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ESSAY

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. Many men go fishing all of their lives without knowing that it is not fish they are after.
2. The material world is simply an expression of the mind.
3. The higher we are placed, the more humbly we should walk.
4. Sports and Competition do not build character; they reveal it.

SECTION - B

1. Consumerism kills culture with overproduction and heightened sense of need, established by the marketing.
2. In the era of post truth fact depends entirely on the power of man who can fabricate it.
3. People 'over-produce' pollution because they are not paying for the costs of dealing with it.
4. There are not enough jails, not enough police, not enough courts to enforce a law not supported by the people.

"Many men go fishing all of their lives without knowing that it is not fish they are after."

"Know thyself", said by one of the greatest philosophers, Socrates is as true today as it was thousands of years back. It emphasizes that first one should know oneself before going out in search or crave for other things. But it is great problem in world that people are going here and there without exactly knowing where they exactly want to reach.

The question is why man who is said to be the greatest of the living beings in terms of wisdom, reasoning, suffer from such apathy of

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wanderers. A person from start of his life go after a number of things be it a toy, ~~des~~ education degree, job, family, fame, money but at the end of life remain empty both materially and spiritually.

There are many reasons behind this kind of ignorance towards one's own nature or goal viz. influence from outside that shapes our thoughts about ourselves and rest of world, societal pressure that compel us to go after things that we actually do not want, and many more. But outside factors are least to blame because we ourselves are responsible for us.

Now a days we see the youngsters going after education degrees viz engineering, management, accountancy but nothing

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of this giving them inner satisfaction, the joy of doing that is elusive to them. The reason behind this is that they are not searching truth within and ignoring their ownself. what is missing in life of majority is this

Self realization

There are as many truths as there are the living beings. According to anekantavada of Jainism, the reality is many. But we have to choose ourself our own truth that we ourself conform to. Only that truth that we can live ourself is truth for ourself.

We can see many people going to religious places to seek God but they are empty within. Because they are

Self assessment
should be done at right time.
Unfortunately most people don't do that and realize it too late in their career & spend unsatisfied life.

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not going after what actually they are made for. This self realization that is elusive to many of us is key to all success in this world. We see people who are very successful in their life. They are happy and satisfied. This satisfaction comes from the fact that they follow what they truly believe.

Good
example,
Examples
provide
objectivity
to your
essay.

Mahatma Gandhi was a lawyer by profession, he went to South Africa for same but soon he realized that only this occupation is not why he has won, he explored himself and the wonders he did is known to everyone. Many great personalities are there who first realize what they are and then moved forward.

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We can see many people leaving and donating all their wealth and going to live life of an ascetic because despite accumulating all such huge wealth, the kind of satisfaction and content they should have is far from them.

Similarly the kind of corruption and moral turpitude we see in outside world is also due to the inner struggle to know oneself. People who actually want money end up doing jobs that earn them little compelling them to do corruption. And similarly a person who actually want to serve people end up doing business that have little worth for him.

Nice
Connect
and
Analysis

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Thus ~~the root~~
 Similarly many people end up in
 shelter of some self proclaimed guru
 as they themselves are unaware what
 they really want. They try to find
 peace in others' peace.

Thus we can say the root
 cause of all such ills is ignorance,
lack of courage to confront oneself
 and go with one's real seekings.
 All the life, people live in performing
 some other role that they do not
 conform to. It is nothing but "bad
faith". People remain ignorant of their
 true self and inner talent because of
 this lack of knowledge, because they
 try to judge a fish for its incapacity
 to climb a tree rather than its excellence

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in swimming. ~~So what is required to live this one life that we are given in a~~

In today's world, we see countries going after nuclear weapons, defence equipments, acquisition of other countries.

When the people there suffering from disease, illiteracy, poverty. We have already

seen two world wars in this greed of money and power. But if think over this, we can realize that

how much wasteful all this is.

Rather than happiness we are getting grief, rather than smile we getting

fear in ^{our} children's face. All this

is because we are largely ignorant about what actually we want.

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"A man is condemned to be free" as
 said by great philosopher Sartre.
 He is free to choose what he wants
 to be and even he does not make
 choice for same, even in this he is
 free to not make choice. Thus ultimately
 man is responsible for his acts.
 Rather than ^{first} going to fish and spend
 entire life doing same and realizing
 at end that it is not fish they
 are after, one should first
think and then again think and
think till the time - he realize what
he truly made for. This realization
 is as much \otimes important as getting
 our aim fulfilled. Truth is not outside
it is subjectivity that lies inward.
 Only the person who know himself

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can know the world and only
then he can change the world.

We are born to change our destiny
 and consequently of this world,
 to make it peaceful, livable, fill
it with truth and beauty, only

thing needed for this is

"Know thyself". The living examples
 of this is all the great personalities
 who have contributed for the well
 being of humanity and who led
 the world from ignorance to truth
 from cowardness to courage, from
 hate to love. Mahaveer, Buddha, Prophet
 Mohammed were all humans but they
 changed the world by their enlightenment.

In conclusion you should have
 link this with
 contemporary problem
 establish that this
 statement
 is ageless
 & valid even
 today.
 Such as growing
 reliance on gadgets in
 life

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Examples in recent history - Abraham Lincoln, Nelson Mandela, Mahatma Gandhi, Benjamin Franklin, ~~Aristotle~~, all are having life full of inspiration for ~~human~~ men to learn & to emancipate self from falsity & move towards truth.

Materialism v/s happiness

- We sometimes try so hard to accomplish things & gain status that we tend to forget what we are really after is happiness,
- money, jobs & material possessions doesn't provide feeling of contentment but a sense of emptiness.
- People seek escape from their busy life through holidays & vacations, but it also doesn't provide them happiness, as they live same way during vacations too.
- Many different dimensions can be given small place in your essays such as in 'religious terms' & 'philosophical terms', it will add more richness to your essay.
- You understood the topic well and represented your thoughts in structured manner with

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- good objectivity -
- flow was maintained throughout the essay
- Good writing skills → simple, lucid, easy to understand and grammatically correct language

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"People 'over-produce' pollution because they are not paying for the costs of dealing with it."

The one thing that can be said to be present from air to water or from oceans to mountains is pollution, in recent time. Pollution that is adding ~~to~~ extraneous matter to a medium viz air, water, sound, that is harmful for the living and non living.

We are living in most polluted environment in our history and it is increasing day by day rather than decreasing. The causes are mostly man-made. It started mainly from 18th century industrial revolution and

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now engulfed much of the earth. Places which are not directly impacted, are affected indirectly.

Pollution has many dimensions e.g. air pollution, noise pollution, water pollution, soil pollution, and now with advancing scientific & technological knowledge, we even polluted the space.

In this era of billion of population, advancement of culture, science and technology, greater exploitation of resources pollution is bound to occur. But rather than mitigating it or work towards alternative technology that could relieve humanity with from this menace we are moving towards "over pollution".

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Air pollution has reached to a level that is causing fatal diseases to living beings. Cities becoming gas chambers when every second harmful gases finding their way into living bodies. Cities like Delhi, Kolkata, Beijing are living example of this. Besides ^{energy,} industries, agriculture etc transport is major cause of air pollution. We see people using own vehicles even at places which are equipped with last mile connectivity.

Similarly industries are exhausting the environment from harmful gases viz CO₂, SO₂, NO₂ when they could make efforts by catching these gases at origin and not letting these enter into atmosphere directly but no efforts have been made on their part. Similarly vehicles could be equipped with filters ~~but~~ or they should be replaced with public transport

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whenever possible but least concern is shown for it. All this is due to the fact that they are ~~to~~ not made liable to pay the cost for dealing with it.

Water which is important for a living being to survive is polluted by humans in cruel way. Rivers like Ganga, Yamuna who once said to be mother rivers or Goddess rivers are now the most polluted one. Industries are dumping all their waste into these rivers without even treating it causing threats to water bodies and the animals living in it and consequently to humans.

These rivers empty themselves in seas & oceans which are polluted to the extent that they are converted into dead areas where even life is not possible. The sea area bay of Bengal is one such example which have developed many of these dead areas.

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Similarly noise pollution is caused by the factories, loudspeakers, music at discos, wedding ceremonies to the extent that ~~the~~ it has ^{been} causing hearing losses among people.

Mountains and hilly areas that were once said to be the heaven on Earth for their greeneries and their fresh air are not remained elusive of this phenomenon and these places too are polluted by the humans by dumping their waste there ~~during~~ during excursions and tracking.

Agriculture which is one of food security, food chain, ecological pyramid the most important occupation is ground for soil pollution. Fertilizers, pesticides are being applied to the threatened. extent that it pollutes not only the soil but water bodies when flown with

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Ecological functionality is threatened

water. Pollution is not due to use of these but it is due to "their overuse."

And this overuse is due to the

fact that ~~the~~ it is not penalised and the one who is not polluting

it is not liable to pay cost.

air, water, soil are not anyone's

personal property but these are global commons. They are used by everyone

but no one is responsible for their

well being. Recent example of "Art of Living"

foundation's festival that was held

at the banks of Yamuna despite huge

protest from environmentalists as it was highly disruptive to ecology of

Yamuna river. It was made to pay

compensation only on the orders of Supreme

court but the amount was not enough

to compensate the harm it did.

why polluters
are not
paying the
cost?

