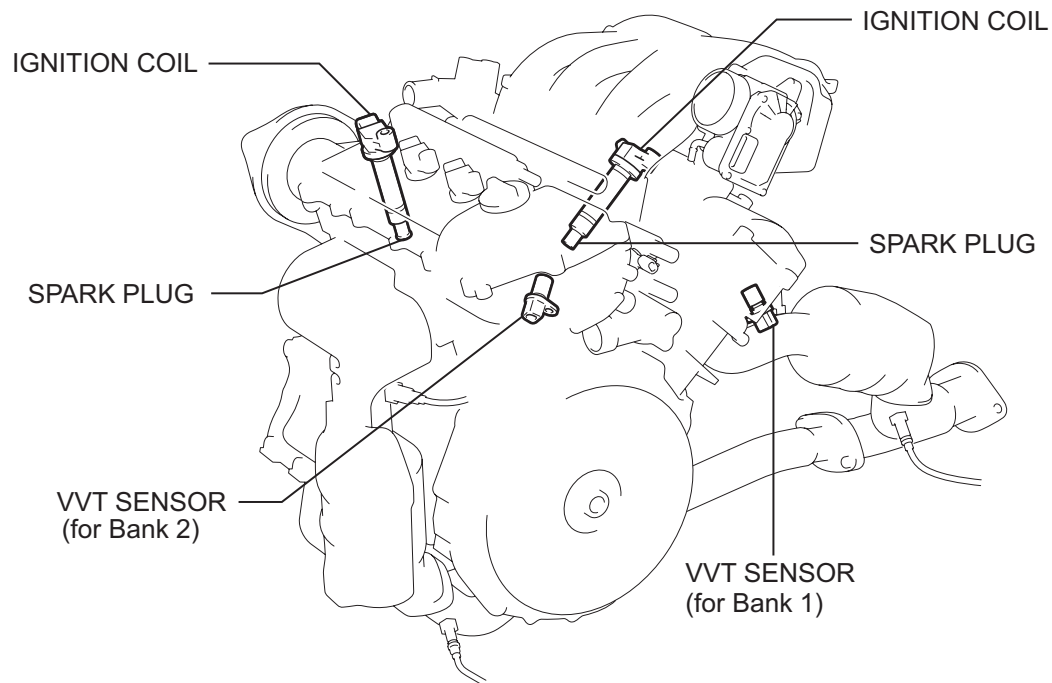


IGNITION SYSTEM

PARTS LOCATION



ON-VEHICLE INSPECTION

NOTICE:

In this section, the terms "cold" and "hot" refer to the temperature of the coils. "Cold" means approximately -10 to 50°C (14 to 122°F). "Hot" means approximately 50 to 100°C (122 to 212°F).

1. PERFORM SPARK TEST

- (a) Check for DTCs.

NOTICE:

If a DTC is present, perform troubleshooting procedures for that DTC.

- (b) Check if sparks occur.

- (1) Remove the intake air surge tank (See page [FU-11](#)).
- (2) Remove the ignition coils (with igniter).
- (3) Using a 16 mm plug wrench, remove the spark plugs.
- (4) Install the spark plugs to each ignition coil (with igniter) and connect the ignition connectors.
- (5) Disconnect the 6 injector connectors.
- (6) Ground the spark plugs.
- (7) Check if spark occurs at each spark plug while engine is being cranked.

NOTICE:

- **Be sure to ground the spark plug when checking.**
- **If the ignition coil has been struck or dropped, replace it.**
- **Do not crank the engine for more than 2 seconds.**

- (c) Perform the spark test according to the flowchart below.

- (1) Check that the wire harness side connector of ignition coil with igniter is securely connected.

Result

Result	Proceed to
NG	Connect securely
OK	Go to next step

- (2) Perform a spark test on each ignition coil with igniter.

1. Replace the ignition coil with igniter with a normal one.
2. Perform spark test again.

Result

Result	Proceed to
OK	Replace ignition coil with igniter
NG	Go to next step

- (3) Check the power supply to ignition coil with igniter.

1. Turn the ignition switch on.

2. Check that there is battery voltage at ignition coil positive (+) terminal.

Result

Result	Proceed to
NG	Check wiring between engine switch and ignition coil with igniter
OK	Go to next step

- (4) Check the resistance of the VVT sensor (See page [IG-8](#)).

