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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 front view of a tread portion of an automobile tire; FIG. 2 is a perspective view thereof; FIG. 3 is a rear view thereof; FIG. 4 is a left side view thereof; FIG. 5 is a right side view thereof; FIG. 6 is a fragmentary enlarged view showing the details of the tread portion thereof; FIG. 7 is an end view taken along line 7-7 in FIG. 6; and, FIG. 8 is an end view taken along line 8-8 in FIG. 6. In the drawings, the broken lines defining the unclaimed tread region, sidewall, and the inner bead of the tire depict environmental subject matter that forms no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 8 Drawing Sheets

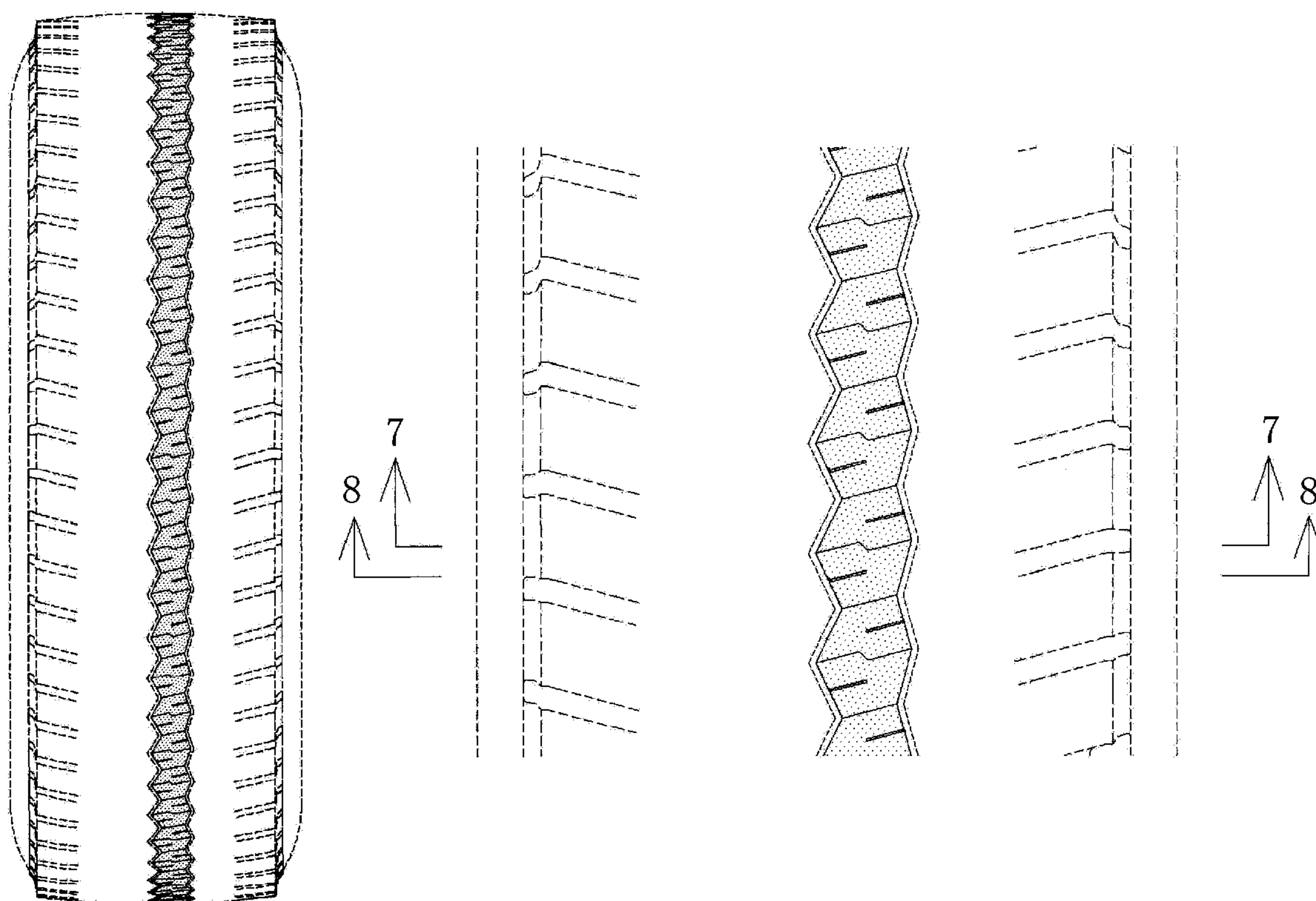


FIG. 1

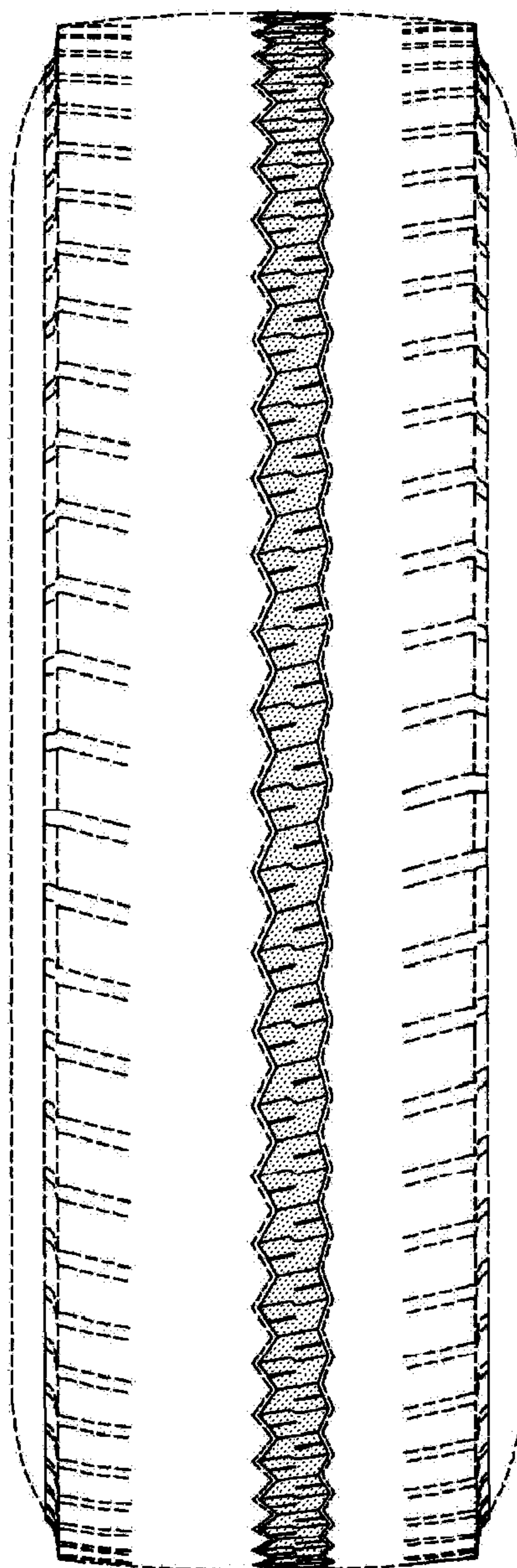


FIG. 2

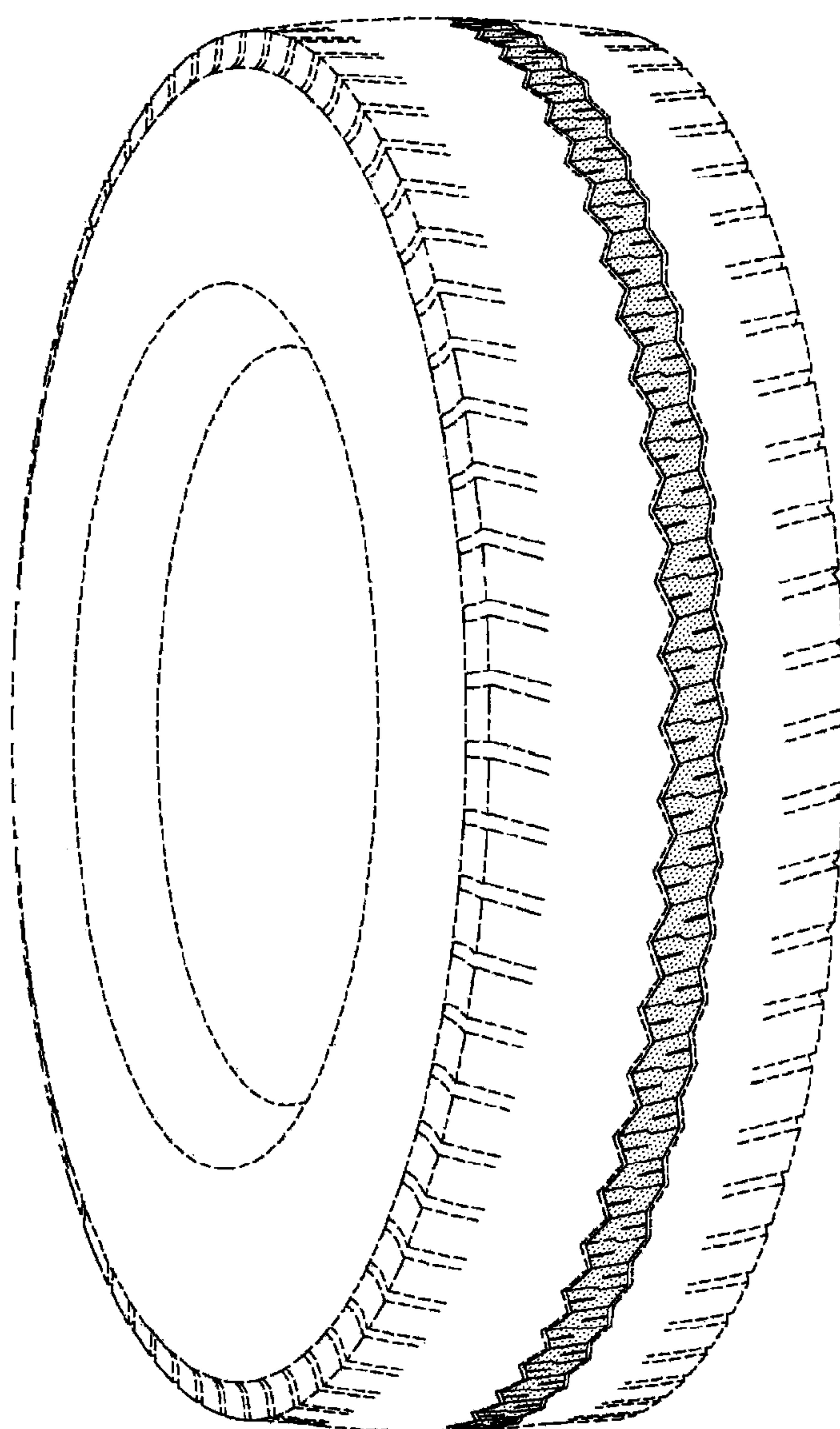


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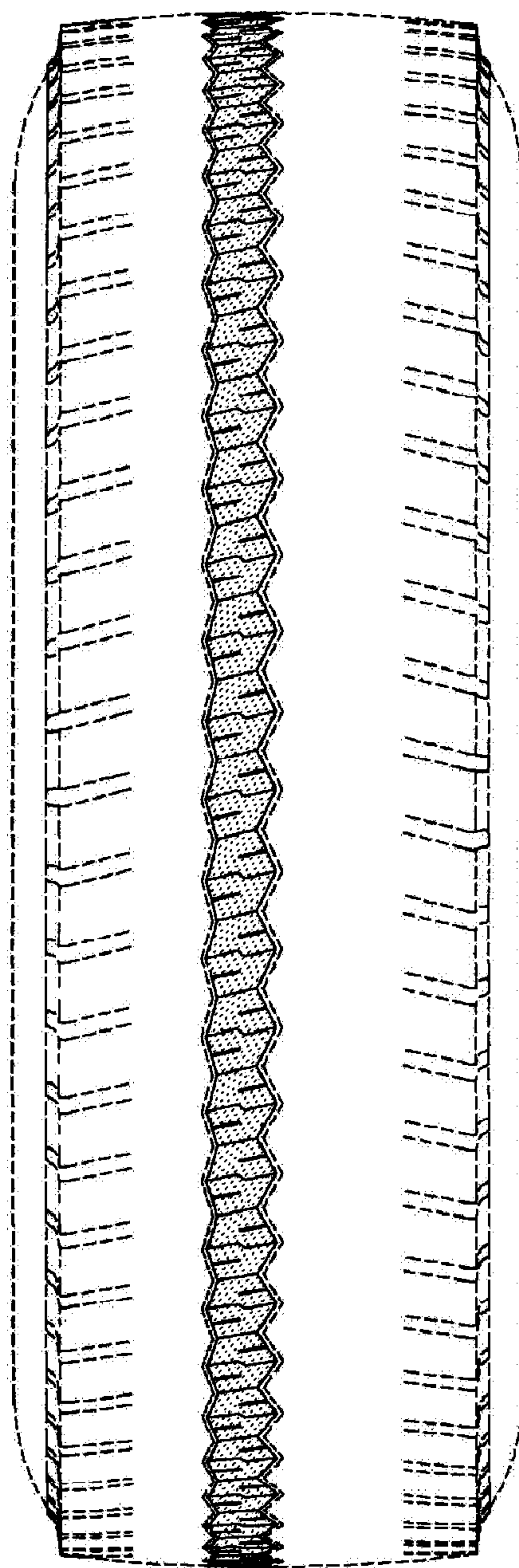


