

THE NUMERICAL SOLUTION OF HELMHOLTZ EQUATION VIA MULTIVARIATE PADÉ APPROXIMATION

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Abstract

In this study, we consider the numerical solution of the Helmholtz equation, arising from numerous physical phenomena and engineering applications including energy systems. We make use of a Padé Approximation method for the solution of the Helmholtz equation. Firstly, Helmholtz partial differential equation had been converted to power series by two-dimensional differential transformation, then the numerical solution of the equation was put into Padé series form for accelerating convergence and decreasing computational time. Hereby, we obtained numerical solution of Helmholtz type partial differential equation.

Key Words: Helmholtz equation, Two-dimensional differential transformation, Multivariate Padé approximation, power series

1. INTRODUCTION

Consider Helmholtz equation on a given region R in the xy - plane in the following form.

$$\nabla^2 u + f(x, y) u = g(x, y) \quad (1)$$

where $u(x, y)$ is known on the boundary of R . Suppose that a function $u = u(x, y)$ is the solution to the Equation (1). The boundary and initial conditions could be given by the following functions

$$u(0, y) = \Psi_1(y), \quad u_x(0, y) = \Psi_2(y). \quad (2)$$

$$u(x, 0) = \Psi_3(x), \quad u_y(x, 0) = \Psi_4(x). \quad (3)$$

where $\Psi_1(y)$, $\Psi_2(y)$, $\Psi_3(x)$, $\Psi_4(x)$ are given functions [1].

These equations appear in a variety of physical topics and engineering applications, such as, electromagnetic waves, elastic waves in solids, bars, membranes, acoustic radiation, water wave propagation, heat conduction, nuclear energy reactors and oscillators. Also, in modelling of semiconductor device, Helmholtz equation arises frequently as an intermediate step in the solution of the non-linear Poisson problem. To solve these problems various numerical methods have been shown which include finite difference, finite element and boundary integral methods (BIM). Using these conventional methods, it has been found that fine grids and a large number of elements must be employed to get satisfactory accuracy. This requires large number of computer core and more computational time especially for

the iteration scheme of the non-linear Poisson problem [2,3,4,5].

Then, El-Sayed and Kaya [6] have given a general way to construct exact and series solutions to Helmholtz equations by employing the Adomian decomposition method. Differential transformation was introduced first by Zhou [7]. In order to solve these type of equations numerically, we use multivariate Padé approximation. Thus we obtained numerical solution of Helmholtz type differential equations. The Padé approximation method used to accelerate the convergence of the power series solution for reducing computational time.

2. TWO-DIMENSIONAL DIFFERENTIAL TRANSFORMATION

The two-dimensional differential transform is defined as follows [8, 9, 10],

$$W(k, h) = \frac{1}{k!h!} \left[\frac{\partial^{k+h} w(x, y)}{\partial x^k \partial y^h} \right]_{0,0} \quad (4)$$

In this basic definition $W(k, h)$ is the transformed function and $w(x, y)$ is the original function. The transformation is named T - function while upper case and lower case letters express the transformed and original functions respectively. $W(k, h)$ is the differential inverse transform defined as

$$w(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} W(k, h) x^k y^h \tag{5}$$

and by using Equations (4) and (5) we can rewrite it such that

$$w(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!h!} \left[\frac{\partial^{k+h} w(x, y)}{\partial x^k \partial y^h} \right]_{0,0} x^k y^h \tag{6}$$

Table 1: The basic properties of one-dimensional differential transform method

Original Function	Transformed Function
$u(x, y) = g(x, y) \pm h(x, y)$	$U(k, h) = G(k, h) \pm H(k, h)$
$u(x, y) = \lambda g(x, y)$	$U(k, h) = \lambda G(k, h)$
$u(x, y) = \partial g(x, y) / \partial x$	$U(k, h) = (k + 1)G(k + 1, h)$
$u(x, y) = \partial g(x, y) / \partial y$	$U(k, h) = (h + 1)G(k, h + 1)$
$u(x, y) = x^m y^n$	$U(k, h) = \delta(k - m, h - n) = \begin{cases} 1, & k = m, h = n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
$u(x, y) = \partial^{r+s} g(x, y) / \partial x^r \partial y^s$	$U(k, h) = (k + 1) \dots (k + r)(h + 1) \dots (h + s)G(k + r, h + s)$
$u(x, y) = g(x, y)h(x, y)$	$U(k, h) = \sum_{r=0}^k \sum_{s=0}^h G(r, h - s) H(k - r, s)$

