



Vehicle Stability Control Systems (ABS, EBD, TCS, VDC, ABLs, HDC, HSA & ABB)

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Introduction

This Training Manual is designed to detail the different types of systems that offer enhanced vehicle stability control & off road ability with the use of Braking Control System technology.

Such systems are as follows;

- Antilock Braking Systems – **ABS**
- Electronic Brake force Distribution – **EBD**
- Traction Control System – **TCS**
- *Vehicle Dynamic Control – ***VDC**
- Active Brake Limited Slip – **ABLS**
- Hill Descent Control – **HDC**
- Brake Assist – **BA** (This is mechanical only)
- Active Brake Booster – **ABB**
- Hill Start Assist – **HSA**
- Enhanced Understeer Control – **EUC**

* There may at times be cases where **VDC** is otherwise referred to as the following;

- **ESP** – **E**lectronic **S**tability **P**rogram
- **ESC** – **E**lectronic **S**tability **C**ontrol

Braking / Stability Control Technology

Vehicles without Off Road Ability

Passenger vehicles such as C11 Tiida & J31 Maxima have varying levels of braking control & vehicle stability control systems fitted to them. Refer to the chart over the page for more detail.

For such vehicles, normal “on-road” driving conditions can place the vehicle in a situation where the vehicles direction or it’s ability to stop or maintain control whilst stopping are challenged. Even simple systems such as Anti Lock Brakes (ABS) can greatly improve the chances for the driver to avoid a **SERIOUS** collision.

Additional systems such as Stability Control (VDC / ESP) can further increase the drivers ability to avoid an accident even when the brake pedal is **NOT** applied.

Vehicles with Off Road Ability

All Wheel Drive & true Four Wheel Drive vehicles also have varying levels of braking control & vehicle stability control systems. Refer to the chart over the page for more detail.

For such vehicles, once again normal “on-road” driving conditions can place the vehicle in a situation where the vehicles direction or it’s ability to stop or maintain control whilst stopping are challenged. However, with further advancements in braking control technology, the simple action of applying brakes to wheels **WITHOUT** input from the driver to control the vehicles speed down steep hills or to simply apply brakes to one wheel or perhaps 2 wheels that have lost traction can **GREATLY** enhance the vehicles Off-Road ability.

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Electronic Braking System Technology Application

VEHICLE MODEL	*1	*2	*3	*4		*5		*5 & *6		*7		*5 & *8
	HCC	Sen's	BA	ABS	EBD	TCS	VDC	ABLS	HDC	HSA	ABB	EUC
Y61 Patrol ST / ST-S / ST-L / Ti (*10)	3CH	5		YES								
R51 Pathfinder ST-L / Ti 2008 ~ 09MY (A/T)	4CH	5	Has ABB	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
R51 Pathfinder ST-L 2008 ~ 09MY (M/T)	4CH	5	Has ABB	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES		YES	YES	
R51 Pathfinder ST 2008 ~ 09MY (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES				
R51 Pathfinder ST-L / Ti 2007MY (A/T)	4CH	5	Has ABB	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
R51 Pathfinder ST-L 2007MY (M/T)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES				
R51 Pathfinder ST-L / Ti 2005 ~ 06MY (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES				
R51 Pathfinder ST (2005 ~ 07MY)	3CH	4	YES	YES	YES							
D40 Navara (All *10)	3CH	4	YES	YES								
D22 Navara (YD25 2WD)	3CH	3		YES								
D22 Navara (YD25 4WD *10)	3CH	5		YES								
Z51 Murano (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES				
Z50 Murano (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES				
T31 X-TRAIL (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES *9		
T30 X-TRAIL (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES							
J10 Dualis 2WD	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES					
J10 Dualis ST AWD / Ti AWD	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES				YES
J10 Dualis ST AWD (2007 ~ 08MY)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES							
Z34 370Z	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES					
Z33 350Z Track	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES					
Z33 350Z Touring	4CH	4	YES	YES	YES	YES						
J32 Maxima (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES					
J31 Maxima (All)	4CH	5	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES					
C11 Tiida (All *10)	4CH	4	YES	YES	YES							
K12 Micra	4CH	4	YES	YES	YES							

*1 = (HCC) Hydraulic (braking) Circuit Configuration. 3 or 4 Channel

*2 = Refers to the amount of Wheel Speed & G Sensors fitted.

3 = 3 x Wheel Speed Sensors only. Rear wheel speed taken from diff pinion.

4 = 4 x Wheel Speed Sensors only

5 = 4 x Wheel Speed Sensors & either a Decel G Sensor or Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor is fitted

*3 = BA is NOT an electrically controlled system. It is a mechanical device located inside the Brake Booster.

Fitted to ABS &/or VDC equipped vehicles ONLY.

*4 = ABS & EBD can be utilised with a 3 or 4 channel Hydraulic (braking) Circuit Configuration

*5 = TCS, VDC, ABLS, HDC, & EUC specifically require a 4 channel Hydraulic (braking) Circuit Configuration

*6 = ABLS & HDC are 4x4 vehicle specific systems

*7 = For 2007 ~ 2008 MY R51, ABB is required for the operation of H S A

*8 = These systems are an extension to VDC. Has to be the latest generation Bosch ESP 8

*9 = New type H S A. Has to be the latest generation Bosch ESP 8. ABB not required.

*10 = Some variants are not fitted with ABS

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3 Channel Hydraulic (Braking) Circuit Configuration

A 3 channel Hydraulic Circuit Configuration refers to the hydraulic lines that carry brake fluid under pressure to the wheels.

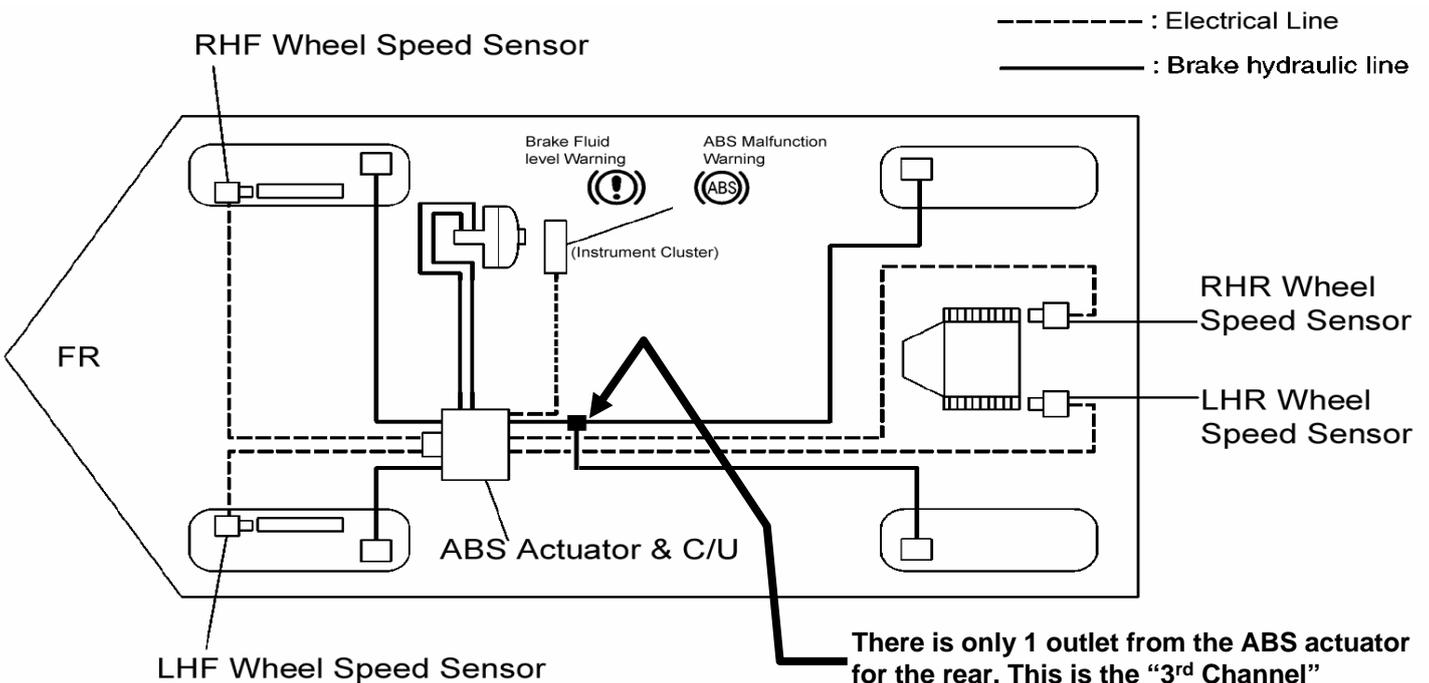
In the case of a 3 channel system, there are 3 hydraulic lines. 2 hydraulic lines for the front wheels (1 line to each individual front wheel) & the 3rd remaining hydraulic line is shared between both rear wheels. However there still remains 4 x wheel speed sensors.

If for example the left rear wheel locks but no other wheels do, the ABS system will reduce pressure to the rear wheel braking circuit as a whole. So BOTH rear wheels will have a reduction of braking pressure to allow the locked left rear wheel to rotate again.

If one of the front wheels lock, then that wheel will individually have it's hydraulic circuit controlled so that the wheel can rotate with a more appropriate braking pressure applied to the brake calliper.

A 3 channel configuration typically has a standard ABS system linked to it. Also EBD is often applied to this type of configuration.

If it is required to have additional systems such as TCS, VDC, ABLs & HDC, a 4 channel configuration will be required. This is due to the requirement of individual braking control on each wheel.



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4 Channel Hydraulic (Braking) Circuit Configuration

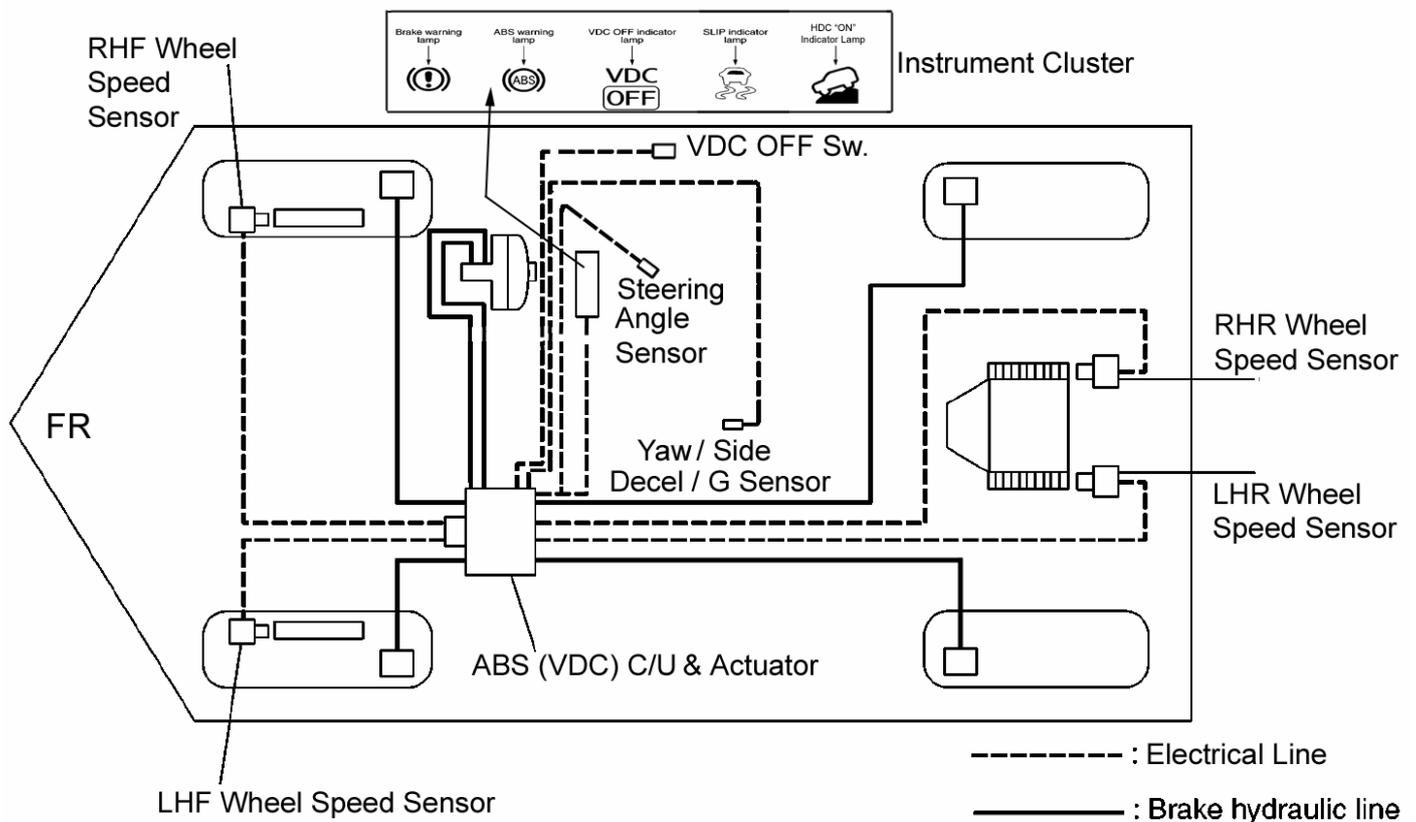
As is the case with a 3 channel configuration discussed previously, a 4 channel braking configuration system refers to the hydraulic lines that carry brake fluid under pressure to the wheels.