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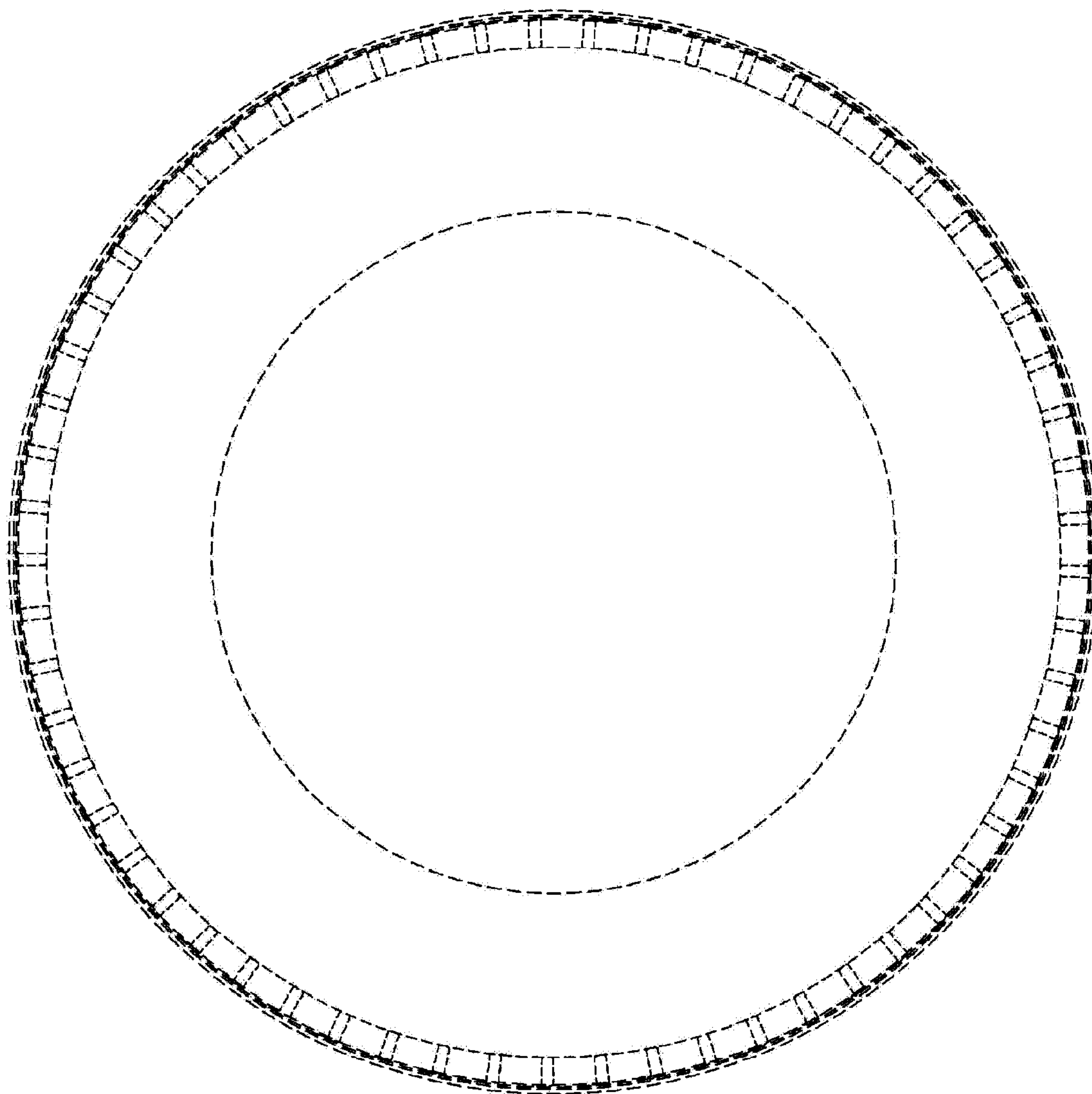


