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[54] **APPLE SHAPED DENTAL FLOSS DISPENSER**

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[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for an apple shaped dental floss dispenser, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a side elevational view of an apple shaped dental floss dispenser showing my new design;

FIG. 2 is the other side elevational view of an apple shaped dental floss dispenser of the invention of FIG. 1;

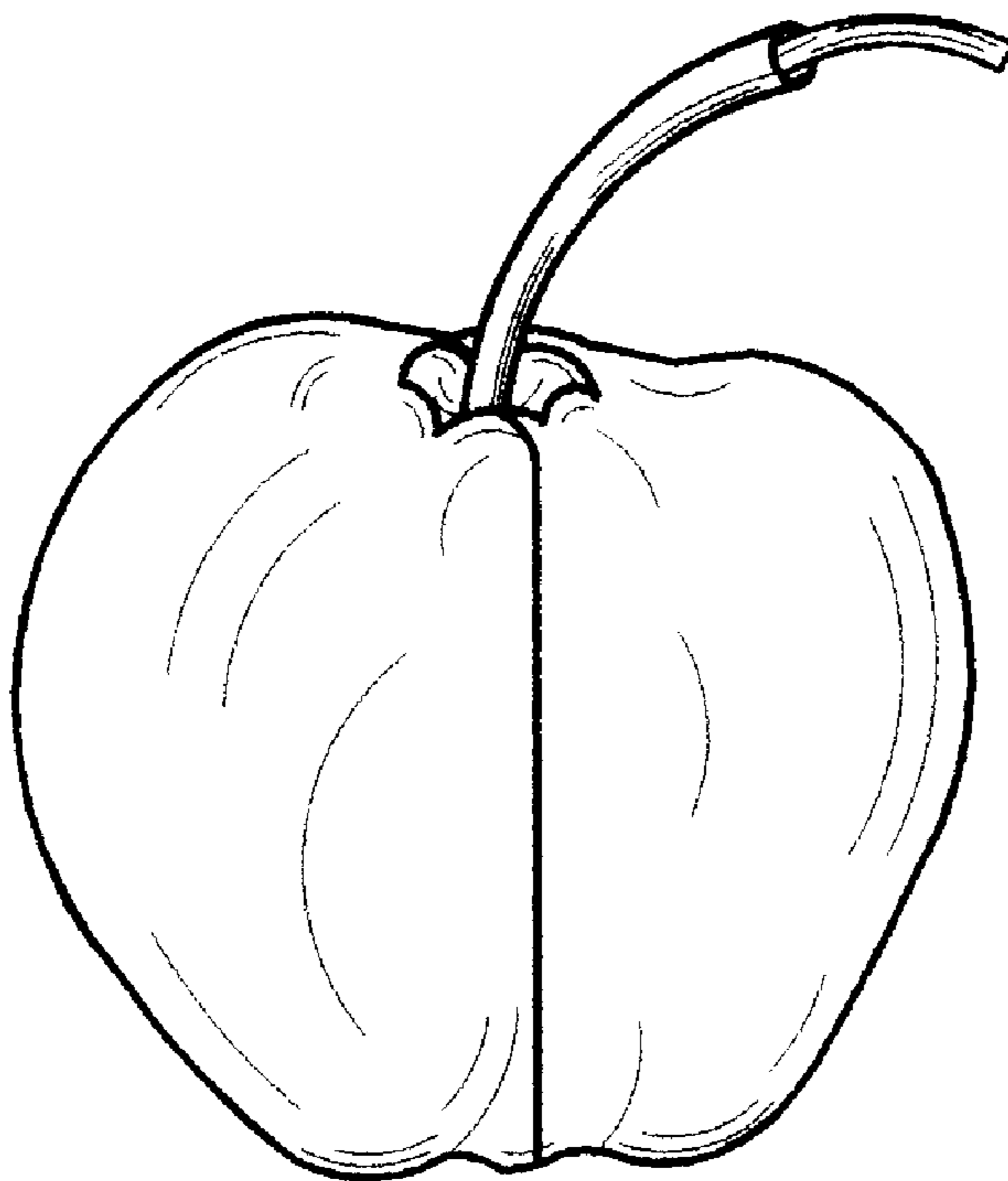
FIG. 3 is a top view of an apple shaped dental floss dispenser of FIG. 1 shown in an opened up configuration because of the internal hinge;