In this case there are 4 hydraulic lines. 2 hydraulic lines for the front wheels & 2 hydraulic lines for the rear wheels.

As is the case with a 3 channel system, there are 4 x wheel speed sensors.

Therefore (for example) if the left rear wheel locks but no other wheels do, the ABS system will reduce pressure to the left rear wheel ONLY. ALL of the remaining wheels continue to receive the full &/or appropriate amount of braking pressure required to slow the rotational speed of the wheel (slow the vehicle down).

A 4 channel braking configuration typically has a standard ABS / EBD system linked to it. However additional systems such as TCS, VDC, ABLs & HDC (systems that require a 4 channel braking configuration) are typically included due to the requirement of individual braking control on each wheel. These additional systems will vary model to model.



Individual hydraulic circuits are linked to each brake calliper located at each wheel. There are “4 channels”, one for each of the 4 wheels with their own braking mechanism.

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Vehicle Stability – General Principles

To ensure the driver maintains vehicle complete control, numerous systems are now available in order to achieve this.

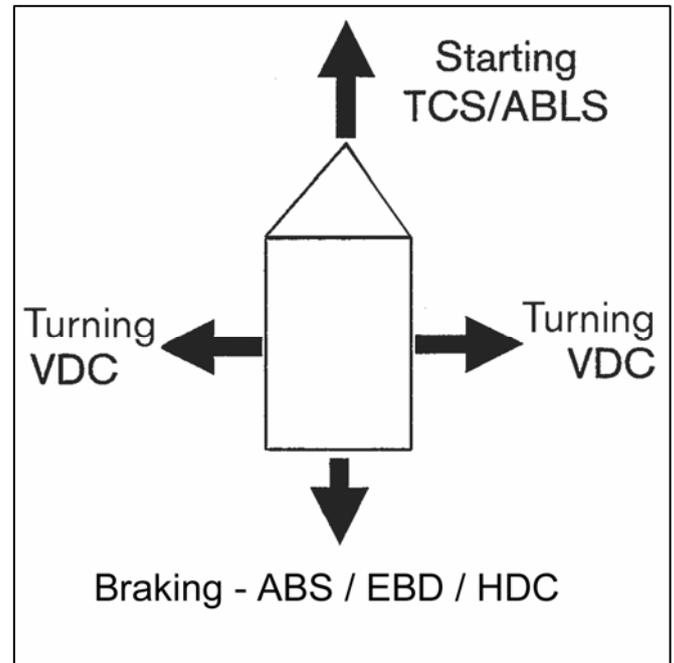
Traditionally the Anti lock Braking System (ABS) was designed to offer stability for braking situations only under conditions when the brake pedal is being applied.

The next Vehicle Stability development was Traction Control System (TCS).

This utilised the ability of braking on an individual wheel, WITHOUT brake pedal input from the driver in order to stop a spinning wheel. At the same time the system had other mechanisms in place to reduce Engine Torque (i.e.; mechanical override of throttle.)

Now new technology takes vehicle stability control a step further with the development VDC.

The system can now detect the direction the vehicle is actually moving (Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor) & compare with brake pedal & steering wheel activity. From the activity of these 3 items, VDC can detect a loss of control situation (panic situation) & make an attempt to correct the situation (correct vehicle stability).



CAUTIONS for VDC

- It is NOT possible for VDC to overcome the laws of gravity. Therefore it may still be possible for loss of vehicle control in extreme circumstances.
- Modified suspension, Exhaust systems, brakes, wheels & tyres can affect the operation of VDC. Typically such modifications will result in the illumination of the orange “VDC OFF” & “SLIP” lamps on the instrument cluster.
- If snow chains are fitted to the wheels, this will also result in the illumination of the orange “VDC OFF” & “SLIP” lamps on the instrument cluster.
- When driving in deep snow / mud / sand conditions, switch the VDC OFF.

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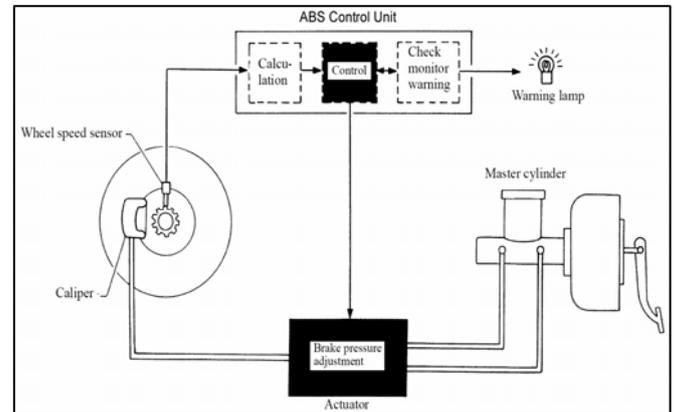
Anti lock Braking System (ABS)

4x4 & non 4x4 models with 3 & 4 Ch. HCC

The Anti-lock Brake System is a function that detects wheel revolution while braking and it improves handling stability during sudden braking by preventing any of the 4 wheels (provided the wheel is supplied brake fluid pressure individually) from locking.

The braking pressure on each front wheel is separately controlled however there may be cases where the rear wheels are controlled at the same rate of braking pressure (3 channel braking circuit) regardless of whether 1 or both rear wheels have locked.

ABS can be applied to a vehicle with a 3 or 4 channel Hydraulic Circuit Configuration.



Electronic Brake-force Distribution (EBD)

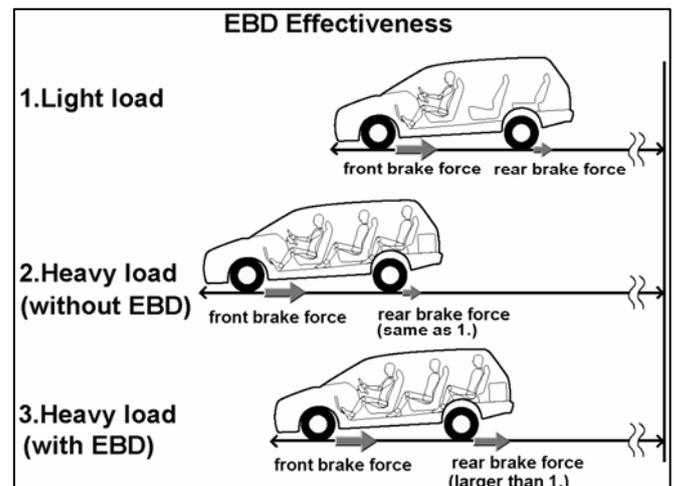
4x4 & non 4x4 models with 3 & 4 Ch. HCC

EBD is a function built into the ABS system that detects subtle slippages between the front and rear wheels during braking. It improves handling stability by electrically controlling the brake fluid pressure which results in reduced rear tyre slippage.

EBD eliminates the need for the installation of a Load Sensing Valve (LSV) in passenger carrying models, such as Y61 wagon.

No additional devices or sensors are installed on EBD equipped vehicles. It is simply a logic programmed into the ABS control unit. (I.e.; If both the rear wheels are rotating at the same slower speed than the front wheels, then this indicates to the ABS C/U that the rear of the vehicle has no weight in it therefore tyre traction on the road is not ideal for braking, therefore pressure to the rear wheels is evenly reduced in the same manner an LSV would do.

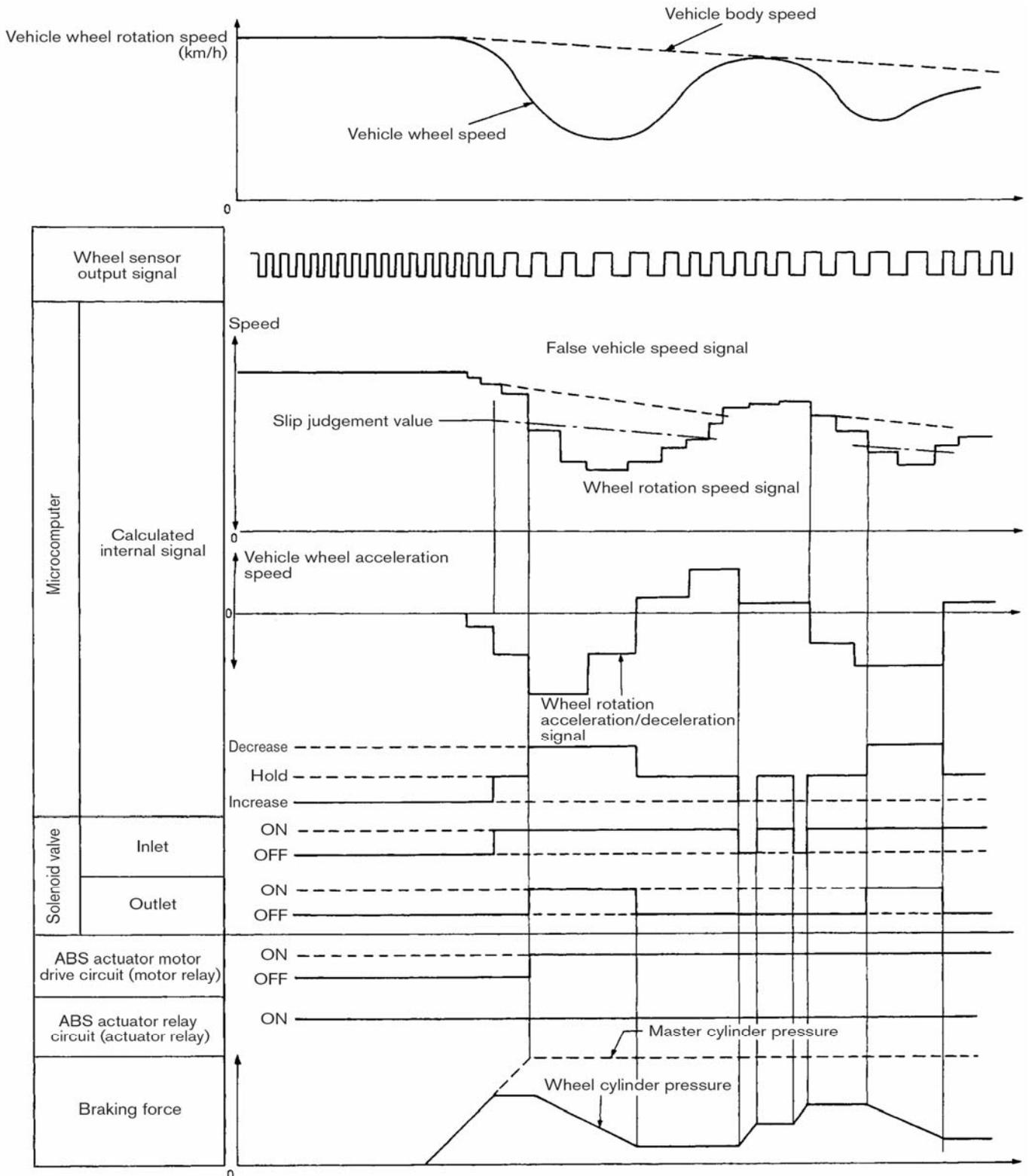
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ABS Wheel Slip Activity Chart

The chart demonstrates the result of the wheel slipping & what devices act to ensure the wheel remains unlocked.



