

## Section 7: Parallel Prefix\_Sum

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## Problem: Scan

### Scan

Suppose we have an array a:

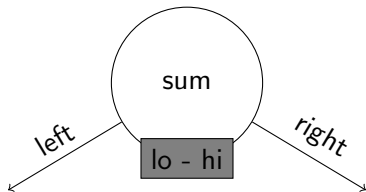
0	1	2	3	4	5
a[0]	a[1]	a[2]	a[3]	a[4]	a[5]

Return an array b where  $b[i] = a[0] + a[1] + \dots + a[i]$

0	1	3	6	10	15
b[0]	b[1]	b[2]	b[3]	b[4]	b[5]

**We solve this in parallel by building a tree!**

## PST: Prefix Sum Tree

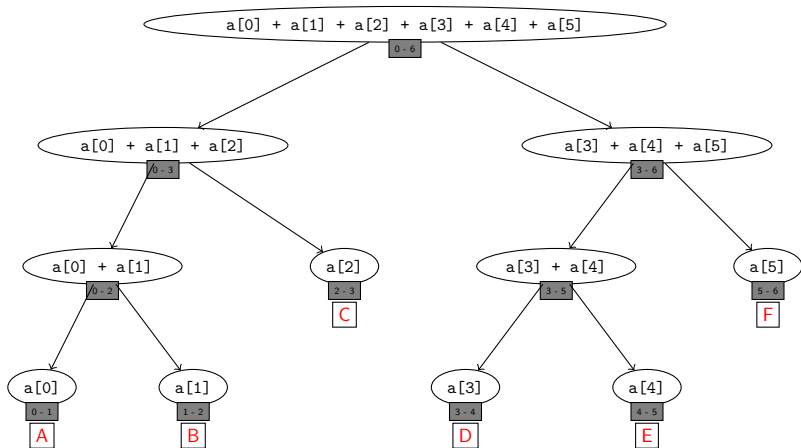


### PSTNode

```
PSTNode {  
    int lo; // include  
    int hi; // exclude  
    // sum(arr[lo], arr[lo + 1], ..., arr[hi - 1])  
    int sum;  
    PSTNode left, right;  
}
```

## Build the tree (parse input)

```
PSTNode buildTree(int[] arr, int lo, int hi) {
    if (hi - lo == 1) {
        // sum is simply arr[lo]
        return new PSTNode(lo, hi, arr[lo])
    } else {
        mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        PSTNode left = buildTree(arr, lo, mid);
        PSTNode right = buildTree(arr, mid, hi);
        return new PSTNode(lo, hi, left.sum + right.sum,
            left, right);
    }
}
```



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- ▶ **C:** I need  $a[0] + a[1]$
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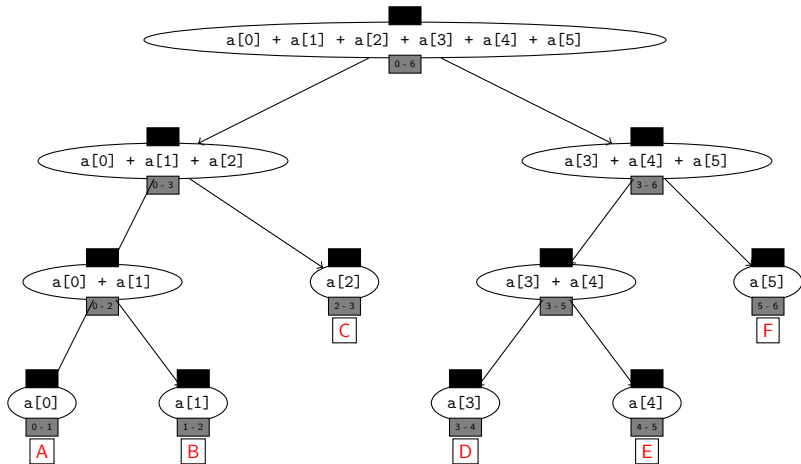
**This is why we need FromLeft**

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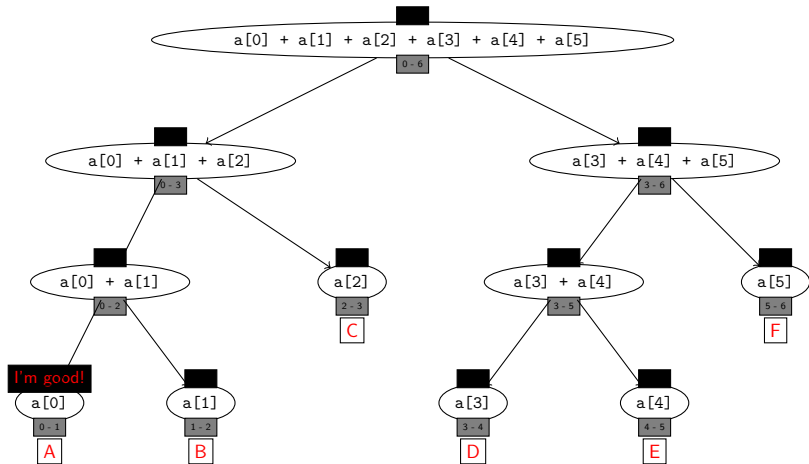
- ▶ For left node, inherit from parent node
- ▶ For right node, inherit parent node + your left neighbor



