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(54) **EXTERNAL METATARSAL GUARD**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for an external metatarsal guard, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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The present application is filed along with U.S. Design patent application Ser. No. 29/721,035, entitled Internal Metatarsal Guard and U.S. Design patent application Ser. No. 29/721,053, entitled External Metatarsal Guard, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of an external metatarsal guard according to a first embodiment of the design;

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FIG. 2 is a top view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 3 is a bottom view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 4 is a left view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 5 is a right view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 6 is a rear view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 7 is a front view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 1;

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FIG. 8 is a perspective view of an external metatarsal guard according to a second embodiment of the design;

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FIG. 9 is a top view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 8;

FIG. 10 is a bottom view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 8;

FIG. 11 is a left view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 8;

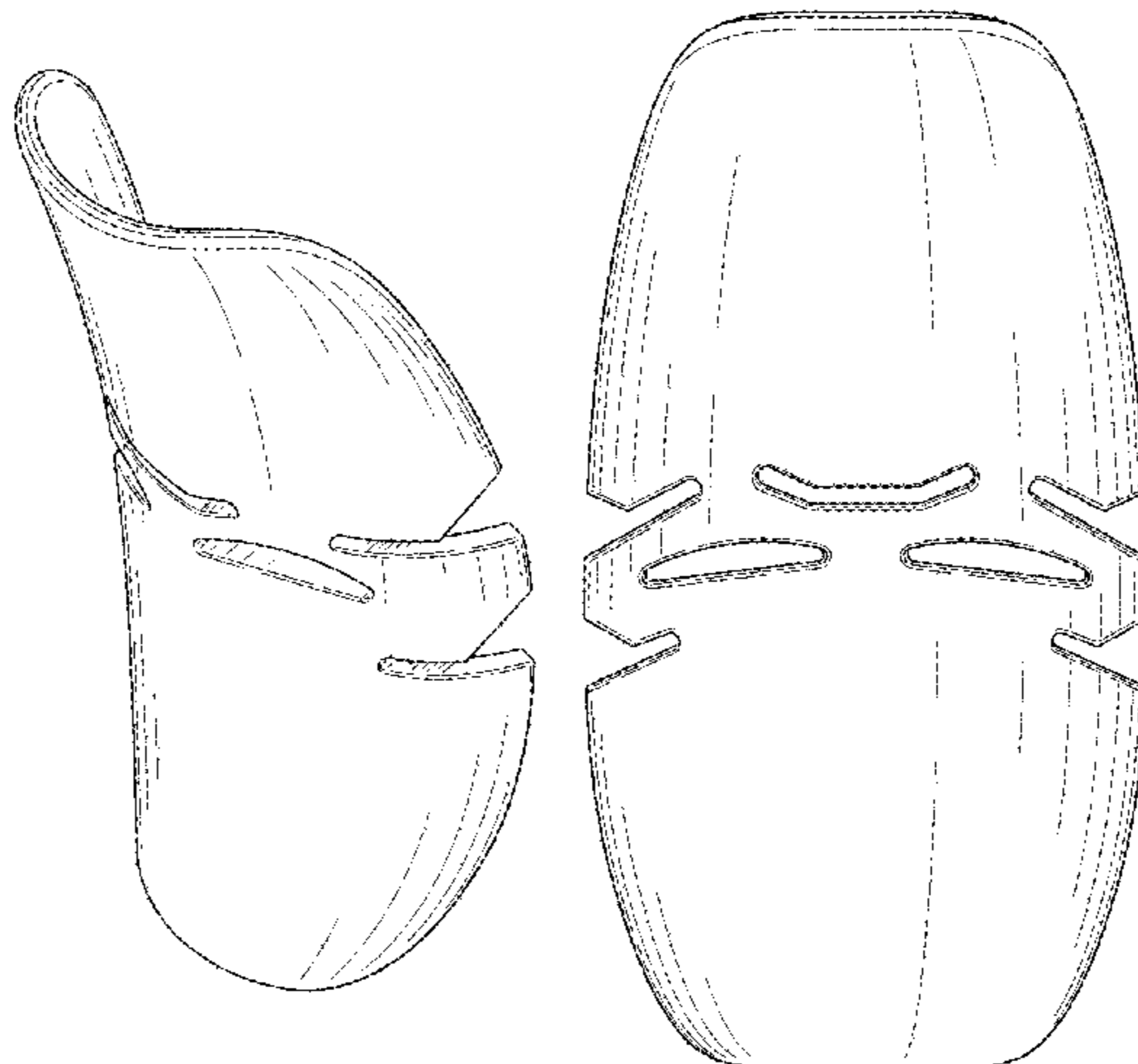
FIG. 12 is a right view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 8;

FIG. 13 is a rear view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 8; and,

FIG. 14 is a front view of an external metatarsal guard of the embodiment of FIG. 8.

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The broken lines depict portions of the external metatarsal guard that form no part of the claimed design.

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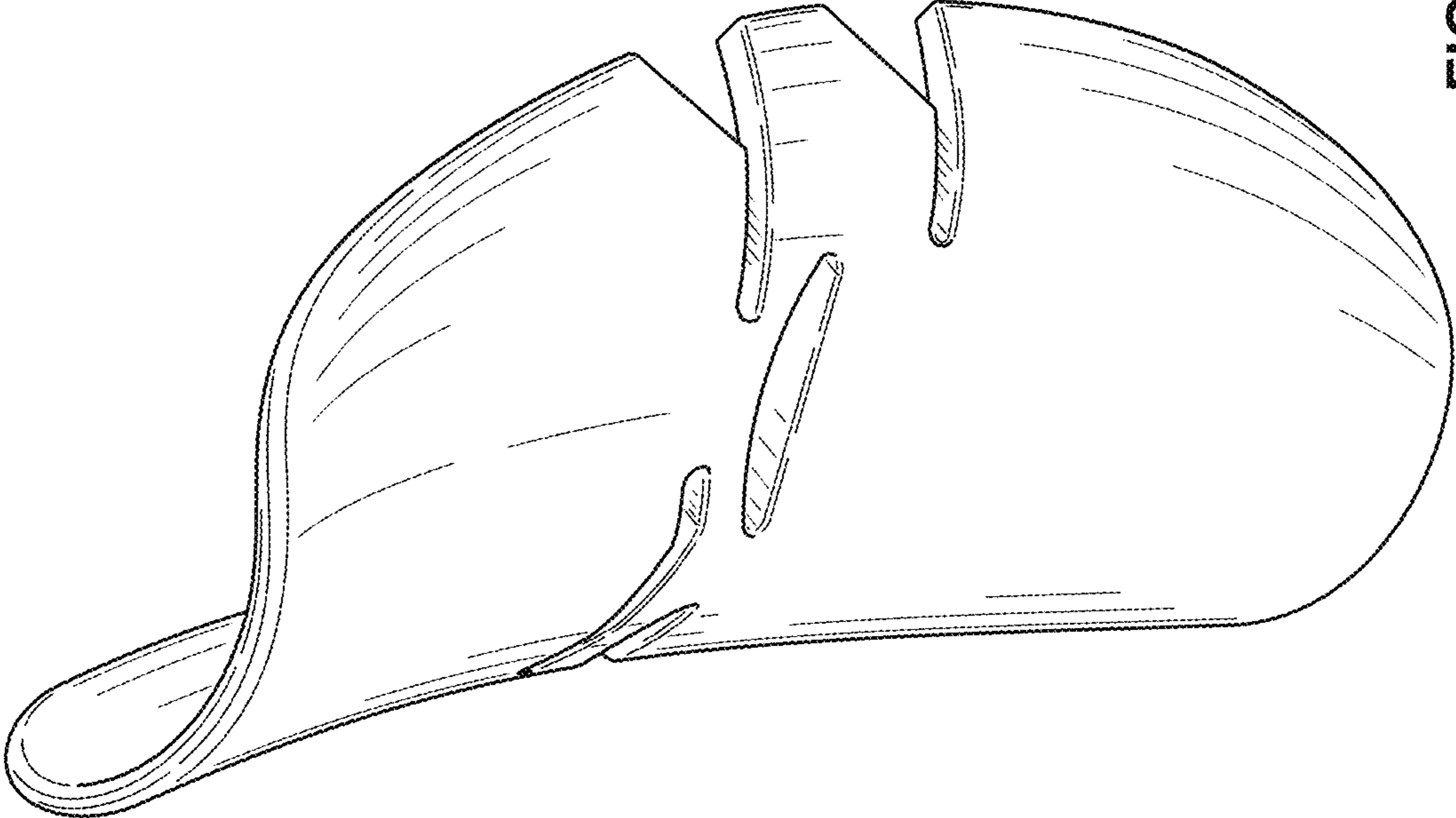


