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(54) **TIRE TREAD FOR A VEHICLE TIRE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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

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**DESCRIPTION**

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tire tread for a vehicle tire, showing our new design;  
FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof;  
FIG. 3 is a right side elevational view thereof;  
FIG. 4 is a left side elevational view thereof; and,  
FIG. 5 is an enlarged partial front view thereof.

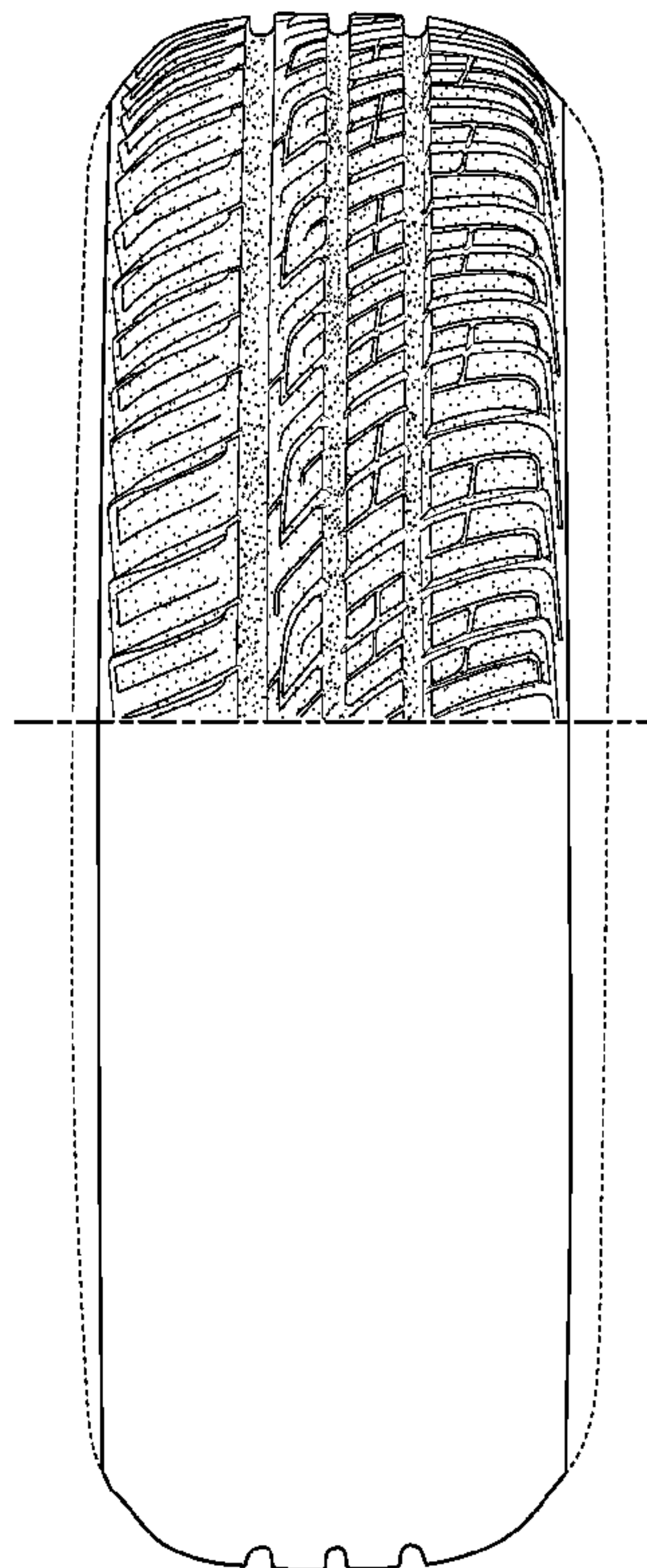
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The vehicle tire pattern is repeated uniformly around the circumference of the tire structure. The dash-dot lines showing the boundaries of the illustrated detail and the broken lines depicting the sidewall of the tire do not form part of the claim.

