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(54) **CLOSURE FOR A CONTAINER**  
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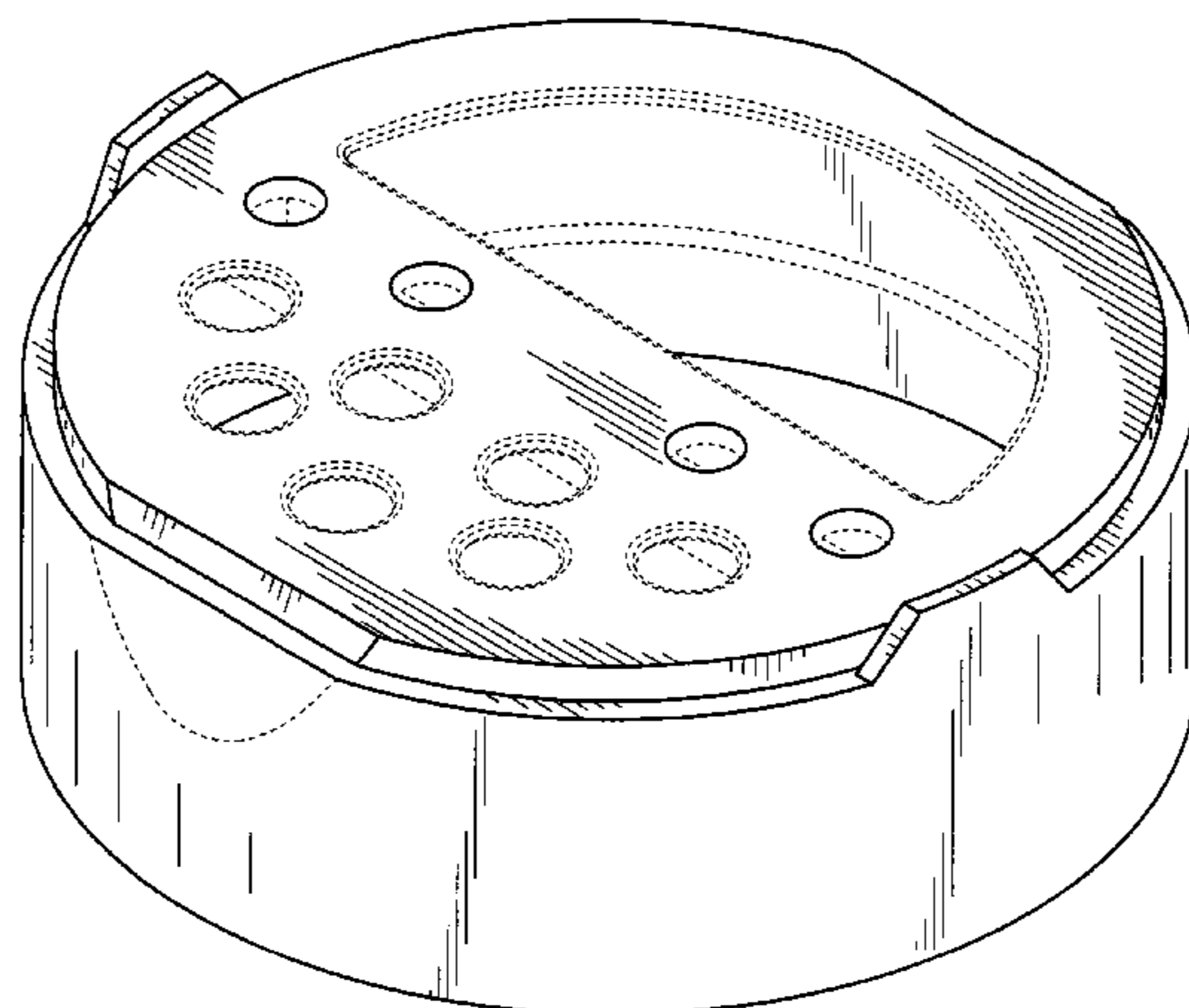
(57) **CLAIM**

