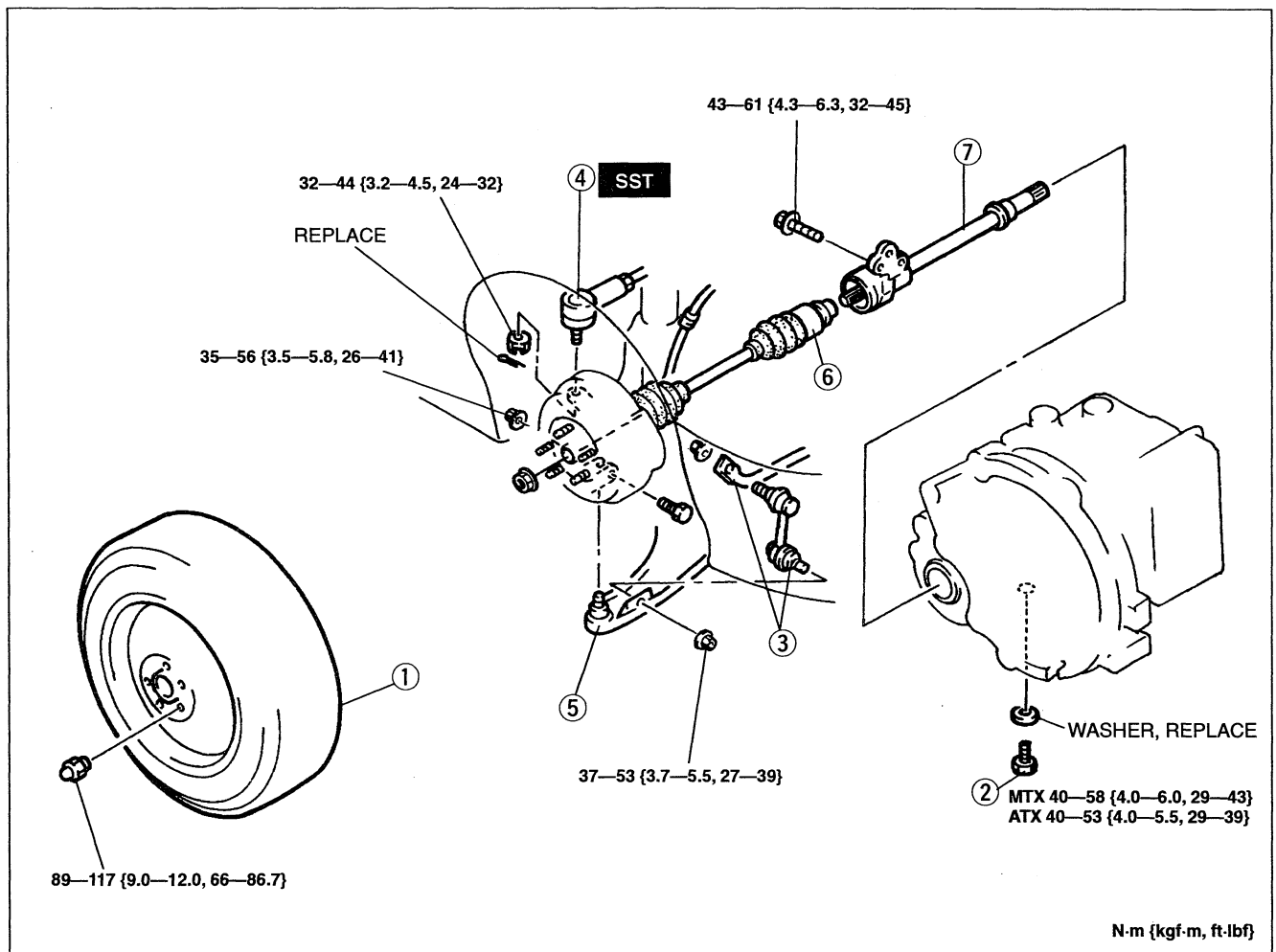


**JOINT SHAFT
Preinspection
Joint shaft**

1. Verify that the joint shaft is not twisted or cracked. Replace it if necessary.
2. Turn the joint shaft by hand and verify that the bearing rotates smoothly and freely. Replace it if necessary.

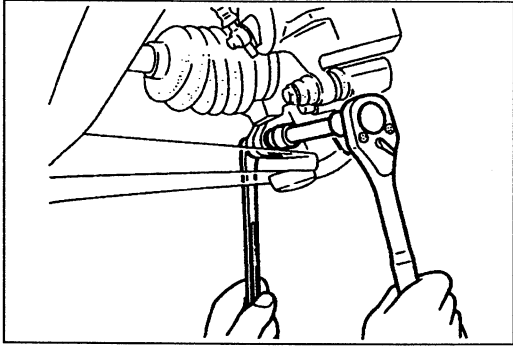
Removal / Installation

1. Drain the transaxle oil.
2. Remove in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Removal Note**.
3. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
4. After installation, fill the transaxle with the specified amount of the specified transaxle oil or ATF and inspect for oil leakage.

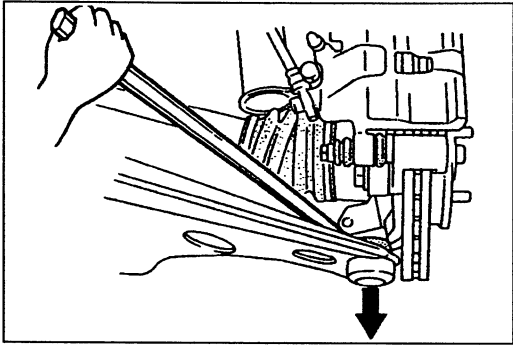


1. Wheel and tire
2. Drain plug
3. Stabilizer control link
4. Tie-rod end
Service section N
5. Lower arm ball joint

6. Right drive shaft and axle
Removal Note page M-20
Installation Note page M-21
7. Joint shaft
Removal Note page M-20
Installation Note page M-20
Overhaul page M-21

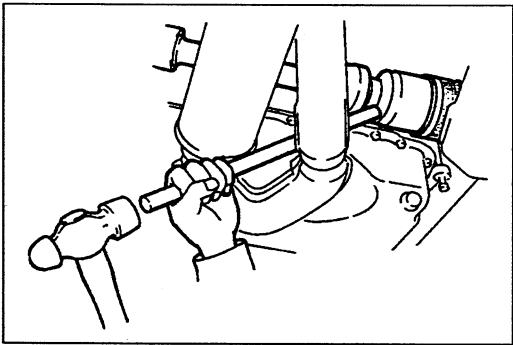
**Removal Note****Right drive shaft and axle**

1. Remove the clinch bolt and nut.

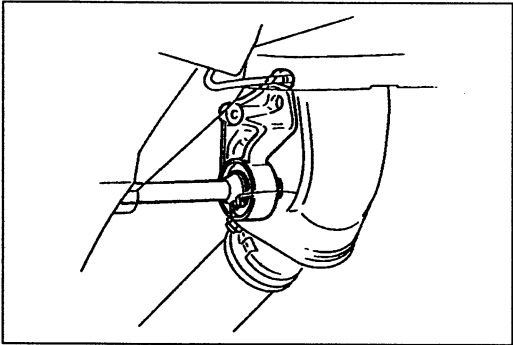


2. Wrap a rag around the ball joint dust boot.

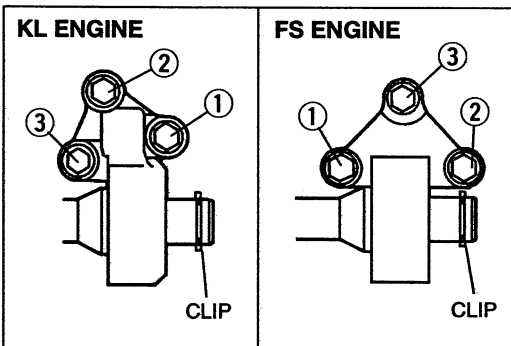
3. Pry the lower arm out of the knuckle.



4. As shown in the figure, insert a pry bar between the right drive shaft and the joint shaft and tap on the bar to uncouple them.

**Joint shaft**

Pull the joint shaft straight out.

