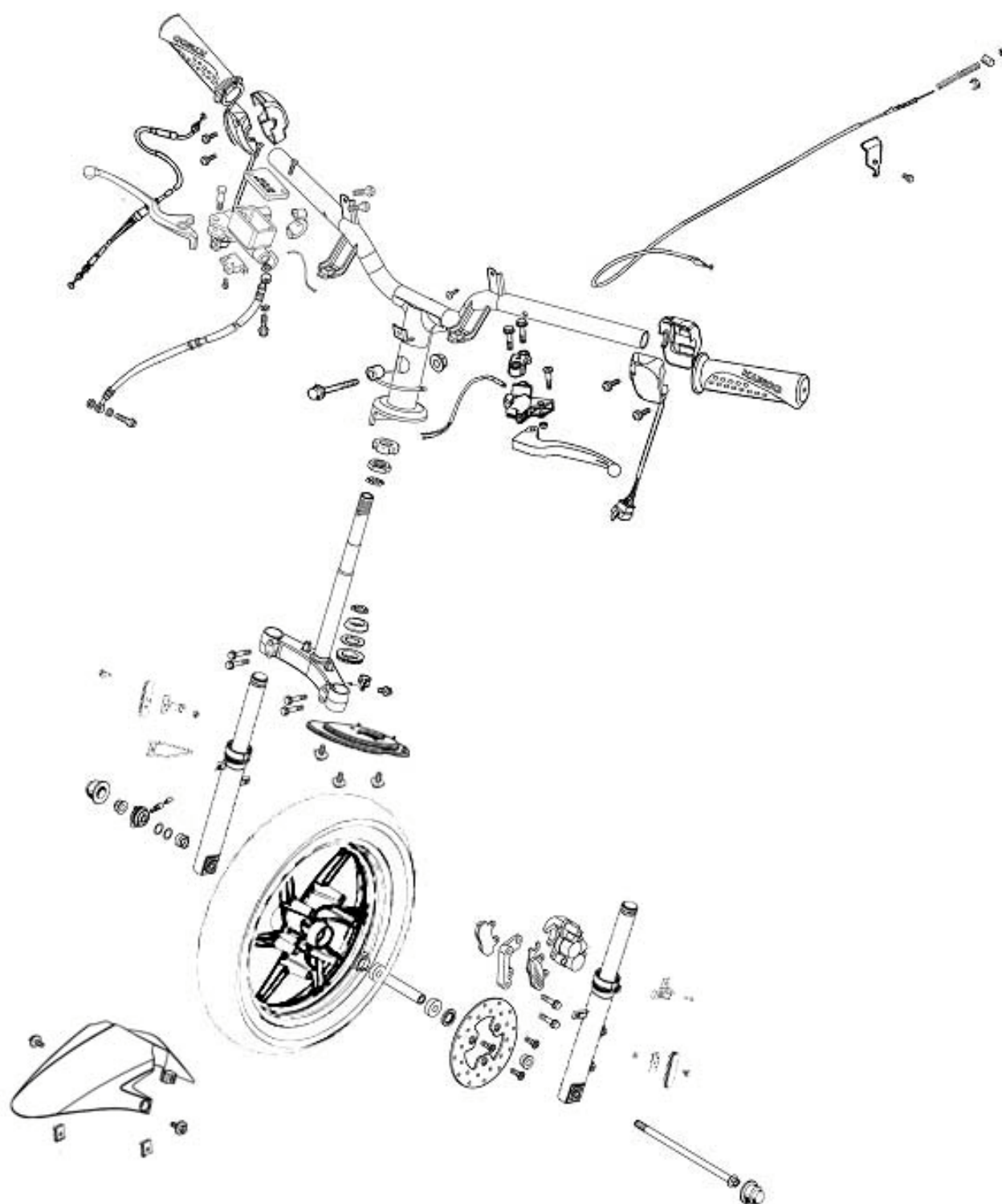


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SERVICE INFORMATION

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Remove the motorcycle frame covers before removing the front wheel. Jack the motorcycle front wheel off the ground and be careful to prevent the motorcycle from falling down.
- During servicing, keep oil or grease off the brake drum and brake linings.

SPECIFICATIONS

Item		Standard (mm)	Service Limit (mm)
Axle shaft runout		—	0.2
Front wheel rim runout	Radial	—	2.0
	Axial	—	2.0
Front shock absorber spring free length		230	226.5

TORQUE VALUES

Handlebar bolt	4.5~5.5kgf-m
Steering stem lock nut	6.0~8.0kgf-m
Steering top cone race	0.5~1.3kgf-m
Front shock absorber bolt	3.0kgf-m
Front axle nut	5.0~7.0kgf-m
Brake arm bolt	0.8~1.2kgf-m

SPECIAL TOOLS

Long socket wrench, 32mm 8angle

TROUBLESHOOTING

Hard steering (heavy)

- Excessively tightened steering stem top cone race
- Broken steering balls
- Insufficient tire pressure

Steers to one side or does not track straight

- Uneven front shock absorbers
- Bent front fork
- Bent front axle or uneven tire

Front wheel wobbling

- Bent rim
- Excessive wheel bearing play
- Bent spoke plate
- Faulty tire
- Improperly tightened axle nut

Soft front shock absorber

- Weak shock springs
- Insufficient damper oil

Front shock absorber noise

- Slider bending
- Loose fork fasteners
- Lack of lubrication

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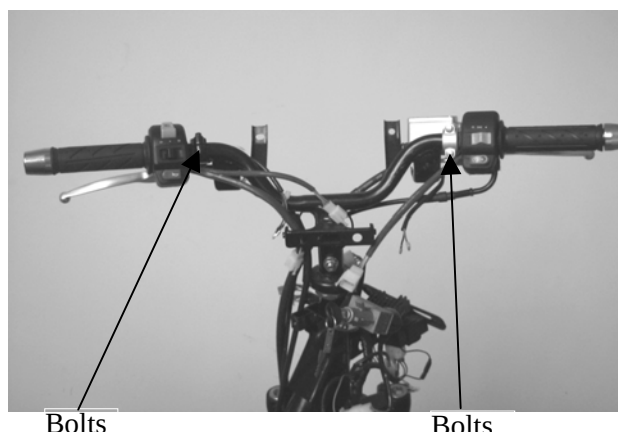
STEERING HANDLEBAR

