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(54) STAPLER COMBINED WITH A BASE

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(57) CLAIM

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DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a stapler embodying the present invention.

FIG. 2 is a top view of the stapler.

FIG. 3 is a side view of the stapler.

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FIG. 5 is a rear view of the stapler.

FIG. 6 is a perspective view of the stapler received in a base.

FIG. 7 is a top view of the stapler received in the base.

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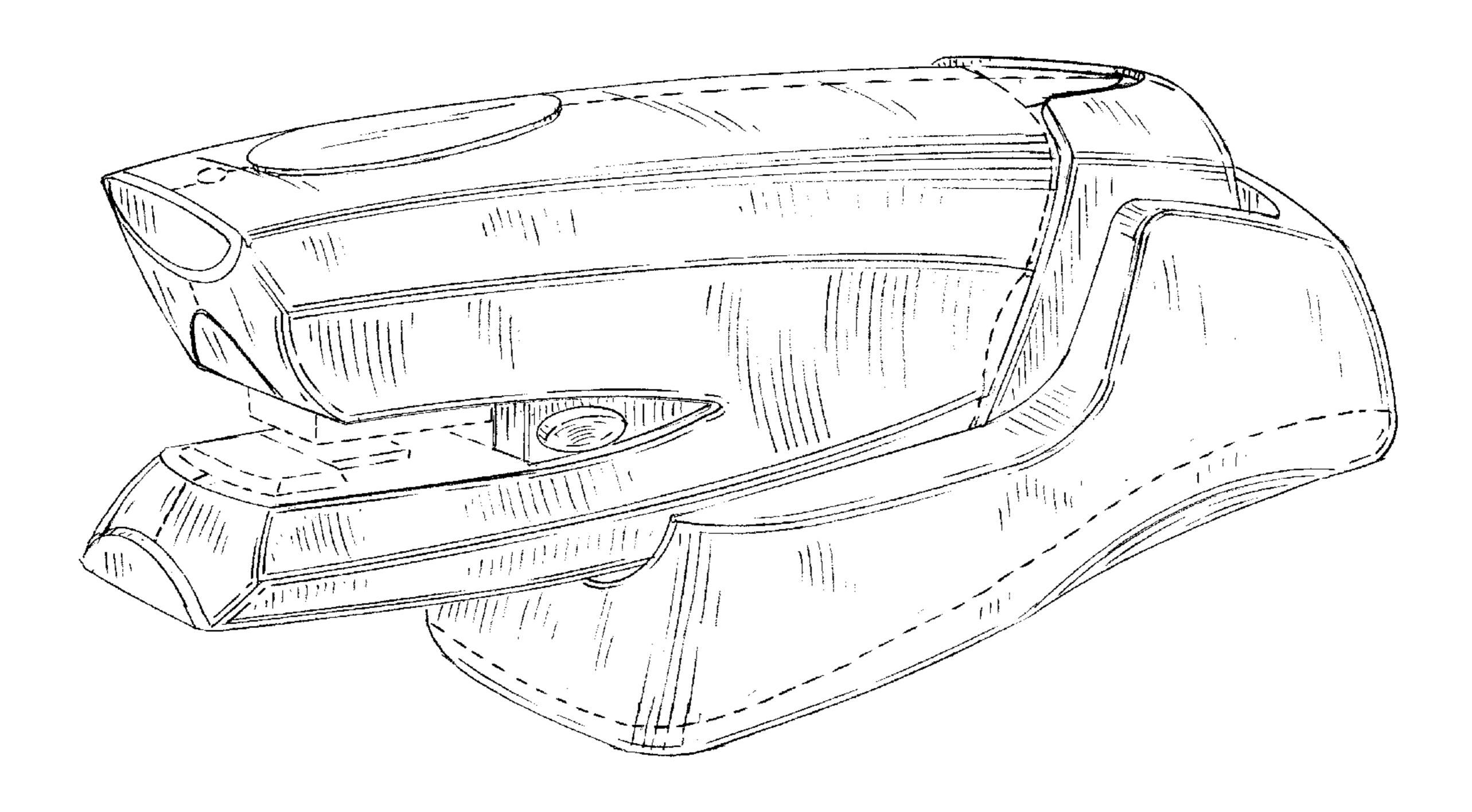
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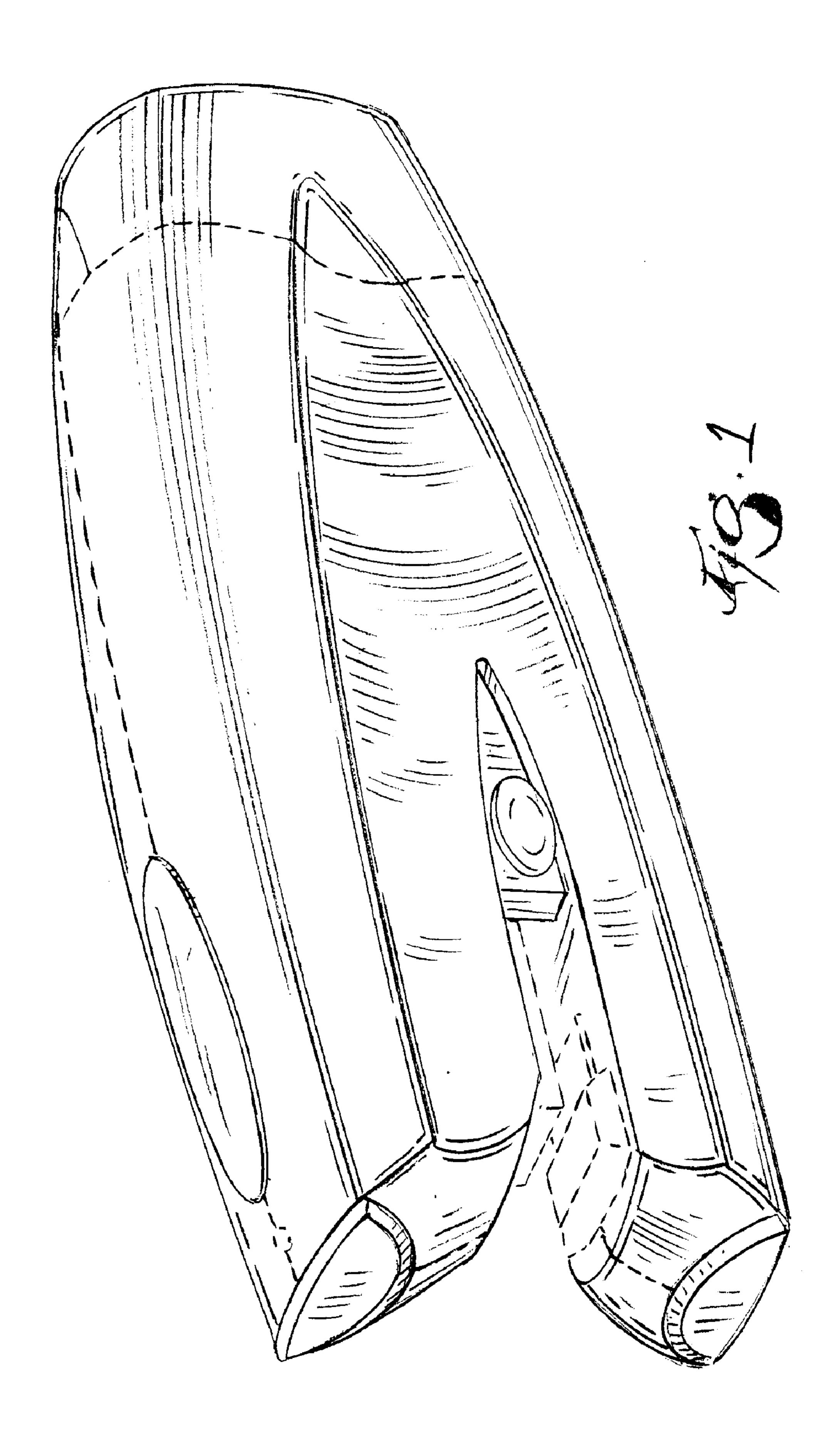
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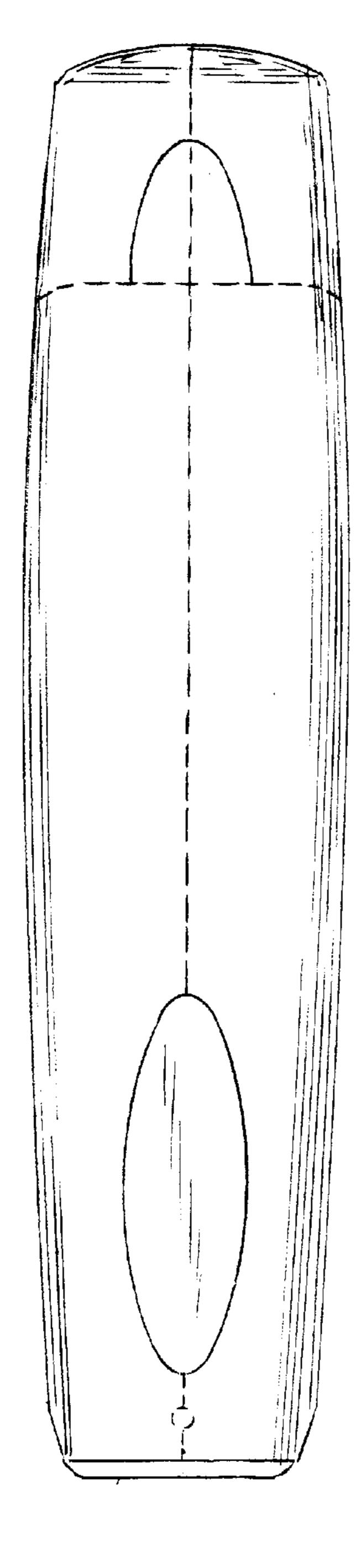
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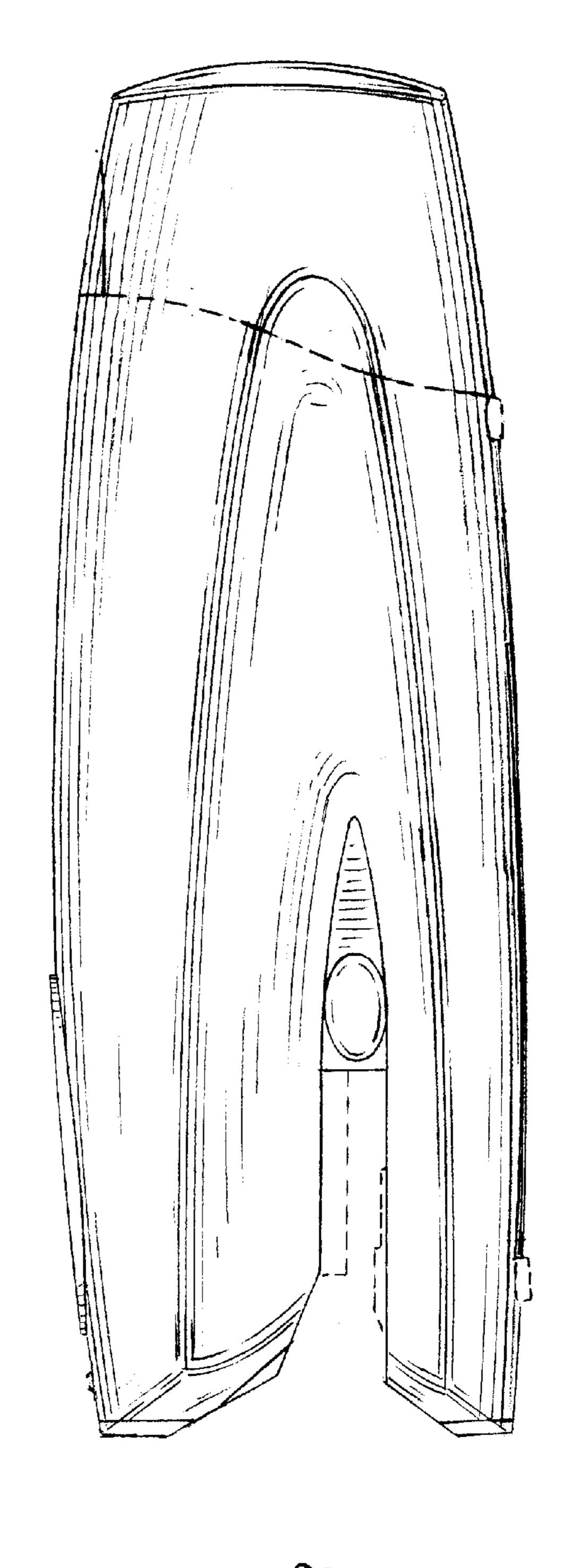
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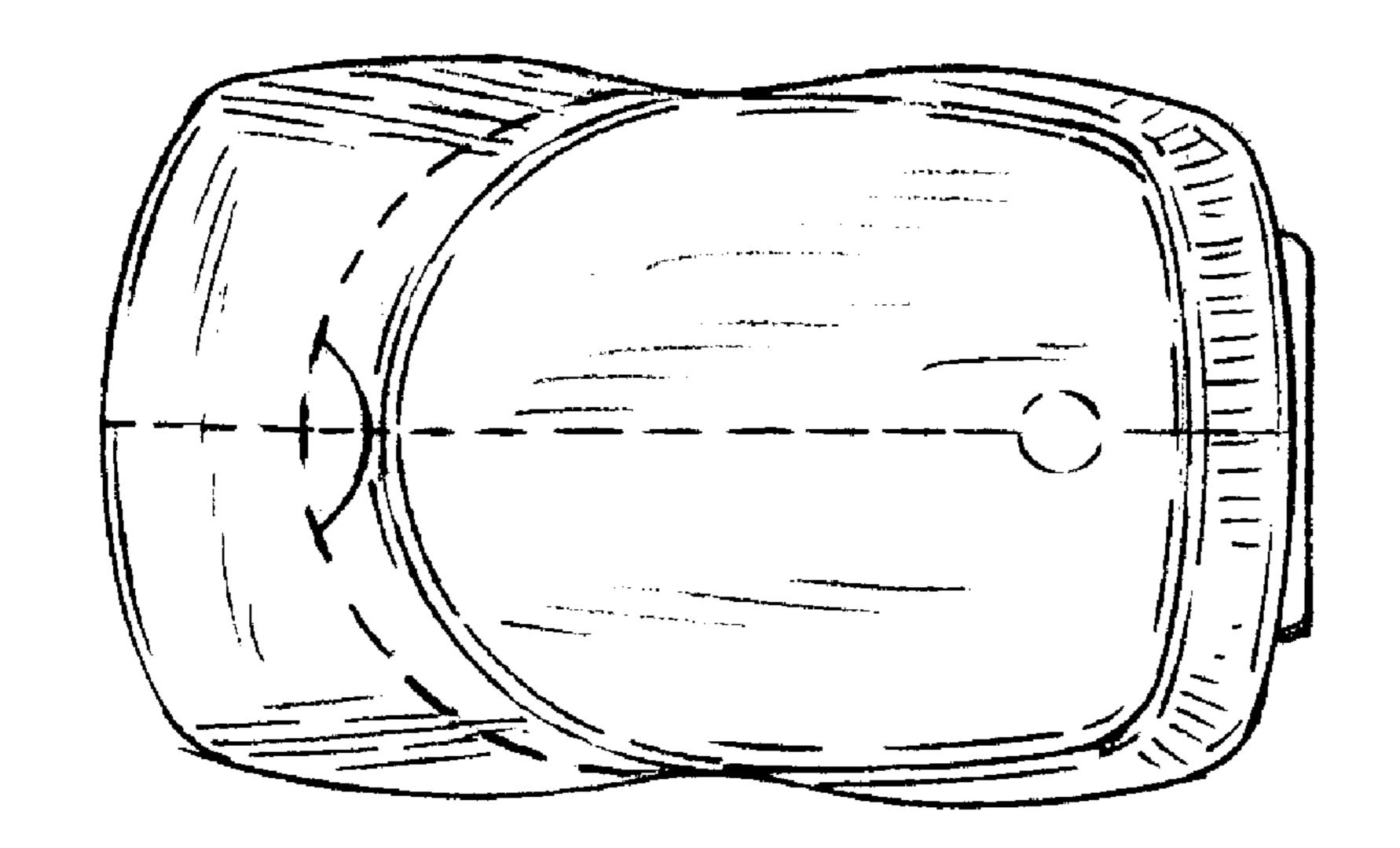