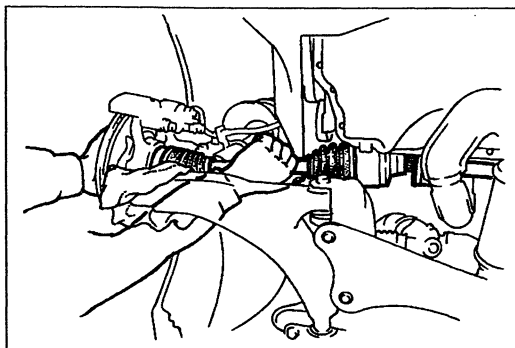
**Installation Note****Joint shaft**

1. Install the joint shaft with the end-gap of a new clip facing upward.

2. Tighten the bolts in the order shown.

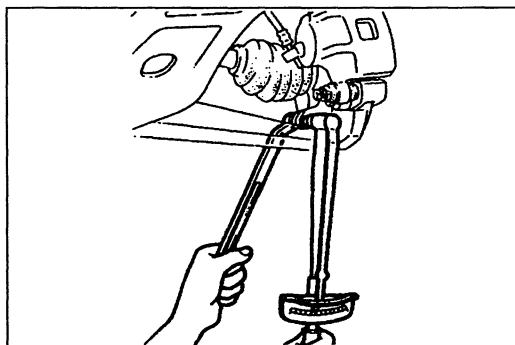
Tightening torque:

43—61 N·m {4.3—6.3 kgf·m, 32—45 ft·lbf}



Right drive shaft and axle

1. Push the drive shaft into the joint shaft.
2. After installation, pull the front hub outward to verify that the drive shaft is securely held by the clip.



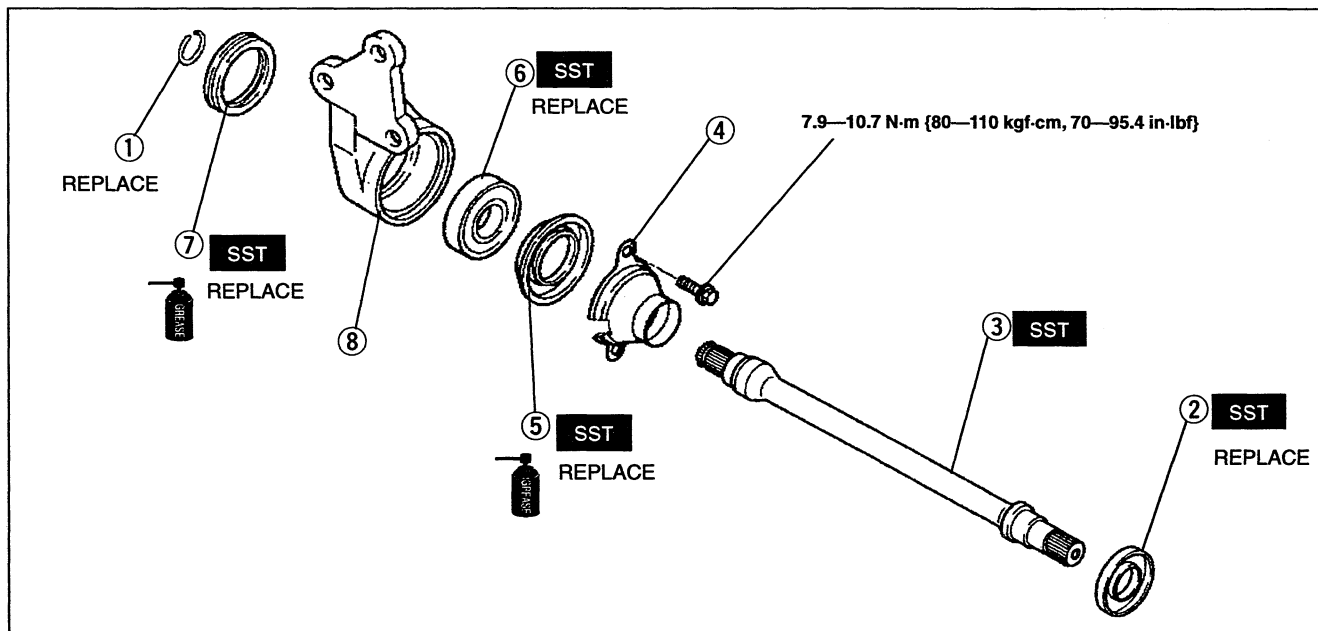
3. Install the lower arm ball joint to the knuckle and tighten the through bolt.

Tightening torque:

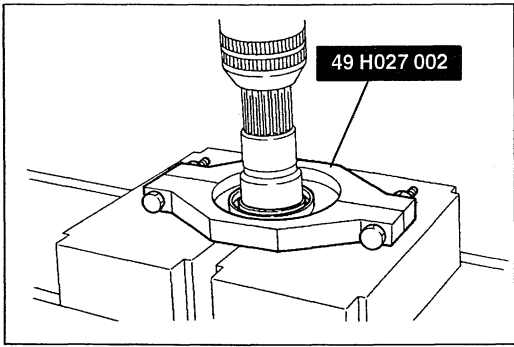
35—56 N·m {3.5—5.8 kgf·m, 26—41 ft·lbf}

Overhaul

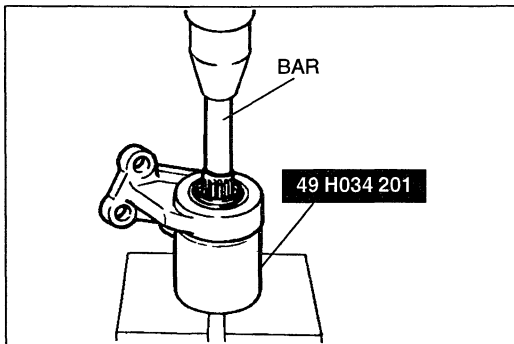
1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



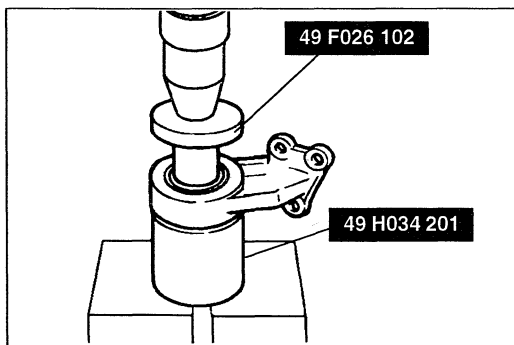
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Disassembly Note page M-22
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Inspect splines for damage and wear
Disassembly Note page M-22
Assembly Note page M-23 4. Dust cover (KL engine) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Dust seal (left)
Disassembly Note page M-22
Assembly Note page M-23 6. Bearing
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Assembly Note page M-22 7. Dust seal (right)
Assembly Note page M-22 8. Bracket |
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**Disassembly Note****Dust cover (KL engine)**

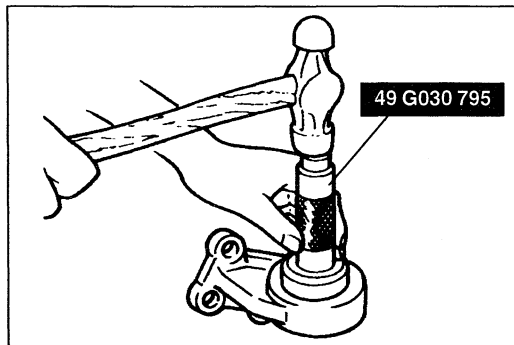
While holding the joint shaft, press out the dust cover by using the SST.

**Joint shaft**

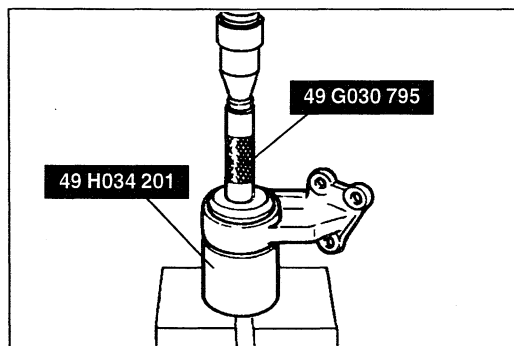
Remove the joint shaft by using the SST.

**Dust seal (left)/Bearing**

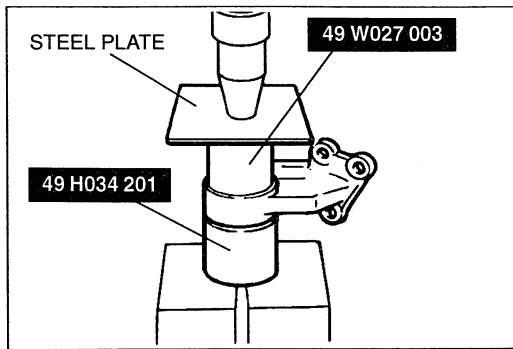
Remove the left side dust seal and bearing by using the SSTs.

**Assembly Note****Dust seal (right)**

Using the SST, install the new right side dust seal.

