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(54) **TIRE TREAD**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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

DESCRIPTION

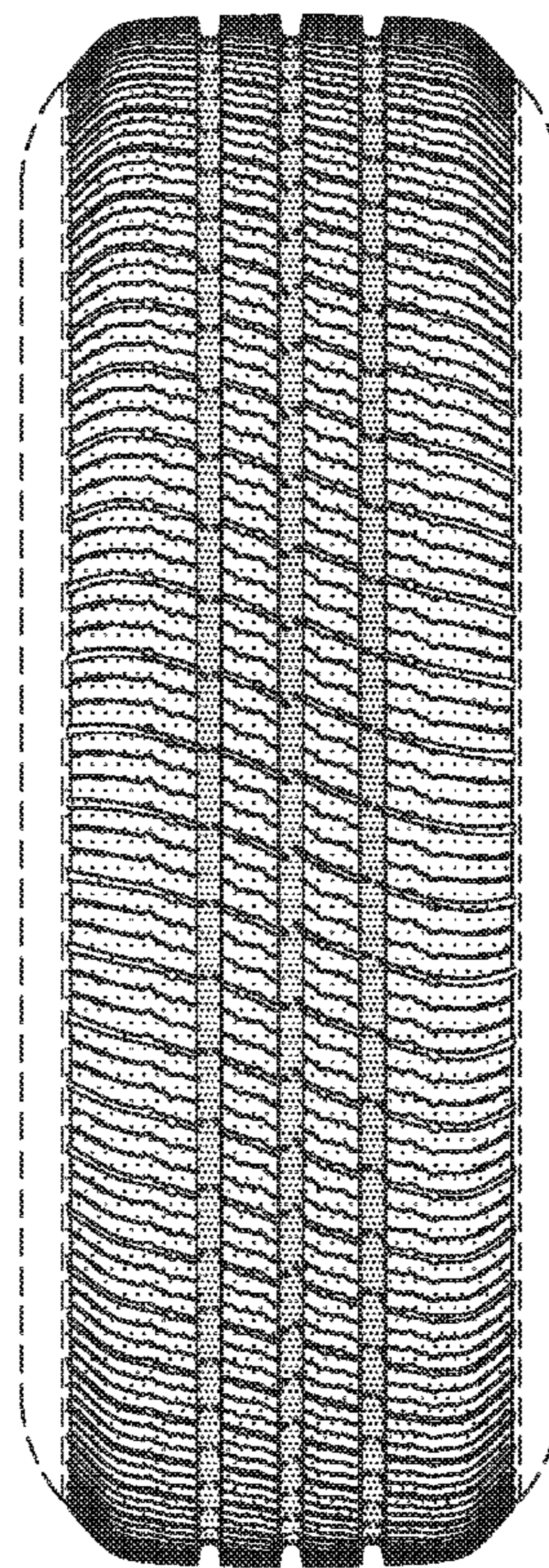
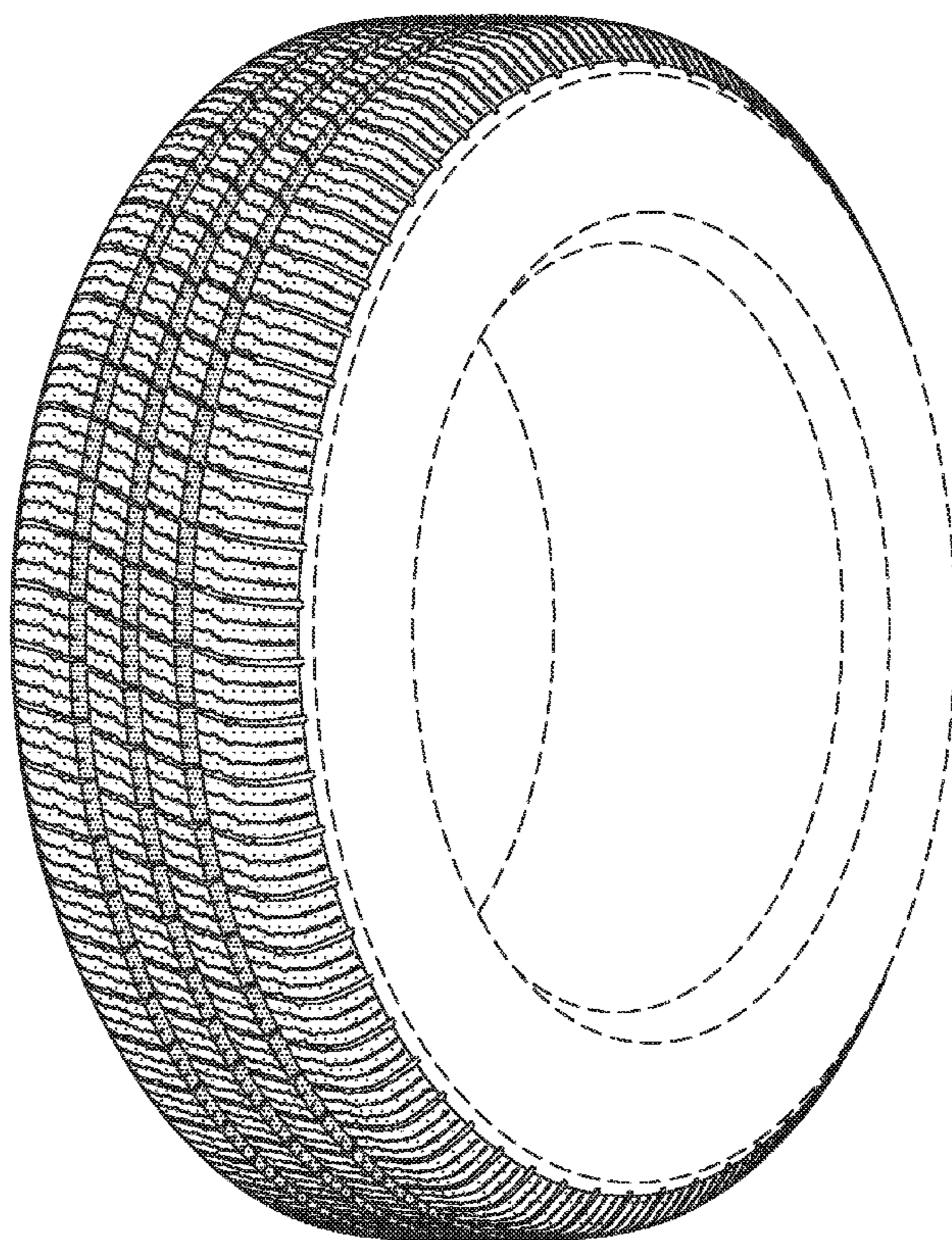
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tire tread showing our new design, it being understood that the tread pattern repeats circumferentially throughout the outer circumference and shoulder of the tire, the opposite side perspective being identical thereto;

