

## **All Roads Lead Somewhere:** appliquéd knotwork patches

by Raymond K. Houston

### **Introduction**

A board game inspired me to design a set of appliqué templates for quilt patches. The appliqué shapes look like roads crossing the patches in endless journeys of varying length.

### **Supplies**

Background fabrics at least 9 inches square

Assorted foreground fabrics

Printed templates

Cardboard

Sandpaper

### **About the templates**

The printed templates, like the finished patches, are 7.5 inches square. You will need to add seam allowances to all four sides of the square, and to both ends of the shapes running through it.

Use whatever appliqué method you prefer and are comfortable with.

There are four identical shapes on each of the templates. These templates display fourfold rotation; they look the same (except for coloring) no matter how rotated. Where applicable, the templates show which shape crosses which.

### **Placement guide**

It helps to make a Placement Guide from Template A printed on cardstock.

1. Extend all horizontal and vertical lines into the seam allowances.
2. Glue Template A to cardboard.
3. Glue cardboard to sandpaper.
4. Cut out interior of square, leaving an open window.

The sandpaper holds the guide in place on the background fabric, while the drawn lines provide a visual reference to align the shapes within the window.

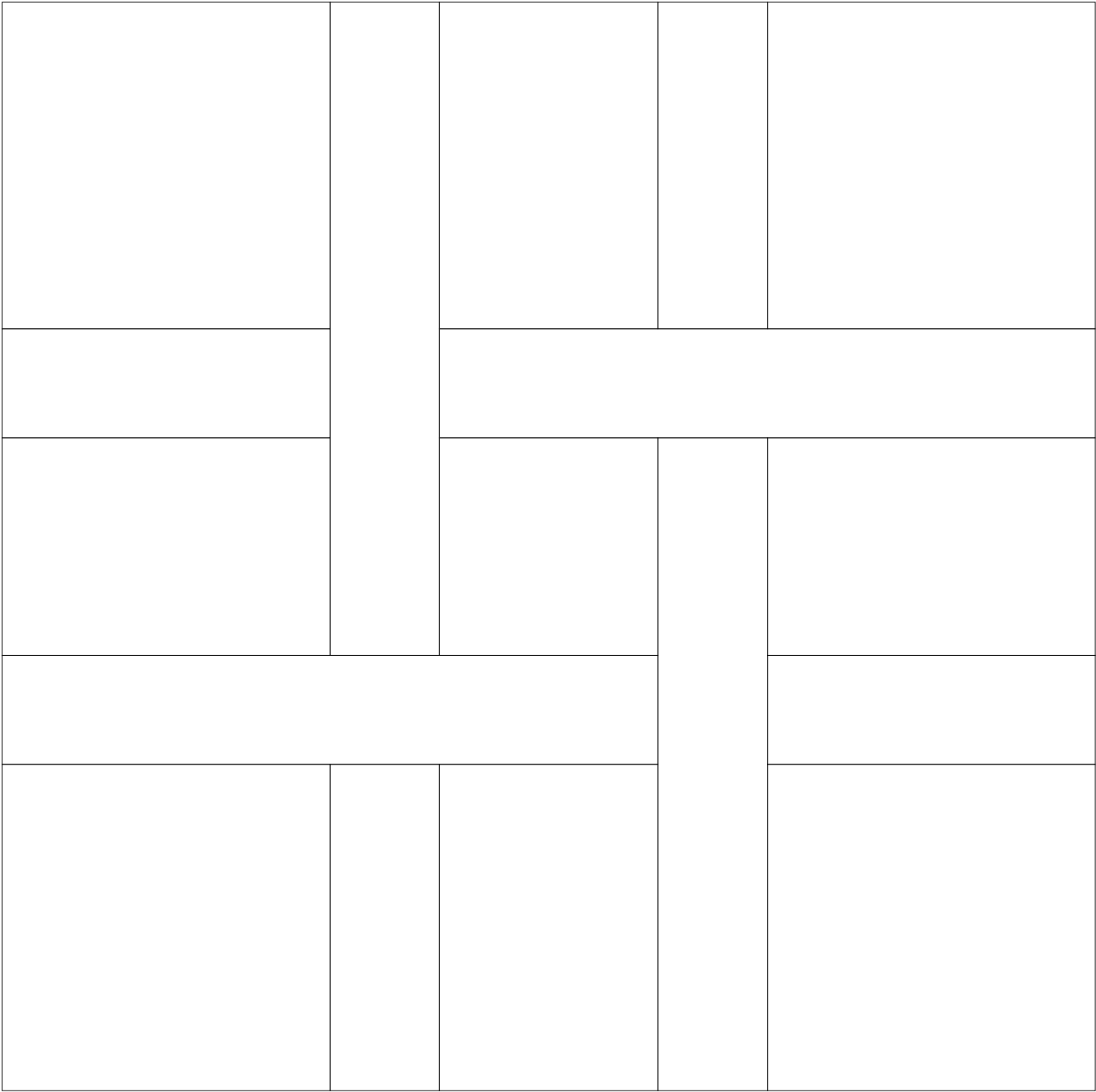
### **How to use & Things to try**

I have included small blank copies of the templates. Print, arrange and color them before you sew.