REMOVAL

Remove the handlebar front and rear covers.
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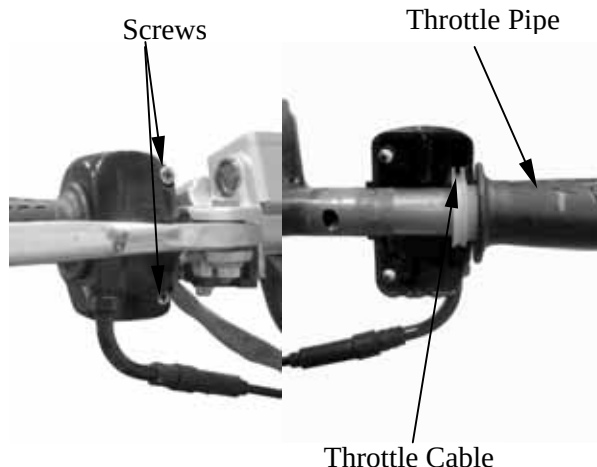
Remove the two bolts attaching each of the
front and rear brake levers.

Remove the front and rear brake levers.

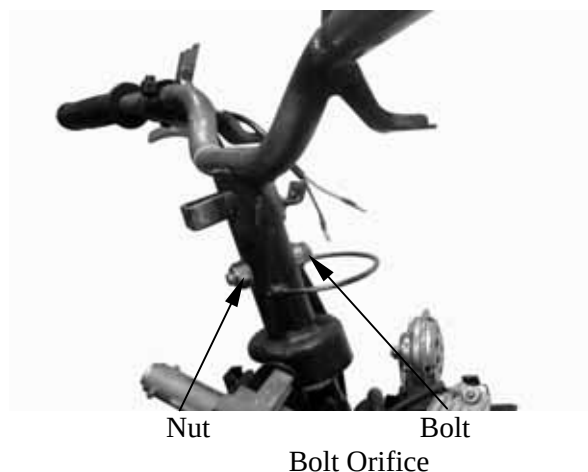


Remove the two throttle holder screws and
throttle holder.

Disconnect the throttle cable from the throttle
pipe and then remove the throttle pipe from
the handlebar.



Remove the handlebar lock nut and bolt to
remove the handlebar.



INSTALLATION

Install the handlebar onto the steering stem
by aligning the tab on the handlebar with the
bolt orifice on the steering stem.

Install and tighten the handlebar bolt and lock
nut.

Torque: 4.5~5.5kgf-m

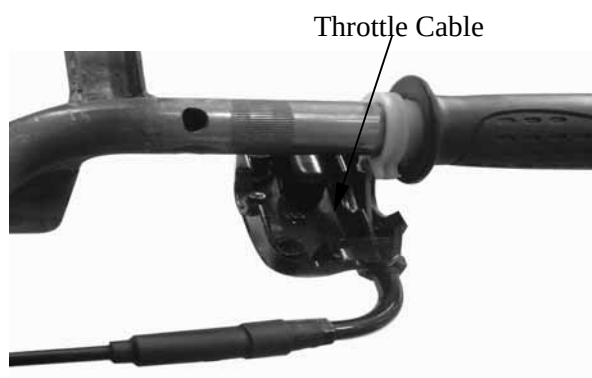


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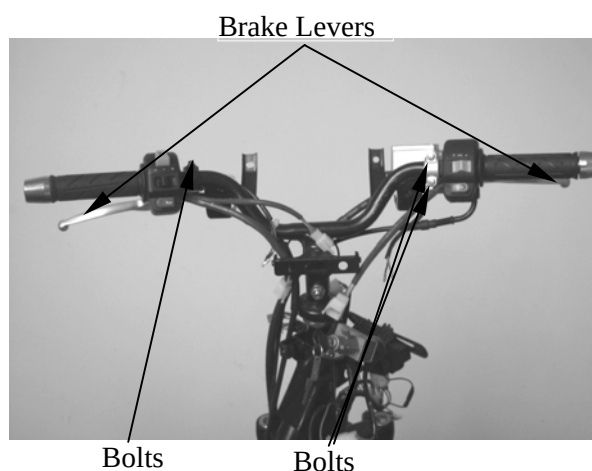


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Apply grease to the tip of the throttle pipe.
Install the throttle pipe and connect the
throttle cable.



Install the front and rear brake levers in the
reverse order of removal.



FRONT WHEEL REMOVAL

Jack the motorcycle front wheel off the
ground.
Remove the speedometer cable set screw and
disconnect the speedometer cable.
Remove the front axle nut and pull out the
axle.
Remove the front wheel.
Remove the and speedometer gear box and
side collar.

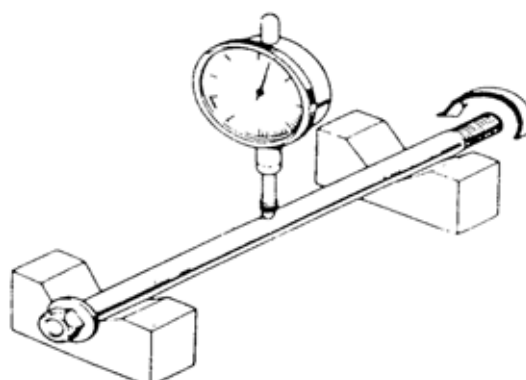


INSPECTION

AXLE RUNOUT

Set the axle in V blocks and measure the
runout using a dial gauge.
The actual runout is $\frac{1}{2}$ of the total indicator
reading.

Service Limit: 0.2mm replace if over



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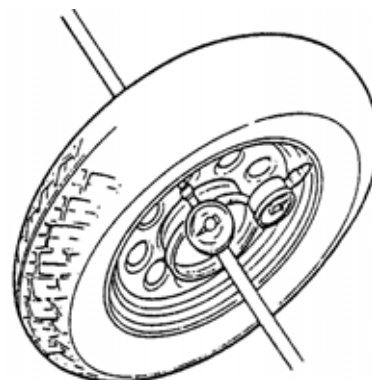
WHEEL RIM

Check the wheel rim runout.

