

GS SCORE

ESSAY MOCK TEST

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 250

Instructions to Candidate

- Both sections are compulsory.
- Attempt one essay from each section.
- Each essay carries 125 marks.
- Write each essay in about 1000-1200 words.
- After finishing the first essay, attempt the next on a fresh Page.
- Any page left blank in the answer-book must be crossed out clearly.

(Examiner will pay special attention to the candidate's grasp of his/her material, its relevance to the subject chosen, and to his/her ability to think constructively and to present his/her ideas concisely, logically and effectively).

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SECTION - A

1. Fighting corruption is not just good governance but also self-defense and patriotism.
2. Politics is the art of choosing between the disastrous and unpalatable.
3. People are sheep. TV is the shepherd.
4. Chanakya may have been from India, but its Indians who never followed his advice

SECTION - B

1. Life teaches us many lessons, but the final lesson is, there is no final lesson.
2. A Nation can remain free, as long as it continue to be the home of brave.
3. Yesterday's score doesn't win you game today.
4. The true mystery of the world is the visible, and not the invisible.

"People are sheep. TV is the Shepherd"

Television is one of the biggest technological innovations of our age. Television is a form of one way communication. Television was a kind of puzzle for people when it first came into public. People used to think ~~that about~~ wonder ~~wonder~~ the characters shown at screen that how they disappear and how they fit into that small box. Today technology has come a way ahead ~~but with coming of~~ Internet, social media, mobiles ~~but the charm of~~ television is intact.

Television and public mood are inherently connected. As the culture advanced and technology evolved, the television also got evolved, from Black & white to color. to HD TVs and from silent shows to reality shows, the changes are revolutionary. Television impacts our psychological construction in huge manner. It is said that man is the product of the environment he lives. And TV is very much powerful in creating that environment. In this essay we will see how people are impacted and given direction by TV.

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TV is a platform for broadcasting a variety of content be it news, movies, daily soaps, songs and so on. It provides vast amount of information in audio-video format and this is how it effects the psychological construction of people.

If we look at Indian context, when it first came in India, two shows that got most popularity were 'Mahabharat' and 'Shaktimaan'. Mahabharat reaffirmed the values that was present in our epic. Similarly the impact of Shaktimaan was such that some children died in emulating the superhero. This shows the impact TV could bring to public mind.

People are influenced by media that their political future
 If we see historical evolution of TV we can see the huge impact it did on our society, culture, values and upon individuals. It brought the whole world to our home on that small screen. People's opinion was greatly influenced by Television. It has both positive and negative aspects. We will discuss in our essay about the same.

Social & economic decisions largely depend on media.
 Remarks on media

TV itself does not create anything, it is just a medium of broadcasting the content. This content is what plays the great role in directing the people. Recent example of 'Anna Hazare movement' showed the power of TV to create a zealous atmosphere. The broadcasting of the content movement from day to night motivated the people to come to streets and protest against corruption.

Similarly, TV plays important role in formation of political opinion. The wide publicity given to ~~BSP~~ "Nano wave" by BJP in 2014 elections is fresh example of it. The impact of it was shown in the results of election which BJP won by vast majority.

How the public mood is formed by TV, can be easily seen in the various debates shown on TV. The famous 'Arnab Goswami' show is example of this. From corruption to poverty to development, everything is debated and it hugely impacts public opinion.

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The various religious channels shown over Television viz Aastha, gave a new direction to the religious teachings. TV is also a ~~way of~~ popularity of various Babas like Nirmal Baba, Baba Ramdev etc. Through TV, their public reach increased manyfold.

~~Entertainment provided by media should be in line of social & cultural development of the country.~~

If we see the pattern of movies and songs broadcasted by TV, we can see the similarity between the culture shown in them and culture widely prevalent. It is true that TV only shows what is there in society but it is also true that through TV, the changed values get entrenched in society. For example the songs that were earlier broadcasted through Rangoli viz 'Hey pret jaha ki reet sada' and what was now broadcasted through MTV "Baby doll" shows the huge jump our society made.

Not irrelevant

Television is a very easy medium to create emotions, hatred, anger, love in public. It is human nature that we get influenced by what we see and what we hear. The emotional outpour and anger

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shown by public after "Nirbhaya Rape" was very much influenced by the wide coverage given by the Media & shown by TV.

Now-a-days we see the problem of radicalization that is used to deviate our youth from his path. Recent case where the named preacher ^{of} Zahir ~~was arrested~~ for such activities, has also used TV as a medium to try to disseminate the radical views about Islam. Avoid among ~~youth~~ population. Similarly the menace taking of paid news through which population name of indirectly influenced towards particular any party used TV as one of medium. religion.

One of the most important feature through which people opinion, their thoughts, their preferences are moulded is advertisements. Advertisements used both negatively and positively to influence people. Positively, it is used to by govt to influence public opinion about socio economic issues like Open Defecation, family planning, & education through the advertisements should be avoided. Misleading

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"Daiwaza Band Campaign", "Hum do humare do", etc. In negative way it sometimes used to entrench stereotypical images like women, shown in detergent advertisements always making impression that only they are made for household chores.

TV can be used to increase awareness about socio economic issues viz show "Balika Vadhu" and at the same time to disseminate superstitions viz. 'Naagin'. Thus public perception can be hugely impacted by TV.

With the coming of Tata Sky, DTH technology, internationalization of TV has been in the contemporary world. International news channels, movies, songs are one click away. It increased the reach of masses not only to the national issues but also international one. We can see the impact of this in the pattern of liking of people towards going to western countries. People

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are not much willing to go to western countries like USA, Germany, France due to the hate crime ~~and terrorism~~, we see there through our TV.

Similarly TV plays huge role in influencing the fashion prevalent in our society. At the time of Amitabh Bachchan, when people saw him in saree they got influenced, then Shahrukh and now Ranbir Kapoor, they influence the public choices and preferences. Similar the case with females.

TV is used to disseminate various positive values like gender equality, socio economic justice, liberty, fraternity through its various broadcasts. But at the same time shows like corruption, fatuity, inhumanity etc directly or indirectly.

If we see how TV popularized cricket at the cost of other games we can understand and how TV ~~influenced~~ people. From test to one day to IPL, TV impacted hugely the people's choices about the sports. Now

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when the similar importance is given to games like Badminton, Tennis we can see them being popular among public too.

Thus we saw how TV influence people in each and every sphere of life. From our personal choices to professional one [Movies showing Dabang police officers impacts youngster hugely]. Our political opinion, religious views, social preferences, economic decisions [ex-- stock market - 24x7- influence people's decision to buy particular share (stock)], our food choices [ex-- "Mummy ko bole complain pilaye"] ~~ever~~ all are greatly influenced by same.

TV widely impacted our social, cultural family relations. But we can also say that this is two way process. TV and society mutually reinforce each other's values. Advancement is concurrent in both. The thing is the societal changes get reinforced by Television.

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In the modern era which is popularly said to be post truth era where the false is manipulated as truth by the publicity. Mainly election campaigns, the vulnerability is increased for of media the people to be negatively impacted from Should not the TV. In this case various initiatives at every level are required so that the ~~but giving~~ truth does not get overpowered by ~~falsity~~ ~~wright info-~~

The highest authority which ~~can take~~ ~~not~~ ~~any~~ ~~action~~ ~~to~~ save people from taken away by the ~~the people~~ vast information, is people themselves. It should People need to be aware and ~~too~~ prudent enough while watching the ~~huge~~ stuff ~~also educate~~ ~~as the same regulation at govt level~~ people and self regulation by the broadcasters is ~~where it~~ ~~is needed~~ required.

