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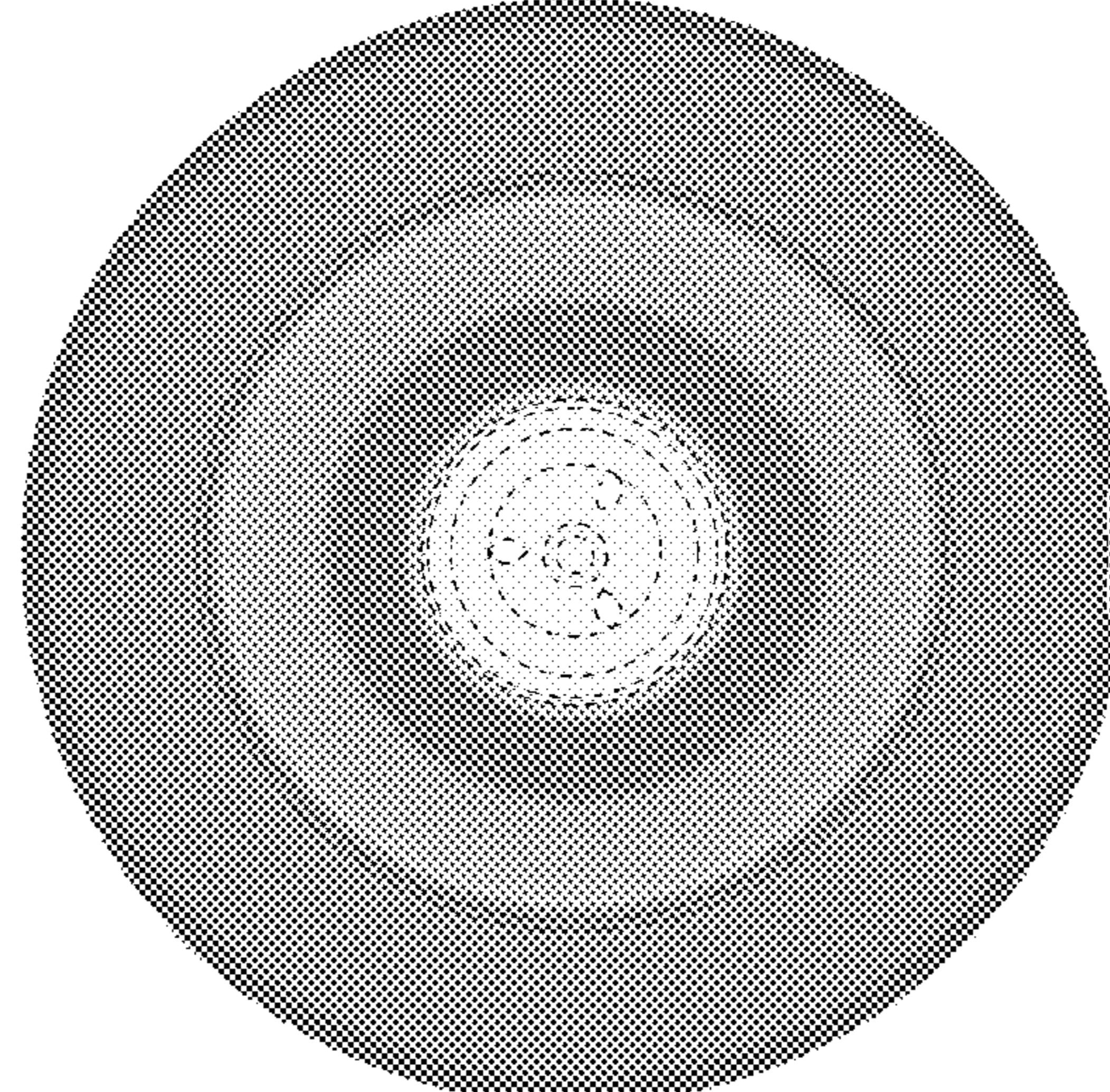
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a vehicle wheel cap, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front elevational view of a vehicle wheel cap showing our new design; and,

