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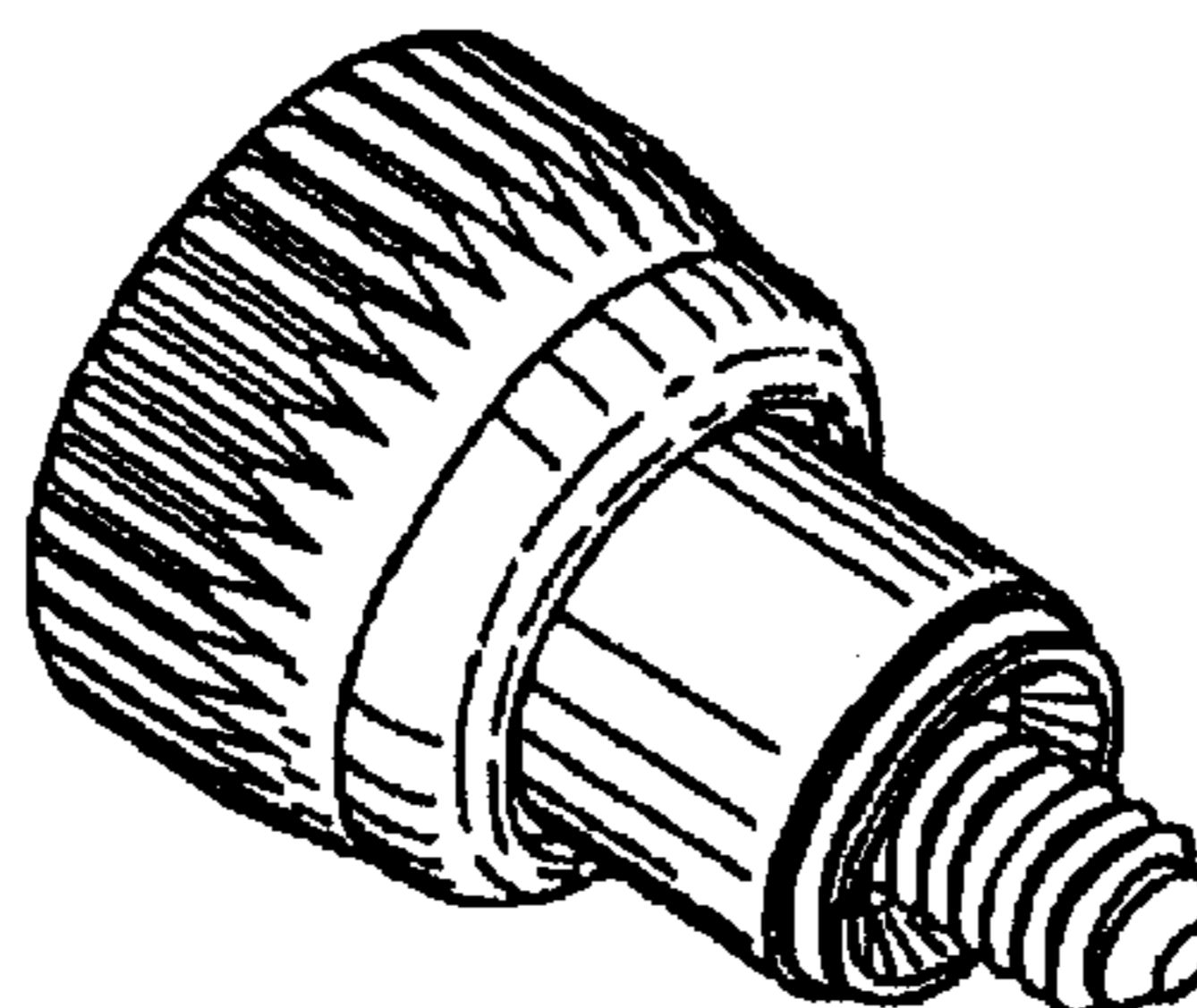
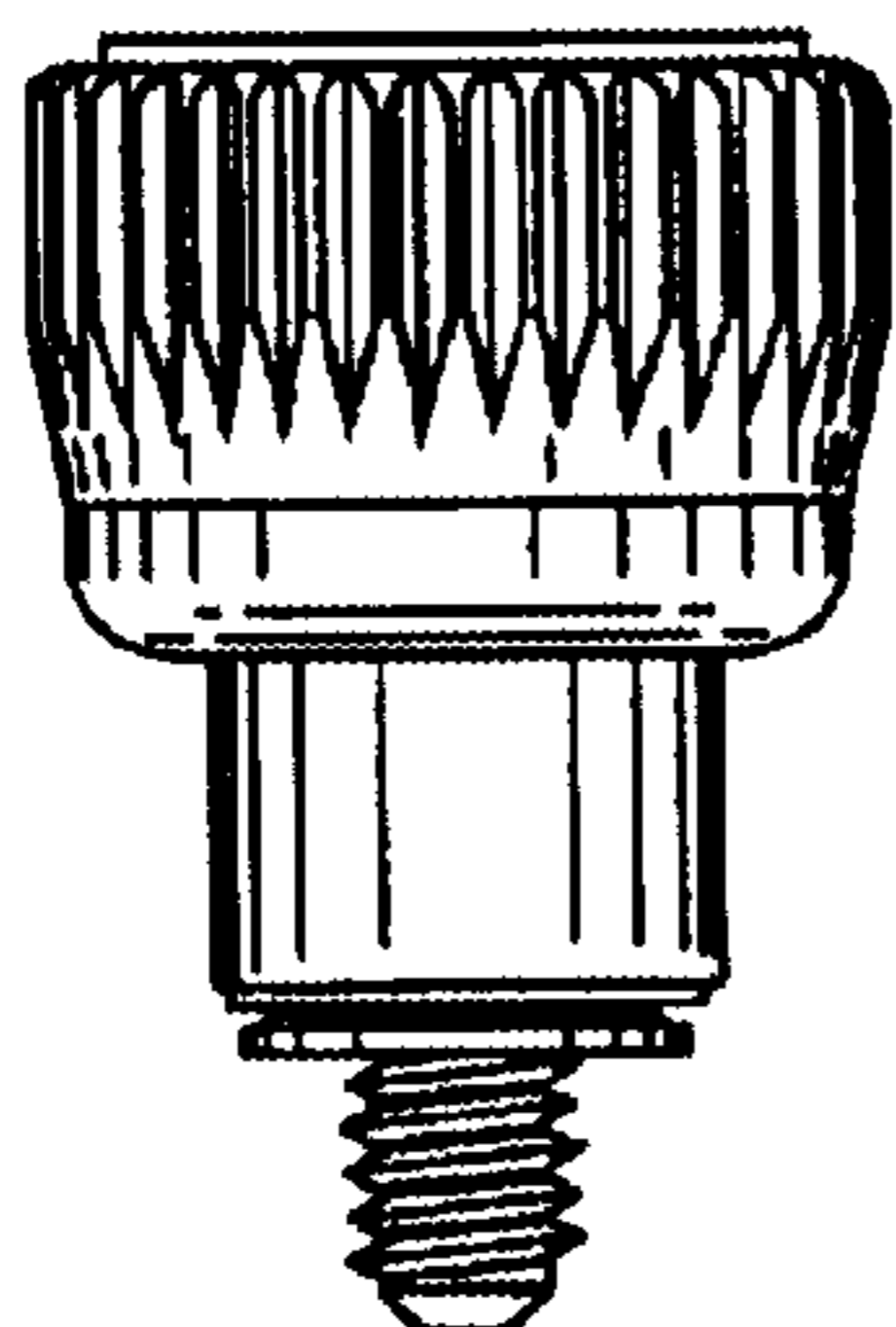
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(57) CLAIM

The ornamental design for a captive screw, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

- FIG. 1 is a side elevation of a captive screw showing our new design, all remaining sides being identical;
- FIG. 2 is a perspective view thereof;
- FIG. 3 is a bottom plan view thereof;
- FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof showing a six lobed driver recess;
- FIG. 5 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined six lobed/slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 6 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 7 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a Phillips driver recess;
- FIG. 8 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined slotted/Phillips driver recess;
- FIG. 9 is a side elevation of a captive screw showing a second embodiment of our new design, all remaining sides being identical;
- FIG. 10 is a perspective view thereof;
- FIG. 11 is a bottom plan view thereof;
- FIG. 12 is a top plan view thereof showing a six lobed driver recess;
- FIG. 13 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined six lobed/slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 14 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 15 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a Phillips driver recess;
- FIG. 16 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined slotted/Phillips driver recess;
- FIG. 17 is a side elevation of a captive screw showing a third embodiment of our new design, all remaining sides being identical;
- FIG. 18 is a perspective view thereof;
- FIG. 19 is a bottom plan view thereof;
- FIG. 20 is a top plan view thereof showing a six lobed driver recess;
- FIG. 21 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined six lobed/slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 22 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 23 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a Phillips driver recess;
- FIG. 24 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined slotted/Phillips driver recess;
- FIG. 25 is a side elevation of a captive screw showing a fourth embodiment of our new design, all remaining sides being identical;
- FIG. 26 is a perspective view thereof;
- FIG. 27 is a bottom plan view thereof;
- FIG. 28 is a top plan view thereof showing a combined six lobed/slotted driver recess;
- FIG. 29 is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined six lobed/slotted driver recess;

FIG. **30** is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a slotted driver recess;

FIG. **31** is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a Phillips driver recess; and,

FIG. **32** is an alternate top plan view thereof showing a combined slotted/Phillips driver recess.

It is understood that for each alternate top plan view in each embodiment in the drawings, the bottom plan, perspective, and side elevations are identical to those shown.

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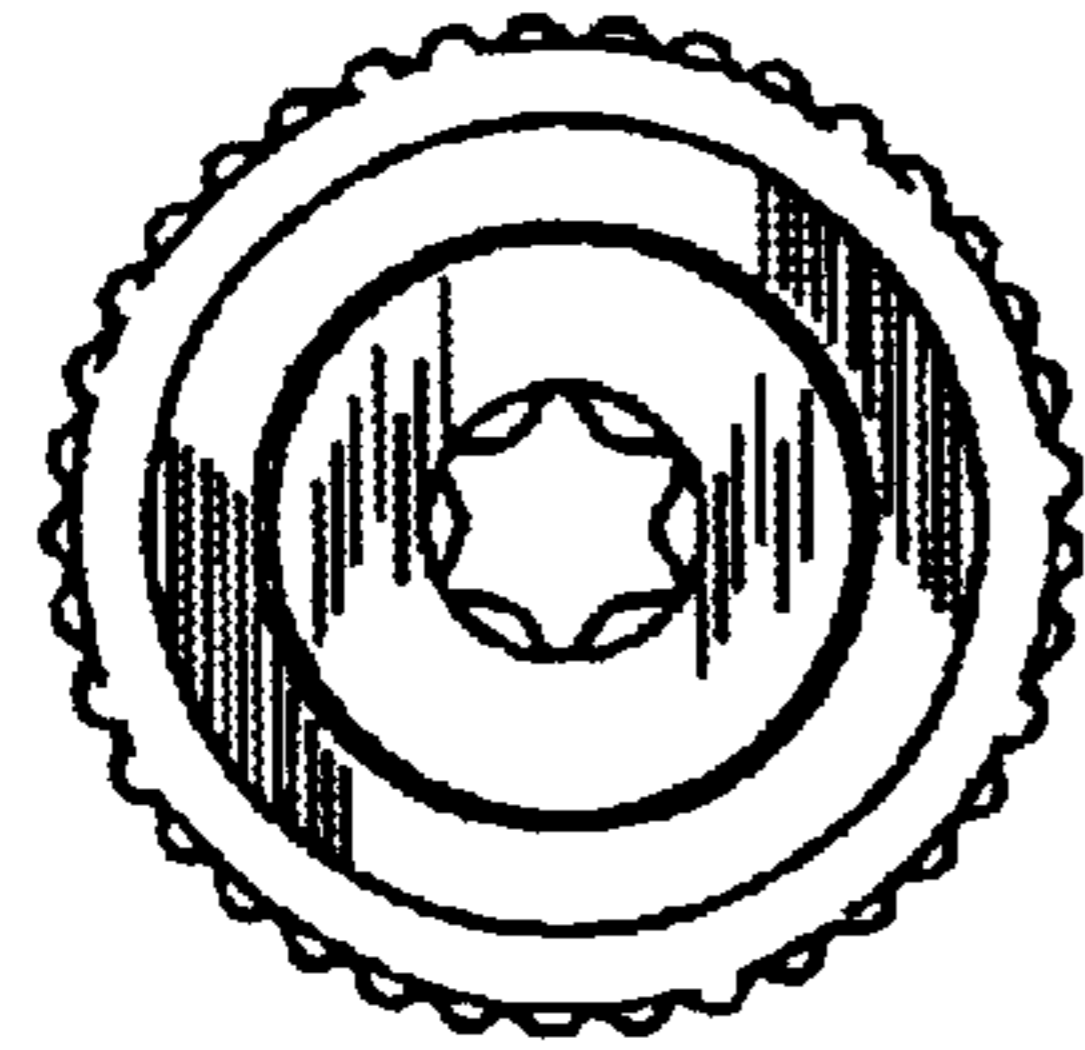


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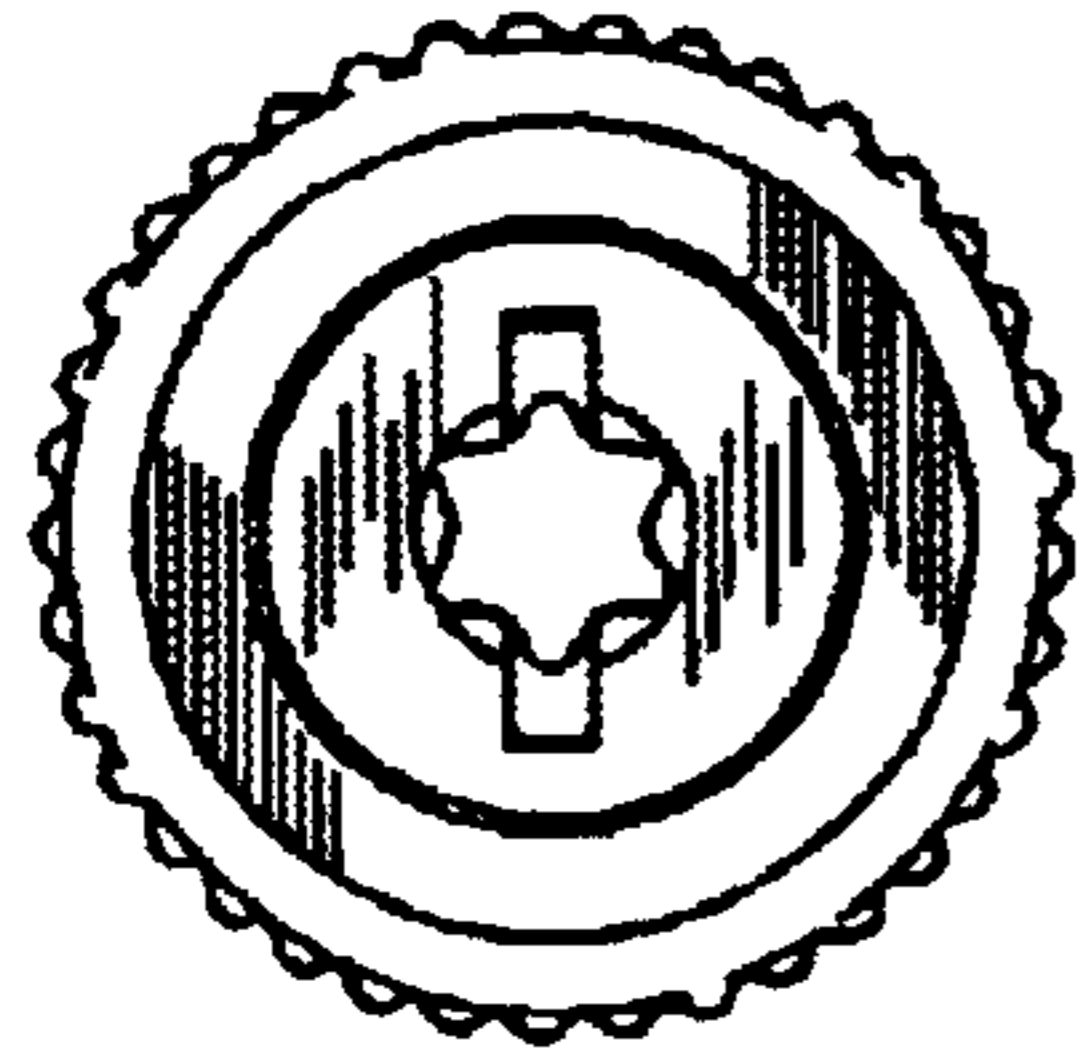