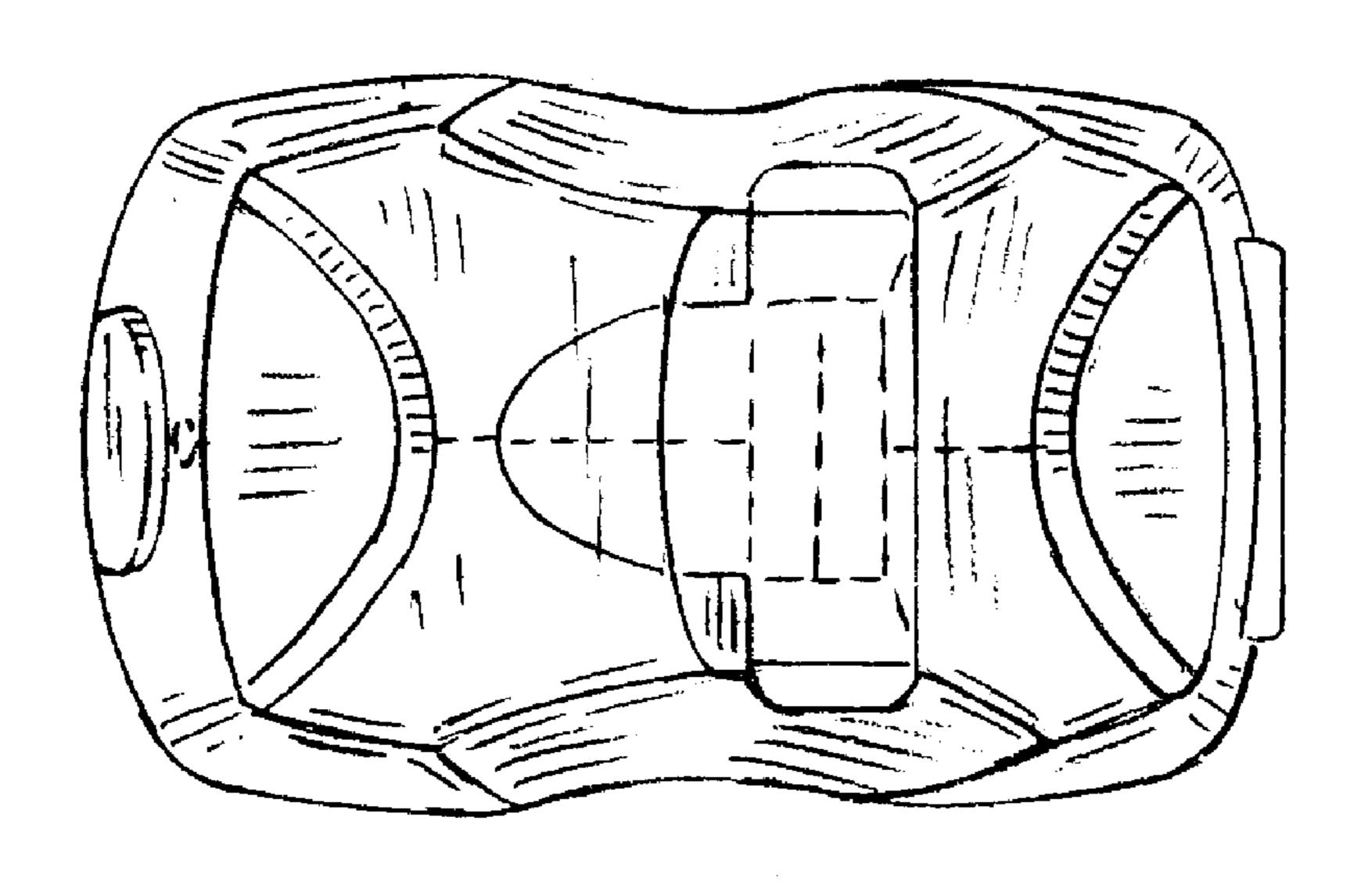




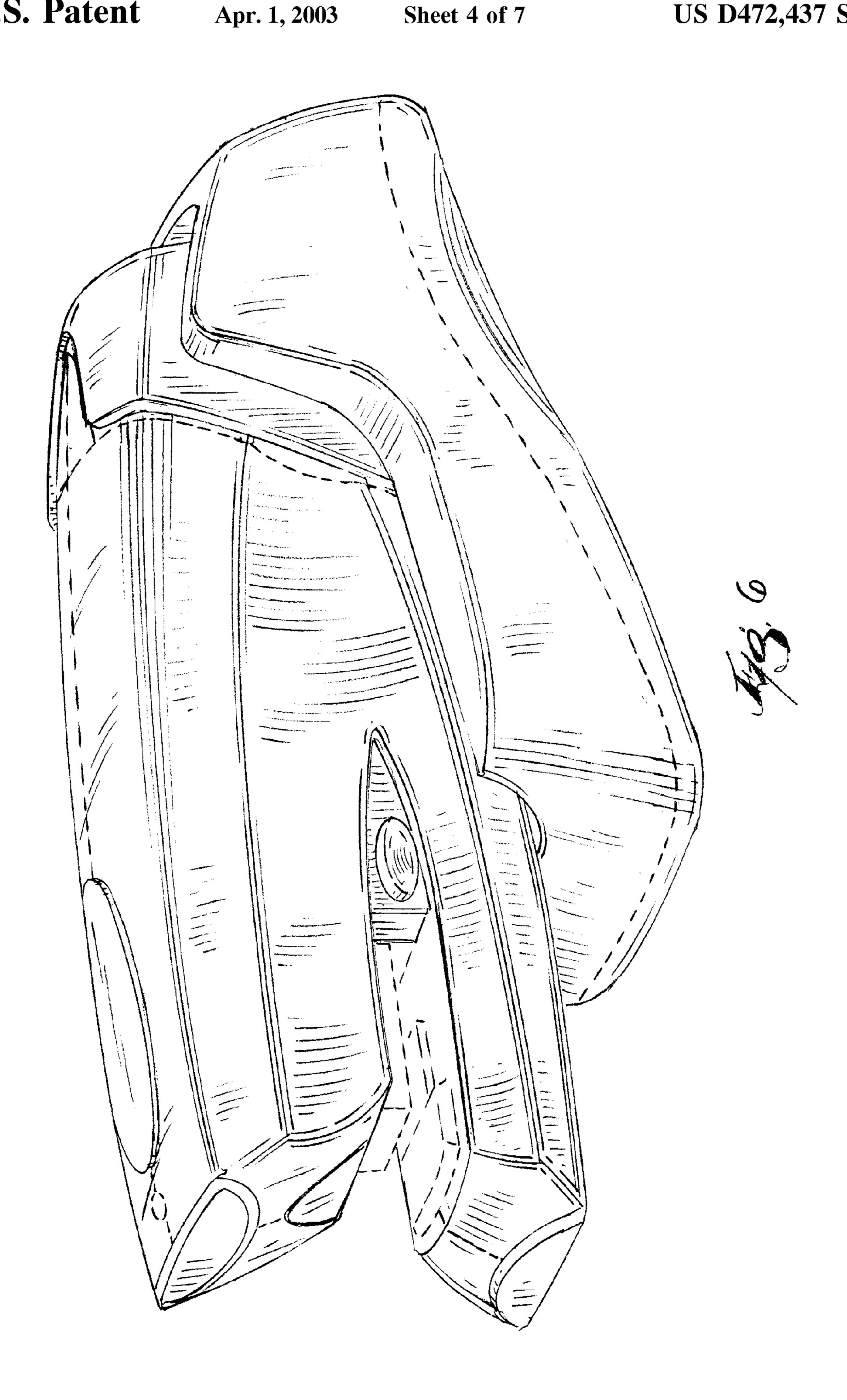


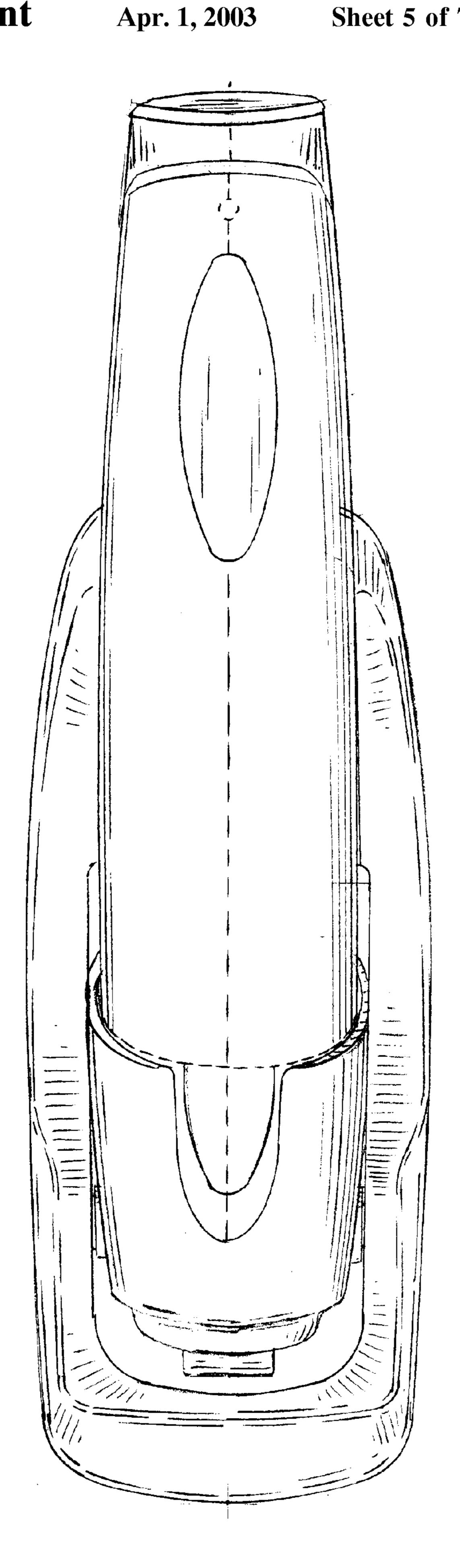




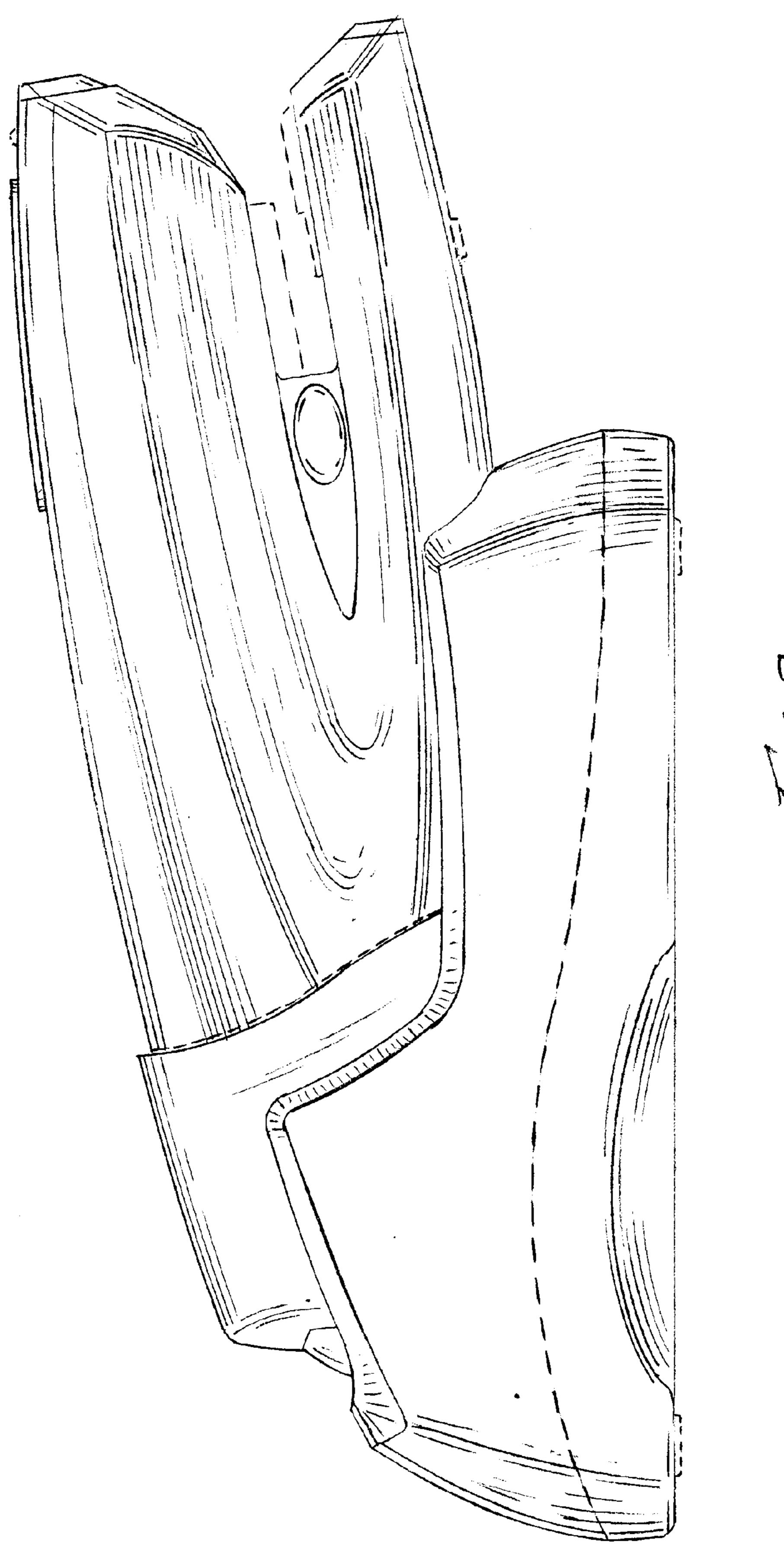




