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[54] **STERILIZATION INDICATOR WITH A TRANSPARENT PORTION**

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[57] **CLAIM**

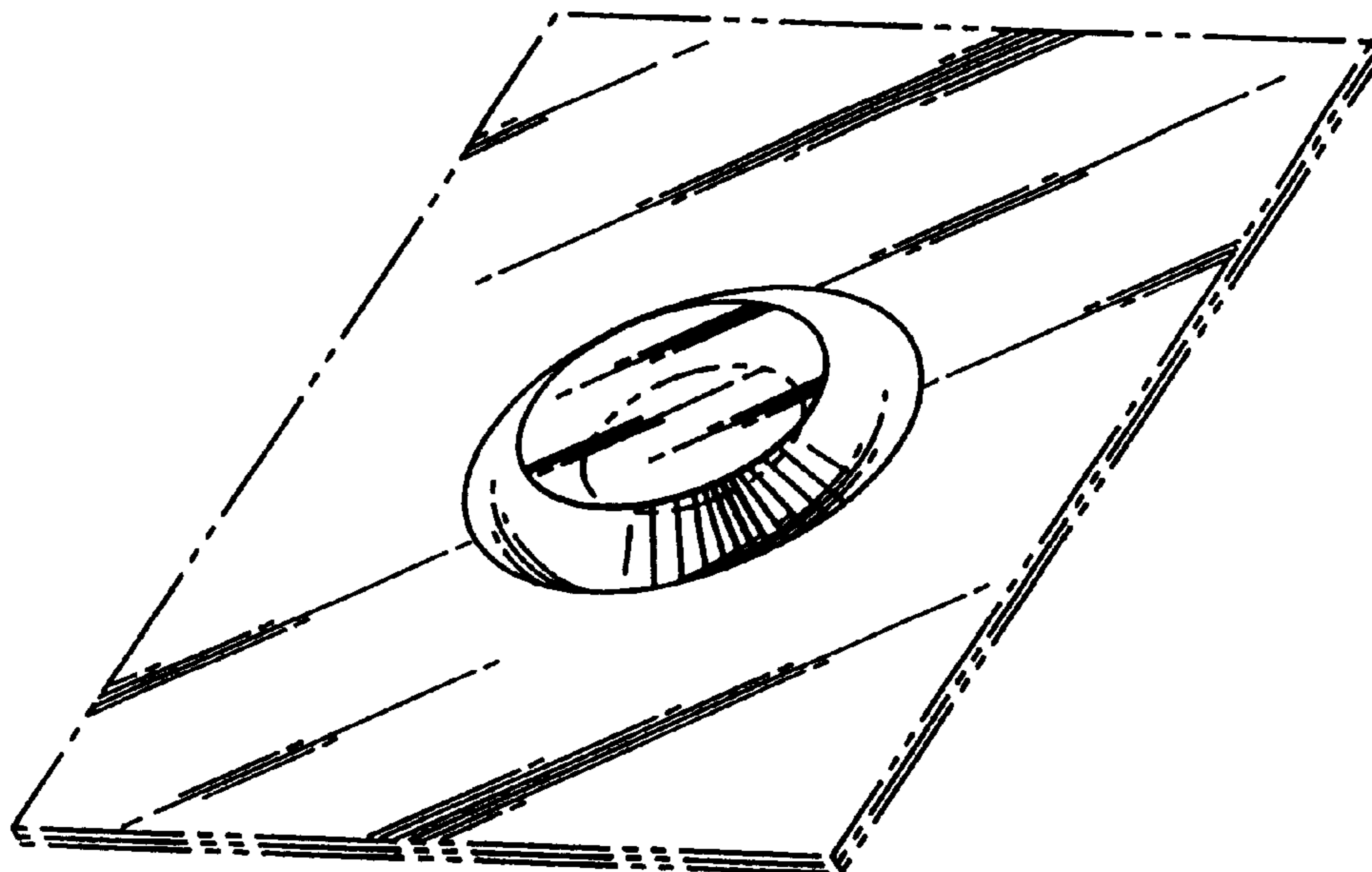
The ornamental design for a sterilization indicator with a transparent portion, as shown.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view showing my new design.
FIG. 2 is a front view showing my new design.
FIG. 3 is a rear view.
FIG. 4 is a left side view showing my new design, the right side being a mirror image thereof; and,
FIG. 5 is bottom view showing my new design, the top view being a mirror image thereof.

