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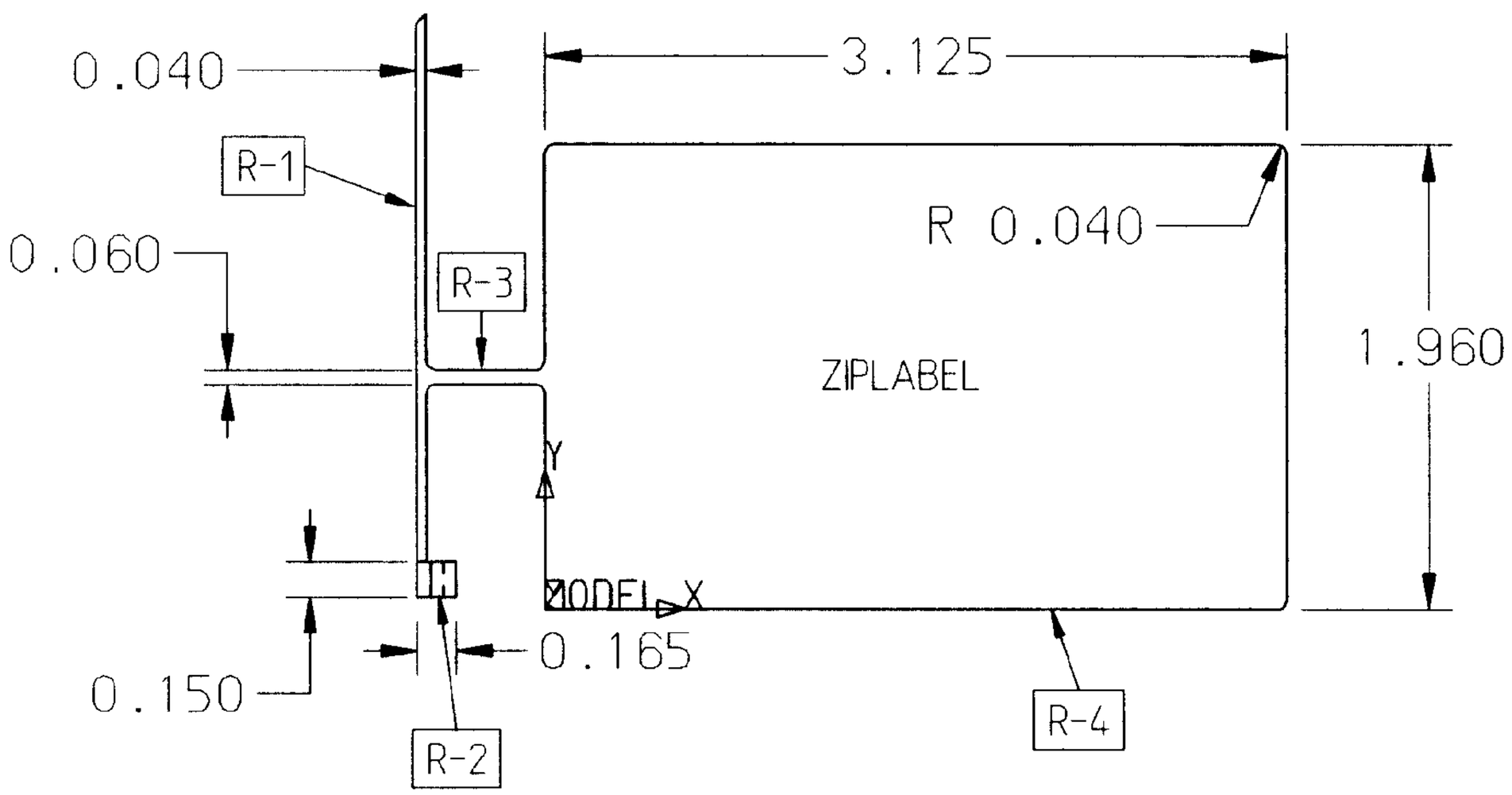

(57) Abrégé/Abstract:
In this invention, a belt like plastic wrap with a locking feature extends securely around the neck of bottles, tubes, wires, pipes, etc. The belt like plastic wrap, referred to here as ZIPLABEL, is attached by a plastic arm to a rectangular piece of plastic that allows pharmaceutical and other labels to be adhered. This invention enables the operator to quickly, easily and securely attach the ZIPLABEL to the object being labelled.

