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

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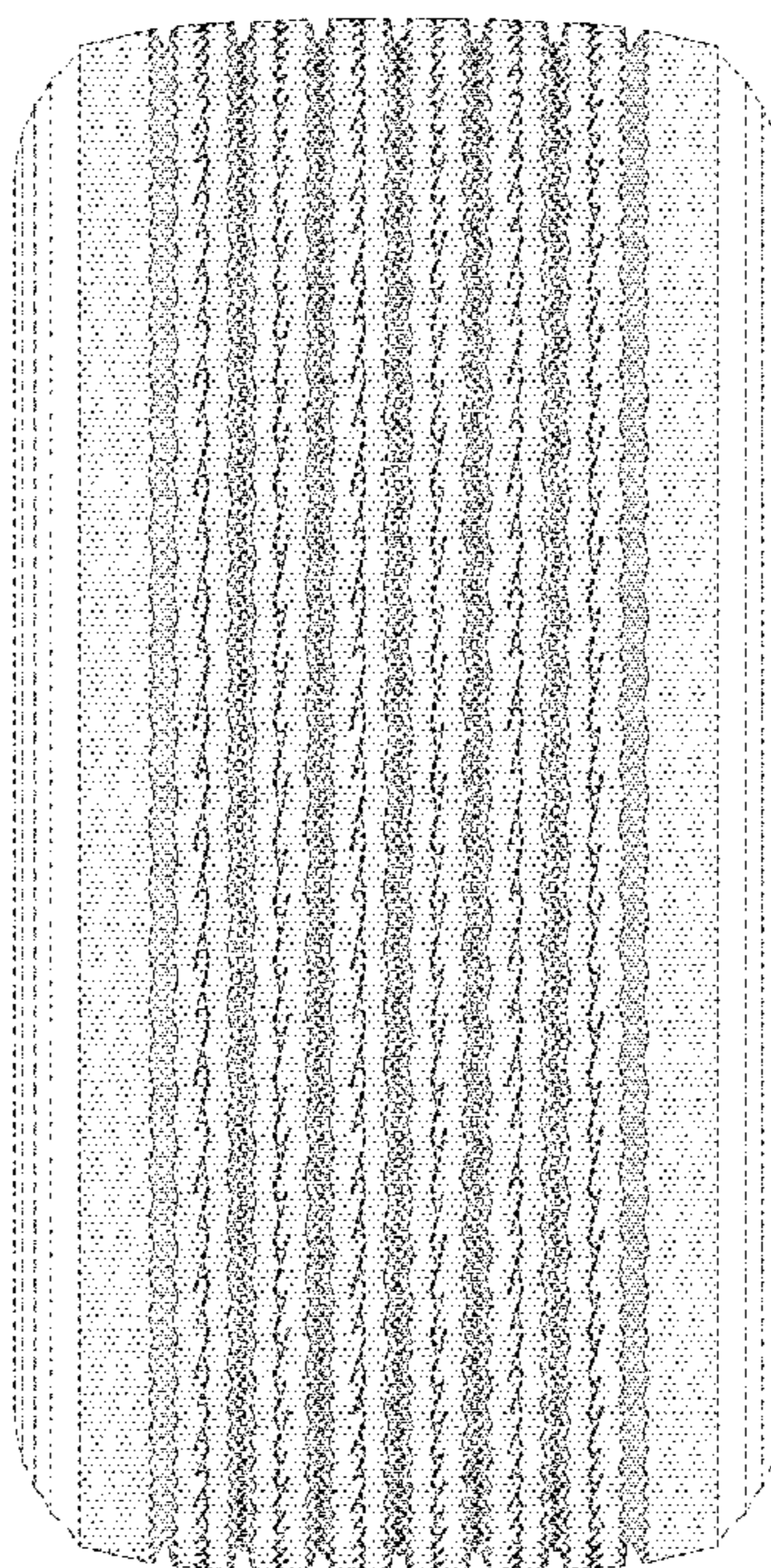
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a tread portion of an automobile tire, as shown and described.