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Traction Control System (TCS)

4x4 & non 4x4 models with 4 Ch. HCC only

The Control Unit detects a wheel spin at either or both of the drive wheels by comparing wheel speed signals from all 4 wheels.

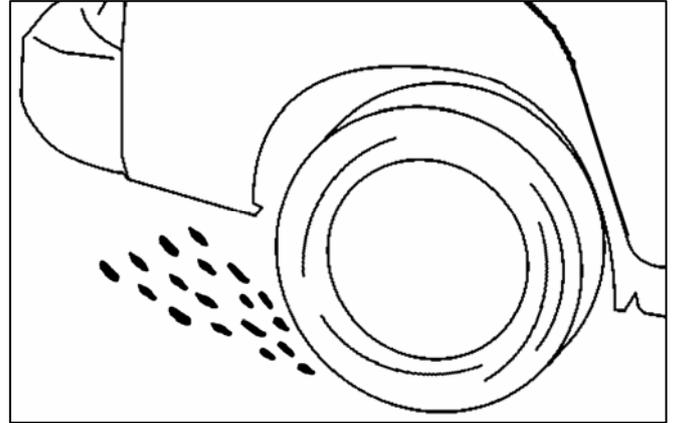
At this time, output from ABS Control Unit controls brake fluid pressure to wheels (applies brake to spinning wheel) while cutting fuel to engine &/ or closing throttle valve (dependant on engine type) to reduce engine torque.

Furthermore, engine power is continuously controlled to ensure appropriate engine torque is applied to the driveline at all times.

During TCS operation, it informs the driver of system operation by flashing the orange coloured “SLIP” indicator lamp on the instrument cluster.

There are cases where only TCS is applied to the vehicle model instead of the complete stability control system (VDC).

NOTE: A 4 channel Hydraulic Circuit Configuration is required for TCS operation. Models that only have a 3 channel braking configuration are unable to utilise this technology.



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Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) - 4x4 & non 4x4 models with 4 Ch. HCC only

In addition to TCS / ABS function, VDC detects driver's steering operation, (from the steering angle sensor which measures speed of turning & actual angle of the Steering Wheel) brake pedal operation (from the stop lamp switch & brake master cylinder pressure), information from the Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor and the speed of each individual wheel from the 4 x wheel speed sensors.

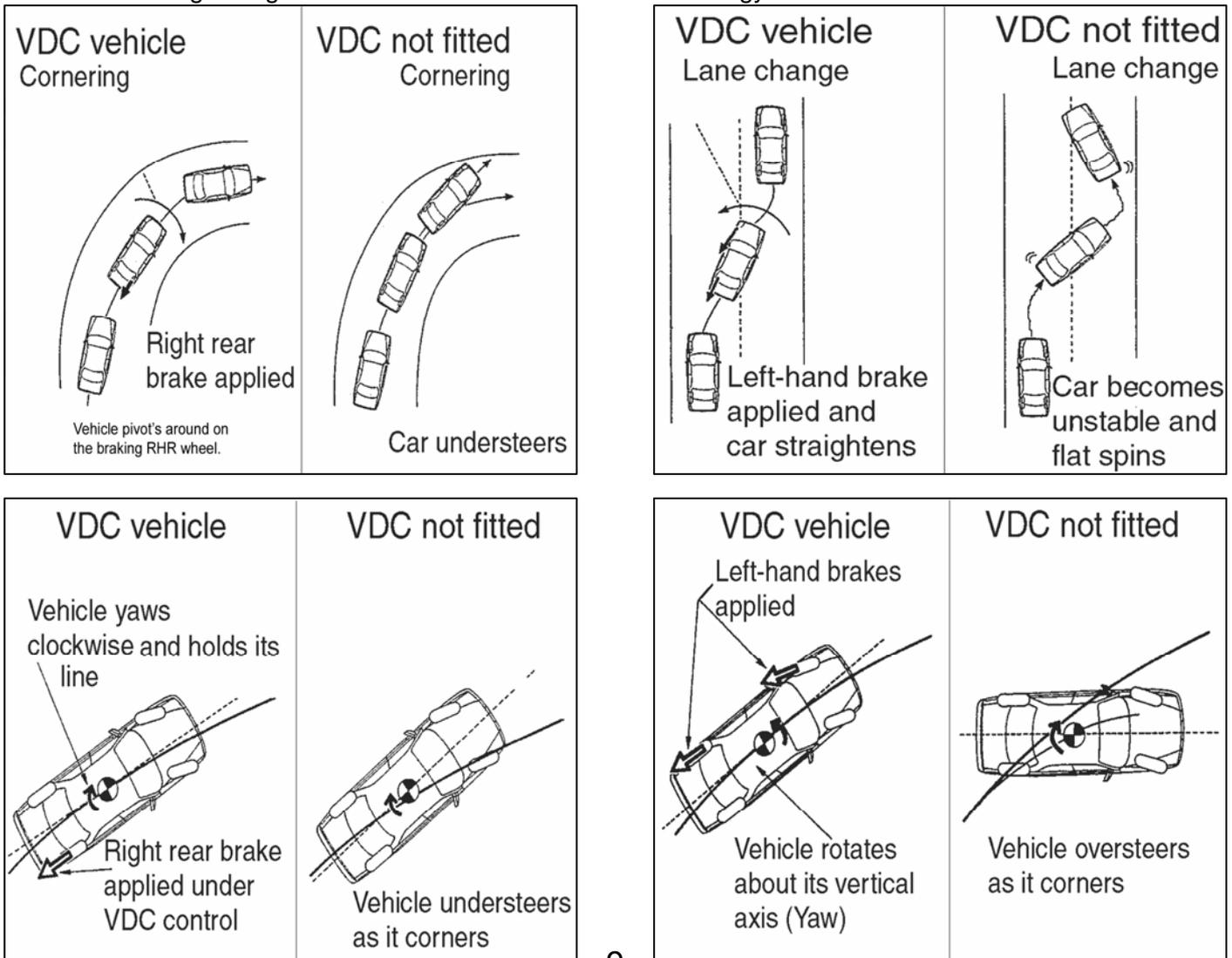
With these inputs, the VDC judges the driving condition (conditions of under steer and over steer) & then it has the ability to improve stability by individually controlling brake application to the most appropriate of the 4 wheels and controlling engine power output.

Correction of the vehicle stability is achieved in a similar manner that small earth moving vehicles achieve a steering effect (i.e.; Bobcats). The vehicle is forced pivot on an axis given that only 1 side of the vehicle is being braked.

During VDC operation, the orange coloured "SLIP" indicator lamp on the instrument cluster flashes to inform driver of VDC operation.

NOTE:

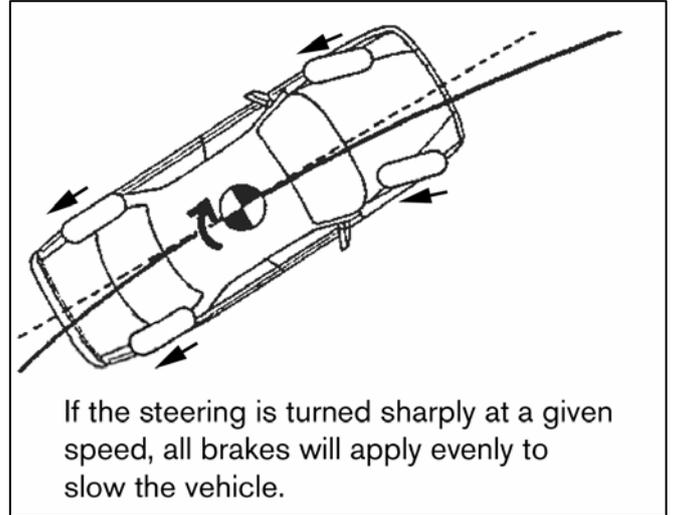
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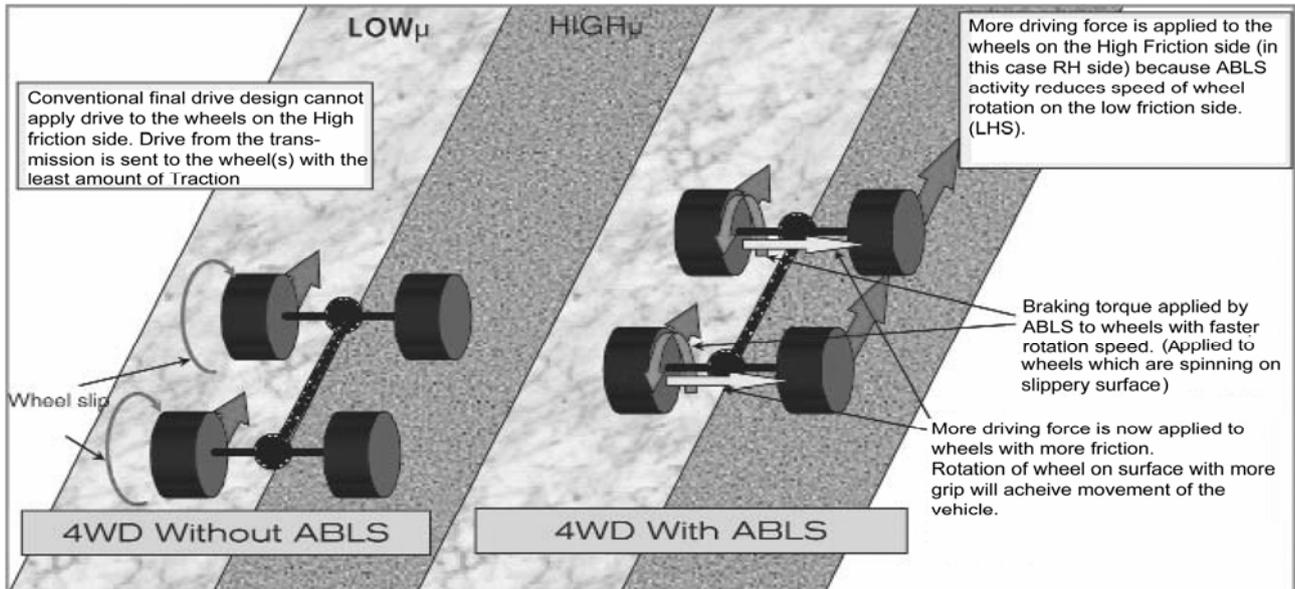
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Enhanced Understeer Control (EUC)

Enhanced Understeer Control will AUTOMATICALLY apply the brakes to all 4 wheels in order to reduce the overall vehicle speed and bring the lateral acceleration below the limit required by the tyres to maintain grip when the vehicle is cornering or the vehicle is changing it's direction. In other words if the steering wheel is suddenly turned due to a tighter than expected bend in the road at a certain speed or higher, the system will recognise that the speed is too high for the amount of turn applied to the steering wheel & the VDC Control Unit will automatically apply braking pressure to all wheels to slow the vehicle down so that it can be better prepared to handle the corner.



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Active Brake Limited Slip (ABLS) - 4x4 models with 4 Channel HCC only

There are cases where 4x4 models do not have the availability of a rear Limited Slip Differential (LSD). Therefore a system needs to be in place in order to force drive onto a wheel which has the best traction (grip) possible in the given circumstance.