FIG. 2 is a front elevation view thereof;

FIG. 3 is a side elevation view of the left side thereof; and, FIG. 4 is a side elevation view of the right side thereof.

In the drawings, the dark stippled surface shading represents the recessed groove portions of the tire tread having a depth as best illustrated along the top and bottom edges of FIG. 2. In the drawings, the broken line disclosure of the tire sidewall and inner bead depicts the context of the design and forms no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets



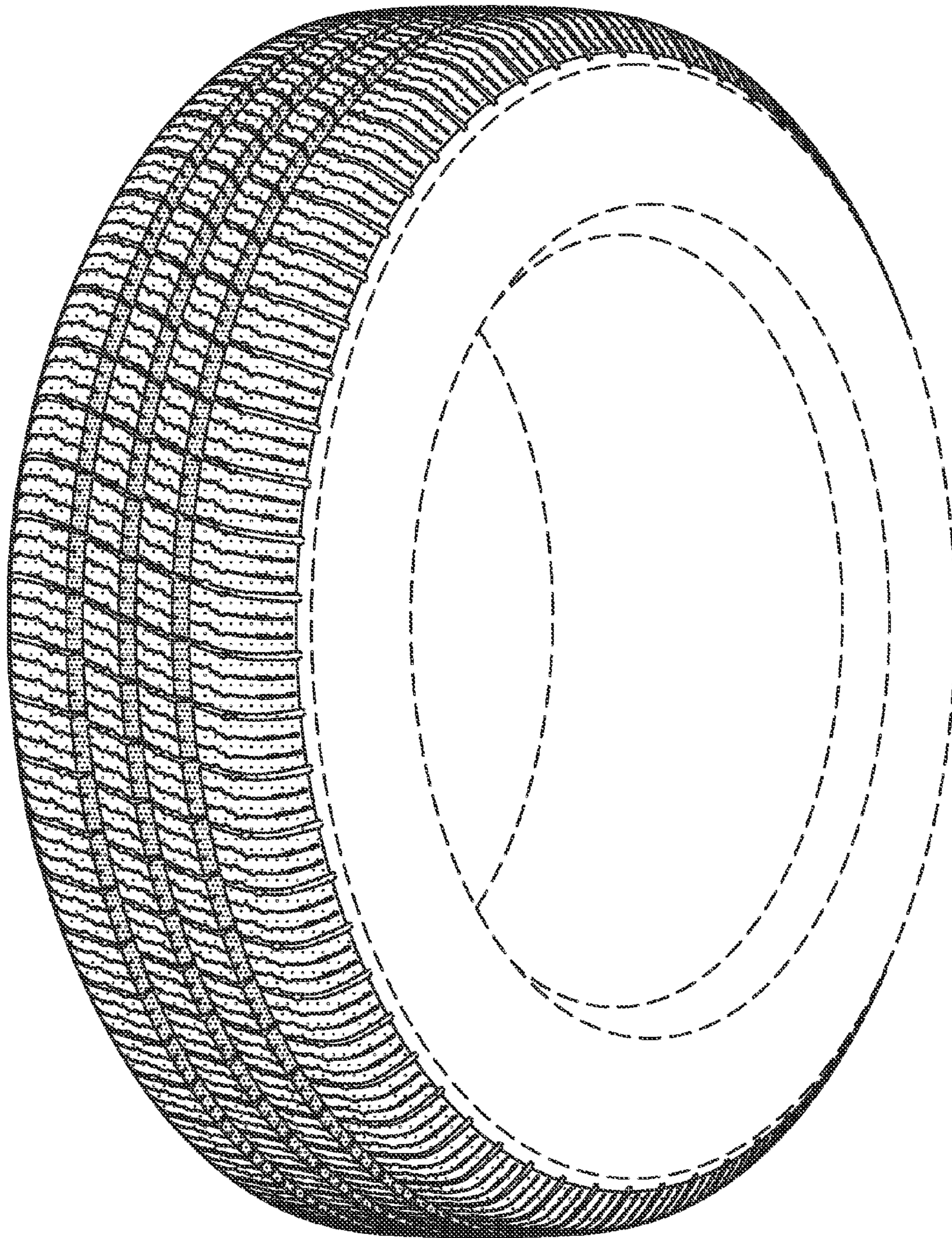


FIG. -1-

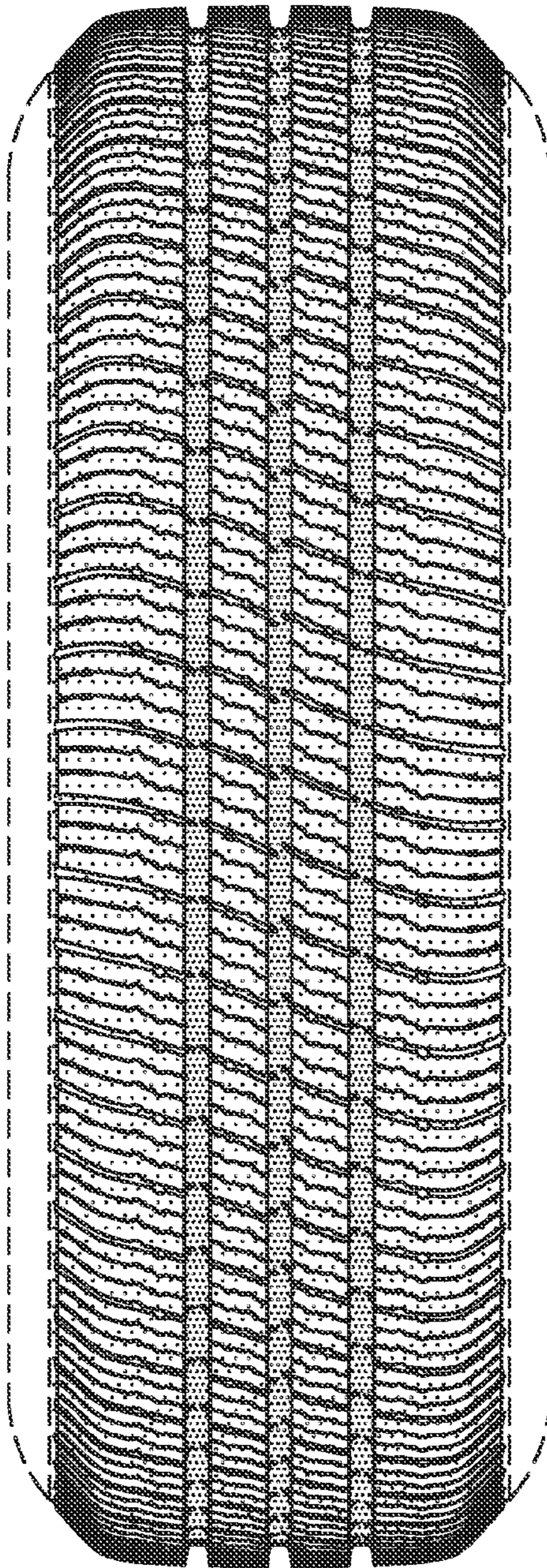


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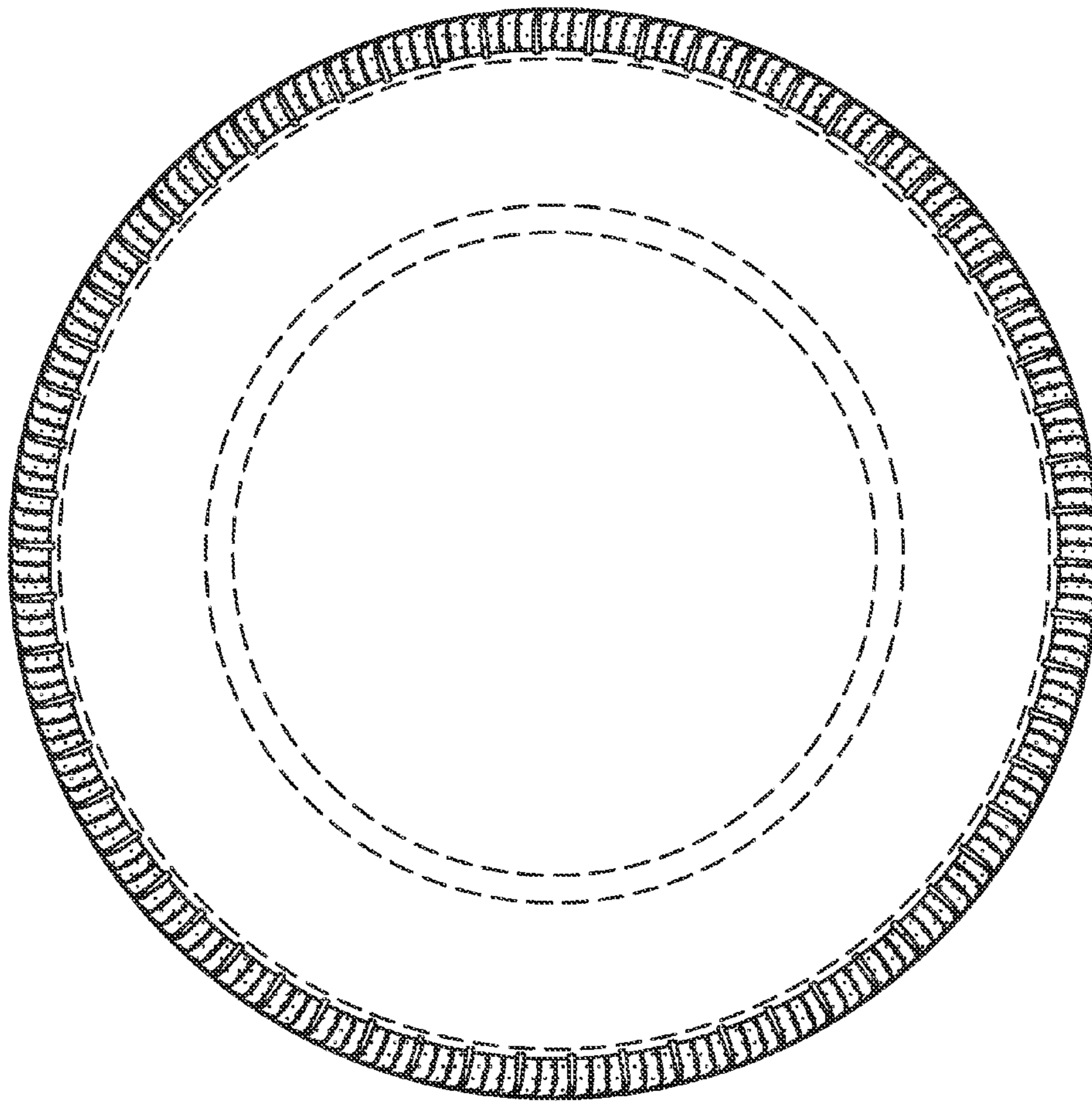