3. MULTIVARIATE PADÉ APPROXIMANTS

As known, the bivariate function $f(x, y)$ which has Taylor series expansion can be written as

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} c_{ij} x^i y^j \tag{7}$$

with around the origin [11]. The solution of univariate Padé approximation problem for

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i x^i \tag{8}$$

is defined by

$$P(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \sum_{i=0}^m c_i x^i & x \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i x^i & \cdots & x^n \sum_{i=0}^{m-n} c_i x^i \\ c_{m+1} & c_m & \cdots & c_{m+1-n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m+n} & c_{m+n-1} & \cdots & c_m \end{vmatrix} \tag{9}$$

and

$$q(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & \cdots & x^n \\ c_{m+1} & c_m & \cdots & c_{m+1-n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m+n} & c_{m+n-1} & \cdots & c_m \end{vmatrix} \tag{10}$$

Now, We multiply j th row in $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ by x^{j+m-1} ($j = 2, \dots, n+1$) and then we divide j th column in $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ by x^{j-1} ($j = 2, \dots, n+1$). These results are a multiplication of numerator and denominator by x^{mn} . In doing so, we obtain

$$\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \sum_{i=0}^m c_i x^i & \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} c_i x^i & \cdots & \sum_{i=0}^{m-n} c_i x^i \\ c_{m+1} x^{m+1} & c_m x^m & \cdots & c_{m+1-n} x^{m+1-n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m+n} x^{m+n} & c_{m+n-1} x^{m+n-1} & \cdots & c_m x^m \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ c_{m+1} x^{m+1} & c_m x^m & \cdots & c_{m+1-n} x^{m+1-n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{m+n} x^{m+n} & c_{m+n-1} x^{m+n-1} & \cdots & c_m x^m \end{vmatrix}} \tag{11}$$

If ($D = \det D_{m,n} \neq 0$)

This rate of determinants can be easily obtained for a bivariate function $f(x, y)$. The sum of $\sum_{i=0}^k c_i x^i$ can be changed with the k th partial sum of the Taylor series expansion of $f(x, y)$ and the expression $c_k x^k$ with an expression that contains all the terms of degree k in $f(x, y)$. Here it is said that a bivariate term $c_{ij} x^i y^j$ is of degree $i + j$.

If we define

$$p(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} \sum_{i+j=0}^m c_{ij} x^i y^j & \sum_{i+j=0}^{m-1} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \cdots & \sum_{i+j=0}^{m-n} c_{ij} x^i y^j \\ \sum_{i+j=m+1} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \sum_{i+j=m} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \cdots & \sum_{i+j=m+1-n} c_{ij} x^i y^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i+j=m+n} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \sum_{i+j=m+n-1} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \cdots & \sum_{i+j=m} c_{ij} x^i y^j \end{vmatrix} \tag{12}$$

and

$$q(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \sum_{i+j=m+1} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \sum_{i+j=m} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \dots & \sum_{i+j=m+1-n} c_{ij} x^i y^j \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i+j=m+n} c_{ij} x^i y^j & \sum_{i+j=m+n-1}^m c_{ij} x^i y^j & \dots & \sum_{i+j=m}^m c_{ij} x^i y^j \end{vmatrix} \quad (13)$$

Then we can see easily that $p(x, y)$ and $q(x, y)$ are of the form

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i+j=mn}^{mn+m} a_{ij} x^i y^j \quad (14)$$

$$q(x, y) = \sum_{i+j=mn}^{mn+n} b_{ij} x^i y^j$$

We know that $p(x, y)$ and $q(x, y)$ are named Padé equations [10, 11, 12]. So the multivariate Padé approximant of order (m, n) for $f(x, y)$ is defined as

$$r_{m,n}(x, y) = \frac{p(x, y)}{q(x, y)} \quad (15)$$

4. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES

Example 1: Consider the following Helmholtz equation in [13]