FIG. 1

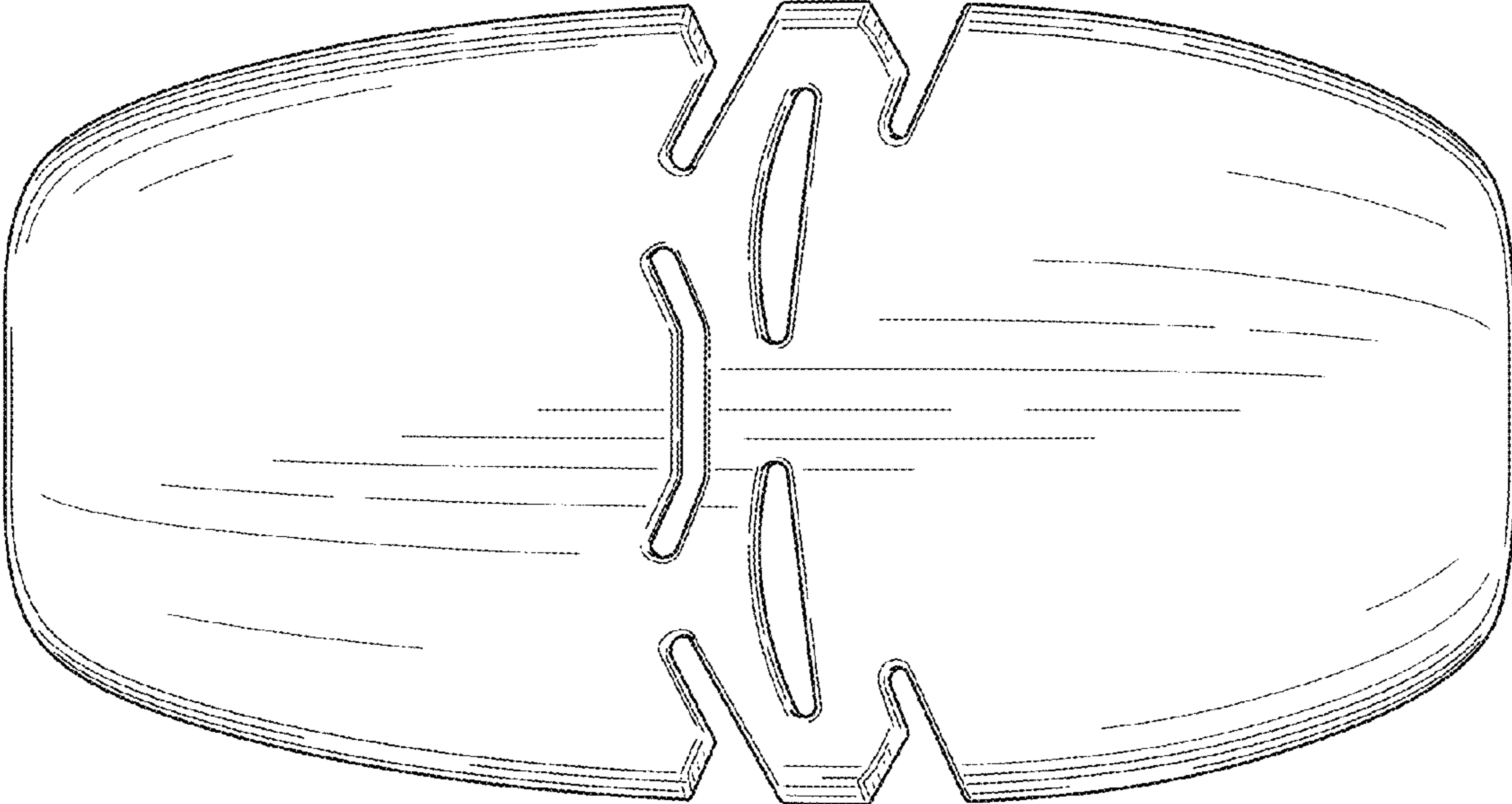


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