

Drive Pinion Flange

Special Tool(s) / General Equipment

 E232132	205-126 (T78P-4851-A) Holding Fixture, Drive Pinion Flange
 E234320	205-233 (T85T-4851-AH) Installer, Drive Pinion Flange TKIT-1985-FH-1
Three Leg Puller	
Punch	
Copper Hammer	

Materials

Name	Specification
Motorcraft® Premium Long-Life Grease XG-1-E1	ESA-M1C75-B

Removal

- NOTE:** The rear brake calipers and brake pads must be removed for accurate pinion nut drag torque readings.

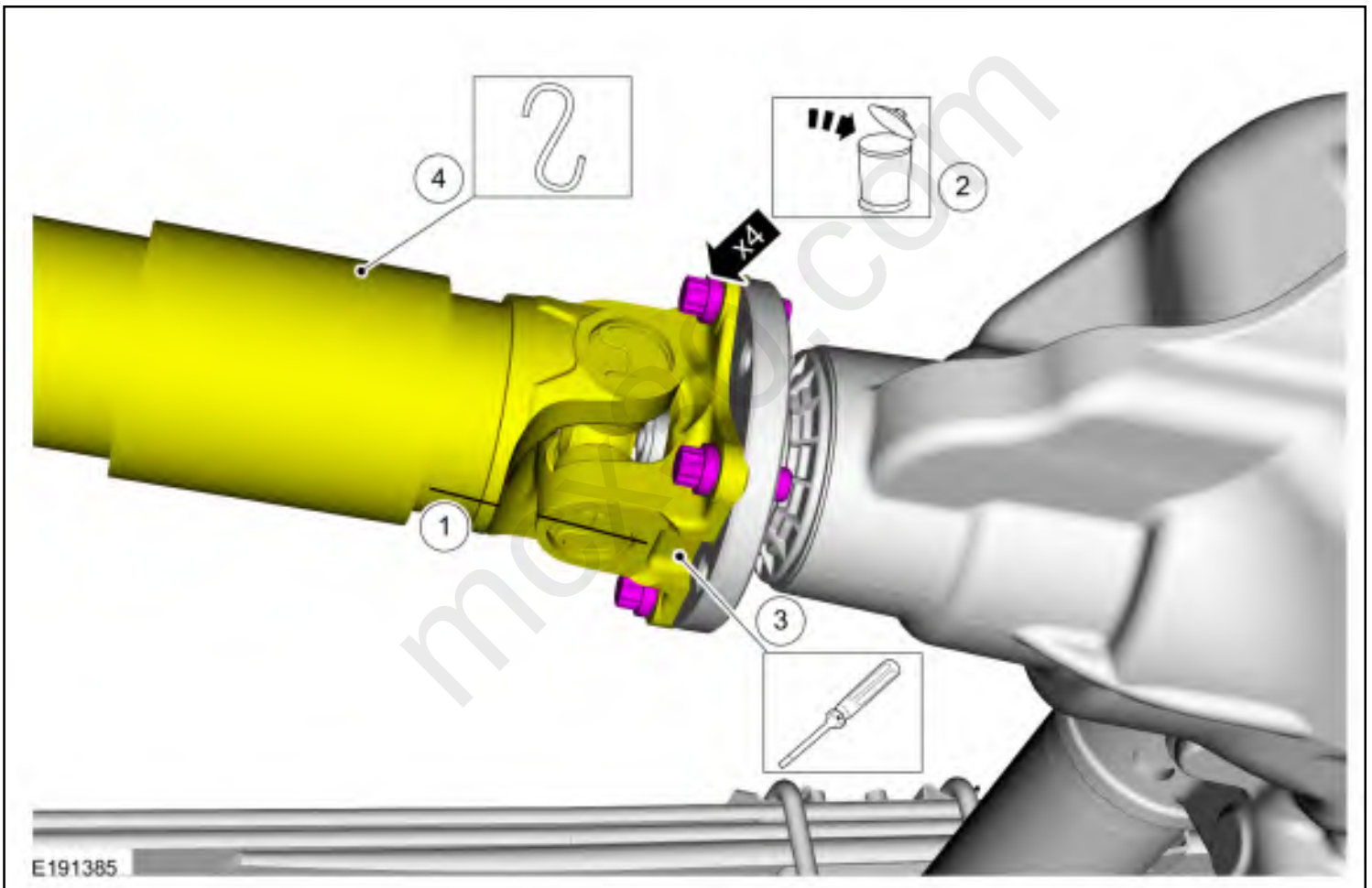
Remove the rear brake pads.

Refer to: [Brake Pads - Vehicles Without: Electronic Parking Brake \(EPB\)](#) (206-04 Rear Disc Brake, Removal and Installation).

Refer to: [Brake Caliper - Vehicles Without: Electronic Parking Brake \(EPB\)](#) (206-04 Rear Disc Brake, Removal and Installation).

