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(54) **PROTECTIVE BUFFER STRAP**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a protective buffer strap, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front top perspective view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 2 is a rear top perspective view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 3 is a front bottom perspective view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 4 is a rear bottom perspective view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 5 is a front top perspective view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

FIG. 6 is a rear top perspective view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

FIG. 7 is a front bottom perspective view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

FIG. 8 is a rear bottom perspective view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

FIG. 9 is a front elevational view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 10 is a rear elevational view of the of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 11 is a left side elevational view of the of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 12 is a right side elevational view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 13 is a top plan view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 14 is a bottom plan view of the protective buffer strap in an unwound condition;

FIG. 15 is a front elevational view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

FIG. 16 is a rear elevational view of the of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

FIG. 17 is a left side elevational view of the of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;

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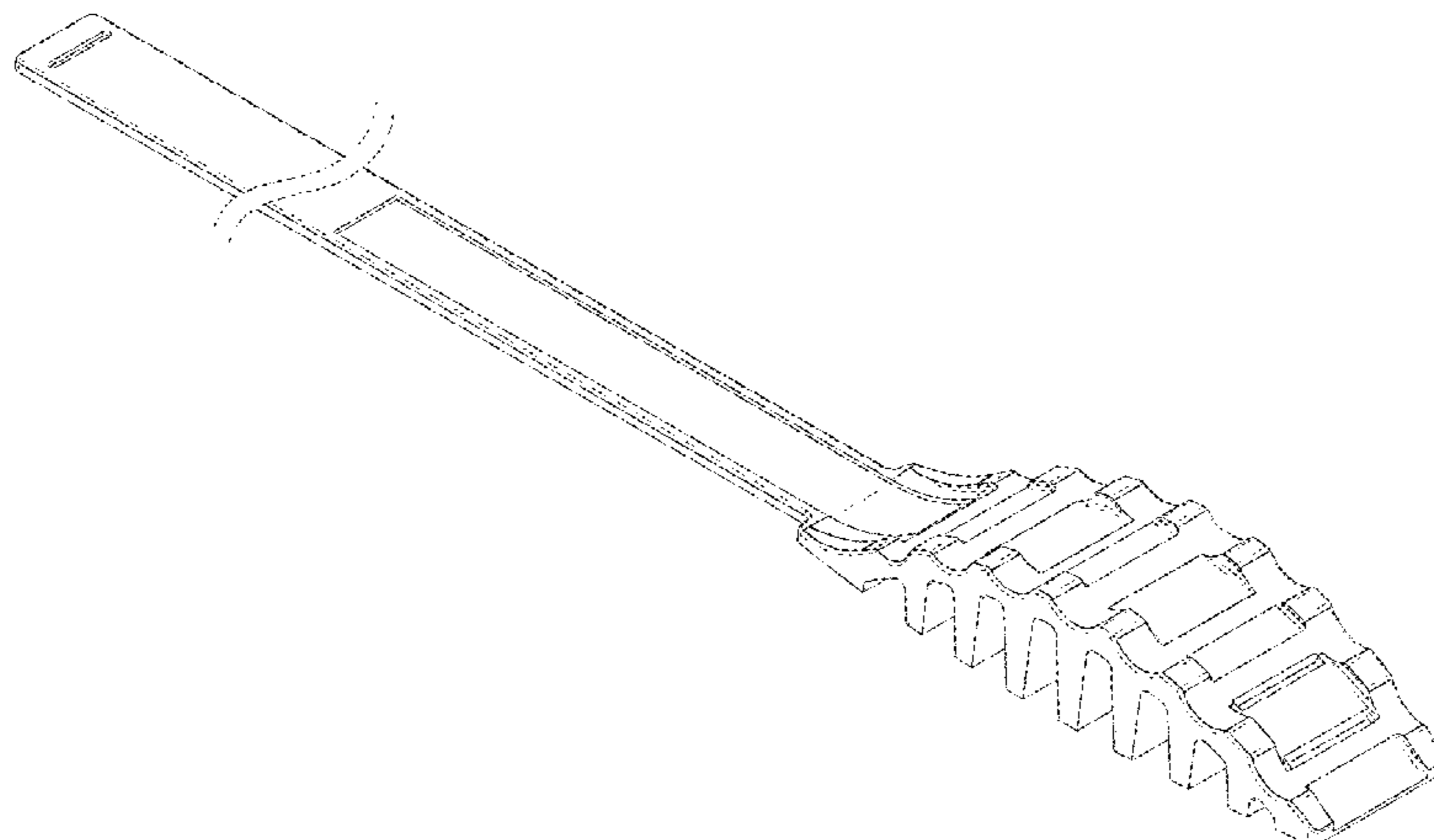


FIG. 18 is a right side elevational view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition;
 FIG. 19 is a top plan view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition; and,
 FIG. 20 is a bottom plan view of the protective buffer strap in a wound condition.
 The protective buffer strap is shown with heavy solid lines depicting edges of the article, and light lines which do not intersect the heavy solid lines, and which depict surface contour of the article.

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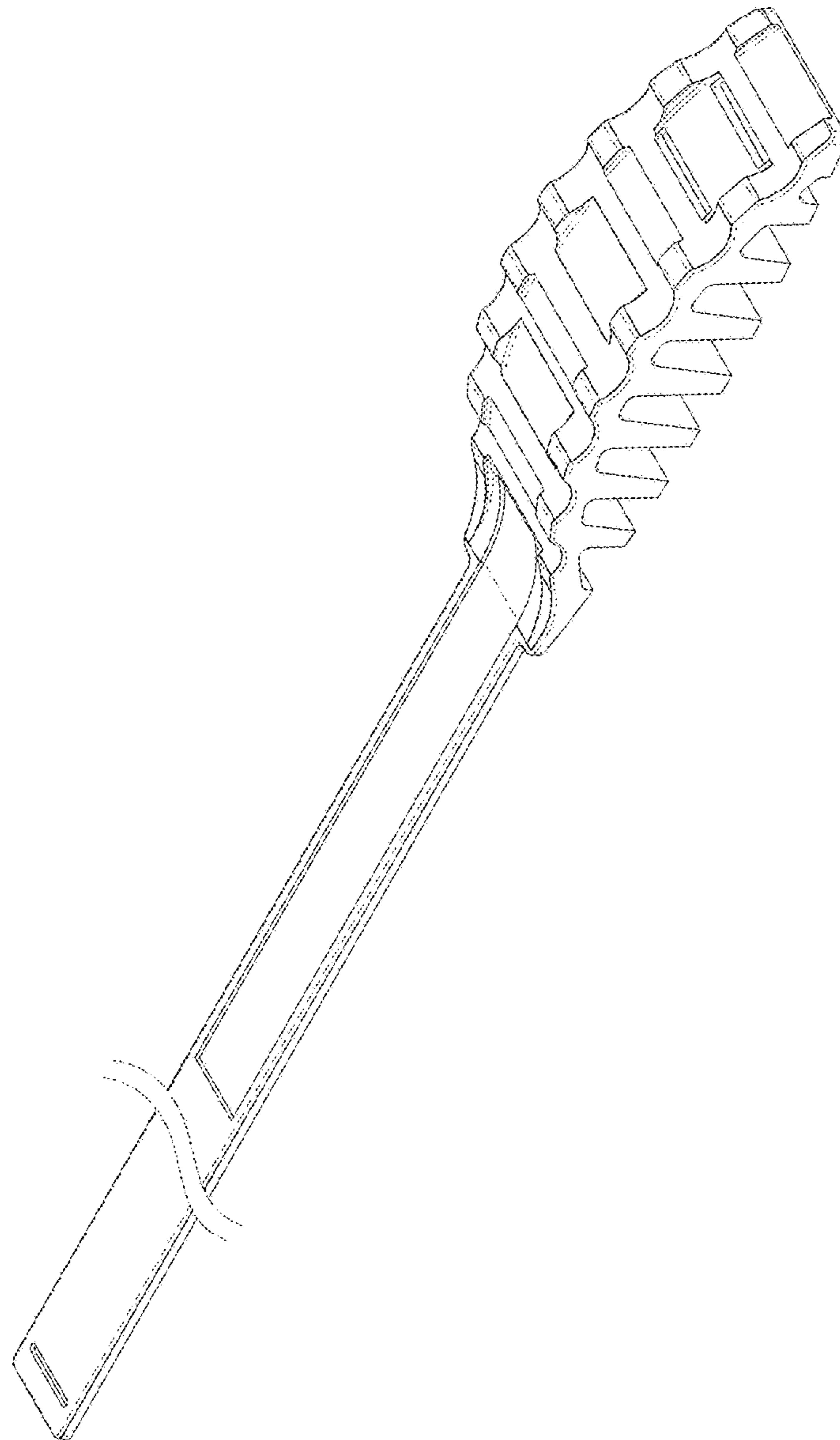


