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(54) **SPRINKLER BASE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for a sprinkler base, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a sprinkler base according to the invention;

FIG. 2 is a front elevational view of the sprinkler base of FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a top plan view of the sprinkler base of FIG. 1;

FIG. 4 is a left side elevational view of the sprinkler base of FIG. 1;

FIG. 5 is a right side elevational view of the sprinkler base of FIG. 1;

FIG. 6 is a rear elevational view of the sprinkler base of FIG. 1; and,

FIG. 7 is a bottom plan view of the sprinkler base of FIG. 1.

The broken line showing is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

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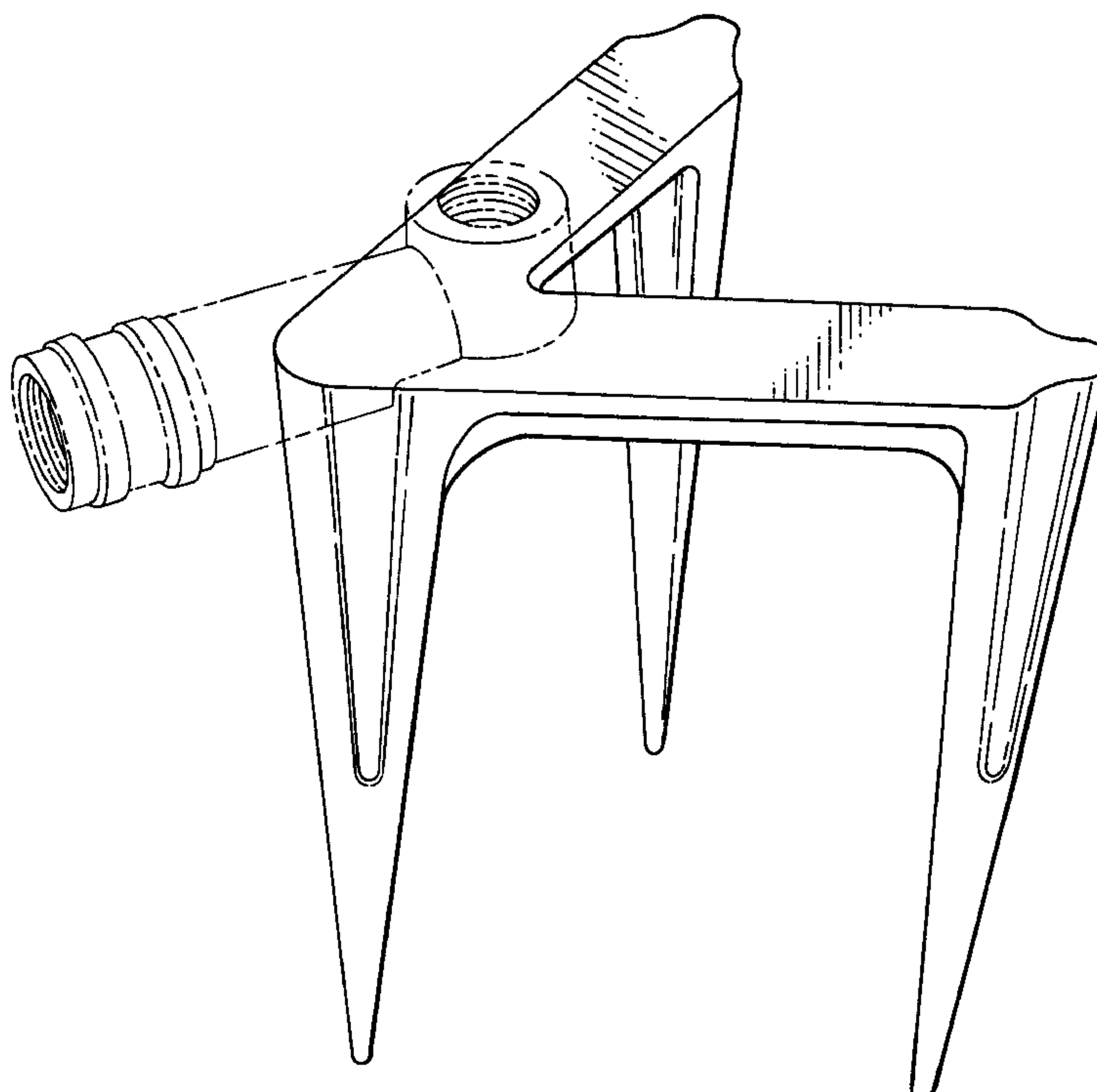
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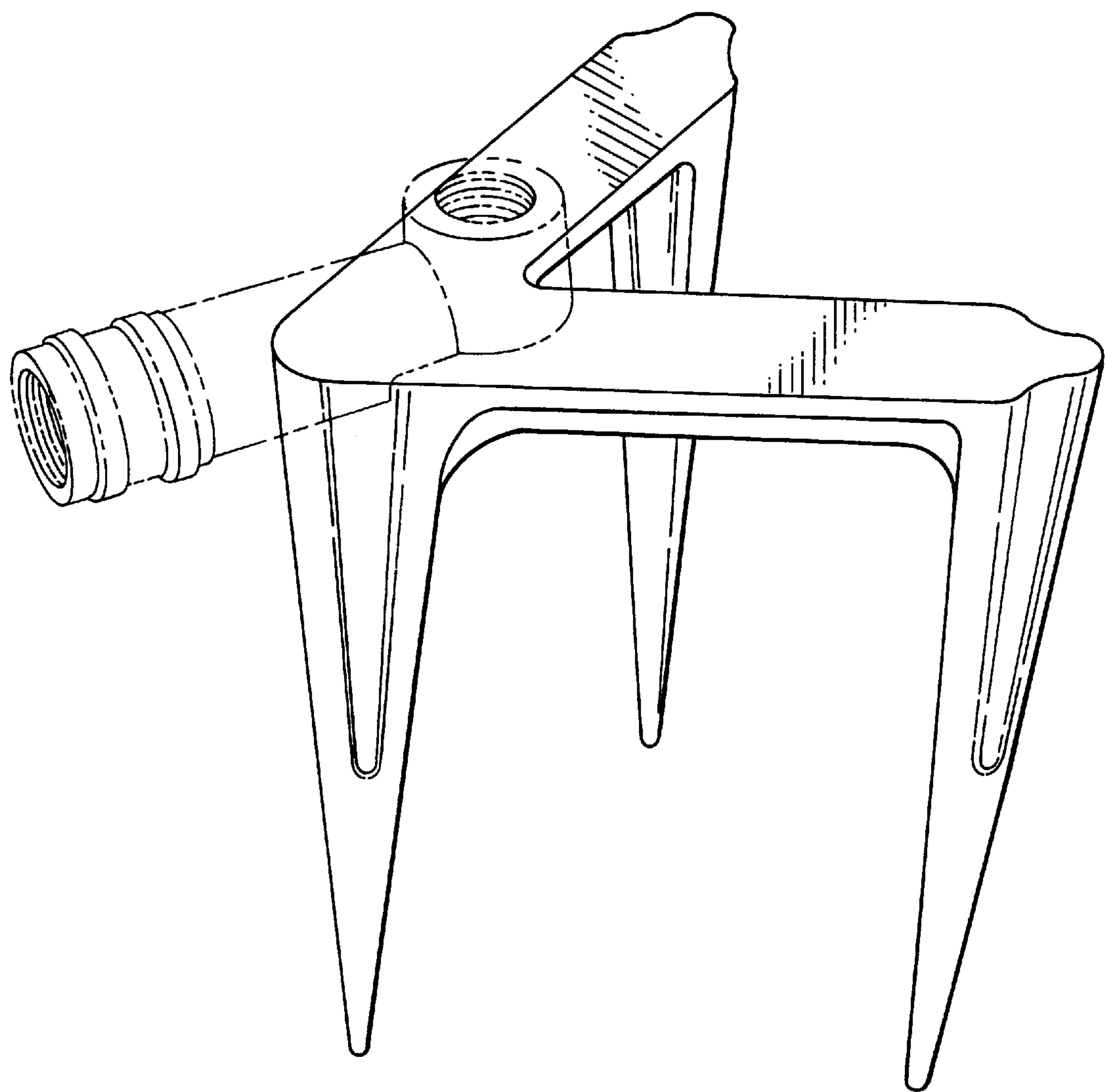


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FIG-3

