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(54) **X BRACE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for X brace, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a right side front perspective view of the X brace of this design.

FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof, the bottom view being a mirror image thereof.

FIG. 3 is a left side elevational view of the X brace of this design.

FIG. 4 is a front elevational view of the X brace of this design.

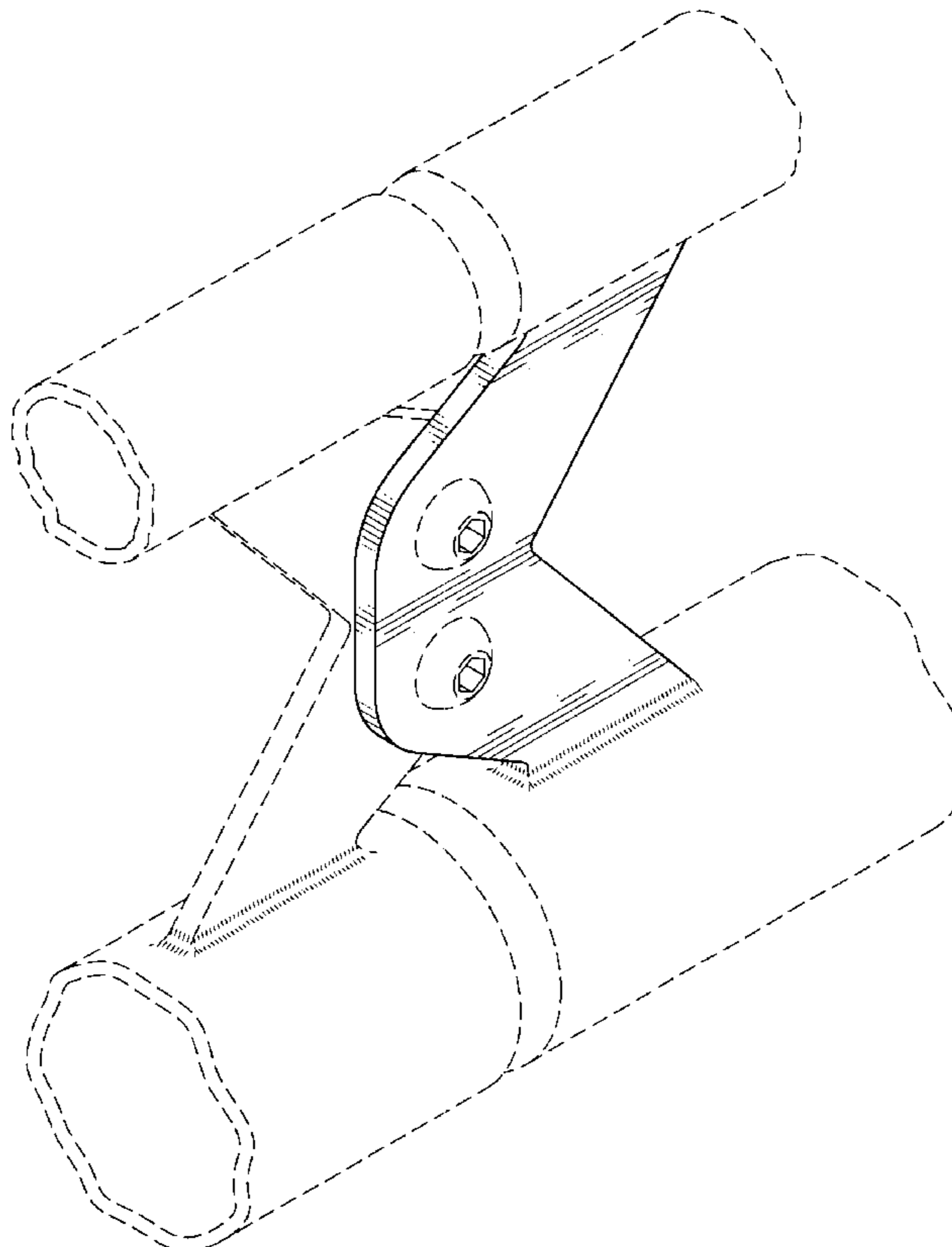
FIG. 5 is a right side elevational view thereof.