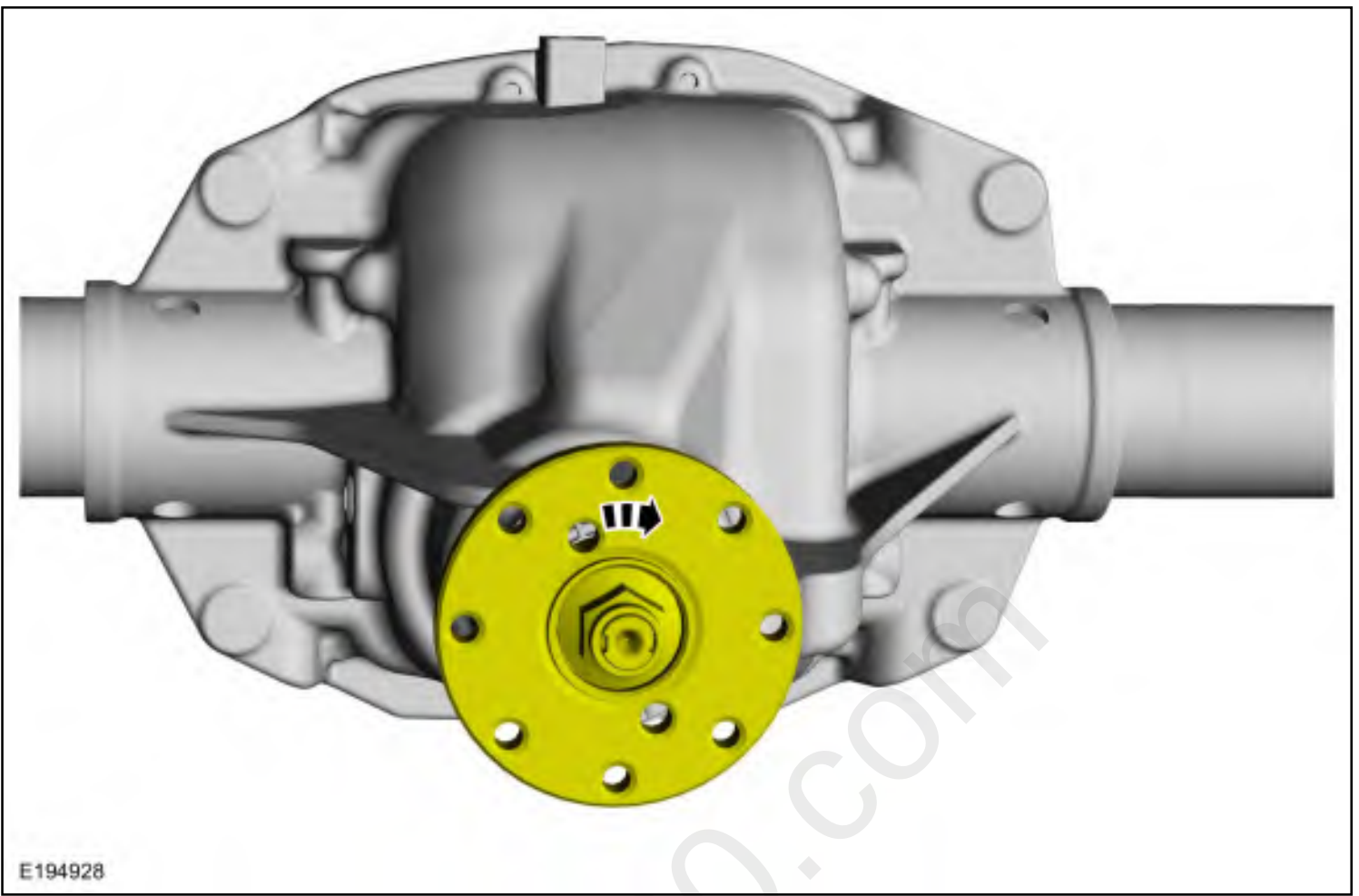
1. Index mark the driveshaft and the pinion flange for reference during installation.
2. Remove and discard the driveshaft to pinion flange bolts.
3. **NOTICE: The driveshaft flange fits tightly on the flange pilot. Never hammer on the driveshaft or any of its components to disconnect the driveshaft flange from the flange pilot.**

Support the driveshaft.