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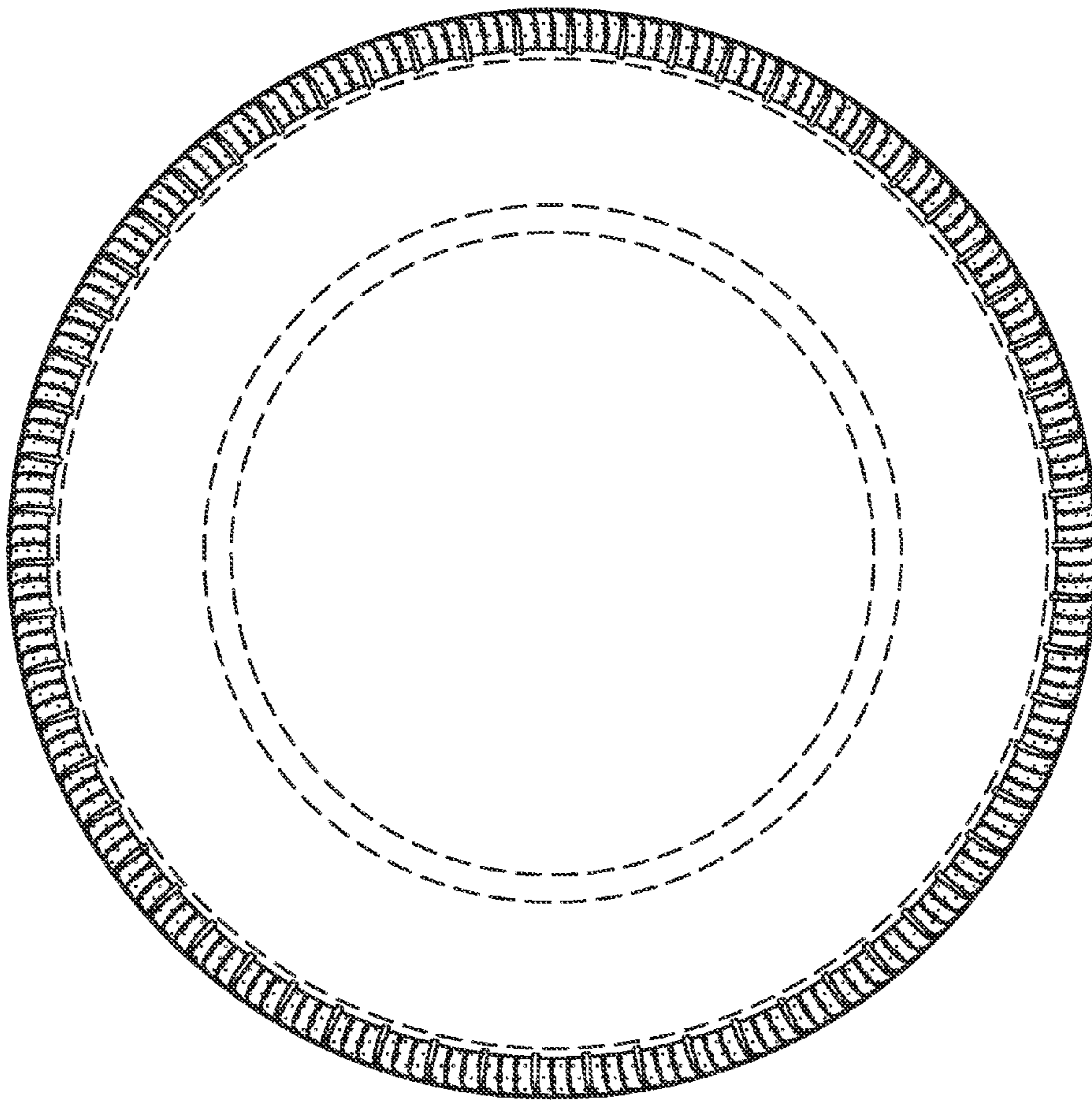


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