

Sport Sway Bar Kit 22838 2015+ VW GOLF GTI MK7

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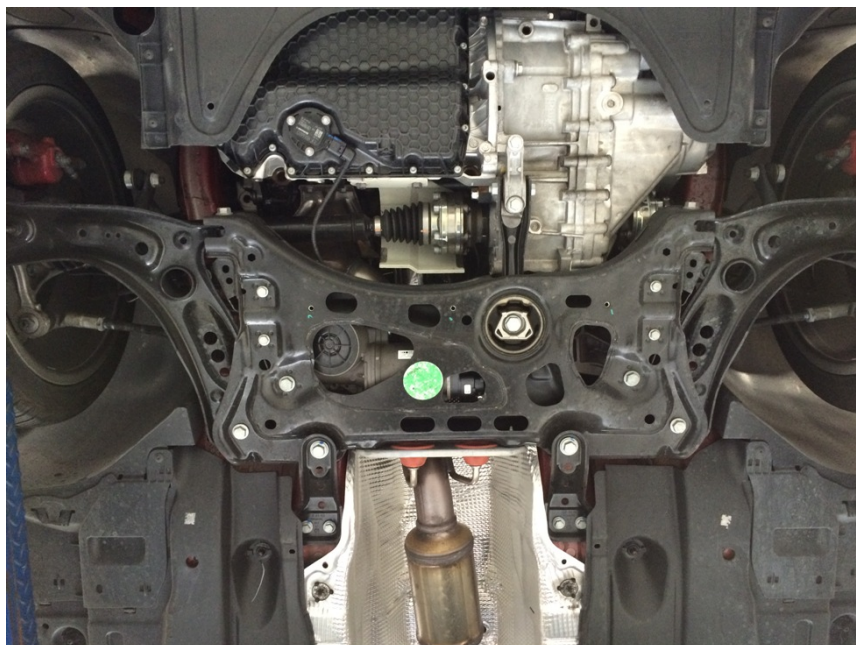
IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE INSTRUCTION MANUAL BEFORE
STARTING THIS INSTALLATION.

Special Tools:

- 10mm Triple Square Socket
- 6mm Triple Square Socket
- Blue thread locking compound

Front Installation

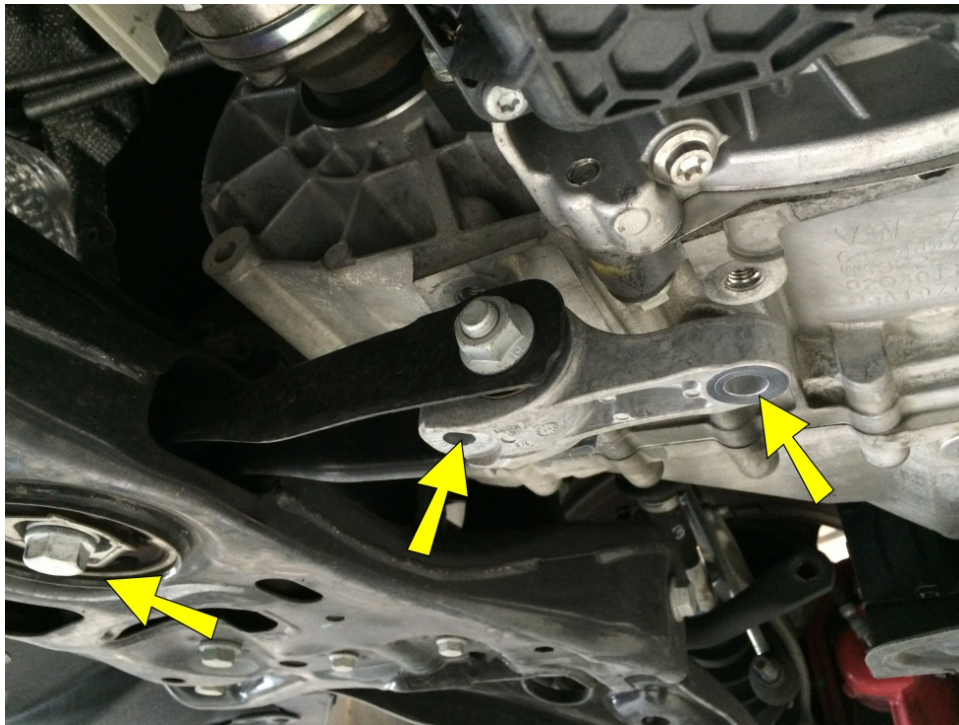
- 1F We highly recommend using a drive-on style lift for safety. Use a four post lift or alignment rack and raise the vehicle to access the undercarriage. Chock the rear wheels to keep the car from rolling.