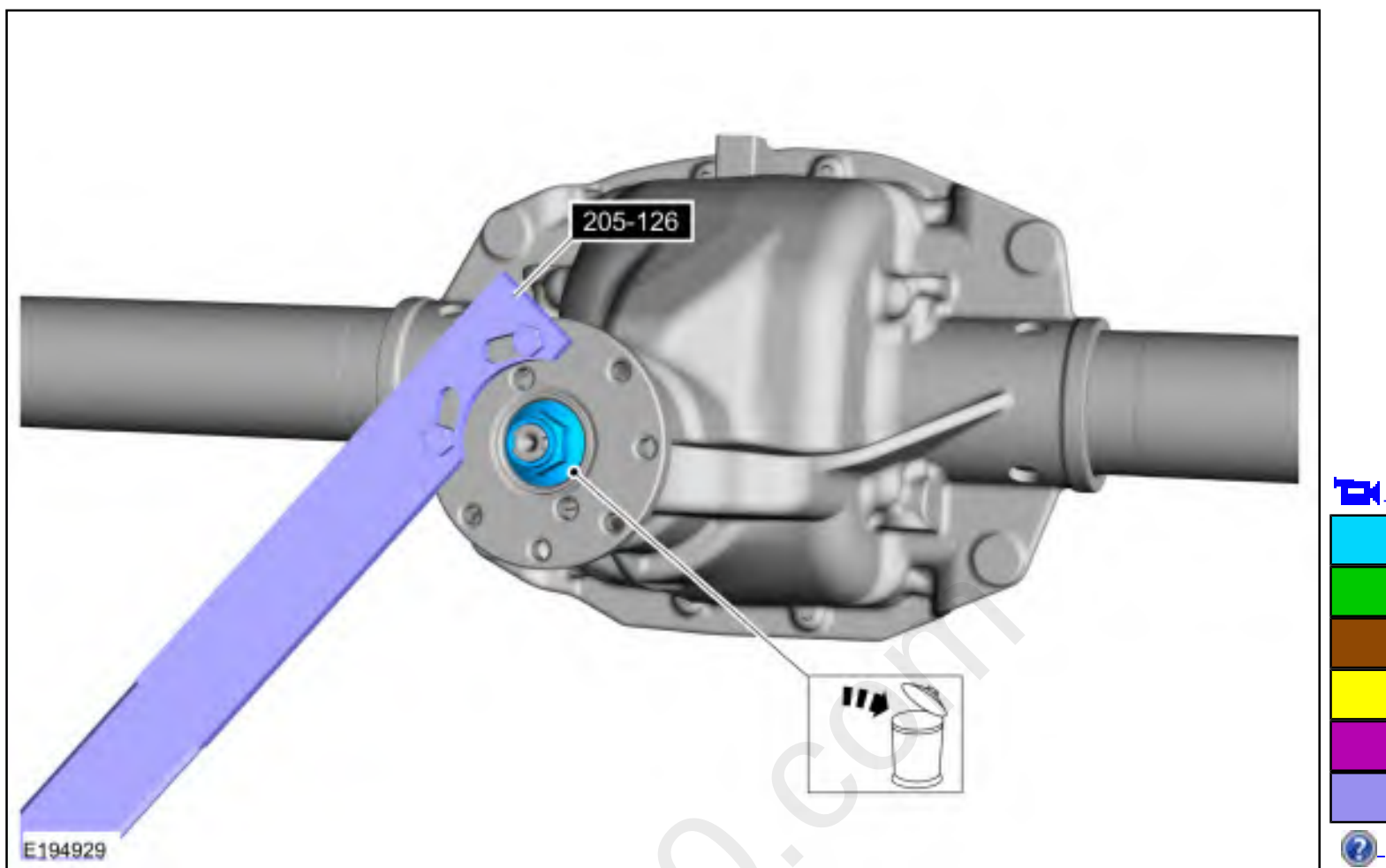


3. **NOTE:** Rotational torque of the drive pinion flange must be measured and recorded using a Nm (lb-in) torque wrench for correct pinion bearing preload when reassembled. This will be the torque-to-turn measurement.

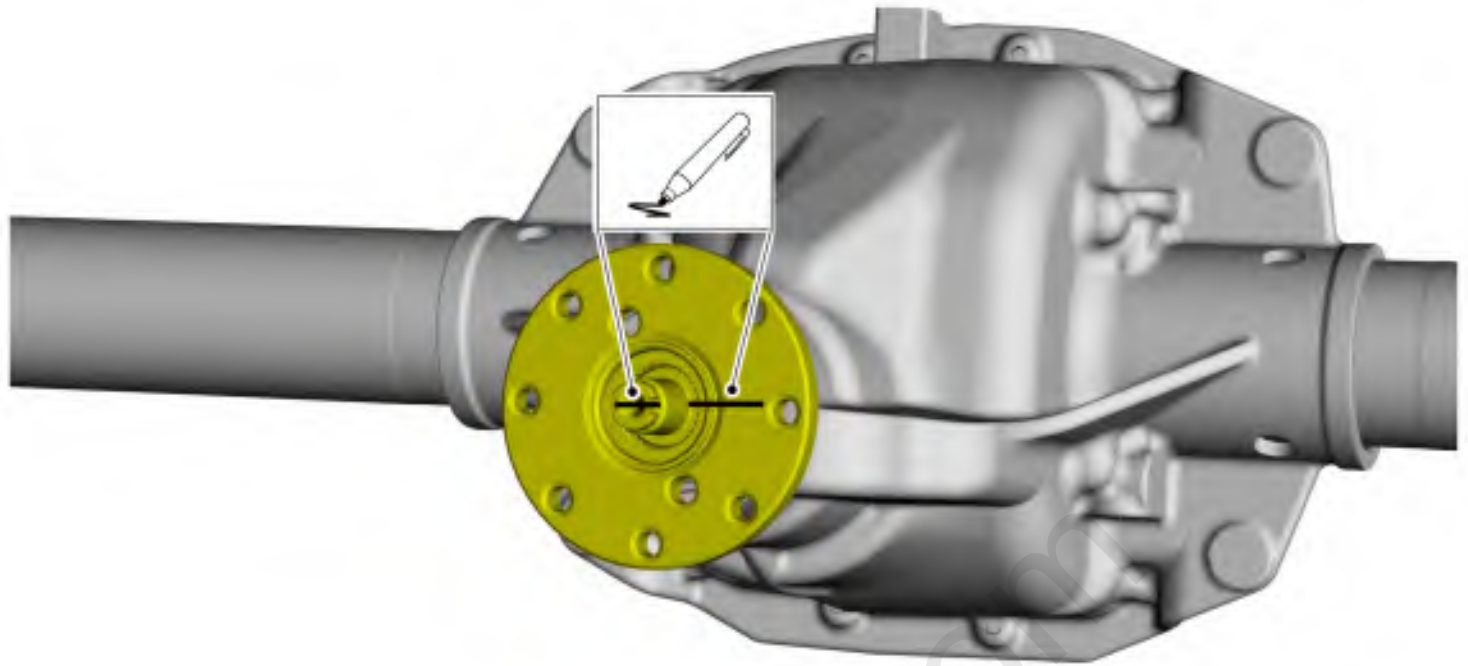
Using a dial type torque wrench, measure and record the rotational torque of the drive pinion.



