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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 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.

FIG. **4** is a right side elevation view thereof.

FIG. **5** is a left side elevation view thereof.

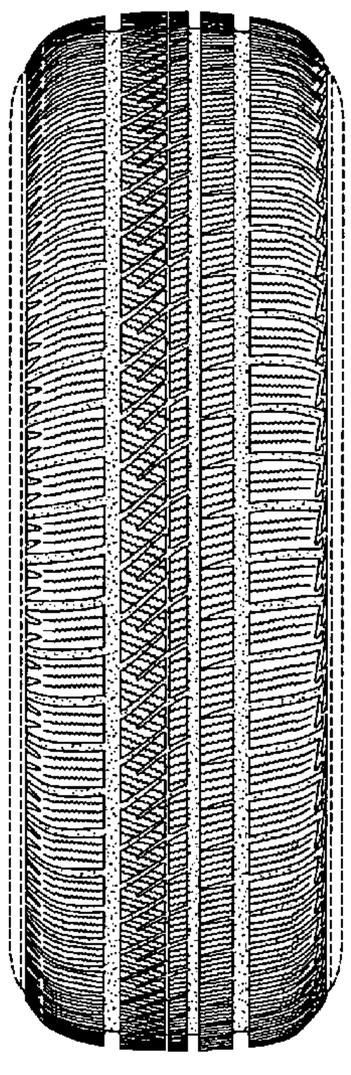
FIG. **6** is an enlarged fragmentary front view thereof; and,

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

The portion of the article shown in broken lines is for illustrative purpose only and forms no part of the claimed design.

In the drawings, the stippled surfaces represent the recessed portions of the tread grooves, having the depth shown in FIG. **7**.

1 Claim, 7 Drawing Sheets



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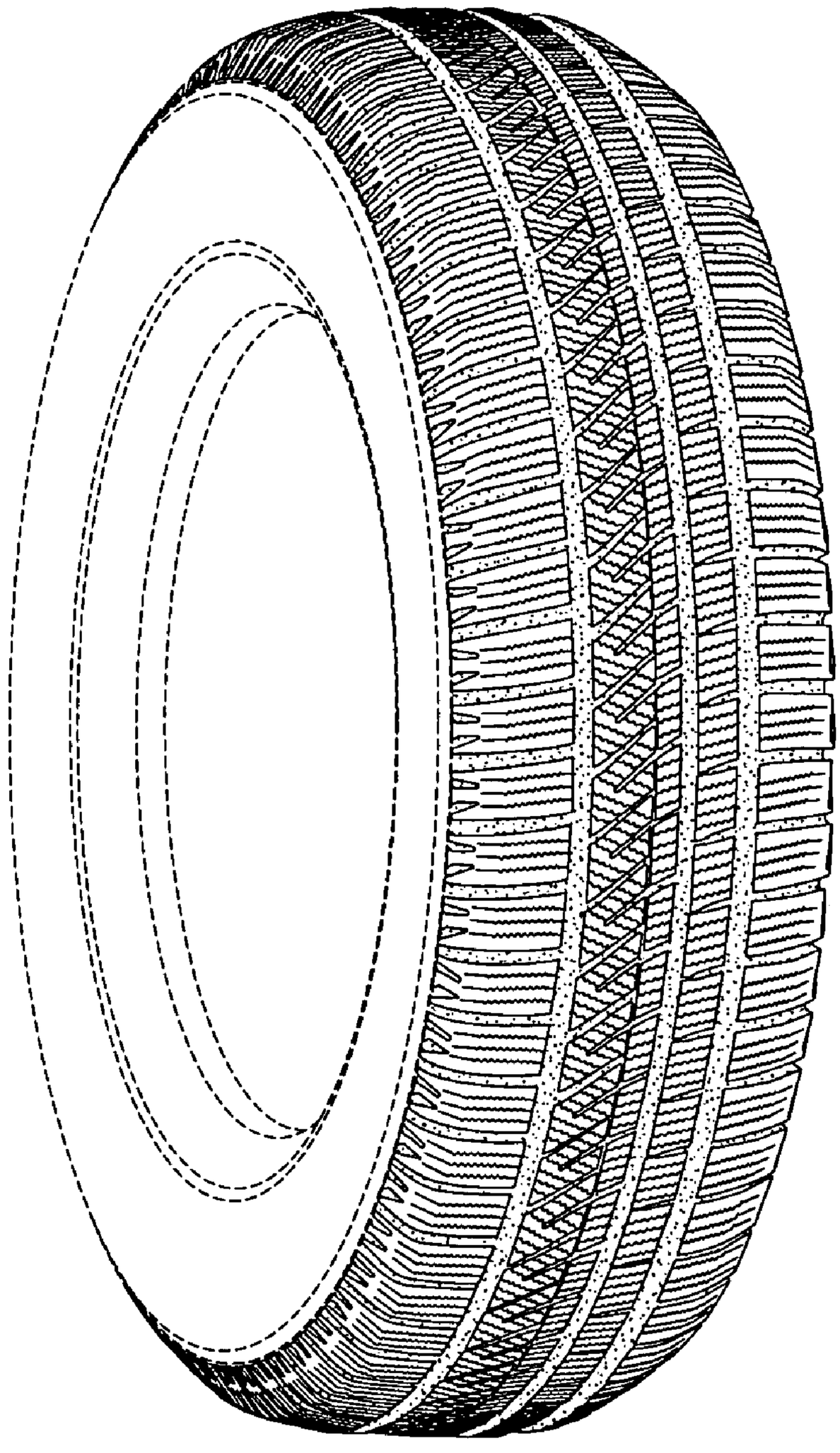