The broken lines shown in FIGS. 1-5 are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet



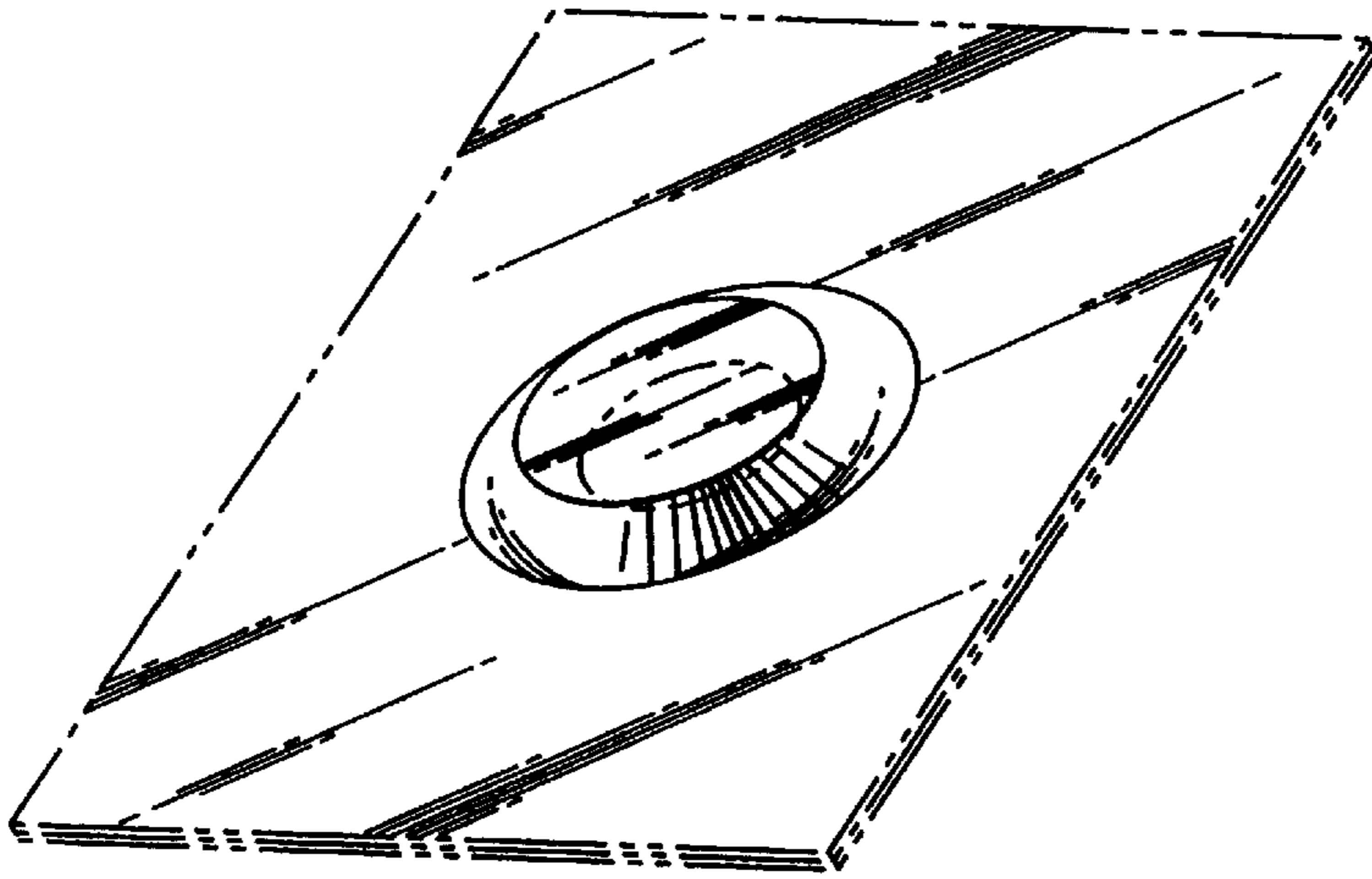


Fig. 1



Fig. 4

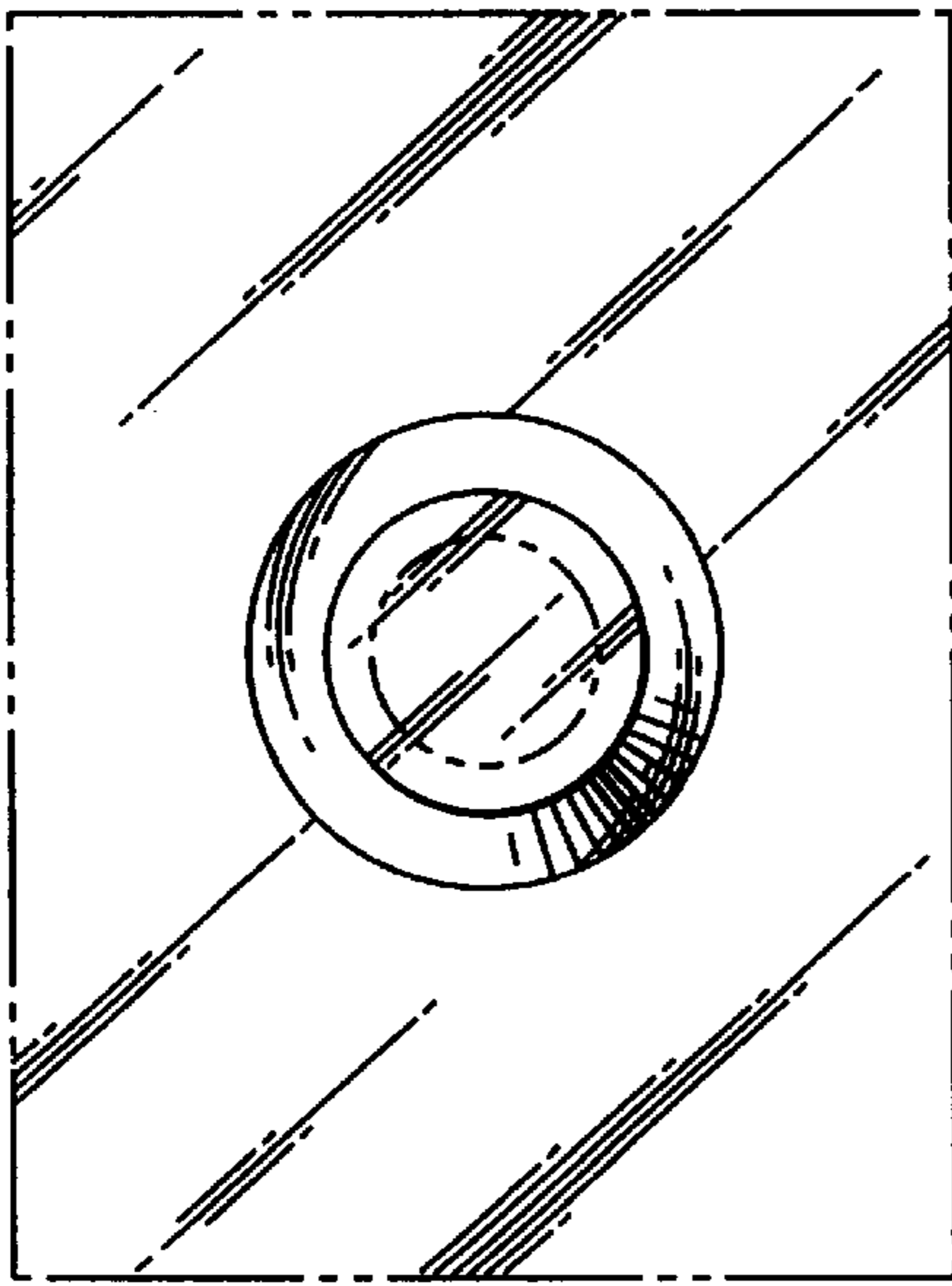


Fig. 2