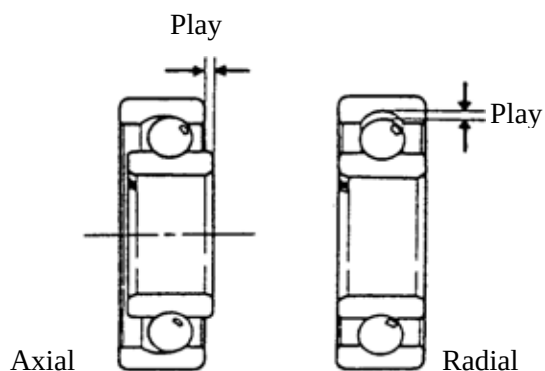
Service Limits:

Radial: 2.0mm replace if over

Axial: 2.0mm replace if over

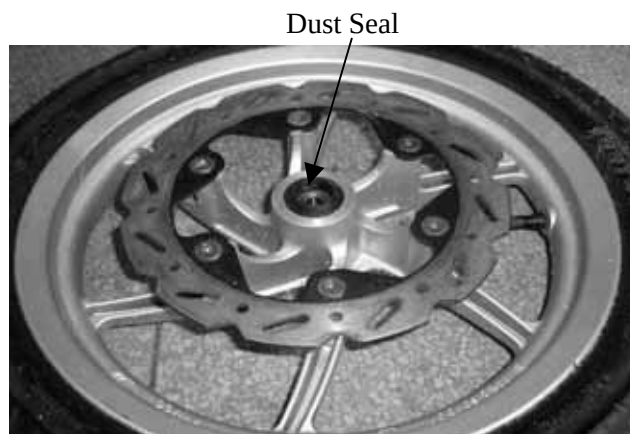


Turn the wheel bearings and replace the bearings if they are noisy or have excessive play.



DISASSEMBLY

Remove the dust seal.



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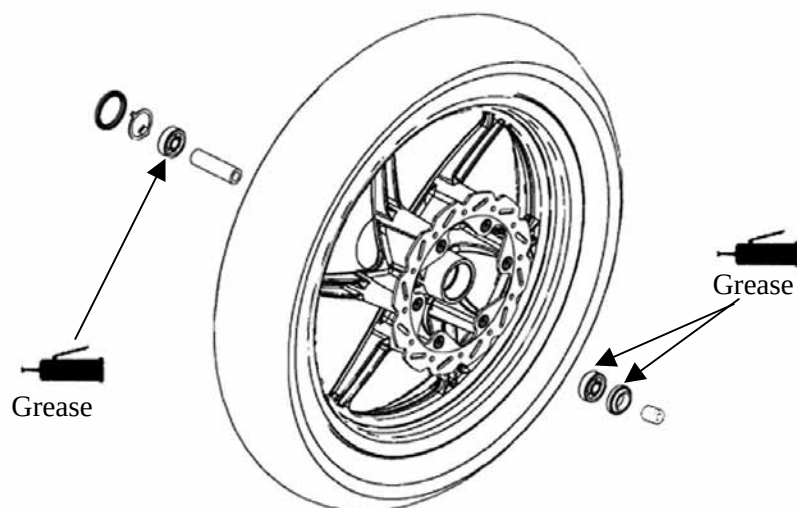
Remove the front wheel bearings and distance collar.

Special

Bearing Puller

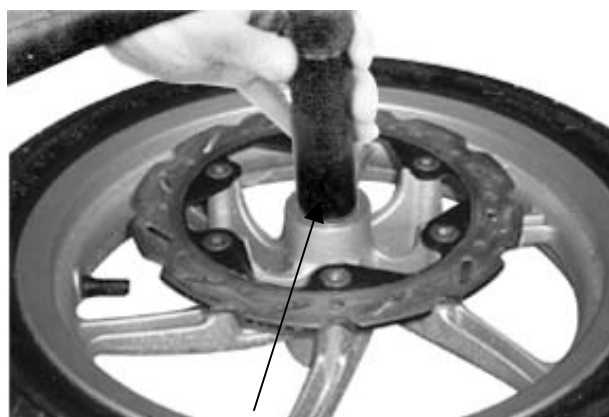


ASSEMBLY



Pack all bearing cavities with grease.
Drive in the left bearing.
Install the distance collar.
Drive in the right bearing.

* Drive in the bearing squarely with the sealed end facing out.

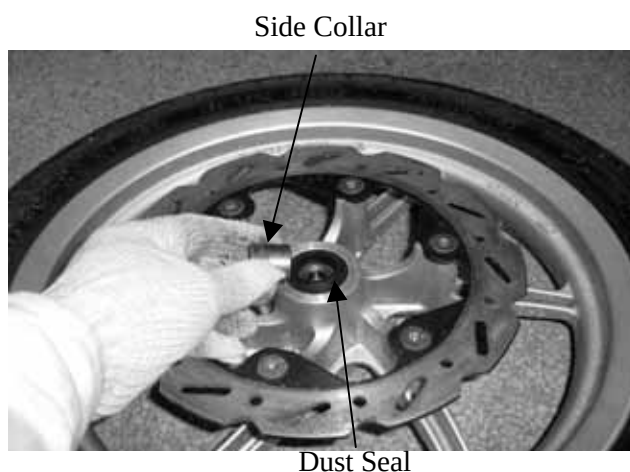


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Apply grease to a new dust seal lip and install the dust seal.
Install the side collar.



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HYDRAULIC BRAKE (FRONT BRAKE)

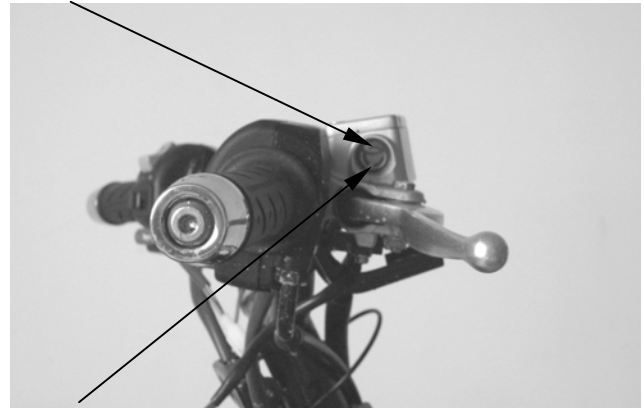
Brake Fluid Replacement/Air Bleeding

Check the brake fluid level on level ground.



