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## Class Context

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```
class Context
extends Object
```

A Context encapsulates the environment in which an AST is analyzed. It represents a scope; the scope of a variable is captured by its context. It's the symbol table. Because scopes are lexically nested in Java (and so in j--), the environment can be seen as a stack of contexts, each of which is a mapping from names to their definitions (IDefns). A Context keeps track of it's (most closely) surrounding context, its surrounding class context, and its surrounding compilation unit context, as well as a map of from names to definitions in the level of scope the Context represents. Contexts are created for the compilation unit (a CompilationUnitContext), a class (a ClassContext), each method (a MethodContext), and each block (a LocalContext). If we were to add the for-statement to j--, we would necessarily create a (local) context. From the outside, the structure looks like a tree strung over the AST. But from any location on the AST, that is from any point along a particular branch, it looks like a stack of context objects leading back to the root of the AST, that is, back to the JCompilationUnit object at the root. Part of this structure is built during pre-analysis; pre-analysis reaches only into the type (eg class) declaration for typing the members; pre-analysis does not reach into the method bodies. The rest of it is built during analysis.

- **Field Summary**

Fields

**Modifier and Type**

**Field and Description**

protected <code>ClassContext</code>	<b><code>classContext</code></b> The surrounding class context.
protected <code>CompilationUnitContext</code>	<b><code>compilationUnitContext</code></b> The compilation unit context (for the whole source program or file).
protected <code>Map&lt;String, IDefn&gt;</code>	<b><code>entries</code></b> Map of (local variable, formal parameters, type) names to their definitions.
protected <code>Context</code>	<b><code>surroundingContext</code></b> The surrounding context (scope).

- **Constructor Summary**

Modifier	Constructors	Constructor and Description
protected	<b><code>Context</code></b>	<code>Context</code> ( <code>Context</code> surrounding, <code>ClassContext</code> <code>classContext</code> , <code>CompilationUnitContext</code> <code>compilationUnitContext</code> ) Construct a Context.

- **Method Summary**

Modifier and Type	Methods	Method and Description
void	<b><code>addEntry</code></b> ( <code>int</code> line, <code>String</code> name, <code>IDefn</code> definition)	Add an entry to the symbol table, binding a name to its definition in the current context.
void	<b><code>addType</code></b> ( <code>int</code> line, <code>Type</code> type)	Add the type to the environment.
<code>ClassContext</code>	<b><code>classContext</code></b> ()	Return the surrounding class context.
<code>CompilationUnitContext</code>	<b><code>compilationUnitContext</code></b> ()	Return the surrounding compilation unit context.
<code>Type</code>	<b><code>definingType</code></b> ()	The type that defines this context (used principally for checking acessibility).
<code>IDefn</code>	<b><code>lookup</code></b> ( <code>String</code> name)	Return the definition for a name in the environment.
<code>Type</code>	<b><code>lookupType</code></b> ( <code>String</code> name)	Return the definition for a type name in the environment.
<code>MethodContext</code>	<b><code>methodContext</code></b> ()	Return the closest surrounding method context.
<code>Set&lt;String&gt;</code>	<b><code>names</code></b> ()	The names declared in this context.

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Context

**surroundingContext()**

Return the surrounding context (scope) in the stack of contexts.

void

**writeToStdOut(PrettyPrinter p)**

Write the contents of this context to STDOUT.

- **Methods inherited from class java.lang.Object**

clone, equals, finalize, getClass, hashCode, notify, notifyAll, toString, wait, wait, wait

- **Field Detail**

- **surroundingContext**

protected Context surroundingContext

The surrounding context (scope).

- **classContext**

protected ClassContext classContext

The surrounding class context.

- **compilationUnitContext**

protected CompilationUnitContext compilationUnitContext

The compilation unit context (for the whole source program or file).

- **entries**

protected Map<String, IDefn> entries

Map of (local variable, formal parameters, type) names to their definitions.

- **Constructor Detail**

- **Context**

protected Context(Context surrounding,  
ClassContext classContext,  
CompilationUnitContext compilationUnitContext)

Construct a Context.

**Parameters:**

surrounding - the surrounding context (scope).

classContext - the surrounding class context.

compilationUnitContext - the compilation unit context (for the whole source program or file).

- **Method Detail**

- **addEntry**

public void addEntry(int line,  
String name,  
IDefn definition)

Add an entry to the symbol table, binding a name to its definition in the

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current context.

**Parameters:**

name - the name being declared.  
definition - and its definition.

- **lookup**

```
public IDefn lookup(String name)
```

Return the definition for a name in the environment. If it's not found in this context, we look for it in the surrounding context(s).

**Parameters:**

name - the name whose definition we're looking for.

**Returns:**

the definition (or null, if not found).

- **lookupType**

```
public Type lookupType(String name)
```

Return the definition for a type name in the environment. For now, we look for types only in the CompilationUnitContext.

**Parameters:**

name - the name of the type whose definition we're looking for.

**Returns:**

the definition (or null, if not found).

- **addType**

```
public void addType(int line,  
                    Type type)
```

Add the type to the environment.

**Parameters:**

line - line number of type declaration  
type - the type we are declaring.

- **definingType**

```
public Type definingType()
```

The type that defines this context (used principally for checking accessibility).

**Returns:**

the type that defines this context.

- **surroundingContext**

```
public Context surroundingContext()
```

Return the surrounding context (scope) in the stack of contexts.

**Returns:**

the surrounding context.

- **classContext**

```
public ClassContext classContext()
```

Return the surrounding class context.

**Returns:**

the surrounding class context.

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- **compilationUnitContext**

```
public CompilationUnitContext compilationUnitContext()
```

Return the surrounding compilation unit context. This is where imported types and other types defined in the compilation unit are declared.

**Returns:**

the compilation unit context.

- **methodContext**

```
public MethodContext methodContext()
```

Return the closest surrounding method context. Return null if we're not within a method.

**Returns:**

the method context.

- **names**

```
public Set<String> names()
```

The names declared in this context.

**Returns:**

the set of declared names.

- **writeToStdOut**

```
public void writeToStdOut(PrettyPrinter p)
```

Write the contents of this context to STDOUT.

**Parameters:**

p- for pretty printing with indentation.

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