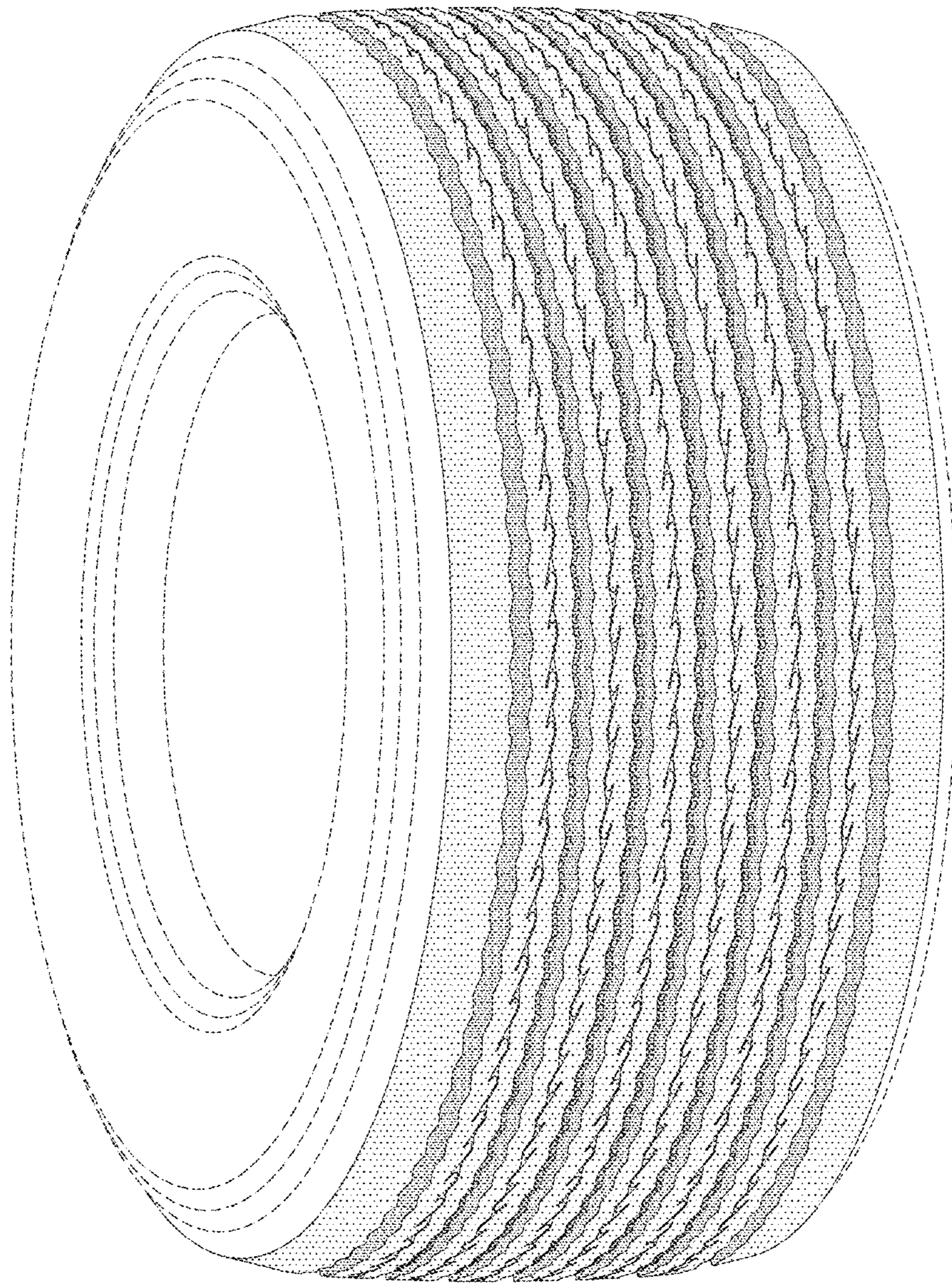
**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of 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 fragmentary enlarged front view showing the details of the tread portion thereof; and,  
FIG. 6 is a section view taken along line 6-6 in FIG. 5.  
