

Algorithms & Datastructures

Laboratory Exercise Sheet 6

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Exercise 1) Tree Traversal The tree iterator from the lecture only supports traversal of trees, but did not allow to modify the underlying data-structure. For this exercise you should also implement the `remove()`-method in the iterator with the following conventions (adapted from the Java Iterator-Interface).

- `remove` may only be invoked after a call to `next`.
- If `remove` is called, then the last element that has been returned by `next` is removed from the tree. It is not allowed to call `remove` twice without an intermediate call to `next`.
- If `remove` is called wrongly, an `IllegalStateException` should be thrown.
- After a (legal) call to `remove`, the iterator should proceed normally, i.e., in total, all elements must be traversed and no element should be returned twice.

For example, if there is a tree with elements 4,7,8,10,11 then after calling `next` twice, the iterator may return first the 4 and then the 8 (or other values, depending on the structure of the tree and the traversal-order). A call of `remove` should now delete the 8 from the tree. Two more calls to `next` return the values 11 and 7. Another call to `remove` is possible and removes the 7. Finally, one more call to `next` is possible and it returns the element 10.

1. In the sources to this exercise sheet you already find a slightly simplified binary tree implementation from the lecture where the iterator only supports inorder-traversal. Modify this implementation such that the iterator supports the `remove`-operation. (You might also need to change other methods, please indicate which methods have been changed.)
2. Would your implementation also work correct for preorder-traversal or for postorder-traversal? If not, try to illustrate the problem (think about removal of nodes with two children).

Exercise 2) AVL Trees

1. Insert the values 3,7,9,1,2,8,6,4,5 into an empty AVL-tree (in the given order). Give the tree after each insertion.
2. In the picture on slide 163 the new `ndiff`-values for nodes `n` and `p` are missing. Determine these values by only looking at the other `ndiff`-values, but without computing the heights of the trees.
3. Implement the method `rotateLeft` for AVL-tree nodes. This method should update all references to children, parents, etc., but should ignore the `ndiff`-values.
4. Implement `balGrow` where you can omit the symmetric cases where `n = p.right`. Moreover, you can assume that both `rotateLeft` and `rotateRight` are available.

An incomplete implementation of AVL-trees is given in the sources of this exercise sheet.