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Claim:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad (2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 2)$$

$$\text{let } m = 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n$$

$$2m = 2(2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n) = 2^2 + 2^3 + 2^4 + \dots + 2^{n+1} + 2$$

$$\text{Note that } m = 2m - m =$$

$$2^2 + 2^3 + 2^4 + \dots + 2^n + 2^{n+1} - (2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n)$$

Most terms cancel, except for two:

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

$$\text{Therefore } m = 2^{n+1} - 2 \text{ or}$$

$$2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

Alternate proof by induction

$$\text{rewrite claim as } \sum_{k=1}^n 2^k = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$\text{let } A(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n 2^k = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

Show for  $n=1$  that claim is True

$$A(1) = \sum_{k=1}^1 2^k = 2 = 2^{1+1} - 2 = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$\hookrightarrow A(1) \text{ is True } 2=2 \checkmark$$

$$\text{Assume } A(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n 2^k = 2^{n+1} - 2$$

$$\text{now show } A(n+1) = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} 2^k = \left( \sum_{k=1}^n 2^k \right) + 2^{n+1} \quad (a)$$

is True

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but by Assumption  $A(n)$  is true and  $\sum_{k=1}^n 2^k = 2^{n+1} - 2$   
we subst into eq (a)

$$\left( \sum_{k=1}^n 2^k \right) + 2^{n+1} = (2^{n+1} - 2) + 2^{n+1} \\ = 2^{n+2} - 2$$

So  $A(n+1) = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} 2^k = 2^{(n+1)+1} - 2$  is true

hence by mathematical Induction, claim is proved.