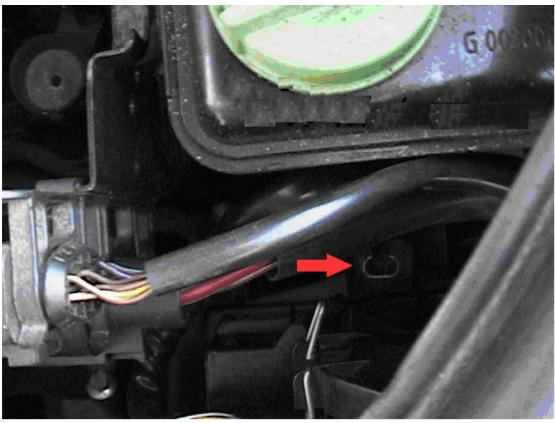
Removing the headlamps Audi A4

There are four screws holding each headlamp in place, two are on top in plain view, remove these. The other two are back and down behind the headlamps. To get to the screws in the back you will need to remove the plastic cover over the power steering reservoir on the drivers side and on the passenger side you will have to take off the air intake tube which runs from the grill to the intake box. There are only two Phillips screws holding this intake tube in place. Once these pieces are out you should be able to see the back screws. You DO NOT need to remove the two back screws just loosen them a few turns. (Fig 1)

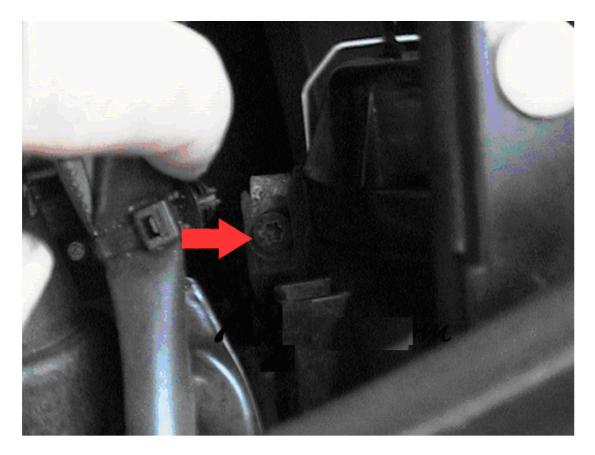


The third and fourth screw are a little harder to find, but shouldn't be too bad to get at. Just loosen these about 2 turns a piece and the entire assembly should become loose. Here's where to find them:





This one is just to the left of the headlight about 2 inches from the front of the car.



The last one is on the right side of the headlight, towards the back. It is a tight squeeze to get to, but you can get it with an extension for your torx wrench

Fig 1 Bottom two screws on passenger side, drivers side is the same.

The headlamp should feel loose in the car now. Unplug the harness and pop off any other wire looms that may be attached to the lamp assembly. You should now be able to pull the lamps off the car completely.

HOWTO Replace a Brake Light Bulb on an Audi A4 Avant Quattro 2002

Somehow I was not surprised to read in the owner's manual that I needed to take my car in to the dealer simply to change a bulb. The owner's manual blames this on the fact that cars are becoming increasingly complex (which is of course their own fault).

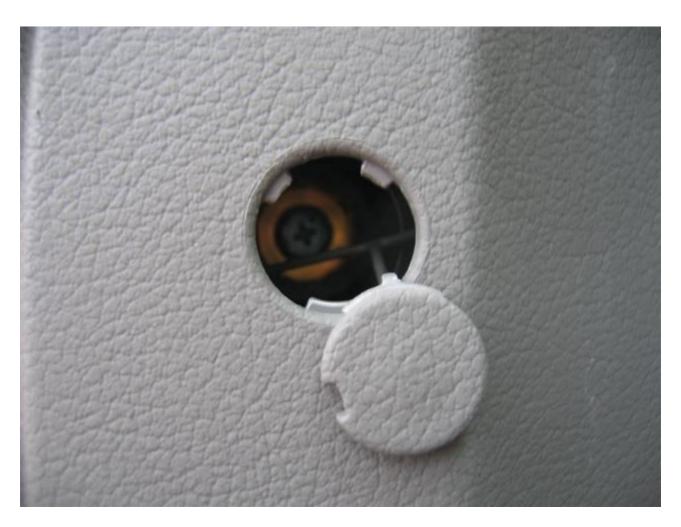
I called my local Audi dealer and they quoted \$80 (USD) to perform the service. Instead I went to the auto parts store and bought a replacement bulb set which contained two (P21/5W) bulbs for \$3.97 (USD).

Warning

EASY DOES IT! WHILE STRAIGHTFORWARD, THIS PROCEDURE REQUIRES PATIENCE AND CARE. UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE DOING BEFORE YOU DO IT. I AM NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE USE OR MISUSE OF THIS INFORMATION. PROCEED AT YOUR OWN RISK.



