Summary: Lecture 2

Summary for the chapters 7.1 Complexity classes and 7.2 Hierarchy problem. [2]

Complexity classes

Background knowledge:

A complexity class is a set which contains problems with similar complexities. The complexities are examined in regards of a specific ressource, for example time or space. For the problems the most efficient solution/algorithm is analysed.

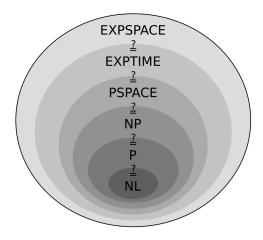


Figure 1: Complexity classes [1]

Usually the complexity depends on the input size. With the asymptotic complexity, classes are build, which are the complexity classes. [3]

Summary:

Parameters of complexity classes:

- Model of computation: here: multistring Turing Machine
- Mode of computation: for example: deterministic or no-deterministic (deterministic: the computer will always produce the same output for a given input while going through the same states, nondeterministic: can show different behaviors for the same input)
- Ressources: hjdksl
- Restrictions: hjcdks

Hierarchy problem

References

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