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(54) **TREAD PORTION OF AN AUTOMOBILE TIRE**

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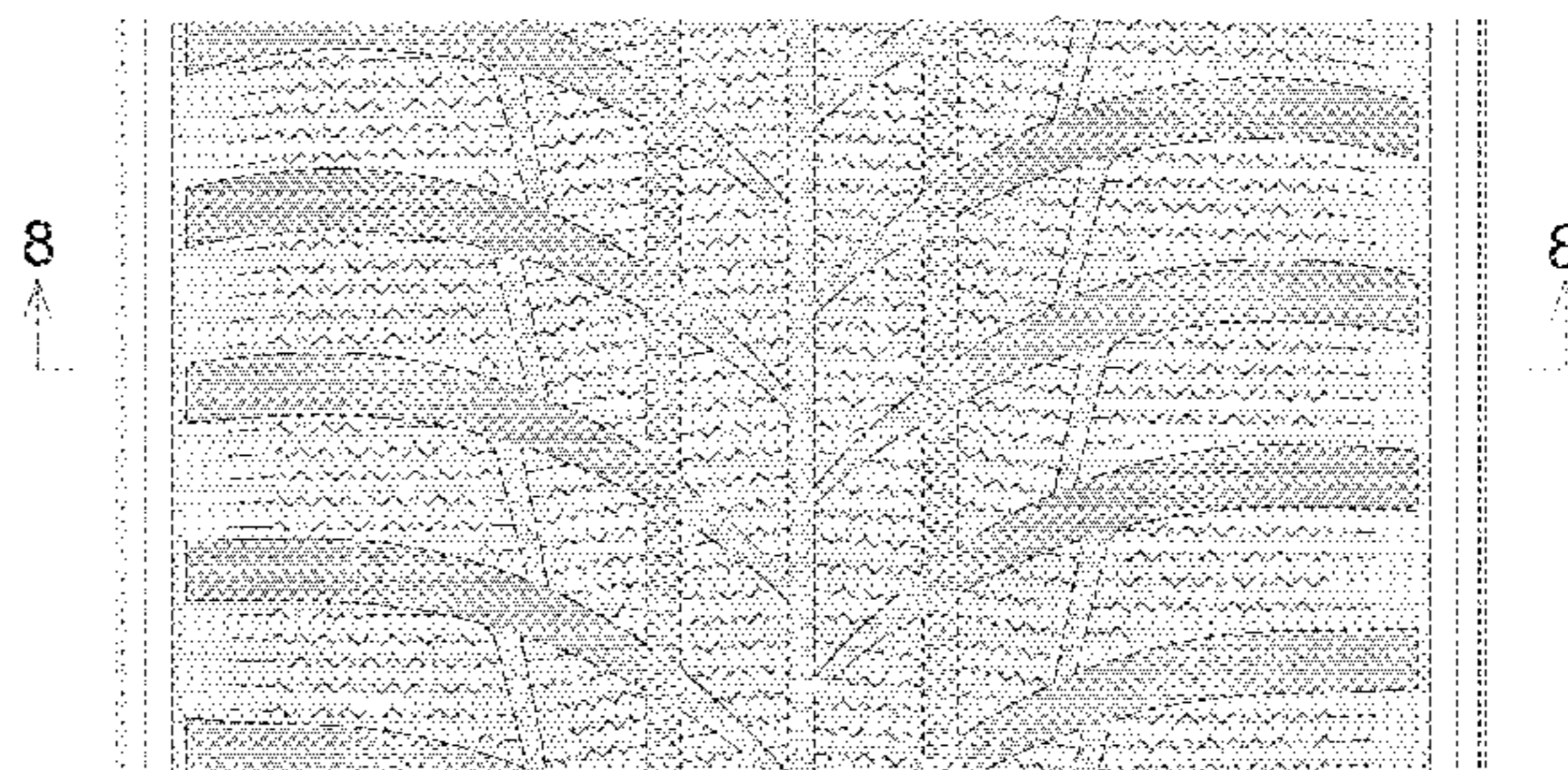
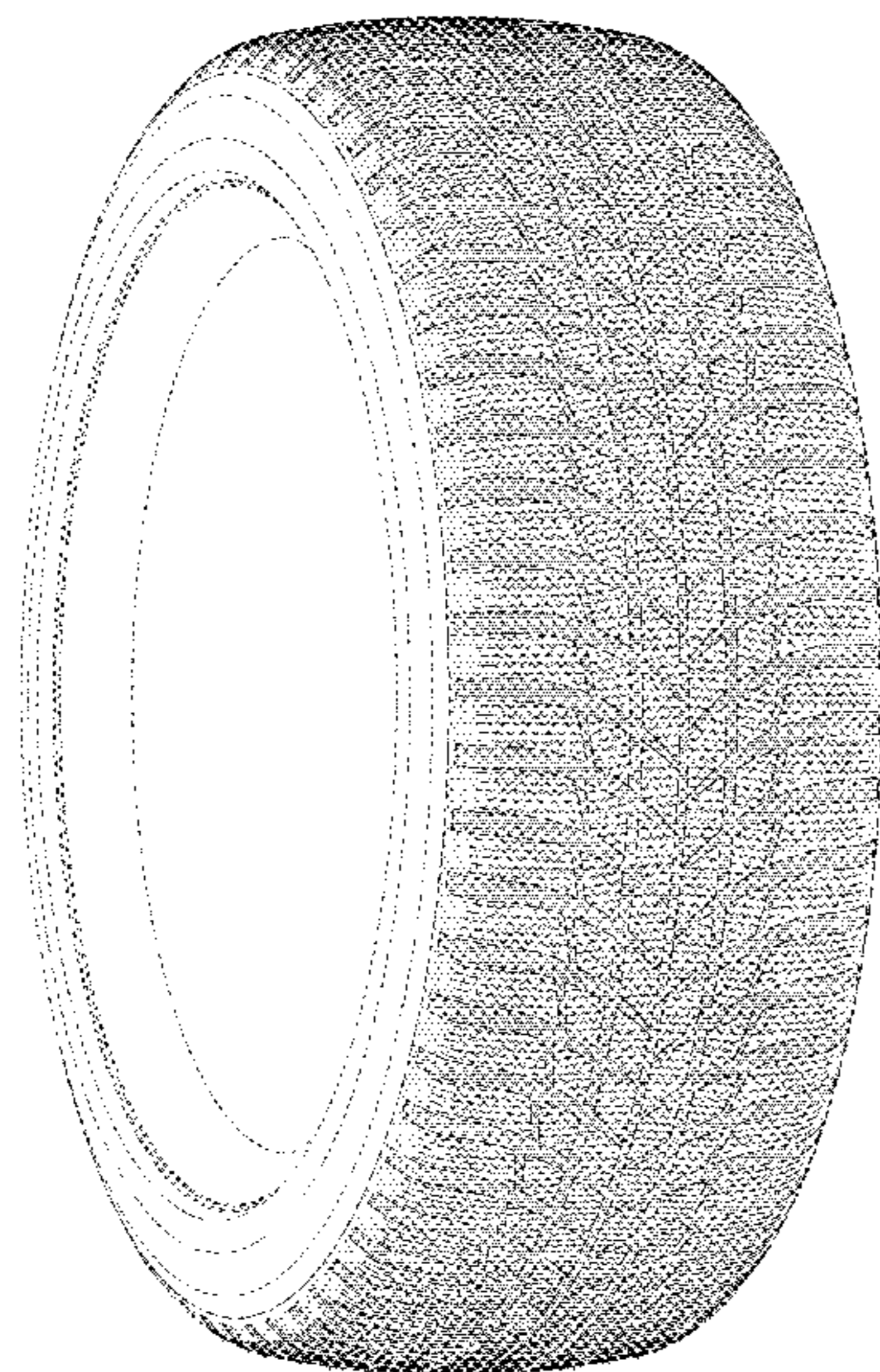
(57) **CLAIM**