FIG. 2 is a side perspective view of a front face thereof. The broken lines illustrate portions of the vehicle wheel cap that form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets

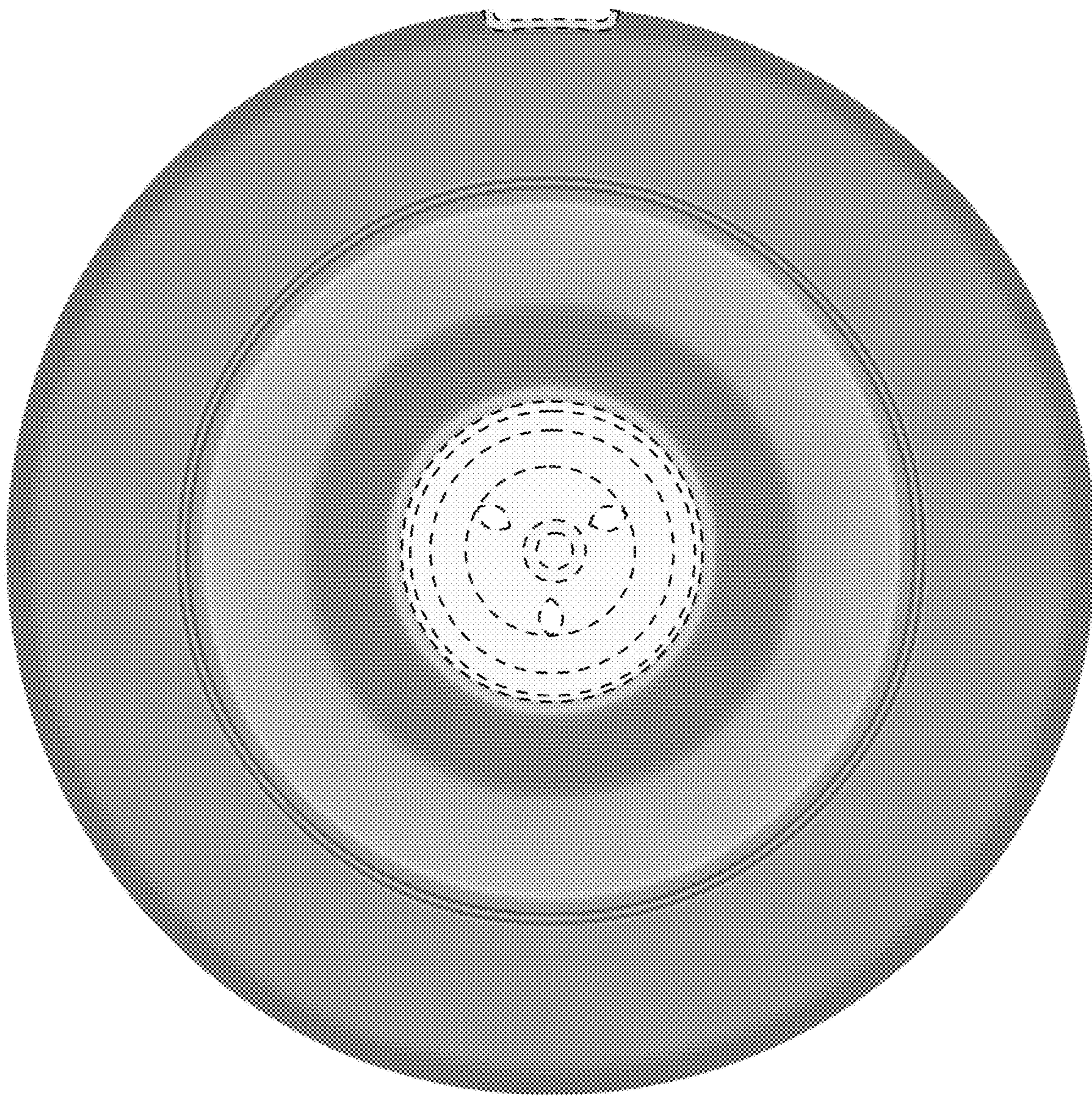


Fig.1



Fig.2