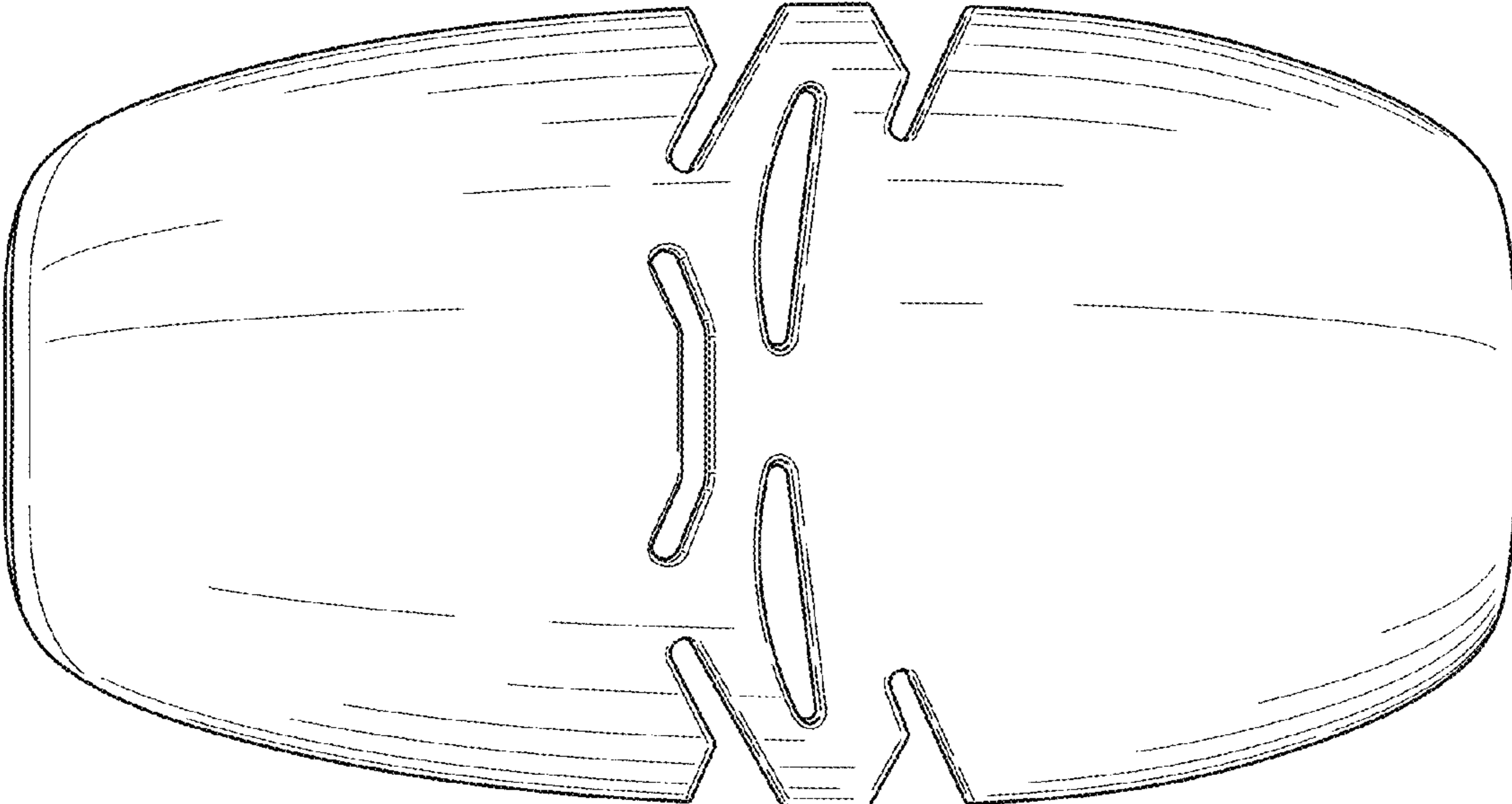


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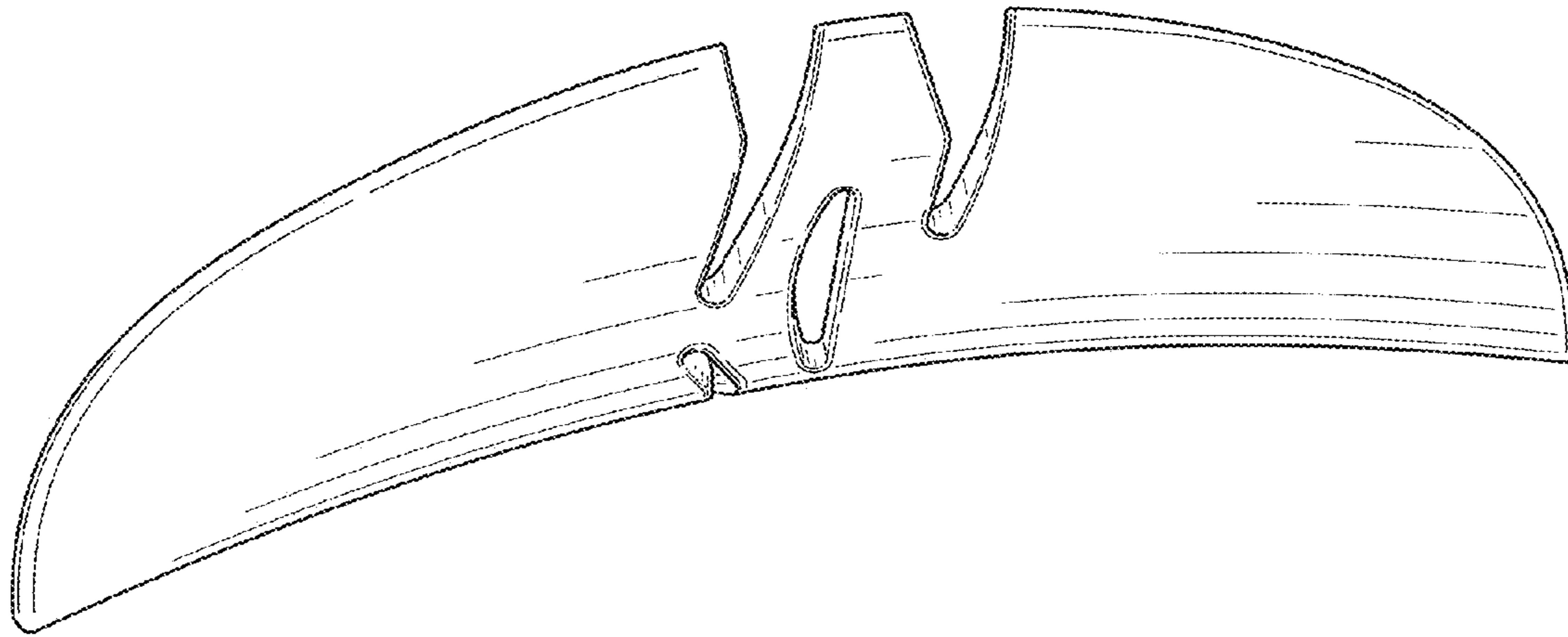