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 our new 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 view showing the details of the tread portion thereof; and,
FIG. 8 is an end view taken along line 8-8 in FIG. 7.
Broken lines are used to show portions of the tire that are not being claimed, and thus form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 8 Drawing Sheets



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FIG. 1

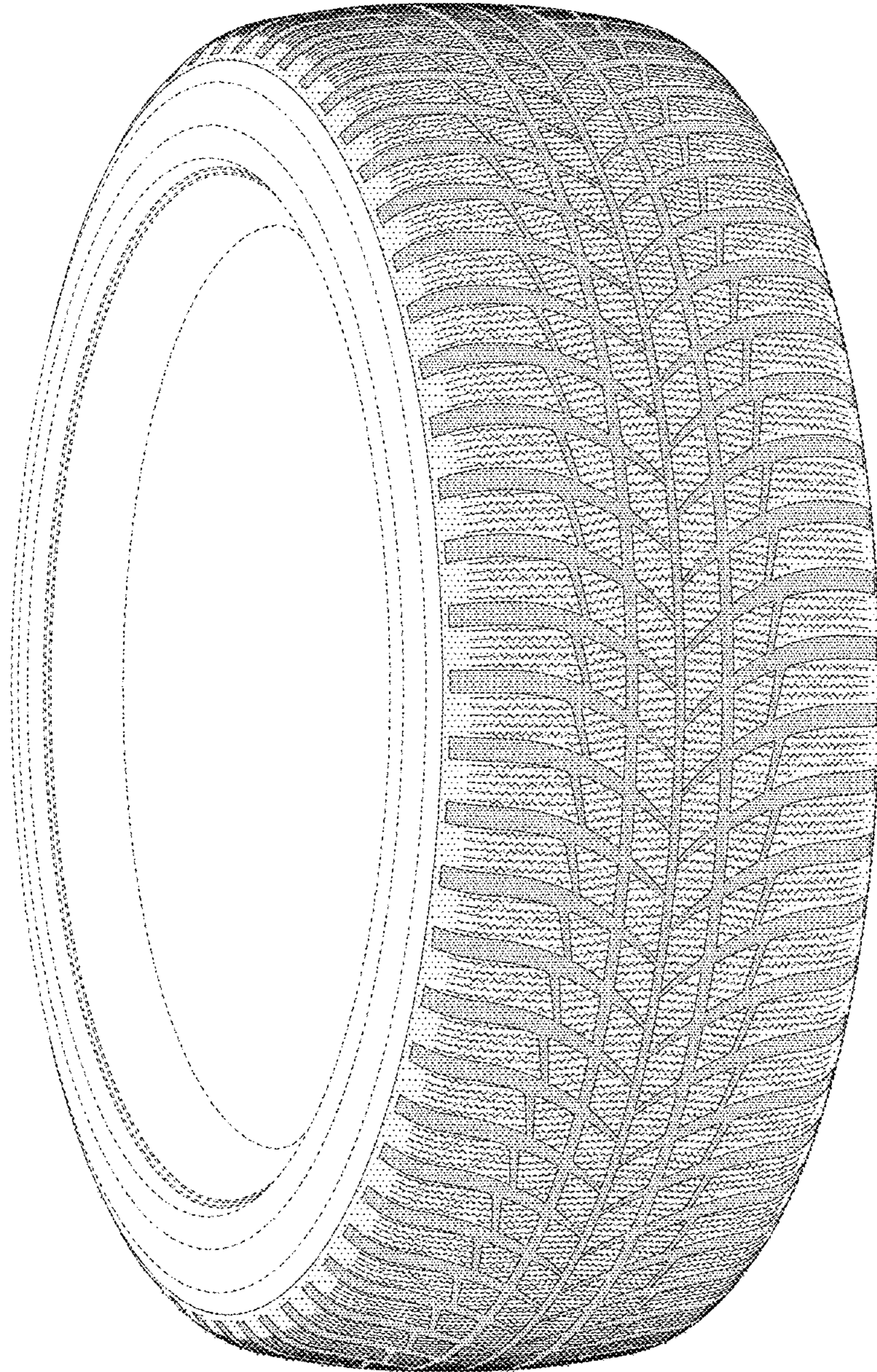


FIG. 2

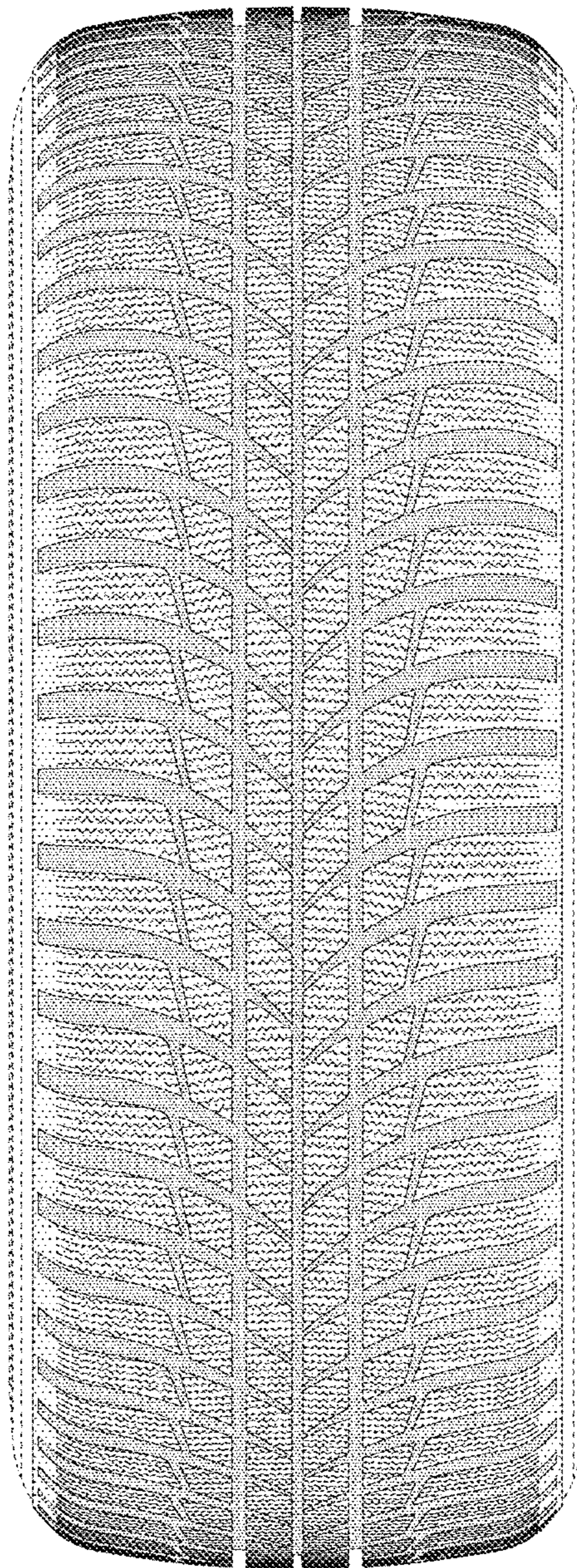


FIG. 3

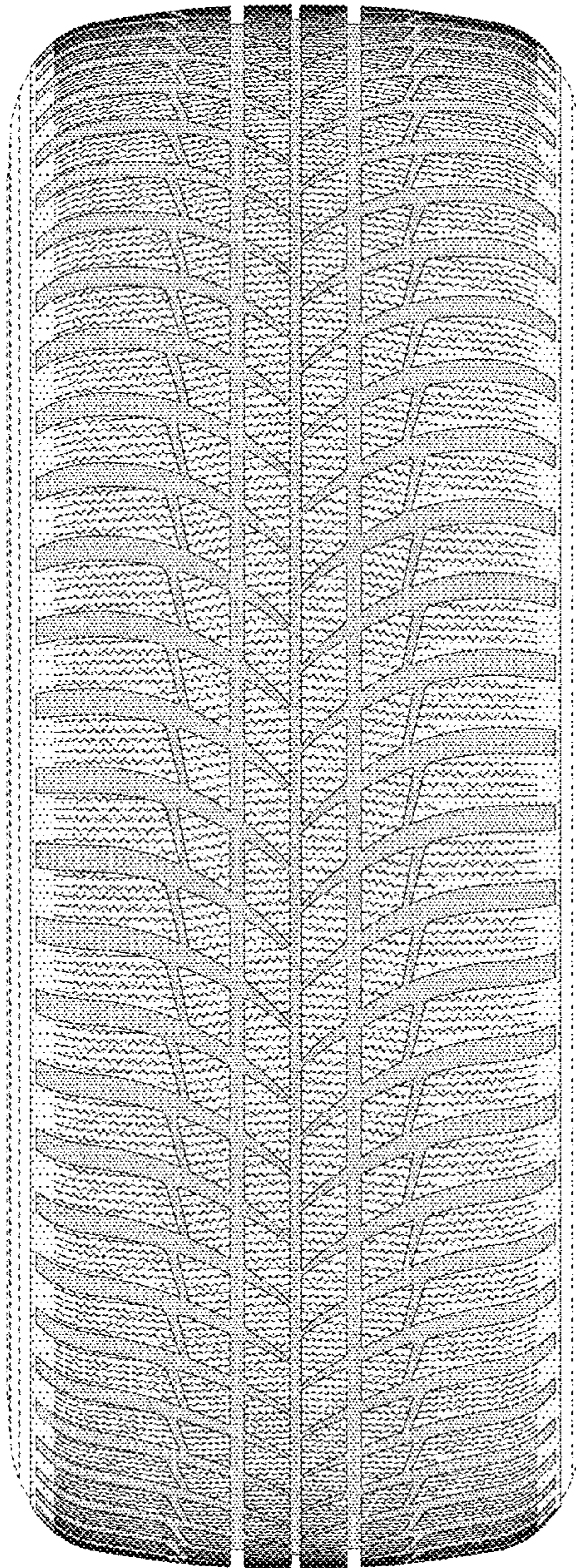


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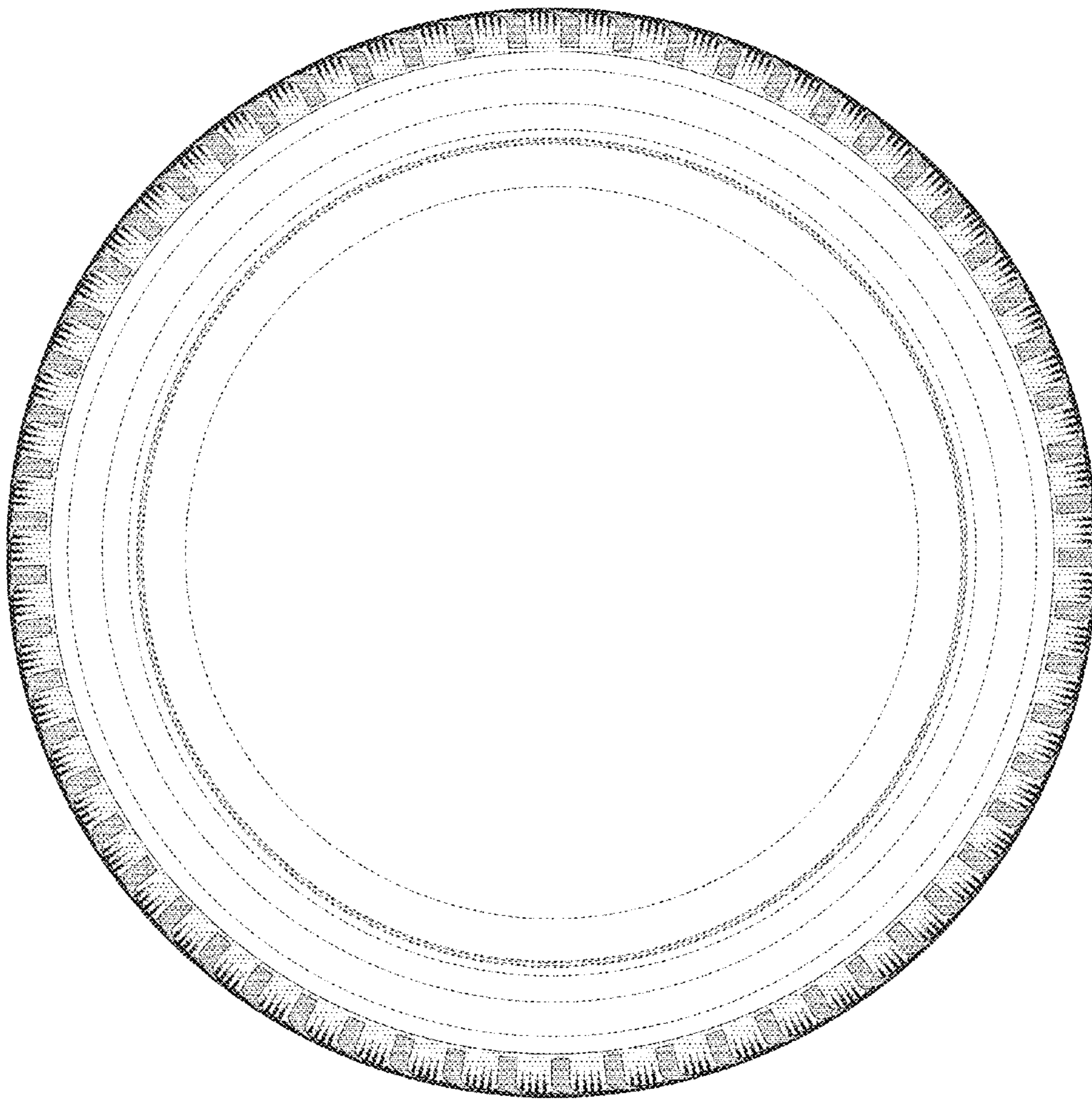