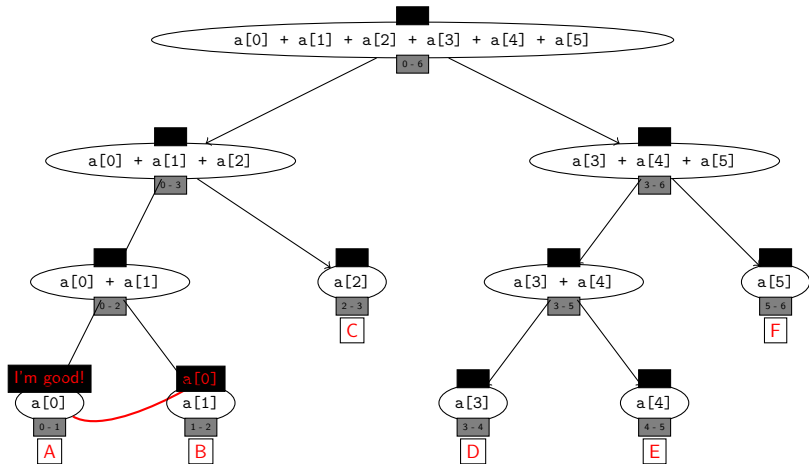
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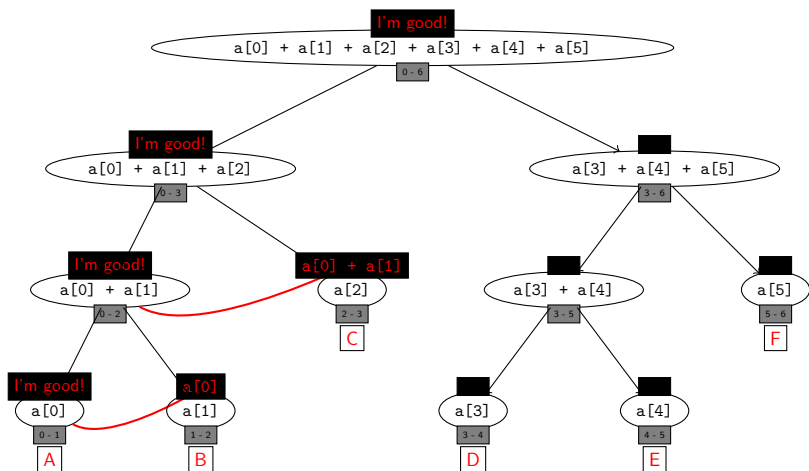
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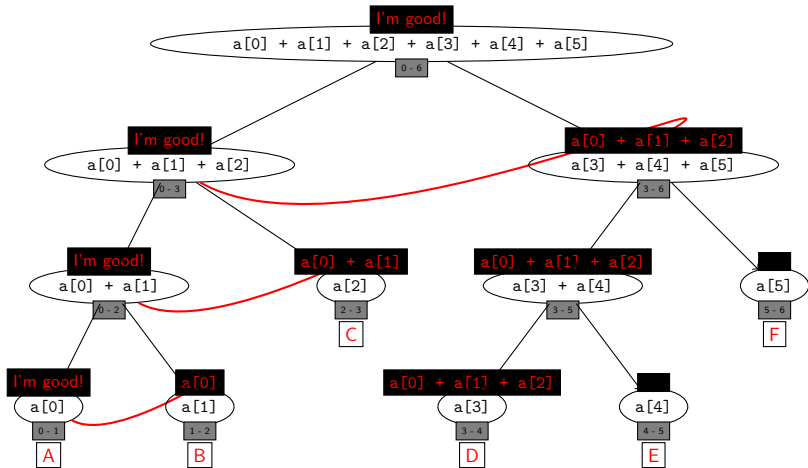
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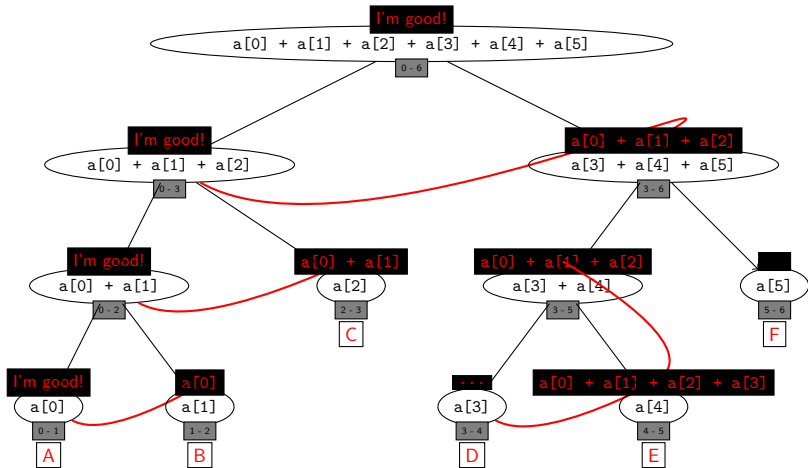
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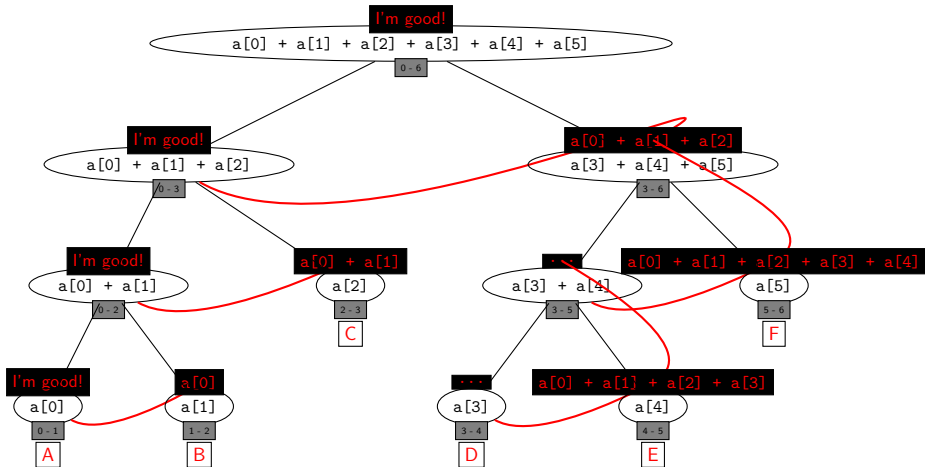
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Now that we are done...

