

# Geometric Intersection

Preliminary

- Integer Element Uniqueness

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❖ **IEU** Given a collection of  $n$  **integers**, are they **distinct**?  
i.e., are there any **duplicates**?

❖ Obviously, as a special case of EU, IEU can't be **harder** than EU

❖ But can we say that IEU is **easier** than EU?

❖ In fact, this lower bound of EU holds even for integers

❖ A. C. Yao : **IEU** requires  $\Omega(n \log n)$  time

*Lower bounds for **algebraic computation trees** with integer inputs*

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