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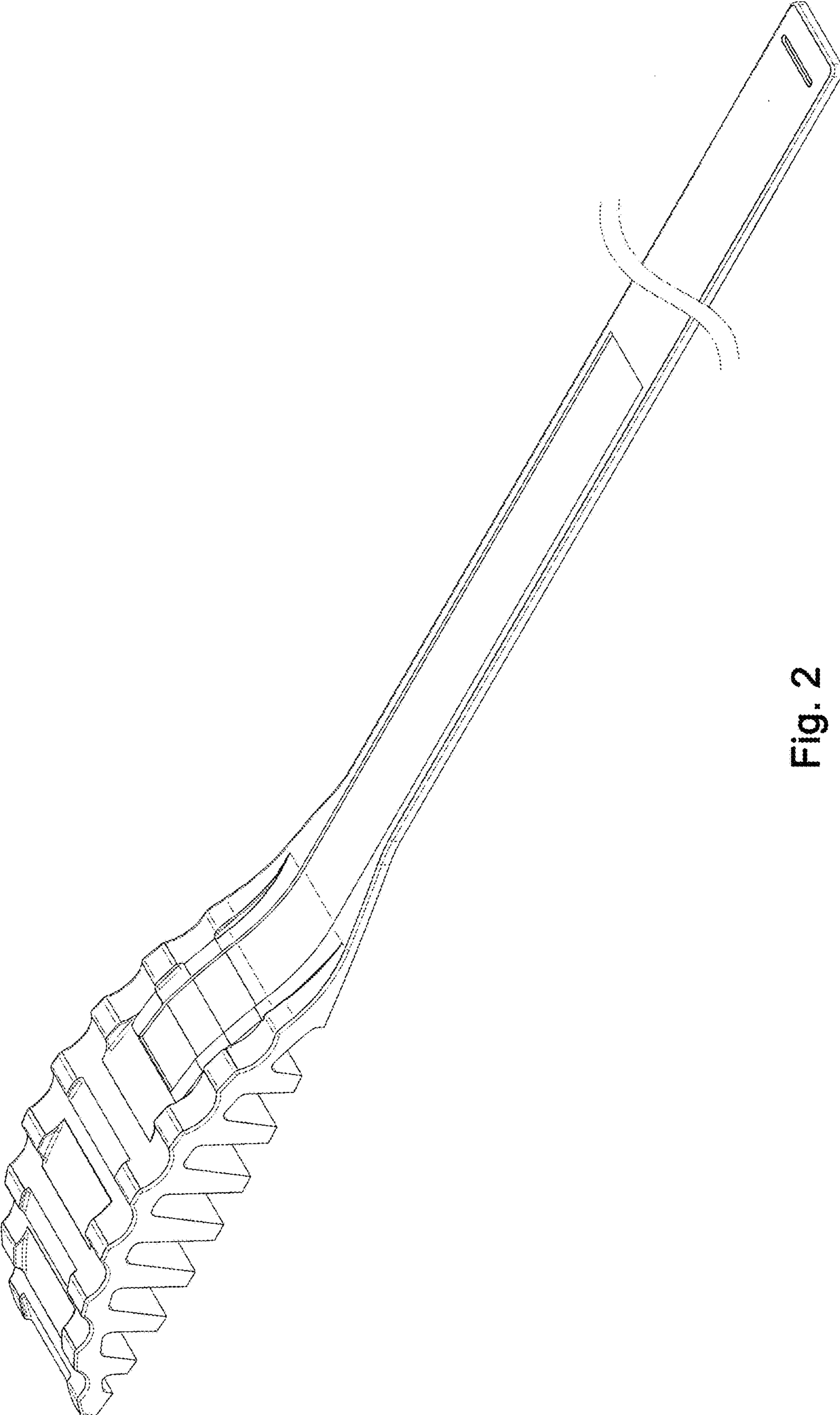


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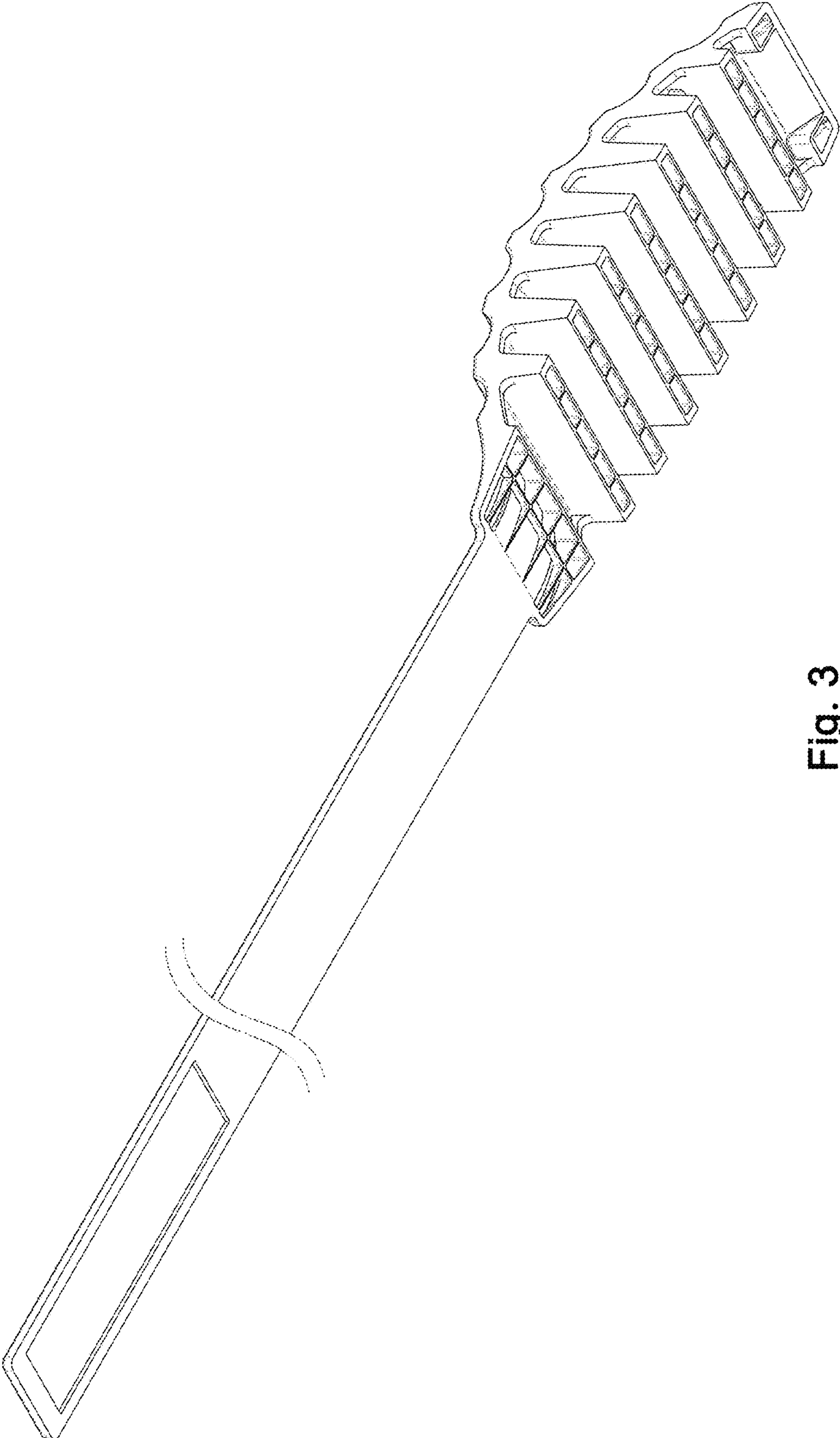