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y)}{\partial y^2} - u(x, y) = 0 \quad (16)$$

with initial conditions

$$u(0, y) = y, \quad u_x(0, y) = y + \cosh y \quad (17)$$

The exact solution for this equation is

$$u(x, y) = x \cosh y + ye^x \quad (18)$$

By using the fundamental operations of two-dimensional differential transform method in Table 1, we obtained the following recurrence relation

$$(k+1)(k+2)U(k+2, h) + (h+1)(h+2)U(k, h+2) - U(k, h) = 0 \quad (19)$$

By applying the differential transform to initial conditions (17), we have

$$U(0, h) = \delta(h-1) = \begin{cases} 1 & h=1, \\ 0 & h \neq 1. \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

$$U(1, h) = \delta(h-1) + T, \quad \delta(h-1) = \begin{cases} 1 & h=1, \\ 0 & h \neq 1. \end{cases}, \quad T = \begin{cases} 0 & h \text{ is odd}, \\ \frac{1}{h!} & h \text{ is even}. \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

So we have;

$$U(1, h) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{h!} & h \text{ is even,} \\ 1 & h = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

For each k, h substituting Equation (19) into Equation (22) and using recursive method, the values of $U(k, h)$ can be evaluated as follows:

$$U(0, h) = 0 \quad h = 0, 2, 3, 4 \dots$$

$$U(0, 1) = 1$$

$$U(1, 0) = 1, \quad U(1, 1) = 1$$

$$U(1, h) = \frac{1}{h!} \quad h = 2, 4, 6 \dots$$

$$U(1, h) = 0 \quad h = 3, 5, 7 \dots$$

$$U(2, 1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad U(3, 1) = \frac{1}{6}, \quad U(4, 1) = \frac{1}{24}, \quad U(5, 1) = \frac{1}{120}, \quad U(6, 1) = \frac{1}{720} \quad \dots \quad (23)$$

Consequently, by substituting the values of $U(k, h)$, we have obtained

$$U(x, y) = x + y + xy + \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3y + \frac{1}{24}x^4y + \frac{1}{24}xy^4 + \frac{1}{120}x^5y + \frac{1}{720}x^6y \dots \quad (24)$$

Now the power series $U(x, y)$ can be transformed into multivariate Padé approximation

$$m=3, n=2$$

$$p(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} x + y + xy + \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 & x + y + xy & x + y \\ \frac{1}{6}x^3y & \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 & xy \\ \frac{1}{24}x^4y + \frac{1}{24}xy^4 & \frac{1}{6}x^3y & \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}x^2y^5 + \frac{3}{4}x^3y^4 + \frac{7}{12}x^4y^3 + \frac{1}{12}x^5y^2 - \frac{1}{24}x^5y^3 + \frac{5}{12}x^4y^4 + \frac{7}{24}x^3y^5 + \frac{1}{24}x^2y^6 - \frac{1}{24}x^6y^2 + \frac{1}{48}x^2y^7 + \frac{1}{144}x^7y^2 + \frac{1}{8}x^3y^6 - \frac{1}{72}x^6y^3 + \frac{17}{48}x^4y^5 + \frac{3}{16}x^5y^4$$

