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(54) **RAFTER ELEMENT**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a rafter element, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

The article in which the design is embodied is a rafter element with a single tubular extension for use in an outdoor structure, such as a vehicle protection canopy or carport.

This application is related to application Ser. No. 29/267,494, titled RAFTER ELEMENT WITH SINGLE EXTENSION FOR USE IN AN OUTDOOR STRUCTURE, filed Oct. 16, 2006;

This application is related to application Ser. No. 29/267,487, titled RAFTER ELEMENT, filed Oct. 16, 2006; and

This application is related to application Ser. No. 29/267,481, titled RAFTER ELEMENT, filed Oct. 16, 2006.

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the rafter element;

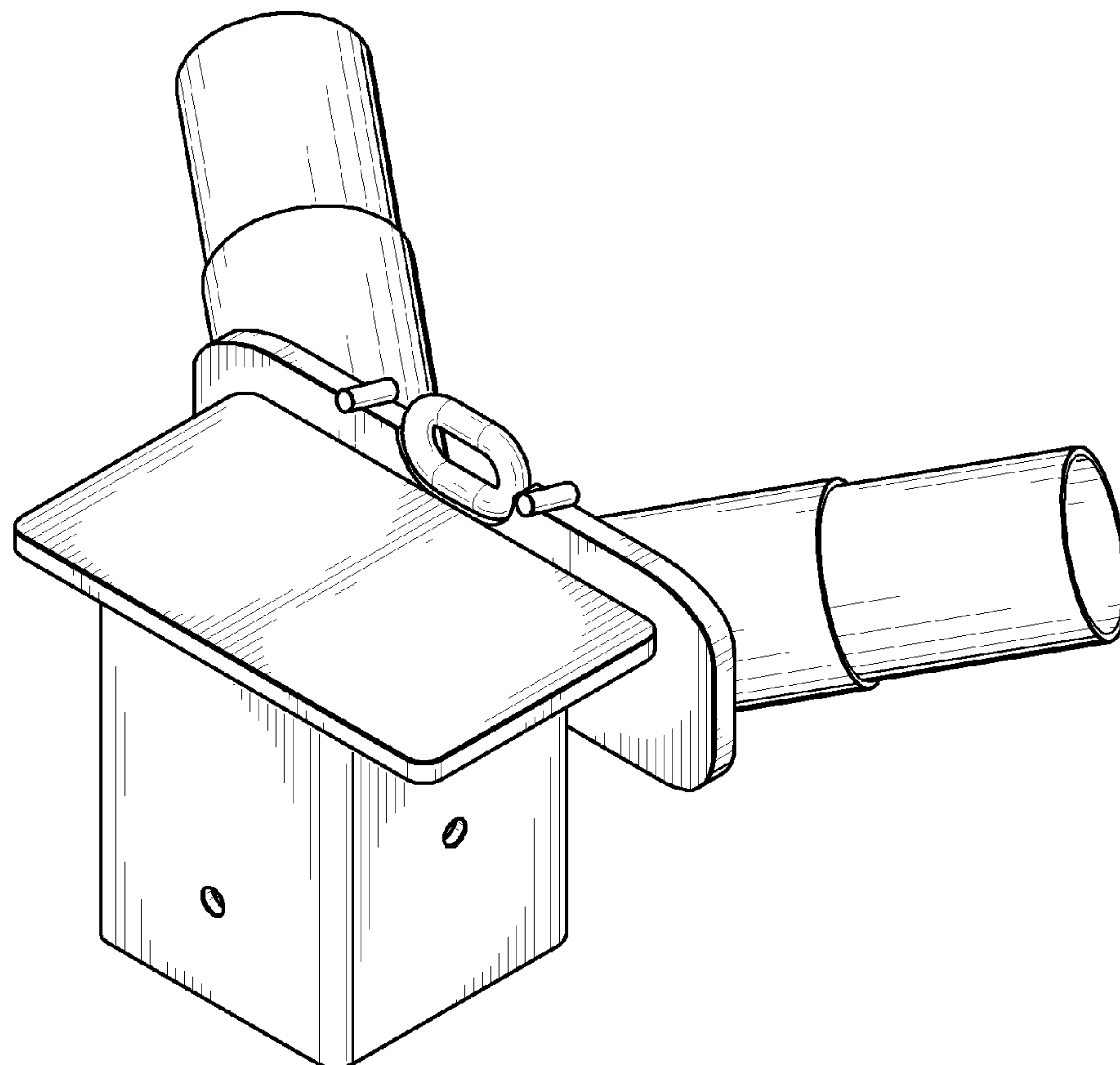
FIG. 2 is a front view of the rafter element of FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a top view of the rafter element of FIG. 2;