Standard resistance

Temperature	Specified Condition
Cold	835 to 1,400 Ω
Hot	1,060 to 1,645 Ω

Result

Result	Proceed to
NG	Replace VVT sensor
OK	Go to next step

- (5) Check the resistance of the crankshaft position sensor (See page [ES-368](#)).

Standard resistance

Temperature	Specified Condition
Cold	1,630 to 2,740 Ω
Hot	2,065 to 3,225 Ω

Result

Result	Proceed to
NG	Replace crankshaft position sensor
OK	Go to next step

- (6) Check the IGT signal from the ECM (See page [ES-182](#)).

Result

Result	Proceed to
NG	Check ECM
OK	Repair wiring between ignition coil and ECM

- (d) Using a 16 mm plug wrench, install the spark plug.
Torque: 25 N*m (250 kgf*cm, 18 ft.*lbf)
- (e) Install the ignition coils (with igniter).
Torque: 8.0 N*m (82 kgf*cm, 71 in.*lbf)
- (f) Install the intake air surge tank (See page [FU-15](#)).

INSPECTION

1. INSPECT SPARK PLUG

NOTICE:

- Do not use a wire brush for cleaning.
- Do not attempt to adjust the electrode gap of a used spark plug.
- Spark plug should be replaced every 200,000 km (120,000 miles).

(a) Check the electrode.

- (1) Using a megaohmmeter, measure the insulation resistance.

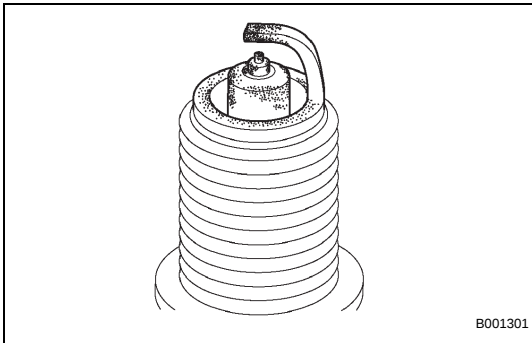
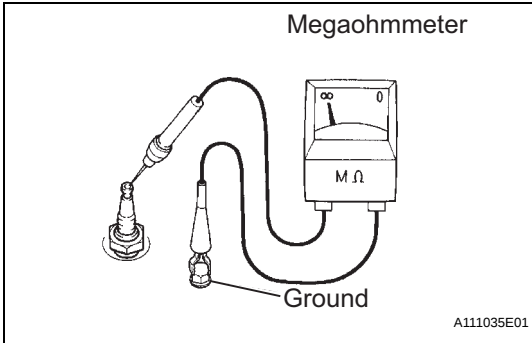
Correct insulation resistance:

10 MΩ or higher

If the resistance is less than the specified value, proceed to step (d).

HINT:

If a megaohmmeter is not available, do the following simple inspection instead.



(b) Alternative inspection method:

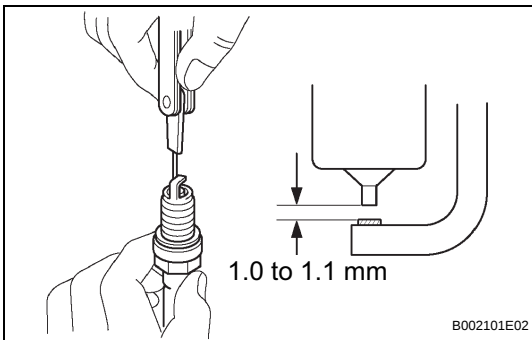
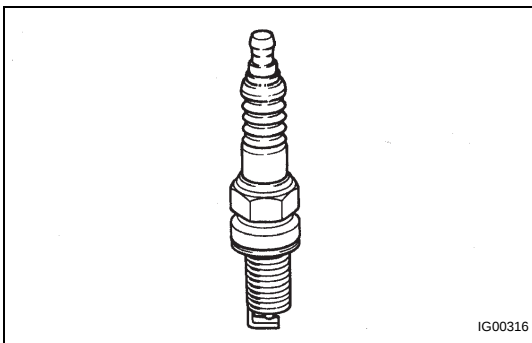
- (1) Quickly accelerate the engine to 4,000 rpm 5 times.
- (2) Remove the spark plug.
- (3) Visually check the spark plug.
- (4) If the electrode is dry...OK.
- (5) If the electrode is wet...Proceed to step (c).
- (6) Reinstall the spark plug.

