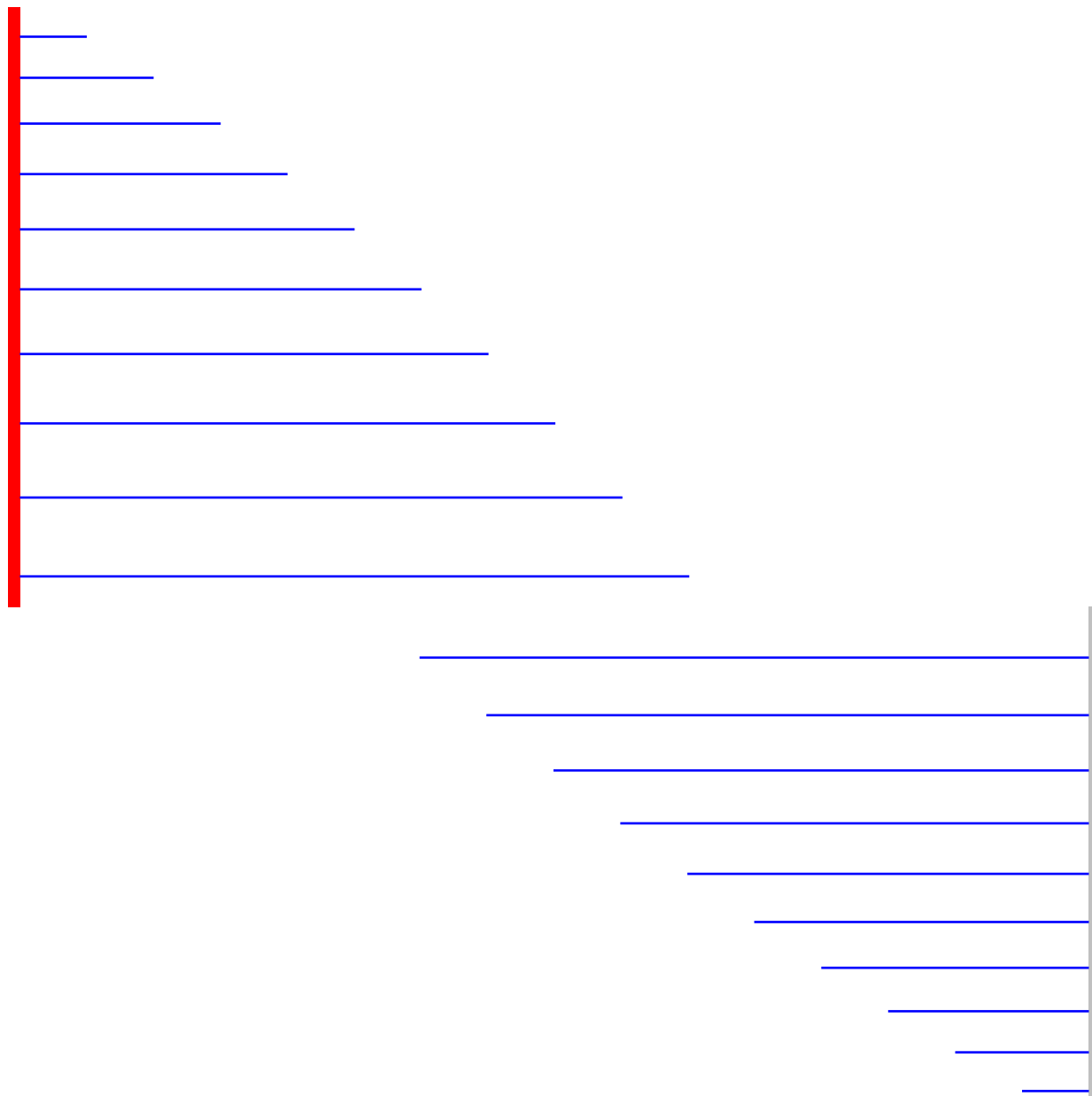


Common Margin Properties - Block

This text tests block margin properties - space-before and space-after.



In the first example we increase the value of `space-before.optimum` and `space-after.optimum` between rules (marked by red) from 1 to 10 points. We set conditionality to "discard" and precedence to "force". It means that space between rules must be retained and not merged.

In the second example (marked by silver), we try to set `precedence` property to an

integer-specifier. So, the space after a rule must be merged with the space preceding next rule in accordance with space-merging rules described in the formatting model. Values of `space-before.optimum` and `space-after.optimum` properties equal to the corresponding values in the previous example but in reverse order. We also set `conditionality` to "retain".

A figure on the next page (I called it "**hourglass**") shows examples of `space-before(after).minimum` and `space-before(after).maximum` attributes. We set the values of these properties to 0 and 20 points. Value of `space-before(after).optimum` changes progressively from 12 points to 0 and back again by 0.5 pt steps.