ABLS has been developed to effectively provide LSD to both front & rear final drive's. Therefore enhancing the vehicles Off Road capability.

NOTE: A 4 channel Hydraulic Circuit Configuration is required for ABLS operation. Models that only have a 3 channel braking configuration are unable to utilise this technology.

If the vehicle is on a surface where loss of wheel traction is likely (snow, mud, gravel, grass area etc.), ABLS can sense that 1 or more of the wheels has lost traction & simply apply the brake to the individual wheel in order to slow it's rotational speed (stop it spinning). In turn this action forces drive through the final drive unit to the opposing wheel which was not spinning. Given that this wheel was not spinning, this would indicate that it is on a surface with more traction, therefore allowing rotational force to be applied to a wheel that can gain traction, thus allowing the vehicle to move in the desired direction.

Essentially ABLS is the same as a Traction Control System (TCS) however it's applied to all 4 wheels.

R51 Pathfinder 4WD Operation (Variants fitted with 4 Channel HCC only)

ABLS has different operating modes dependant on the position of the dash mounted 4WD Selector Switch.

2WD & AUTO Position: ABLS is NOT activated. Normal Traction Control (TCS) takes place in the event of traction loss to a wheel. Therefore Engine Torque maybe reduced in order to maintain stability.

4H Position: ABLS is activated if slip is detected from a standing start or very low vehicle speed condition. Engine Torque control is NOT activated.

4LO Position: ABLS is activated if slip is detected from a standing start or very low vehicle speed condition. Engine Torque control is NOT activated. However a revised Throttle Strategy (less sensitive accelerator pedal strategy) is applied.

NOTE:

- Wheel slip is detected earlier than it is in 4H mode.
- The orange coloured "VDC OFF" light will illuminate on the instrument cluster. This indicates that the VDC system has been deactivated when the vehicle is operated in 4L.
- The orange coloured "SLIP" lamp on the instrument cluster will flash whenever ABLS is functioning.

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Hill Descent Control (HDC)

4x4 models with 4 Channel HCC only

The Hill Descent Control (HDC) system helps to maintain vehicle speed when driving under 25-35 km/h on steep downhill grades. HDC is useful when engine braking alone in 4H or 4L cannot control vehicle speed. HDC automatically applies the vehicle brakes to control vehicle speed allowing the driver to concentrate on steering while reducing the burden of brake and accelerator operation.

NOTE:

A 4 channel Hydraulic Circuit Configuration is required for HDC operation. Models that only have a 3 channel configuration are unable to utilise this technology.

When braking is required on steep downhill roads simply activate the HDC system by switching the dash mounted switch ON.

Once the system is activated the orange coloured indicator light in the instrument cluster will remain constantly on if all conditions are met (see right for more detail).

If 1 or more of the conditions are not met the system will stop operating temporarily. (The indicator light flashes to warn the driver that conditions are not met for the HDC to operate) As soon as all conditions are once again met, the HDC system is ready to function again. (Indicator light on instrument cluster remains on constantly)

NOTE:

HDC will only operate with the gear lever in a Forward gear (1st only on T31 MT) or Reverse gear.

HOWEVER, if the vehicle is pointing down the hill, & then the lever is in reverse, HDC will NOT operate (HDC indicator light will flash).

The gear selection must match the vehicles intended direction of travel. Otherwise HDC will NOT operate. HDC will NOT operate in Neutral.

Braking is applied to individual wheels dependant on wheel slip rate / wheel speeds. The braking pressure is supplied by the activation of the ABS actuator motor & solenoids. Braking pressure is NOT supplied via pressure being applied to the brake booster.



HDC Operating Conditions

(Warning light is on & NOT flashing repeatedly);

- The dash mounted HDC switch is in the ON position
- The vehicle is on more than a 10% (approx.) gradient.
- The 4WD selector switch is in the 4H, 4L or LOCK position.
- If the accelerator or brake pedal is fully released.
- The vehicle is in a gear that matches the intended rolling direction of the vehicle.

HDC NON Operating Conditions

(Warning light is flashing repeatedly);

- The vehicle is on less than a 6% (approx.) gradient.
- The 4WD selector switch is NOT in the 4H, 4L or LOCK position.
- If the accelerator or brake pedal is applied.
- The vehicle is in a gear that does NOT match the intended rolling direction of the vehicle.
- The gear lever is in Park, Neutral or gear other than 1st gear (T31 MT).
- Overall vehicle speed is above 35km/h.

NOTE: If the HDC switch is in the OFF position, the light will NOT be illuminated & the system will NOT be activated under any circumstance.

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Brake Assist (BA)

4x4 & non 4x4 models with ABS / VDC

This system is a simple mechanical device installed inside the Brake Booster. It is designed to compliment an ABS braking system, however ABS does not necessarily require BA to be installed on a vehicle.

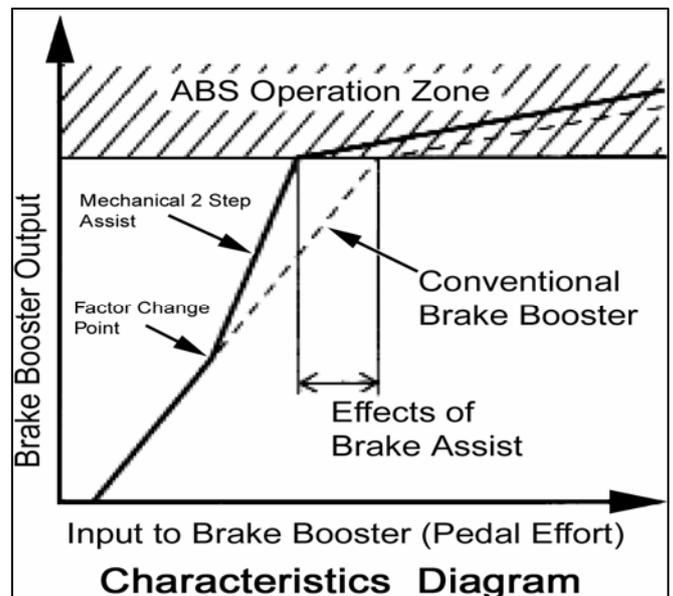
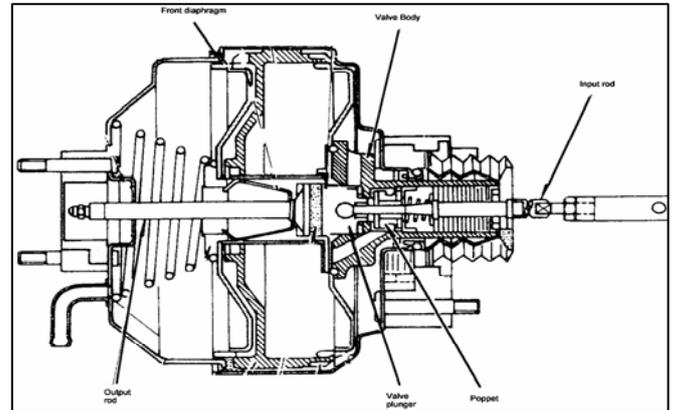
BA is NEVER fitted to models without ABS.

Under a panic braking situation, the action of quickly applying the brake pedal actually compresses a spring & as a result a valve is opened which in turn releases the vacuum to the brake pedal side of the booster.

(Atmospheric pressure is now on the brake pedal side of the booster, but vacuum remains on the master cylinder side of the booster) As a result a higher force is applied to the brake master cylinder. That force being the force of the driver pressing the brake pedal combined with the force of the booster pushing against the master cylinder due to imbalance of vacuum inside the booster.

BA is designed to amplify the brake pedal effort given by the driver. This is an especially useful feature for drivers who do not have the physical strength to apply a hard braking effort.

Traditionally it can be quite hazardous to apply too much brake especially in slippery conditions, now however with ABS it is more ideal to apply maximum braking effort in order to trigger ABS activity to occur. BA will ensure that a sudden application of maximum brake pressure to the wheels will occur, this in turn causes the wheel to lock easily. The locked wheel is sensed by the ABS system & therefore the ABS system takes full control of braking on the wheels. (Overrides the pressure from the master cylinder regardless of how much pressure it is out putting)



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Active Brake Booster (ABB) 4x4 models with VDC

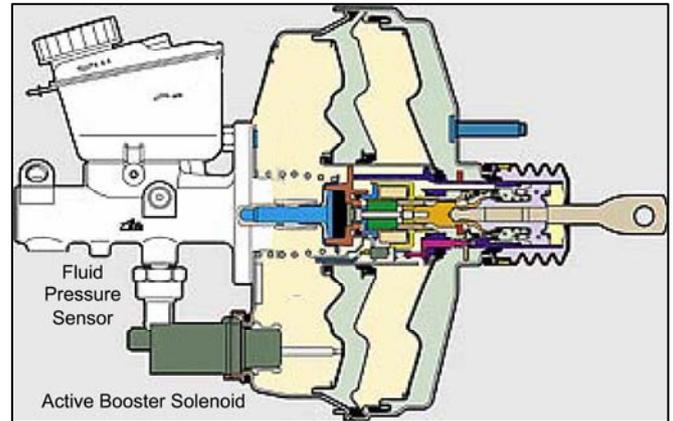
Like BA, this feature assists with applying maximum possible booster assistance to the master cylinder with minimal brake pedal effort.

In this case, the ABS module operates a solenoid to open the vacuum release chamber instead of the compression of a spring allowing a sleeve to move forward & open the chamber to the atmosphere.

The ABS Control Unit monitors brake fluid pressure in the hydraulic circuit. If a sharp increase in pressure is suddenly detected, this would indicate that the driver has applied the pedal in a panic situation. The ABS Control Unit interprets these signals as a request for an immediate increase in braking force. It actuates the solenoid inside the booster. This in turn fully opens up the atmospheric pressure port in the booster, which quickly acts on the master cylinder to provide maximum hydraulic pressure at the brakes.

The Active Brake Booster is also able to hold the brakes on without brake pedal input. This is an especially useful feature for the Hill Start Assist feature.

ABB is NEVER fitted to models without VDC.



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Hill Start Assist (HSA) – Type 1

Models fitted with Active Brake Booster

Vehicle models fitted with the Active Brake Booster (ABB) system have the availability of Hill Start Assist. The HSA system automatically keeps the brakes applied to help prevent the vehicle from rolling backwards in the time it takes the driver to release the brake pedal and apply the accelerator when the vehicle is stopped on a hill. HSA will operate automatically under the following conditions:

- The selector lever is in a forward or reverse gear.
- The vehicle is stopped completely on a hill (gradient of 5% or more) by applying the brake.

The maximum holding time is 2 seconds. After 2 seconds the vehicle will begin to roll back and hill start assist will stop operating completely.

To apply braking pressure on the brake master cylinder without driver input, an electrically controlled solenoid attached to the brake booster assembly fully opens up the atmospheric pressure port in the booster, which acts on the master cylinder to provide maximum hydraulic pressure at the brakes.

