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Lifting Tropical Self-Intersections

Given a plane curve C, we say a tropical divisor D on $\operatorname{Trop}(C)$ is C-realizable if there exists a plane curve C' with $D = \operatorname{Trop}(C \cap C')$ and $\operatorname{Trop}(C) = \operatorname{Trop}(C')$. We prove that the set of C-realizable divisors form a polyhedral complex. Moreover, if the genus of C is at most 1, we give a combinatorial condition guaranteeing realizability of D. This is based on joint work with Yoav Len.