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(54) **TREAD PORTION OF AN AUTOMOBILE TIRE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a tread portion of an automobile tire, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tread portion of an automobile tire, it being understood that the tread pattern repeats uniformly throughout the circumference of the tire; FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof, a top view and a bottom view are identical with the front view; FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a right side elevational view thereof; FIG. 5 is a left side elevational view thereof; FIG. 6 is an enlarged fragmentary front view thereof; and, FIG. 7 is a cross-sectional view thereof taken along line 7—7 in FIG. 6.

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1 Claim, 7 Drawing Sheets

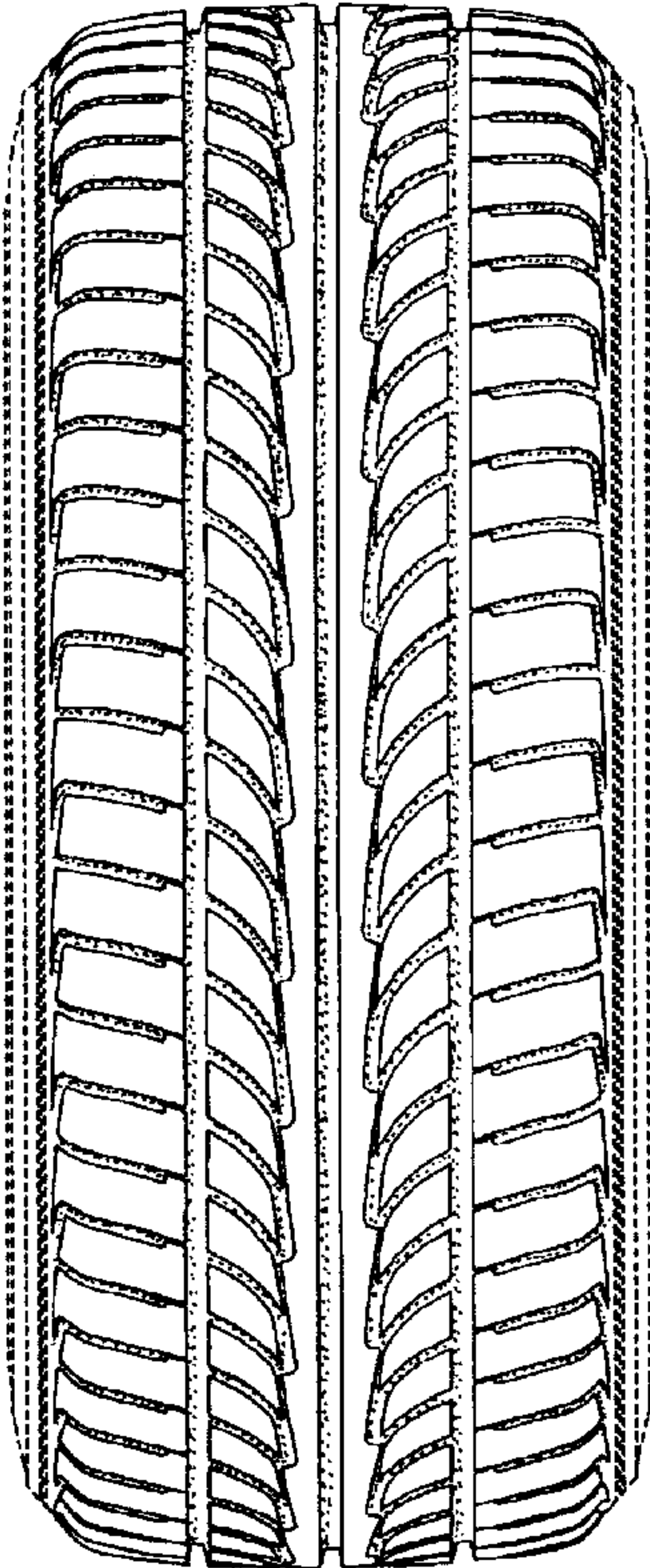


FIG. 1

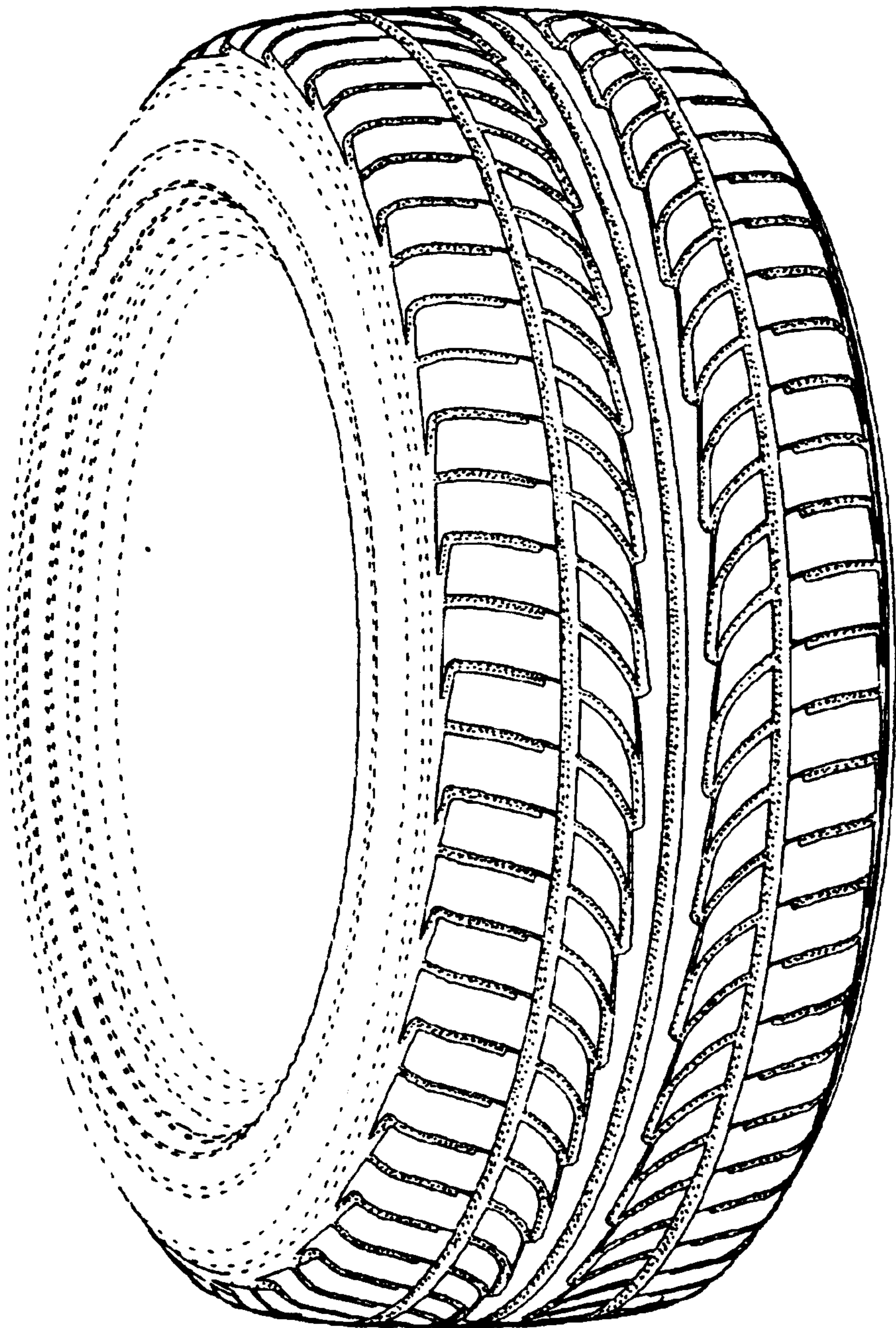


FIG. 2

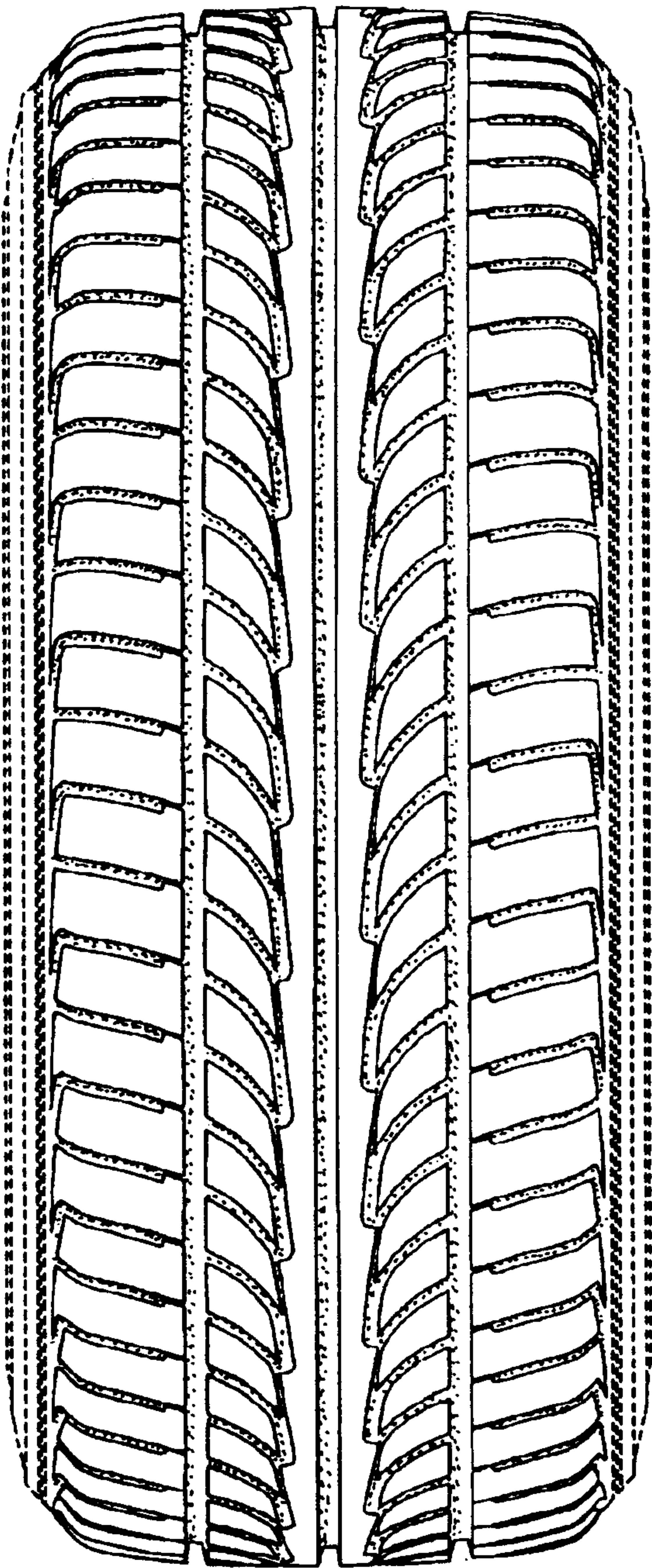


FIG. 3

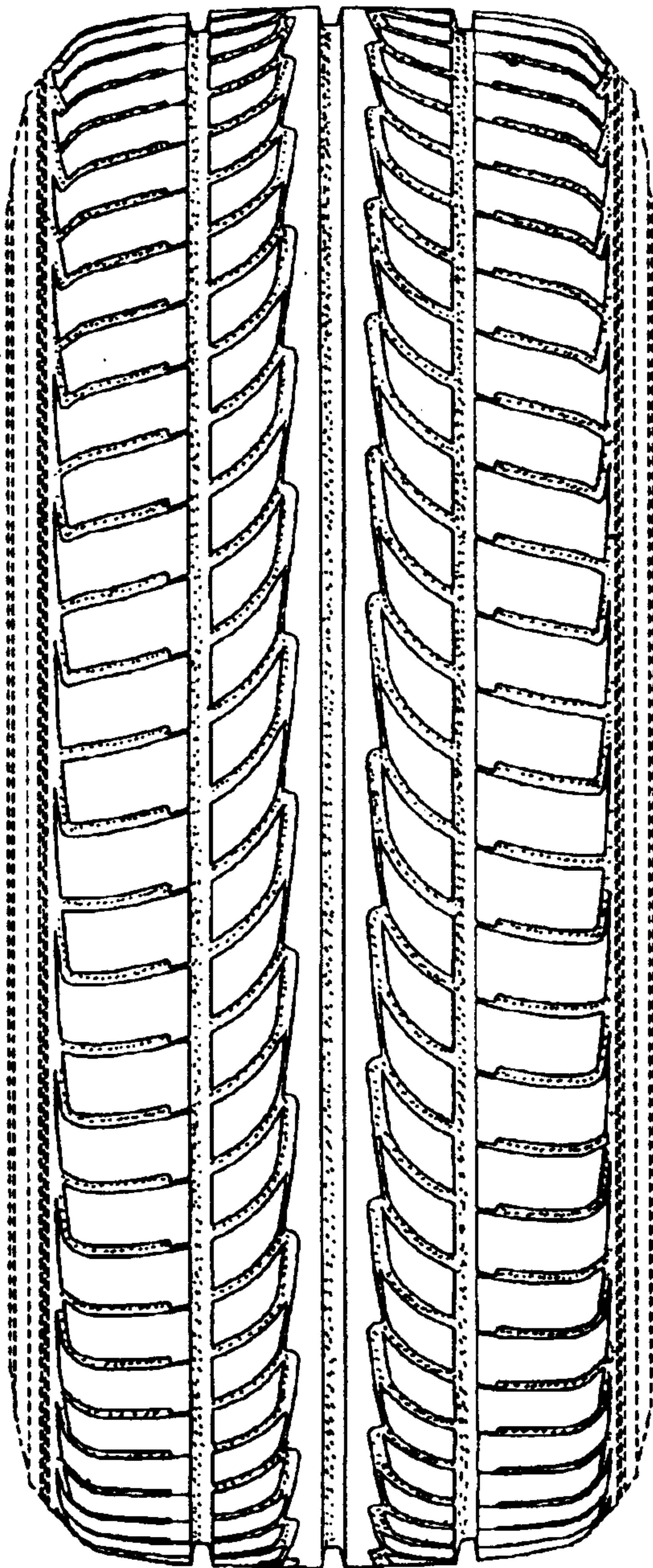


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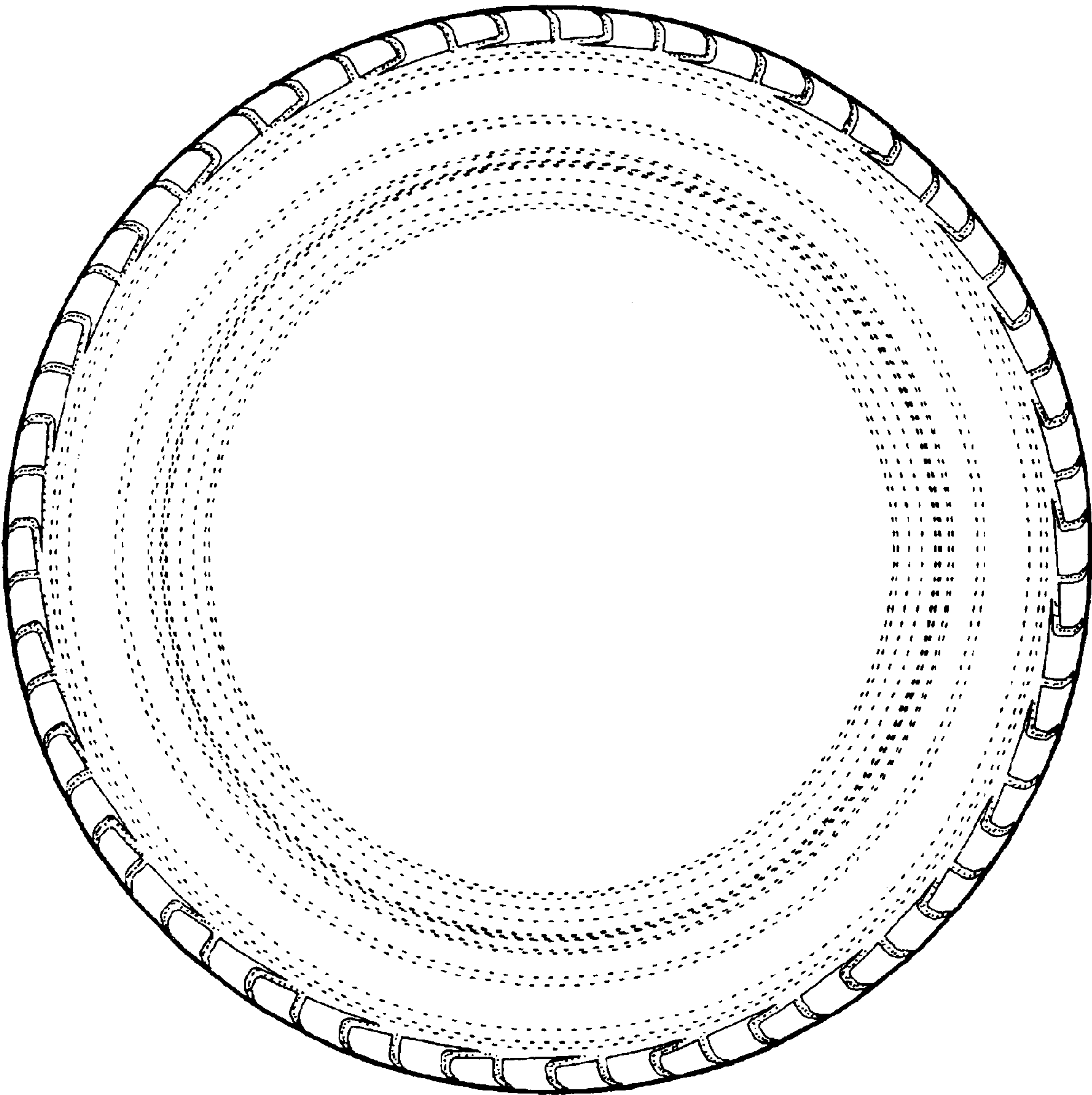