4. Using the special tool to hold the pinion flange, remove and discard the pinion nut.
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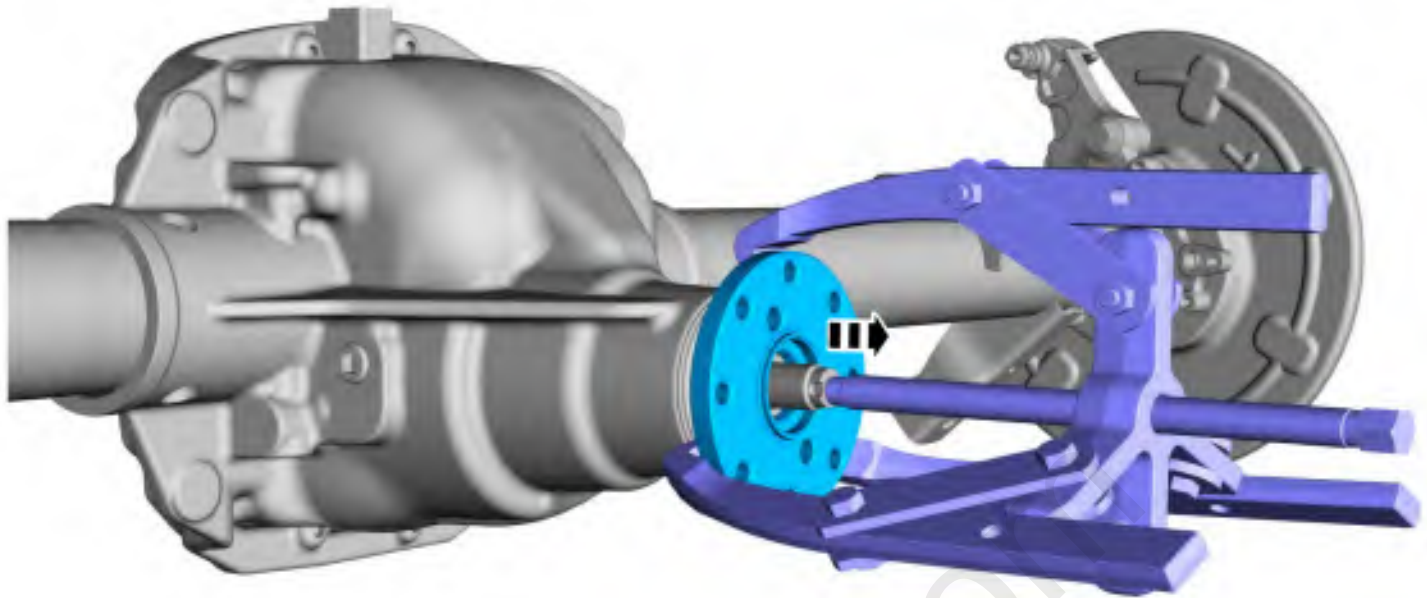
5. Mark the drive pinion flange and the drive pinion stem for reassembly.