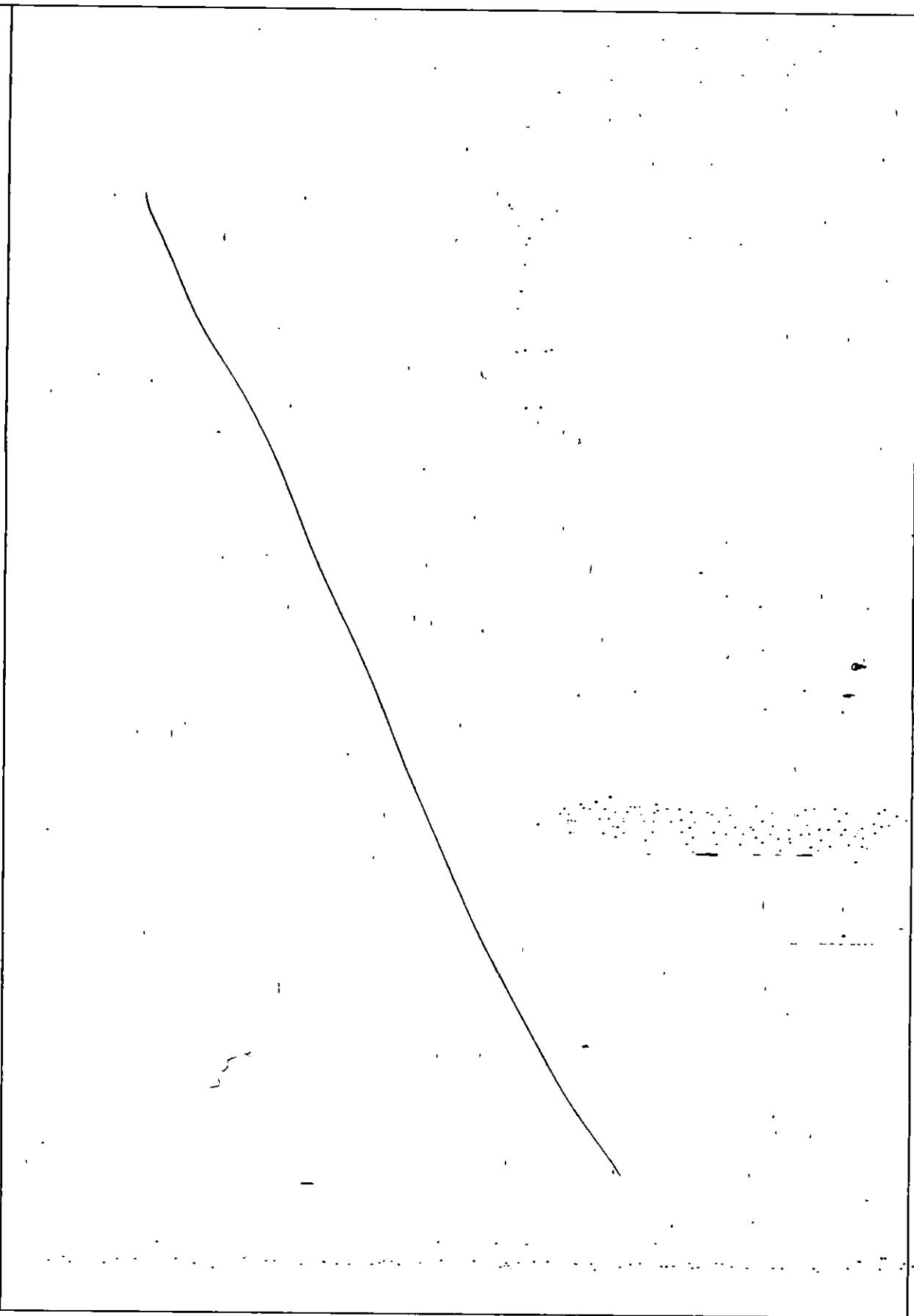
TV has played very important role in entrenching the democratic values in society, advancement of culture, women empowerment education etc, the need of the hour is of responsible broadcasters that can contribute to the well being of society rather than serving vested interest.

Remarks • Structured, descriptive
relevant introduction
and conclusion,

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• Good writing skills - simple, lucid, easy to understand & grammatically correct language.



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"A Nation can remain free, as long as it continue to be the home of brave"

Kautilya, the great Indian philosopher in his book 'Arthashastra' gave the notion of Septang which refers to Seven angas or parts of a state which includes Janapada that in narrow sense includes territory but in wider sense includes the territory and the population. These two are what makes a nation. A nation is not just a boundary separating a territory with other but it is a group of people sharing common culture, values, ethics, and sense of belongingness.

For a nation to remain free, need is of brave people. But one must first need to understand what freedom truly means. In a recent speech, our PM said to make a New India, an India that is free from poverty, free from disease, free from corruption and free from dirt? It is one way to understand Freedom. In this essay we will discuss various aspects of India's freedom and how courage is essential to attain same.

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Freedom is one of the highest ideals that a society cherishes. It is essential for the development of human personality.

Freedom has changed in its meaning from ancient to modern time but one thing that remained ~~same~~^{gone vast} through ages is brave heart to struggle and enjoy that freedom.

In pre-historical time, when the civilization was yet to begin, man ~~was~~ used to live in state of nature. He ^{was} dependent on nature for his survival. He was not free, not free from the fear of animals, from natural hazards, from hunger. To overcome such state, human worked hard, discovered fire, weapons (axes, stones, flints) to win over animals. With time man developed art of cultivation and ~~found~~ society established family, society, state etc. This is what freedom meant to him.

After that we came into era of civilization, art, literature, music developed though in nascent stage. Man at that time again sensed the lack of freedom. So

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due to the outside forces who tried to win over him. The ancient wars like of Alexander, of Ashoka [in initial years of reign], of Chandragupta were due to this want of freedom. Freedom from the fear of being subdued. Here again brave won.

If we take example of India, when the people here were largely deprived of their rights by in name of religion by some section of society, the desire of freedom again rose. At that time brave personalities like Mahatma Buddha, Mahaveer Swami came into picture to emancipate people ~~for~~ from chains of religious slavery.

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Similarly during British rule, 19th century social reformers who were symbols of bravery viz Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Vidyasagar, Jyotiba Phule fought hard to make society free from the ill of sati, child marriage, widow superstitions and so on.

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~~You should save~~ The biggest example of brave & courageous people like Jawaharlal Nehru, Mahatma Gandhi, Tilak who gave their life. These who for nation's freedom shows the importance of are ready brave for attaining freedom. But all the ~~to go to~~ above examples get the support of vast any extreme brave population to attain their goal of freedom. Similar is the example of International situation events like french revolution, American revolution that gave the message of to protect the interests freedom, equality and justice of the country.

Hard work Thus we have seen how our history is full of examples which substantiate the fact that brave people are backbone of a free nation. But apart from history if we look at modern world, we need to ask ourselves what freedom actually means at this time. Freedom from foreign yoke is not the thing today. It has vast meaning given the socio economic advancement in culture and technology. In this essay, we will further see what freedom means in contemporary world and how nation can remain free if it has brave population.

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At individual level, freedom means to be free from the inner vices like greed, anger, hatred and winning over them through the virtues of love, compassion and togetherness. The examples of hate crimes [ex. - United States of America case where Indian nationality people killed by fascists] and even in India, where north east people exodus showed the narrow mind set of people. Nation is individual with large and when individual will be free from such vices it will lead to free nation.

At society level, if we see the various ills viz gender inequality [ex. - wage gap, poor sex ratio, female foeticide, domestic violence, crime against women], discrimination with tribals, scheduled castes - [ex. - Verma death case], no care for elders, discrimination with Specially abled, are new forms of subjugation. Society makes the nation and such ills show the state of foundations. But the brave still trying for free India, India that is free from such ills ex. → Ila Bhatt, Kailash Satyarthi, Arundhati Roy, etc, government who is making efforts for same.

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Economically, a nation will be free when it is free from poverty, unemployment, hunger. To overcome this unfreedom again the need of brave arises. First brave individual who continuously strives for overcoming such state of poverty and second other people who help there their fellows to come out of poverty through helping them, supporting them, not converting them to gated communities, promoting social mobility. Thus here again brave people play important role.

The biggest menace of any nation in current time is corruption. It is the root cause of all other unfreedoms. Corruption can be rooted out only if the people strive for it. The 'Anand Hazare Campaign' is example how brave and courageous hearts can shake the ~~weak~~ conscience of millions. Similarly the whistleblowers, some of who also lost their lives for the cause [ex. - IPS officer Ranikumar] shows that nation will remain free as long as it has brave people.

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Other aspect of freedom is Cleanliness.
 It is said that "Cleanliness is Goodness".
 A nation which is free from dirt, from polluted environment is truly free nation.
 A nation where children die due to pollution and toxic gases cannot be ~~free~~ nation.
 Here again courage is needed at each level viz individual, society, state etc so as to strive for healthy environment.

At political level, a free nation will provide its citizens their rights, rights to freedom of expression and belief, freedom of religion, freedom to life and liberty.
 When the politics is free from abuse of muscle power, money, corruption, when the ethical governance, good governance is followed. When the citizen's grievances could be redressed, when the nationalism does not confine itself in narrow parochial beliefs, where everyone is respected and valued. Such nation can be obtained only with efforts of brave heart.