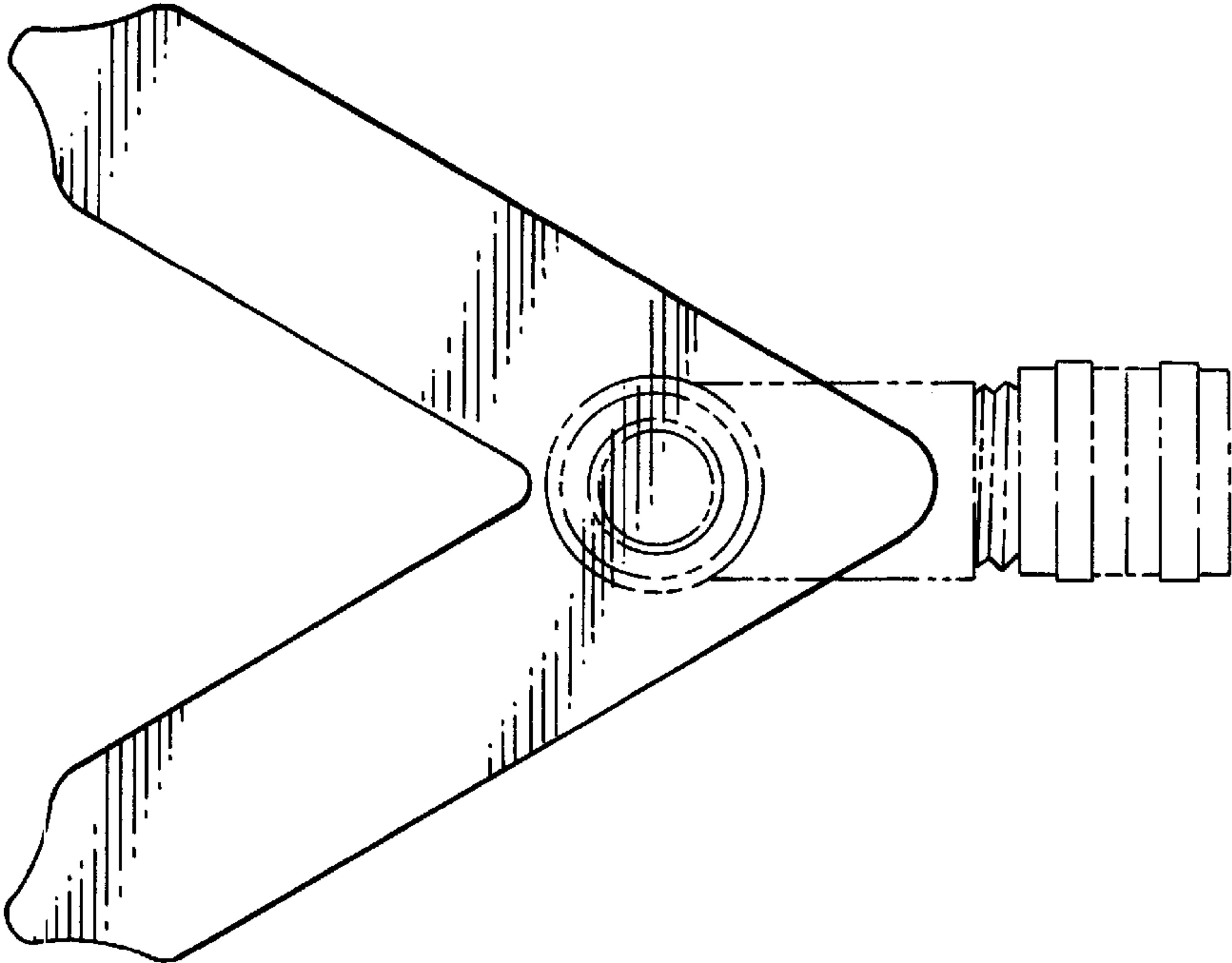
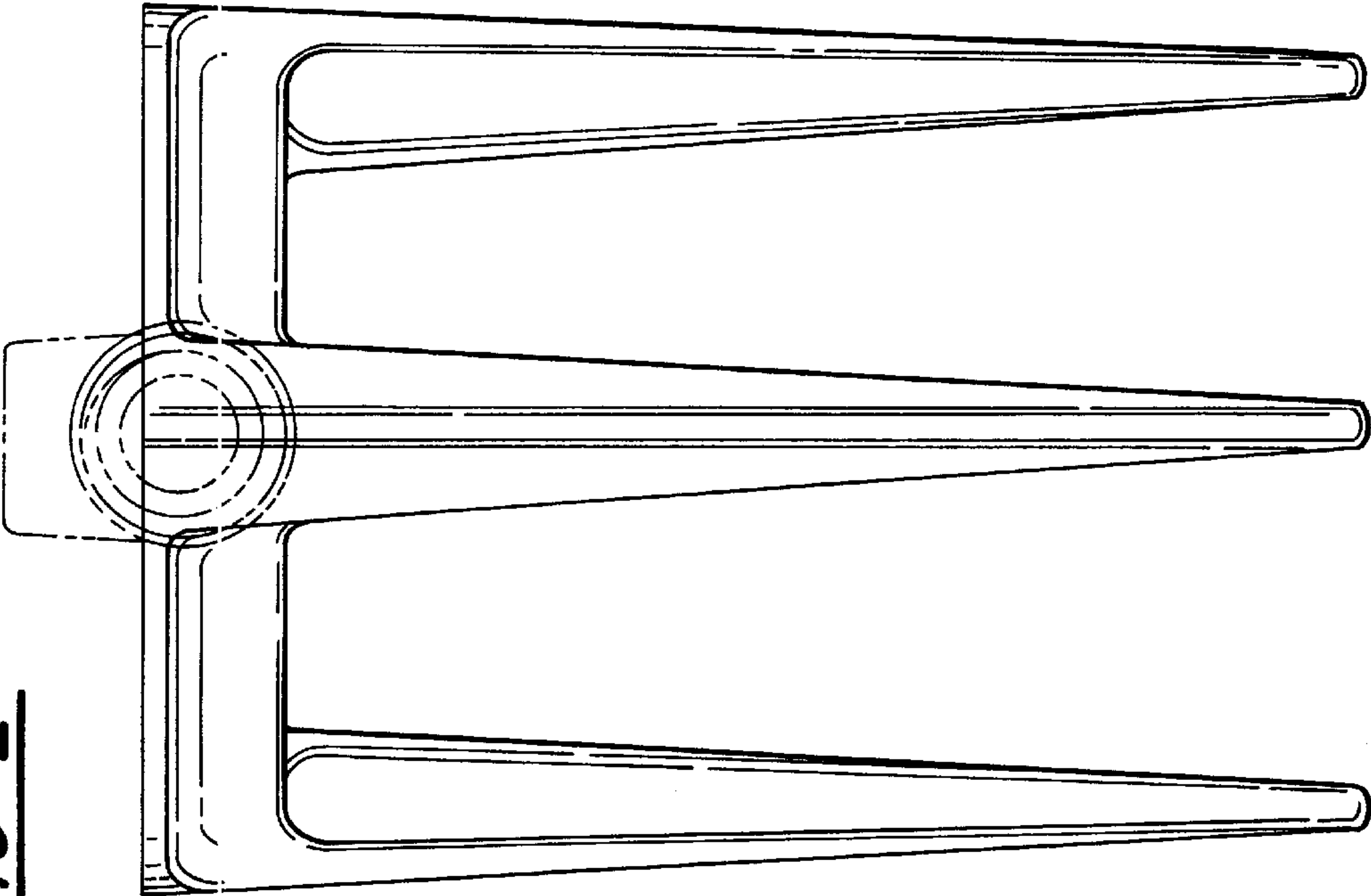


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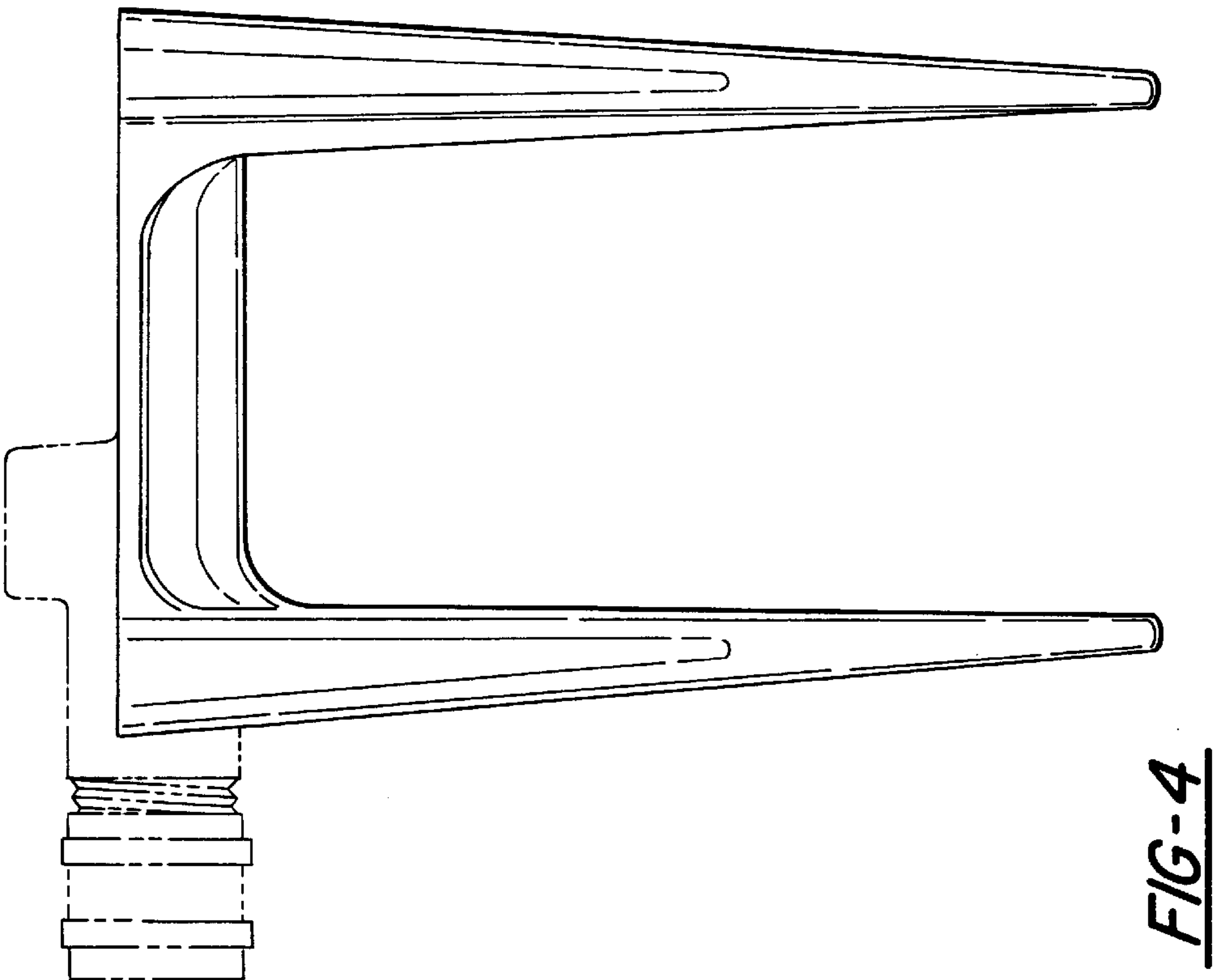