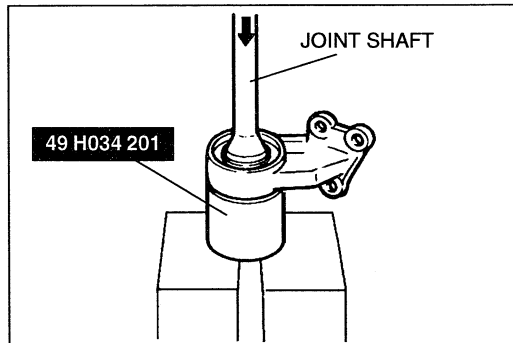
**Bearing**

Using the SSTs, install the new bearing.



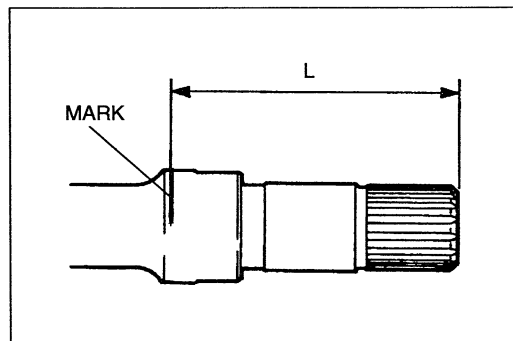
Dust seal (left)

Using a steel plate and the **SSTs**, install the new left side dust seal.



Joint shaft

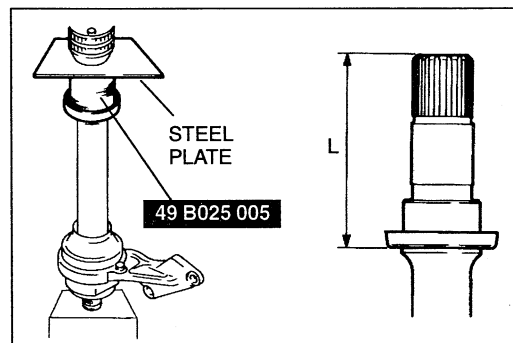
Using a press and the **SST**, install the joint shaft.



Dust cover (KL engine)

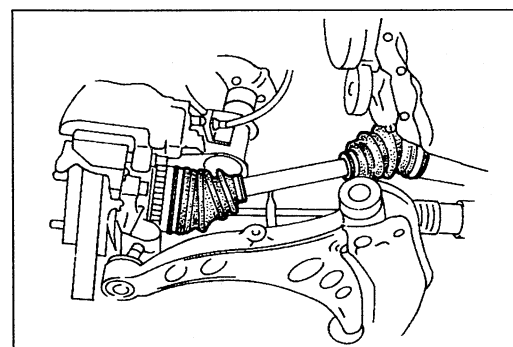
1. Mark the shaft as shown in the figure.

Length L: 89.0 ± 0.5 mm {3.50 ± 0.02 in}



2. Press in the dust cover to the marked position by using a steel plate and the **SST**.

3. Verify that length L is within specification.



DRIVE SHAFT

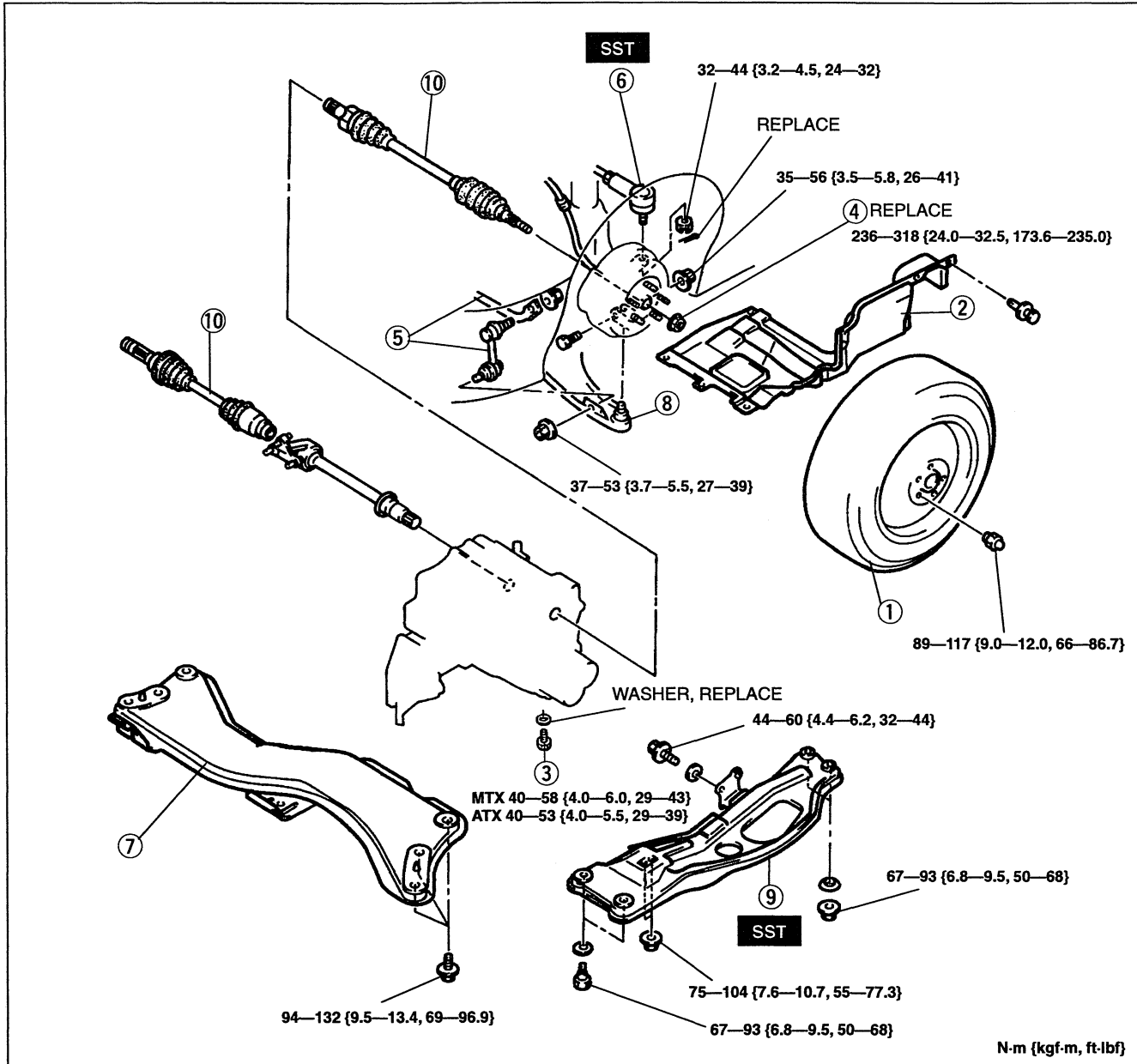
Preinspection

Drive shaft

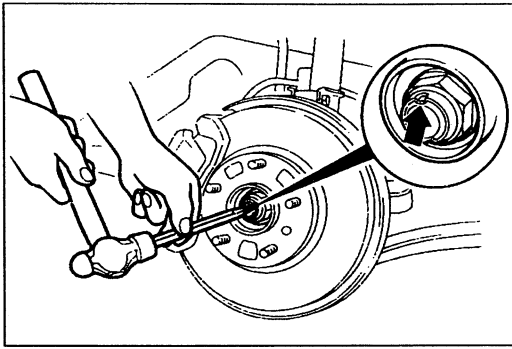
1. Check the dust boot on the drive shaft for cracks, damage, leaking grease, and a loose boot band.
2. Check the drive shaft for bending, cracks, and wear of joints or splines.
3. Repair or replace the drive shaft if necessary.

Removal / Installation

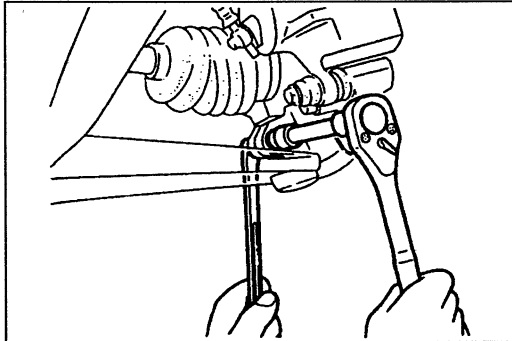
1. Drain the transaxle oil.
2. Remove in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Removal Note**.
3. Install in the reverse order of removal, referring to **Installation Note**.
4. After installation, fill the transaxle with the specified amount of the specified transaxle oil or ATF and inspect for oil leakage.
5. Check the front wheel alignment. (Refer to section R.)



