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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 according to my design;
 FIG. 2 is a front view thereof;
 FIG. 3 is a top view thereof;
 FIG. 4 is a right side view thereof;
 FIG. 5 is a left side view thereof;
 FIG. 6 is a rear view thereof;
 FIG. 7 is a fragmentary enlarged front view showing the details of the tread portion thereof;
 FIG. 8 is a section view taken along line 8-8 in FIG. 7; and,
 FIG. 9 is a section view taken along line 9-9 in FIG. 7.
 A bottom view is omitted because it is the same as the top view.
 The dark stippled surface shading represents the recessed portion of the tread grooves having a depth.
 The broken lines are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

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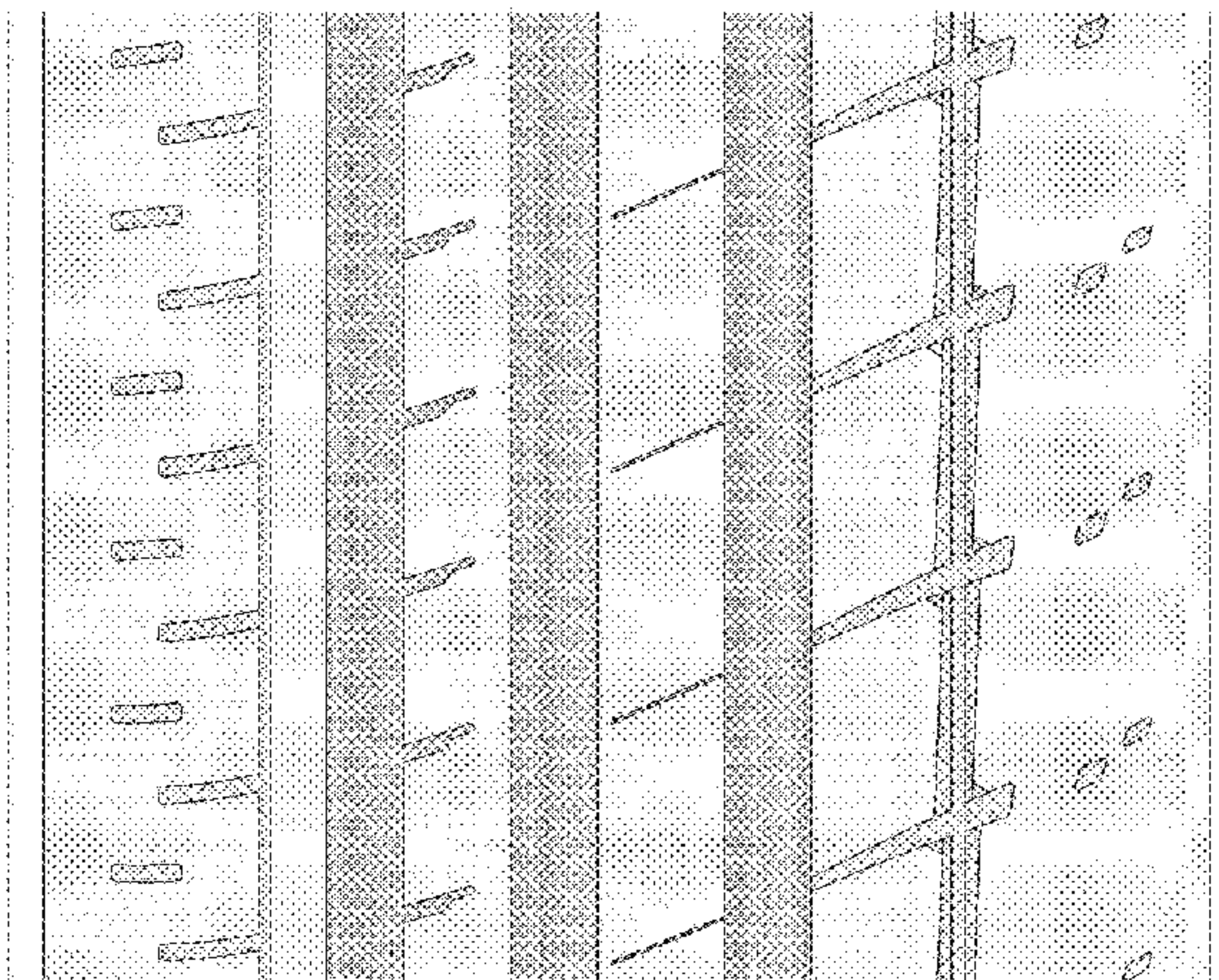
