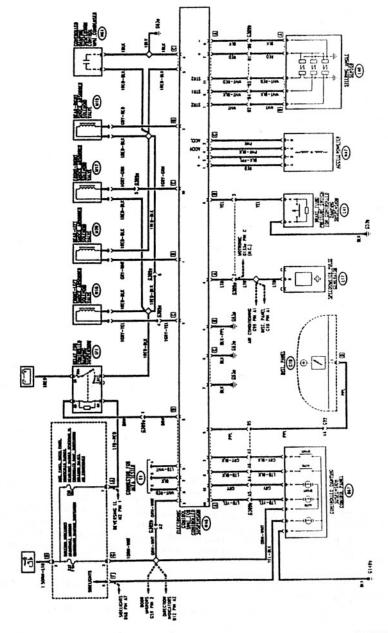
### WIRING DIAGRAM

## **CONTROLLED DAMPING SUSPENSION**

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### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The electronic system controlling the suspension varies the setting of the four shock absorbers, in real time, on the basis of the variations in driving and road conditions detected by the relevant sensors. This means that road holding and comfort are greatly increased.

Depending on the choice of the driver, the system operates with two different intervention procedures:

- "AUTO" which entrusts the control of the shock absorbers to the electronic system under all driving conditions;
- "SPORT" which locks the setting to "rigid" permitting high performance sports driving.

The choice between the two possibilities is made by acting on one of two buttons located on the relative control panel B67 equpped with leds which signal the selected option.

### PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION:

The electronic control unit N46 varies the setting of the suspension by acting on solenoid valves M17-M18-M19-M20 which adjust the flow of oil within the shock absorbers.

The rigidity varies in relation to the speed of the vehicle, detected by the speedometer sensor L17.

At extremely low speed (below approximately 5 km/h) the setting remains rigid, thus avoiding excessive springlness during manoeuvring or when driving on rough roads. For speeds up to approximately 30 km/h the soft setting of the steering is employed ensuring ease of driving and greater comfort, while a rigid setting controls accelerating and brak-

At higher speeds the system changes the rigidity when one of the sensors sig-

nals particular road or driving conditions, for example:

- sudden changes in direction or tight bends, through the steering angle sensor L40, which measures angles and speed of rotation of the steering wheel;
- bumps or roughness through the accelerometer N47 which detects relevant vertical accelerations;
- sudden braking detected by the brake fluid pressure switch L41, which intervenes when the pressure of the brake fluid is higher than 20 bars;
- Increasing speed, detected by the speedometer sensor L17, increases the rigidity of the system (above 150 km/h, for example, it is rigid under all conditions).

### **SELF-DIAGNOSIS:**

The system automatically and continuously controls its own operation (self-diagnosis): any anomalies which are picked up, are signalled by the control unit via the relative warning lamp located on the Instrument panel and, at the same time, the system is set to the "rigid" position whatever the option selected. The warning light will stay on, as long as the key is in the lignition, until the fault has been rectified.

It will therefore be necessary to carry out the troubleshooting as indicated below. An electronic diagnosis is also possible by connecting connector T1 to the ALFA ROMEO Tester.

During starting the warning light comes on for 2 - 3 seconds, then, if no malfunctions have been detected, it goes out. This makes it possible to easily check the correct operation of the system.

### FUNCTIONAL DESCRIP-TION

The system is controlled by the control unit N46, located under the rear seat. The supply to the control unit is key-operated via fuse F17 (7.5 A) in fusebox

The same line also supplies the control panel B67, which is in addition connected to the sidelights circuit so that the control panel is lit.

This is connected via four signals to the control unit: an ground signal (from pin 2 for the "AUTO" logic, from pin 5 for the "SPORT" logic) is sent to the control unit when the switch of the chosen option is pressed, which informs the control unit. A "feed-back" signal (at pin 6 or 7) lights up the relative warning lamp.

A specific line connects the control unit to the instrument panel C10 (pin 3 of connector D) to which the processed malfunction signal is sent by the self-diagnosis function.

The control unit is also connected with three signals at the connector for the system diagnosis T1.

