2. (a) From Definition 1, a convergent sequence is a sequence for which $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$ exists. Examples: $\{1/n\}$, $\{1/2^n\}$

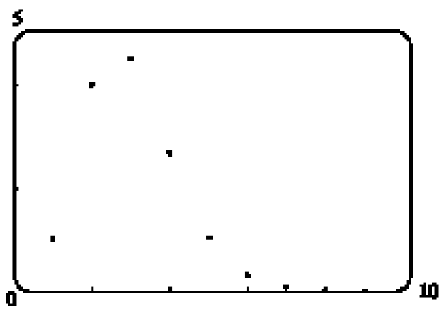
(b) A divergent sequence is a sequence for which $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$ *does not* exist. Examples: $\{n\}$, $\{\sin n\}$

5. $\left\{1, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{9}, -\frac{8}{27}, \ldots\right\}$. Each term is $-\frac{2}{3}$ times the preceding one, so $a_n = \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n-1}$.

21. $0 \le \dfrac{\cos^2 n}{2^n} \le \dfrac{1}{2^n}$ [since $0 \le \cos^2 n \le 1$], so since $\lim_{n\to\infty} \dfrac{1}{2^n} = 0$, $\left\{\dfrac{\cos^2 n}{2^n}\right\}$ converges to 0 by the Squeeze Theorem.

28. $0 < |a_n| = \dfrac{3^n}{n!} = \dfrac{3}{1} \cdot \dfrac{3}{2} \cdot \dfrac{3}{3} \cdot \cdots \cdot \dfrac{3}{(n-1)} \cdot \dfrac{3}{n} \le \dfrac{3}{1} \cdot \dfrac{3}{2} \cdot \dfrac{3}{n}$ [for $n > 2$] $= \dfrac{27}{2n} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$, so by the Squeeze Theorem and Theorem 4, $\{(-3)^n/n\}$ converges to 0.

33.



From the graph, it appears that the sequence converges to 0.

$$0 < a_n = \frac{n^3}{n!} = \frac{n}{n} \cdot \frac{n}{(n-1)} \cdot \frac{n}{(n-2)} \cdot \frac{1}{(n-3)} \cdot \cdots \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1}$$

$$\le \frac{n^2}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)} \quad \text{[for } n \ge 4\text{]}$$

$$= \frac{1/n}{(1-1/n)(1-2/n)(1-3/n)} \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty$$

So by the Squeeze Theorem, $\{n^3/n!\}$ converges to 0.

44. $a_n = n + \dfrac{1}{n}$ defines an increasing sequence since the function $g(x) = x + \dfrac{1}{x}$ is increasing for $x > 1$. [$g'(x) = 1 - 1/x^2 > 0$ for $x > 1$.] The sequence is unbounded since $a_n \to \infty$ as $n \to \infty$. (It is, however, bounded below by $a_1 = 2$.)

47. We show by induction that $\{a_n\}$ is increasing and bounded above by 3. Let P_n be the proposition that $a_{n+1} > a_n$ and $0 < a_n < 3$. Clearly P_1 is true. Assume that P_n is true.

Then $a_{n+1} > a_n \Rightarrow \dfrac{1}{a_{n+1}} < \dfrac{1}{a_n} \Rightarrow -\dfrac{1}{a_{n+1}} > -\dfrac{1}{a_n}$. Now $a_{n+2} = 3 - \dfrac{1}{a_{n+1}} > 3 - \dfrac{1}{a_n} = a_{n+1} \Leftrightarrow P_{n+1}$.

This proves that $\{a_n\}$ is increasing and bounded above by 3, so $1 = a_1 < a_n < 3$, that is, $\{a_n\}$ is bounded, and hence convergent by the Monotonic Sequence Theorem. If $L = \lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$, then $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_{n+1} = L$ also, so L must satisfy

$L = 3 - 1/L \Rightarrow L^2 - 3L + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow L = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$. But $L > 1$, so $L = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}$.

1. (a) A sequence is an ordered list of numbers whereas a series is the *sum* of a list of numbers.

(b) A series is convergent if the sequence of partial sums is a convergent sequence. A series is divergent if it is not convergent.