ABSTRACT

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SPECIFICATIONS

This invention relates to medication compliance, productivity and pharmacy product preparation. Medication compliance has increasingly become recognized as a major component in futile health care dollars. Pharmacy has tried with the aid of counselling and written materials accompanying most prescriptions, to assist and encourage patients to better understand and comply with the prescribed medical treatment. Each prescription, depending on state or province, requires the minimum of the name, address and phone number of the pharmacy, patient's name, drug name, prescriber's name, directions, quantity, prescription number, etc. Fitting all this relevant and legal information on small tubes, eye medication bottles, insulin, etc. has its difficulty. Often, a lot of this information is cut and pasted over each other to allow the label to legally adhere to the product, often without regard for product recognition or label visibility. Compounding this problem today is the increased proportion of our ageing population; consequently their need for medication is often increased. Vision and mental acuity can also be of deficit. Therefore, it is a necessity to both easily and properly label these products and to allow ample room for auxiliary labels, (i.e. shake well, keep refrigerated), to ensure that our patients are maximizing their medicinal therapies. As a pharmacist, this needs to be accomplished but to also optimize productivity with in the pharmacy setting. Cutting a label and pasting it over the product is time consuming and unavailing. Neither the patient nor pharmacist can visualize or recognize the label or product. Today's pharmacies and patients need the **ZIPLABEL** to provide quick, secure and properly labelled products that allow room for auxiliary labels and for compete visibility of the label and product. This will not only increase productivity, (decreasing the time cutting and pasting) but also aid in increasing patients' compliance. In the end, both pharmacy and the health care system shall reap the rewards.

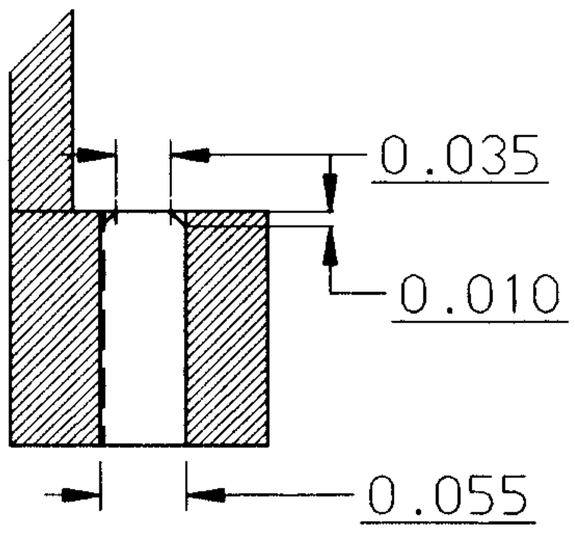
DRAWINGS

In the drawings of the plastic molded part called the **ZIPLABEL**. Fig.#1 is the plan view to show the physical size and shape of the **ZIPLABEL**. Fig#2 is a blown up section view of R-2, which locks onto R-1. Fig.#3 is a blown up partial plan view of R-1's end that goes through R-2 to show the serrated style of sides needed. Fig.#4 is a side view of the **ZIPLABEL** to show the thickness of the plastic part. Fig.#5 is a blown up view of the end of R-2 from the side to show were R-1 fits into to lock the **ZIPLABEL** to the object that is in need of labeling or identification.

The **ZIPLABEL** is placed so that the feature R-1 is against the side of the object that needs to be labeled. R-1 is then wrapped around the object so that the end of R-1 can be inserted into R-2.As R-1 is inserted through R-2 the knurled or serrated sides on R-1 will engage with the locking angled sides on the inside of R-2. The inside of R-2 is squared to allow R-1 to be guided into the angled locks which are square to end with 45 degree angles to form small triangles on both sides so that the knurled sides of R-1 are to be forced through making it very difficult to pull out of R-2 once it is snug. After the **ZIPLABEL** is securely attached to the object, the adhesive label may be applied to the flat surface of R-4.that is attached to R-1 by R3, a plastic arm. The flat plastic surface of R-4 enables labels to be applied to both sides for multiple types of information.