The control unit receives signals from the sensors to which it is directly connected:

 three signals from the steering angle sensor L40:

three leds and three photoconductive diodes measure the steering angles and transform them into impulses; the first signal (STR-Z), from pin 1B, indicates rectilinear direction and the others (STR1 and STR2), from pins 2B and 3B, send an impulse approximately every 18° of steering angle spread so that the control unit is signalled each 9°). Power supply and ground reach pins 2A and 1A respectively of the sensor.

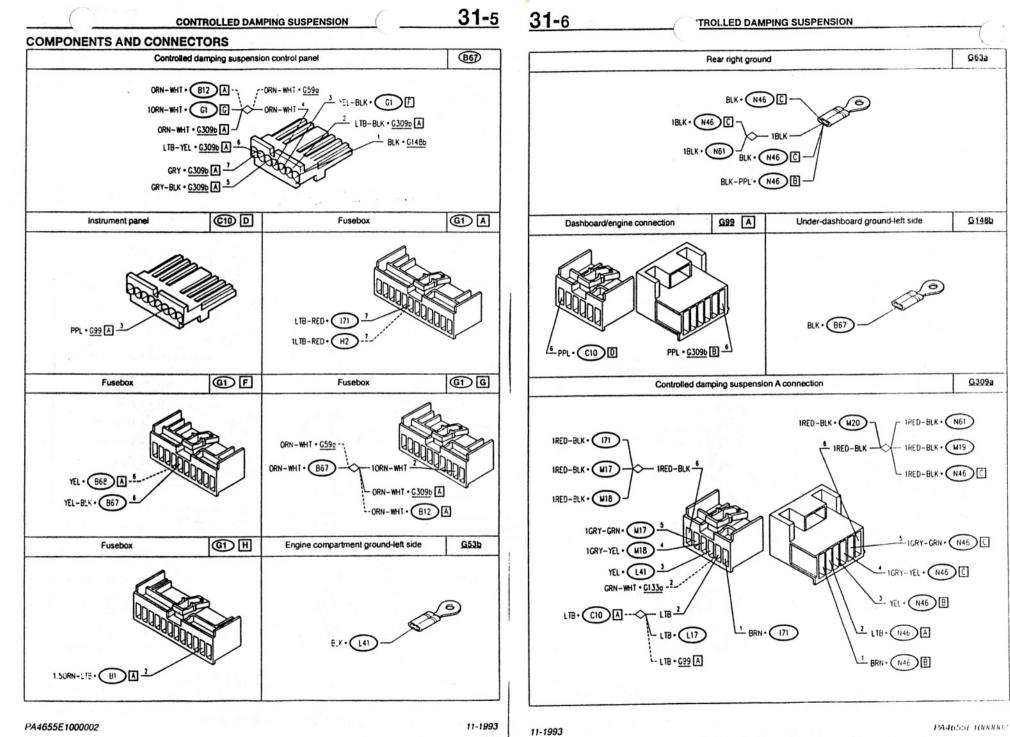
- two signals from the accelerometer N47:
- the vertical acceleration of the vehicle cause impulses to be sent to the control unit. These impulses correspond to two acceleration values: the first (ACCL) signals low acceleration (0.08g), pin D; the second (ACCH) high acceleration (0.16g), pin C. Pins B and A receive ground and supply respectively.
- a speed signal from the speedometer
   L17
- a braking signal from the brake fluid pressure switch L41

Processing of these signals by the stored logic of the control unit prepares the signals which are then sent to the solenoid valve controlling the shock absorbers (M17 front right; M18 front left; M19 rear right and M20 rear left). In addition to the control signal coming

from the control unit, each solenoid valve receives current from a relative relay with incorporated 30A fuse I71, of which the coil, under key operated supply via fuse F15 (20 A) in fusebox G1, is grounded by the control unit itself in this way powering the solenoid valve with voltage from the battery. A 0.22  $\mu$ F) condenser N61 has been installed to avoid radio interference on the winno.

