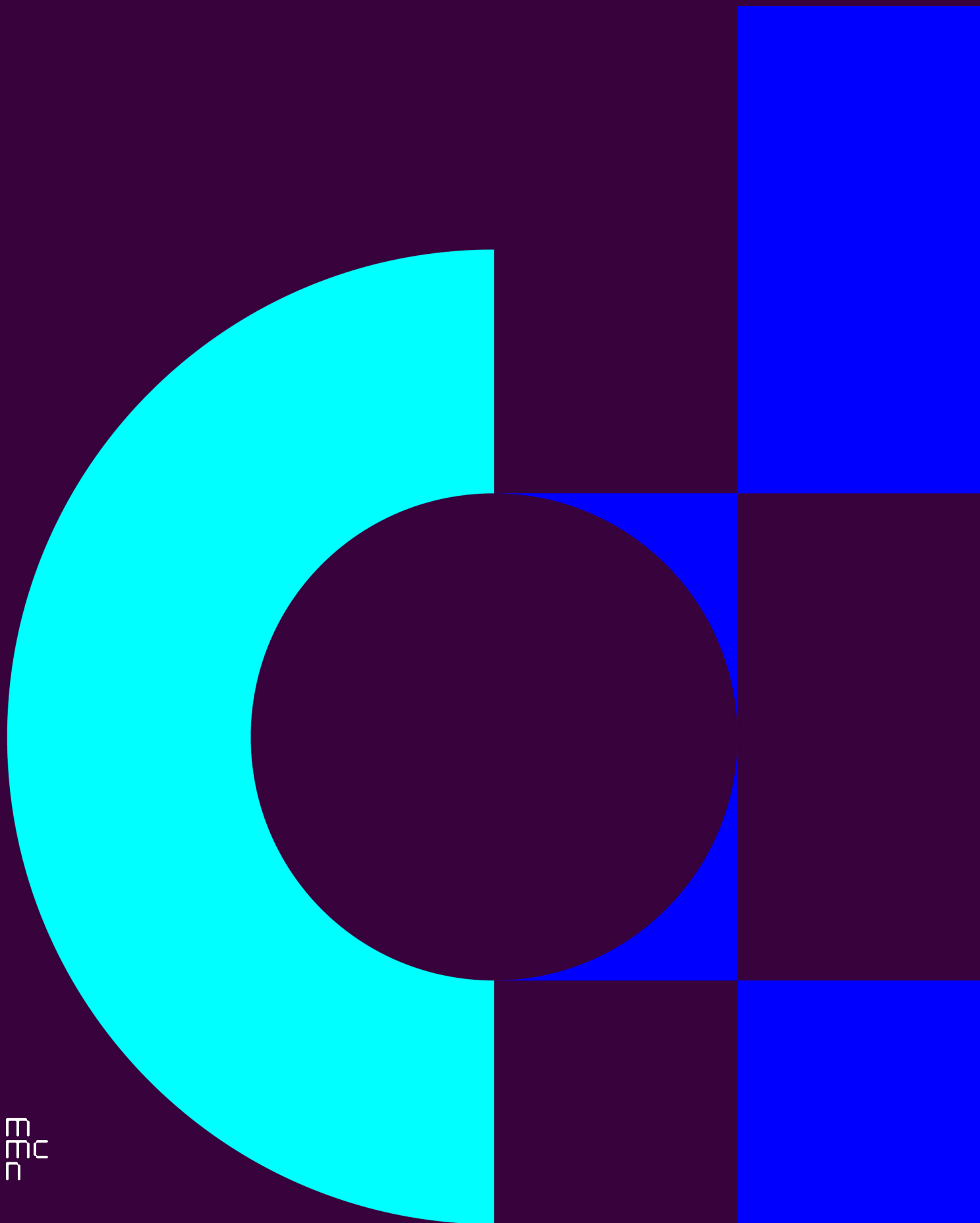
MuirMcNeil
Diode

A modular
geometric
type system



Diode is one of four modular geometric typefaces designed and developed by Natasha Lucas in collaboration with MuirMcNeil.

The Diode project began as one of a series of visual experiments examining the interdependence of positive and negative spaces in typographic forms, a feature that Lucas had first begun to investigate in her Bisect typeface.

Using only three different geometric modules to build the Diode alphabet, Lucas explored the ways in which form and counterform could be manipulated reciprocally to construct letters and words that are playfully ambiguous but that always remain true to their alphabetic origins. The result is a type system that is structurally incomplete but that maintains its visual integrity and legibility by optimising the use of space.

Diode has been cut in three versions, one positive and two negative, and in three sets of individual letter component fonts designed to register precisely with one another in layers, offering a huge range of visual possibilities.

Diode
A

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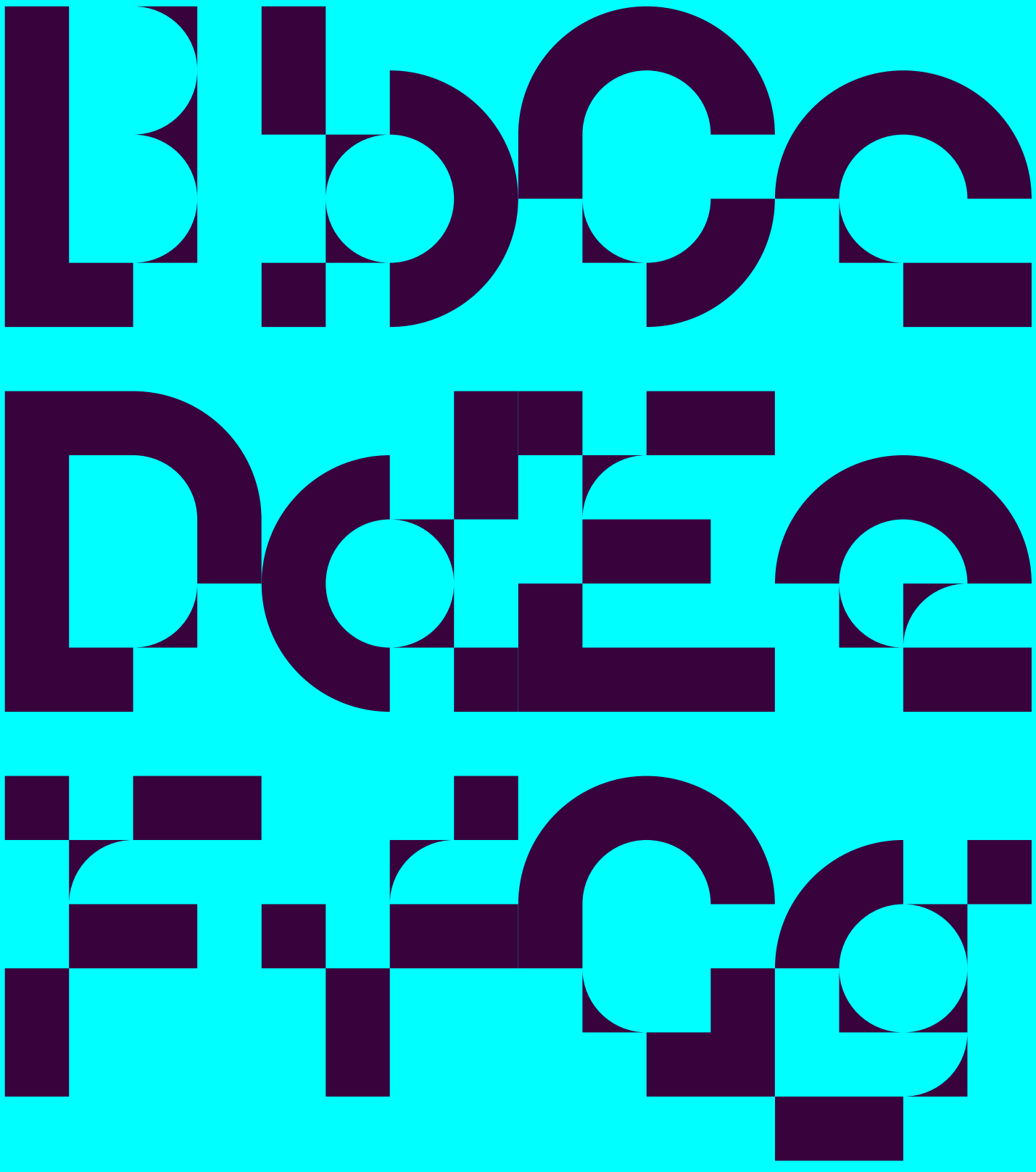
Diode
A

