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(54) **CONNECTING METAL MEMBER FOR A COLUMN END**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a connecting metal member for a column end, as shown and described.

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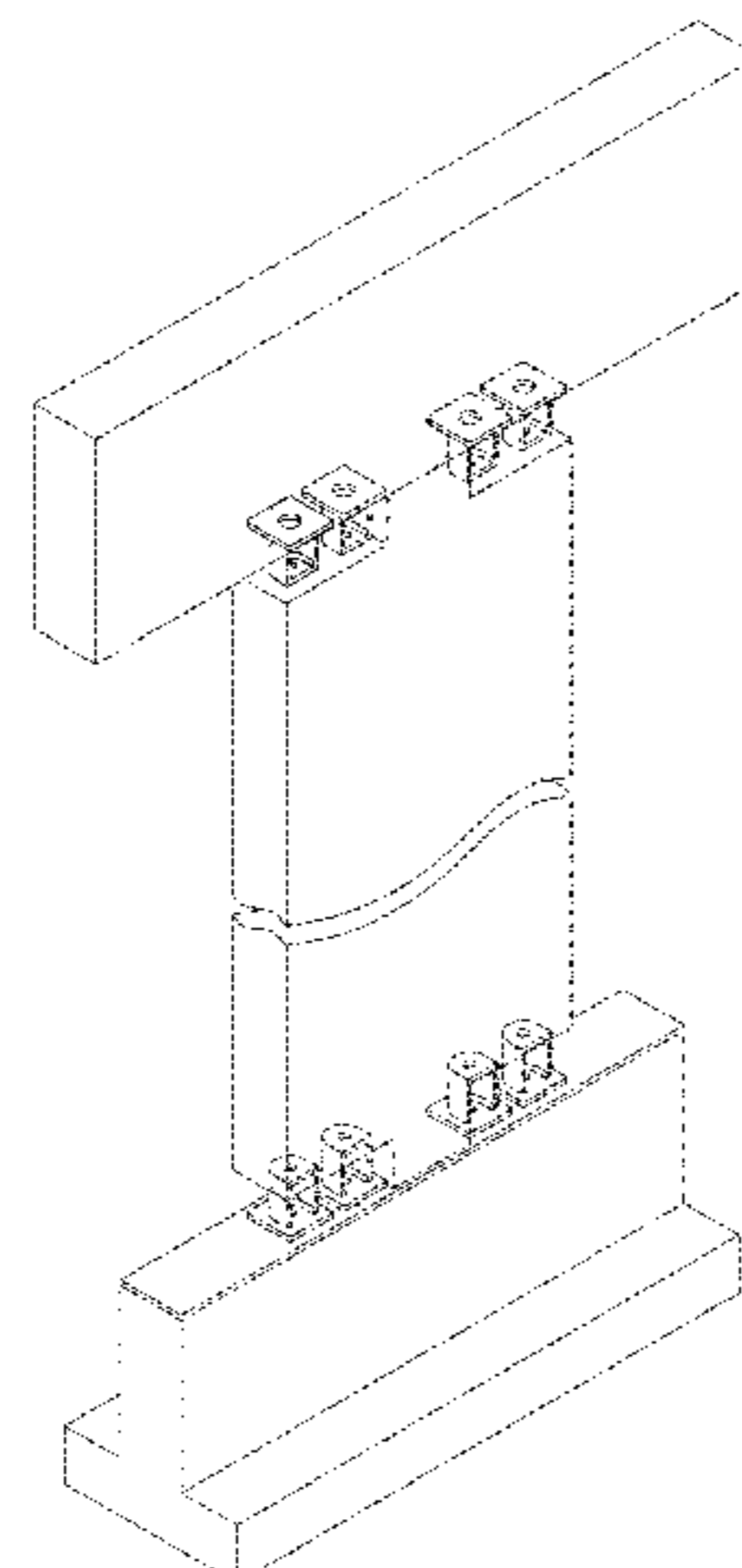
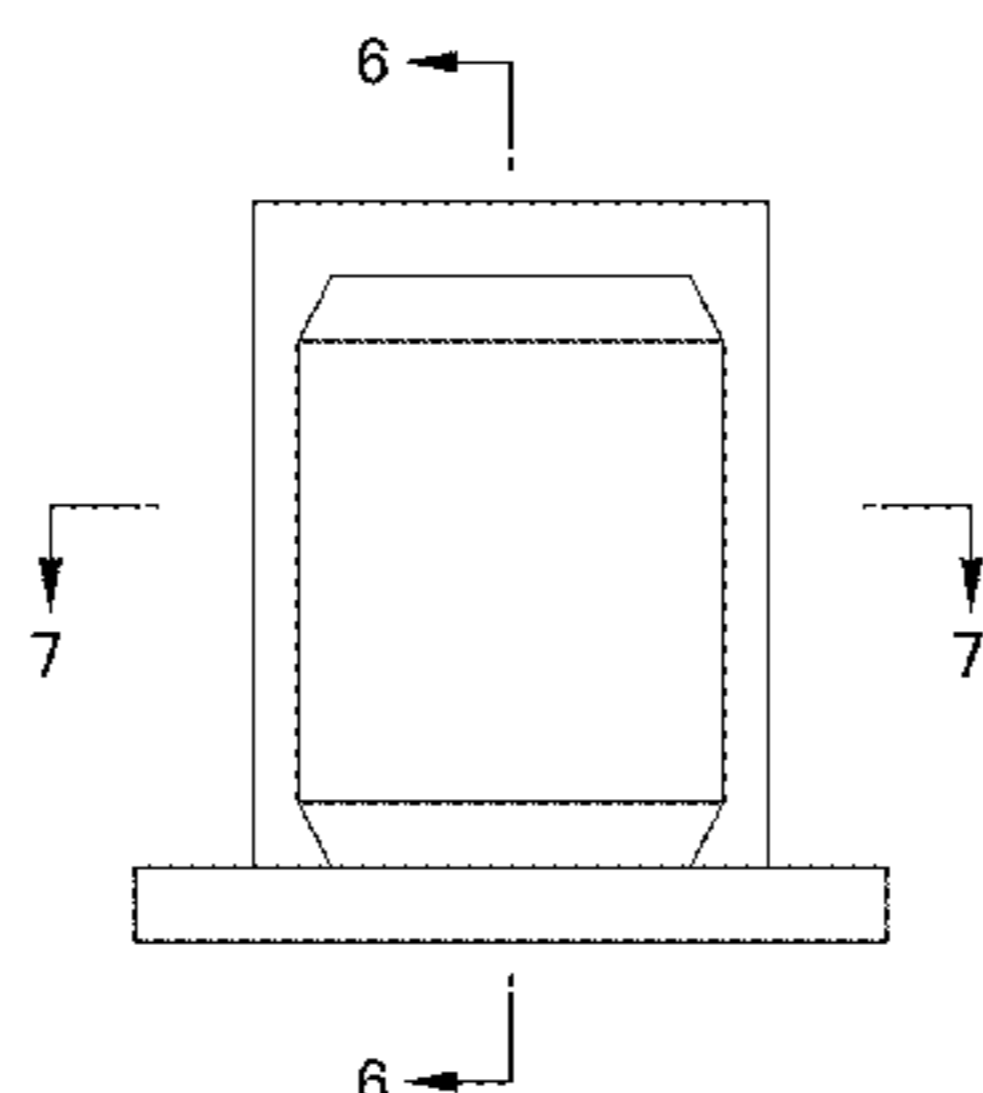
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DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front elevation view of a connecting