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## Diagnosing Electrical Problems on Today's Motor Vehicles

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- **TST (Technicians Service Training) Founder and President**
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**WE'RE NOT WORKING ON  
THESE ANYMORE ARE WE?**



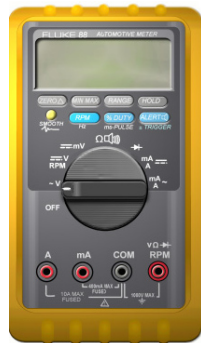
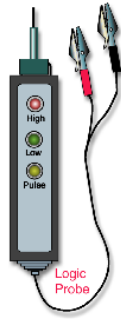
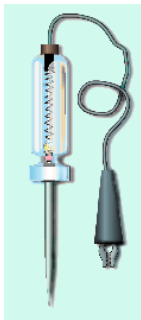
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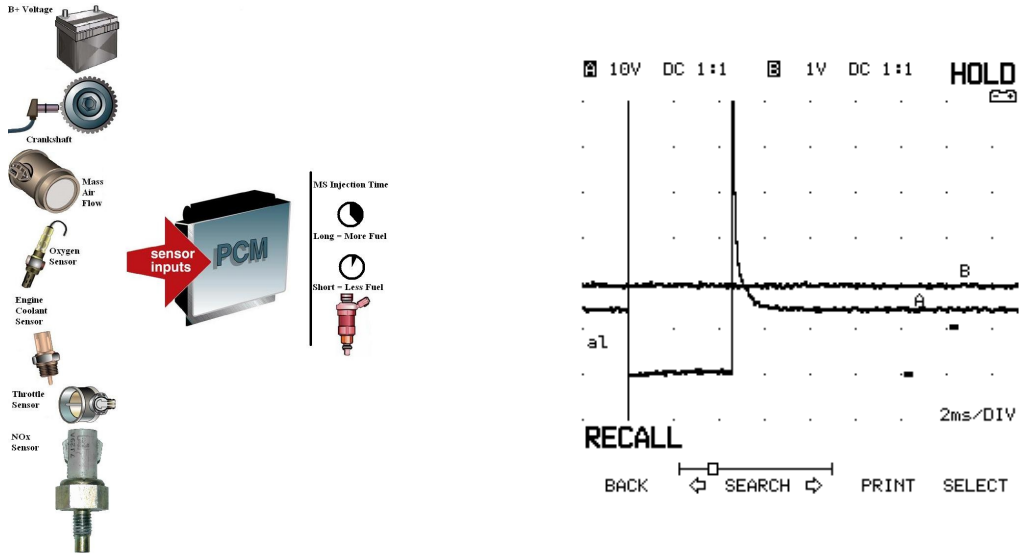
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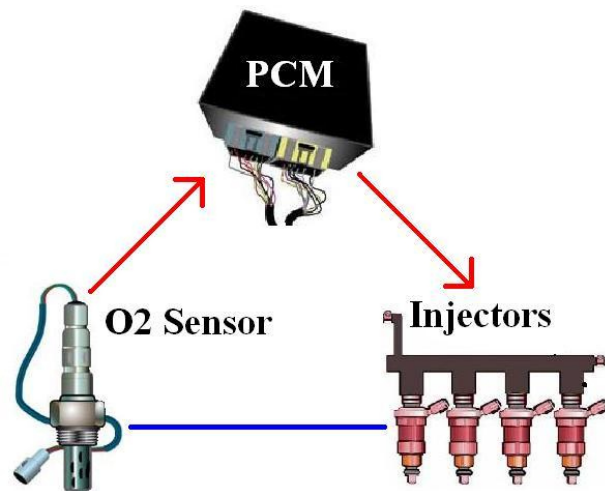
## How to Verify PCM Control



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## Sense, Compare and Adjust