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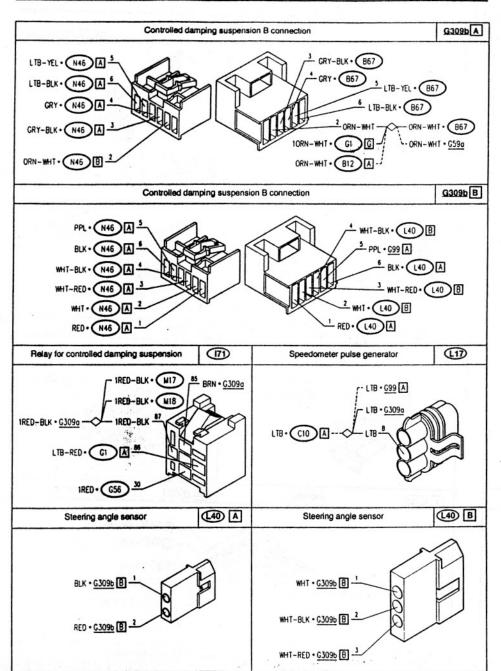
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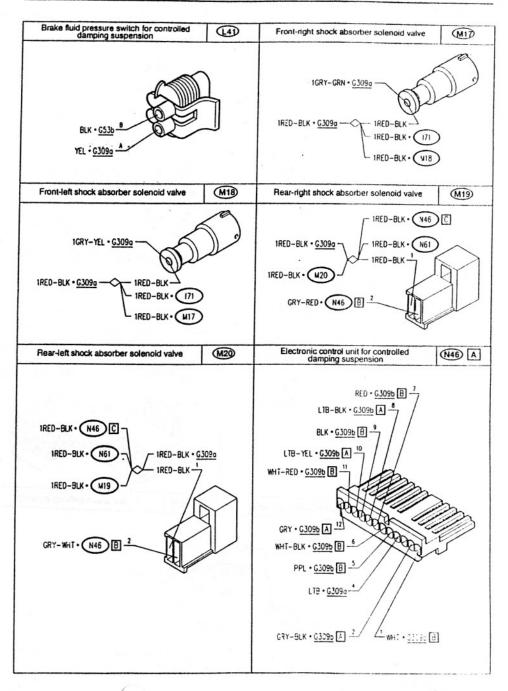


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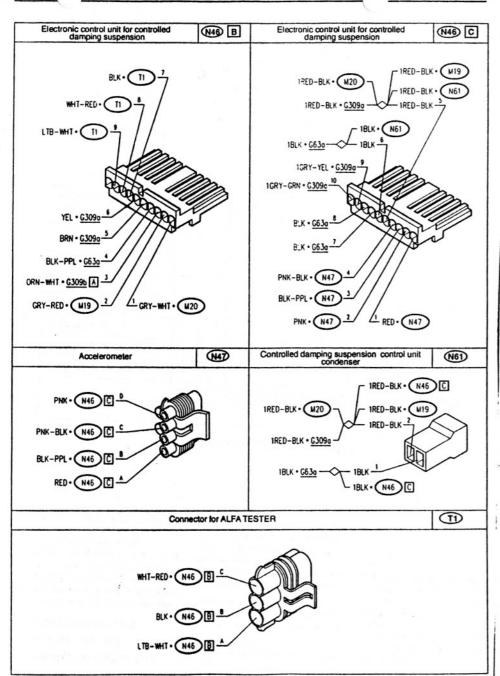


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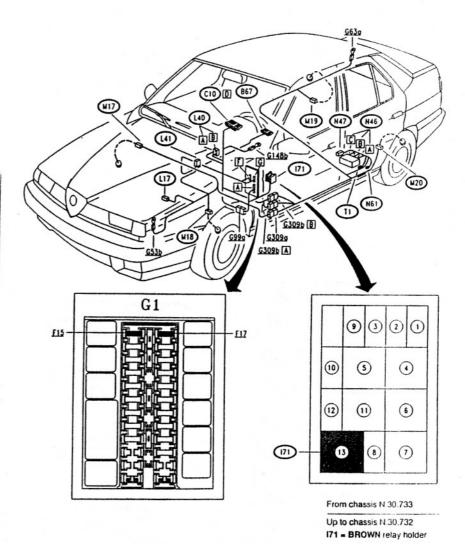
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### LOCATION OF COMPONENTS



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### TROUBLESHOOTING **USING THE SELF-DIAG-NOSIS FUNCTION**

The self diagnosis function with which this system is equipped signal any anomalies or malfunctions affecting one of the system components of the system through the illumination of a warning lamp in the instrument panel.