Claim

1. A label comprising a plastic flexible surface plate (R-4) adapted to receive labels, joined by a plastic arm extension (R-3) to a tie wrap (R-1) with a locking feature (R-2) on one extremity, the flexible plastic surface plate (R-4) and the plastic arm extension (R-3) being one continuous piece made out of the same material, the flexible surface plate (R-4) allows for the adhesion of labels, the plastic arm extension (R-3) attaching the flexible surface plate to a tie wrap that has been secured around a product.



FIG#2
R-2

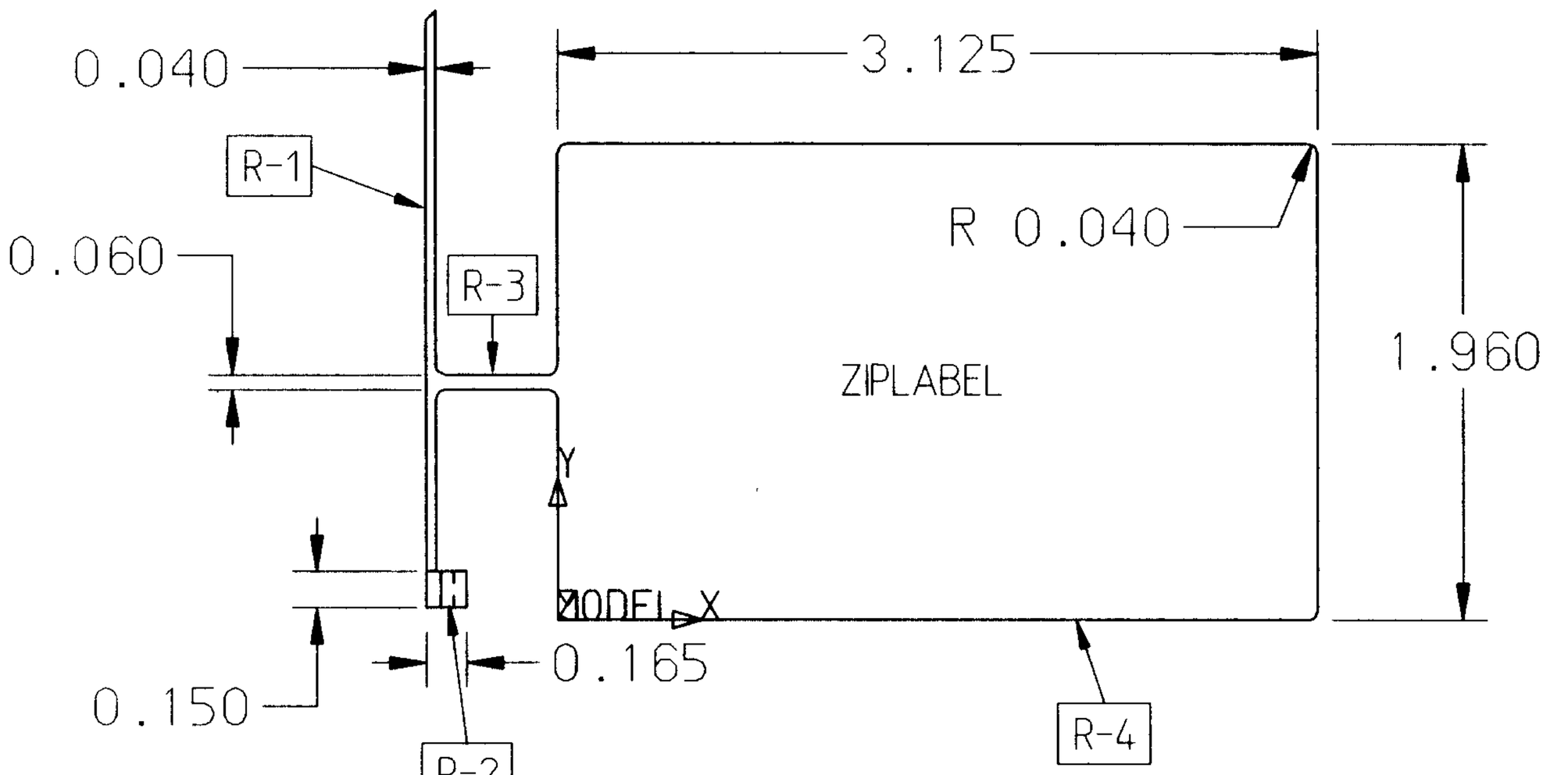
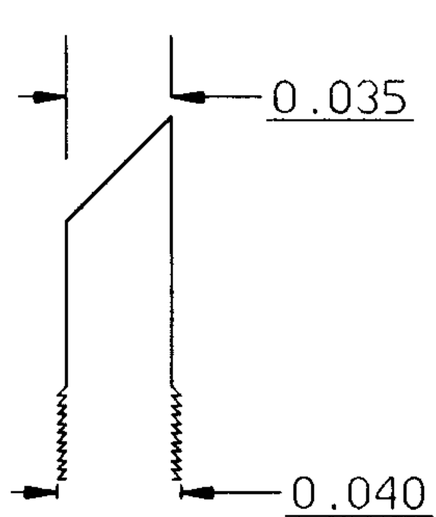


