

**Title:** The weight part of Serre's conjecture over totally real fields

**Abstract:** Serre conjectured that all continuous, irreducible, odd  $\rho : G_{\mathbf{Q}} \rightarrow GL_2(\overline{\mathbf{F}}_p)$  arise from modular forms. If  $\rho$  is modular, then proven refinements provide recipes for the possible weights and levels of the forms giving rise to it in terms of the local behavior of  $\rho$ . A natural generalization to the context of a totally real field  $F$  predicts that all continuous, irreducible, totally odd  $\rho : G_F \rightarrow GL_2(\overline{\mathbf{F}}_p)$  arise from Hilbert modular forms. The recipe for the possible levels is similar to the case of  $F = \mathbf{Q}$ , but the (conjectural) recipe for the weights reveals features not so apparent for  $F = \mathbf{Q}$ . In particular, if  $\rho$  is locally reducible at a prime  $\mathcal{P}$  over  $p$ , then the possible weights depend strongly on the corresponding extension of local characters. If  $\rho$  is locally semisimple at  $\mathcal{P}$ , then the recipe can be described in terms of the reduction of a corresponding irreducible characteristic zero representation of  $GL_2(\mathcal{O}_F/\mathcal{P})$ .