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Good Health is considered to be of foremost importance for a person. A nation which provides its people good health and well being, physical and mental ~~is~~ well being, where the children do not die due to lack of nutrition, where mothers do not die while giving birth, where the population is healthy is truly free nation.

A nation is not confined to the boundaries; according to our ancient literature and our cultural ethos, we consider the whole world as our home and all the people our brothers ["vasudhaiva thorah kutumbakam"]; thus when all the constituent cultures live in harmony with each other, when the countries do not attack each other through lethal weapons, when the countries follow mutual respect and are then only we can be Free.

This requires brave hearts like of Tagore, Vivekananda, Mother Teresa, ~~who~~ and the inventors like Graham Bell, etc who does not

build frustrations
from the past

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did not discriminate b/w between people as we and they required in modern world too.

Thus it can be said that nation is free when it is free from its social, economic, political ills, when every individual is working for humanism. It is equally true that this kind of freedom that is free from violence and based on truth is ~~task~~ attainable only by the brave.

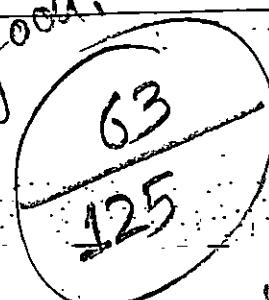
Mahatma Gandhi gave a very beautiful notion of freedom in form of Sarvodaya and Swaraj. Sarvodaya, when the person who is standing last in queue will be treated equally with the first and when every tear is wiped from every eye, is will be come true.

Similarly Swaraj that is own rule will be said to be attained only when the person is free not only from external factors but also from internal vices viz

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greed, anger, hatred etc will be laid to be truly free. Similarly it applies for nation too. A nation which is free from idiot, poverty, disease, corruption will be truly free and it certainly requires brave and as long as brave and courageous hearts are present, no one can make the nation subjugated. That nation will stand high, with pride (not ego), with the smile faces of its population that is truly the treasure.

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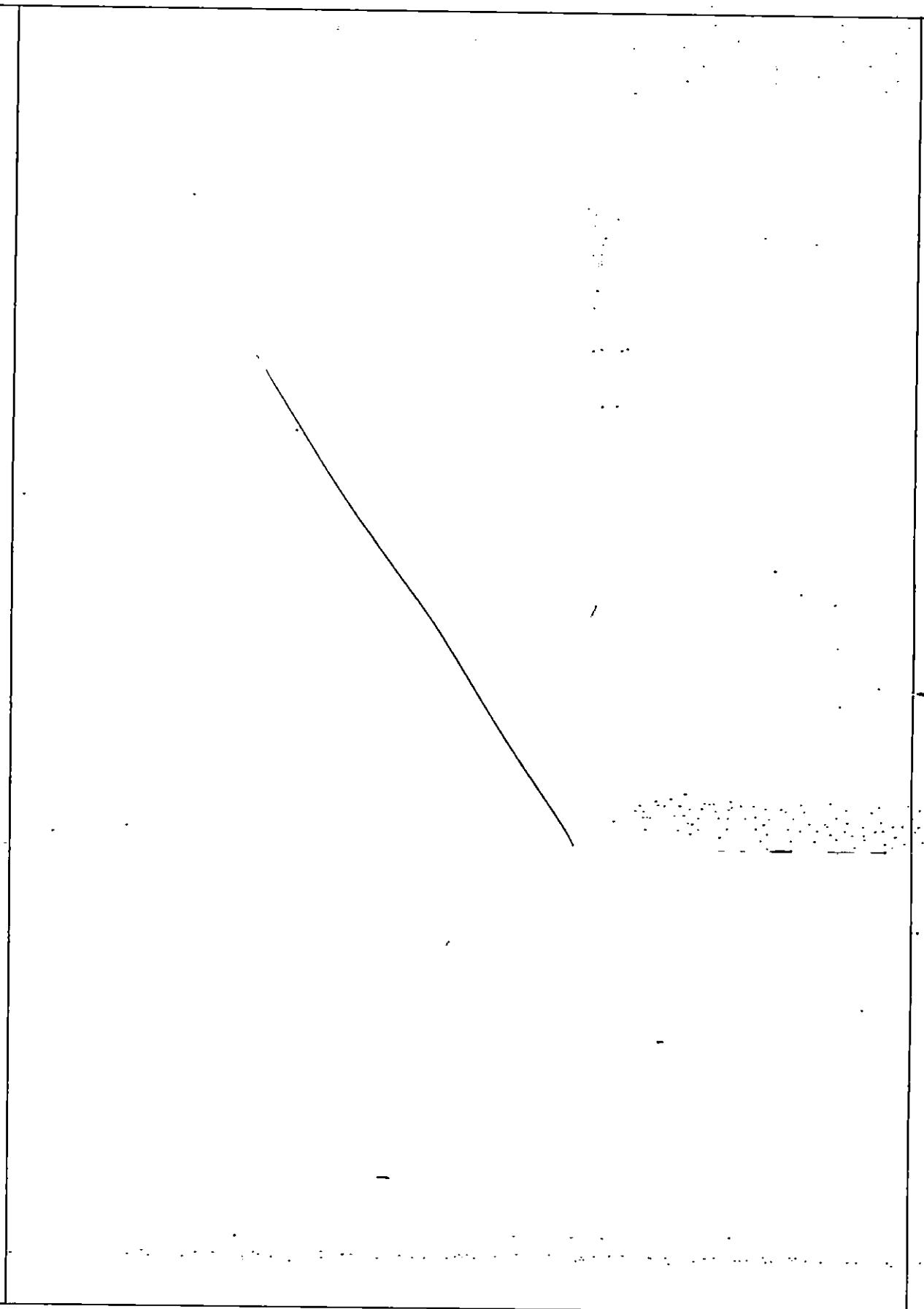
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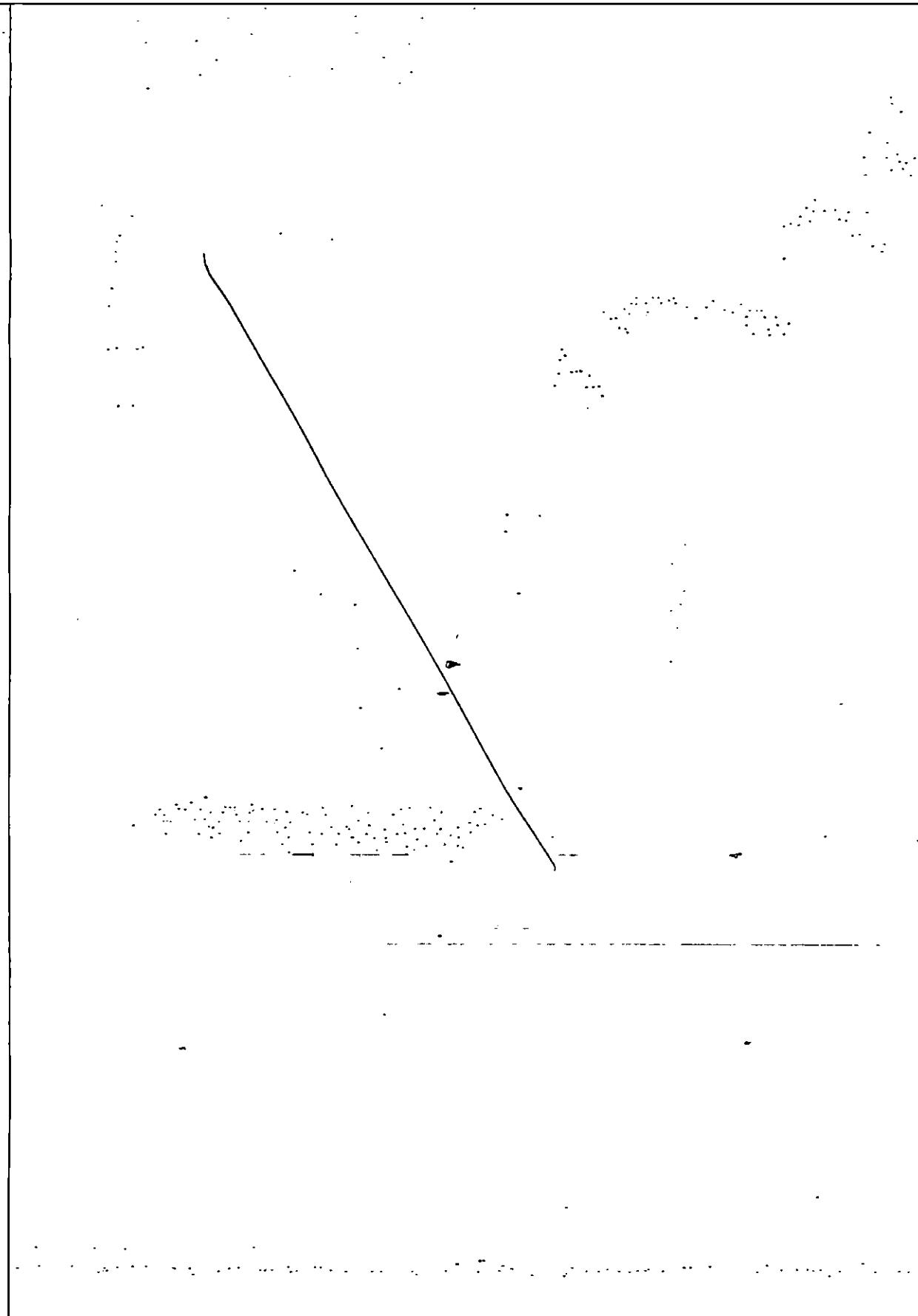
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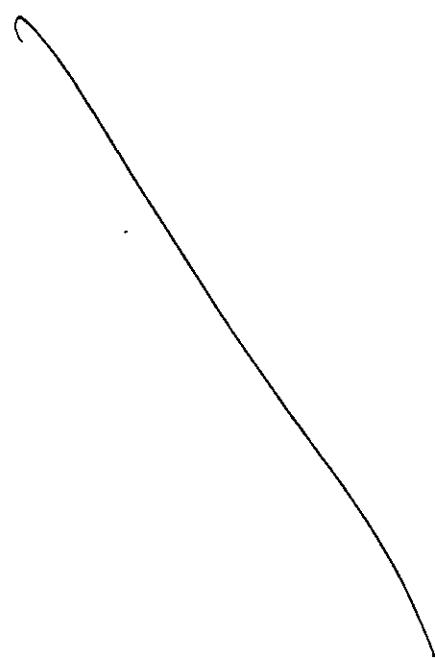
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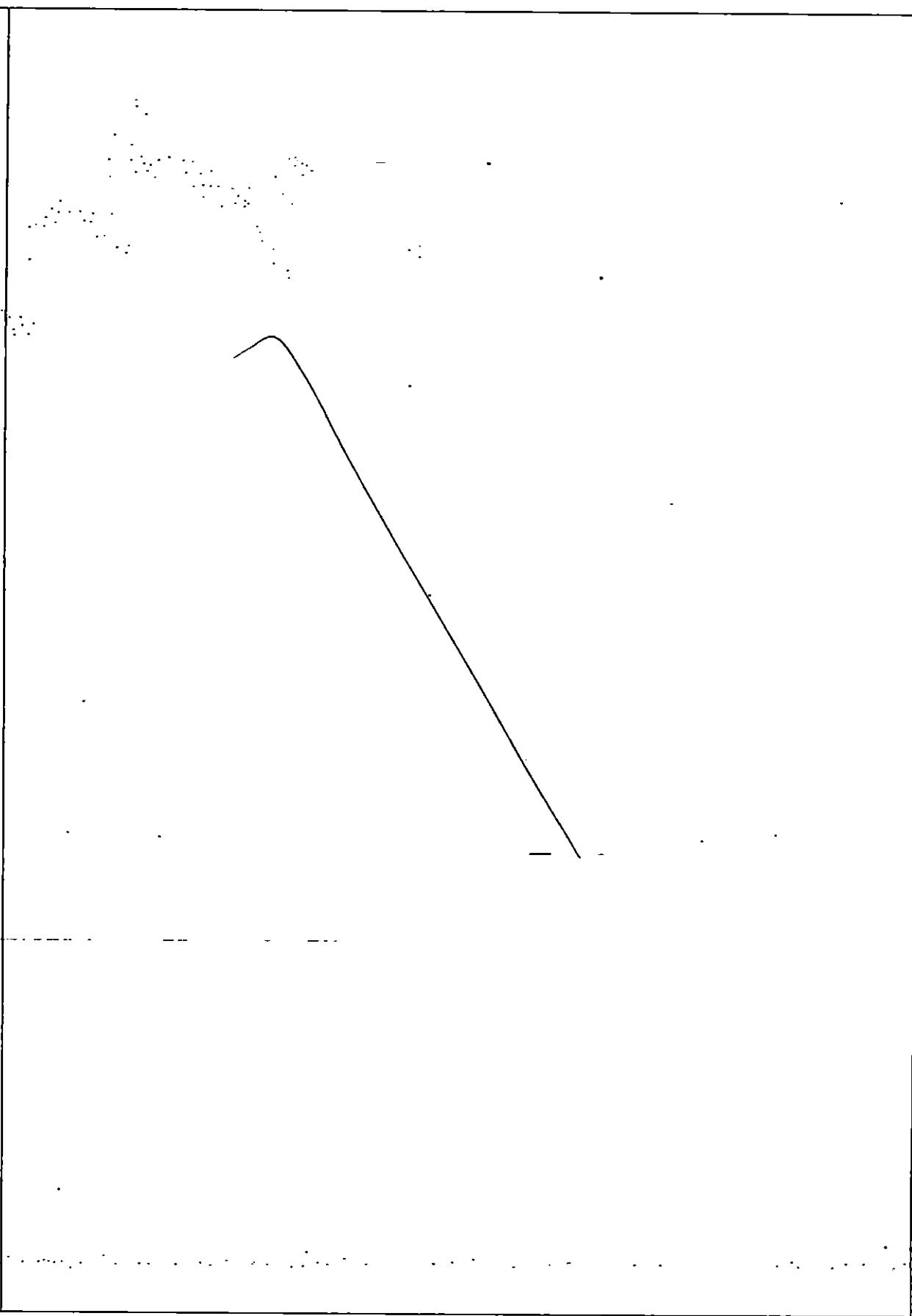