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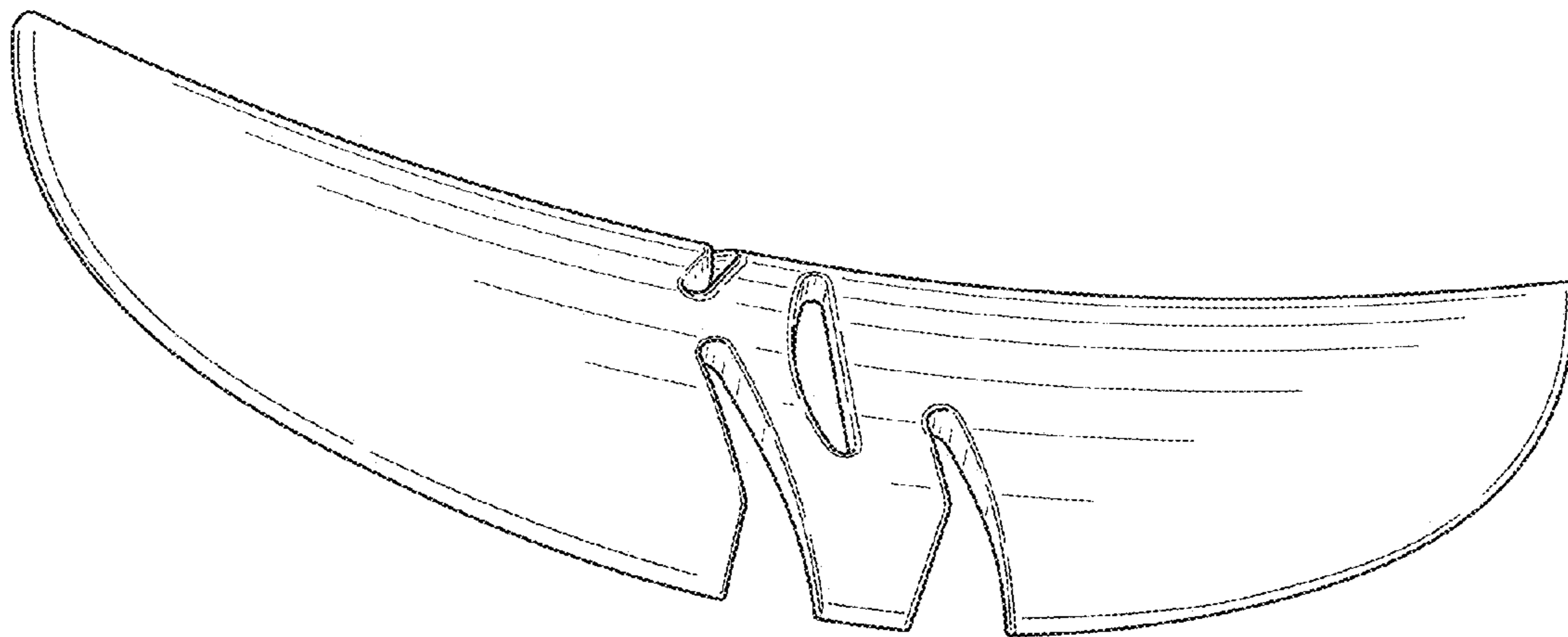


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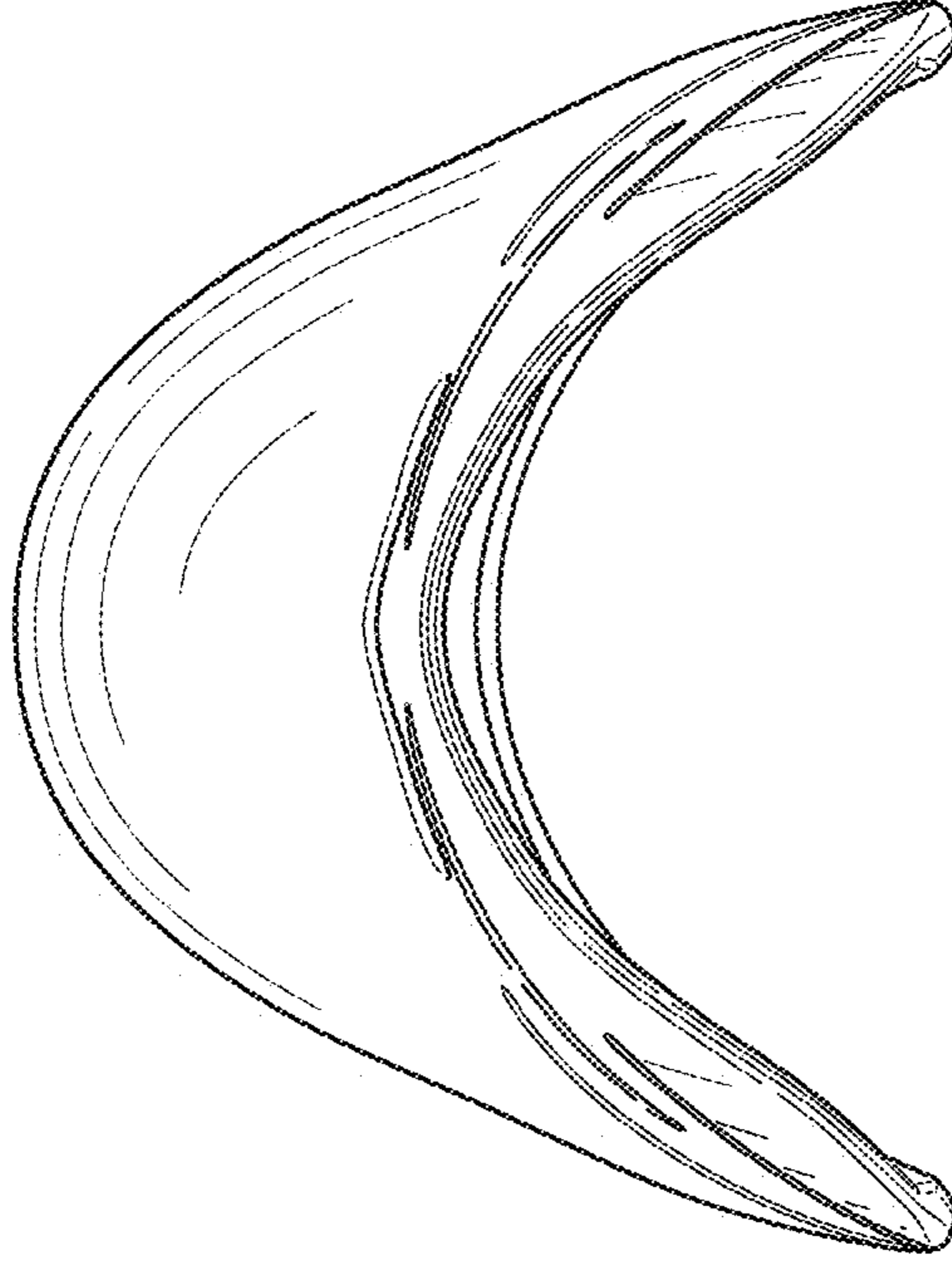