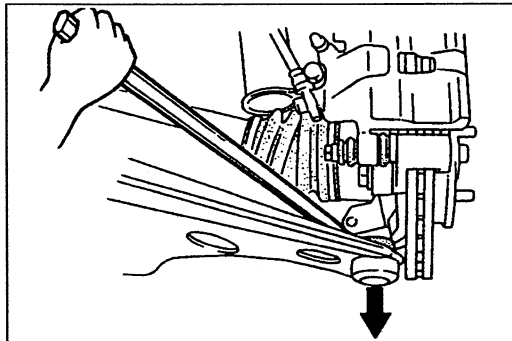
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Removal Note page M-25
Installation Note page M-27 5. Stabilizer and control link 6. Tie-rod end
Service section N 7. Transverse member | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Lower arm ball joint
Removal Note page M-25 9. Engine mount member
(Only for ATX at left side drive shaft)
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**Removal Note****Locknut**

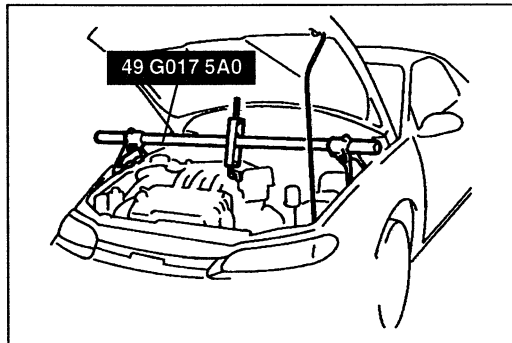
1. Knock the crimped portion of the locknut outward by using a chisel and a hammer.
2. Lock the hub by applying the brakes.
3. Remove the locknut.

**Lower arm ball joint**

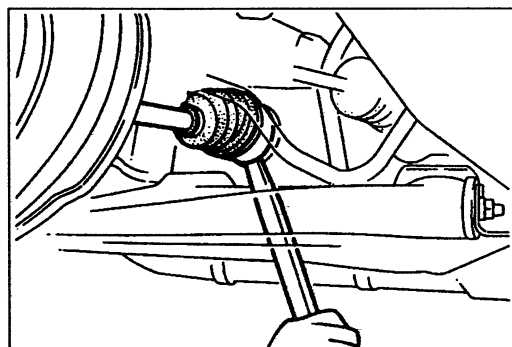
1. Remove the clinch bolt and nut.



2. Wrap a rag around the ball joint dust boot.
3. Pry the lower arm out of the knuckle.

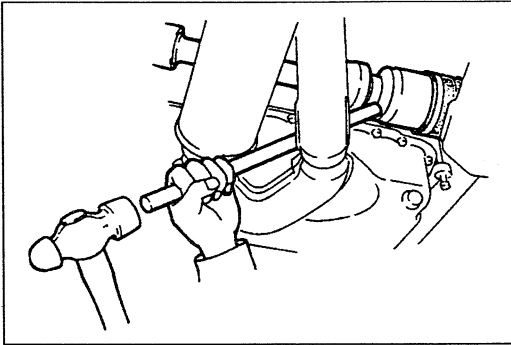
**Engine mount member**

Suspend the engine by using the **SST** and remove the engine mount member.

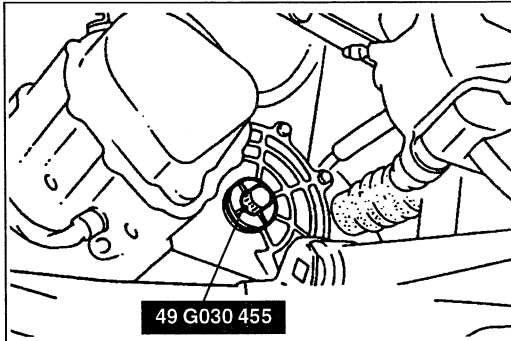
**Drive shaft****Caution**

- The sharp edges of the drive shaft can slice or puncture the oil seal. Be careful when removing the drive shaft from the transaxle.

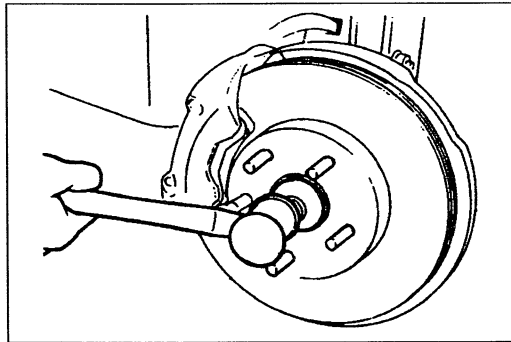
1. Separate the left-side drive shaft from the transaxle by prying with a bar inserted between the outer ring and the transaxle, as shown in the figure.



2. Separate the right-side drive shaft from the joint shaft by hammering on a bar inserted between them.

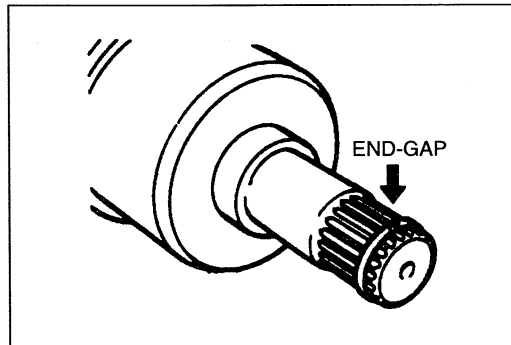


3. Install the **SST** into the transaxle to hold the side gears.



Note

- If the drive shaft will not come out of the front wheel hub easily, install an already discarded nut onto the drive shaft so that the nut is flush with the end of the drive shaft. Tap the nut with a copper hammer to loosen the drive shaft from the front wheel hub.



Installation Note Drive shaft

Caution

- The sharp edges of the drive shaft can slice or puncture the oil seal. Be careful when installing the drive shaft to the transaxle.

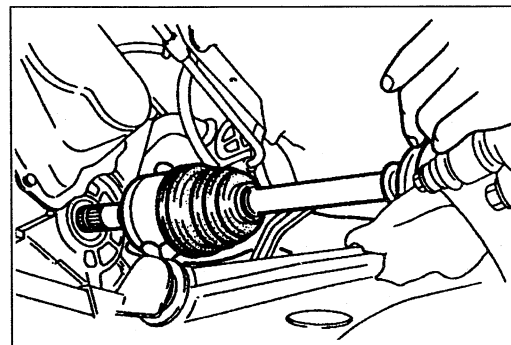
1. Turn the clip with the opening facing upward.

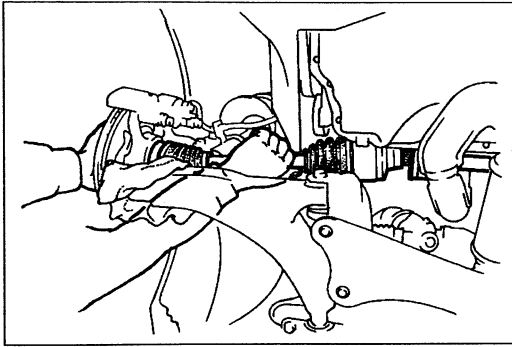
2. Apply grease to the ends of the drive shafts.

Caution

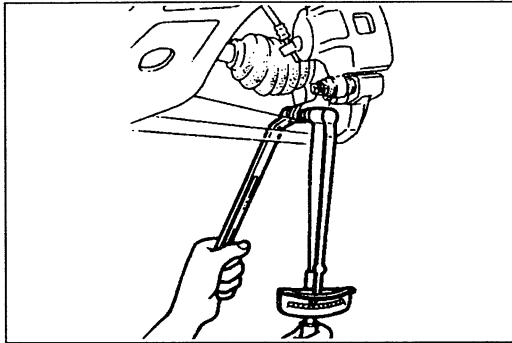
- The oil seals are damaged easily if this procedure is not done correctly.

3. Push the drive shaft into the transaxle (left side) or joint shaft (right side).





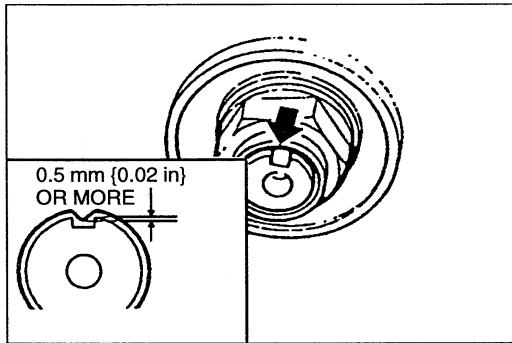
4. After installation, pull the front hub outward to confirm that the drive shaft is securely held by the clip.



5. Install the lower arm ball joint to the knuckle and tighten the through bolt.

Tightening torque:

35—56 N·m {3.5—5.8 kgf·m, 26—41 ft·lbf}

**Locknut**

Install a new locknut and stake it as shown.

