

HOW TO USE THE DIAGNOSTIC CHART AND INSPECTION PROCEDURE

1. CONNECTOR CONNECTION AND TERMINAL INSPECTION

- For troubleshooting, diagnostic trouble code (DTC) charts or problem symptom charts are provided for each circuit with detailed inspection procedures on the following pages.
- When all the component parts, wire harnesses and connectors of each circuit except the ECU are found to be normal in troubleshooting, then it is determined that the problem is in the ECU. Accordingly, if diagnosis is performed without the problem symptoms occurring, refer to Step 8 to replace the ECU. So always confirm that the problem symptoms are occurring, or proceed with inspection while using the symptom simulation method.
- The instructions "Check wire harness and connector" and "Check and replace ECU" which appear in the inspection procedure, are common and applicable to all diagnostic trouble codes. Follow the procedure outlined below whenever these instructions appear.

OPEN CIRCUIT:

This could be due to a disconnected wire harness, faulty contact in the connector, a connector terminal pulled out, etc.

HINT:

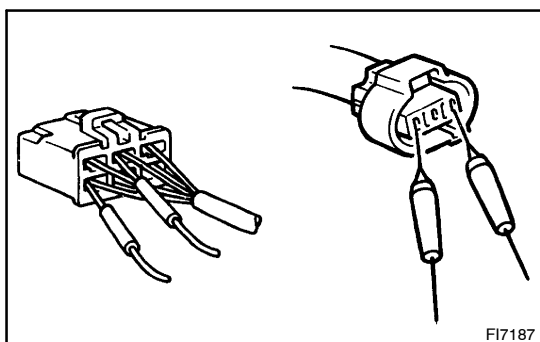
- It is rarely the case that a wire is broken in the middle of it. Most cases occur at the connector. In particular, carefully check the connectors of sensors and actuators.
- Faulty contact could be due to rusting of the connector terminals, to foreign materials entering terminals or a drop in contact pressure between the male and female terminals of the connector. Simply disconnecting and reconnecting the connectors once changes the condition of the connection and may result in a return to normal operation. Therefore, in troubleshooting, if no abnormality is found in the wire harness and connector check, but the problem disappears after the check, then the cause is considered to be in the wire harness or connectors.

SHORT CIRCUIT:

A short circuit be the result of contact between the wire harness and the body ground or a short circuiting switch.

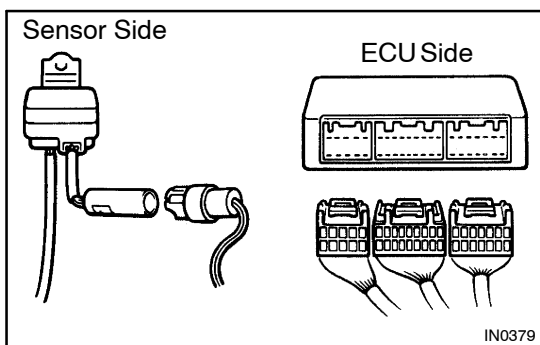
HINT:

When there is a short between the wire harness and body ground, check thoroughly it wire harness is caught in the body or is clamped properly.



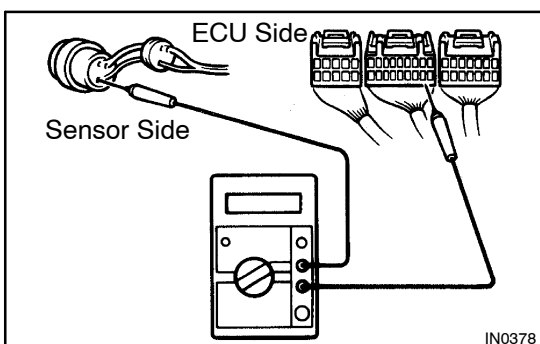
2. CONNECTOR HANDLING

When inserting tester probes into a connector, insert them from the rear of the connector. When necessary, use mini test leads. For water resistant connectors which cannot be accessed from behind, take good care not to deform the connector terminals.



3. CONTINUITY CHECK (OPEN CIRCUIT CHECK)

- (a) Disconnect the connectors at both ECU and sensor sides.