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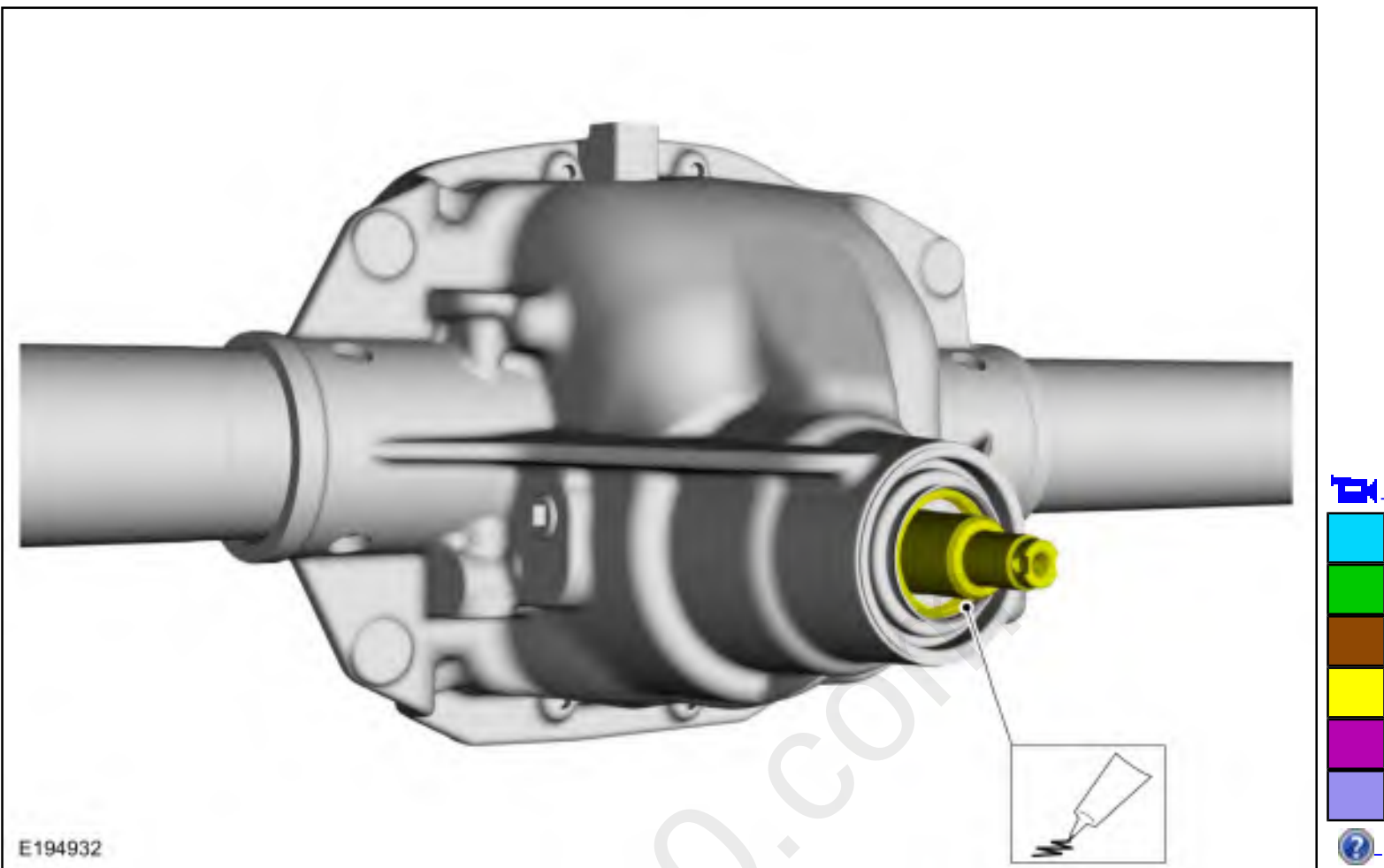
6. Using the general equipment, remove the pinion flange.
Use the General Equipment: Three Leg Puller