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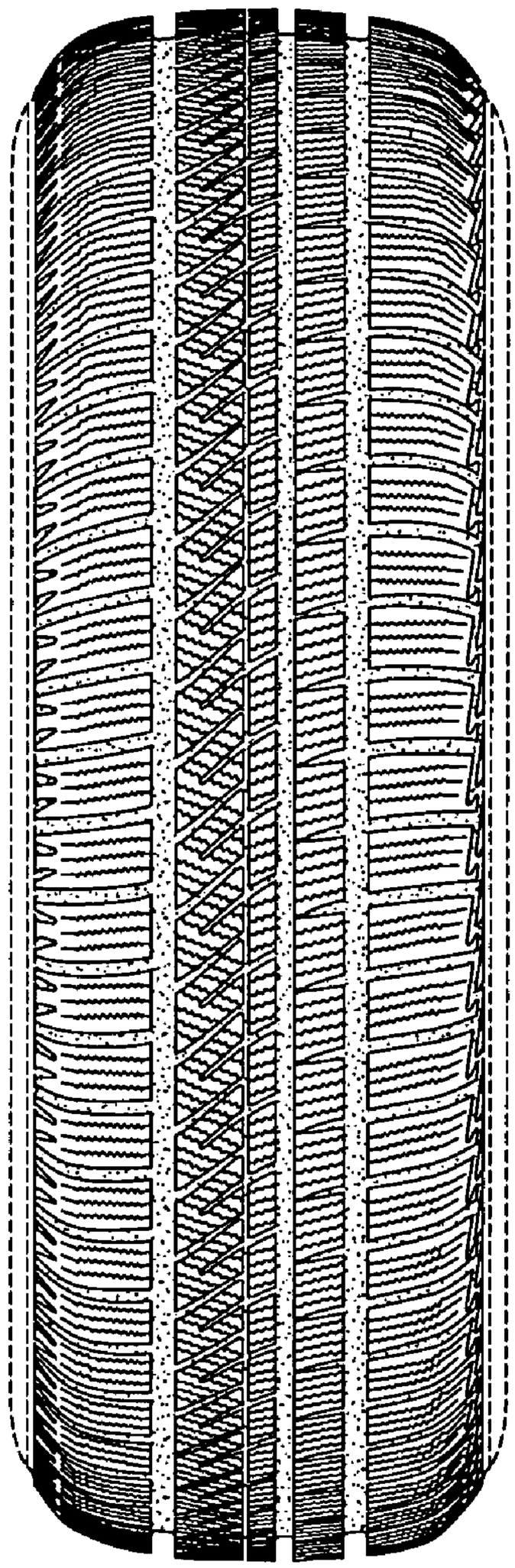

