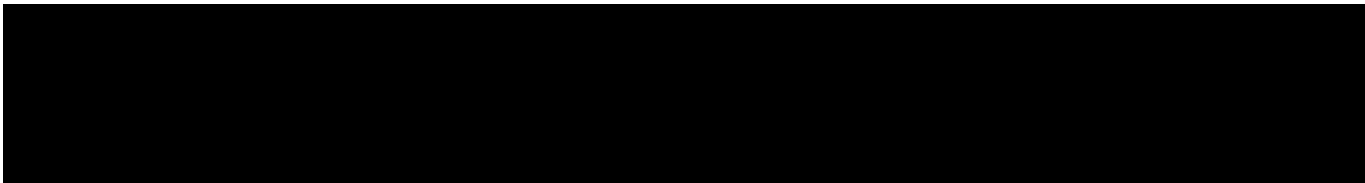


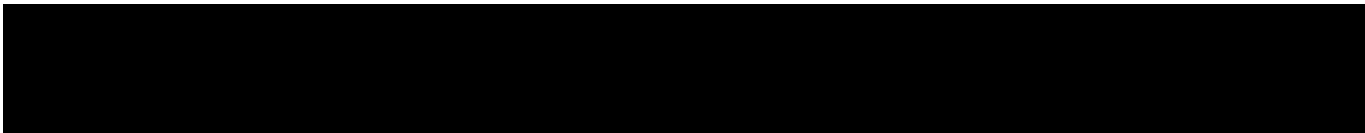
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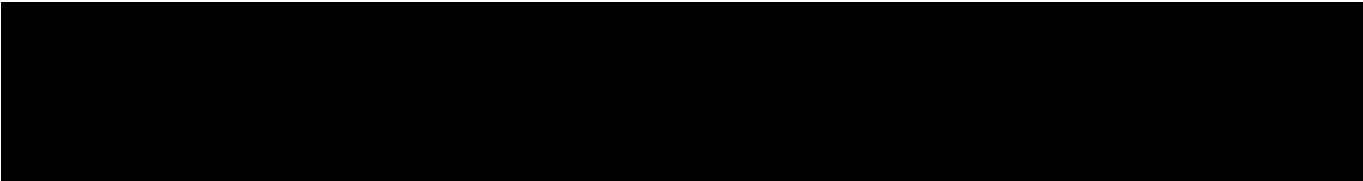








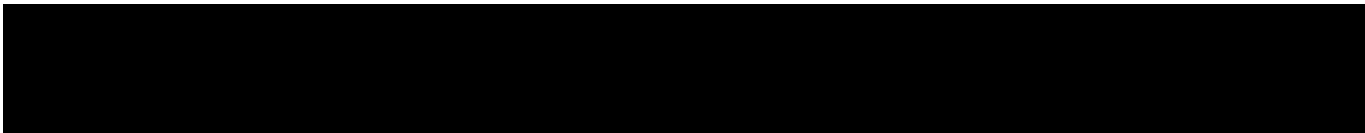












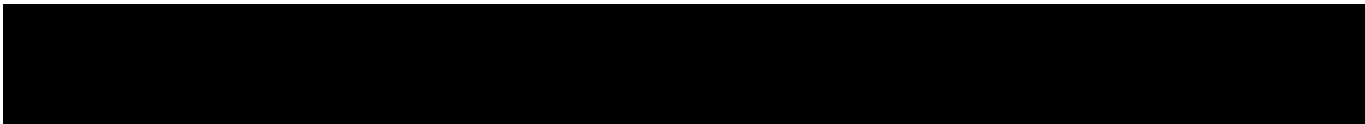








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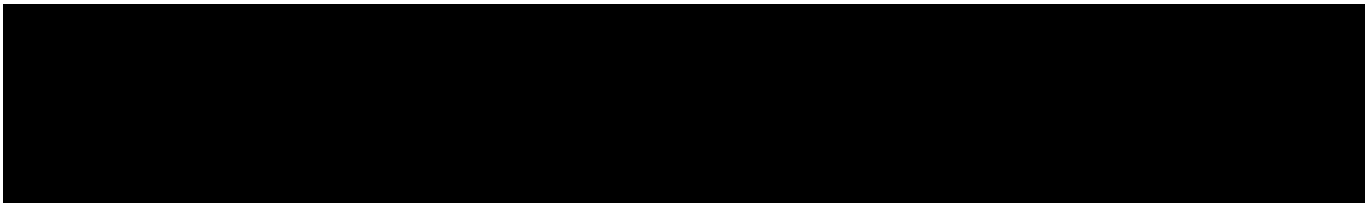