- policy capture by Capitalism
- Myopic view of
environment

good
example

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Such kind of over-pollution is causing number of grave threats to Earth and living & non living beings. Climate change, global warming, space pollution, sea level rise causing drowning of islands at the bigger level and health problems viz Asthma, bronchitis, lung cancer, hearing losses, cognitive imbalance, mental retardness etc at the individual level.

Thus there is huge need to check this and one of the things that could be done as short term measure is to let the polluter pay the cost or "Polluter pays" principle. The Govt should make arrangements for the same.

This can be done at various levels. At society level, society should itself be aware about the natural beauty & health of nature and should penalise the the way of life

By Changing

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polluter by boycotting him, by organizing itself against polluter and also educating the next generation about the sustainable development.

At govt level, efforts should be made at all levels viz local, state and national level. National govt should provide guidelines and laws to the state govts for same and strict laws should be made to make the polluter pay the cost of pollution. State govt & local govt should implement the laws in better letter and spirit.

Constitution has made it a directive principle of state policy to conserve the wildlife and environment and at the same time made it a duty of citizen to conserve the environment and preserve wildlife. Environment is a concurrent subject & both national and state govt.

Strong Hierarchy of the institutions like NGT

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should make concerted efforts for same. The laws like environment (protection) law, ~~the AQ indices~~ air pollution (control & prevention) law etc should be implemented in strict manner.

At international level, it is "polluter pays" principle is already recognized in form of common but differentiated responsibility where developed countries are held responsible for the centuries of pollution they have done & given financial responsibilities now to compensate the same. Paris treaty is a right effort for same.

"Polluter pays" principle will help in two ways. First it will prevent the polluter to over pollute and ~~also~~ compel him to ~~use~~ conserve the commons and second it will help state in financial

Green budgeting
New Indices like National Happiness Index, Sustainability index should be used

Remarks Change in human attitude about the environment, future generation & its mainstreaming into every sphere like political, social, economic sphere is must to bring in the lifestyle change needed to bring equity & Sustainability.

Capacity building to make efforts towards alternative technologies like renewable energy viz solar, wind energy etc.

Thus we need to make polluter responsible for its acts and save our mother earth from this monster of pollution. Nature is beautiful and we need to conserve its beauty to make sustainable development goal of clean air, clean water a reality.

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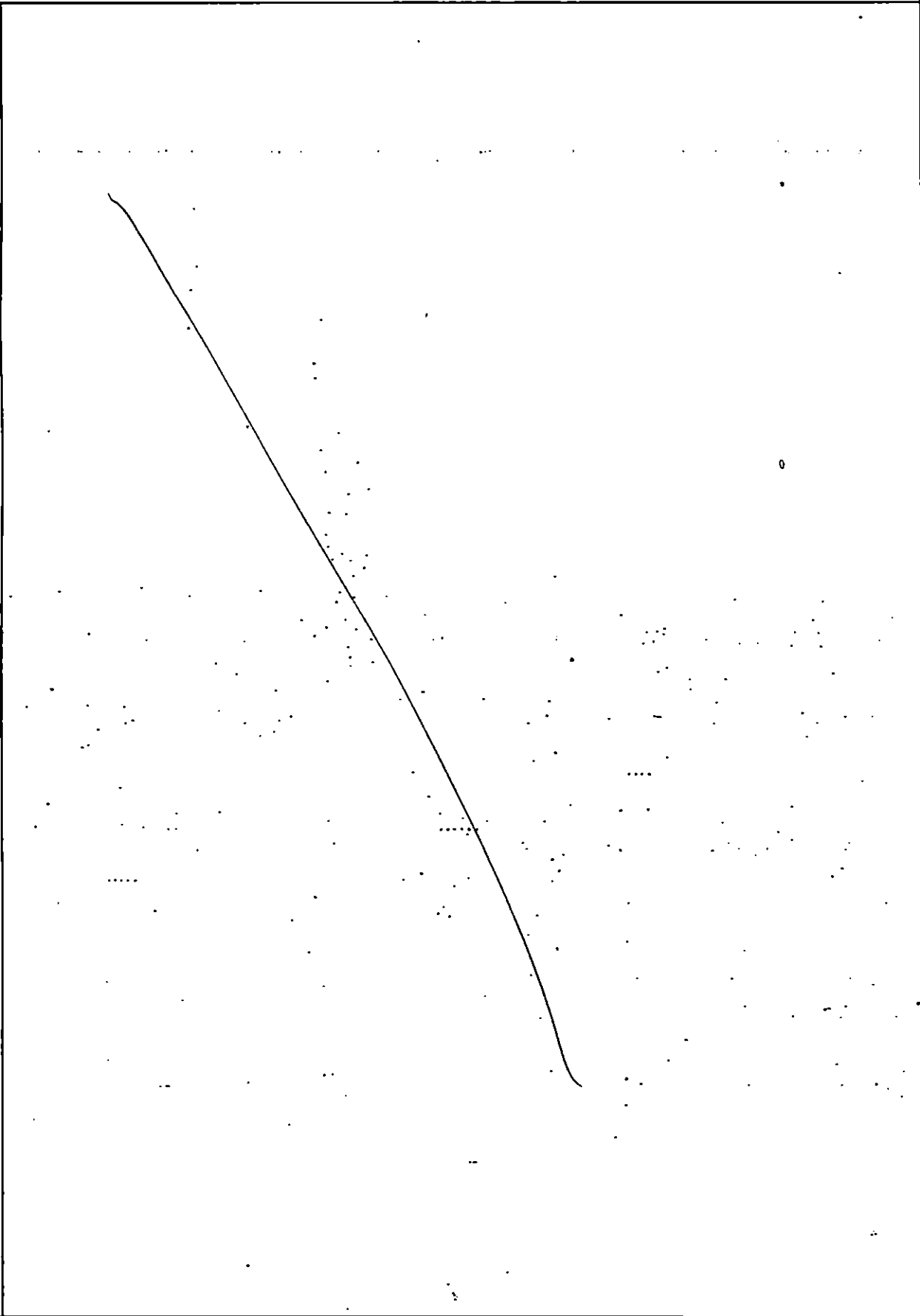
→ Intergeneration equity... i.e. most of the impacts of pollution will emerge after many years and cost of it has to be paid by next generation.

→ Human beings are polluters & rest of life forms bearing the cost. e.g. Death of corals such as at Great Barrier reef.

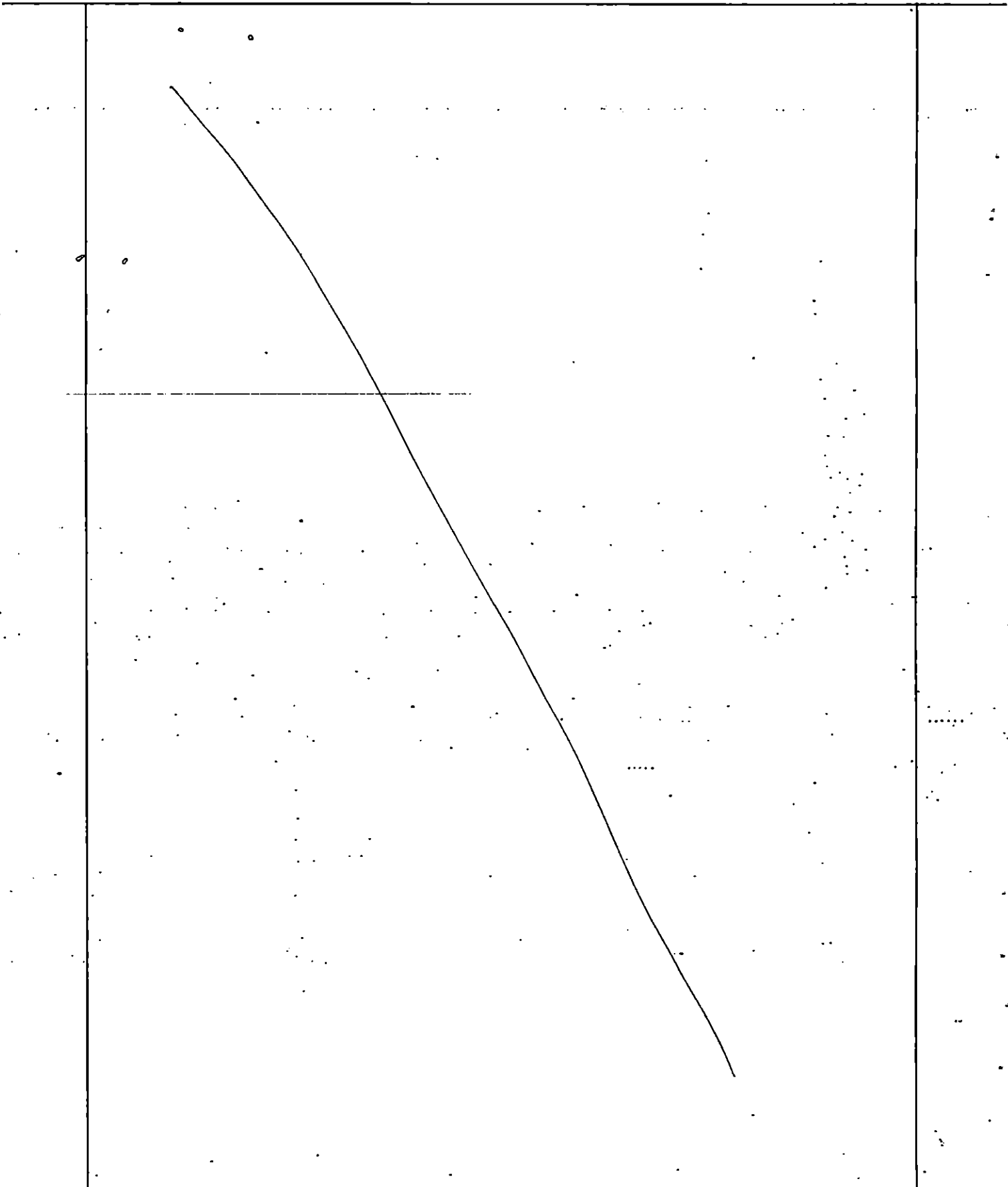
→ Rich v/s Poor.