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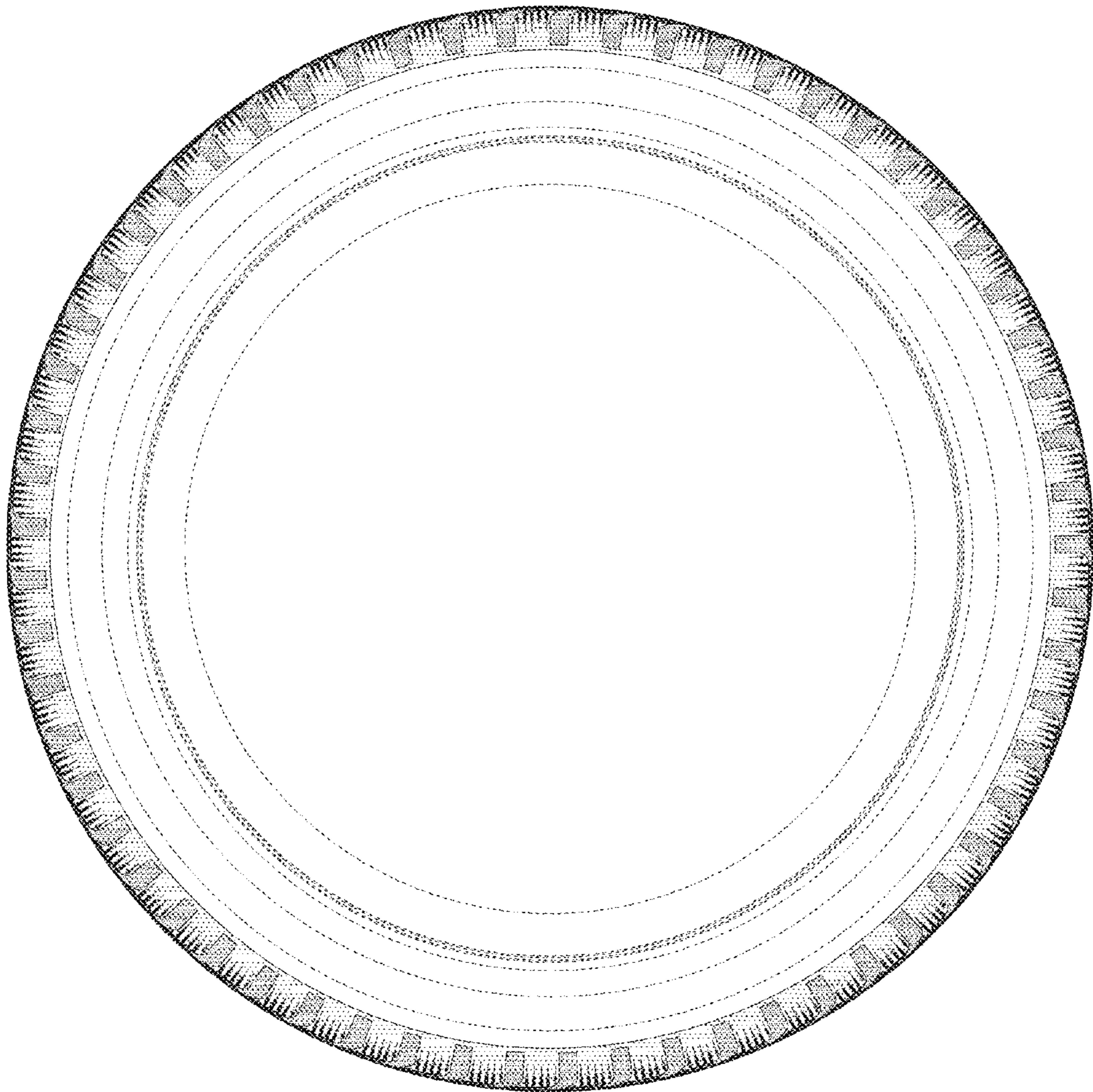