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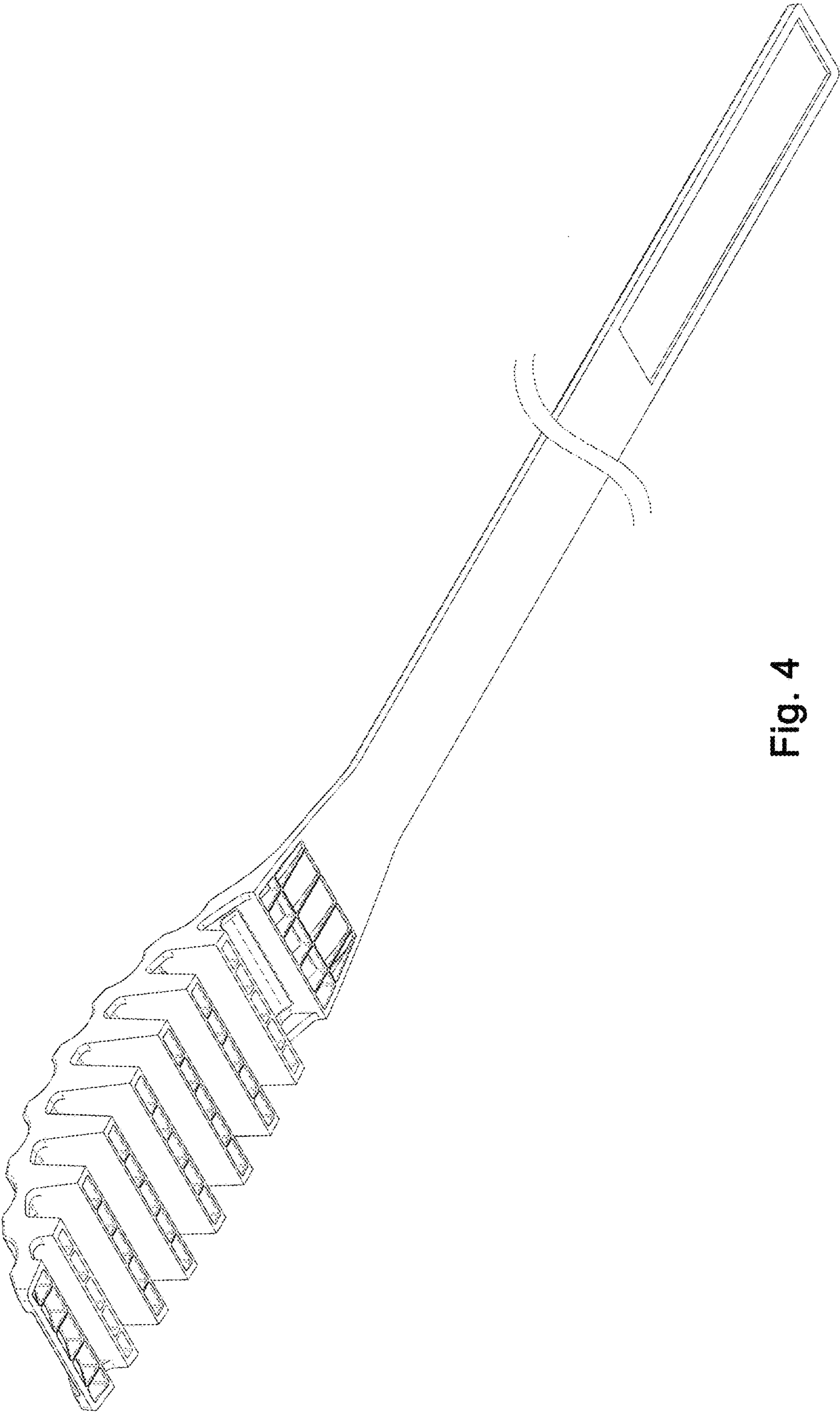


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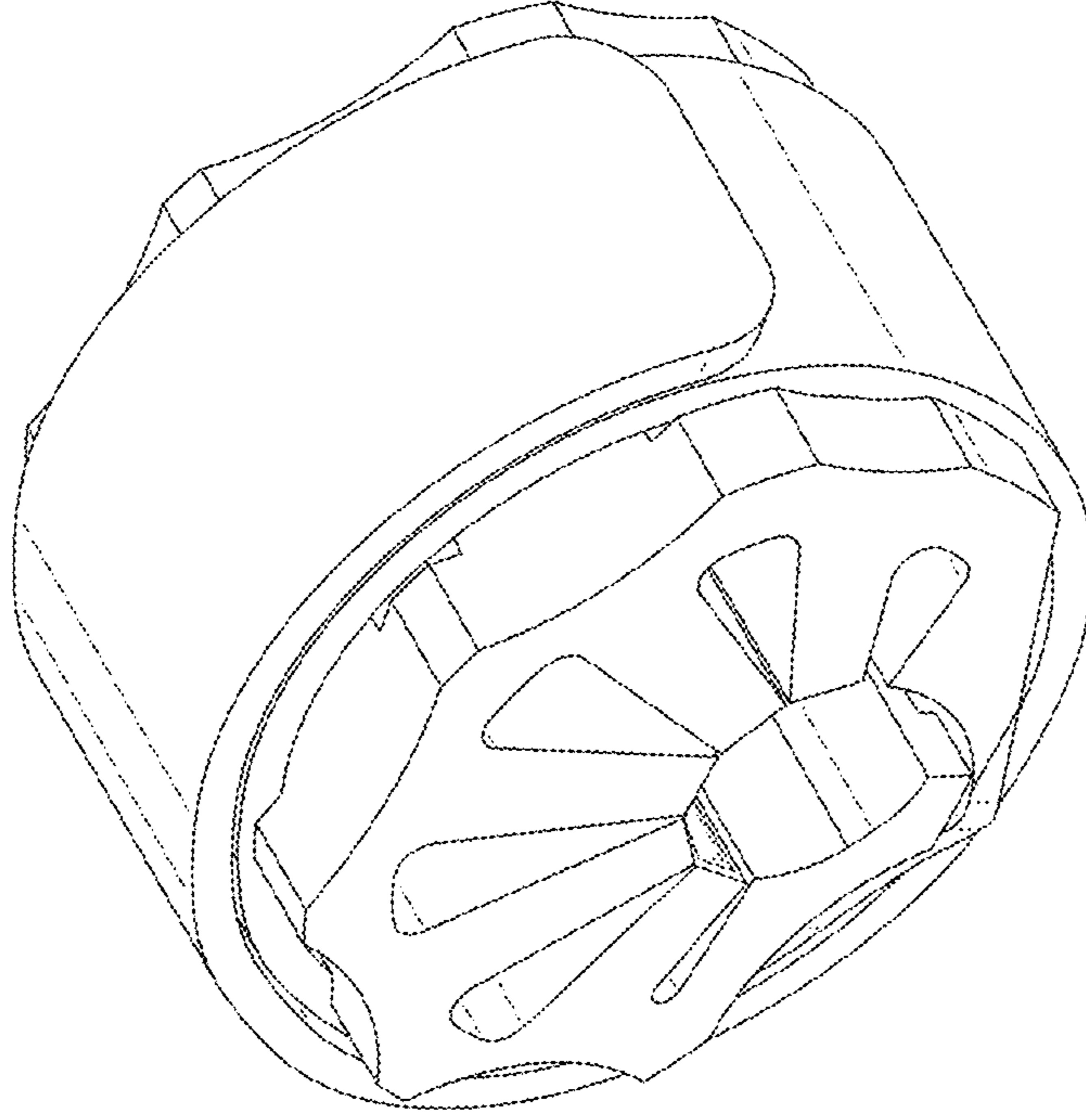


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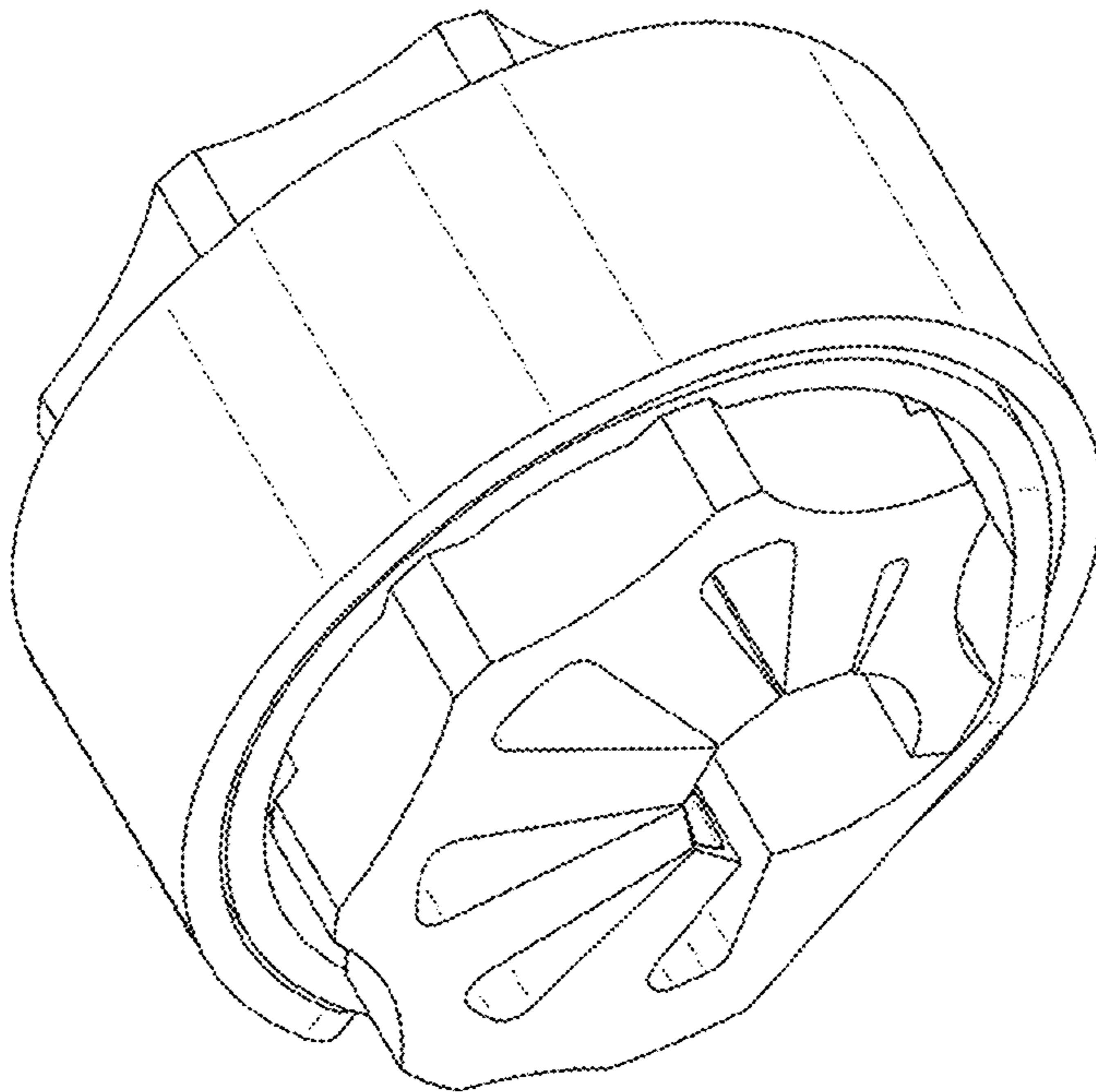