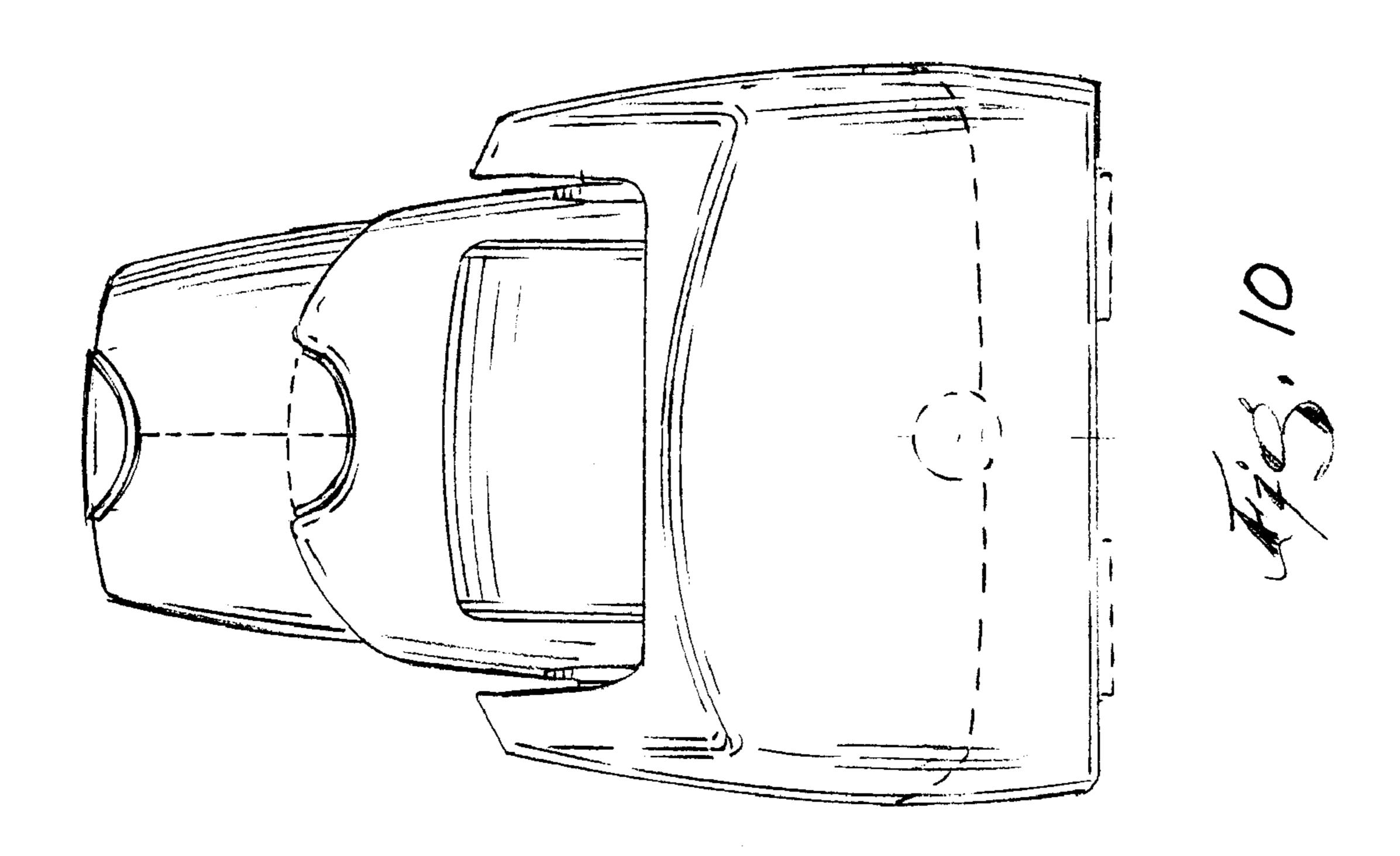


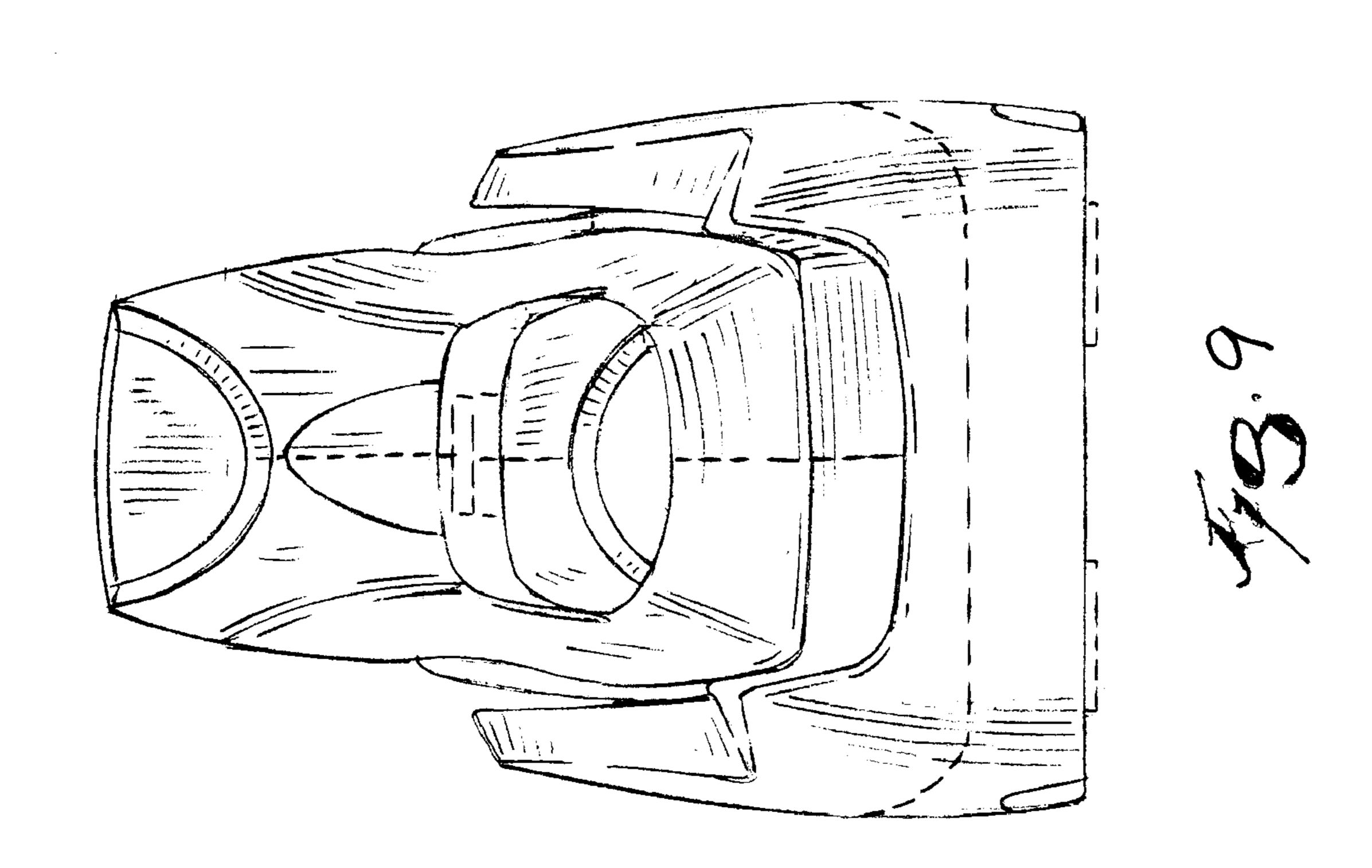












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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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The sheets of drawings consisting of figures 1-7 should be deleted to appear as per attached figures 1-7.

