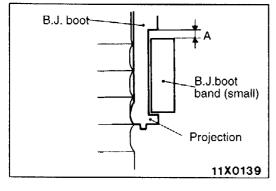
4. Turn the adjusting bolt on the special tool so that the size of the opening (W) is at the standard value.

Standard value (W): 2.9 mm

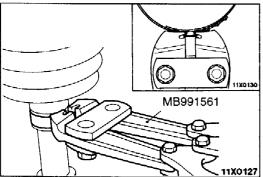
- <If it is larger than 2.9 mm>
 Tighten the adjusting bolt.
- <If it is smaller than 2.9 mm> Loosen the adjusting bolt.

NOTE

- 1. The value of W will change by approximately 0.7 mm for each turn of the adjusting bolt.
- 2. The adjusting bolt should not be turned more than once.



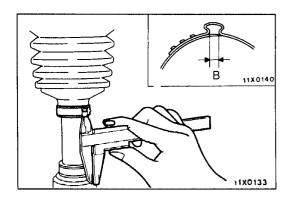
5. Place the B.J. boot band (small) against the projection at the edge of the boot, and then secure it so that there is a clearance left as shown by (A) in the illustration.



6. Use the special tool to crimp the B.J. boot band (small).

Caution

- 1. Secure the drive shaft in an upright position and clamp the part of the B.J. boot band to be crimped securely in the jaws of the special tool.
- 2. Crimp the B.J. boot band until the special tool touches the stopper.



7. Check that the crimping amount (B) of the B.J. boot band is at the standard value.

Standard value (B): 2.4 - 2.8mm

<If the crimping amount is larger than 2.8 mm>
Readjust the value of (W) in step (4) according to the following formula, and then repeat the operation in step (6).

W = 5.5 mm - B

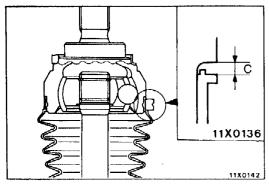
EXAMPLE: If B = 2.9 mm, then W = 2.6 mm

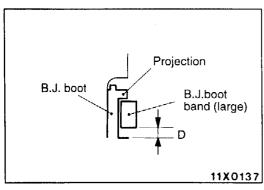
<If the crimping amount is smaller than 2.4 mm>
Remove the B.J. boot band, readjust the value of (W) in step (4) according to the following formula, and then repeat the operations in steps (5) and (6) using a new B.J. boot band.
W = 5.5 mm - B

Example: If B = 2.3 mm, then W = 3.2 mm.

- 8. Check that the B.J. boot band in not sticking out past the place where it had been installed. If the B.J. boot band is sticking out, remove it and then repeat the operations in step (5) to (7) using a new boot band.
- 9. Fill the inside of the B.J. boot with the specified grease.

Specified grease: Repair kit grease Amount to be used: 160g





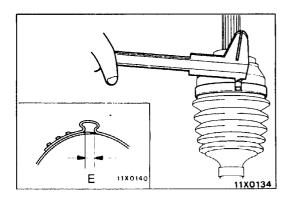
10. Install the B.J. boot band (large) so that there is the clearance (C) between it and the B.J. housing is at the standard value.

Standard value (C): 0.1 - 1.55 mm

11. Follow the same procedure as in step (4) to adjust the size of the opening (W) on the special tool so that it is at the standard value.

Standard value (W): 3.2 mm

- 12. Place the B.J. boot band (large) against the projection at the edge of the boot, and then secure it so that there is a clearance left as shown by (D) in the illustration.
- 13. Use the special tool to crimp the B.J. boot band (large) in the same way as in step (6).



14. Check that the crimping amount (E) of the B.J. boot band is at the standard value.

Standard value (E): 2.4 - 2.8 mm

<If the crimping amount is larger than 2.8 mm> Readjust the value of (W) in step (4) according to the following formula, and then repeat the operation in step (13).

W = 5.8 mm - E

Example: If E = 2.9 mm, then W = 2.9 mm

<If the crimping amount is smaller than 2.4 mm> Remove the B.J. boot band, readjust the value of (W) in step (11) according to the following formula, and then repeat the operations in steps (12) and (13) using a new B.J. boot band. W = 5.8 mm - E

Example: If E = 2.3 mm, then W = 3.5 mm

15. Check that the B.J. boot is not sticking out past the place where it has been installed.

If the B.J. boot band is sticking out, remove it and then repeat operations in steps (12) to (14) using a new B.J. boot band.