Hill Start Assist (HSA) – Type 2

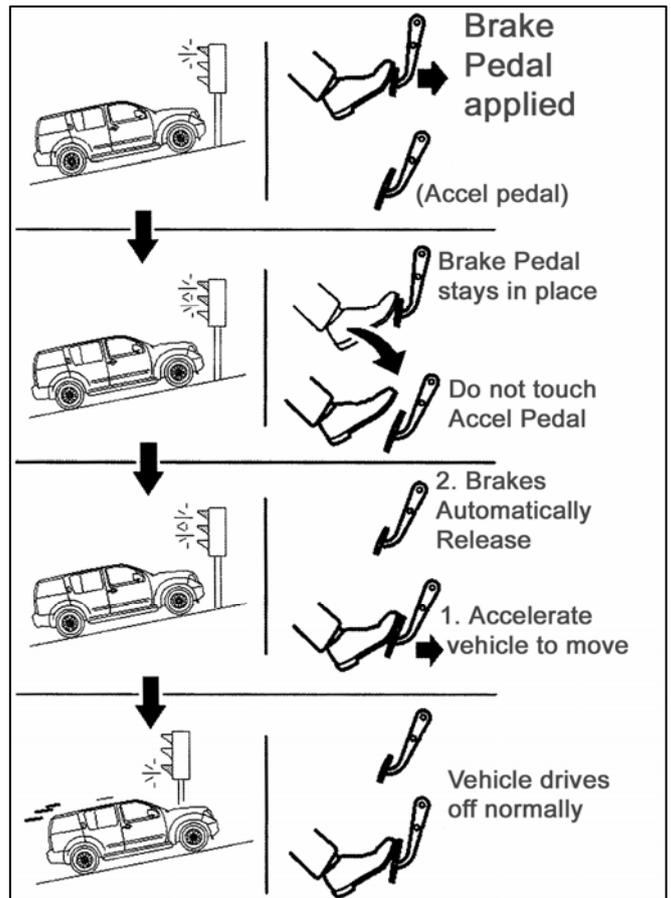
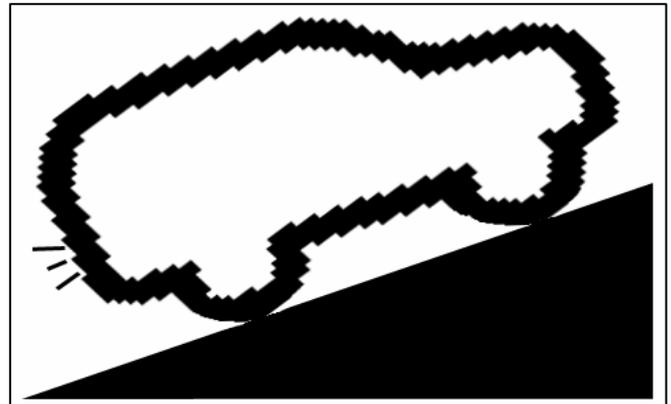
Models without Active Brake Booster

Type 2 operates in the same manner, however brake pressure is held at the wheels via the pressure being trapped at the brakes via the ABS Inlet & Outlet solenoids.

The drivers brake pedal effort is required to initiate the brake pressure. Once the vehicle has stopped & meets the same conditions as the type 1 system, the Outlet Solenoid remains closed & the inlet solenoid also closes to keep the pressure at the brakes for the 2 ~ 3 second period. Then the Solenoids open to gradually release the pressure.

NOTE for Types 1 & 2:

- HSA will **NOT** operate when the selector lever is shifted to N or P or on a flat and level road.
- HSA will **NOT** operate if the gear position matches the intended rolling direction. (Will not operate if the vehicle is pointing down the hill & the gear lever is in "DRIVE" for example)
- Full vacuum needs to be applied to the Brake Booster for HSA to work. Therefore the engine must be running. (Type 1 only)



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Input & Output Component Application Chart										
INPUTS (Sensors / Switches)	BA	ABS	EBD	TCS	VDC	ABLS	HDC	**HSA	ABB	
Stop Lamp Switch	BA is a mechanical device installed inside the brake booster. Electrical sensors / actuators are not required for its operation	YES	YES	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	
Wheel Speed Sensors (On each wheel)		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Decel G Sensor *9		YES								
Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor						YES		YES *6	YES *6	
Steering Wheel Angle Sensor						YES				
Master Cylinder Pressure Sensor *8						YES			YES	YES
Master Cylinder Pressure Sensor 2 (R51 only)									YES	YES
TCS OFF Switch				YES						
VDC / ESP OFF Switch						YES				
HDC ON Switch								YES		
Gear Lever Position (A/T models)					YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
1st Gear Position Switch (T31 only)								YES	YES	
PNP Switch (M/T models)					YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Back-up Lamp Switch (M/T Models)								YES	YES	
4WD Selection Switch (Where fitted)					YES	YES	YES	YES		
Accelerator Pedal Activity					YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Engine Speed					YES	YES	YES			
OUTPUTS (Actuators)		ABS	EBD	TCS	VDC	ABLS	HDC	**HSA	ABB	
ABS Pump Motor		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES			
Inlet Solenoid (on each channel)		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES *7		
Outlet Solenoid (on each channel)		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES *7		
Primary & Secondary Switch Over Valves					YES	YES	YES			
Active Booster Solenoid (R51 only)								YES	YES	
Rear Stop Lamps (Relay)							YES	YES		
Engine Torque Reduction Request Signal				YES	YES					
All-Mode 4x4 Coupling (T31 & Z51 only)					YES					
*1 Brake (Fluid & Park Brake) Warning Lamp		YES	YES	YES	YES	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
*2 ABS Warning Lamp		YES	YES	YES	YES					
*3 TCS OFF Warning Lamp				YES						
*3 VDC / ESP OFF Warning Lamp					YES	YES				
*4 SLIP Warning Lamp				YES	YES	YES				
*5 HDC (on) Warning Lamp							YES			

*1 If Brake Fluid level is low / If Park Brake is applied / If there is a ABS system failure

*2 Only if ABS related fault is detected

*3 If "VDC / ESP OFF" or "TCS OFF" switch is pressed once (there will only be one or the other)
If vehicle is operated in 4Lo or LOCK (where applicable)
If VDC / ESP / TCS related fault is detected

*4 Flashing = Wheel speed control being applied to 1 or more wheels
Constant ON = If TCS / VDC related fault is detected

*5 Flashing = Will not operate
Constant ON = HDC is prepared for operation
OFF = Switch is OFF

*6 The Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor is the PRIMARY INPUT for the operation of these systems. It detects how steep the gradient is and what direction the vehicle is pointing on the gradient

*7 For T31 only. T31 does not have an ABB

*8 Excludes J31 & T31

*9 ABS equipped Y61 & D22 (externally located) + J10 w/out VDC & D40 (located internal of ABS C/U)

** Hill Start Assist does NOT have any switches involved for it's operation. It is applied at all times provided the Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor can detect a gradient of more than 5% & the gear lever is in the appropriate gear (a gear that opposes the direction the vehicle intends to roll)

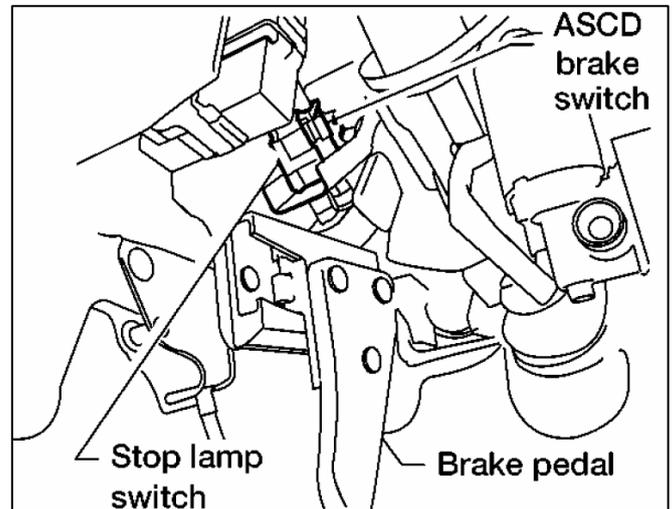
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Braking & Stability Control System Inputs

1. Stop Lamp Switch

This is a critical input for all types of Braking & Stability Control Systems.

This switch is an indication of the drivers intentions in order for the system to be prepared for the most appropriate type of braking & / or stability control.



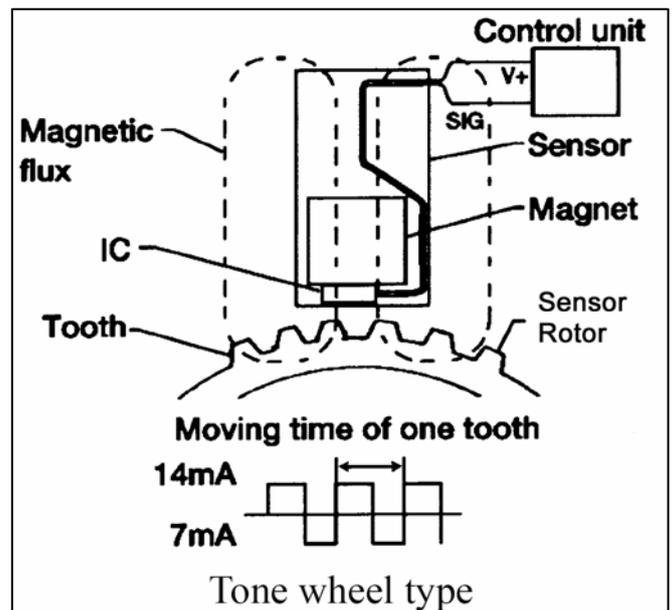
2. Wheel Speed Sensors

There are currently 2 types of wheel speed sensors in use across the model range;

(i) Tone Wheel Type Sensor;

Control unit sends electric power to a sensor detection circuit. The sensor detects the rotation by using a semiconductor that changes the resistance value by the contact from magnetic lines of force.

These are typically used on rear wheels.



(ii) Magnetic Encoder Type Sensor;

The speed of rotation is detected by the use of an IC in the sensing portion and a magnetic rotor.

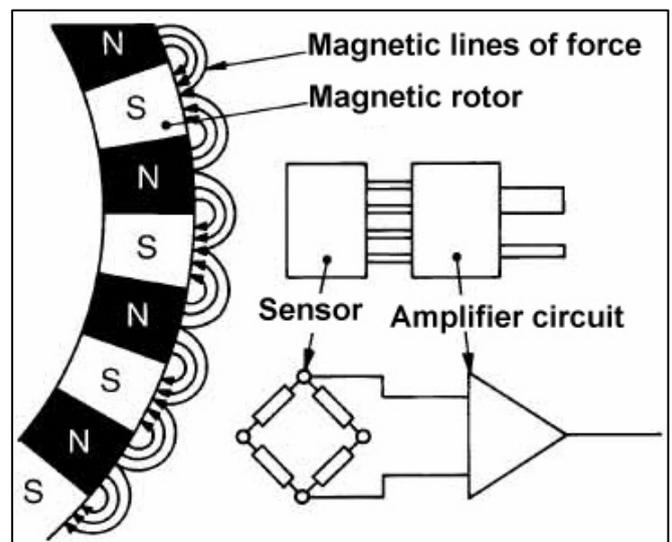
Power is supplied to the sensing circuit to read magnetic lines of force and the magnetic force is sensed electrically and converted to an electrical signal.

When the sensor rotor turns, the magnetic field changes. The change is converted to an electrical signal and transmitted to the ABS actuator control unit.

The change of the magnetic field is proportional to the wheel speed.

The Magnetic type allows for a smaller size and the weight is reduced.

These are typically used on front wheels.



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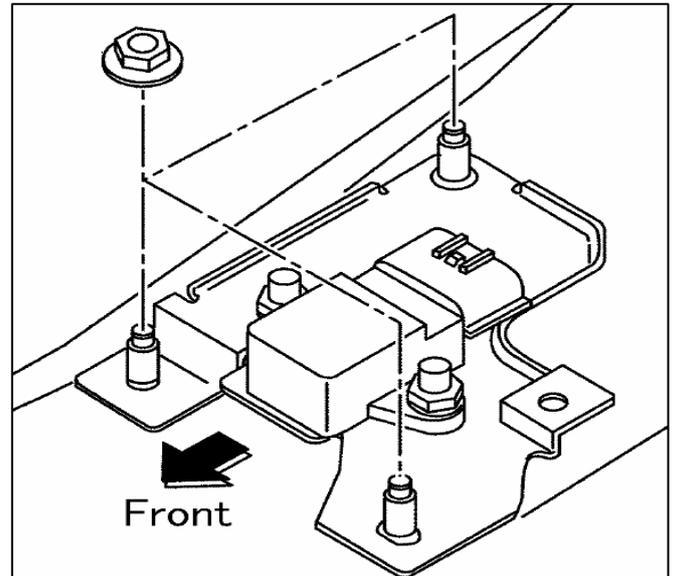
Braking & Stability Control System Inputs

3. Decel G Sensor (Single Axis G Sensor)

Under a braking situation, the Decel G Sensor can detect the rate of speed loss (how fast the vehicle is slowing down) If the rate is slow, this would indicate that the vehicle is braking on a low friction road surface (gravel for example). The sensor can indicate that the cycle rate of the ABS is not suitable for the road conditions therefore the cycling rate is changed in order to improve the braking ability on such a surface.