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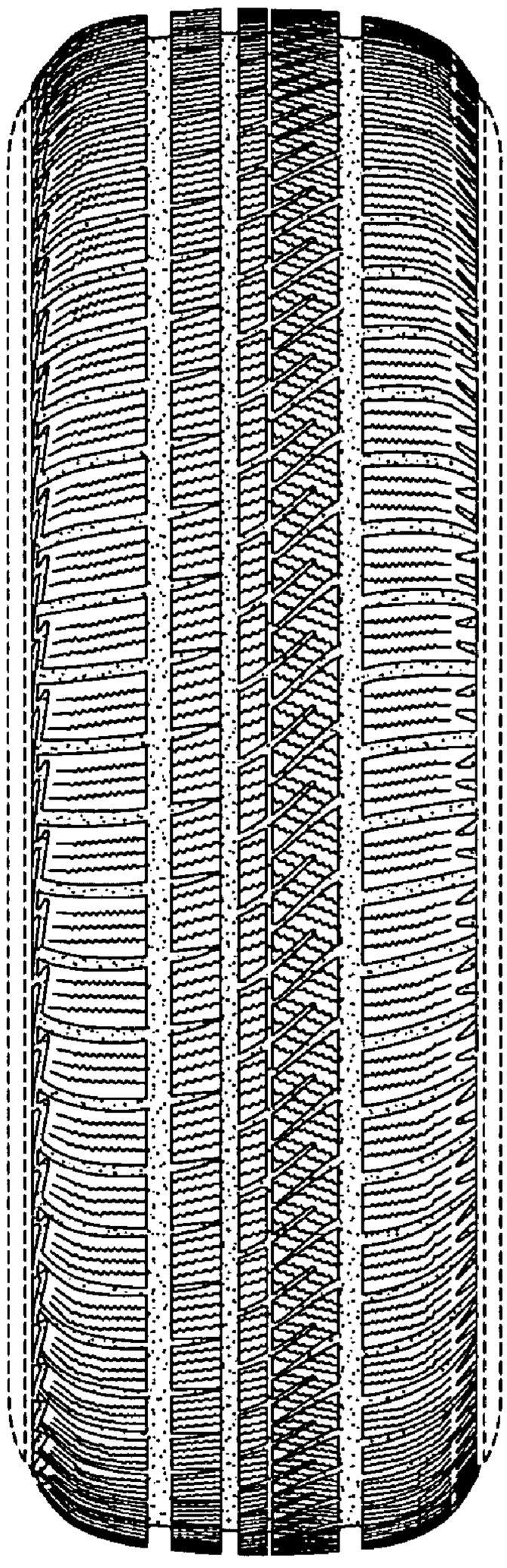

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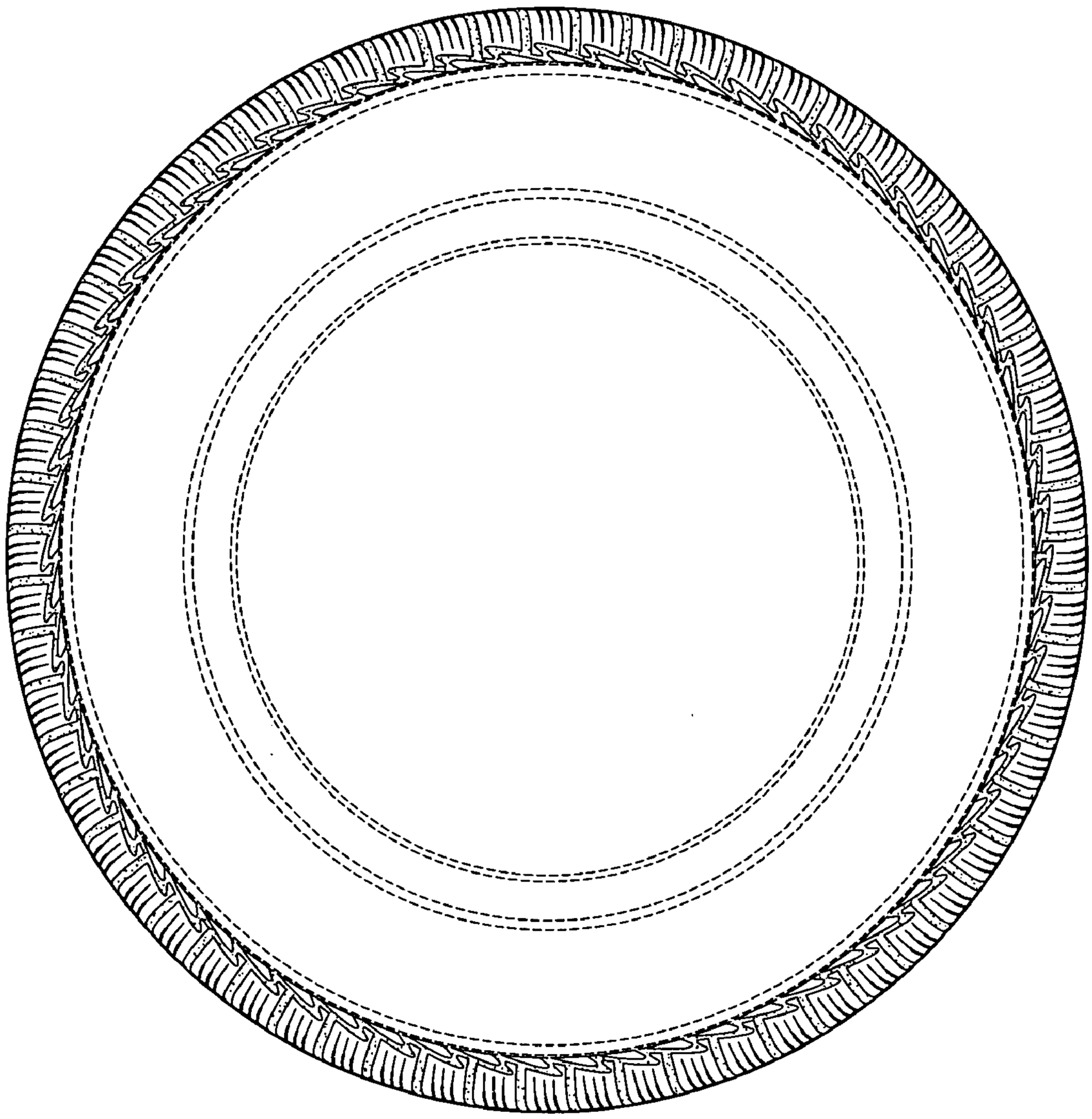