200/200pt



Diode
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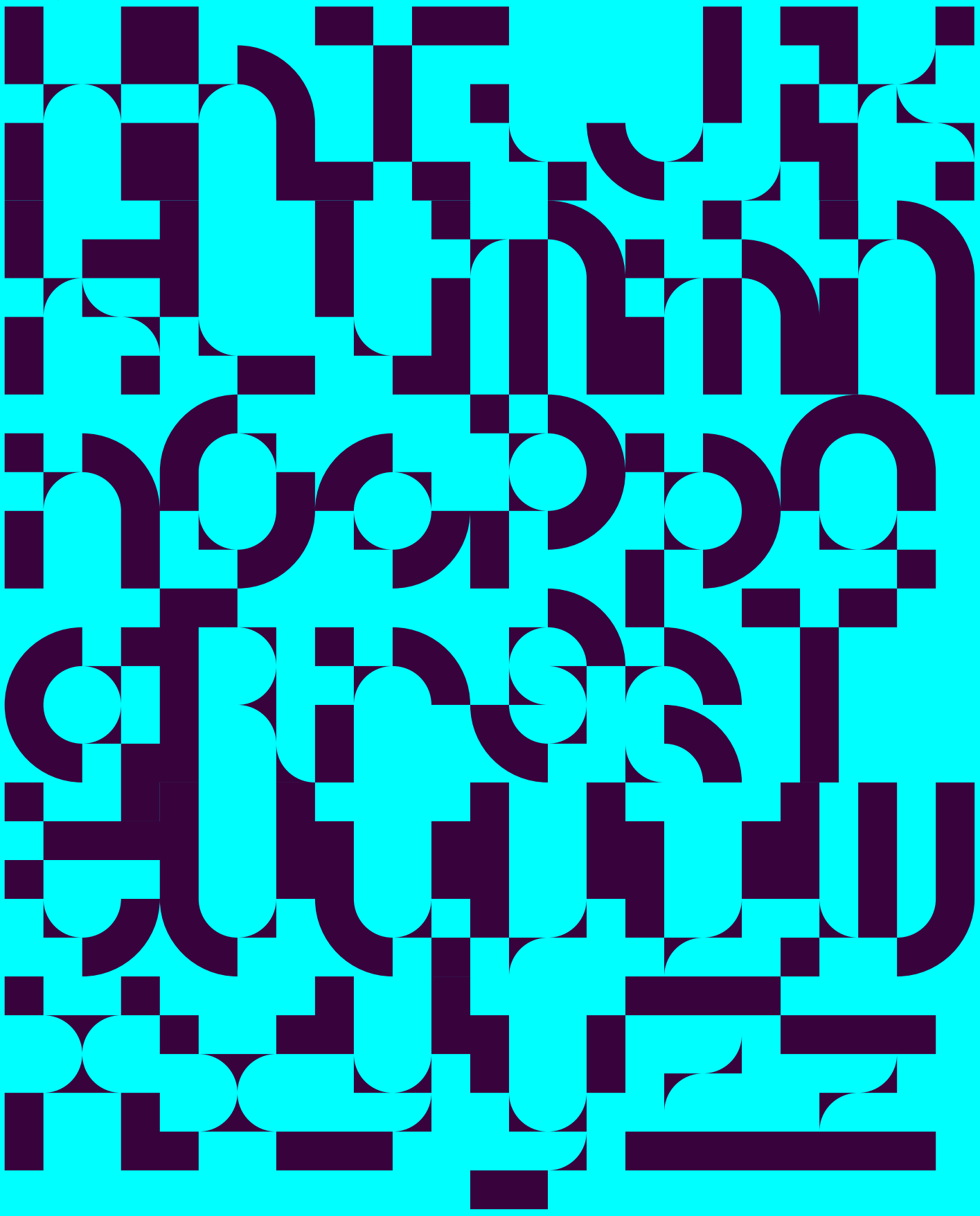

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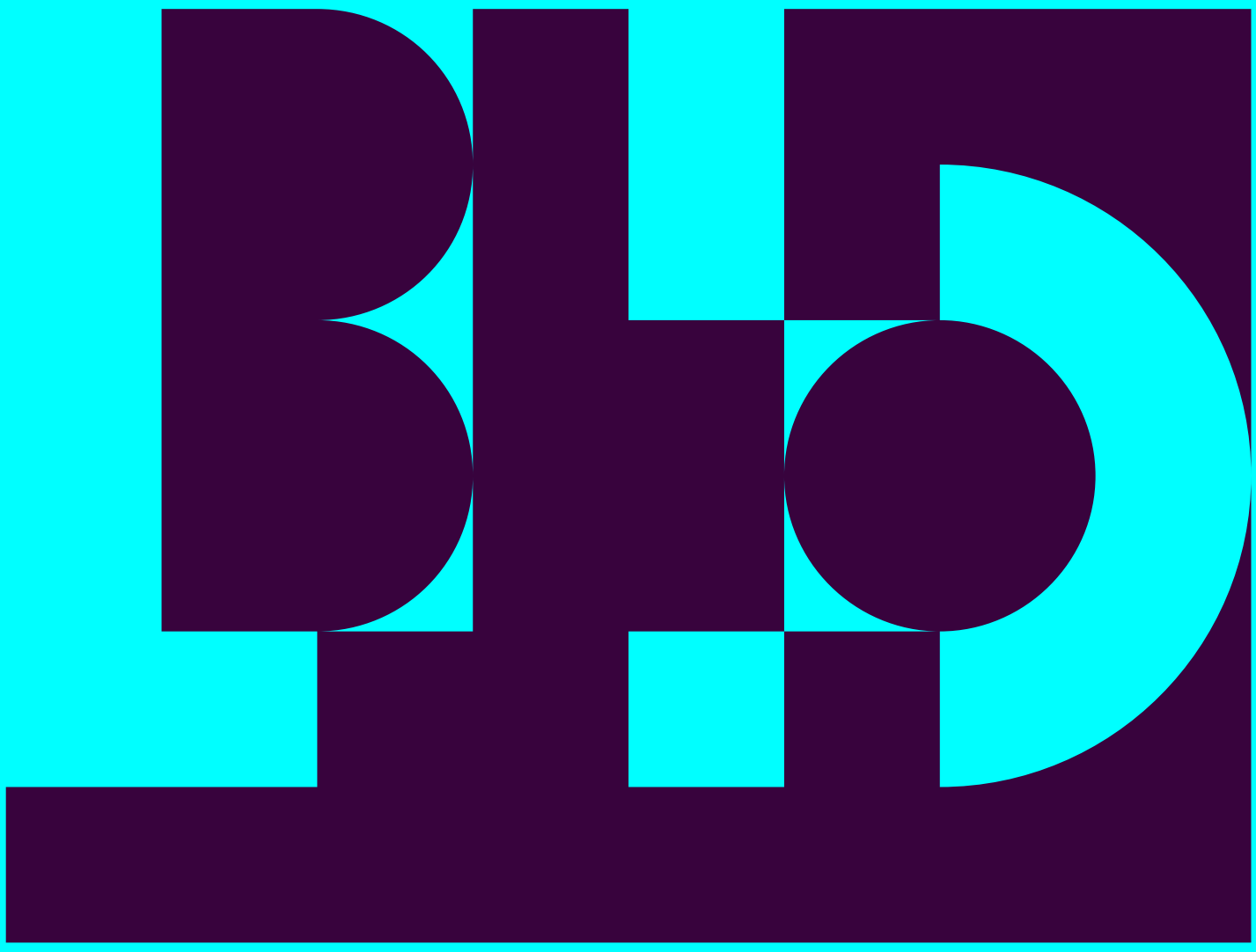