This Sensor is typically located in the centre of the vehicle under the centre console.

Do NOT confuse this sensor with the below discussed Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor



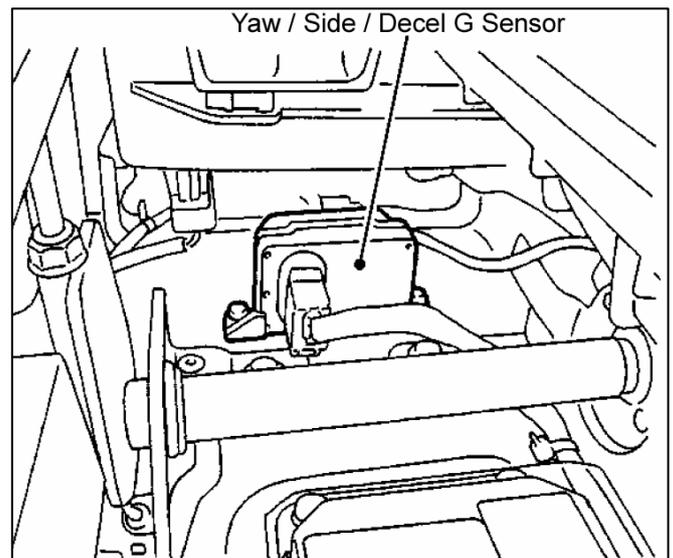
4. Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor (Tri Axis G Sensor)

This sensor has additional capabilities over the Decel G Sensor. It can detect the rate of speed loss as well as the turning direction of the vehicle vs actual direction of vehicle travel.

With this information, the VDC Control Unit can determine what actions it needs to take (what wheel / wheels to apply braking to for example) so that the vehicles direction can be corrected & the vehicle is therefore stabilised.

It can also detect the level of gradient (how steep) the vehicle is on to assist with Hill Start Assist & Hill Decent Control functionality.

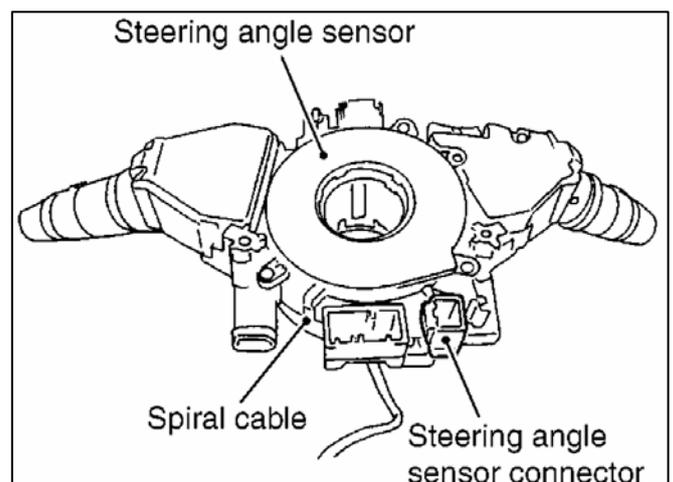
This Sensor is typically located in the centre of the vehicle under the centre console.



5. Steering Wheel Angle Sensor

This input is important for VDC. The intended direction of the driver (steering wheel angle) is checked against the actual direction of the vehicle by the Control Unit. The appropriate braking is applied to the necessary wheels in order to correct the vehicles direction of travel.

The rate / speed that the wheel is being turned is also monitored.



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Braking & Stability Control System Inputs

6. Master Cylinder Pressure Sensor (Front)

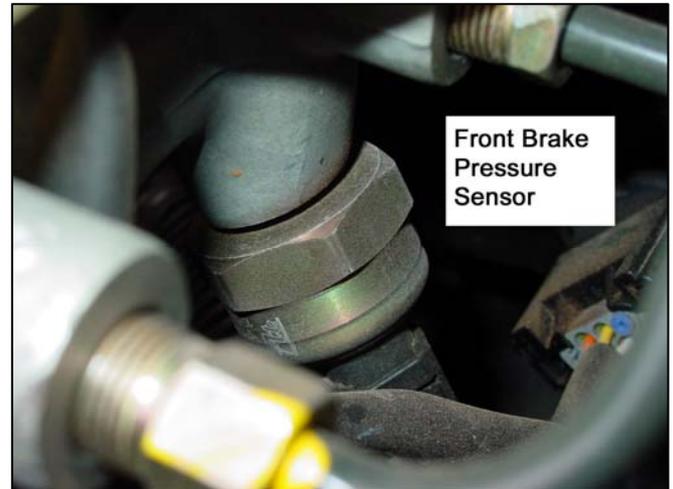
This is utilised so that the system can detect the drivers braking effort. (Pressure applied to the brake pedal).

The sensor is either mounted directly on the Brake Master Cylinder (pictured right) or it is internally located in the ABS / VDC actuator.

This sensor can actually detect the brake pedal stroke.

Both the distance the pedal has been pushed & the rate of pedal travel.

(Have the brakes been applied under normal braking circumstances or a panic situation?)



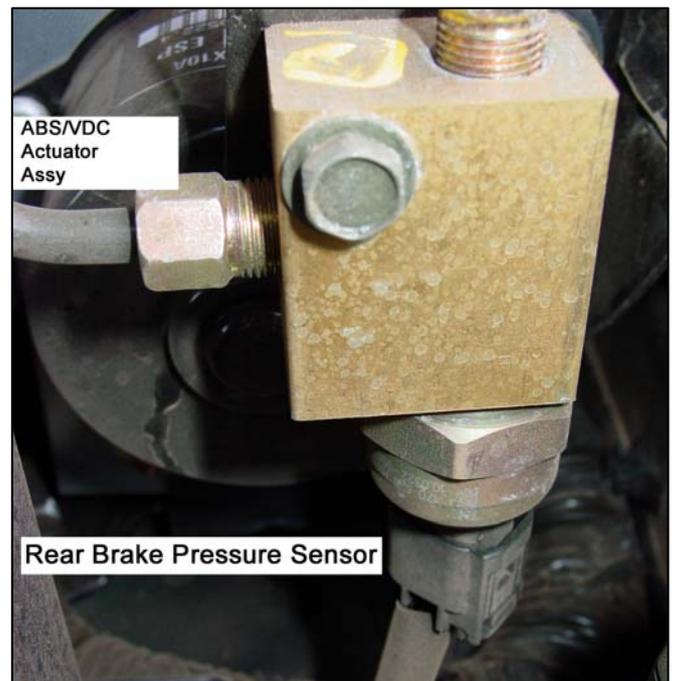
7. Master Cylinder Pressure Sensor 2 (Rear)

This additional pressure sensor is utilised for the same reason as the main sensor only it is applied to the secondary hydraulic circuit. It is an input required for the operation of the Active Brake Booster / Hill Start Assist function.

The sensor is mounted on a hydraulic junction block in front of the ABS Actuator unit.

This sensor can actually detect the brake pedal stroke. Both the distance the pedal has been pushed & the rate of pedal travel.

(Have the brakes been applied under normal braking circumstances or a panic situation?)

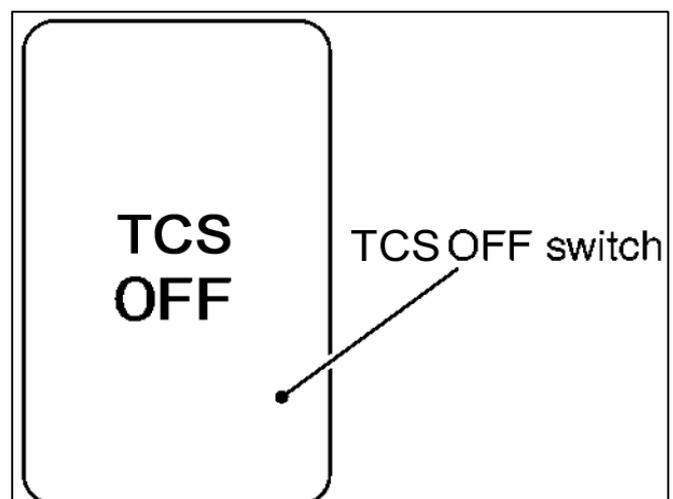


8. TCS OFF Switch

This switch is a momentary contact switch. It indicates to the system that the driver requires no Traction Control functionality.

TCS reverts back to normal operation once the ignition is switched off & then back on again.

The operation of the switch will illuminate the orange coloured "TCS OFF" light on the instrument cluster.



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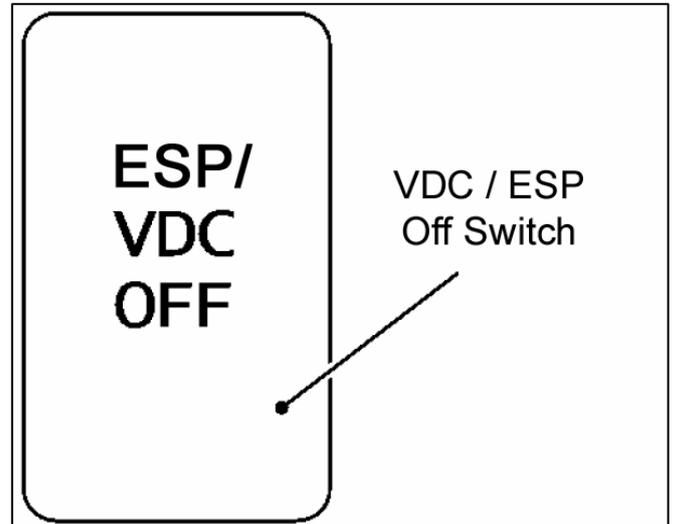
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9. VDC / ESP OFF Switch

This switch is a momentary contact switch. It indicates to the system that the driver requires no Vehicle Stability Control functionality.

VDC reverts back to normal operation once the ignition is switched off & then back on again.

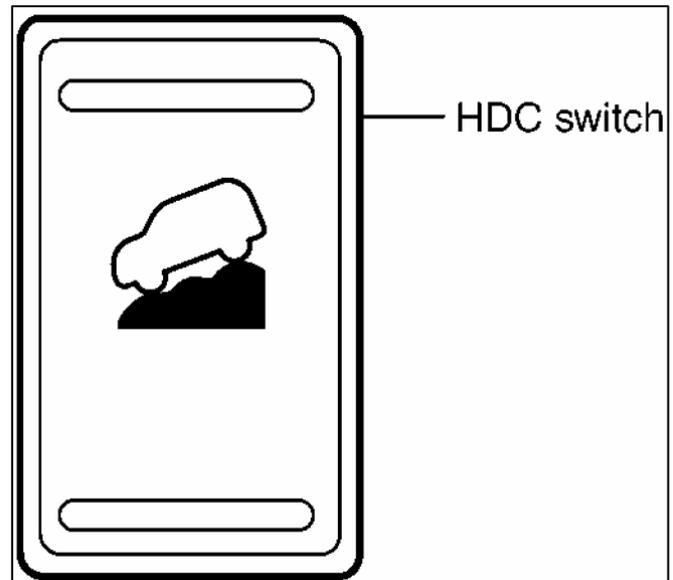
The operation of the switch will illuminate the orange coloured “VDC / ESP OFF” light on the instrument cluster.



10. HDC (on) Switch

This switch is a permanent contact 2 stage switch. It indicates to the system that the driver requires HDC functionality.

The operation of the switch will illuminate the orange coloured HDC light on the instrument cluster. If there is a condition that does not satisfy the proper operation of HDC, the light will constantly flash.