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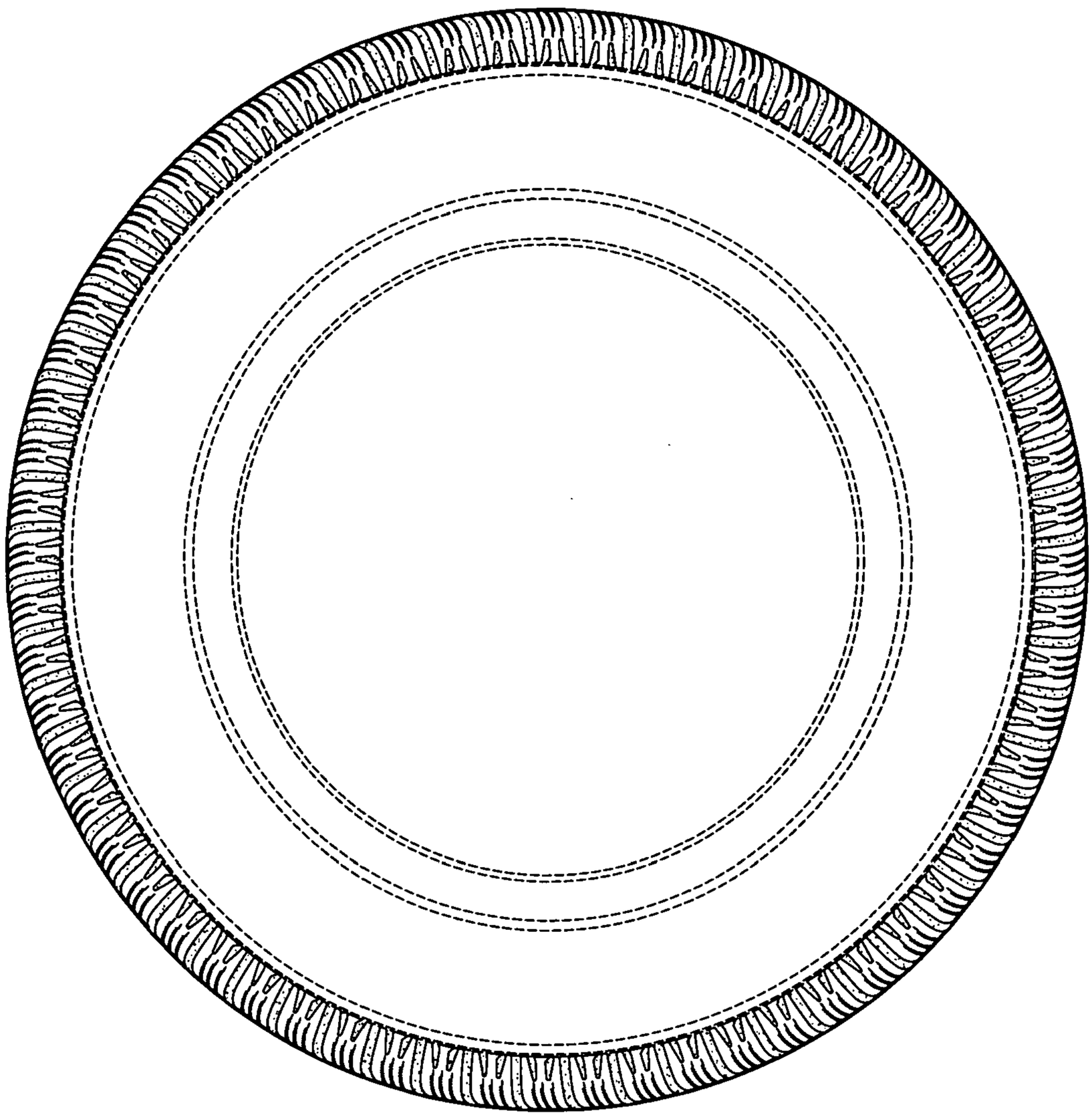