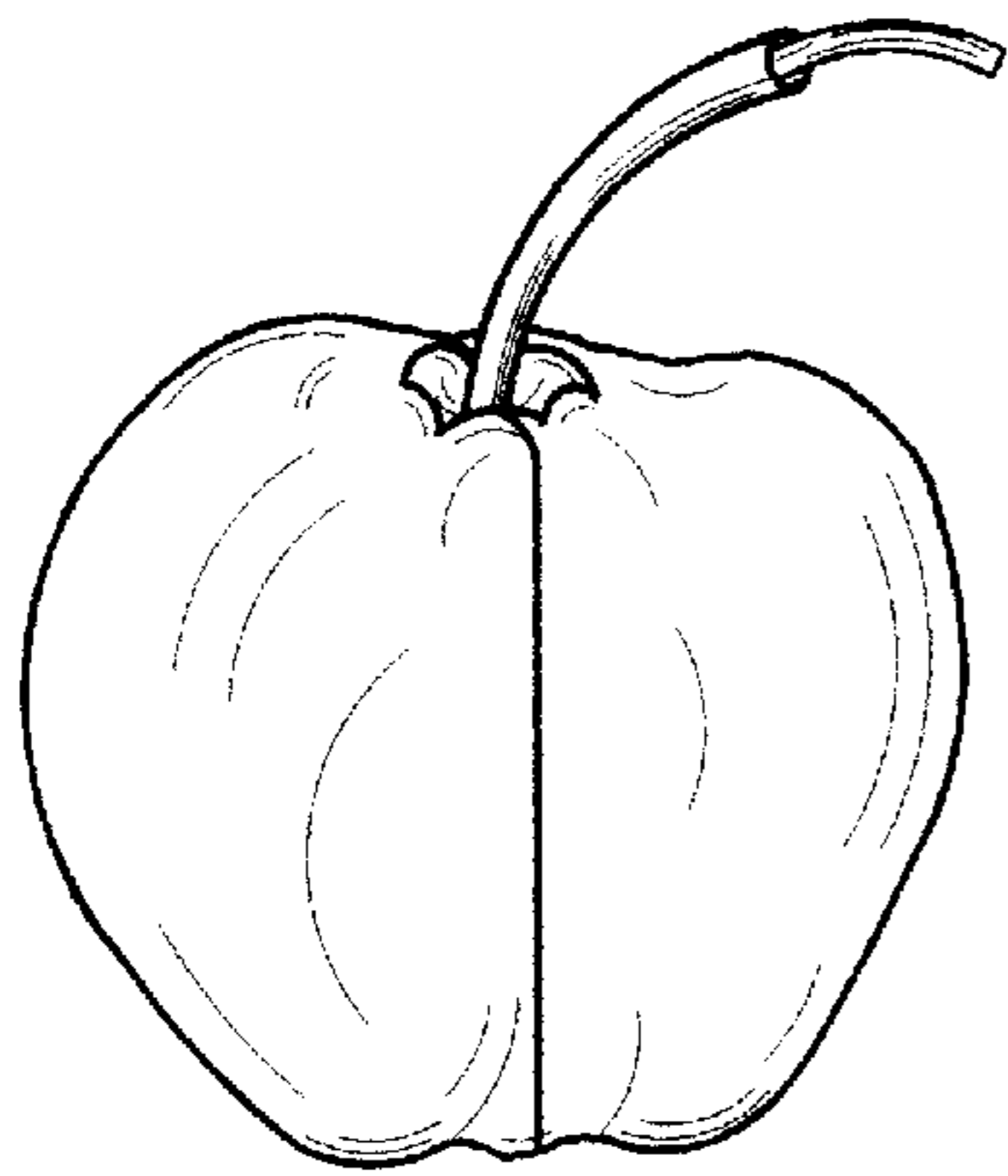
FIG. 4 is a perspective view showing the interior of an apple shaped dental floss dispenser illustrating the use of at least one dental floss spool and multiple compartments to contain other sizes of dental floss spools;

FIG. 5 is a bottom view of an apple shaped dental floss dispenser of FIG. 1 ; and,