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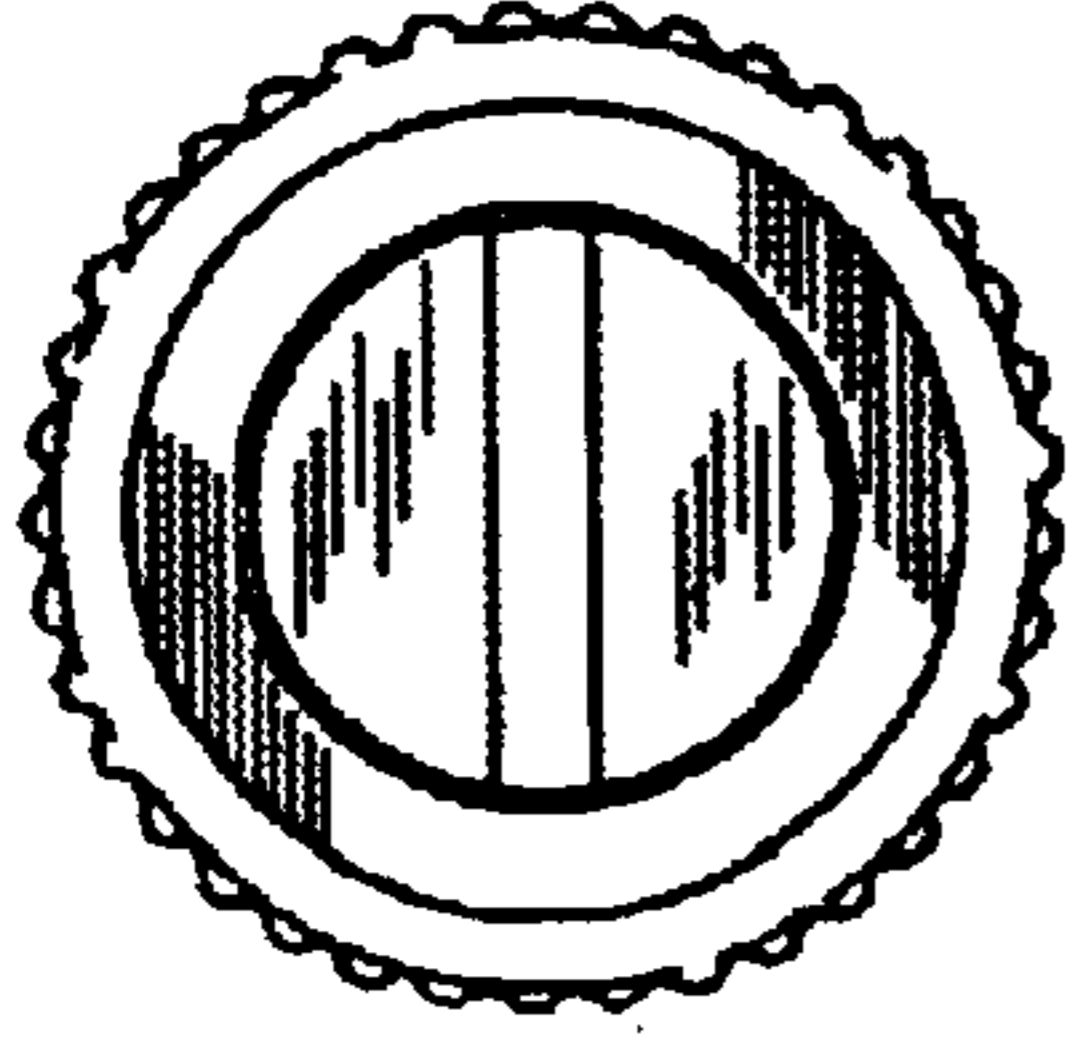


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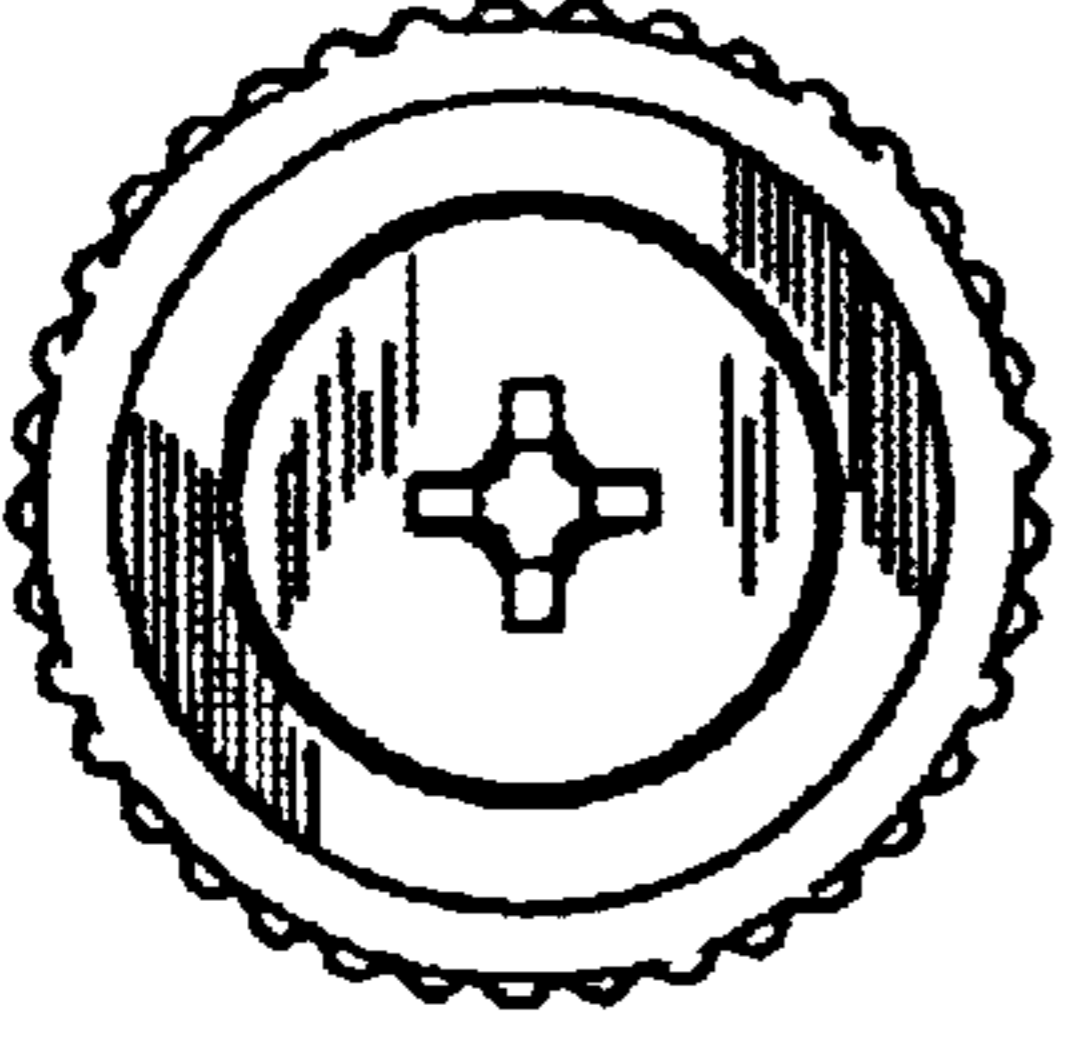


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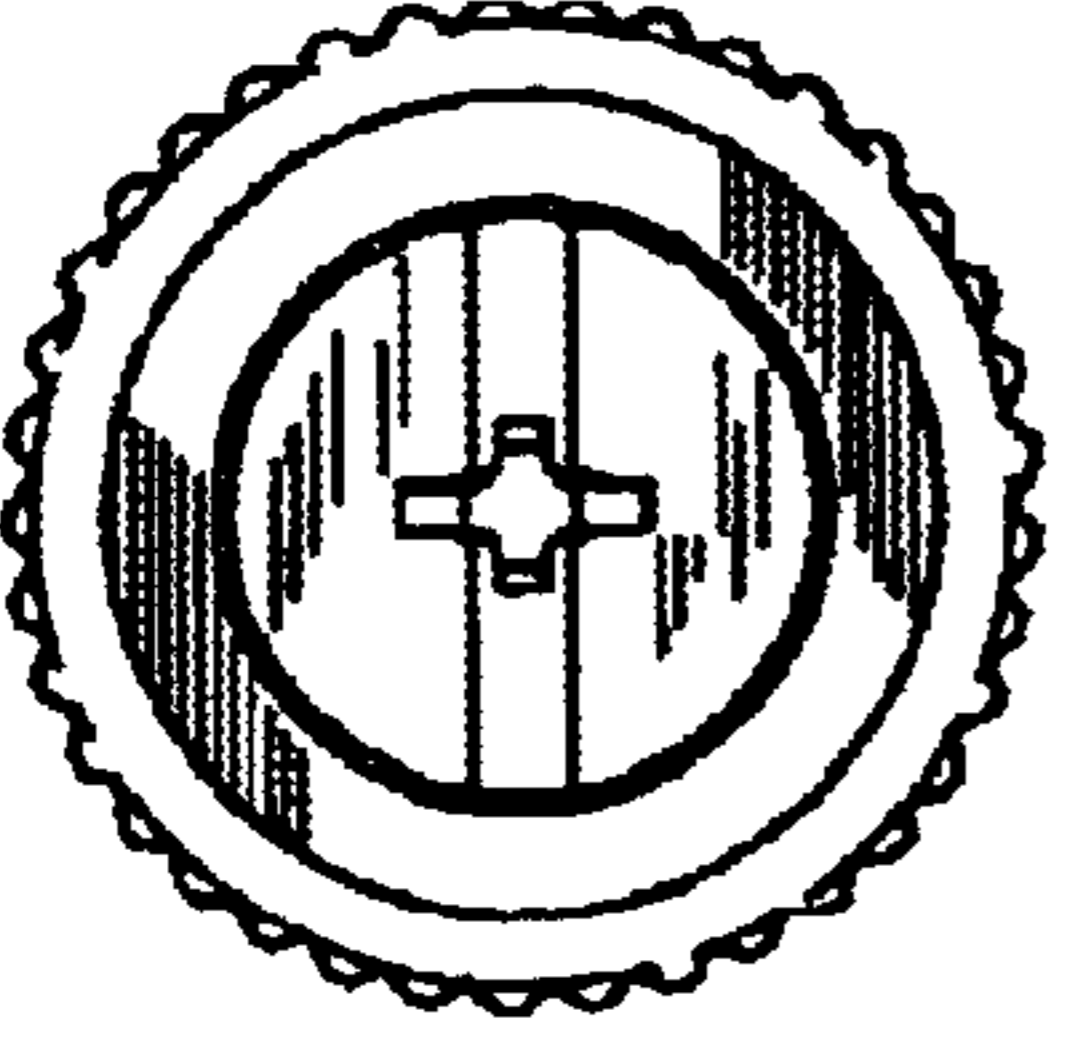


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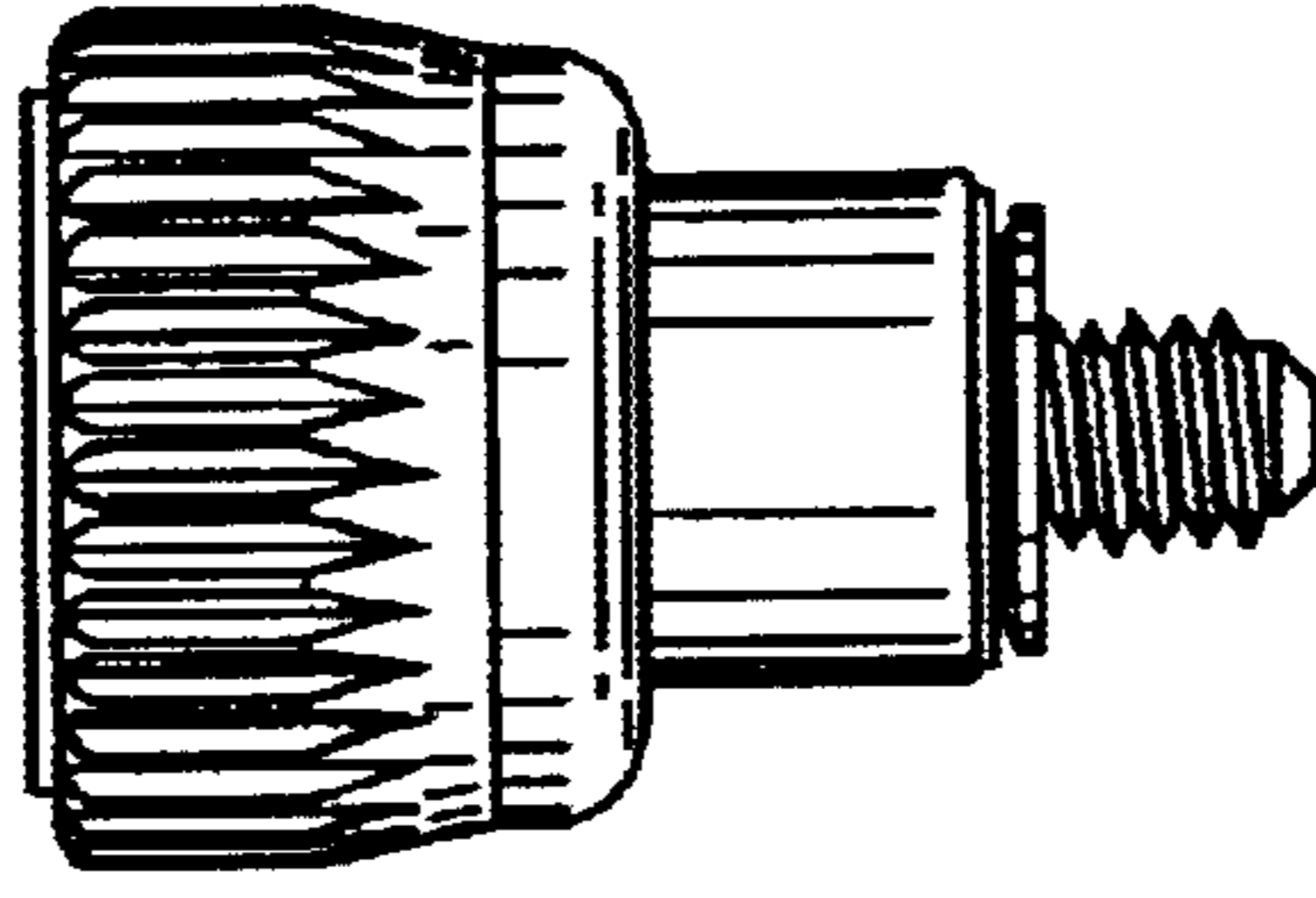