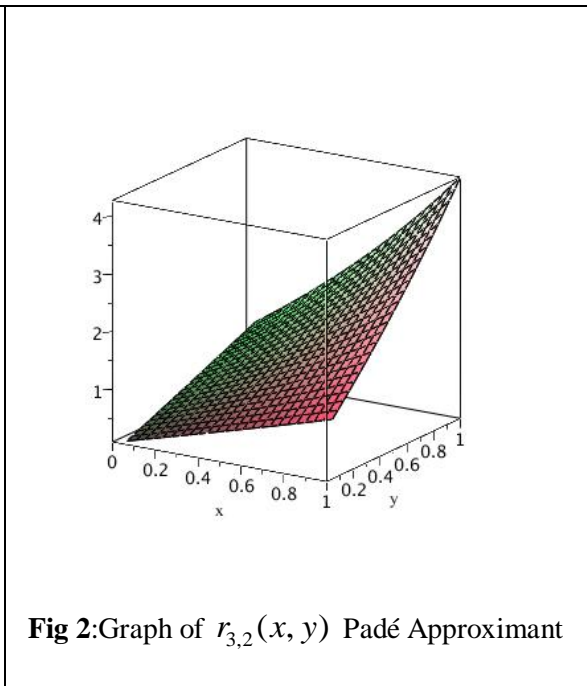
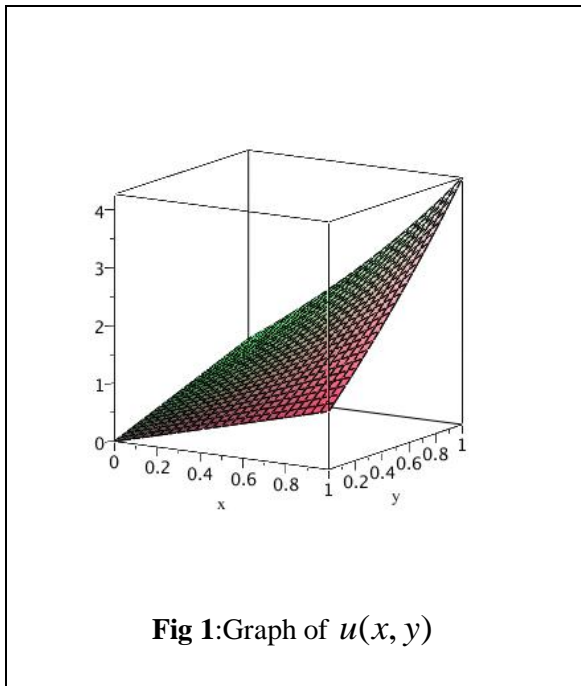
$$q(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{6}x^3y & \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 & xy \\ \frac{1}{24}x^4y + \frac{1}{24}xy^4 & \frac{1}{6}x^3y & \frac{1}{2}x^2y + \frac{1}{2}xy^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}x^2y^4 + \frac{1}{12}x^4y^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^3y^3 + \frac{1}{24}x^2y^5 - \frac{1}{24}x^5y^2 - \frac{1}{12}x^4y^3 - \frac{1}{48}x^2y^6 + \frac{1}{144}x^6y^2 - \frac{1}{48}x^3y^5 - \frac{1}{48}x^5y^3$$

$$r_{3,2}(x, y) = (0, 25x^2y^5 + 0, 75x^3y^4 + 0, 5833333333x^4y^3 + 0, 083333x^5y^2 - 0, 04166666667x^5y^3 + 0, 4166666667x^4y^4 + 0, 2916666667x^3y^5 + 0, 04166666667x^2y^6 - 0, 04166666667x^6y^2 + 0, 02083333333x^2y^7 + 0, 006944444444x^7y^2 + 0, 125x^3y^6 - 0, 01388888889x^6y^3 + 0, 3541666667x^4y^5 + 0, 1875x^5y^4) / (0, 25x^2y^4 + 0, 08333333333x^4y^2 + 0, 5x^3y^3 + 0, 04166666667x^2y^5 - 0, 04166666667x^5y^2 - 0, 08333333333x^4y^3 - 0, 02083333333x^2y^6 + 0, 006944444444x^6y^2 - 0, 02083333333x^3y^5 - 0, 02083333333x^5y^3)$$