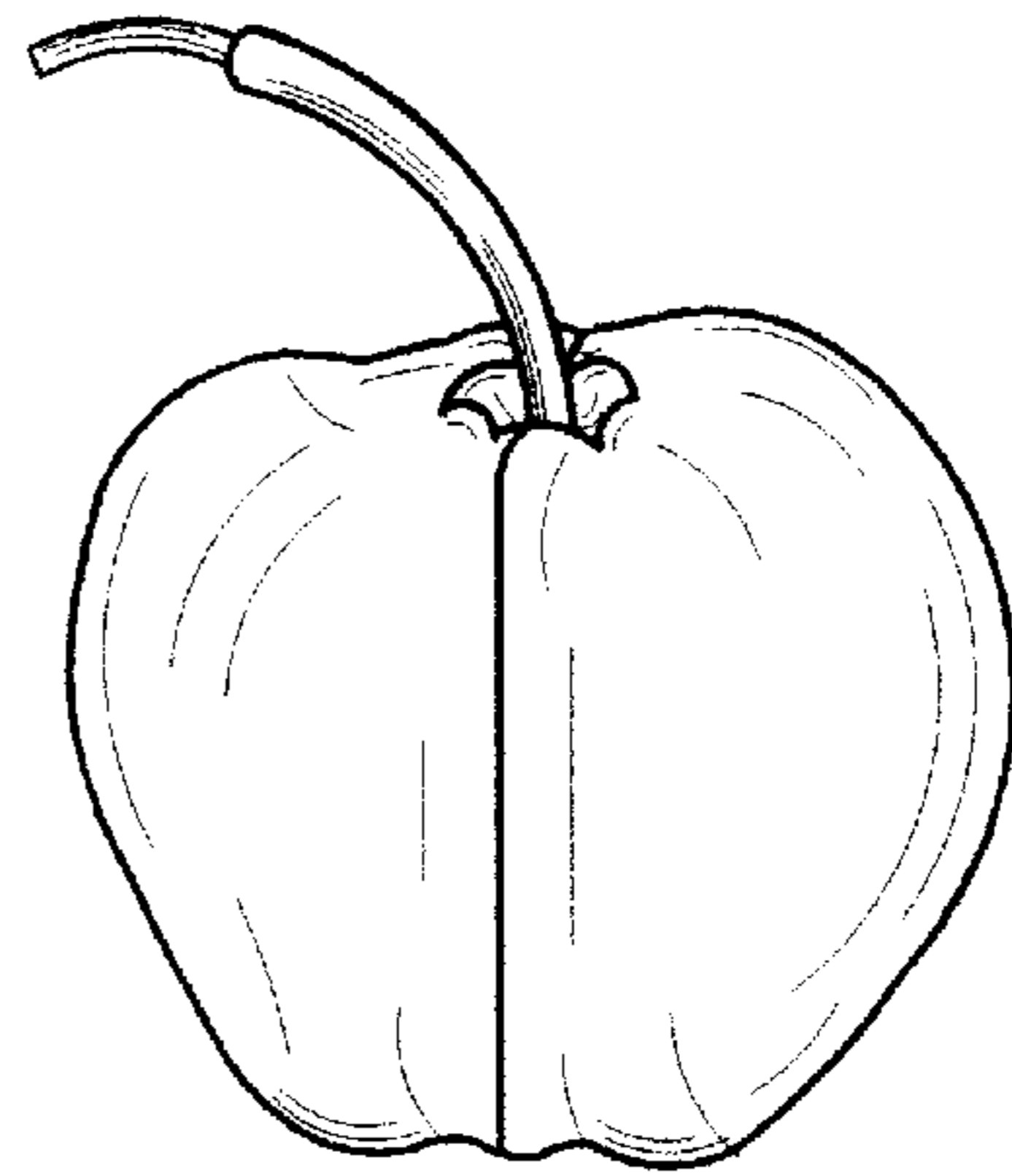
FIG. 6 is a side elevational view of multiple sizes of dental floss for use in the multiple compartments of an apple shaped dental floss dispenser shown in FIG. 4 also shown separately for ease of illustration.

