

Assessment of wear on shock absorbers,
refer to 31 31 031.

Saloon/Sedan, Coupé, Compact, Touring, Z3 Coupé:
Remove trunk trim panel.

Convertible:

The screws on the shock absorber mounting are located
under the plastic caps in the convertible top
compartment.

Z3 Roadster:

Remove panel from convertible top compartment.

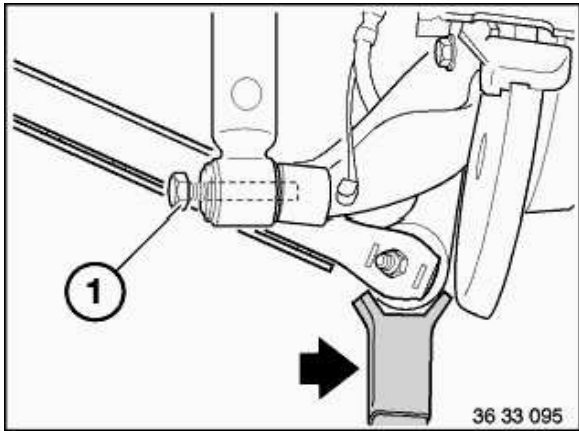
Raise vehicle, support trailing arm and unfasten screw (1).

Note:

The shock absorber has the function of an arrester band.
To prevent damage to the output shaft, do not remove the
support or raise the vehicle.

Installation:

The thrust washer on rubber mount must point towards
head of screw. Tightening Torque,
refer to Technical Data 33 52 1AZ



Pull off cap.

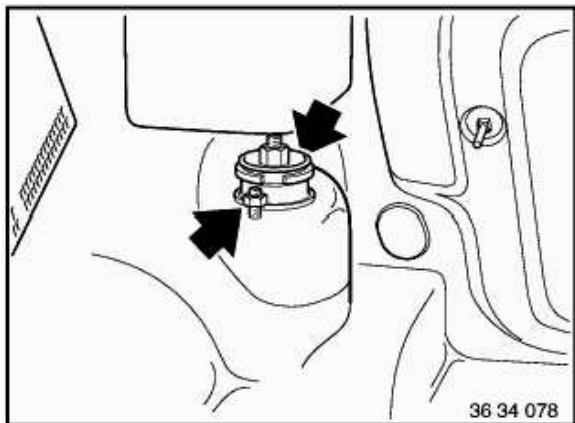
Unscrew nuts. If necessary, remove reinforcement plate.

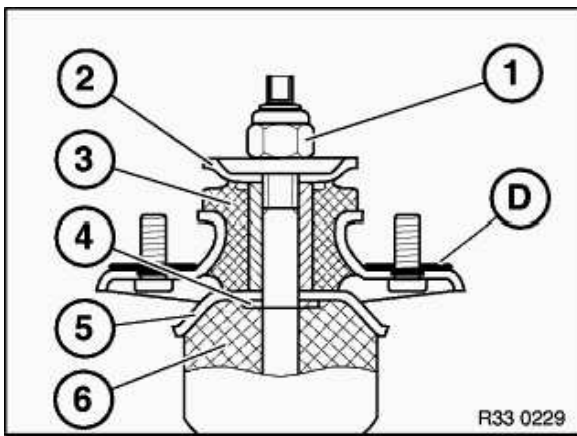
Installation:

Install new seal between support bearing and body.
Replace self-locking nuts.

If a reinforcement plate was fitted, it must be reinstalled.

Tightening Torque,
refer to Technical Data 33 52 3AZ.





Support bearing arrangement:

1 = Nut

Tightening Torque 33 52 2AZ.

2 = Joint seat

3 = Support bearing

4 = Supporting ring

5 = Support element

6 = Auxiliary spring

D = Seal

Z 3 Roadster, Z 3 Coupé:

If the support bearing is replaced, stick a rubber ring (refer to EPC) in middle on underside of joint seat (2) and in middle on upper side of support element (5).

It is essential to ensure that rubber ring is stuck on exactly in middle so that when screwed on ring is not jammed between inner sleeve of support bearing (3) and joint seat (2) or support element (5).