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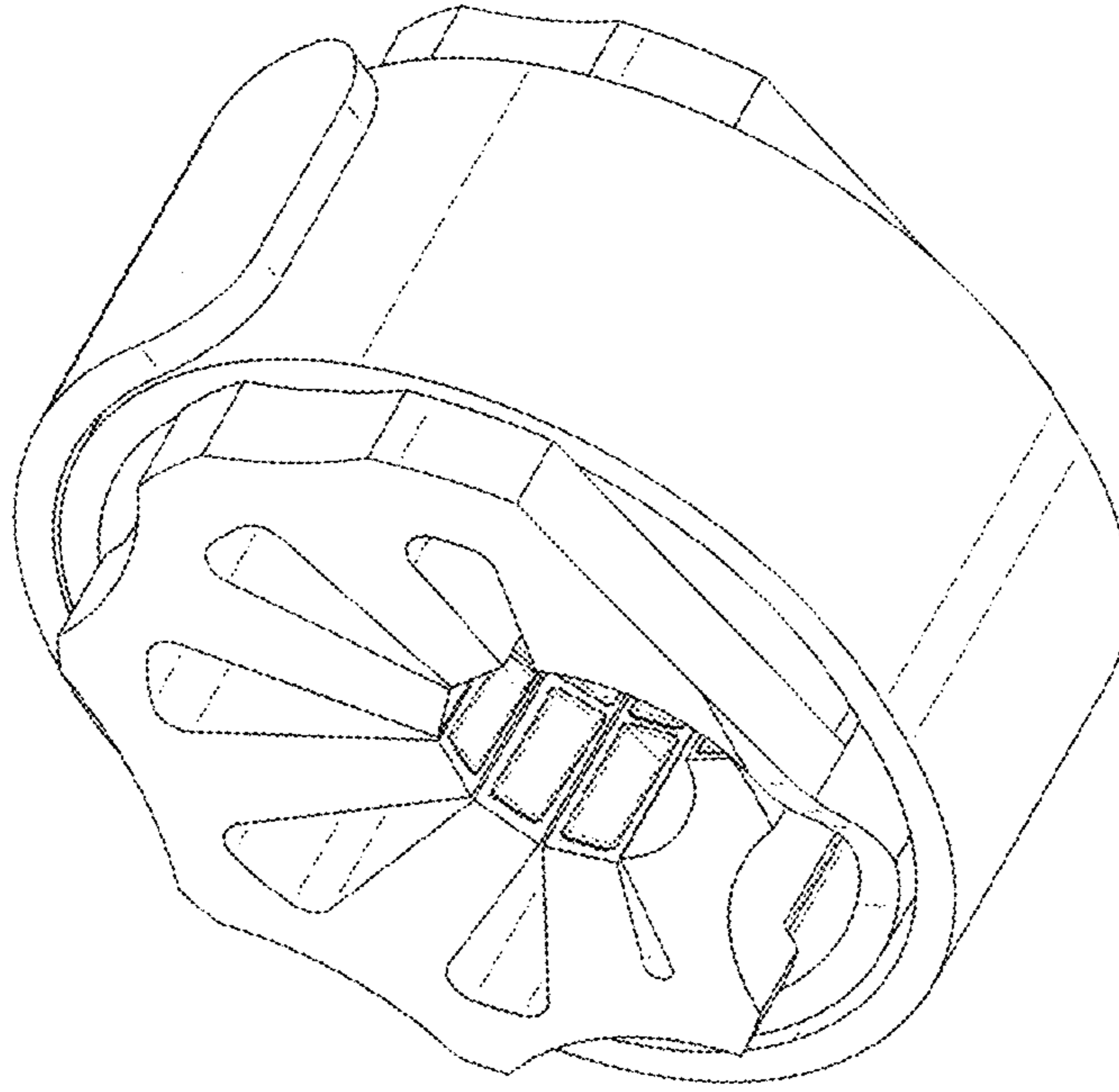


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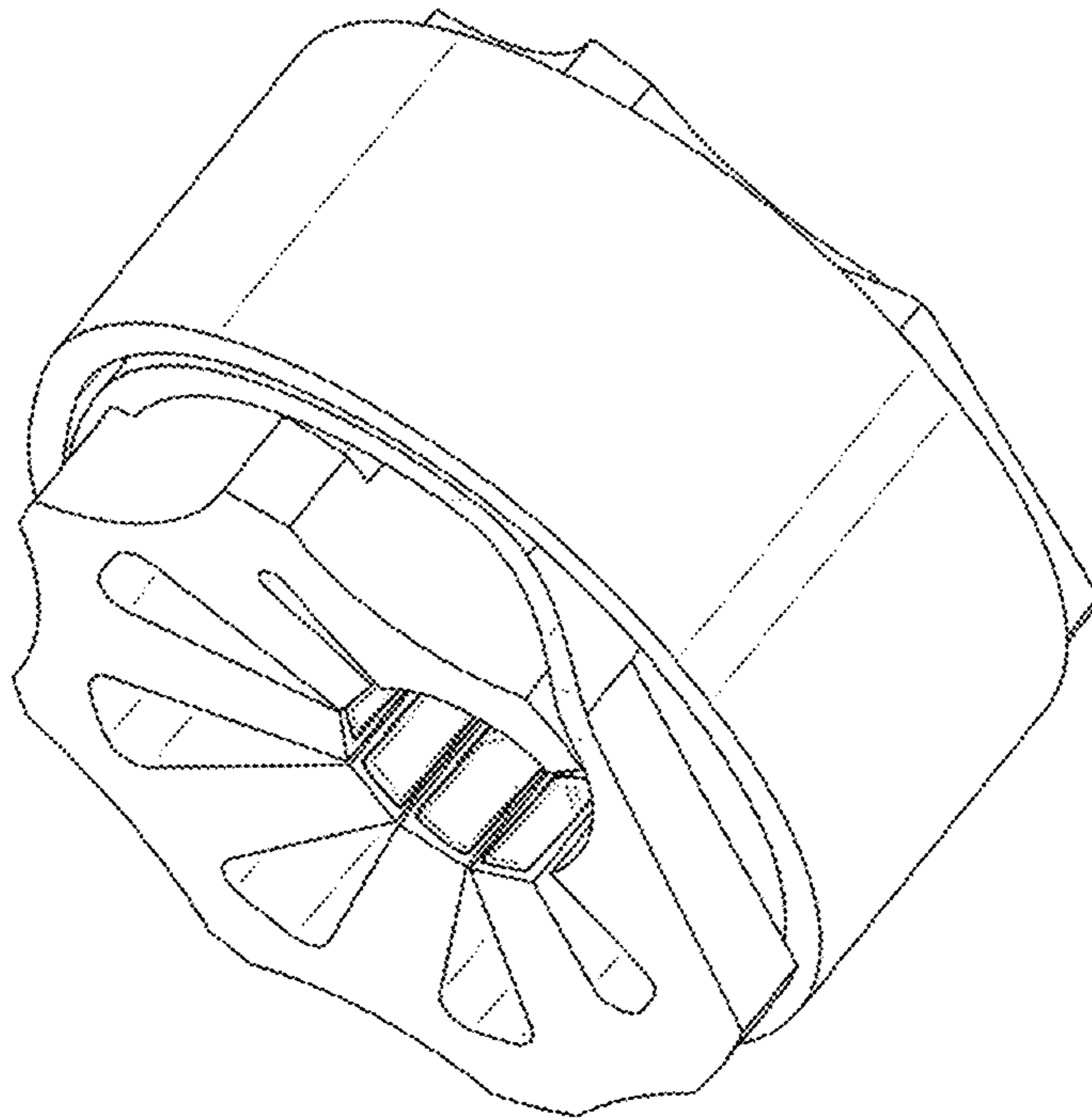


