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INTRODUCTION HOW TO TROUBLESHOOT ECU CONTROLLED SYSTEMS HOW TO PROCEED WITH TROUBLESHOOTING

#### **OPERATION FLOW**

#### HINT:

Perform troubleshooting in accordance with the procedure below. The following is an outline of basic troubleshooting procedure. Confirm the troubleshooting procedure for the circuit you are working on before beginning troubleshooting.

## 1.VEHICLE BROUGHT TO WORKSHOP

## **2.CUSTOMER PROBLEM ANALYSIS**

a. Ask the customer about the conditions and environment when the problem occurred.

#### **3.INSPECT BATTERY VOLTAGE**

a. Measure the battery voltage.

Standard voltage:

for 12 V battery: 11 to 14 V for 24 V battery: 20 to 24 V

If the voltage is below 11 V or 20 V, recharge or replace the battery before proceeding.

#### 4.SYMPTOM CONFIRMATION AND DTC (AND FREEZE FRAME DATA) CHECK

- a. Visually check the wire harnesses, connectors and fuses for open and short circuits.
- **b.** Warm up the engine to the normal operating temperature.
- **c.** Confirm the problem symptoms and conditions, and check for DTCs.

# Result:

| Result            | Proceed to   |
|-------------------|--------------|
| DTC is output     | Go to step 5 |
| DTC is not output | Go to step 6 |

#### **5.DTC CHART**

**a.** Find the output DTC in the DTC chart. Look at the Trouble Area column for a list of potentially malfunctioning circuits and/or parts.

## **Result:**

| Proceed to   |
|--------------|
| Go to step 7 |

#### **6.PROBLEM SYMPTOMS CHART**

**a.** Find the problem symptoms in the problem symptoms table. Look at the Suspected Area column for a list of potentially malfunctioning circuits and/or parts.

## 7.CIRCUIT INSPECTION OR PARTS INSPECTION

a. Identify the malfunctioning circuit or part.

#### **8.ADJUST, REPAIR OR REPLACE**

a. Adjust, repair or replace the malfunctioning circuit or parts.

#### 9.CONFIRMATION TEST

- a. After the adjustment, repairs or replacement of components, confirm that the malfunction no longer exists. If the malfunction does not recur, perform a confirmation test under the same conditions and in the same environment as when the malfunction first occurred.
- b. END

## **CUSTOMER PROBLEM ANALYSIS**

#### HINT:

- When troubleshooting, confirm that the problem symptoms have been accurately identified. Preconceptions should be discarded in order to make an accurate judgment. To clearly understand what the problem symptoms are, it is extremely important to ask the customer about the problem and the conditions at the time the malfunction occurred.
- Gather as much information as possible for reference. Past problems that seem unrelated may also help in some cases.

• The following 5 items are important points for problem analysis:

| What                   | Vehicle model, system name             |
|------------------------|--|
| When                   | Date, time, occurrence frequency       |
| Where                  | Road conditions                        |
| Under what conditions? | Driving conditions, weather conditions |
| How did it happen?     | Problem symptoms                       |

## SYMPTOM CONFIRMATION AND DIAGNOSTIC TROUBLE CODE

## HINT:

The diagnostic system in this vehicle has various functions.

- The first function is the Diagnostic Trouble Code (DTC) check. A DTC is a code stored in the ECU memory whenever
  a malfunction in the signal circuits to the ECU occurs. In a DTC check, DTCs stored by a previous malfunction can
  be checked by a technician during troubleshooting.
- Another function is the Input Signal Check, which checks if the signals from various switches are sent to the ECU correctly.

