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(54) **CONTAINER FOR CLOTHES WASHING MACHINE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

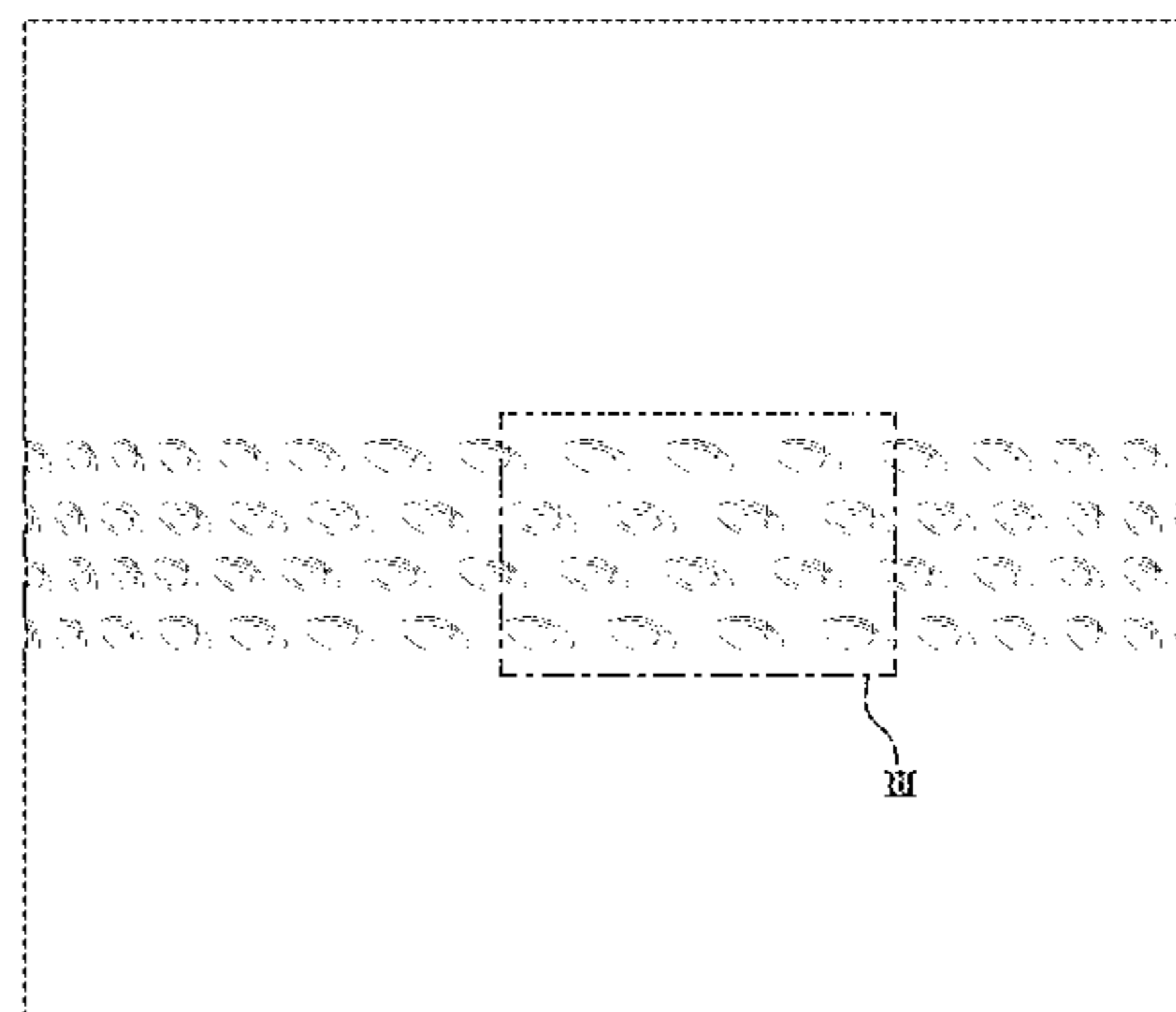
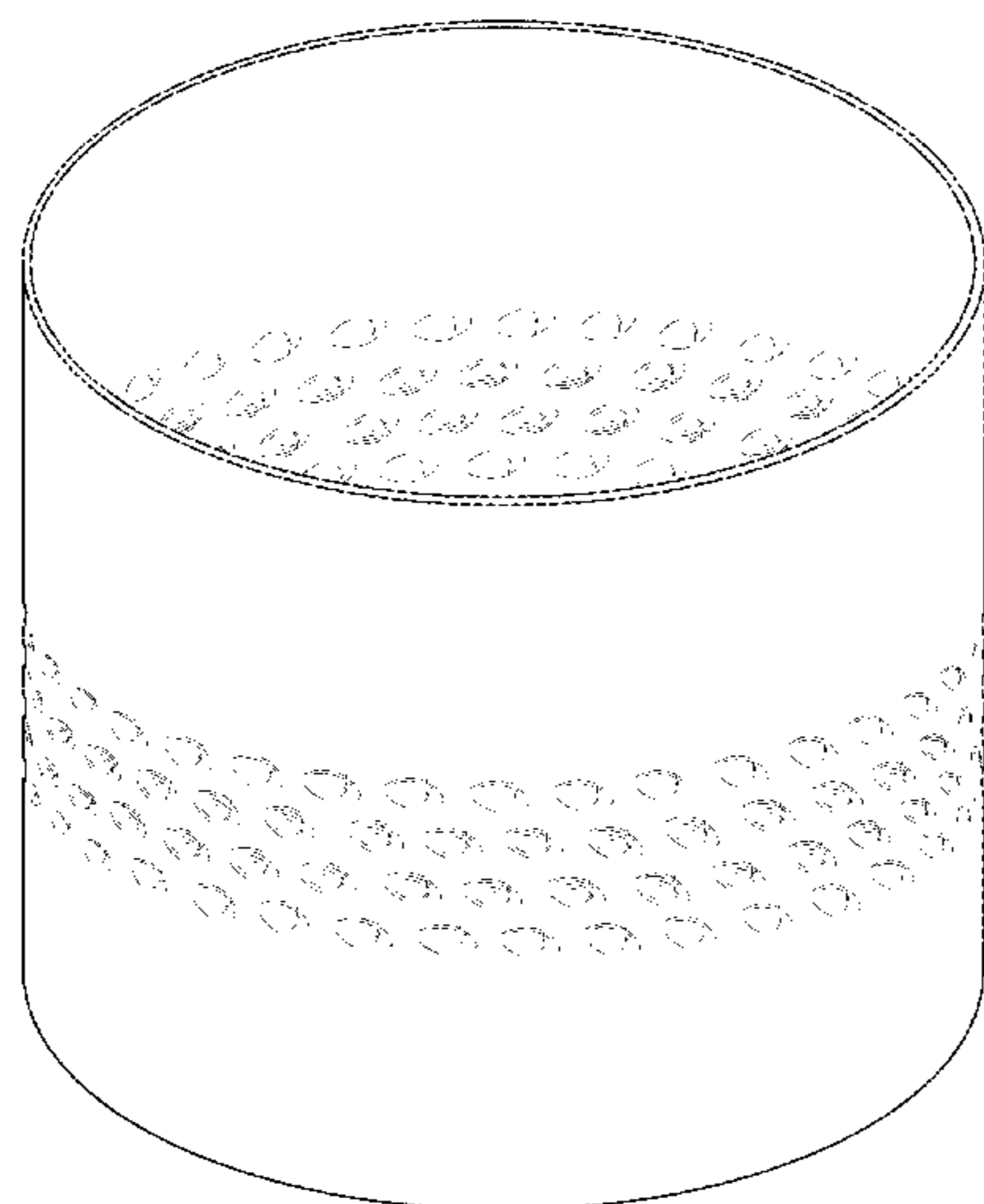
The ornamental design for a container of a clothes washing machine, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a container for a clothes washing machine having a textured pattern; FIG. 2 is a side view of the container from FIG. 1; and, FIG. 3 is a close-up view of section III of the textured pattern of the container from FIG. 1.