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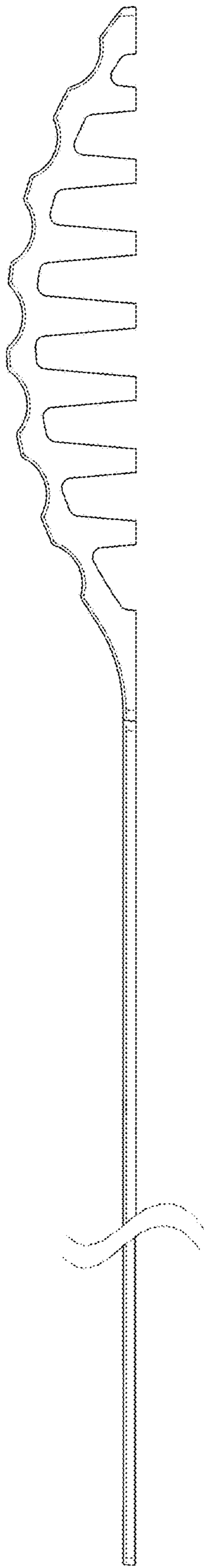


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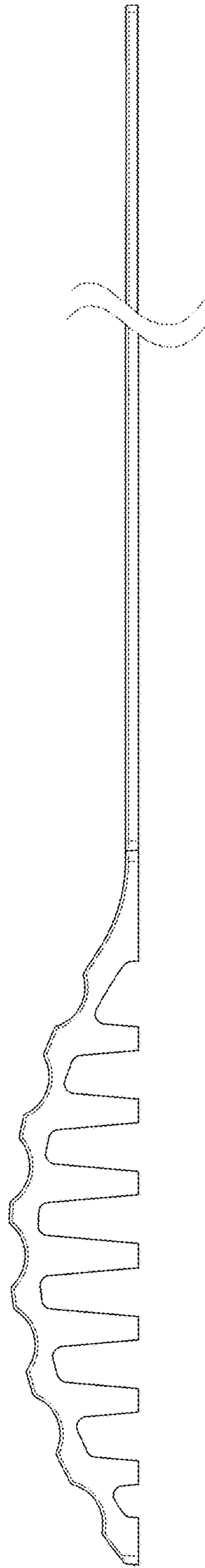


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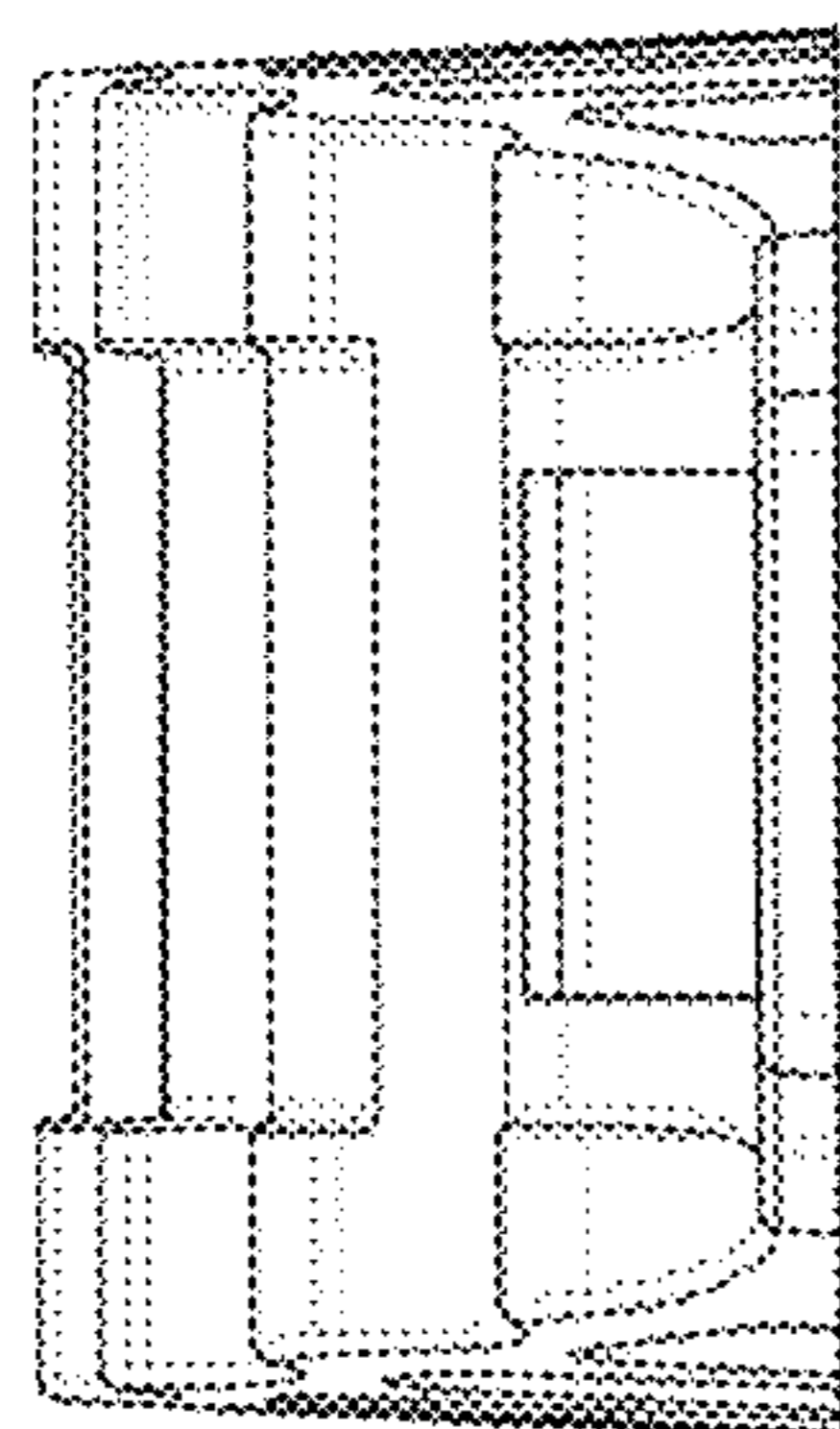


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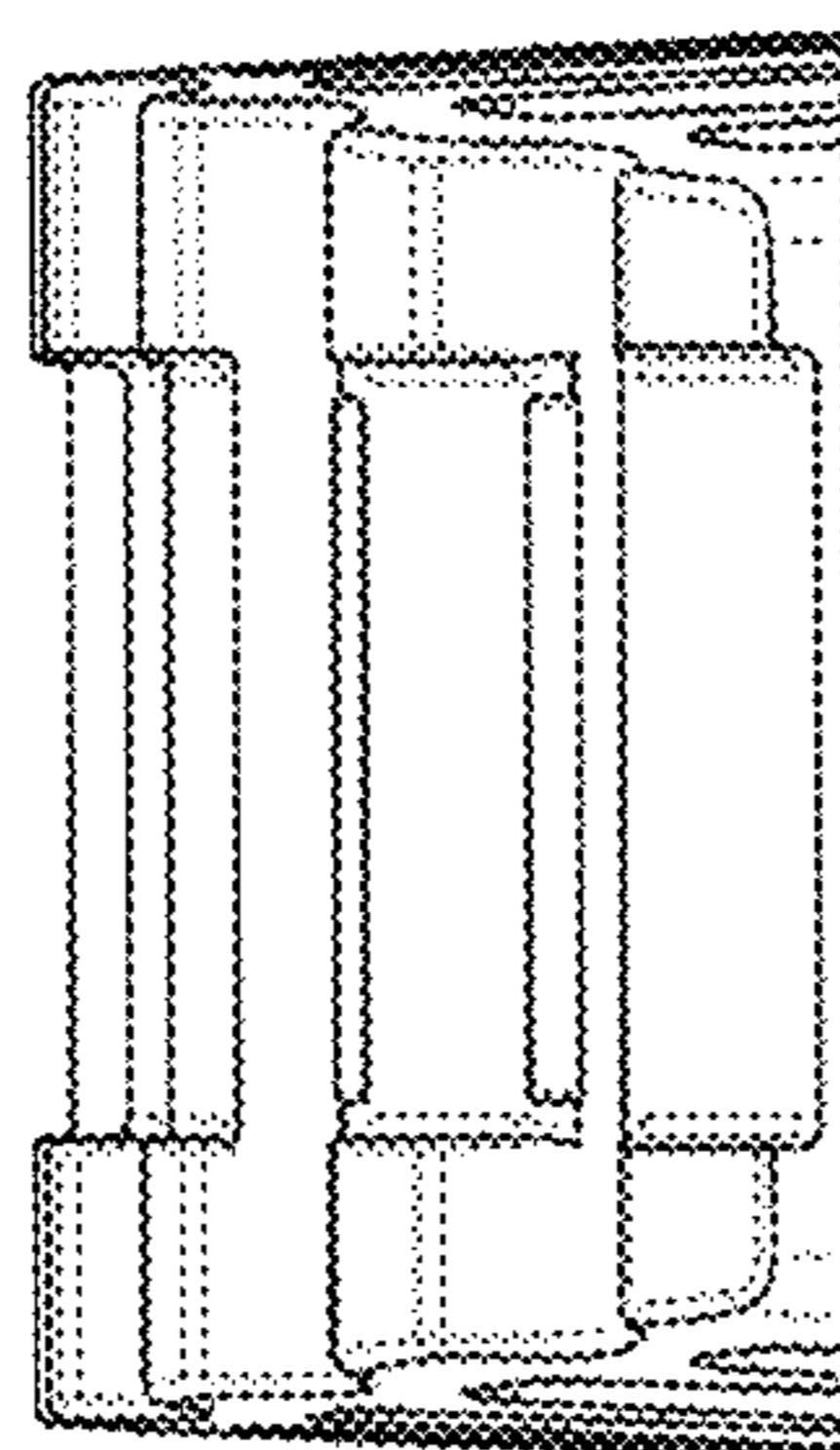


