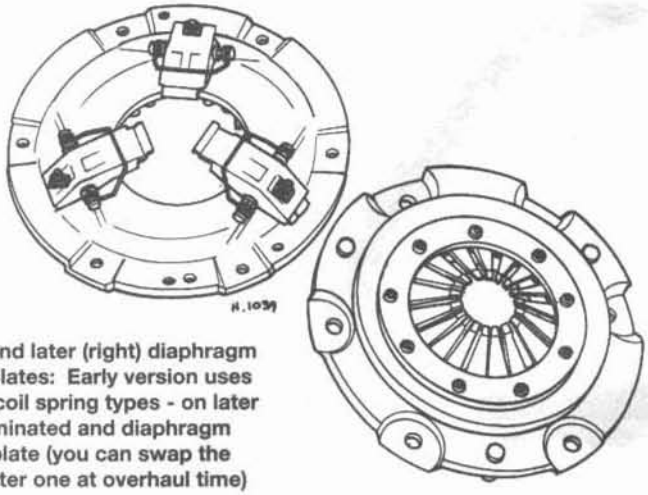


2.1c Typical early (left) and later (right) diaphragm spring clutch pressure plates: Early version uses release levers like older coil spring types - on later version, levers are eliminated and diaphragm spring is attached to plate (you can swap the earlier version for the later one at overhaul time)

transaxle in Neutral and the clutch pedal up. Disengage the clutch (depress the clutch pedal), wait several seconds and shift the transaxle into Reverse. You shouldn't hear any gears grinding. A grinding noise indicates a problem in the pressure plate or the clutch disc (see Section 5).

b) *Verify that the clutch releases completely. Run the engine (with the parking brake applied to prevent the vehicle from moving) and hold the clutch pedal about 1/2-inch from the floor. Shift the transaxle between 1st gear and Reverse several times. If the shift is hard or the transaxle grinds, something in the clutch release mechanism is broken* (see Section 6).

c) *Inspect the pivot bushing between the clutch pedal and the pedal shaft for binding or excessive play* (see Section 3).

d) *If the clutch pedal is difficult to operate, the most likely cause is a faulty clutch cable. Remove the cable* (see Section 4) *and check it for kinks, frayed wires, rust and other signs of corrosion. If it's in bad shape, replace it; if it looks like it's in good condition, lubricate it with penetrating oil and try it again.*

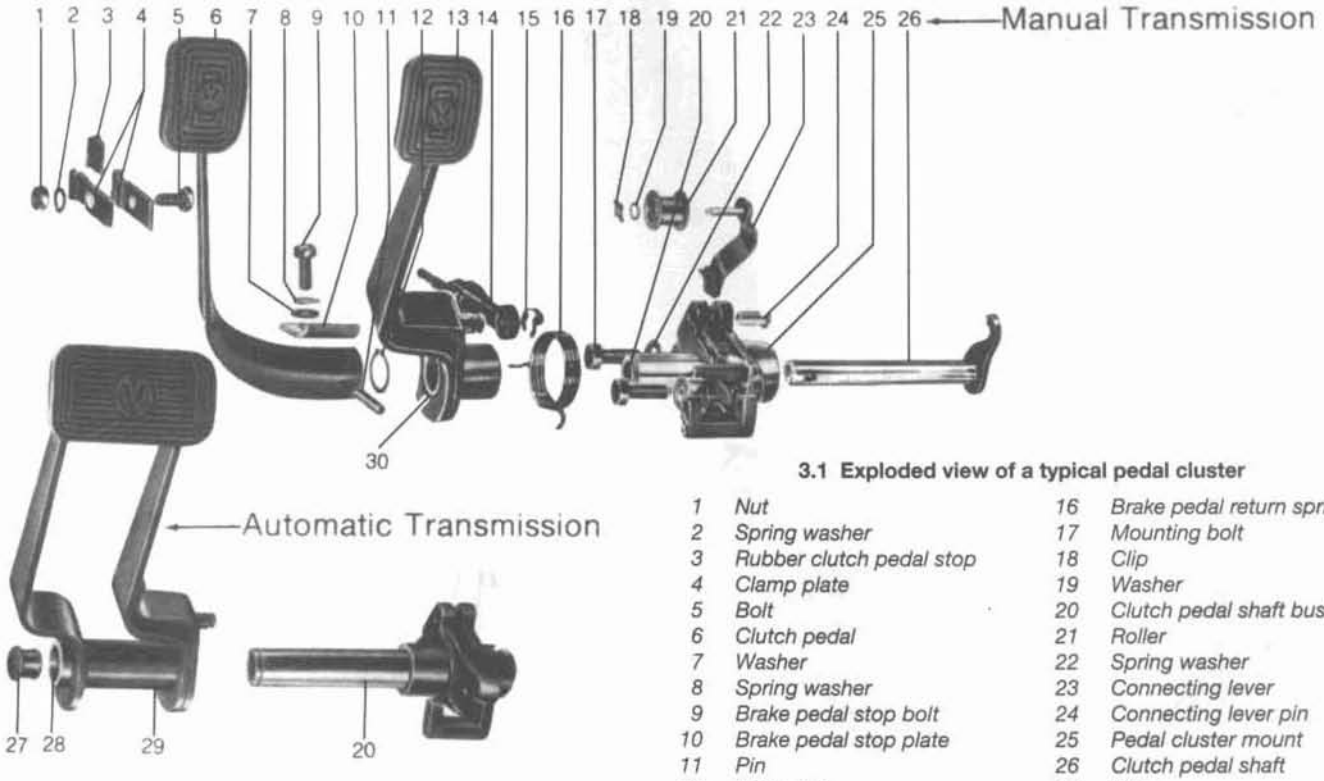
3 Pedal cluster - removal and installation

Refer to illustrations 3.1, 3.3, 3.4a, 3.4b, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 3.10, 3.11 and 3.12

1 On models equipped with a manual transaxle, the accelerator, brake and clutch pedals are mounted on a common shaft which is bolted to the left side of the center tunnel. On models with equipped with an Automatic Stick Shift, there's no clutch pedal - the brake pedal is wider and has two arms attached to a common bushing **(see illustration)**.

2 Disconnect the clutch cable from the clutch release lever at the transaxle (see Section 4).

3 Pry the accelerator pedal return spring aside, pull out the accelerator pedal pivot pin **(see illustration)** and remove the accelerator pedal.



3.1 Exploded view of a typical pedal cluster

1	*Nut*	16	*Brake pedal return spring*
2	*Spring washer*	17	*Mounting bolt*
3	*Rubber clutch pedal stop*	18	*Clip*
4	*Clamp plate*	19	*Washer*
5	*Bolt*	20	*Clutch pedal shaft bushing*
6	*Clutch pedal*	21	*Roller*
7	*Washer*	22	*Spring washer*
8	*Spring washer*	23	*Connecting lever*
9	*Brake pedal stop bolt*	24	*Connecting lever pin*
10	*Brake pedal stop plate*	25	*Pedal cluster mount*
11	*Pin*	26	*Clutch pedal shaft*
12	*Snap-ring*	27	*Plug*
13	*Brake pedal (manual transaxle)*	28	*Brake pedal bushing*
14	*Master cylinder pushrod*	29	*Brake pedal (Automatic Stick Shift)*
15	*Pushrod clip*	30	*Brake pedal bushing*