↳ How a rich corporation named Union Carbide came out without paying due costs to victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy.

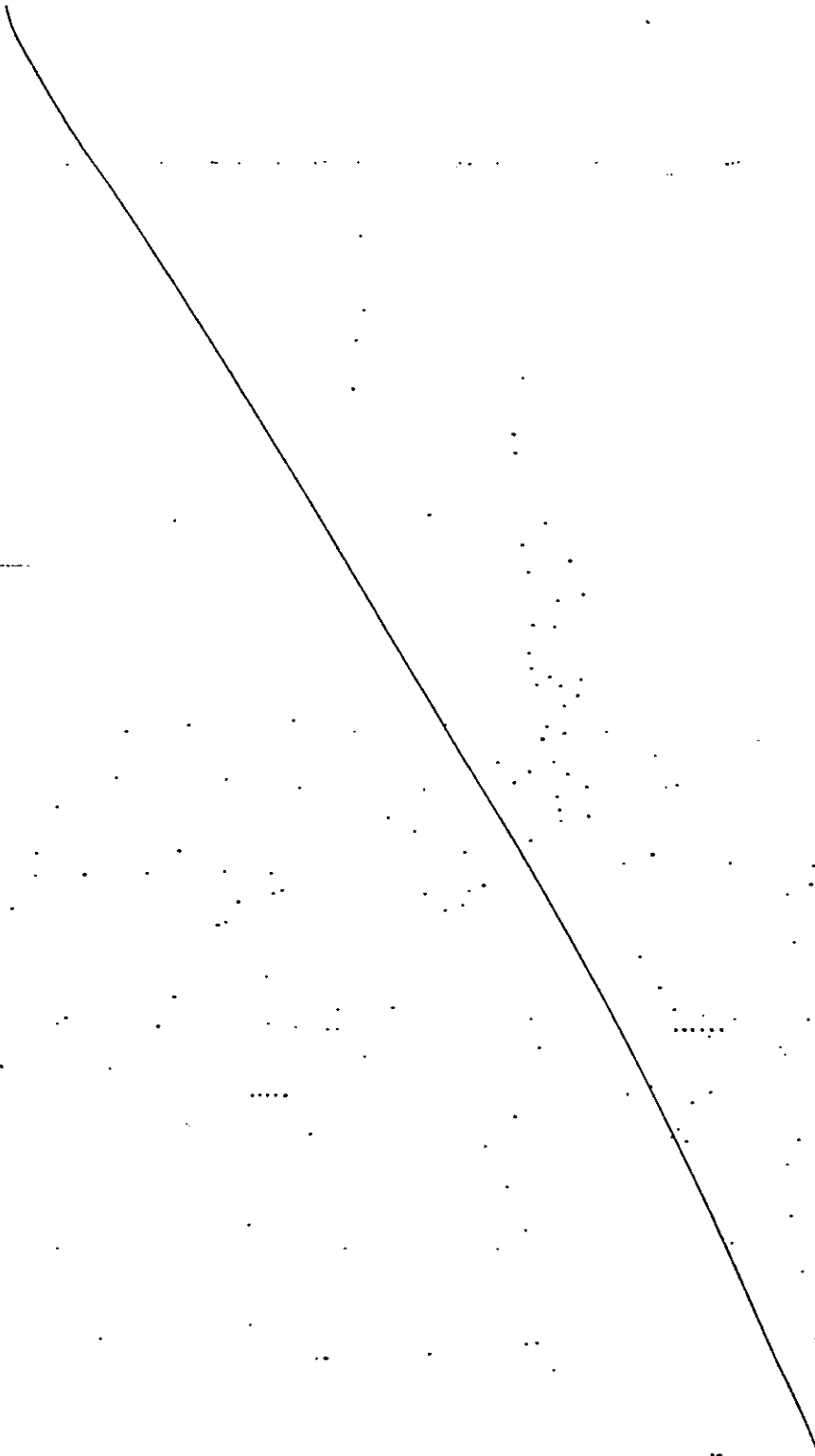
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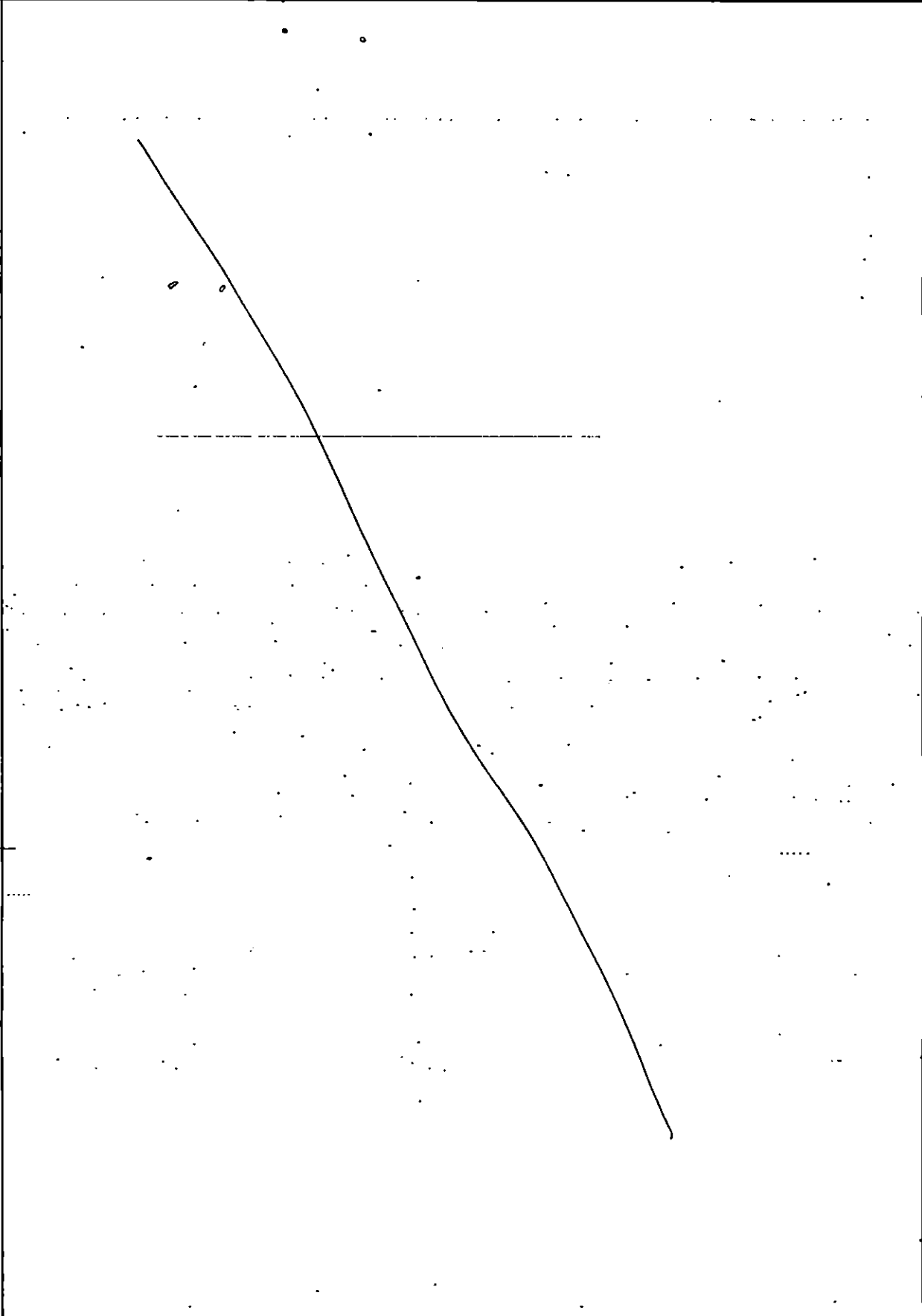
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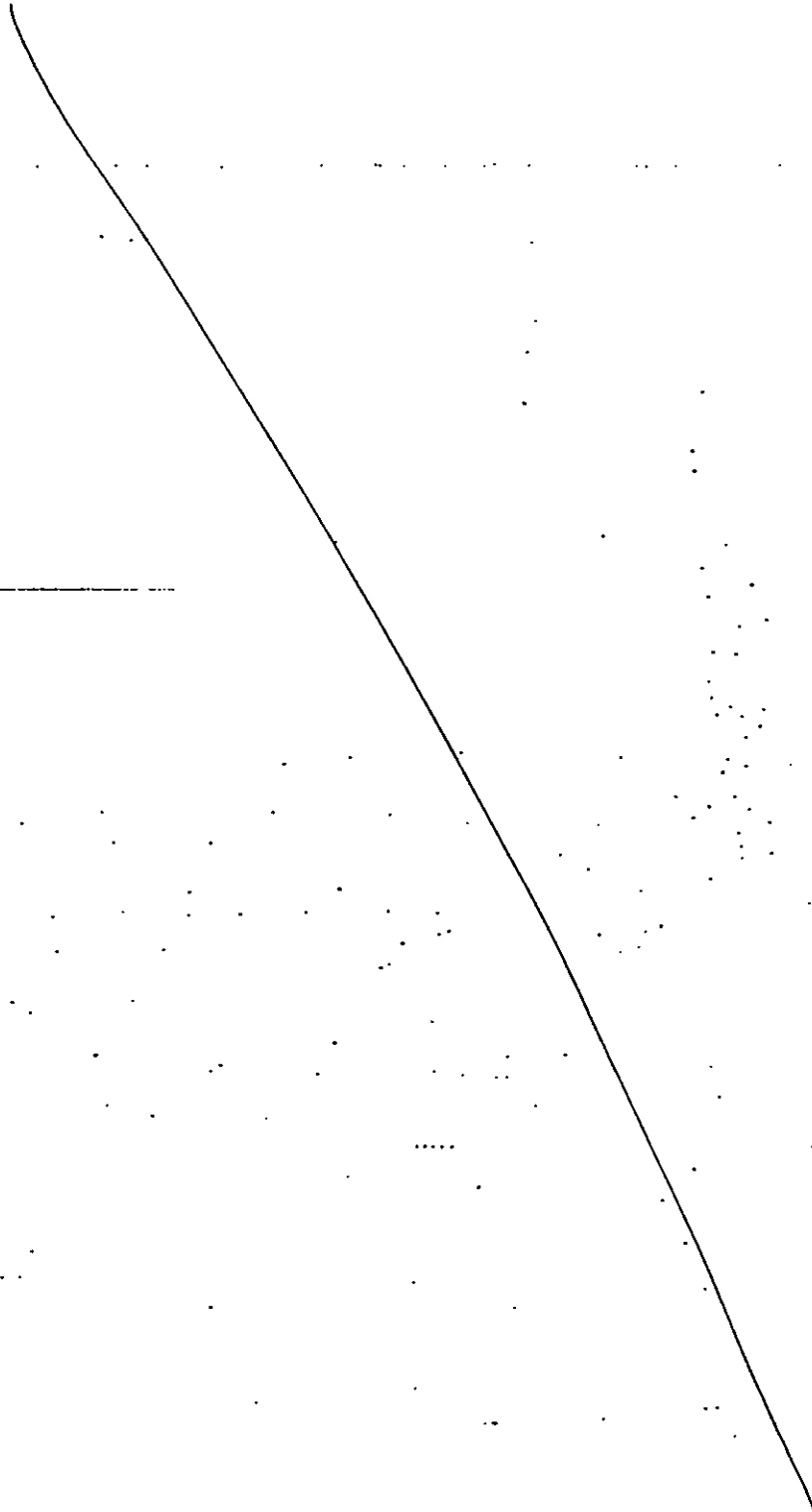