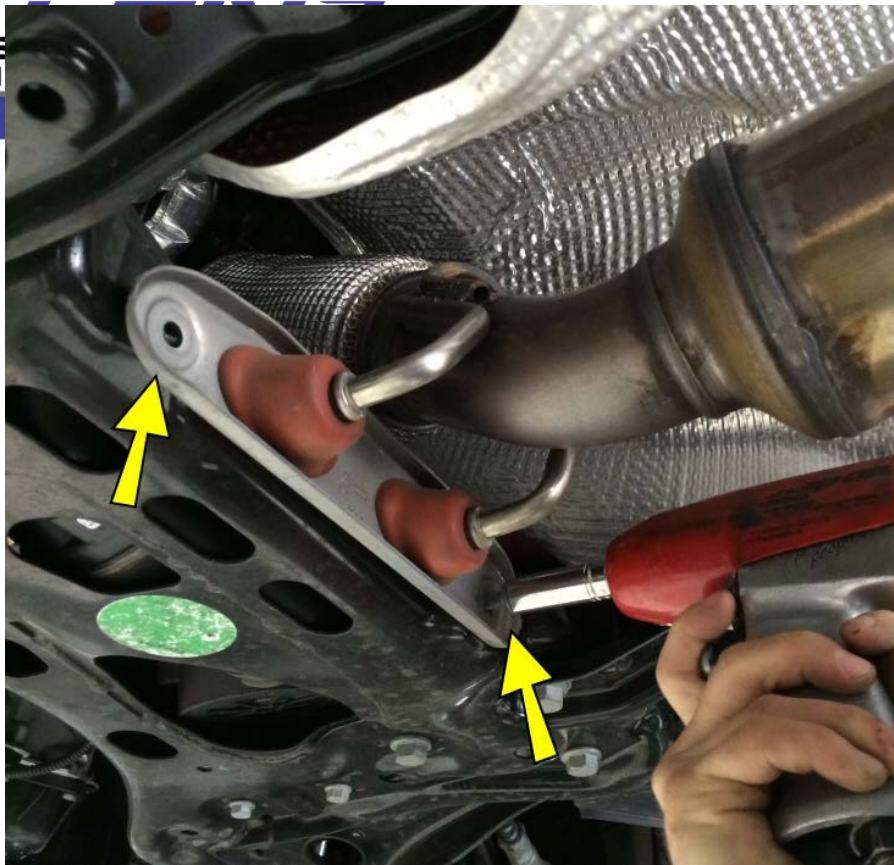
2F Disconnect the end links from the front sway bar. You may need to use a 6mm triple square socket to hold the stud from spinning.



3F Disconnect the lower dogbone mount at the engine. Unfasten the (2) bolts to the engine and loosen the large bolt at the subframe mount



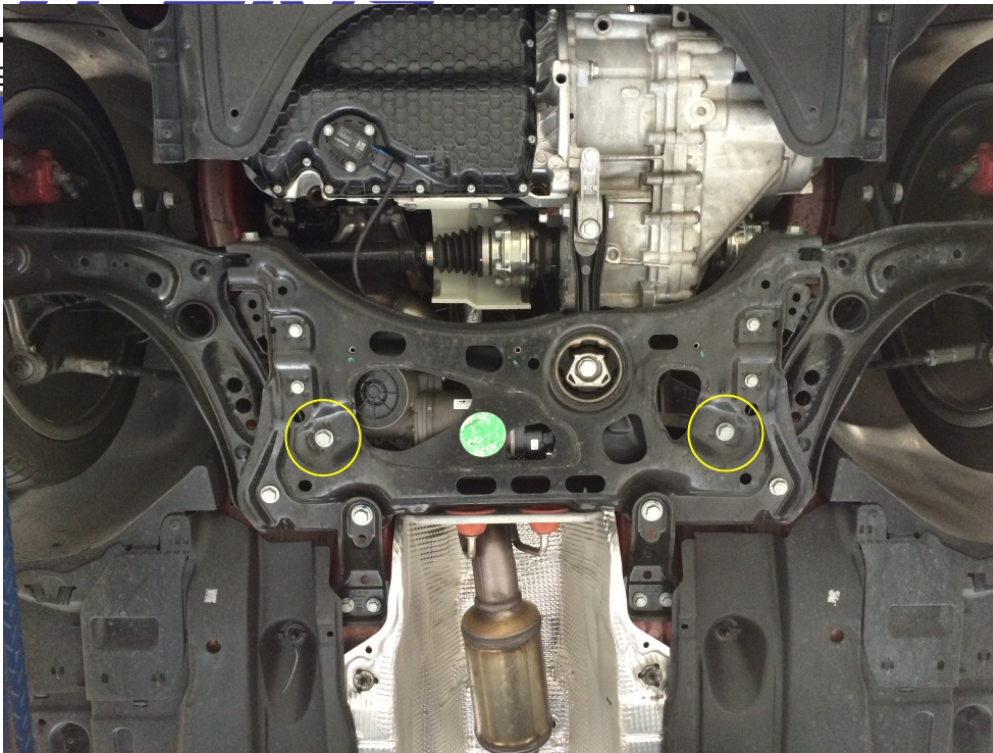
4F Unfasten the (2) bolts securing the exhaust mount to the subframe.