- When operating the brake lever, the brake reservoir cap must be tightened securely to avoid spill of brake fluid.
- When servicing the brake system, use shop towels to cover plastic parts and coated surfaces to avoid damage caused by spill of brake fluid.

Upper Limit



Lower Limit

Brake Fluid Bleeding

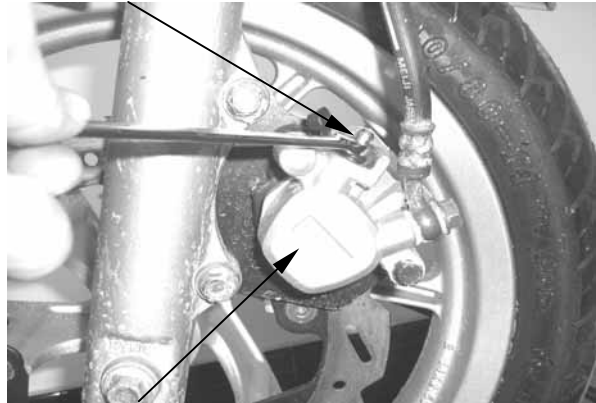
In order to avoid spill of brake fluid, connect a transparent hose to the bleed valve.

Warning

Brake fluid spilled on brake pads or brake disk will reduce the braking effect. Clean the brake pads and brake disk with a high quality brake degreaser.

Fully apply the brake lever and then loosen the brake caliper bleed valve to drain the brake fluid until there is no air bubbles in the brake fluid. Then, tighten the bleed valve. Repeat these steps until the brake system is free of air.

Bleed Valve



Front Brake Caliper

Brake Fluid Refilling

Add DOT-4 brake fluid to the brake reservoir.



- When bleeding, be careful not to allow air in the brake reservoir flowing into the brake system.
- When using a brake bleeder, follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Never use dirty or unspecified brake fluid or mix different brake fluids because it will damage the brake system.

Make sure to bleed air from the brake system.

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Brake Pad/Disk Replacement



The brake pads must be replaced as a set to ensure the balance of the brake disk.

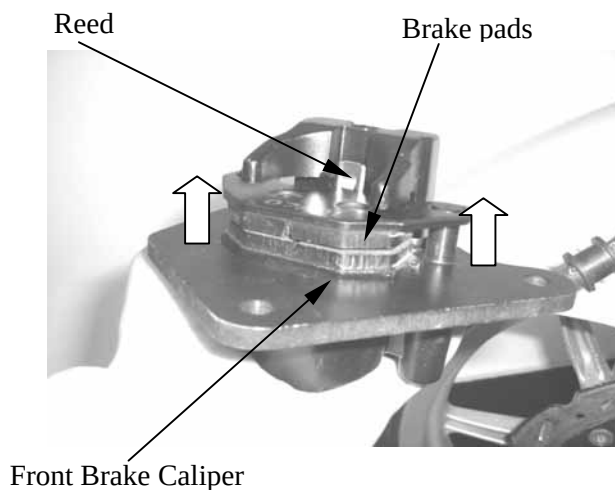
Remove the two bolts attaching the brake caliper.

Remove the brake caliper.

Downpress reed and remove the brake pads.
Install the brake pads in the reverse order of removal.



- Keep grease or oil off the brake pads to avoid brake failure.



Brake Disk

Measure the brake disk thickness.

Service Limit: 3.0mm

Measure the brake disk runout.

Service Limit: 0.3mm



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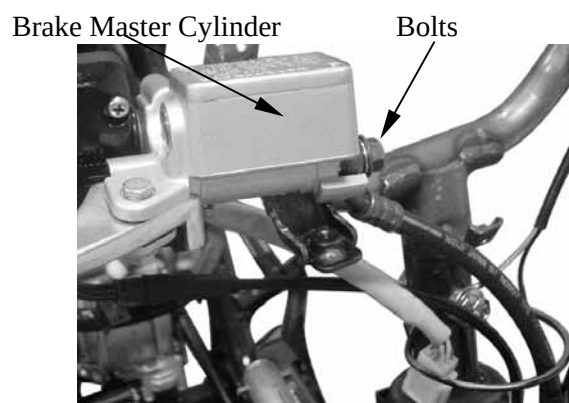
BRAKE MASTER CYLINDER

Removal

First drain the brake fluid from the hydraulic brake system.

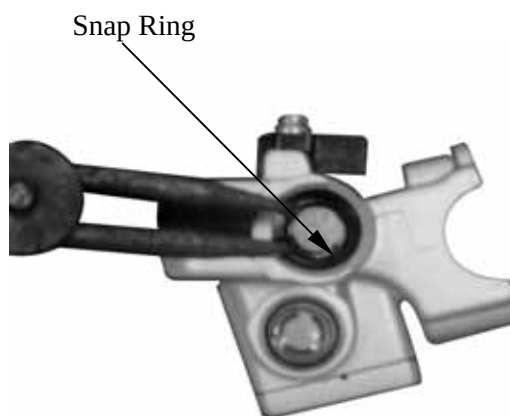
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- When servicing the brake system, use shop towels to cover rubber and plastic parts and coated surfaces to avoid being contaminated by brake fluid.
- When removing the brake fluid pipe bolt, be sure to plug the pipe to avoid

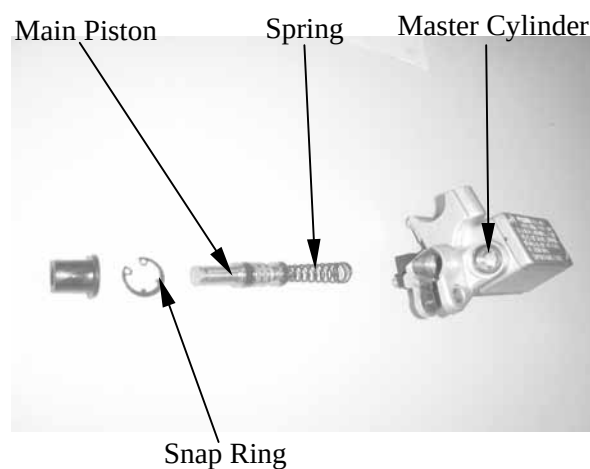


Disassembly

Remove the piston rubber cover and snap ring from the brake master cylinder.



Remove the washer, main piston and spring from the brake master cylinder. Clean the inside of the master cylinder and brake reservoir with brake fluid.



