## **Rational representation of real functions**

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**Abstract.** I will report on a joint work with Krzysztof Kurdyka. Let X be an irreducible smooth real algebraic variety of dimension at least 2 and let  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be a function defined on a connected open subset U of the set of real points X(**R**) of X. Assume that for every irreducible smooth real algebraic curve C in X, for which C(**R**) is the boundary of a disc embedded in U, the restriction of  $f|C(\mathbf{R})$  is continuous and has a rational representation. Then f has a rational representation. This is a refinement of our work with János Kollár (2018). The novelty is that existence of rational representation is tested on a much smaller and more rigid class of curves.