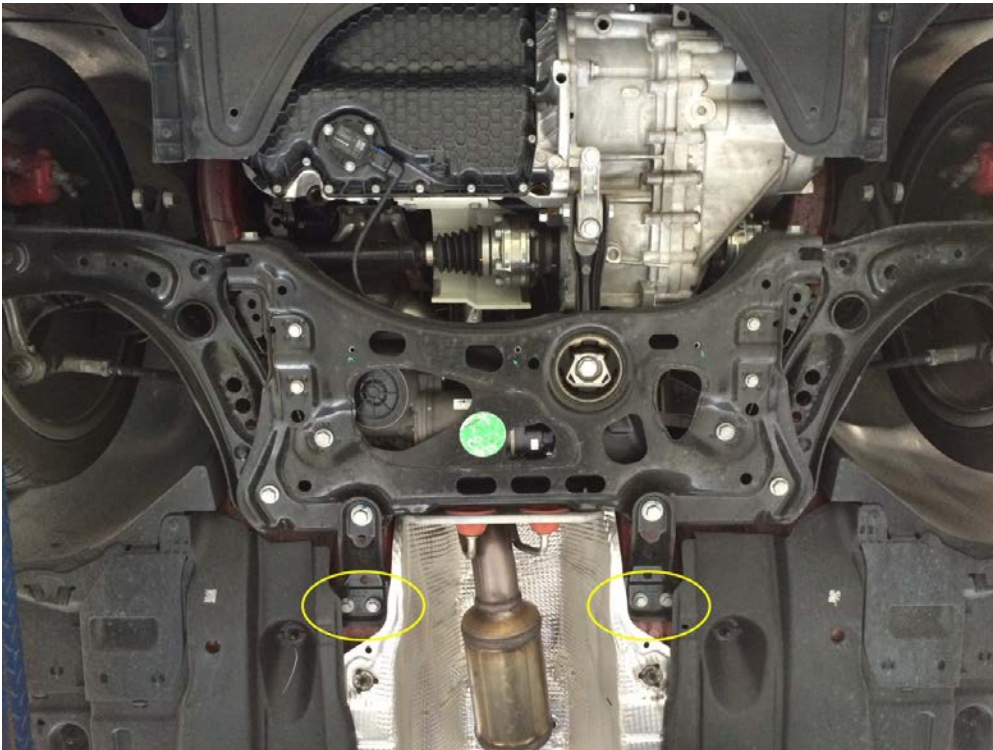
5F Unclip the electrical connector at the bottom of the oil pan.



6F Remove the (2) bolts that hold the steering rack assembly to the subframe.



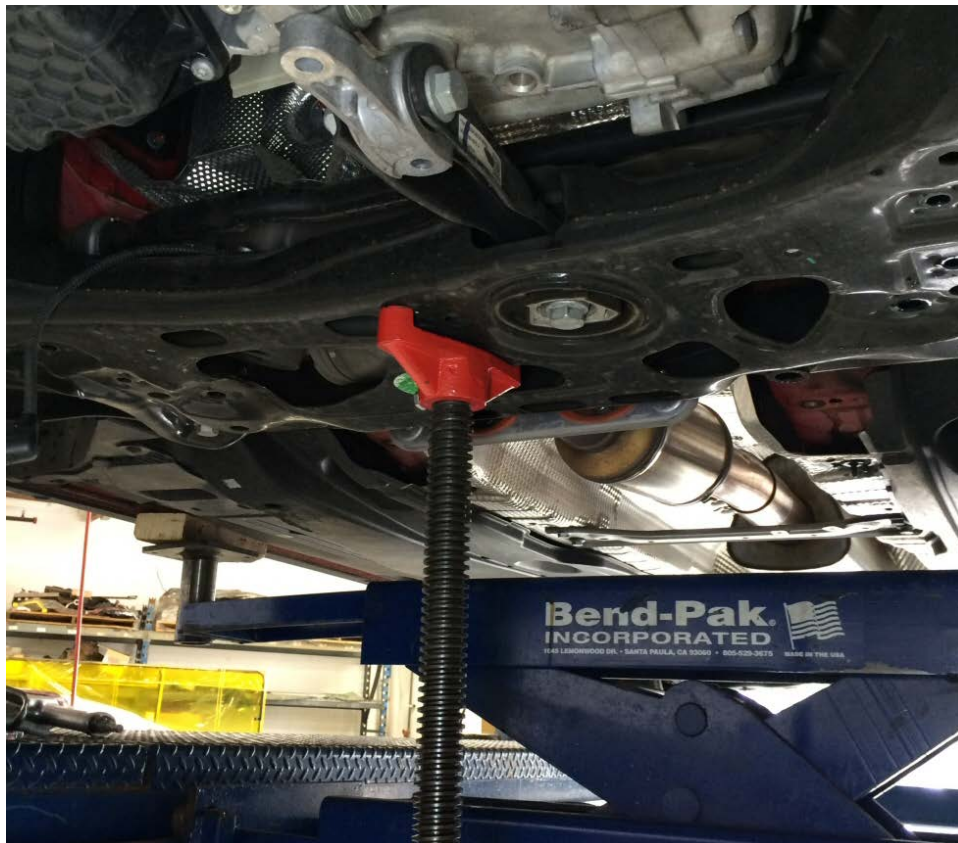
7F Remove the (2) smaller bolts on each rearward subframe mount.



