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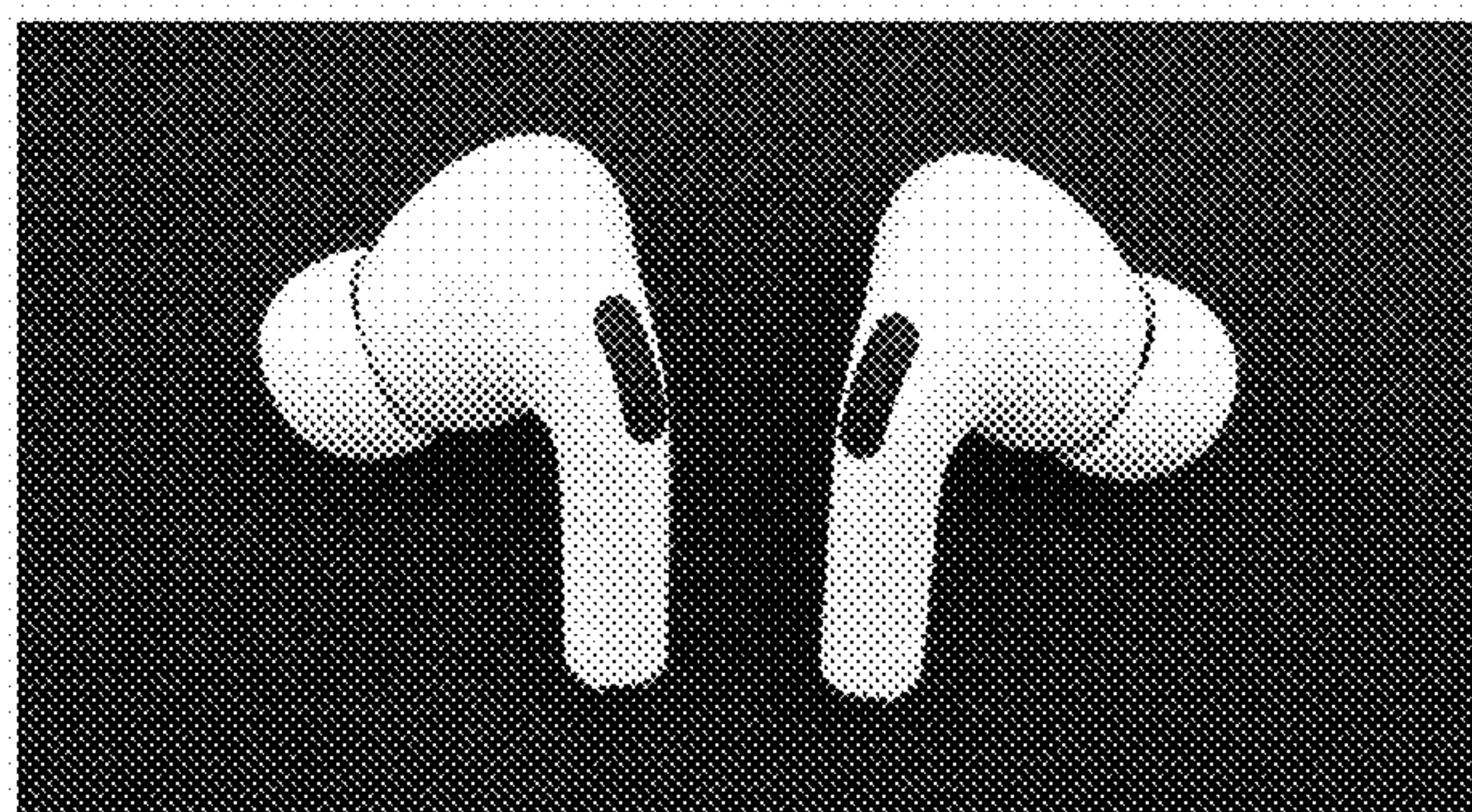
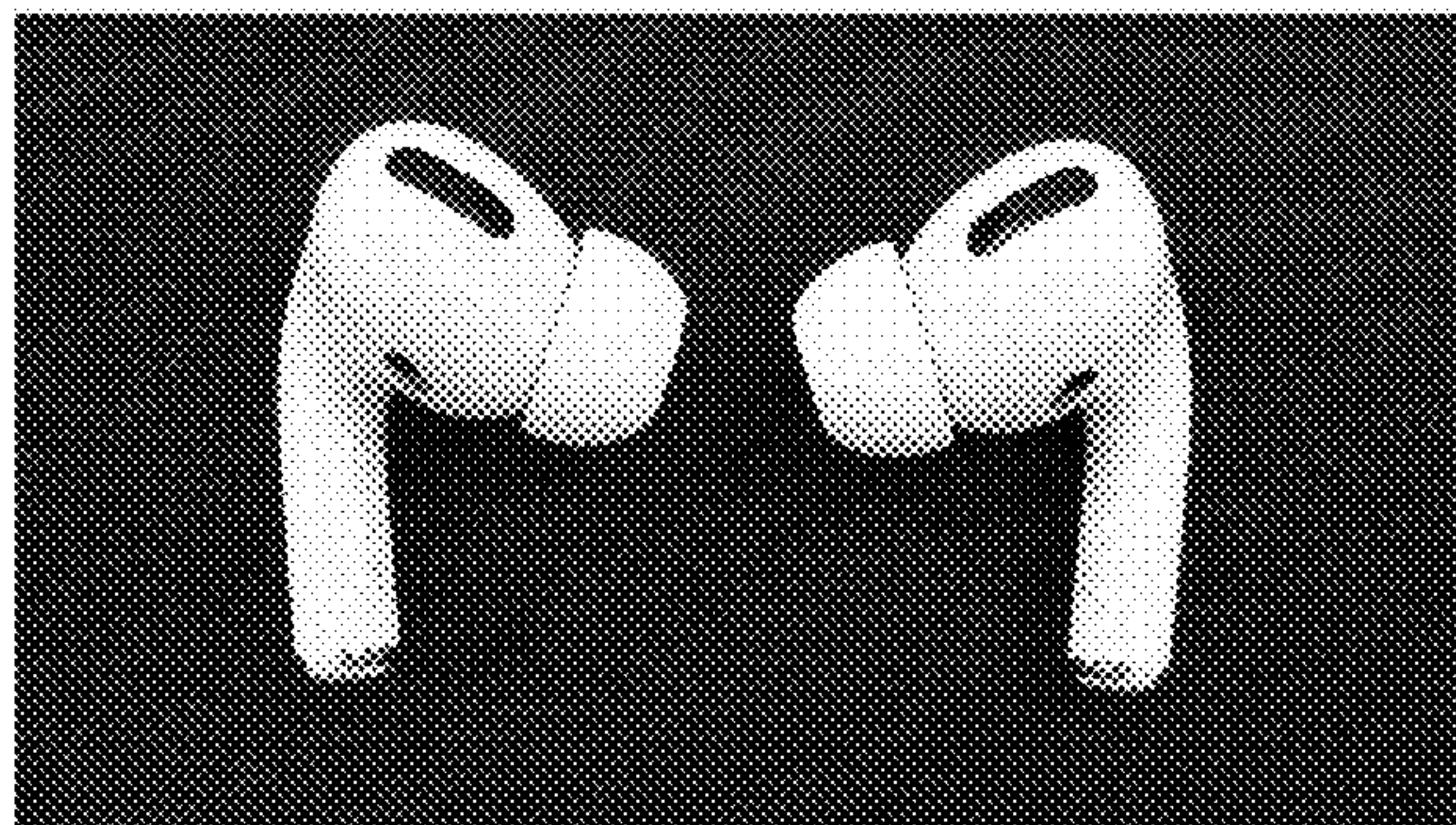
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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a pair of earphones, as shown and described.