By using these functions, the problem areas can be narrowed down and troubleshooting can be more effective. Diagnostic functions are incorporated in the following systems of this vehicle.

| System                 |                                  | Symptom Confirmation and Diagnostic Trouble Code |                         |  |           |                |                        |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|-----------|----------------|------------------------|
|                        | DTC<br>Check<br>(Normal<br>Mode) | DTC<br>Check<br>(Check<br>Mode)                  | Freeze<br>Frame<br>Data | Sensor<br>Check/Test<br>Mode<br>(Input<br>Signal<br>Check) | Data List | Active<br>Test | Customize<br>Parameter |
| SFI System (1GR-FE)    | 0                                | 0  | 0                       | -  | 0         | 0              | -                      |
| ECD system (1HZ)       | 0                                | -  | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| ECD system (1VD-FTV)   | 0                                | 0  | 0                       | -  | 0         | 0              | -                      |
| Transfer System (BF1B) | -                                | -  | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Transfer System (HF1A) | -                                | -  | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |

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|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------|----------------|------------------------|
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| Anti-lock Brake System               | 0  | -                               | 0                       | 0  | 0         | 0              | -                      |
| Power Steering System                | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Audio and Visual<br>System           | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Charging System<br>(1GR-FE)          | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Charging System<br>(1HZ)             | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Charging System<br>(1VD-FTV)         | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Power Door Lock<br>Control System    | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Wireless Door Lock<br>Control System | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Key Reminder Warning<br>System       | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Immobiliser System                   | 0  | -                               | -                       | -  | 0         | 0              | -                      |
| Lighting System (INT)                | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Meter / Gauge System                 | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | 0         | -              | 0                      |
| Clock System                         | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Airbag System                        | 0  | 0                               | -                       | -  | 0         | -              | -                      |
| Seat Belt Warning<br>System          | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | 0                      |
| Air Conditioning<br>System           | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Power Window Control<br>System       | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Window Defogger<br>System            | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Power Mirror Control<br>System       | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Wiper and Washer<br>System           | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Lighting System (EXT)                | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Horn System                          | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |
| Winch System                         | -  | -                               | -                       | -  | -         | -              | -                      |

- In the DTC check, it is very important to determine whether the problem indicated by the DTC either: 1) still occurs, or 2) occurred in the past but has returned to normal. In addition, the DTC should be compared to the problem symptom to see if they are related. For this reason, DTCs should be checked before and after confirmation of symptoms (i.e., whether or not problem symptoms exist) to determine current system conditions, as shown in the flowchart below.
- Never skip the DTC check. Failing to check for DTCs, depending on the case, may result in unnecessary troubleshooting for systems operating normally or lead to repairs not related to the problem. Follow the procedure listed in the flowchart in the correct order.
- The following flowchart shows how to proceed with troubleshooting using the DTC check. Directions from the flowchart will indicate how to proceed either to DTC troubleshooting or to the troubleshooting of each problem symptom.

1.DTC CHECK

#### 3.SYMPTOM CONFIRMATION

#### Result:

| Result            | Proceed to   |
|-------------------|--------------|
| No symptoms exist | Go to step 4 |
| Symptoms exist    | Go to step 5 |

# **4.SIMULATION TEST USING SYMPTOM SIMULATION METHODS**

#### **5.DTC CHECK**

### **Result:**

| Result              | Proceed to                                      |
|---------------------|---|
| DTCs are not output | Go to step 6                                    |
| DTCs are output     | TROUBLESHOOT FOR<br>PROBLEM INDICATED BY<br>DTC |

#### **6.SYMPTOM CONFIRMATION**

#### Result:

| Result            | Proceed to                            |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Symptoms exist    | TROUBLESHOOT FOR EACH PROBLEM SYMPTOM |
| No symptoms exist | END                                   |

If a DTC was displayed in the initial DTC check, the problem may have occurred in a wire harness or connector in that circuit in the past. Check the wire harness and connectors.

## **SYMPTOM SIMULATION**

#### HINT:

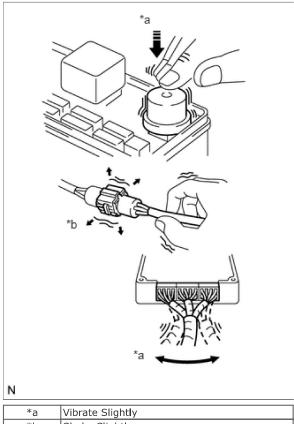
The most difficult case in troubleshooting is when no problem symptoms occur. In such a case, a thorough problem analysis must be carried out. A simulation of the same or similar conditions and environment in which the problem occurred in the customer's vehicle should be carried out. No matter how much skill or experience a technician has, troubleshooting without confirming the problem symptoms will lead to important repairs being overlooked and mistakes or delays.