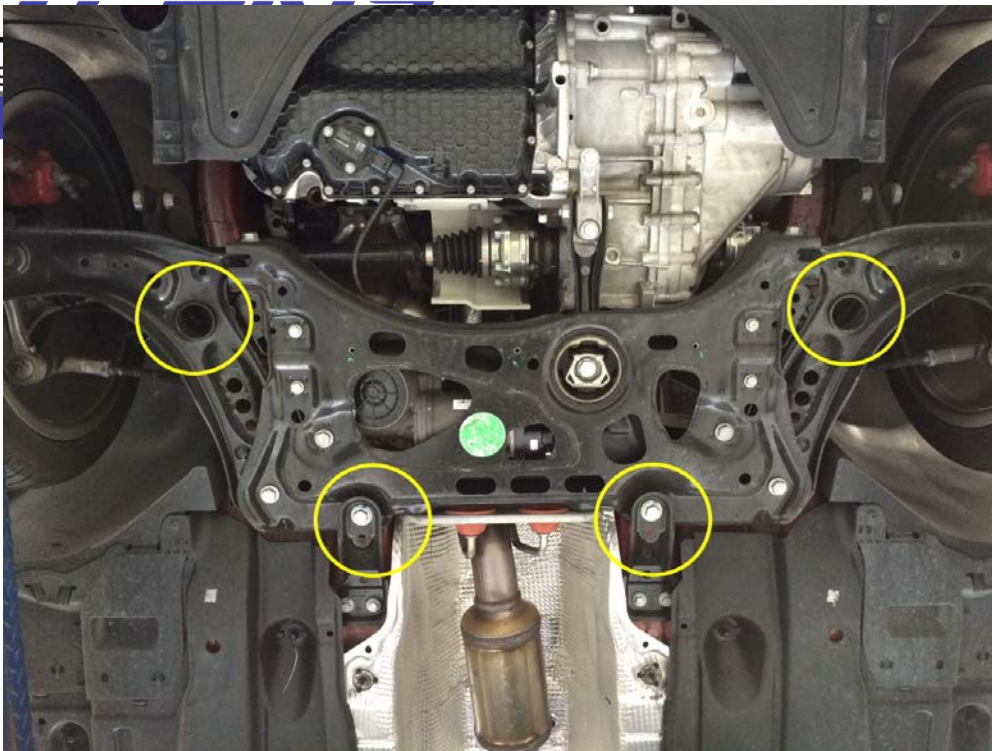
8F Raise the front of the vehicle at the jack points until the wheels begin to lift off the ground.



Use a screw jack or equivalent tool to support the subframe.



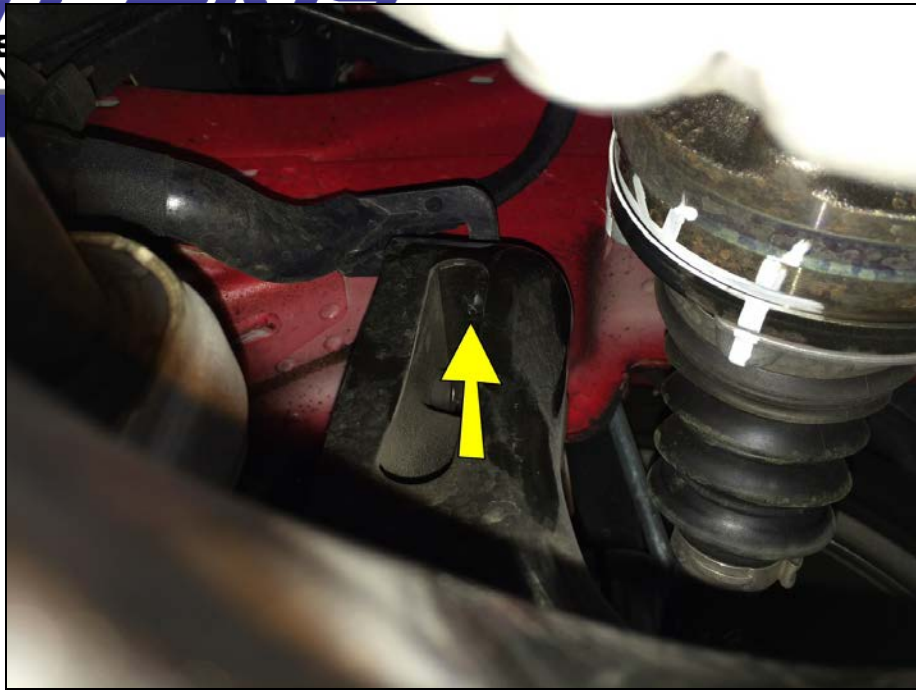
Remove the (4) bolts that hold the subframe to the chassis.