**1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets**



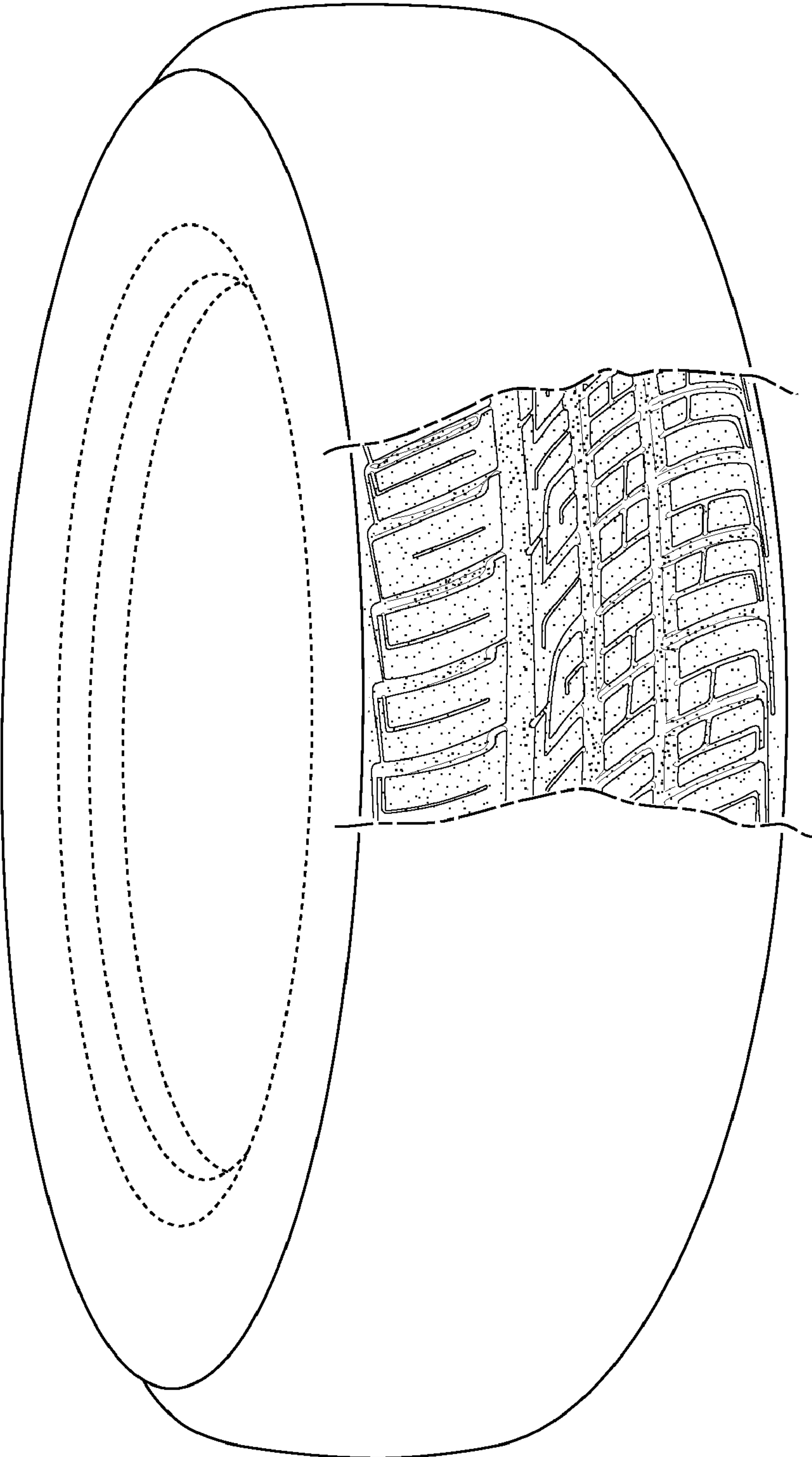


