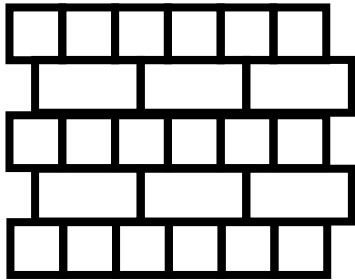


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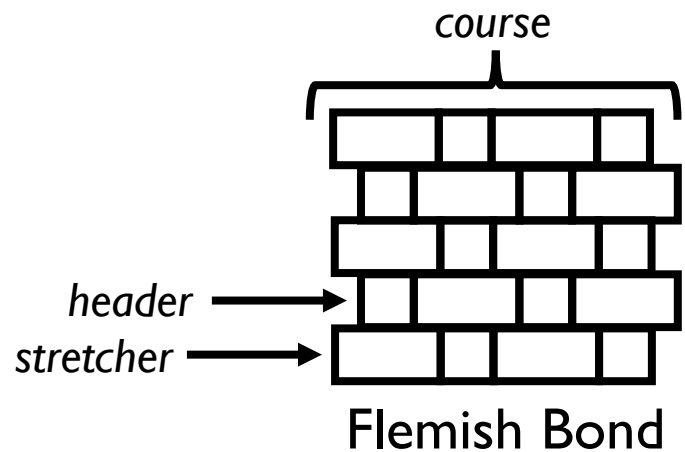
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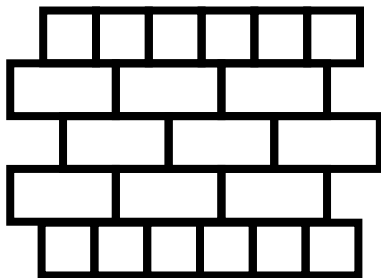
English Bond

Masonry patterns are achieved for both structural and aesthetic purposes by alternating *courses of headers and stretchers*.

The Fireproof Building's twenty-inch-thick walls are made of 947,500 bricks!



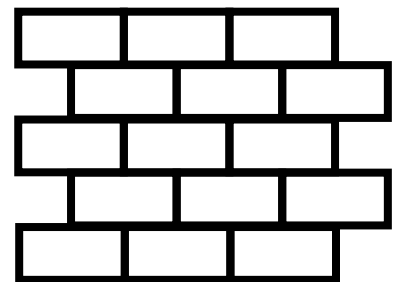
Flemish Bond



American Bond

Look closely at bricks around the city to see fingerprint indentations left by enslaved builders.

Bricks used in Charleston in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries were made on nearby plantations.



Running Bond