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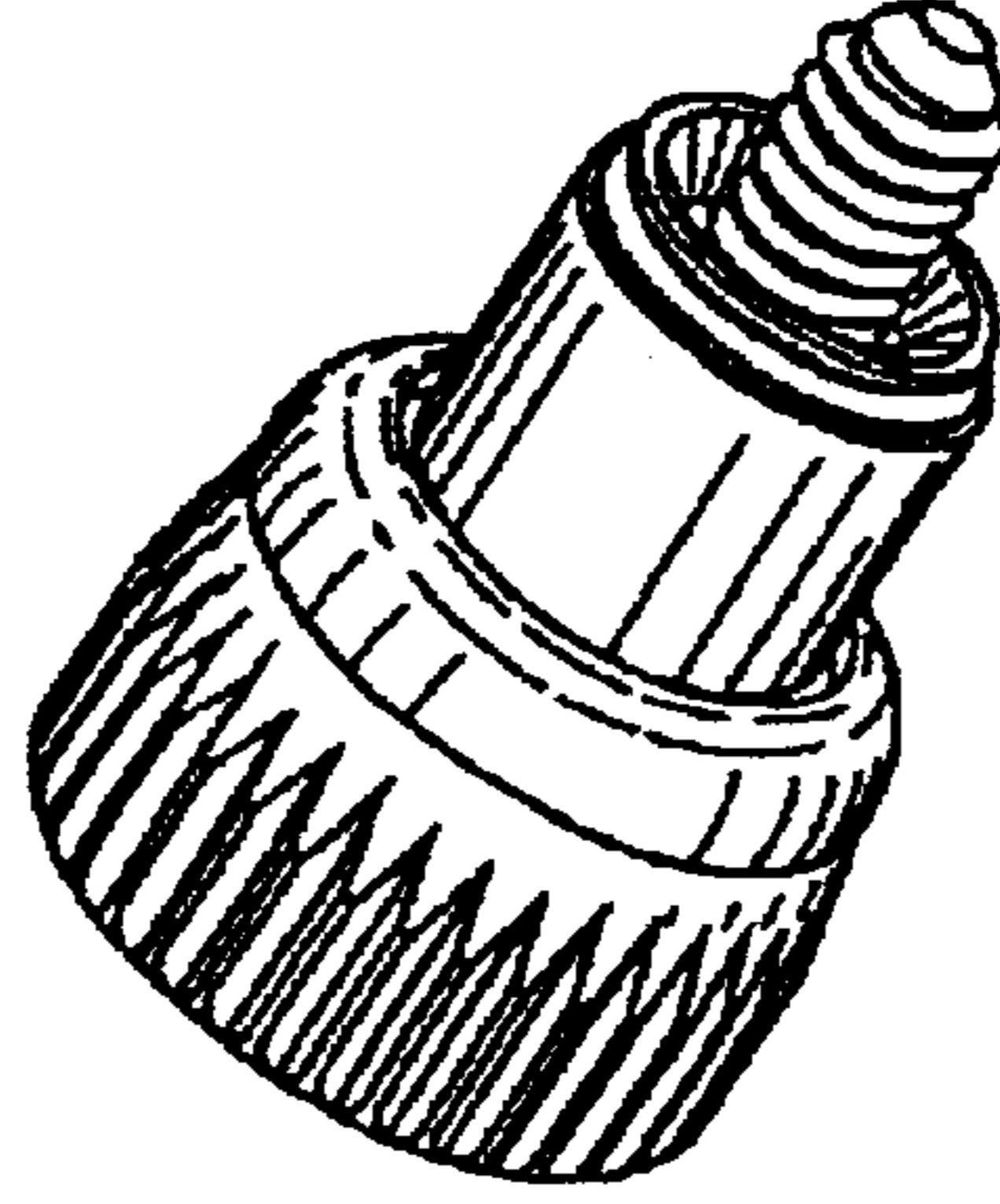


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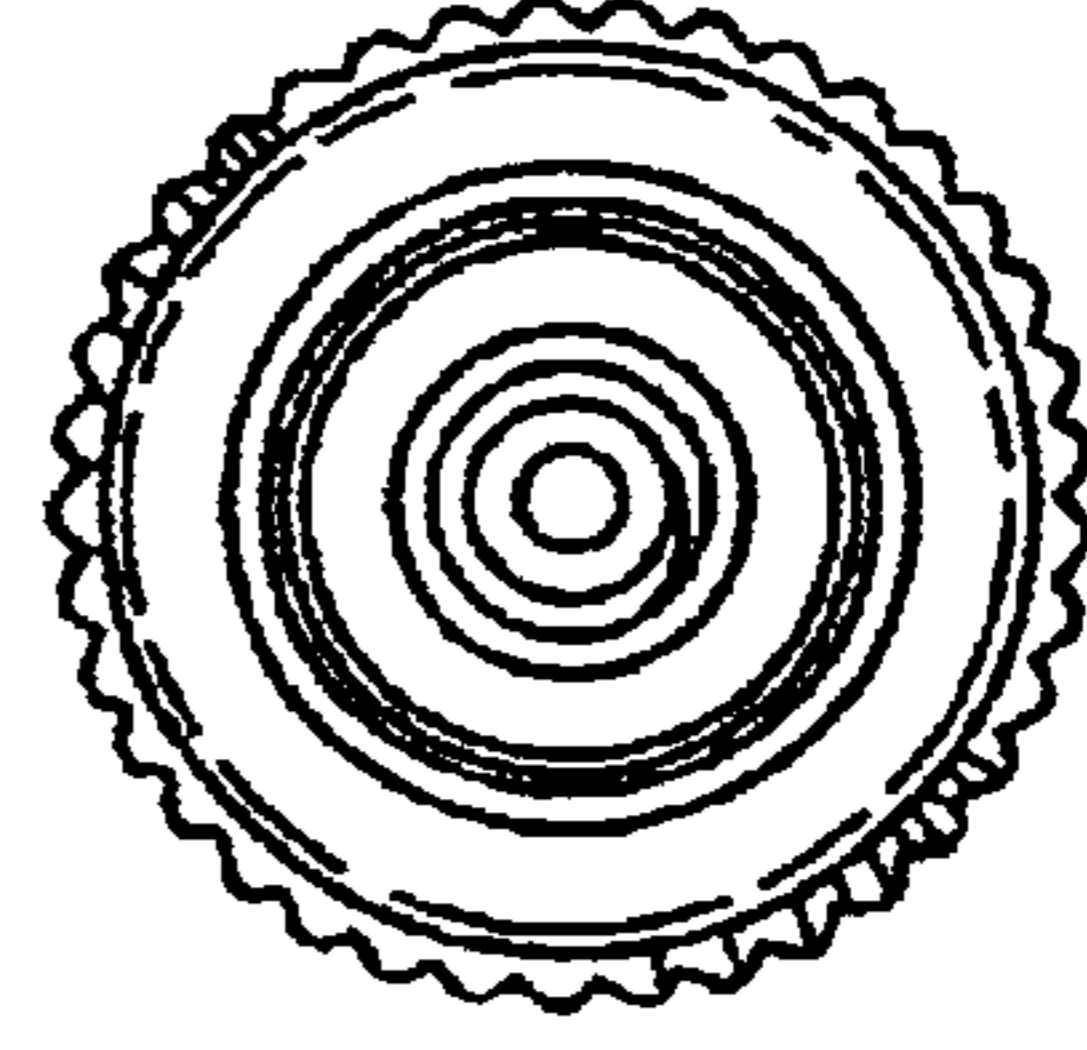


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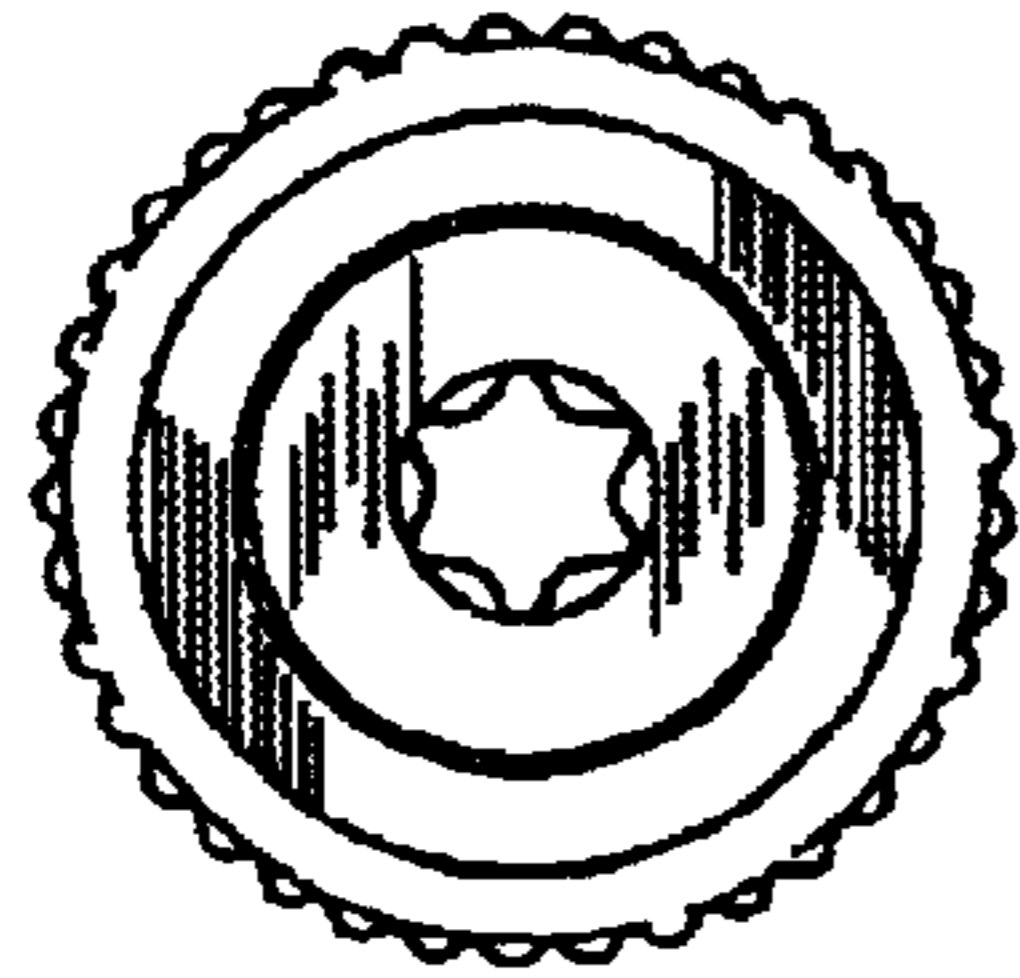


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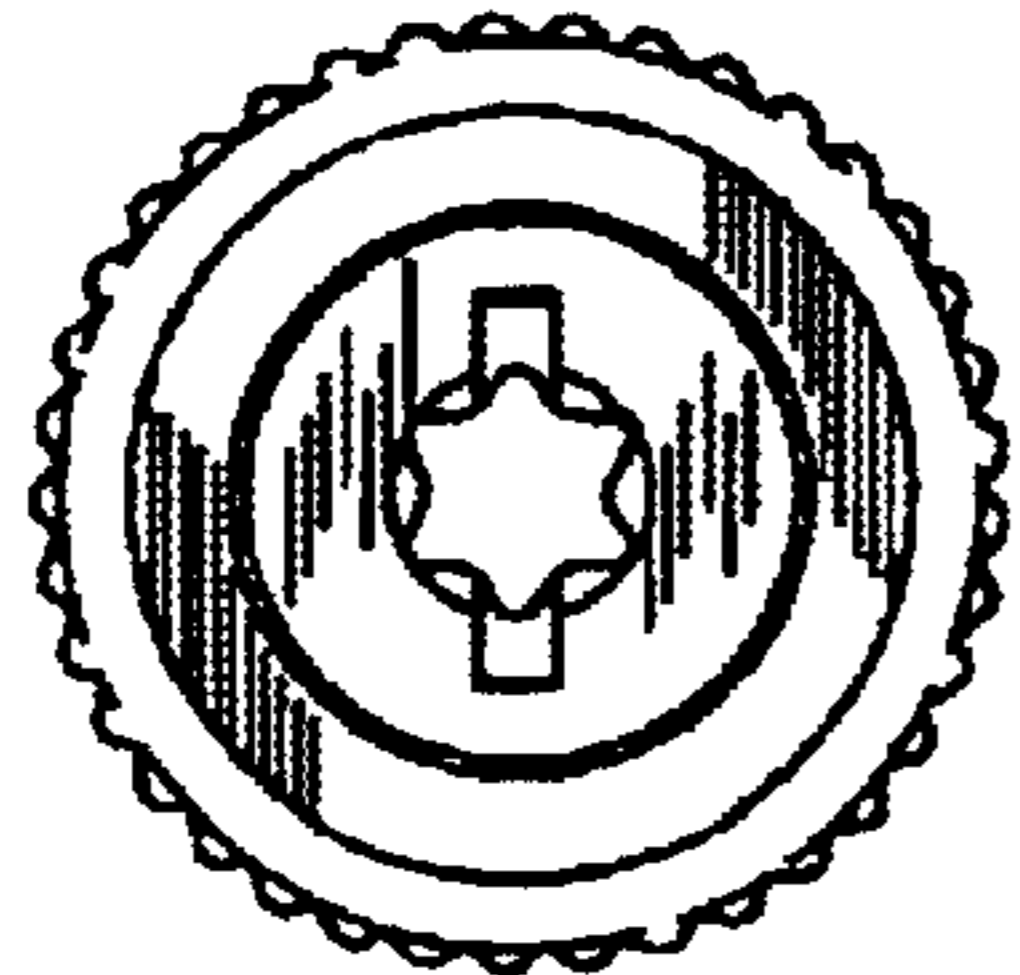