FIG. 1

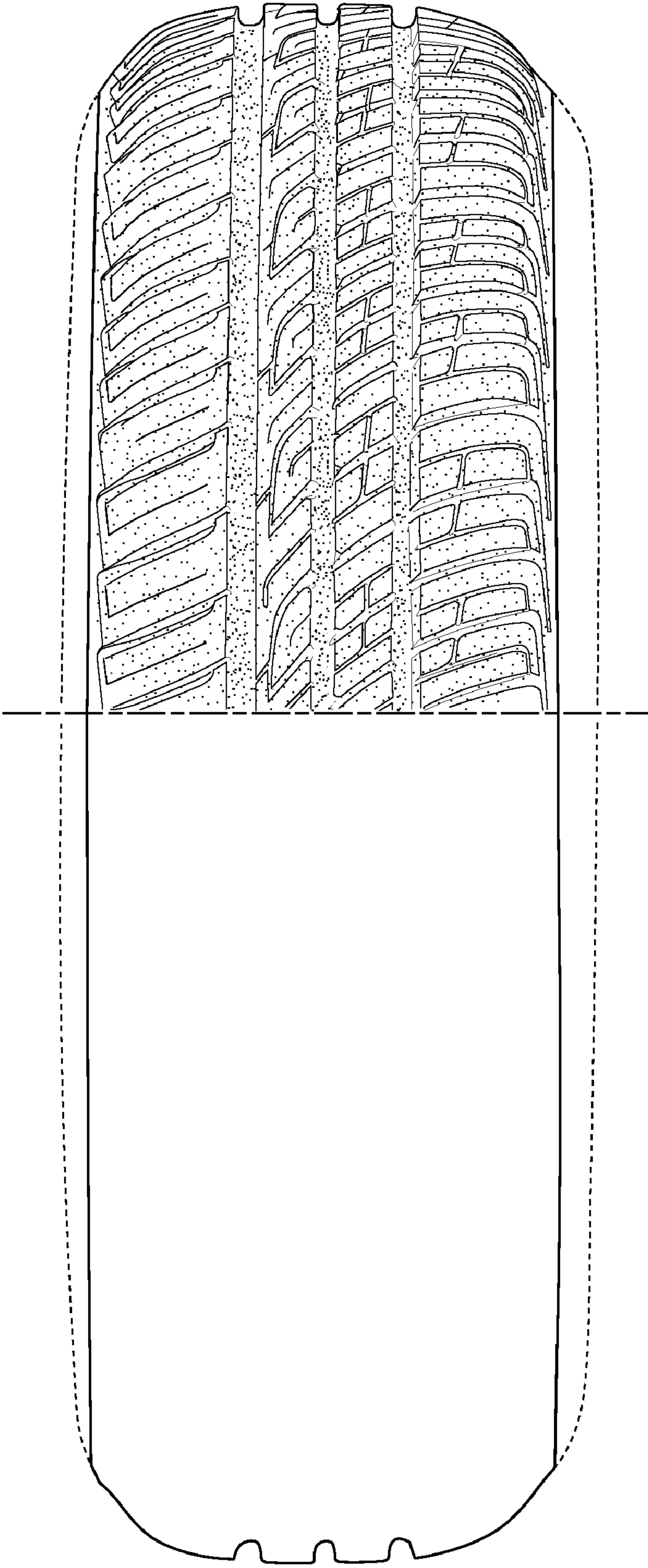


FIG. 2

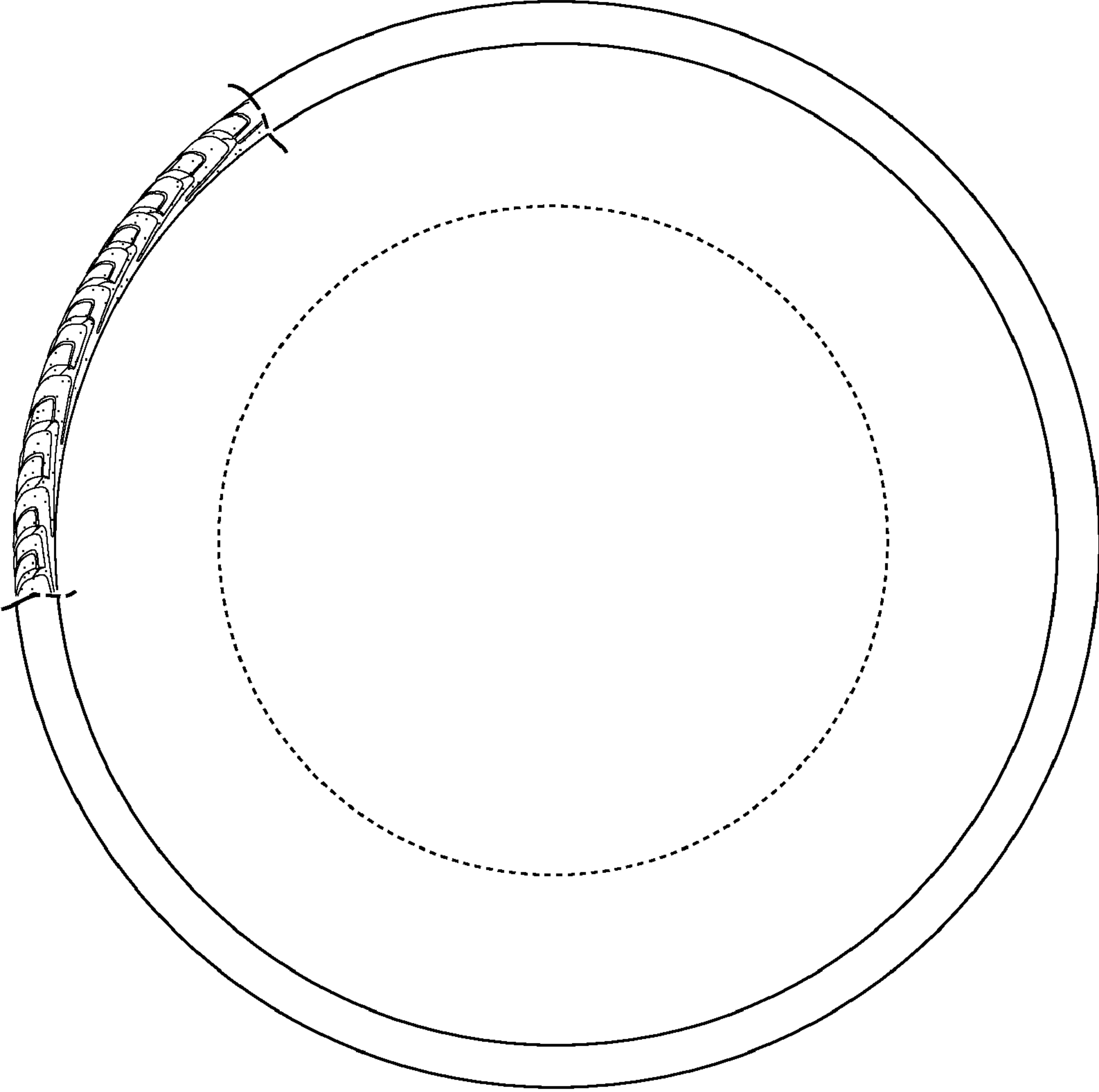


