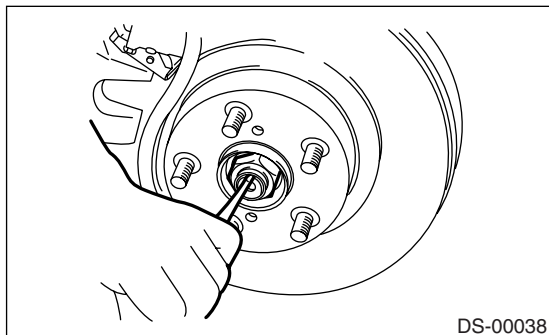


### 3. Front Axle

#### A: REMOVAL

- 1) Lift-up the vehicle, and remove the front wheels.
- 2) Lift the crimped section of axle nut.

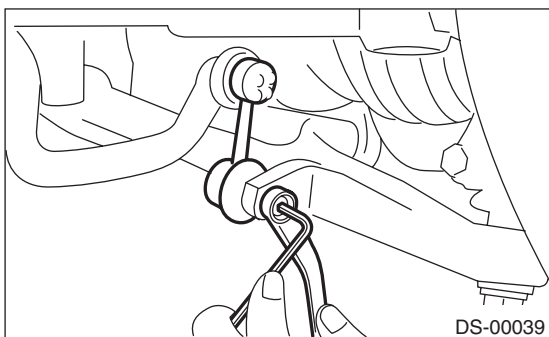


- 3) Remove the axle nut using a socket wrench while depressing the brake pedal.

#### CAUTION:

**Remove the axle nut while there is no load being applied to the axle. Failure to do so may damage the wheel bearings.**

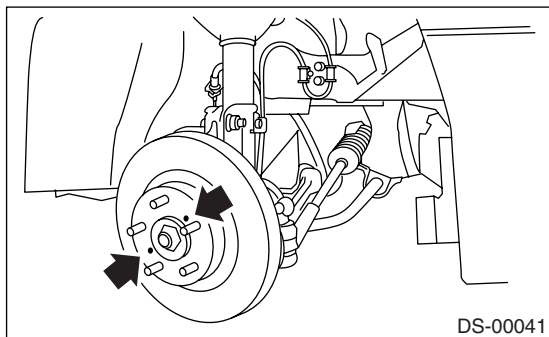
- 4) Remove the stabilizer link.



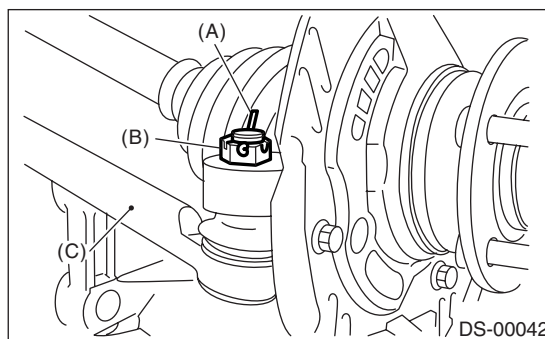
- 5) Remove the disc brake caliper from the housing, and suspend it from strut using a wire.
- 6) Remove the disc rotor from the hub.

#### NOTE:

If the disk rotor seizes up within hub, drive disk rotor out by installing an 8 mm bolt in screw hole on the rotor.

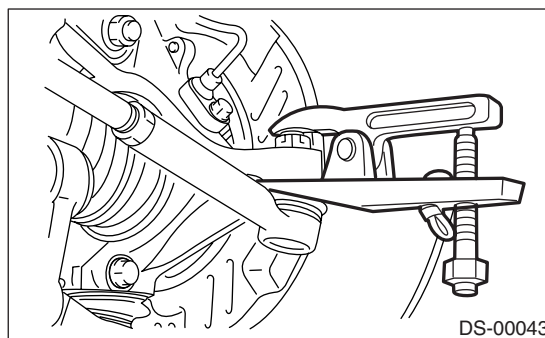


- 7) Remove the cotter pin and castle nut securing the tie-rod end to the housing knuckle arm.

