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

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

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of an automobile tire, it being understood that the tread pattern repeats uniformly throughout the circumference of the tire.

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FIG. 2 is a front elevation view thereof. A top plan view and a bottom plan view are identical with the front elevation view.

FIG. 3 is a rear elevation view thereof.

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FIG. 4 is a right side elevation view thereof.

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FIG. 5 is a left side elevation view thereof.

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Delta Road Max Tire, 2004 Tread Design Guide, Jan. 2004, p. 19. 4/3.*

FIG. 6 is an enlarged fragmentary front view thereof; and,

Hankook Winter Radial Icebear W300 Tire, 2004 Tread Design Guide, Jan. 2004, p. 30. 4/2.*

FIG. 7 is an enlarged cross-sectional view thereof taken along line 7-7 in FIG. 6.

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1 Claim, 7 Drawing Sheets

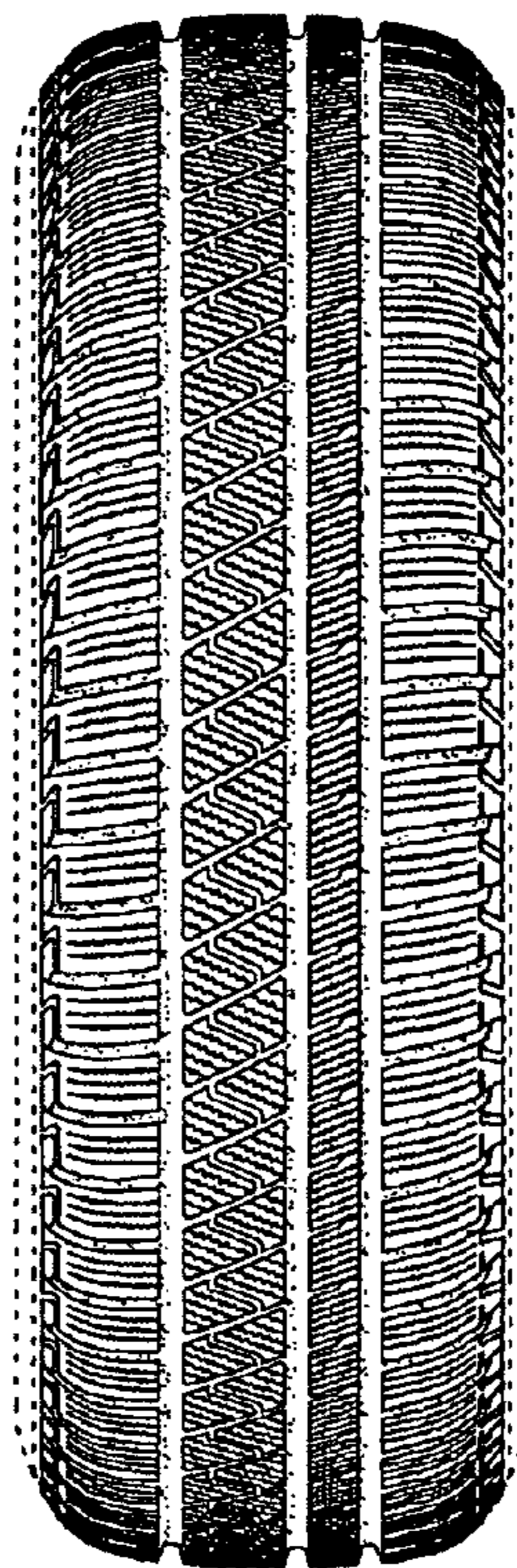


FIG. 1

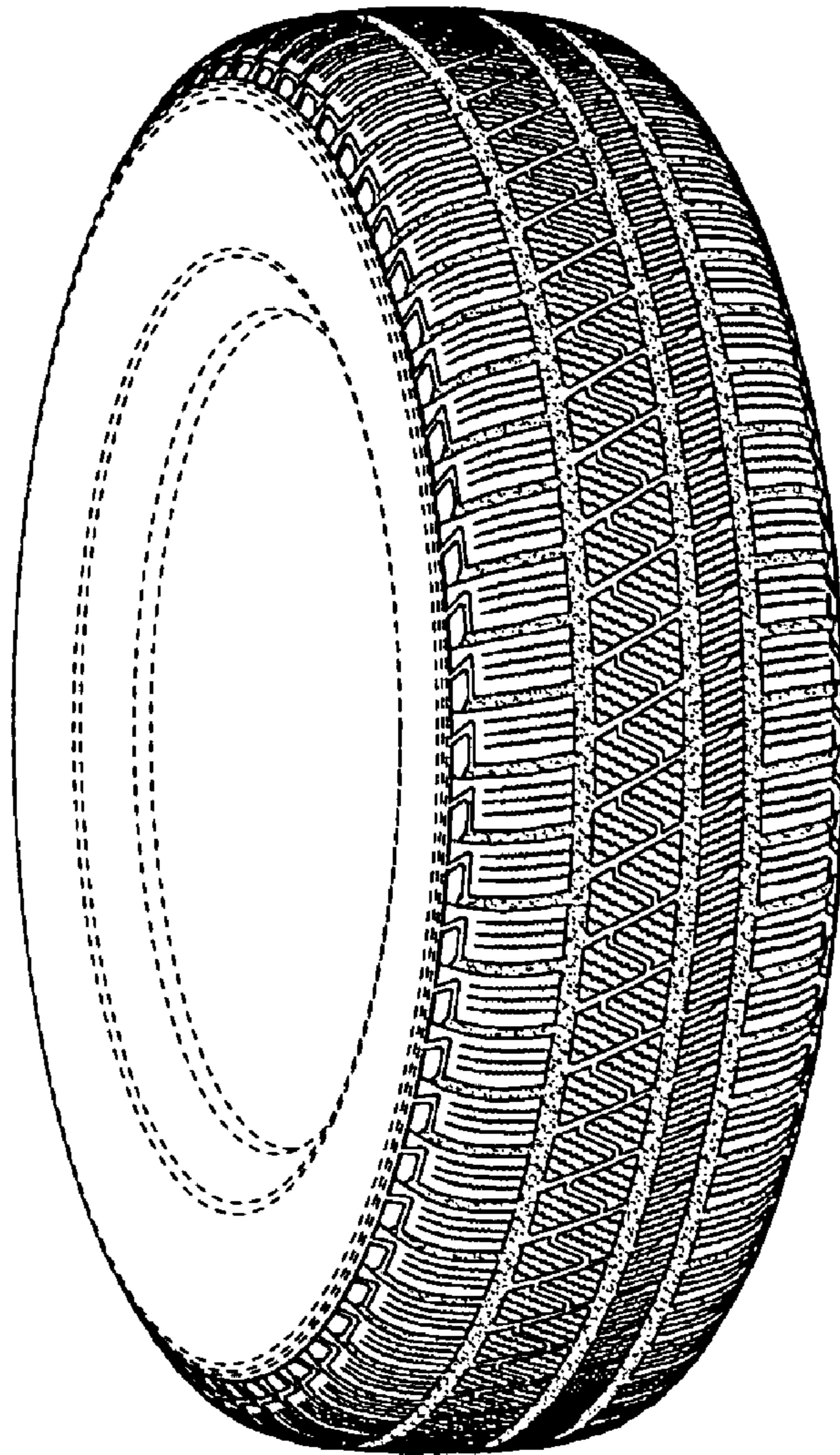


FIG. 2

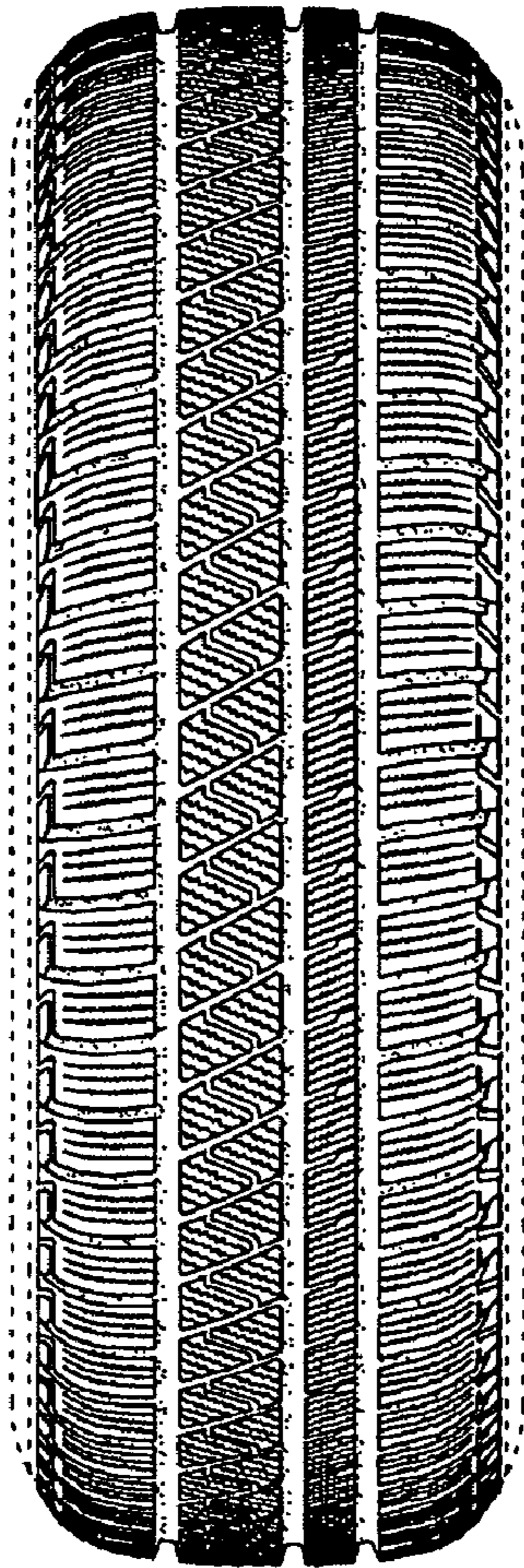


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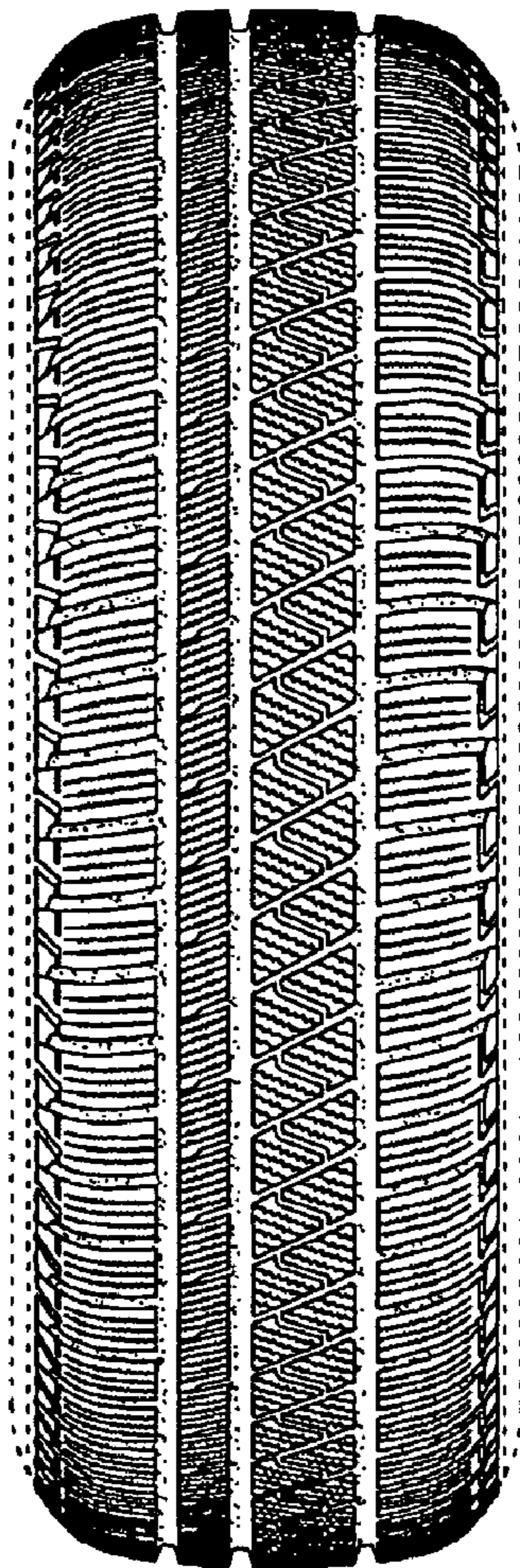