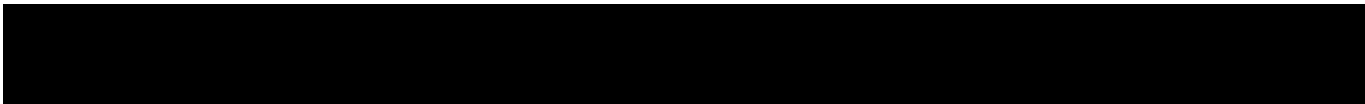
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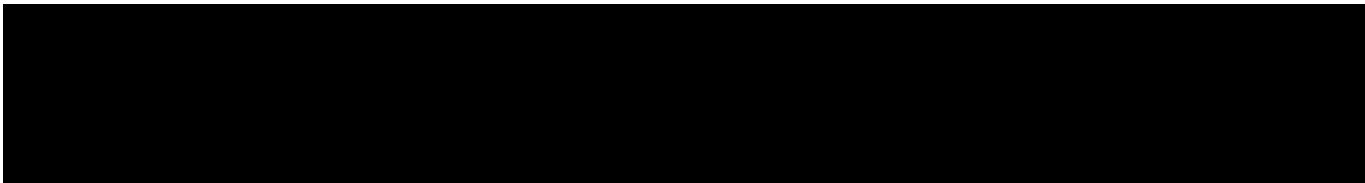


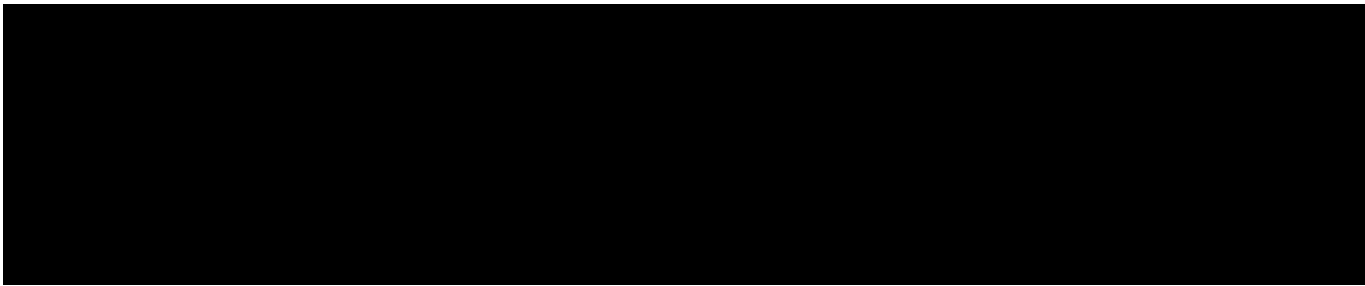














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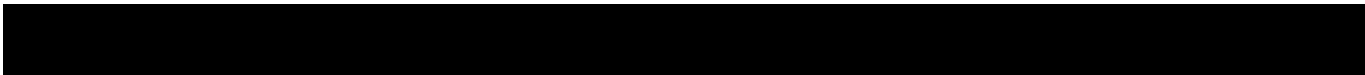






