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(54) **TIRE TREAD**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a tire tread, a shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

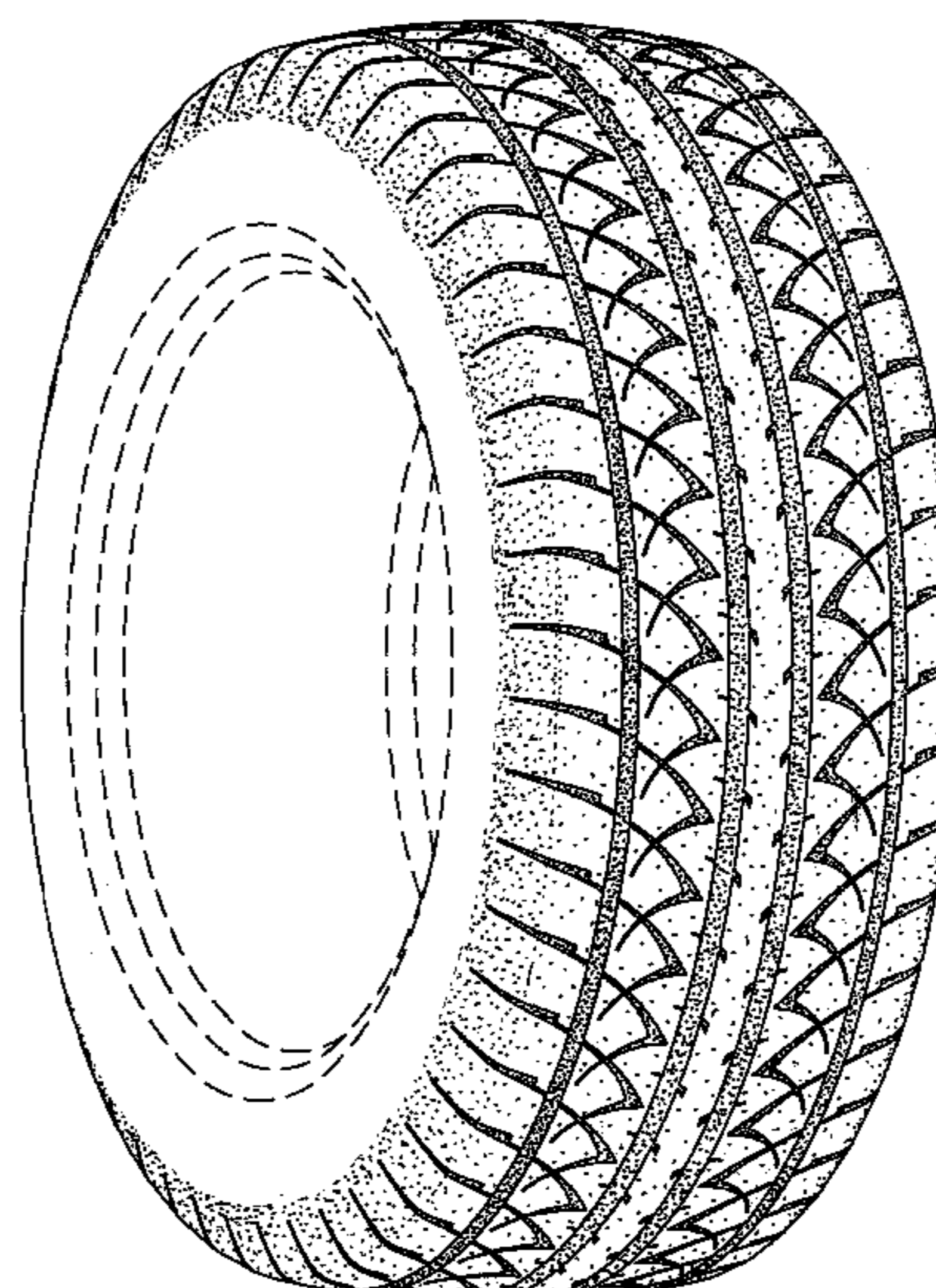
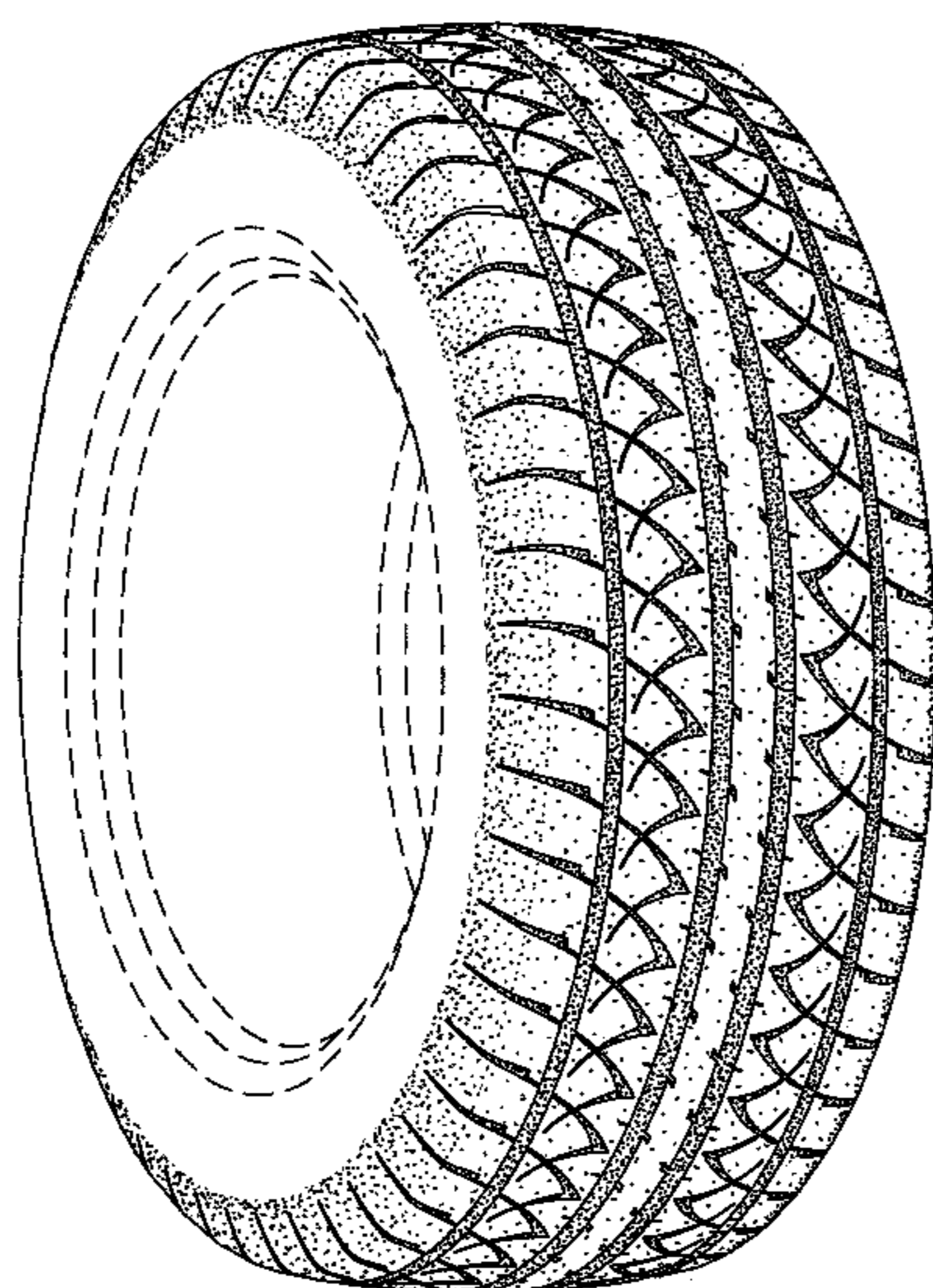
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tire tread showing