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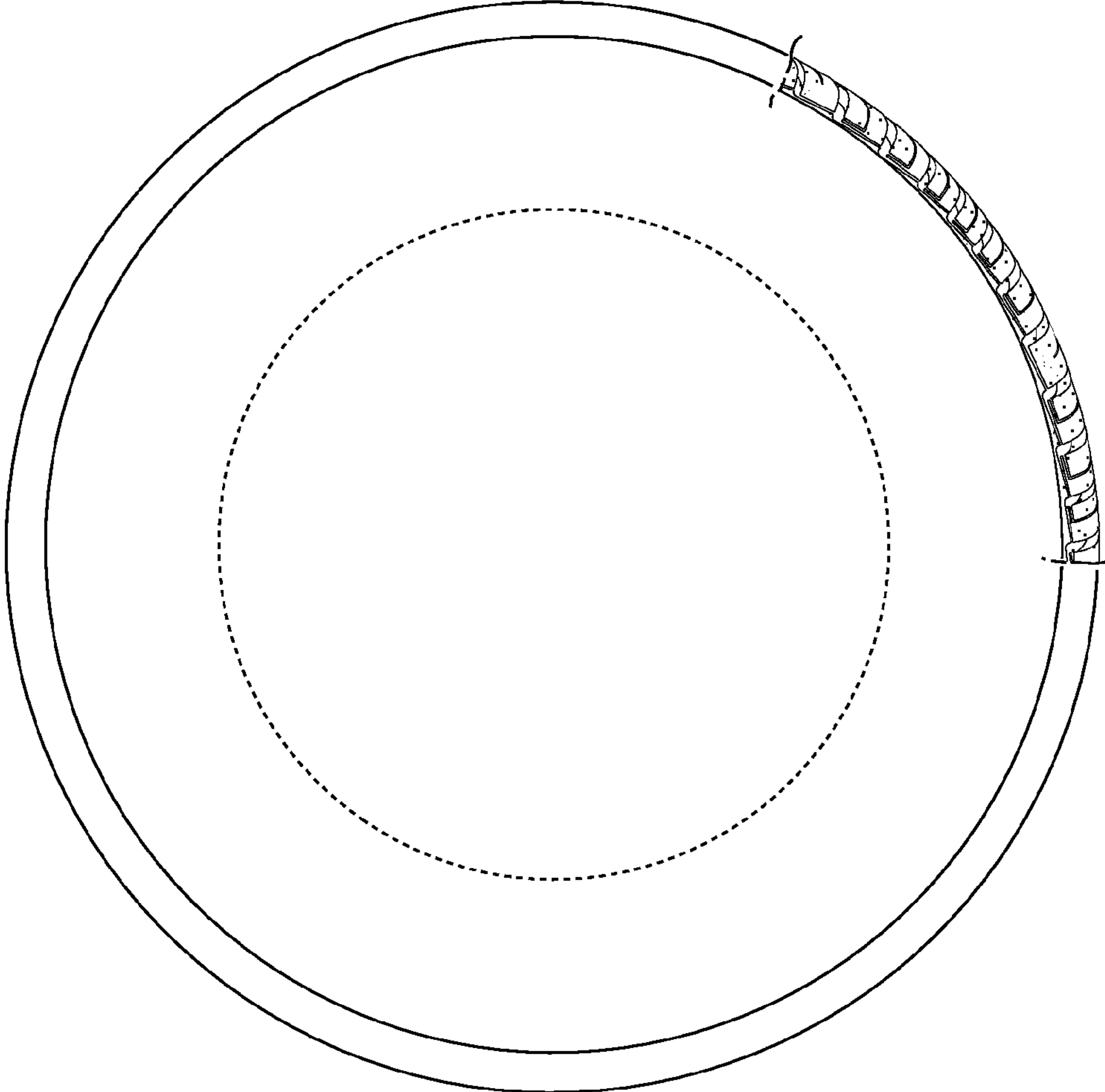