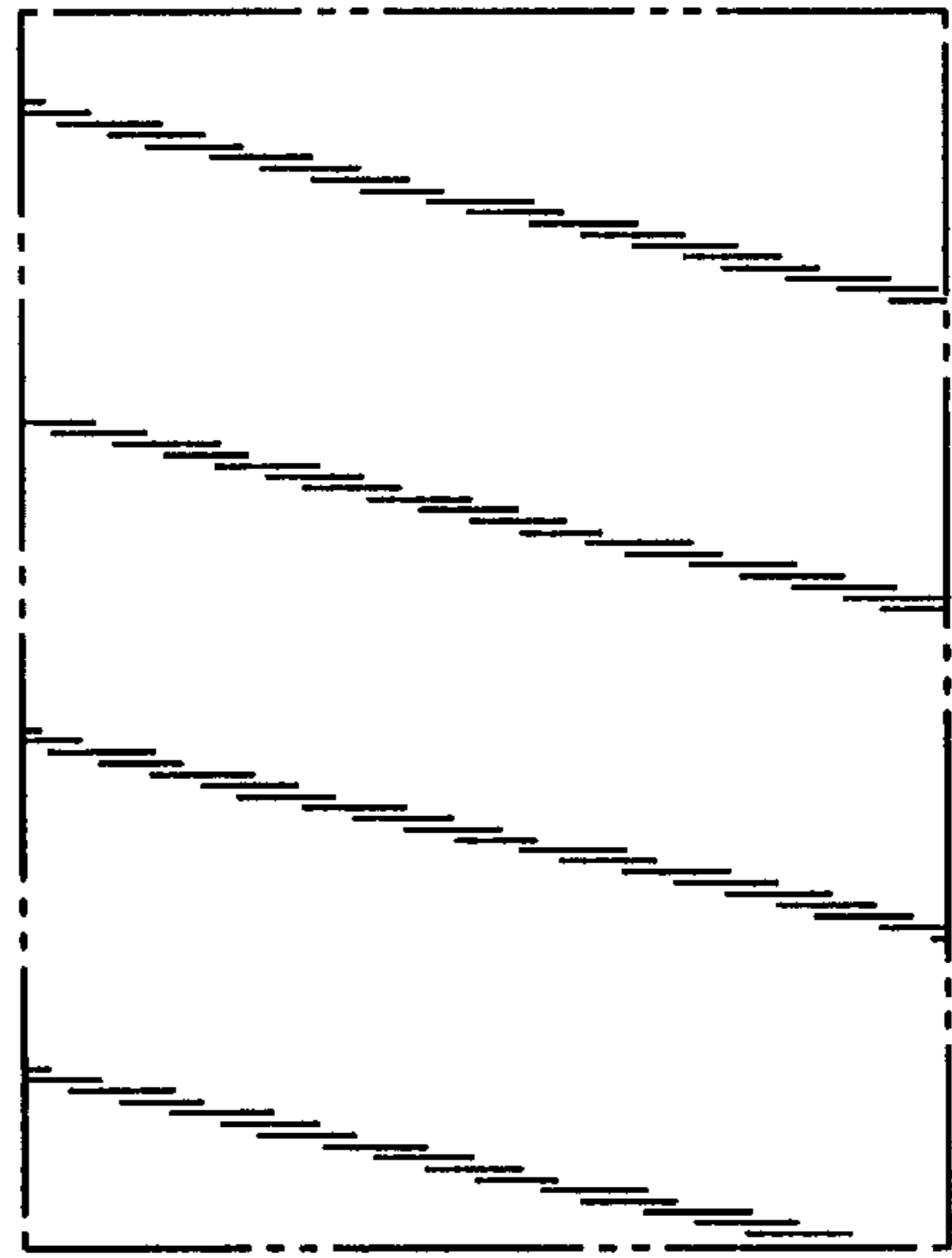


Fig. 3

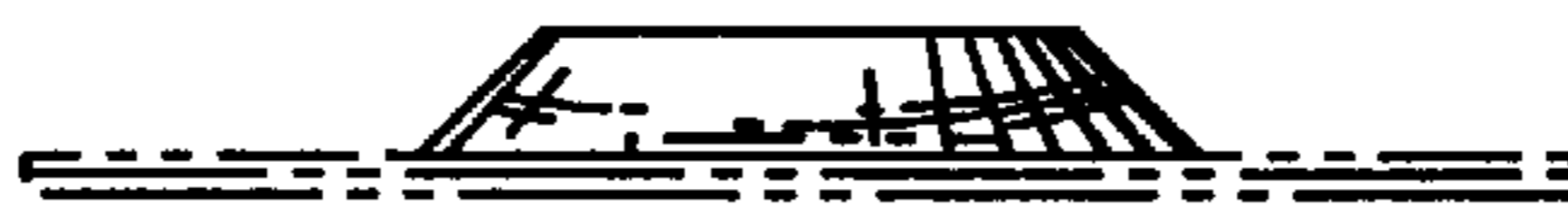


Fig. 5