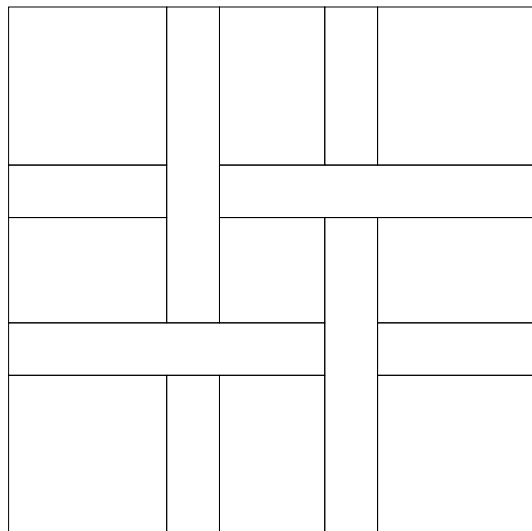
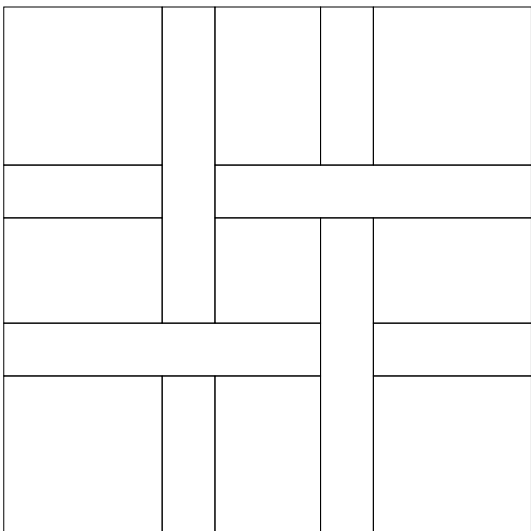
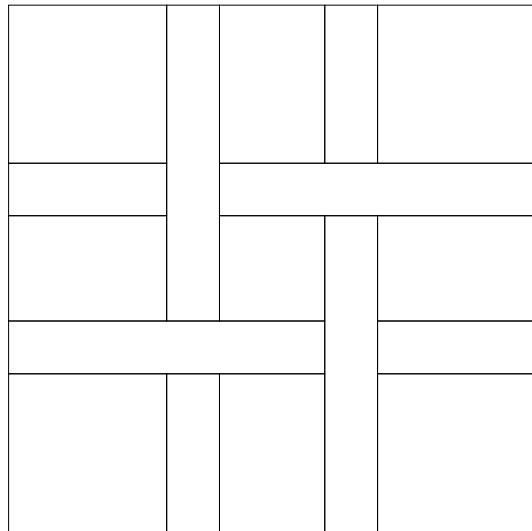
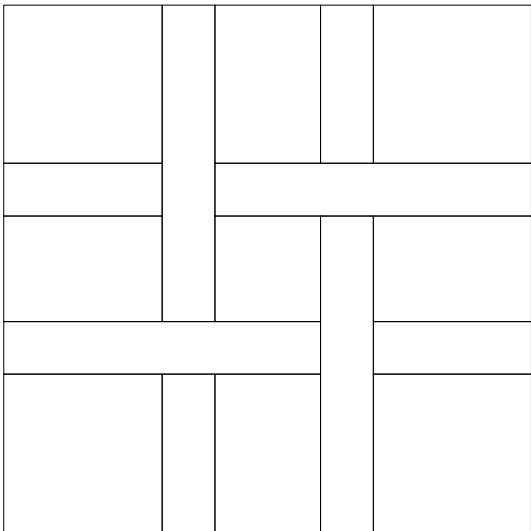
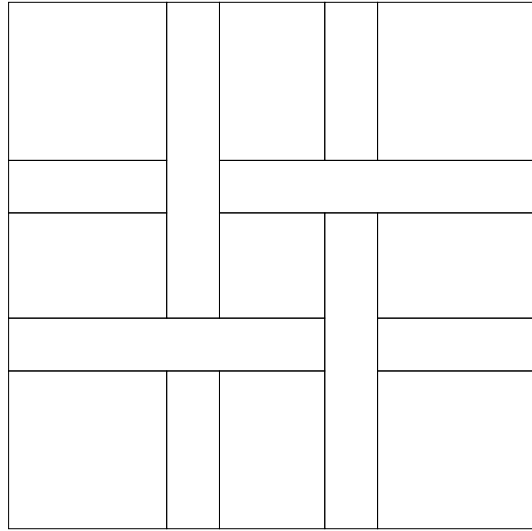
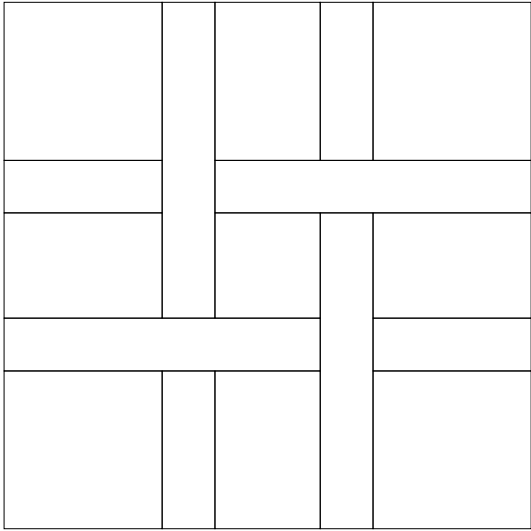
Try alternating two different patches (or group of patches) like a checkerboard.