FIG. 6

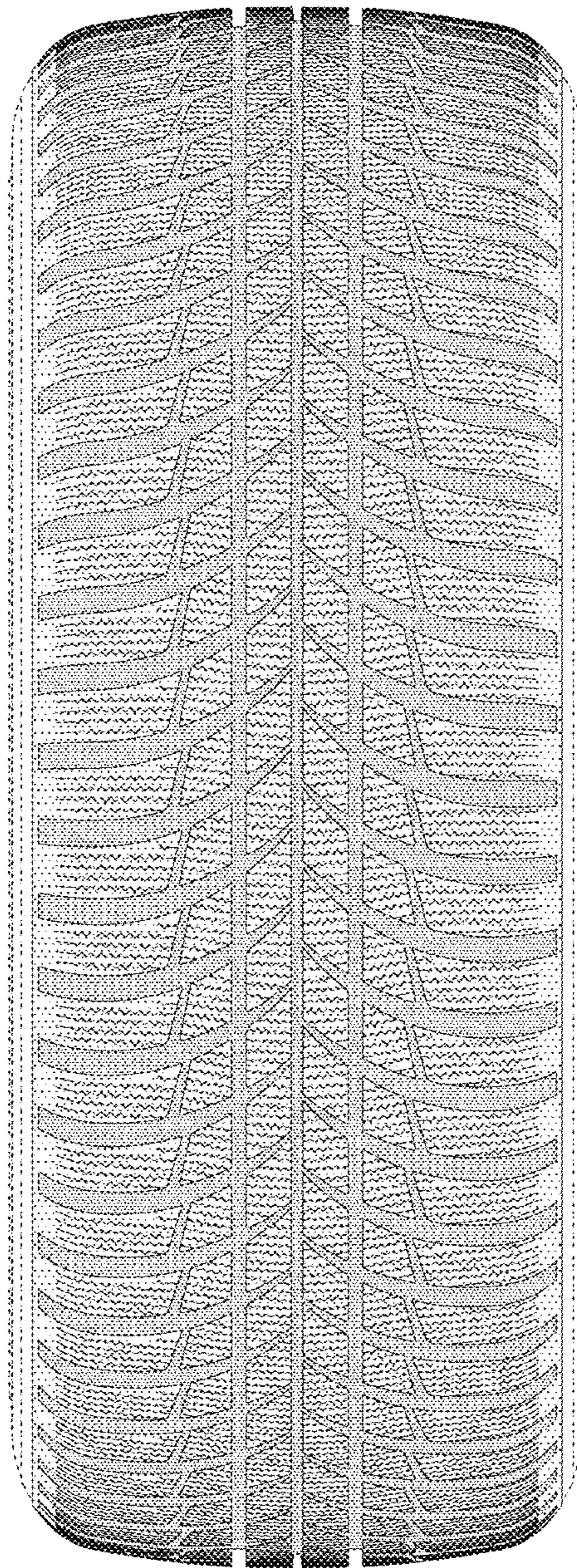