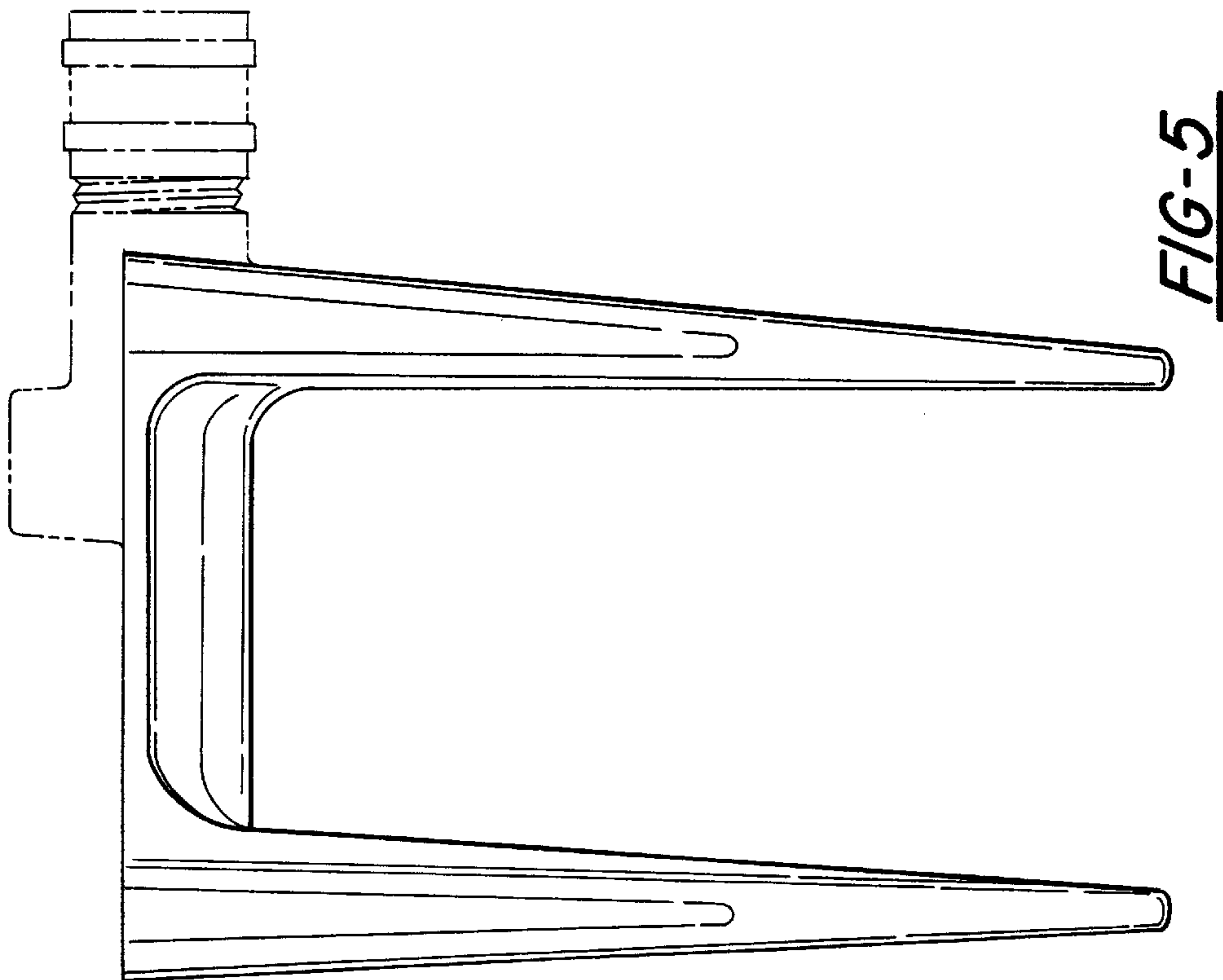


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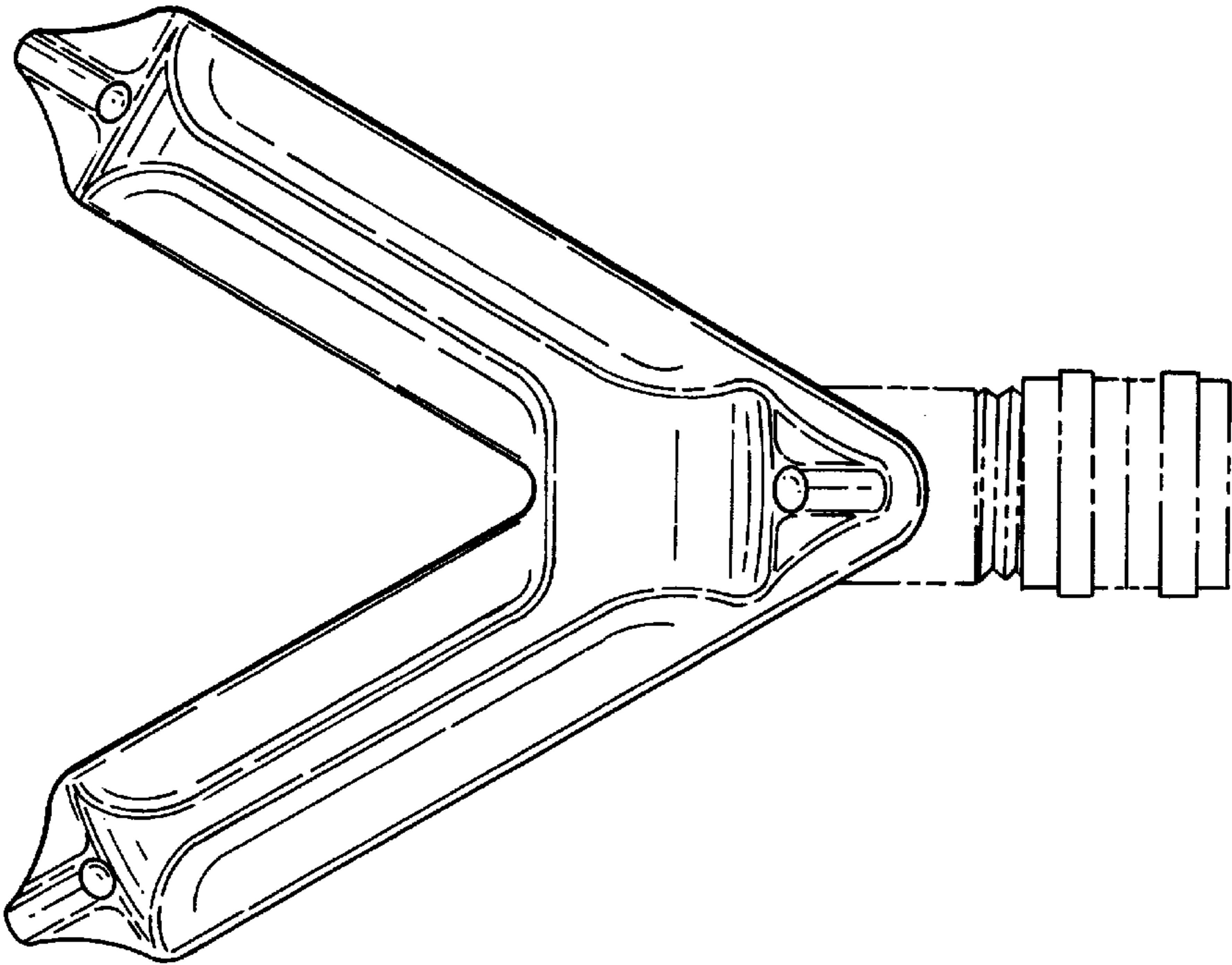


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