We claim the ornamental design for a closure for a container, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a top perspective view of a closure for a container; FIG. 2 is a top perspective view of the design of FIG. 1; FIG. 3 is a bottom perspective view of the design of FIG. 1; FIG. 4 is a bottom perspective view of the design of FIG. 1; FIG. 5 is a top view of the design of FIG. 1; FIG. 6 is a bottom view of the design of FIG. 1; FIG. 7 is a right side view of the design of FIG. 1, the left side view being a mirror image; FIG. 8 is a front view of the design of FIG. 1; and, FIG. 9 is a rear view of the design of FIG. 1. The broken lines in the drawings are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

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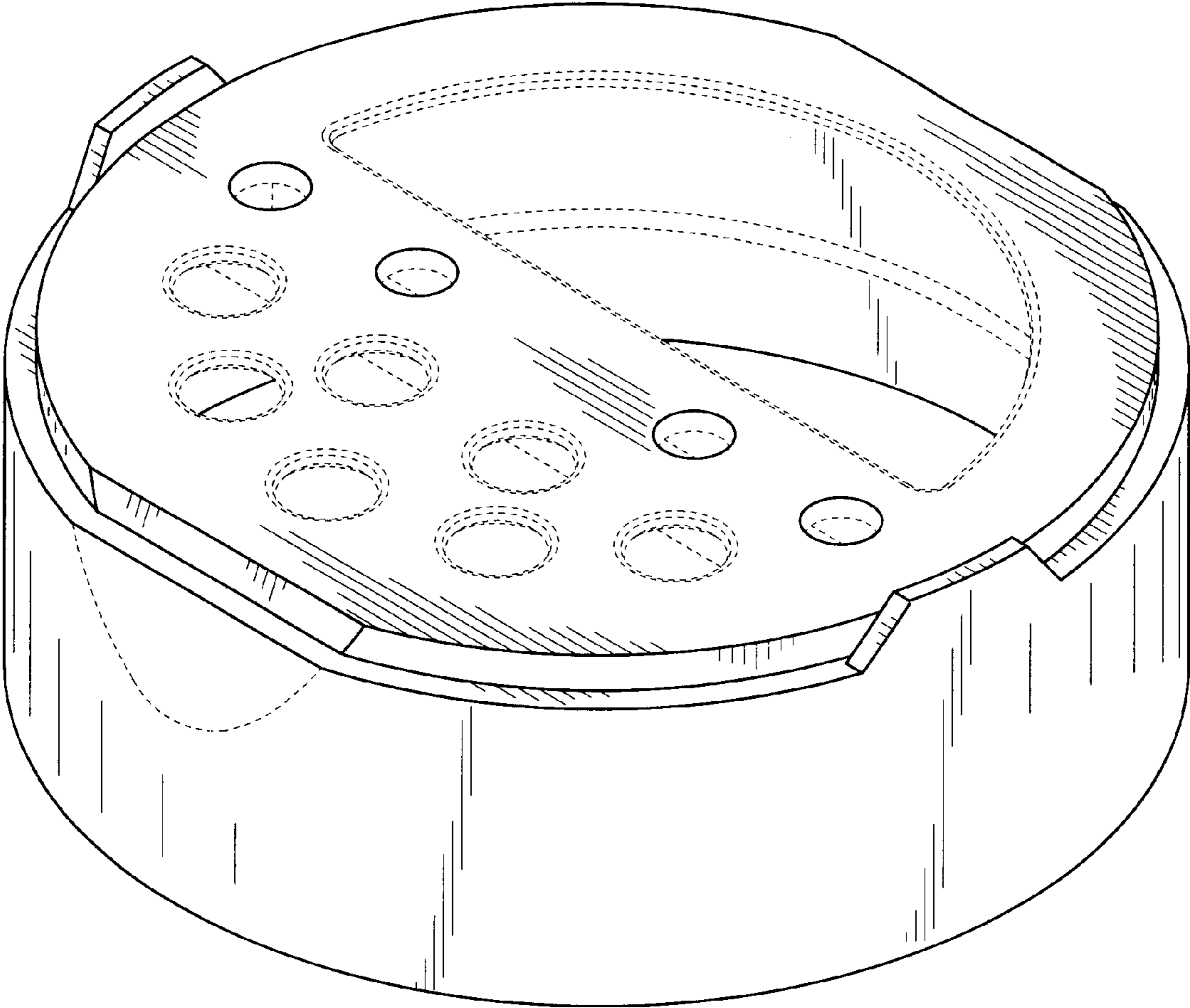


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