my new design, it being understood that the non-directional tread pattern repeats circumferentially throughout the outer circumference and shoulder of a tire, the opposite side perspective view being an identical image thereto;

FIG. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary front elevation view of the tire tread thereof of FIG. 1; and,

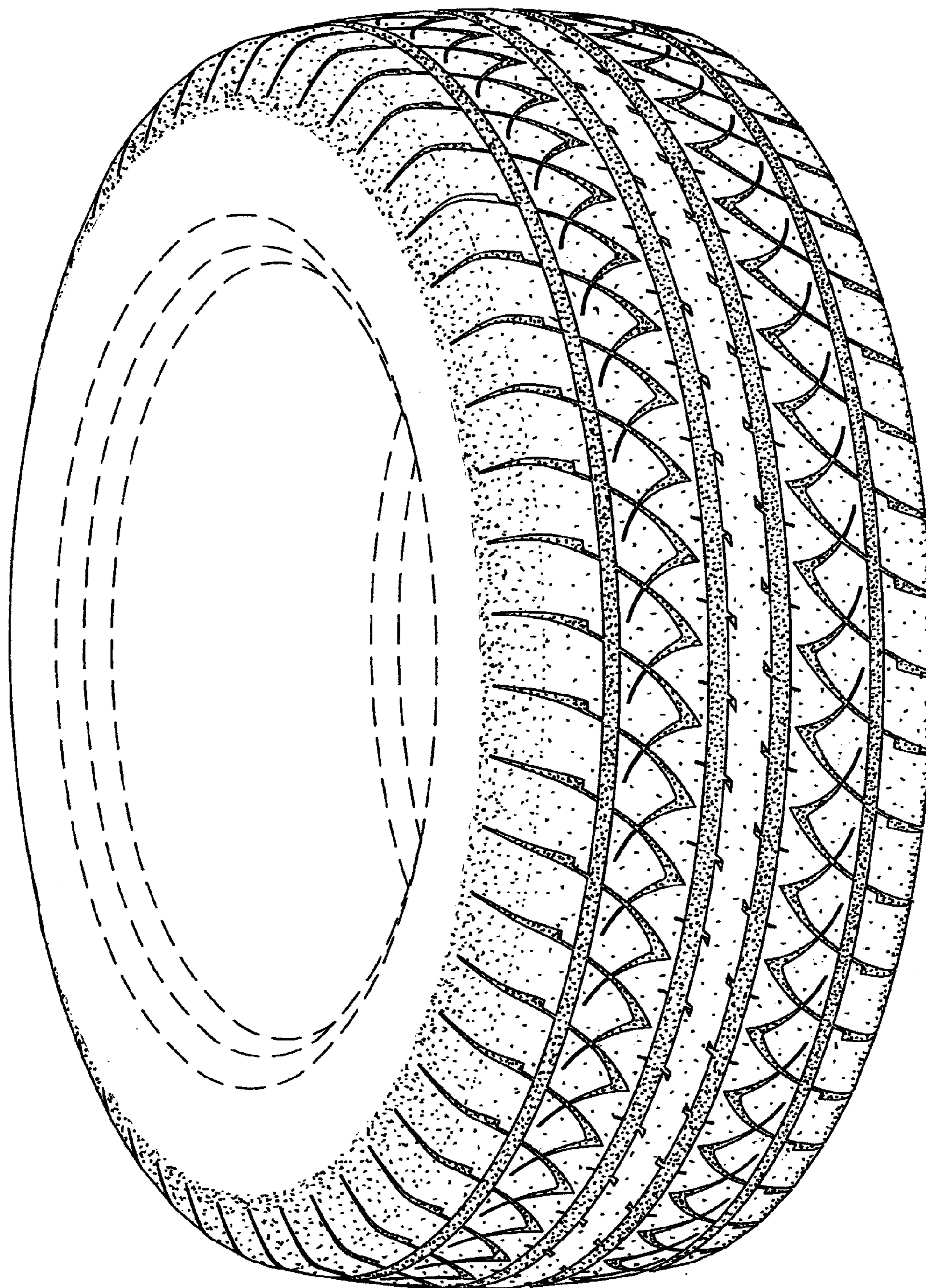
FIG. 3 is a perspective view of a tire tread showing a second embodiment of my new design, it being understood that the directional tread pattern repeats circumferentially throughout the outer circumference and shoulder of a tire, the opposite side perspective view being an inverted image thereto.

