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One-Level density for cubic characters over the Eisenstein field

We show that the one-level density for L-functions associated with the cubic residue symbols  $\chi_n$ , with  $n \in Z[\omega]$  square-free, satisfies the Katz-Sarnak conjecture for all test functions whose Fourier transforms are supported in (-13/11, 13/11), under GRH. This is the first result extending the support outside the trivial range (-1, 1) for a family of cubic L-functions. This implies that a positive proportion of the L-functions associated with these characters do not vanish at the central point s = 1/2. A key ingredient is a bound on an average of generalized cubic Gauss sums at prime arguments, whose proof is based on the work of Heath-Brown and Patterson.

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