**1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet**

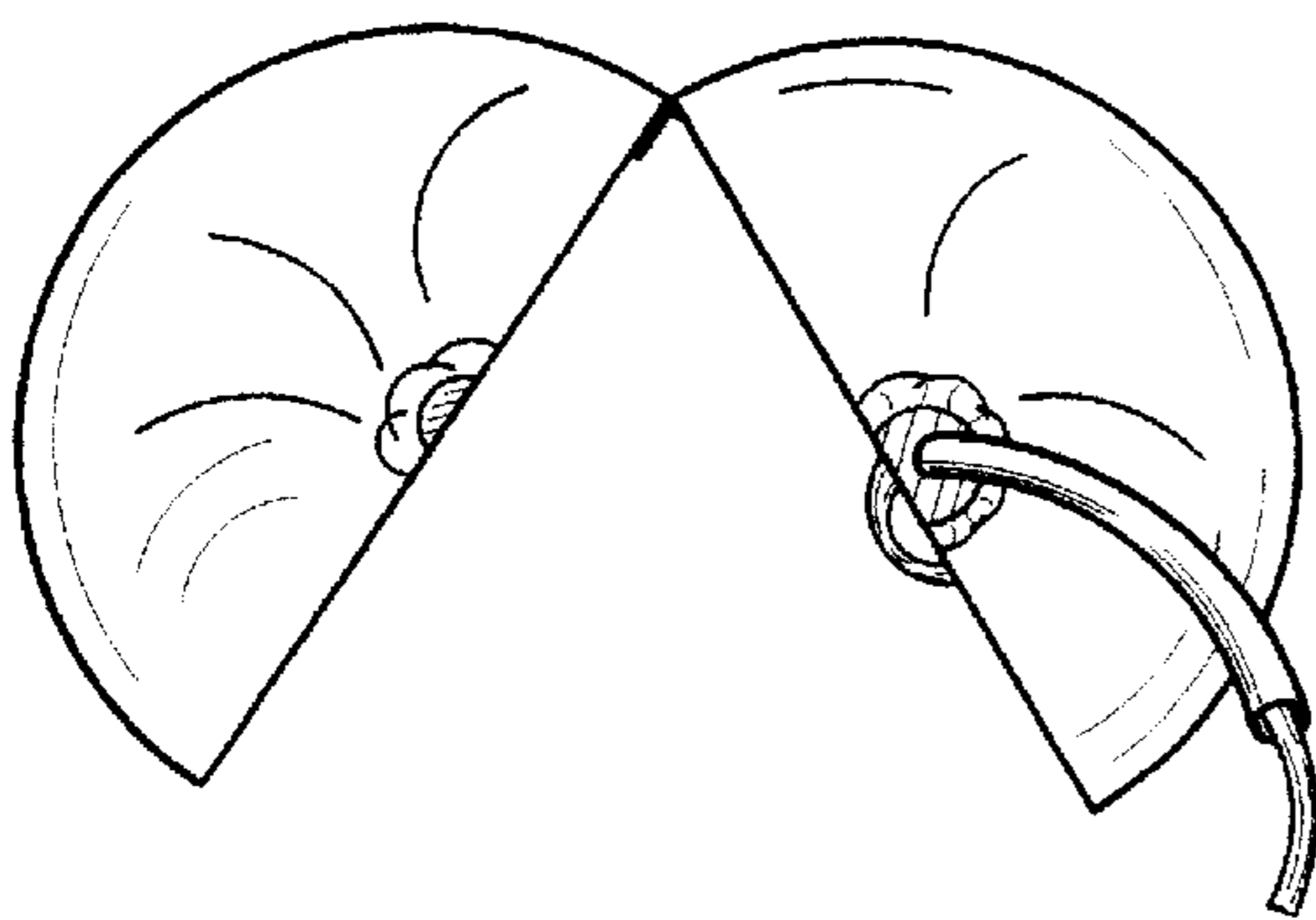




