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On interpolation between zonal spherical functions of $\mathrm{GL}_2(Q_p)$ and $\mathrm{GL}_2(R)$

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Abstract. We will describe a model which interpolates between zonal spherical functions (= characters of the algebra $L^1(K\backslash G/K)$), $G=\mathrm{GL}_2$, $K=\mathrm{maximal}$ compact subgroup) of $\mathrm{GL}_2(Q_p)$ and $\mathrm{GL}_2(R)$. A q-difference operator, and a family of measures parametrized by q, are used to interpolate between p-adic and real settings.