Broken lines in the drawing figures are used to show portions of the tire that are not claimed, and thus form no part of the claimed invention.

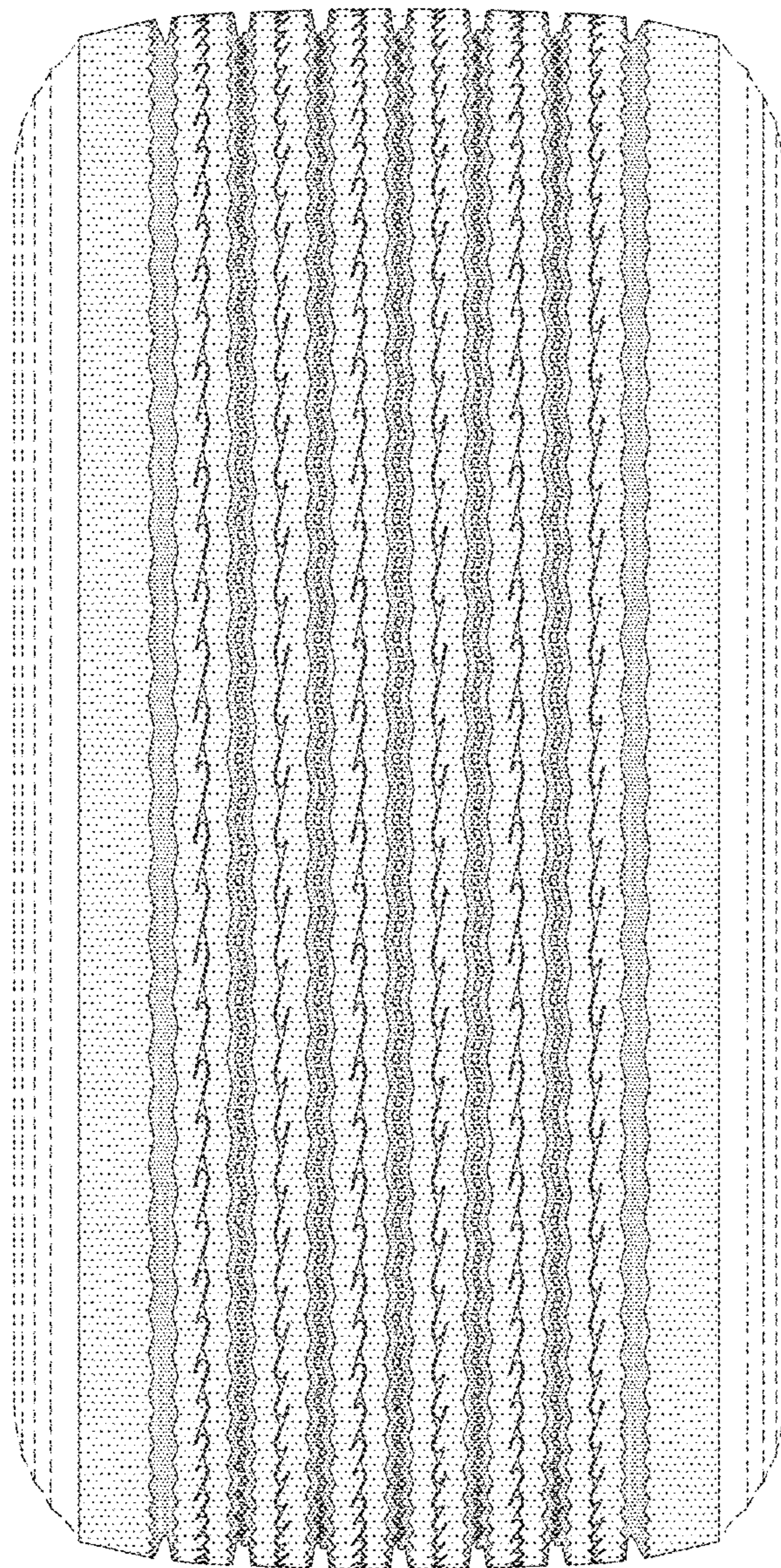
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