# For example:

With a problem that only occurs when the engine is cold or as a result of vibration caused by the road during driving, the problem can never be determined if the symptoms are being checked on a stationary vehicle or a vehicle with a warmed-up engine. Vibration, heat or water penetration (moisture) is difficult to reproduce. The following symptom simulation tests are effective substitutes for the conditions and can be applied to a stationary vehicle. Important points in the symptom simulation test:

In the symptom simulation test, the problem symptoms as well as the problem area or parts must be confirmed. First, narrow down the possible problem circuits according to the symptoms. Then, connect the tester and carry out the symptom simulation test, judging whether the circuit being tested is defective or normal. Also, confirm the problem symptoms at the same time. Refer to Problem Symptoms Table for each system to narrow down the possible causes.

To reproduce DTCs, it is necessary to satisfy the respective DTC detection conditions.



| *a | Vibrate Slightly |
|----|------------------|
| *b | Shake Slightly   |

VIBRATION METHOD: When a malfunction seems to occur as a result of vibration.

## i. PARTS OR SENSORS

Apply slight vibration with a finger to the part or sensor suspected to be the cause of the problem, and check whether the malfunction occurs.

#### **NOTICE:**

Applying strong vibration to relays may open the relays.

#### CONNECTORS ii.

Slightly shake the connector vertically and horizontally.

## WIRE HARNESS

Slightly shake the wire harness vertically and horizontally.

# HINT:

The connector joint and fulcrum of the vibration are the major areas that should be checked thoroughly.

- HEAT METHOD: When a malfunction seems to occur when the area in question is heated.
  - i. Heat the component that is the possible cause of the malfunction with a hair dryer or similar device. Check if the malfunction occurs.

### NOTICE:

- Do not heat components to more than 60°C (140°F). Exceeding this temperature may damage the components.
- Do not apply heat directly to parts in an ECU.

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WATER SPRINKLING METHOD: When a malfunction seems to occur on a rainy day or in high-humidity.

i. Sprinkle water onto the vehicle and check if the malfunction occurs.

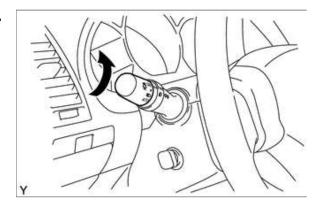
#### NOTICE:

- Never sprinkle water directly into the engine compartment. Indirectly change the temperature and humidity by spraying water onto the front of the radiator.
- · Never apply water directly onto the electronic components.

#### HINT:

If the vehicle has or had a water leak problem, the leak may have damaged the ECU or connections. Look for evidence of corrosion or short circuits. Proceed with caution during water tests.





HIGH ELECTRICAL LOAD METHOD: When a malfunction seems to occur when the electrical load is high.

i. Turn on the heater blower, headlights, rear window defogger and all other electrical loads. Check if the malfunction recurs.

# **DIAGNOSTIC TROUBLE CODE CHART**

Look for output Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) (from the DTC checks) in the Diagnostic Trouble Code chart of the appropriate section. Use the chart to determine the trouble area and the proper inspection procedure. A description of each of the columns of the chart is shown in the table below.

| Item                    | Description   |
|-------------------------|---|
| DTC No.                 | Indicates the diagnostic trouble code.  |
| Detection Item          | Indicates the system or details of the problem.   |
| DTC Detection Condition | Indicates the condition in which a DTC is stored.   |
| Trouble Area            | Indicates the suspected areas of the problem.   |
| Link                    | Indicates the page where the inspection procedure for each circuit is to be found, or gives instruction for checking and repairs. |

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