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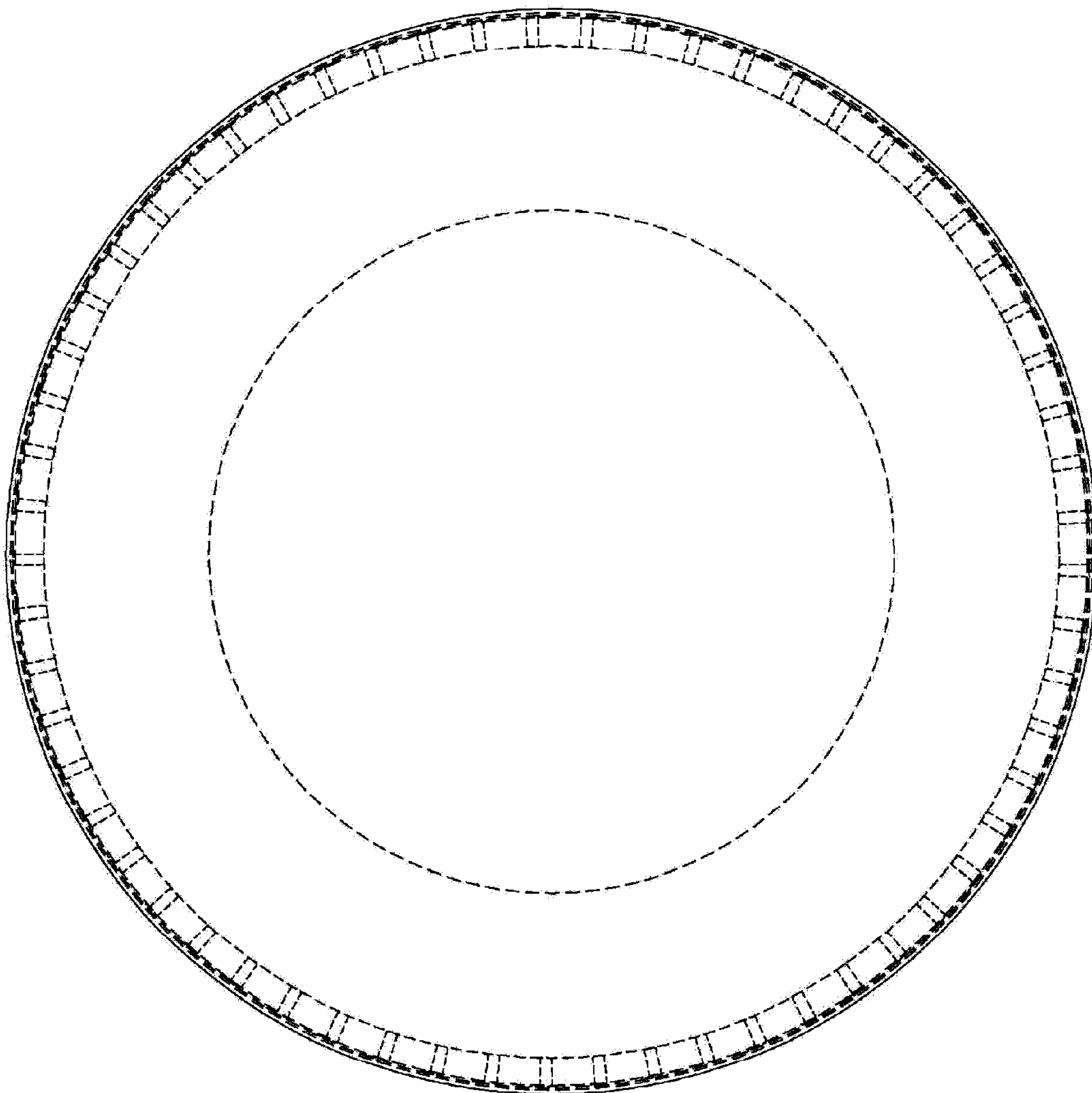


