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For each problem below, explain why the sequence converges or diverges, if it converges find the limit. You may use any theorems which you learned in class.

1. (5 pts)  $a_n = \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}$

We can rewrite  $a_n$  as  $1 - \frac{1}{2^n} = a_n$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 0$

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 - \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - 0 = 1$

Thus  $a_n$  converges to 1

2. (5 pts)  $a_n = \frac{\cos^2 4n}{2^n}$

Note:  $-1 \leq \cos 4n \leq 1$  for all  $n$  thus  $0 \leq \cos^2 4n \leq 1$

therefore  $0 = \frac{0}{2^n} \leq \frac{\cos^2 4n}{2^n} \leq \frac{1}{2^n}$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 0$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = 0$

Then by Sandwich Theorem  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Thus  $a_n$  converges to 0