FIG. 4



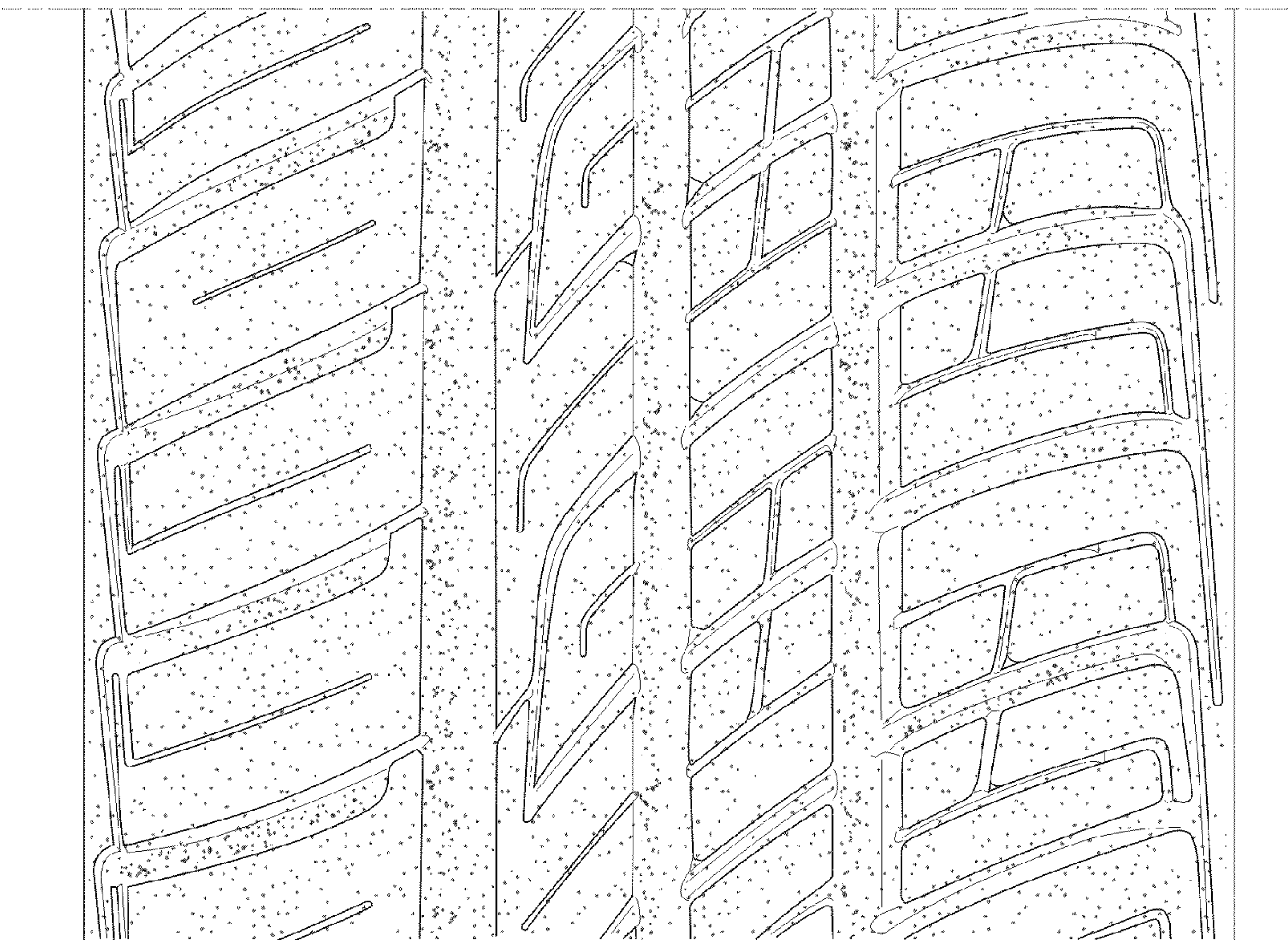


FIG. 5