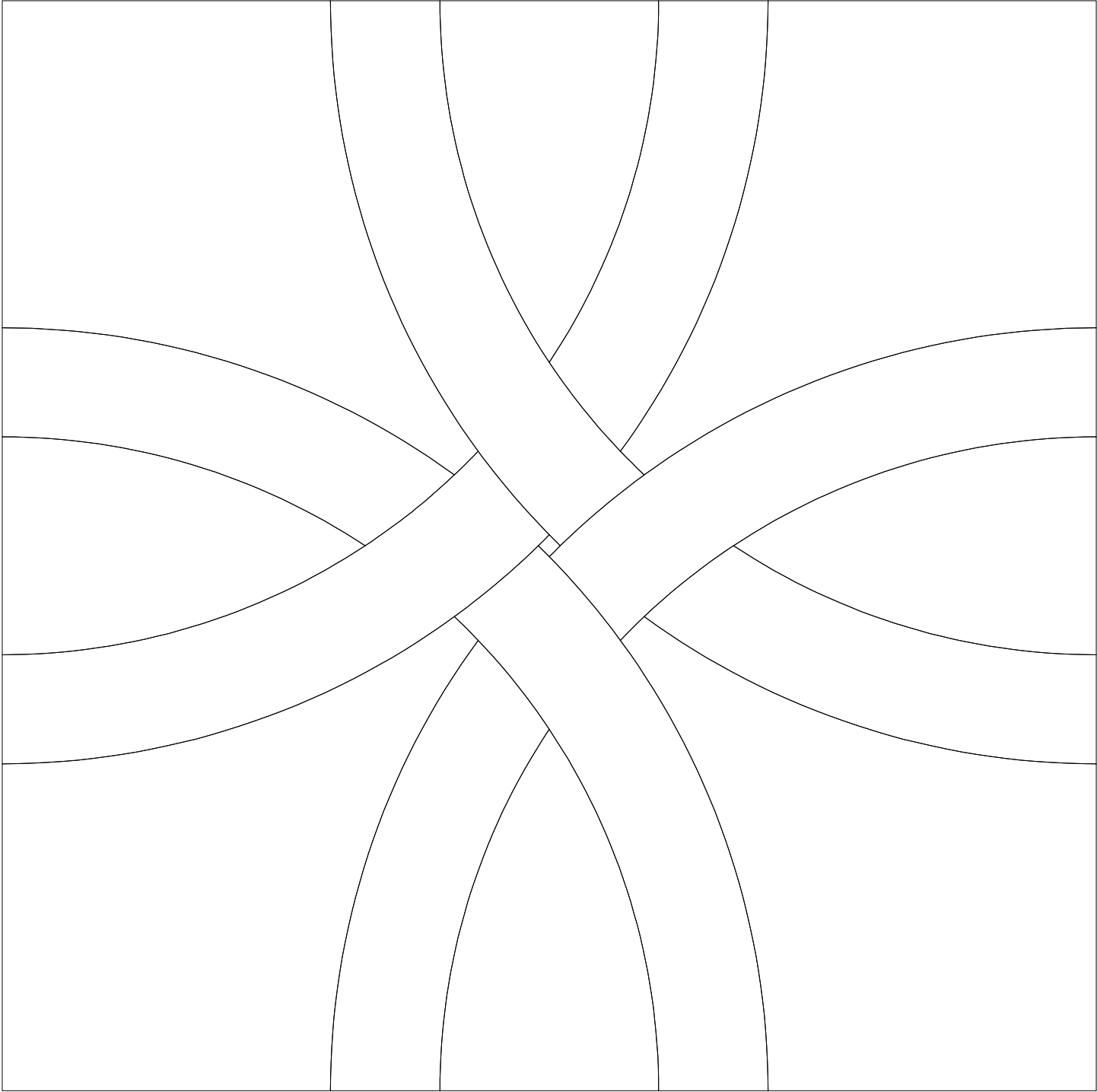
Try surrounding one patch (or group of patches) with another patch.

©2020 Raymond K. Houston

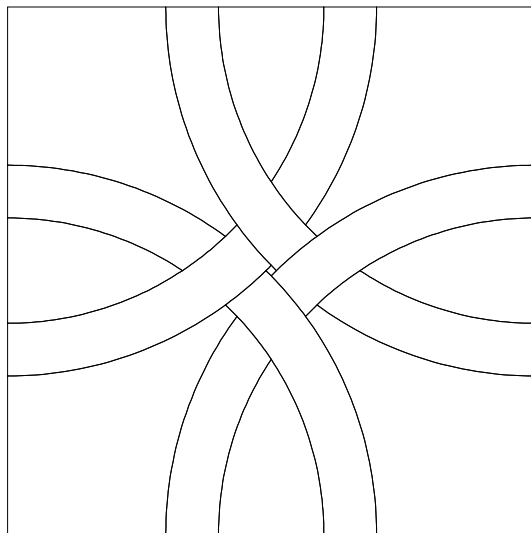
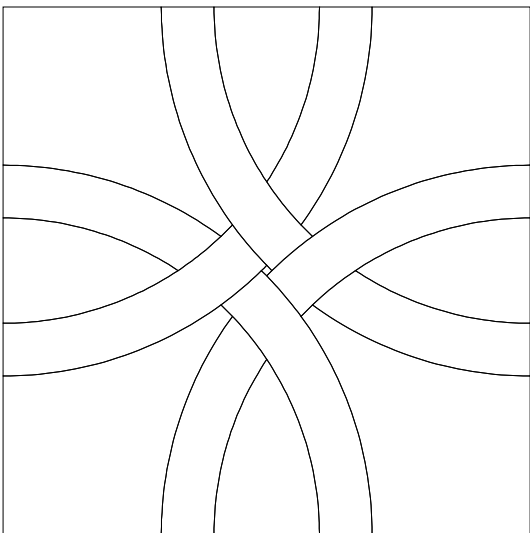
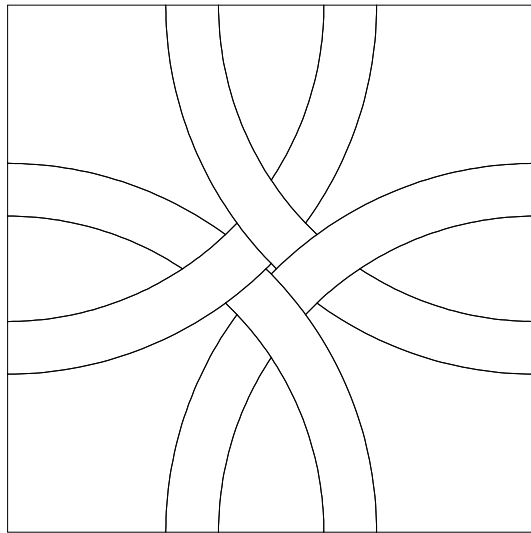
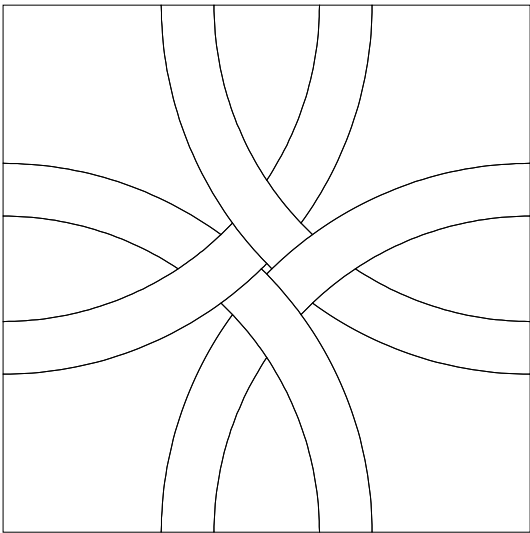
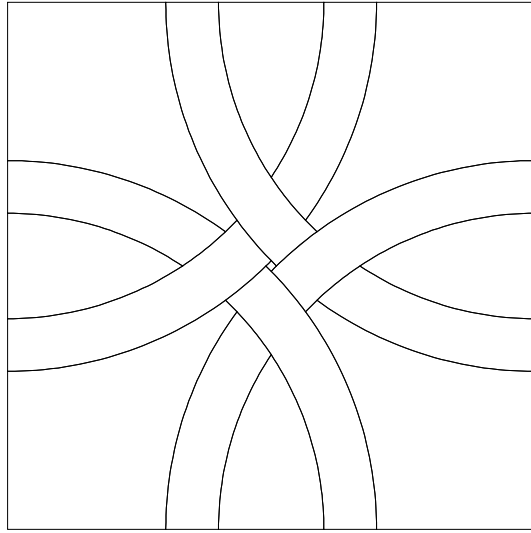
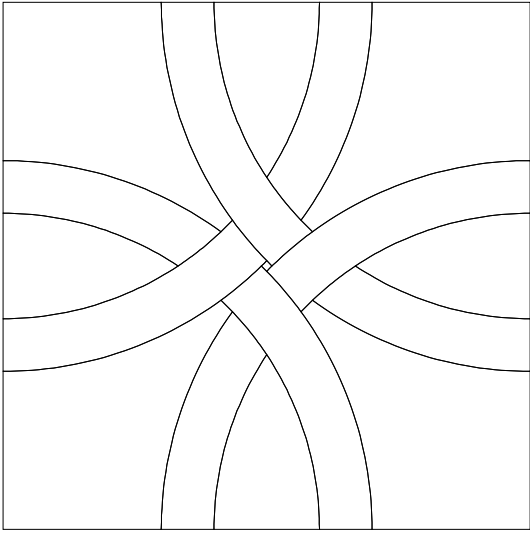