FIG. 4

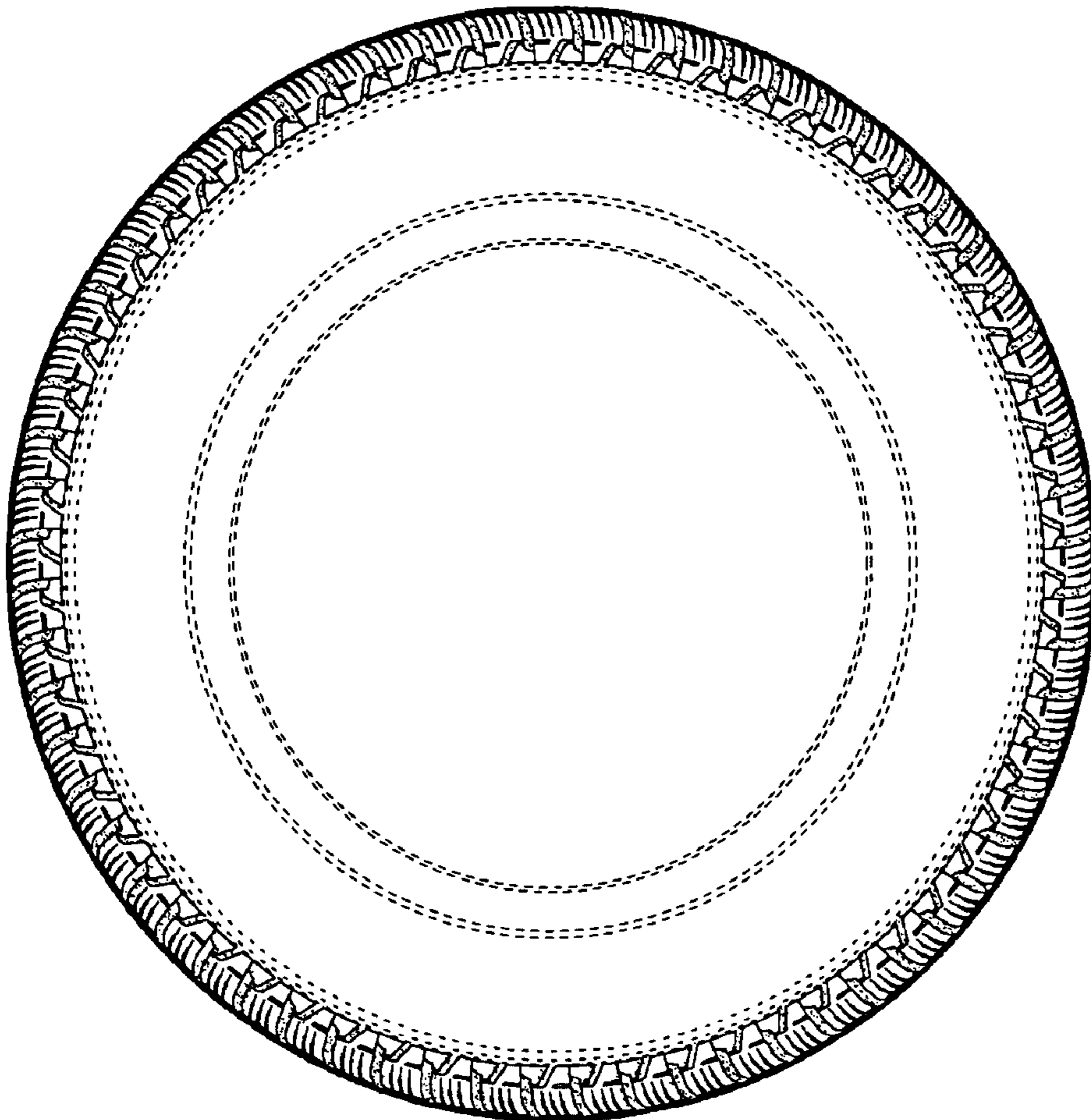