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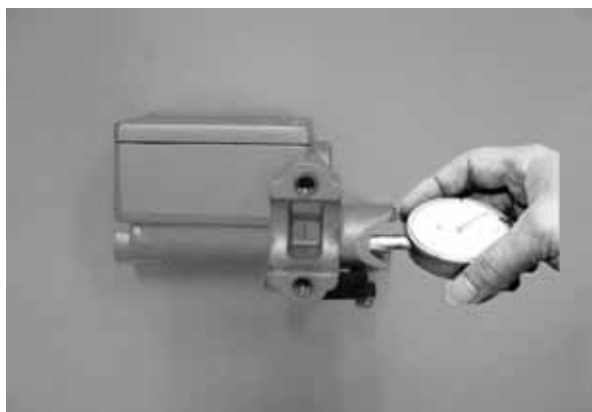
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Inspection

Measure the brake master cylinder I.D.

Service Limit: 12.75mm

Inspect the master cylinder for scratch or crack.



Measure the brake master cylinder piston O.D.

Service Limit: 12.6mm

Before assembly, inspect the 1st and 2nd rubber cups for wear.



Assembly

Before assembly, apply brake fluid to all removed parts.

Install the spring together with the 1st rubber cup.



- During assembly, the main piston and spring must be installed as a unit without exchange.
- When assembling the piston, soak the cups in brake fluid for a while.
- Install the cups with the cup lips facing the correct direction.



Install the main piston, spring and snap ring.

Install the rubber cover.

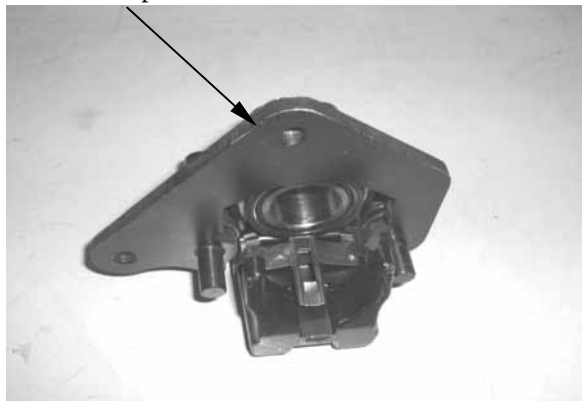
Install the brake lever.

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Disassembly

Remove the brake caliper seat from the brake caliper.

Brake Caliper Seat



Remove the piston from the brake caliper. If necessary, use compressed air to squeeze out the piston through the brake fluid inlet opening and place a shop towel under the caliper to avoid contamination caused by the removed piston. Check the piston cylinder for scratch or wear and replace if necessary.

Compressed Air



Push the piston oil seal outward to remove it. Clean the oil seal groove with brake fluid.

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Be careful not to damage the piston surface.

Piston Oil Seal



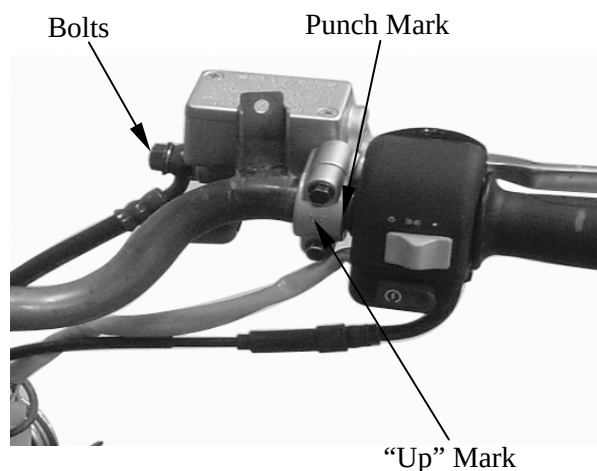
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Place the brake master cylinder on the handlebar and install the holder with “up” mark facing up. Be sure to align the punch mark with the holder joint. First tighten the upper bolt and then tighten the lower bolt.

Torque: 3.0~4.0kgf-m



Install the brake fluid pipe with the attaching bolt and two sealing washers.

Install the handlebar covers. (⇒12-3)
Fill the brake reservoir with recommended brake fluid to the upper limit and bleed air according to the method stated in 12-10.



Brake Caliper

Bleed Valve

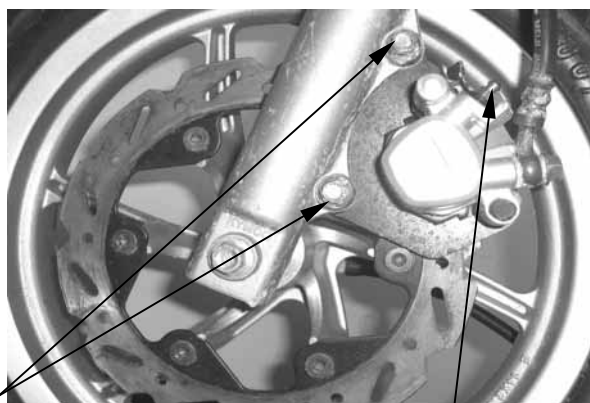
BRAKE CALIPER (FRONT)

Removal

Remove the brake caliper.
Place a clean container under the brake caliper and disconnect the brake fluid pipe from the caliper.



Do not spill brake fluid on any coated surfaces.



Bolt

Bleed Valve

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Check the piston for scratch or wear.
Measure the piston O.D. with a micrometer.
Service Limit: 34mm



Check the caliper cylinder for scratch or wear
and measure the cylinder bore.
Service Limit: 34.5mm



Assembly

Clean all removed parts.
Apply silicon grease to the piston and oil seal.
Lubricate the brake caliper cylinder inside
wall with brake fluid.
Install the brake caliper piston with grooved
side facing out.

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Install the piston with its outer end 3~
5mm protruding beyond the brake
caliper.

Wipe off excessive brake fluid with a clean
shop towel. Apply silicon grease to the
brake caliper seat pin and caliper inside.
Install the brake caliper seat.