(c) Check the spark plug for any damage to its thread and insulator.

If there is damage, replace the spark plug.

Recommended spark plug:

DENSO made	SK20R11
NGK made	IFR6A11



(d) Check the spark plug electrode gap.

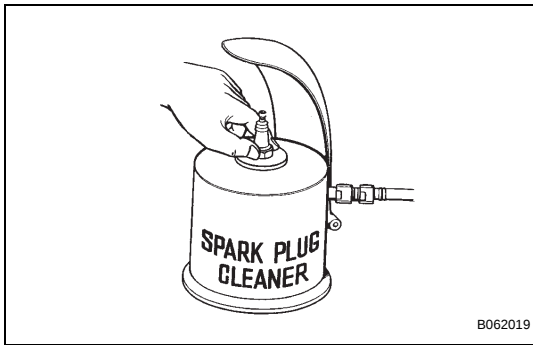
Maximum electrode gap for used spark plug:

1.3 mm (0.051 in.)

If the gap is greater than maximum, replace the spark plug.

Correct electrode gap for new spark plug:

1.0 to 1.1 mm (0.039 to 0.043 in.)



- (e) Clean the spark plugs.
If the electrode has traces of wet carbon, clean the electrode with a spark plug cleaner then dry it.

Air pressure:

Blow 588 kPa (6 kgf/cm², 85 psi)

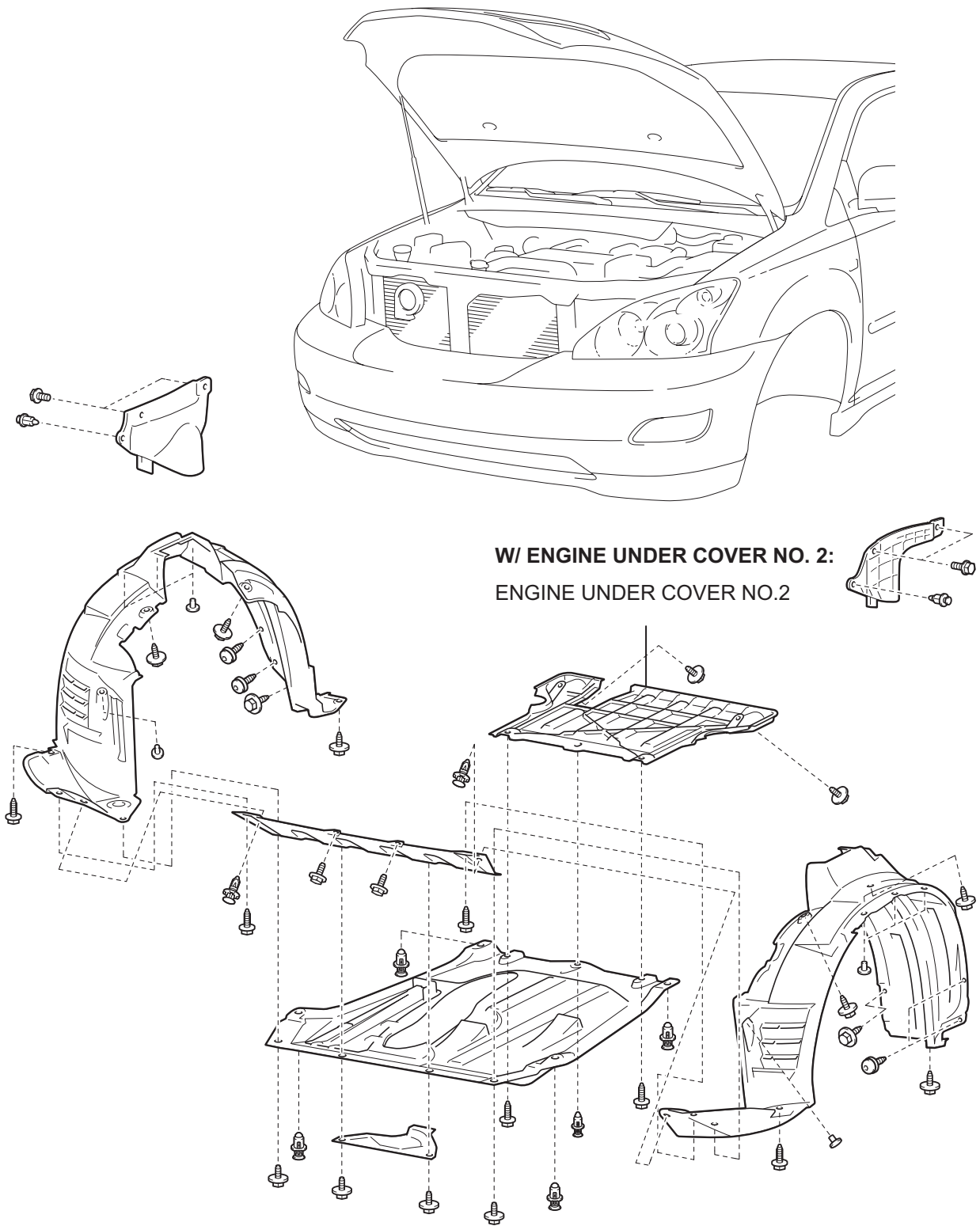
Duration:

20 seconds or less

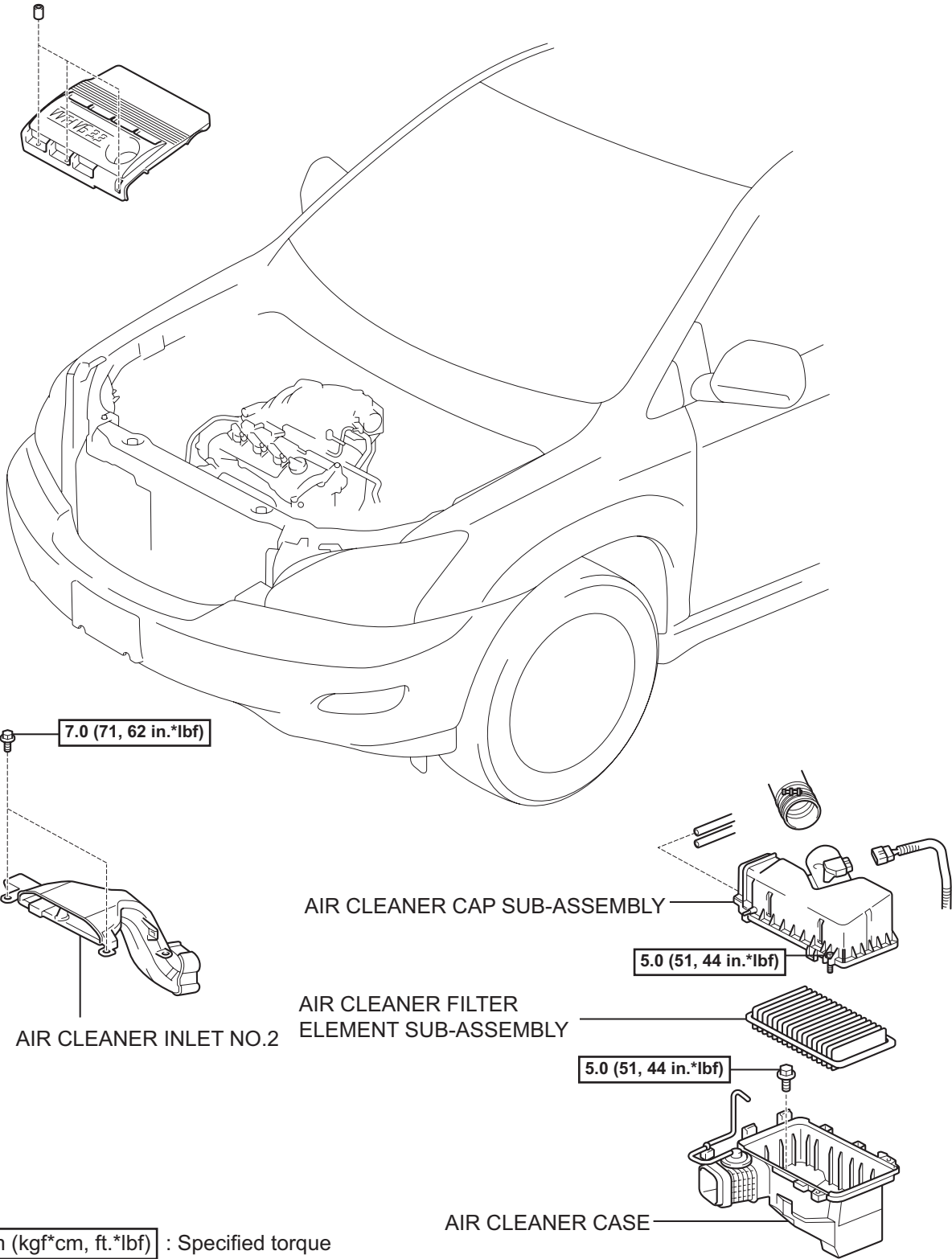
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