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**Jayce R Getz\*** (getz@math.wisc.edu), UW-Madison, Mathematics Department, 480 Lincoln Drive, Madison, WI 53706, and **Mark Goresky**. *Hilbert modular forms, intersection homology and base change*.

Let  $L$  be a totally real number field with  $[L : \mathbb{Q}] = n$  and set  $G_L := \text{Res}_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(\text{GL}_2)$ . For every ideal  $c \subset \mathcal{O}_L$ , the ring of integers of  $L$ , let  $K_0(c) \leq G_L(\mathbb{A}^f)$  be the standard compact open subgroup, and consider the finite level Shimura variety

$$Y_0(c) := \text{Sh}_{K_0(c)}(G_L, (\mathbb{C} - \mathbb{R})^n) := G_L(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash (\mathbb{C} - \mathbb{R})^n \times G_L(\mathbb{A}^f) / K_0(c);$$

let  $X_0(c)$  be its Bailey-Borel compactification. For any subfield  $E \leq L$  such that  $\text{Gal}(L/E)$  is abelian, we isolate a subspace  $IH_n^E(X_0(c))$  of  $IH_n(X_0(c))$ . Given any class  $[Z] \in IH_n^E(X_0(c))$  and any Dirichlet character  $\chi$  on  $L$  that is a base change from  $E$ , we use the theory of abelian base change to construct a Hilbert modular form  $\Phi_{[Z], \chi}$  on  $E$  with coefficients in  $IH_n^E(X_0(c))$ . For certain nice cycles  $Z$ , including some Shimura subvarieties that intersect the cusps of  $X_0(c)$ , we moreover evaluate the Fourier coefficients of

$$\langle Z, \Phi_{[Z], \chi_E} \rangle_{IH}$$

in terms of period integrals. Here  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{IH}$  is the generalized Poincaré pairing in intersection homology. (Received February 13, 2006)