N.B.: during starting, the warning light will come on for 2 - 3 seconds, then, if

no anomaly has been found, it will go out confirming that the entire system is functioning correctly.

On the other hand, if an anomaly has been detected, the warning lamp stays on until the fault has been rectified.

The component affected by the anomaly is not however indicated and it is therefore necessary to carry out all the relevant tests (from TEST A to TEST F) If the fault persists, or is not adequately indicated, look for a fault in the control

unit N46 (TEST H) or in the control panel

If the warning light does not come on for 2-3 seconds during starting, carry out

NOTE: in addition to this troubleshooting it is possible to rapidly identify any faults by connecting up to the control unit N46 using the ALFA ROMEO Tester (see relevant publications)

### TROUBLESHOOTING TABLE

Component							Test						
Mairunction		E15	E1Z	<b>(1)</b>	(N4D)	M17+M20	(41)	<b>(17)</b>	(40)	<b>B67</b>	(N46)	<b>©</b>	lest
Suspension relay		•		•							•		A
Accelerometer					•						•		В
Solenoid valves						•							С
Braking sensor							•						D
Speedometer sensor								•					E
Steering sensor	· 2								•		•		F
Control panel	*		•							•	•		G
Electronic control unit	1		•								•		н
Warning lamp on instrume	nt								1			•	1

### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

**CHECK SUSPENSION RELAY** TEST A

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION				
A1	CHECK FUSE	(oк) ▶	Carry out step A2				
Check for damage of fuse incorporated in the suspension relay I71		Ø ►	Replace fuse (20A)				
A2	CHECK FUSE	(oK) ▶	Carry out step A3				
- Ch	eck for damage of fuse F15 in fusebox G1	<b>∞</b> ►	Replace fuse (10A)				
<b>A</b> 3	CHECK RELAY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step A4				
- Ch	eck for correct functioning of relay I71	Ø <b>▶</b>	Replace relay I71				
A4	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Carry out step A5				
- Check for 12 V at pin 30 of relay I71		Ø <b>▶</b>	Restore wiring between pin 30 of I71 and branch terminal board G56 (RED)				
A5	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Carry out step A6				
- Engage the ignition key and check for 12 V at pin 86 of 171		Ø►	Restore wiring between pin 86 of I71 and pin A7 of G1 (LTB-RED)				
A6	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step A7				
	ck continuity between pin 85 of I71 and pin B5 of trol unit N46	<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin 85 of I71 and pin B5 of N46 across pin 1 of connector G309a (BRN)				
A7	CHECK SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Carry out test B				
With ignition key engaged, check for ground signal (0V) at pin B5 of control unit N46		<b>⊗</b> ►	Check and if necessary replace control unit N46				

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CHECK ACCELEROMETER	TEST B

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION				
B1	CHECK "ACCH" SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Carry out step B2				
N4 it co ett var	parate the accelerometer N47 from the control unit 6; place it on the bottom of the vehicle and, leaving connected, rotate the ignition key: heck that when subjecting it to a light knock (e.g. ing a ball-bearing fall on the accelerometer), a liation in voltage is detected (from 1 to 5 V) at pin of control unit N46	Ø►	Carry out step B3				
B2	CHECK "ACCL" SIGNAL	(ok) ▶	Carry out test C				
	oceding as for the previous step, check for a lation in voltage at pin C2 of control unit N46	Ø ►	Carry out step B3				
В3	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Carry out step B5				
<ul> <li>Engage the ignition key and check for a difference in voltage of at least 5 V between pins A and B of accelerometer N47</li> </ul>		Ø <b>►</b>	Carry out step B4				
B4	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Restore wiring between:				
vol	gage the ignition key and check for a difference in age of at least 5 V between pins C1 and C3 of trol unit N46	(J)	pin C1 of N46 and pin A of N47 (RED) pin C3 of N46 and pin B of N47 (BLK-PPL)				
		<b>∞</b> ►	Check and if necessary replace electronic control unit N46				
<b>B</b> 5	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oк) ▶	Replace accelerometer N47				
	eck continuity between: in C4 of N46 and pin C of N47	$\sim$					
	n C2 of N46 and pin D of N47	(M) ►	Restore wiring between:  • pin C4 of N46 and pin C of N47 (PNK-BLK)  • pin C2 of N46 and pin D of N47 (PNK)				