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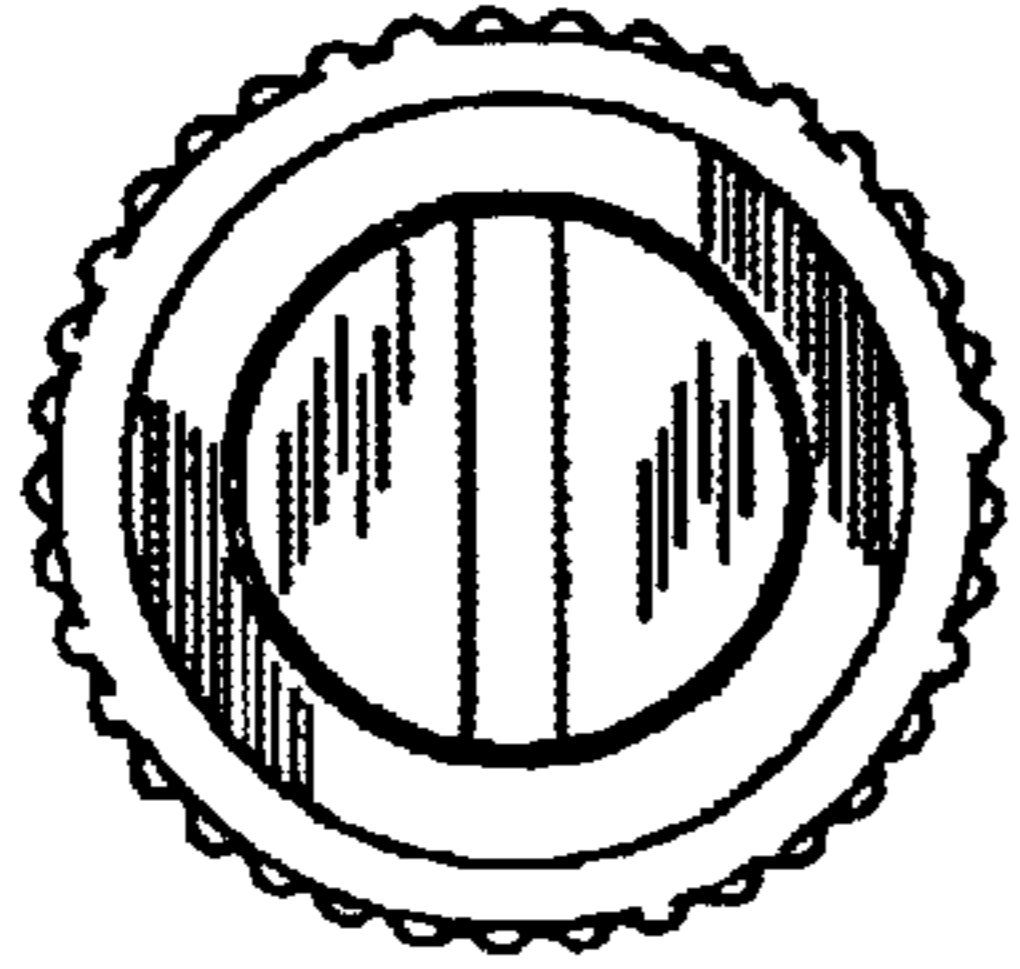


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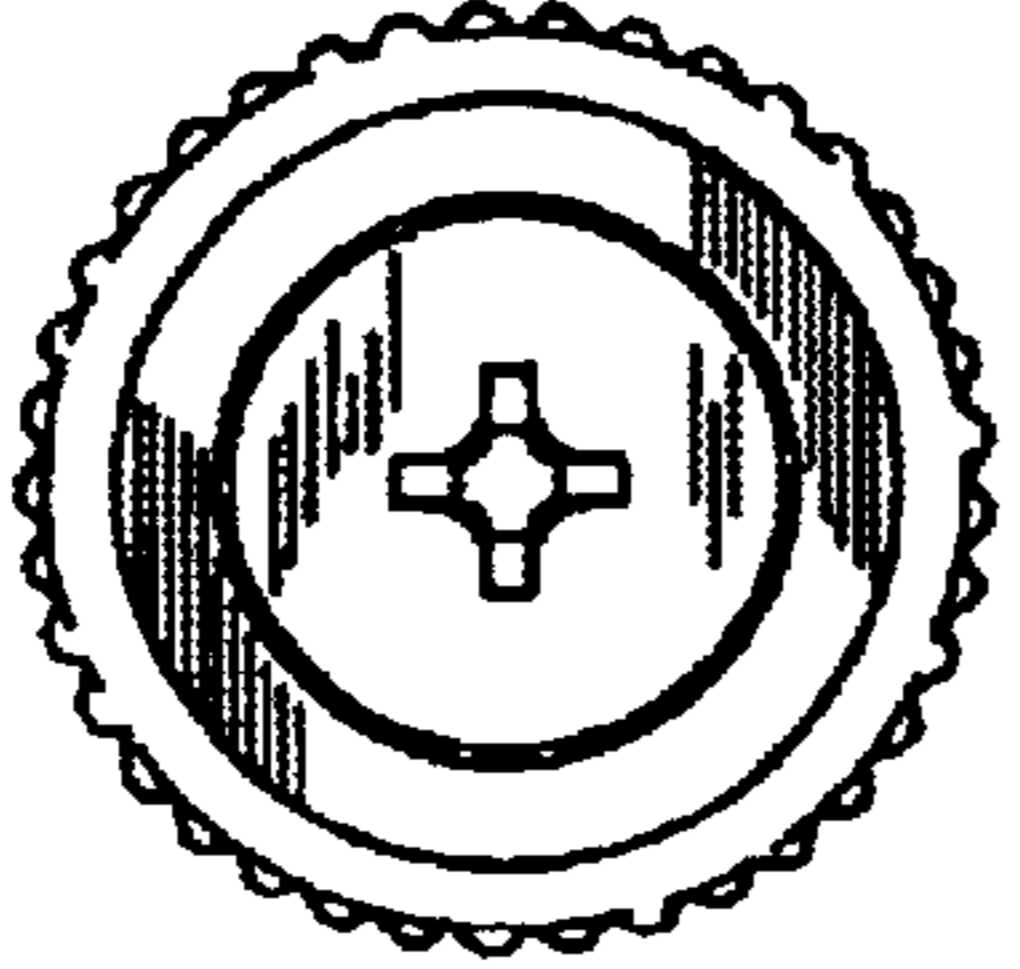


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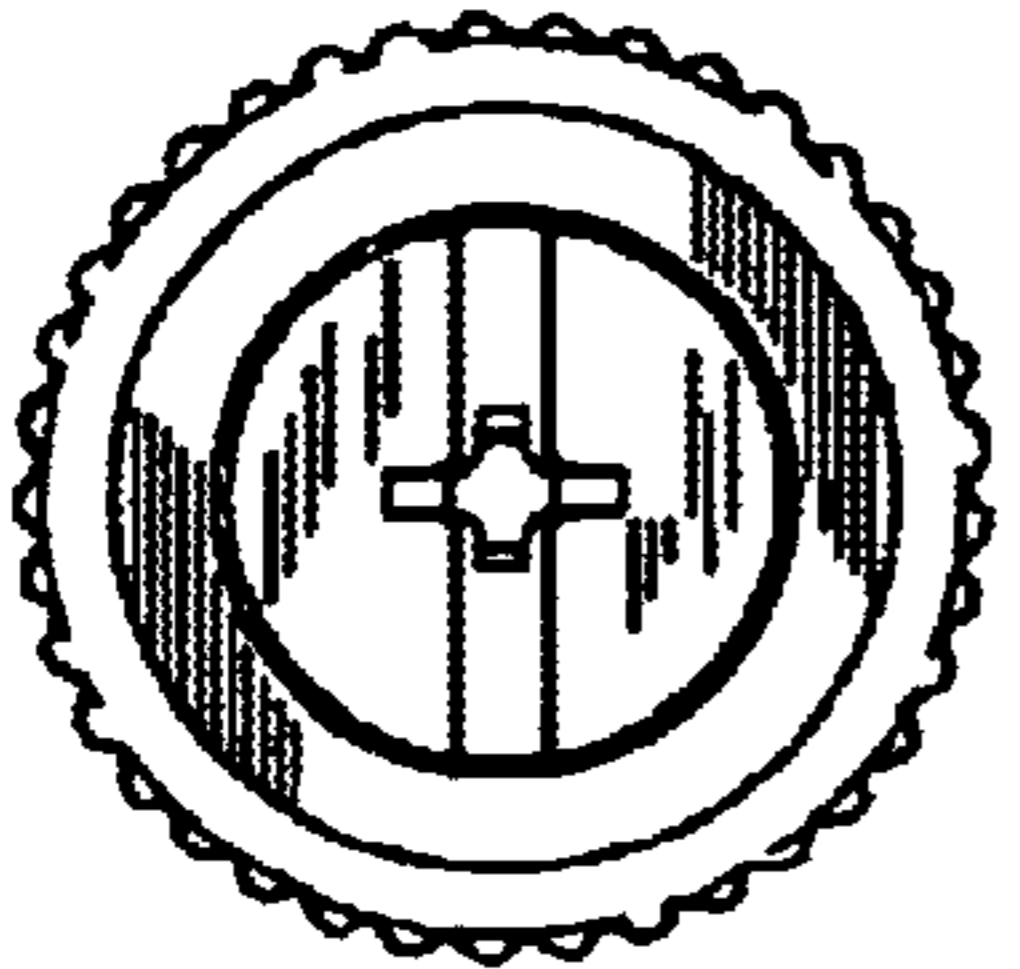


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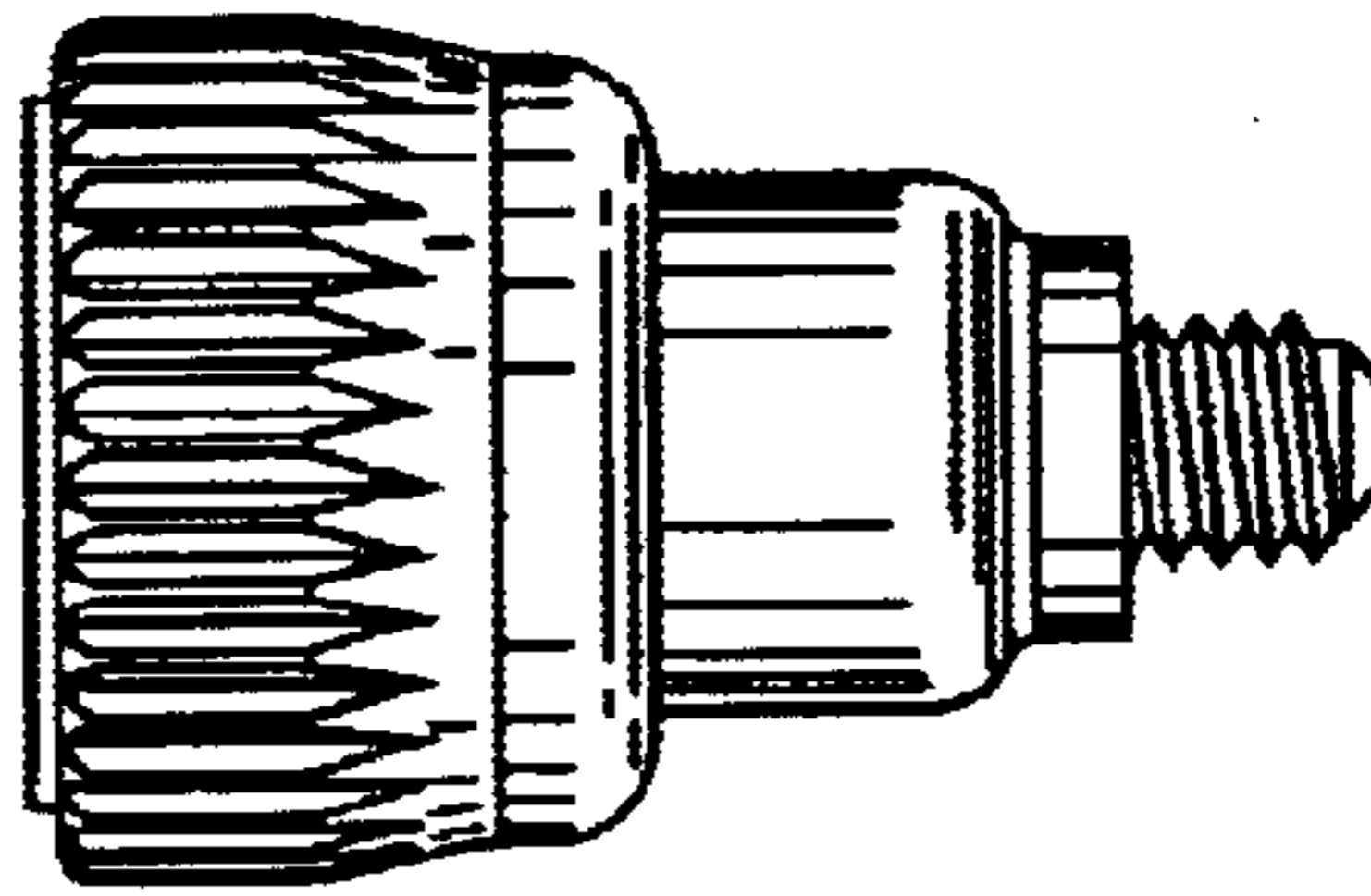


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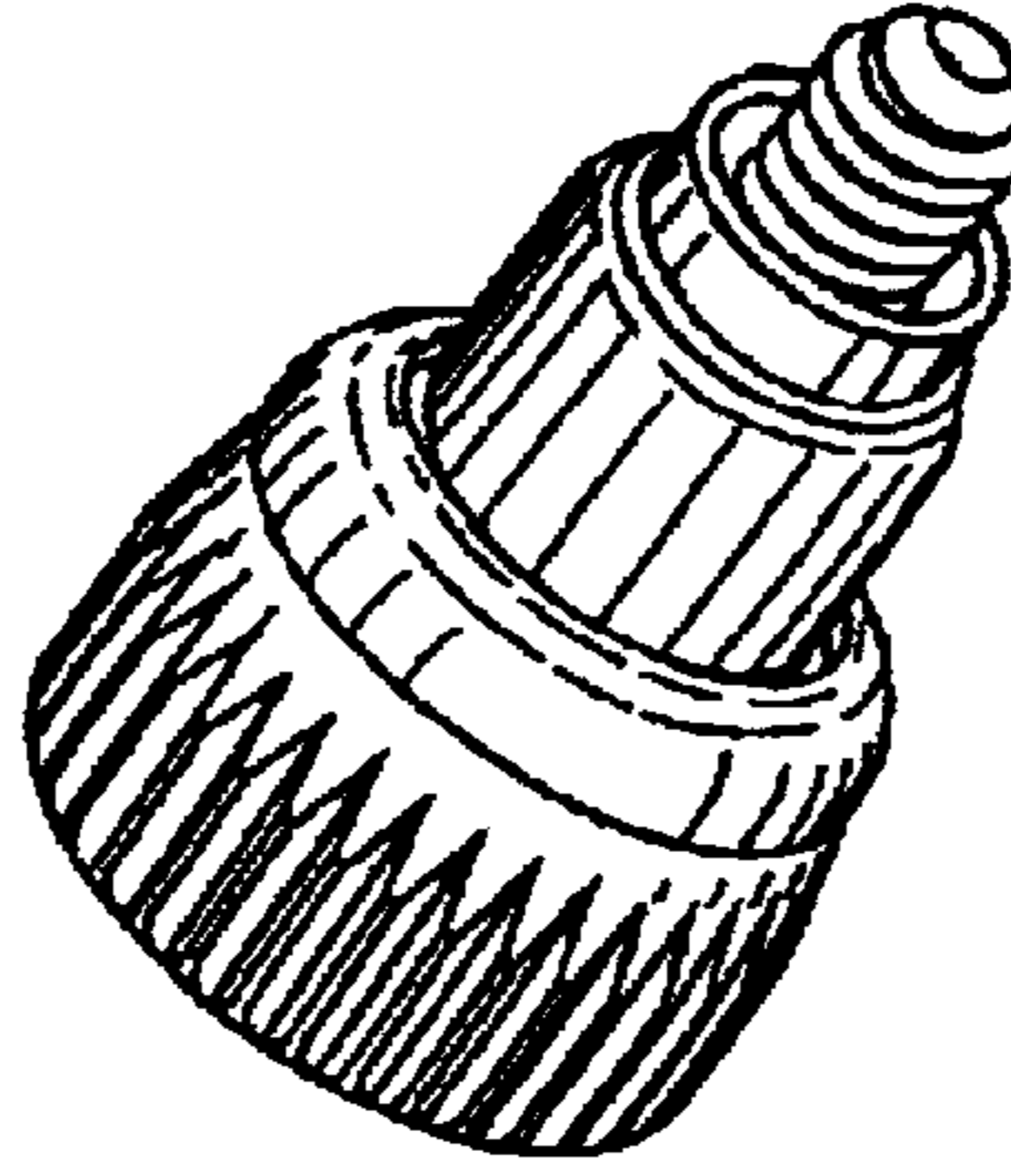