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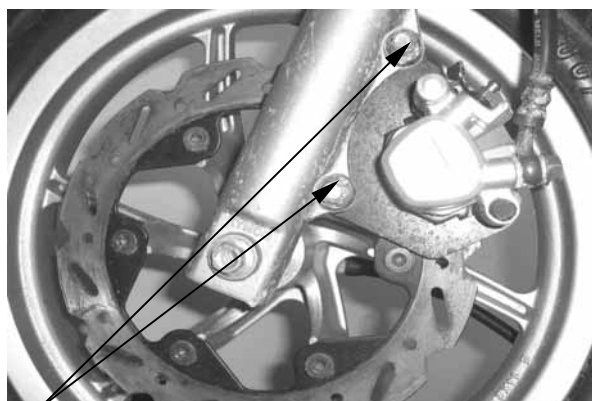


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Installation

Install the brake caliper and tighten the two bolts.

Torque: 2.9~3.5kg-m



Bolts

Connect the brake fluid pipe to the brake caliper and tighten the fluid pipe bolt.

Torque: 2.5~3.5kg-m

Fill the brake reservoir with recommended brake fluid and bleed air from the brake system. (⇒12-10)



Bolt

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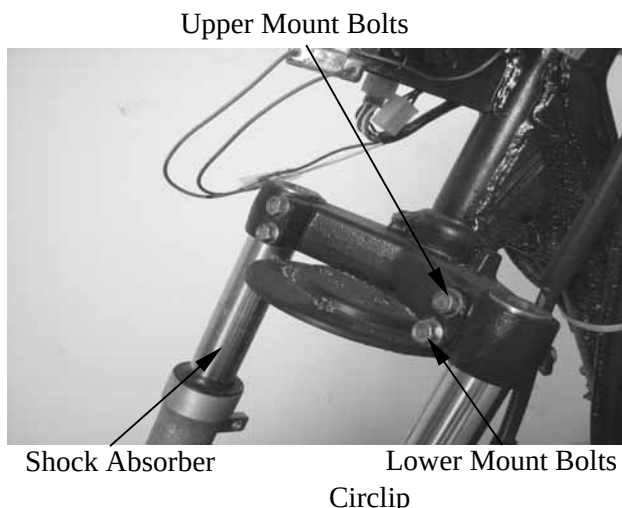


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FRONT SHOCK ABSORBER

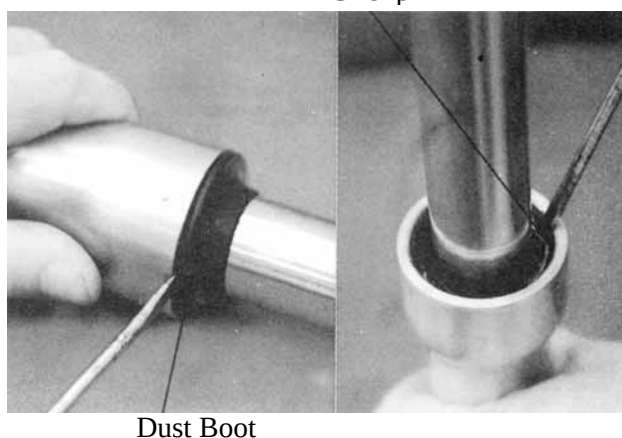
REMOVAL

Remove the front wheel. (⇒12-4)
Remove the front lower cover. (⇒2-2)
Remove the front inner fender.
Remove the front shock absorber upper
mount bolts.
Loosen the lower mount bolts to remove the
front shock absorbers.

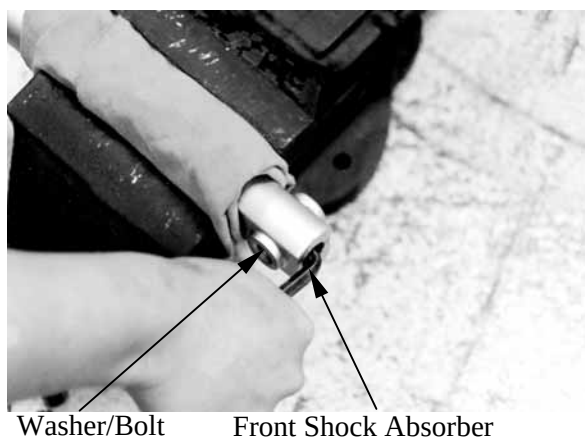


DISASSEMBLY

Remove the dust boot.
Remove the circlip.



Set the front shock absorber in a vise.
Remove the damper rod, hex bolt and copper
washer.
Pull out the front shock absorber tube.



Set the front shock absorber tube in a vise.
Remove the top nut, shock spring, damper,
and damper spring from the front shock
absorber tube.

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- When holding the shock absorber tube, place a shop towel to protect it and do not apply too much force.