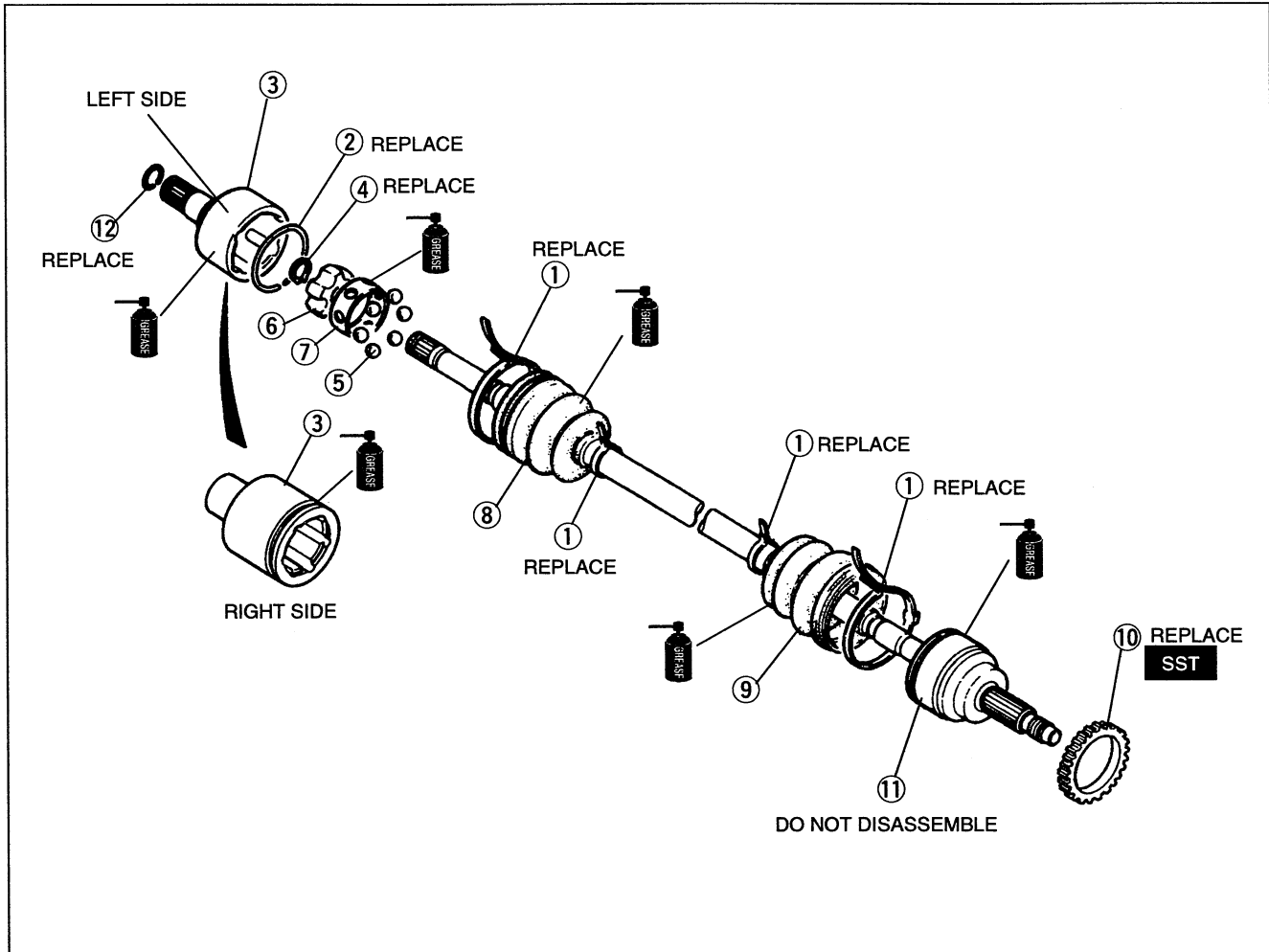
Tightening torque: 236—318 N·m

{24.0—32.5 kgf·m, 173.6—235.0 ft·lbf}

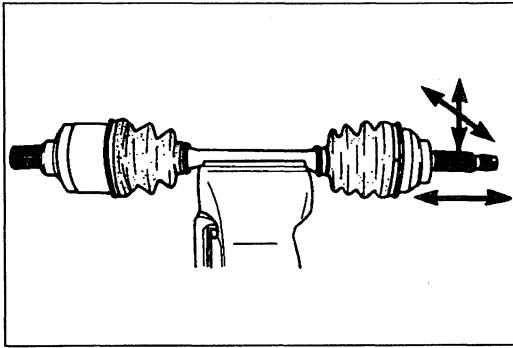
DOUBLE OFFSET TYPE (MTX)

Overhaul

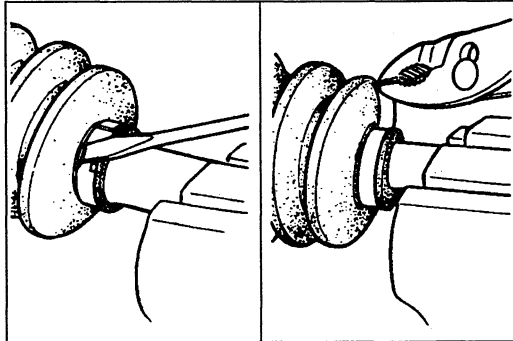
1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Verify that all parts are free of dust, dirt and other foreign material immediately before reassembly.
4. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



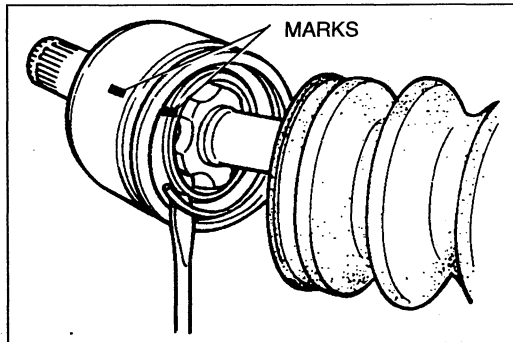
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| <p>1. Boot band
 Disassembly Note page M-29
 Assembly Note page M-32</p> <p>2. Clip
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 Assembly Note page M-31</p> <p>3. Outer ring
 Inspect inside bore for wear, corrosion, and scoring
 Assembly Note page M-31</p> <p>4. Snap ring
 Disassembly Note page M-29
 Assembly Note page M-31</p> <p>5. Balls
 Disassembly Note page M-29
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 Disassembly Note page M-29
 Assembly Note page M-31</p> | <p>7. Cage
 Disassembly Note page M-29
 Assembly Note page M-31</p> <p>8. Boot (transaxle side)
 Disassembly Note page M-30
 Inspect for cracks and damage
 Assembly Note pages M-30, 31</p> <p>9. Boot (wheel side)
 Disassembly page M-30
 Inspect for cracks and damage
 Assembly Note page M-31</p> <p>10. ABS sensor rotor
 Disassembly Note page M-30
 Assembly Note page M-30</p> <p>11. Shaft and ball joint assembly
 Inspect splines for damage and wear
 Inspect wheel side joint for excessive play and rough rotation</p> <p>12. Clip</p> |
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**Disassembly Note**

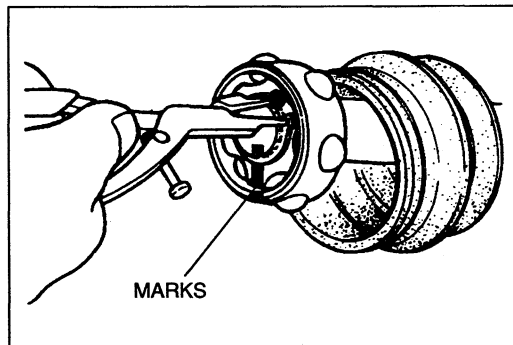
Rotate the joint by hands as shown. If the joint does not move smoothly or if a problem is found, repair the necessary parts or replace the drive shaft.

**Boot band**

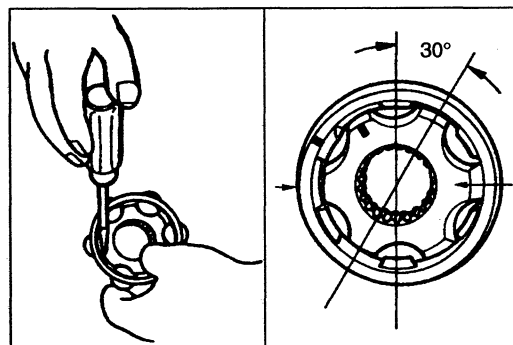
1. Pry up the locking clips by using a screwdriver.
2. Pull back the end of the band.