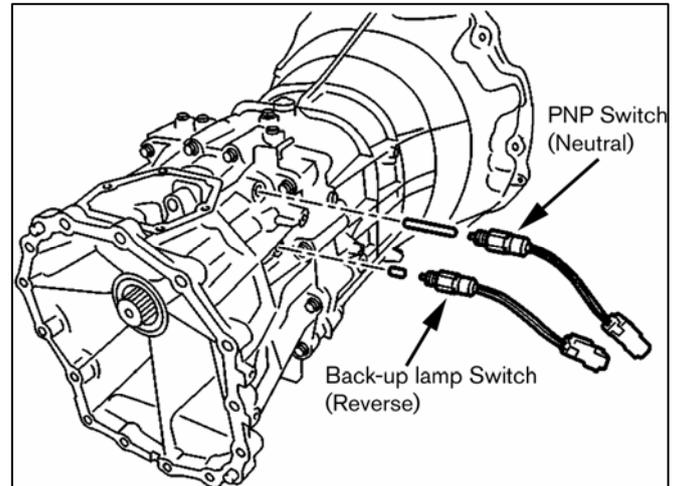
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Braking & Stability Control System Inputs

11a. PNP Switch & Back-up Lamp Switches (R51 M/T Models)

The system will require an indication of the vehicle being in gear & from that the intended direction of travel & if the vehicle is actually being driven.

This is a critical input for the operation of Hill Start Assist & Hill Descent Control.

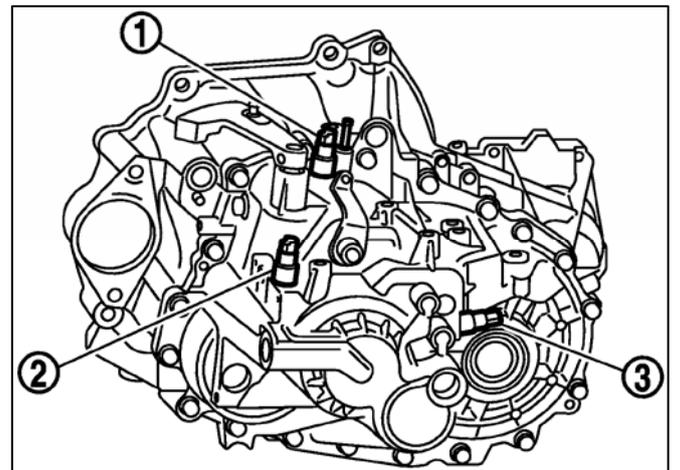


11b. 1st Gear, PNP Switch & Back-up Lamp Switches (T31 M/T Models)

The system will require an indication of the vehicle being in gear & from that the intended direction of travel & if the vehicle is actually being driven.

This is a critical input for the operation of Hill Start Assist & Hill Descent Control.

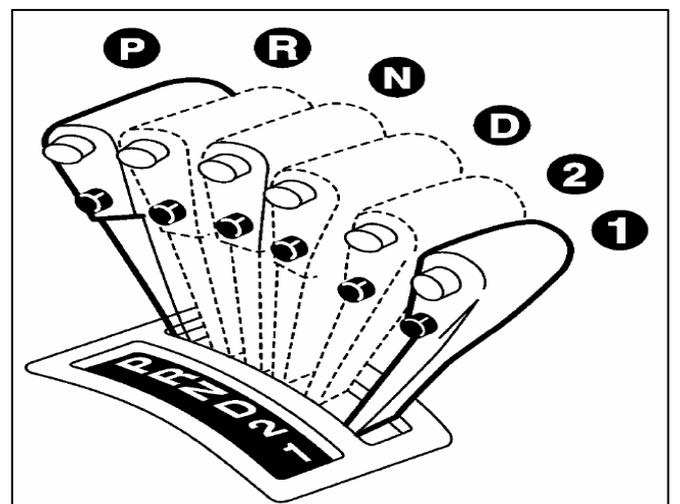
- 1; PNP Switch
- 2; Back-up Lamp Switch
- 3; 1st Gear Switch



12. Gear Lever Position (A/T models)

The system will require an indication of the vehicle being in gear & from that the intended direction of travel & if the vehicle is actually being driven.

This is a critical input for the operation of Hill Start Assist & Hill Descent Control.

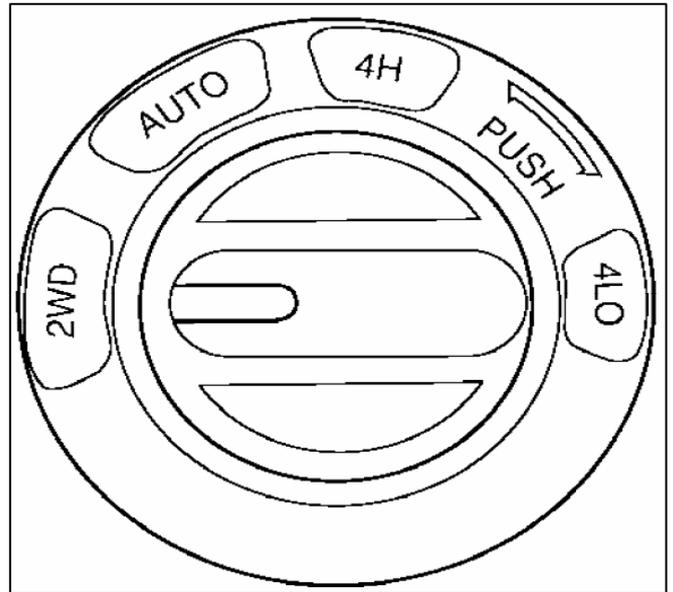


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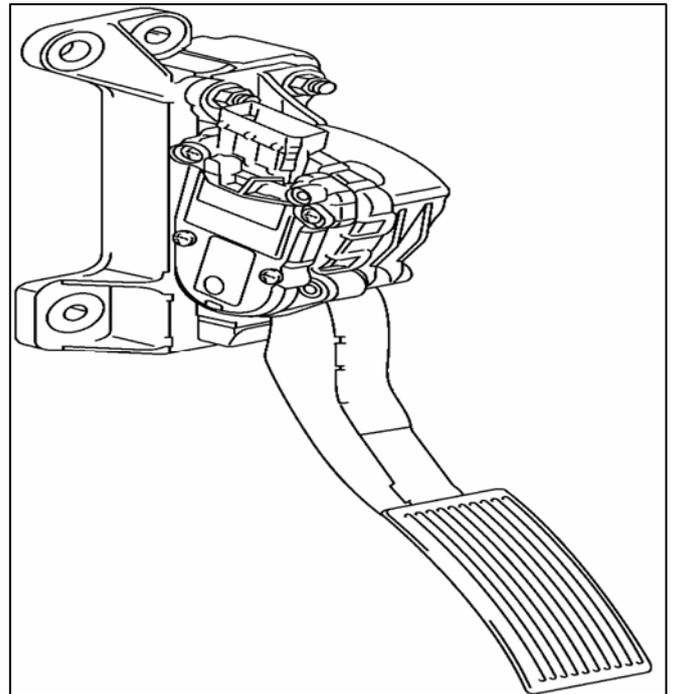
13. 4WD Mode Switch

The system will require an indication of the 4WD mode the vehicle is being operated in. In 4LO for example, ABLS will operate, but the VDC system is switched OFF.



14. Accelerator Pedal

The system will require an indication of the driver's intention on driving the vehicle & the power required. In some electronically controlled 4x4 models, (primarily R51 & D40) the pedal sensitivity is REDUCED when the vehicle is operated in 4LO.

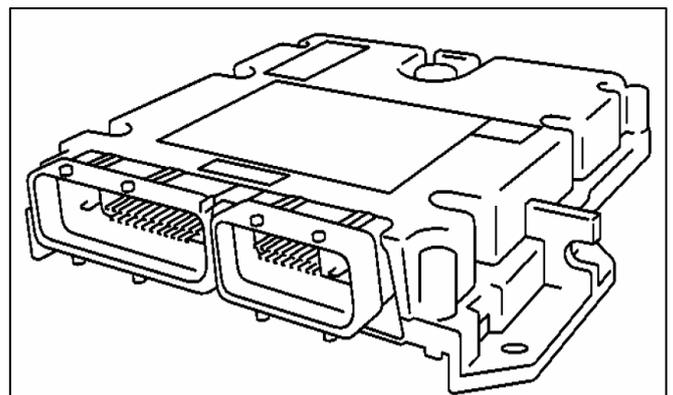


15. Engine Speed

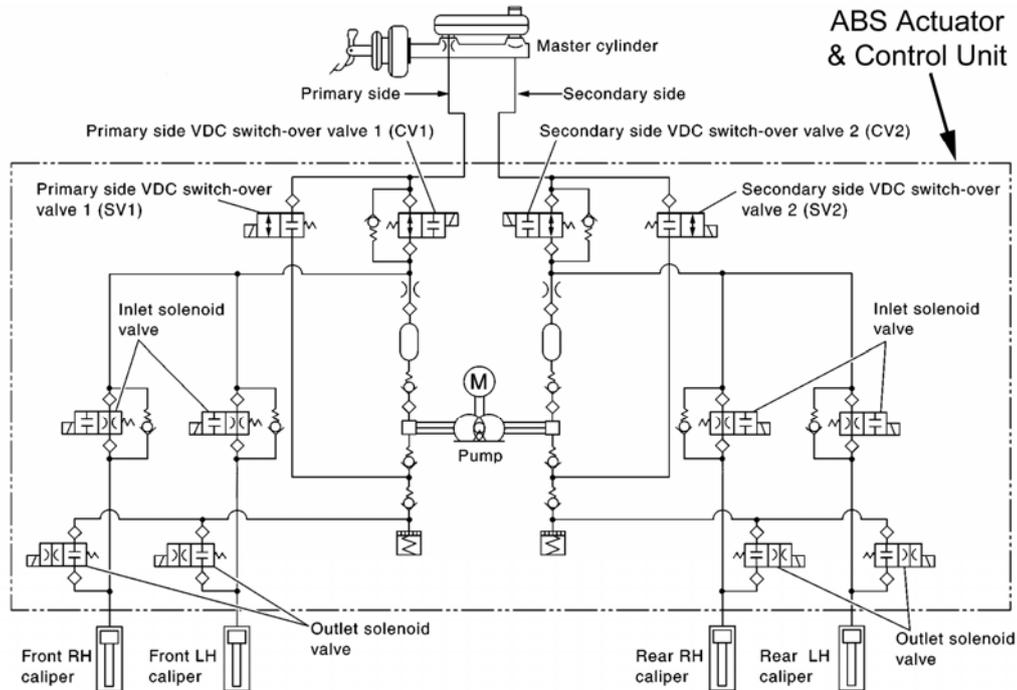
Engine speed is monitored & the system can tailor a more suitable engine power output for the given condition.

For Petrol Engine models, the Electric Throttle Actuator is controlled appropriately. (The throttle control overrides the driver's wishes for engine power)

For Diesel Engine models, fuel quantity & fuel injection timing is controlled appropriately.



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Braking & Stability Control System Outputs

1. Pump Motor

The pump motor is utilised to create fluid pressure & then it is applied to any brake unit on a wheel where required. The pump is utilised on models with standard ABS systems as well models with additional functions such as stability control (VDC) & 4x4 braking control (ABLS).

For example, when a vehicle fitted with VDC is cornering & begins to skid out of control, the pump motor is activated so that there is available brake fluid pressure to apply to any given wheel to control the vehicle's stability. The driver does NOT have to apply master cylinder pressure to create a braking action in this case.

2. Inlet Solenoid

The inlet solenoid is controlled in 2 x ways;

- (i) Remain in a normally open position (switched off) so that brake fluid is allowed into the brake unit (calliper / wheel cylinder) from either the brake master cylinder (due to the driver pushing the brake pedal) or the ABS pump forcing fluid into the brake unit. The outlet solenoid however must be in the closed position.
- (ii) Switched on & moves to the closed position. This will stop fluid pressure being applied to the brake unit. If the Outlet solenoid remains closed as well, this will keep a "hold" pressure on the brake unit at the wheel.

