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(54) **FRONT PORTION OF TAPE PLAYER**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a front portion of a tape player,  
as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a front portion of a tape player showing our new design;  
FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof;  
FIG. 3 is a left side elevational view thereof;  
FIG. 4 is a front elevational view thereof; and,  
FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof.

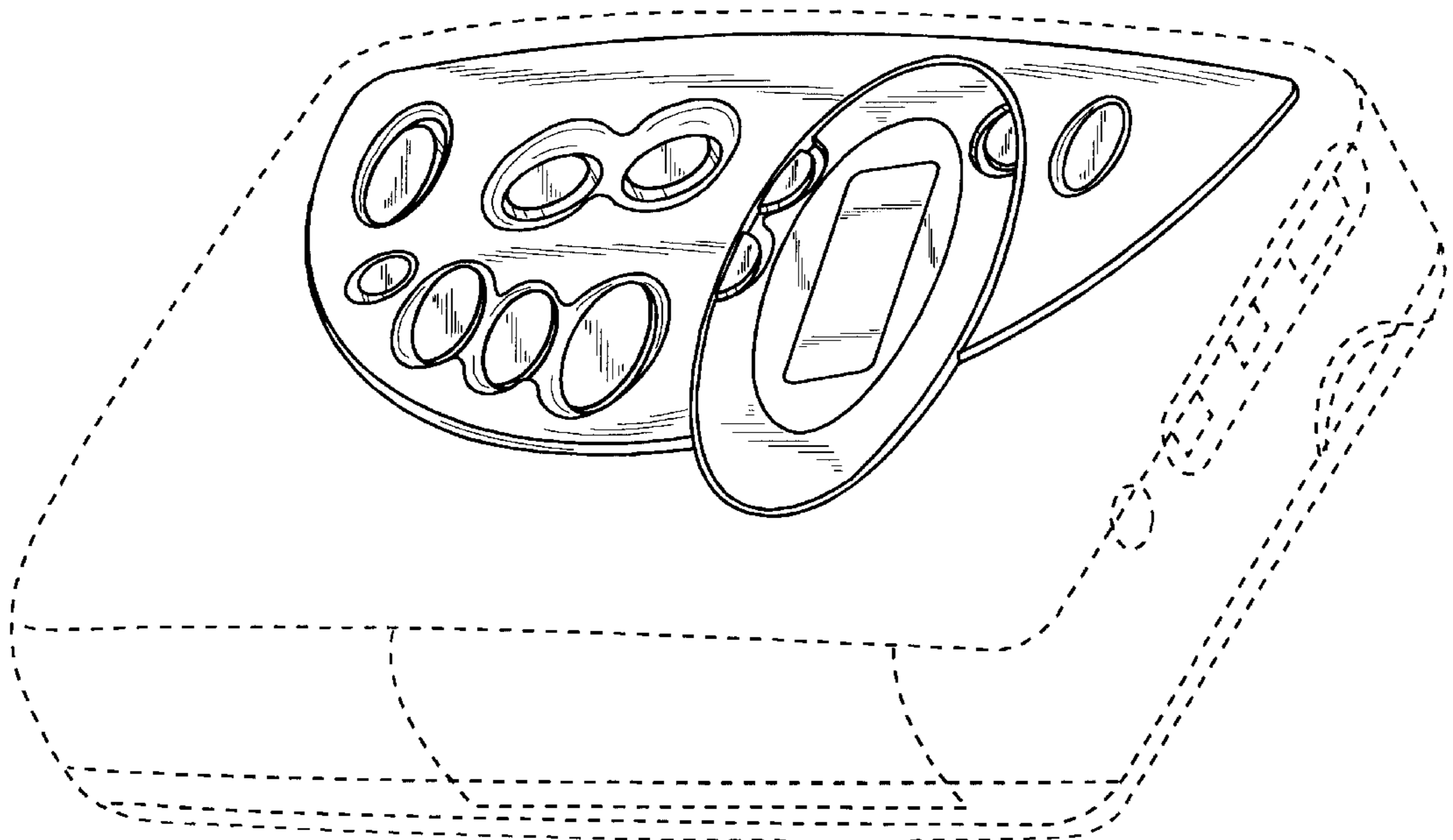
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