**Clip**

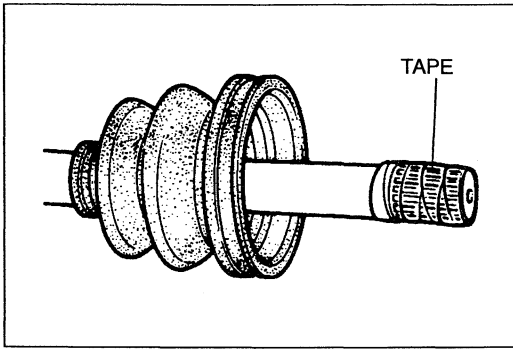
1. Use paint to mark the drive shaft and outer ring for proper reassembly.
2. Remove the clip.

**Snap ring**

1. Use paint to mark the drive shaft and inner ring for proper reassembly.
2. Remove the snap ring by using snap ring pliers.

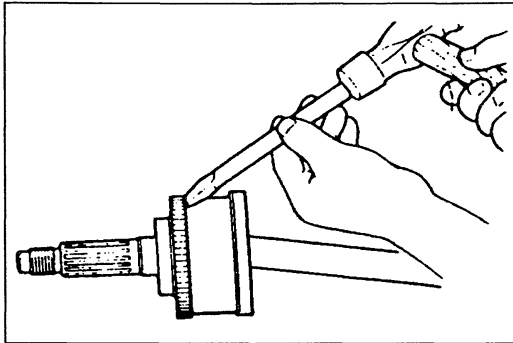
**Cage, inner ring, and balls**

1. Use paint to mark the inner ring and cage for proper reassembly.
2. Turn the cage approximately 30 degrees and pull the cage and balls away from the inner ring.



Boot

1. Wrap the shaft splines with tape to protect the boot.
2. Remove the boot.

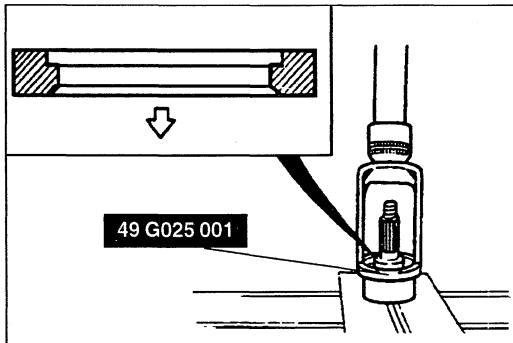


ABS sensor rotor

Note

- The sensor rotor does not need to be removed unless you are replacing it.

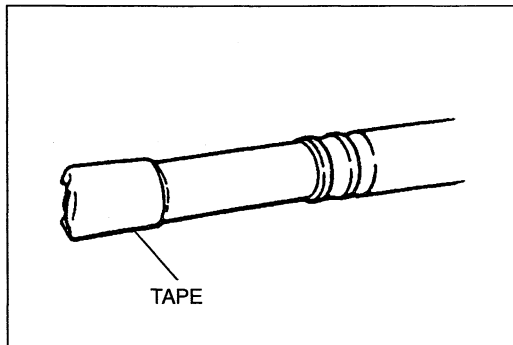
Tap the ABS sensor rotor off the drive shaft with a chisel.



Assembly Note

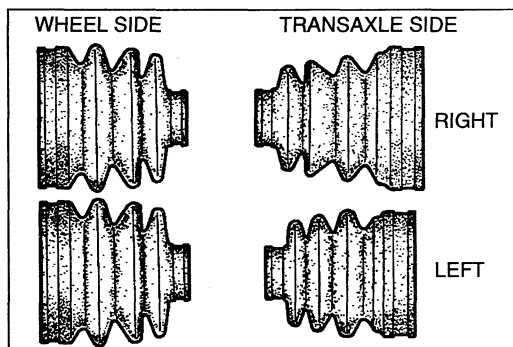
ABS sensor rotor

Set a new ABS sensor rotor on the drive shaft in the direction as shown, and press it onto the shaft assembly by using the SST.

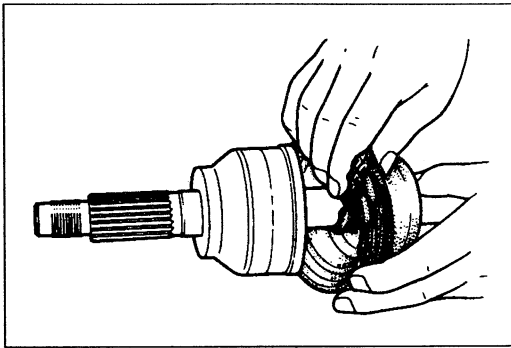


Boot

1. Wrap the shaft splines with tape.



2. Install the wheel-side and transaxle-side boots, noting the shape and size of each one in the figure.



Boot (wheel side)

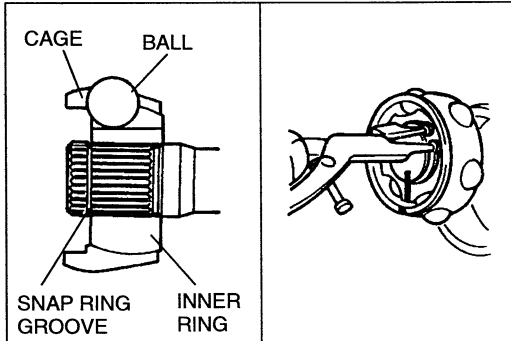
1. Fill the boot with the grease supplied in the boot kit.

Grease amount

FS engine: 90—110 g {3.18—3.88 oz}

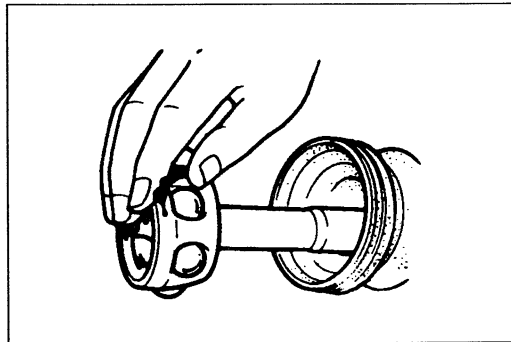
KL engine: 130—150 g {4.59—5.29 oz}

2. Slide the boot onto the shaft.



Cage, inner ring and balls/Snap ring

1. Align the marks and install the balls and cage to the inner ring in the direction shown in the figure.
2. Install a new snap ring.



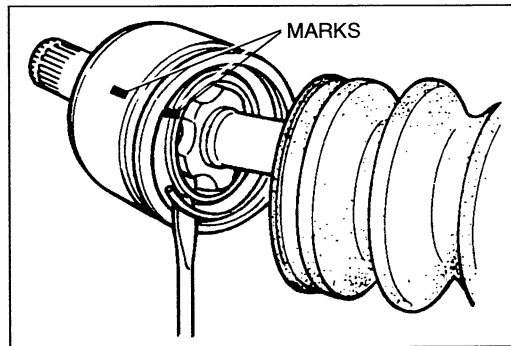
Boot (differential side), outer ring, clip

1. Fill the boot and outer ring with the grease supplied in the boot kit and joint kit.

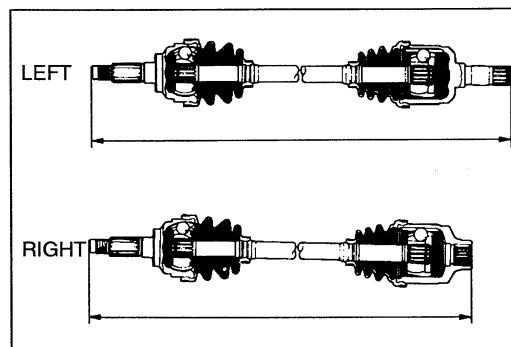
Grease amount

FS engine: 120—140 g {4.24—4.94 oz}

KL engine: 140—160 g {4.94—5.64 oz}



2. Align the marks, and install the outer ring onto the shaft.
3. Install a new clip.
4. Install the boot.

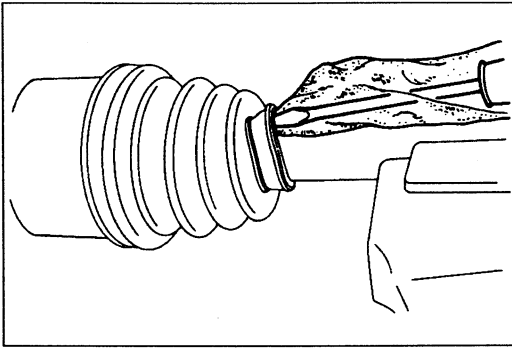


5. Set the drive shaft to the standard length.

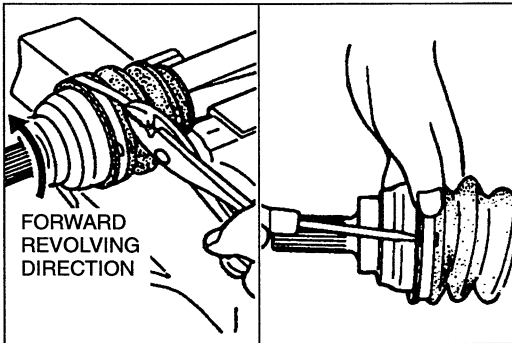
Standard length

mm {in}

Engine	Left side	Right side
FS	649.2—659.2 {25.56—25.95}	600.2—610.2 {23.63—24.02}
KL	650.7—660.7 {25.62—26.01}	600.7—610.7 {23.65—24.04}



6. Release trapped air from inside the boot (differential side) by using a screwdriver covered with a rag.
7. Verify the drive shaft length.
8. If not within specification, return to Step 5.