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## DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a pair of earphones showing the claimed design;  
FIG. 2 is a rear perspective view thereof;  
FIG. 3 is another rear perspective view thereof;  
FIG. 4 is another rear perspective view thereof;  
FIG. 5 is another rear perspective view thereof;  
FIG. 6 is a bottom perspective view thereof  
FIG. 7 is another bottom perspective view thereof;  
FIG. 8 is a top perspective view thereof;  
FIG. 9 is another top perspective view thereof; and,  
FIG. 10 is a side perspective view thereof.

The background in the digital images forms no part of the claimed design.

The dot-dash broken lines in the figures and the faded areas within the dot-dash broken lines show portions of the pair of earphones that form no part of the claimed design.

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**FIG. 1**

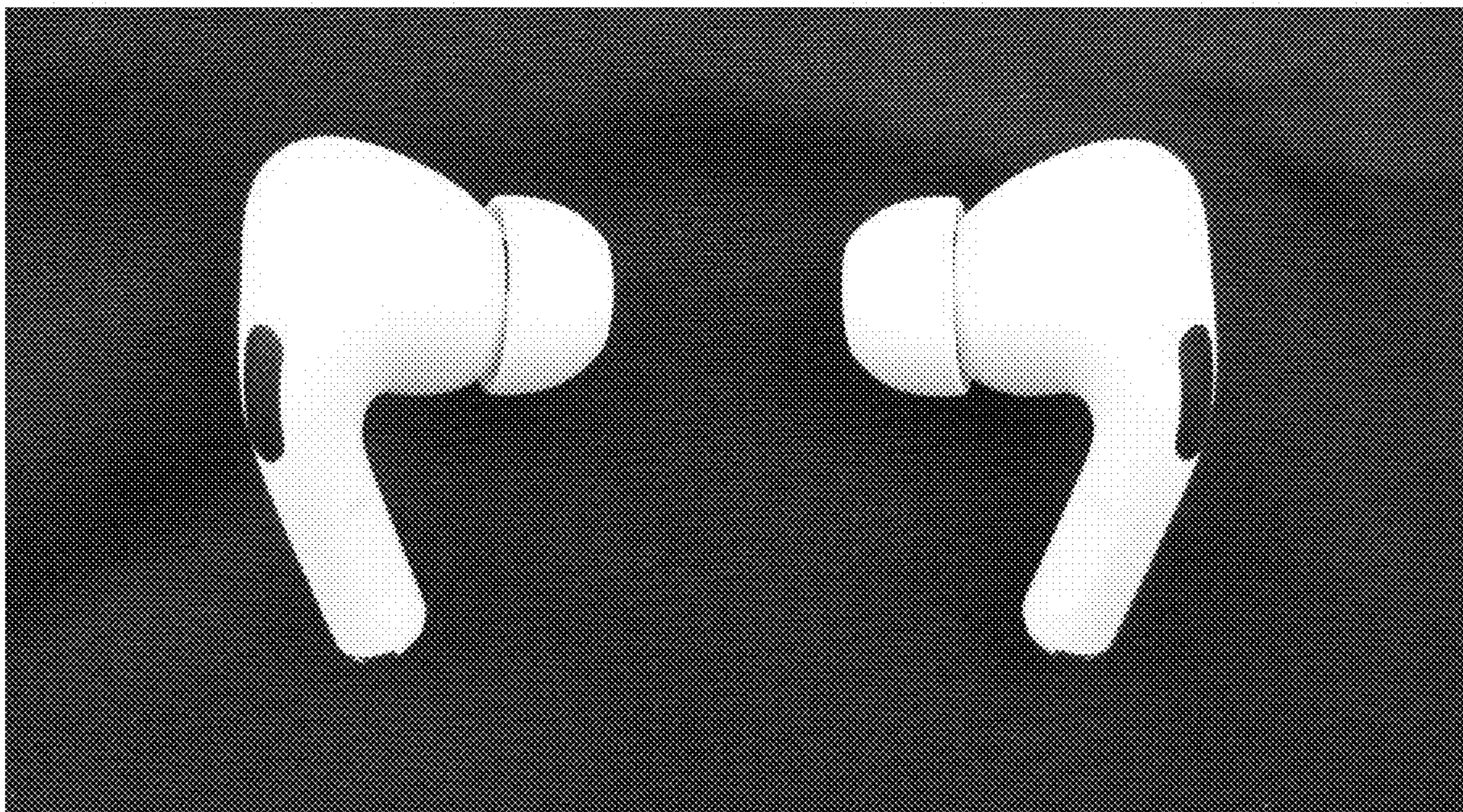


**FIG. 2**





**FIG. 3**



**FIG. 4**





**FIG. 5**



**FIG. 6**





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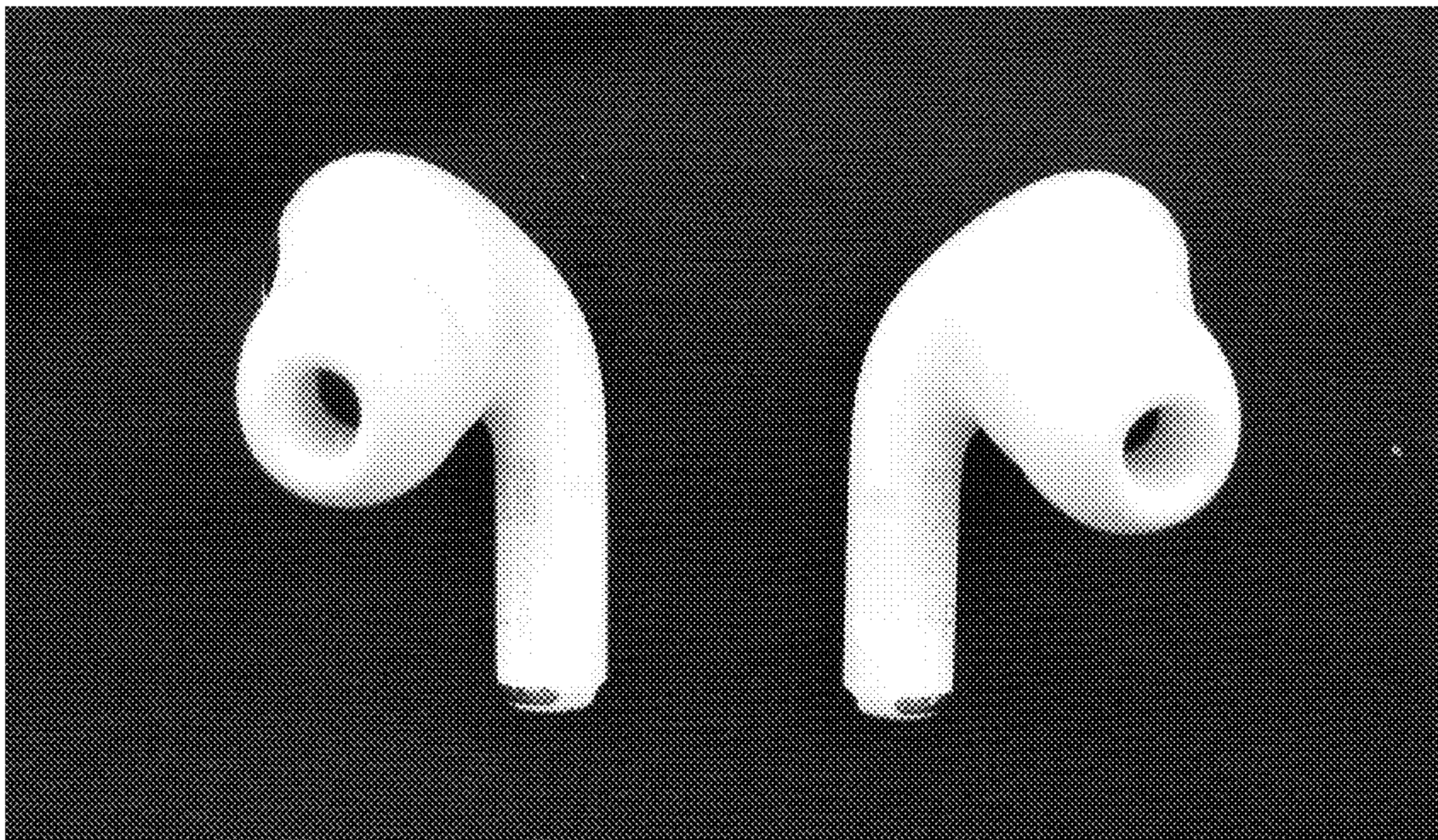