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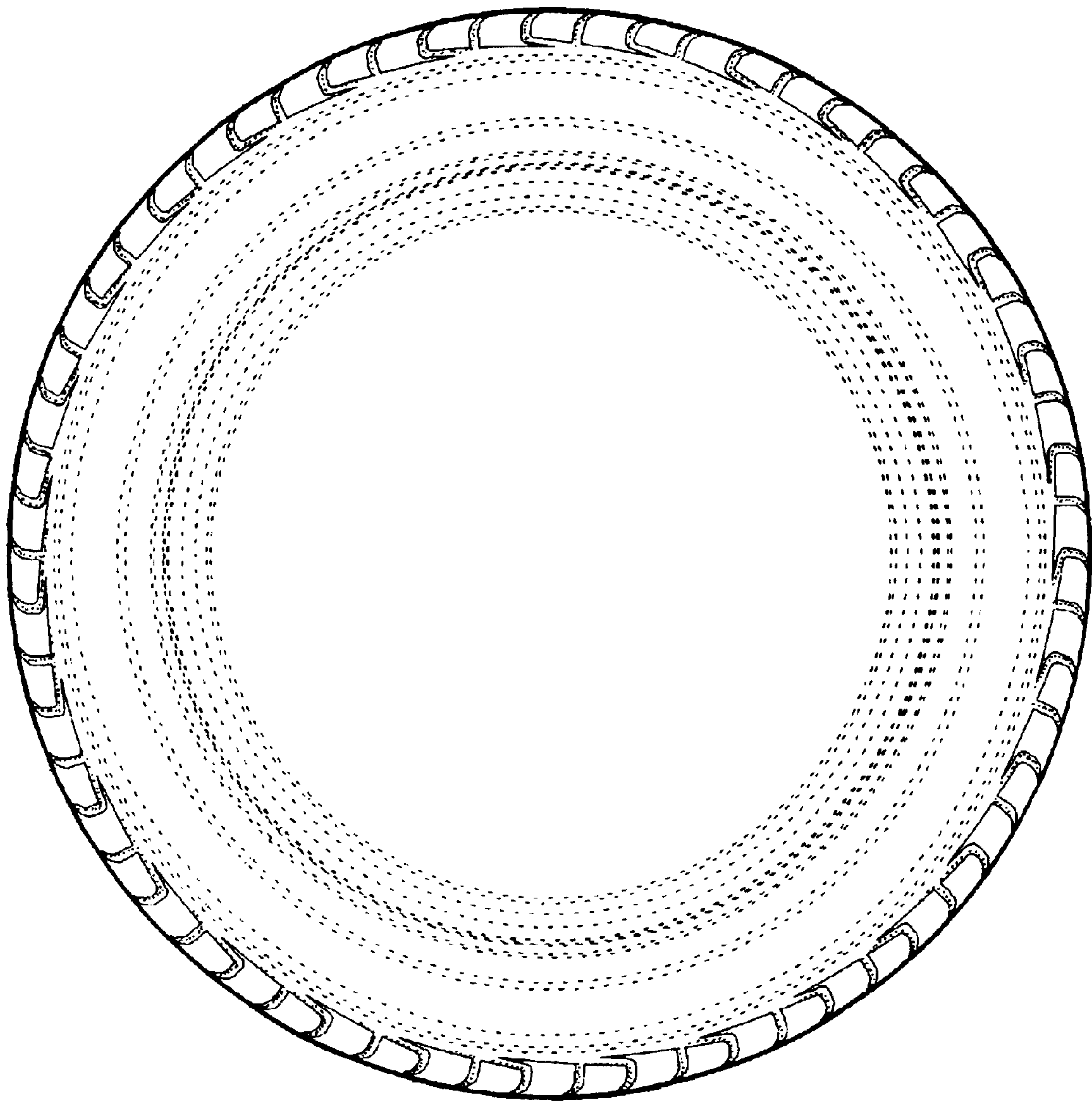