### CHECK SHOCK ABSORBER SOLENOID VALVES

TEST C

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
C1	CHECK SOLENOID VALVES	(OK) ▶	Carry out step C2
	eck for an impedance of approximately 3+3.3 $\Omega$ at terminals of the solenoid valves M17, M18, M19, $0$	Ø►	Replace the faulty solenoid valve(s)
C2	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step C3
	eck continuity between pin 87 of relay I71 and pin of control unit N46	Ø►	Restore wiring between pin 87 of 171 and pin C5 of control unit N46, across pin 6 of connector G309a and the solders (RED-BLK)
СЗ	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step C4
	eck continuity between pin 87 of relay I71 and enoid valves (terminal with RED-BLK wire)	<b>⊗</b> •	Restore wiring between:  • pin 87 of 171 and solenoid valve M18, across the solder (RED-BLK)  • pin 87 of 171 and solenoid valve M17, across the solder (RED-BLK)  • pin 87 of 171 and solenoid valve M20, across pin 6 of connector G309a and the solders (RED-BLK)  • pin 87 of 171 and solenoid valve M19, across pin 6 of connector G309a and the solders (RED-BLK)
C4	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step C5
	eck continuity between pin C9 of control unit N46 solenoid valve M18	Ø <b>▶</b>	Restore wiring between pin C9 of control unit N46 and solenoid valve M18, across pin 4 of connector G309a (GRY- YEL)
C5	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step C6
	cck continuity between pin C10 of control unit N46 solenoid valve M17	<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin C10 of control unit N46 an solenoid valve M17, across pin 5 of connector G309a (GRY- GRN)
C6	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out step C7
	ck continuity between pin B1 of control unit N46 solenoid valve M20	Ø►	Restore wiring between pin B1 of control unit N46 and solenoid valve M20 (GRY-WHT)
C7	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Carry out test D
	ck continuity between pin B2 of control unit N46 solenoid valve M19	Ø ►	Restore wiring between pin B2 of control unit N46 and solenoid valve M19 (GRY-RED)

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CHECK BRAKING SENSOR	TEST D
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	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
D1	CHECK SENSOR	(oK) ▶	Carry out step D2
	eck for a resistance of approximately 2200 $\Omega$ ween pin A and B of sensor L41	Ø ►	Replace sensor L41
D2	CHECK SENSOR	(OK) ▶	Carry out step D3
Fully depress the brake pedal and check for a short circuit between pins A and B of sensor L41		Ø►	Replace sensor L41
D3	CHECK GROUND ".	(ok) ▶	Carry out step D4
- Che	eck that pin B of L41 is grounded	<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin B of L41 and ground G53b (BLK)
D4	CHECK CONTINUITY	(ok) ▶	Carry out test E
- Che	eck continuity between pin A of L41 and pin B6 of	<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin A of L41 and pin B6 of N46. across pin 3 of connector G309a (YEL)

### CHECK SPEEDOMETER SIGNAL TEST E

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
E1	CHECK SPEEDOMETER	(ok) ▶	Carry out step E2
	eck for correct functioning of the speedometer on instrument panel C10	<b>∞</b> ►	Refer to the fault diagnosis relative to the speedometer in the section "Instrument Panel"
E2	CHECK SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Carry out test F
folia 12\ • in • ci	eck for a speedometer signal by proceeding as ows: onnect pins C and A of sensor L17 respectively to V and ground issert the shaft of an electric motor in the sensor heck that, varying the speed of the electric motor, signal reaching pin A4 of control unit N46 varies requency between 1 and 7.5 V	<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin B of L17 and pin A4 of N46, across pin 2 of connector G309a and the solder (LTB)