**For every leaf node, `PSTNode.sum` + `FromLeft` is the result!**



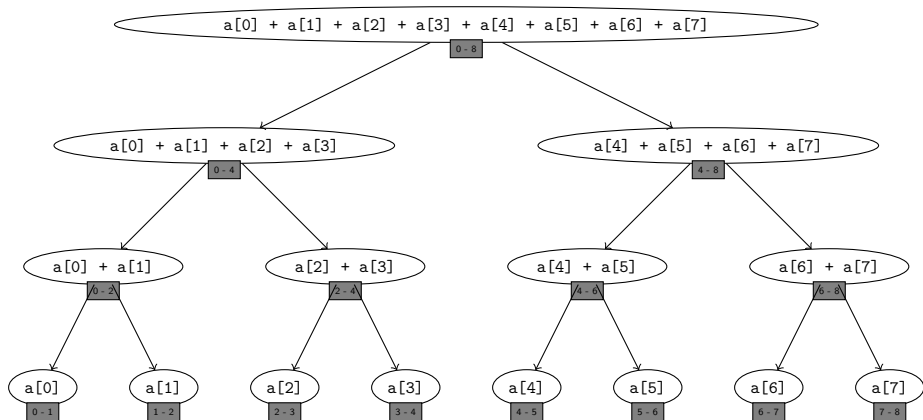
Code here, if you are interested

```
// our output
int[] output;
// prefix sum
void prefix_sum(int[] output, PSTNode curr_node, int
    fromLeft) {
    if (curr_node.left == null && curr_node.right ==
        null) { // leaf
        output[curr_node.lo] = fromLeft + curr_node.sum;
    } else {
        prefix_sum(output, curr_node.left, fromLeft);
        prefix_sum(output, curr_node.right, fromLeft +
            curr_node.left.sum);
    }
}
```

