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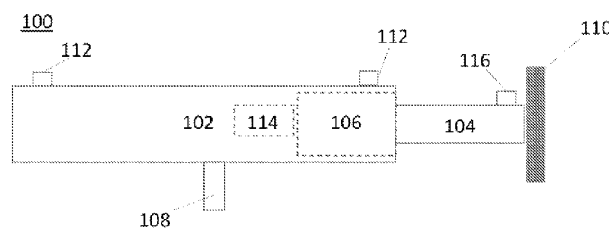


Figure 1

(57) Abstract: A tool is disclosed, for use in a virtual environment. The tool has a body that applies a reactive force to the user when the tool interacts with a virtual interactive zone of a virtual model. The tool includes an engagement mechanism that connects to a physical interactive zone that corresponds to the virtual interactive zone. Once that connection is established, a tool controller causes a reaction motor to apply a reactive force to the user by applying an equal and opposite force to the physical interactive zone.

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