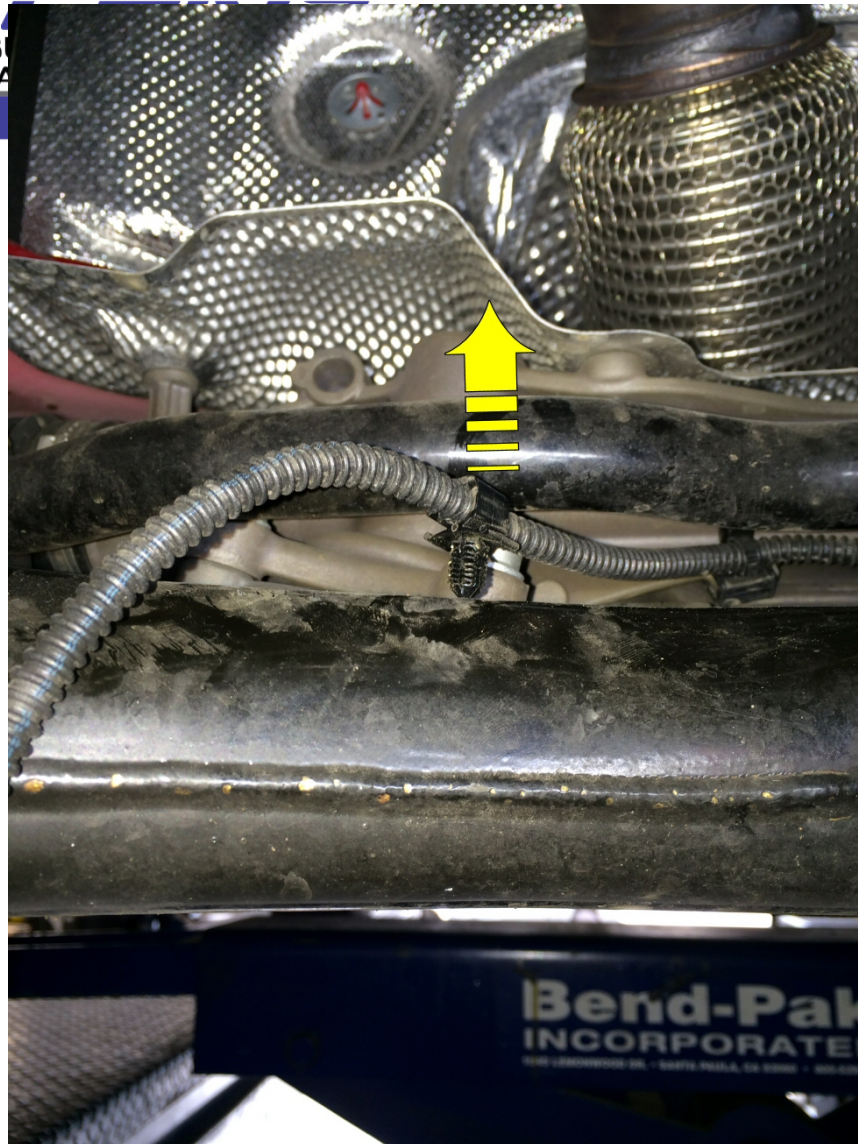
9F Slowly lower the subframe using the screw jack slightly.



You will notice a plastic holder that is clipped into the subframe. Use a screw driver to pop the plastic push-in rivet out to release the plastic holder.