Diode
B

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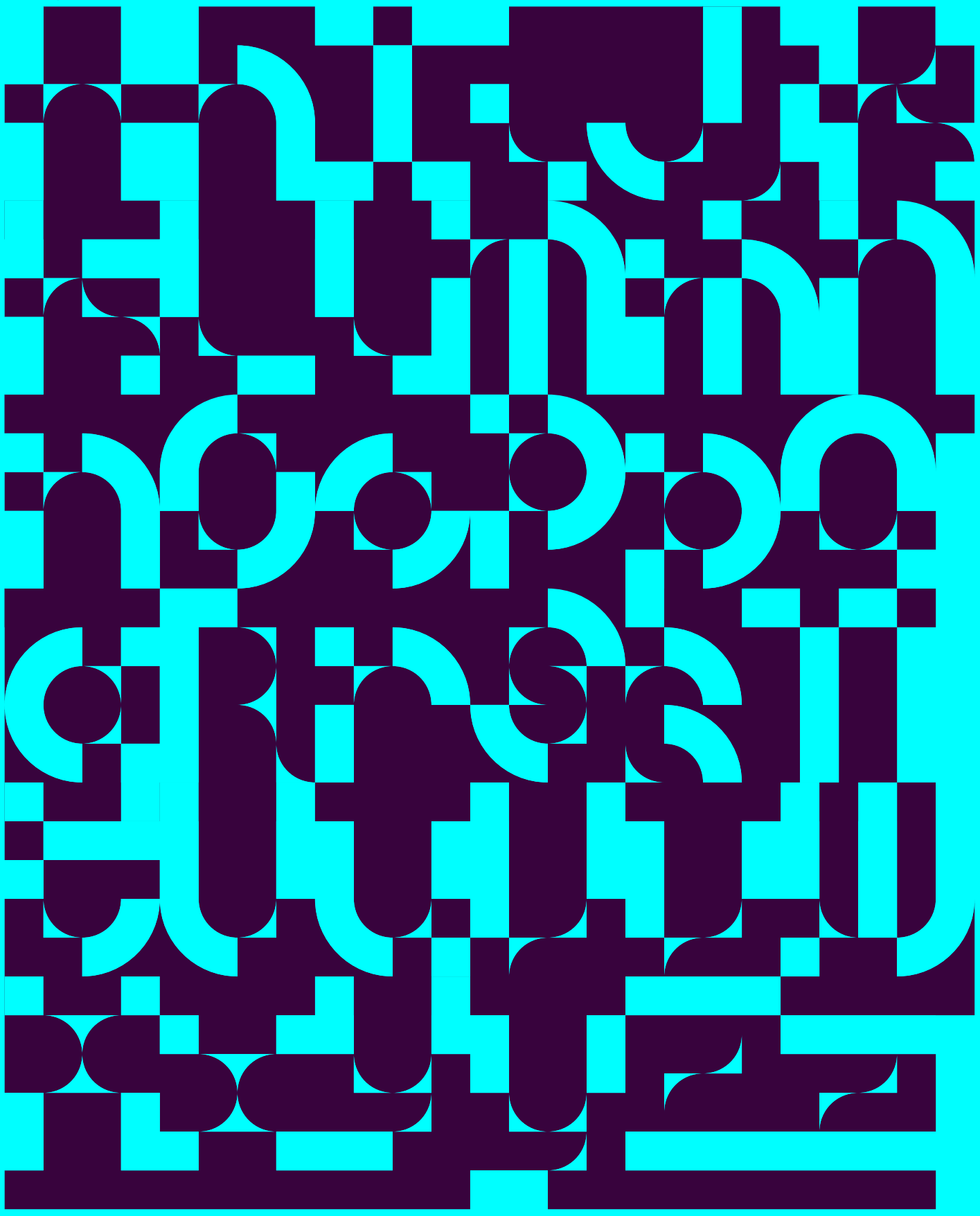
Diode
B

125/105pt



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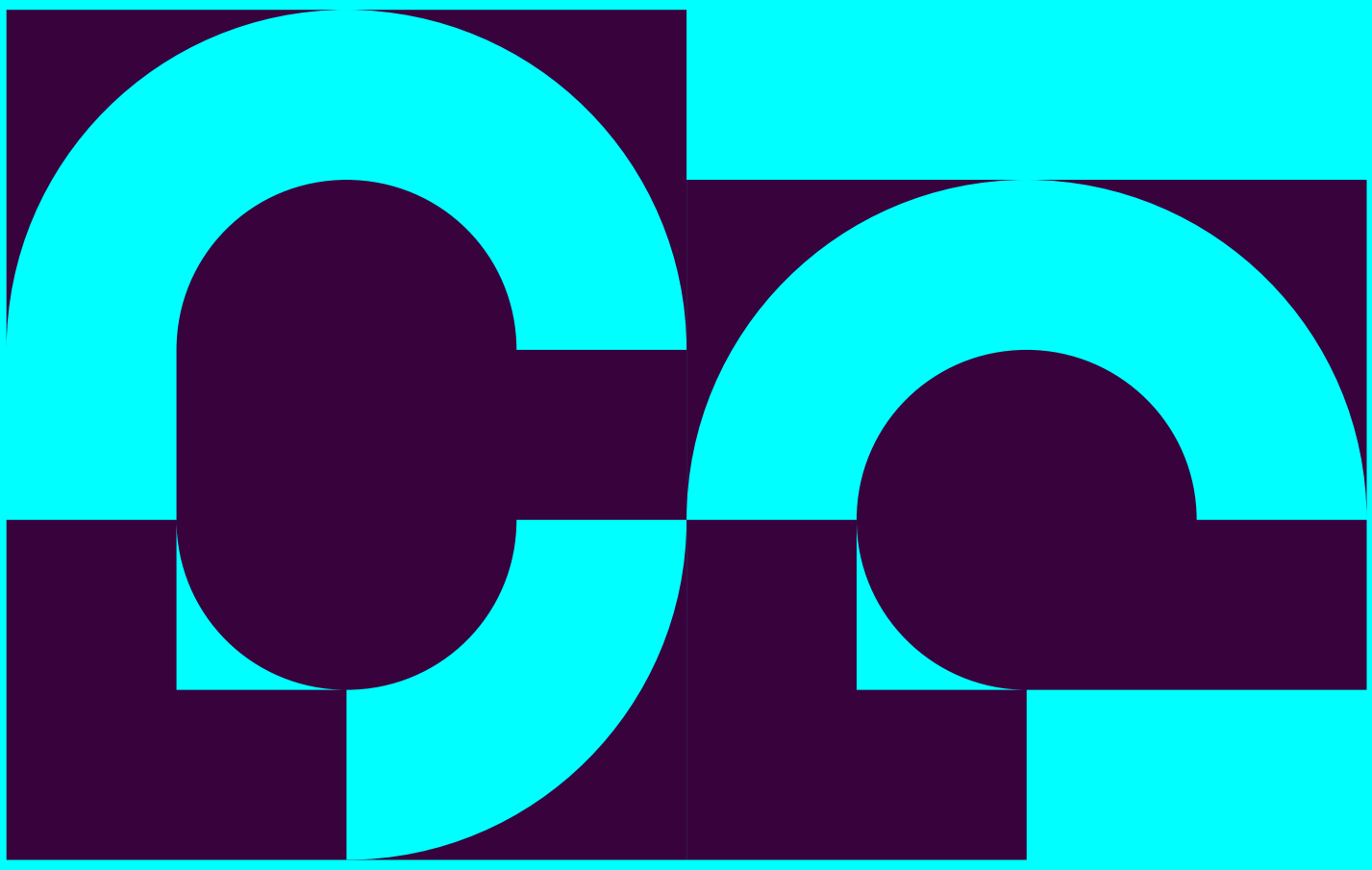