metal member for a column end showing our new design; FIG. 2 is a rear elevation view thereof; FIG. 3 is a top view thereof; FIG. 4 is a bottom view thereof; FIG. 5 is a right side elevation view thereof; FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view thereof taken along lines 6-6 shown in FIG. 1; FIG. 7 is a cross-sectional view thereof taken along lines 7-7 shown in FIG. 1; and, FIG. 8 is a perspective view thereof in a condition of use. The broken lines shown in FIG. 8 are for the purpose of illustrating environmental structure and form no part of the claimed design.

The article embodied by the claimed design is used as a connector which joins an end of a wood column in a wooden structure to a laterally disposed member, such as a beam or foundation.

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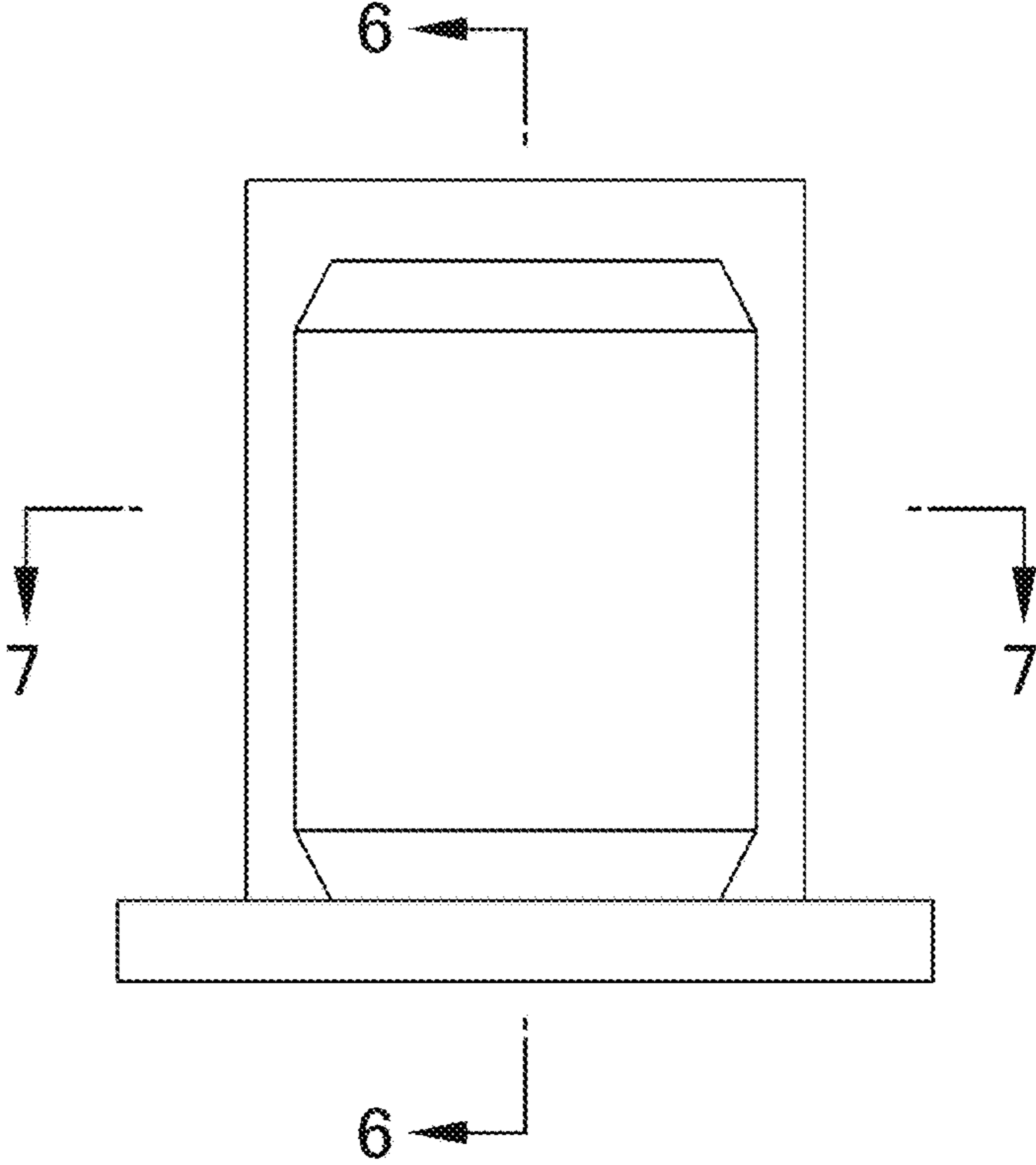


FIG. 1

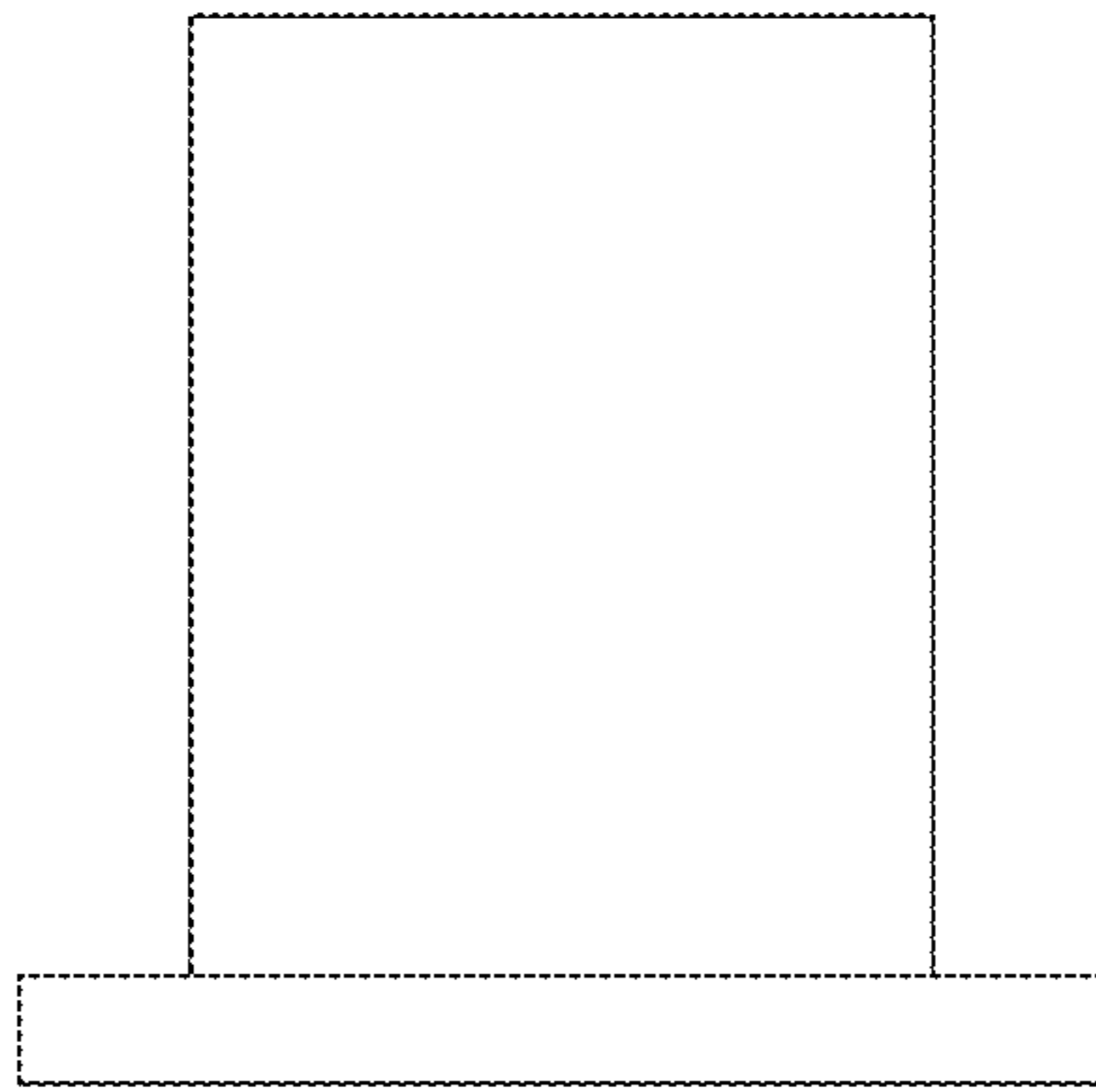


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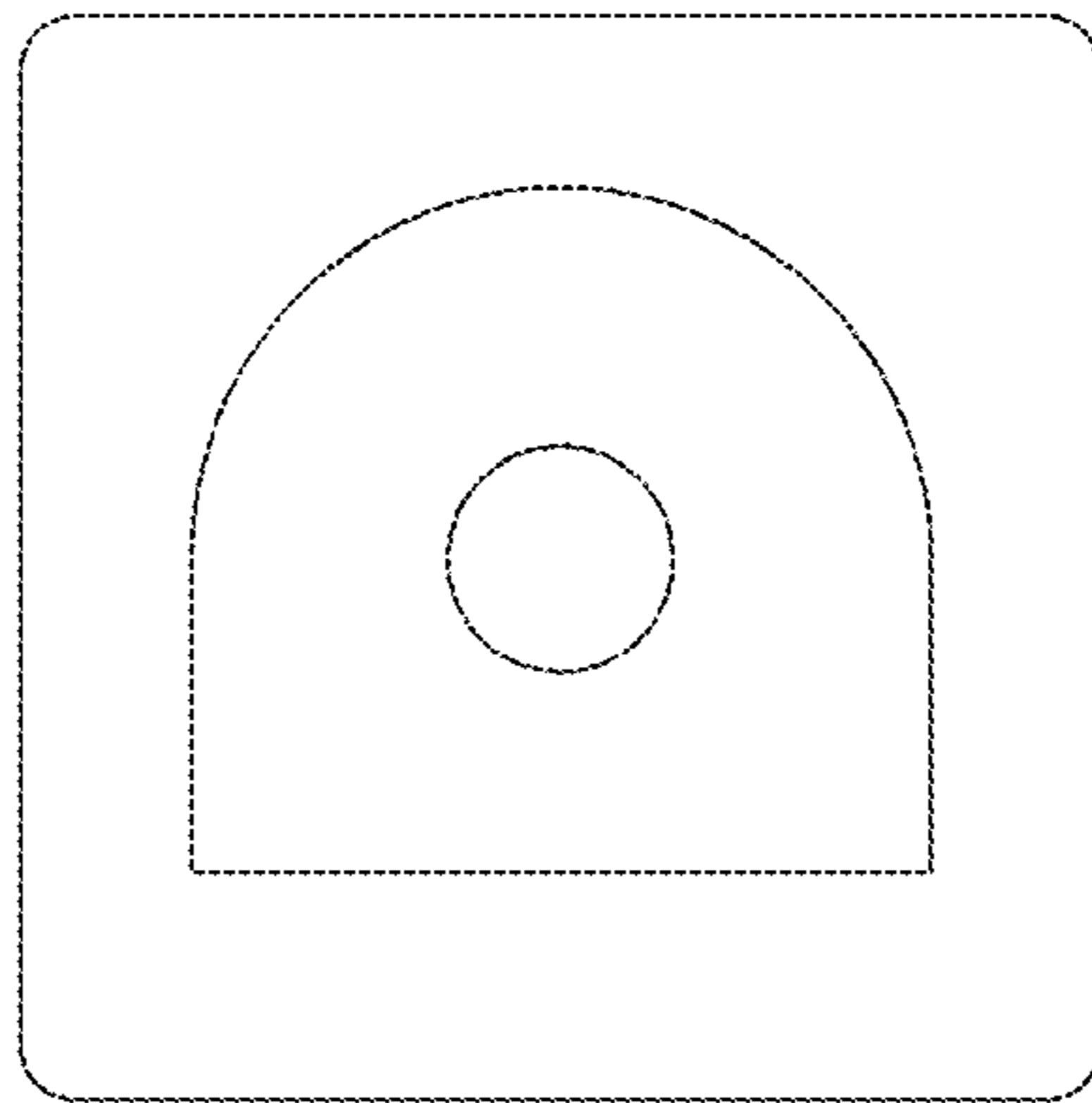