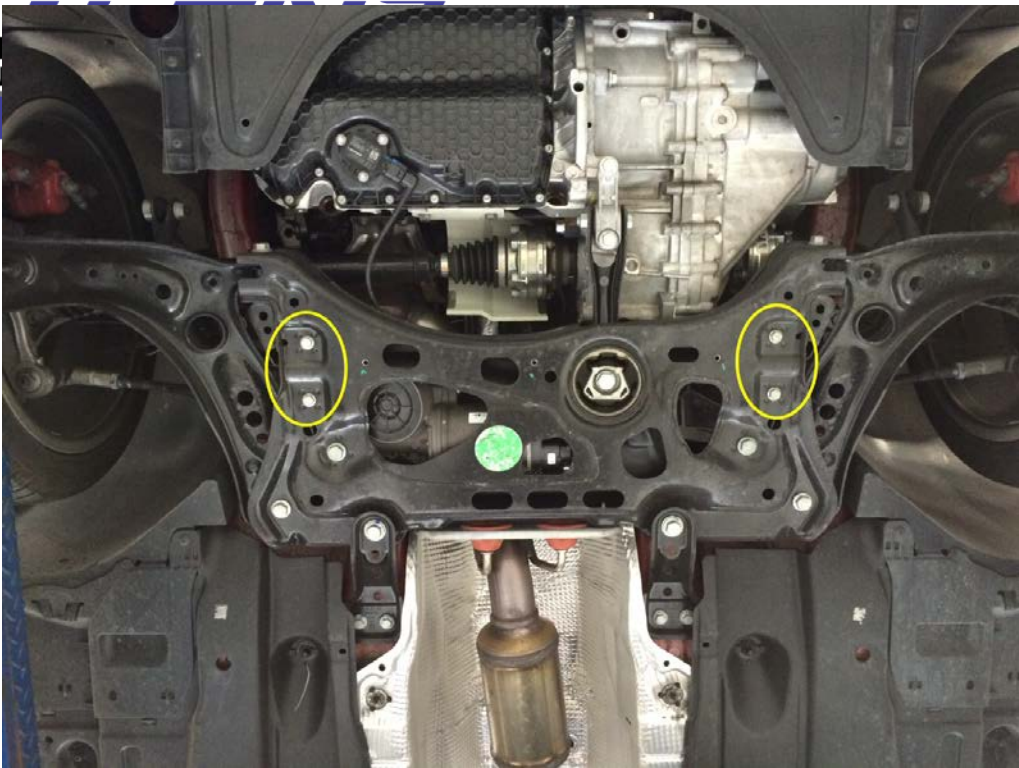
- 10F Before lowering the subframe too much, pop the plastic push-in rivet cable holder for the oil pan connector out of the subframe.



- 11F The subframe should be able to drop down quite a bit to allow the sway bar to be removed. If it doesn't, the steering rack assembly might be stuck onto the subframe. Gently pry and wiggle the assembly away from the subframe. Sometimes raising the subframe back up can help dislodge the steering rack from the frame.



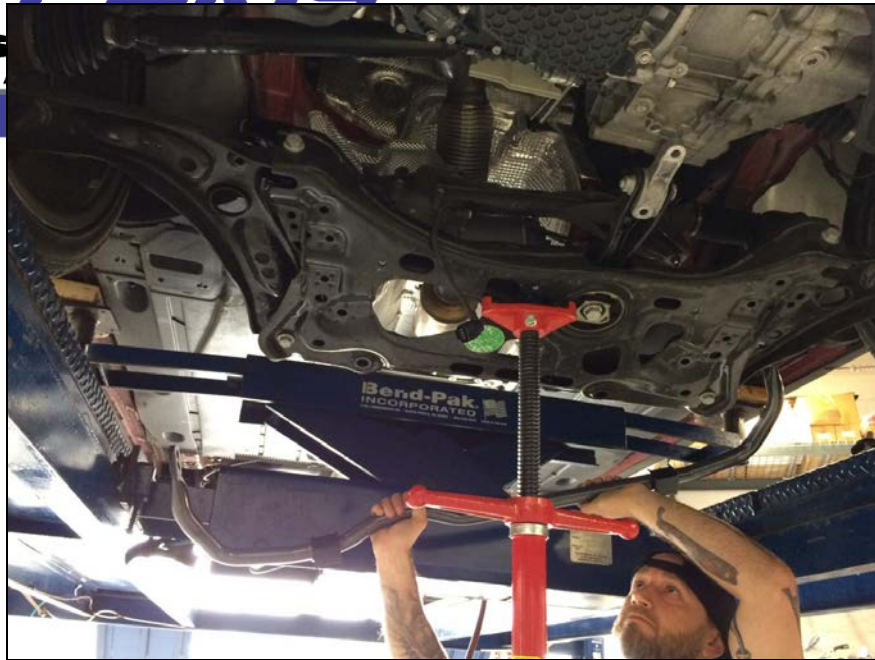
- 12F Remove the (2) bolts for each bushing bracket and remove the bar from the car. Note the orientation of the stock bar as it comes out.



