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The Problem of the Calissons 可和颂问题

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A calisson is a French sweet that looks like two equilateral triangles meeting along an edge. Calissons could come in a box shaped like a regular hexagon, and their packing would suggest an interesting combinatorial problem. Suppose a box with side of length n is filled with sweets of sides of length 1. The long diagonal of each calisson in the box is parallel to one of three different lines, as in the picture.