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Installation

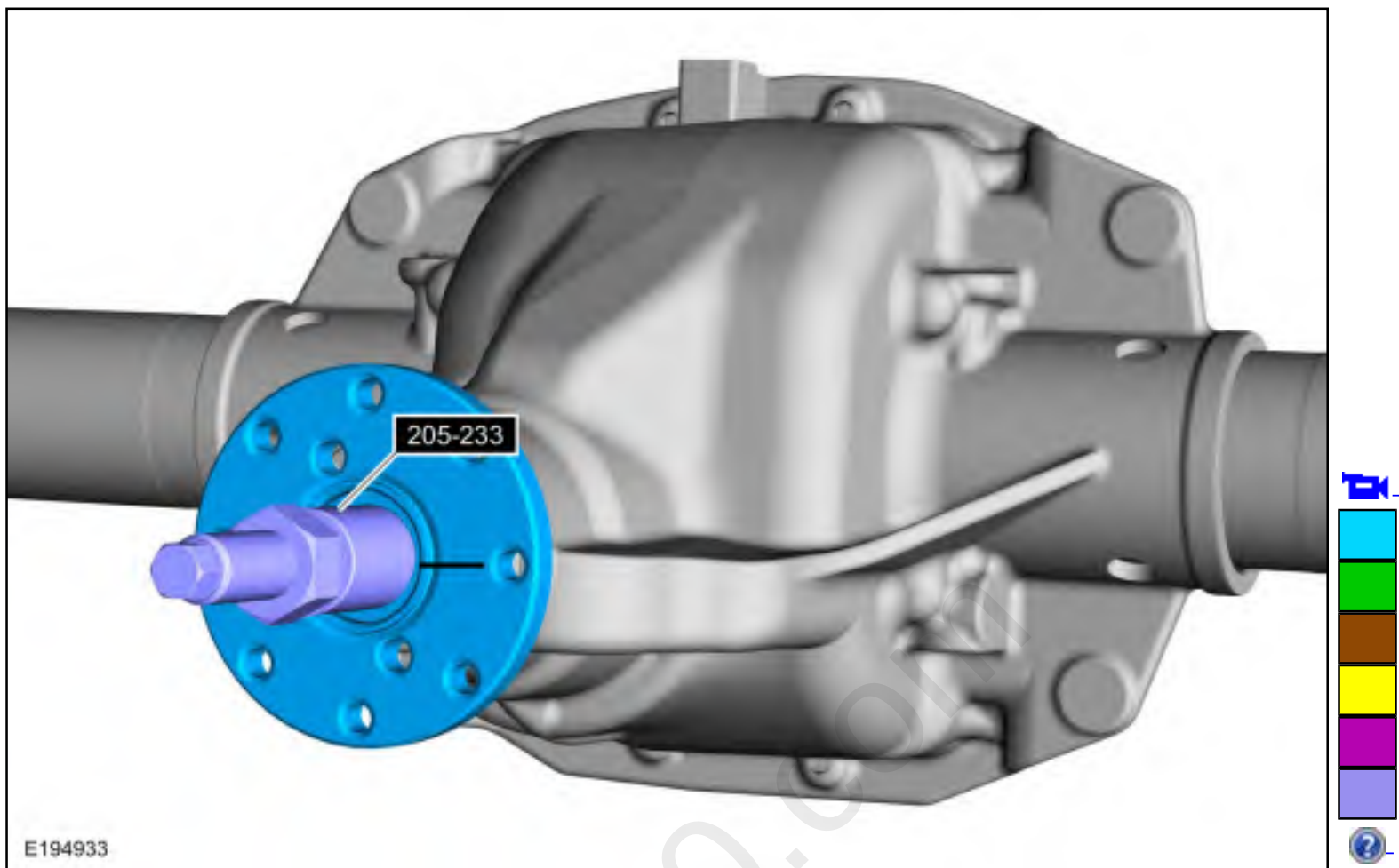
1. If necessary.
Install a new drive pinion seal.
Refer to: [Drive Pinion Seal](#) (205-02A Rear Drive Axle/Differential - Vehicles With: Ford 8.8 Inch Ring Gear, Removal and Installation).
2. Lubricate the drive pinion flange mating surfaces with grease.
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3. **NOTE:** *Make sure drive pinion flange and drive pinion stem are phased correctly using previously applied mark.*

Using the special tool, install the pinion flange.

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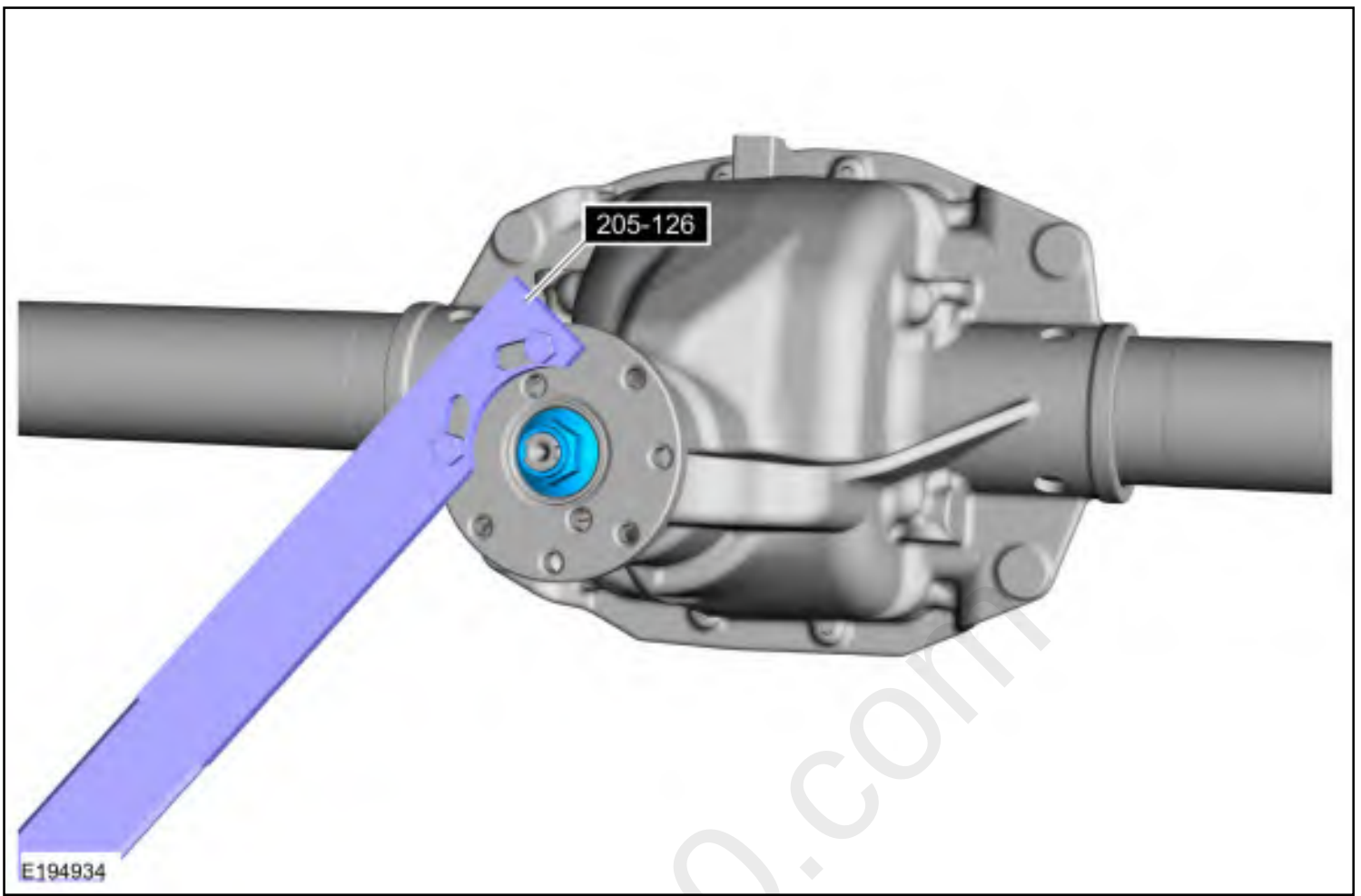
4. **NOTICE:** Under no circumstances is the pinion nut to be backed off to reduce drive pinion bearing preload. If reduced drive pinion bearing preload is required, a new drive pinion collapsible spacer and pinion nut must be installed or damage to the component may occur.