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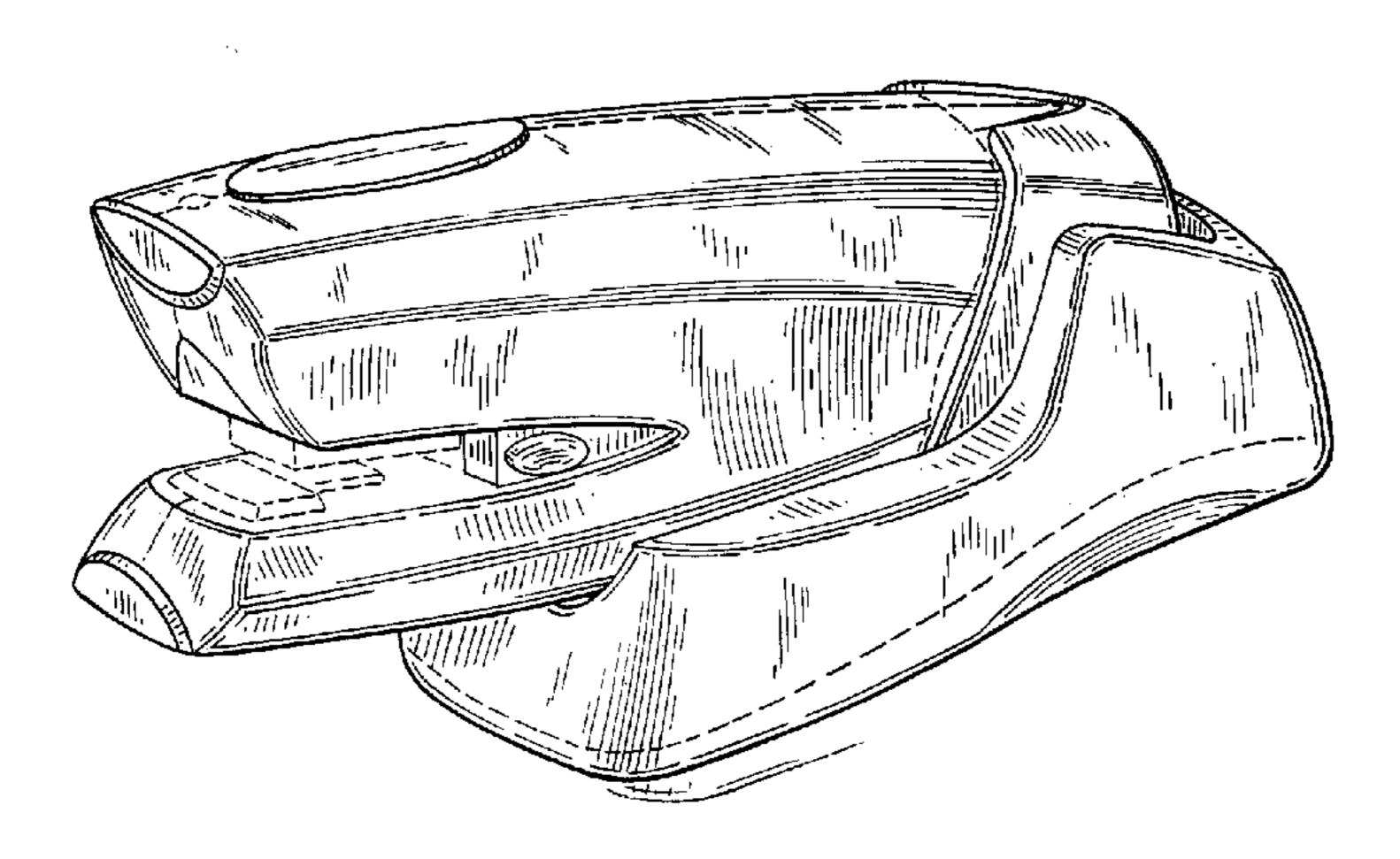
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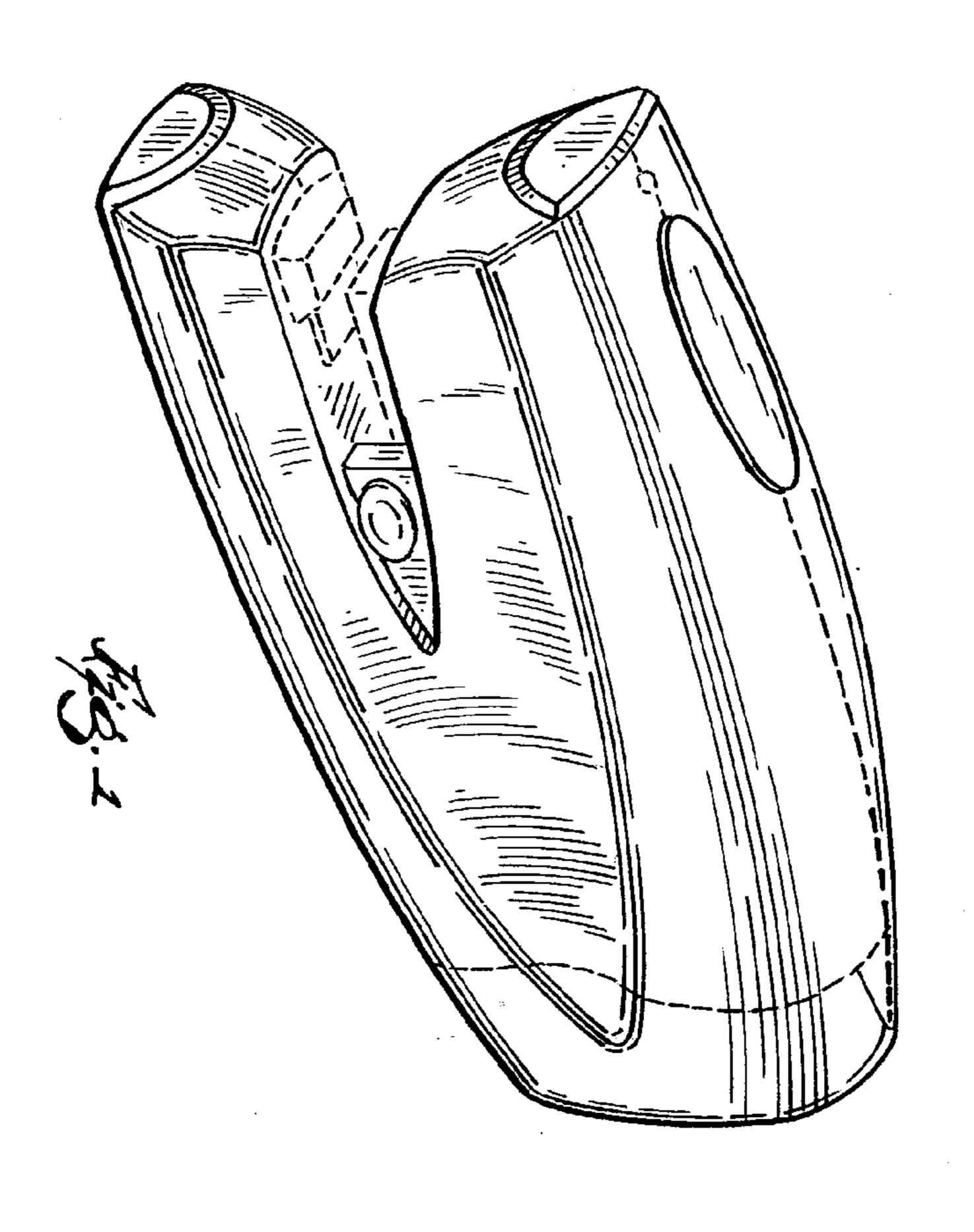
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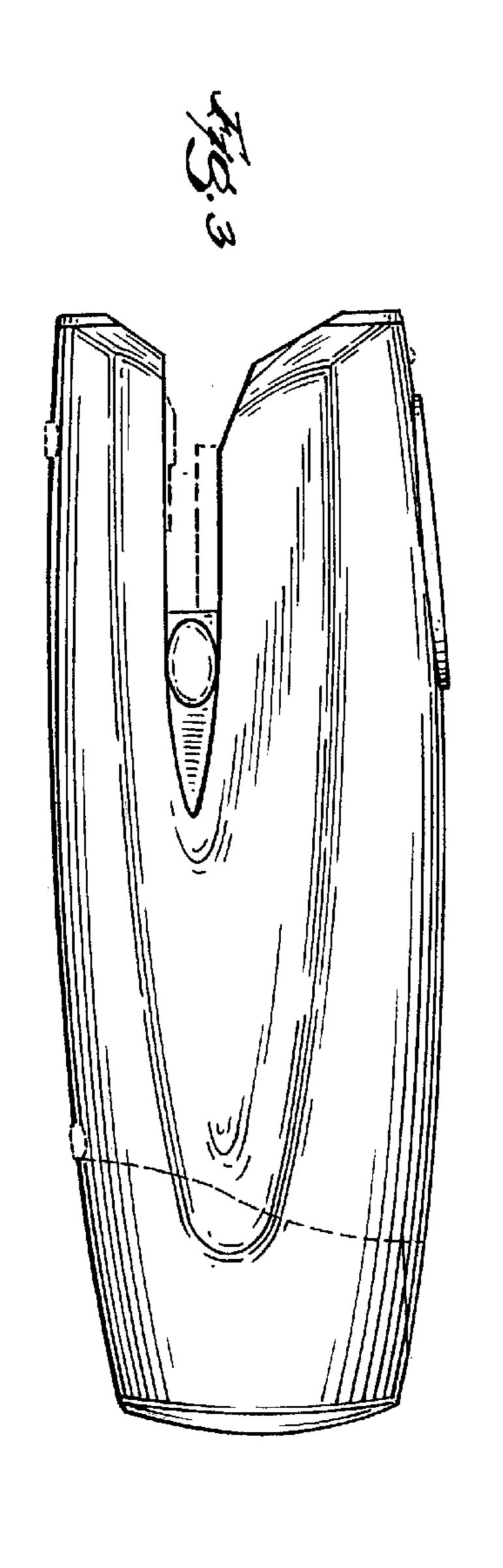