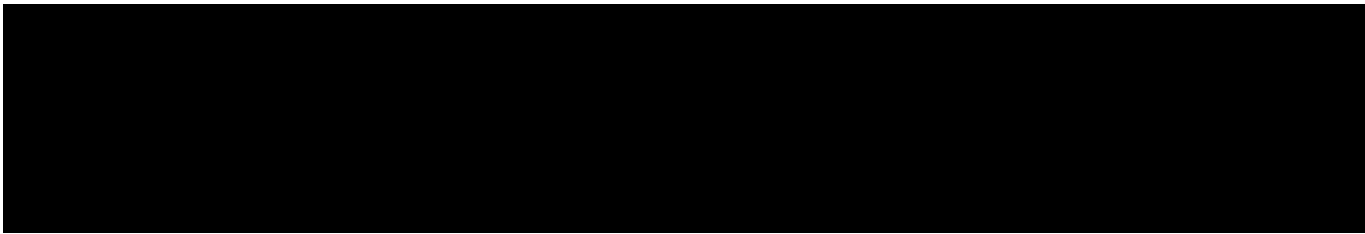


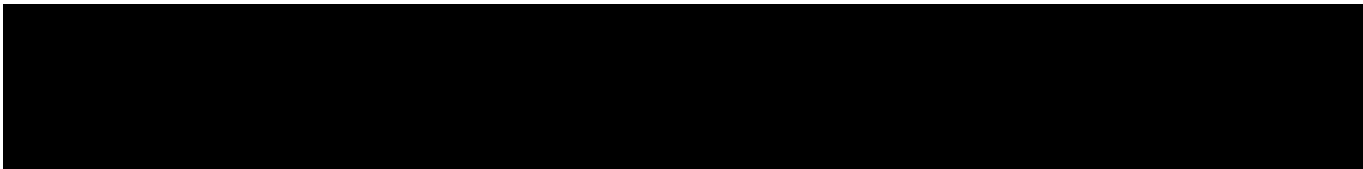
















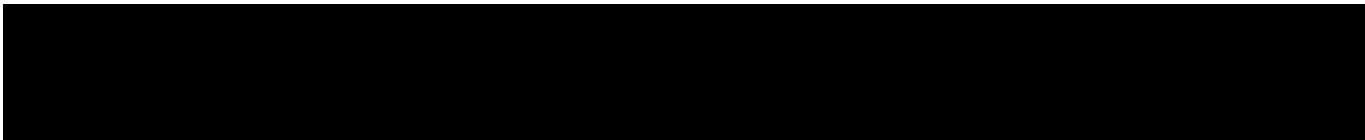








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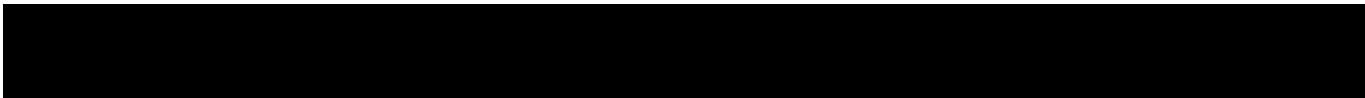
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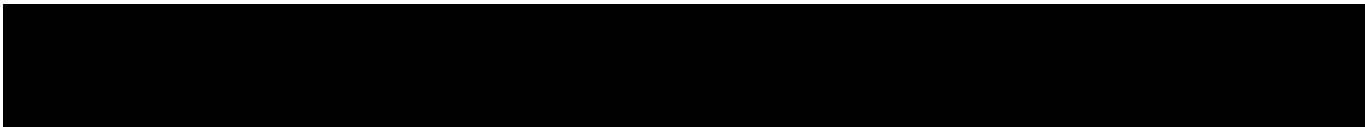
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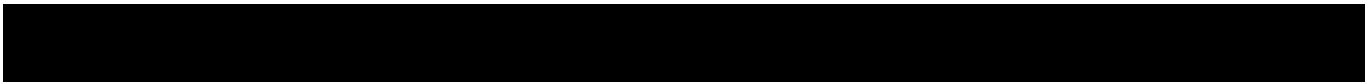
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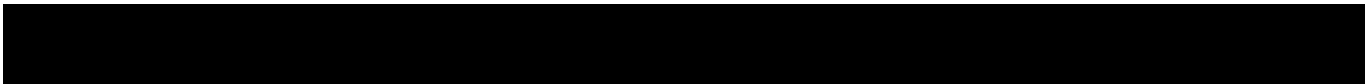
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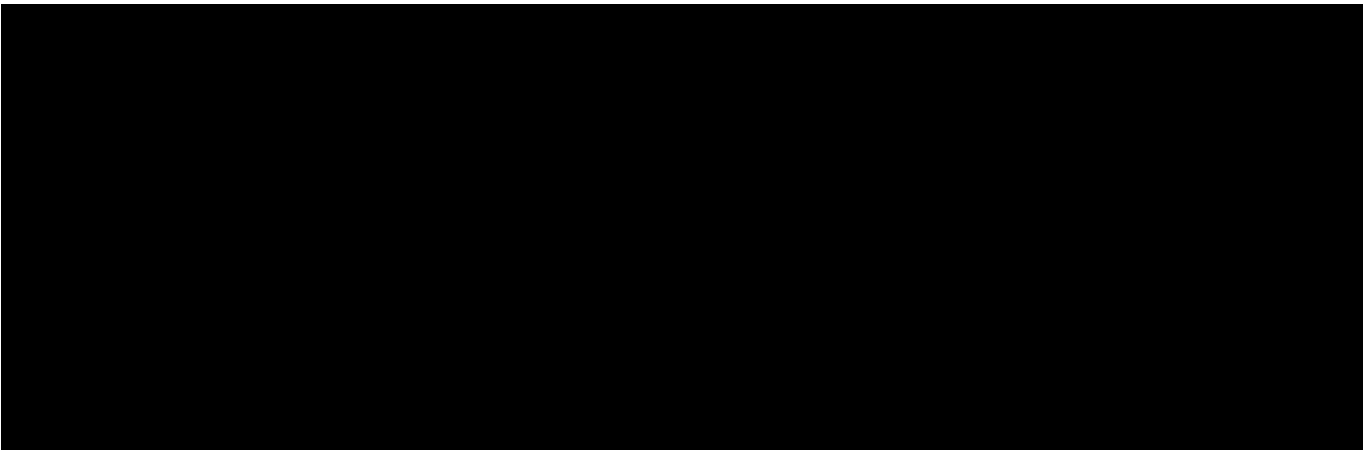




