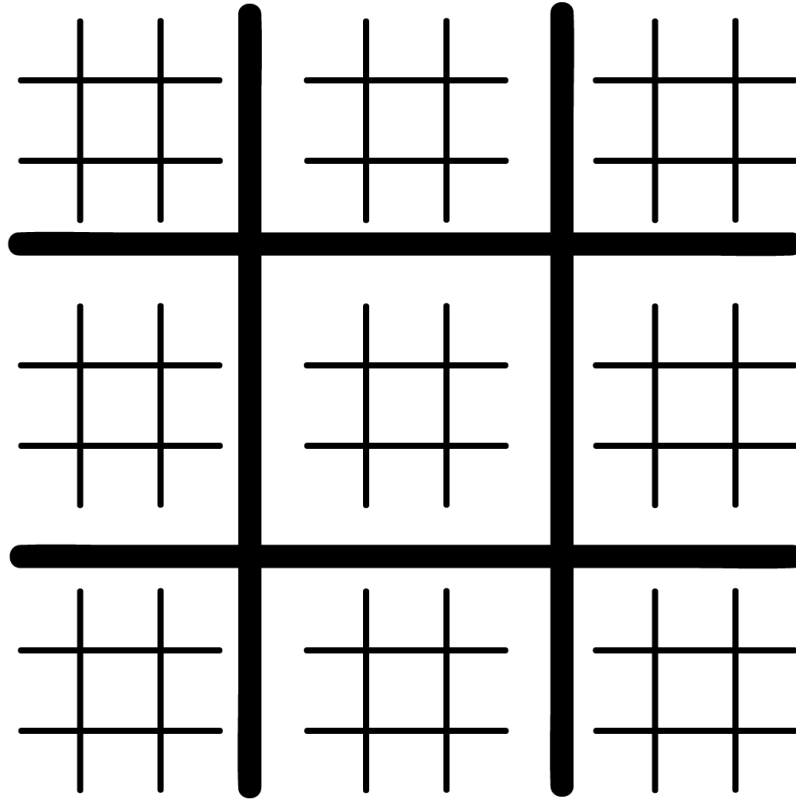


The Rules are as follows :-

Each small 3-by-3 tic-tac-toe board is referred to as a local board, and the larger 3-by-3 board is referred to as the global board.



- ❖ The game starts with X playing wherever he wants in any of the 81 empty spots. This move 'sends' his opponent to its relative location. For example, if X played in the middle of his local board, then O needs to play next in the local board in the middle of the global board. O can then play in any one of the nine available spots in the top-right local board, each move sending X to a different local board.
- ❖ If a move is played so that it is to win a local board by the rules of normal tic-tac-toe, then it wins that local board.

- ❖ Once the outcome of a local board is decided (win or draw), no more moves may be played in that board. If a player is sent to such a board, then that player may play in any other board.
- ❖ Game play ends when either a player wins the global board, or there are no legal moves remaining