## CONSTRUCTING REAL ALGEBRAIC CURVES USING TROPICAL GEOMETRY

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ABSTRACT. A main root as well as application of tropical geometry is the construction of real algebraic curves with certain properties (in continuation of Viros patchworking method). This has proven to be particularly powerful in the context of real enumerative geometry. I will present two results in this direction. The first concerns the count of real Hurwitz numbers, the second deals with the topological classification of real rational quintic curves in the plane