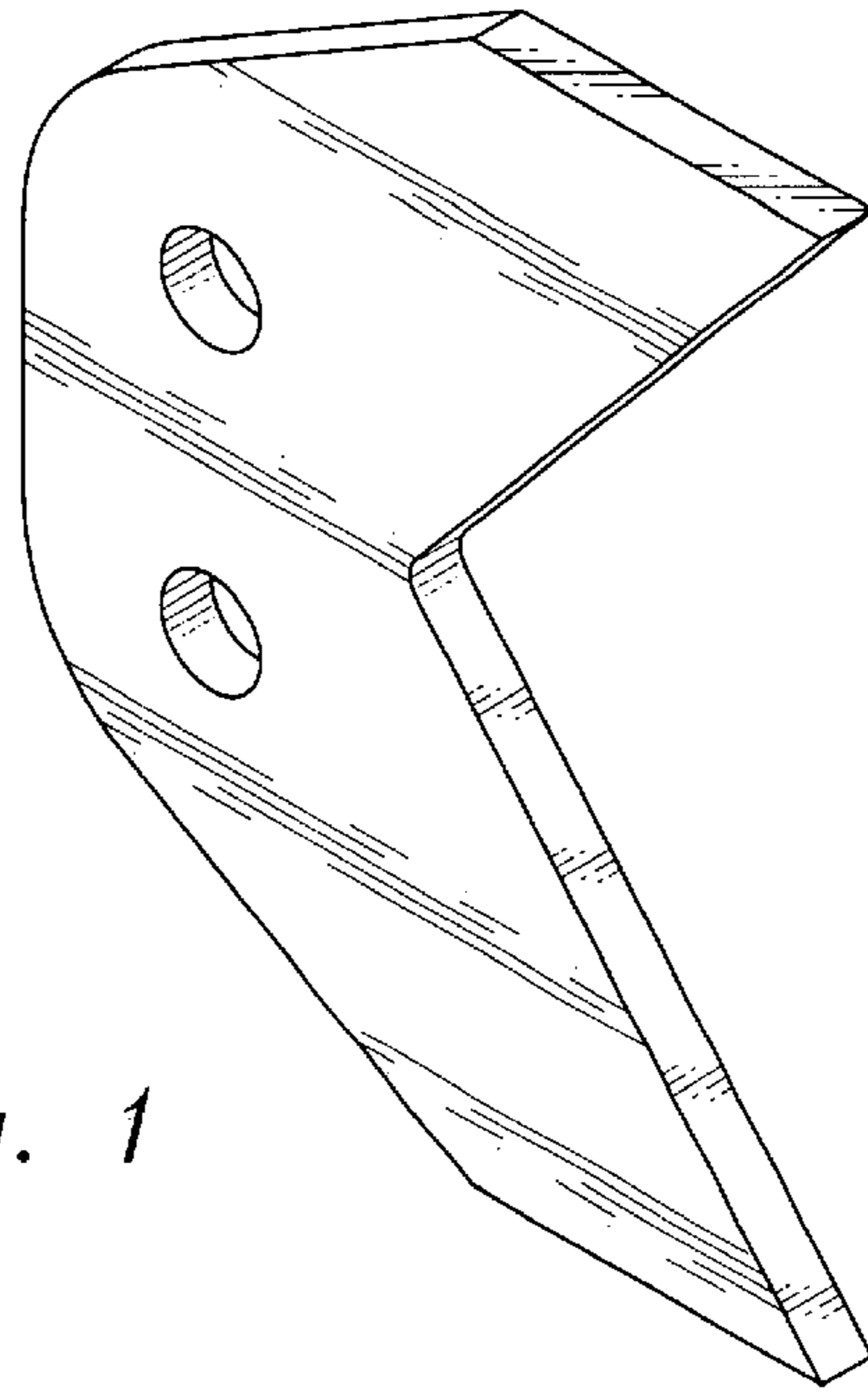
FIG. 6 is a left side front perspective view of the X brace of this design within its operational environment for the connection of two parallel pipe members, the mating brace being shown in dashed lines; and,

FIG. 7 is a rear elevational view of the X brace of this design in its operational environment with its mate being shown in dashed lines.

The threaded bolts and nuts shown in dashed lines form no part of the claimed design.

