

2.52 Consider a discrete-time LTI system with unit sample response $h[n] = (n+1)\alpha^n u[n]$, where $|\alpha| < 1$. Show that the step response is $s[n] = \left(\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} - \frac{\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^2} \alpha^n + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} (n+1)\alpha^n \right) u[n]$

$$s[n] = u[n] * h[n] = h[n] * u[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)\alpha^k u[k] u[n-k] = \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1)\alpha^k = \frac{d}{d\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^n \alpha^k =$$

$$= \frac{d}{d\alpha} \left(\frac{1-\alpha^{n+2}}{1-\alpha} \right) = \begin{cases} \frac{(1-(n+2)\alpha^{n+1})(1-\alpha) - (1-\alpha^{n+2})(-1)}{(1-\alpha)^2} & \text{if } n \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{(n+2)\alpha^{n+1}}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1-\alpha^{n+2}}{(1-\alpha)^2} \right) u[n] = \left(\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} - \frac{\alpha^2 \alpha^n}{(1-\alpha)^2} - \frac{(1-\alpha)(n+2)\alpha \cdot \alpha^n}{(1-\alpha)^2} \right) u[n] =$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} - \frac{(n+1)\alpha \cdot \alpha^n + \alpha \alpha^n}{(1-\alpha)} - \frac{\alpha \alpha \alpha^n}{(1-\alpha)^2} \right) u[n] = \left(\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} - \frac{(n+1)\alpha \alpha^n}{1-\alpha} + \frac{(1-\alpha)\alpha \alpha^n + \alpha \alpha \alpha^n}{(1-\alpha)^2} \right) u[n] =$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} (n+1)\alpha^n - \frac{\alpha \alpha^n}{(1-\alpha)^2} \right) u[n] = \left(\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} - \frac{\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^2} \alpha^n + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} (n+1)\alpha^n \right) u[n]$$