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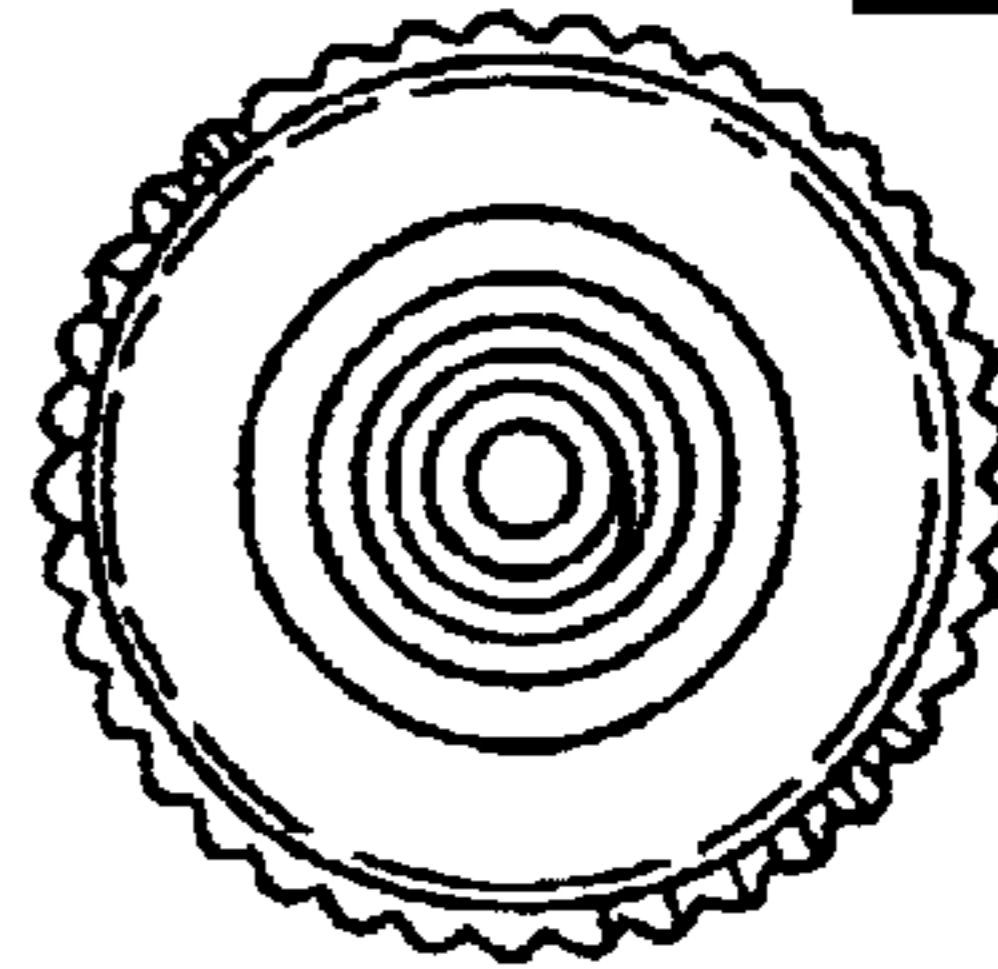


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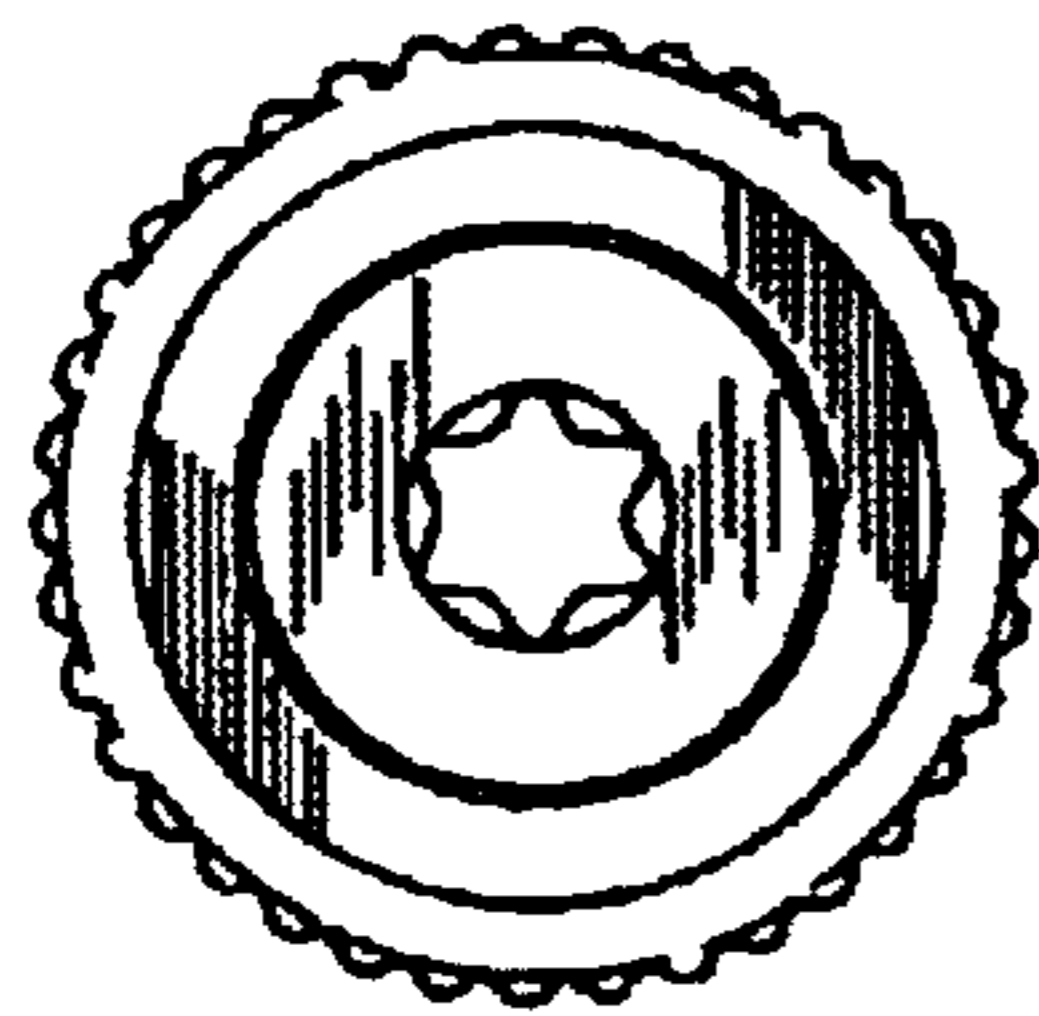


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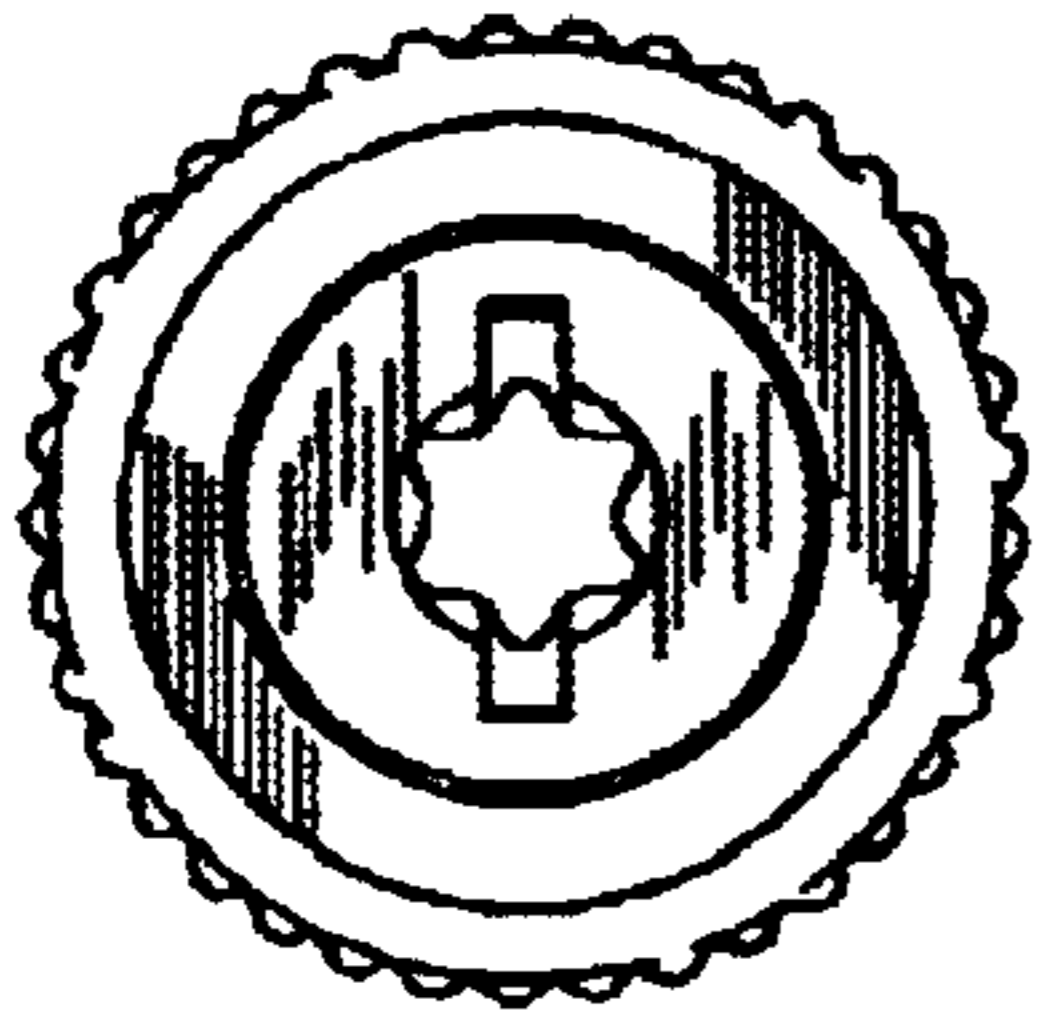


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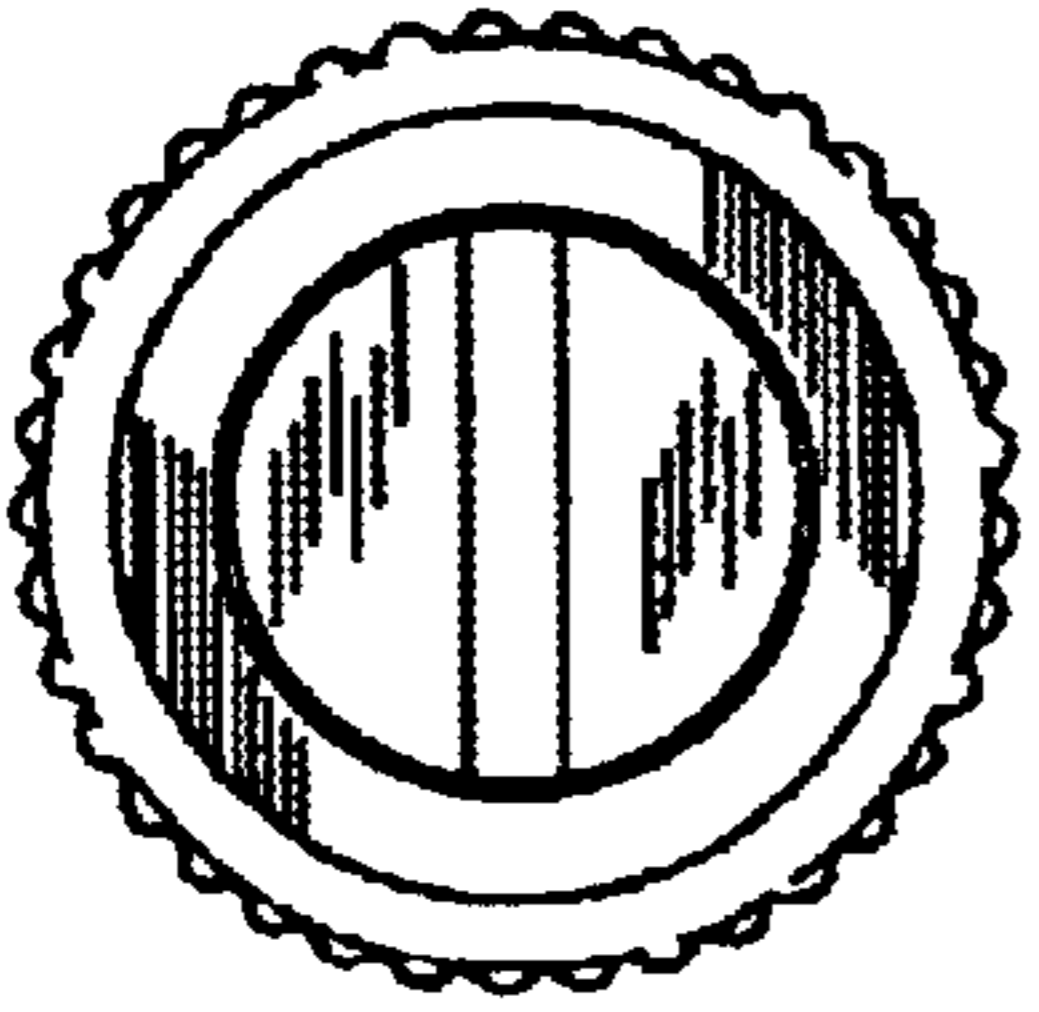


