

Stopping time complexity and monotone-conditional complexity

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- an equivalent definition of (plain) stopping time complexity

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- separates many things that coincide for prefix complexity

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Formal version: are the monotone-conditional complexities obtained using prefix-free and prefix-stable (w.r.t. first argument) decompressors the same or not?