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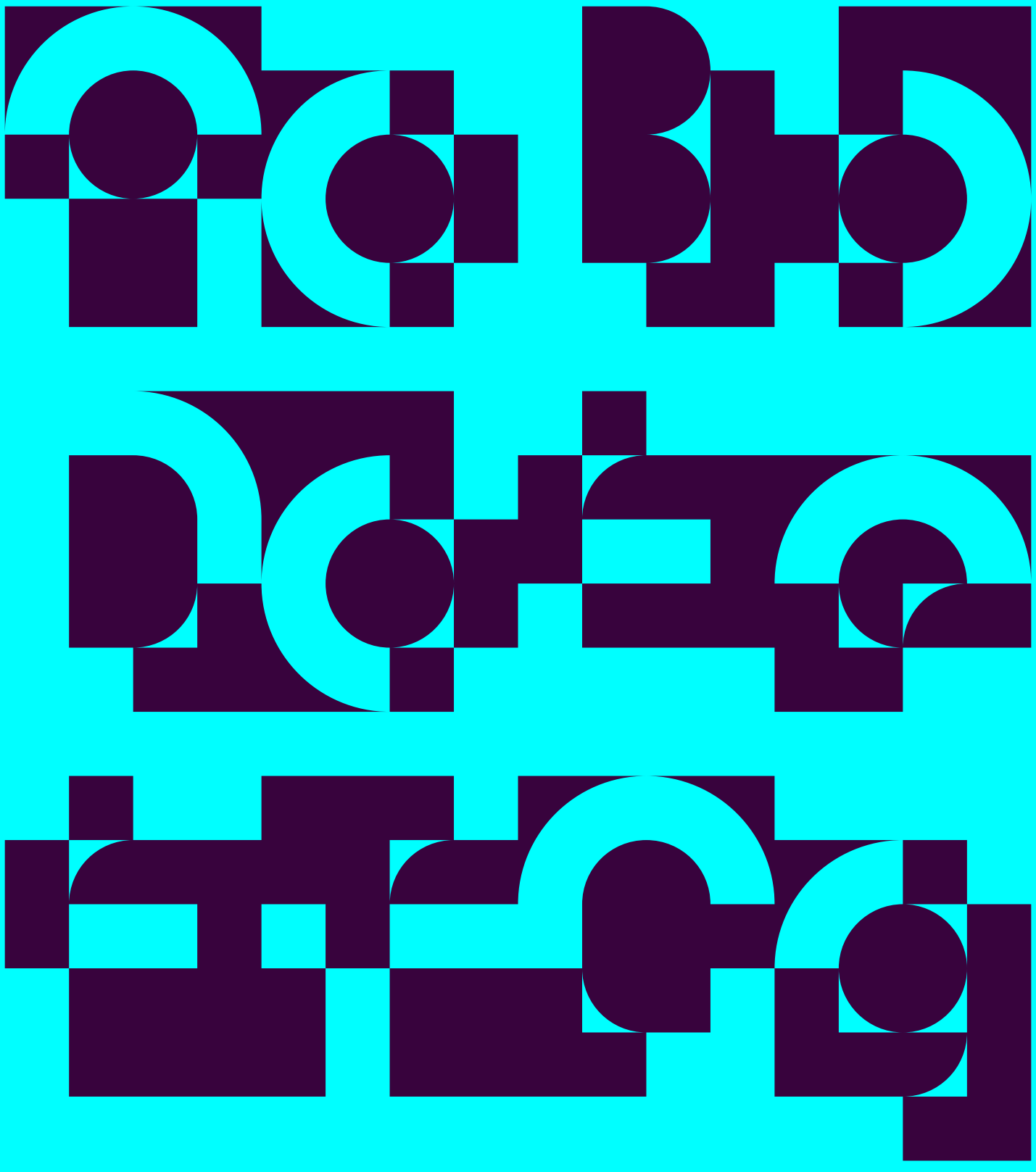

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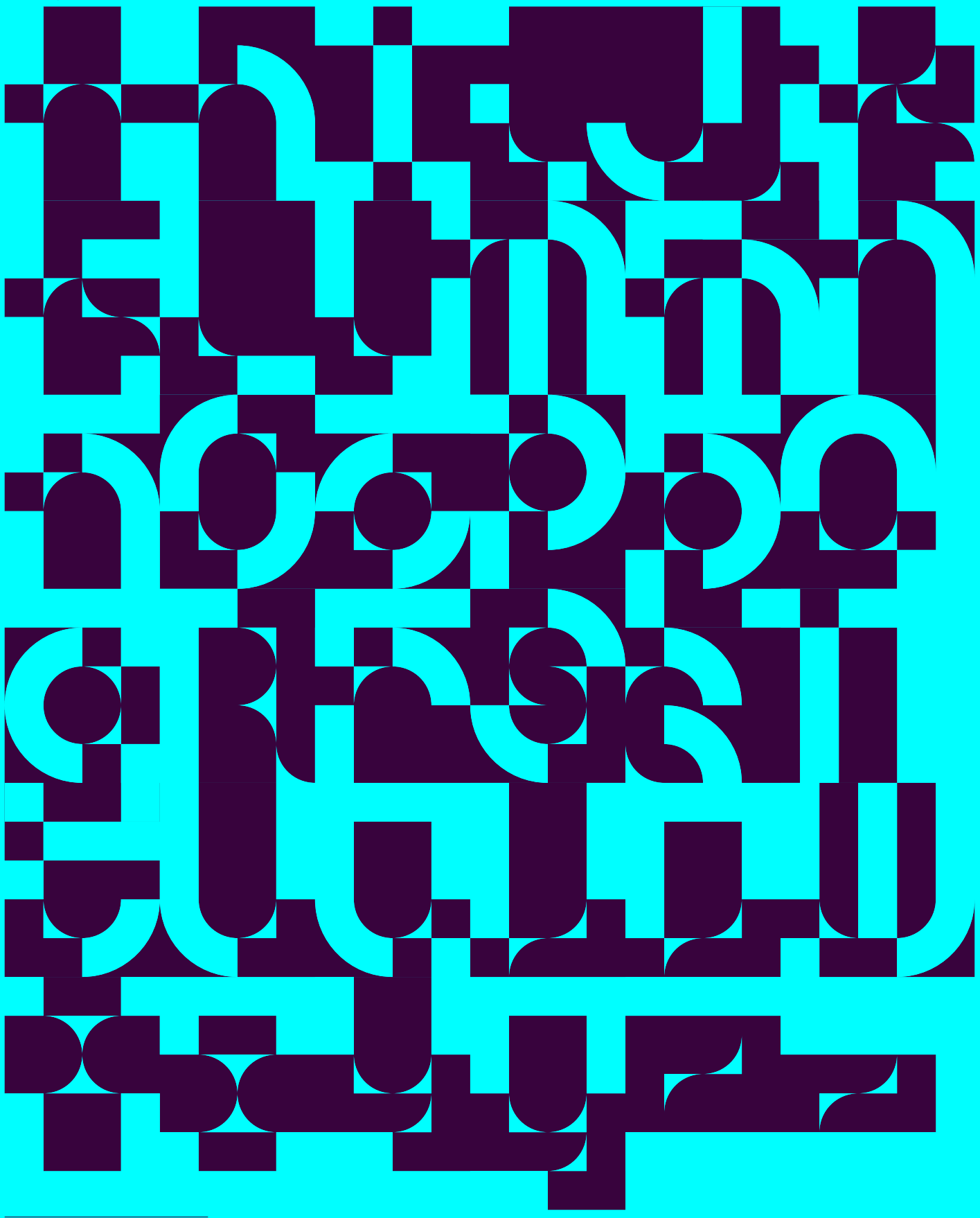

