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Definition 19.1 The running time of a (deterministic) TM is a function $f: \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$ given by $f(n) = \max_{\substack{x \in \Sigma^* \\ |x| = n}}$ (# of steps of M on input x).

Typically we assume M is a decider now.

A class of languages defined by some resource constraint is called a complexity class.

Definition 19.2 $TIME(t(n)) = \{language L : there exists a TM with running time <math>O(t(n))\}.mmmm$

Definition 19.3 $P = \bigcup_{c>0} TIME(n^c)$

Definition 19.4 $EXP = \bigcup_{k \geq 0} TIME(2^{n^k})$ or EXPTIME

 $3COLORMAP \in TIME(4^n) \subseteq EXP$