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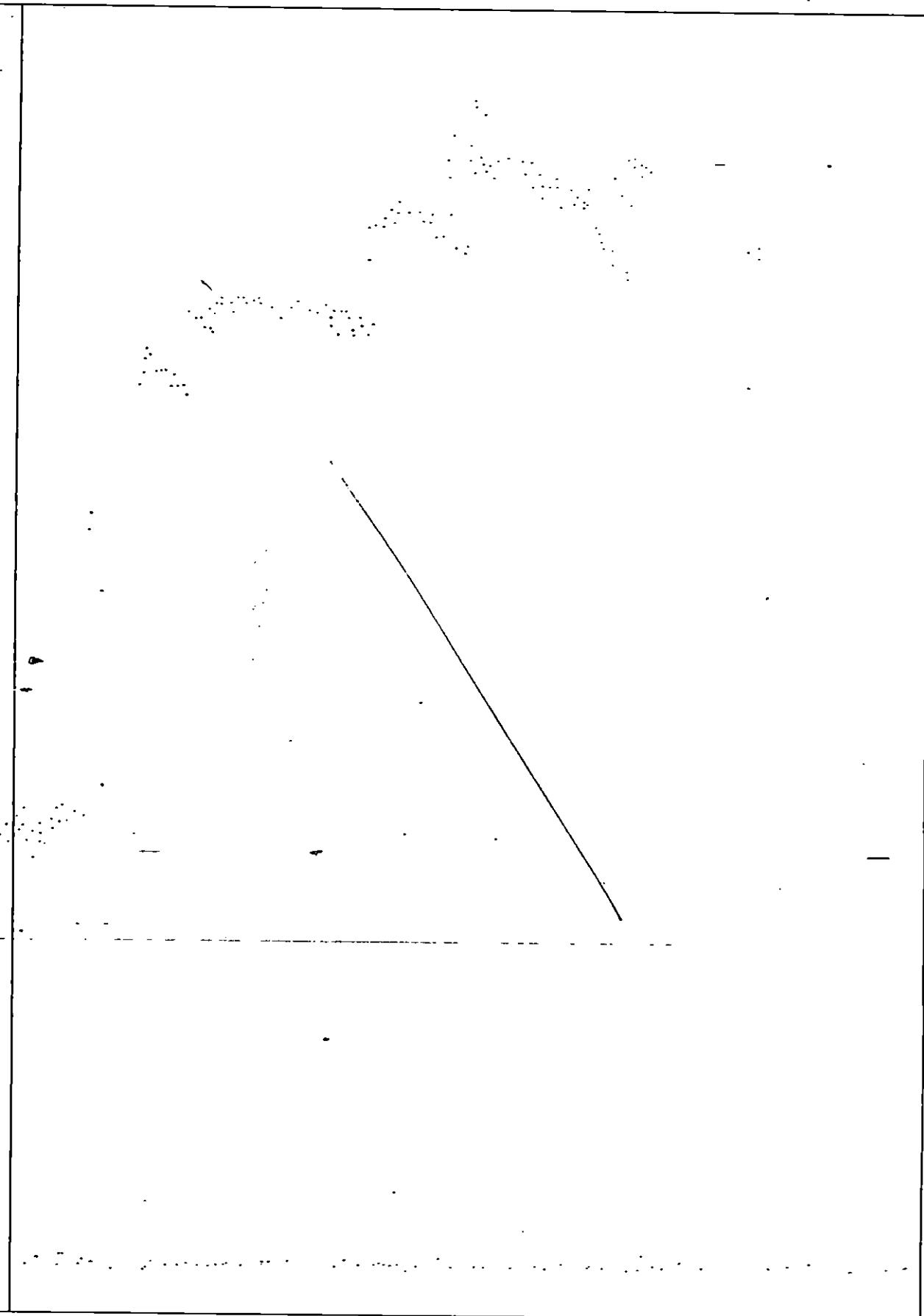
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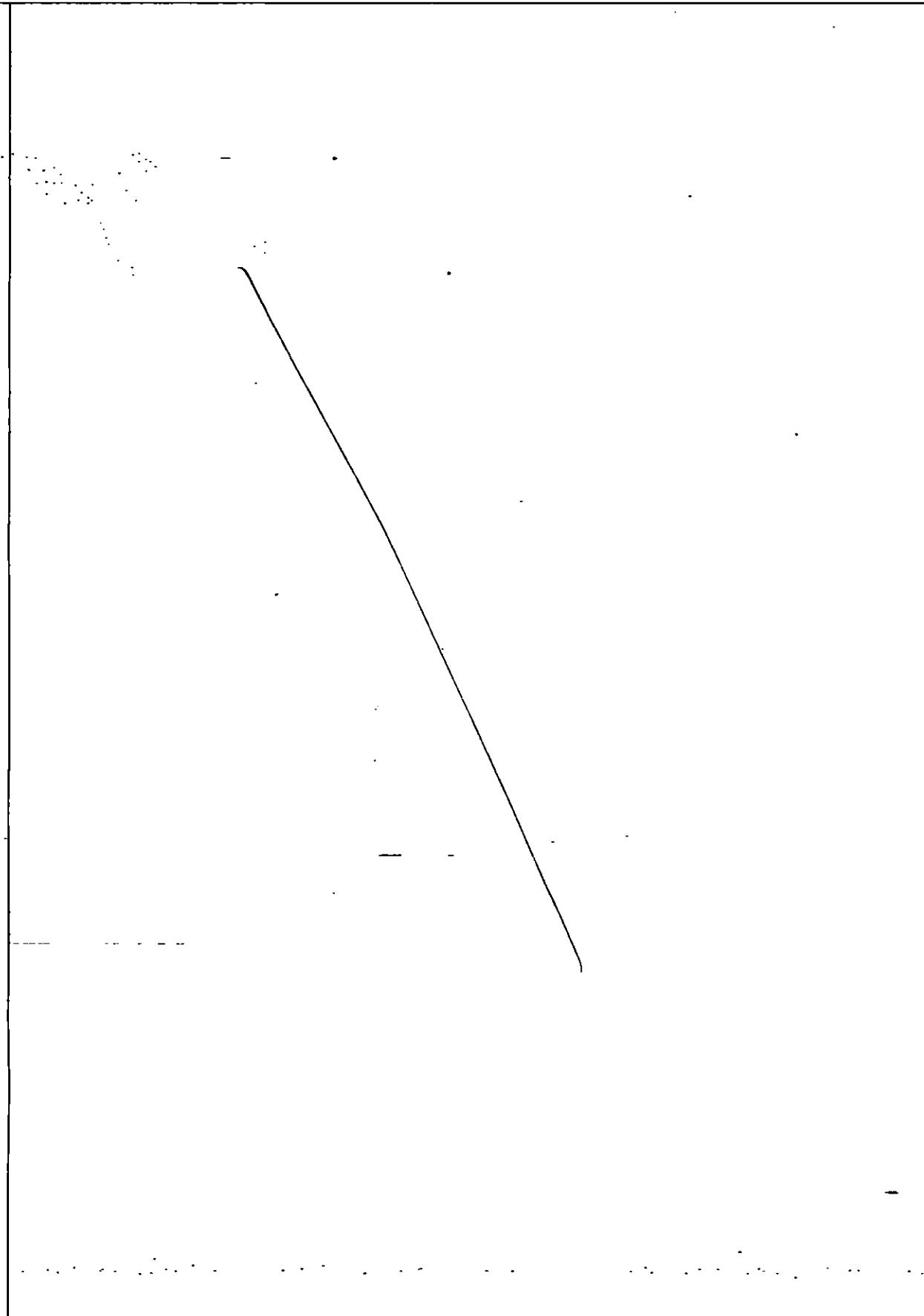