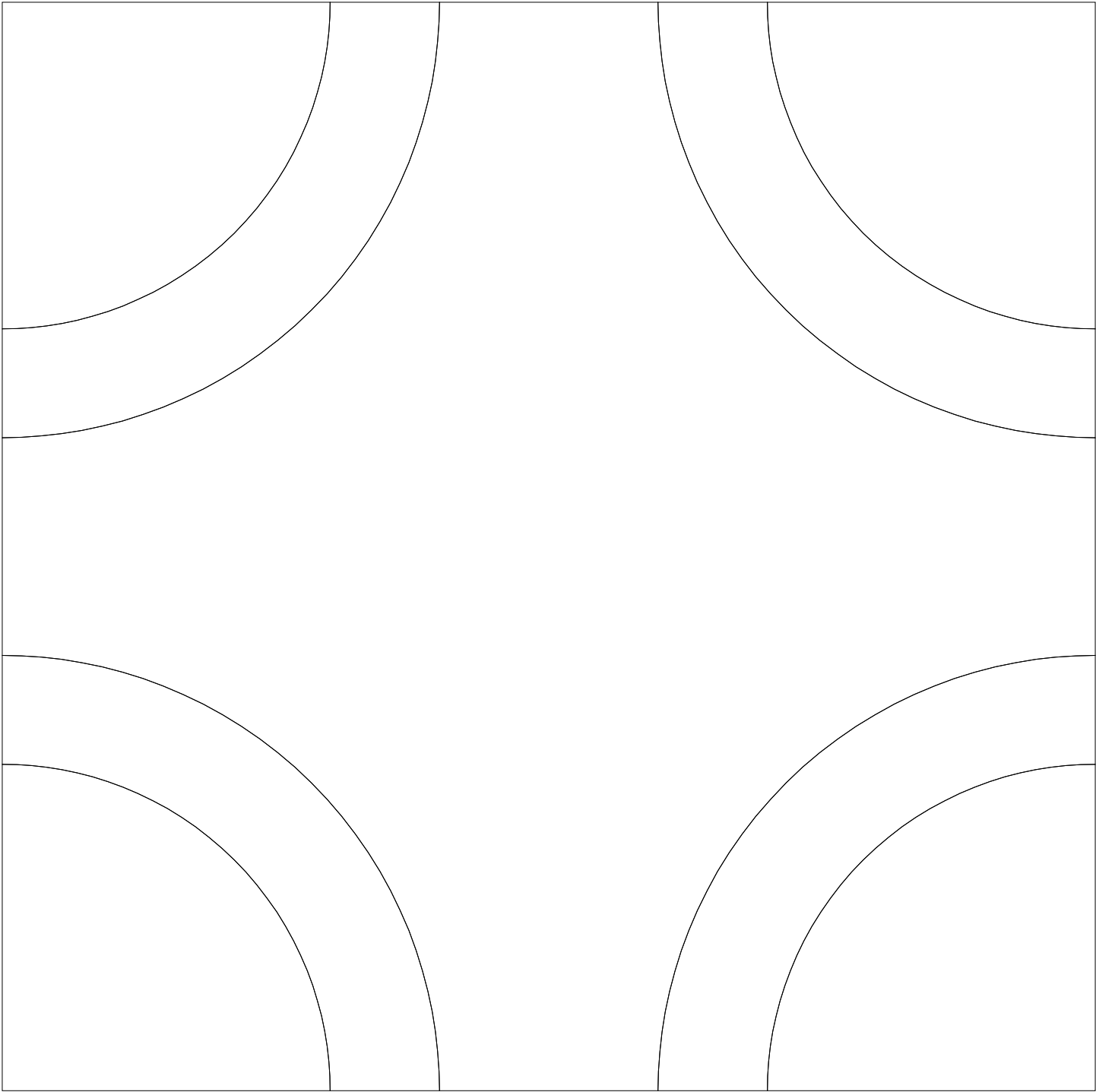
**Template A**



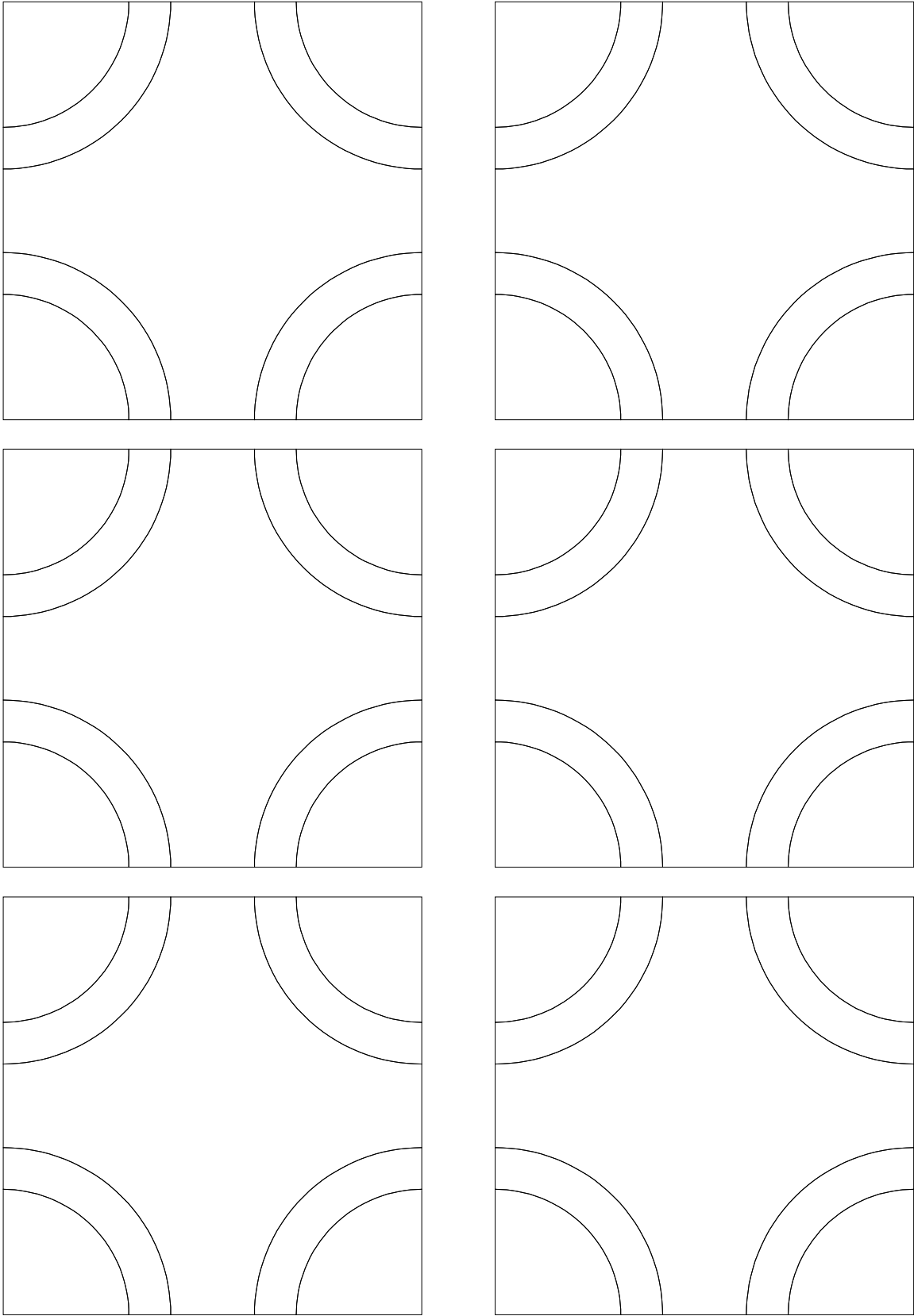


**Template B**