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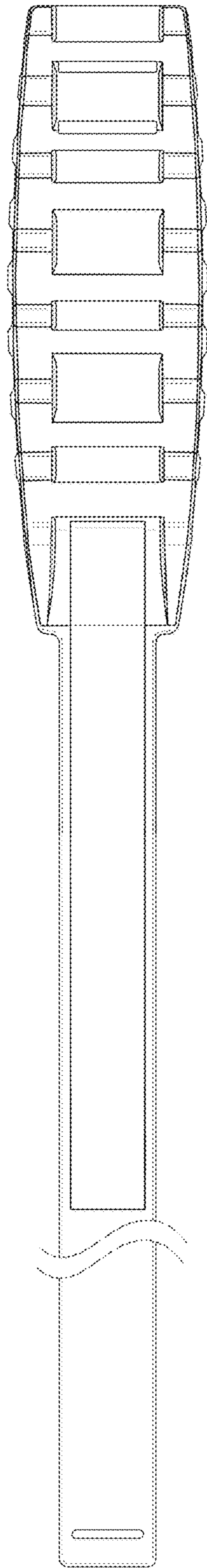


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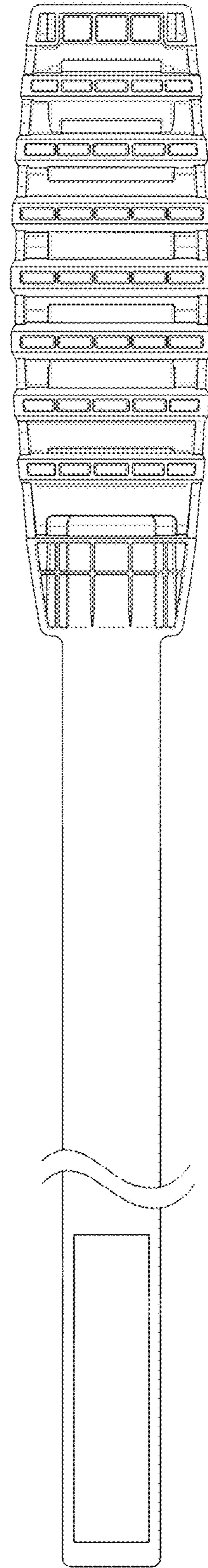


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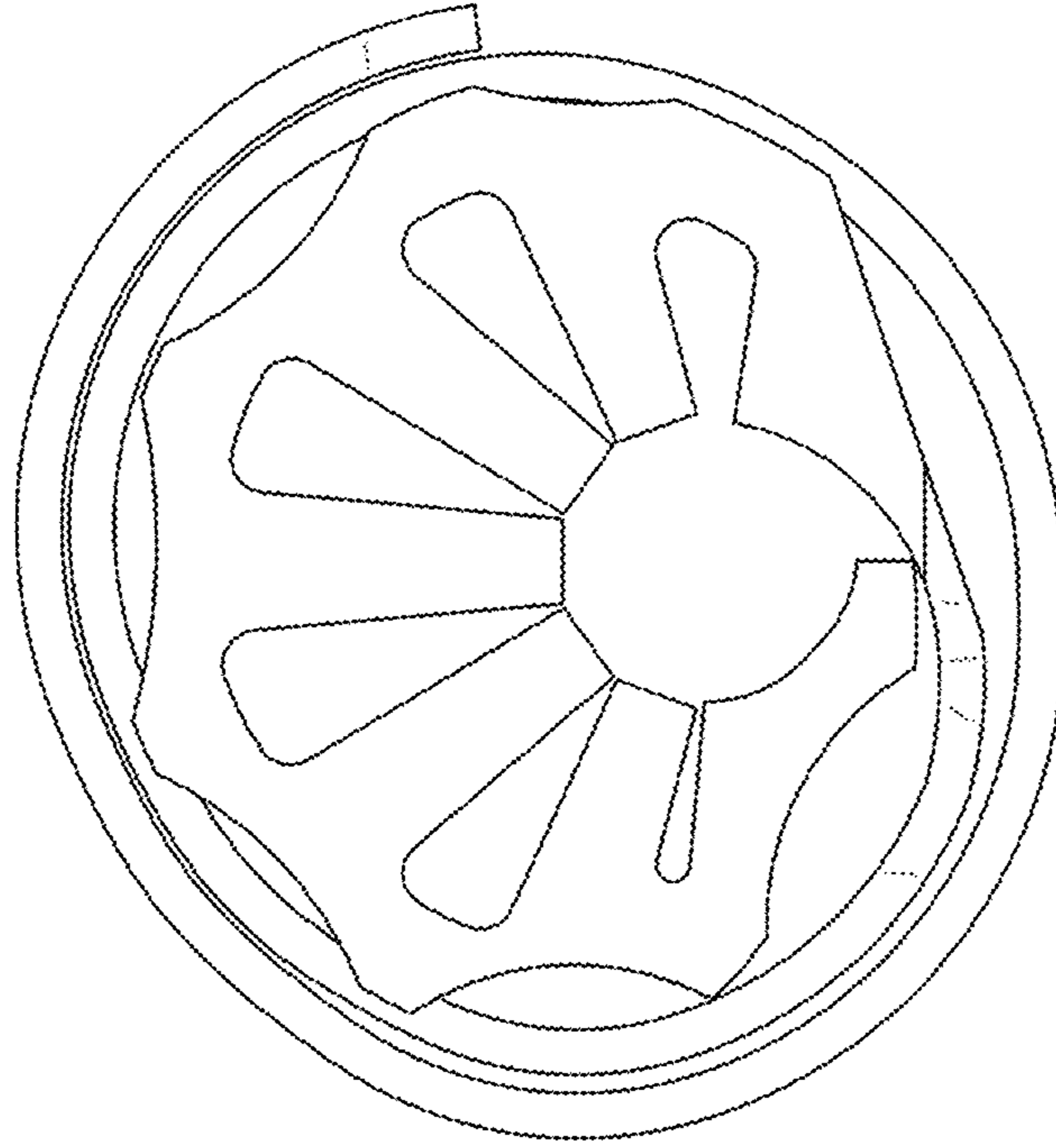