FIG. 6

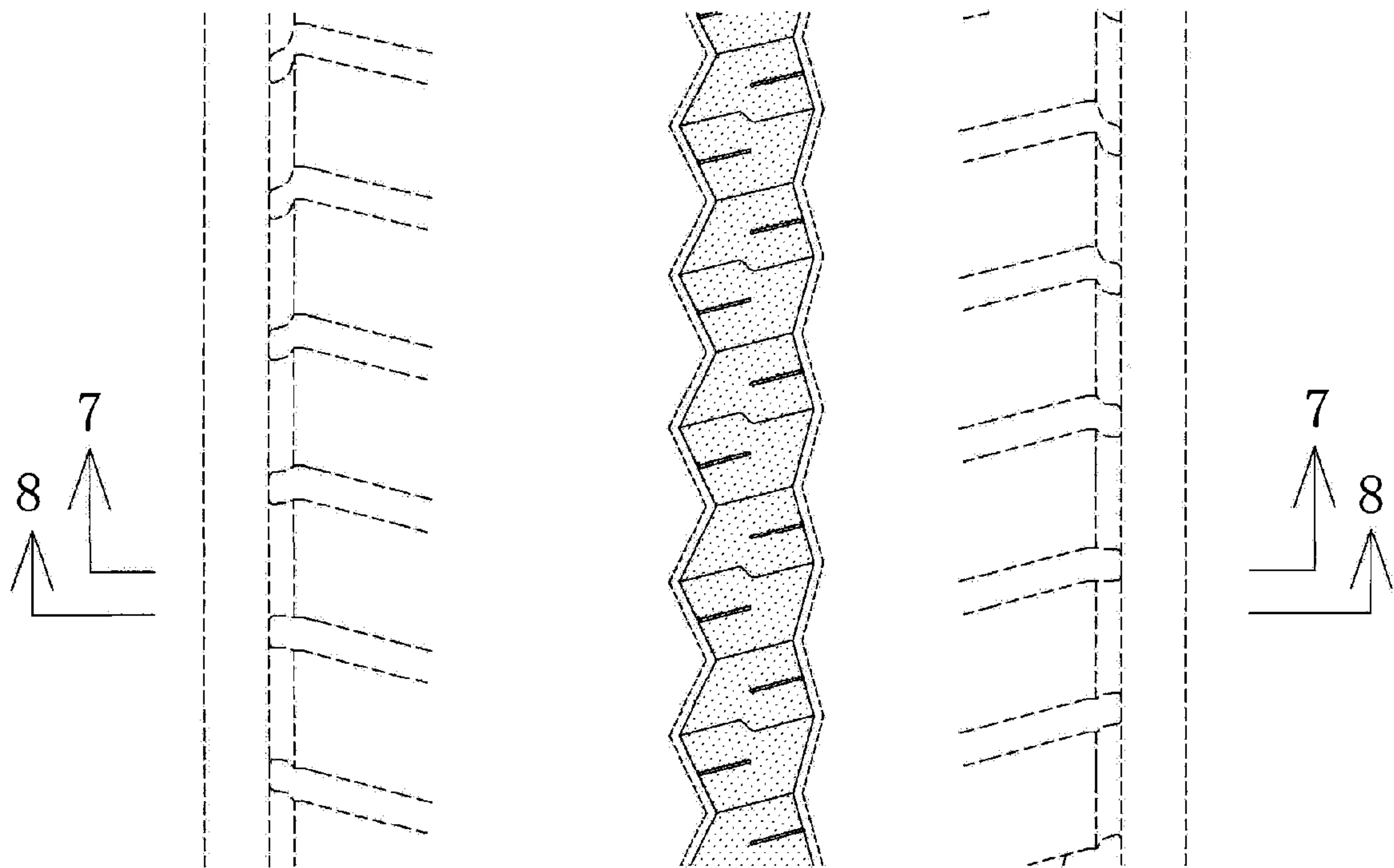