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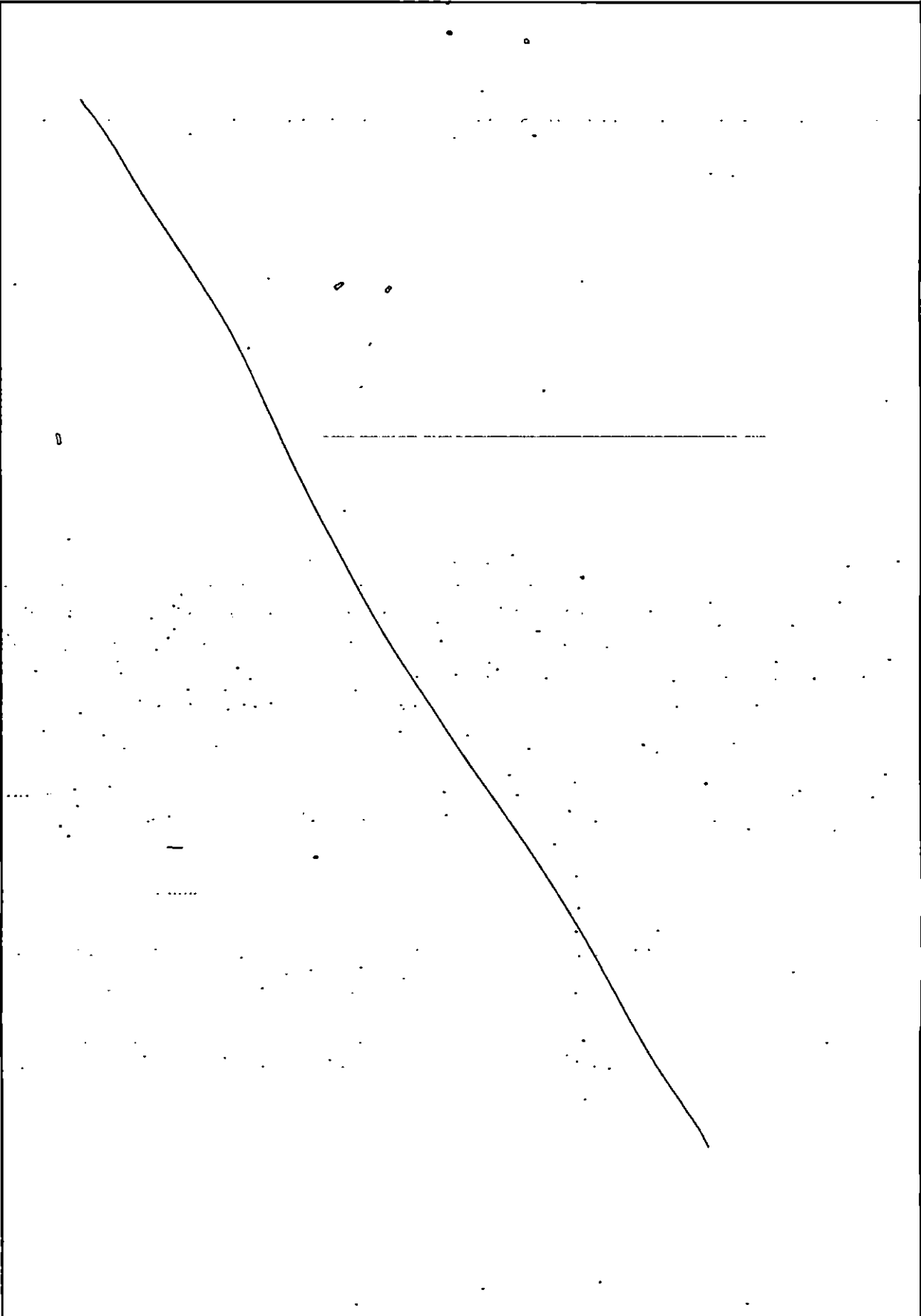