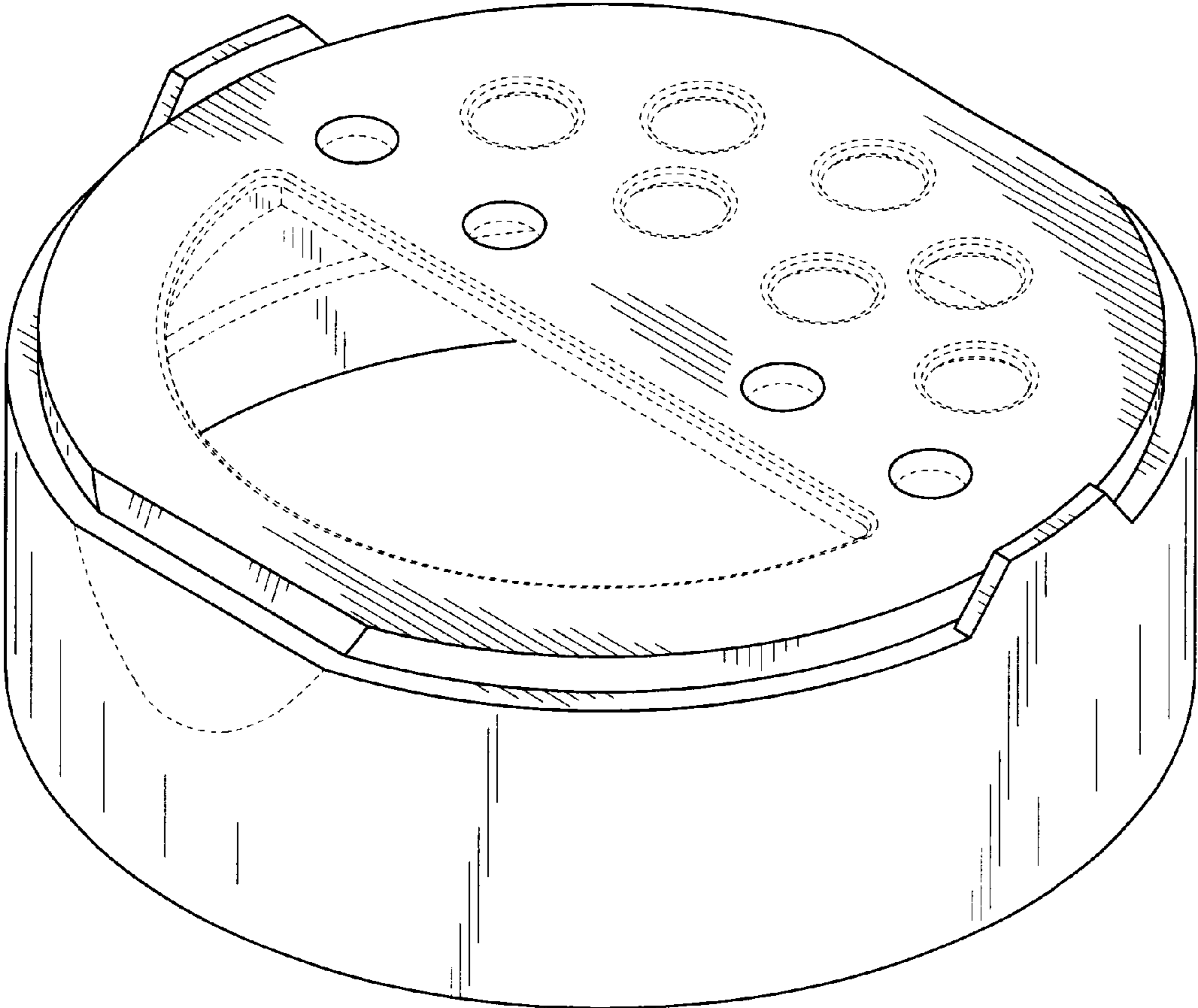


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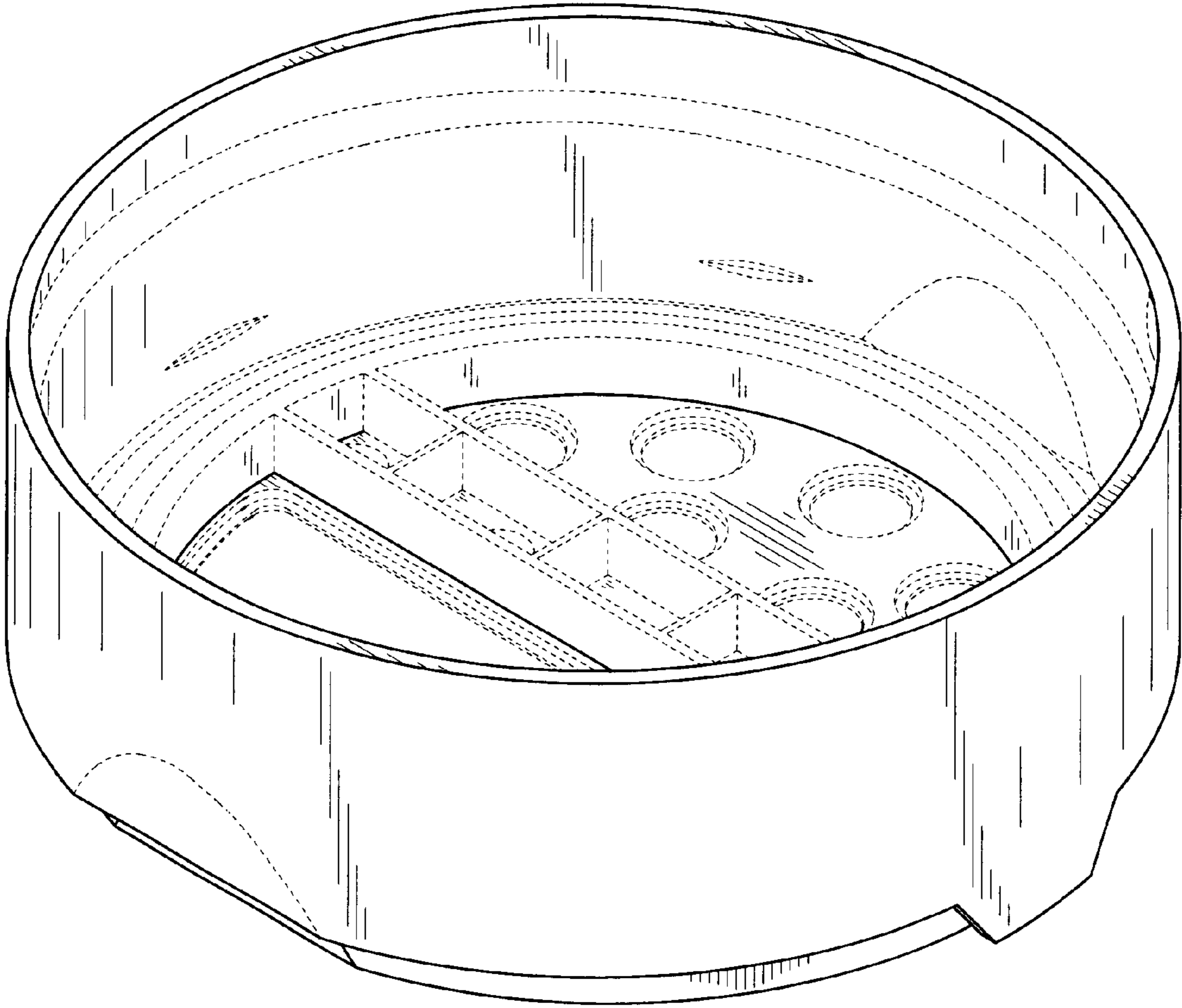


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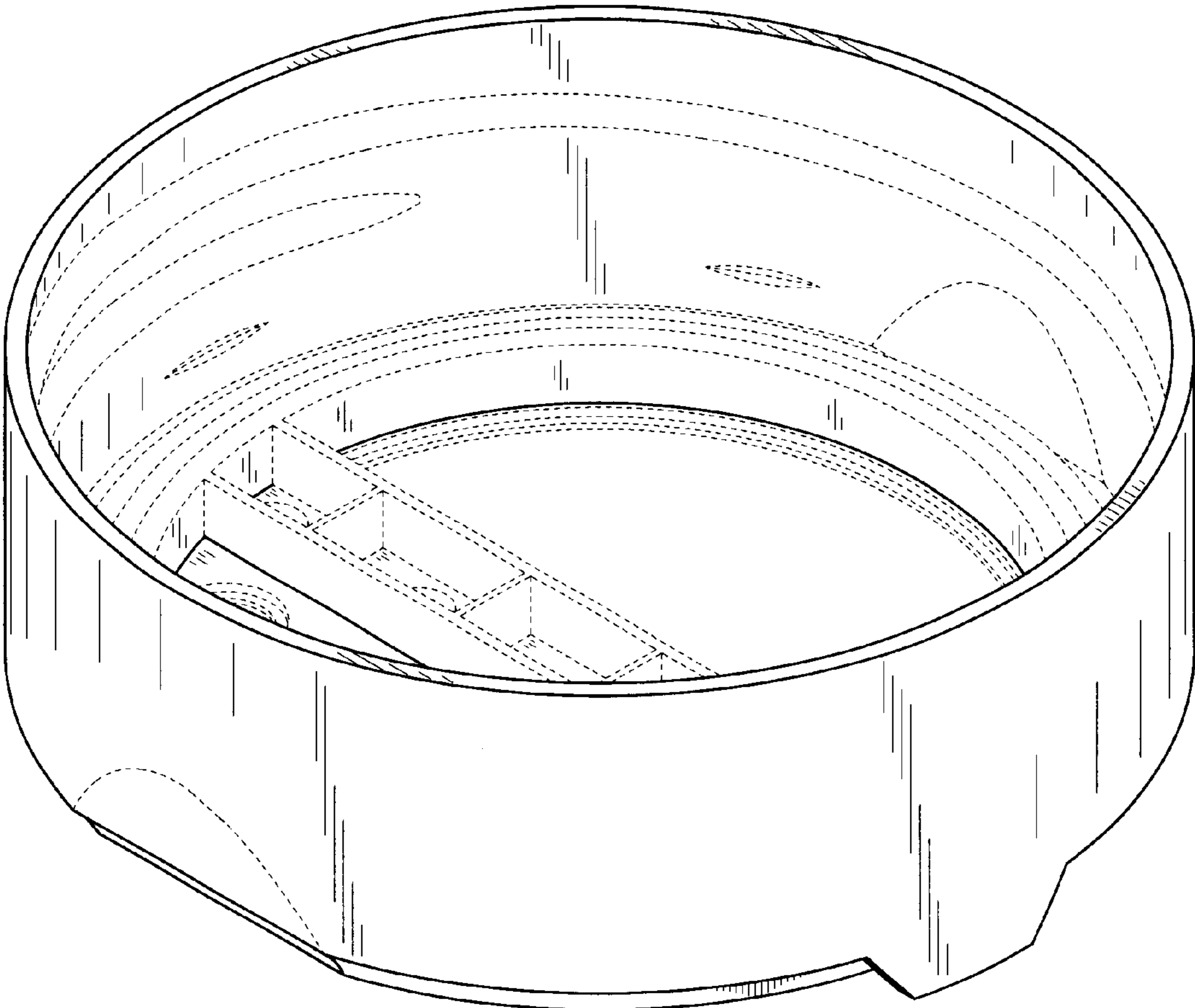