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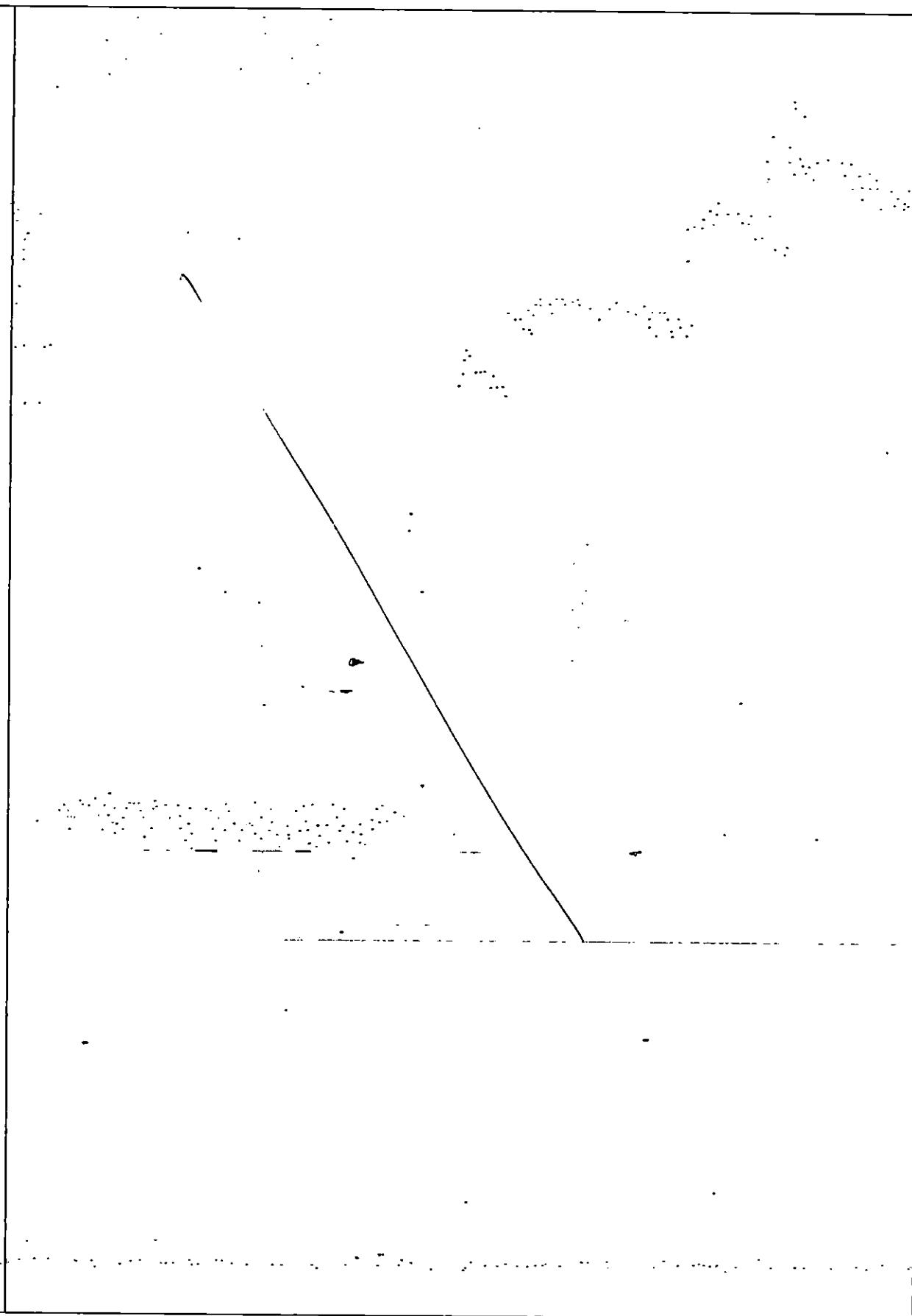
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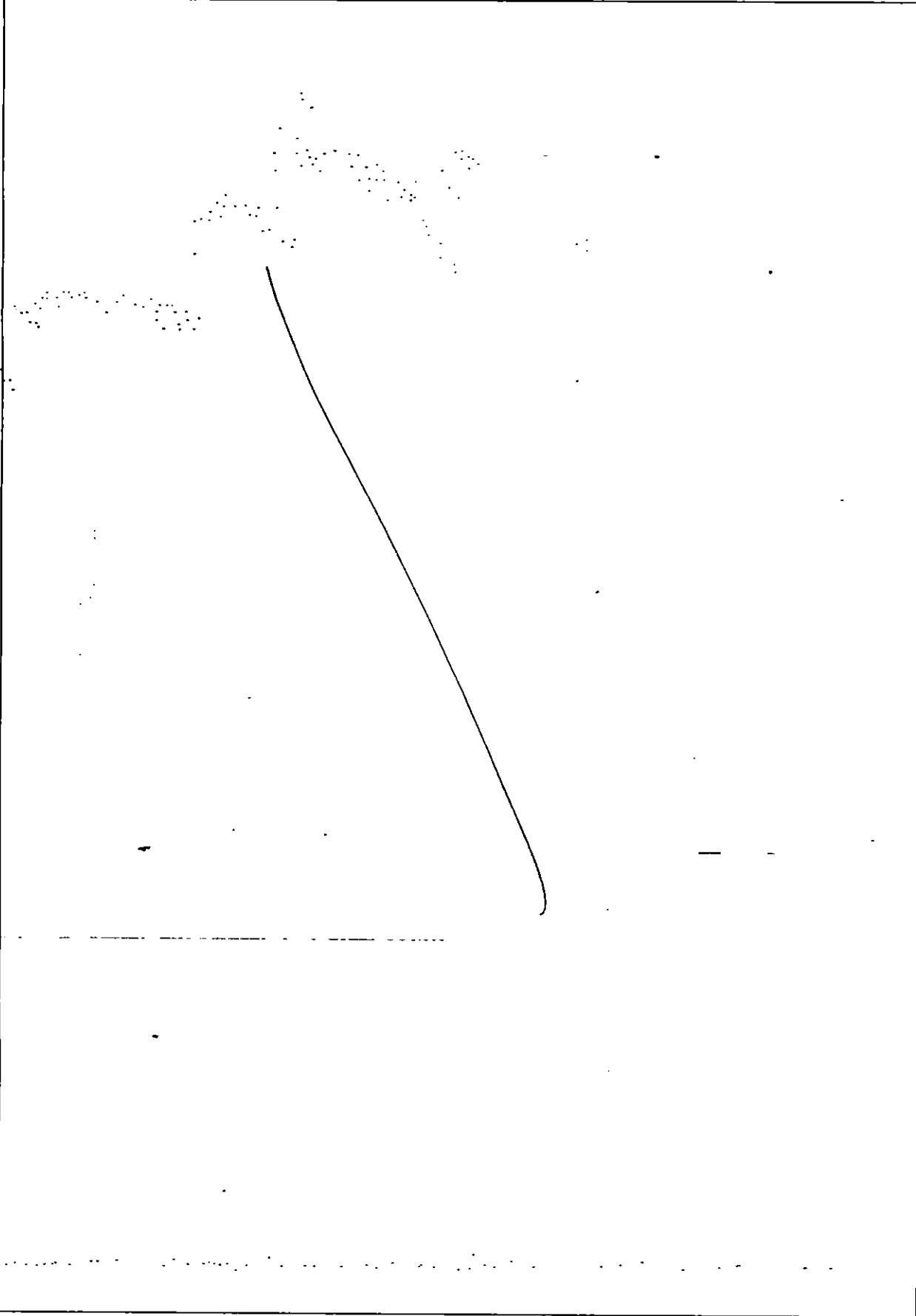
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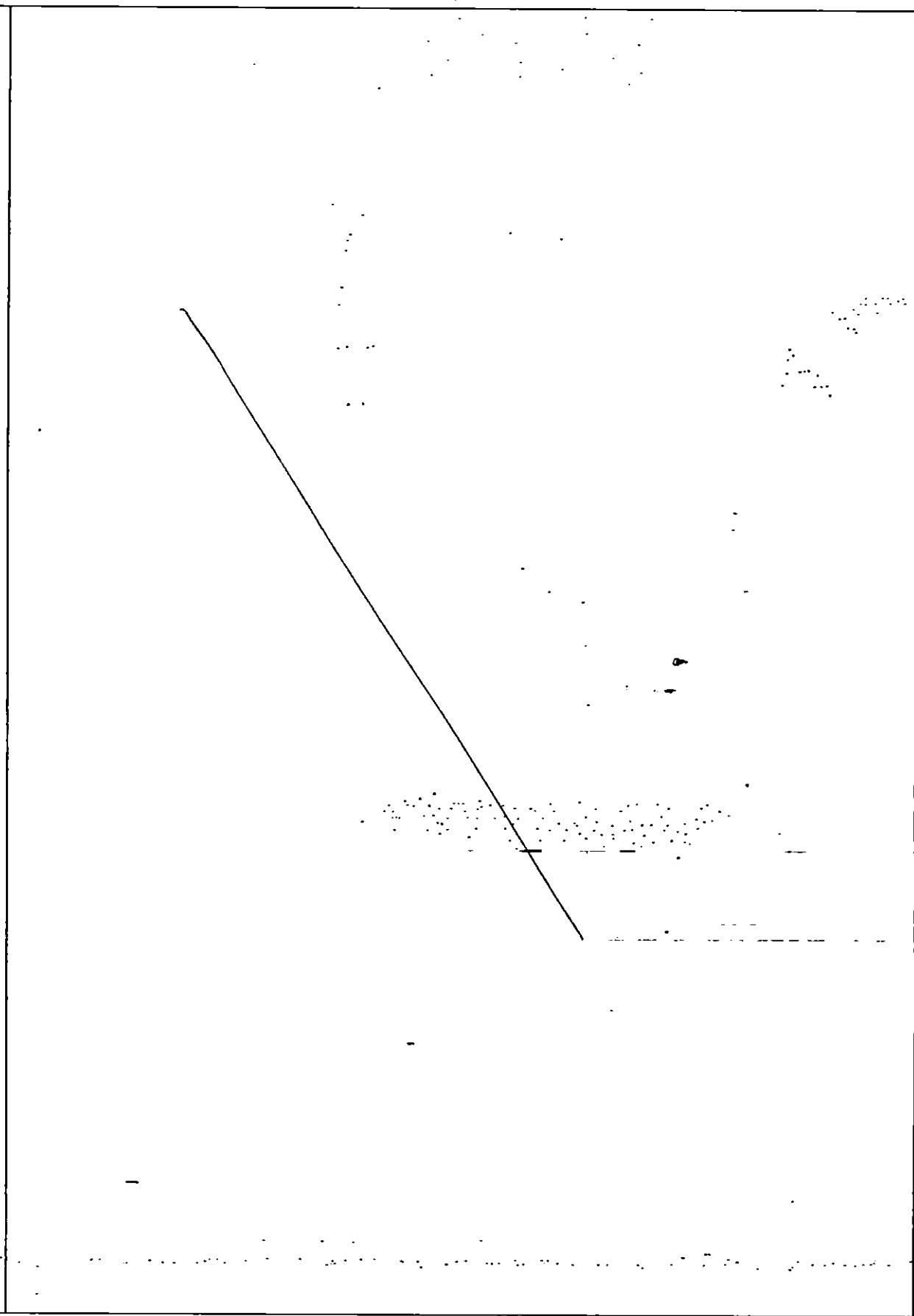