FIG. 4 is a side view of the rafter element of FIG. 2; and,

FIG. 5 is a bottom view of the rafter element of FIG. 2.

**1 Claim, 3 Drawing Sheets**



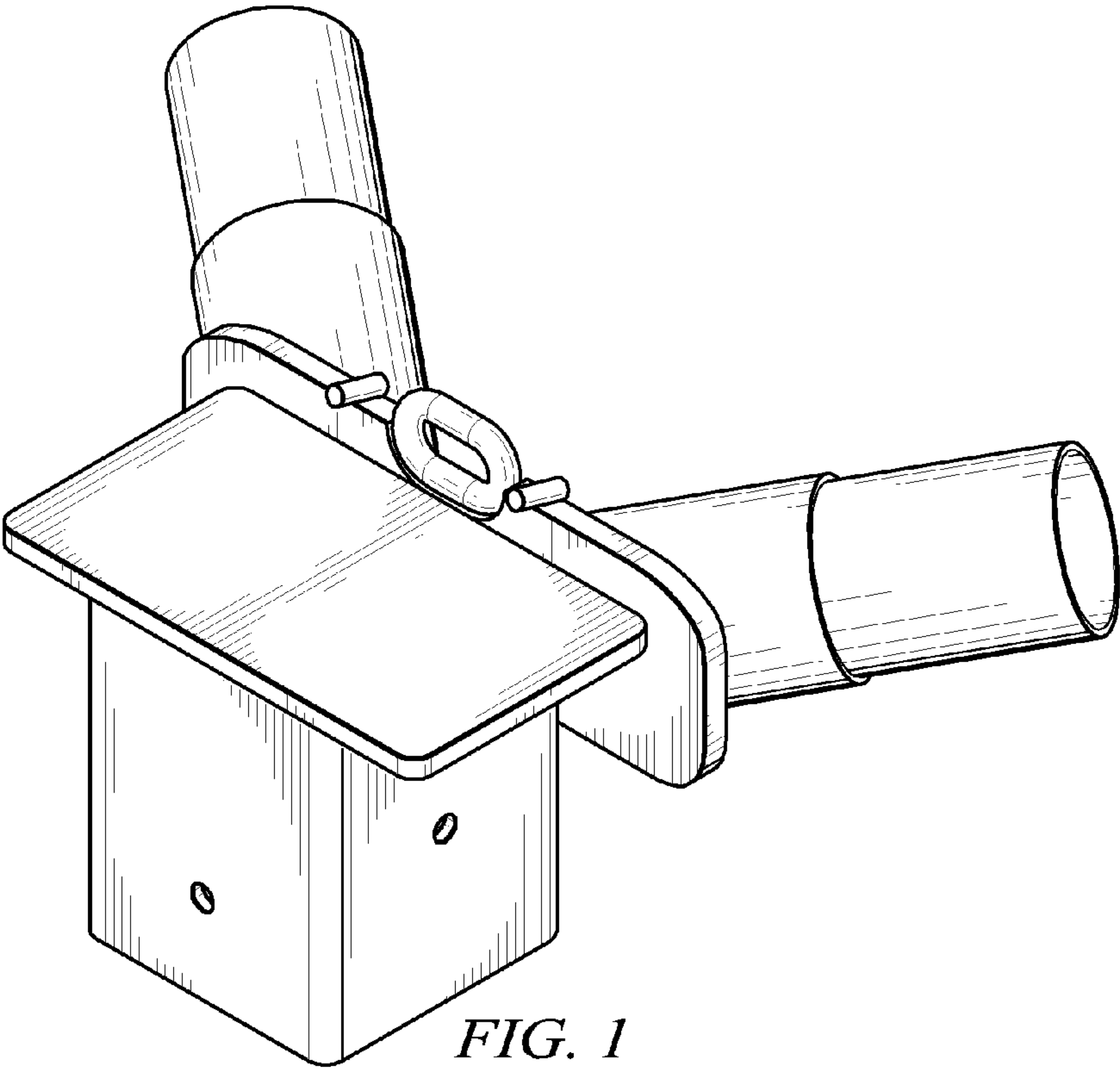