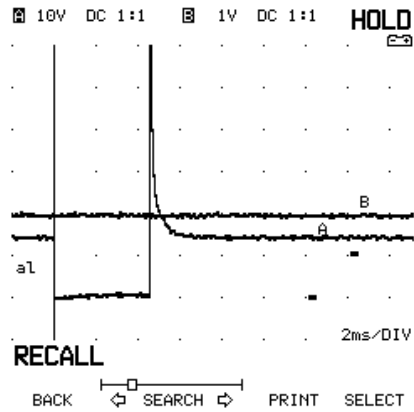


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## Computer Control

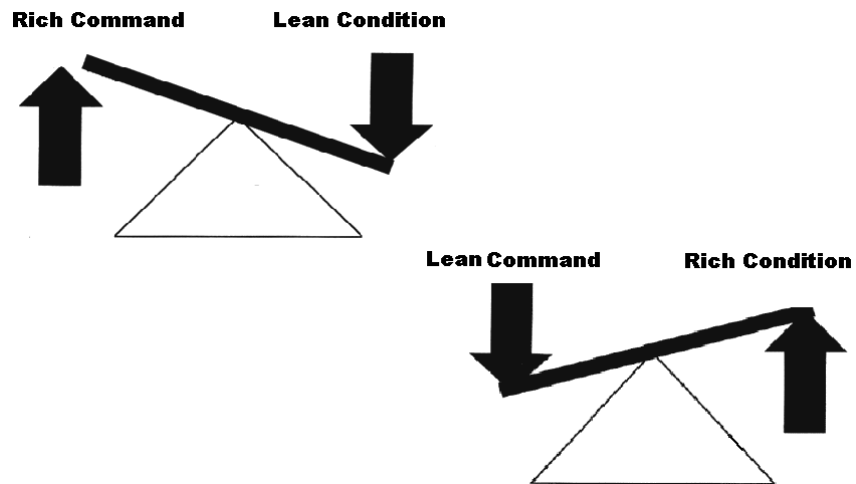
1. RPM AC (2 & 3 wire) Hall  
(3 Wire) Optical 4 (Wire)
2. CTS / IAT
3. Load Map (A) Map (D) Vane  
Air, Hot Wire, Film, HZ
4. TPS
5. HO2S (Zirconium, Titanium,  
Renix Titanium, Wide Range)  
Air Fuel



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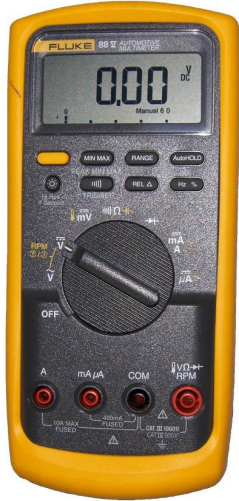
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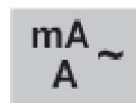
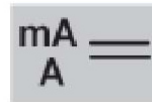
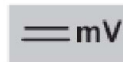
## Meters



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## Meter Symbols



**What is the definition for the above symbols?**

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## Meters

**Volt Scale Ranges**

- 400 mv
- 4 v
- 40 v
- 400 v
- 4000 v

**DC Scale**

- 4 v
- 40 v
- 400 v
- 4000 v

**MV Scale**

- 400 mv

**Ohm Scale**

- 400
- 4 k
- 40 k
- 400 k
- 4000 k
- 4 m
- 40 m
- 400 m

**Diode Test**

- 3 volt max

**Ma & Amp Scale**

- 4000 ma
- 40 a

**Input Jacks:**

- A: 10 amp fused
- mA: 400 ma fused
- COM
- VΩ: Volt - Amp - Ohm - Diode - RPM

**Buttons:** Zero, Min Max, Range, Hold, Smooth, RPM, HZ, %, Duty, MS-Pulse, Alert

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## Meters

The left image shows a multimeter connected to a battery and a light bulb. The display shows a reading of 1.50. The multimeter is set to the mA scale, and the red probe is inserted into the mA jack.

The right image shows the internal fuse compartment of the multimeter. A green arrow points to the fuse for the mA jack, which is labeled '400mA MAX FUSED'.

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## Meters – What Are You Working With



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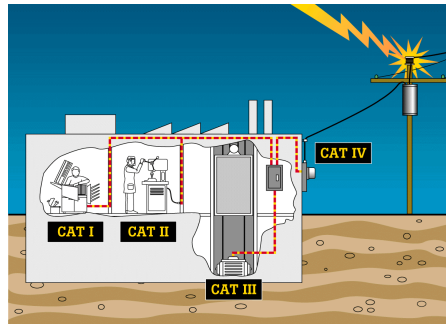
Fingerprints burned into probes



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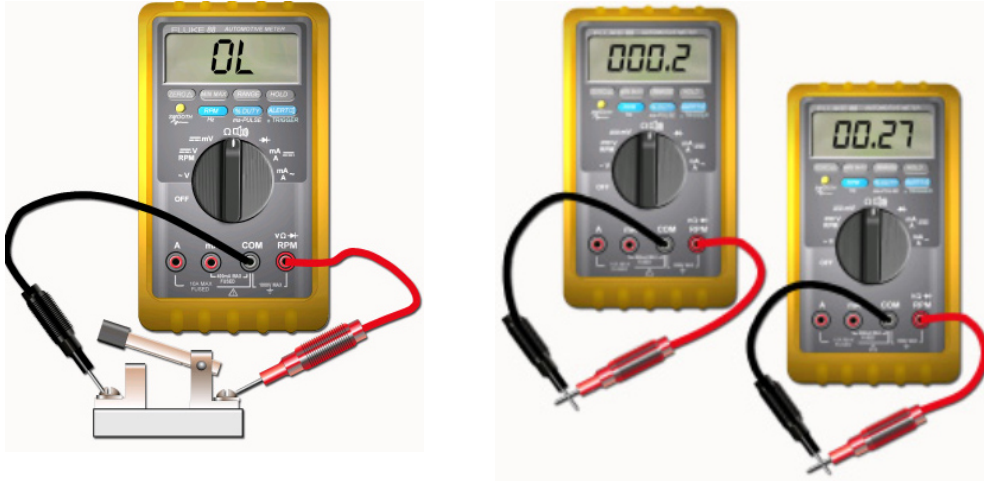
Overvoltage category	Working voltage (dc or ac – rms to grnd)	Peak impulse transient (20 repetitions)	Test source (Ohm = V/A)
CAT I	600V	2500 V	30 ohm source
CAT I	1000V	4000 V	30 ohm source
CAT II	600V	4000 V	12 ohm source
CAT II	1000V	6000 V	12 ohm source
CAT III	600V	6000 V	2 ohm source
CAT III	1000V	8000 V	2 ohm source