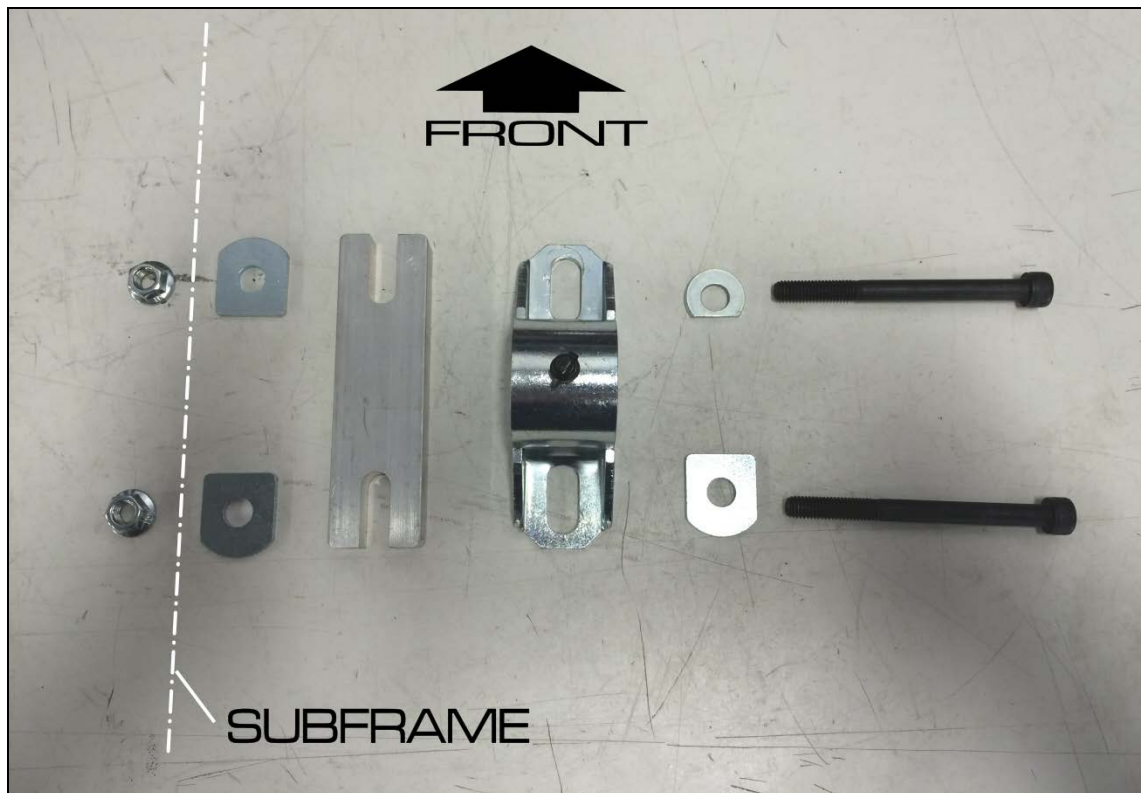
- 13F Grease the Hotchkis polyurethane bushings with the provided lube. Install bushings on the bar as shown below.

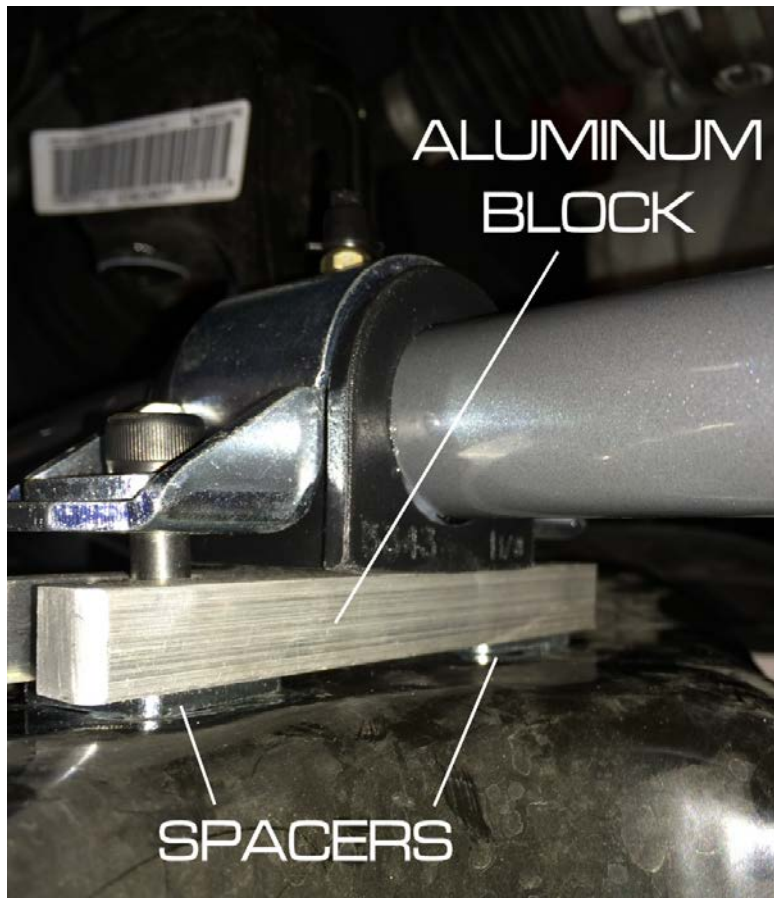


14F Reinstall the Hotchkis bar in the same manner as removal.



Install the bushing brackets as shown below.





Fully tighten the bushing bracket hardware at this time.



- 15F Begin raising the screw jack to bring the subframe up back to the subframe. You will need to guide the steering rack assembly back to its home on the subframe as you go up.