FIG. 1

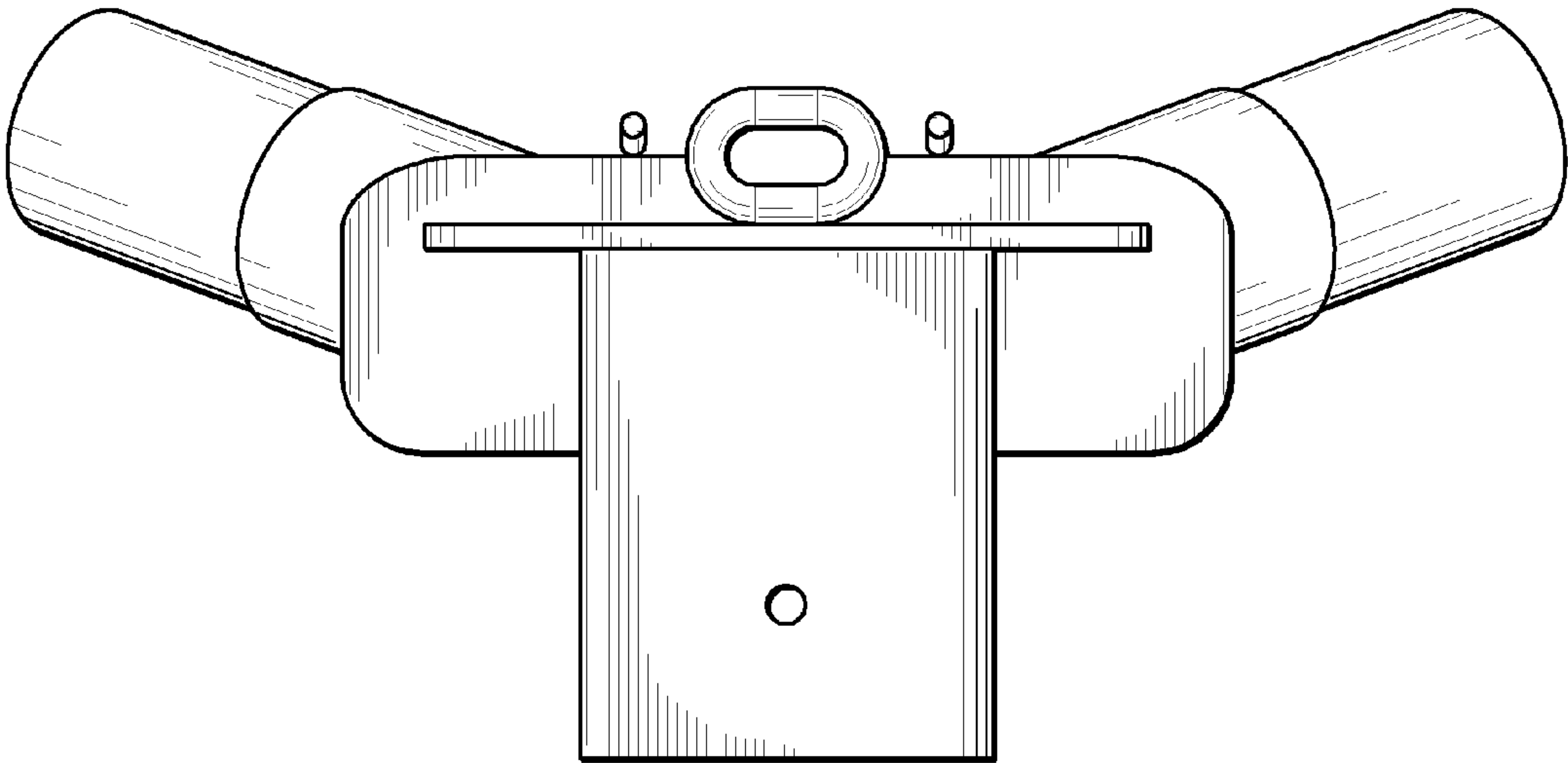


FIG. 2