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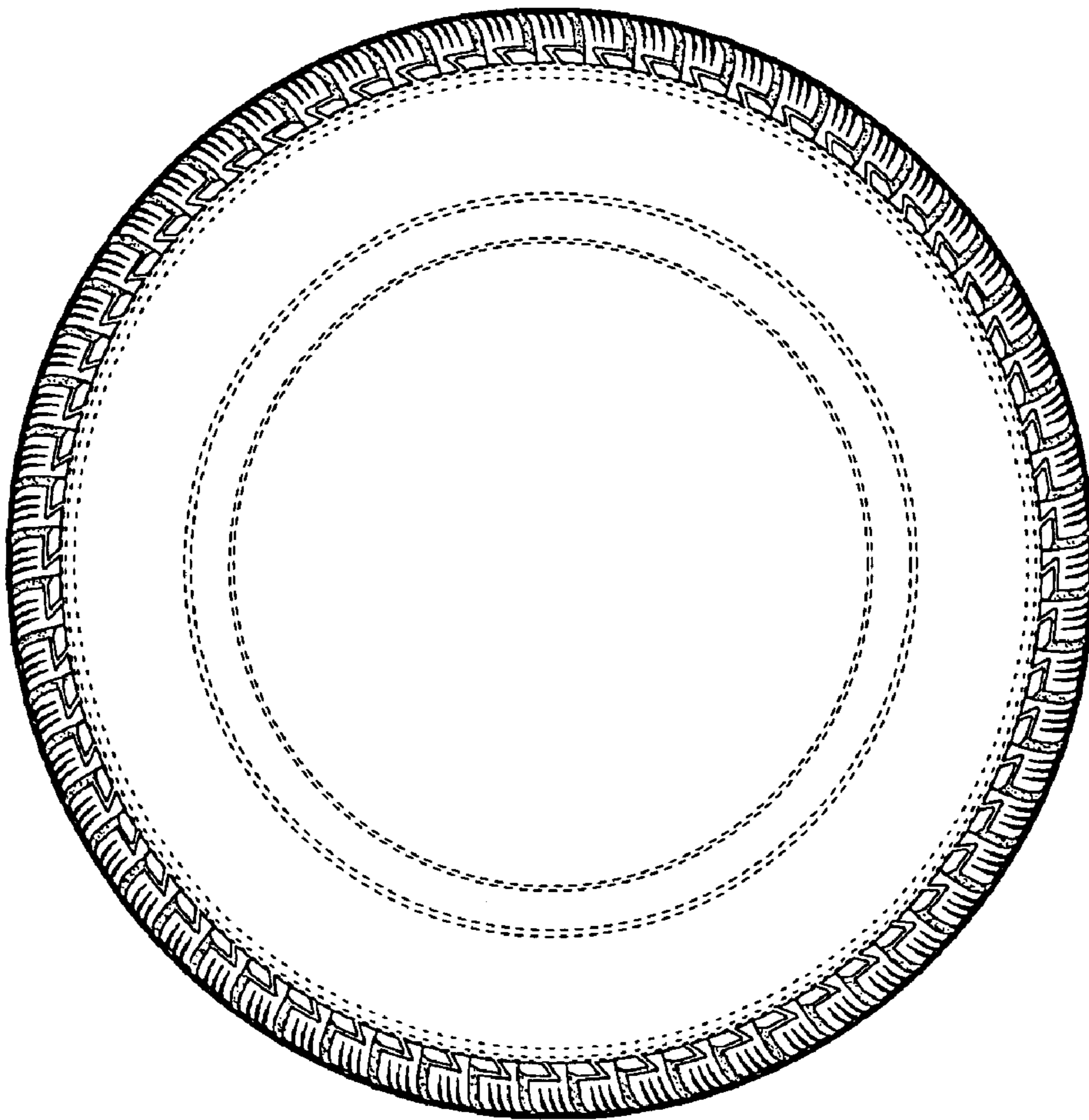