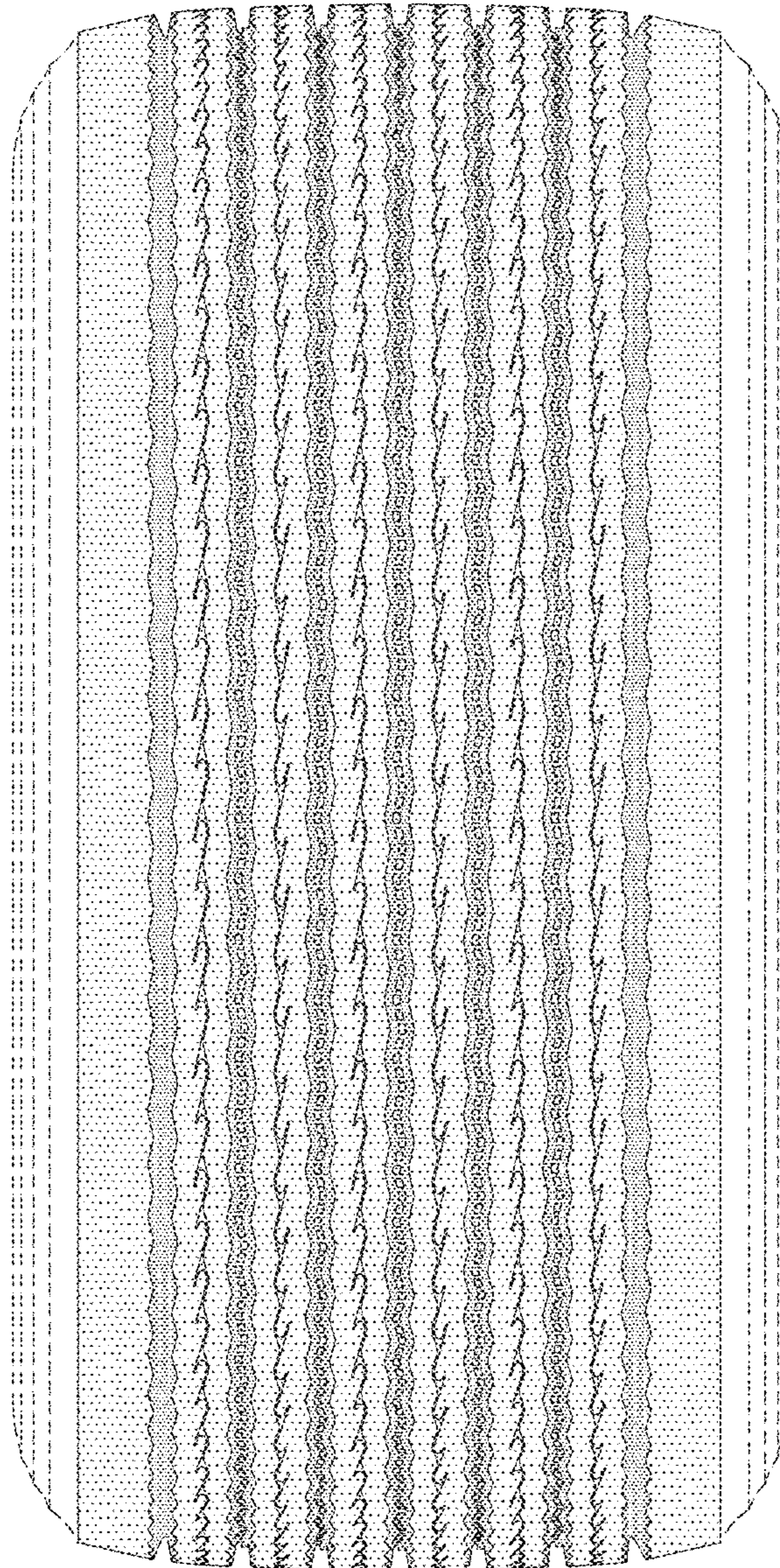
*FIG. 1*



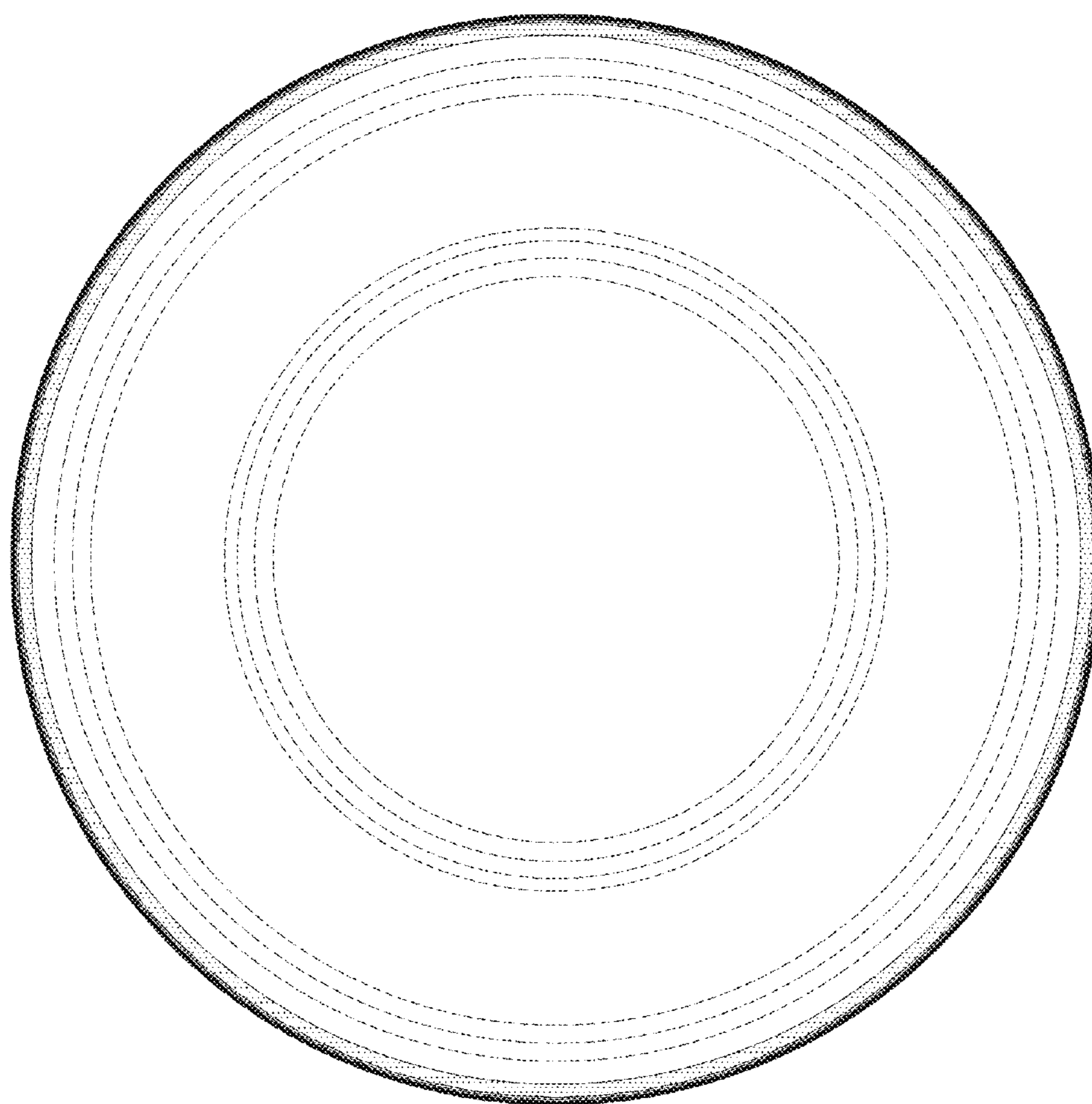