**FIG. 8**





**FIG. 9**



**FIG. 10**



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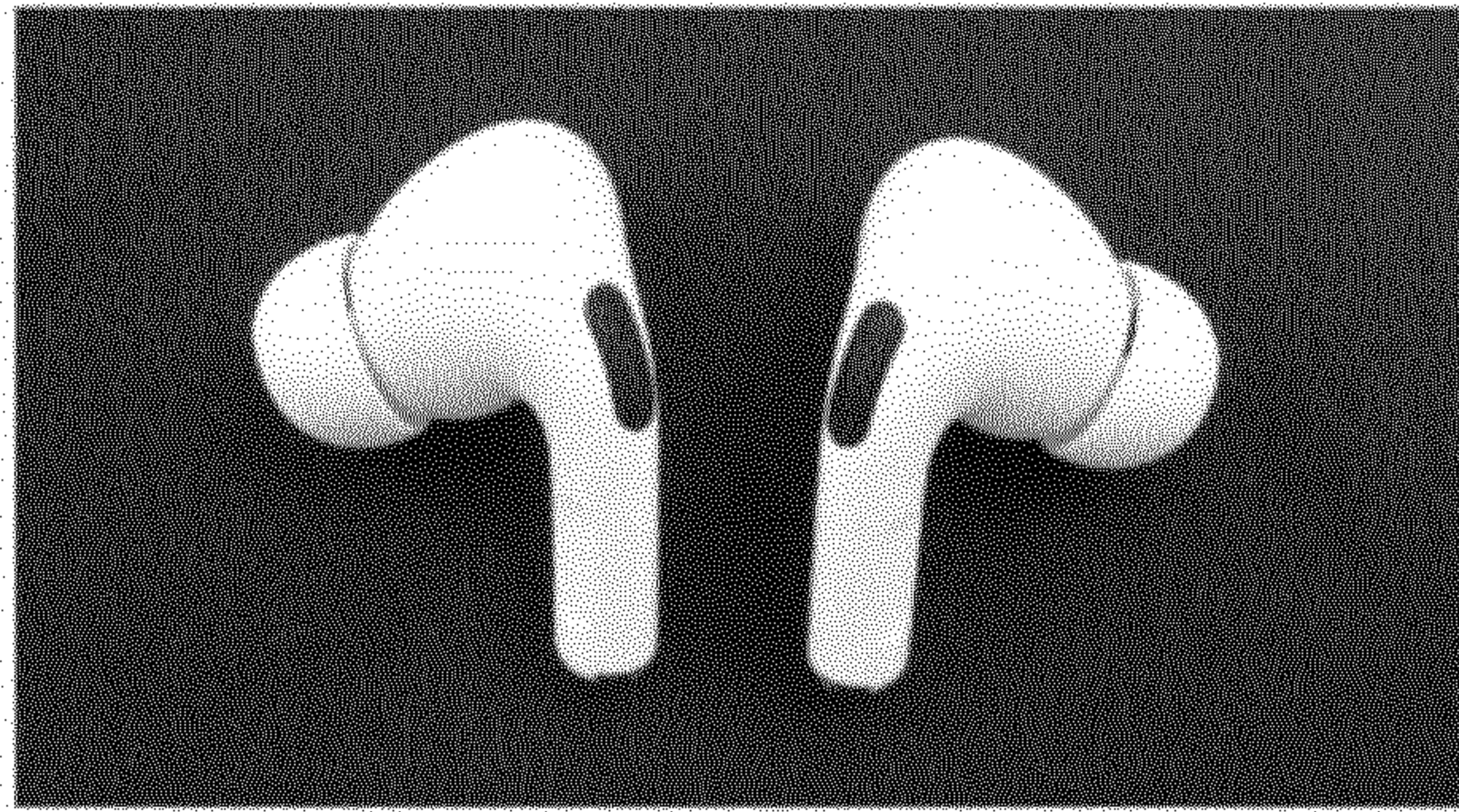