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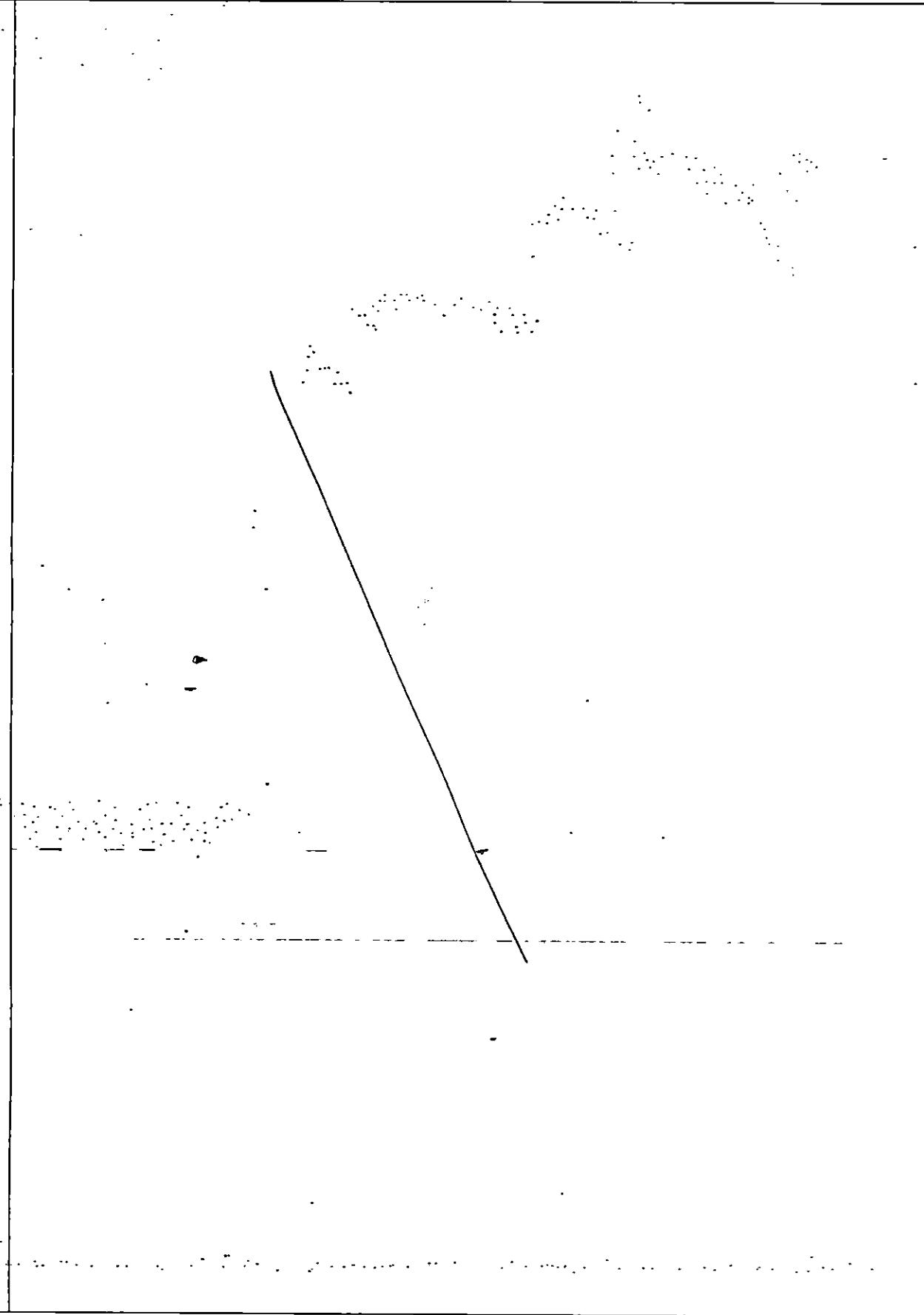


