

Geometric Intersection

Segment Intersection Reporting

- Hardness

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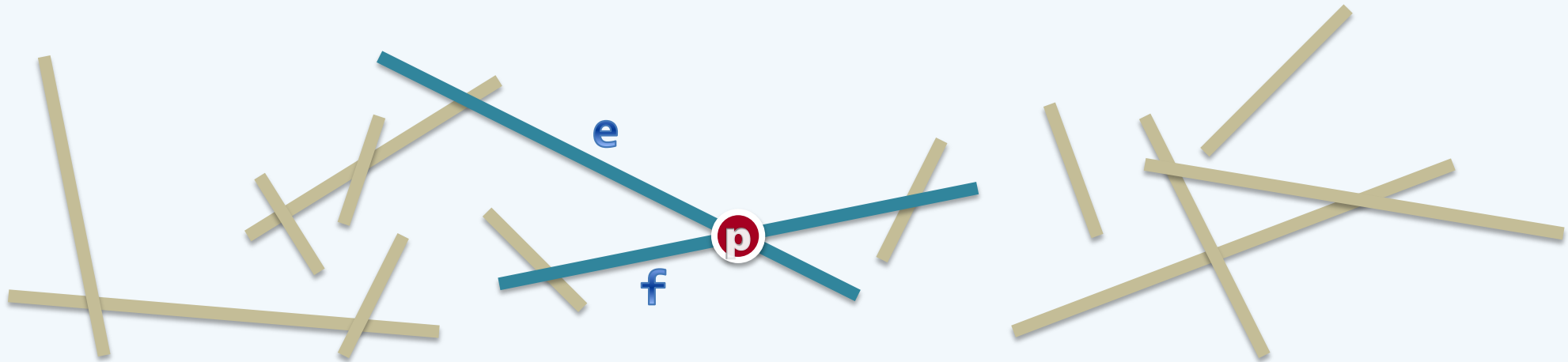
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Lower Bound

❖ Claim: The worst-case optimal algorithm

reports all the intersections among n segments in the plane

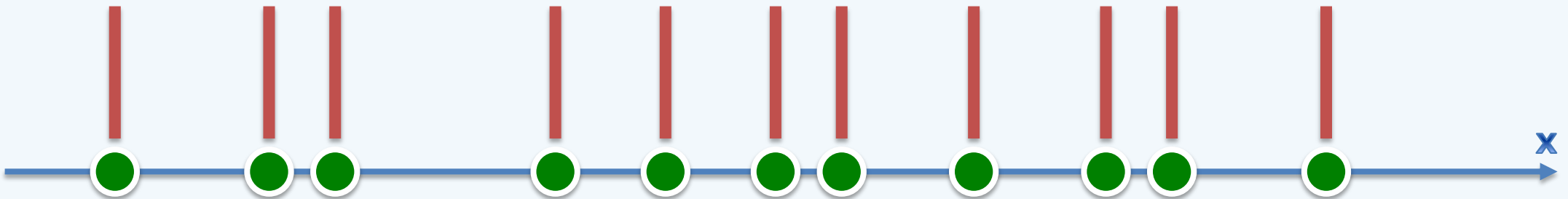
in $\Omega(n \log n + I)$ time, where I is the number of intersections



❖ Why?

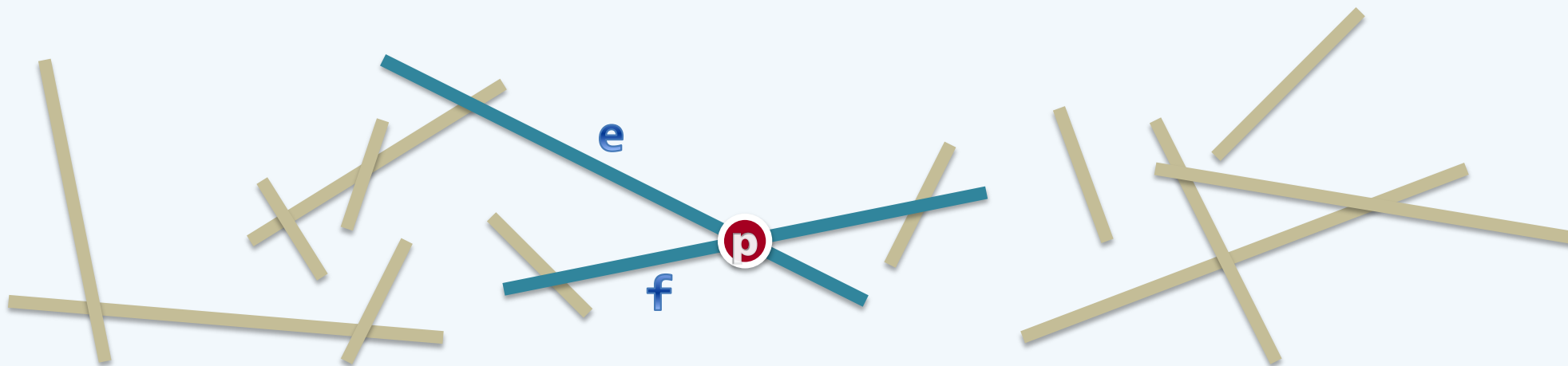
Reduction

- ❖ Since $\Omega(I)$ time is needed to enumerate and output the I intersections
it suffices to prove that **SID** requires $\Omega(n \log n)$ time
by a reduction from ...



Optimal Algorithms

❖ Is $\Omega(n \log n + I)$ a tight bound for SIR?



❖ In other words,

is there an output-sensitive algorithm solving SIR

in $O(n \log n + I)$ time?

Optimal Algorithms

❖ Optimal algorithm for **SIR**

Chazelle & Edelsbrunner, 1992 $O(n \log n + I)$ time + $O(n + I)$ space

Balaban, 1995 $O(n \log n + I)$ time + $O(n)$ space

❖ Optimal algorithm for **SID**

Shamos & Hoey, 1976 $O(n \log n)$ time

❖ This section will discuss Bentley & Ottmann's algorithm which

takes the **plane-sweep** paradigm and

solves 2D **SIR** in $O((n + I) \cdot \log n)$ time and using $O(n + I)$ space