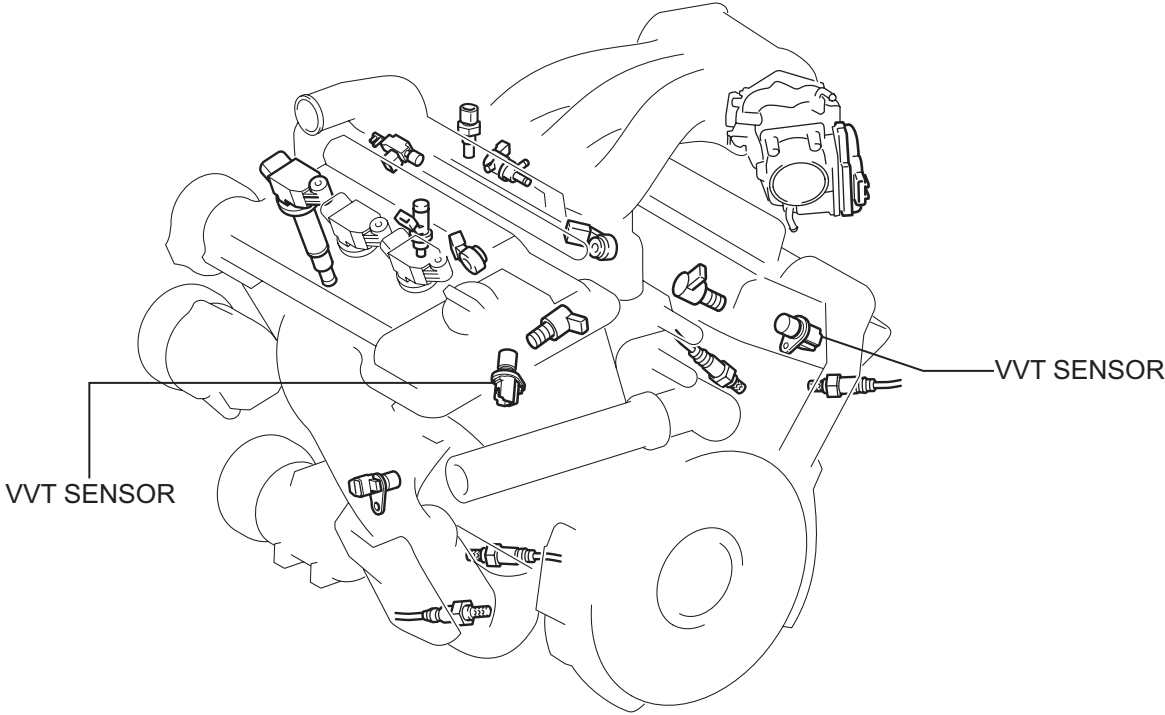
If there are traces of oil, remove them with gasoline before using the spark plug cleaner.