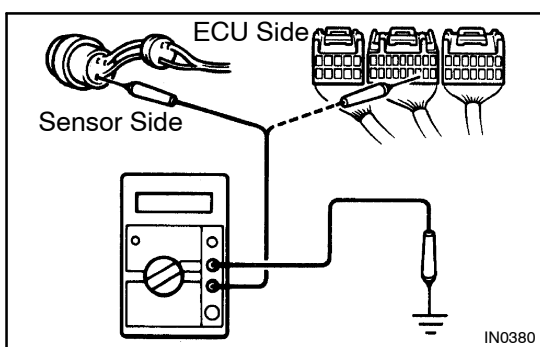


- (b) Measure the resistance between the applicable terminals of the connectors.

Resistance: 1 Ω or less

HINT:

Measure the resistance while lightly shaking the wire harness vertically and horizontally.



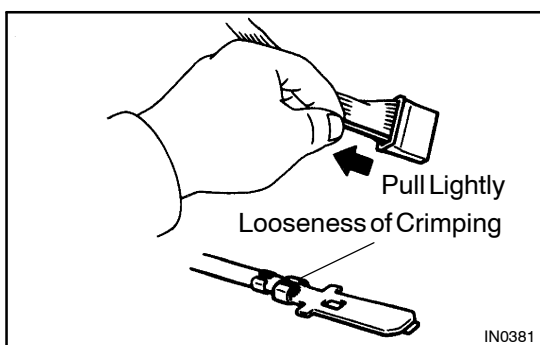
4. RESISTANCE CHECK (SHORT CIRCUIT CHECK)

- (a) Disconnect the connectors at both ends.
(b) Measure the resistance between the applicable terminals of the connectors and body ground. Be sure to carry out this check on the connectors on both ends.

Resistance: 1 M Ω or higher

HINT:

Measure the resistance while lightly shaking the wire harness vertically and horizontally.



5. VISUAL CHECK AND CONTACT PRESSURE CHECK

- (a) Disconnect the connectors at both ends.
(b) Check for rust or foreign material, etc. in the terminals of the connectors.
(c) Check crimped portions for looseness or damage and check if the terminals are secured in the lock portion.

HINT:

The terminals should not come out when pulled lightly from the back.

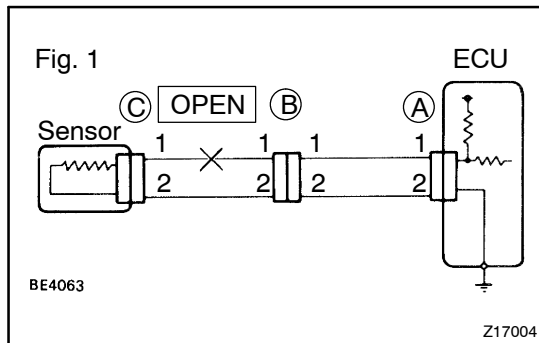
- (d) Prepare a test male terminal and insert it in the female terminal, then pull it out.

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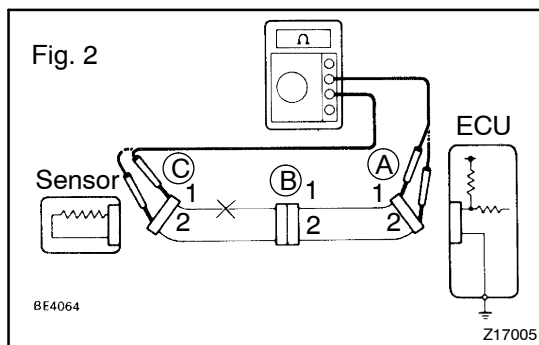
When testing a gold –plated female terminal, always use a gold–plated male terminal.

HINT:

If a test terminal is easier to pull out than others, there may be poor contact in that section.

**6. CHECK OPEN CIRCUIT**

For the open circuit in the wire harness in Fig. 1, performs a continuity check (step (a) below) or a voltage check (step (b) below).



- (a) Check the continuity.

- (1) Disconnect connectors "A" and "C" and measure the resistance between them.