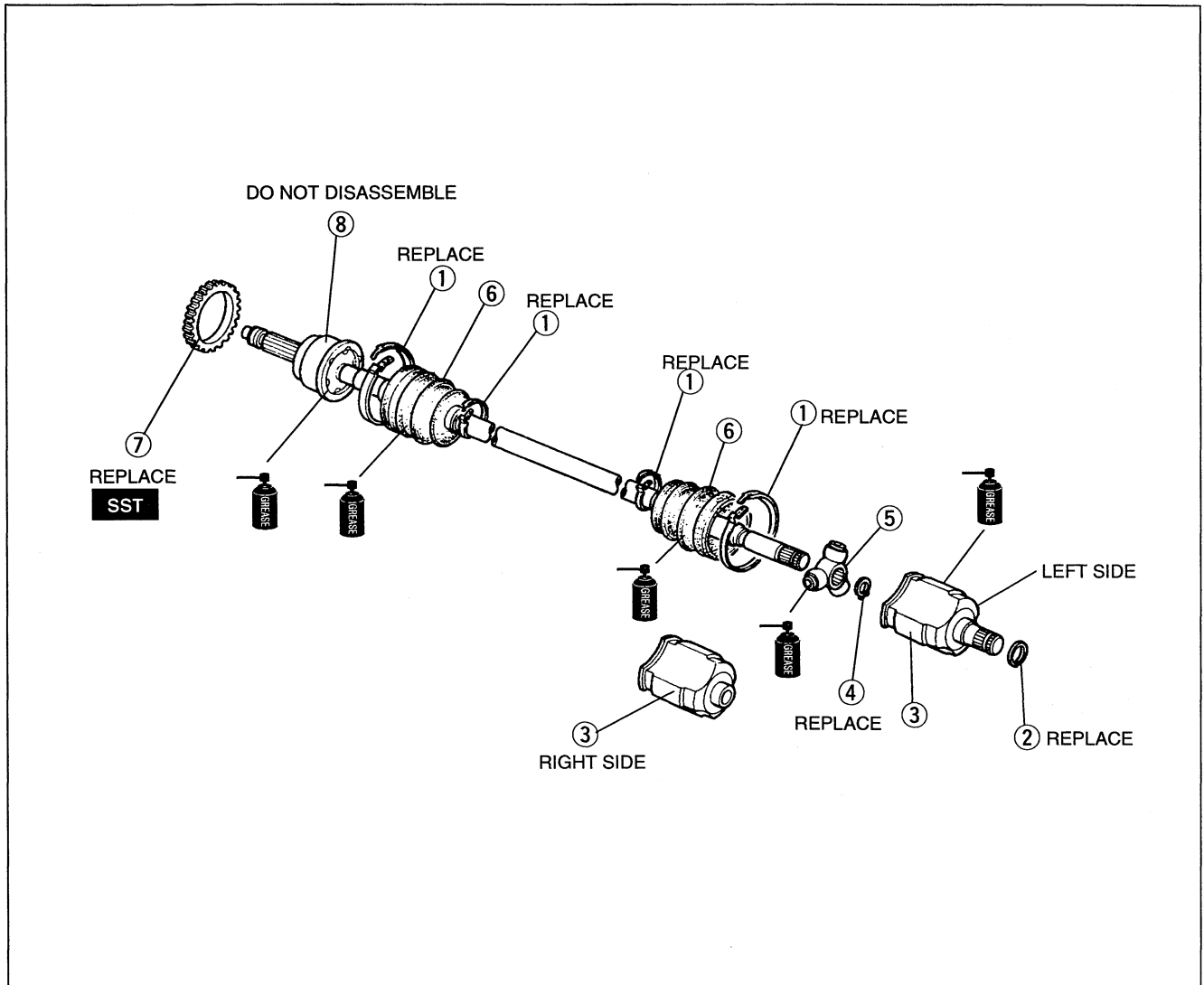
**Boot band**

1. Fold the band back in the direction opposite the forward revolving direction of the drive shaft and use pliers to pull it tight.
2. Lock the end of the band by bending the locking clips.

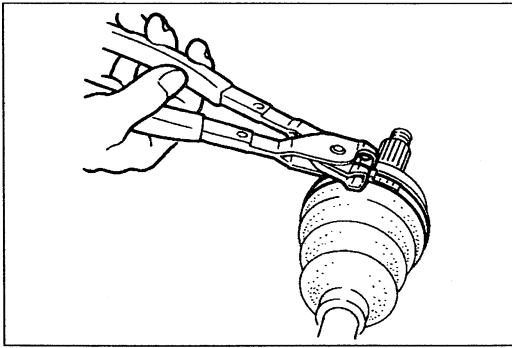
TRIPOD TYPE (ATX)

Overhaul

1. Disassemble in the order shown in the figure, referring to **Disassembly Note**.
2. Inspect all parts and repair or replace as necessary.
3. Verify that all parts are free of dust, dirt, and other foreign material immediately before reassembly.
4. Assemble in the reverse order of disassembly, referring to **Assembly Note**.



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| <p>1. Boot
 Disassembly Note page M-34
 Assembly Note page M-36</p> <p>2. Clip</p> <p>3. Outer ring
 Disassembly Note page M-34
 Inspect inside bore for wear, corrosion, and scoring
 Assembly Note page M-35</p> <p>4. Snap ring
 Disassembly Note page M-34
 Assembly Note page M-35</p> <p>5. Tripod joint
 Disassembly Note page M-34
 Inspect for damage and wear
 Assembly Note page M-35</p> | <p>6. Boot
 Inspect for damage
 Assembly Note page M-35</p> <p>7. ABS sensor rotor
 Disassembly Note page M-34
 Assembly Note page M-35</p> <p>8. Shaft and ball joint assembly
 Inspect splines for damage and wear
 Inspect wheel-side joint for excessive play and rough rotation</p> |
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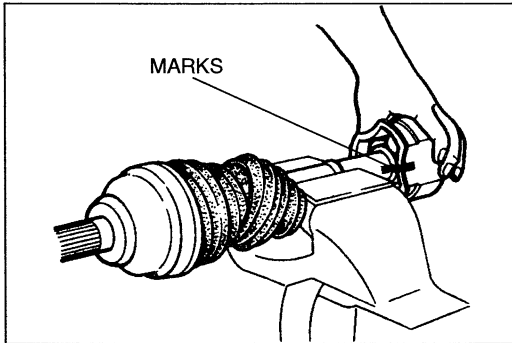


Disassembly Note Boot band

Note

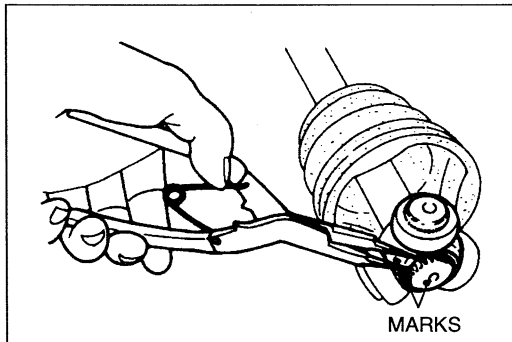
- The boot band does not need to be removed unless you are replacing it.

Remove the boot clamp with end clamp pliers as shown and discard the clamp.



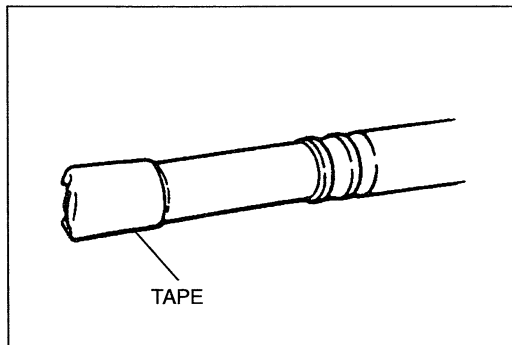
Outer ring

Mark the outer ring and the shaft for proper reassembly.