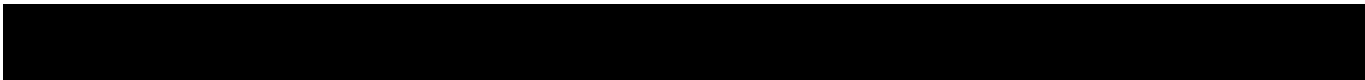




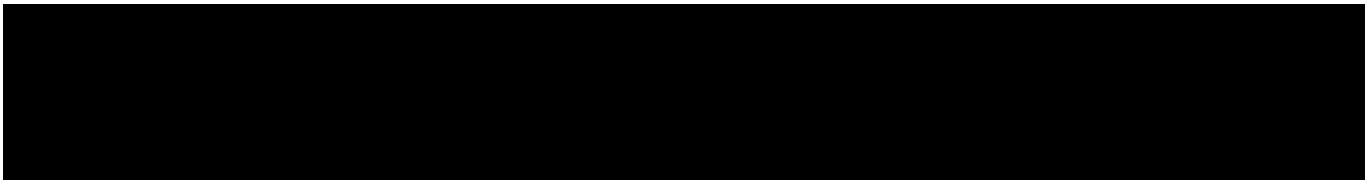












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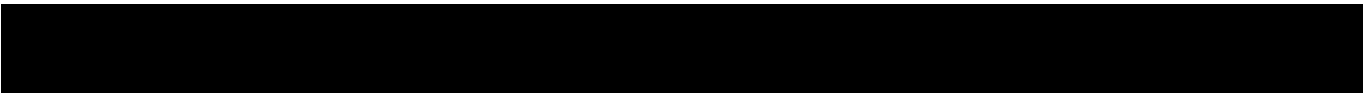
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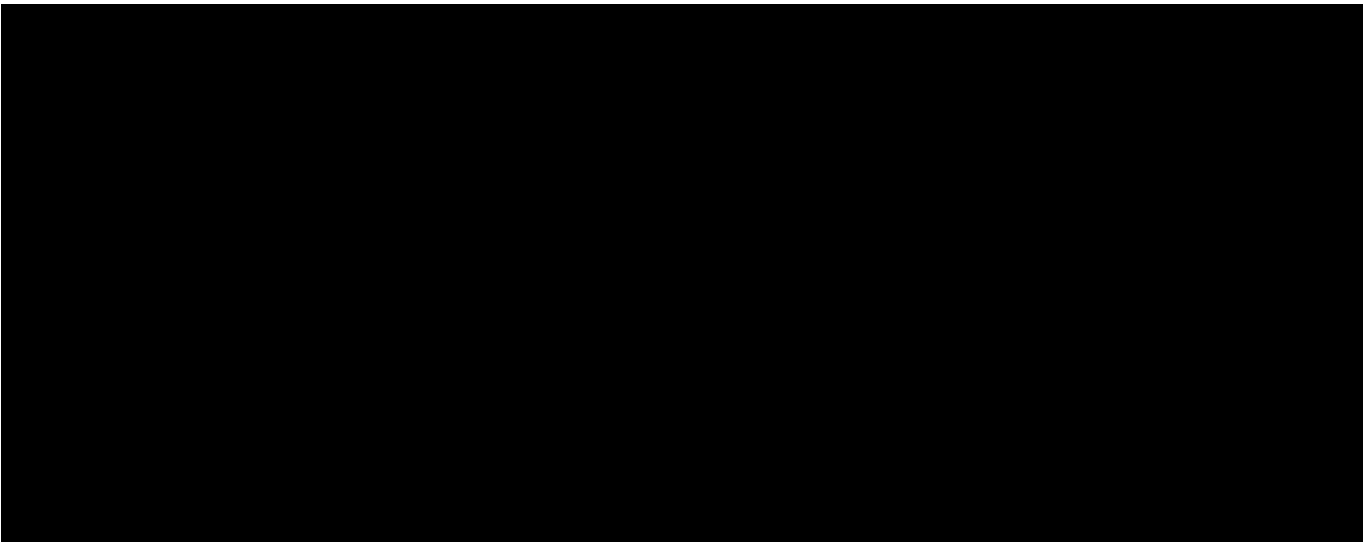
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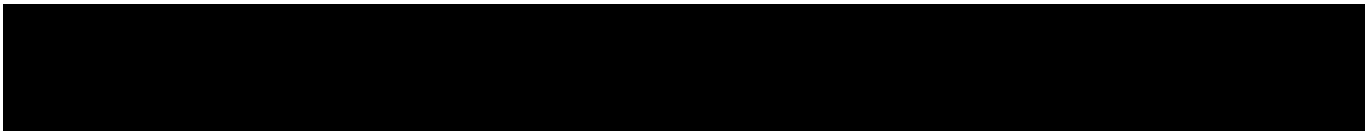
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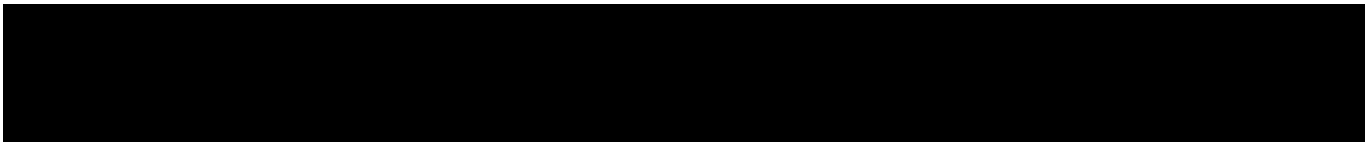












