

# Galois representations of abelian surfaces

## ICERM Project Summary

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# Motivation

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Step 2(a): Rule out each maximal subgroup by sampling characteristic polynomials of  $\rho_\ell(\text{Frob } p)$



Determined whether or not  $\rho_{A,\ell}$  is surjective for  $\ell = 2, 3, 5$  and  $C$  in the `lmfdb`.

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