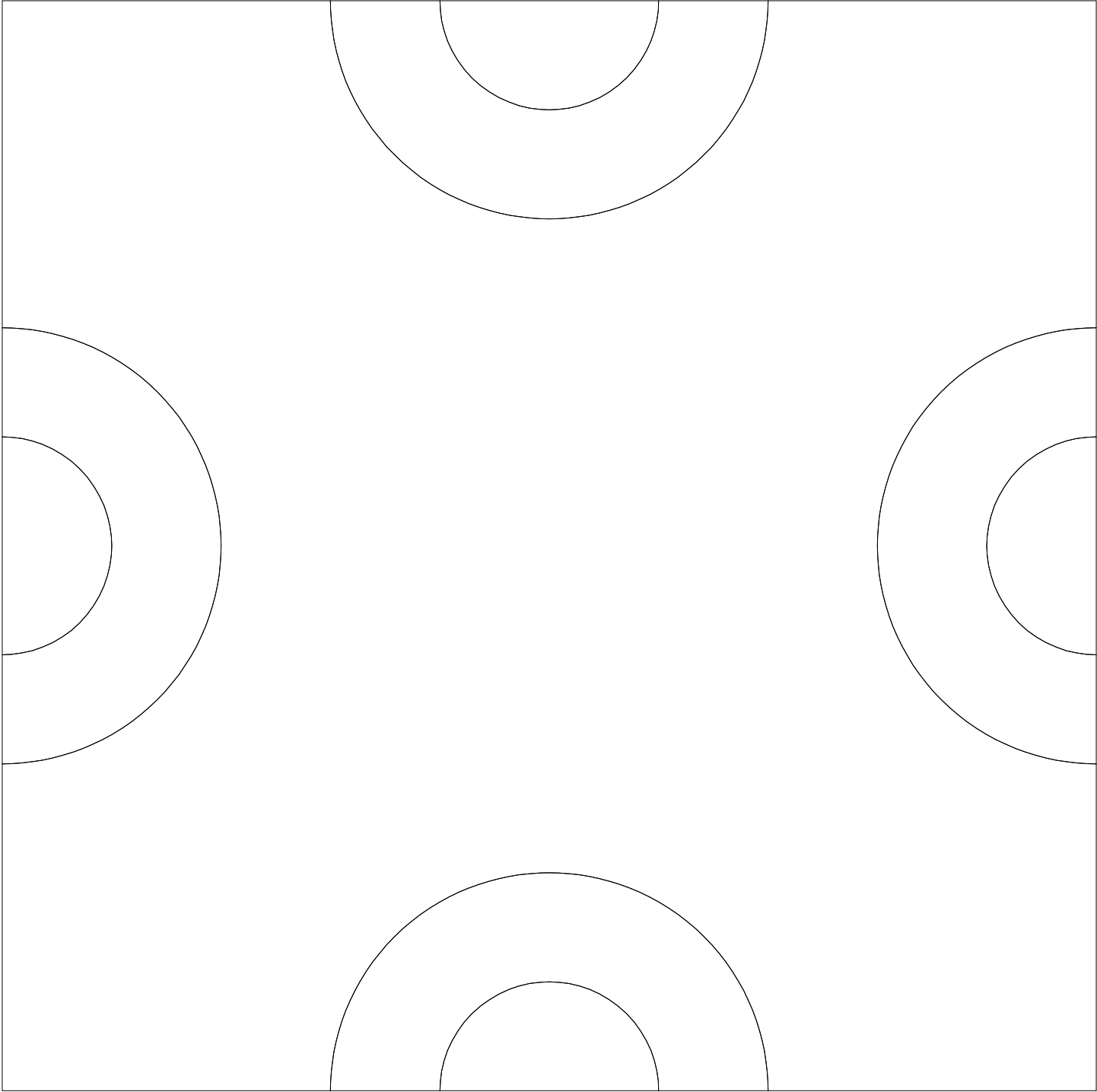




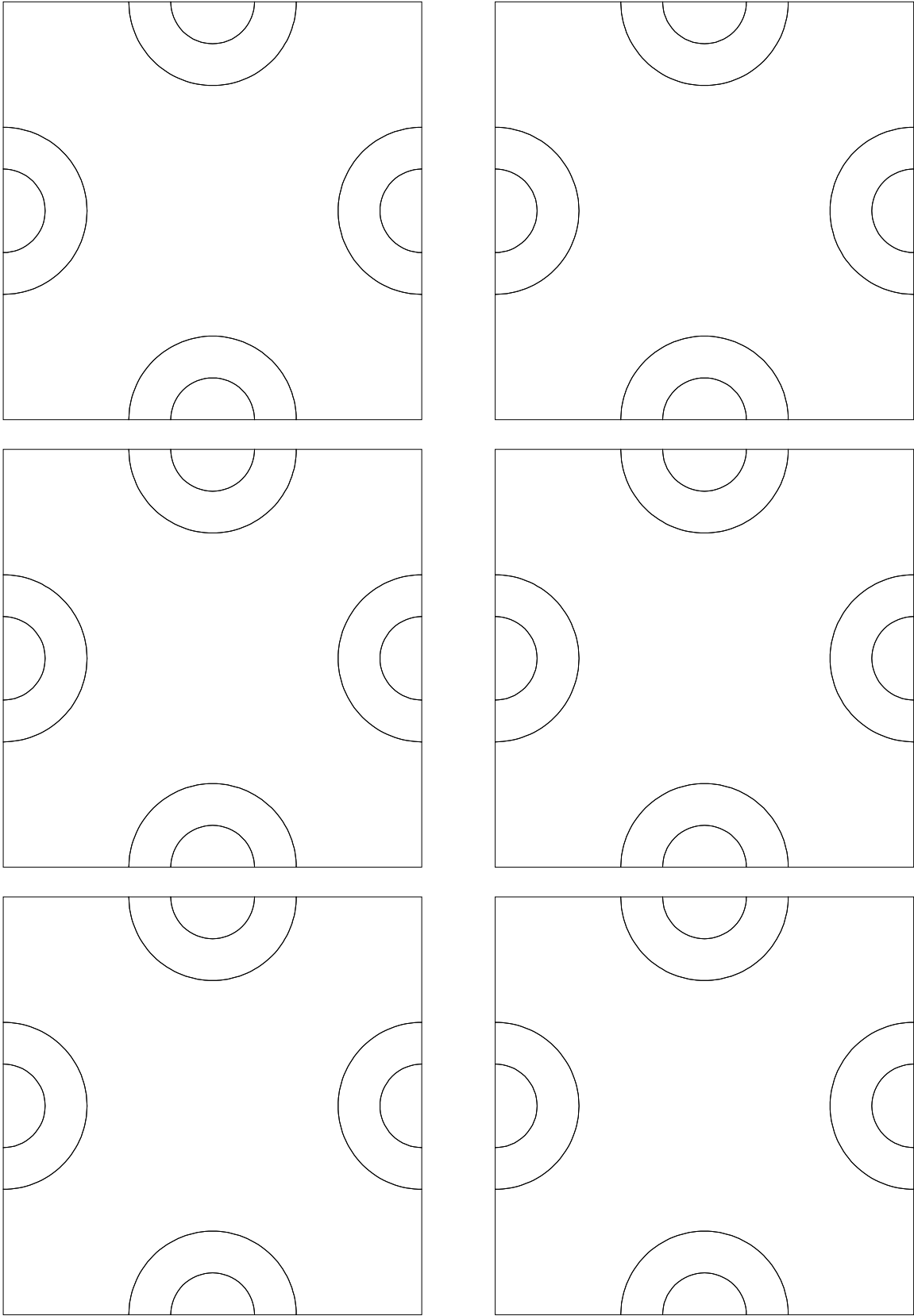
**Template C**

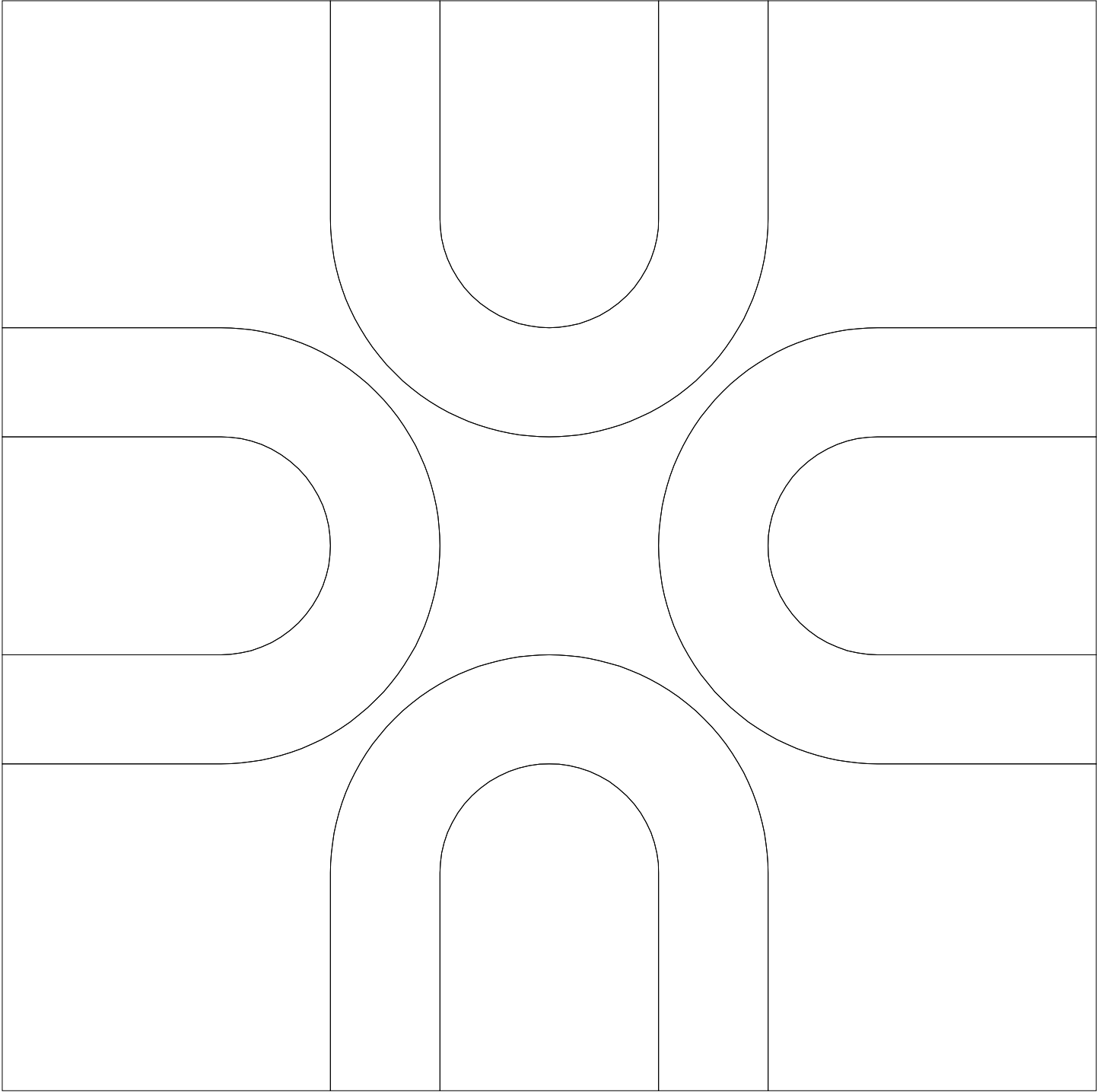