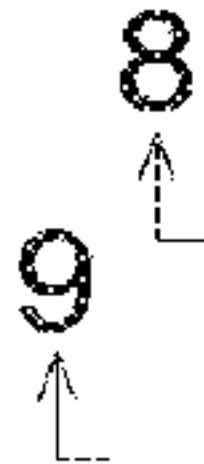
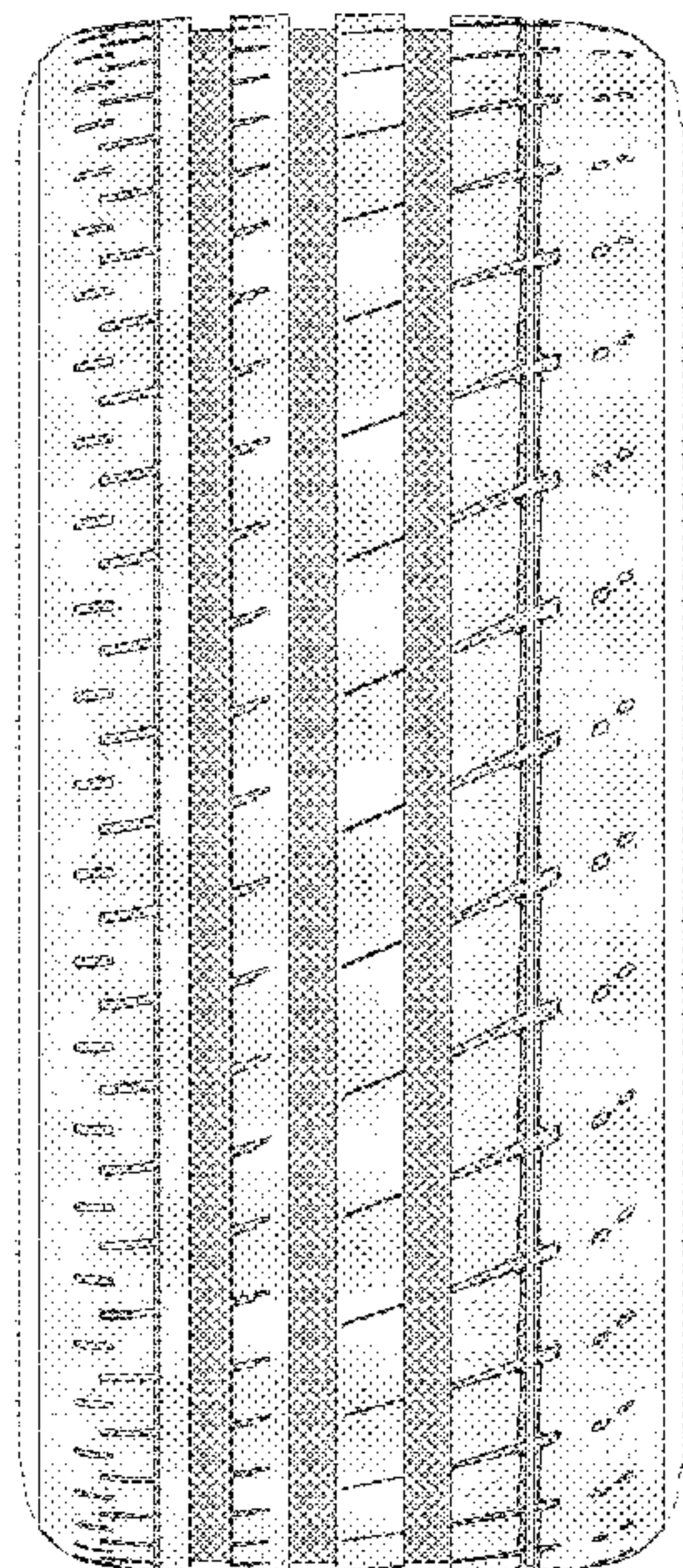


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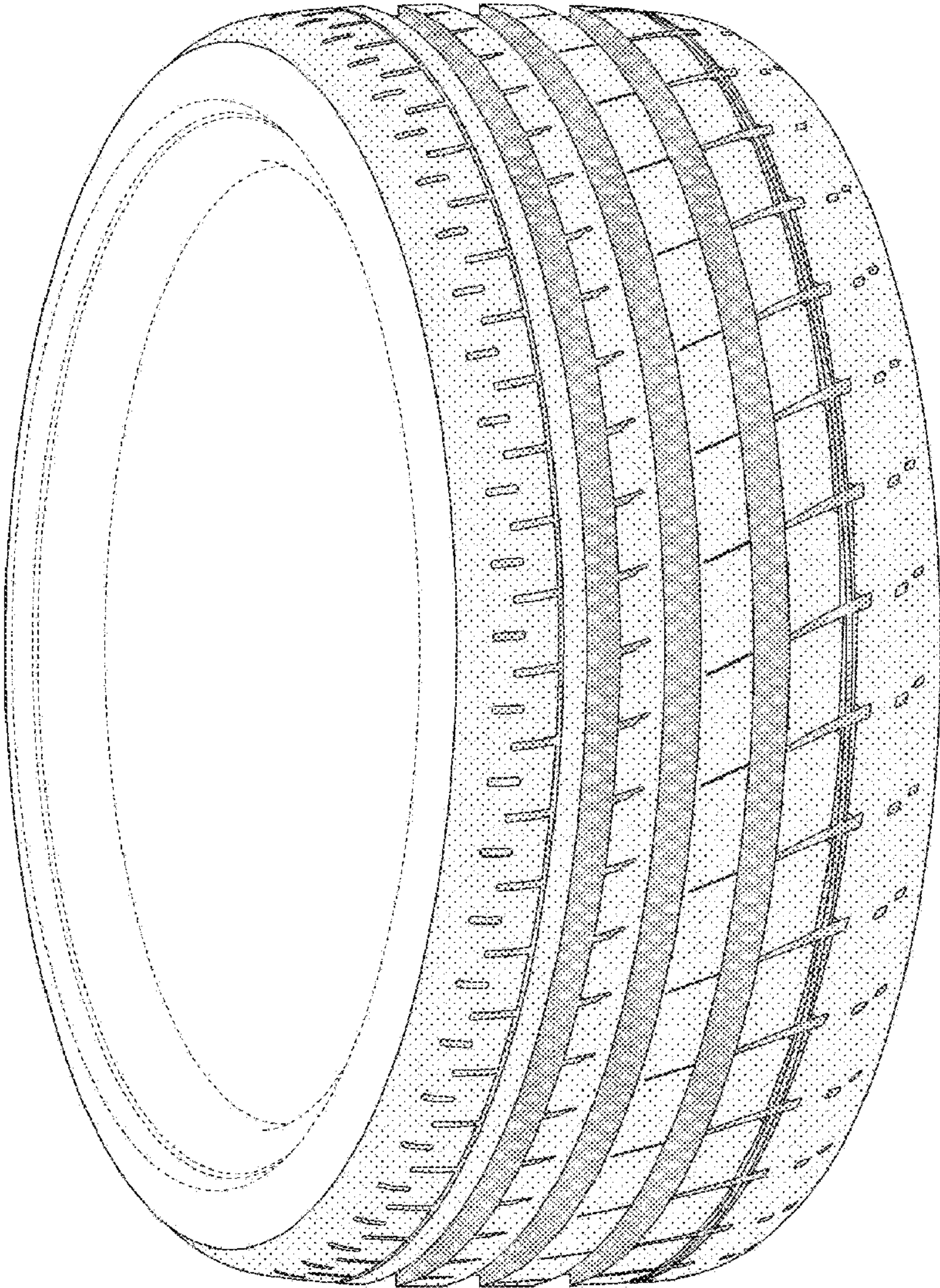


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