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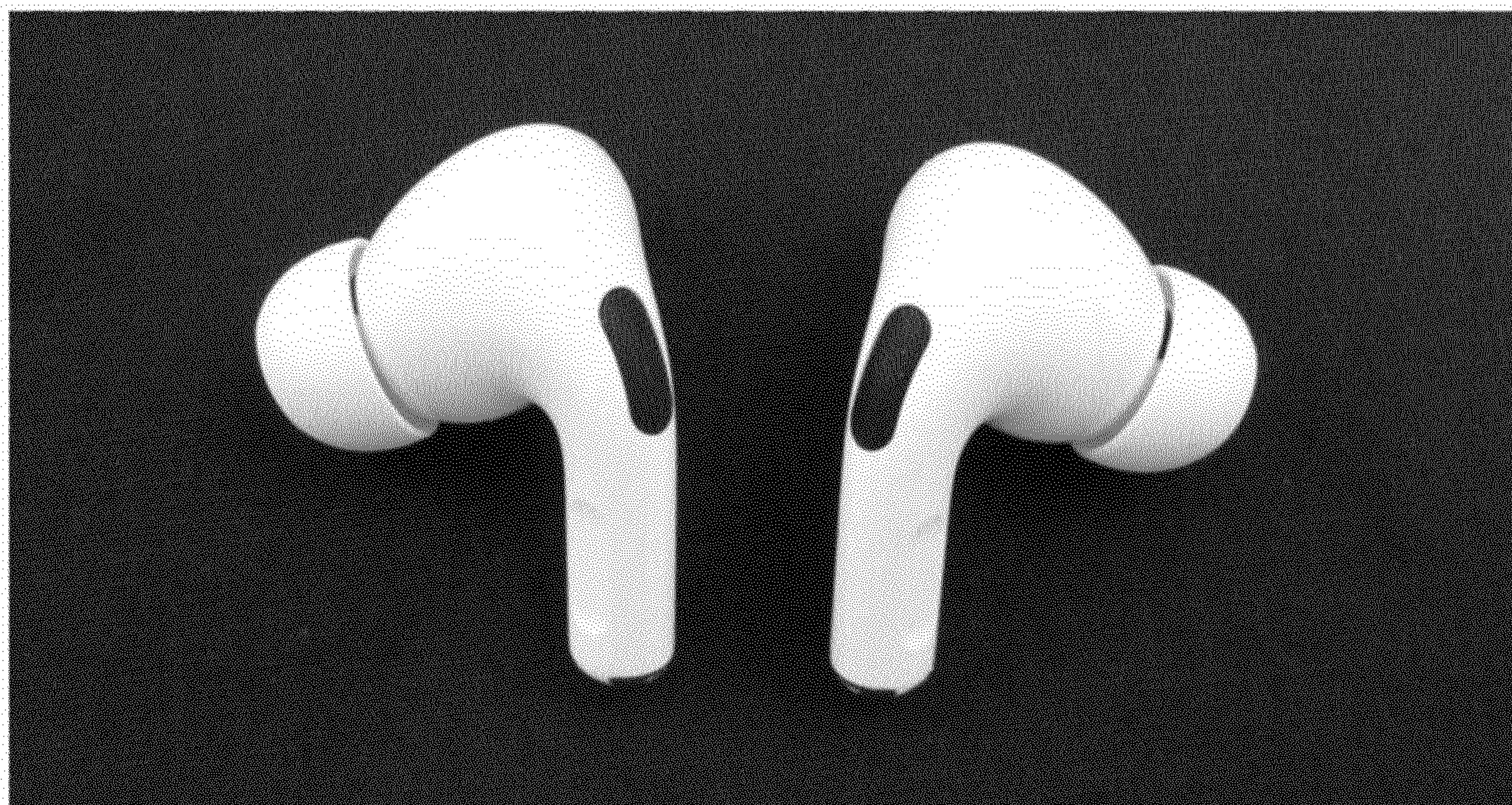


