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- 1 Prove there exist positive integers a,b,c for which a + b + c = 1998, the gcd is maximized, and  $0 < a < b \le c < 2a$ . Find those numbers. Are they unique?
- Given a cube with edges of length 1, e the midpoint of [bc], and m midpoint of the face cdc1d1, as on the figure. Find the area of intersection of the cube with the plane through the points a, m, e. https://1.bp.blogspot.com/-tKTjm00bL-E/XWuvxQdKKZI/AAAAAAAKpM/3mYA93r8D6E1kFumgNVVz2HDyss400/1998%2Bflandres%2Bp2.png
- **3** a magical  $3 \times 3$  square is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix containing all number from 1 to 9, and of which the sum of every row, every column, every diagonal, are all equal.

Determine all magical  $3 \times 3$  square

4 A billiard table. (see picture) A white ball is on p<sub>1</sub> and a red ball is on p<sub>2</sub>. The white ball is shot towards the red ball as shown on the pic, hitting 3 sides first. Find the minimal distance the ball must travel. https://2.bp.blogspot.com/-3GaeUhsJPnI/XWuvrrdKJtI/AAAAAAAKpE/\_-5AW3nyj-khi\_skQVlz2STjF. s400/1998%2Bflandres%2Bp4.png

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