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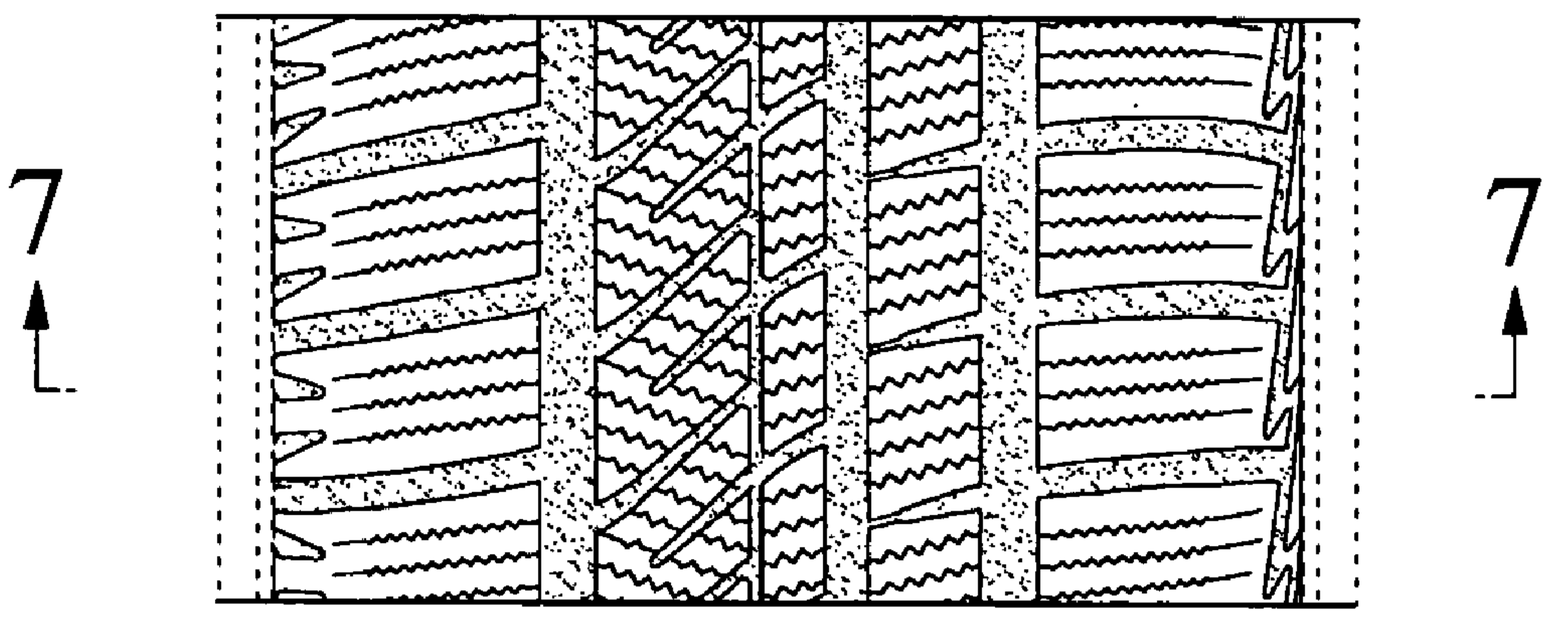

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