FIG. #1



FIG#3
R-1

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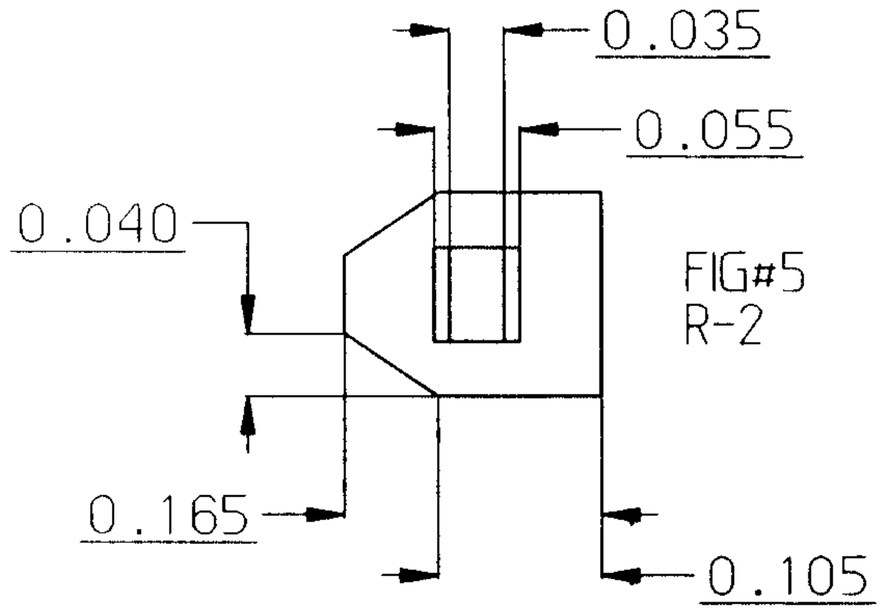