Table 2: Comparison of the numerical solution of $u(x, y)$ with exact solutions ($y = 0.01$)

x	$u(x, y)$	$r_{3,2}(x, y)$	$ u(x, y) - r_{3,2}(x, y) $
0.1	0,1110567092	0,1110567093	0,0000000001
0.2	0,2122240276	0,2122240282	0,0000000006
0.3	0,3135135881	0,3135135784	0,0000000097
0.4	0,4149382470	0,4149381645	0,0000000825
0.5	0,5165122127	0,5165118515	0,0000003612
0.6	0,6182511880	0,6182500305	0,0000011575
0.7	0,7201725271	0,7201694638	0,0000030633
0.8	0,8222954093	0,8222882864	0,0000071229
0.9	0,9246410311	0,9246259708	0,0000150603
1.0	1,027232818	1,027203204	0,00029614



Example 2: Consider the following Helmholtz equation in [13]

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y)}{\partial y^2} + 8u(x, y) = 0 \quad (25)$$

with initial conditions

$$u(0, y) = \sin(2y), \quad u_x(0, y) = 0 \quad (26)$$

The exact solution for this equation is

$$u(x, y) = \cos(2x) \sin(2y) \quad (27)$$

By using the fundamental operations of two-dimensional differential transform method in Table 1, we obtained the following recurrence relation

$$(k+1)(k+2)U(k+2, h) + (h+1)(h+2)U(k, h+2) + 8U(k, h) = 0 \quad (28)$$

By applying the differential transform to initial conditions (26), we have

$$U(0, h) = 0 \quad h \text{ is even} \quad (29)$$

$$U(0, 1) = 2, \quad U(0, 3) = -\frac{4}{3}, \quad U(0, 5) = \frac{4}{15}, \quad U(0, 7) = -\frac{8}{315} \dots \quad (30)$$

$$U(1, h) = 0 \quad (31)$$

For each k, h substituting Equation (28) into Equation (31) and using recursive method, the values of $U(k, h)$ can be evaluated as follows:

$$U(2, 1) = -4, \quad U(4, 1) = \frac{4}{3}, \quad U(6, 1) = -\frac{8}{45}, \quad U(2, 5) = -\frac{8}{15},$$

$$U(3, 4) = \frac{8}{3}, \quad U(3, 6) = \frac{16}{135}, \quad U(4, 5) = \frac{8}{45}, \quad U(6, 5) = -\frac{16}{675} \dots$$

Consequently, by substituting the values of $U(k, h)$, we have obtained

$$U(x, y) = 2y - 4yx^2 + \frac{4}{3}yx^4 - \frac{8}{45}yx^6 - \frac{4}{3}y^3 + \frac{8}{3}y^3x^4 + \frac{16}{135}y^3x^6 + \frac{4}{15}y^5 - \frac{8}{15}y^5x^2 \dots$$

Now the power series $U(x, y)$ can be transformed into multivariate Padé approximation

$$m=3, \quad n=2$$

$$p(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} 2y - 4yx^2 - \frac{4}{3}y^3 & 2y & 2y \\ 0 & -4yx^2 - \frac{4}{3}y^3 & 0 \\ \frac{4}{3}yx^4 + \frac{8}{3}y^3x^2 + \frac{4}{15}y^5 & 0 & -4yx^2 - \frac{4}{3}y^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 32y^3x^4 + \frac{64}{3}y^5x^2 + \frac{32}{9}y^7 - \frac{160}{3}y^3x^6 - \frac{352}{9}y^5x^4 - \frac{544}{45}y^7x^2 - \frac{224}{135}y^9$$