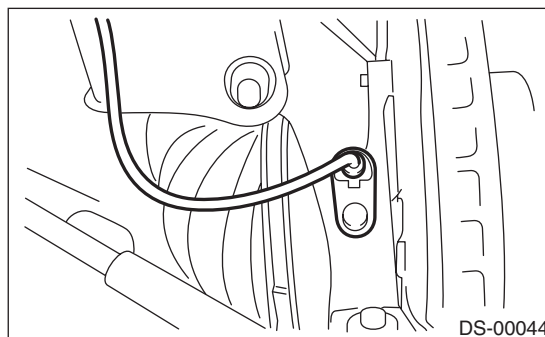


- (A) Cotter pin
- (B) Castle nut
- (C) Tie-rod

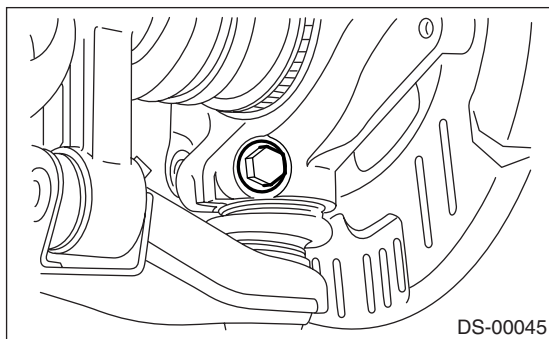
- 8) Using a puller, remove the tie-rod ball joint from knuckle arm.



- 9) Remove the ABS wheel speed sensor assembly and harness.



- 10) Remove the transverse link ball joint from the housing.



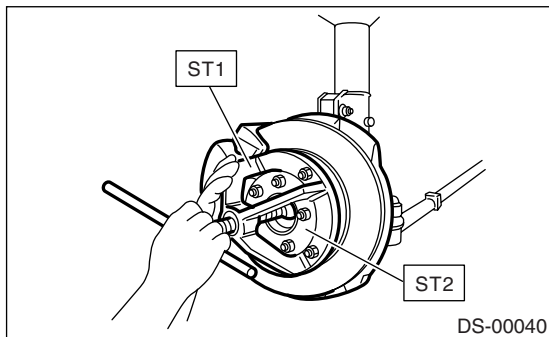
- 11) Remove the front drive shaft assembly from the hub. If it is hard to remove, use the ST.

ST1 926470000 AXLE SHAFT PULLER  
ST2 927140000 AXLE SHAFT PULLER PLATE

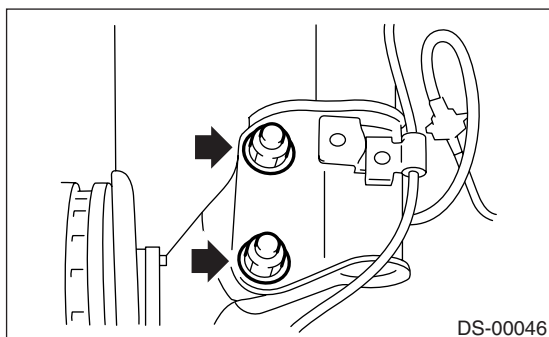
### CAUTION:

Whenever the front drive shaft has been pulled out, always replace the differential side retainer oil seal on the transmission side with a new seal.

- 12) Hang the front drive shaft on the vehicle body using a wire.



- 13) After scribing an alignment mark on the camber adjusting bolt head, remove bolts connecting the housing and strut, and disconnect the housing from the strut.



## B: INSTALLATION

- 1) Temporarily tighten the front axle to the front strut.
- 2) Insert the front drive shaft into the front axle.
- 3) Tighten the axle nut temporarily.
- 4) Install the transverse link ball joint to the housing.

### Tightening torque:

**50 N·m (5.1 kgf-m, 37 ft-lb)**

- 5) Align the alignment mark on the camber adjusting bolt head, and tighten the housing and strut using a new self-locking nut.