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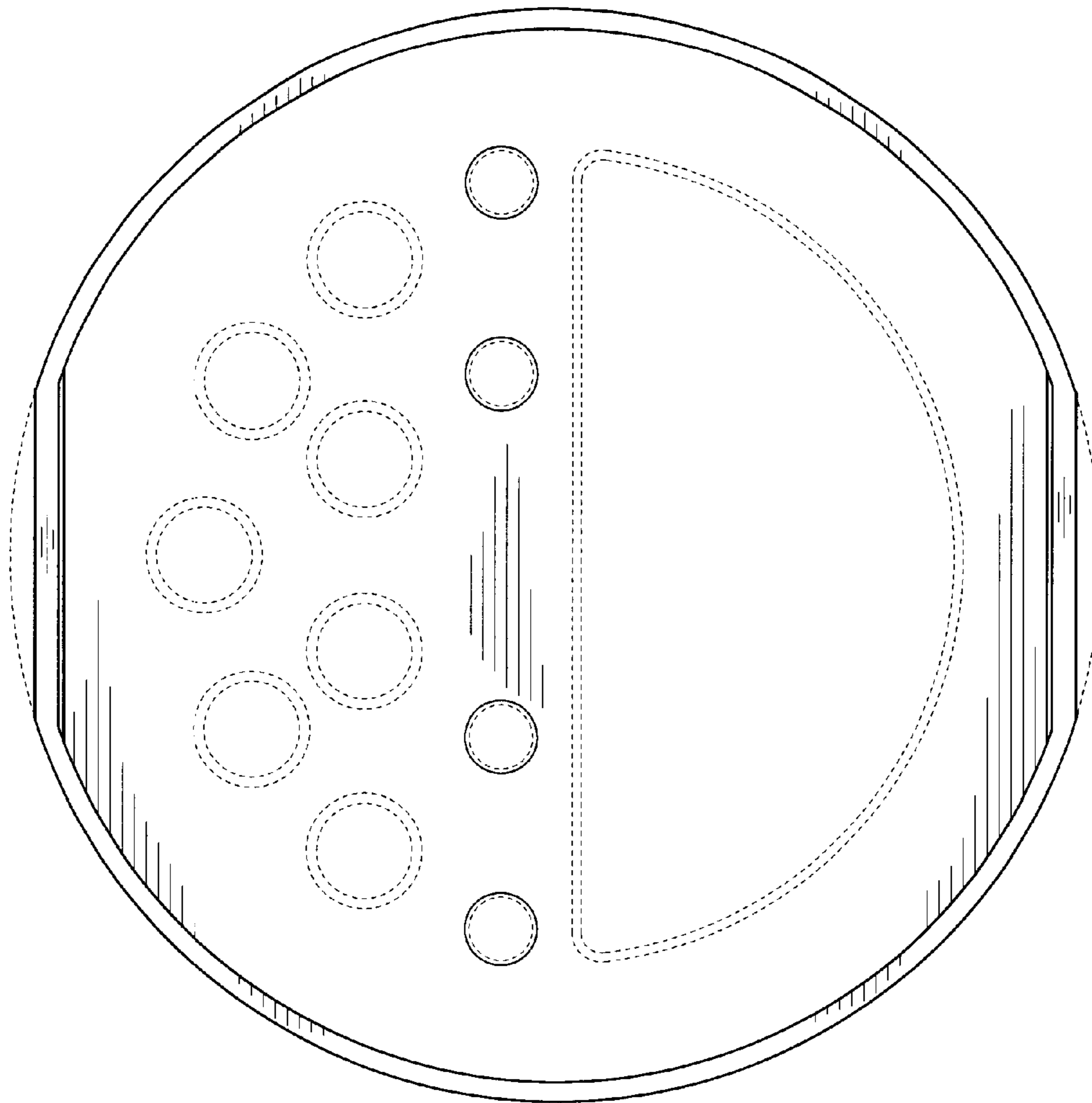


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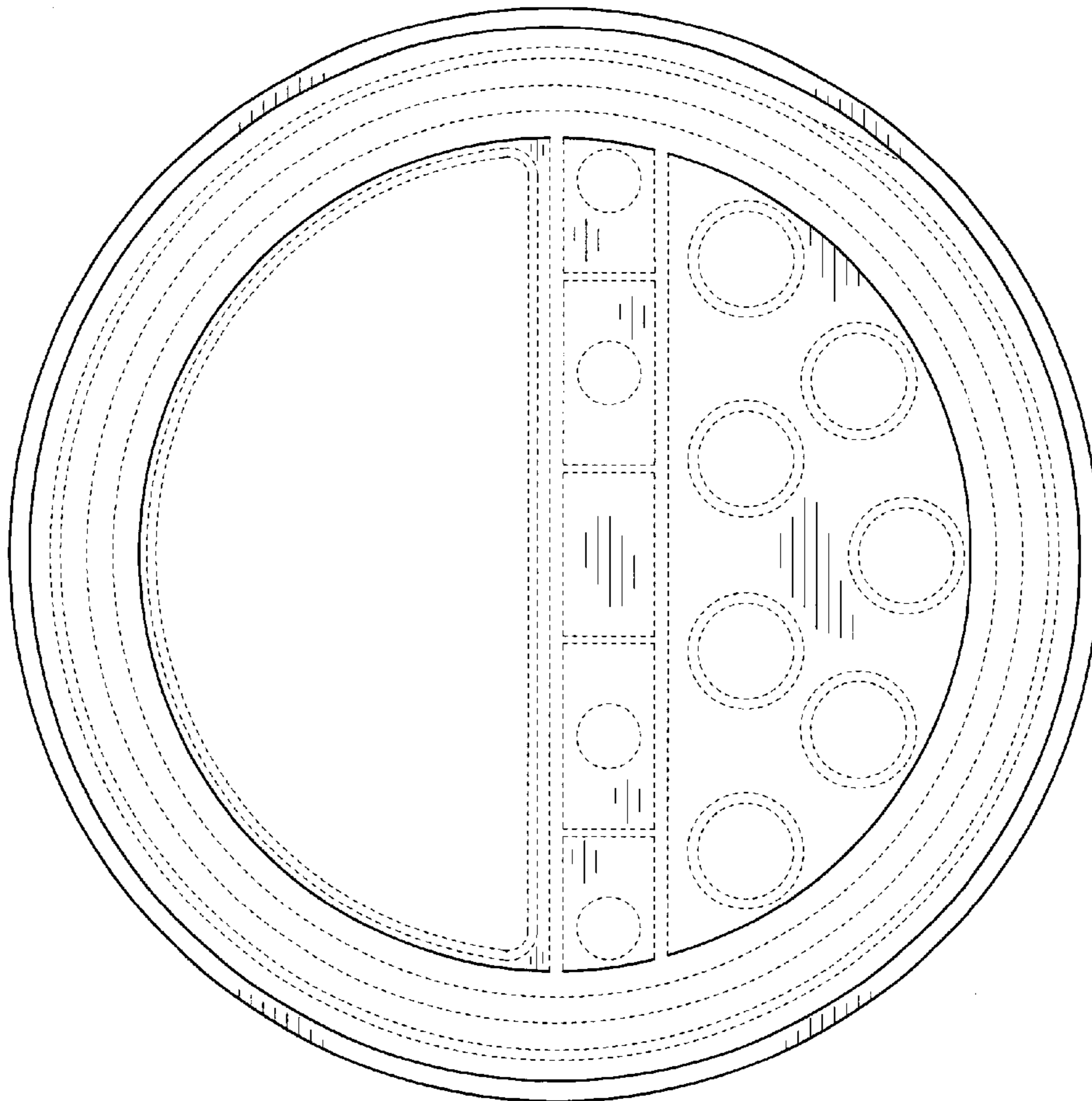