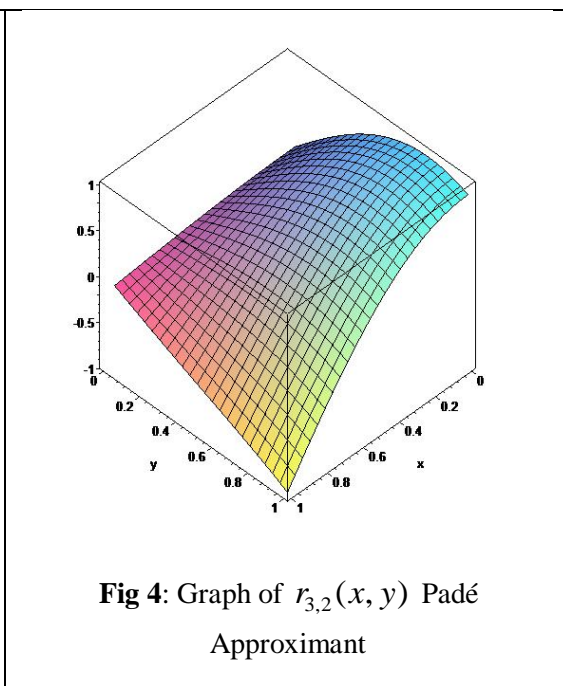
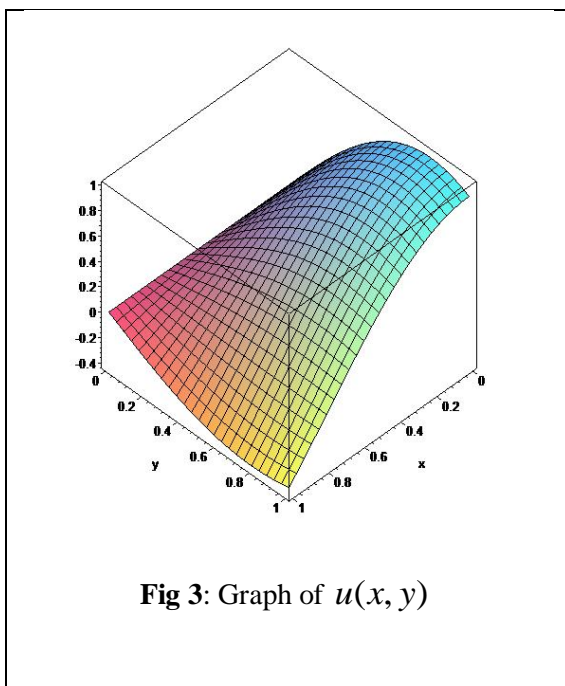
$$q(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -4yx^2 - \frac{4}{3}y^3 & 0 \\ \frac{4}{3}yx^4 + \frac{8}{3}y^3x^2 + \frac{4}{15}y^5 & 0 & -4yx^2 - \frac{4}{3}y^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 16y^2x^4 + \frac{32}{3}y^4x^2 + \frac{16}{9}y^6 + \frac{16}{3}y^2x^6 + \frac{112}{9}y^4x^4 + \frac{208}{45}y^6x^2 + \frac{16}{45}y^8$$

$$r_{3,2}(x, y) = (32y^3x^4 + 21.33333333y^5x^2 + 3.555555556y^7 - 53.33333333y^3x^6 - 39,11111111y^5x^4 - 12.08888889y^7x^2 - 1.659259259y^9) / (16y^2x^4 + 10.66666667y^4x^2 + 1.777777778y^6 + 5.333333333y^2x^6 + 12.44444444y^4x^4 + 4.622222222y^6x^2 + 3.555555556y^8)$$

Table 3. Comparison of the numerical solution of $u(x, y)$ with exact solutions ($y = 0.01$)

x	$u(x, y)$	$r_{3,2}(x, y)$	$ u(x, y) - r_{3,2}(x, y) $
0.1	0,01960002483	0,01960002211	0,0000000027
0.2	0,01841999150	0,01841982343	0,0000001680
0.3	0,01650560359	0,01650374840	0,0000018551
0.4	0,01393312265	0,01392310528	0,0000100173
0.5	0,01080483520	0,01076847338	0,0000363618
0.6	0,00724457301	0,00714230441	0,0001022685
0.7	0,00339195342	0,00315152090	0,0002404325
0.8	-0,00060466011	0,00010990339	0,0004943738
0.9	-0,00459647754	-0,00551174491	0,0009152673
1.0	-0,00844388148	-0,00999975003	0,0015558685



5. CONCLUSION

In this study, we have introduced Differential Transform Method and Padé Approximation to solve Helmholtz Differential Equations. The numerical results of the examples are in good-agreement with the exact solutions. It may be concluded that the method is an efficient way to find numerical solutions for initial value problems. On the other hand, the results are quite reliable. Therefore, this method can be applied to many partial differential equations.

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