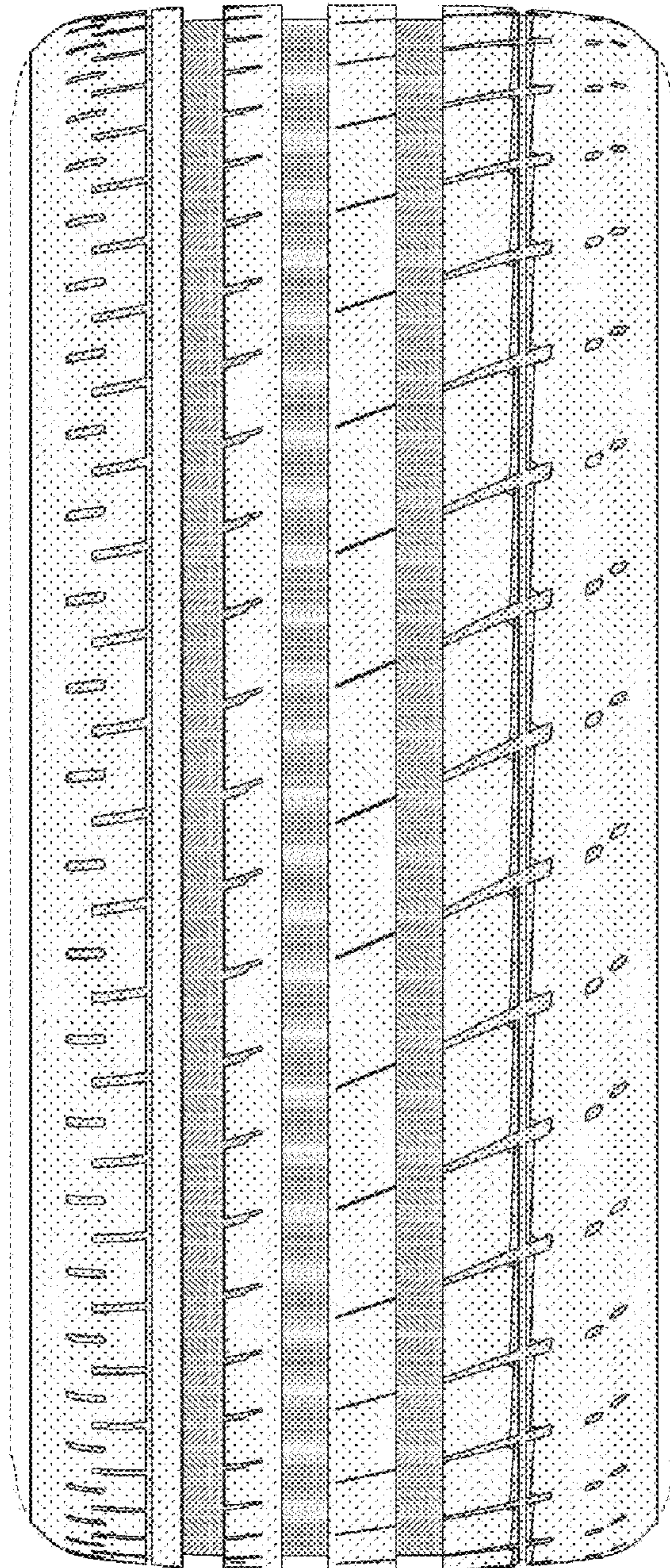


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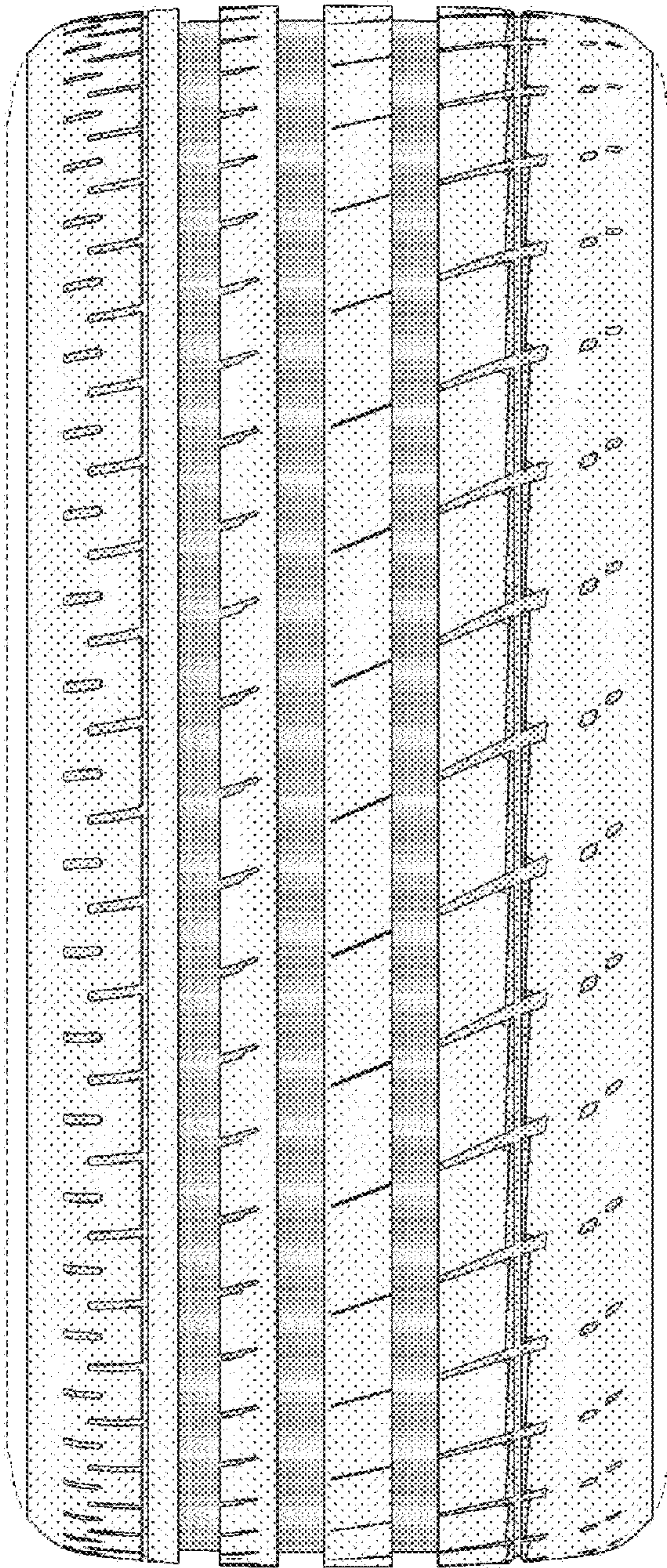


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