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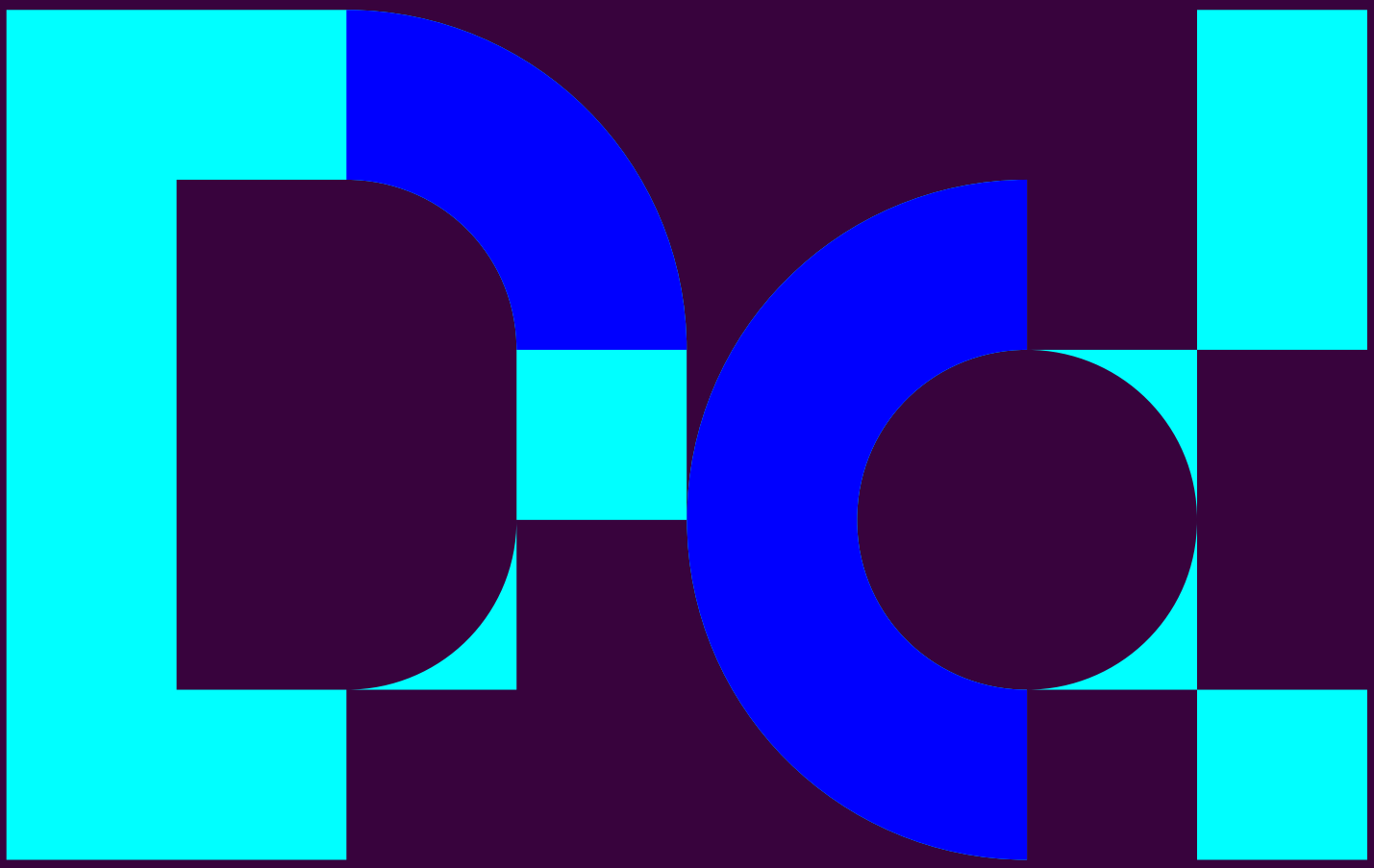

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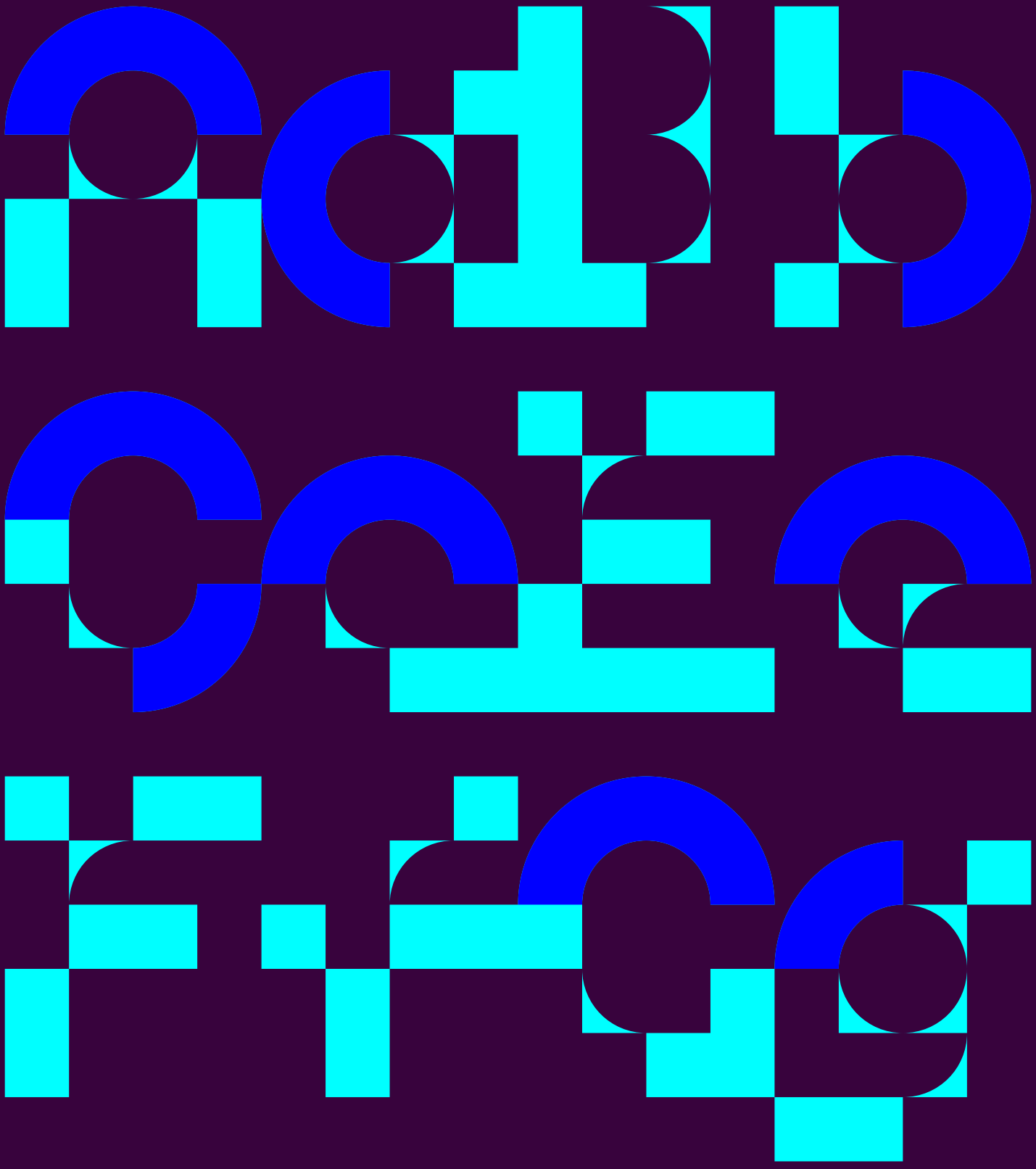

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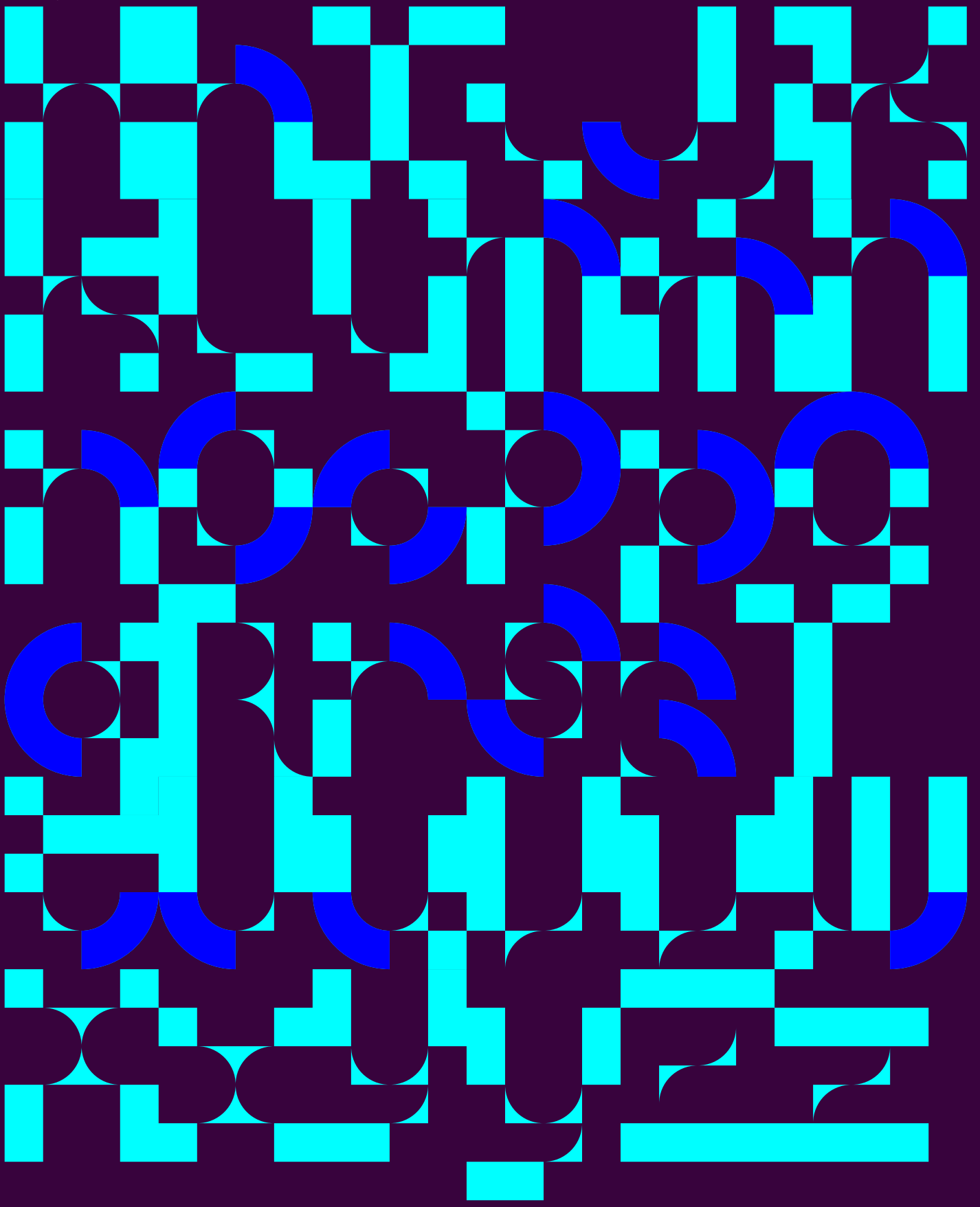