*FIG. 2*



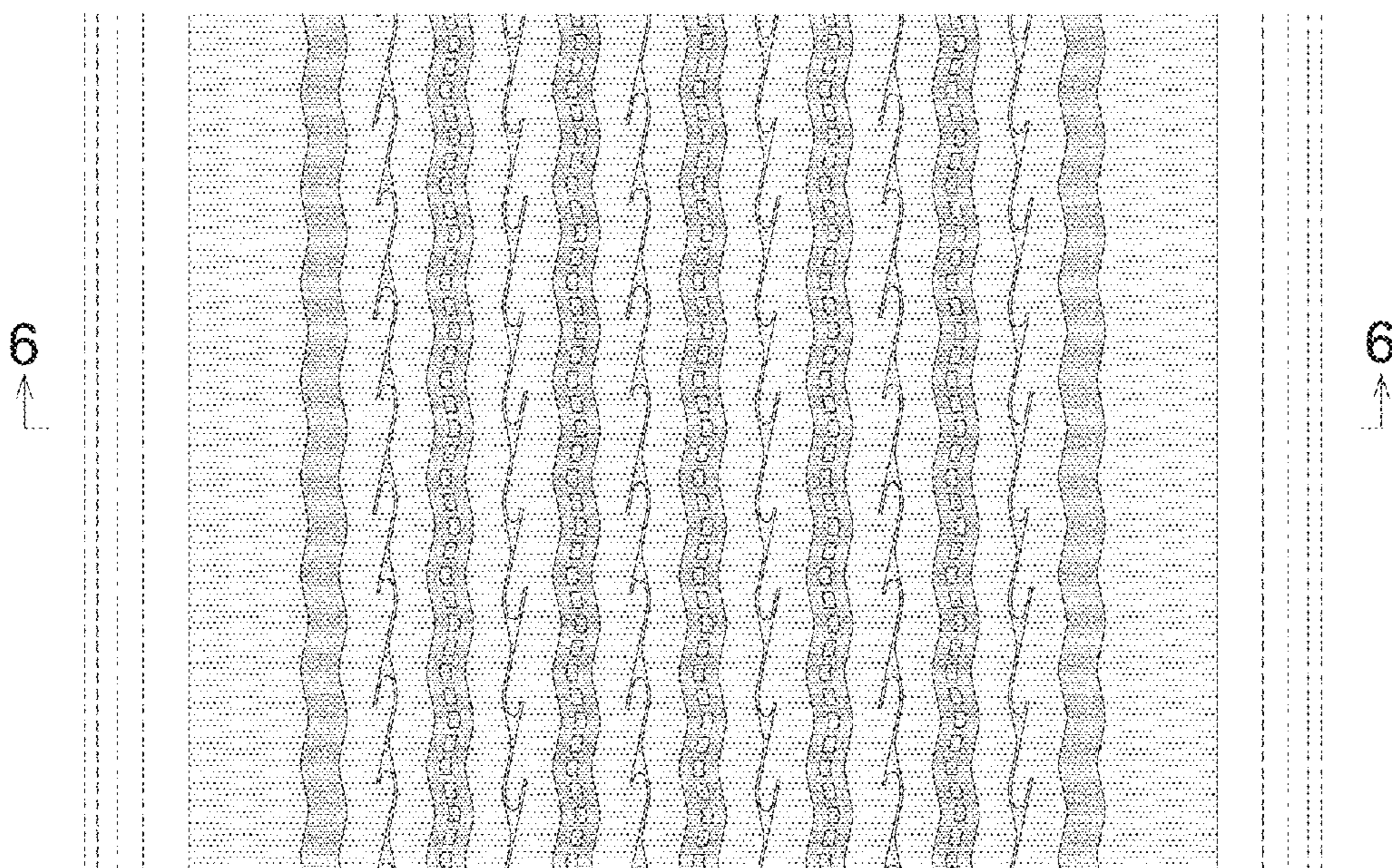
*FIG. 3*



*FIG. 4*



*FIG. 5*



*FIG. 6*