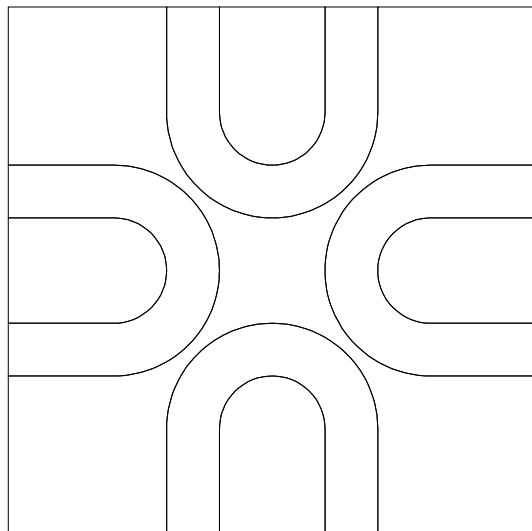
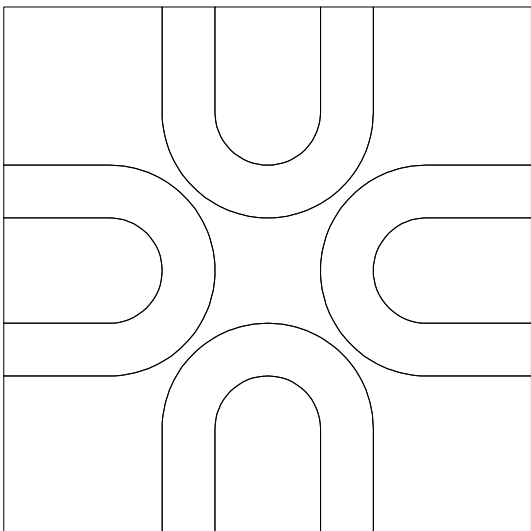
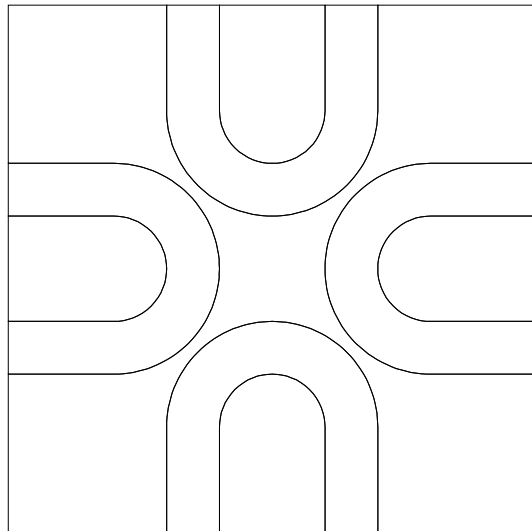