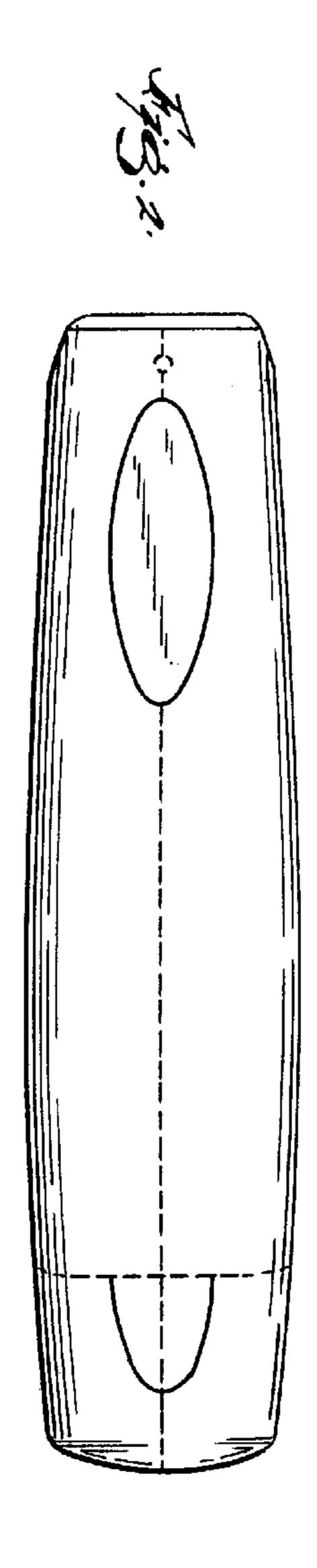
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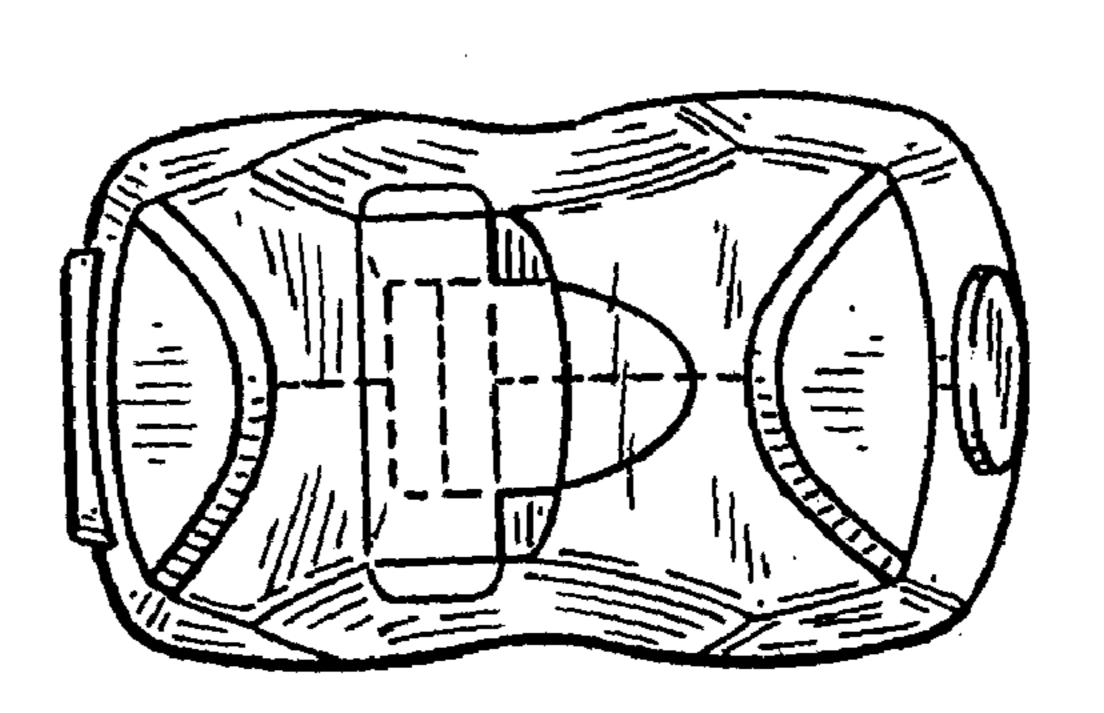


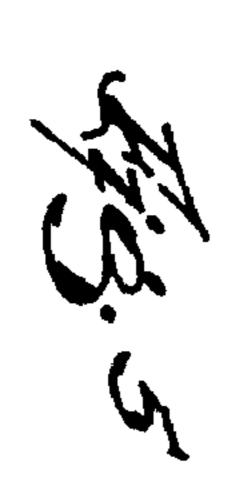
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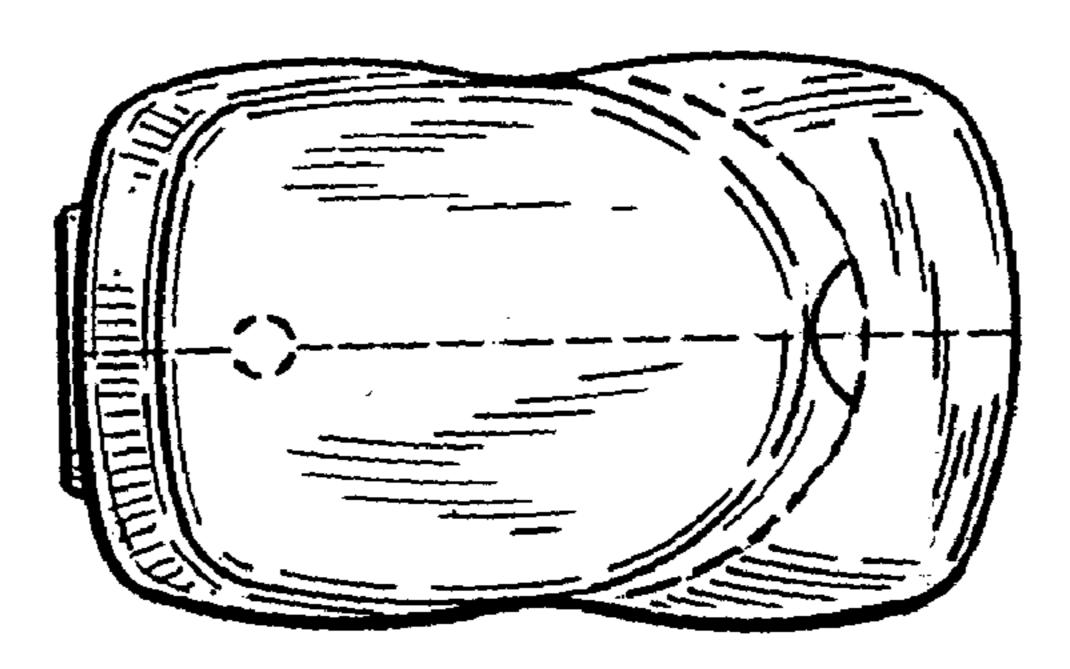
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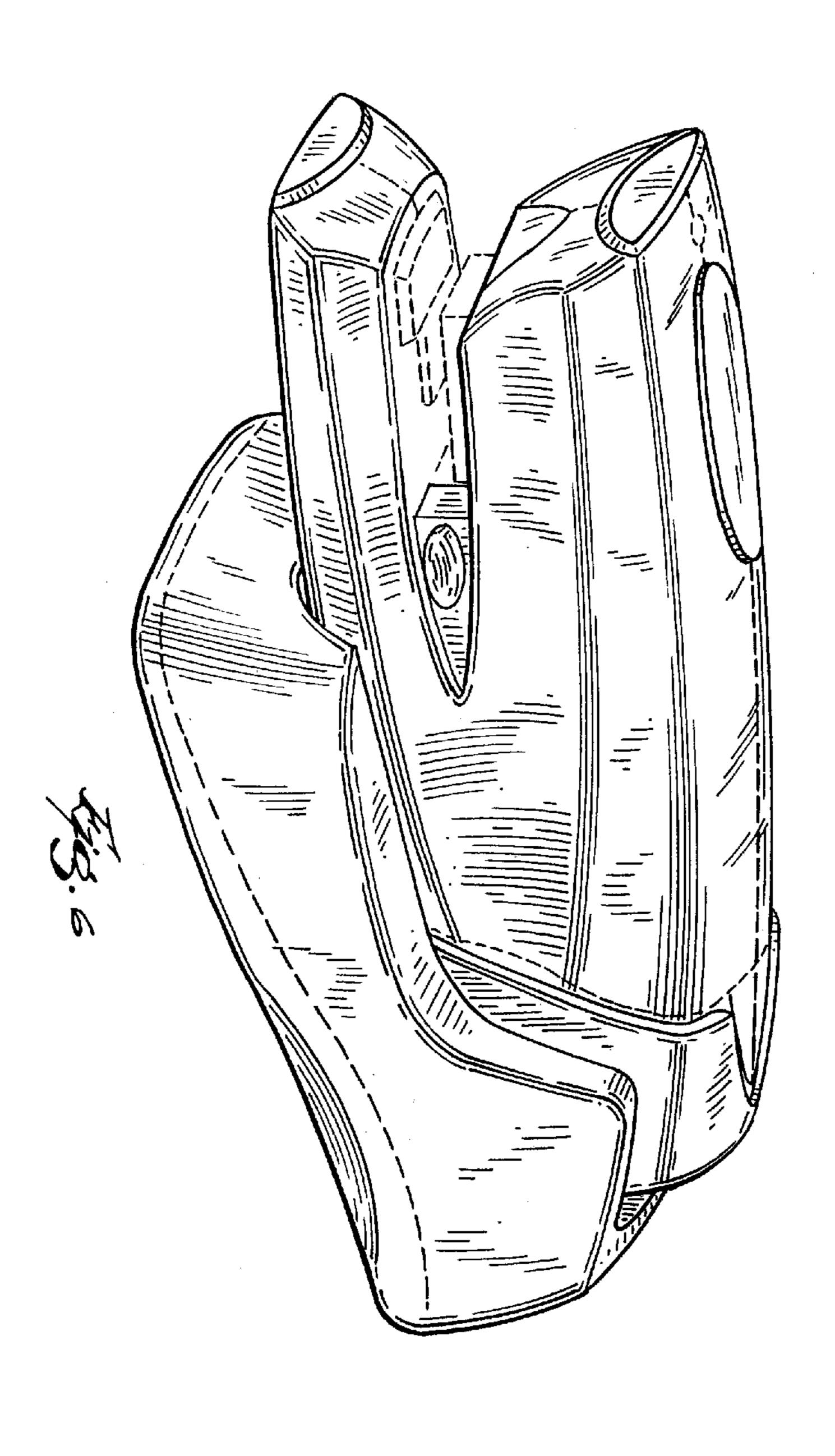