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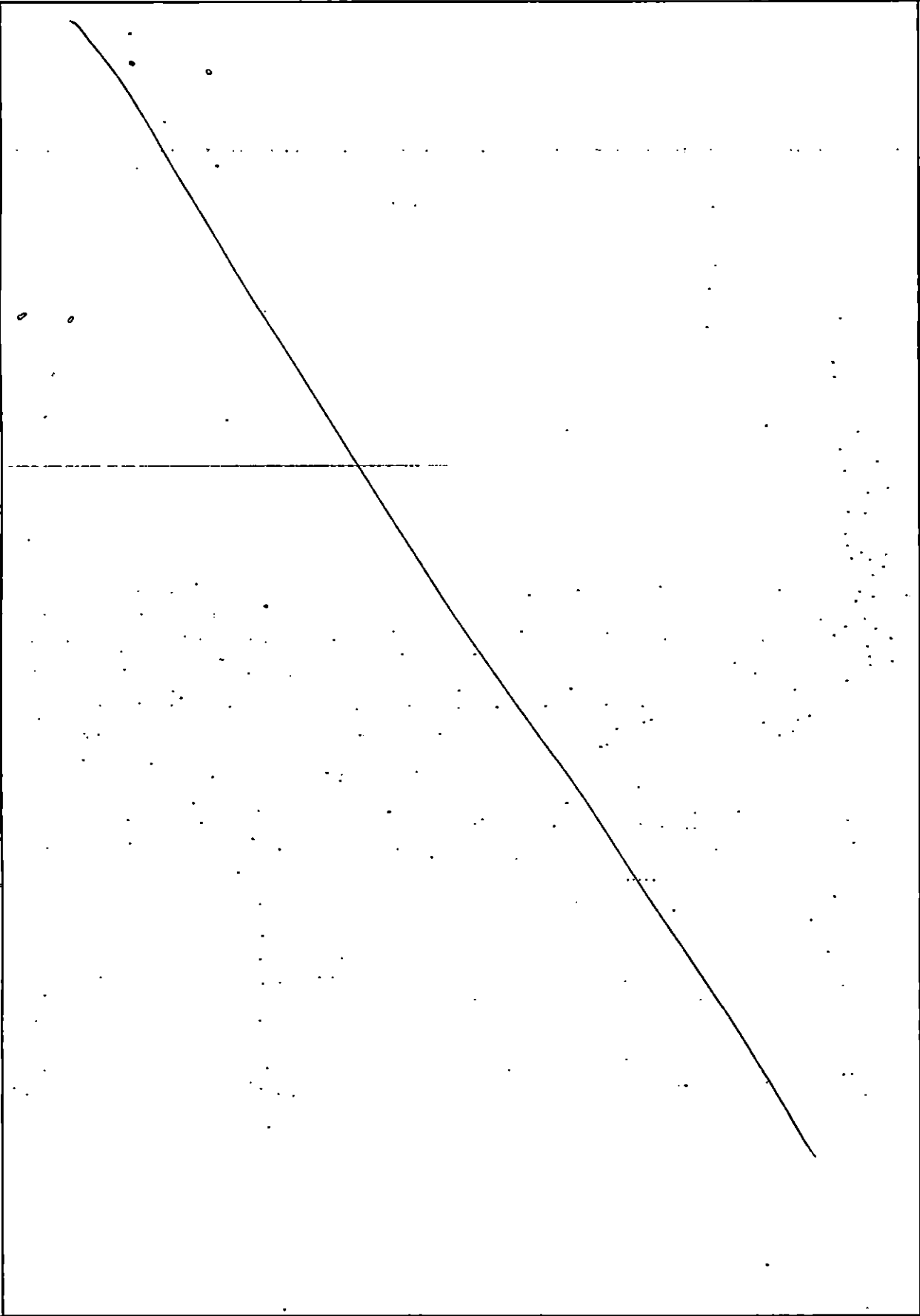
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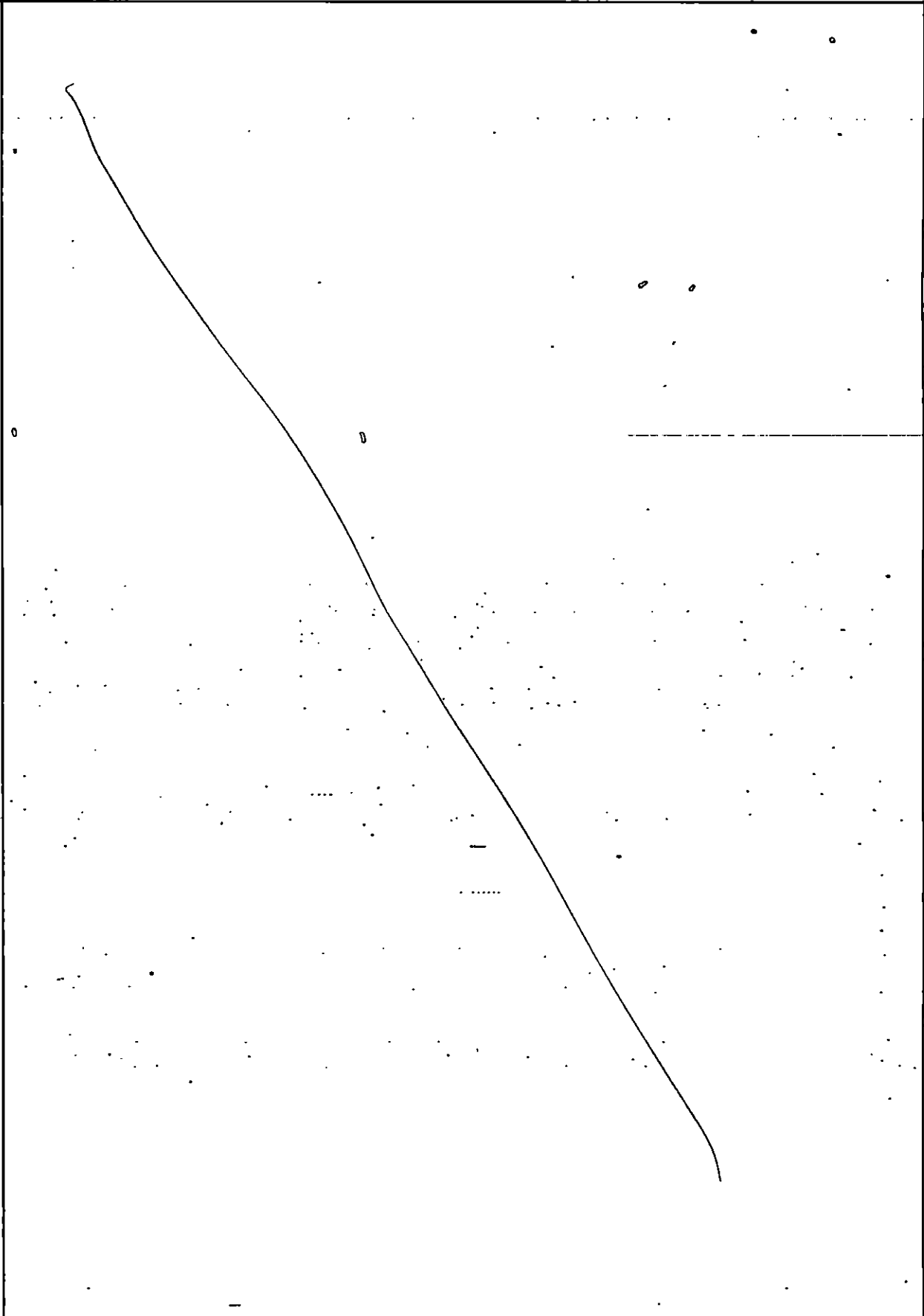
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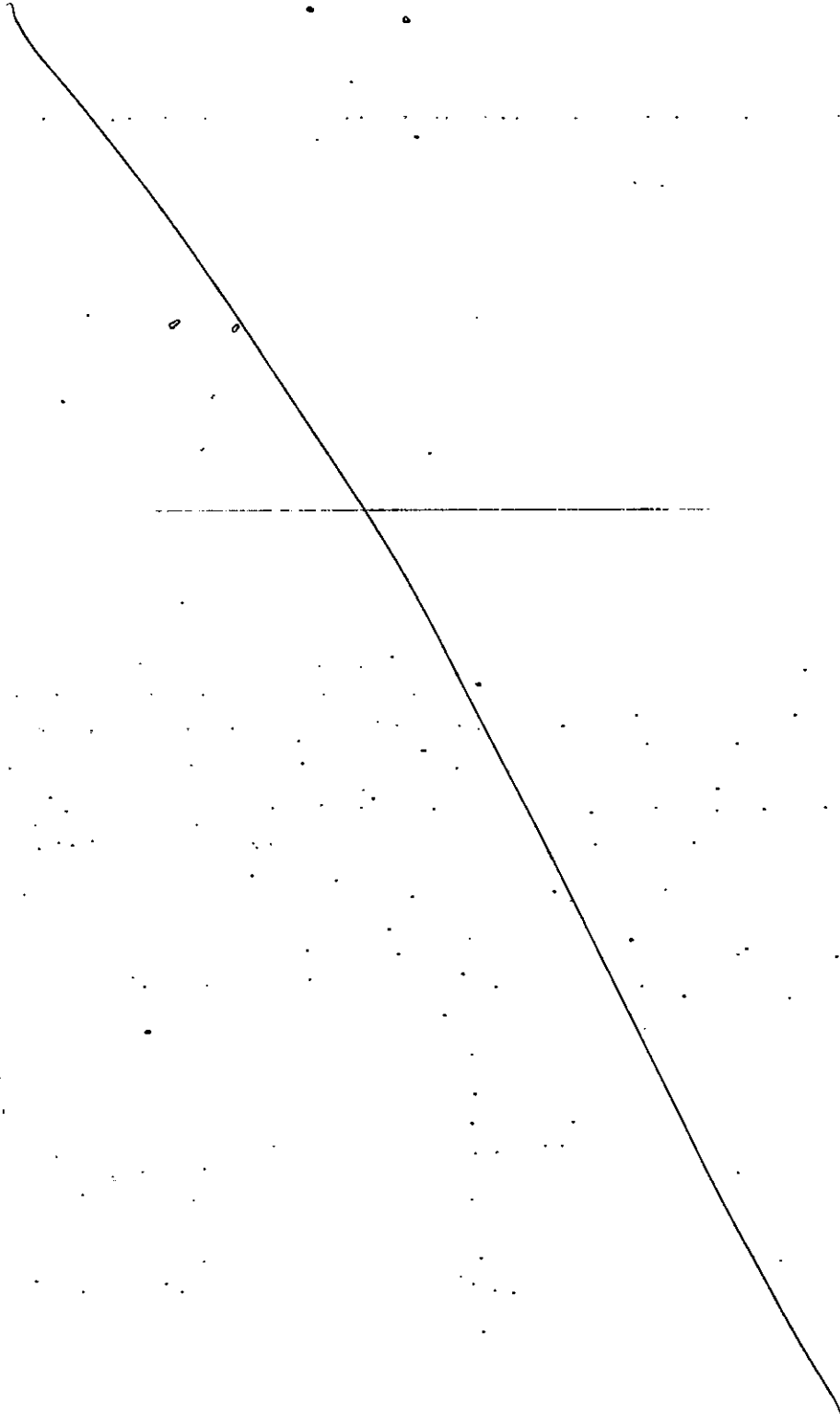
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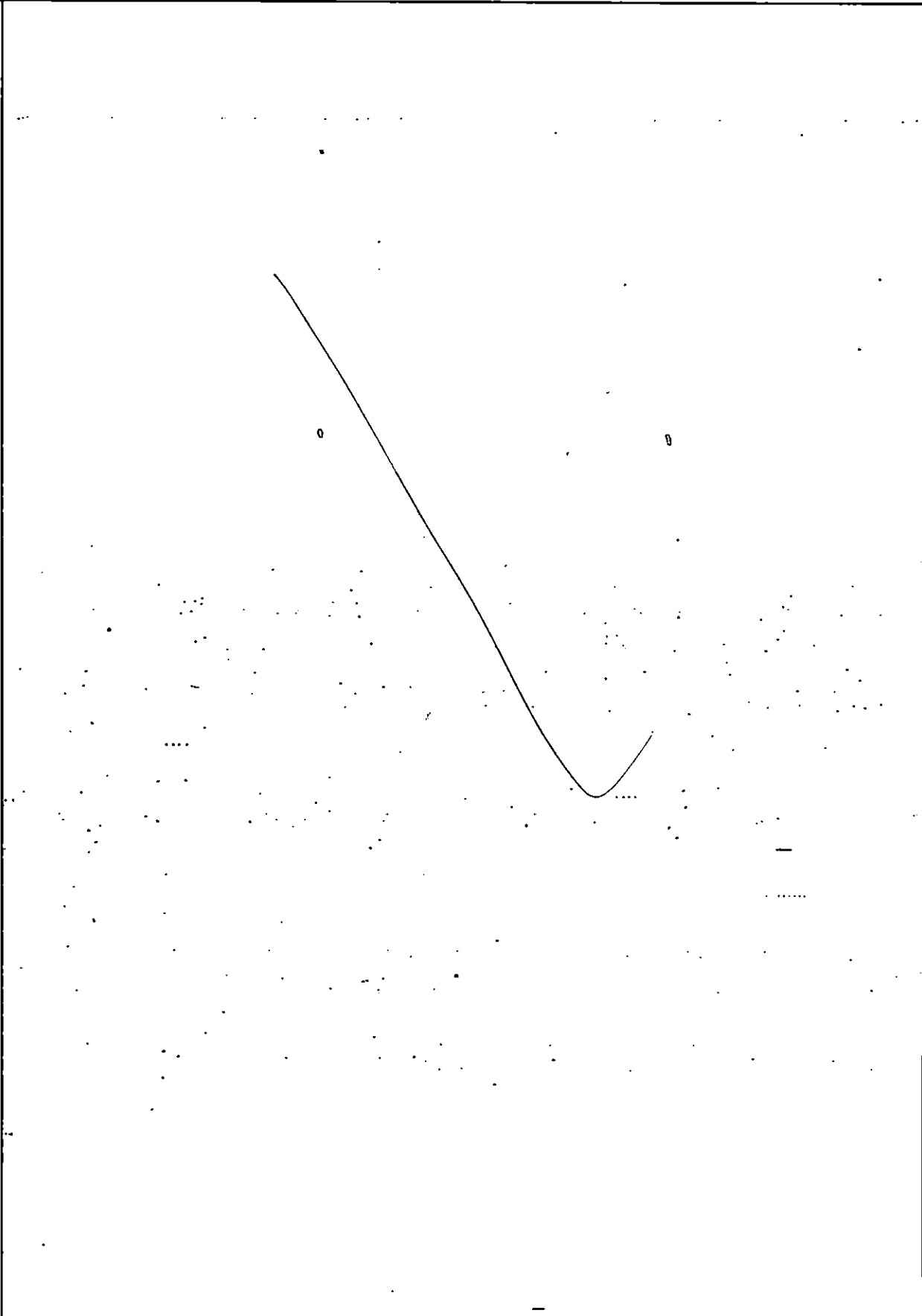
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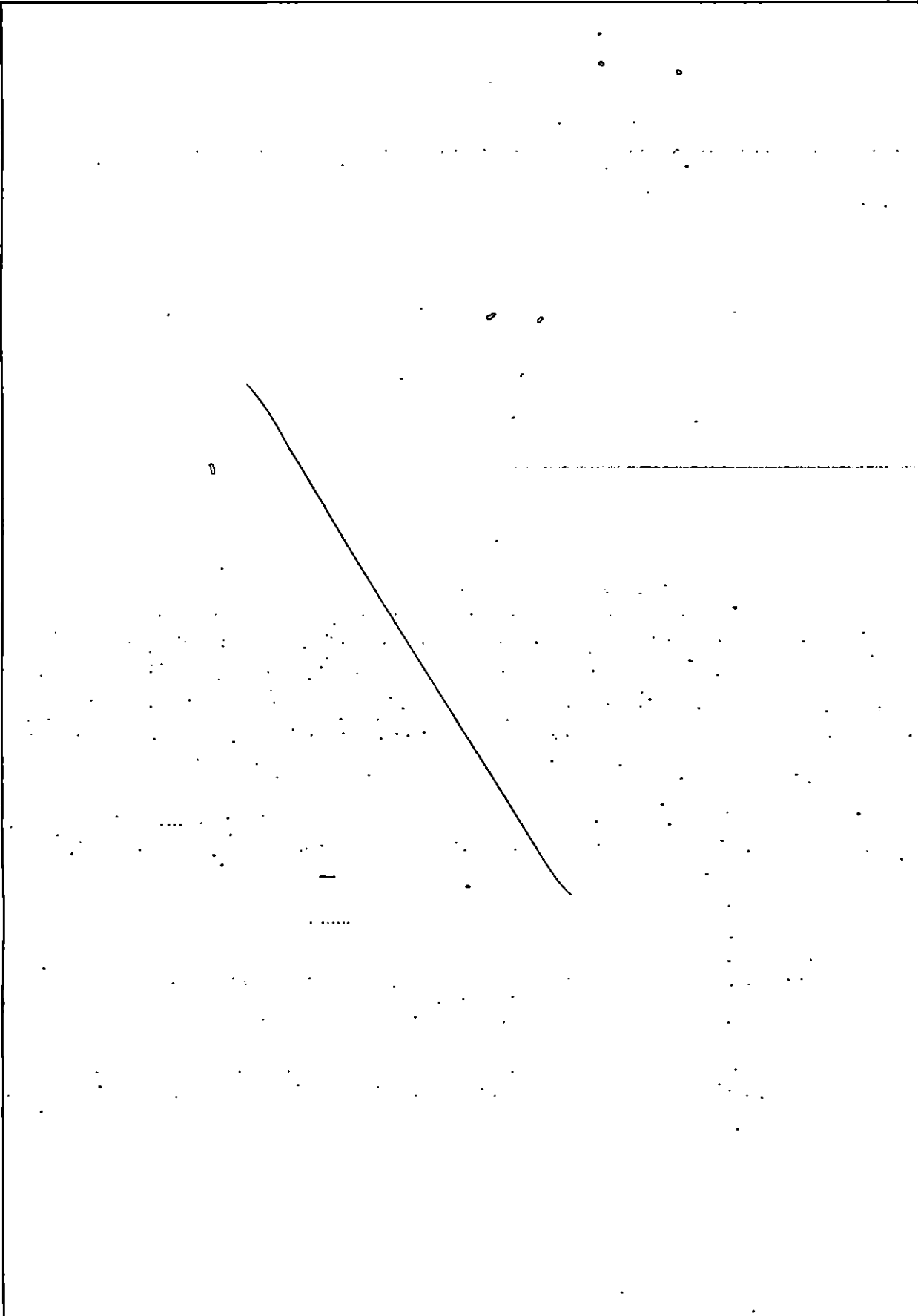