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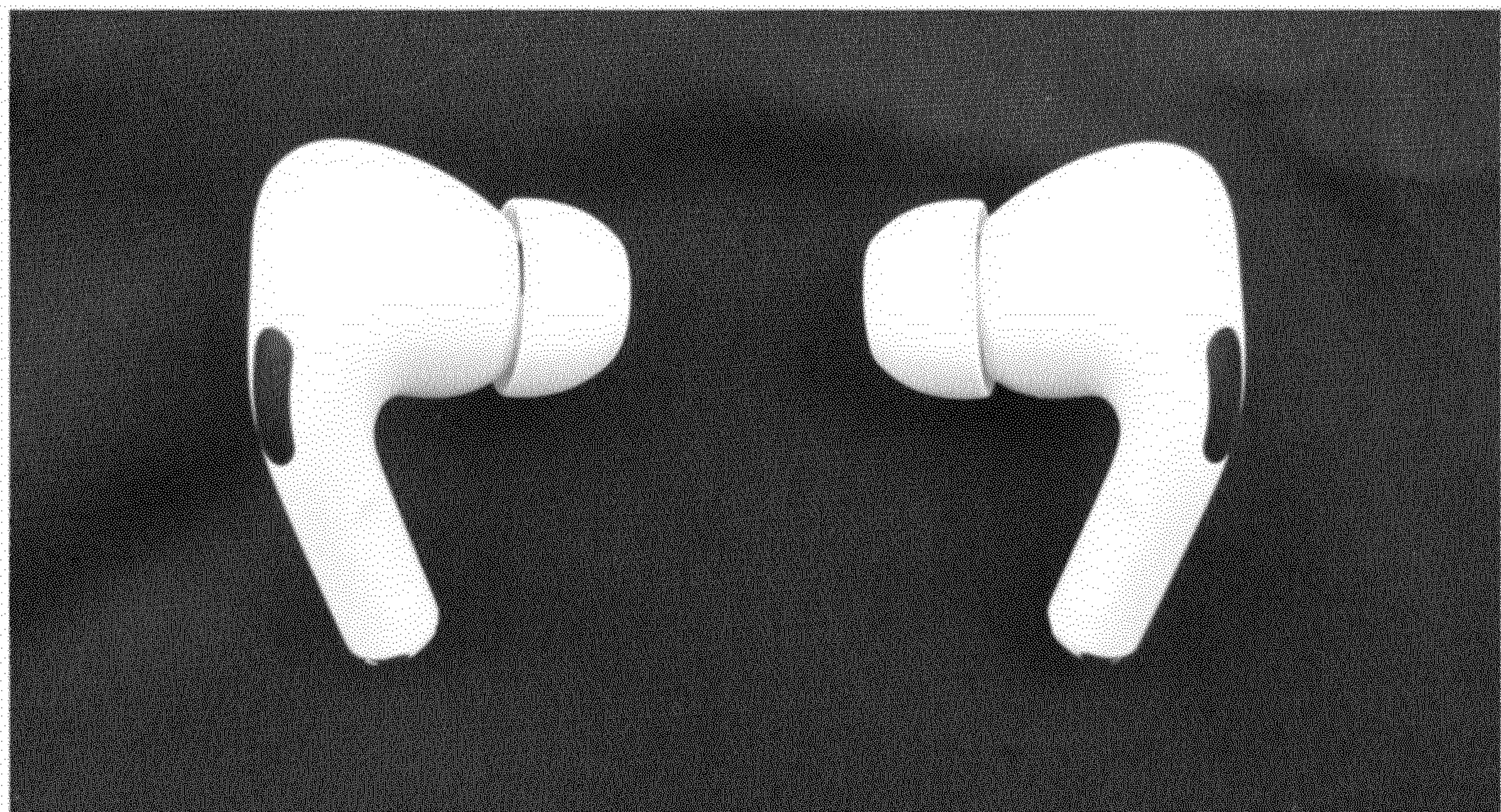