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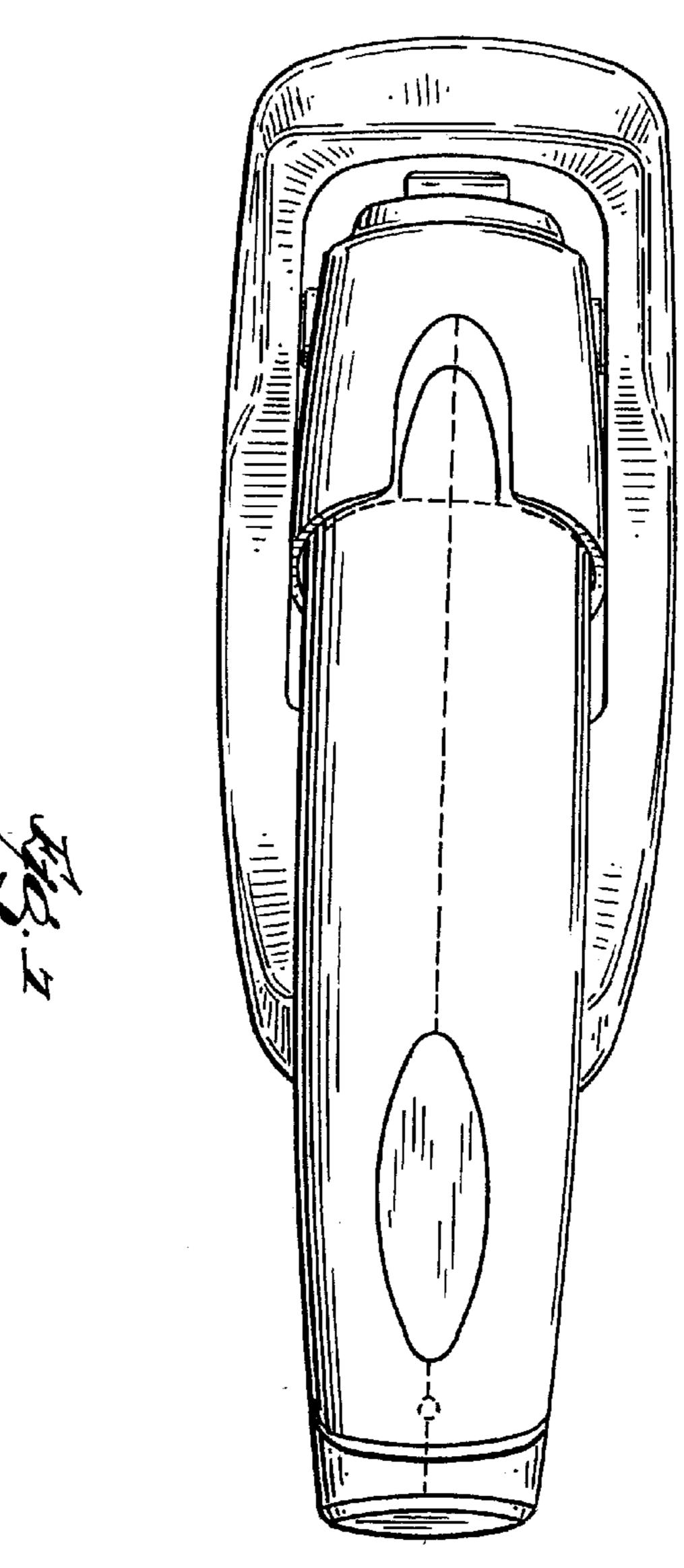
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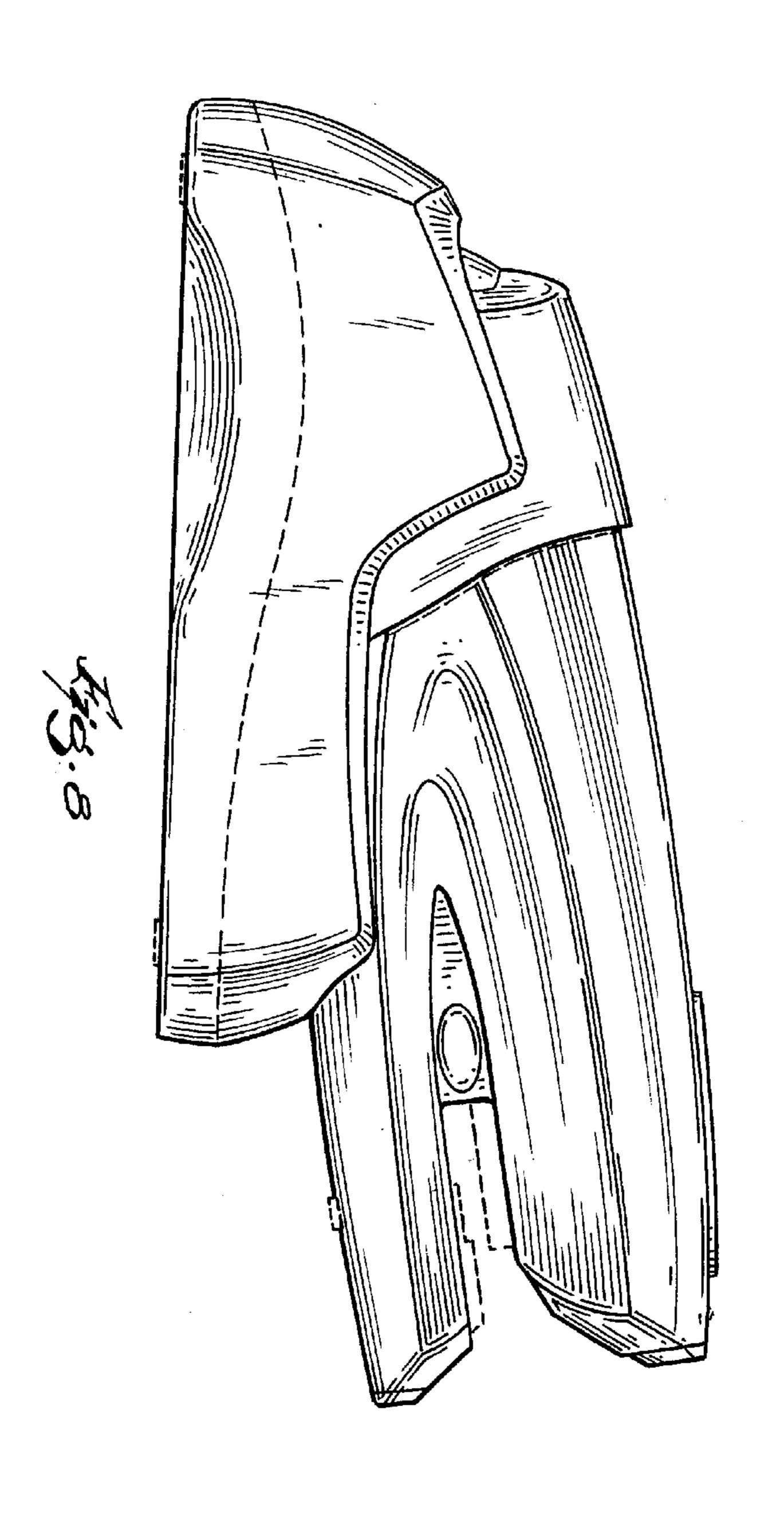


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