Install the upper ball joint to the steering knuckle. Install the upper ball joint stud nut.

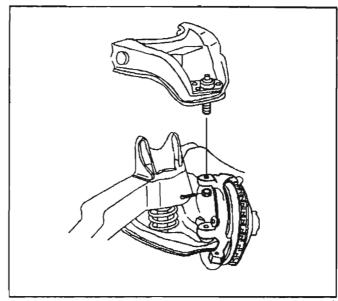
#### Tighten

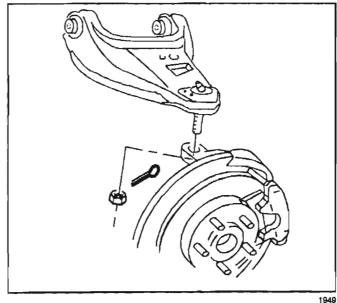
- Tighten the upper ball joint stud nut to 83 N·m (61 lb ft).
- · Tighten the stud nut in order to align the slot in the stud nut with the hole in the stud.
- Install a new cotter pin.
- Install the grease fittings.
- Lubricate the upper ball joint.
- Connect the wheel speed sensor electrical connector.
- Install the wheel speed sensor electrical connector to the upper control arm.
- Install the brake caliper. Refer to Brake Caliper Replacement - Front (Single Piston) in Disc Brakes.
- Install the tire and wheel assembly. Refer to Tire and Wheel Removal and Installation in Tires and Wheels.
- Lower the vehicle.
- 3. Check the front wheel alignment. Refer to Wheel Alignment Specifications in Wheel Alignment.

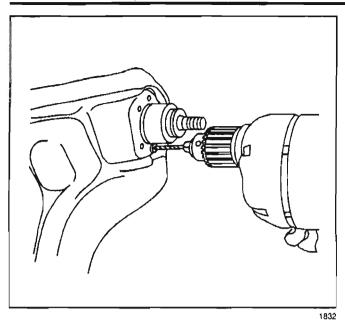
# Upper Ball Joint Replacement (4WD)

#### Removal Procedure

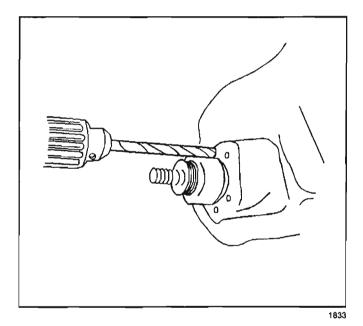
- 1. Raise and suitably support the vehicle with safety stands. Refer to Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle in General Information.
- 2. Remove the tire and wheel. Refer to Tire and Wheel Removal and Installation in Tires and Wheels.
- Remove the wheel speed sensor electrical connector from the upper control arm.
- 4. Disconnect the wheel speed sensor electrical connector.
- 5. Remove the cotter pin from the upper ball joint stud.
- 6. Remove the upper ball joint stud nut.
- 7. Using a pry bar, placed under the upper control arm and on top of the frame, pry upward.
- 8. With the aid of a helper, carefully hammer on the steering knuckle in the area of the upper ball joint stud in order to release the stud from the steering knuckle.
- 9. Remove the upper ball joint from the steering knuckle.
  - 9.1. Place a block under the upper control arm to keep the control arm and the steering knuckle out of the way.
  - 9.2. Suspend the steering knuckle to prevent straining the brake line.



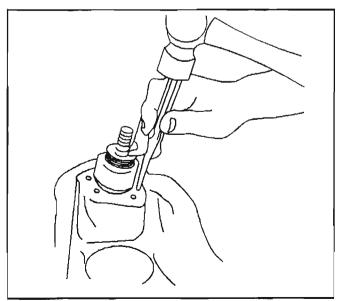




- 10. Remove the rivets from the upper ball joint.
- 11. Use a 3.175 mm (1/6 in) drill to cut a 6.35 mm (1/4 in) deep hole in the center of each rivet.



12. Drill the rivet heads away using a 12.7 mm (½ in) drill.



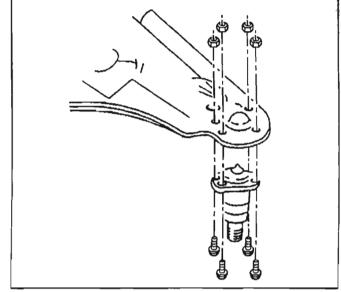
- 13. Remove the rivets using a pin punch.
- 14. Remove the upper ball joint.

#### Installation Procedure

- 1. Install the upper ball joint to the upper control arm.
- Notice: Refer to Fastener Notice in Cautions and Notices.
- 2. Install the upper ball joint retaining bolts and the nuts.

### **Tighten**

Tighten the upper ball joint retaining nuts to 23 N·m (17 lb ft).



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- 3. Install the upper ball joint to the steering knuckle.
- 4. Install the upper ball joint to steering knuckle nut.

## **Tighten**

- · Tighten the upper ball joint to steering knuckle nut to 83 N·m (61 lb ft).
- · Tighten the upper ball joint to steering knuckle nut in order to align for the cotter pin. Do not tighten the nut more than 1/6 turn.
- 5. Install the new cotter pin to the upper ball joint stud. Bend the pin ends against the nut.
- 6. Connect the wheel speed sensor electrical
- 7. Install the wheel speed sensor electrical connector to the upper control arm.
- 8. Install the tire and the wheel. Refer to Tire and Wheel Removal and Installation in Tires and Wheels.
- 9. Lower the vehicle.
- 10. Check the front wheel alignment. Refer to Wheel Alignment Specifications in Wheel Alignment.