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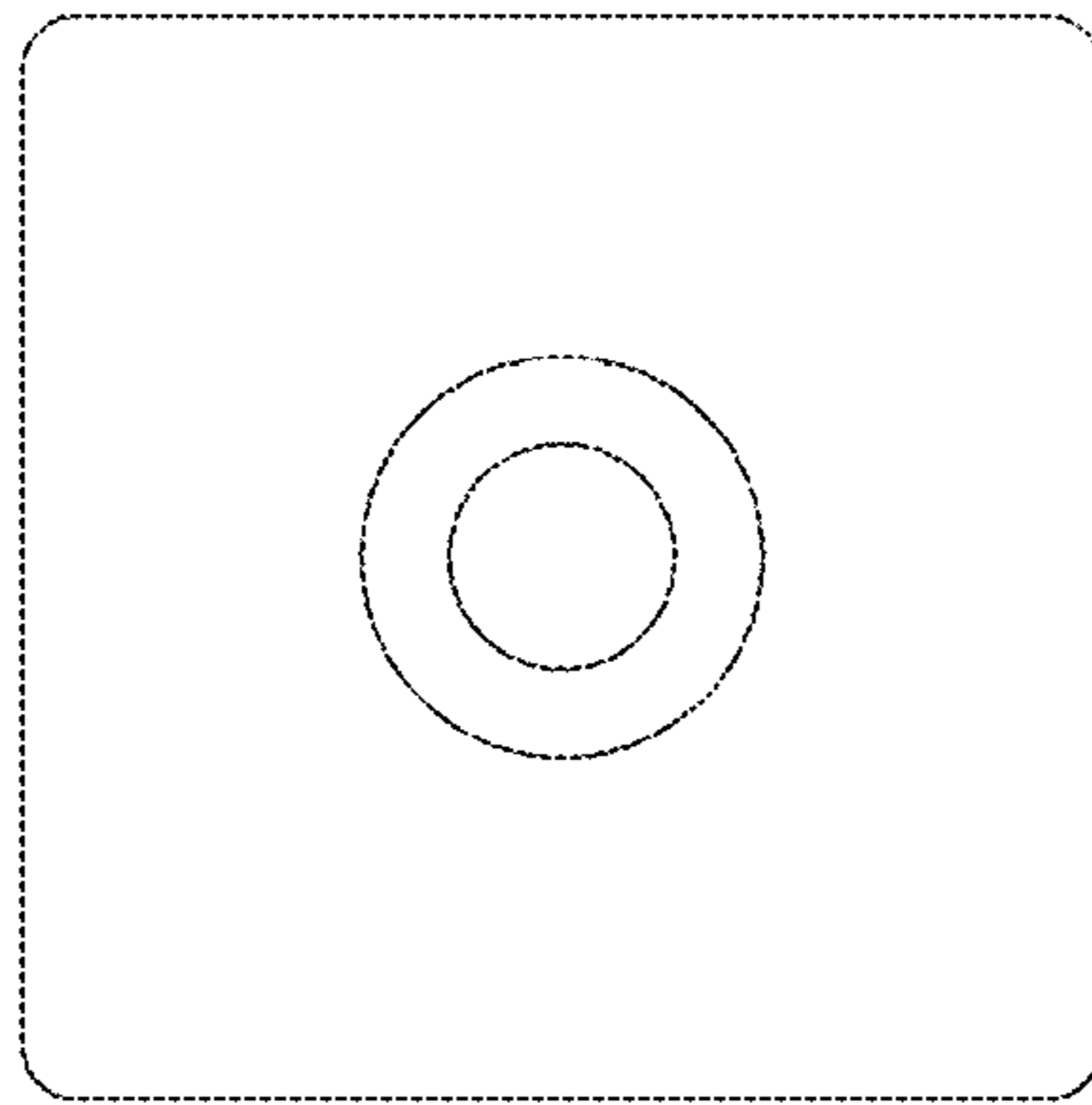


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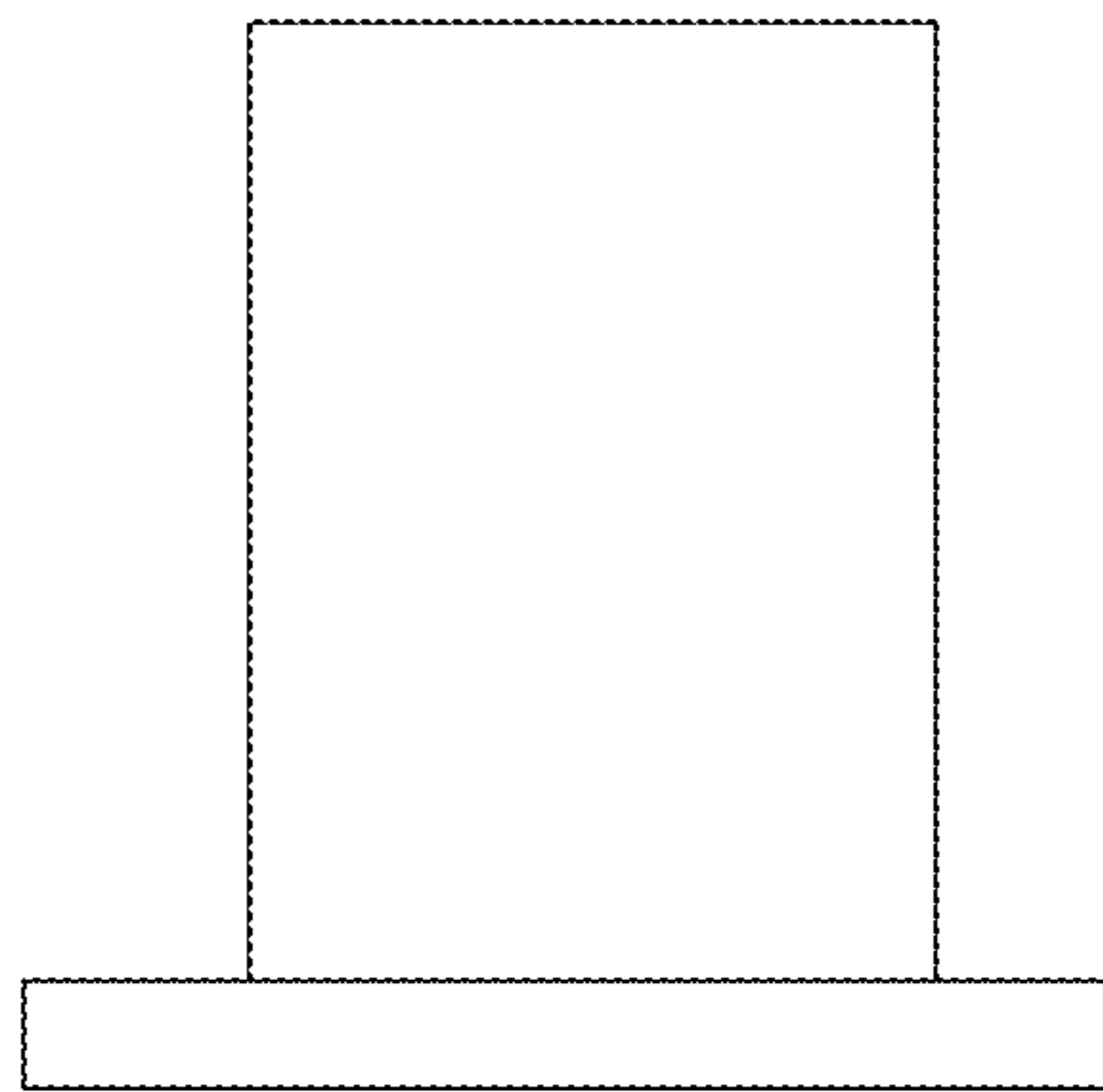


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