In the drawings, the dark stippled surface shading represents the recessed groove portions of the tire tread having a depth as best illustrated along the right edge of FIGS. 1 and 3. The broken line disclosure of the tire sidewall and inner bead is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

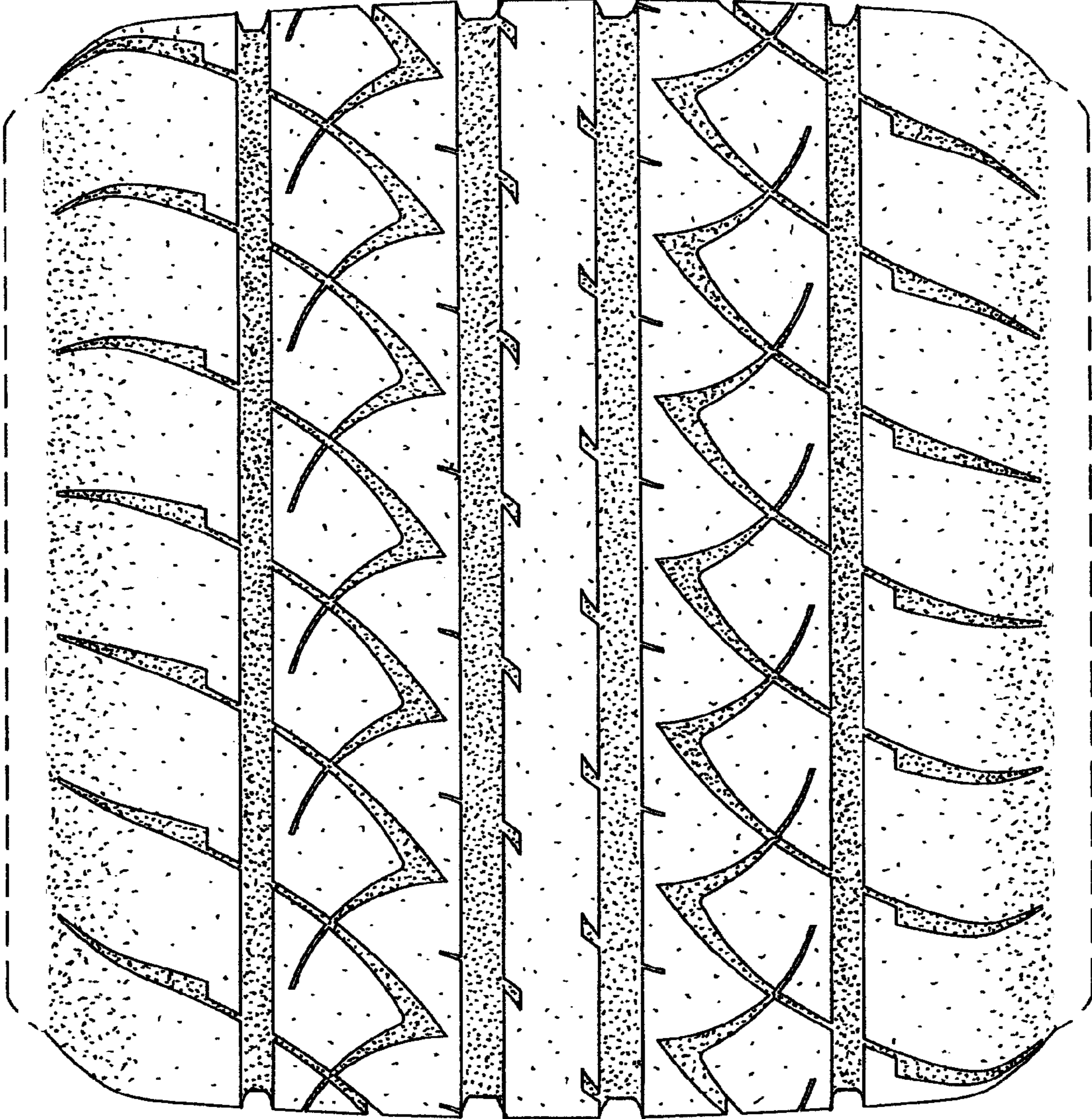
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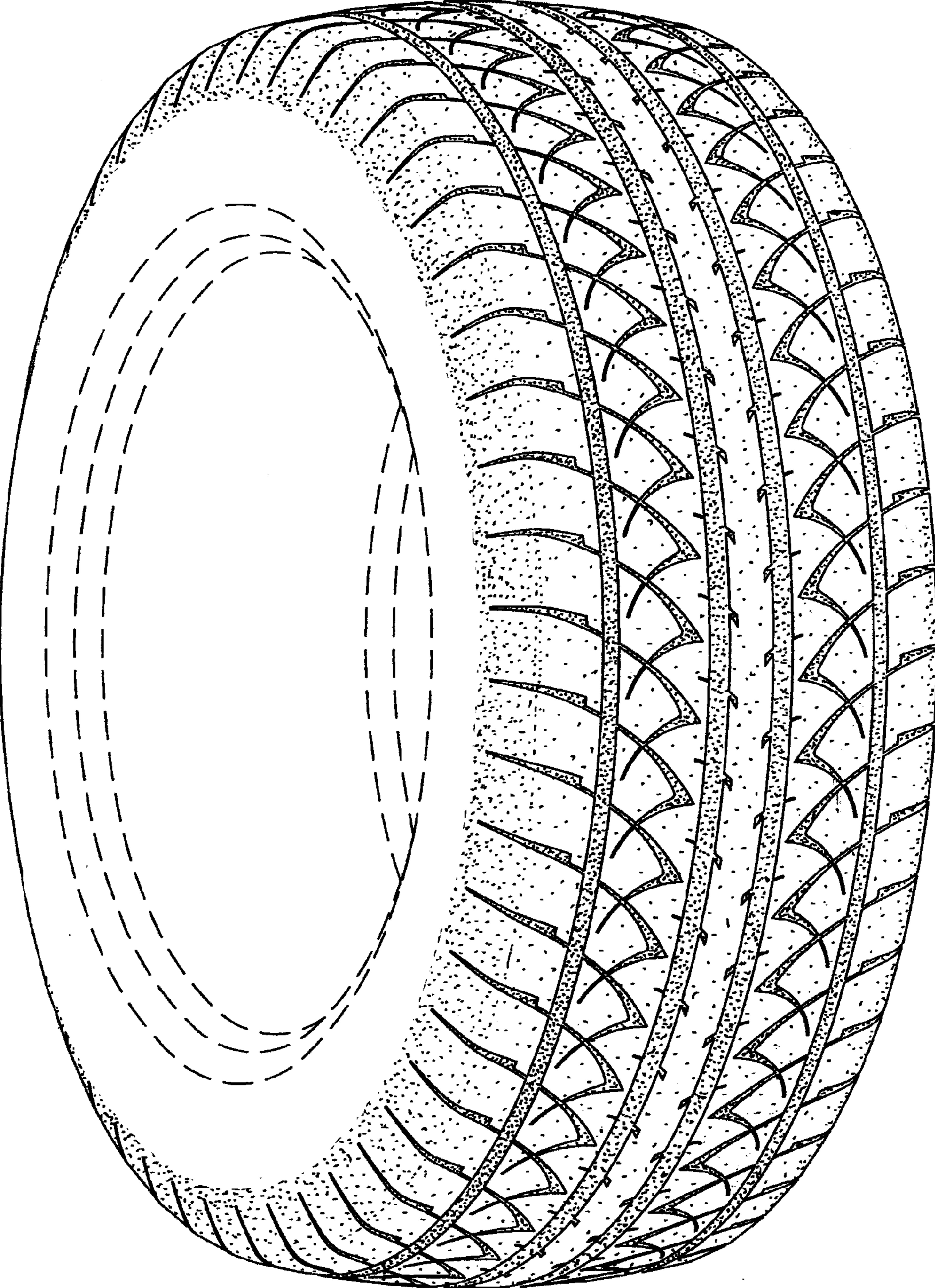


*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2*





*Fig. 3*