### Tightening torque:

**175 N·m (17.8 kgf-m, 129 ft-lb)**

- 6) Install the tie-rod end ball joint to the knuckle arm using the castle nut.

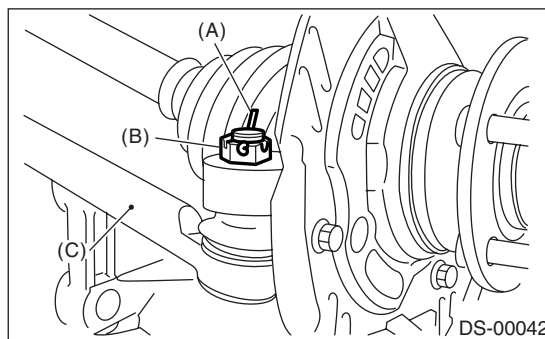
### Tightening torque:

**27 N·m (2.75 kgf-m, 19.9 ft-lb)**

### CAUTION:

When connecting the tie-rod, do not hit the cap at bottom of tie-rod end with a hammer.

- 7) Tighten the castle nut to specified torque and tighten further within 60 until the pin hole is aligned with the slot in nut. Bend the cotter pin to lock.



- (A) Cotter pin  
(B) Castle nut  
(C) Tie-rod

- 8) Install the disc rotor to hub.
- 9) Install the disc brake caliper on the housing.

### Tightening torque:

**80 N·m (8.2 kgf-m, 59 ft-lb)**

- 10) Connect the stabilizer link.

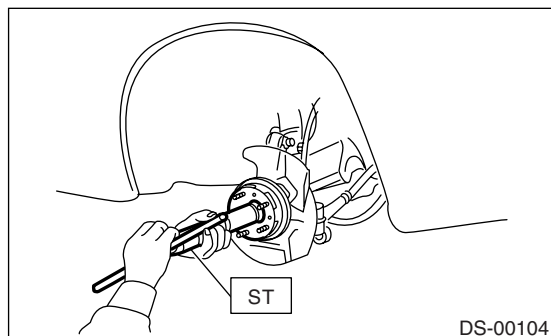
## Front Axle

### DRIVE SHAFT SYSTEM

11) Using ST1 and ST2, pull the front drive shaft into the required position.

ST1 922431000 AXLE SHAFT INSTALLER

ST2 927390000 ADAPTER



12) While pressing the brake pedal, tighten a new axle nut to the specified torque.

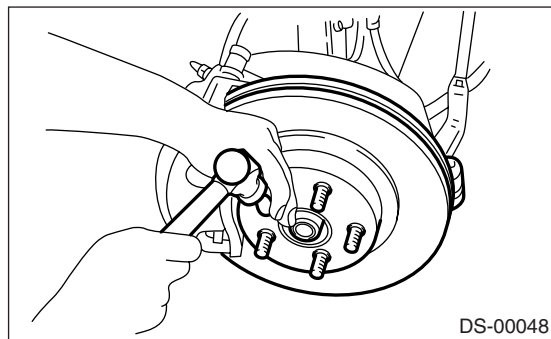
**Tightening torque:**

**220 N·m (22.4 kgf·m, 162 ft·lb)**

**CAUTION:**

**Be sure to tighten the axle nut to specified torque. Do not overtighten it as this may damage the wheel bearing.**

13) After tightening the axle nut, lock it securely.



14) Install the ABS wheel speed sensor on the housing.

**Tightening torque:**

**32 N·m (3.3 kgf·m, 24 ft·lb)**

15) Install the wheel and tighten the wheel nuts to specified torque.