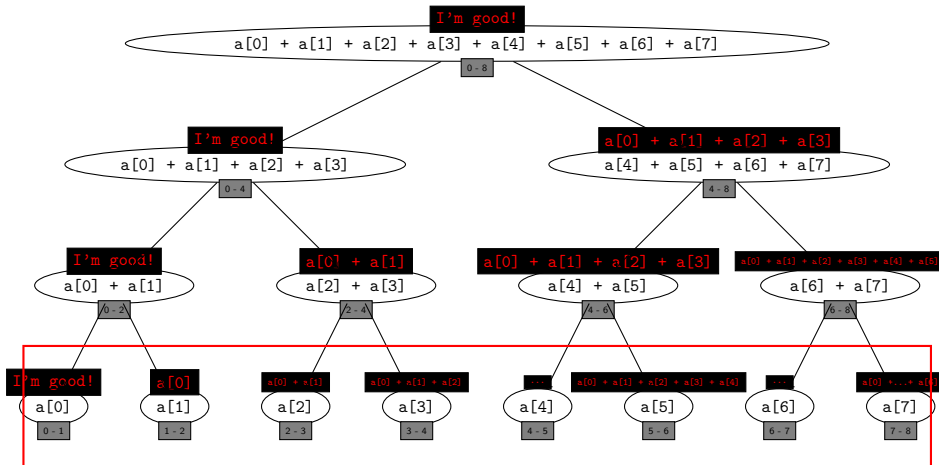
## Handout solution 1: prefix sum

8	9	6	3	2	5	7	4
a[0]	a[1]	a[2]	a[3]	a[4]	a[5]	a[6]	a[7]

## Step1: Build Tree



## Step 2: Build FromLeft



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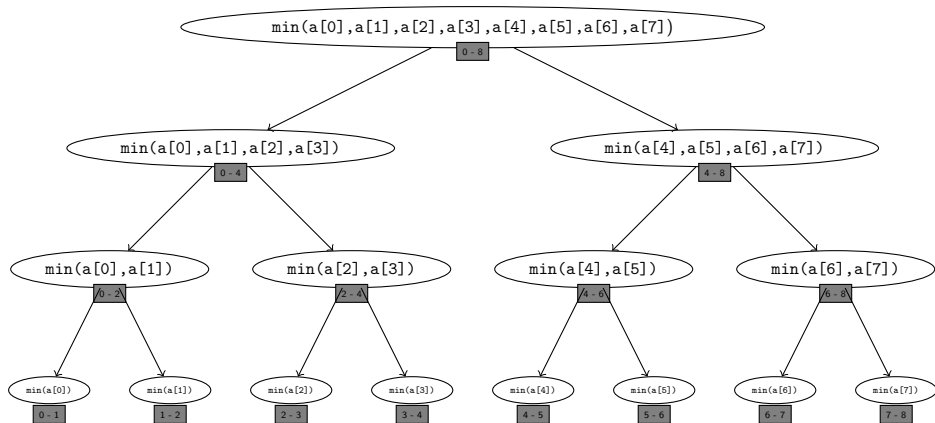
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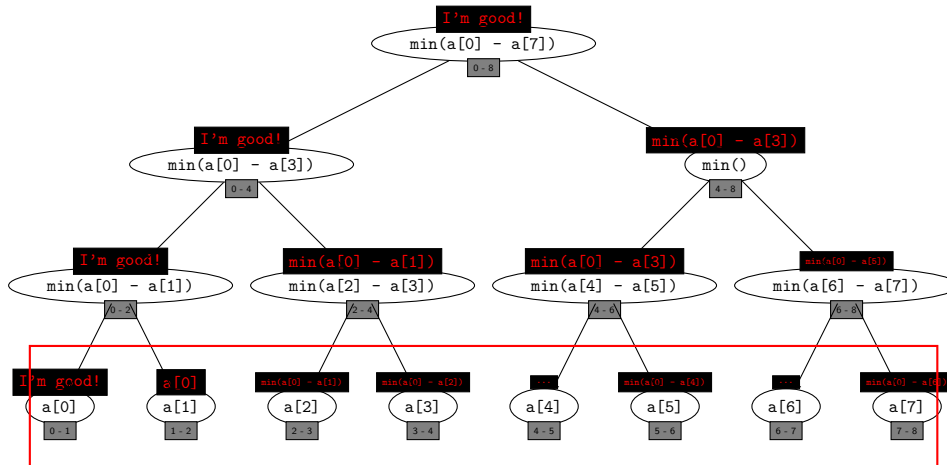
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        // changed here!
        return new PSTNode(lo, hi, min(left.min, right.min),
            left, right);
    }
}
```



# Step 1: Build Tree



## Step 2: Build FromLeft



Output

## Finally, new code for findMin

```
// our output
int[] output;
// findMin
void findMin(int[] output, PSTNode curr_node, int
    fromLeft) {
    if (curr_node.left == null && curr_node.right ==
        null) { // leaf
        output[curr_node.lo] = min(fromLeft, curr_node.min);
    } else {
        findMin(output, curr_node.left, fromLeft);
        findMin(output, curr_node.right,
            min(fromLeft, curr_node.left.min));
    }
}
```