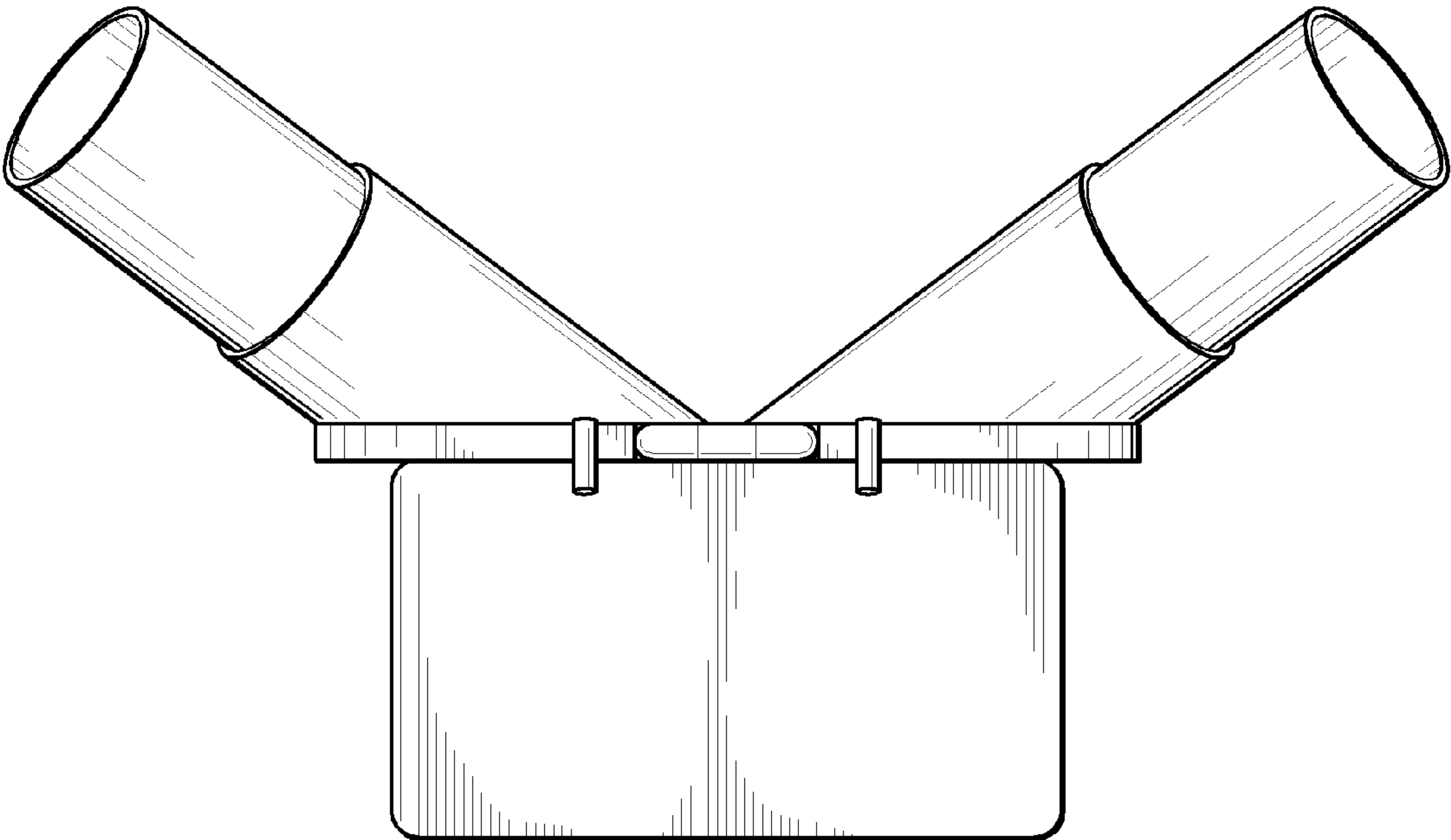


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