

Question 7.

proof. By induction on  $n$ ,

For the smallest natural number  $n=1$ .

$$2^1 = 2^1 = 2^{1+1} - 2$$

this holds for  $n=1$ .

We want to show that if  $n$  holds, then  $n+1$  also holds.

$$2 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^n + 2^{n+1} = \cancel{2^{n+1} - 2} + 2^{n+1}$$

$$= 2 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$= 2^{(n+1)+1} - 2.$$

thus this is proven by induction