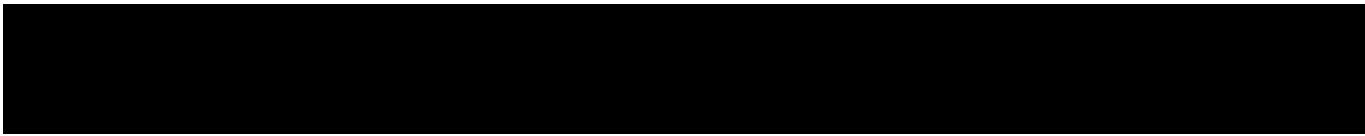














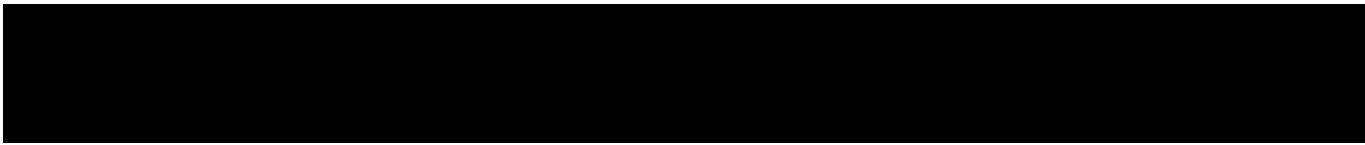


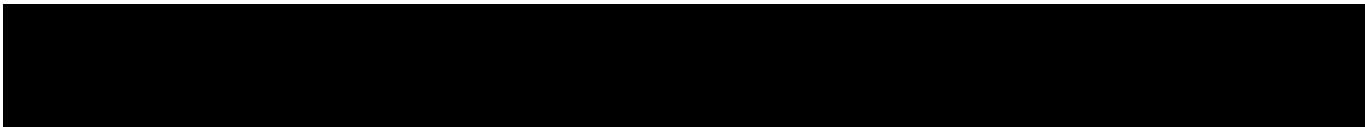


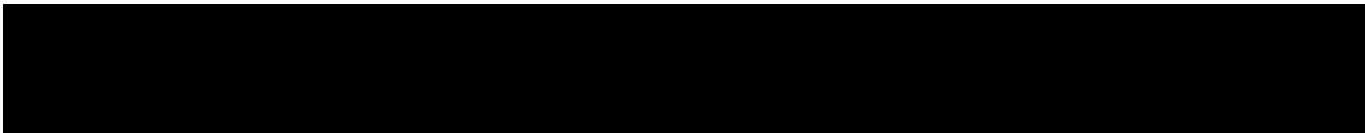




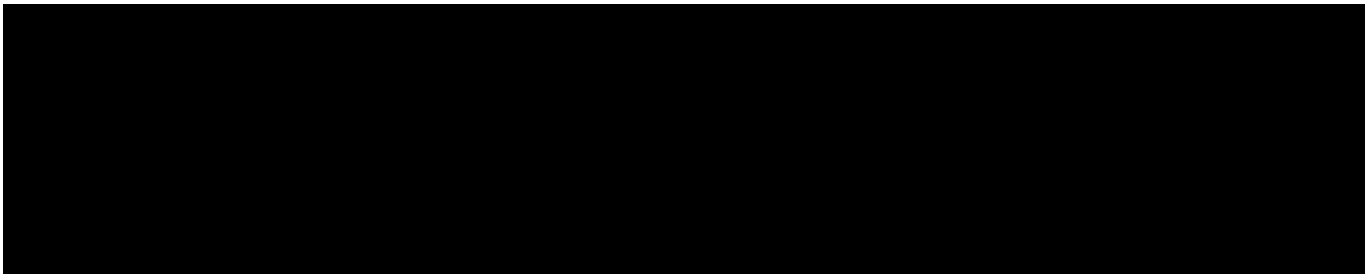












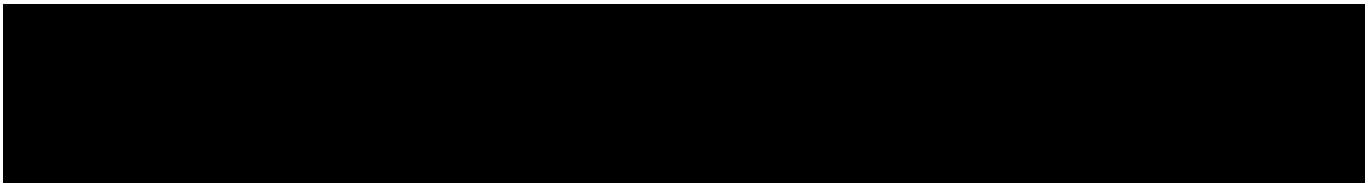