FIG. 7

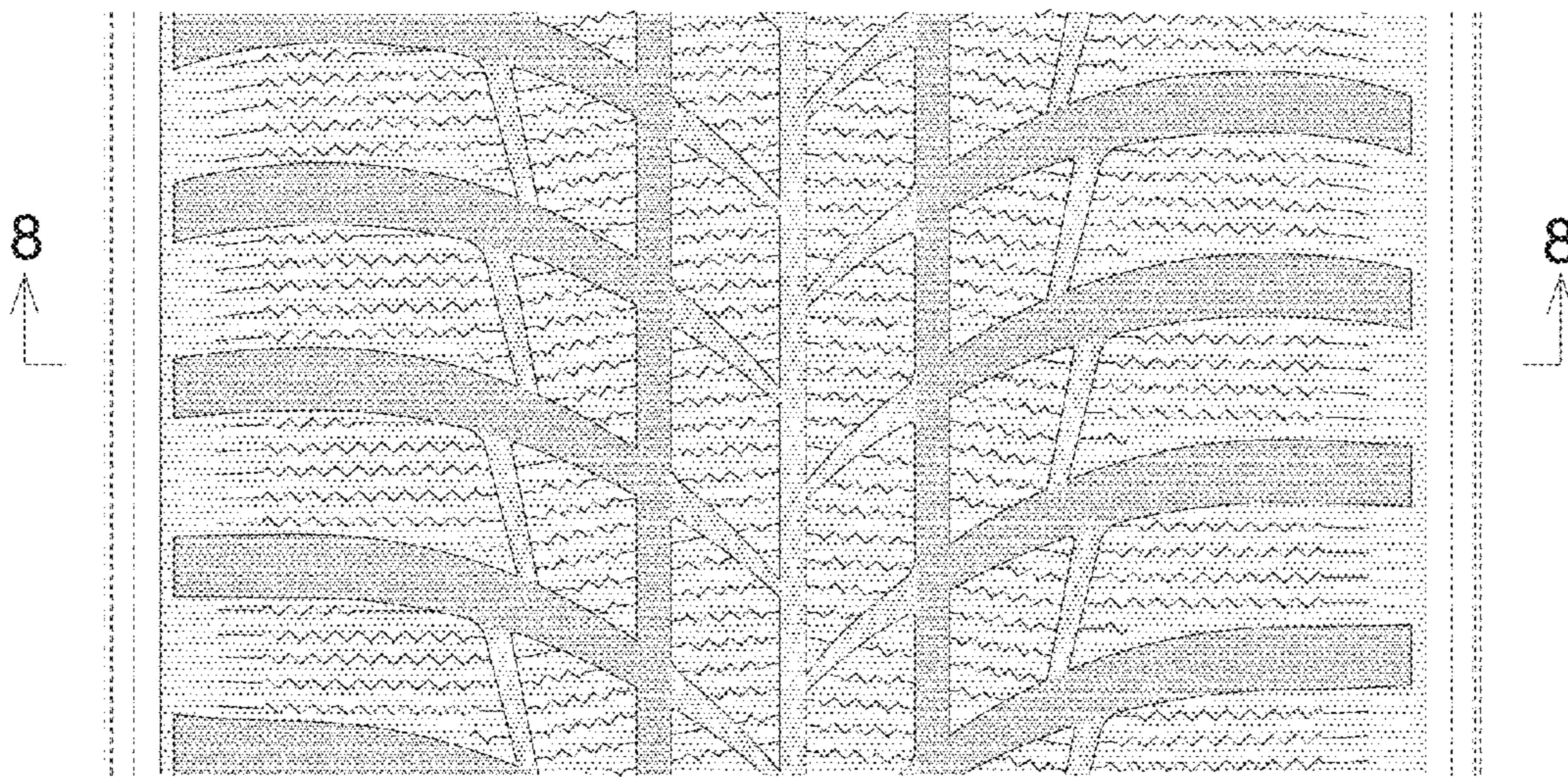


FIG. 8