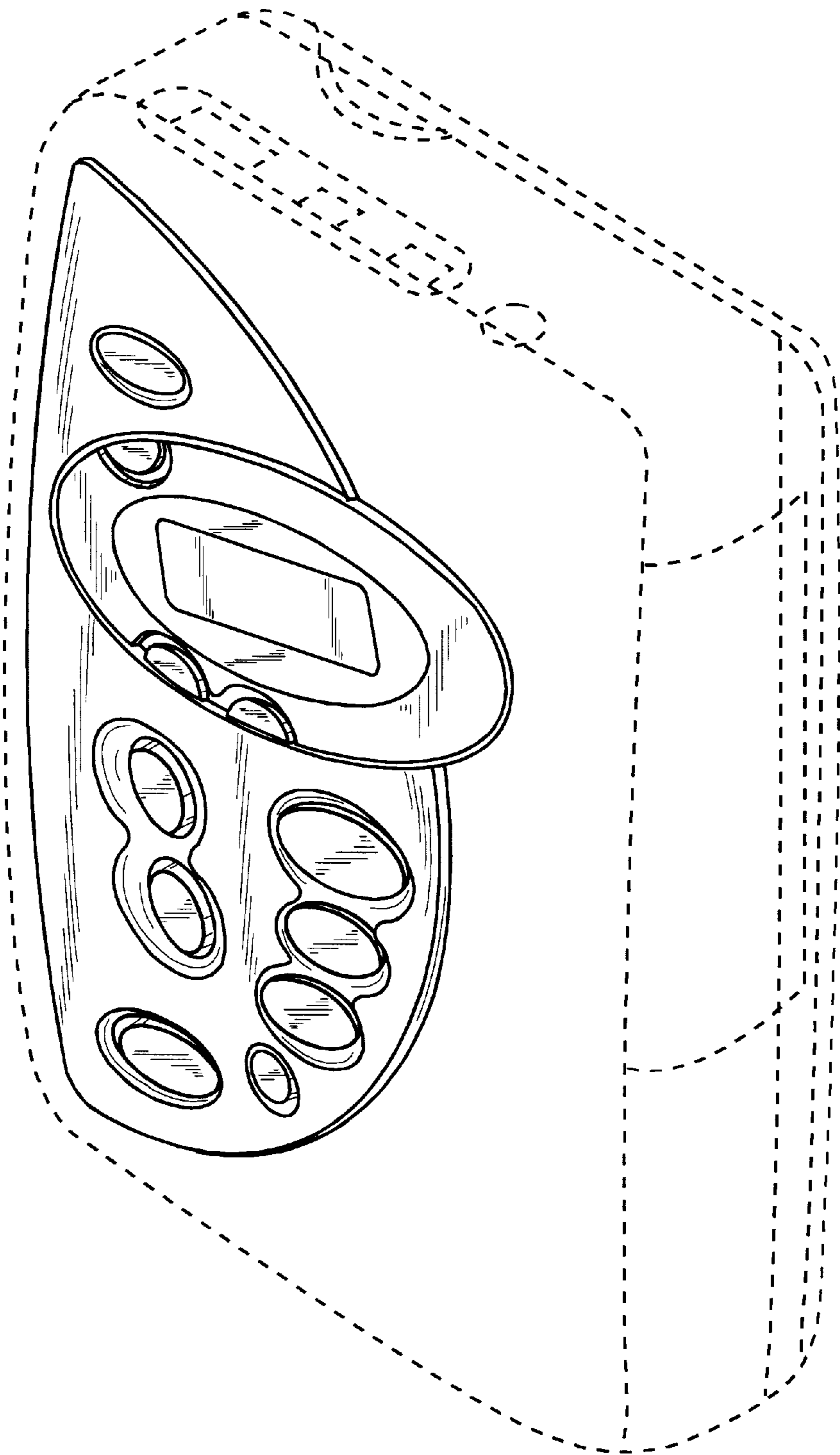
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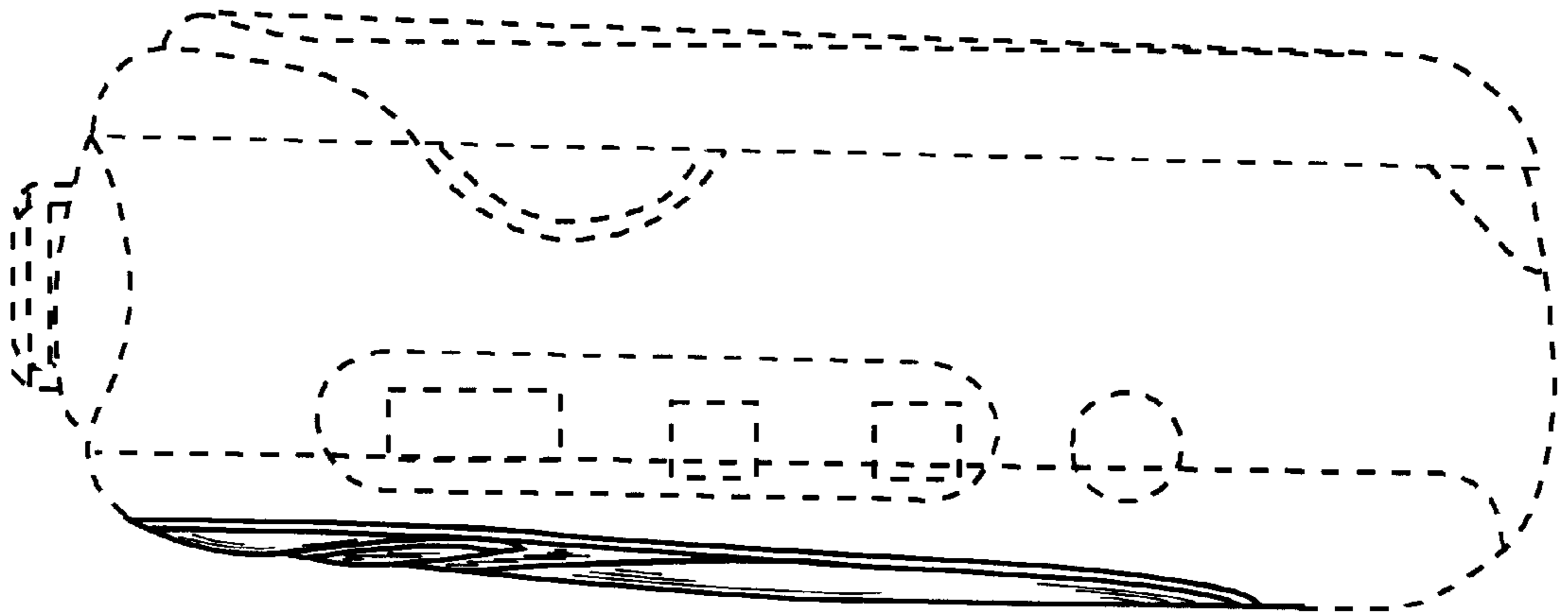
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