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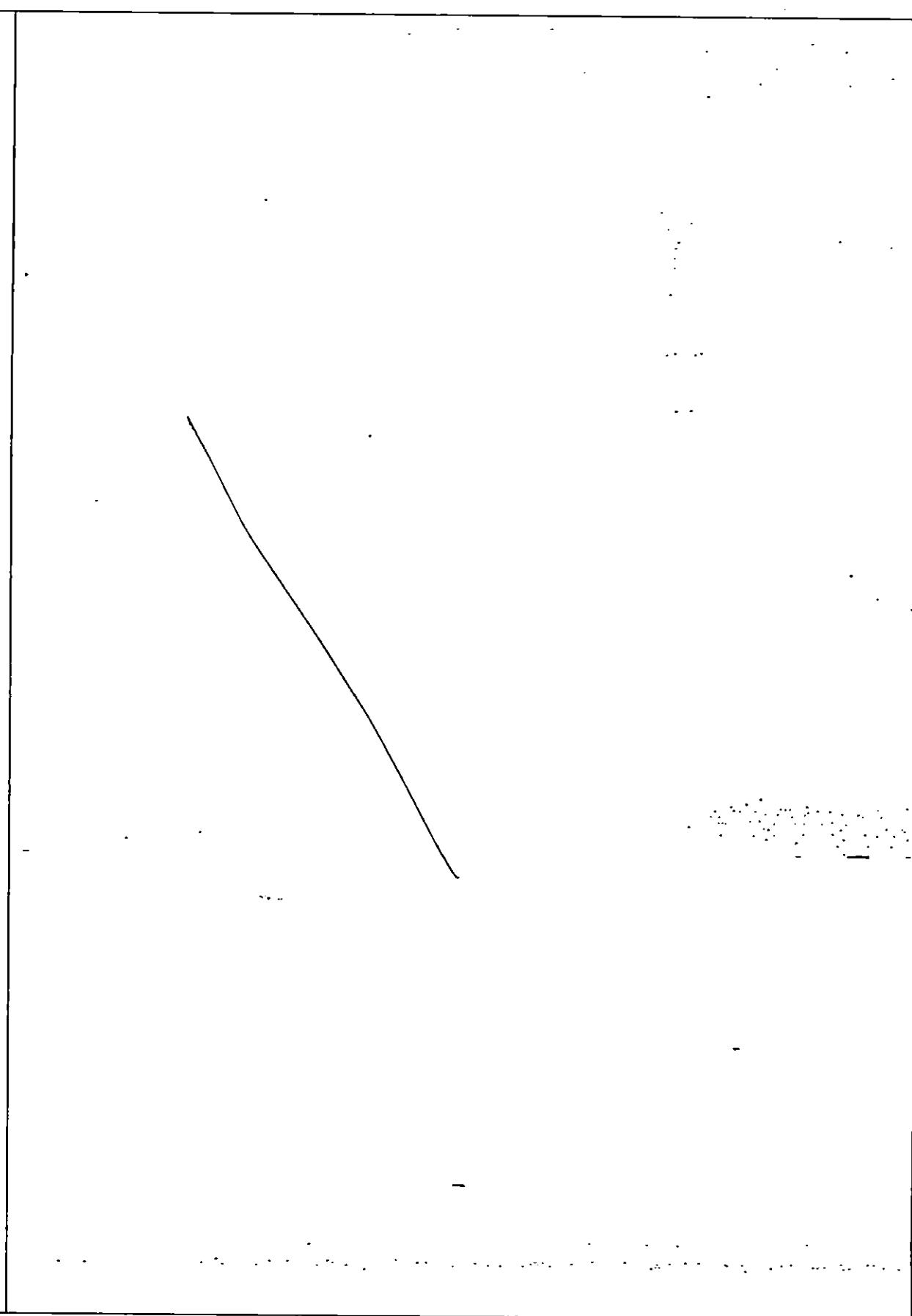
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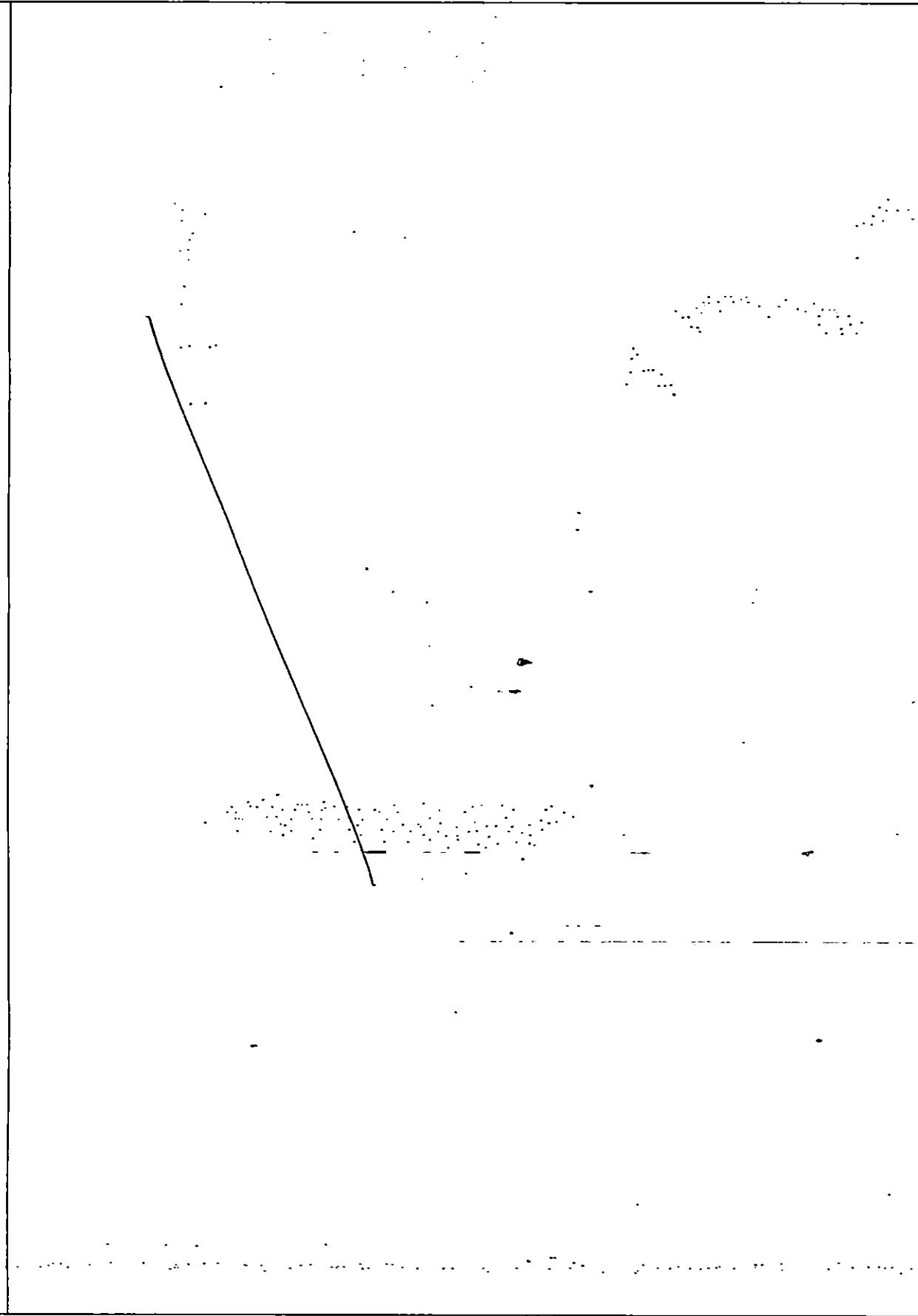
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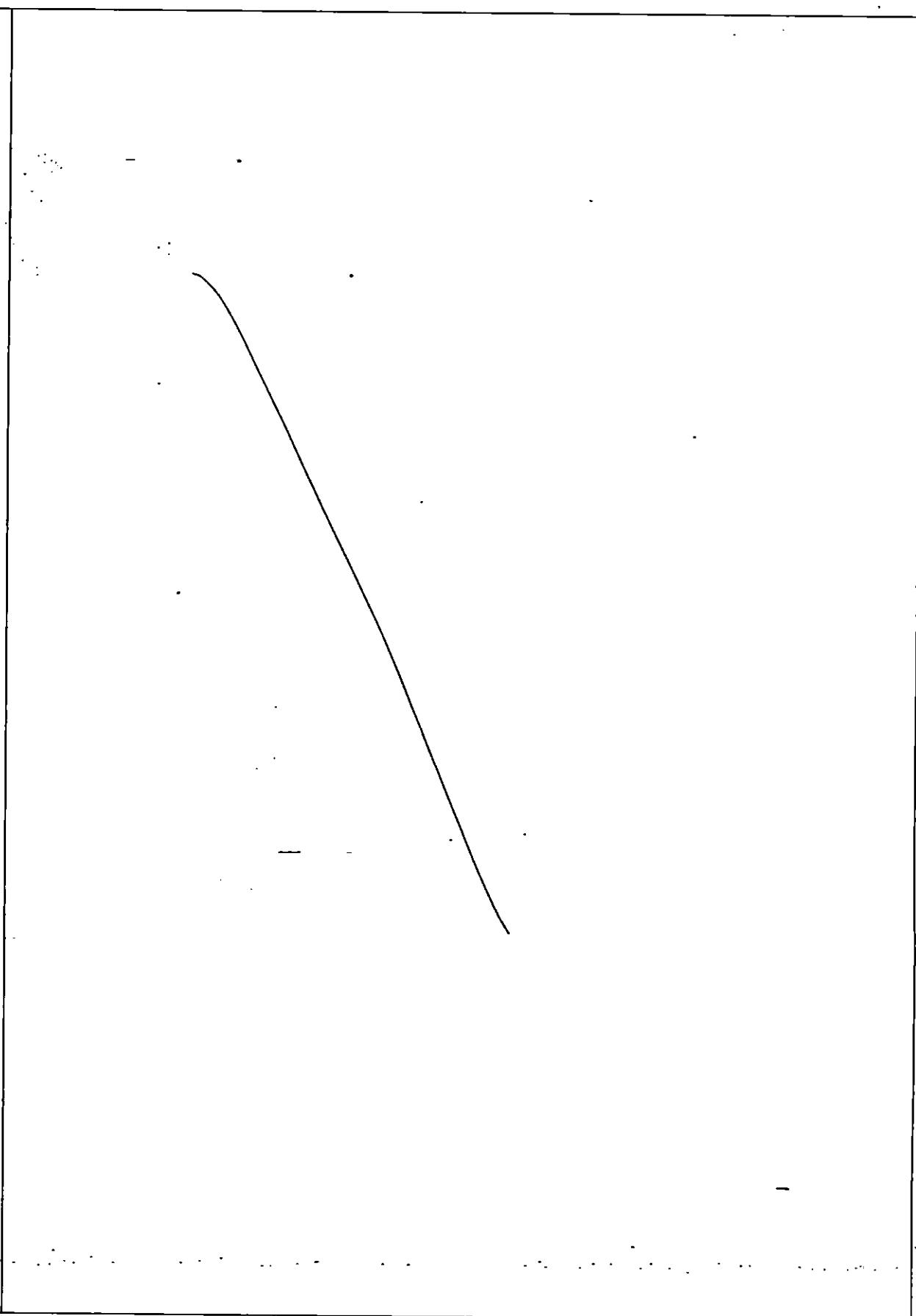
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Structure →