Shock Absorber Tube



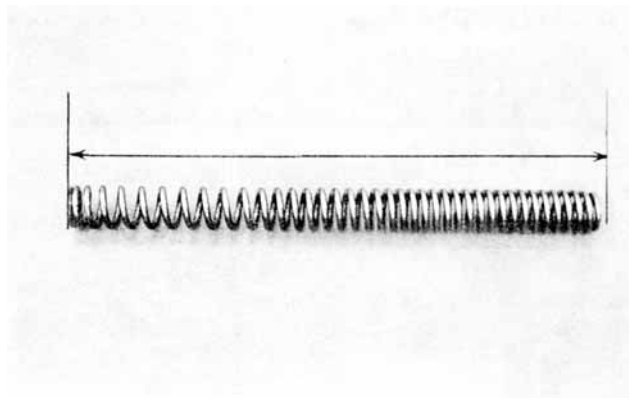
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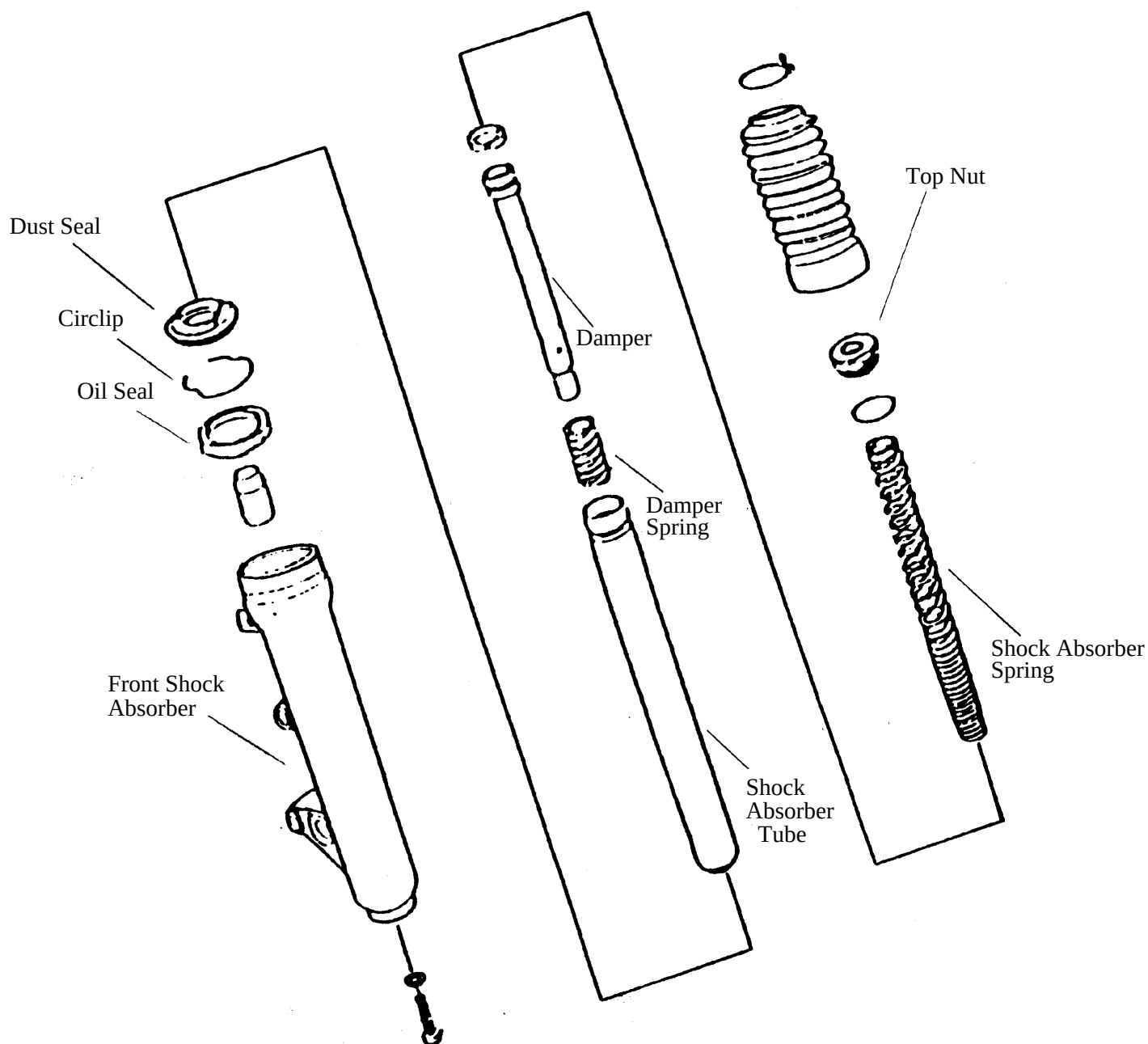
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Measure the front shock absorber spring free length.

Service Limits: Right : 226.5mm
Left : 226.5mm



ASSEMBLY



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Install the damper spring onto the damper rod and then install them into the front shock absorber tube.

Install the shock absorber spring onto the front shock absorber tube and tighten the top nut.

* Install the front shock absorber spring with the closely wound coils facing down.



Shock Absorber Tube
Circlip

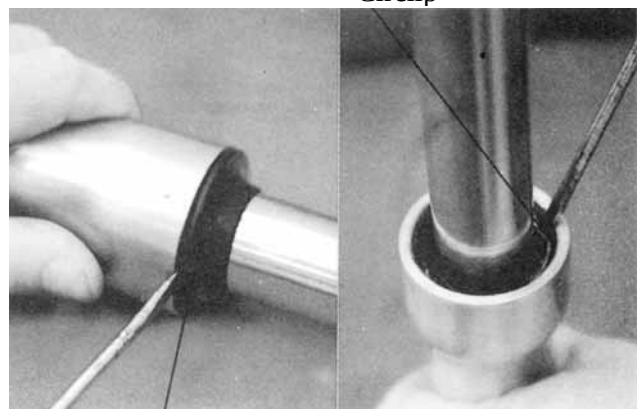
Set the front shock absorber in a vise. Insert the shock absorber tube into the shock absorber and tighten the hex bolt. (Apply locking agent to the washer and install it together with the hex bolt.)

Torque: 3.0kgf-m

Add engine oil into the front shock absorber.

Specified Oil: SS#8

Oil Capacity: 97±1cc



Dust Boot

Install the circlip.
Install the dust boot.

Upper Mount Bolts



Front Shock Absorber

Lower Mount Bolts

INSTALLATION

Install the front shock absorbers onto the steering stem.

Install and tighten the front shock absorber upper mount bolts.

Tighten the lower mount bolts.

* Align the upper mount bolt hole with the groove on the front fork.

Install the front wheel. (⇒12-7)

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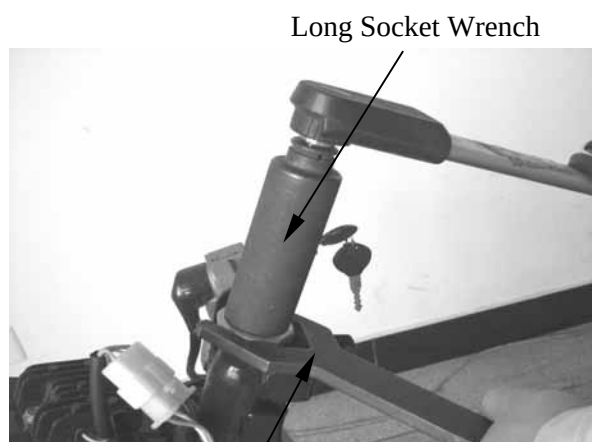
FRONT FORK

REMOVAL

Remove the steering handlebar. (⇒12-3)
Remove the front wheel. (⇒12-4)
Disconnect the speedometer cable.
Remove the steering stem lock nut using long socket wrench.