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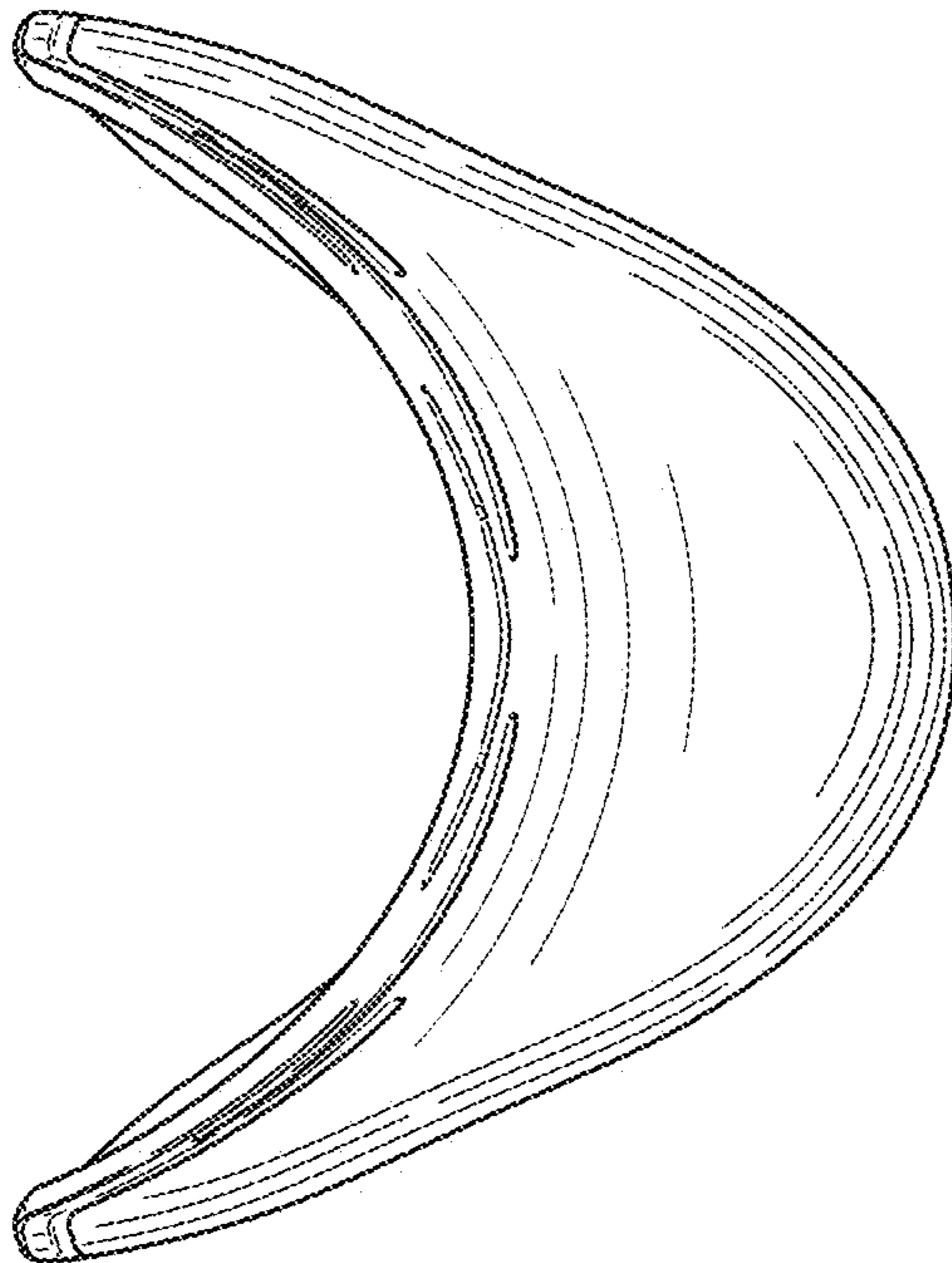


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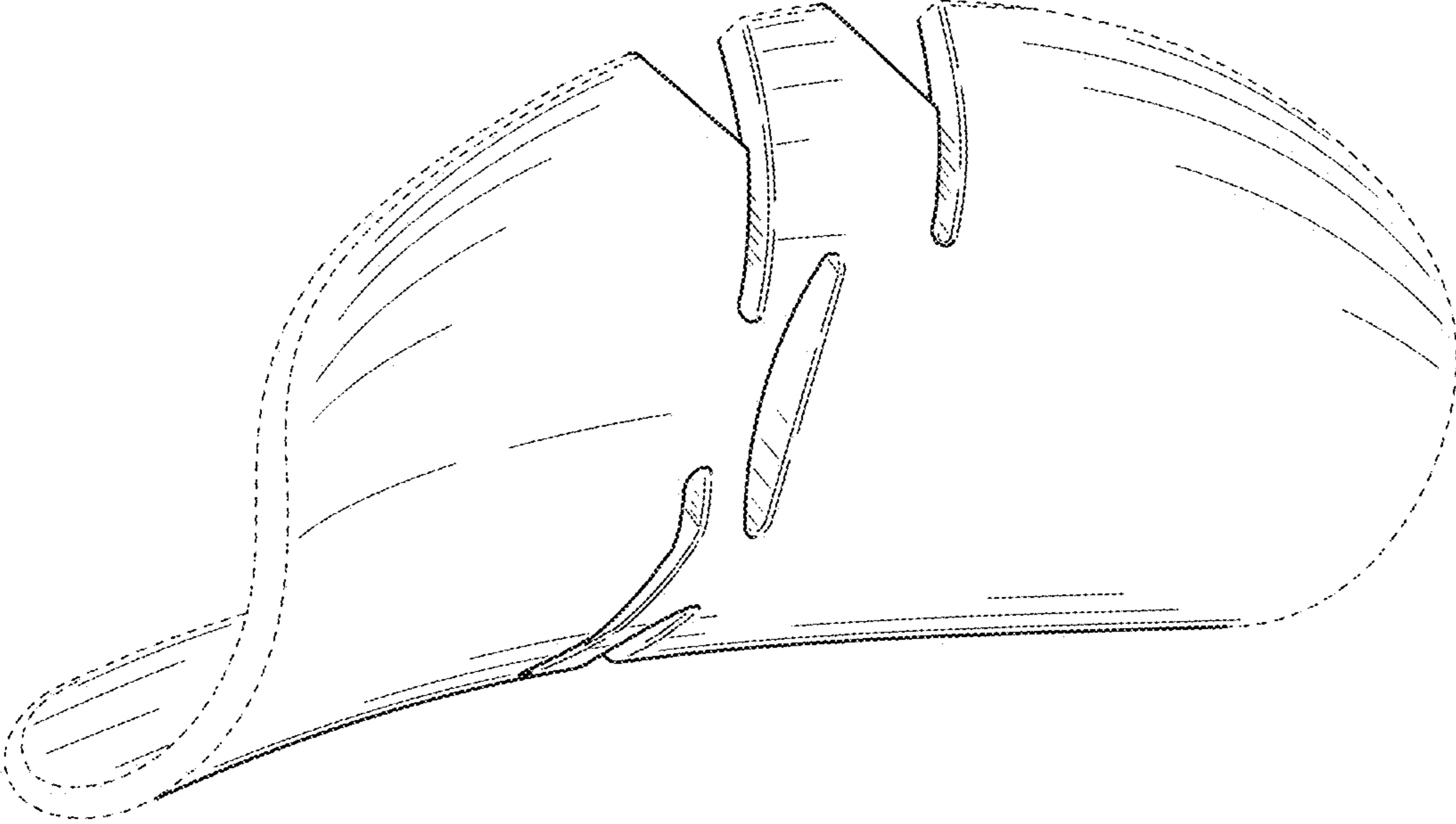