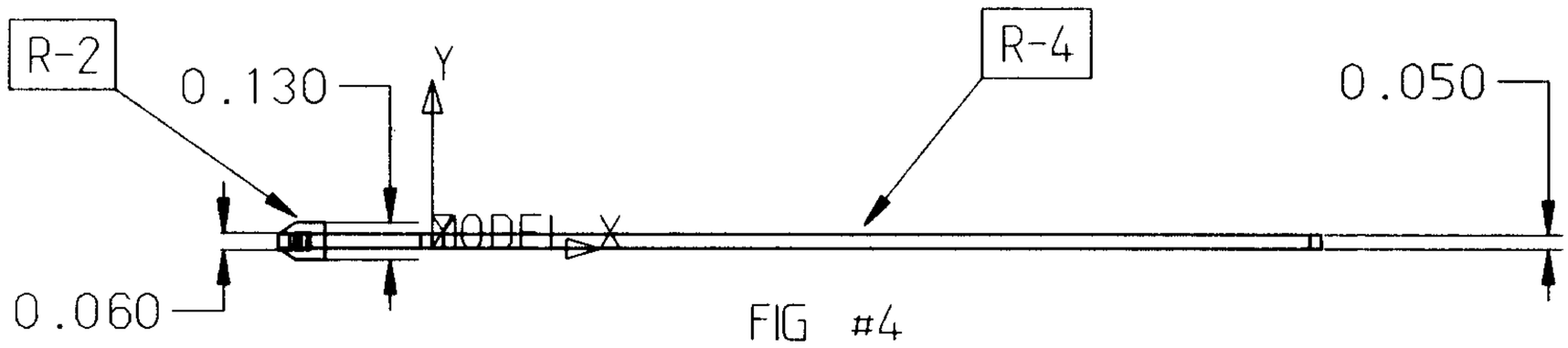

FIG #4

ZIPLABEL

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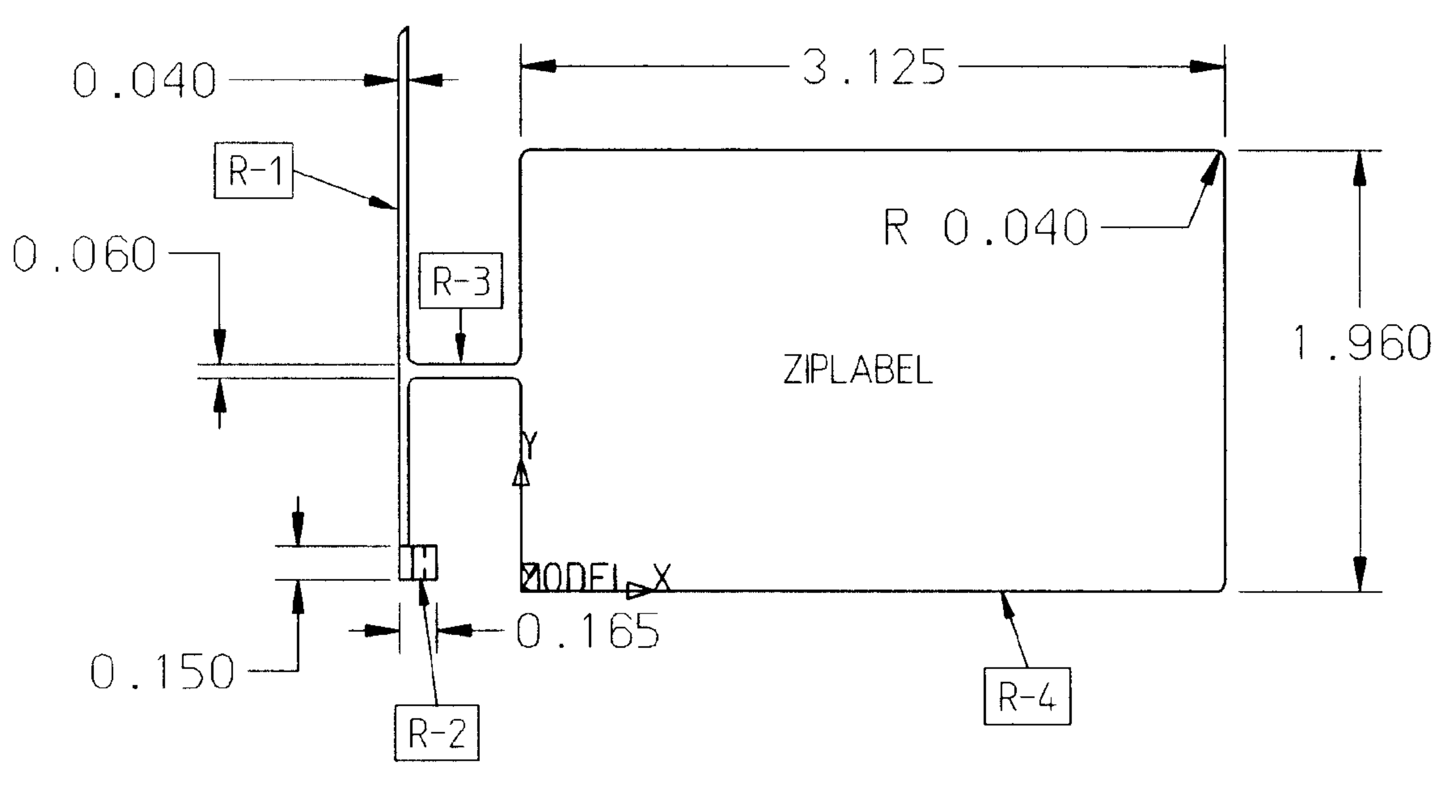
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R-3
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1.960
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R-2
R-4