FIG. 6

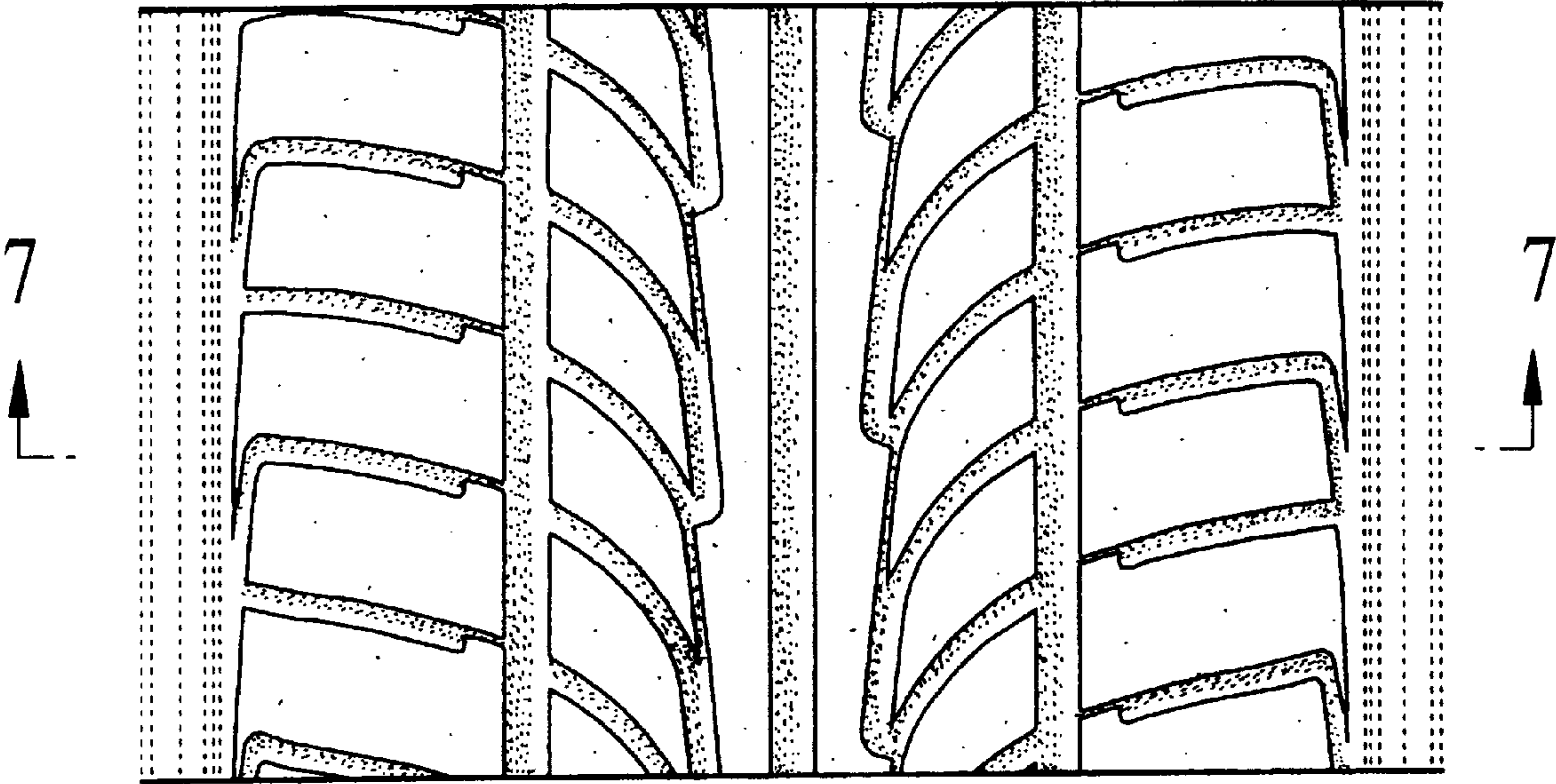


FIG. 7