FIG. 7

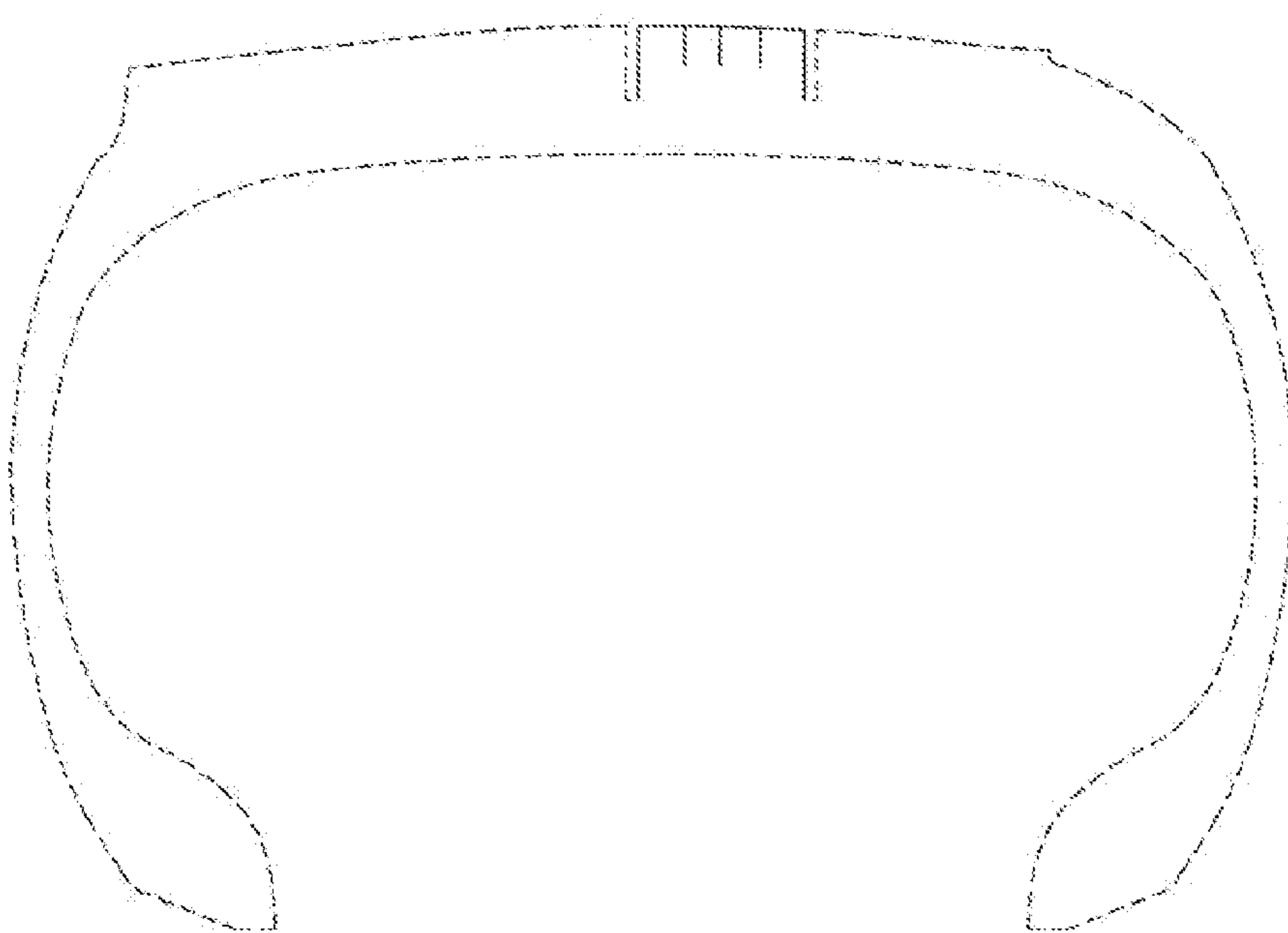


FIG. 8