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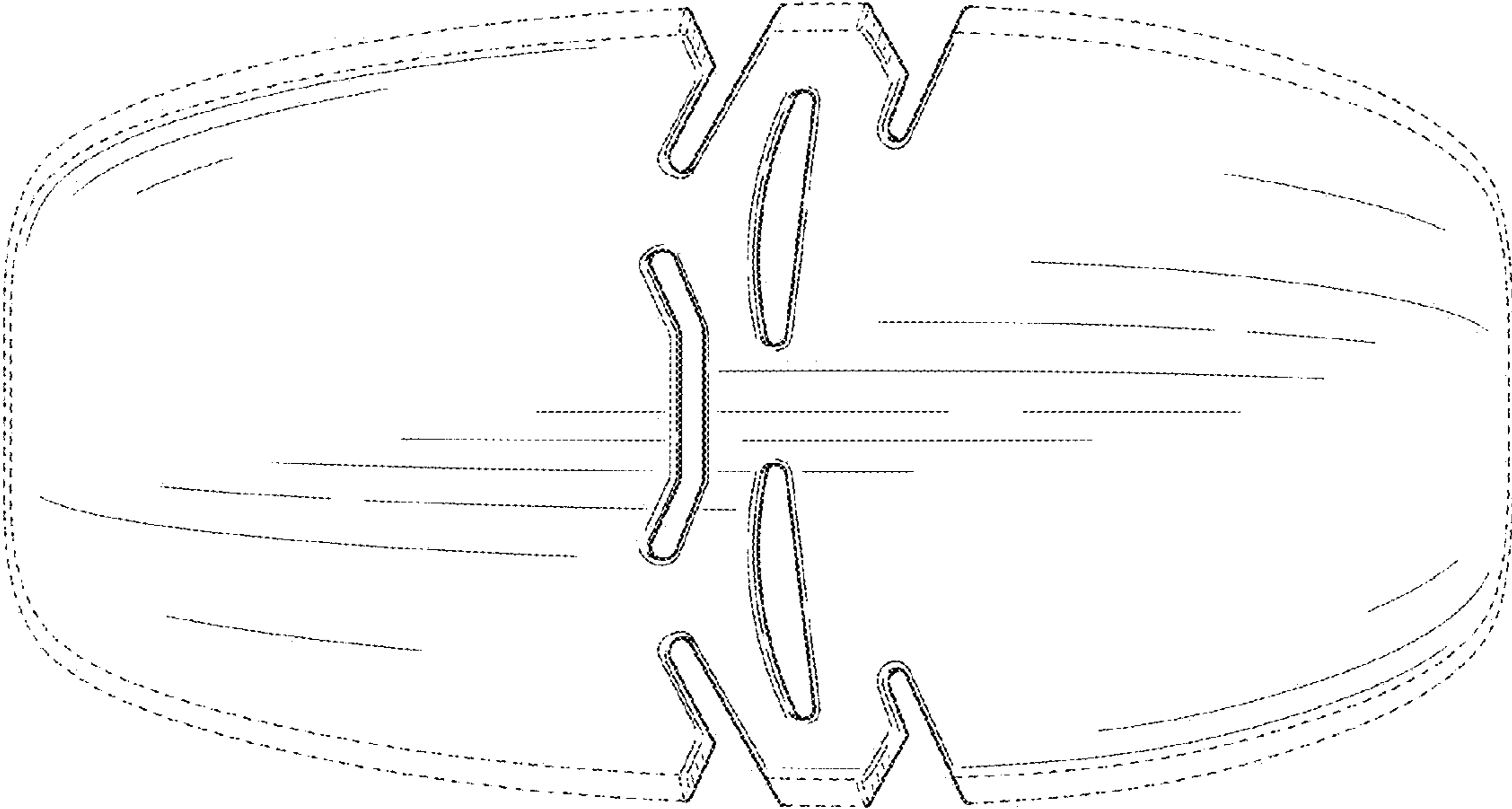


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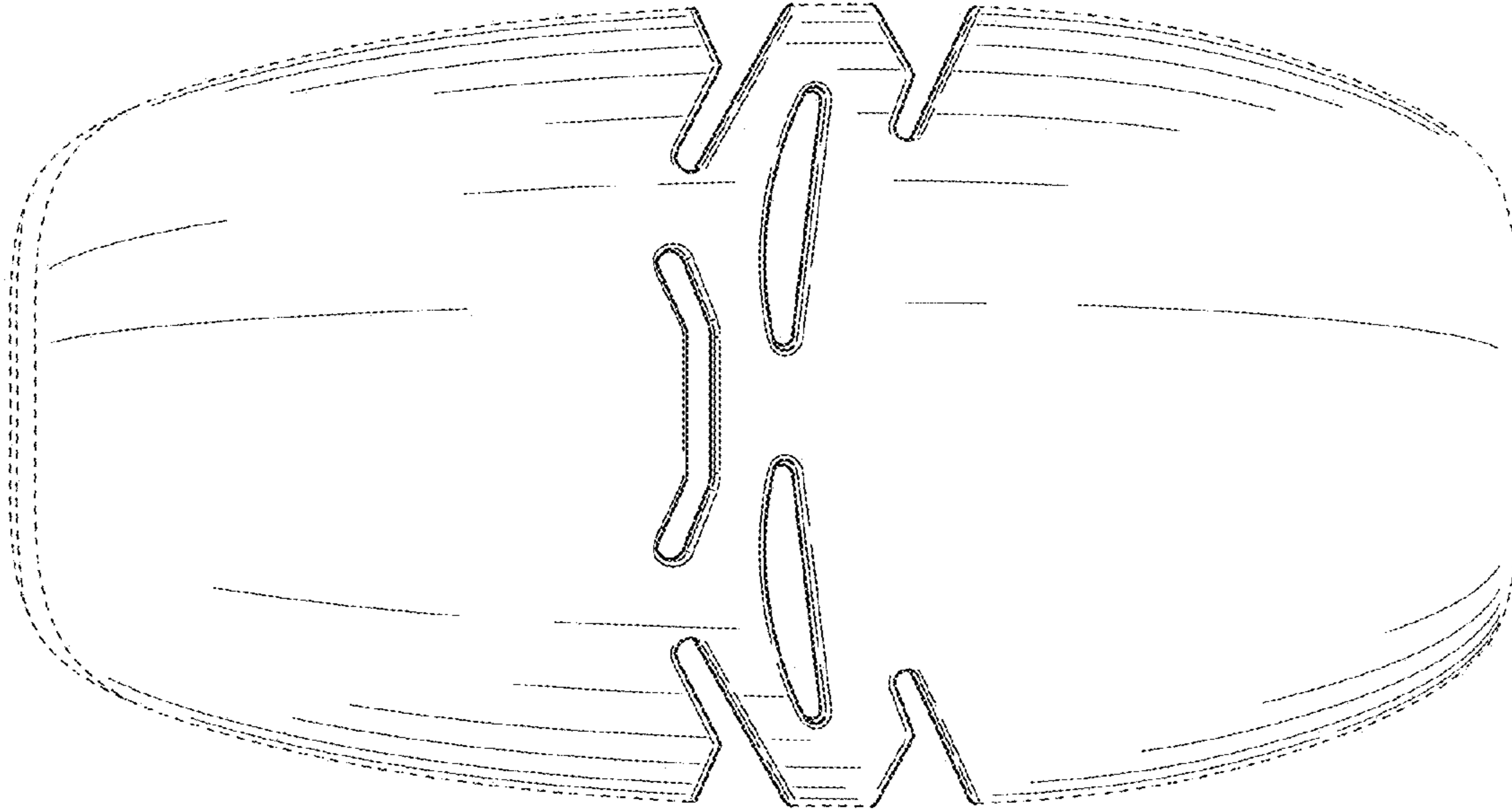