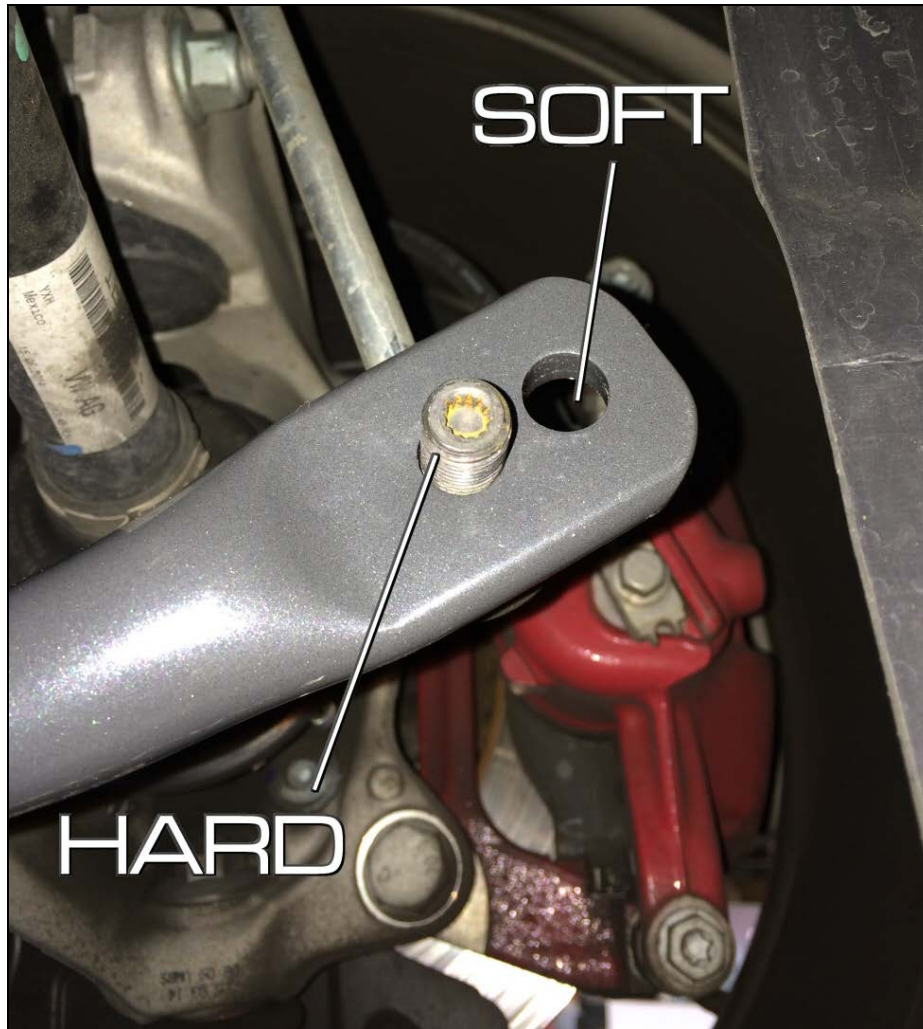
Reverse steps 1-11F in reverse order.



Tip 1: Be patient when lining up the steering rack with the subframe. The steering rack has dowels that positions itself to the subframe. Do not force the mounting bolts to screw in. They should screw in by hand most of the way. To be safe, you can use anti-seize to avoid galling the threads during this process.

10F. Finally, up the subframe to the rest of the chassis is another challenge. Make sure there is nothing binding or pinched between the subframe and the unibody. Using some pry bars and a few assistants can help with lining up the subframe while you screw each subframe bolt in by hand. Anti-seize compound on the (4) mounting bolts can help prevent cross threading.

- 16F When bolting up the end link back onto the front sway bar, you have (2) choices for holes. The soft hole will be the closest to the end and the stiff hole is the furthest. Make sure to use the same hole for both sides. Do not use the soft hole on one side and the stiff hole on the other.



You are finished with the front sway bar installation.

Rear Installation

- 1R Raise rear of the vehicle by using a 4 post lift or drive-on ramps. Securely block the front wheels of the vehicle. Removing the rear wheels is not required. A 2-post lift can be used for the rear sway bar installation.

Unbolt the rear end links from the control arms. It's easier to do this versus trying to unbolt the end link from the sway bar.



- 3R Unfasten the (2) bolts from each of the bushing brackets using a 10mm triple square socket tool.



4R Remove the OE sway bar from the car.



- 5R Place the OE bar next to the Hotchkis bar and transfer the end links over. Use the 6mm Triple square socket to hold the end link stud.



Use blue loctite on the end link studs.



6R Reinstall the Hotchkis sway bar in the same manner as stock removal.



7R Reinstall the end links back onto the lower control arms. Fully tighten this hardware.



- 8R Apply grease on the inner surface of the supplied bushings and install onto the Hotchkis bar.



Install the supplied bushing bracket onto the bushings, reusing the OE hardware and the supplied washers.





You are finished with the rear sway bar installation.

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