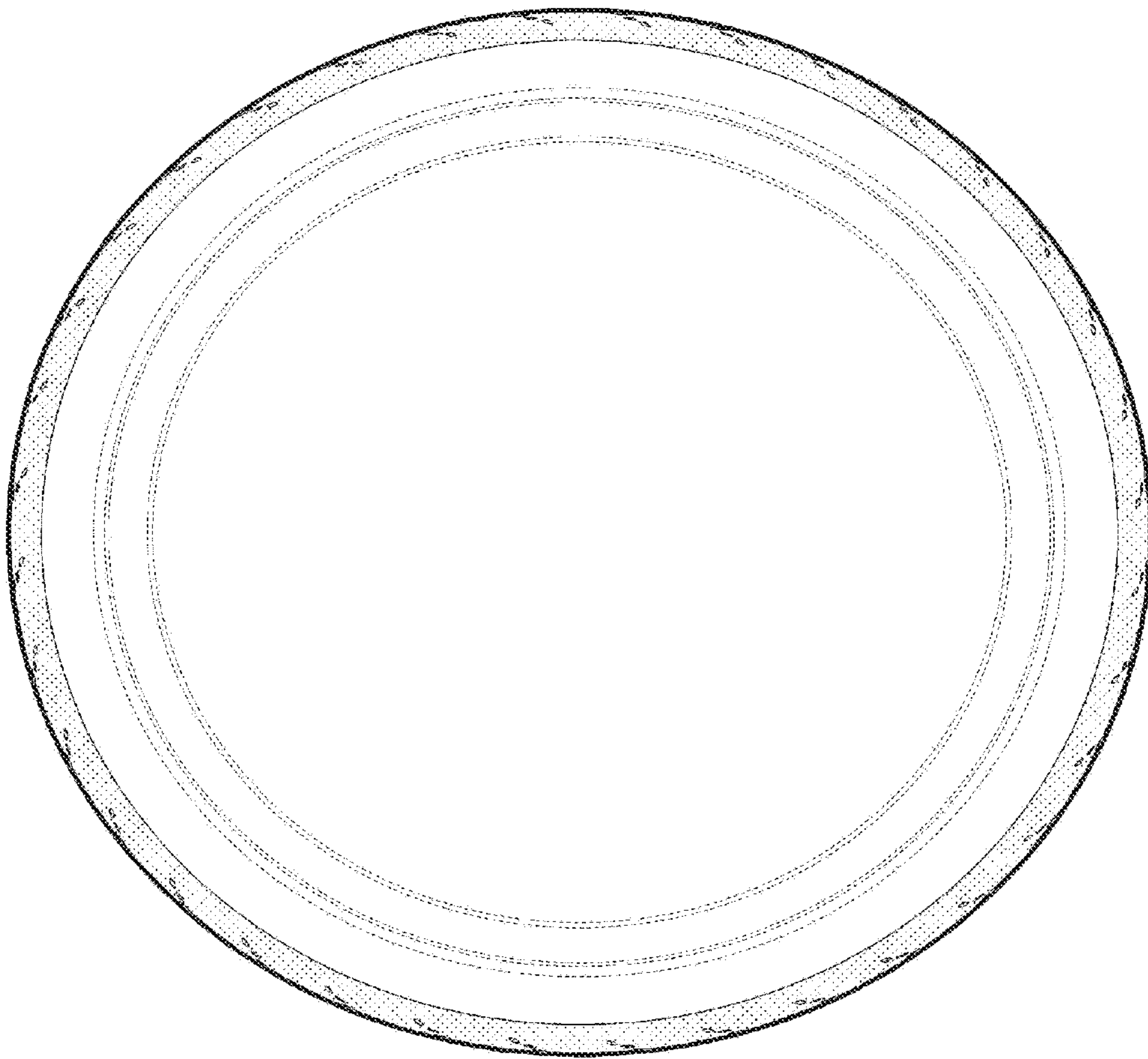


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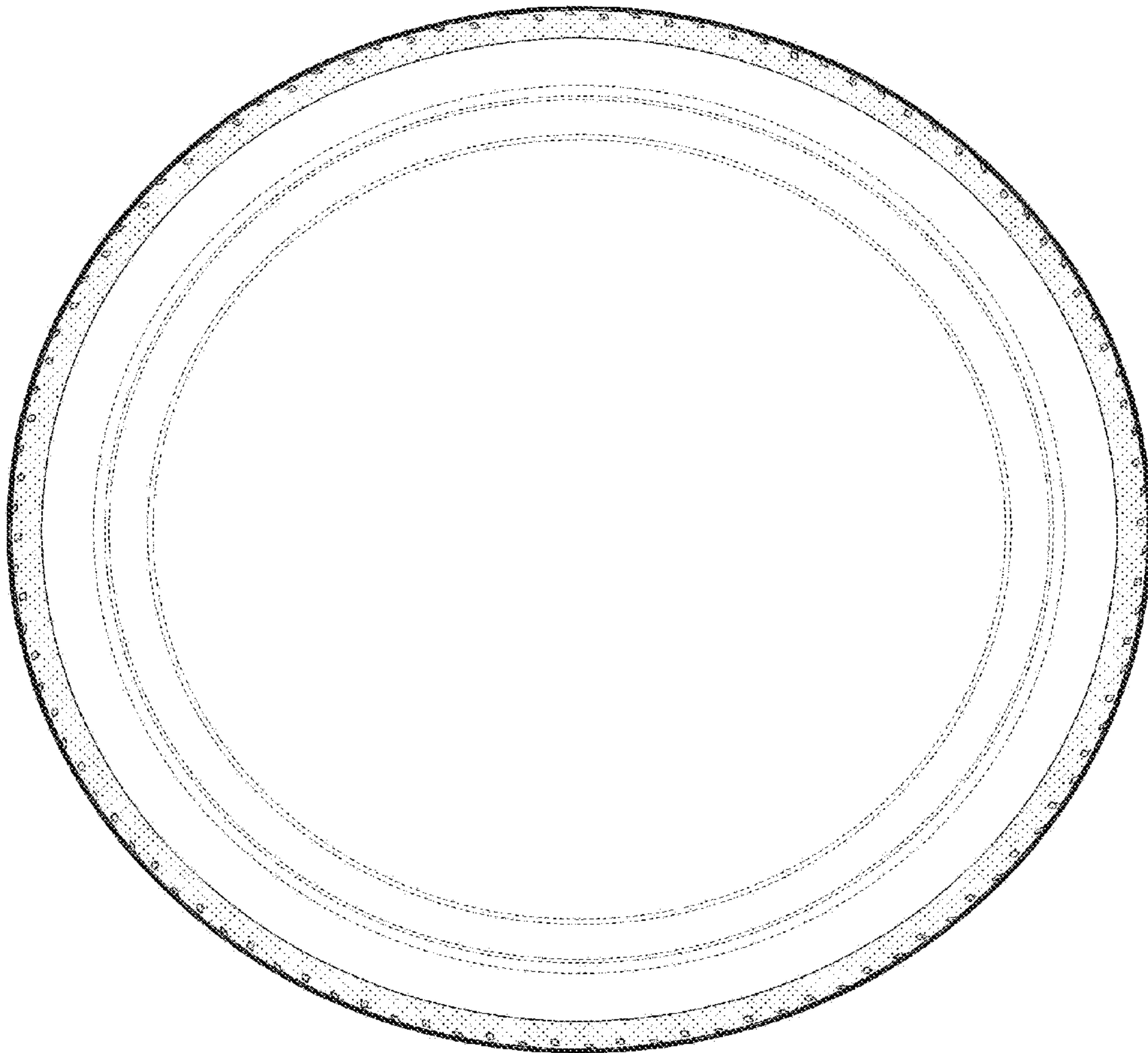


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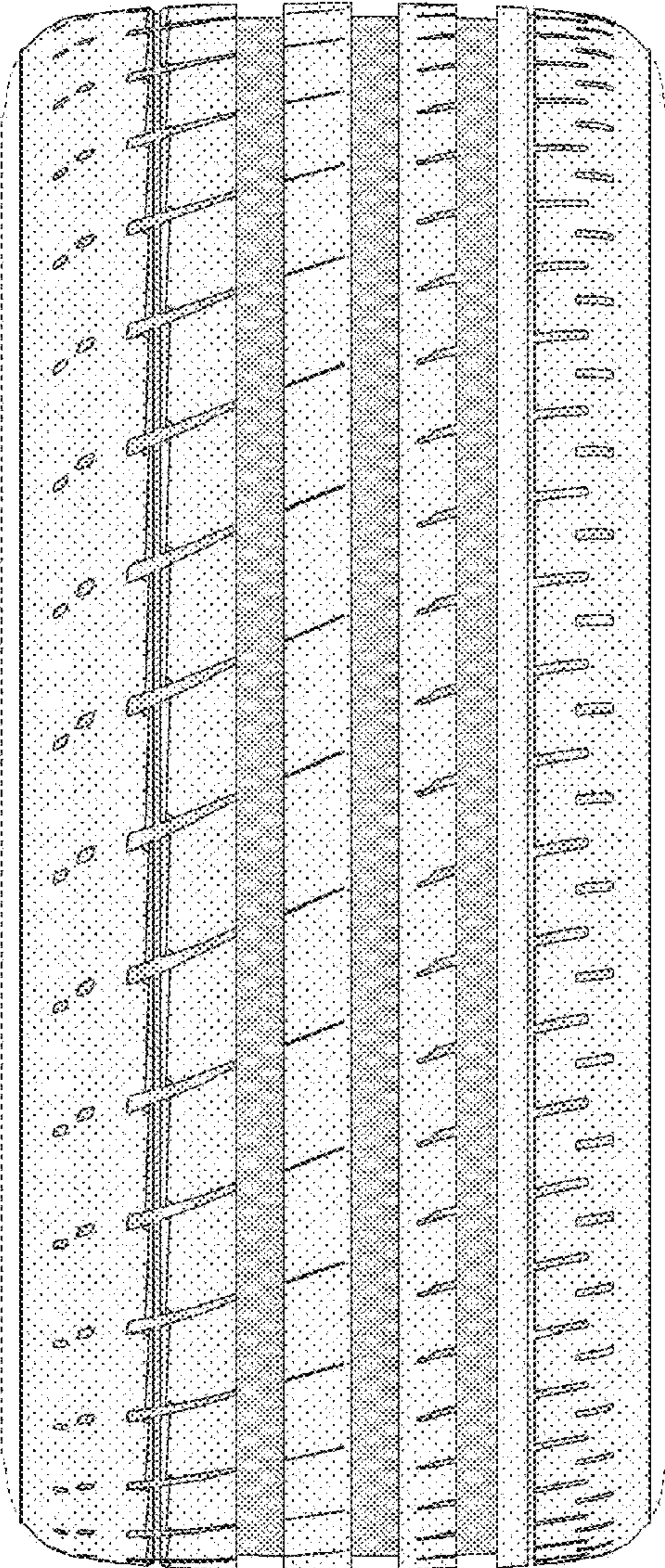