**Tightening torque:**

**90 N·m (9.2 kgf·m, 66 ft·lb)**

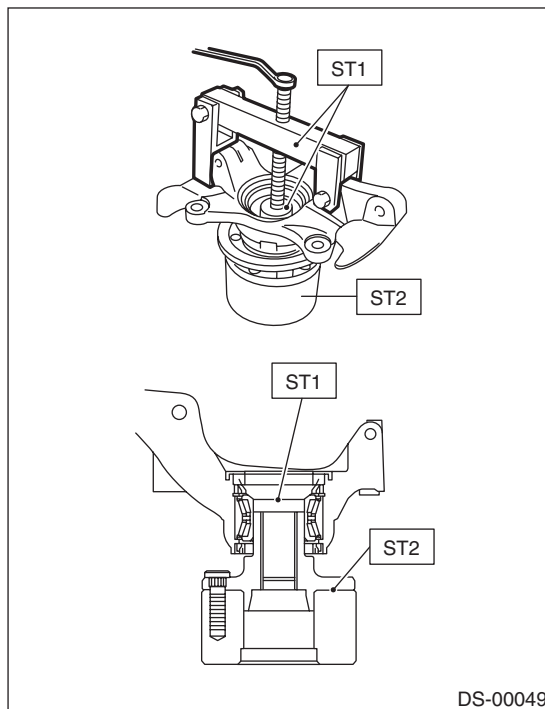
### C: DISASSEMBLY

1) Using ST1, securely support the housing and hub.

2) Attach ST2 to housing and drive hub out.

ST1 927060000 HUB REMOVER

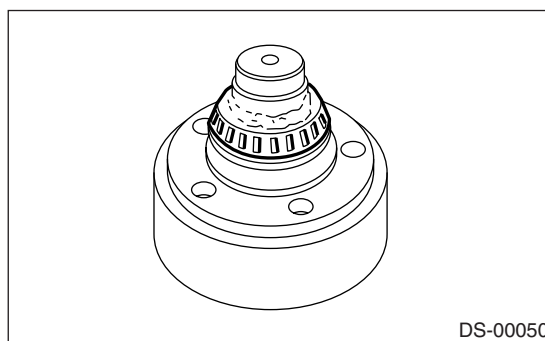
ST2 927080000 HUB STAND



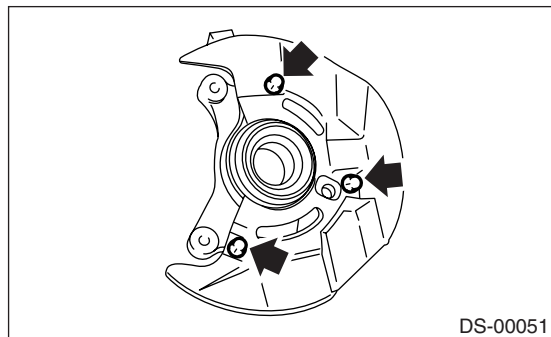
If inner bearing race remains in the hub, remove it with a suitable tool (commercially available tools).

**CAUTION:**

**Be careful not to scratch the polished area of the hub.**



3) Remove the disc cover from housing.

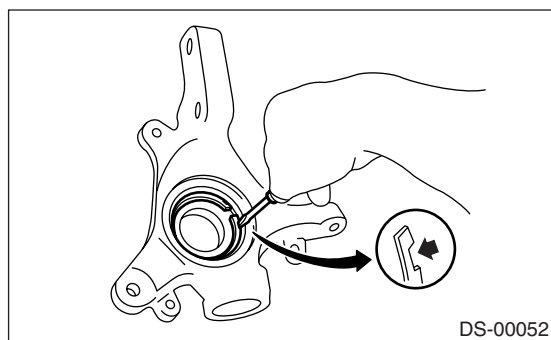


4) Remove the outer and inner oil seals using a flat tip screwdriver.

5) Remove the snap ring using a flat tip screwdriver.

### CAUTION:

**Be careful not to damage the housing during removal.**

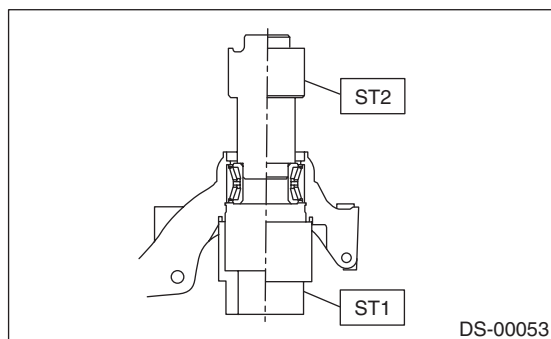


6) Using ST1, securely support the housing.