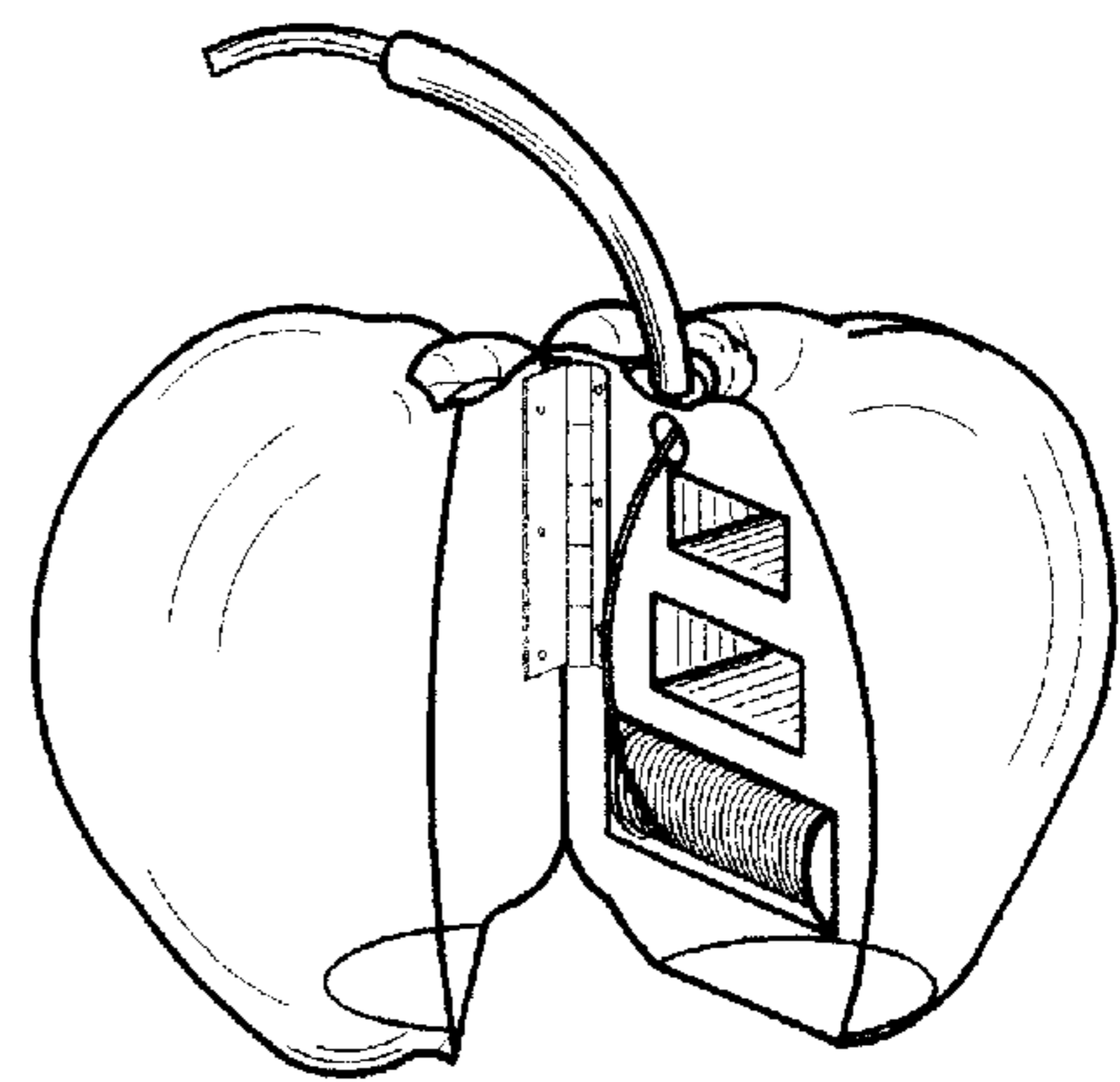
*Fig. 1*



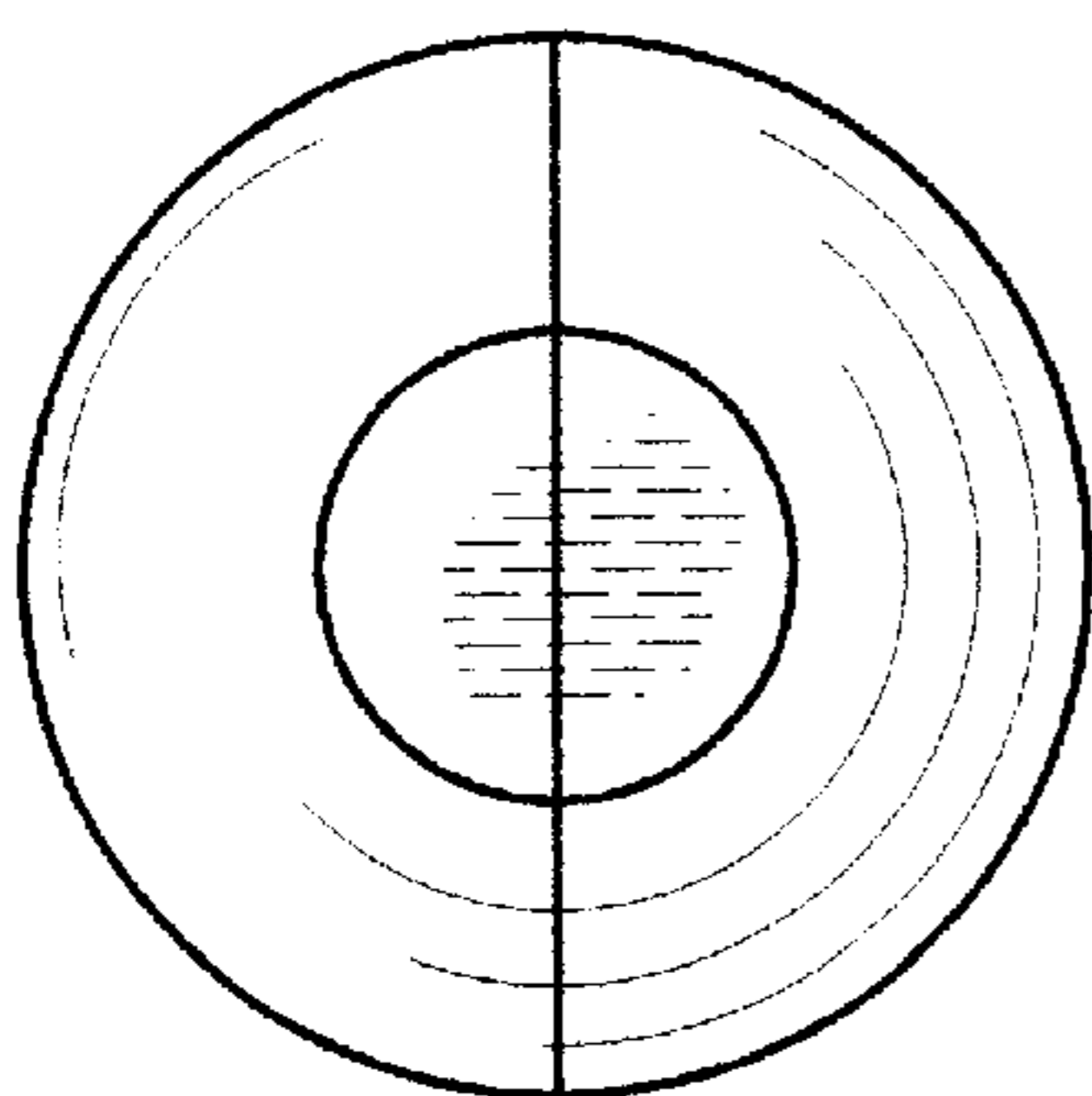
