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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A system for indicating the operational status and parameters of a cruise control system for use in a human operated vehicle. The system includes apparatus for storing and recalling a preset speed for the cruise control system. The system further includes apparatus for indicating this preset speed to the operator, along with apparatus configured to indicate to the user whether or not the cruise control system is engaged. One embodiment is a system for use with vehicles with digital speedometers. In this embodiment, the system includes digital memory for storing the preset speed, and a digital display configured to show the preset speed and the operational status of the cruise control system. Another embodiment is for use with vehicles having analog speedometers. The analog system includes an array of LEDs and detectors arranged around a speed indicating dial and under the speedometer needle. The LEDs and detectors are arranged so that a preset speed may be stored into the system by detection of light reflected from one of the LEDs off a reflective surface on the back side of the needle, and onto one of the detectors. The LEDs of the analog system are further configured to indicate the preset speed and the operational status of the system.

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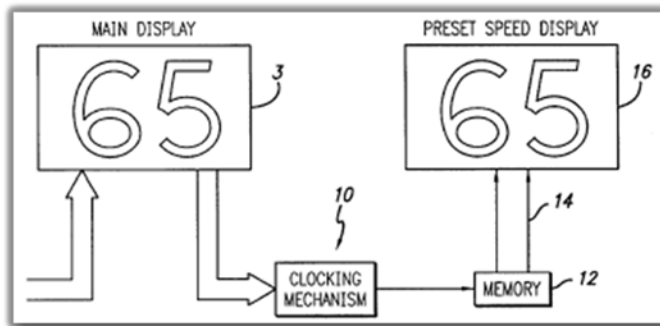
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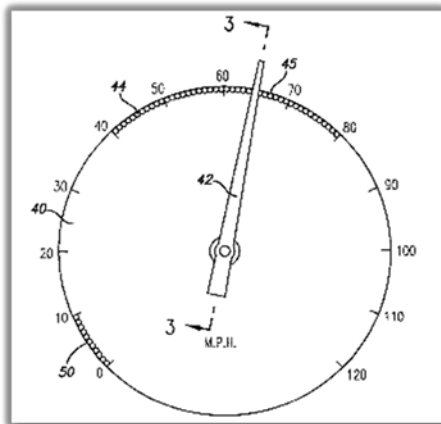
Applicant's inventive system and every system and method claim in the pending application, on the contrary, are directed only to the specific problem of providing preset cruise control speed information to the driver of a vehicle. The claims do not address the display information that corresponds to the actual driving speed of the vehicle. The pending claims only address the display of the speed of the vehicle as it was when the cruise control was set as a constant indicator/reminder to the driver of the speed to which the vehicle will resume after the cruise control speed is temporarily overridden (i.e. due to acceleration or deceleration).

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Ex. 1001, '463 Patent, Fig 1



Ex. 1001, '463 Patent, Fig 2

- “Figure 1 illustrates a digital speed display, while Figure 2 illustrates an analog speedometer.”
- “When a cruise control set button . . . is pressed, the vehicle speed is stored in digital memory . . . as a preset speed.”

Paper 19, Board Decision, at 2-3.

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