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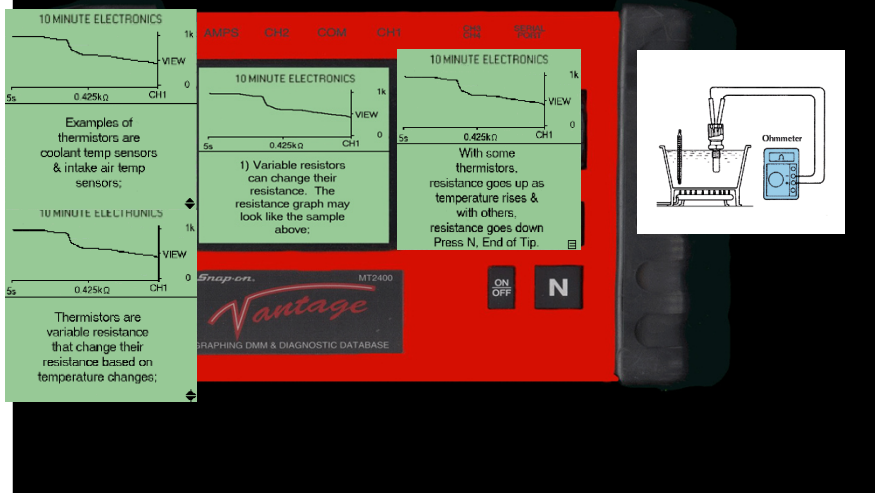
## Meters Ohm Testing



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## Looking at Resistance

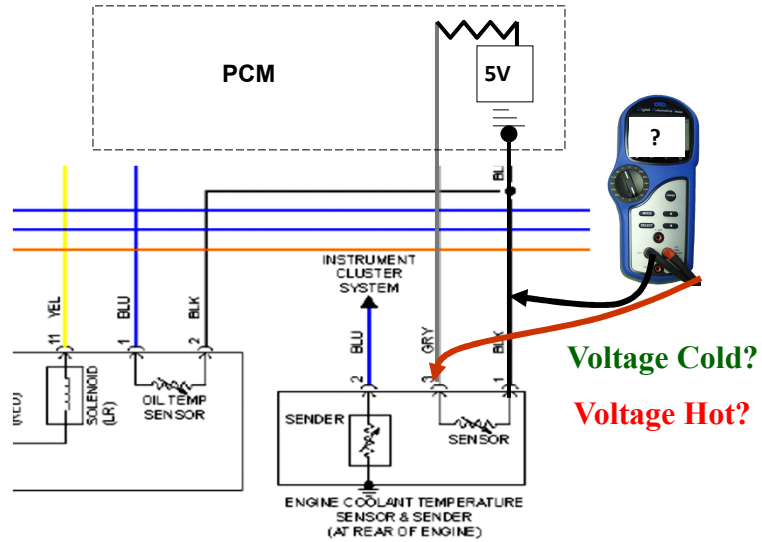


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## Coolant Sensors And Other NTCs



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## 2000 Volvo C-70 Smoked ECM

A 2000 Volvo C-70 for just that problem (smoking ECM's). I broke out my Ohm meter and starting checking the resistance of all the output circuits that the ECM controls. When I got to the O2 heater circuits, I found that the rear O2 heater resistance was 70 Ohms but the front heater resistance was only 6 Ohms. This caused a melt down which took out other circuits too. A new front O2 sensor and a third new ECM solved the problem.



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## 2002 Nissan Maxima



A 2002 Nissan Maxima has smoked several ECMs. After checking all the control circuits and finding them to be within specs., I ran into a control circuit called Electronically controlled motor mounts. A description and operation page explained the system but the test section revealed only a visual inspection of the mounts. Studying the wiring diagrams revealed that each mount had two separate coils, one coil to activate hard mode and one coil to activate soft mode. B+ is fed to each coil and the two hard mode coils are grounded at one pin of the ECM and the two soft mode coils are grounded at another pin of the ECM. I found that one set of coils read 75 Ohms and the other set read 7 Ohms, problem found. The wiring to the mounts was disconnected and a new ECM installed.

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Engine Mount: Description and Operation

Image  
Image

**System Description**

The ECM controls the engine mount operation corresponding to the engine speed and the vehicle speed.  
The control system has 2-step control [soft/hard].

Sensor	Input Signal to ECM	ECM function	Actuator
Crankshaft position sensor (POS)	Engine speed	Engine mount coil	Electronic controlled engine mount
Camshaft position sensor (PHASE)			
Wheel sensor	Vehicle speed		

Vehicle condition	Engine mount control
Idle (with vehicle stopped)	Soft
Driving	Hard

EC-EMNT-01

— DETECTABLE LINE FOR DTG  
— NON-DETECTABLE LINE FOR DTG

2002 Nissan Maxima  
Electronic Motor Mounts

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