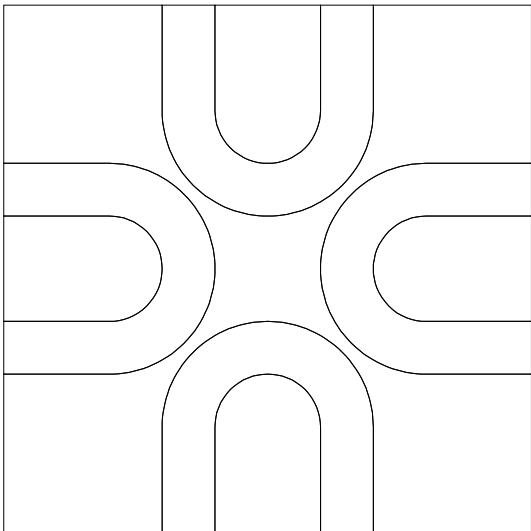
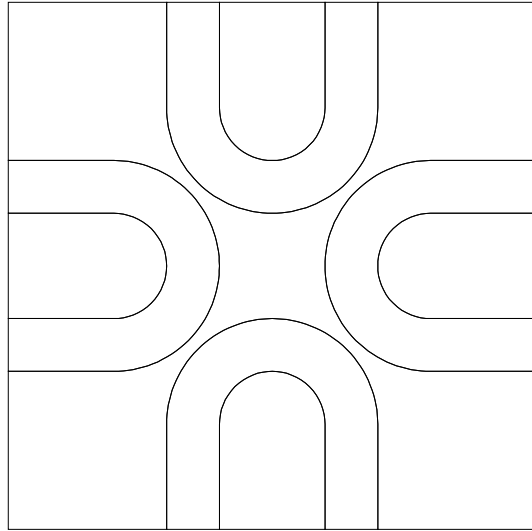
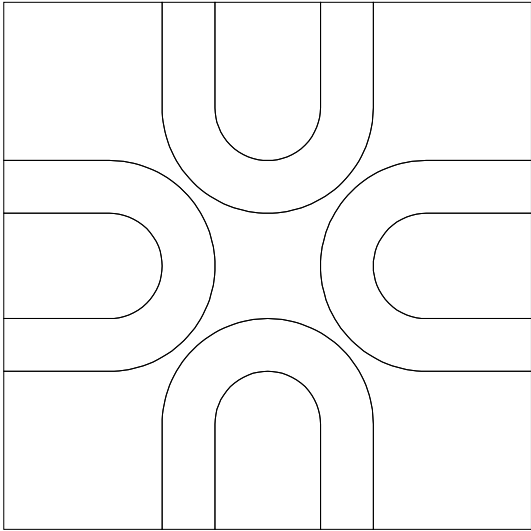