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→ How people get affected

psycho,
visual
audio

→ History ~~shakthiwan~~

→ Family, Society,
polity, revolutions
emergency

A nation can remain free as long as it continues to be the home of the brave.

Nation - Kantilya

Janyaada - Nation
Population - Preya

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modern Nation -

territory
population

Freedom

Education - Brave

mind,
heart

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Terrorism, Radicalisation

economic Freedom

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political

socio, economic, political ills
- poverty, disease, unemployment

knowledge - true knowledge

Cultural Inner freedom

Historical example -

- India -

→ America - Slave

Nelson, Liberation
Mandela, emancipation

Attitude

→ To raise voice against Justice

Brave → To emancipate weaker
→ To motivate others

Jawaharlal

Steve Jobs
Narayan murthy > Bravery

Abdul
Kalam

why people are sheep → psychological construction
Audio-visual - high impact **GS SCORE**

Need of herm

Responsible
Broadcasting

People are sheep. TV is the shepherd.

Now, it does it

Why is it?

What does it mean

Ex: Personality cult

Aastha
Aman-ki Kahani

TV

Internet
Mobile
Cinema
Media

Cinema → TV

Serials → TV

Songs → TV

Movies → TV

Snatchman

TV → values

Learning

Modes of cop response

Negatively

Positively

Television

How, why, what,
where, whynot,

Movies → South Indian

IPL

Reality Shows

Family

Way of Communi-
cation

Structure

TV → World

Mutual re-en-
forcement

CID

Impacts → Society, culture

Popularity → celebrities

emotions, hatred, anger, love

Internationalization of Television

Arneb Goswami *

Paid news *

Rumours → J&K, Floods [incident-Ujjain] *

How negative → TRP, Naagin kind of shows.

Rajya Sabha
Lok Sabha

Anup Hazare
Campaign
through
TV

Voice to
disenfranchised
section

Inclusive

Advertisements

Remarks

Positives

→ Opinion formation, Award population
"Pradhan Mantri Series", Good movies,

Old Serials { Kahaani when-2 ki - impacting of values }
- Mahabharat - way of so. socialisation