7) Using ST2, press the inner race, and push out the outer race of the bearing.

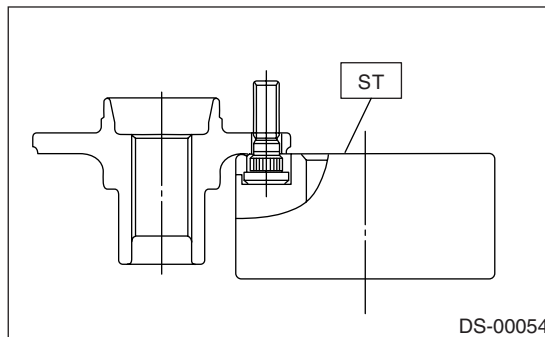
ST1 927400000 HOUSING STAND

ST2 927100000 BEARING PULLER



8) Using the ST and a hydraulic press, push out the hub bolts.

ST 927080000 HUB STAND



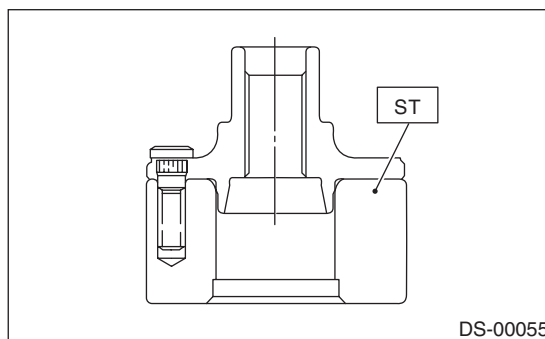
## D: ASSEMBLY

### NOTE:

When the hub is removed from housing, replace the bearing set and oil seal with new parts.

1) Attach the hub to the ST securely.

ST 927080000 HUB STAND



2) Using a press, press the new hub bolts until their seating surfaces contact the hub.

### NOTE:

Use the 12 mm (0.47 in) dia. holes in the HUB STAND to prevent bolts from tilting.

3) Clean the dust or foreign particles from inside the housing.

## Front Axle

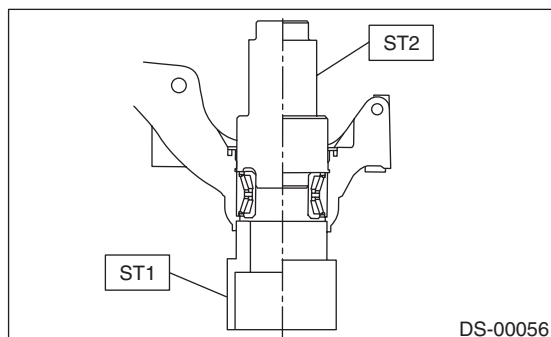
### DRIVE SHAFT SYSTEM

4) Using ST1 and ST2, press a new bearing into place.

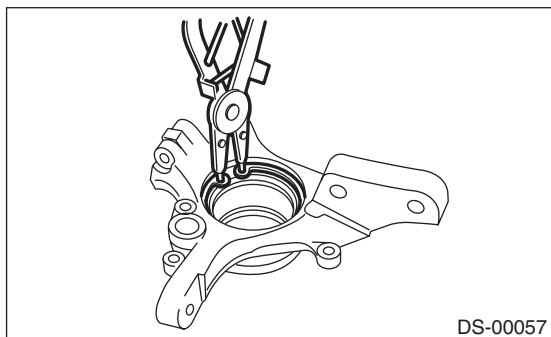
ST1 927400000 HOUSING STAND  
ST2 927100000 BEARING PULLER

#### CAUTION:

- Always press the outer race when installing bearings.
- Be careful not to remove the plastic lock from the inner race when installing the bearings.