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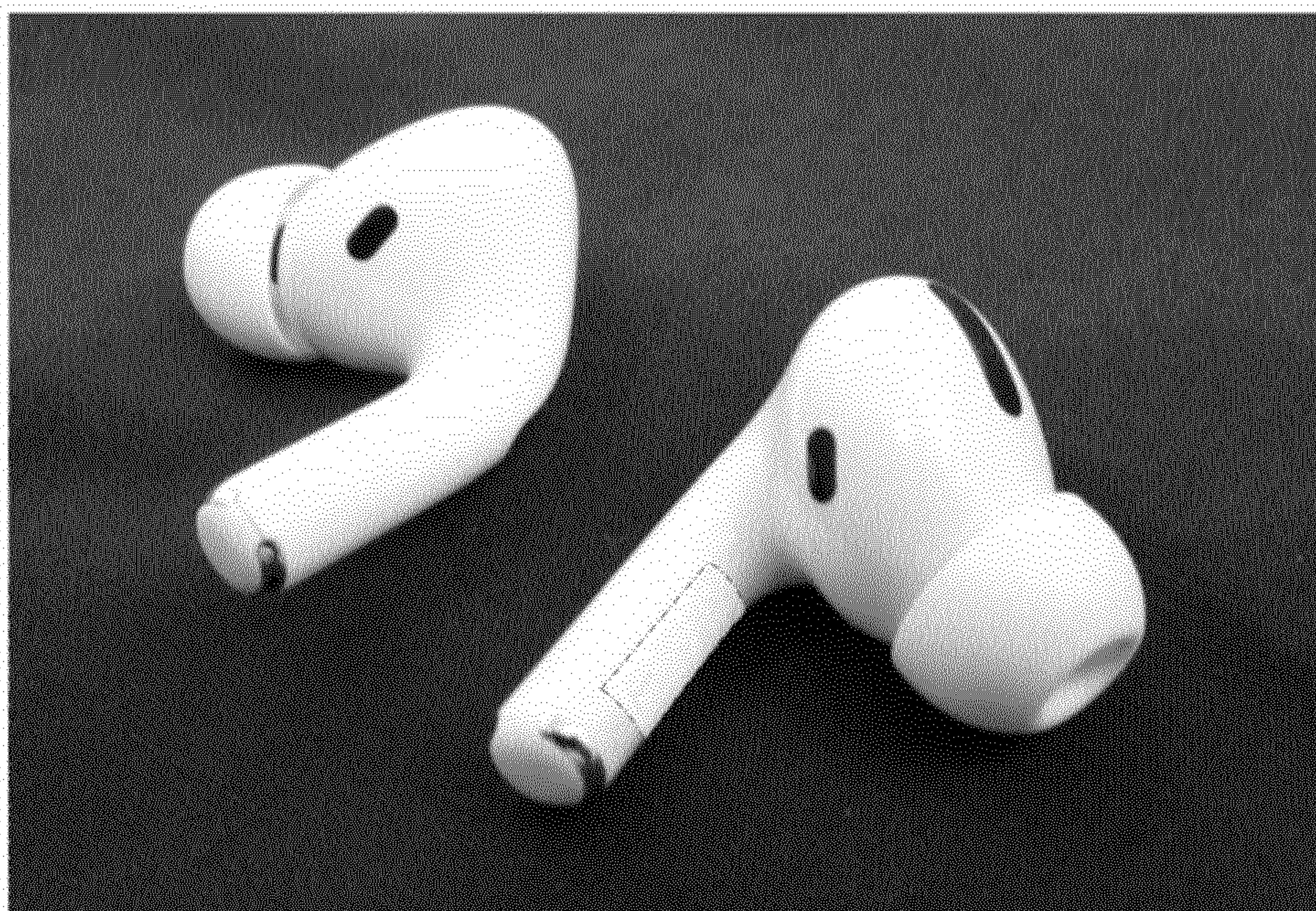
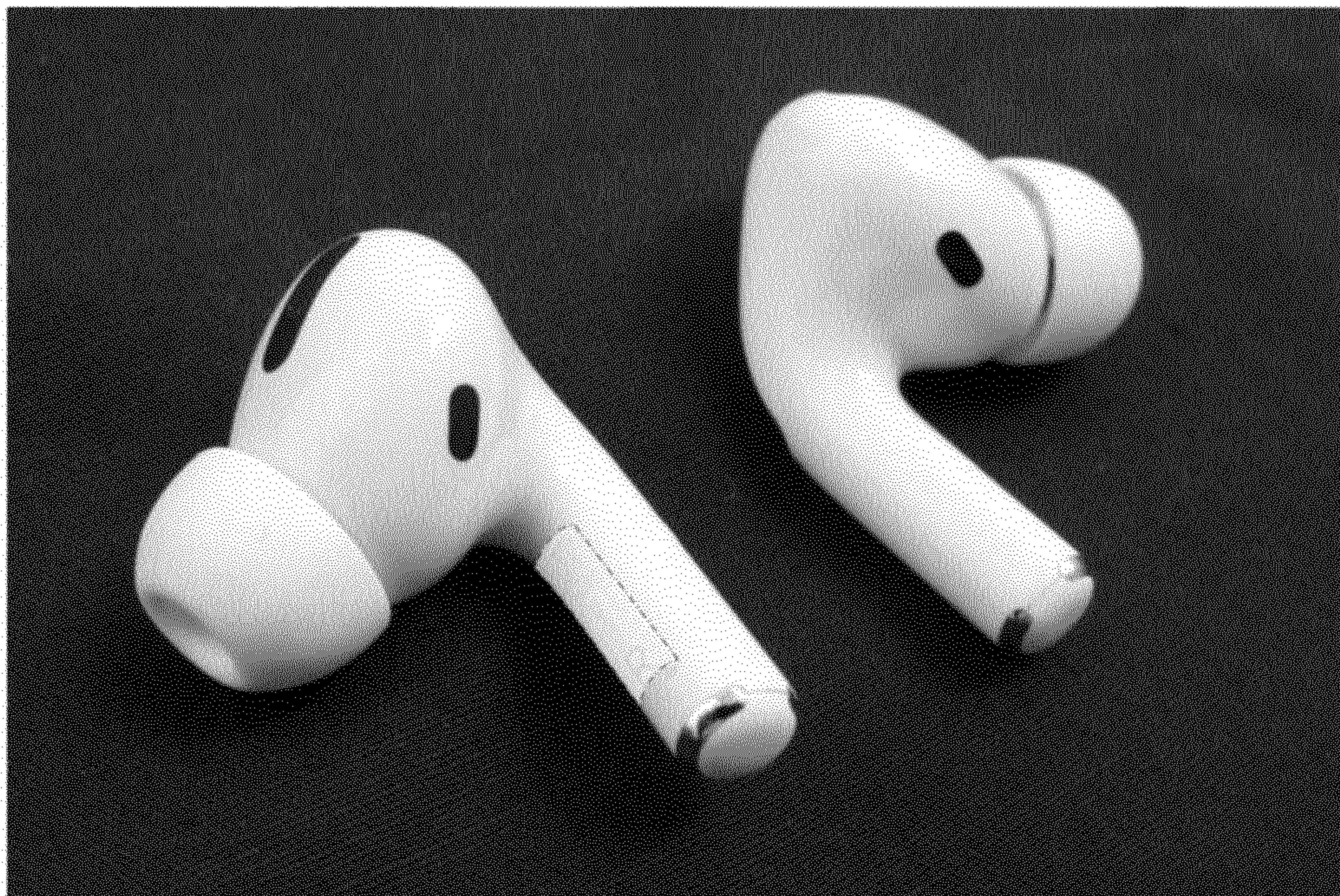


FIG. 6





**FIG. 7**



**FIG. 8**





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