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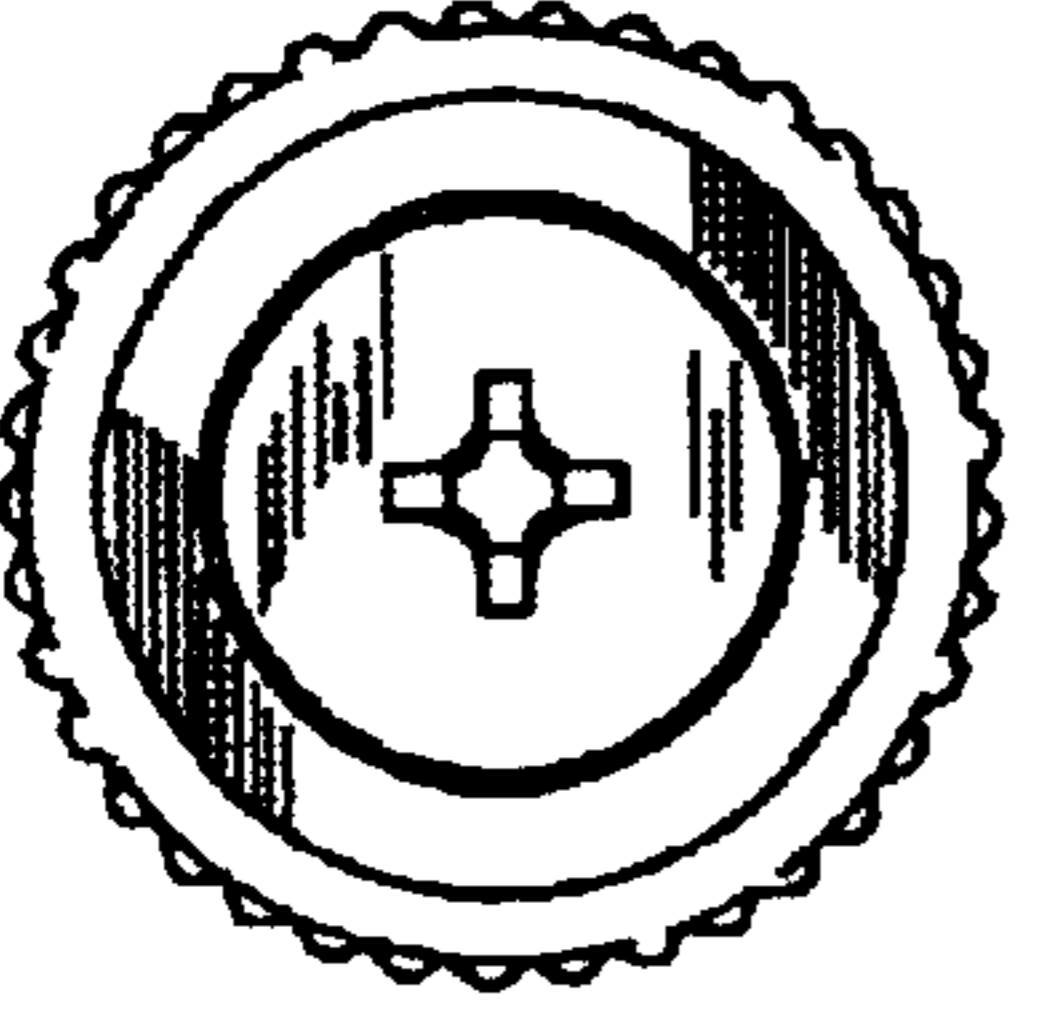


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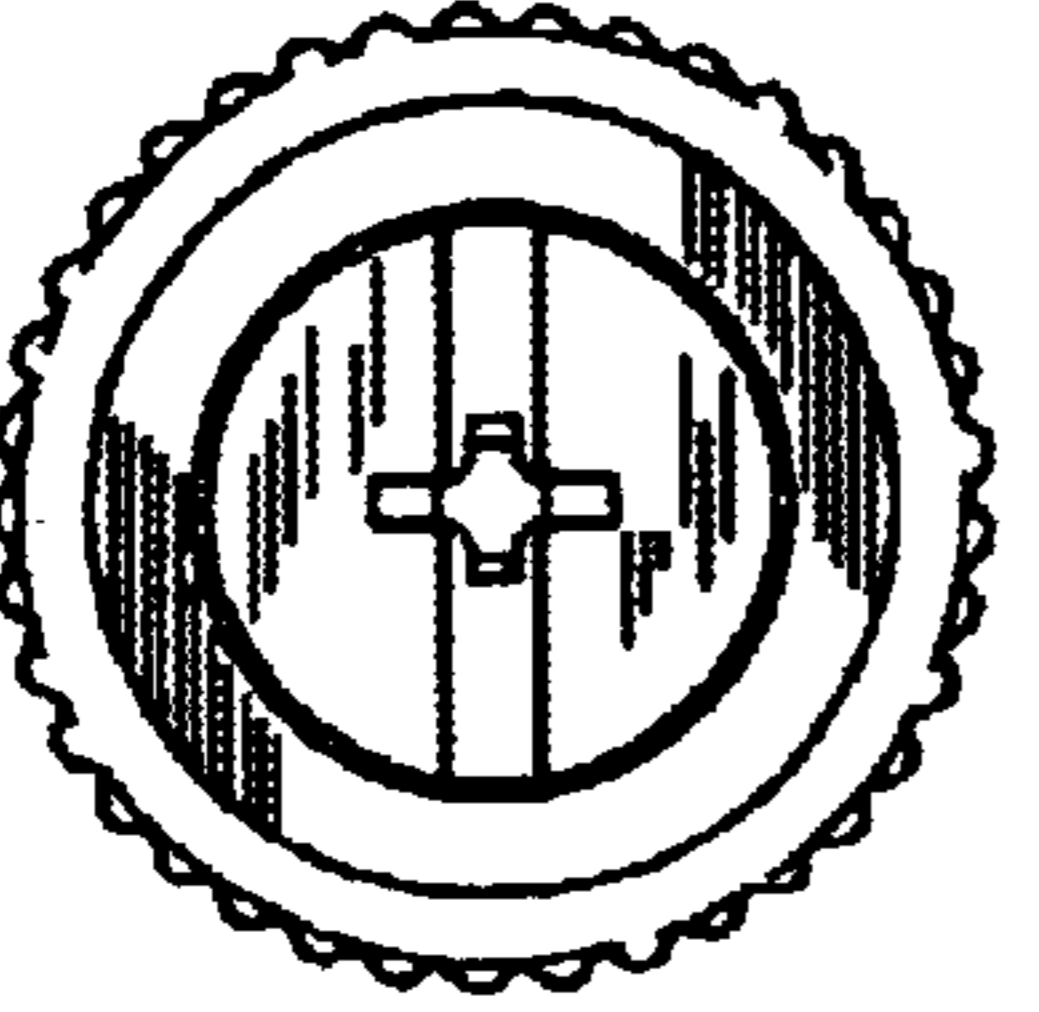


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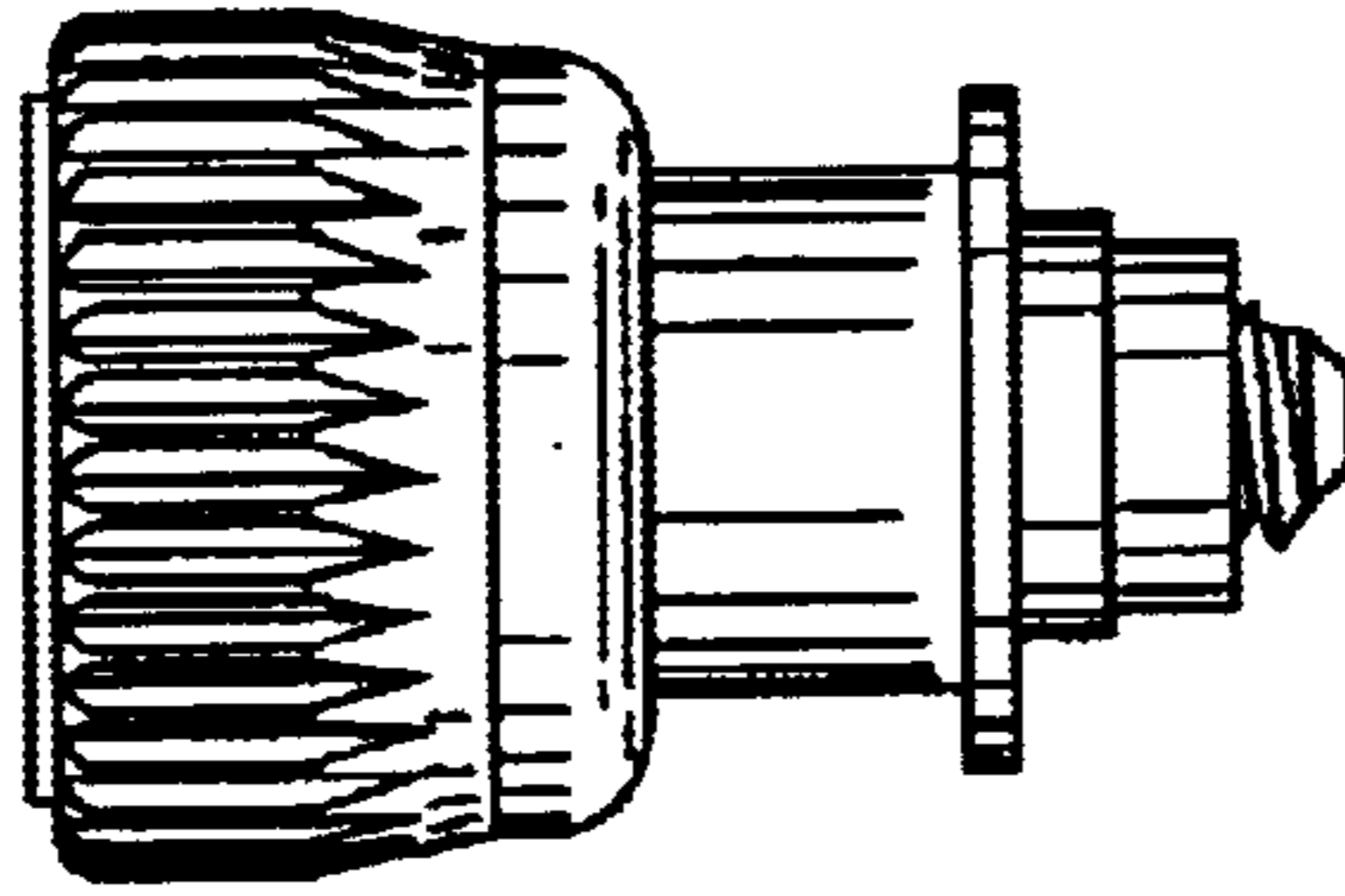


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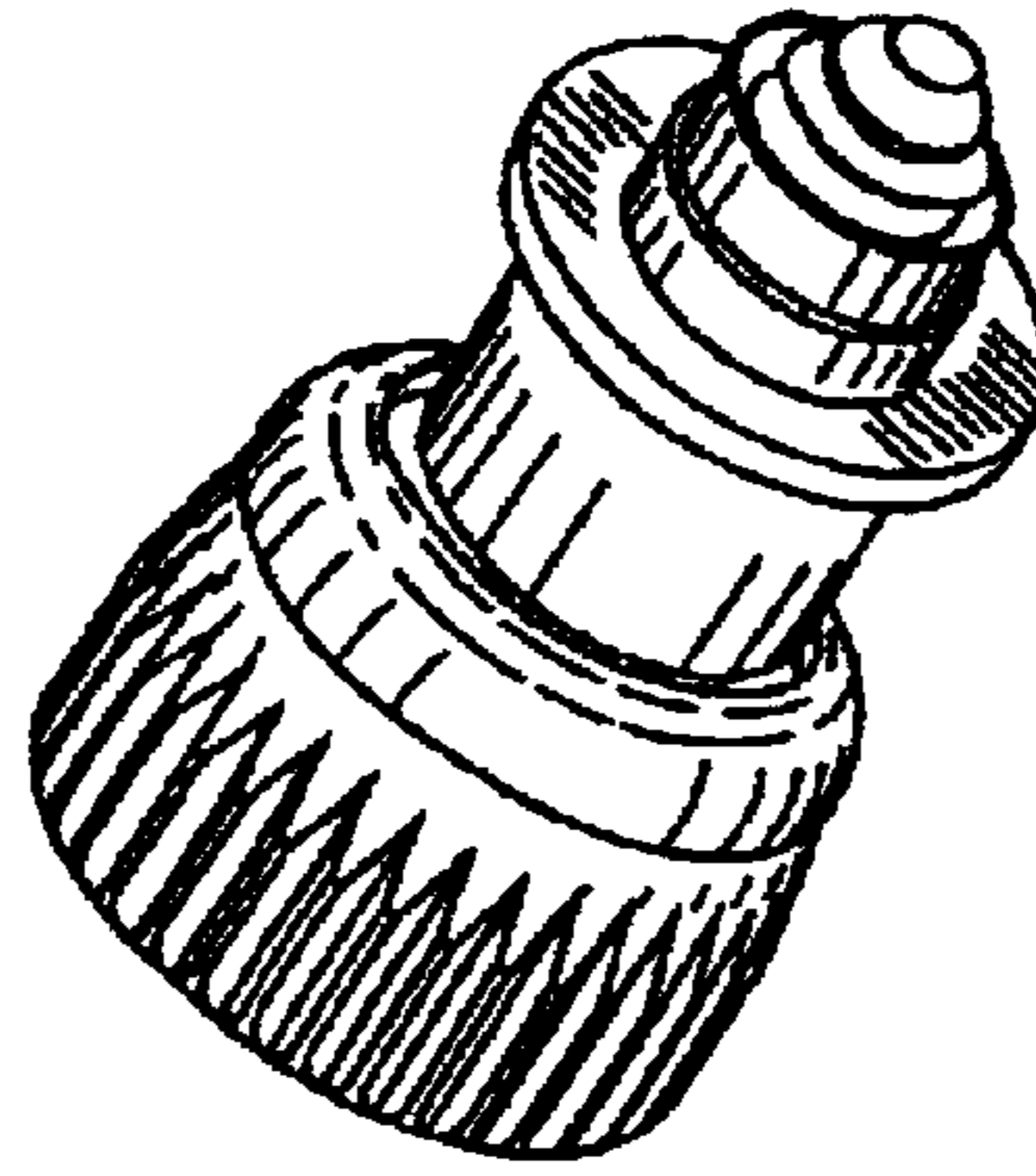