NOTE: When installing the drive pinion flange and pinion nut with no differential carrier installed, the drag torque (torque to turn) should be 2 to 3 Nm (16-29 in-lbs).

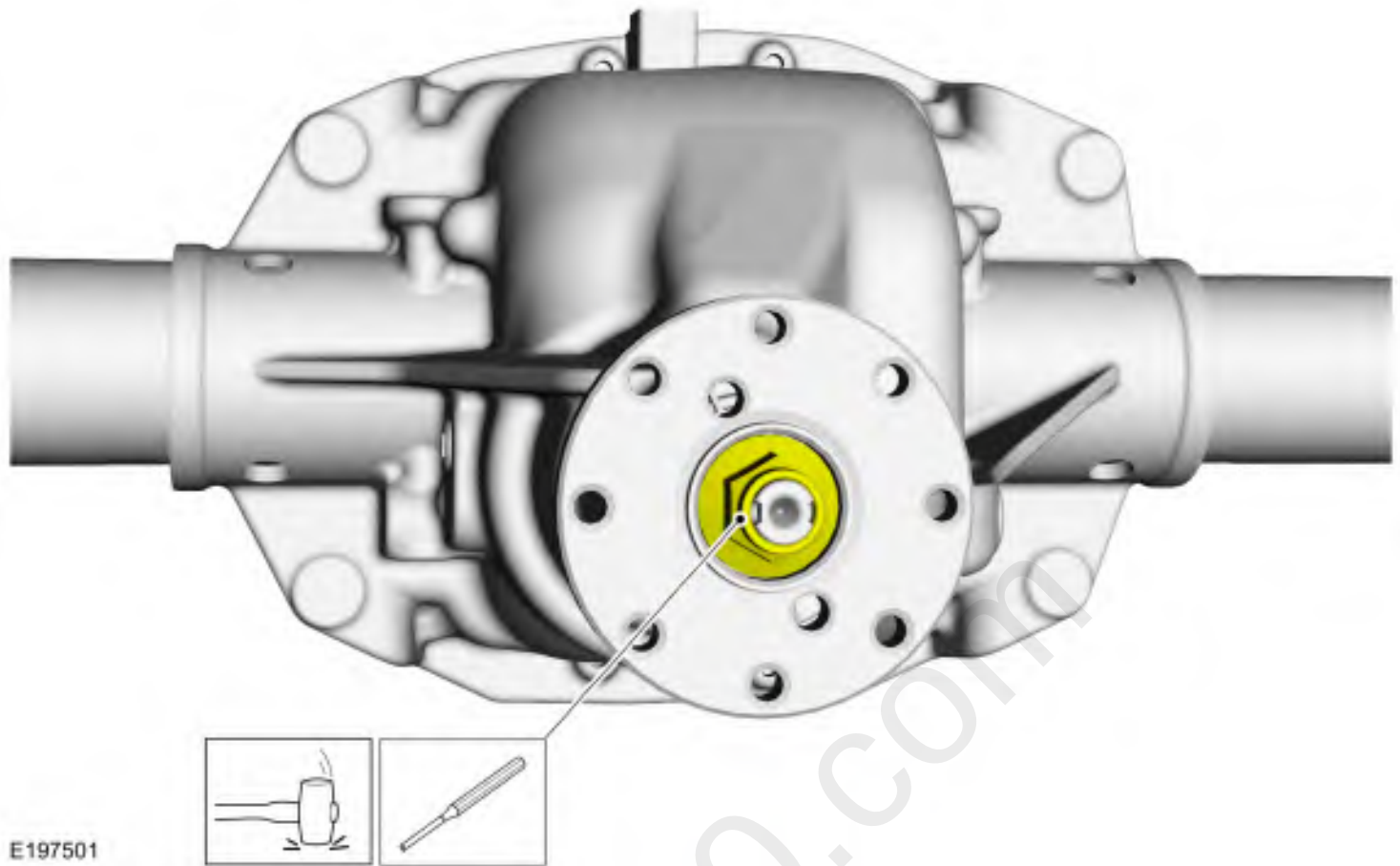
NOTE: Refer to the rotational torque previously recorded with the Nm (lb-in) torque wrench. Tighten the pinion nut in small increments until it is within 0.3 Nm (3 lb-in) of the reference measurement. If 0.3 Nm (3 lb-in) is exceeded, then the collapsible spacer will be damaged and a new collapsible spacer will be required.