**1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets**





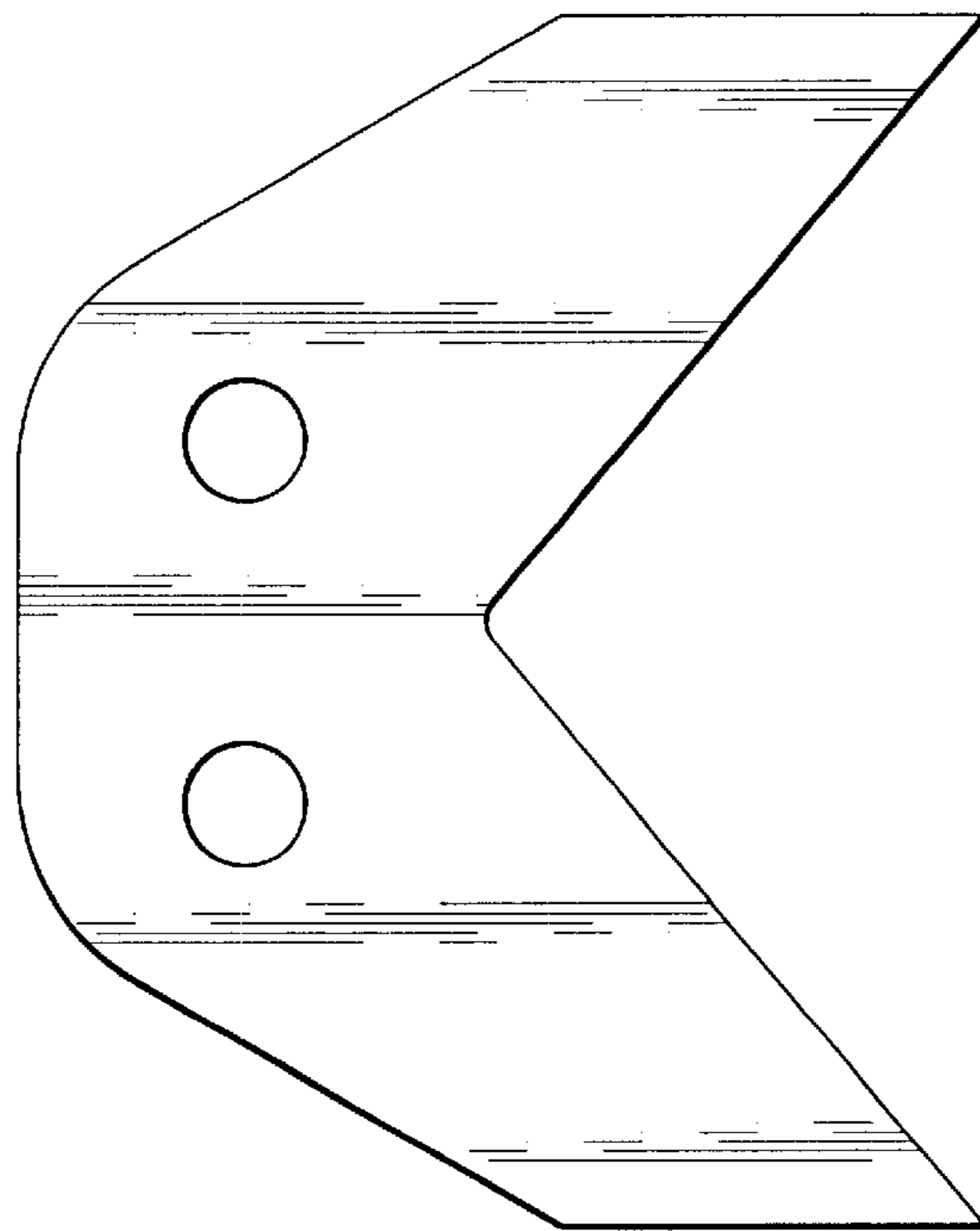
*Fig. 1*