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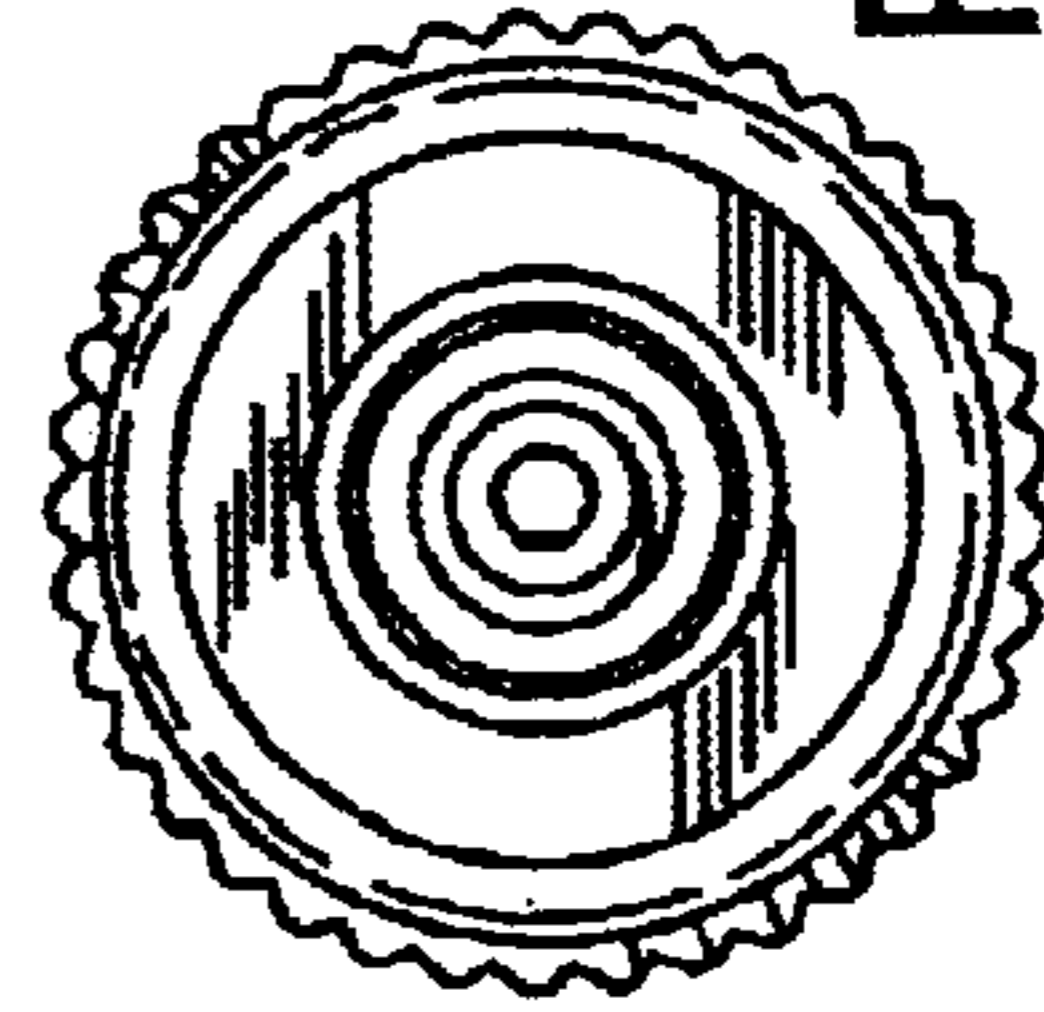


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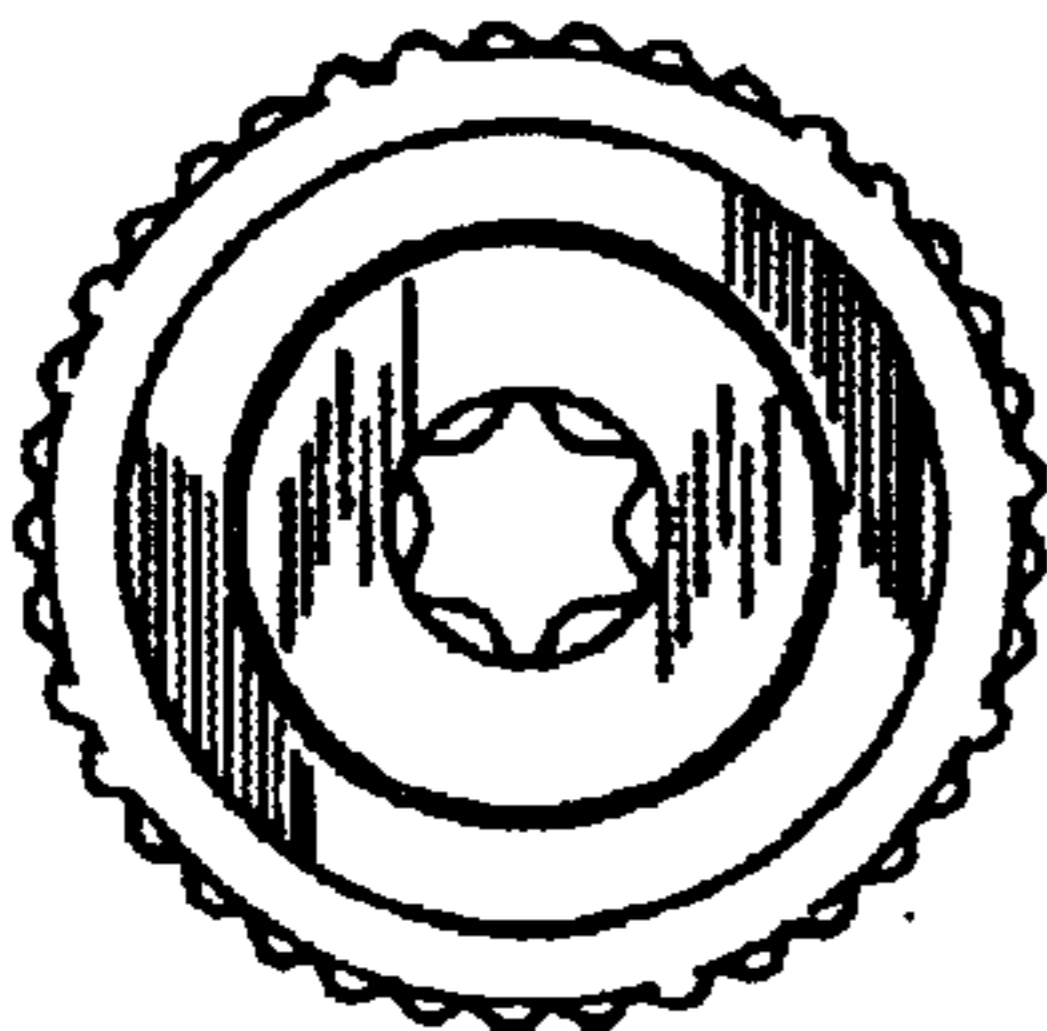


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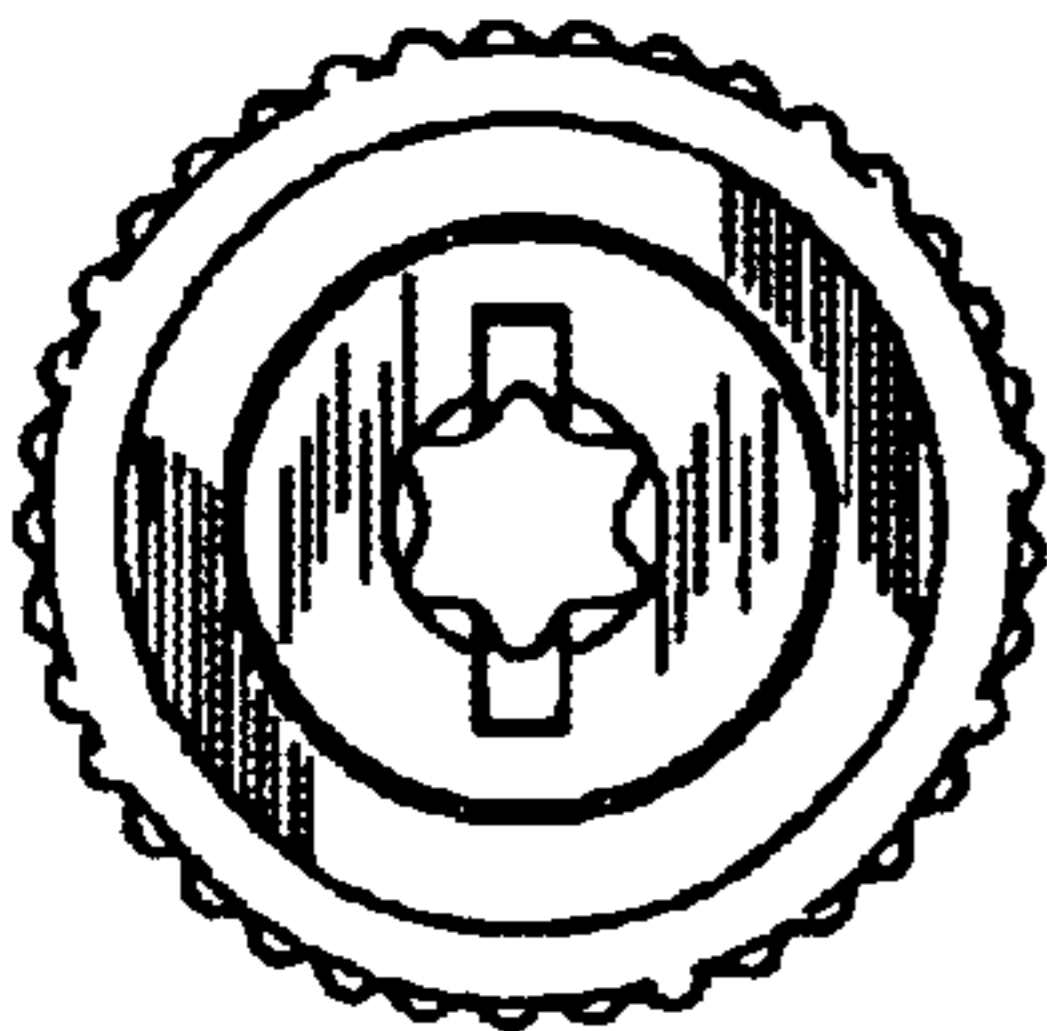


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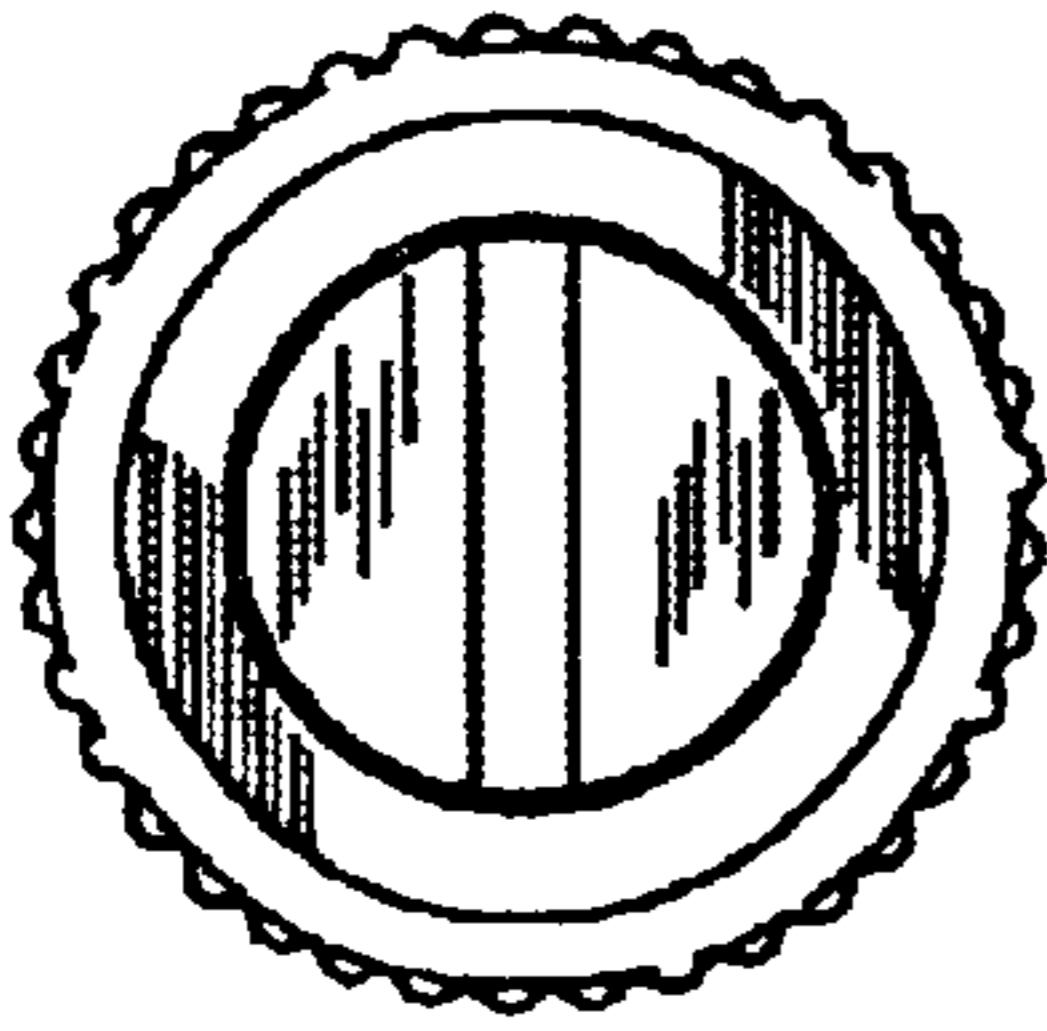


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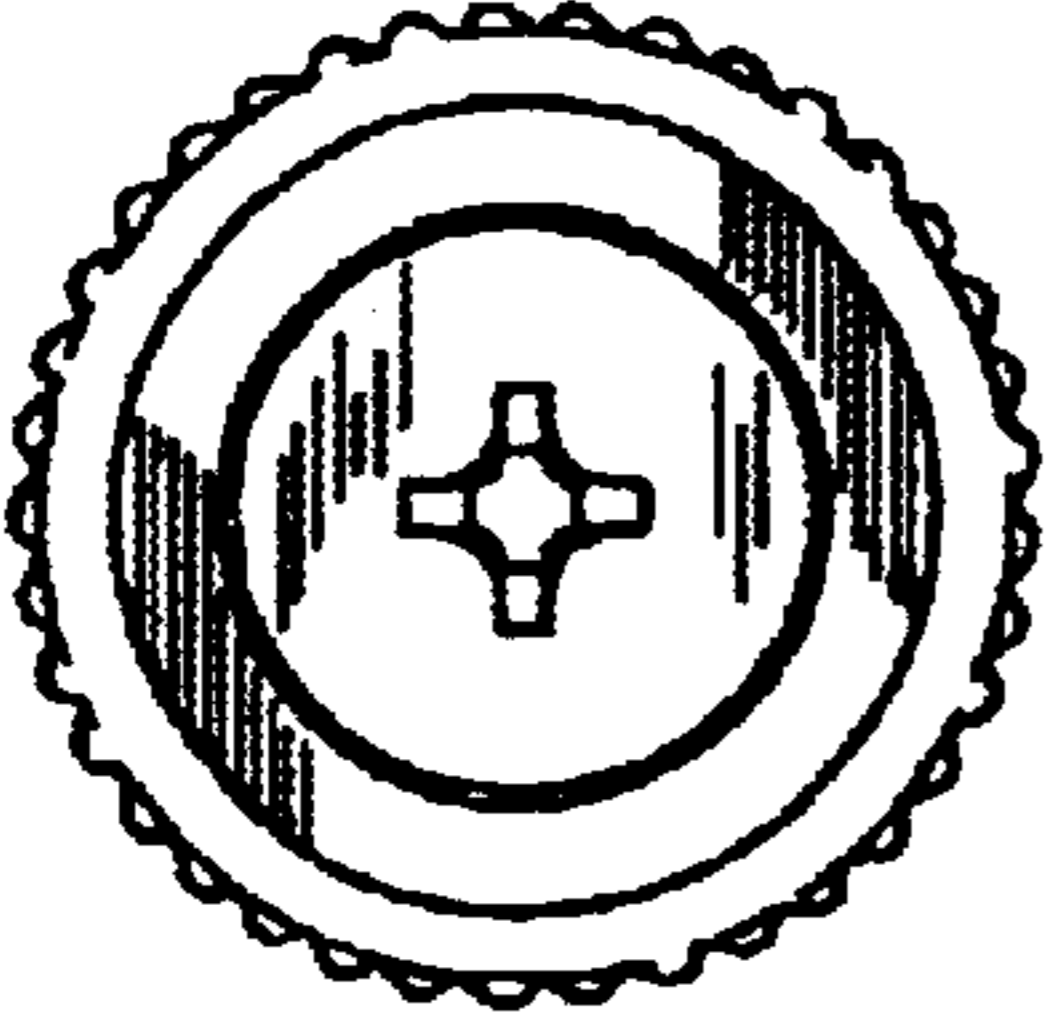