Using the special tool to hold the pinion flange, install the new pinion nut.

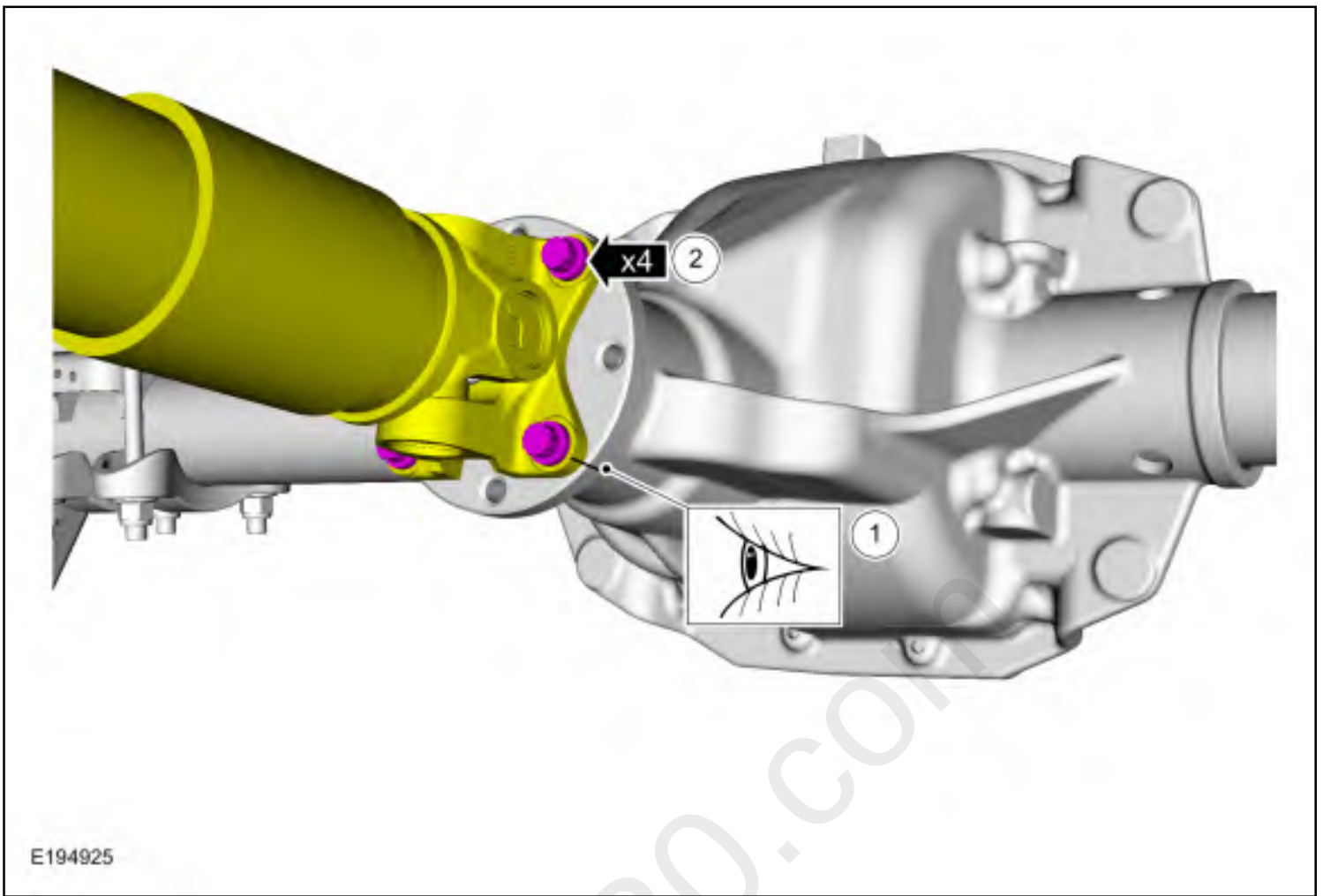
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5. Using a punch and a n copper hammer, stake the pinion nut into the pinion stake groove.
Use the General Equipment: Copper Hammer
Use the General Equipment: Punch



1. Align the index-mark on the driveshaft to the rear axle pinion flange.
2. Install the new driveshaft-to-pinion flange bolts.
Torque: 76 lb.ft (103 Nm)



7. Install the rear brake pads.

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