FIG. 6

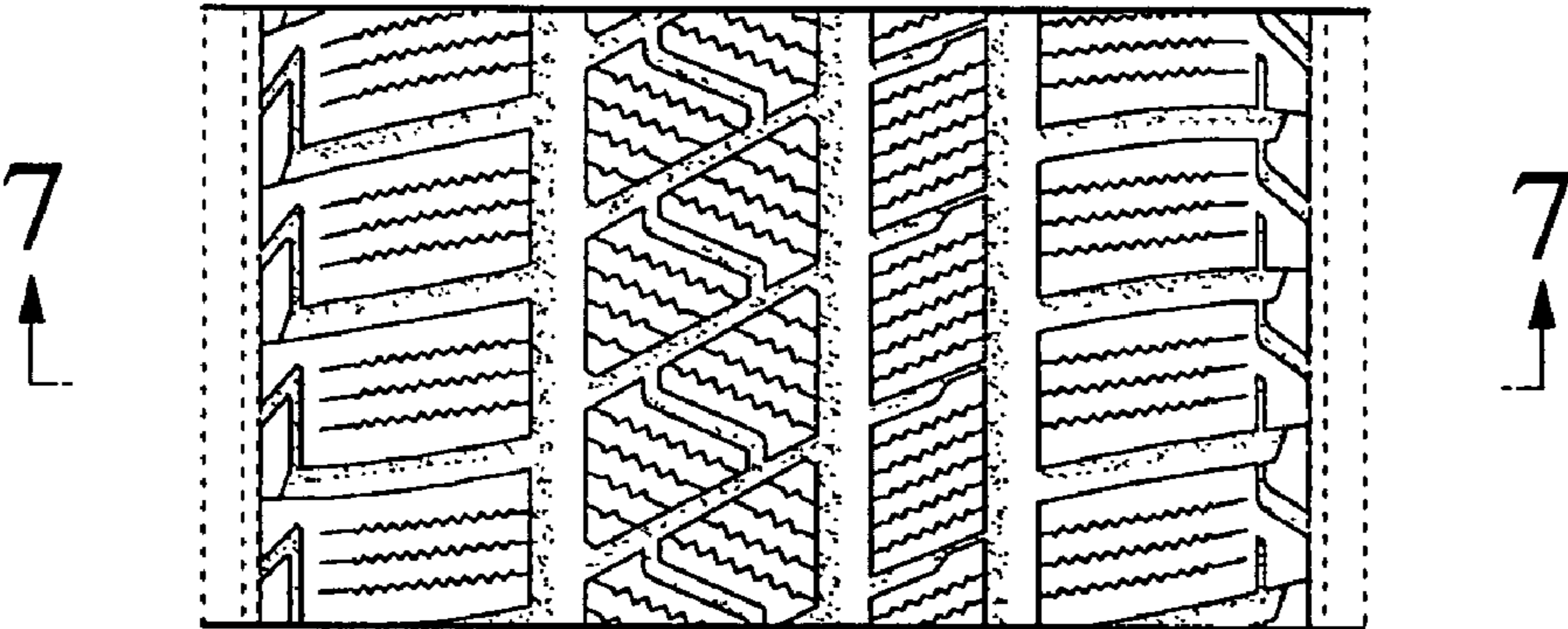


FIG. 7