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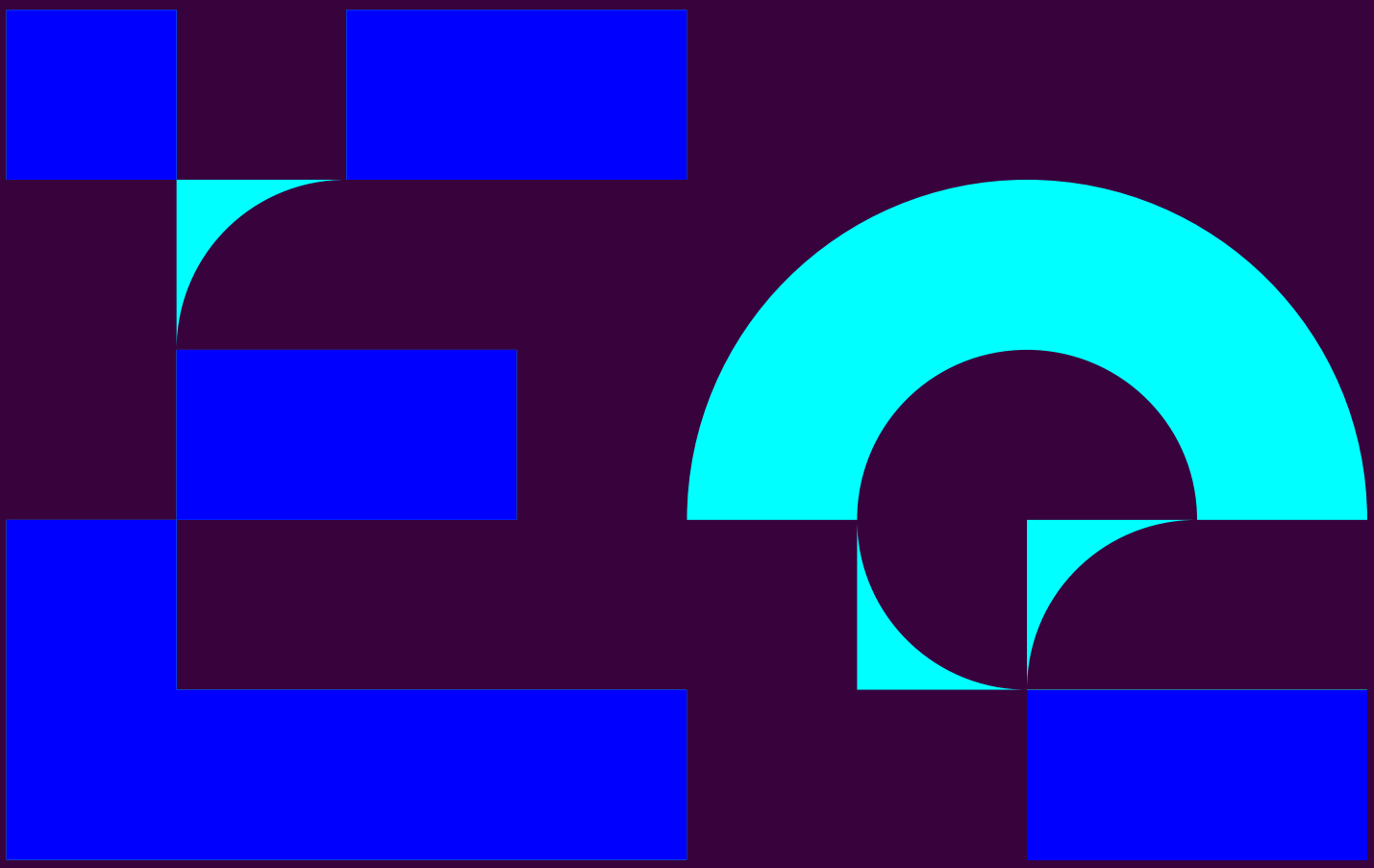

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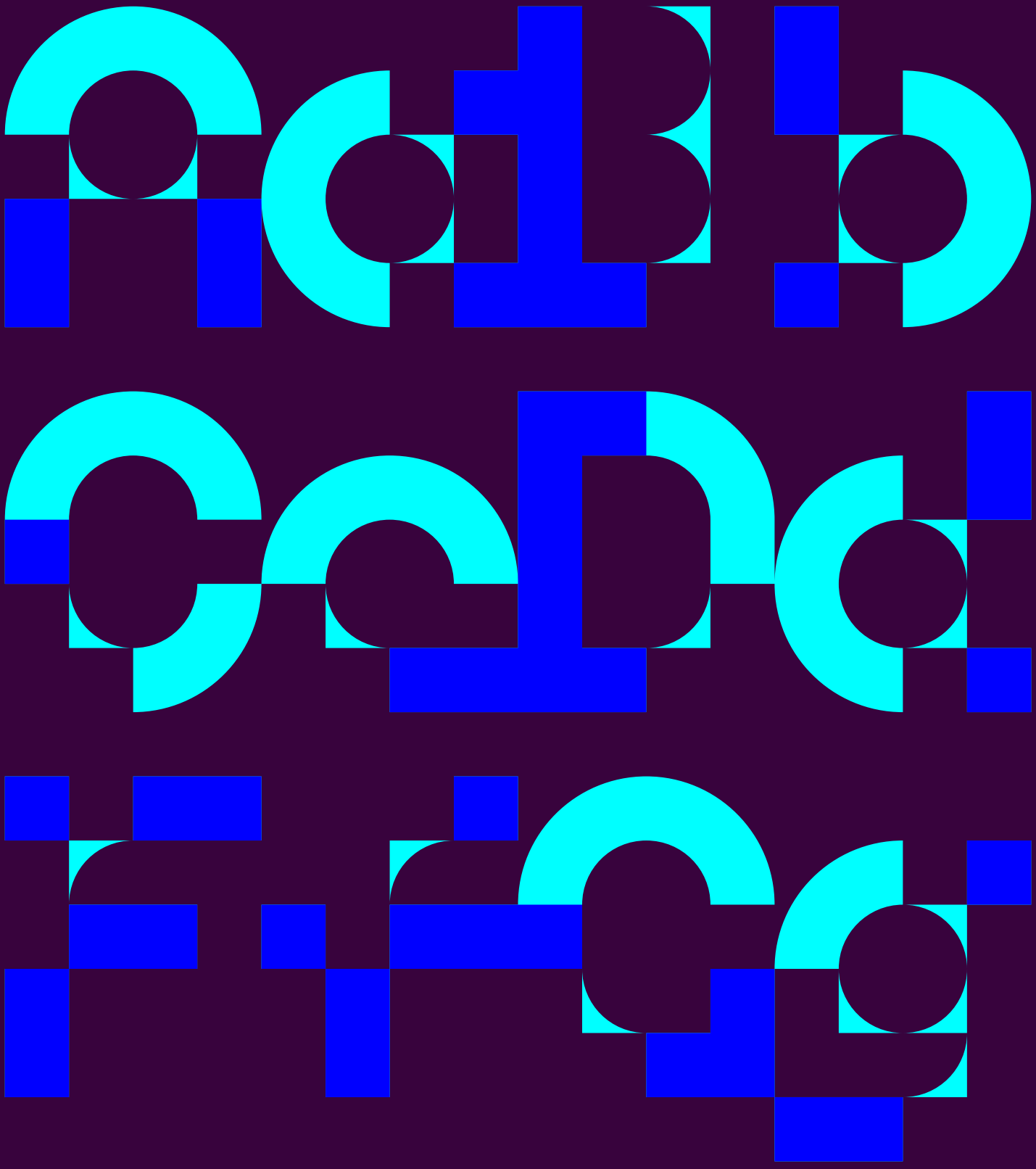