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### **CHECK STEERING SENSOR**

TEST F

NOTE: Check that the steering is aligned correctly before carrying out this test (see \*REPAIR MANUAL - MECHANICAL UNITS\*. Group 21)

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
F1	CHECK "STRZ" SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Carry out step F2
key Ch	th the wheels perfectly aligned, engage the ignition and check for OV at pin A1 of control unit N46. eck for a variation in voltage when rotating the ering wheel.	<b>∞</b> ►	Carry out step F4
F2	CHECK "STR1" SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Carry out step F3
key unit Rot	h the wheels perfectly aligned, engage the ignition and check for voltage of 3-5 V at pin A6 of control N46, ating the steering wheel check that the voltage creases to 0 V every 18° and viceversa.	<b>⊗</b> ►	Carry out step F8
F3	CHECK "STR2" SIGNAL	(ok) ▶	Carry out test H
key unit Rot	h the wheels perfectly aligned, engage the ignition and check for a voltage of 0 V at pin A11 of control N46.  ating the steering wheel check that the voltage eases to 3-5 V every 18° and vice-versa.	<b>⊗</b> ►	Carry out step F9
F4	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Carry out step F7
volt	age the Ignition key and check for a difference in age of at least 5 V between pins A1 and A2 of sor L40	Ø►	Carry out step F5
F5	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Restore wiring between:
Engage the ignition key and check for a difference in voltage of at least 5 V between pins A7 and A9 of control unit N46			pin A7 of N46 and pin A2 of N47, across pin B1 of connector G309b (RED)     pin A9 of N46 and pin A1 of N47, across pin B6 of connector G309b (BLK)
		Ø <b>K</b> ►	Carry out step F6
F6	CHECK SENSOR	(oK) ▶	Check and if necessary replace electronic control unit
	age the ignition key and, disconnecting sensor, check for a difference in voltage lower than 5 V		N46
L40			

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### TEST F CHECK STEERING SENSOR

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION		
F7	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oк) ▶	Replace sensor L40		
- Check continuity between pin A1 of N46 and pin B1 of L40		<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin A1 of N46 and pin B1 of L40, across pin B2 of connector G309b (WHT)		
F8	CHECK CONTINUITY	(OK) ▶	Replace sensor L40		
<ul> <li>Check continuity between pin A6 of N46 and pin B2 of L40</li> </ul>		<b>∞</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin A6 of N46 and pin B2 of L40, across pin B4 of connector G309b (WHT-BLF		
F9	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Replace sensor L40		
- Check continuity between pin A11 of N46 and pin B3 of L40		<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin A11 of N46 and pin B3 L40, across pin B3 of connector G309b (WHT-REI		

#### CHECK CONTROL PANEL TEST G

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
G1	CHECK FUSE	(OK) ▶	Carry out step G2
- Ch	eck for damage of fuse F17 in fusebox G1		
		(M) ►	Replace fuse (7.5A)
G2	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oK) ▶	Carry out step G3
- Check for 12 V at pin 4 of panel B67			
		<b>∞</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin 4 of B67 and pin G2 of G1, across the solder (ORN-WHT)
G3	CHECK GROUND	(oK) ▶	Carry out step G4
- Check for 0 V at pin 1 of panel B67		70'	
		Ø ►	Restore wiring between pin 1 of B67 and ground G148b (BLK)

