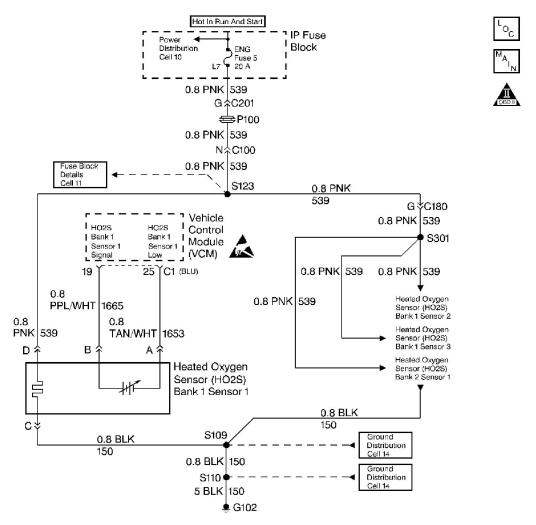
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DTC P0134 HO2S Circuit Insufficient Activity Sensor 1





Circuit Description

Important: If the voltage is measured with a 10 Megaohm Digital Voltmeter, the voltage may read as low as 0.32 volt (320 mV).

The VCM supplies a voltage of about 0.45 volt between the HO2S High and the HO2S Low circuits. The Heated Oxygen Sensor (HO2S) varies the voltage from approximately 1.0 volt (1000 mV) during rich conditions to 0.10 volt (100 mV) during lean conditions.

The sensor is like an open circuit and produces no voltage when it is below 360°C (600°F). An open oxygen sensor circuit or a cold oxygen sensor causes an Open Loop operation.

The HO2S heater provides for a faster sensor warm-up which allows the sensor to become active in © 2023 General Motors Corporation. All rights reserved.

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a shorter period of time and remain active during a long extended idle.

The DTC P0134 determines if the HO2S at the HO2S circuit has developed an open. This DTC is a type A DTC.

Conditions for Setting the DTC

The following conditions will set the DTC:

- No TP sensor DTCs
- No EVAP DTCs
- · No IAT sensor DTCs
- No MAP sensor DTCs
- No ECT sensor DTCs
- · No MAF sensor DTCs
- No intrusive test in progress
- · No device controls active
- The system voltage measures at least 9.0 volts
- The engine run time is greater than 2 minutes
- The HO2S voltage is greater than 0.299 volts (299 mV), and less than 0.598 volt (598 mV).
 For the 7.4L the HO2S voltage is greater than 0.399 volts (399 mV), and less than 0.468 volts (468 mV)

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- The engine run time is greater than 2 minutes.
- A Closed Loop exists.
- The DTC P0135 (HO2S Bank 1, Sensor 1 heater) is not set.
- The HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1) voltage is greater than 0.299 volts (299 mV) but less than 0.598 volts (598 mV).

Action Taken When the DTC Sets

With a current DTC set, the system operates in open loop and the MIL (Malfunction indicator lamp) turns ON.

Conditions for Clearing the MIL/DTC

The VCM turns OFF the MIL after 3 consecutive driving trips without a fault condition present. A history DTC will clear if no fault conditions have been detected for 40 warm-up cycles (the coolant temperature has risen 22°C (40°F) from the start-up coolant temperature and the engine coolant temperature exceeds 71°C (160°F) during that same ignition cycle) or the scan tool clearing feature has been used.

Diagnostic Aids

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Important: Never solder the HO2S wires. For proper wire and connection repairs, refer to Wiring Repairs.

A intermittent may be caused by a poor connection, a rubbed through wire insulation, or a broken wire inside the insulation.

Check for the following conditions:

- A poor connection or a damaged harness: Inspect the harness connectors for the following conditions:
 - Backed out terminals
 - Improperly formed or damaged terminals
 - Poor terminal to wire connection
 - Damaged harness
- A malfunctioning HO2S heater or heater circuit: With the ignition ON and the engine OFF, the HO2S voltage displayed on a scan tool should gradually drop to below 0.150 volt, indicating that the heater works properly. If not, disconnect the HO2S and connect a test lamp between the terminals C and D. If the test lamp does not light, repair the open in the HO2S ground circuit or the HO2S ignition feed circuit. If the test lamp lights, replace the HO2S.
- The Intermittent test: Use a scan tool in order to monitor this HO2S signal voltage. Move the
 related connectors and the wiring harness with a warm engine running at part throttle in
 Closed Loop. If the failure is induced, the HO2S signal voltage reading changes from its
 normal fluctuating voltage (above 600 mV and below 300 mV) to a fixed value around
 450 mV. This may help to isolate the location of the malfunction.

Test Description

The numbers below refer to the step numbers on the diagnostic table.

- 2. If the conditions for setting the DTC P0134 exist, the system will not go into a Closed Loop.
- 3. This test determines if the sensor or the wiring is the cause of the DTC P0134.
- 4. This test checks the continuity of the HO2S 1 signal circuit.

Step	Action	Value(s)	Yes	No
1	Important: Before clearing the DTCs use the scan tool to record the Freeze Frame and the Failure Records data. This data will be lost when the Clear Info function is used. Was the Powertrain On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) System Check performed?		Go to Step	Go to Powertrain On Board Diagnostic (OBD) System Check
2	 Connect the scan tool. Run the engine at the normal operating temperature Run the engine above the specified value for 2 minutes. Does the scan tool indicate a Closed Loop?	1200 RPM	Go to Step	Go to Step 3

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3	 Disconnect the Heated Oxygen Sensor (HO2S Bank 1, Sensor 1) electrical connector. Jumper the HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1) harness Hi and Low circuits (VCM side) to a ground Turn on the engine leaving the engine off. Does the scan tool data display indicate a	0.2 V (200 mV)	Go to Step	
	HO2S voltage less than the specified value.		<u>30 to step</u> <u>7</u>	Go to Step 4
4	 Remove the jumpers. Reconnect the HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1). Turn off the ignition. Probe the HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1) High circuit with a test lamp to the B+. 		Go to Step	Go to Step 9
	DTC is intermittent. If no additional DTCs are			
5	stored, refer to the Diagnostic aids. If additional DTCs are stored refer to those Table(s) first.		Go to The Applicable DTC Table	Go to Step 6
6	Check for an open in the HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1) signal circuit. Was a problem found?		Go to Step	Go to Step 8
7	Check for a faulty HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1) connection. Was a problem found?		Go to Step	Go to Step 10
8	Check for a poor connection at the VCM. Was a problem found?		Go to Step	Go to Step 12
9	Repair the open HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1) ground circuit. Refer to <i>Wiring Repairs</i> in Engine Electrical. Is the action complete.		Go to Step	
10	Replace the HO2S (Bank 1, Sensor 1). Refer to <i>Heated Oxygen Sensor (HO2S) Replacement</i> . Is the action complete?		Go to Step	
11	Repair the circuit as necessary. Refer to Wiring Repairs in Engine Electrical. Is the action complete?		Go to Step 13	
	Replace the VCM.			

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	Important: If the VCM is faulty, reprogram the VCM. Refer to VCM Replacement/Programming. Is the action complete?	 Go to Step	
13	 Using the scan tool, select the DTC and the Clear Info. Start the Engine. Idle at the normal operating temperature. Select the DTC and the Specific. Enter the DTC number which was set. Operate the vehicle within the conditions for setting this DTC as specified in the supporting text. Does the scan tool indicate that this diagnostic ran and passed?	 Go to Step	Go to Step 2
14	Using the scan tool, select the Capture Info and the Review Info. Are any DTCs displayed that have not been diagnosed?	 Go to The Applicable DTC Table	System OK