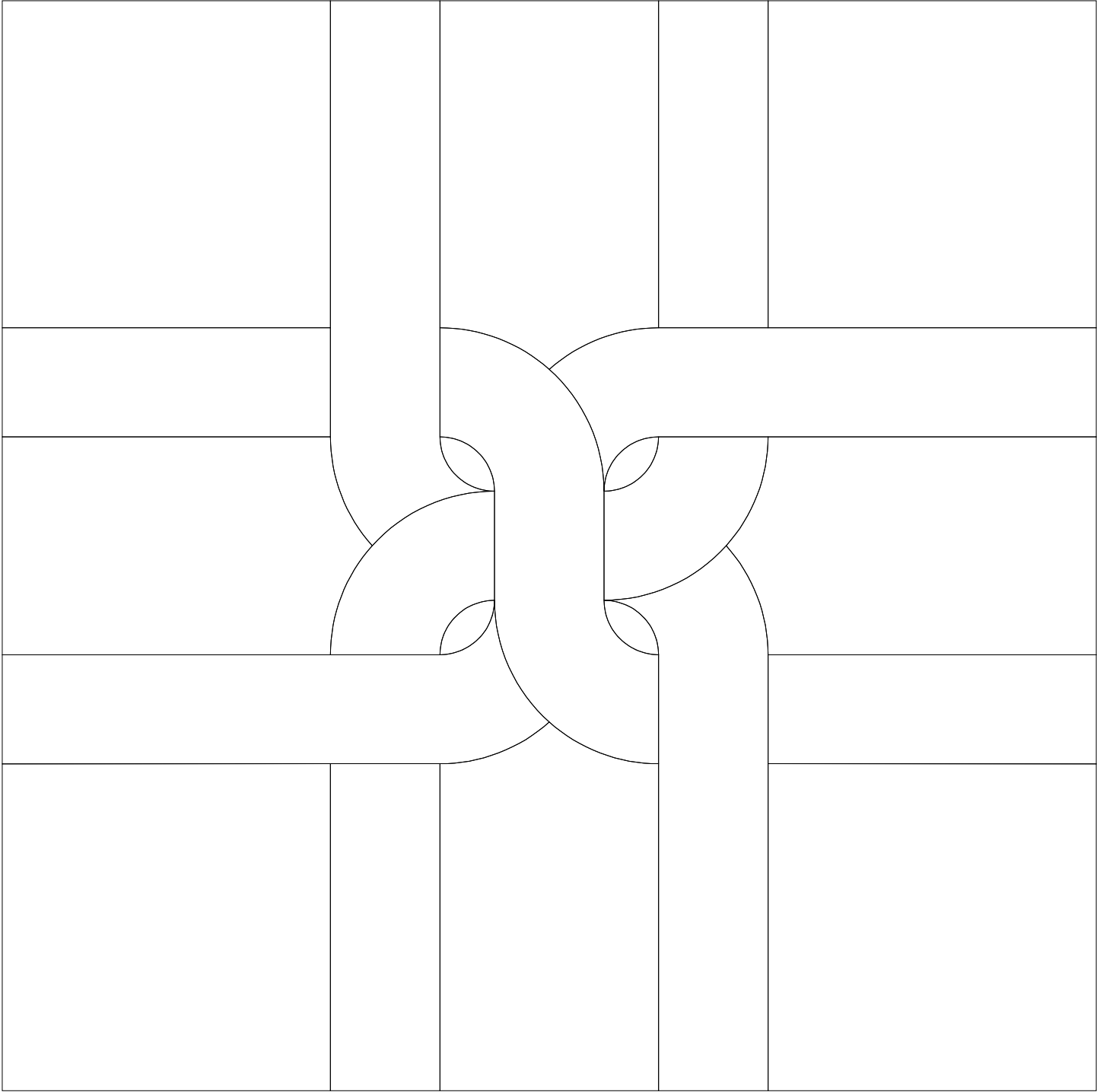
**Template D**





**Template E**





**Template F**

