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To construct measures for problem complexity, we build the goal-oriented classification of problems. Let X be a set and $P(x)$ be a predicate. **Definition 1.** A search problem (denoted: $SP(X)$): find an object from X such that it satisfies $P(x)$. **Definition 2.** A construction problem (denoted: $CP(X)$): construct an object from X such that it satisfies $P(x)$. **Definition 3.** A test problem (denoted: $TP(X)$): find if an object from X satisfies $P(x)$. **Proposition.** It is possible to reduce search and test problems to construction problems. Let A be an algorithm from \mathbf{K} that works with elements from I and $Sc : I \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$ be a static complexity measure [M.Burgin, Superrecursive Algorithms, Springer, 2005]. **Definition 4.** The dual to m complexity measure of $CP(X, \mathbf{K})$ w. r. t. A is defined as $m_A^o(CP(X, \mathbf{K})) = \min\{m(p); p \in I, A(p) = x \in X \text{ and } P(x) = T\}$. Let a class \mathbf{K} has a universal algorithm and satisfies additional conditions. **Theorem.** For any axiomatic static complexity measure m on \mathbf{K} , predicate $P(x)$ and some recursively computable set \mathbf{H} of functions, there is a \mathbf{H} -optimal dual measure $m^o(CP(X, \mathbf{K}))$. Algorithmic complexity is an example of such a measure. (Received January 05, 2005)