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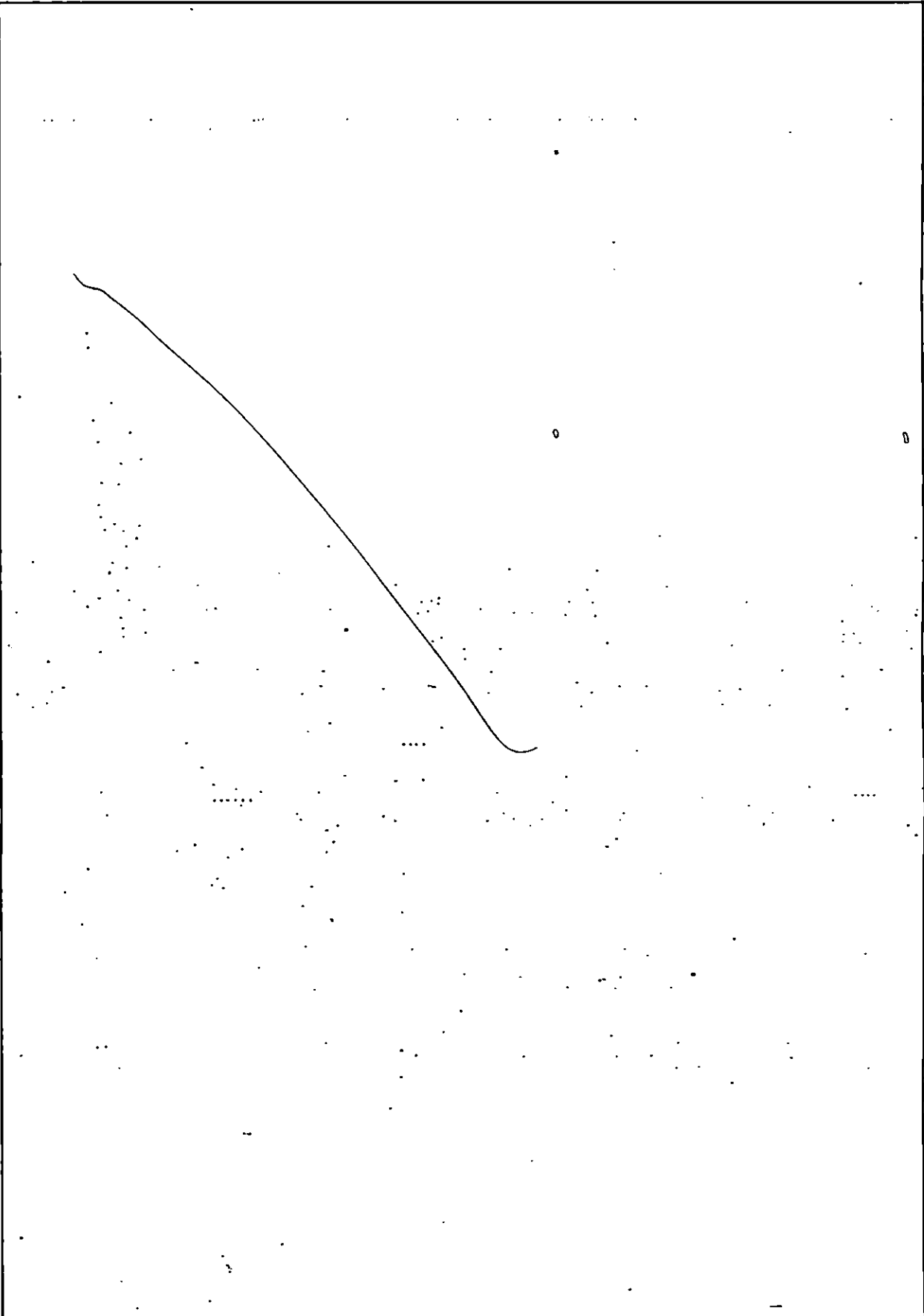
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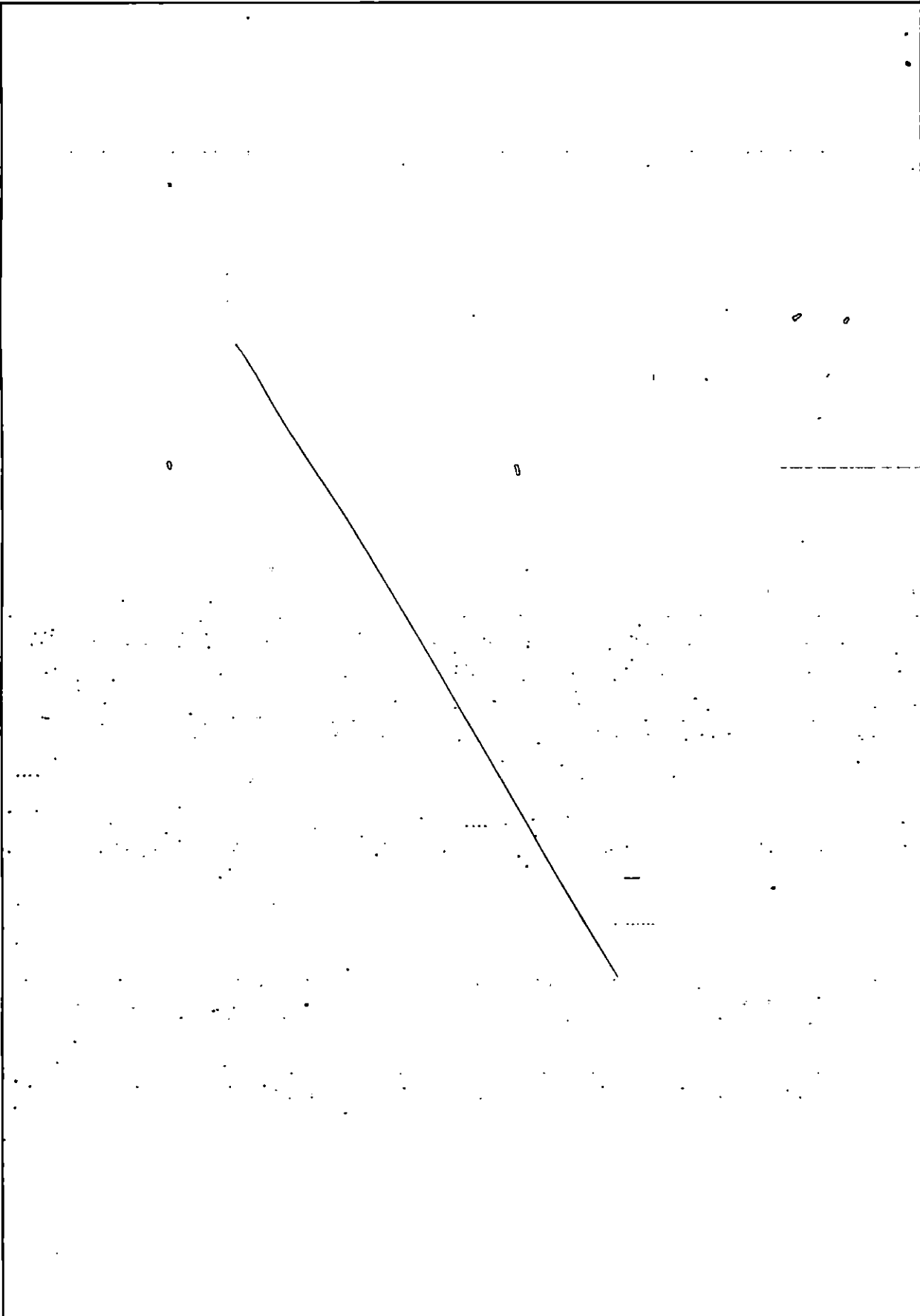
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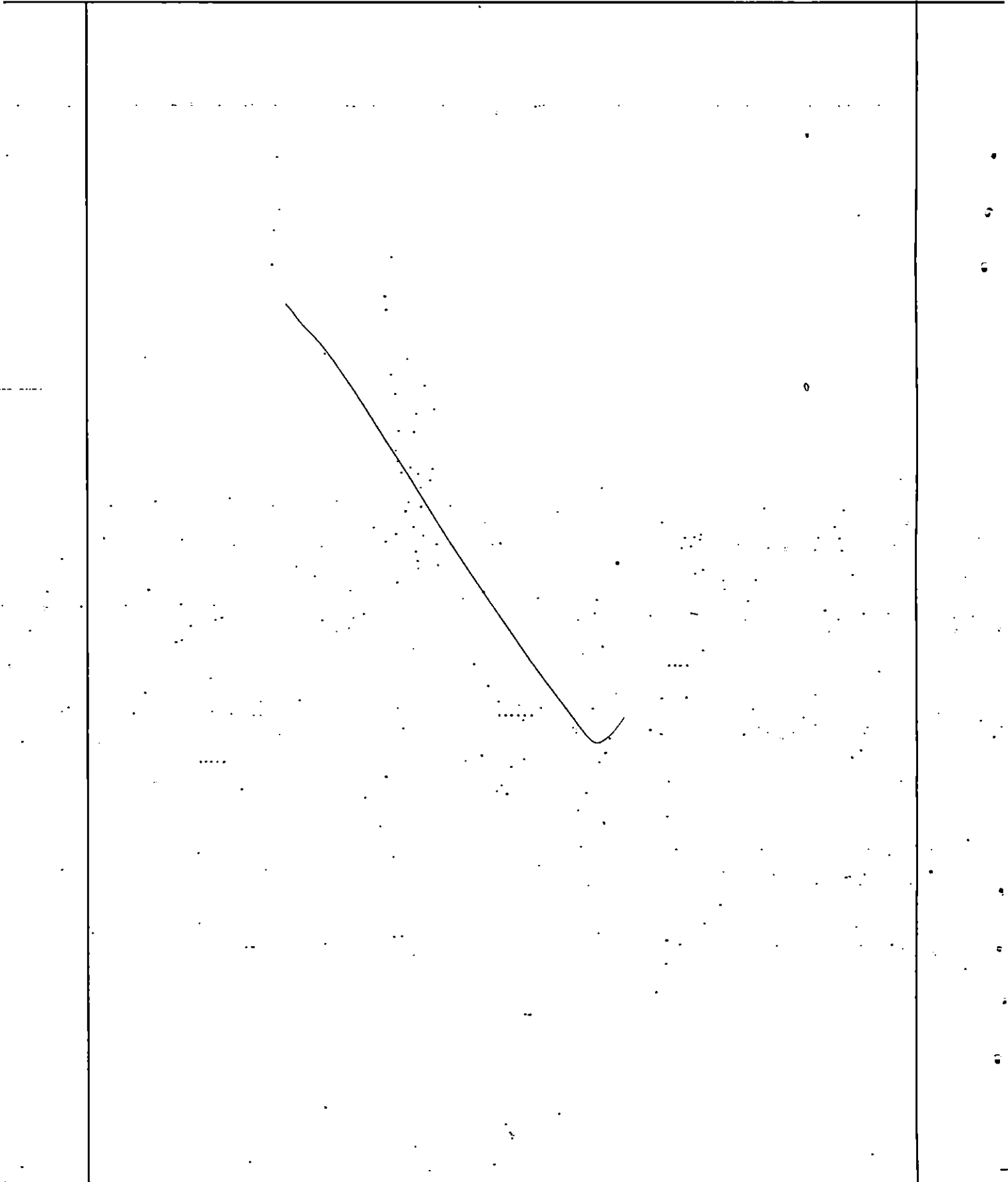
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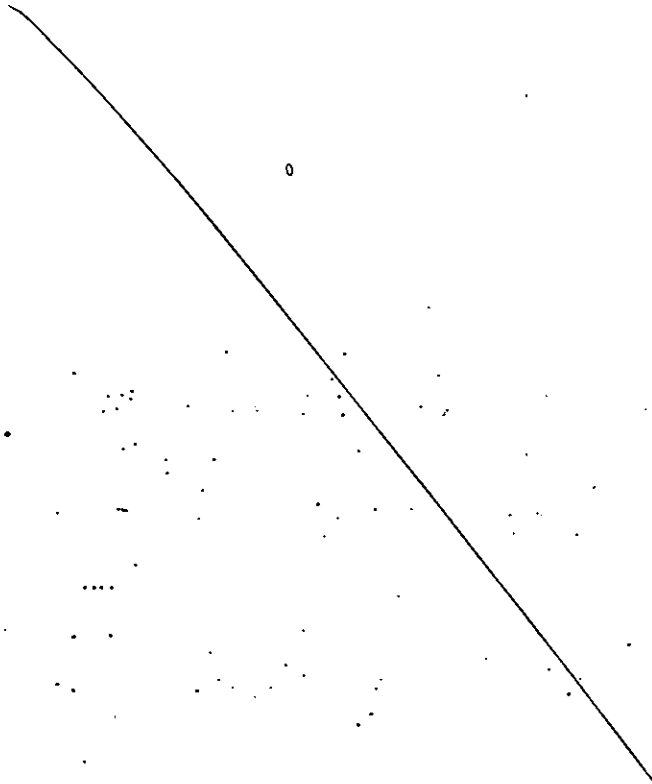
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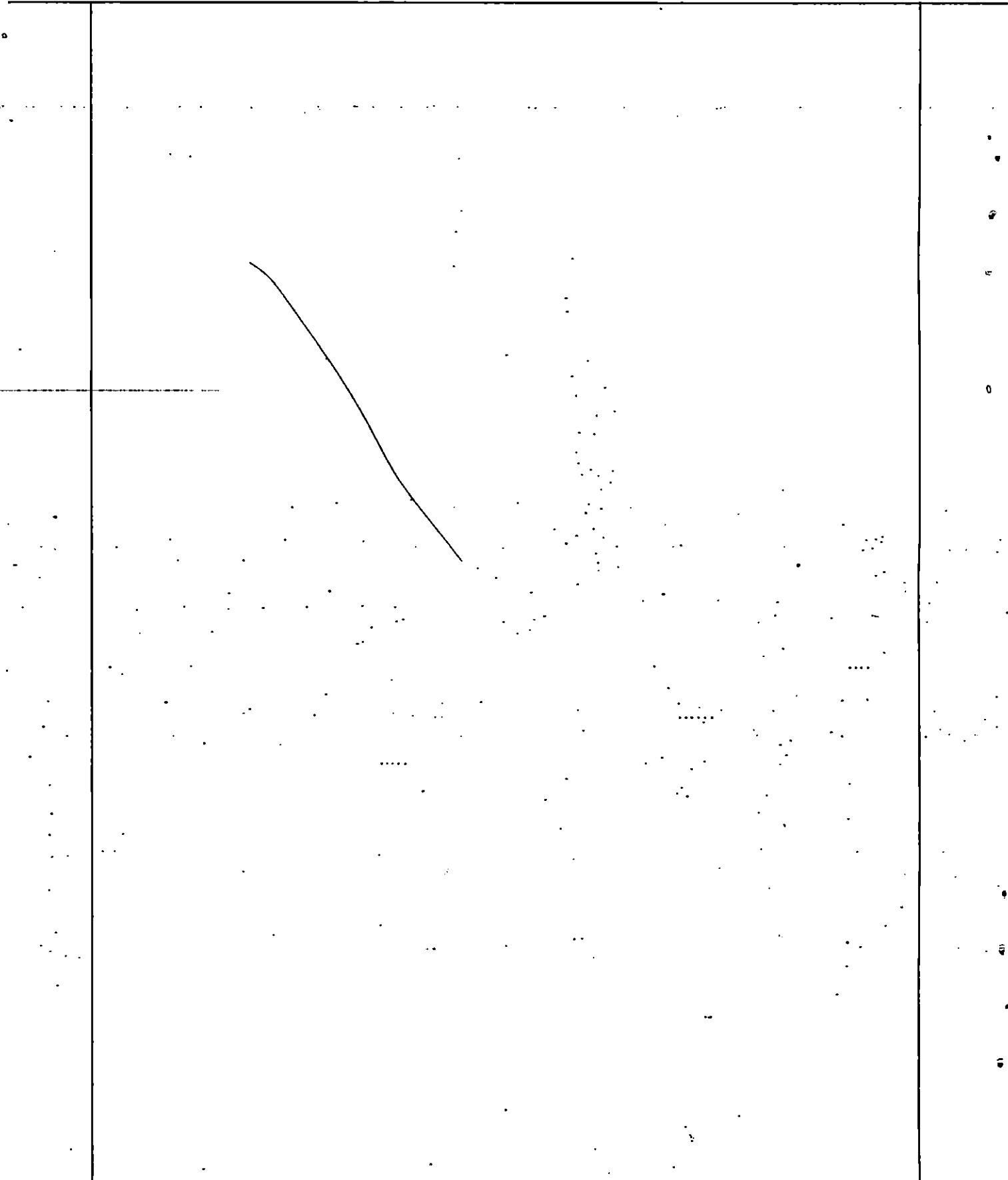