Only one side view is shown since the container is cylindrical and the textured pattern will appear the same in other side views. The bottom of the container is not illustrated, and forms no part of the claimed design.

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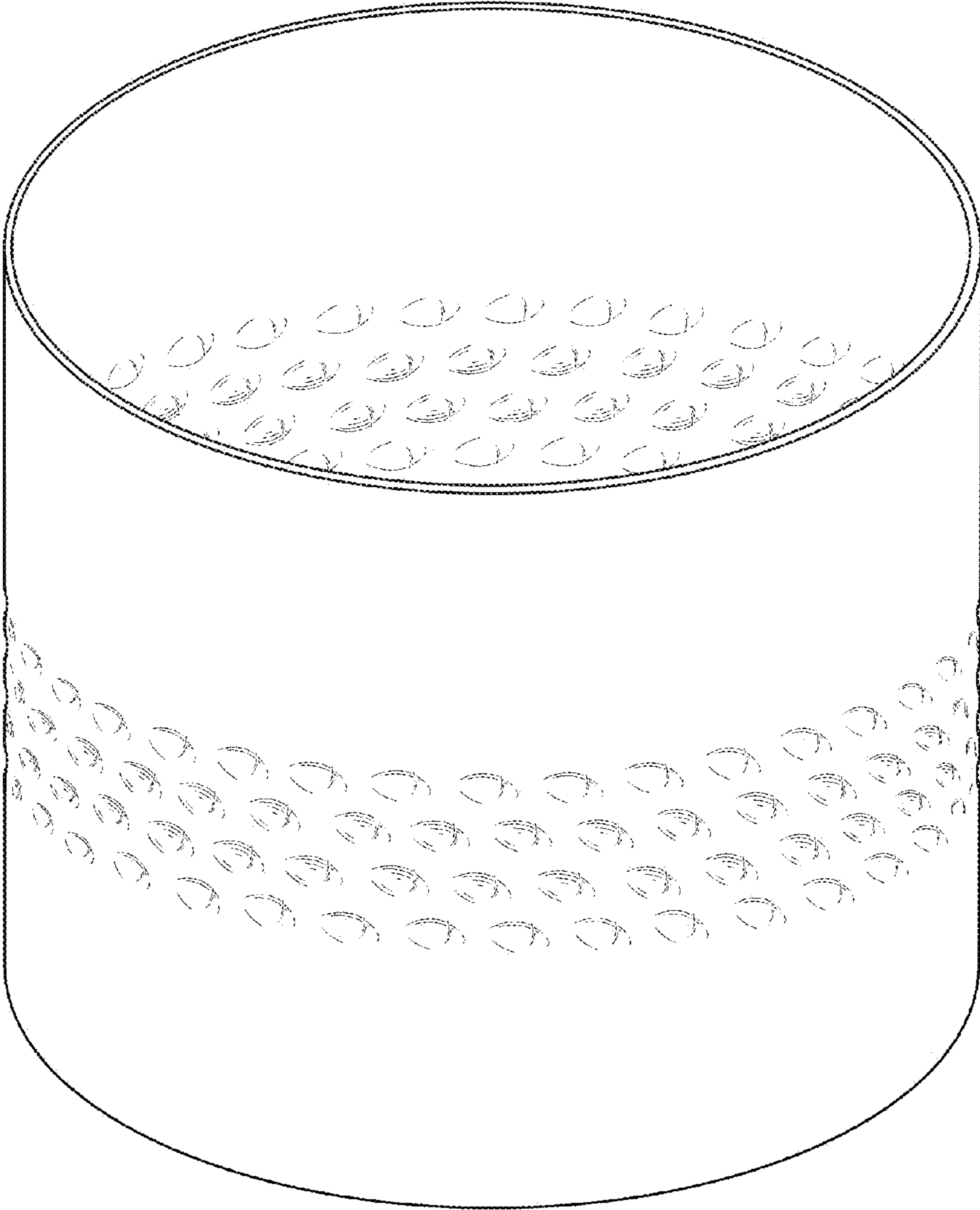


FIG. 1

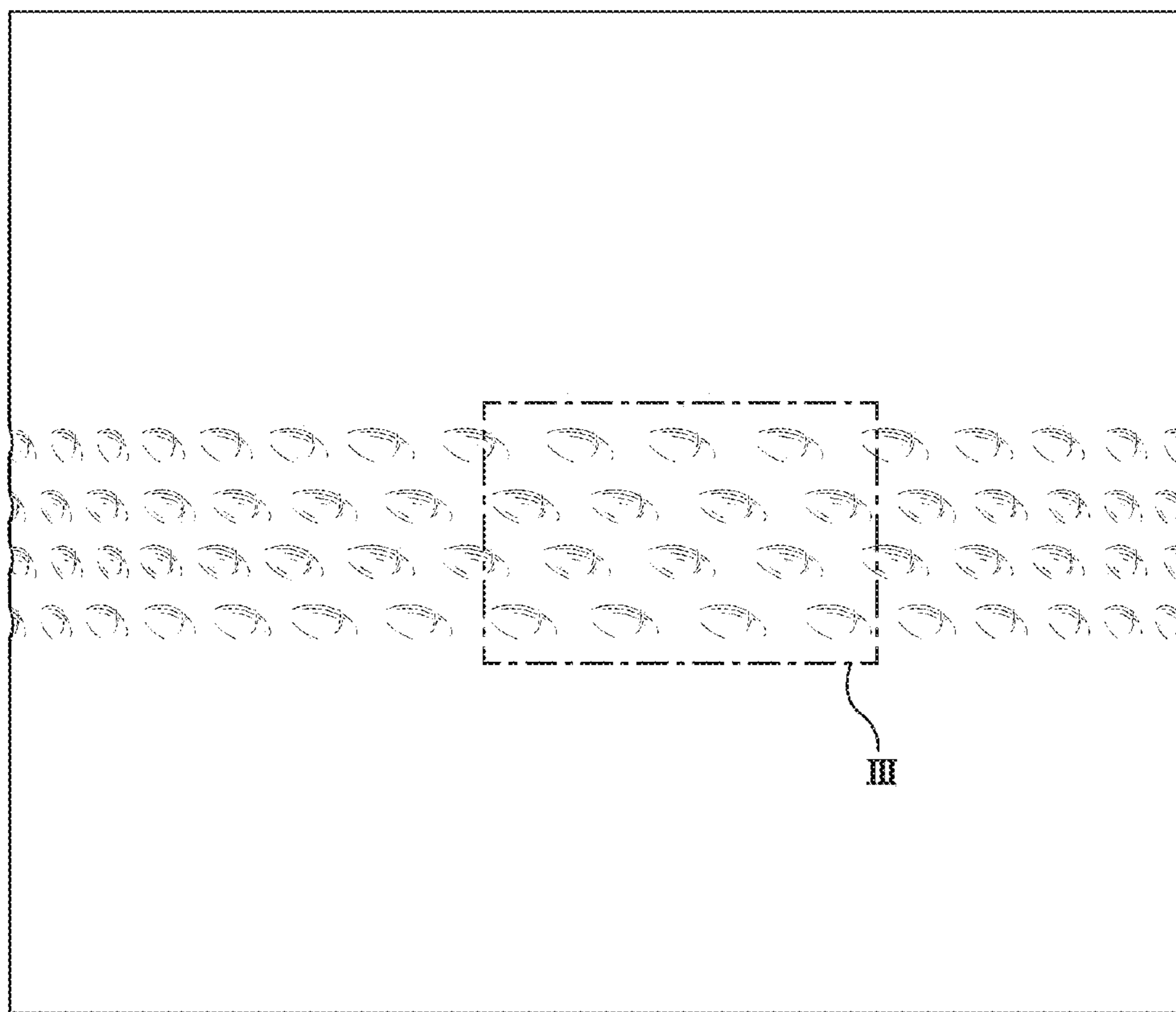
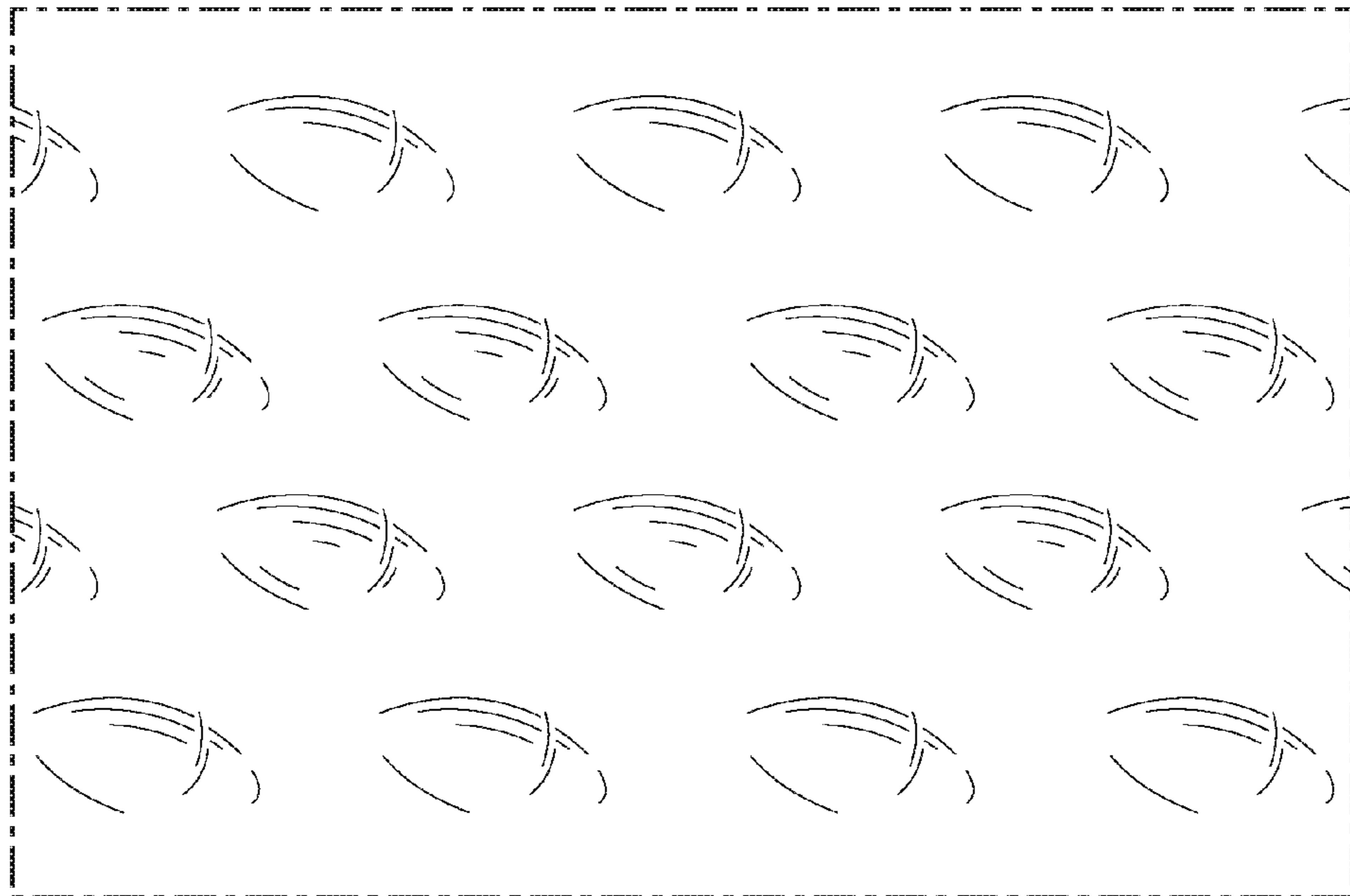


FIG. 2



**FIG. 3**