*Fig. 2*



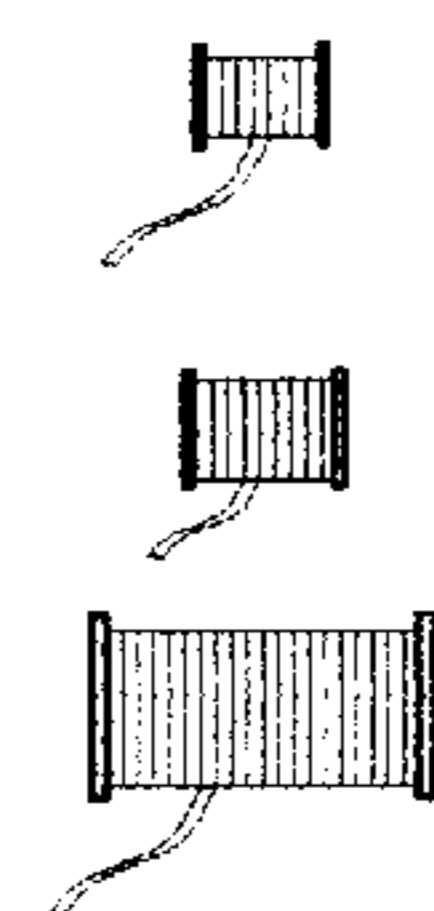
*Fig. 3*



*Fig. 4*



*Fig. 5*



*Fig. 6*