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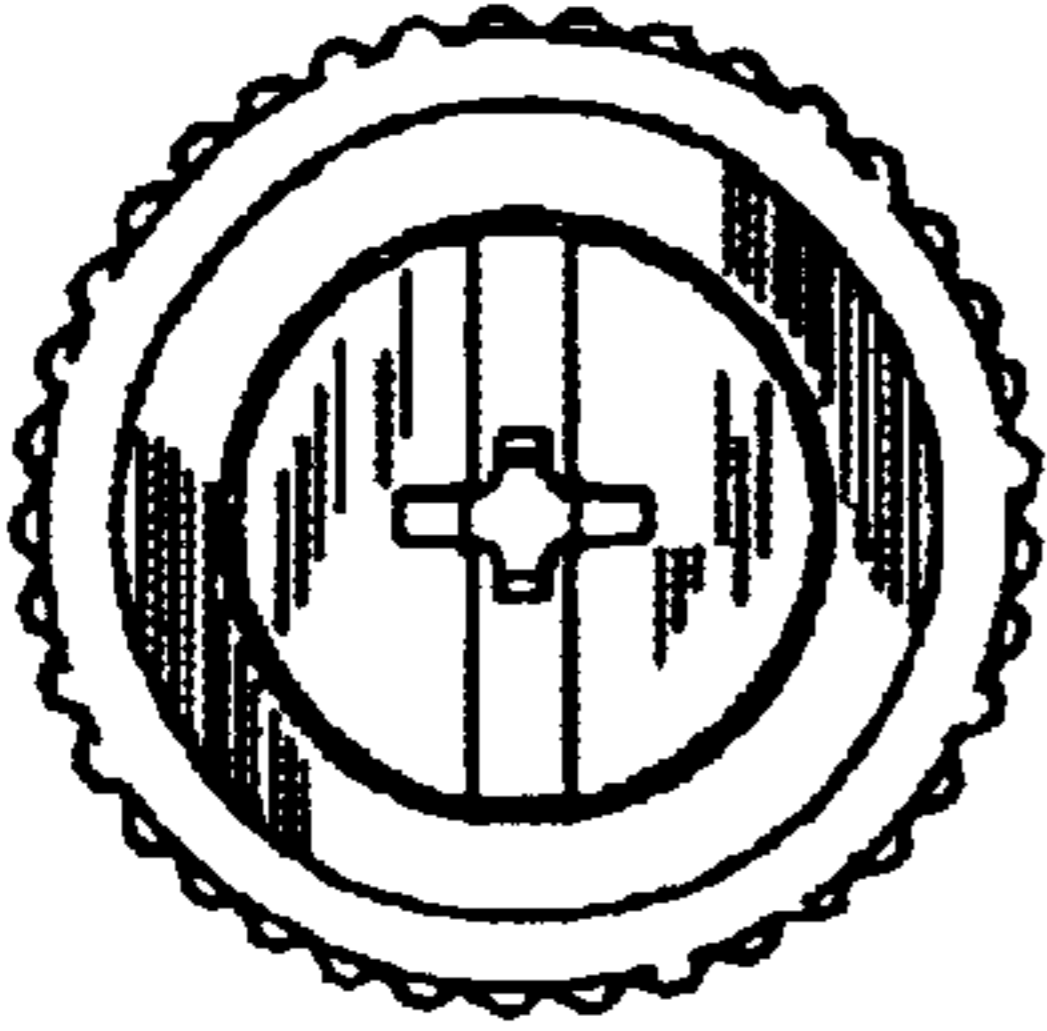


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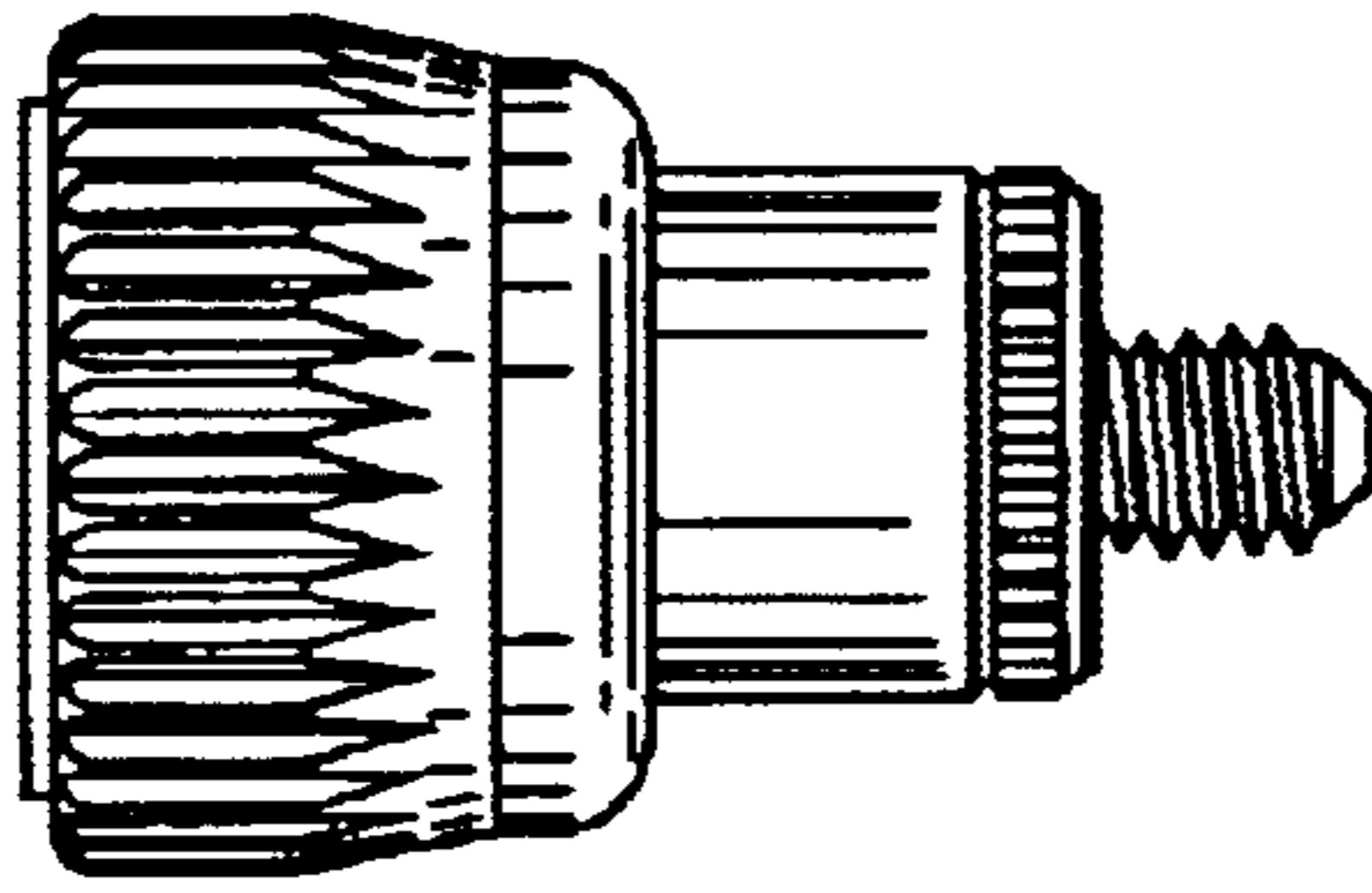


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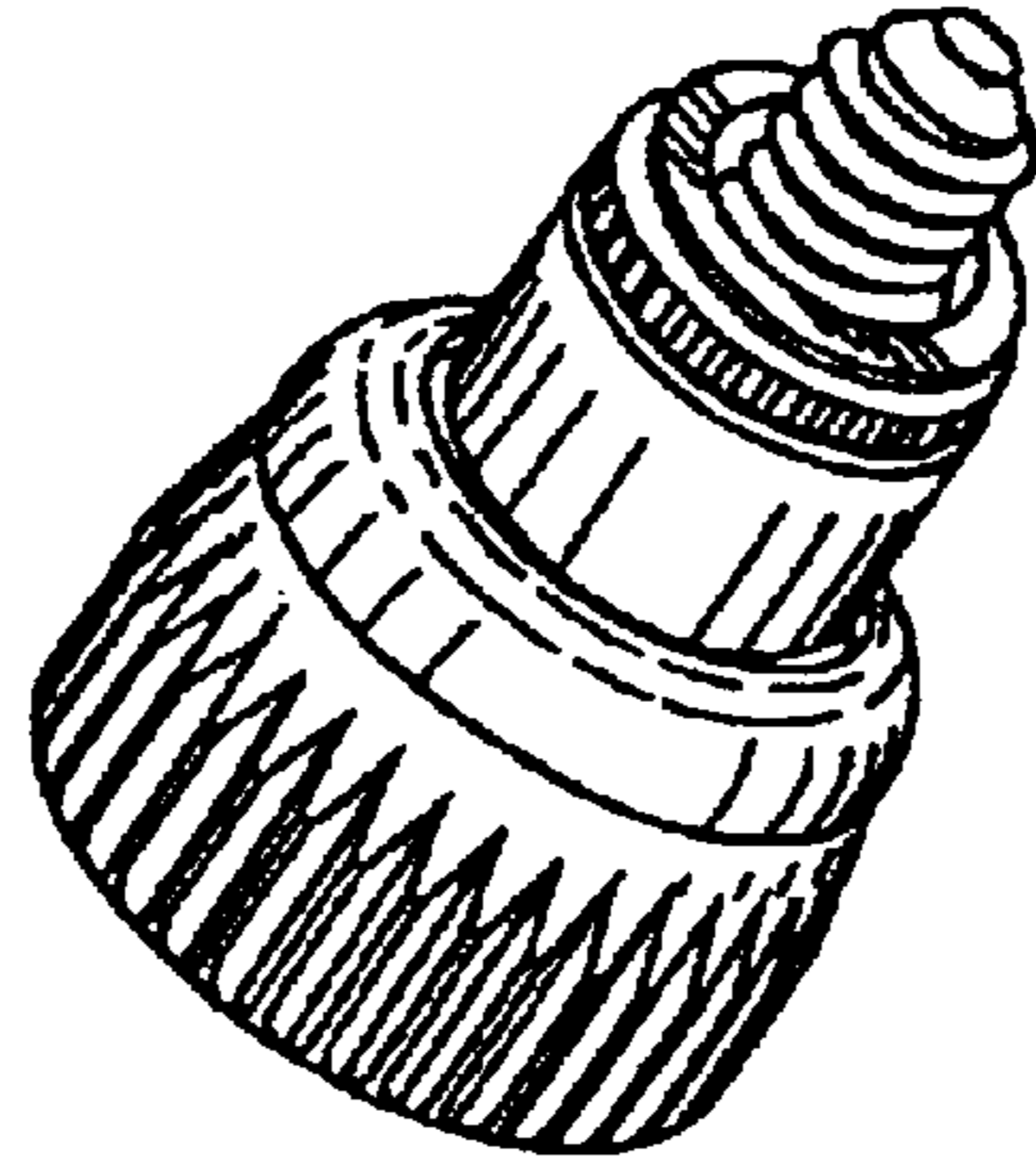


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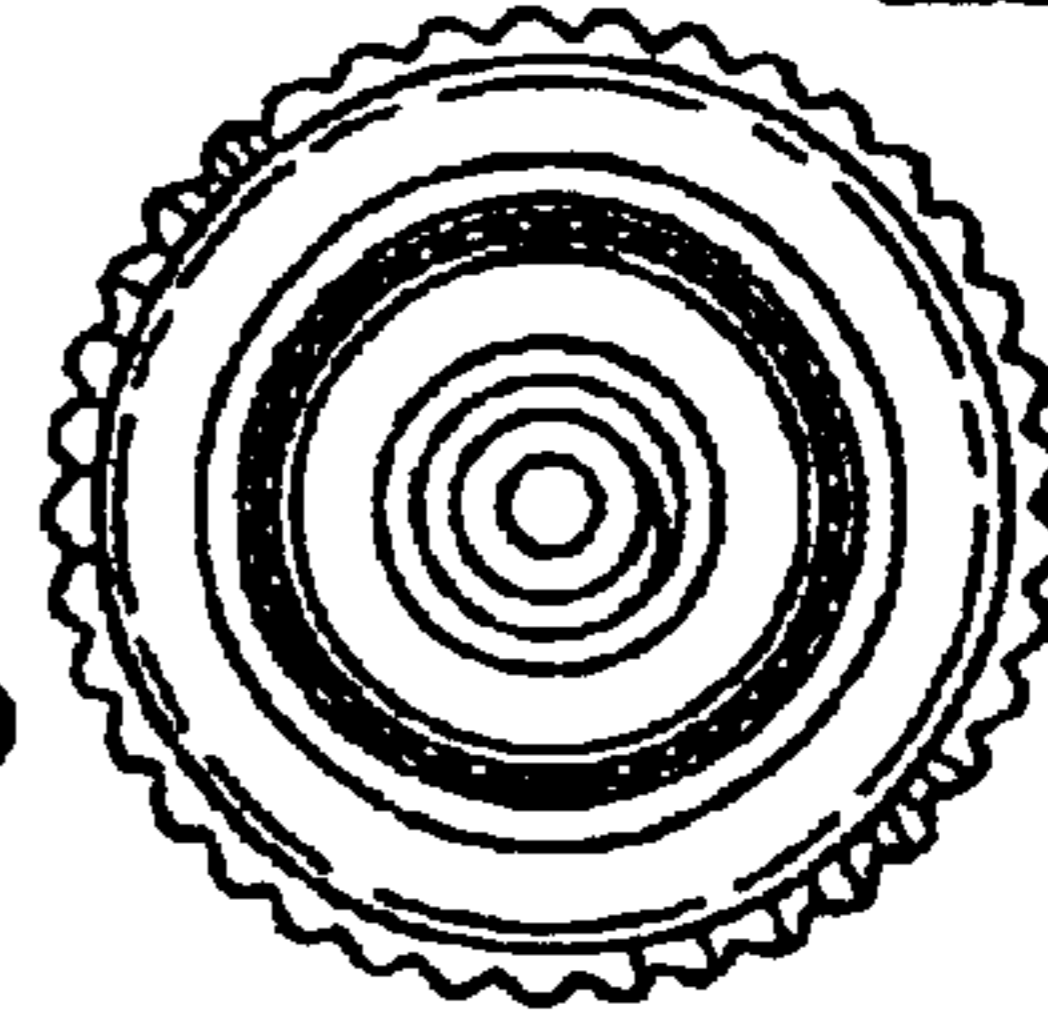


Figure 27

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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page,

**DESCRIPTION,**

Fig. 28, "combined six lobed/slotted driver recess" should read -- Fig. 28 is a top plan view thereof showing a six lobed driver recess; --

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