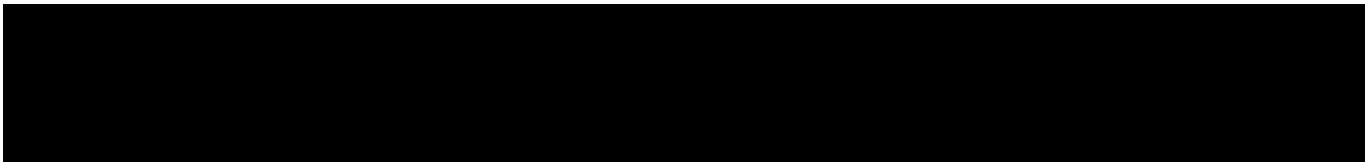


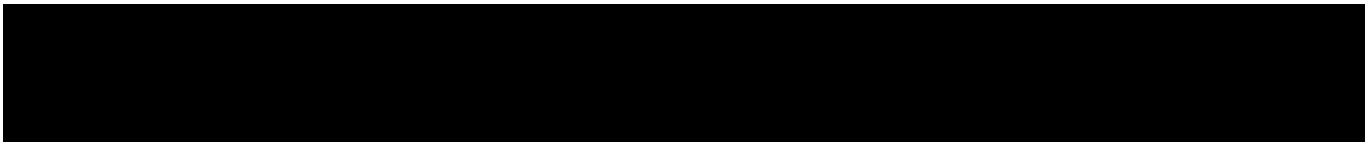














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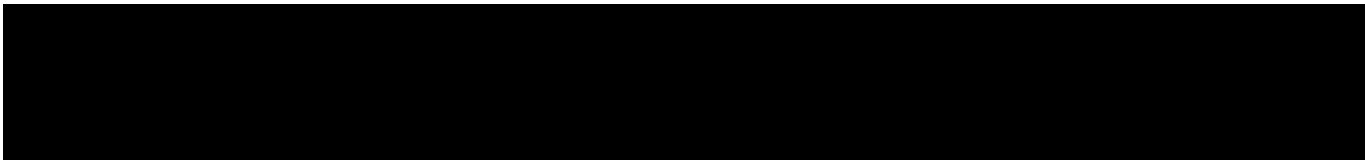
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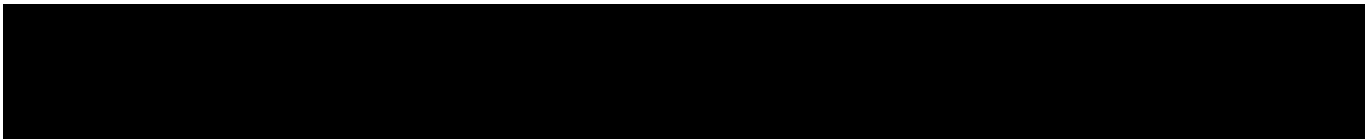