In the case of Fig. 2:

Between terminal 1 of connector "A" and terminal 1 of connector "C" → No continuity (open)

Between terminal 2 of connector "A" and terminal 2 of connector "C" → Continuity

An open circuit exists between terminal 1 of connector "A" and terminal 1 of connector "C".

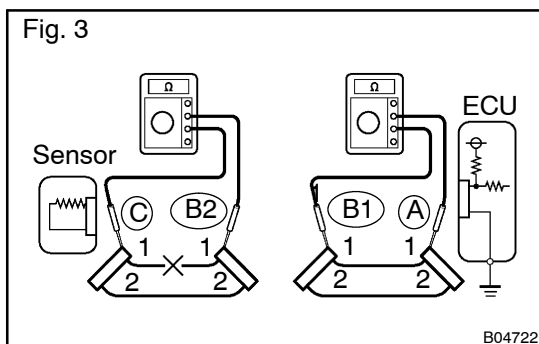
- (2) Disconnect connector "B" and measure the resistance between the connectors.

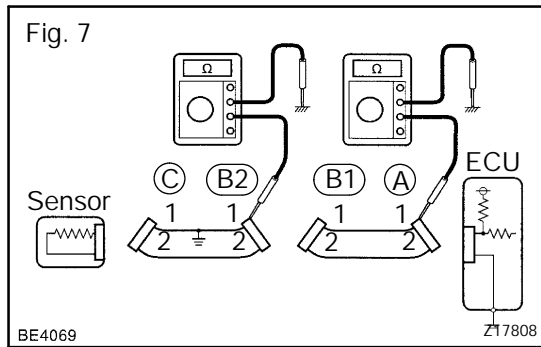
In the case of Fig. 3:

Between terminal 1 of connector "A" and terminal 1 of connector "B1" → Continuity

Between terminal 1 of connector "B2" and terminal 1 of connector "C" → No continuity (open)

An open circuit exists between terminal 1 of connector "B2" and terminal 1 of connector "C".





- (2) Disconnect connector "B" and measure the resistance between terminal 1 of connector "A" and body ground, and terminal 1 of connector "B2" and body ground.

In the case of Fig. 7:

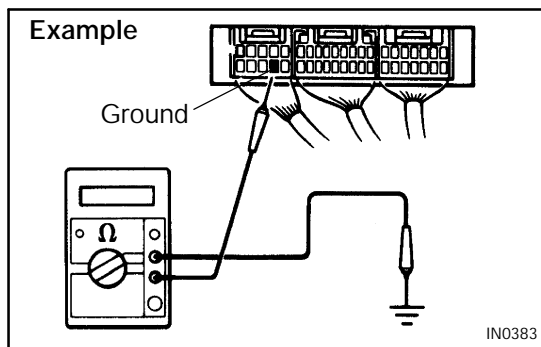
Between terminal 1 of connector "A" and body ground → No continuity

Between terminal 1 of connector "B2" and body ground → Continuity (short)

A short circuit is between terminal 1 of connector "B2" and terminal 1 of connector "C".

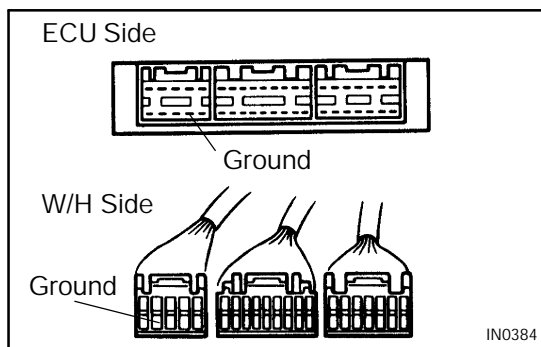
8. CHECK AND REPLACE ECU

First check the ECU ground circuit. If it is faulty, repair it. If it is normal, the ECU could be faulty. Replace the ECU with a normal good one and check that the symptoms appear.



- (1) Measure the resistance between the ECU ground terminal and the body ground.

Resistance: 1 Ω or less



- (2) Disconnect the ECU connector. Check for bent ground terminals (on the ECU side and the wire harness side). for Lastly, check the contact pressure.