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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, a bottom plan view and a rear elevation view are identical with the front elevation view.

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FIG. 3 is a left side elevation view thereof. A right side elevation view is identical with the left side elevation view.

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FIG. 4 is an enlarged fragmentary front view thereof; and,

FIG. 5 is an enlarged cross-sectional view thereof taken along line 5-5 in FIG. 4.

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**1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets**

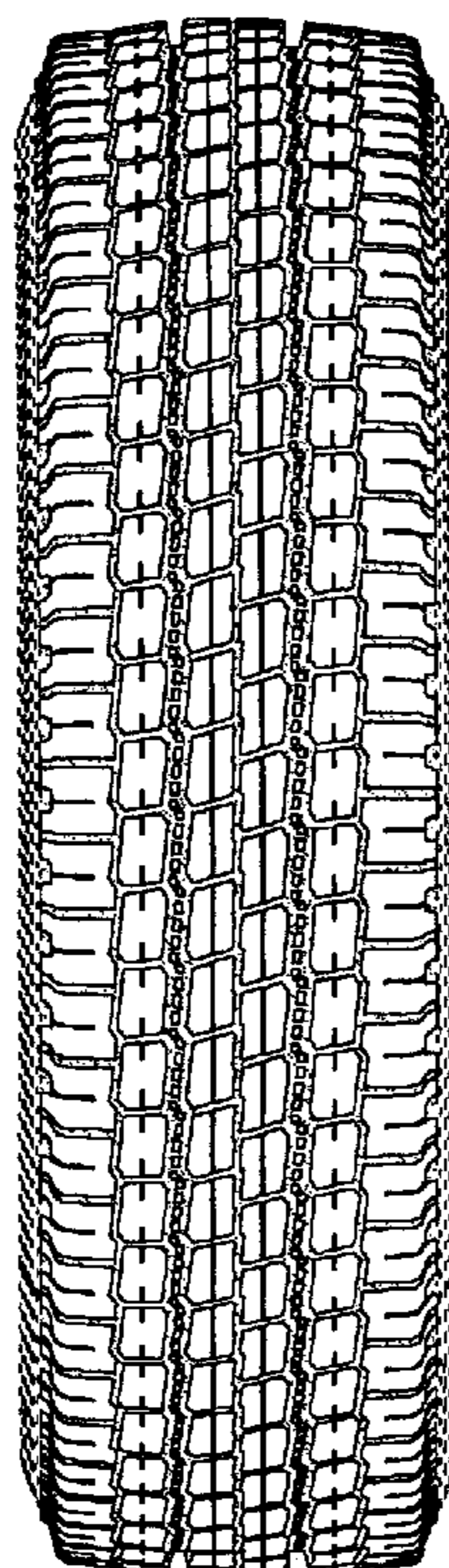


FIG. 1

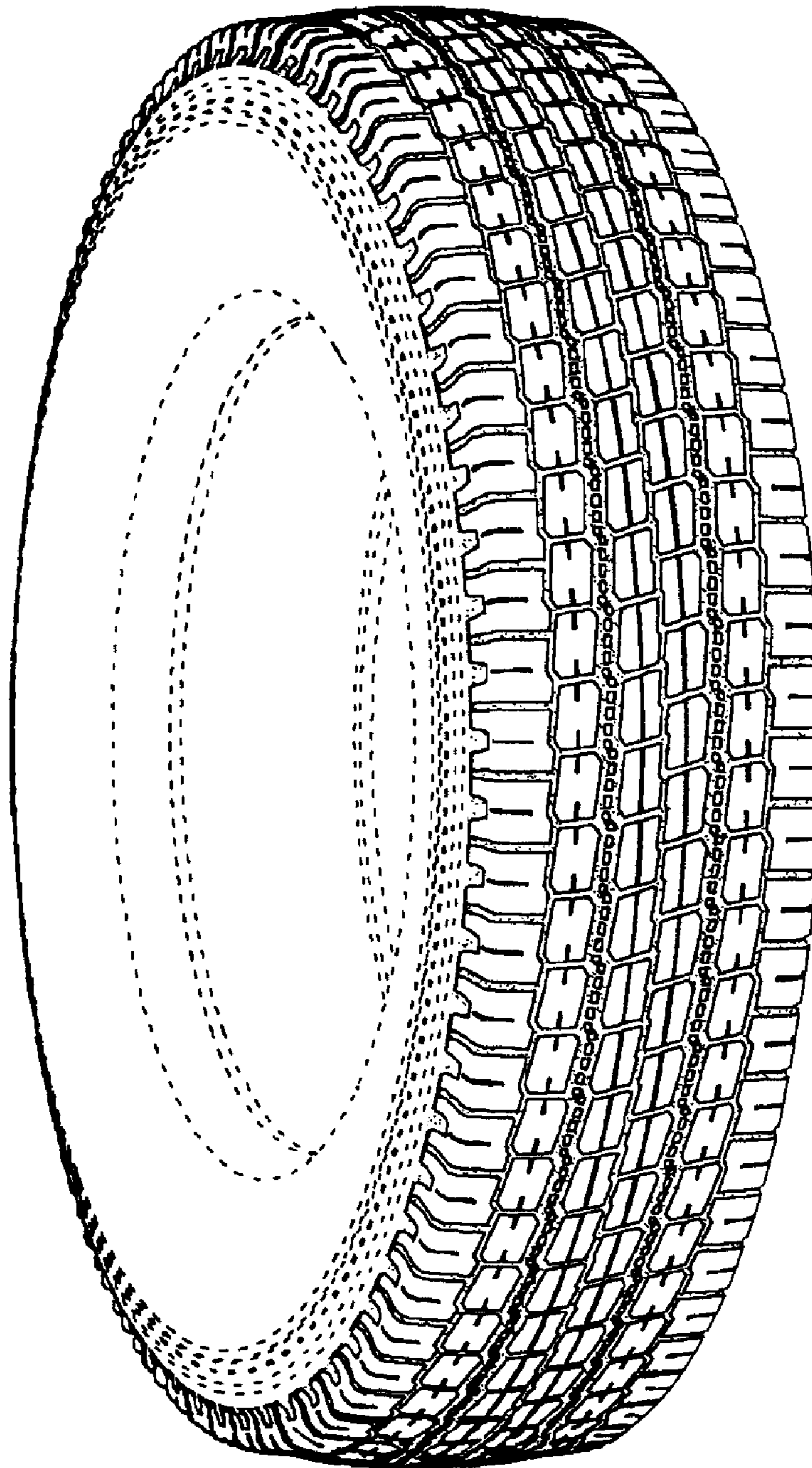


FIG. 2

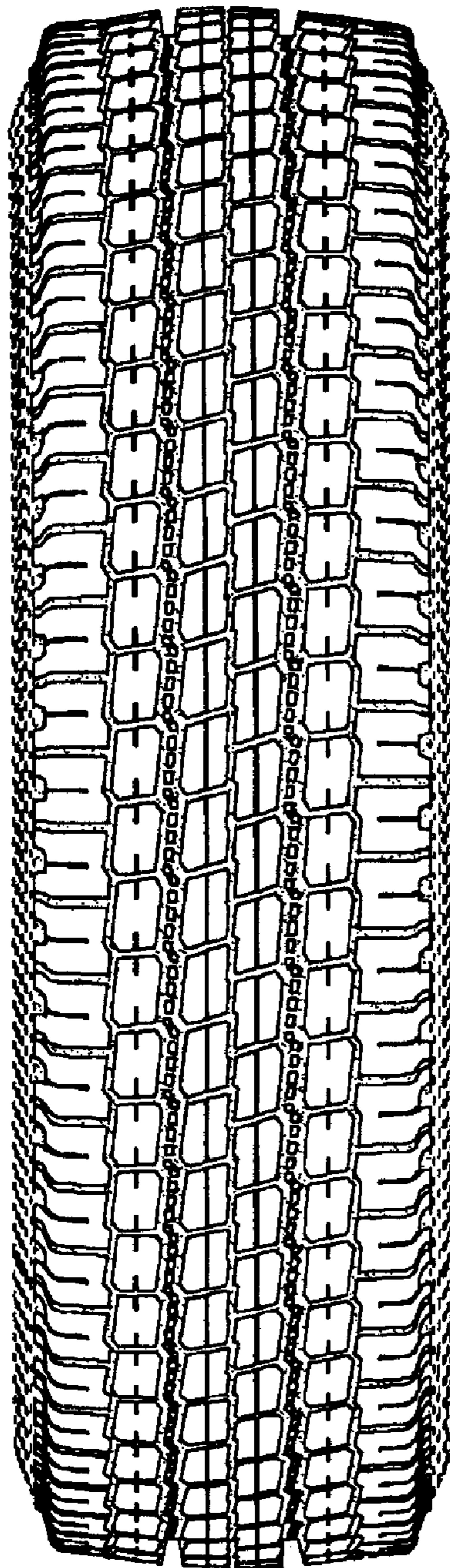


FIG. 3

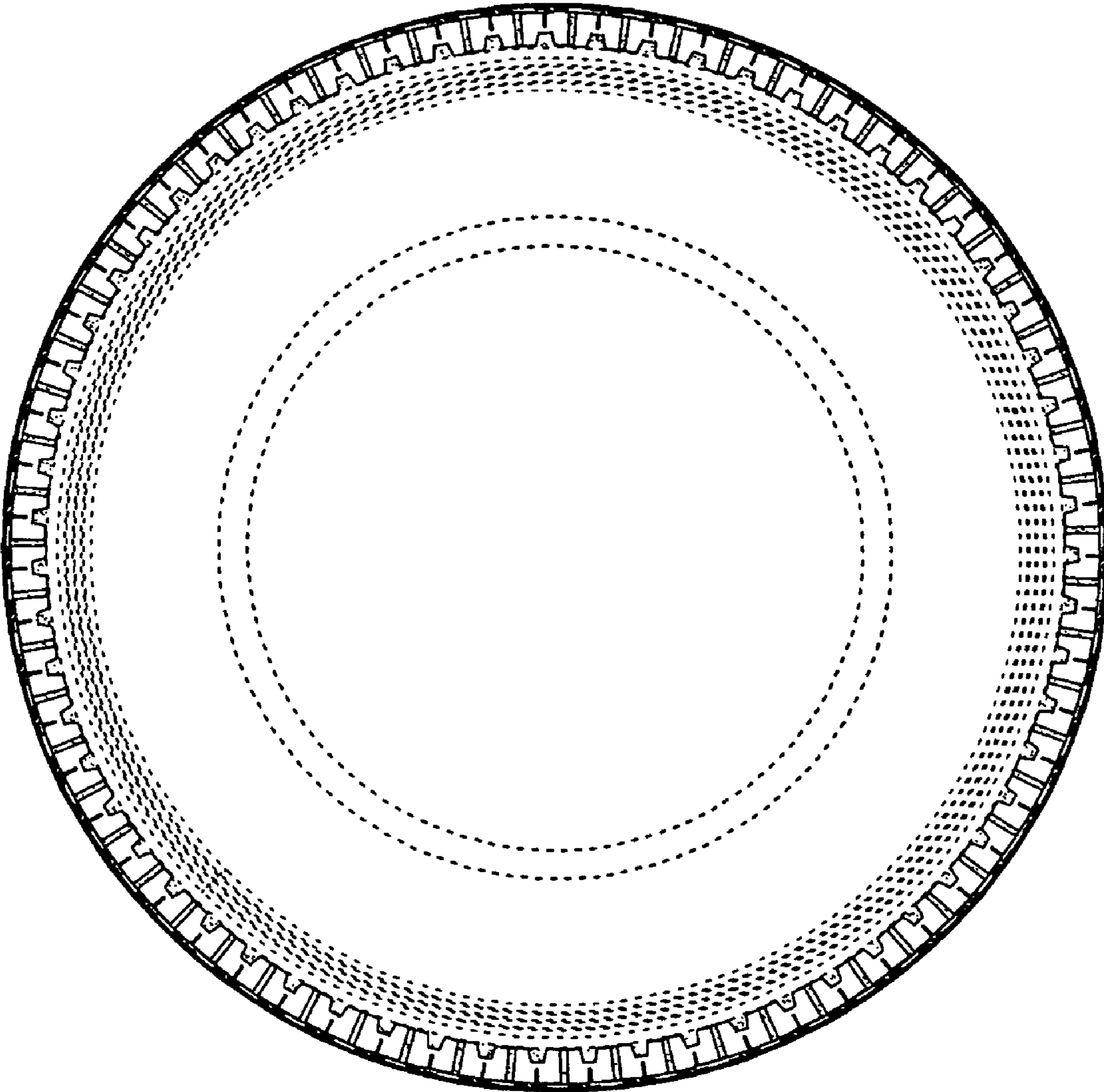
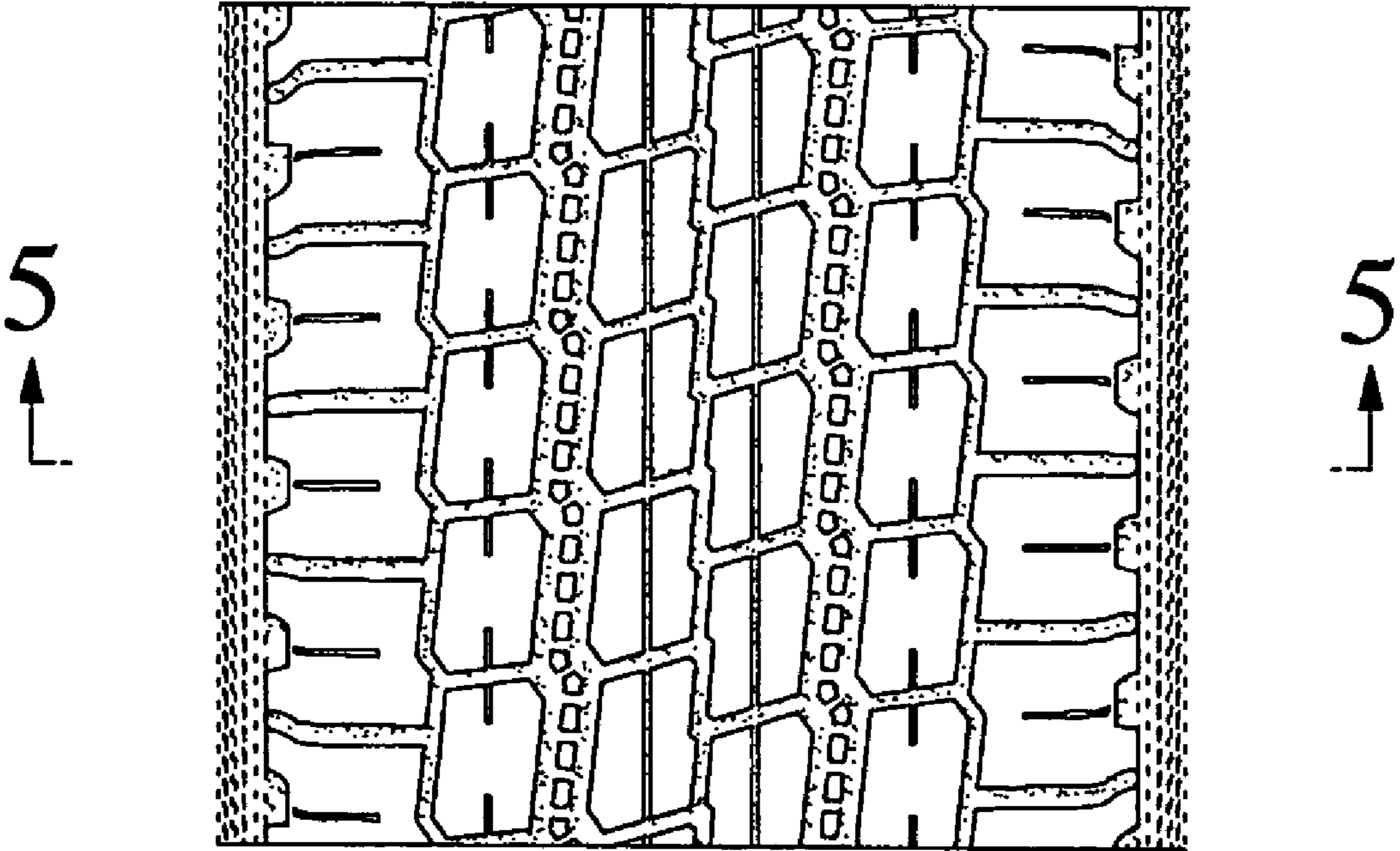


FIG. 4



# FIG. 5

