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None of these is fair as we can always continue to reduce the same occurrence of  $I$ .

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- rewrite rules

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 0 + 0 \rightarrow 0 & 1 + 0 \rightarrow 1 & \dots & 9 + 0 \rightarrow 9 \\
 0 + 1 \rightarrow 1 & 1 + 1 \rightarrow 2 & \dots & 9 + 1 \rightarrow 1 : 0 \\
 0 + 2 \rightarrow 2 & 1 + 2 \rightarrow 3 & \dots & 9 + 2 \rightarrow 1 : 1 \\
 0 + 3 \rightarrow 3 & 1 + 3 \rightarrow 4 & \dots & 9 + 3 \rightarrow 1 : 2 \\
 0 + 4 \rightarrow 4 & 1 + 4 \rightarrow 5 & \dots & 9 + 4 \rightarrow 1 : 3 \\
 0 + 5 \rightarrow 5 & 1 + 5 \rightarrow 6 & \dots & 9 + 5 \rightarrow 1 : 4 \\
 0 + 6 \rightarrow 6 & 1 + 6 \rightarrow 7 & \dots & 9 + 6 \rightarrow 1 : 5 \\
 0 + 7 \rightarrow 7 & 1 + 7 \rightarrow 8 & \dots & 9 + 7 \rightarrow 1 : 6 \\
 0 + 8 \rightarrow 8 & 1 + 8 \rightarrow 9 & \dots & 9 + 8 \rightarrow 1 : 7 \\
 0 + 9 \rightarrow 9 & 1 + 9 \rightarrow 1 : 0 & \dots & 9 + 9 \rightarrow 1 : 8 \\
 x + (y : z) \rightarrow y : (x + z) & & & 0 : x \rightarrow x \\
 (x : y) + z \rightarrow x : (y + z) & & & x : (y : z) \rightarrow (x + y) : z
 \end{array}$$

- term

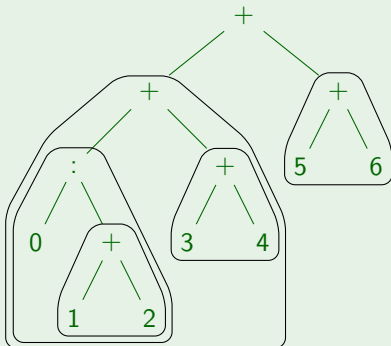
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tree representation

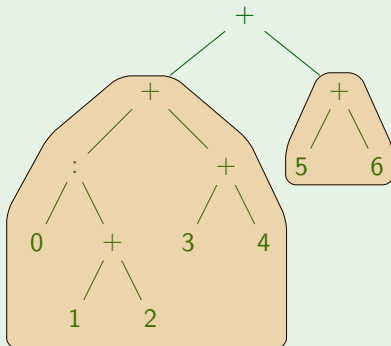


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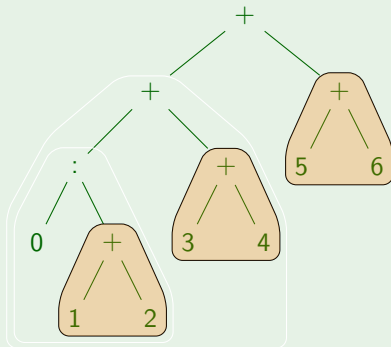


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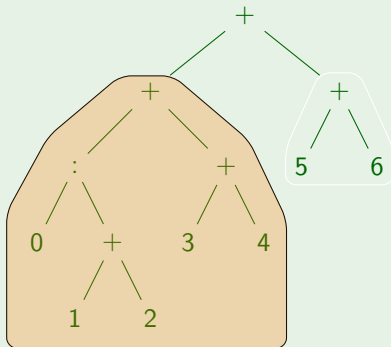
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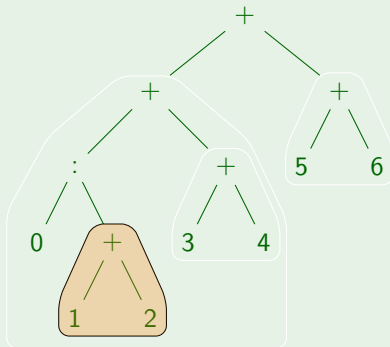
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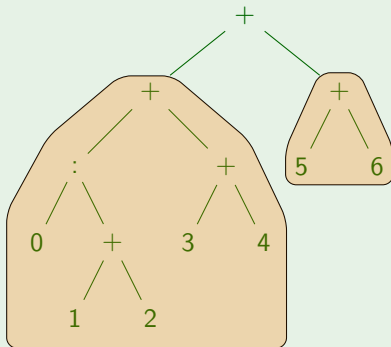
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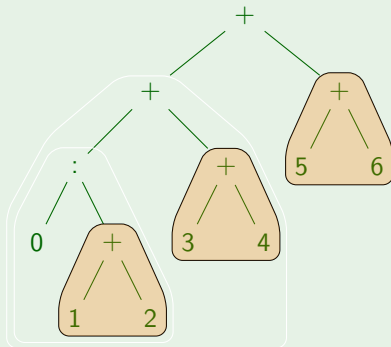
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