

***Divide And Conquer –  
Simplified Master Theorem  
–Example 2***

***Solve the following recurrence using the generalized master theorem:***

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + n$$

***Solution***

***This recurrence is of the following form:  $aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + cn^k$***

***Here  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 2$  and  $k = 1$ .***

***Since  $a = b^k$  (i. e.,  $2 = 2^1$ ),***

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^k \log n) = \Theta(n^1 \log n) = \Theta(n \log n).$$

***Therefore, the complexity of this function is  $\Theta(n \log n)$ .***

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