FIG. 9



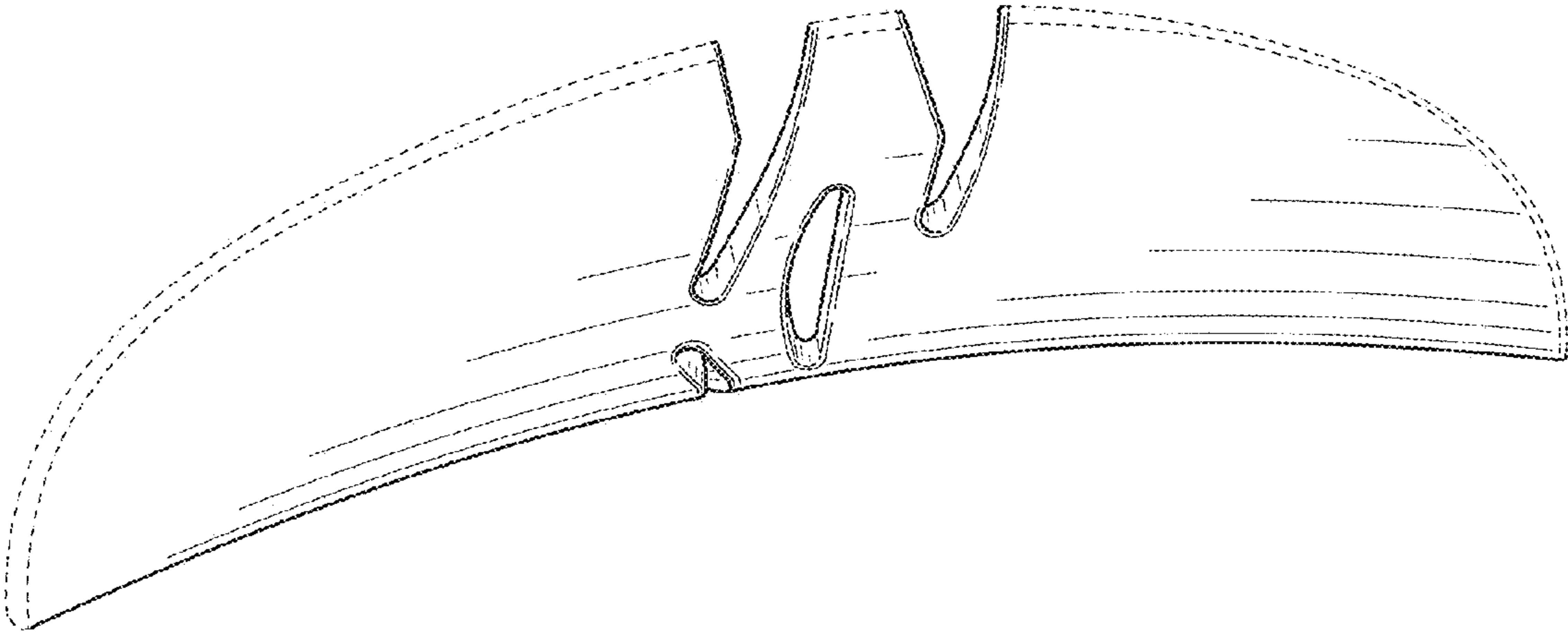


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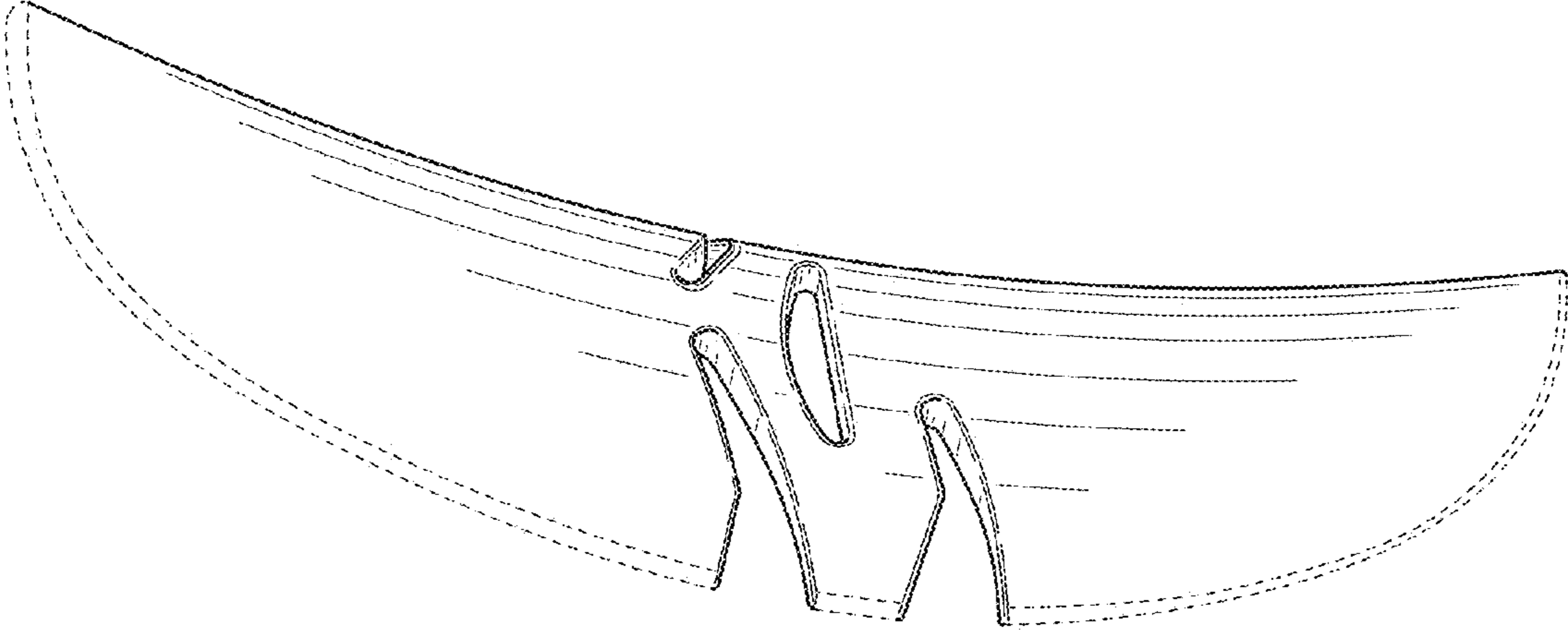