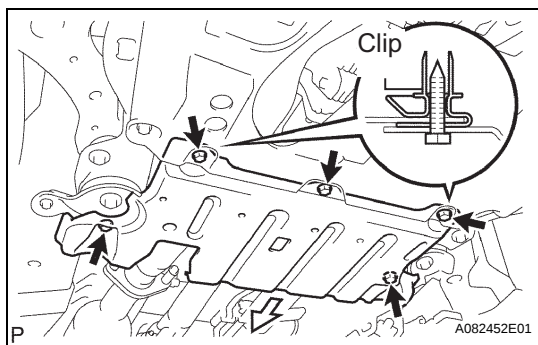
VVT SENSOR COMPONENTS



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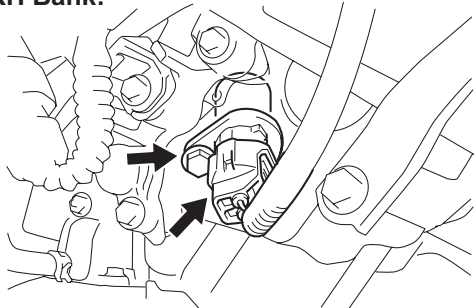




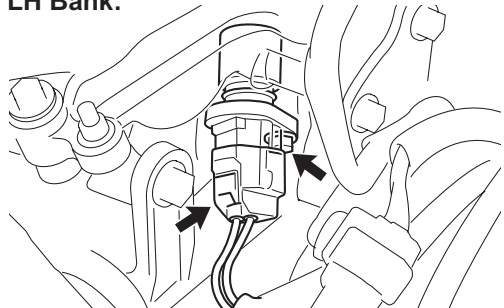
REMOVAL

1. **REMOVE ENGINE UNDER COVER NO.2**
 - (a) w/ engine under cover No. 2.
 - (1) Remove the clip, 2 screws and 2 bolts
 - (2) Slide the engine under cover No. 2 toward the rear to detach it from the retainers, and then remove the engine under cover No. 2.
2. **REMOVE AIR CLEANER INLET NO.2 (See page [ST-5](#))**
3. **REMOVE AIR CLEANER ASSEMBLY (See page [ST-5](#))**
4. **REMOVE VVT SENSOR**
 - (a) Disconnect the 2 VVT sensor connectors.
 - (b) Remove the 2 bolts, and then remove the 2 VVT sensors.

RH Bank:



LH Bank:



INSPECTION

1. INSPECT VVT SENSOR

- (a) Using an ohmmeter, measure the resistance between the terminals.

RESISTANCE:

835 to 1,400 Ω at cold

1,060 to 1,645 Ω at hot

NOTICE:

"Cold" and "Hot" mean the temperature of the coils themselves.

"Cold" is from - 10°C (14°F) to 50°C (122°F) and

"Hot" is from 50°C (122°F) to 100°C (212°F).

INSTALLATION

1. INSTALL VVT SENSOR

- (a) Apply a light coat of engine oil to the O-ring on the VVT sensor.
- (b) Install the 2 VVT sensors with the 2 bolts.
Torque: 8.0 N*m (80 kgf*cm, 71 in.*lbf)
- (c) Connect the 2 VVT sensor connectors.

2. INSTALL AIR CLEANER ASSEMBLY (See page [ST-12](#))

3. INSTALL AIR CLEANER INLET NO.2 (See page [ST-12](#))

4. CHECK CONNECTION OF VACUUM HOSE

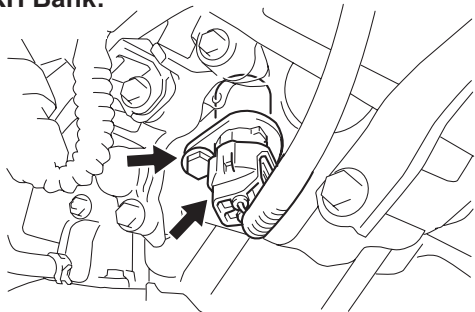
HINT:

See page [EM-127](#).

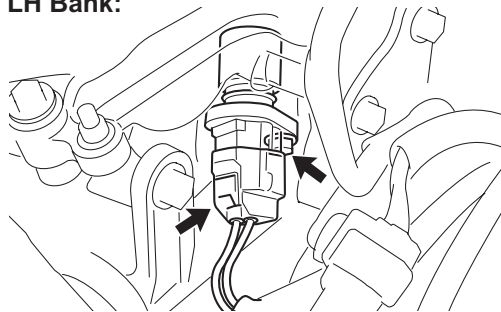
5. INSTALL ENGINE UNDER COVER NO.2

- (a) w/ engine under cover No. 2.

RH Bank:



LH Bank:



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