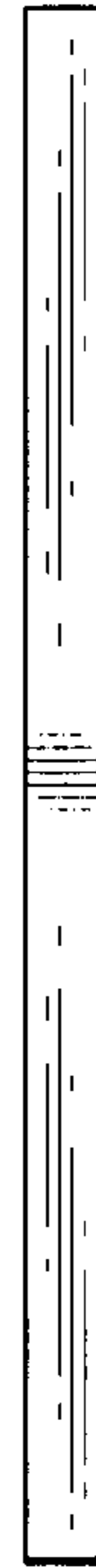
*Fig. 2*



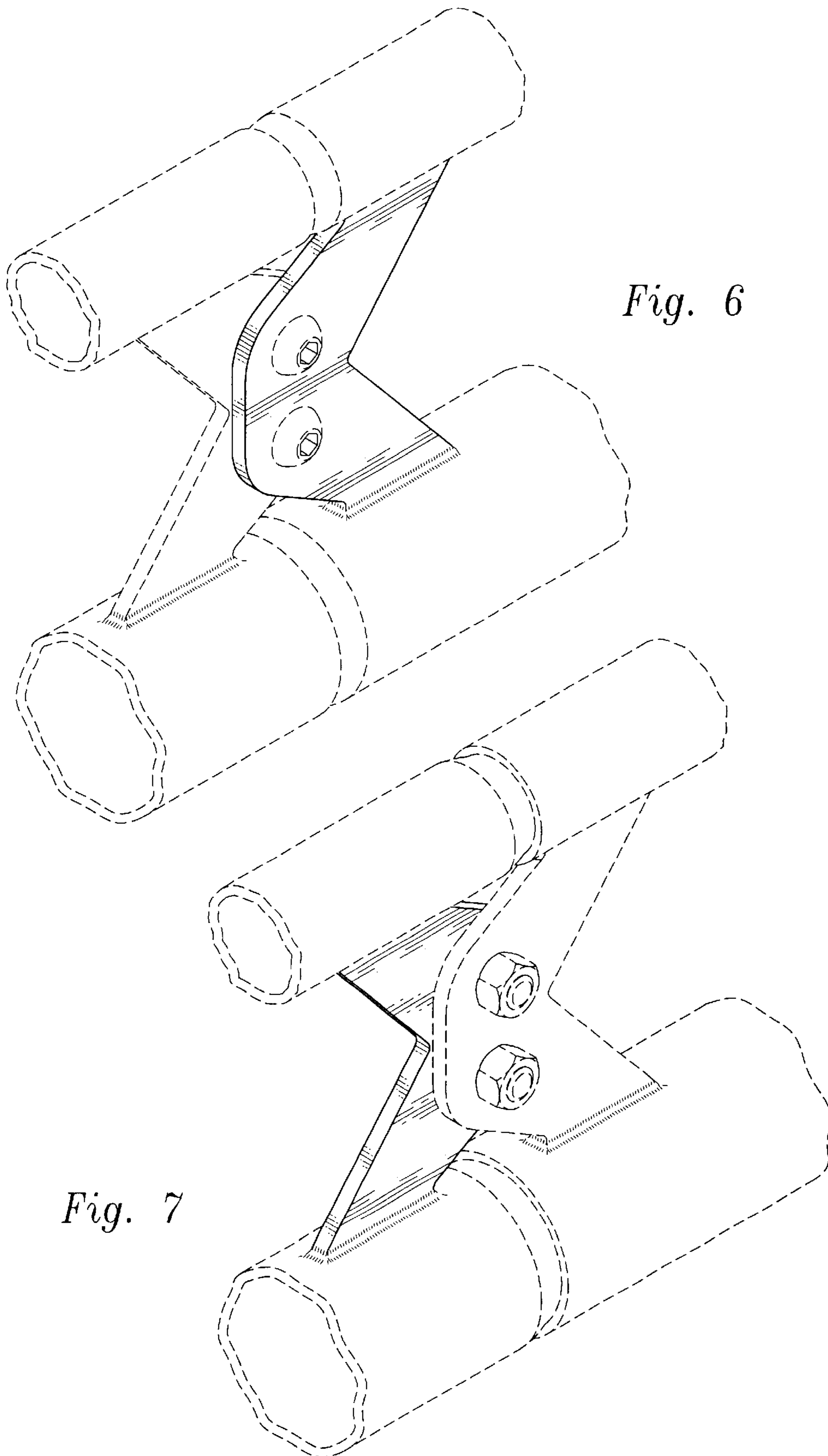
*Fig. 3*



*Fig. 4*



*Fig. 5*



*Fig. 6*

*Fig. 7*