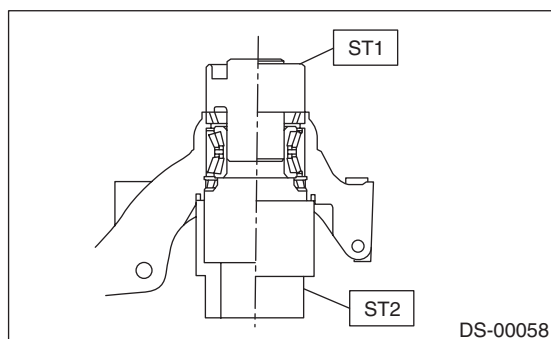


5) Using a pliers, securely install the snap ring.



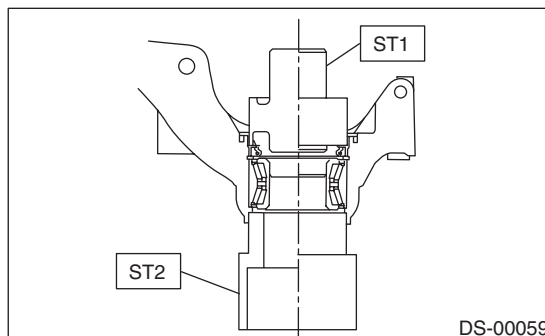
6) Using the ST1 and ST2, press the outer oil seal until it contacts the bottom of housing.

ST1 927410000 OIL SEAL INSTALLER  
ST2 927400000 HOUSING STAND



7) Using the ST1 and ST2, press the inner oil seal until it contacts the circlip.

ST1 927410000 OIL SEAL INSTALLER  
ST2 927400000 HOUSING STAND



8) Invert the ST and housing (up and down).

ST 927400000 HOUSING STAND

9) Apply sufficient grease to the oil seal lip.

#### Grease:

**SHELL 6459N**

#### NOTE:

If specified grease is not available, remove the bearing grease and apply Auto Rex A instead.

#### CAUTION:

**Do not mix different types of grease.**

10) Install the disc cover to housing with three bolts.

#### Tightening torque:

**18 N·m (1.8 kgf·m, 13.0 ft·lb)**

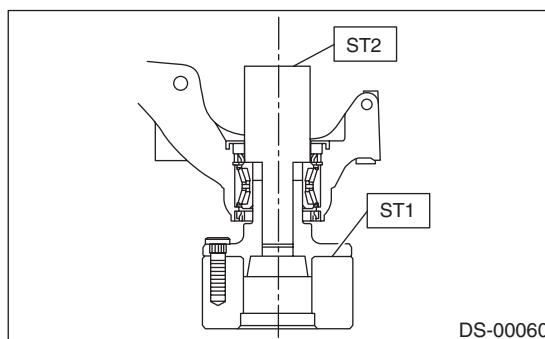
11) Attach the hub to ST1 securely.

12) Clean dust and foreign particles from the polished surface of hub.

13) Place ST2 against the bearing inner race to press the bearing into the hub.

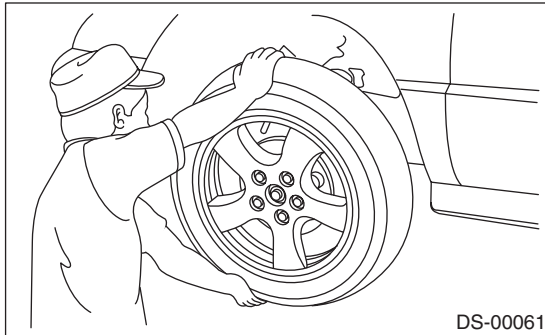
ST1 927080000 HUB STAND

ST2 927120000 HUB INSTALLER



**E: INSPECTION**

1) While moving the front tire up and down by hand, check that there is no looseness in the bearing, and check that the wheel rotates smoothly.



2) Inspect the play in the axial direction using a dial gauge. Replace the hub bearing if the play exceeds the limit value.

**Limit:**

**Max:**

**0.05 mm (0.0020 in)**