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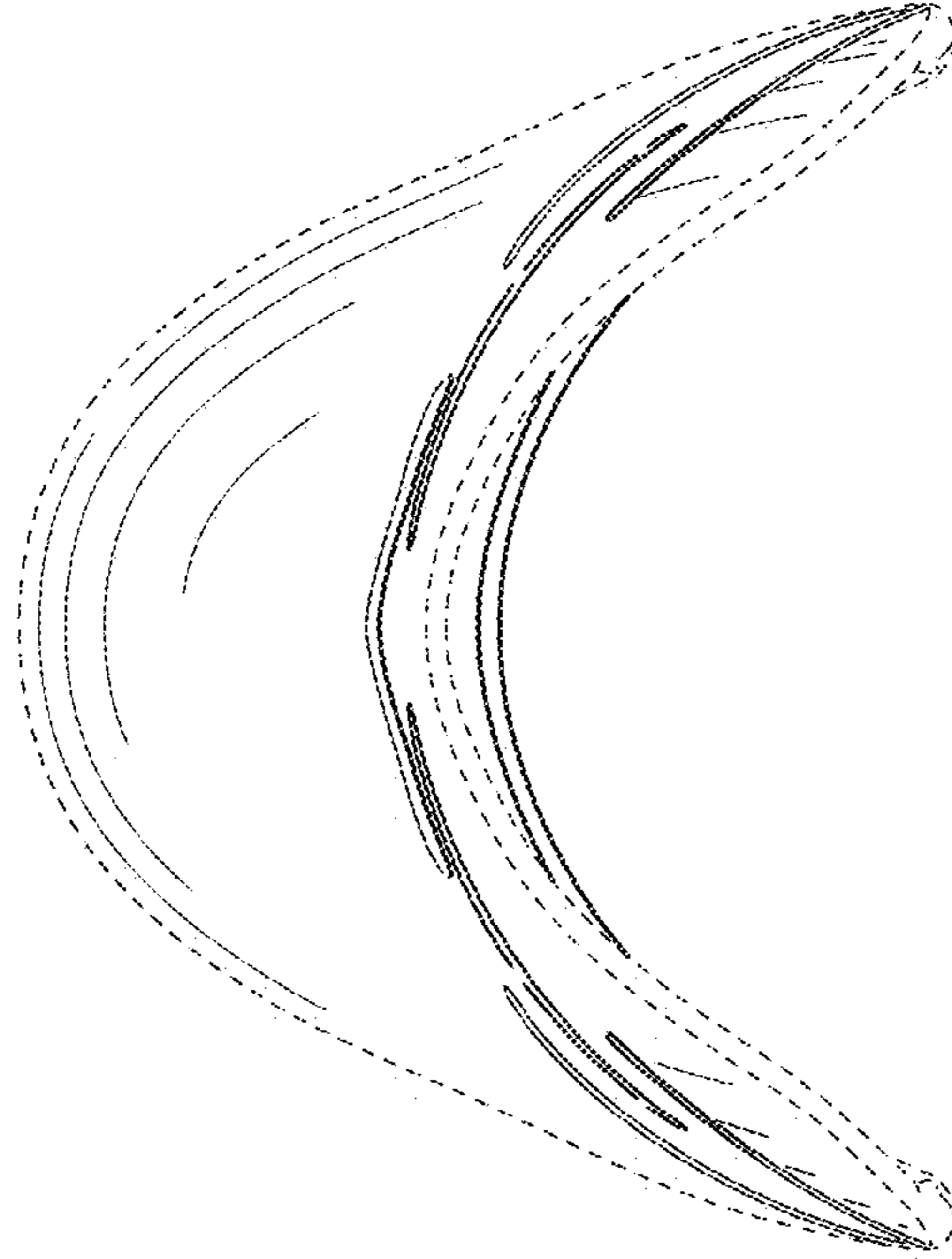


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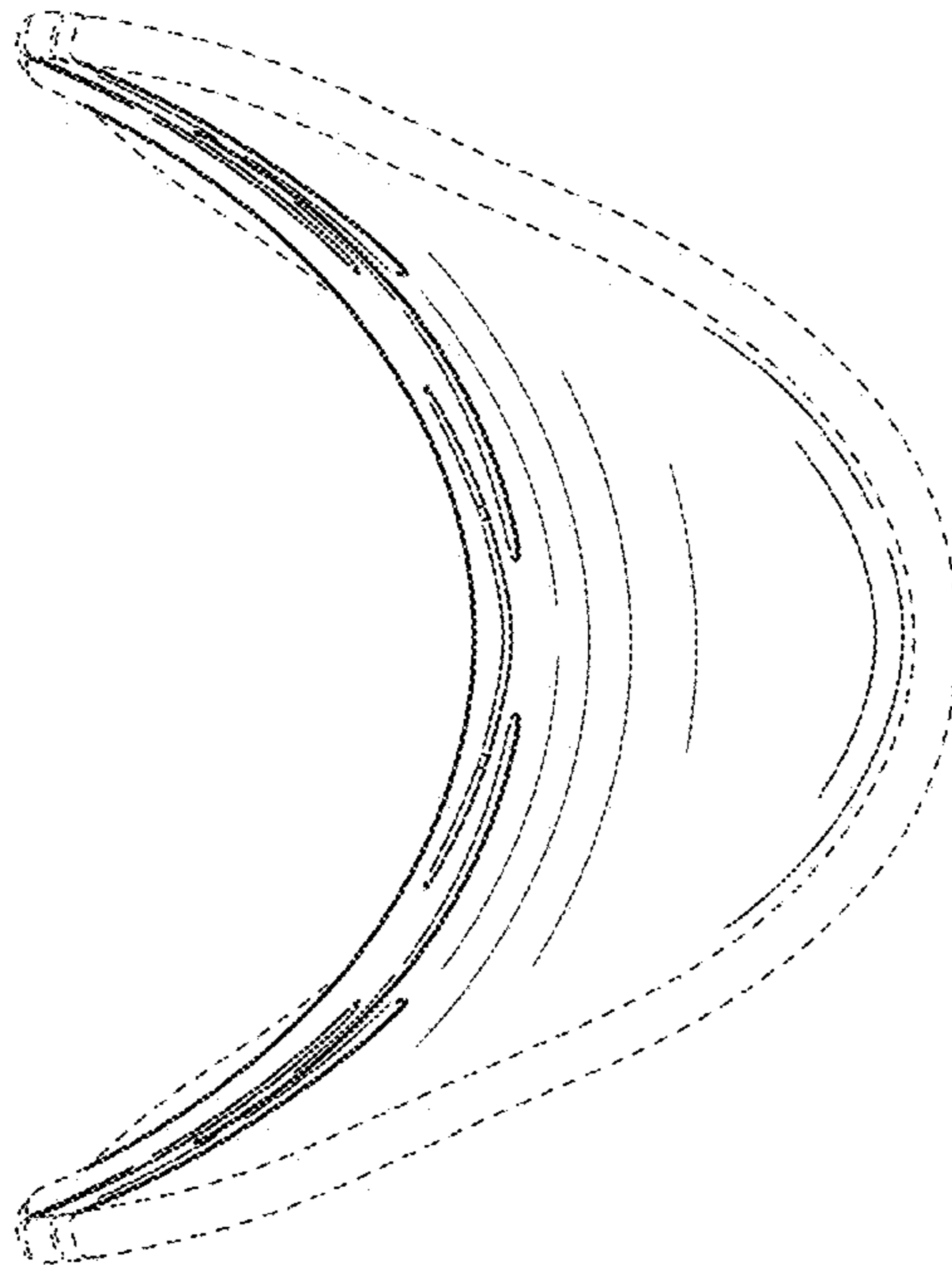


FIG. 13