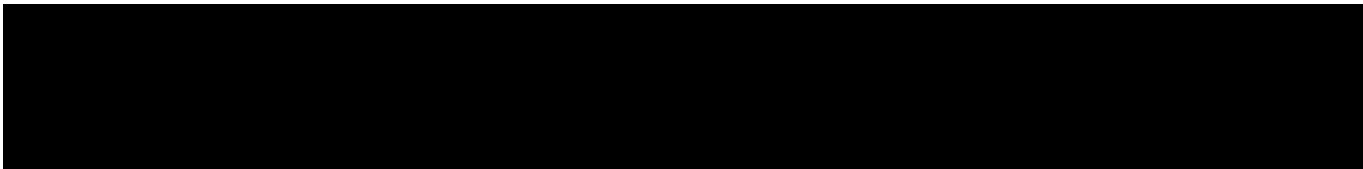










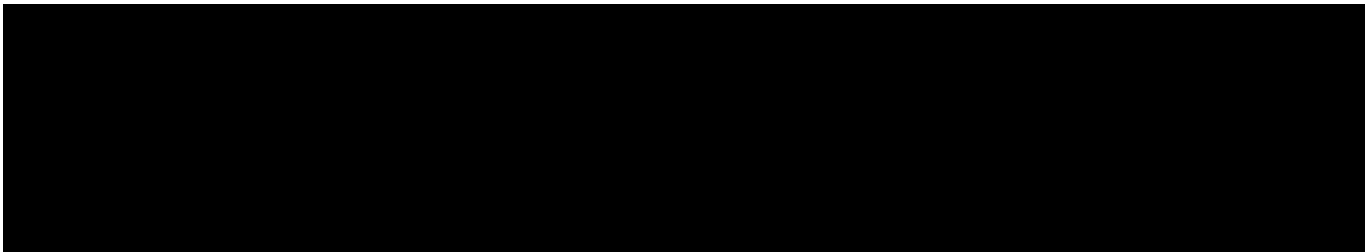












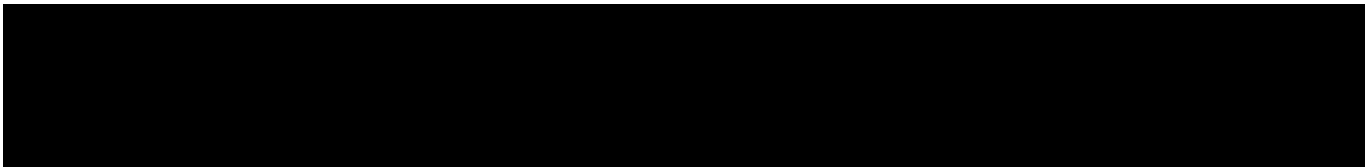


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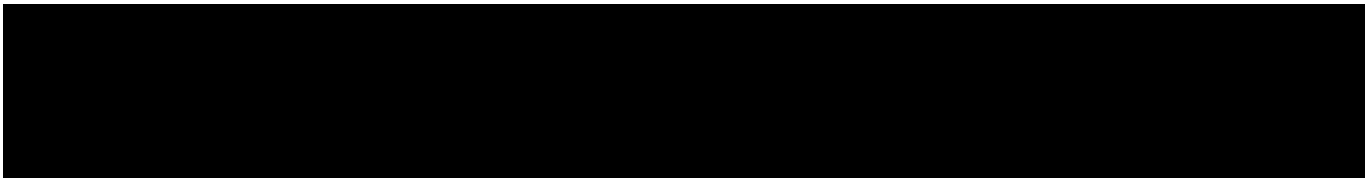




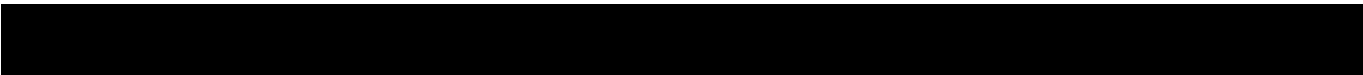




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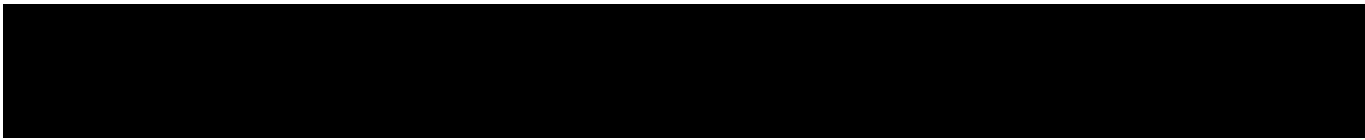
















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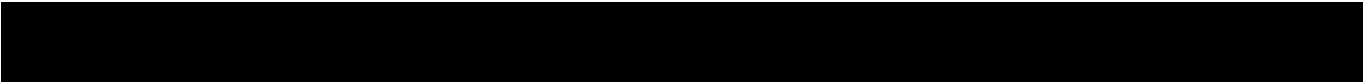