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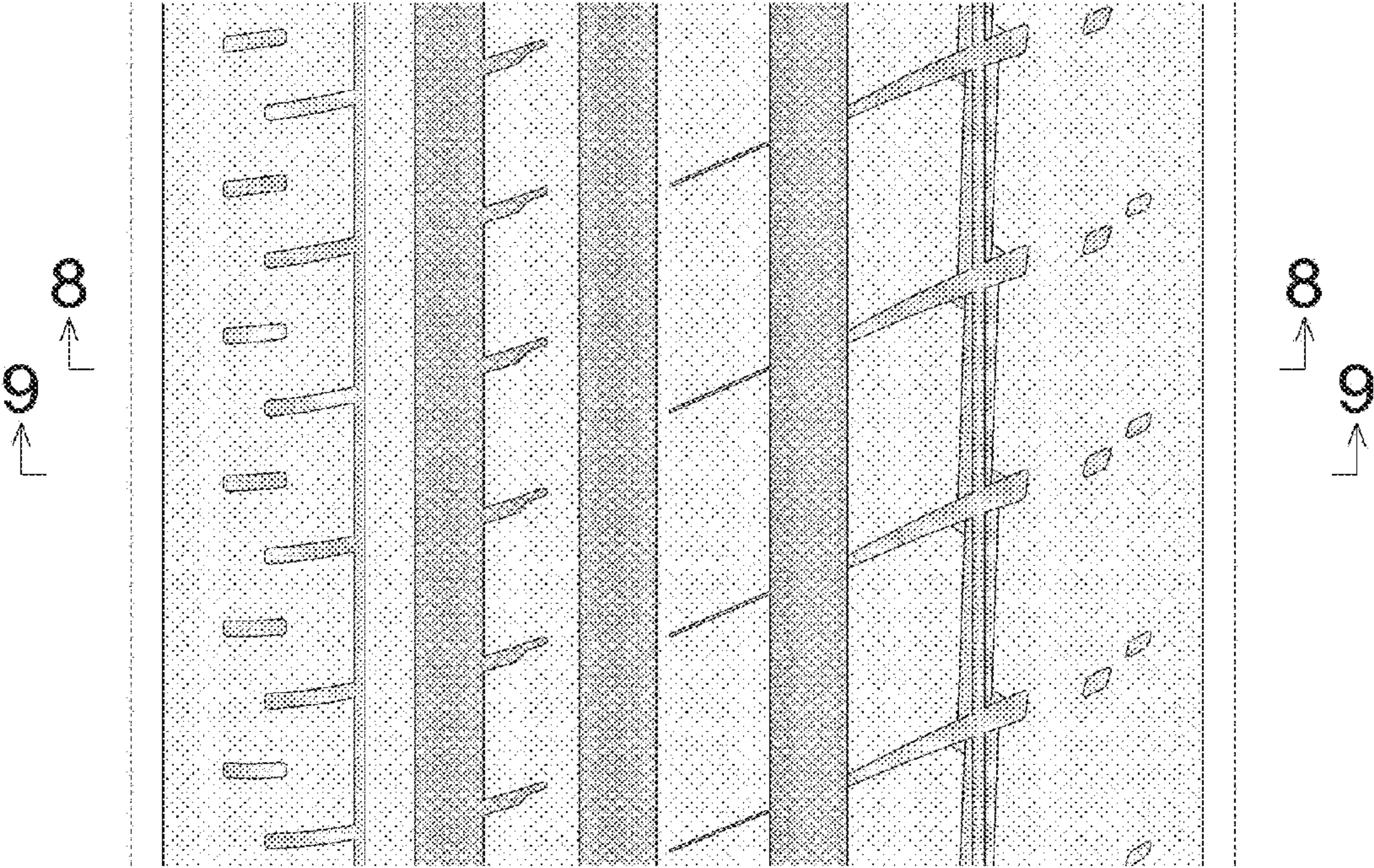


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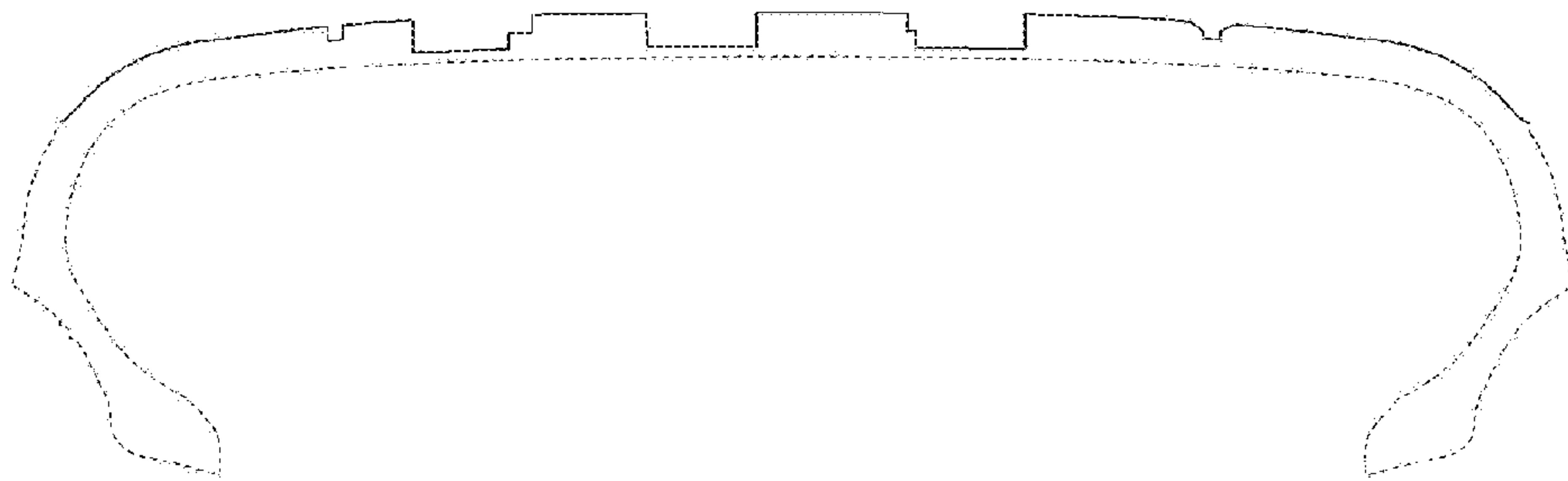


FIG. 9