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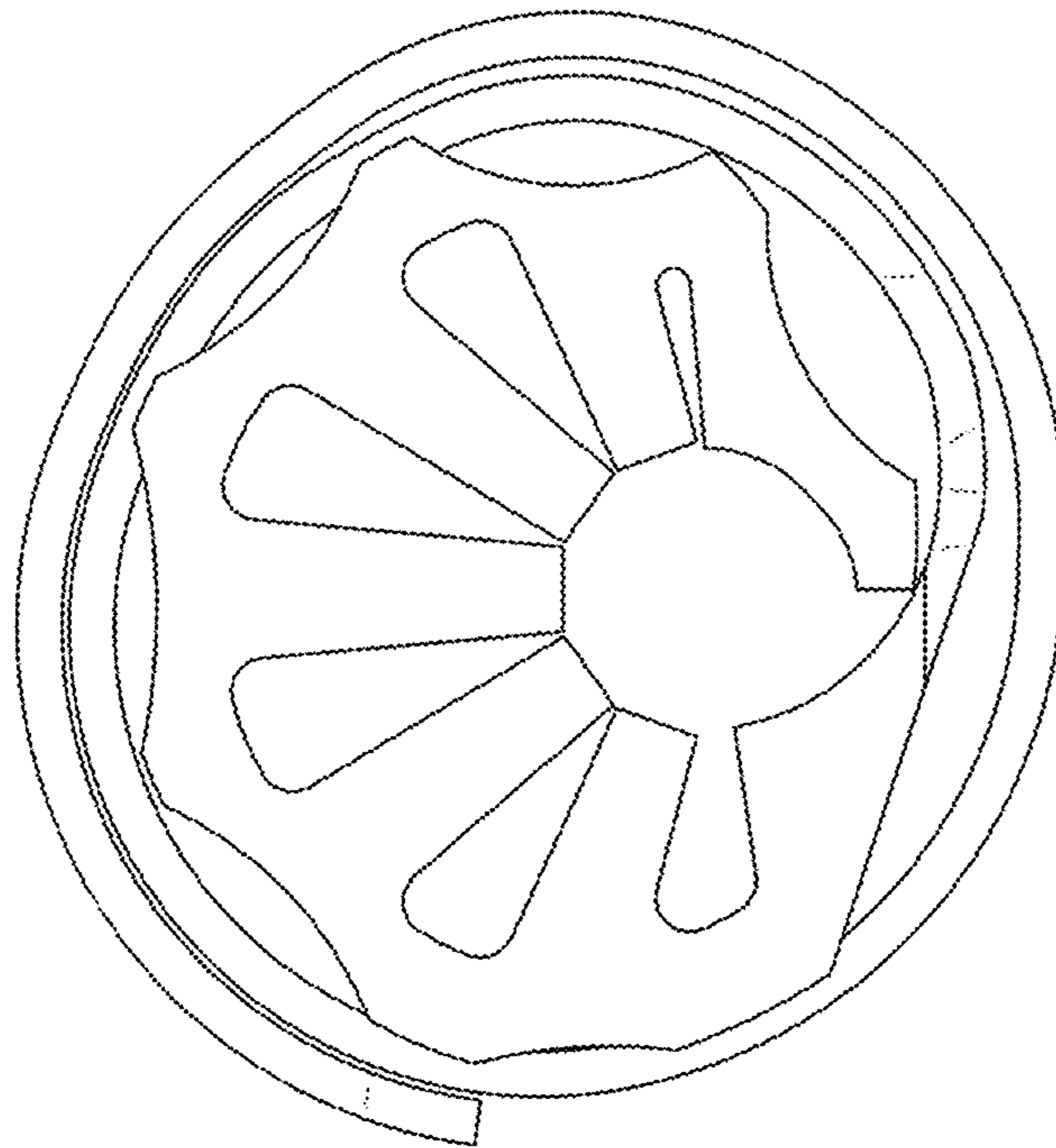


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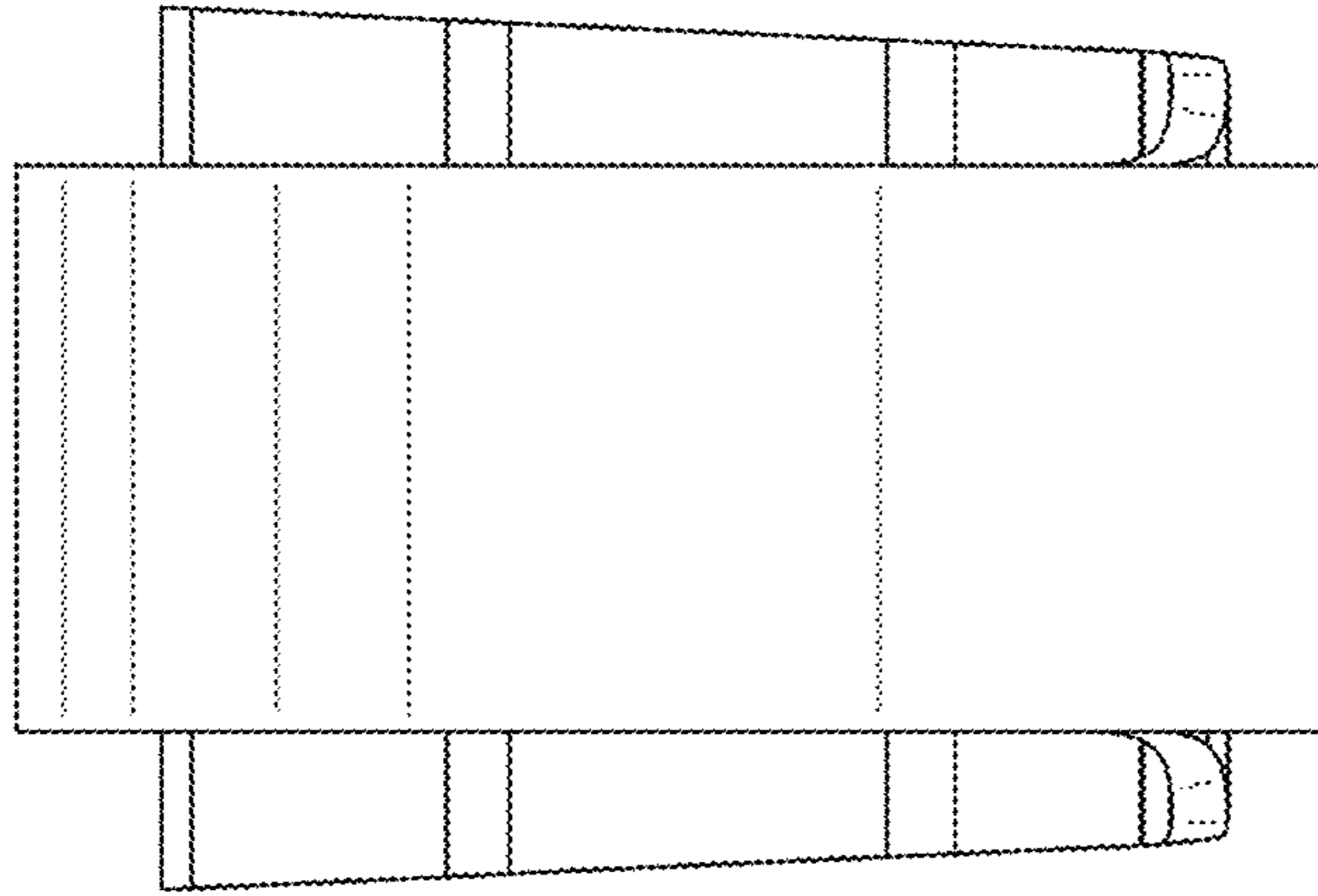


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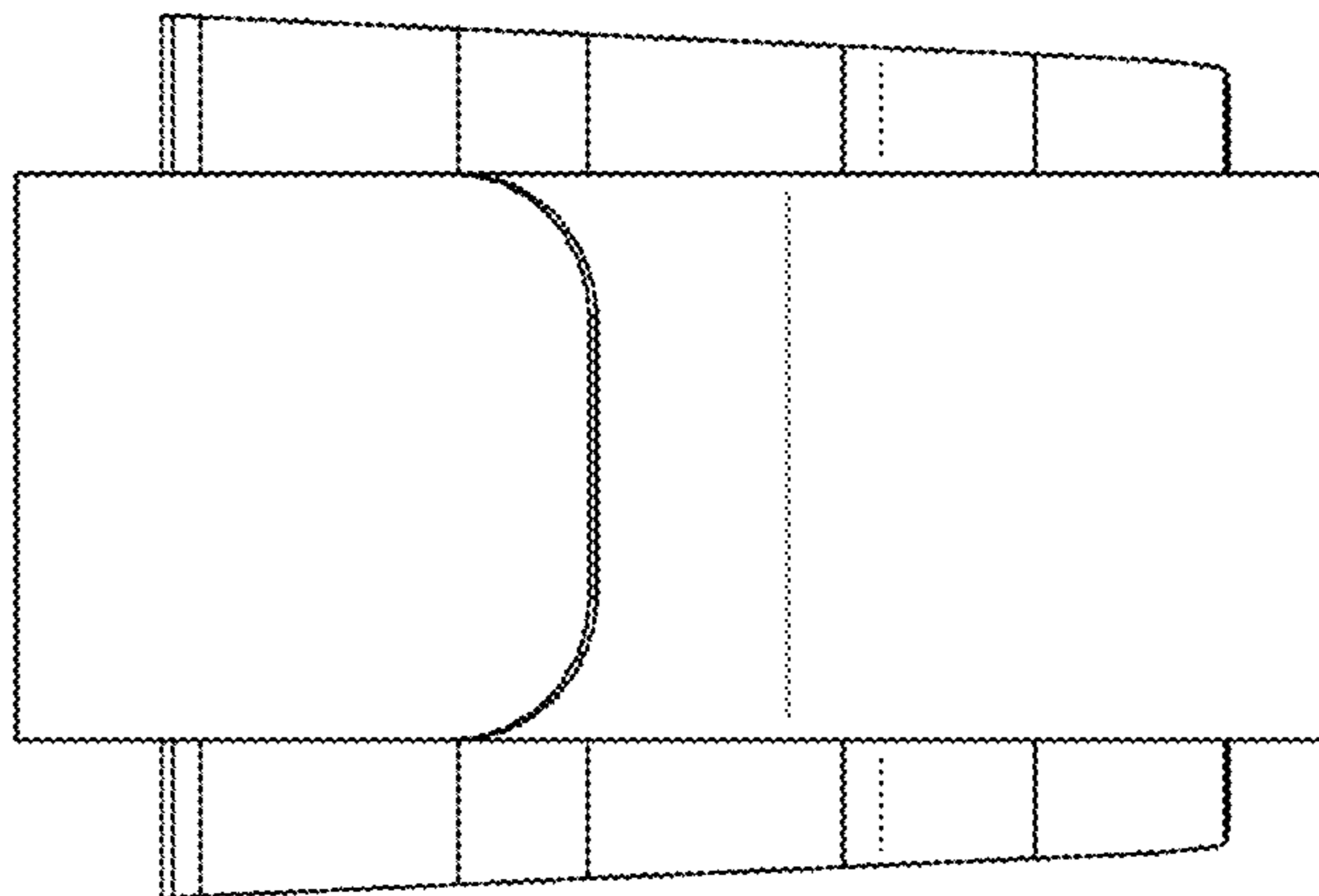