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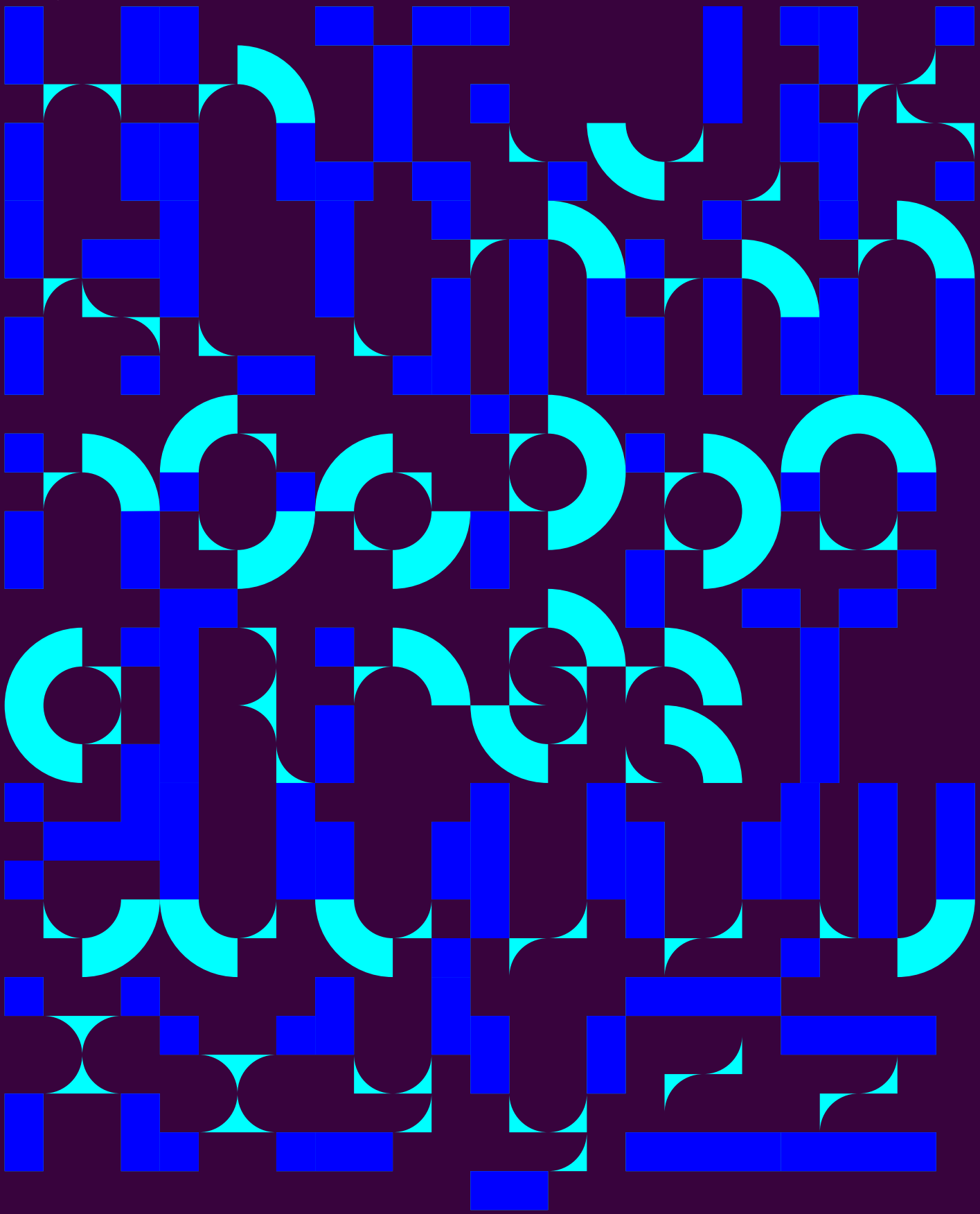

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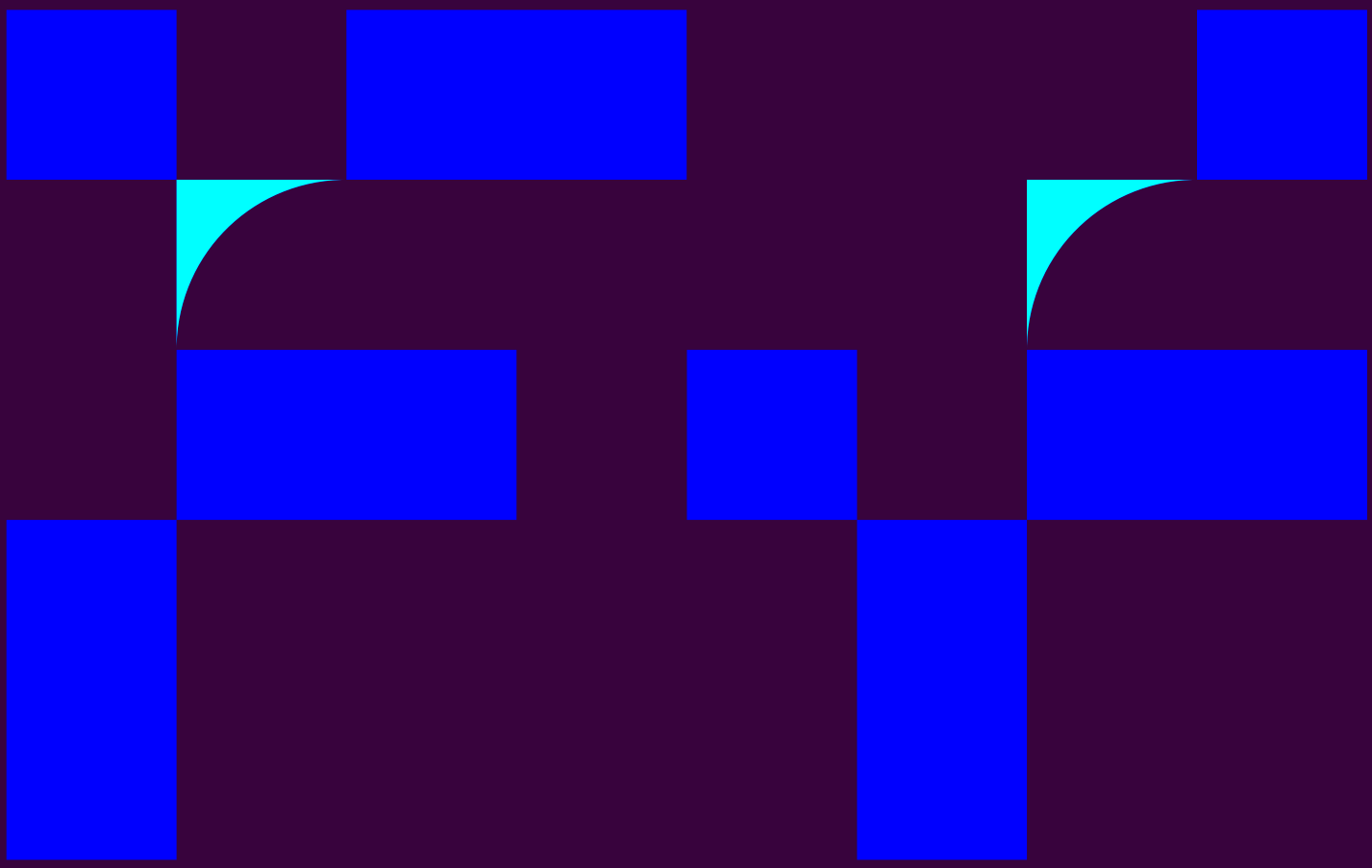