-	CHECK CONTROL PANEL	TEST G
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TEST PROCEDURE		RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
G4 CHECK LIGHTING		(oк) ▶	Carry out step G6
- Check that, with sidelights on, the panel lights up		<b>∞</b> ►	Carry out step G5
G5	CHECK VOLTAGE	(oк) ▶	Replace panel B67
- With sidelights on, check for 12 V at pin 3 of B67		<b>⊗</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin 3 of B67 and pin F6 of G1 (YEL-BLK)
G6	CHECK SIGNAL	(oк) ▶	Carry out step G7
- Pressing the "AUTO" button, check for a ground signal (0V) at pin A8 of control unit N46		<b>⊗</b> ►	Carry out step G8
<b>G7</b>	G7 CHECK SIGNAL		Carry out step G10
- Pressing the "SPORT" button, check for a ground signal (0V) at pin A2 of control unit N46		Ø►	Carry out step G9
G8	CHECK SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Restore wiring between pin A8 of N46 and pin 2 of B67
- After pressing the "AUTO" button, check for a ground signal (0V) at pin 2 of panel B67			across pin A6 of connector G309b (LTB-BLK)
		ØK ►	Replace the panel B67
G9	CHECK SIGNAL	(oK) ▶	Restore wiring between pin A2 of N46 and pin 5 of B67
- Aft	After pressing the "SPORT" button, check for a ground signal (0V) at pin 5 of panel B67		across pin A3 of connector G309b (GRY-BLK)
ground signal (vv) at pin o or panel bov		(A)	Replace panel B67

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### CHECK CONTROL PANEL TEST G

	TEST PROCEDURE	RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
G10	CHECK LED WARNING LAMPS	(OK) ▶	Carry out test H
<ul> <li>Check that, pressing the "AUTO" or "SPORT" buttons, the relative led lights up</li> </ul>		Ø►	Carry out step G11
G11	CHECK SIGNAL	(ok) ▶	Replace panel B67
Pressing the "AUTO" button, check for 0 V at pin 6 of panel B67     Pressing the "SPORT" button, check for 0 V at pin 7 of panel B67		<b>⊗</b> ►	Carry out step G12
G12	CHECK SIGNAL	(ok) ▶	Restore wiring between pin 6 of B67 and pin A10 of
Pressing the "AUTO" button, check for 0 V at pin A10 of control unit N46 Pressing the "SPORT" button, check for 0 V at pin A12 of control unit N46		<u> </u>	N46, across pin A5 of connector G309b (LTB-YEL) Restore wiring between pin 7 of B67 and pin A17 of N46, across pin A4 of connector G309b (GRY)
A I E	. S. Santo, and 1445	(M) ►	Check and if necessary replace control unit N46

### CHECKING POWER SUPPLY TO CONTROL UNIT

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RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
(ok) ▶	Carry out step H2
<b>⊗</b> ►	Replace fuse (7.5A)
(oK) ▶	Carry out step H3
<b>Ø</b> ►	Restore wiring between pin B3 of N46 and pin G2 of G1, across pin A2 of connector G309b and the solder (ORN-WHT)
(ok) ▶	If all the preceeding tests have been carried out, check
<b>⊗</b> ►	and if necessary replace the control unit N46  Restore wiring between: • pin B4 of N46 and ground G63a (BLK-PPL) • pin C6 of N46 and ground G63a, across the solder (BLK) • pin C7 of N46 and ground G63a (BLK) • pin C8 of N46 and ground G63a (BLK)
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SUSPENSION SYSTEM MALFUNCTION WARNING LIGHT NOT WORKING	TEST

TEST PROCEDURE		RESULT	CORRECTIVE ACTION
l1	CHECK WARNING LAMP	(OK) ▶	Carry out all the tests from TEST A to TEST F.
<ul> <li>Engage the ignition key and check that "suspension system malfunction" warning lamp comes on on the instrument panel C10: the warning lamps stays on</li> </ul>		<b>∞</b> ►	If no malfunction is delected, replace the control unit N46  Carry out step I2
12	CHECK GROUND SIGNAL	(ok) ▶	Replace the relative warning lamp on the instrument
Engage the ignition key and for a few seconds, check for a signal of 0 V at pin D3 of instrument panel C10			panel C10
		ØK ►	Carry out step I3
13	CHECK CONTINUITY	(oK) ▶	Check and if necessary replace control unit N46
- Check continuity between pin D3 of C10 and pin A5 of N46			
		Ø ►	Restore wiring between pin D3 of C10 and pin A5 of N46, across pin A6 of connector G99 and pin B5 of connector G309b (PPL)