3. Outlet Solenoid

The Outlet solenoid is also controlled in 2 x ways;

- (i) Remain in a normally closed position (switched off) so that brake fluid is not allowed to escape from the brake unit (calliper / wheel cylinder).
- (ii) Switched on & moves to the open position. This will allow fluid pressure applied to the brake unit to escape. (Allow the wheel to rotate freely) The inlet solenoid should be in the closed position however to stop fluid pressure being applied to the braking unit.

4. Primary Switch Over Valves

The switch over valves are operated under VDC, ABLS & HDC operating conditions. They are designed to stop fluid pressure being forced back into the master cylinder when braking pressure is applied to a brake unit at any wheel under a stability control condition.

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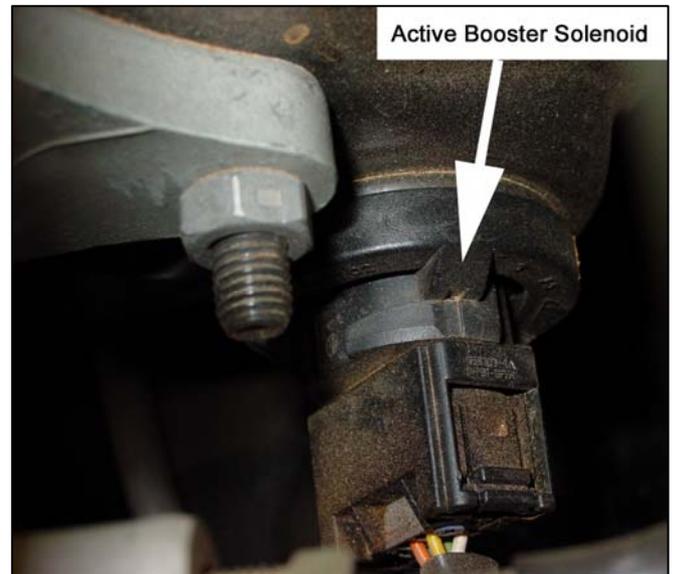
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5. Active Booster Solenoid

The Solenoid is activated to apply booster pressure to the master cylinder without driver input.

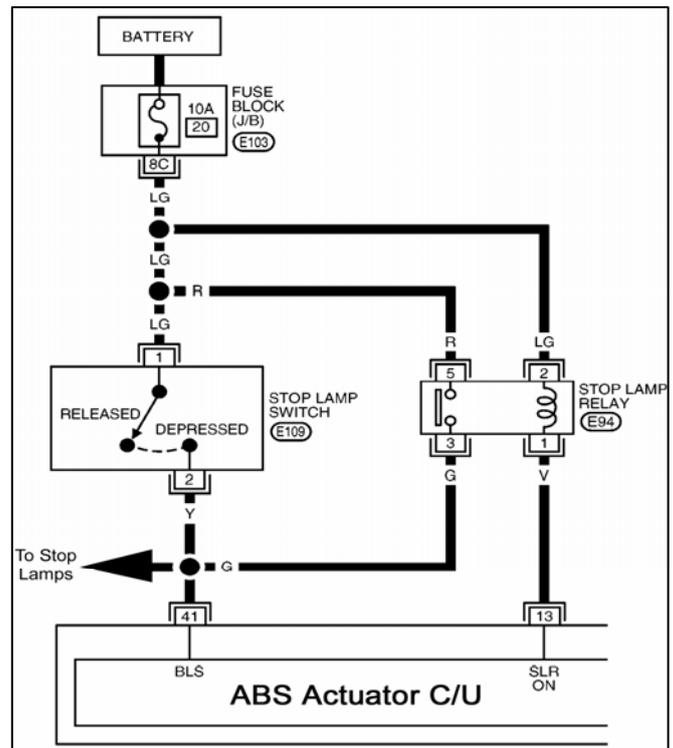
An electrically controlled solenoid attached to the brake booster assembly fully opens up the atmospheric pressure port in the booster, which acts on the master cylinder to provide maximum hydraulic pressure at the brakes.

The solenoid is mounted on the front of the brake booster just below where the Brake Master Cylinder mounts.



6. Rear Stop Lamp Relay

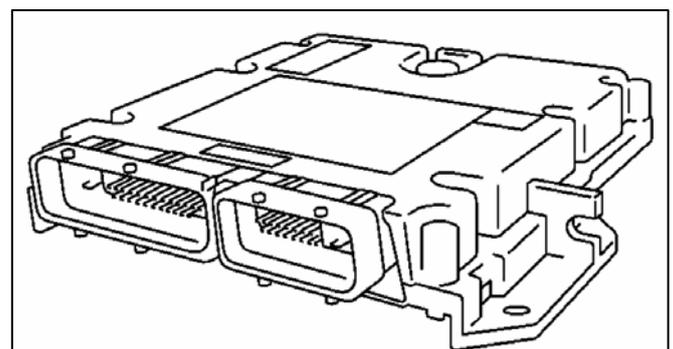
The relay is operated to illuminate the stop lamps when the HDC is functioning.



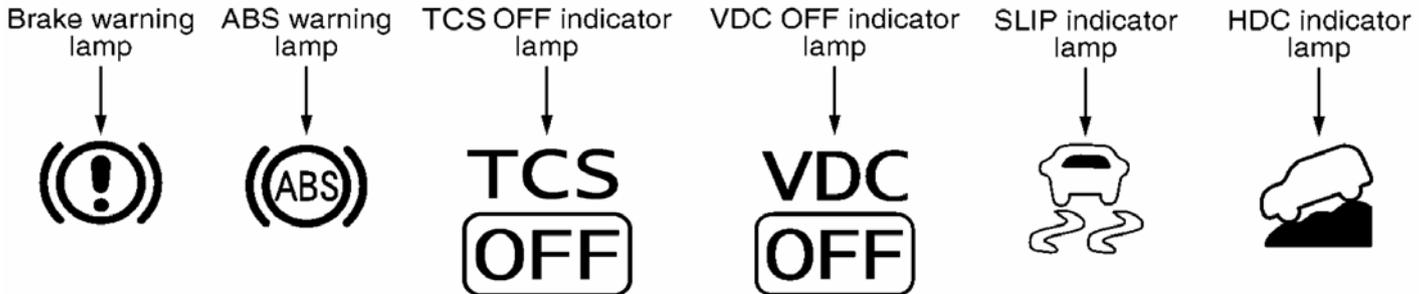
7. Engine Torque Reduction Signal

In the case of Petrol engine models, the Electric Throttle unit is operated appropriately and engine power output is reduced.

In the case of Diesel engine models, fuel injection is controlled appropriately.



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Braking & Stability Control System Outputs

8. Brake Warning Lamp

This light will switch on for the following 3 reasons;

- Hand Brake is applied
- Brake fluid level is low
- Ignition ON (engine not running) bulb check function

9. ABS Warning Lamp

This light will switch on for the following 2 reasons;

- An ABS related fault has been detected
- Ignition ON (engine not running) bulb check function

10. TCS OFF Warning Lamp

This light will switch on for the following 3 reasons;

- An ABS / TCS related fault has been detected
- The TCS OFF switch has been pressed once
- Ignition ON (engine not running) bulb check function

11. VDC OFF Warning Lamp (or ESP OFF)

This light will switch on for the following 4 reasons;

- An ABS / VDC related fault has been detected
- The VDC OFF switch has been pressed once
- The 4LO position on the 4WD mode switch has been selected (where applicable)
- Ignition ON (engine not running) bulb check function

12. SLIP Warning Lamp

This light will switch on for the following 4 reasons;

- An ABS / TCS related fault has been detected (stays on constantly)
- A wheel slip / spin condition is being detected (flashes)
- The vehicle is in an unstable driving condition, so engine torque reduction & braking is being applied to 1 or more wheel(s)
- Ignition ON (engine not running) bulb check function

13. HDC (on) Warning Lamp

Light will switch on for the following 2 reasons;

- The HDC switch is in the ON Position, the 4WD switch is in the 4H or 4LO position, the vehicle is on a suitable enough gradient, the transmission is in gear & the accelerator pedal & brake pedal is NOT applied.

NOTE: If the HDC switch is on, but the other conditions stated are not met, the light will flash repeatedly

- Ignition ON (engine not running) bulb check function

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Normal Incidences which May Cause Customer Complaint

ABS (All Variants)

- When starting engine or just after starting vehicle, brake pedal may vibrate or the motor operating noise may be heard from engine room. This is a normal state of the operation check.
- During ABS operation, brake pedal lightly vibrates and a mechanical noise may be heard. This is normal.
- Stopping distance may be longer than that of vehicles without ABS when vehicle is driven on rough surfaces, loose gravel or snow-covered (fresh / deep snow) roads.

TCS

- During TCS operation, body and brake pedal lightly vibrate and mechanical noises may be heard. This is normal.
- Depending on road circumstances, driver may sense a sluggish engine response. This is normal, because optimum traction (achieved by reducing engine power) has highest priority under TCS operation.
- When vehicle is passing through a road where surface friction coefficient varies, downshifting or depressing accelerator pedal fully may activate TCS temporarily.

VDC

- During VDC operation, body and brake pedal lightly vibrate and mechanical noise may be heard. This is normal.
- If vehicle is rotated on turn table, or rolled and rocked on a ship or vehicle transport ferry, ABS warning lamp, VDC OFF indicator lamp and SLIP indicator lamp may turn on. In this case, start engine on normal road again. If ABS warning lamp, VDC OFF indicator lamp and SLIP indicator lamp turn off after restart, it is normal.
- When under rapid acceleration or hard turn conditions, operating noise by brake pedal is generated due to momentary activation of TCS &/or VDC. This is not malfunction because TCS and VDC are functioning normally.
- When driving on a steep slope such as an embankment, ABS warning lamp, VDC OFF indicator lamp and SLIP indicator lamp may turn on. In this case, start engine on normal road again. If ABS warning lamp, VDC OFF indicator lamp and SLIP indicator lamp turn off after restart, it is normal.
- A malfunction code orientating around Yaw / Side / Decel G Sensor may occur under hard turn like spin turn, rapid acceleration turn, drift run, etc when VDC function is OFF ("VDC OFF" switch is in "ON" position). This is not malfunction if it is possible to return to a normal position after restarting engine. It will however be necessary to erase the memory of self-diagnosis.

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Typical Service & Trouble Diagnosis Procedures

1. Wheel Speed Sensors

- Ensure they are mounted securely & the wiring & connectors are not damaged.
- Ensure that the tone wheel is not damaged & is mounted securely.
- Ensure that no metallic material / debris is caught on the tone wheel.
- Ensure that all wheel sizes are correct

2. ABS Power & Ground Connections

- Ensure that the main ABS actuator ground connection is clean & tight. Typically a poor ABS ground will cause CAN related DTC's & other intermittent faults.
- Ensure that all relays & fusible links are securely connected & connections are clean & tight.

3. Steering Wheel Angle Neutral Position setting (VDC / ESP only)

- Ensure that this is correctly reset via CONSULT in Work Support. Typically this should be carried out after any front end repairs / wheel alignment etc. For R51 this is required after a battery disconnection.

4. Calibration of Decel G Sensor (R51 with VDC only)

- Ensure that this is correctly reset via CONSULT in Work Support. Typically this should be carried out when carrying out an inspection on the operation of hill descent control &/or hill start assist.

5. Correct Adjustment / Setting of Brake Pedal & Brake Pedal Switches

Numerous problems related to the operation of the braking system (both hydraulically & electrically) can occur if the brake pedal free play / brake pedal stopper clearance / stop lamp &/or ASCD cut switches are not set correctly.

- Use Data Monitor Engine as well as Data Monitor ABS to determine correct switch operation.
- Refer to the Service Manual for correct pedal height / free play adjustments.
- Ensure stop lamps are operating correctly.

6. Gear Position Inputs

Numerous problems can occur on vehicles fitted with VDC / HDC / HSA can occur if the system does not receive the correct gear position signals.

- Use Data Monitor to ensure that all gear position signals are being input correctly.