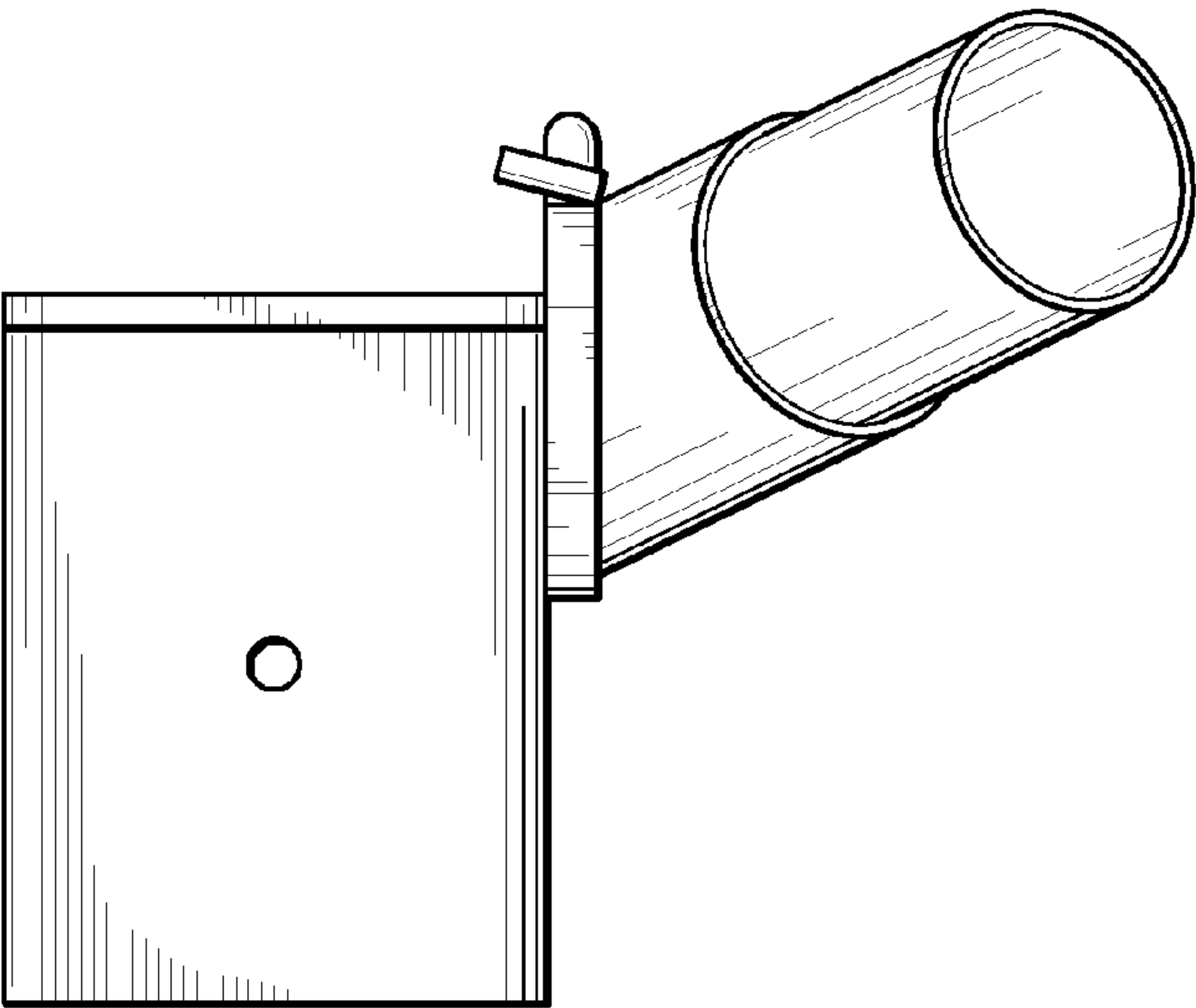
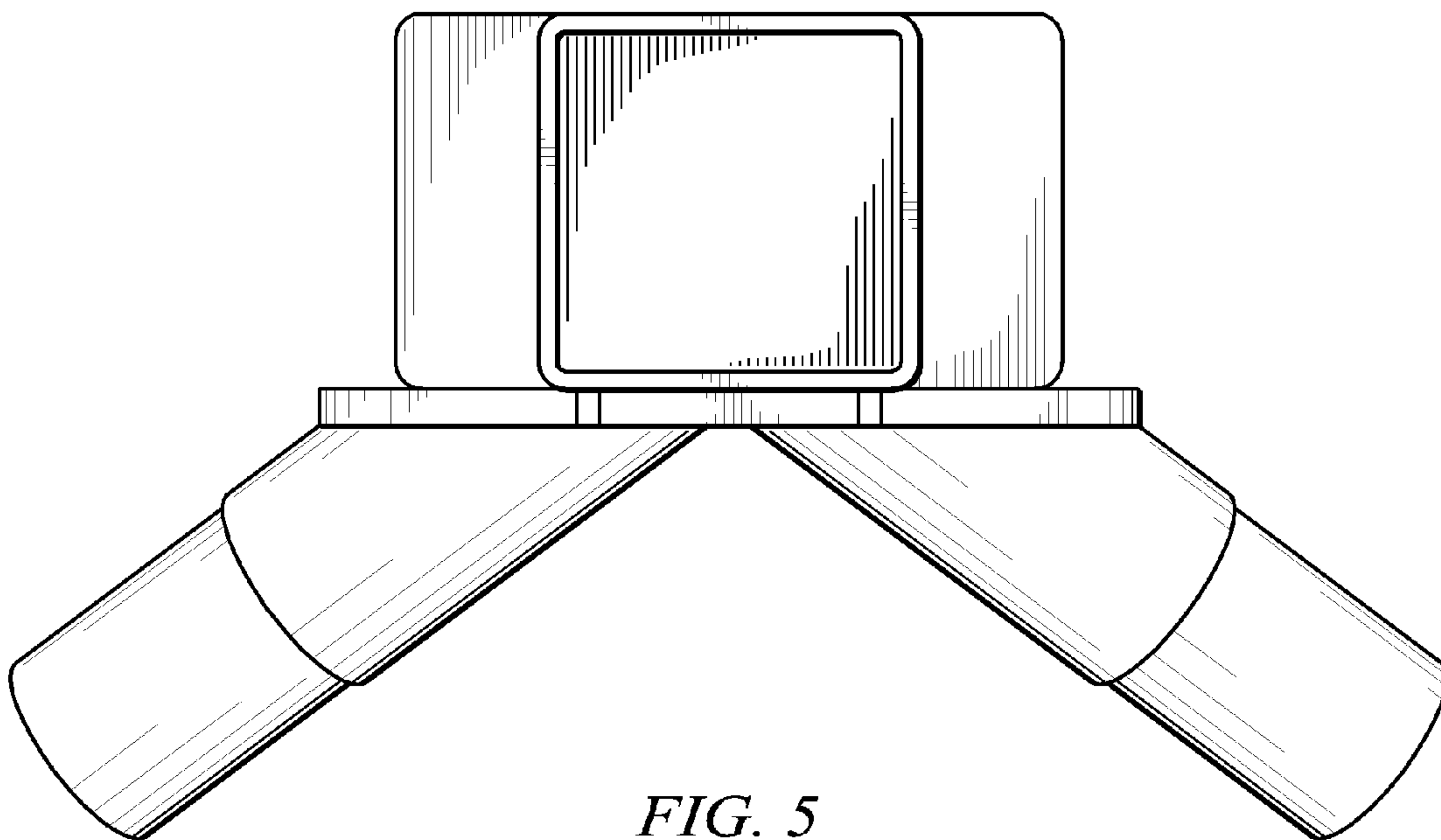


FIG. 4



*FIG. 5*