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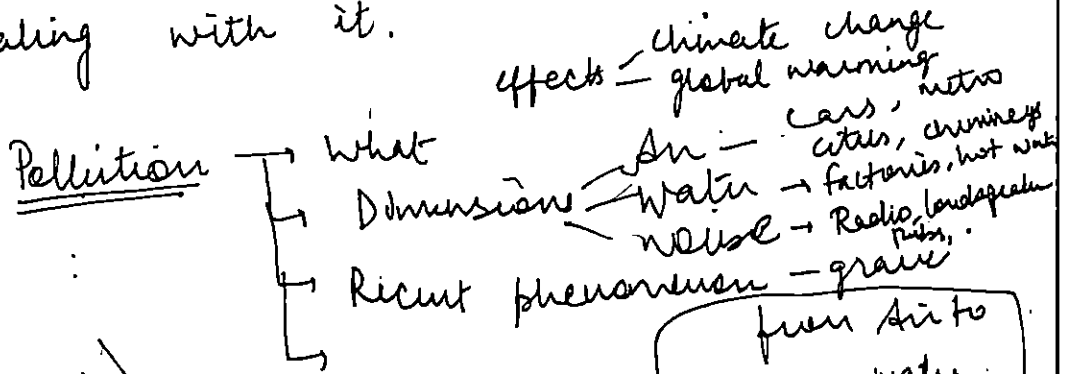


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People over produce pollution because they are not paying for the costs of dealing with it.



Root cause - not pollution but
 → over pollution
 why they not

from Air to water
 from oceans to mountains

example →

The higher we are placed, the more
humbly we should walk

↓
Examples →

Many men go fishing all of their lives without
knowing that it is not fish they are after

what it means →

examples →

what are dimensions →

why →
Society
Ignorance
Influence
Covage

"know thyself" - Socrates

Philo → Kierkegaard →

know yourself, subjective reality not
objective reality

examples →

After → Money
Fame
Respect/Recognition

Inner voice
missing...
no satisfaction

Unity with self

Self Realization

Pursuance

Some - go after what they want but
deviate

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