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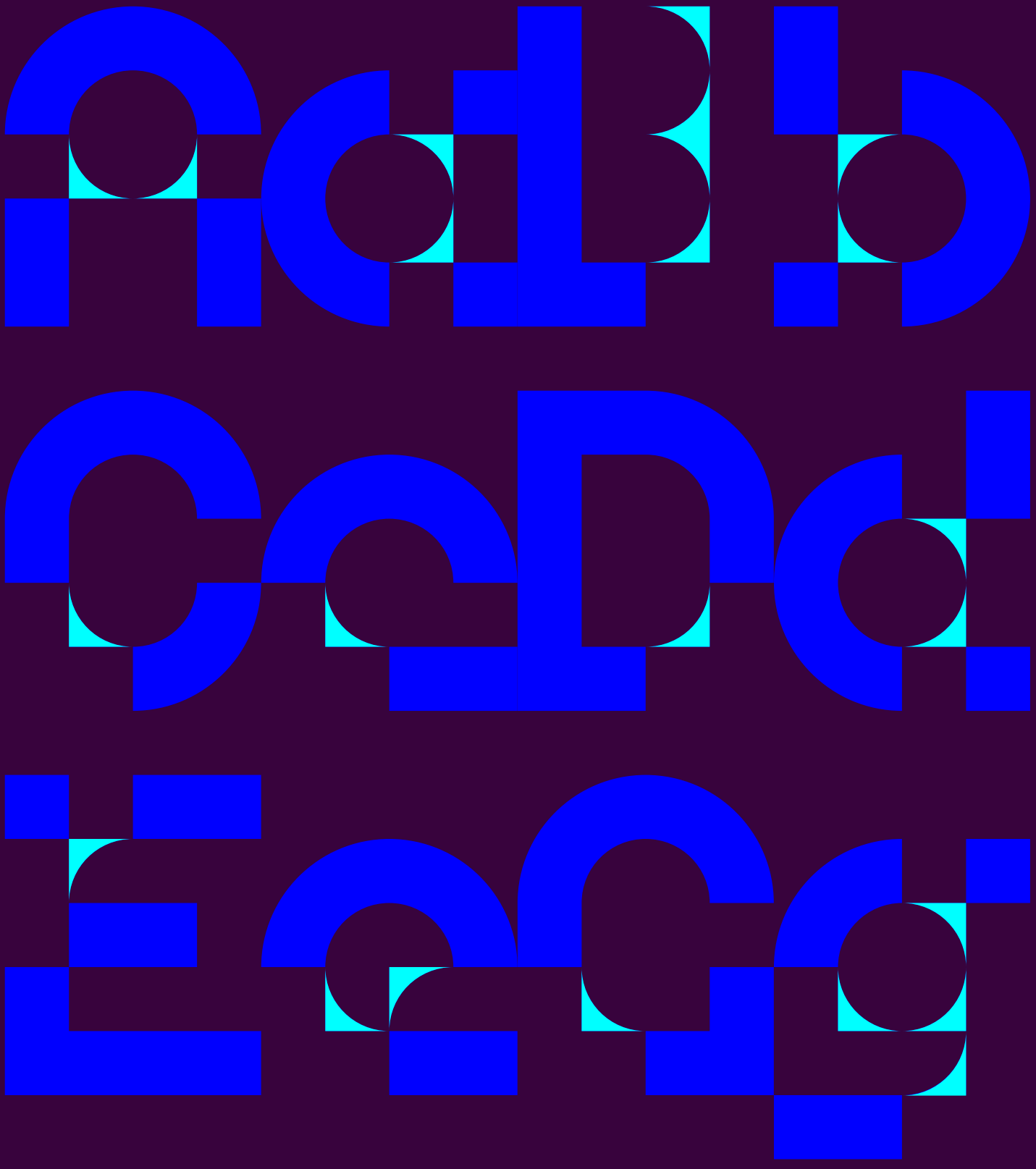

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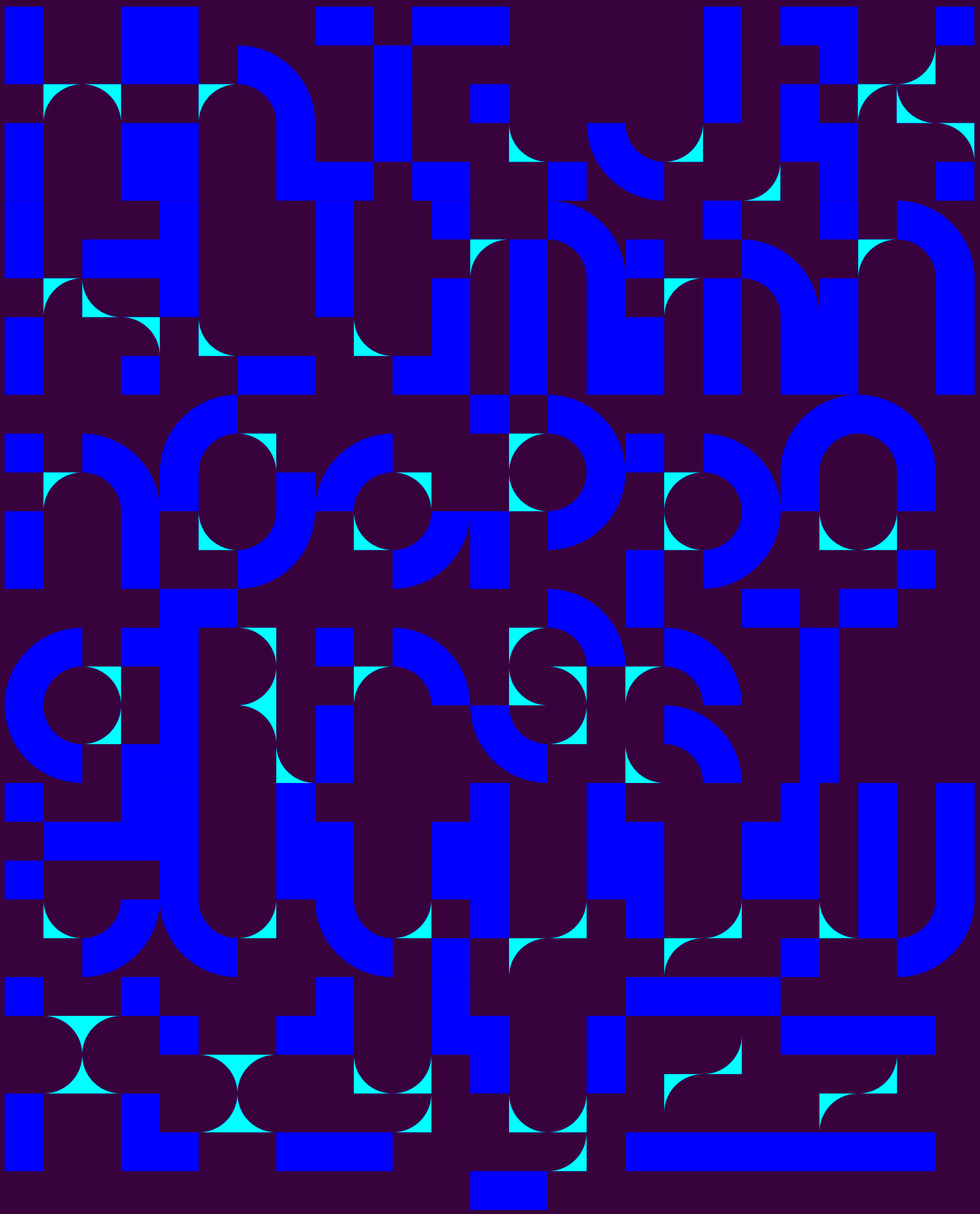

Diode
Character Set

Latin 1 standard character set in OTF, TTF, WOFF and WOFF 2 encoding.

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All spacing in Diode is based on modular units. The keystrokes <Option-p> and <Shift-Option-p> are assigned to allow adjustment of letter or word alignments by a single stroke width.