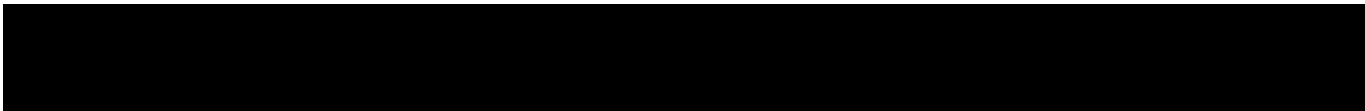












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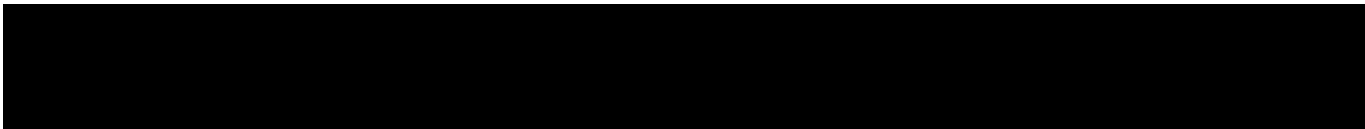
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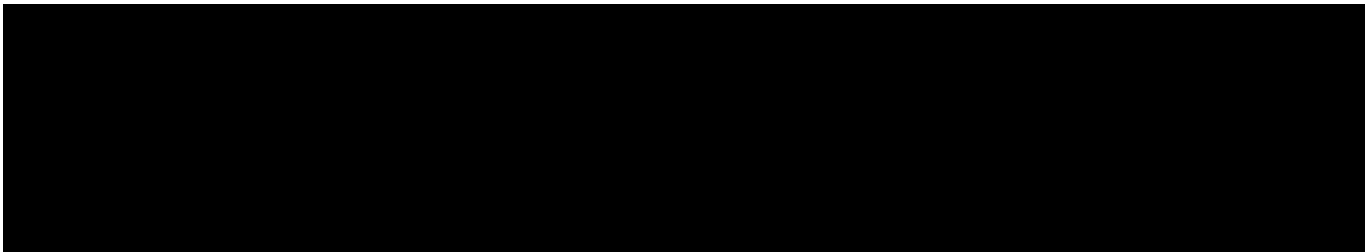
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There is a growing emphasis on the need to improve the efficiency of the public sector, and to ensure that the public sector is able to deliver the services that are required by the public. This has led to a number of initiatives, including the introduction of competition, the restructuring of public services, and the introduction of new management practices.

The aim of this paper is to review the literature on the impact of these initiatives on the public sector, and to discuss the implications for the future.

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 discusses the impact of competition on the public sector. Section 3 discusses the impact of restructuring on the public sector. Section 4 discusses the impact of new management practices on the public sector. Section 5 discusses the implications for the future.

2. Competition

The introduction of competition into the public sector has been a major initiative in the UK since the early 1990s. This has led to a number of changes in the way that public services are delivered.

One of the main reasons for introducing competition is to improve the efficiency of the public sector. It is argued that competition will lead to a reduction in costs, and to an improvement in the quality of services.

There are a number of ways in which competition can be introduced into the public sector. These include the privatization of public services, the introduction of competitive tendering, and the creation of new public service providers.

The impact of competition on the public sector has been mixed. On the one hand, there has been a reduction in costs in some areas, and an improvement in the quality of services in others. On the other hand, there has been a loss of jobs, and a reduction in the range of services available.

It is therefore difficult to draw any general conclusions about the impact of competition on the public sector. However, it is clear that competition has led to a number of changes in the way that public services are delivered.

3. Restructuring

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There are a number of ways in which public services can be restructured. These include the merging of public services, the creation of new public service providers, and the introduction of new management practices.

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One of the main reasons for introducing new management practices is to improve the efficiency of the public sector. It is argued that new management practices will lead to a reduction in costs, and to an improvement in the quality of services.

There are a number of ways in which new management practices can be introduced into the public sector. These include the introduction of new management systems, the creation of new public service providers, and the introduction of new management practices.

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It is therefore difficult to draw any general conclusions about the impact of new management practices on the public sector. However, it is clear that new management practices have led to a number of changes in the way that public services are delivered.

5. Implications for the future

The initiatives discussed in this paper have led to a number of changes in the way that public services are delivered. It is therefore important to consider the implications for the future.

One of the main implications is that the public sector will continue to be restructured. This will lead to a further reduction in costs, and to a further improvement in the quality of services.

It is therefore important to continue to monitor the impact of these initiatives on the public sector, and to ensure that the public sector is able to deliver the services that are required by the public.