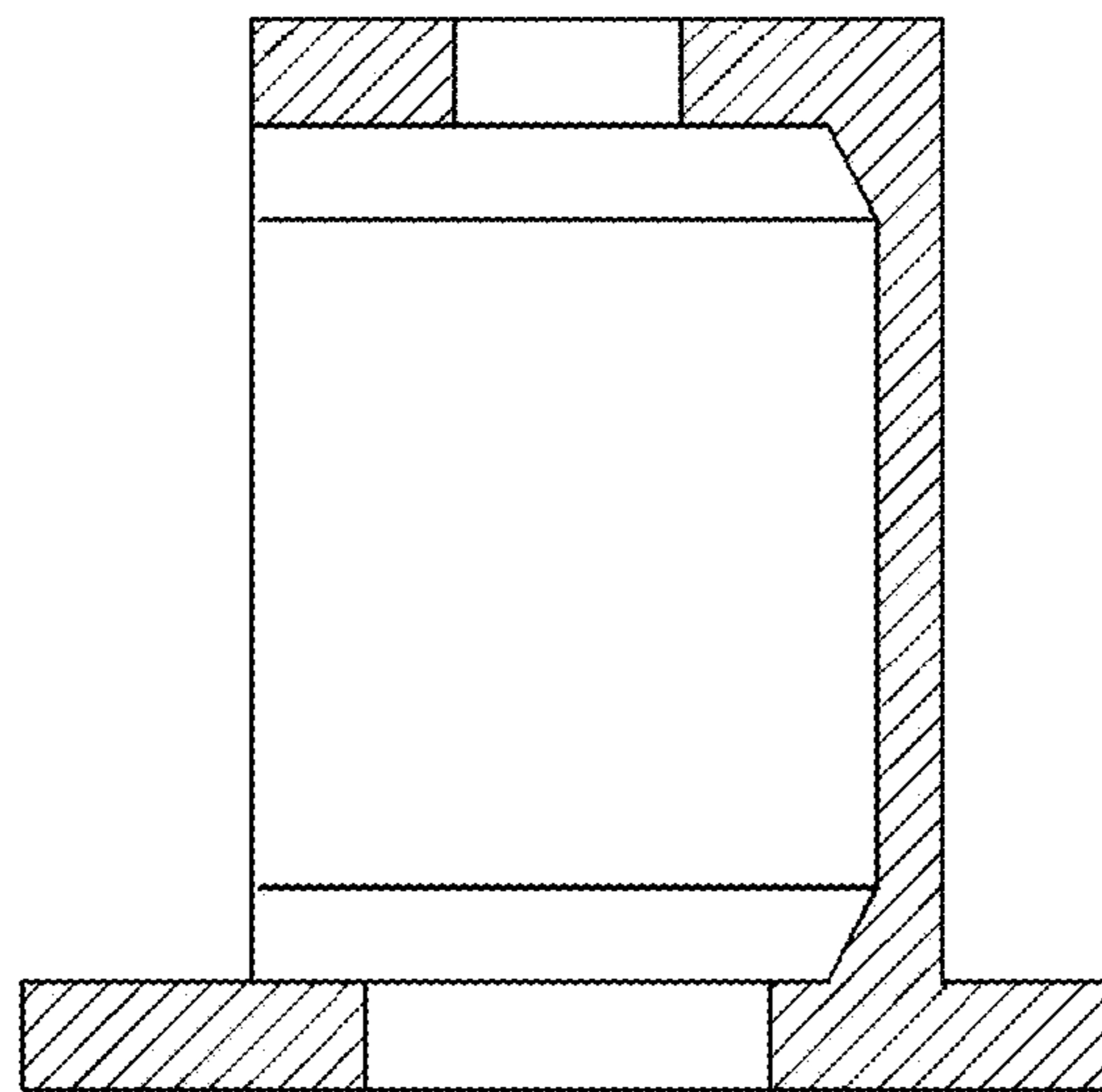


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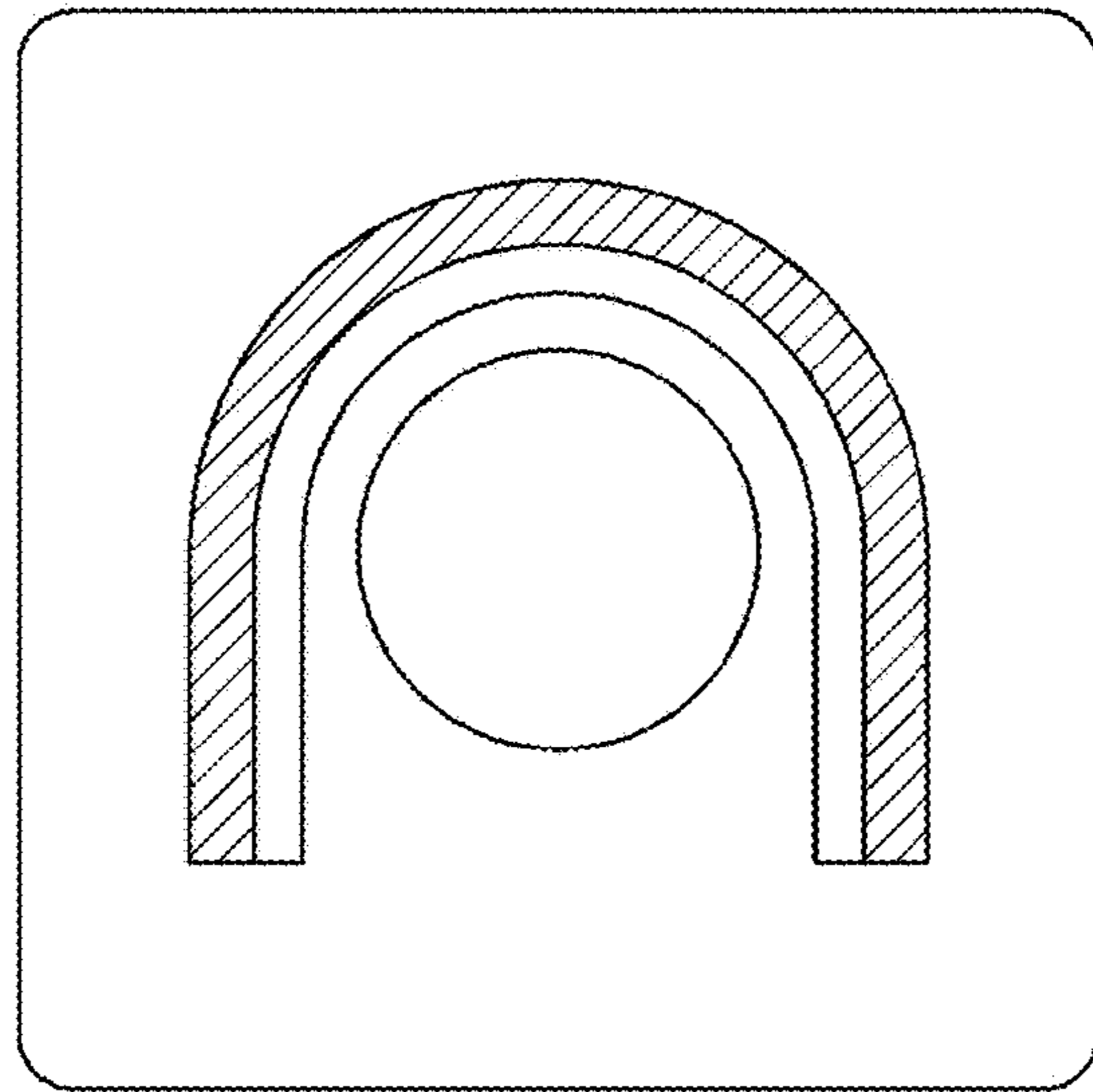


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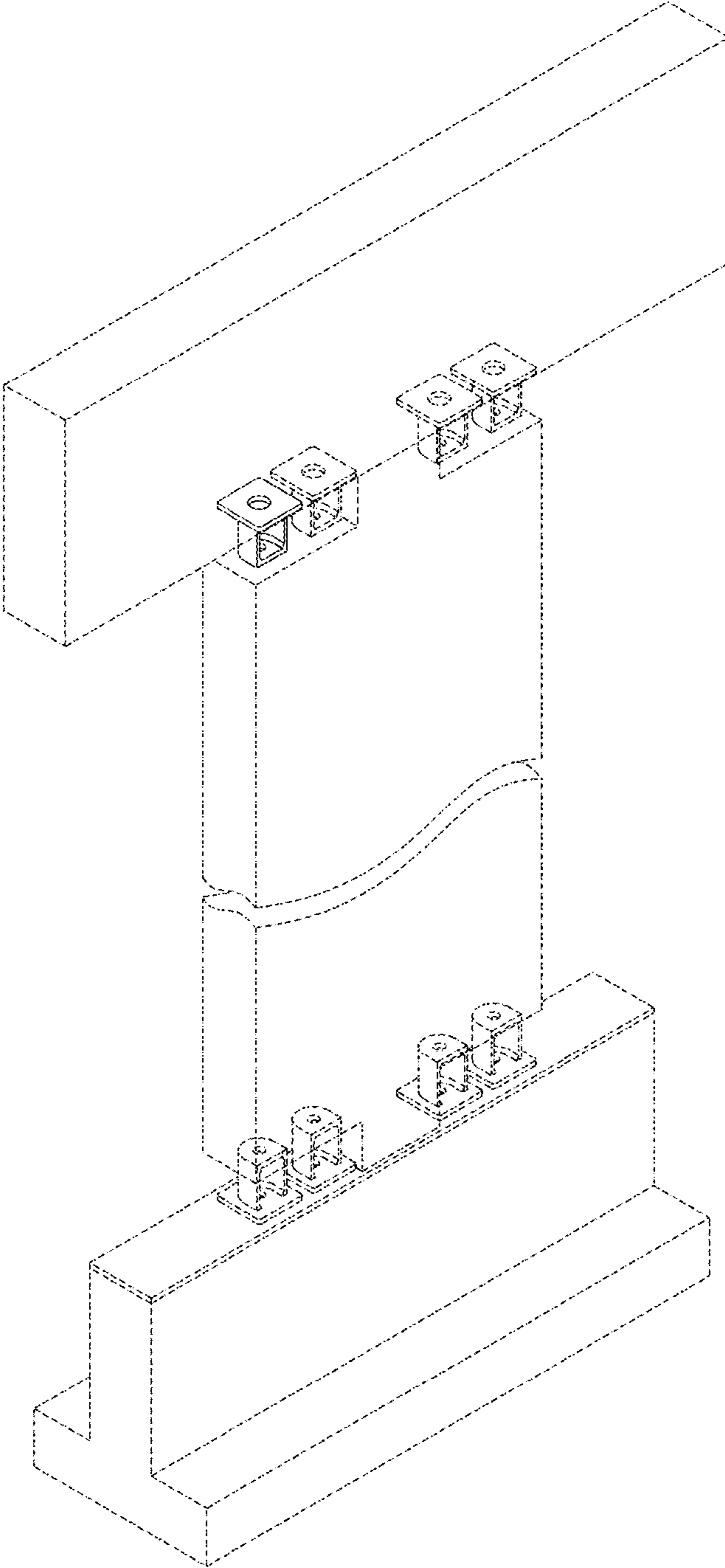


FIG. 8