Snap ring/tripod joint

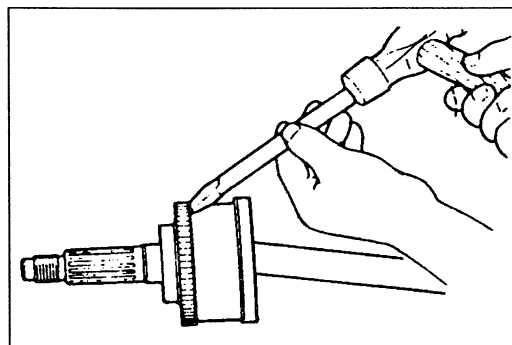
1. Mark the shaft and tripod joint for proper reassembly.
2. Remove the snap ring with snap ring pliers.
3. Remove the tripod joint from the shaft with a bar and a hammer.



Note

- The wheel-side boot does not need to be removed unless you are replacing it.

Wrap the splines of the shaft with tape to prevent damaging the boot.

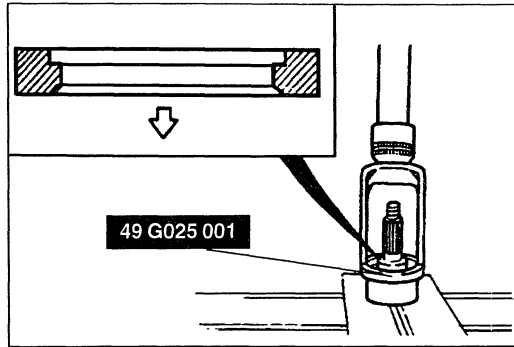


ABS sensor rotor

Note

- The sensor rotor does not need to be removed unless you are replacing it.

Tap the ABS sensor rotor off the drive shaft by using a chisel.

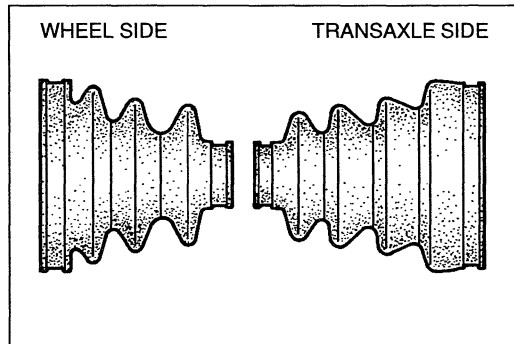


Assembly Note ABS sensor rotor

Caution

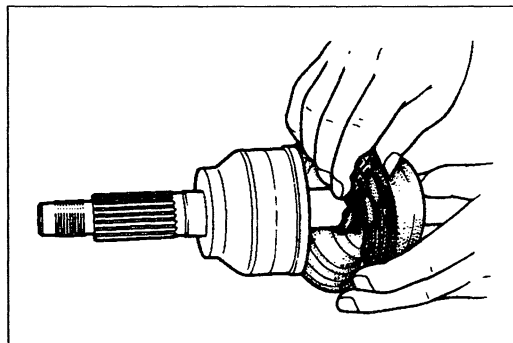
- Verify the direction of the sensor rotor.

Set a new ABS sensor rotor on the drive shaft in the direction shown, and press it onto the shaft assembly by using the SST.



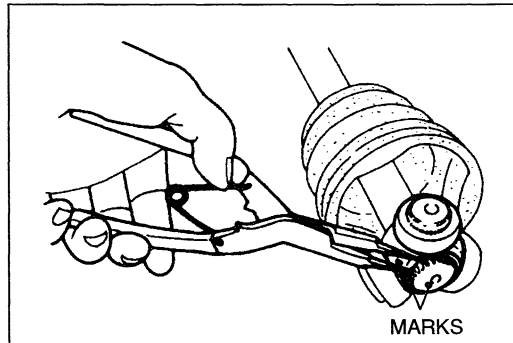
Boot

1. Wrap the splines of the transaxle side shaft, and install the wheel-side and transaxle side boots, noting the shape and size of each one in the figure.



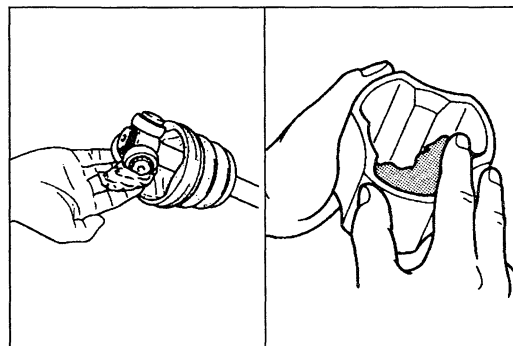
2. Fill the wheel side boot with the grease supplied in the boot kit.

Grease amount: 125—145 g {4.41—5.11 oz}



Snap ring/tripod joint

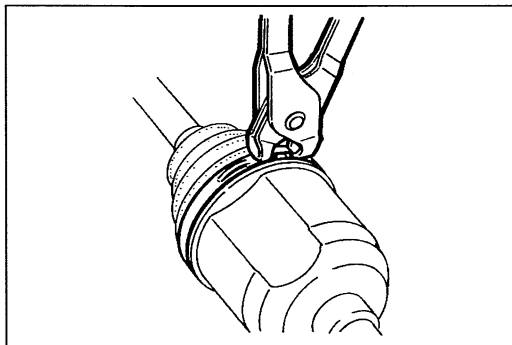
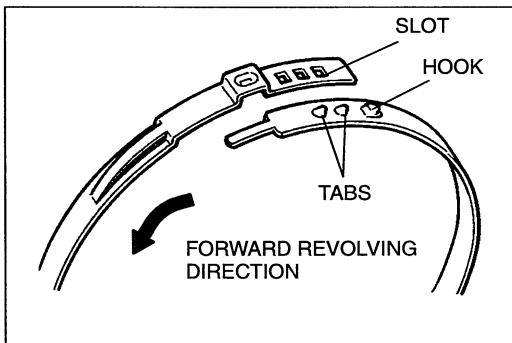
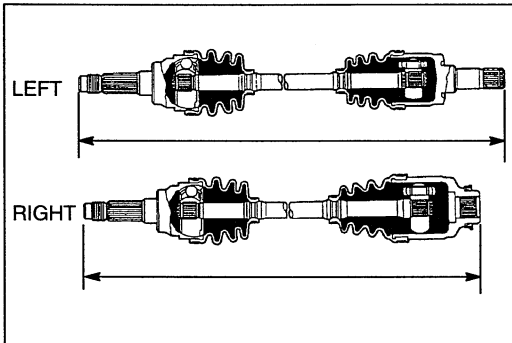
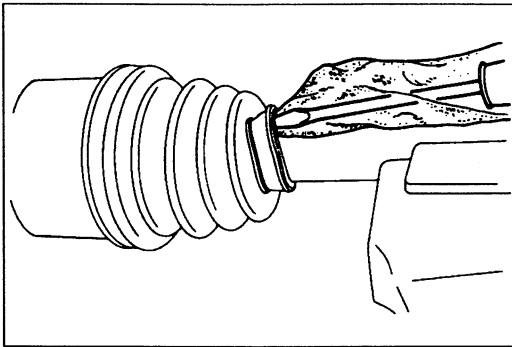
1. Align the marks and install the tripod joint.
2. Install the new snap ring with snap-ring pliers.



Outer ring

Fill the outer ring and transaxle-side boot with the grease supplied in the boot kit.

Grease amount: 185—215 g {6.52—7.58 oz}



Boot band

1. Verify that the boots are not dented or twisted.

2. Set the drive shaft to the standard length.

Standard length

	mm {in}	
	FS engine	KL engine
Left side	695.5—705.5 {27.39—27.77}	653.6—663.6 {25.74—26.12}
Right side	603.1—613.1 {23.75—24.13}	603.1—613.1 {23.75—24.13}

3. Release any trapped air from inside the boot by using a rag-covered screwdriver.
4. Verify that the drive shaft length is within the standard.
5. If the drive shaft length is not within the standard, return to step 1.
6. Install a new boot band on the boot so that the end of the boot band with solts is pointing opposite the forward revolving direction of the drive shaft.
7. Slide the hook into the end slot, and fit the tabs into the remaining two slots.

8. Crimp the clamp securely by using clamp pliers.

Caution

- Do not overcrimp the boot band clamp. Overcrimping could damage the clamp bridge.