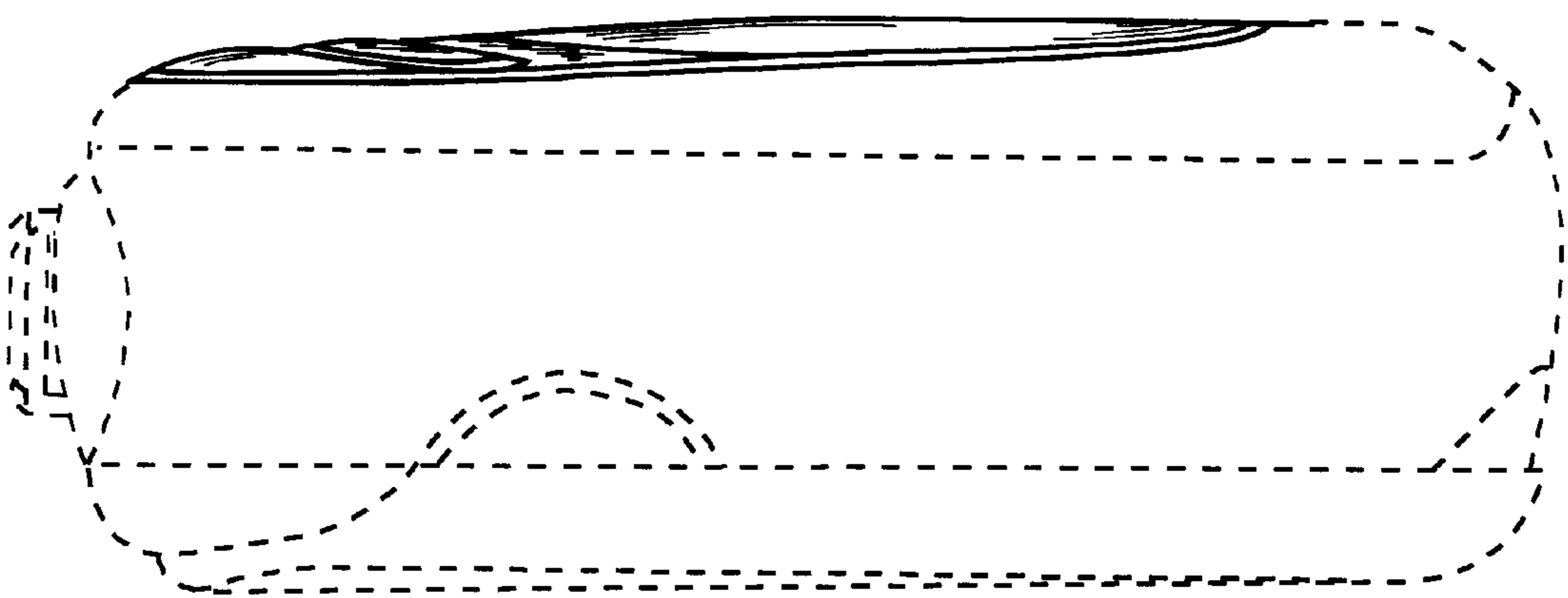




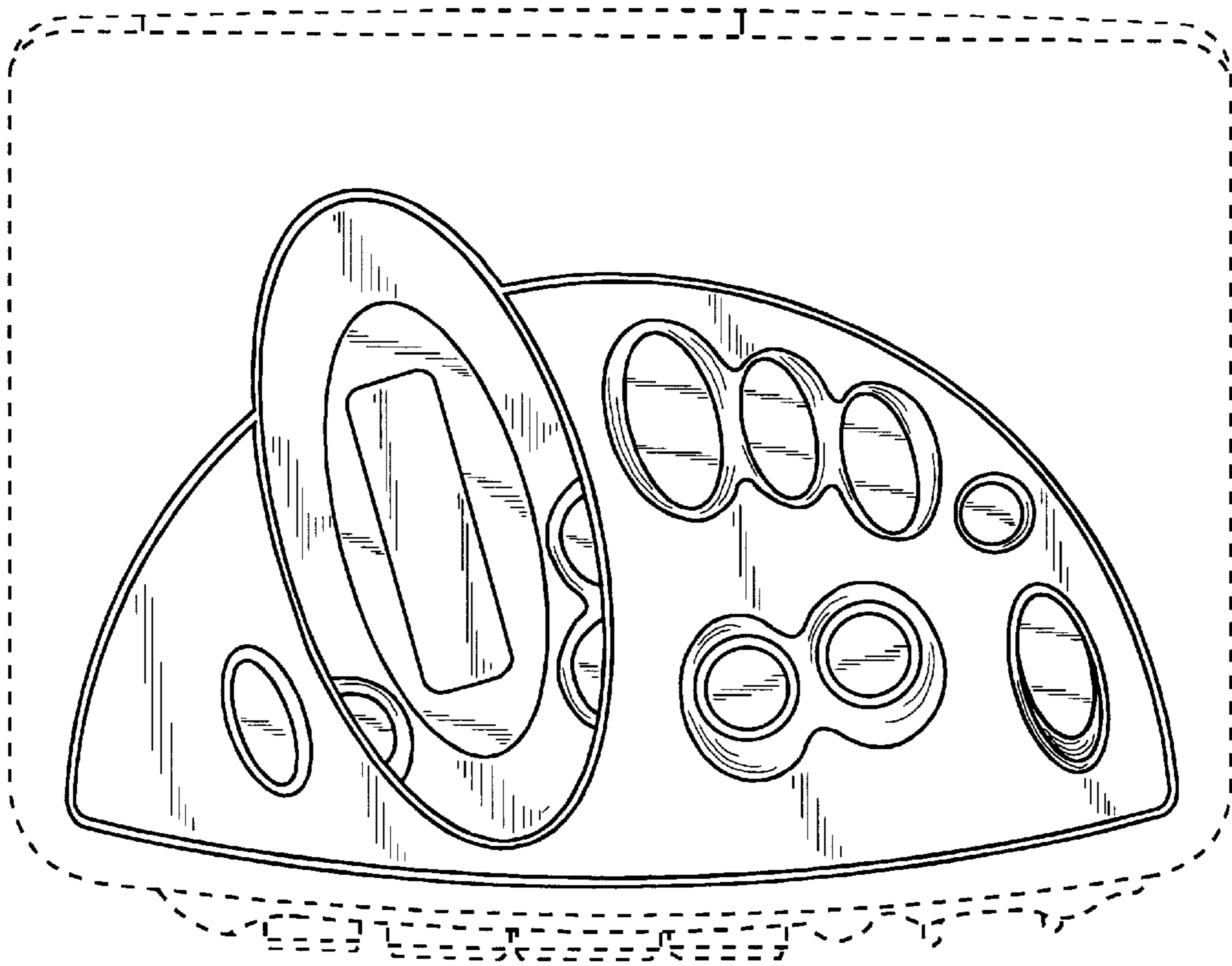
**Fig. 1**



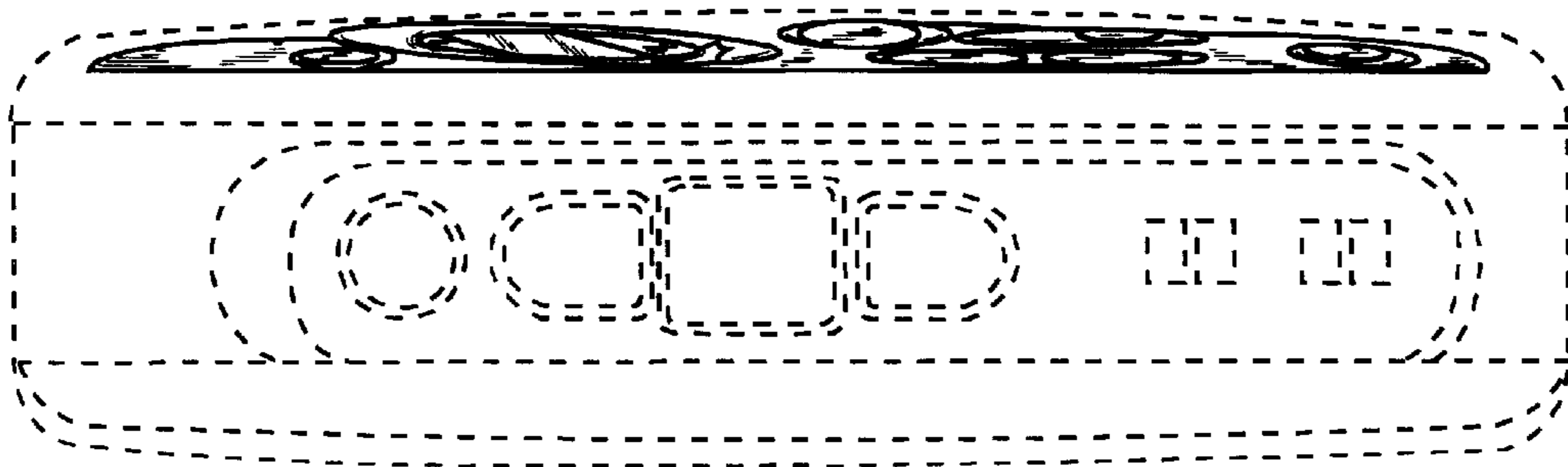
**Fig. 2**



**Fig. 5**



**Fig. 4**



**Fig. 3**