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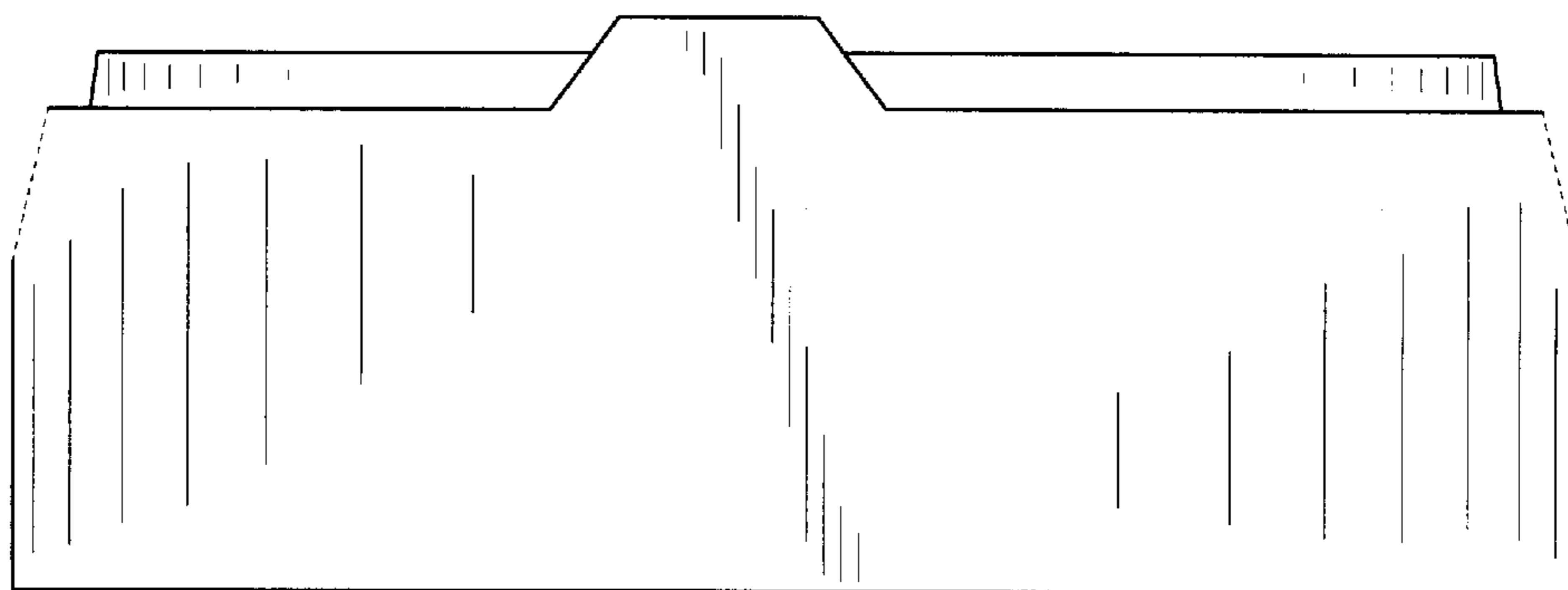


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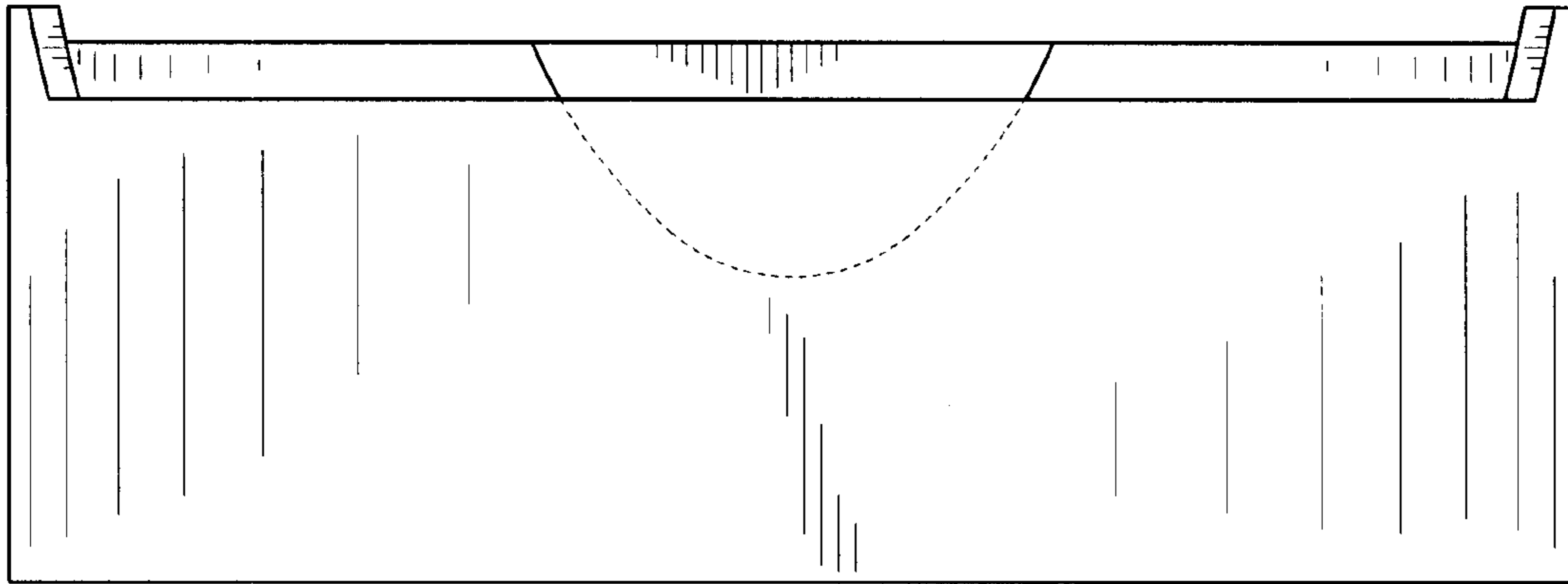


FIGURE 9