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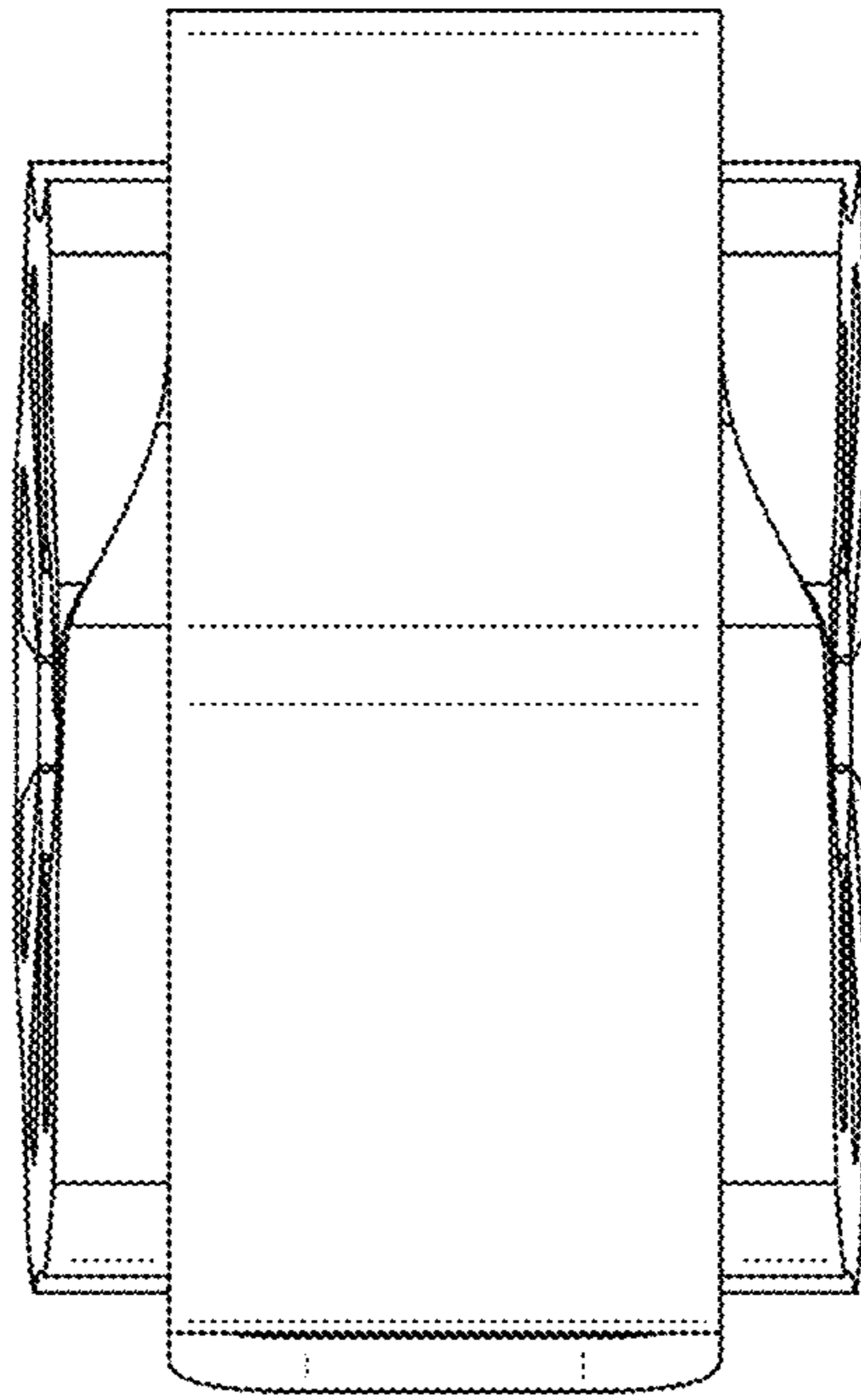


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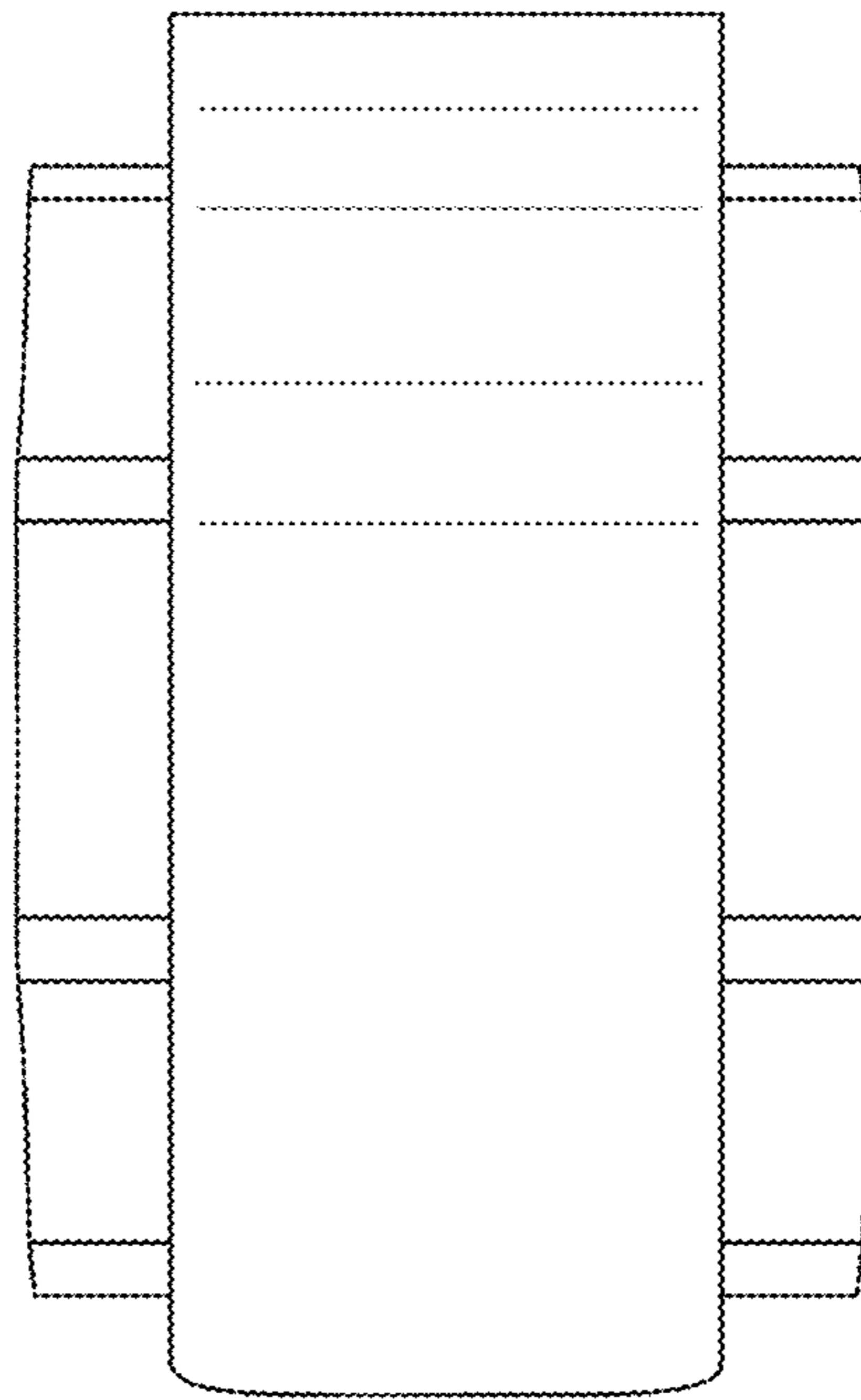


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