First I carefully opened the circular cover with a small flat head screw driver (it just pops out).

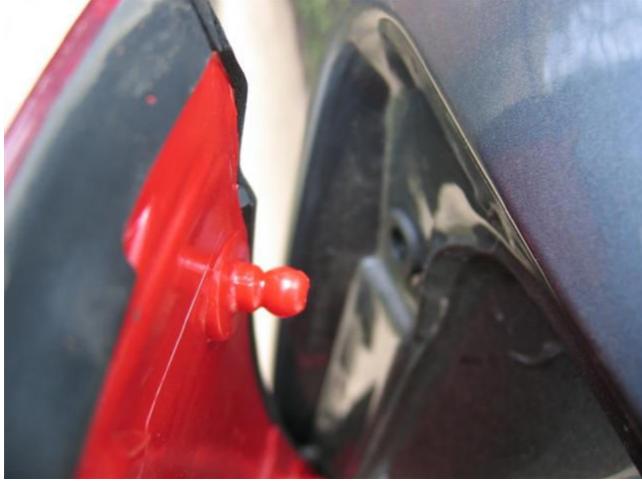


Then, using a Phillips head screw driver, I carefully loosened the screw that holds the entire light assembly in place. I knew I had the correct screw because as it got looser I was able to move the assembly slightly. While the screw might have been able to be recovered with a magnet if it had fallen in the body, I was careful to avoid this by only loosening it a bit at time.



Once the assembly was free of the screw, I gently pulled back the rubber material so that it was free of that rubber block.

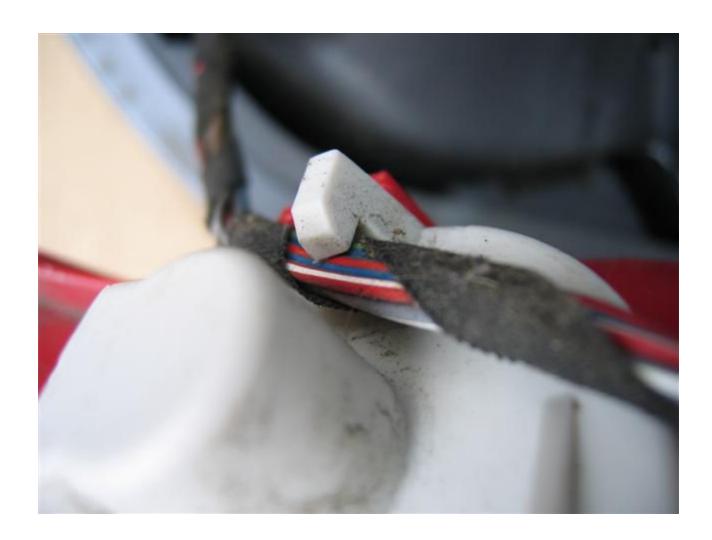


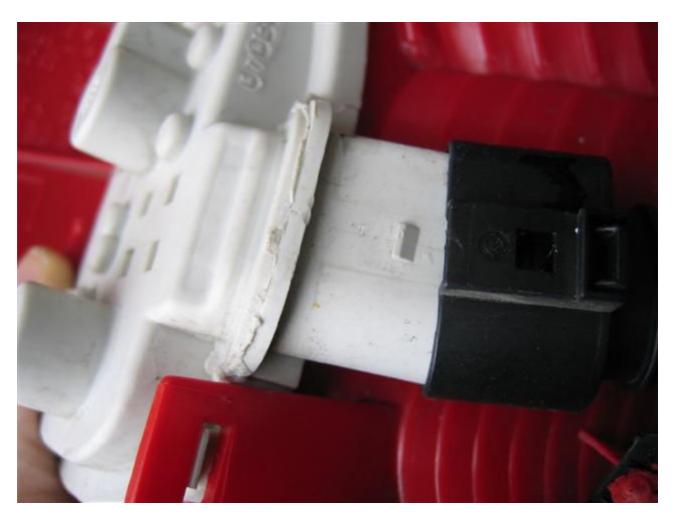


Next I began to carefully pull the assembly away from the center of the car. In this case (because it's the left assembly) I began by pulling it gently to the left (not directly out because of the two plugs). I did this carefully as not to damage the plugs.



Once both plugs (top and bottom) were free of the body, the assembly was only connected by the wire.





Next I un-tangled the wire and disconnected the socket from the assembly by carefully inserting a small flat head screw driver.



Finally I carefully separated the white piece from the assembly. The stop light bulb was the one at the bottom (it had two filaments). To remove it, I pressed down very gently and rotated it out counterclockwise.