Special

Long Socket Wrench, 32mm 8Angle



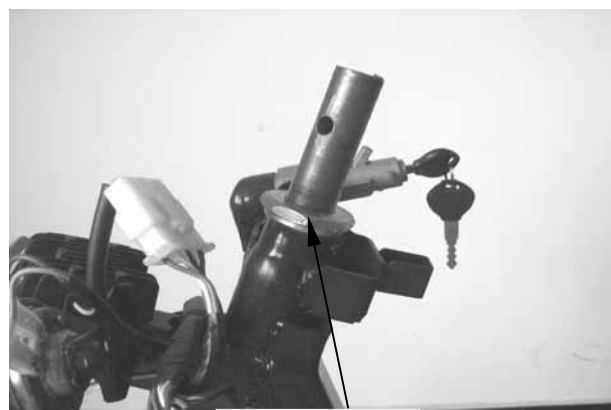
Lock Nut Wrench

Remove the top cone race and remove the steering stem.



- Be careful not to lose the steel balls (26 on top race and 29 on bottom race).

Inspect the ball races and cone races for wear or damage and replace if necessary.



Top Cone Race

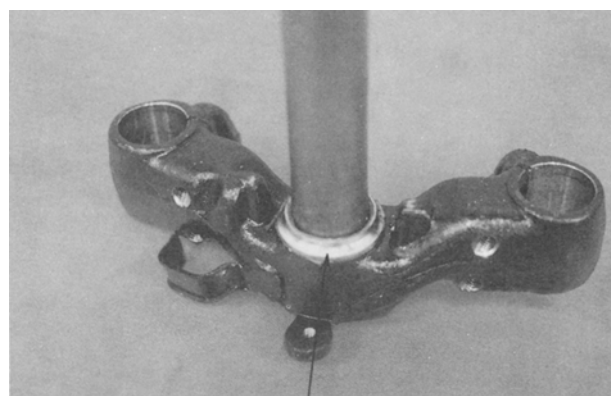
BOTTOM CONE RACE REPLACEMENT

Remove the bottom cone race using a chisel.



- Be careful not to damage the steering stem and front fork.

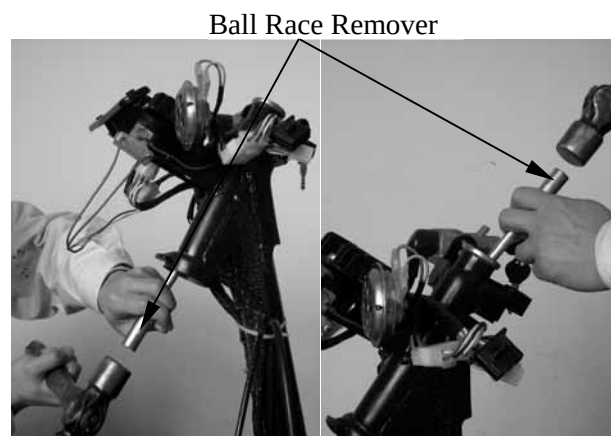
Drive a new bottom cone race into place with a proper driver.



Bottom Cone Race

BALL RACE REPLACEMENT

Drive out the top and bottom ball races.



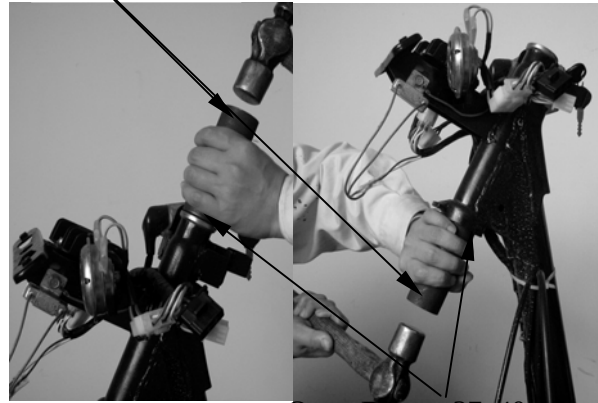
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Drive new top and bottom ball races into the steering head using the outer driver.



Be sure to completely drive in the ball races.

Driver Handle A



Outer Driver, 37x40mm

INSTALLATION

Apply grease to the top and bottom ball races and install 26 steel balls on the top ball race and 29 steel balls on the bottom ball race. Apply grease to the ball races and install the front fork.



Steel Balls

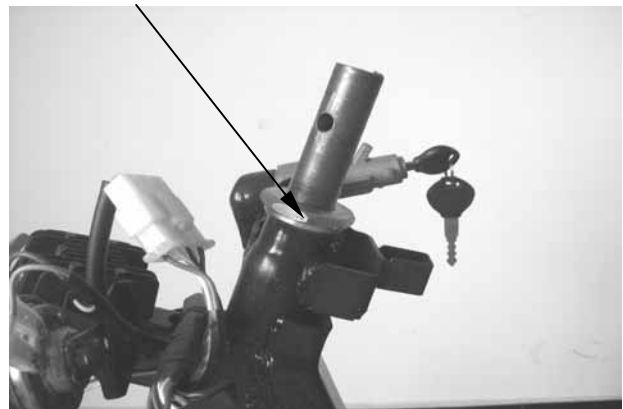
Apply grease to the top cone race and install it.

Tighten the top cone race and then turn the steering stem right and left several times to make steel balls contact each other closely.



Check that the steering stem rotates freely without vertical play.

Top Cone Race



Install the steering stem lock nut and tighten it while holding the top cone race.

Torque: 6.0~8.0kgf-m

Install the front wheel. (⇒12-7)

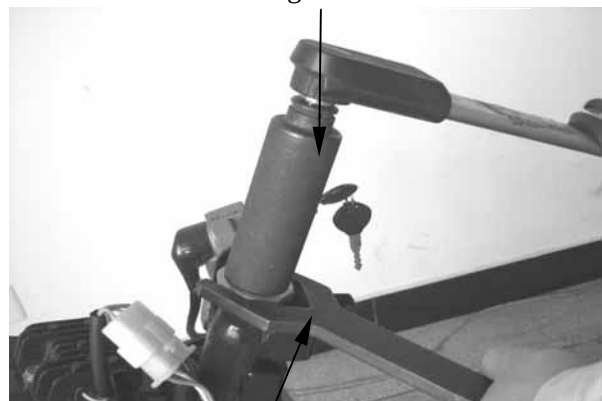
Install the steering handlebar. (⇒12-3)

Install the speedometer cable. (⇒12-7)

Special

Long Socket Wrench, 32mm×8Angle

Long Socket Wrench



Lock Nut Wrench